

Special School Top Up Benchmarking

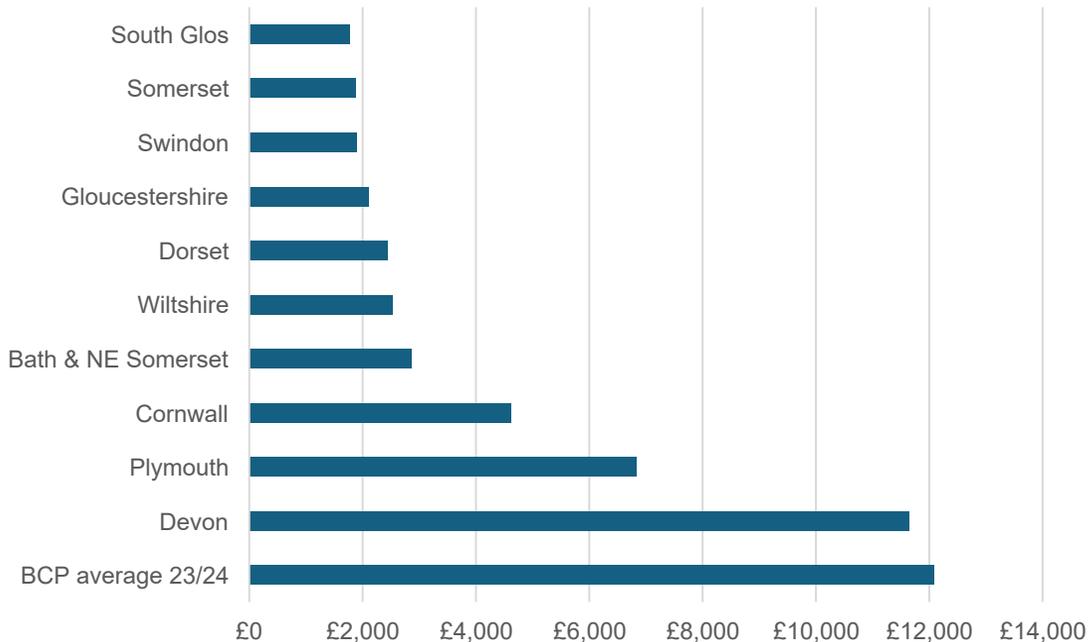


- Based on 2023/24 Banding rates across 11 Council Areas
- With thanks to Bath and North-East Somerset Council for compiling data
- (Note:
 - The average is the arithmetic mean of a set of numbers.
 - The median is a numeric value that separates the higher half of a set from the lower half.)

2023/24 benchmarking

Standard Bandings Minimum Top Up

Special School Standard Bandings Minimum Top Up Amount (23/24 benchmarking data)



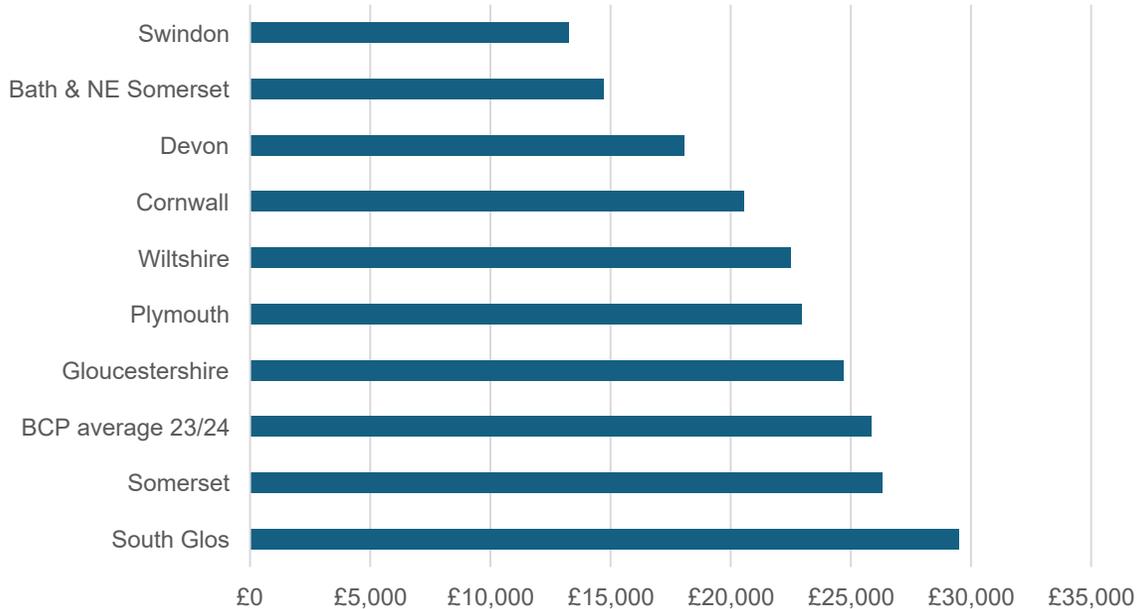
LA	Amount
BCP average 23/24	£12,084
Devon	£11,646
Plymouth	£6,825
Cornwall	£4,616
Bath & NE Somerset	£2,859
Wiltshire	£2,538
Dorset	£2,441
Gloucestershire	£2,116
Swindon	£1,890
Somerset	£1,876
South Gos	£1,780

