



Subject Heading:

Government Review of the Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index (IDACI)

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SUMMARY

This report is to advise of a Government review of indices of deprivation including IDACI (Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index) which is a deprivation factor used to allocate funding to schools in the schools funding formula.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Schools Funding Forum notes the changes in the IDACI data.

REPORT DETAIL

On 30th September the Department for Communities and Local Government issued the English Indices of Deprivation 2015 which updated the previous version issued in 2010.

The Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) is based on 7 domains as follows:

Income, Employment, Education Skills & Training, Health Deprivation & Disability, Crime, Barriers to Housing & Services and Living Environment.

IDACI data is a sub set of the income index and is used in the allocation of funding to schools as part of the schools funding formula.

The IMD and therefore all data sub sets are measures of deprivation experienced by people living in neighbourhoods in England or Lower Layer Super Output areas (LSOA). There are 32,844 neighbourhoods and each area is ranked according to its level of deprivation relative to that of other areas. The neighbourhoods are grouped together within local authorities to provide a single score for each authority.

The change in IDACI data between 2010 and 2015 is significant and as with the overall IMD a single score is produced for each local authority and rankings produced.

The IDACI bandings used in LAs' schools funding formulae are as follows:

Band 1	(0.2-0.25)
Band 2	(0.25-0.3)
Band 3	(0.3-0.4)
Band 4	(0.4-0.5)
Band 5	(0.5-0.6)
Band 6	(0.6-1.0)

A pupil within Band 6 for example means that there is at least a 60% chance of them coming from a family that is income deprived.

For all London LAs there has been a significant shift from the higher to the lower bandings and with exception of Havering, all London LAs have seen an overall reduction in the numbers within Bands 1 to 6 and an increase in the numbers in Band 0 (below 20%).

Appendix A shows the comparison between the data used for 2015-16 funding and the data for 2016-17.

Appendix B shows the change for each London LA which is shown graphically at Appendix C.

This change in data has an impact on the funding schools receive through deprivation factors and an adjustment will be required in the values applied to the bandings to compensate.