

BBC RADIO 4: THE REPORT – TACKLING POORLY PERFORMING PRIMARIES

The Government is forcing 200 failing primary schools in England to convert to academies by September 2012. Academies are independent of local authorities and in control of their own budgets.

The schools are considered to be failing because fewer than 60% of pupils have achieved a minimum standard in English and maths for 5 years up to 2010. However, some of the schools targeted dispute the criteria used saying they are not the lowest performing in their area.

The government has refused to disclose the list of schools targeted and so BBC Radio 4's [The Report](#) asked all local authorities in England how many primary schools in their area had been approached by the Department of Education.

Where local authorities could not or would not supply the information, or where there is a discrepancy, figures from the teaching unions the National Association of Head Teachers and the Association of Teachers and Lecturers are shown.

This research was conducted during February as part of an investigation by The Report into England's failing primary schools, broadcast on Thursday, 16 February 2012.

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Key:	NAHT	National Association of Head Teachers
	ATL	Association of Teachers and Lecturers
	D	Declined to comment
	A	Awaiting response

Local Authority	LA response	NAHT	ATL
Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council	1		
Bath and North East Somerset Council	0		
Birmingham City Council	12		
Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council	A		
Blackpool Council	0		
Bolton Council	1		
Borough of Poole Council	0		
Bournemouth Borough Council	0		
Bracknell Forest Council	0		
Bradford Metropolitan District Council	D		1
Brent Council	0		
Brighton and Hove City Council	1		
Bristol City Council	13		
Buckinghamshire County Council	D		3

Bury Metropolitan Borough Council	0		
Calderdale Council	1		
Cambridgeshire County Council	0		
Central Bedfordshire Council	0		
Cheshire East Council	D		1
Cheshire West and Chester Council	4		
City of London	0		
Cornwall Council	2		
Coventry City Council	0		
Cumbria County Council	0		
Darlington Borough Council	0		
Derby City Council	4	+2	
Derbyshire County Council	0		
Devon County Council	0		
Doncaster Council	3		
Dorset County Council	D		
Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council	0		
Durham County Council	0		
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	1		
East Sussex County Council	3		
Essex County Council	D	6	
Gateshead Council	0		
Gloucestershire County Council	4		
Halton Borough Council	0		
Hampshire County Council	1		
Harrow Council	0		
Hartlepool Borough Council	0		
Herefordshire County Council	0		
Hertfordshire County Council	D		2
Hull City Council	3		
Isle of Wight Council	0		
Kent County Council	7		+2
Kirklees Council	4		
Knowsley Council	0		
Lancashire County Council	8		
Leeds City Council	3		
Leicester City Council	0		
Leicestershire County Council	2		
Lincolnshire County Council	6		
Liverpool City Council	0		
London Borough of Barking and Dagenham	0		
London Borough of Barnet	0		
London Borough of Bexley	0		
London Borough of Bromley	0		

London Borough of Camden	0		
London Borough of Croydon	0		
London Borough of Ealing	1		
London Borough of Enfield	0		
London Borough of Greenwich	0		
London Borough of Hackney	0		
London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham	1		
London Borough of Haringey	4		
London Borough of Havering	0		
London Borough of Hillingdon	0		
London Borough of Hounslow	0		
London Borough of Islington	0		
London Borough of Lambeth	0		
London Borough of Lewisham	0		
London Borough of Merton	0		
London Borough of Newham	D		
London Borough of Redbridge	0		
London Borough of Richmond-upon-Thames	0		
London Borough of Southwark	0		
London Borough of Sutton	0		
London Borough of Tower Hamlets	0		
London Borough of Wandsworth	0		
Luton Borough Council	1		
Manchester City Council	2		
Medway Council	5		
Middlesbrough Council	A		
Milton Keynes Council	3		
Newcastle City Council	1		
Norfolk County Council	D		2
North East Lincolnshire Council	0		
North Lincolnshire Council	A		
North Somerset Council	0		
North Tyneside Council	0		
North Yorkshire County Council	0		
Northampton Borough Council	D		
Northumberland County Council	0		
Nottingham City Council	5		
Nottinghamshire County Council	D		5
Oldham Council	D		
Oxfordshire County Council	3		
Peterborough City Council	0		
Plymouth City Council	0		
Portsmouth City Council	D		
Reading Borough Council	1		

Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council	1		
Rochdale Metropolitan Borough Council	0		
Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council	0		
Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea	0		
Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames	0		
Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead	0		
Rutland County Council	0		
Salford City Council	0		
Sandwell Council	0		
Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council	D		
Sheffield City Council	D		
Shropshire Council	1		
Slough Borough Council	0		
Solihull Council	1		
Somerset County Council	4		
South Gloucestershire Council	0		
South Tyneside Council	0		
Southampton City Council	A		
Southend-on-Sea Borough Council	0		
St Helens Council	0		
Staffordshire County Council	2		
Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council	0		
Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	0		
Stoke on Trent City Council	D	6	
Suffolk County Council	0		
Sunderland City Council	0		
Surrey County Council	D		
Swindon Borough Council	0		
Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council	1		
Telford and Wrekin Council	A		
Thurrock Council	0		
Torbay Council	D		
Trafford Council	0		
Wakefield Council	0		
Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council	0		
Waltham Forest Council	0		
Warrington Borough Council	0		
Warwickshire County Council	2		
West Berkshire Council	A		
West Sussex County Council	D		7
Westminster City Council	1		
Wigan Council	0		
Wiltshire Council	D		7
Wirral Borough Council	0		

Wokingham Borough Council	D		
Wolverhampton City Council	3		
Worcestershire County Council	2		
York City Council	0		
SUB TOTALS	127	14	30
TOTAL	173		

Data correct as of Wednesday 15 February 2012.