

## Pupil Statistics in SCIS Schools

<b>SCIS schools</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>
Total number of pupils	31,238	31,256	31,416	32,065
Total number of day pupils	27,769	27,944	27,982	28,469
Total number of boarding pupils	3,469	3,312	3,434	3,596

### **Pupils in SCIS schools, by region, as a % of the total pupil population**

SCIS schools are located within 21 of the 32 Council areas. There is considerable variation in the distribution of pupils educated at independent schools in each region.

<b>Council Area</b>	<b>No. of SCIS schools</b>	<b>Pupils in SCIS schools and % of total pupil population</b>		<b>Pupils in SCIS secondary schools and % of total pupil population</b>	
Aberdeen City	8	3468	13.3%	1793	15.3%
Angus	1	199	1.2%	25	0.3%
Argyll & Bute	1	595	4.7	375	6.1%
Clackmannanshire	1	1239	15.0%	856	22.1%
Dundee City	2	1074	5.6%	714	8.4%
East Ayrshire	1	71	0.4%	35	0.4%
East Lothian	4	761	5.3%	340	5.4%
East Renfrewshire	1	364	2.1%	227	2.8%
Edinburgh, City of	22	10883	19.5%	6236	24.2%
Fife	6	581	1.1%	383	1.7%
Glasgow, City of	7	6513	8.8%	3877	12.3%
Inverclyde	2	813	6.8%	373	6.7%
Moray	1	600	4.4%	486	7.5%
North Lanarkshire	1	30	0.06%	N/a	N/a
Perth & Kinross	9	2296	11.3%	1472	15.7%
Renfrewshire	1	105	0.4%	102	0.9%
Scottish Borders	1	194	1.2%	N/a	N/a
South Ayrshire	1	594	3.8%	295	4.0%
South Lanarkshire	2	987	2.1%	552	2.7%
Stirling	2	669	5.0%	445	6.9%
West Lothian	1	29	0.1%	29	0.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>32,065</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>18,615</b>	<b>8.5%</b>

<b>Total pupil population in Scotland (Sept 2007)</b>	<b>724,280</b>
<b>Total number of pupils in SCIS schools (Sept 2007)</b>	<b>32,065</b>
<b>Pupils in SCIS schools as a percentage of the total pupil population</b>	<b>4.4%</b>

## Facts and Statistics about independent schools in Scotland

### Pupil Numbers

In session 2007-2008 there are 75 independent schools in Scotland in membership of the Scottish Council of Independent Schools (SCIS), representing 97% of the pupils in independent schools. SCIS schools educate 18,615 secondary and 13,450 primary pupils (including 1,755 nursery children), making a total of 32,065 pupils. There are seven councils in Scotland with more than 32,065 pupils, which means that, in terms of pupil numbers, the independent sector is equivalent to the 8<sup>th</sup> largest education authority on Scotland.

2007-2008 is the first year that the total pupil population in publicly funded schools in Scotland fell below 700,000. In contrast, pupil numbers in independent schools show a slow but steady rise to 4.4% of the total pupil population.

### Choice and diversity

SCIS promotes choice, diversity and excellence in Scottish education. The independent schools sector educates children of mixed abilities from diverse backgrounds and includes preparatory and junior; senior and all-through schools; co-educational, boys only and girls only schools; boarding and day schools; and a number of special schools for children with additional support needs.

### Boarding

In 2007-2008 there are 3,596 boarding pupils in SCIS schools in Scotland, representing an increase on the previous two years. (In 2005 there were 3,312 and in 2006 there were 3,434 pupils.)

### Schools as employers

Independent schools employ around 3,600 teachers and around 2,500 support staff in finance and administration, care and welfare, catering, maintenance and other areas.

### Fees and financial assistance

Many schools help parents to meet the cost of tuition fees by offering financial assistance through bursaries, awarded mainly on the basis of financial need. The conditions of awards vary from school to school.

### Indicative average fee levels for SCIS schools 2007 – 2008

It should be noted that the fees shown below are average fees and as such cover a wide range of fees in independent schools throughout Scotland. Average increases for the session 2007-2008 were between 4.5% and 6.5%, similar to the average increase the previous year.

<b>Day Schools</b>	<b>termly fee (x 3)</b>	<b>annual fee</b>
Nursery fees	£1607	£4821
Primary fees	£1954	£5862
Secondary fees	£2775	£8325
<b>Boarding Schools</b>	<b>termly fee (x 3)</b>	<b>annual fee</b>
Junior/Prep schools:		
Day fee	£2767	£8301
Boarding fee	£5231	£15693
Senior schools:		
Day fee	£5079	£15237
Boarding fee	£7730	£23190

Fees vary considerably between different types of school – day and boarding; junior and senior; urban and rural. Fee details for each member school are given on the new SCIS website at [www.scis.org.uk](http://www.scis.org.uk)