

Key Stage 4 Performance in ERW

(Provisional data)

Performance in ERW has declined in all Key Indicators. Below is a summary of pupil performance in the Key indicators. **This summary is based on provisional and unverified data.**

L2+	2015 (%)	2016 (%)	2017 (%)	Difference from 2016 – 2017 (%)
Powys	64	65	61	-4
Ceredigion	63	70	62	-8
Pembrokeshire	54	59	55	-4
Carmarthenshire	61	65	56	-9
Swansea	64	65	57	-8
NPT	58	61	50	-11
ERW	61	64	56	-8

The Level 2 inclusive figure (5 Level 2 qualifications including Welsh/English and maths)

Performance in the Level 2 inclusive figure has been more variable across schools in ERW in 2017. Many schools have seen a decrease in this key indicator and only 11 schools have improved on performance of pupils from 2016. In addition, all 6 Local authorities have seen a decrease in the proportion of pupils achieving this measure.

Performance in ERW remains the highest of the four consortia. However the decrease of 8 percentage points is a concern. In addition, performance in ERW in this indicator is below the performance in 2014

Welsh

2017 is the first year where pupil attainment in Welsh Literature is not included in the Welsh performance indicator. However, when disaggregating Welsh literature it has very little impact on results.

Welsh	2015 (%)	2016 (%)	2017 (%)	Difference from 2016 – 2017 (%)

Powys	74.3	65.2	69.7	+4.5
Ceredigion	74.8	73.5	78.8	+5.3
Pembrokeshire	78.4	88.7	81.3	-7.4
Carmarthenshire	74.4	72.8	71.7	-1.1
Swansea	83.9	82.7	85.2	+2.5
NPT	71.7	68.5	72.1	+3.6
ERW	75.8	75.0	75.9	+0.9

Performance in Welsh Language has improved appropriately in 4 of the 6 Local Authorities. Performance in ERW has improved by 0.9 percentage points. However, 2 of the 6 Local Authorities has had a declined in pupils outcomes.

English

2017 is the first year where pupil attainment in English literature is not included in the English performance indicator.

<i>English</i>	2016		2017	Difference from 2016 -17	
	inc Lit	exc Lit	Language only	Inc Lit 2016	Exc Lit 2016
Mainstream only					
Powys	75	70	73	-2	+3
Ceredigion	77	74	69	-8	-5
Pembrokeshire	70	60	65	-5	+5
Carmarthenshire	74	70	63	-11	-7
Swansea	70	65	66	-4	+1
NPT	69	65	61	-8	-4
ERW	72	67	66	-6	-1

Performance in English is variable across ERW. When comparing figures from 2016 to 2017 for the English measure all 6 Local Authorities have seen a decline in performance. However, when English literature is excluded from 2016 figures half of the Local Authorities in ERW have improved and half have decreased.

Performance in ERW has declined from 2016.

Mathematics

In 2017 pupils sat two GCSEs in mathematics. The table outlined performance in mathematics, mathematics numeracy and the best of either qualification. Due to the significant changes in the mathematics numeracy qualification, Comparisons in 2017 are only made between mathematics and the best of either qualification.

Mathematics	2016 (%)	2017 (%)			Difference from 2016 - 2017 (%)	
		Maths	Num	Best of	Maths	Best of
Powys	72	63	63	68	-9	-4
Ceredigion	75	64	63	69	-11	-6
Pembrokeshire	65	59	53	62	-6	-3
Carmarthenshire	71	55	51	58	-16	-13
Swansea	72	61	58	64	-11	-8
NPT	67	56	52	59	-11	-8
ERW	70	59	56	63	-11	-7

Performance in mathematics has declined significantly in 2017. When considering mathematics only and the best of either mathematics qualification all 6 Local Authorities have seen a decline in performance.

Pupil performance in mathematics across ERW has declined from 2016.

Level 2 Threshold

	2015 (%)	2016 (%)	2017 (%)	Difference from 2015 – 2017 (%)
Powys	88.7	86.6	74.0	-9.6
Ceredigion	89.9	91.4	80.7	-10.7
Pembrokeshire	83.0	84.5	65.9	-18.6

Carmarthenshire	87.0	89.2	73.3	-15.9
Swansea	88.9	86.9	67.7	-19.2
NPT	92.0	89.0	63.7	-25.3
ERW	88.2	87.7	69.9	-17.8

Performance in the level 2 threshold has declined in all Local Authorities in 2017. This is the first year where there the 40% rule for vocational subjects has been applied. Performance in this indicator has decreased significantly in ERW.

Level 1 Threshold

L1	2015 (%)	2016 (%)	2017 (%)	Difference from 2016 – 2017 (%)
Powys	97	96	97	-1
Ceredigion	97	96	96	0
Pembrokeshire	95	96	94	-2
Carmarthenshire	96	97	97	0
Swansea	97	97	95	-2
NPT	96	95	92	-3
ERW	96	96	95	-1

Performance in ERW in the Level 1 threshold has declined by 1 percentage point since 2015. Performance in this indicator has remained consistent across most Local Authorities.