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Funding of Wales

Please accept my sincerest apologies for the delayed response to your request for information dated 5 October 2023. The email generated from the WhatDoTheyKnow website was caught by our spam filter, and we only recently identified what had happened from reviewing the quarantined emails.

Your request for information and our response are provided below:

“Can you confirm if Wales still gets £1.20 in funding for every £1 in England?”

We do not hold information that directly meets the description to confirm this statement, but we have reported an analysis of the level of devolved funding per head in Wales relative to England in several previous reports. Most recently, in our September 2021 [Picture of Public Services report](#), a trend analysis between 1999-00 and 2019-20 was included and details about the source information informing that analysis were set out. We have not updated that analysis in any published report since the Picture of Public Services work (published in September 2021). However, following the 2021 Spending Review, the UK Government updated the position. It set out that, over the period 2022-23 to 2024-25, the Welsh Government will receive £120 per head for every £100 of equivalent UK Government funding in England. See Table 4.C in HM Treasury’s December 2021 [Block Grant Transparency](#) publication.

Your request has been considered in accordance with the procedures set out on the Wales Audit Office website at: <http://www.audit.wales/openness-and-transparency/information->

policy. The procedures are intended to ensure that requests are dealt with in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the Code of Practice set under section 45 of the 2000 Act, the Data Protection Act 2018 and other relevant legislation.

If you have any queries, or questions about my handling of your request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Information Officer