Key Stage 2 – Core Subject Indicator

Cohort = 874 (decrease of 9 pupils compared to 2016).

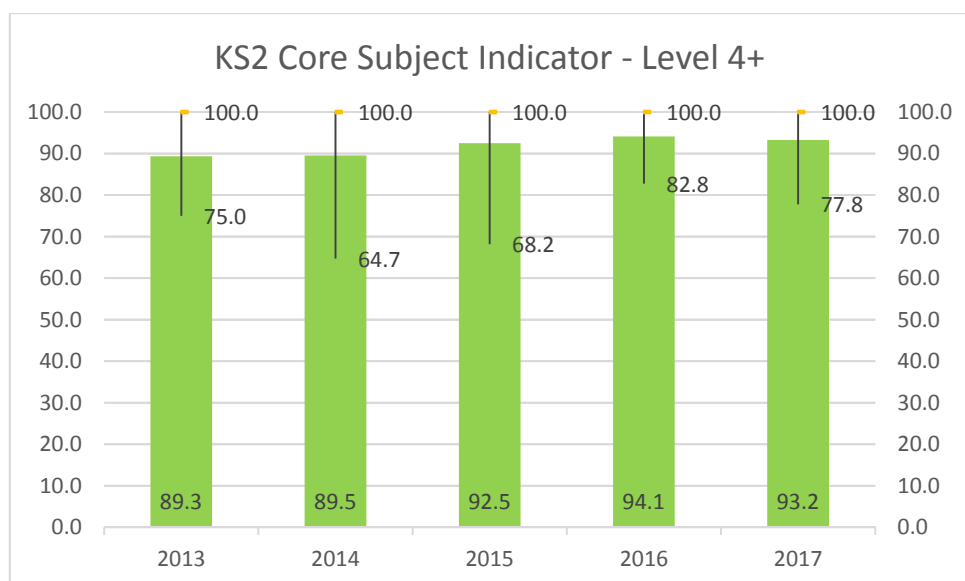|	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Monmouthshire	89.3	89.5	92.5	94.1	93.2
Wales	84.3	86.1	87.7	88.6	89.5
S E Wales	85.7	87.0	88.1	89.9	90.2
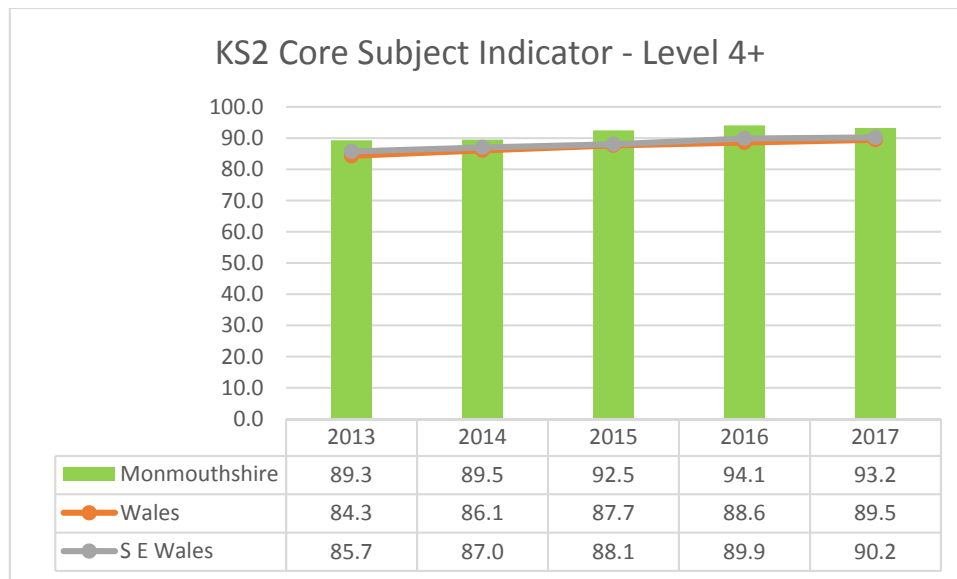
Monmouthshire's score declined by 0.9pp in 2017 to 93.2%, this constitutes to 815 of the 874 pupils achieving the benchmark (compared to 831 of 883 in 2016).

Performance at both a Wales and South East Wales level has increased slightly, both by under 1.0 percentage point (pp). The Welsh average increased by 0.9pp to 89.5%, a continuous improvement over the past 5 years. The South East Wales average has had a similar improvement over the same period, albeit always remaining higher than the Welsh average. In 2017, the average rose by 0.3pp to 90.2%.

