

Appendix 2

Number of Local Authorities = 153

Statistical Neighbours – LAIT, December 2023

Statistical neighbour models provide one method for benchmarking progress. For each local authority (LA), these models designate a number of other LAs deemed to have similar characteristics. These designated LAs are known as statistical neighbours.

The National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) was commissioned in 2007 by the Department to identify and group similar LAs in terms of the socio-economic characteristics, each LA was assigned 10 such neighbours. These are Coventry's:

Portsmouth
Tameside
Southampton
Sheffield
Derby
Bolton
Medway
Walsall
Peterborough
Leeds

See page 23 Appendix 2 in the [LAIT Tool guide](#) to see the socio-economic characteristics used.

Advanced Level Performance Points Tables

A Level	Tech Level	
A* 60	Distinction	50
A 50	Merit	35
B 40	Pass	15
C 30		
D 20		
E 10		