

## Ofsted management information: Inspections of local authority services for children in need of help and protection, children looked after and care leavers

In November 2013 a [new framework of inspections](#) was introduced. This inspection brings together into one inspection: child protection; services for looked after children and care leavers; and local authority fostering and adoption services. At the same time, we also undertake a review of the effectiveness of the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB).

In the new inspections, a judgement is given for overall effectiveness of services and arrangements for children who need help and protection, children looked after and care leavers. This is a cumulative judgement derived from:

- The experiences and progress of children who need help and protection;
- The experiences and progress of children looked after and achieving permanence including graded judgements on i) adoption performance and ii) the experiences and progress of care leavers;
- Leadership, management and governance.

The review of the effectiveness of the Local Safeguarding Children Board also includes an overall judgement.

The table, below, provides details of all completed inspections and reviews for which the inspection report has subsequently been published.

**Outcomes for local authority inspections of services for children in need of help and protection, children looked after and care leavers taking place up to 28 February 2014<sup>1</sup>**

Local Authority	Outcomes for local authority inspections of services for children in need of help and protection, children looked after and care leavers						Review of effectiveness of Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB)
	Overall Effectiveness	Children who need help and protection	Children looked after and achieving permanence	Adoption Performance	Experience and progress of care leavers	Leadership, management and governance	
Bolton	3	3	2	2	2	3	3
Coventry	4	4	3	3	3	4	4
Derbyshire	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
East Sussex	2	2	2	1	3	2	2
Essex	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
Hampshire	2	2	2	1	2	1	2
Hartlepool	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
Hillingdon	3	3	3	2	3	3	3
Hounslow	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Sheffield	3	2	3	3	2	2	2
Slough	4	4	4	3	4	4	4
Staffordshire	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

Notes:

<sup>1</sup> Includes only those inspections where reports had been published by 24 April 2014.

Outcomes for inspections are: 1 - Outstanding, 2 - Good, 3 - Requires improvement, 4 - Inadequate.

As at 22 April 2014, twelve inspection reports had been published. A statistical release will be available in October 2014 once a larger number of inspections have been published.