

ICT PROVISION IN LIVERPOOL SCHOOLS

Average computer : pupil ratios across Liverpool schools:

Primary	1:8.4	(DfES 1:8)
Secondary	1:4	(DfES 1:5)
Special	1:2.6	(DfES not set)

From this data, it can be seen that Liverpool's secondary schools have exceeded the DfES target of 1:5 by Autumn 2004.

Liverpool was a recipient of Phase 2 Interactive Whiteboard Funding from the DfES in 2004. With this additional funding, 140 interactive whiteboard systems are in the process of being installed across 67 of our schools, bringing the total number of IWBs to in excess of 1200 at the time of writing (May 2005).

In terms of hardware provision across Liverpool, LEA officers carry out an annual audit of ICT equipment to ensure that for example, Liverpool schools are meeting the DfES's targets for computer:pupil ratios.

A summary of the data from the Autumn 2004 Audit is shown below:

Total number of desktops and laptops available for pupil use	11,635
Total number of laptops available for staff use	2,605
Total number of Interactive White Boards	919
Total number of schools with IWB	161
Total number of schools with Client-Server network	115
Total number of schools employing wireless technology	43
Total number of schools still using Windows 95 only	14
Total number of schools still using Windows 98 only	40
Total number of schools using mixed economy or 2000/XP	123