The gap between the average of Monmouthshire to Wales and South East Wales shortened in 2017, however remain at least 3.0pp higher than both. Compared to Wales, the gap has closed from 5.5 to 3.7 – the closest it's been since 2014. The gap to South East Wales is slightly narrower at 3.0, the narrowest it has been in the past 5 years.

In terms of local authority rankings, Wales have dropped from 1st to 2nd place in 2017, having been the highest performing local authority for the previous 2 years.

KS2 Core Subject Indicator - Level 4+

Year	Bar value	Top	Bottom
2013	89.3	100.0	75.0
2014	89.5	100.0	64.7
2015	92.5	100.0	68.2
2016	94.1	100.0	82.8
2017	93.2	100.0	77.8

The graph above shows the Monmouthshire average (green bars), alongside the range of scores of the 30 primary schools within the county.

As the graph demonstrates, the gap from the top to the bottom of the range has increased by exactly 5.0 percentage points (pp) from 2016. There is only one other school within the county that has a score below 86.0%.

7 of the 30 schools (23.3%) had all of their pupils achieve the Core Subject Indicator, this figure is equal to the number of schools achieving 100% in 2016 – with 4 schools achieving 100% in both years.

10 schools (33.3%) bettered their 2016 score in 2017, with 6 schools achieving an equal score over the same period. Interestingly, of the 10 schools who improved in 2017, only 1 saw an improvement from 2015 to 2016 also (with 1 equalling their performance).

24 schools (80.0%) achieved their target set for 2017, with 11 of those 24 achieving scores above their set target.
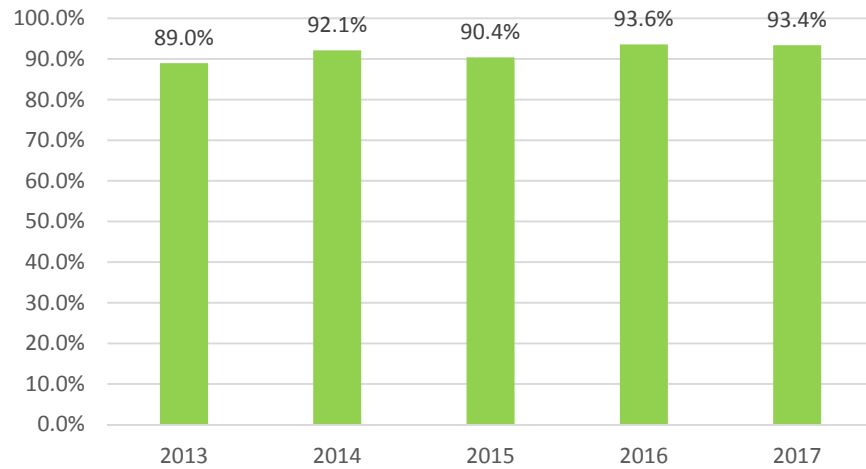
Clusters

The following graphs show the performance of the school clusters for the Core Subject Indicator over the past 5 years.

Chepstow, the smallest cluster have the highest score for 2017, having been the lowest performing in Monmouthshire in 2016. Their score of 94.5% is 1.1 percentage points (pp) higher than the next best performing in Abergavenny, and 1.4pp higher than the Monmouth cluster. Caldicot are the worst performing cluster with a score of 92.3% - 2.2pp less than Chepstow.
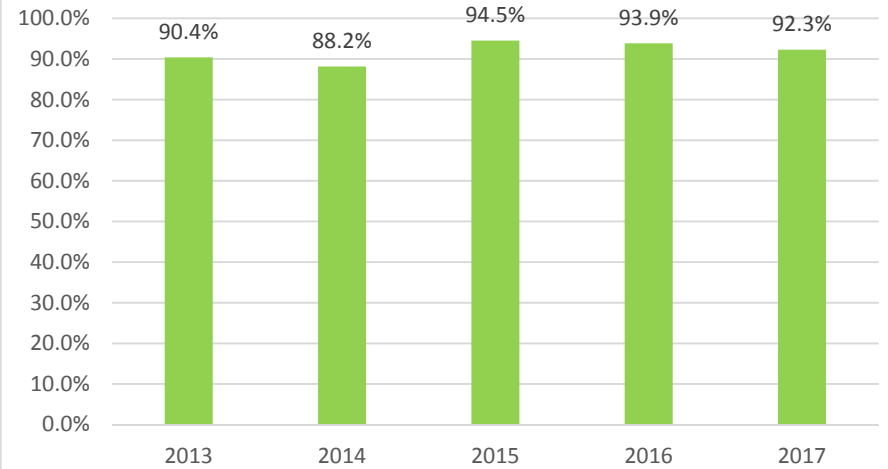
Comparing to the year previous (2016), Monmouth have seen the biggest drop in performance, where their score has dropped 3.2pp. Both Abergavenny and Caldicot also saw their scores decline in 2017, by 0.2pp and 1.6pp respectively. Chepstow were the only cluster in 2017 to improve on their 2016 score, rising 1.9pp to 94.5%.
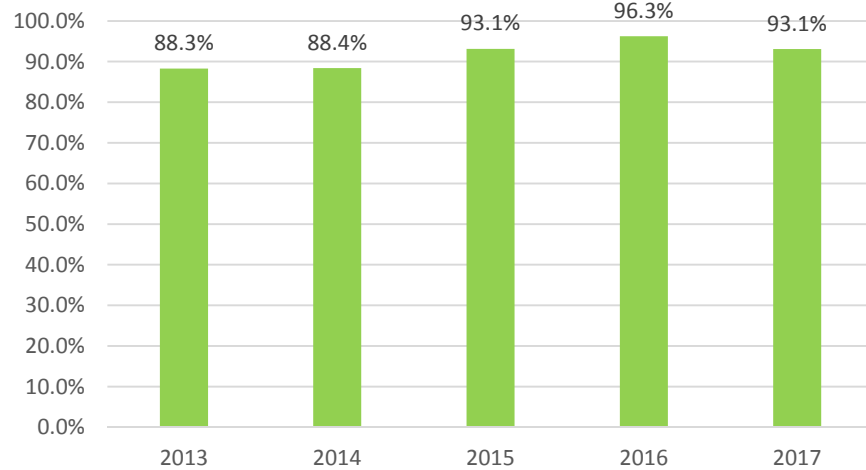
Key Stage 2 Core Subject Indicator - Clusters

