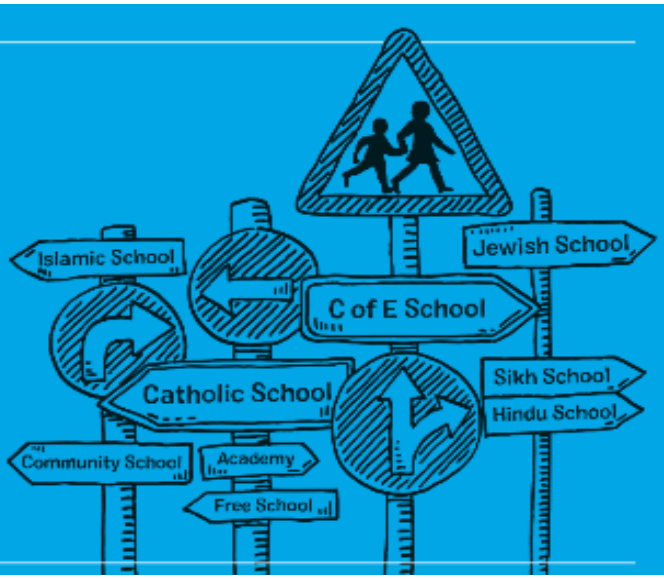
2021 Local authority scorecard

How faith schools restrict choice in England



The local authority scorecard provides information on how faith schools restrict families' choice and access to a secular education across England.

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1. School options

This measure looks at the proportion of postcodes in a local authority where the option of a local non-faith school is restricted to various extents. This measure looks at the three nearest schools.

School choice restriction	None	Low	Medium	High	Extreme
Percentage of local school that are faith based	0%	33%	50%	67%	100%

1a. Primary

	None	Low	Medium	High	Extreme
ENGLAND (national figures)	**28.8**	**40.9**	**0.0**	**23.6**	**6.7**
Coventry	**21.6**	**62.8**	**0.0**	**15.5**	**0.0**

By this measure, the local authority is the 89th worst performing in England.

1b. Secondary

	None	Low	Medium	High	Extreme
ENGLAND (national figures)	**52.9**	**36.8**	**0.0**	**9.1**	**1.2**
Coventry	**31.8**	**66.6**	**0.0**	**1.7**	**0.0**

By this measure, the local authority is the 63rd worst performing in England.

2. School options

This measure is the same as above. But it does not count all three nearest schools if the second or third requires more than a mile of additional travel from the closest.

2a. Primary

	None	Low	Medium	High	Extreme
ENGLAND (national figures)	33.1	34.8	3.4	17.9	11.0
Coventry	21.7	62.8	0.0	15.5	0.0
By this measure, the local authority is the		88th	worst performing in England.		

2b. Secondary

	None	Low	Medium	High	Extreme
ENGLAND (national figures)	61.6	22.1	6.0	6.8	3.4
Coventry	37.1	56.9	4.3	1.7	0.0
By this measure, the local authority is the		62nd	worst performing in England.		

3. Proportion of faith schools

	Primary	Secondary	Total
ENGLAND (national figures)	36.6	19.0	33.8
Coventry	31.4	28.6	30.2
By this measure, the local authority is the	80th	worst performing in England.	

4. Assigned faith schools against preference

This measure looks at the number of pupils assigned a faith school having expressed a first preference for a non-faith school.

4a. All

	Lower preference	Non-preference	Total
ENGLAND (national figures)	16,519	4,273	20,792
Coventry	142	89	231
By this measure, the local authority is the	30th	worst performing in England.	

4b. Primary

	Lower preference	Non-preference	Total
ENGLAND (national figures)	6,000	1,475	7,475
Coventry	14	1	15

By this measure, the local authority is the 132nd worst performing in England.

4c. Secondary

	Lower preference	Non-preference	Total
ENGLAND (national figures)	10,519	2,798	13,317
Coventry	128	88	216

By this measure, the local authority is the 21st worst performing in England.

5. Notes

A. Measures 1, 2 and 3 based on analysis of data from the Get information about schools service open as of download in June 2021.

B. Measures 1 and 2 looked at 486,177 postcodes across all local authorities in England.

C. Measure 4 based on analysis of freedom of information request for September 2021 entry.

D. Ranking in measure 4 is based on % of total applicants with preferences expressed.

E. For pupils assigned faith schools against their wishes, FoI response used local authority #331 - Coventry

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G. Password for protected sheets is "2021" making changes may stop the scorecard working.