

**School absence data****Primary**

<b>Hertfordshire</b>				
<b>Year</b>	<b>Persistent</b>	<b>Authorised</b>	<b>Unauthorised</b>	<b>Total</b>
2004/05	N/A	4.80%	0.33%	5.13%
2005/06	N/A	5.13%	0.35%	5.48%
2006/07	1.60%	4.50%	0.39%	4.89%
2007/08	1.90%	4.60%	0.40%	5.00%

<b>National</b>				
<b>Year</b>	<b>Persistent</b>	<b>Authorised</b>	<b>Unauthorised</b>	<b>Total</b>
2004/05	N/A	5.00%	0.43%	5.43%
2005/06	N/A	5.30%	0.46%	5.76%
2006/07	2.20%	4.73%	0.52%	5.26%
2007/08	2.40%	4.79%	0.56%	5.35%

**Secondary**

<b>Hertfordshire</b>				
<b>Year</b>	<b>Persistent</b>	<b>Authorised</b>	<b>Unauthorised</b>	<b>Total</b>
2004/05	N/A	6.51%	0.78%	7.29%
2005/06	N/A	6.56%	0.77%	7.34%
2006/07	5.90%	6.25%	1.09%	7.34%
2007/08	5.40%	5.80%	1.00%	6.70%

<b>National</b>				
<b>Year</b>	<b>Persistent</b>	<b>Authorised</b>	<b>Unauthorised</b>	<b>Total</b>
2004/05	N/A	6.57%	1.25%	7.82%
2005/06	N/A	6.70%	1.22%	7.92%
2006/07	6.90%	6.30%	1.46%	7.76%
2007/08	6.40%	5.86%	1.41%	7.27%

## Sources:

2008 from SFR 30/2008

2007 from SFR 362007

2006 &amp; 2005 from SFR11/2007