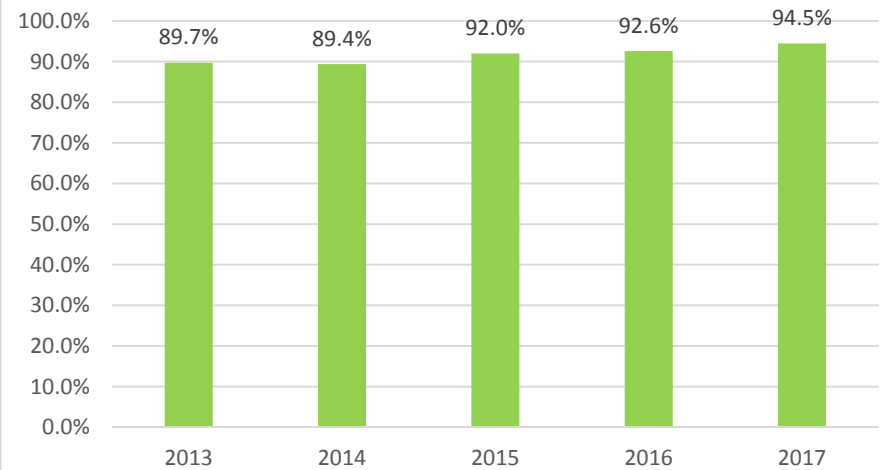### KS2 CSI - Abergavenny - Level 4+

Year	Value
2013	89.0%
2014	92.1%
2015	90.4%
2016	93.6%
2017	93.4%

KS2 CSI - Caldicot - Level 4+

Year	Value
2013	90.4%
2014	88.2%
2015	94.5%
2016	93.9%
2017	92.3%

KS2 CSI - Monmouth - Level 4+

Year	Value
2013	88.3%
2014	88.4%
2015	93.1%
2016	96.3%
2017	93.1%

KS2 CSI - Chepstow - Level 4+

Year	Value
2013	89.7%
2014	89.4%
2015	92.0%
2016	92.6%
2017	94.5%

Key Stage 2 English

	KS2 English - Level 4+				
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Monmouthshire	90.6	90.8	93.4	95.9	95.3
Wales	87.1	88.4	89.6	90.3	91.1
S E Wales	88.2	89.3	90.0	91.9	92.3
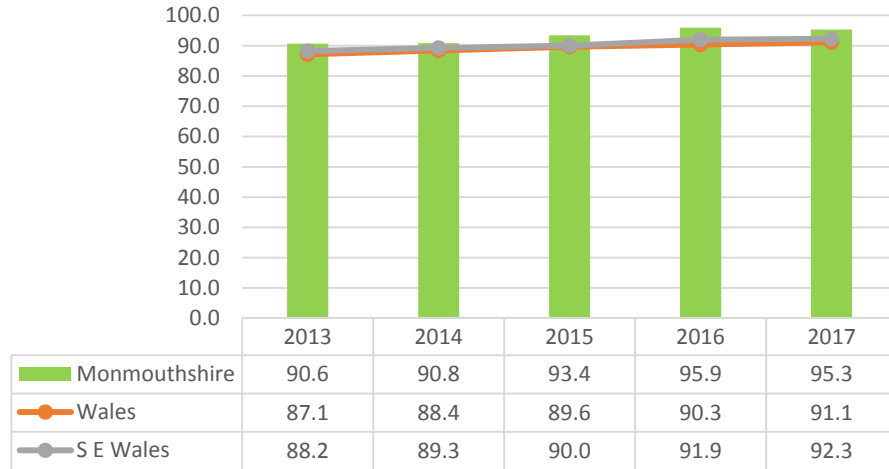
The Monmouthshire score for 2017 is 95.3%, which equates to 833 of the 874 cohort achieving the benchmark.
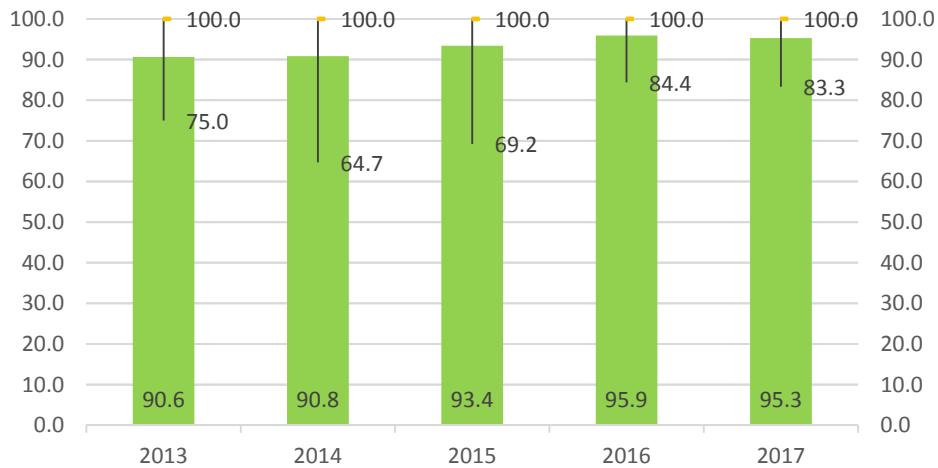
The score is a decrease compared to 2016 performance, by 0.6 percentage points (pp). This is the first year for at least 5 years where performance has dropped compared to the previous year.

