

Reference:	FOI.13299.23
Subject:	Autism assessment waiting lists
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Requested:

1. The number of children and young people currently on a waiting list for a diagnosis.
2. The average duration of time these children and young people have been waiting.
3. The gender distribution of these individuals.

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that it has two thousand, eight hundred and seventy-three (2,873) children and young people listed as waiting for an autism assessment on the UHB's Welsh Patient Administration System (WPAS), as at the latest recorded figures from 31 October 2023.
2. The average wait time recorded for those on the waiting list for an autism assessment is eighty-four (84) weeks.
3. The UHB provides, within the table overleaf, the number of males and females listed as waiting for an autism assessment. Please note that we have provided the sex distribution, rather than gender distribution; as is recorded on the WPAS.

Sex	Number
Male	1,758
Female	1,115