

Derby City Council – Response
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I'm writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information.

Please release the following information relating to looked after children in the care of your authority for the periods:

- 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022
- 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023
- 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024
- 1 January 2025 to May 31 2025 (or to May 27 2025 if you have to count it to the date I sent this FOI request).

Information Requested	Response
1. Please tell me the total number of looked after children in the care of your authority during each of these time periods.	Information dated up until 29/05/2025 from system storage reports 2022 = 855 2023 = 833 2024 = 788 2025 = 610
1a. Please tell me the total number of looked after children in the care of your authority who have gone missing or absent during each of these time periods.	2022 = 86 individuals 2023 = 74 individuals 2024 = 55 individuals 2025 = 24 Individuals
1b. Please tell how many of them in total are still missing?	2022 = 1 individual
2. Please tell me the total number of looked after children in the care of your authority that have identified as an unaccompanied asylum-seeking child (UASC) or a	2022 = 65 individuals 2023 = 72 Individuals 2024 = 86 Individuals

separated child in each of the above specified time periods (1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022; 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023; 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024; 1 January 2025 to May 31 2025/ or to May 27 2025 if you have to count it from the date I sent this FOI request).	2025 = 66 Individuals
<p>3. Please tell me the total number of looked after children in the care of your authority identified as an UASC or separated child and that have gone missing or absent in each of the above listed years.</p> <p>3a. If possible, please tell me the age and nationality of each of these children.</p>	<p><u>2022</u></p> <p>7 Individuals</p> <p><u>Nationality</u></p> <p>European – 3 Individuals Non-European – 4 individuals</p> <p><u>Age</u></p> <p>11-15 years old – 1 individual 16-17 years old – 6 individuals'</p> <p><u>2023</u></p> <p>2 individuals</p> <p><u>Nationality</u></p> <p>Non-European – 2 Individuals</p> <p><u>Age</u></p> <p>11-15 years old – 1 individual 16-17 years old – 1 individual</p> <p><u>2024</u></p> <p>4 individuals</p> <p><u>Nationality</u></p> <p>Non-European – 4 Individuals</p> <p><u>Age</u></p> <p>16-17 years old – 4 individuals'</p>

	<p><u>2025</u></p> <p>1 Individual</p> <p><u>Nationality</u></p> <p>Non-European – 1 Individual</p> <p><u>Age</u></p> <p>16-17 years old – 1 individual</p>
4. Please tell me the total number of individual incidents (which could involve the same kid on more than one occasion) of looked after children in the care of your authority identified as an UASC or separated child and that have gone missing or absent in each of the above listed years.	<p>2022 - 8 Episodes</p> <p>2023 – 3 Episodes</p> <p>2024 – 4 Episodes</p> <p>2025 – 1 Episode</p>
<p>5. Please tell me the total number of looked after children in the care of your authority that are still missing or absent (including those who subsequently turned 18 without being found) that were identified or suspected as an UASC or separated child.</p> <p>5a. If possible, please tell me the age and nationality of each of these children.</p>	<p>In total two young people remain missing that have been identified as UASC's.</p> <p>One of these is of European ethnicity and one is of none-European ethnicity both are post 18's individuals at the point of this FOI being completed.</p>

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