The Welsh average increased by 0.8pp to 91.1%, therefore the gap between the Monmouthshire and Wales average shortened to 4.2.

Similar to the Welsh average, the South East Wales average increased by less than 1pp, from 91.9% in 2016 to 92.3% in 2017. This also means the gap to the Monmouthshire average has decreased to 3.0pp.

As per 2016, Monmouthshire are the top ranking authority in Wales.

KS2 English - Level 4+

(Bar chart showing, by year, the Monmouthshire score with high/low ranges:
- 2013: 90.6, high 100.0, low 75.0
- 2014: 90.8, high 100.0, low 64.7
- 2015: 93.4, high 100.0, low 69.2
- 2016: 95.9, high 100.0, low 84.4
- 2017: 95.3, high 100.0, low 83.3)

Over the past 5 years, Monmouthshire has had schools achieving 100% in each year. However the score of the lowest performing school has fluctuated more, with scores ranging from 64.7% in 2014 to 84.4% in 2016.
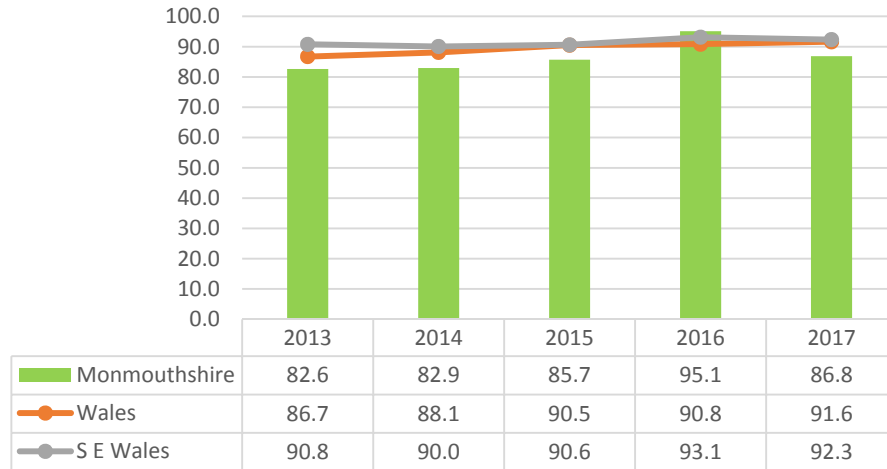
8 schools in 2017 achieved 100% at this benchmark, with 11 doing the same in 2016 – with 6 schools achieving 100% in both years.

