

Childcare Constituency profile

MP Justin Tomlinson

Conservative

Swindon

Background



7800

children aged 0-4



13500

children aged 5-14



15%

of children lived in poverty

Childcare costs

**0% - 5%
higher**

than regional average
childcare costs



Average prices in

South West

£116.24

weekly charge for a
part-time nursery place
for a child under two

£4.19

hourly charge for
childminders

£51.49

weekly charge for
after-school clubs

£128.03

weekly charge for
holiday clubs

Gaps in provision

The biggest gaps in provision are after-school and holiday childcare, and childcare for disabled children.

Free early education

54%

take up rate for
two year olds

58%

national take up
rate for two
year olds



97%

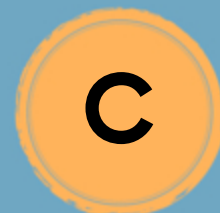
take up rate for
three and four
year olds

96%

national take up
rate for three
and four year

Overall grade and comment

Generally there is a good supply of under-fives childcare in Swindon, although population growth and new housing developments will increase demand over the next five years. The local authority also needs to make sure that more deprived two year olds access free early education.



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Gaps in provision

There are big gaps in provision in parts of Wiltshire: after-school and holiday childcare, daycare places for the under twos, free early education places for two, three and four year olds, childcare for disabled children and where families have atypical work patterns.

Free early education

71%

take up rate for
two year olds

58%

national take up
rate for two
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Overall grade and comment

The local authority needs to take action to fill gaps in provision, which are mostly in more deprived areas.

