



Residential child care workers on the Register

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What are the main points?

Residential child care workers have been registered with us since **2008**

2,894 workers are registered, an increase from 2,666 last year

2,671 are currently working in residential child care

Residential child care workers who do not hold a required qualification can register after completing the All Wales Induction Framework. They must then qualify within three years



What are the five-year trends?

The number of residential child care workers on the Register has grown by **34%** in the last five years

The percentage of workers on the Register who are qualified has decreased from **59% in 2014** to **47% this year**

The percentage working in the private, local authority and third sectors has remained broadly similar in the last five years



How many left and joined the Register?

In the last year, **361** workers left the Register and **589** joined

Of those who left the Register, **73%** were removed as they did not maintain their registration

12.5% of those leaving requested removal as they no longer worked in residential child care in Wales

25 workers had changed role to residential child care manager



What qualifications do workers hold?

24% of workers hold a current QCF qualification

23% hold an accepted equivalent qualification

53% of workers are not yet qualified and registered with the induction framework



Where are workers employed?

75% work in the private sector

18% work in local authority social services

5.5% work in the third sector

25% of workers have been in their current role for five years or more

56% of workers have changed to a new role within the last three years



What is the profile of the workers?

There are 1,769 women and 1,125 men

The average age of workers is **38**

95.5% of workers are white, white British, white Welsh or white Irish

39.5% of workers speak some or fluent Welsh

1.4% of workers have a disability