11 schools improved on their 2016 performance in 2017, with 12 schools seeing a decline in performance.

26 of the 30 schools hit or improved on their target.

Key Stage 2 Cymraeg

KS2 Cymraeg - Level 4+

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Monmouthshire	82.6	82.9	85.7	95.1	86.8
Wales	86.7	88.1	90.5	90.8	91.6
S E Wales	90.8	90.0	90.6	93.1	92.3

The Monmouthshire average for Welsh 1st Language for 2017 is 86.8%, with 33 of the 38 pupil cohort achieving the benchmark.

The score is a decrease compared to 2016 performance, by 8.3 percentage points (pp), however the small cohort numbers involved accentuate the drop. 39 of 41 achieved the benchmark in 2016.

The Welsh average increased by 0.8pp to 91.6%, with the Welsh average now above the Monmouthshire average – with a gap of 4.8pp.

The South East Wales average dropped by 0.8pp from 2016 to 2017. However the SE Wales average remains higher than the Welsh average, and is 5.5pp higher than Monmouthshire's average.

Monmouthshire rank 21st of 22 local authorities in Wales for this measure.

KS2 Cymraeg - Level 4+
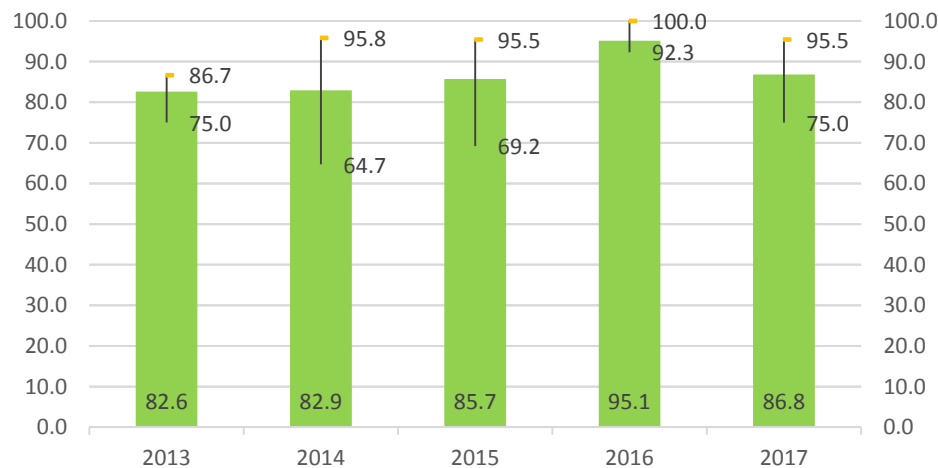
For the last 5 years, Monmouthshire's top performing school has had a score of over 95.0%. The score of the lowest performing school has been a little more widespread, with scores ranging from 64.7% in 2014 to 92.3% in 2016.
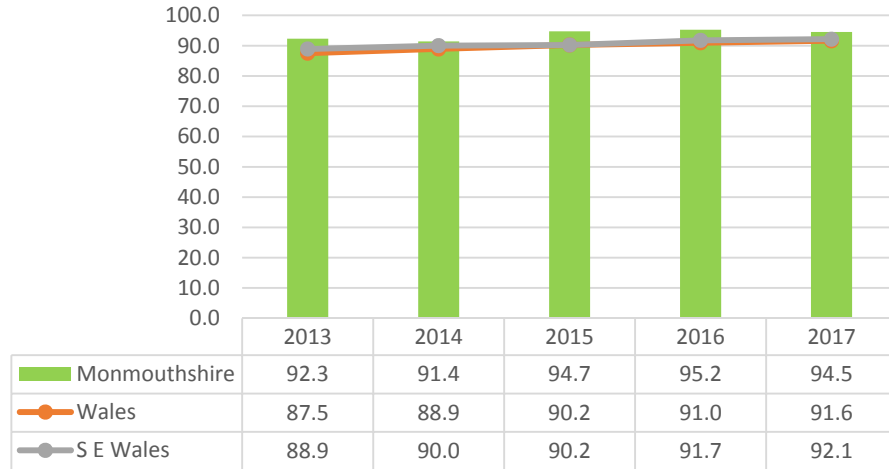
The gap between scores is 20.5, an increase on the 2016 figure of 7.7. However is lower than scores seen in 2014 and 2015 where the top performing schools performance was similar to 2017 – 31.1 in 2014 and 26.3 in 2015.

1 school improved on their 2016 performance in 2017, with 1 schools seeing a decline in performance.

2 of the 2 schools hit or improved on their target.