- Out of 11 LAs, BCP pay the highest banding rate for children requiring the least amount of support
- Values range from £1,780 to £12,084
- Average Value is £4,606, Median is £2,538
- BCP pays above both at £12,084

2023/24 benchmarking

Standard Bandings Maximum Top Up

Special School Standard Bandings Maximum Top Up Amount (23/24 benchmarking data)



LA	Amount
South Gos	£29,490
Somerset	£26,302
BCP average 23/24	£25,853
Gloucestershire	£24,693
Plymouth	£22,965
Wiltshire	£22,502
Cornwall	£20,555
Devon	£18,084
Bath & NE Somerset	£14,740
Swindon	£13,265

- Out of 10 LAs, BCP pays the 3rd highest banding rate for children requiring the most amount of support
- Values range from £13,265 to £29,490
- Average value is £21,845, Median is £22,734
- BCP pays above both at £25,853

Dorset Model for September 2025

- From September 2025, the funding envelope will be increased to allow for infrastructure to be increased by 3% and top ups by 6% giving a total formula funding increase of 3.2% on average (range 2.6% - 5.4% depending on locator mix; bearing in mind that place funding is not increased at all).
- This increase meets the DfE requirement of 0% Minimum Funding Guarantee (on like for like pupils.)
- The DfE have stated that the place value will remain at £10,000 per commissioned place which is in addition to the figures in the tables following

Dorset Model for September 2025



From September 25		Infrastructure				
Places		Hydrotherapy			Locator	per place
		General	Split Site	rapy	>=7+,>25%	
Beaucroft	230	386,439	164,907			2,397.16
The Harbour	140	386,439				2,760.28
Mountjoy	110	386,439		17,510		3,672.26
Westfield	230	386,439	119,480			2,199.65
Wyvern	90	386,439		17,510	154,500	6,204.99
Yewstock	165	386,439	132,977	17,510		3,254.10

From September 25		Infrastructure	Locator 2	Locator 3	Locator 4	Locator 5	Locator 6	Locator 7	Locator 7+	Locator 7++
	Places	per place	793.68	2,915.29	5,567.04	8,492.99	12,190.58	19,328.99	30,150.76	46,390.60
Beaucroft	230	2,397.16	3,190.84	5,312.45	7,964.20	10,890.15	14,587.74	21,726.14	32,547.92	48,787.76
The Harbour	140	2,760.28	3,553.96	5,675.57	8,327.32	11,253.27	14,950.86	22,089.27	32,911.04	49,150.88
Mountjoy	110	3,672.26	4,465.94	6,587.55	9,239.30	12,165.26	15,862.85	23,001.25	33,823.03	50,062.87
Westfield	230	2,199.65	2,993.33	5,114.94	7,766.69	10,692.64	14,390.23	21,528.64	32,350.41	48,590.25
Wyvern	90	6,204.99	6,998.67	9,120.28	11,772.03	14,697.98	18,395.57	25,533.98	36,355.75	52,595.59
Yewstock	165	3,254.10	4,047.78	6,169.39	8,821.14	11,747.09	15,444.68	22,583.08	33,404.86	49,644.70