Key Stage 2 Mathematics

KS2 Mathematics - Level 4+

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Monmouthshire	92.3	91.4	94.7	95.2	94.5
Wales	87.5	88.9	90.2	91.0	91.6
S E Wales	88.9	90.0	90.2	91.7	92.1

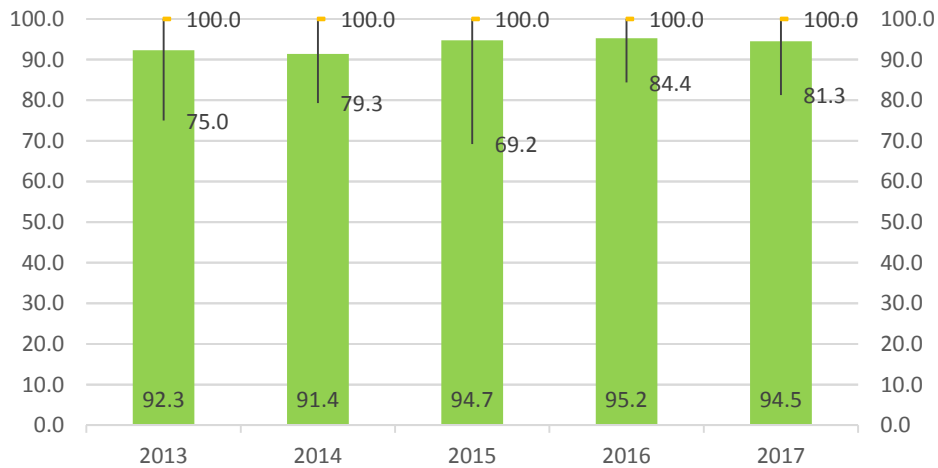The Monmouthshire score for 2017 is 94.5%, which equates to 826 of the 874 cohort achieving the benchmark.

The score has declined by 0.7 percentage points (pp) from the previous year, for the first time since 2014.

The Welsh average increased by 0.6pp to 91.6%, this has resulted in the gap between Monmouthshire and Welsh averages shortening to 2.9 from 4.2 in 2016.

As per the Welsh average, the South East Wales average increased by a small margin, from 91.7% to 92.1%. 2.4pp lower than Monmouthshire.

Monmouthshire are 2nd in the local authority rankings in Wales, having been 1st for the previous 2 years.

KS2 Mathematics - Level 4+

Year	Max	Min	Monmouthshire
2013	100.0	75.0	92.3
2014	100.0	79.3	91.4
2015	100.0	69.2	94.7
2016	100.0	84.4	95.2
2017	100.0	81.3	94.5

As seen with English, Monmouthshire has had schools achieving 100% in each of the past 5 years for Mathematics. The score of the lowest performing school declined in 2017 to 81.3%, a 3.1pp drop.
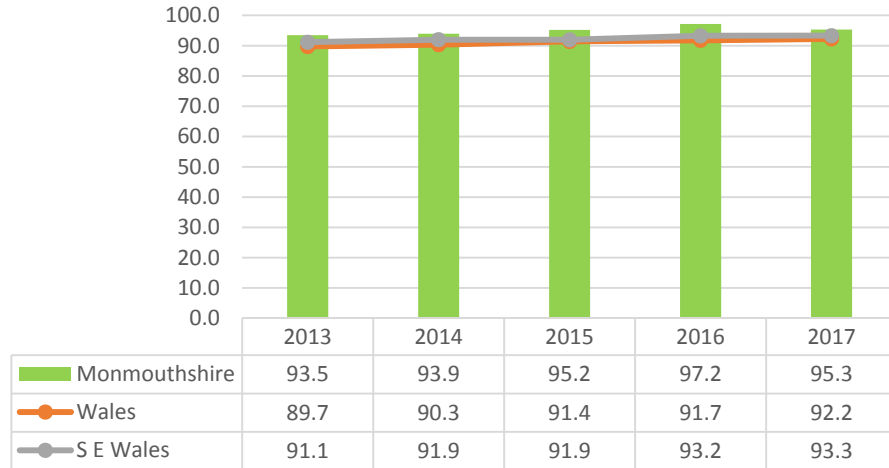
9 schools in 2017 achieved 100% at this benchmark, with the same number achieving 100% in 2016 – with 5 schools achieving 100% in both years.

11 schools improved on their 2016 performance in 2017, with 12 schools seeing a decline in performance.

24 of the 30 schools hit or improved on their target.

Key Stage 2 Science

KS2 Science - Level 4+

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Monmouthshire	93.5	93.9	95.2	97.2	95.3
Wales	89.7	90.3	91.4	91.7	92.2
S E Wales	91.1	91.9	91.9	93.2	93.3

The Monmouthshire average for Welsh 1st Language for 2017 is 95.3%, with 833 of the 874 pupil cohort achieving the benchmark.

Performance has decreased compared to 2016, by 1.9 percentage points (pp), but is greater than that of the 3 years previous to 2016.

The Welsh average increased by 0.5pp to 92.2%, but is still 3.1pp below that of Monmouthshire – with the gap decreasing from 5.5 in 2016.

The South East Wales also saw a slight increase from 2016 to 2017 – by 0.1pp. As per the Welsh average, Monmouthshire remain above its score, by 2.0pp – where it was 5.0 in 2016.

Monmouthshire rank 1st of 22 local authorities in Wales for this measure, and have done so for 4 of the last 5 years.

KS2 Science - Level 4+
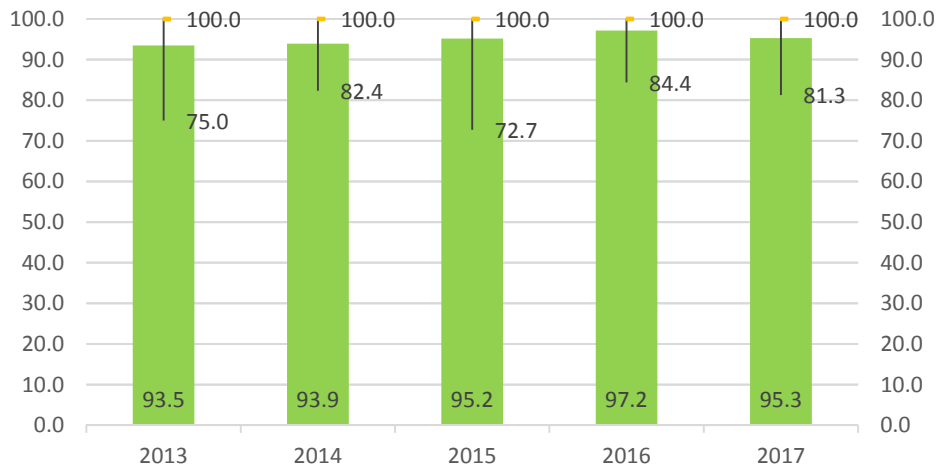
For the last 5 years, Monmouthshire have had schools achieving 100% in Science. The score of the lowest performing school has been over 80.0% in the past 2 years.
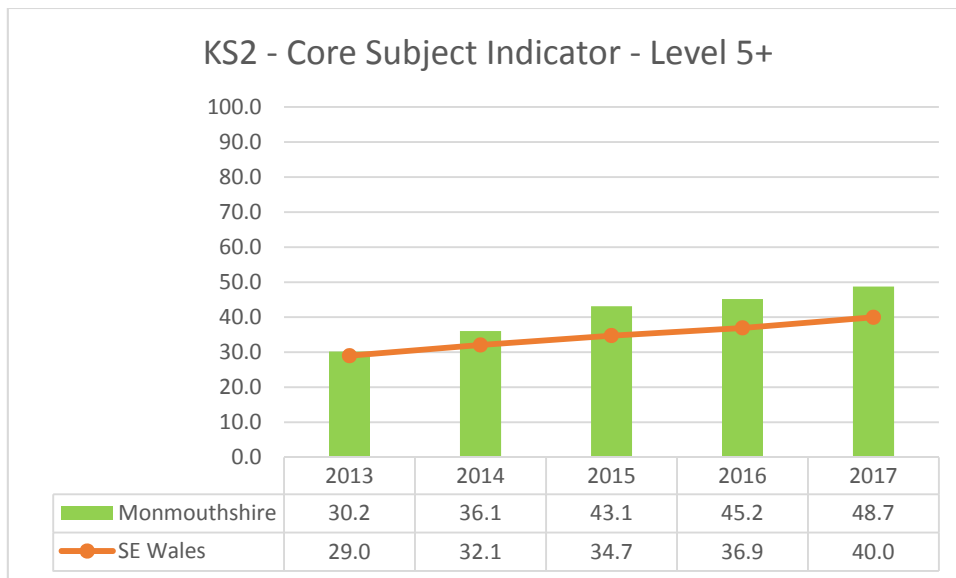
The gap between scores is 18.7, a drop compared to the 2016 figure of 15.6.

9 schools achieved 100% in 2017, compared to 15 in 2016. 7 schools achieved 100% both years.

8 schools improved on last year's score, with 14 seeing a decline compared to 2016.

21 schools hit or improved on their target for 2017.

Key Stage 2 – Core Subject Indicator (Expected Level +1)

KS2 - Core Subject Indicator - Level 5+

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Monmouthshire	30.2	36.1	43.1	45.2	48.7
SE Wales	29.0	32.1	34.7	36.9	40.0

The percentage of Monmouthshire pupils achieving level 5+ rose for the 5th year in a row in 2017. 426 of the 874 achieved the benchmark.

The score has risen by 3.5 percentage points (pp) compared to 2016 to 48.7%. This has contributed to an 18.7pp rise over the past 5 years, with the South East Wales average rising by 11.0pp over the same period.

The gap between the Monmouthshire score and that of South East Wales has increased to 8.7 in 2017, having been 8.3 in 2016, and is the widest the gap has been in 5 years.

KS2 - Core Subject Indicator - Level 5+
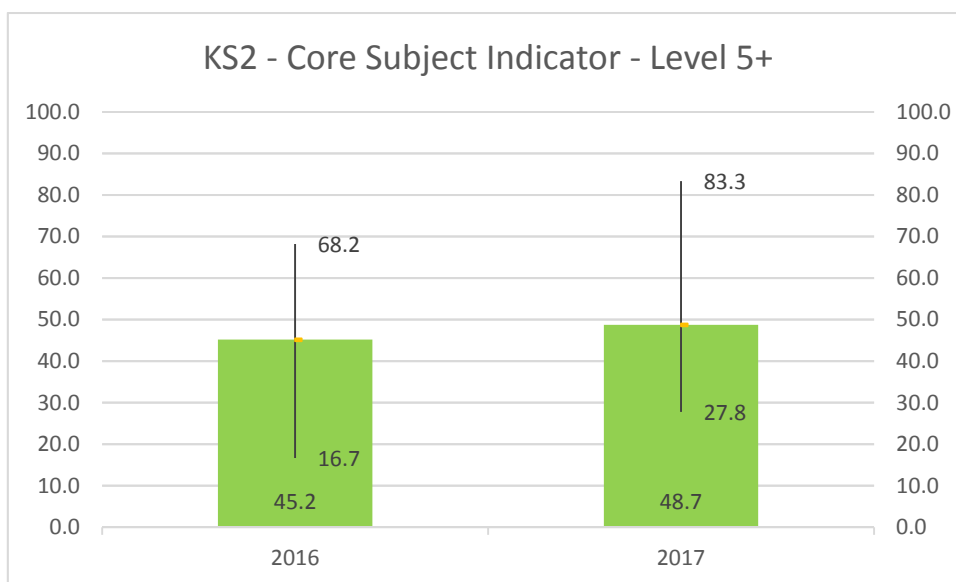
This graph shows the range between the scores of the primary schools, alongside Monmouthshire's overall score. As can be seen, the overall performance of schools at both ends of the scale have improved, with the top performing school now having a score of 83.3% compared to 68.2% in 2016, an improvement of 15.1 percentage points.

21 of 30 schools (70%) saw scores increase from 2016, with 19 of 30 (63%) hitting or surpassing their target.

Key Stage 2 – Local Authority Rankings – Level 4+

Rank	Core Subject Indicator	English	Mathematics	Science
1	Vale of Glamorgan	Monmouthshire	Vale of Glamorgan	Monmouthshire
2	Monmouthshire	Vale of Glamorgan	Monmouthshire	Vale of Glamorgan
3	Gwynedd	Gwynedd	Gwynedd	Powys
4	Isle of Anglesey	Powys	Isle of Anglesey	Torfaen
5	Powys	Newport	Flintshire	Isle of Anglesey
6	Flintshire	Isle of Anglesey	Powys	Gwynedd
7	Wrexham	Flintshire	Wrexham	Newport
8	Merthyr Tydfil	Wrexham	Rhondda Cynon Taf	Flintshire
9	Newport	Torfaen	Caerphilly	Wrexham
10	Caerphilly	Caerphilly	Newport	Caerphilly
11	Rhondda Cynon Taf	Merthyr Tydfil	Denbighshire	Denbighshire
12	Torfaen	Rhondda Cynon Taf	Swansea	Rhondda Cynon Taf
13	Swansea	Swansea	Cardiff	Swansea
14	Cardiff	Bridgend	Torfaen	Merthyr Tydfil
15	Bridgend	Cardiff	Merthyr Tydfil	Carmarthenshire
16	Pembrokeshire	Pembrokeshire	Carmarthenshire	Cardiff
17	Denbighshire	Denbighshire	Bridgend	Bridgend
18	Carmarthenshire	Carmarthenshire	Pembrokeshire	Pembrokeshire
19	Conwy	Conwy	Blaenau Gwent	Conwy
20	Blaenau Gwent	Ceredigion	Conwy	Blaenau Gwent
21	Ceredigion	Blaenau Gwent	Ceredigion	Ceredigion
22	Neath Port Talbot	Neath Port Talbot	Neath Port Talbot	Neath Port Talbot