The challenges facing South-Central England and North-West London appear more moderate compared to other RSC regions as capacity exceeds immediate need and there is plenty of scope for finding more capacity from within the region if needed.

- 1. South-Central England and North-West London has 412 underperforming schools, which is slightly below the RSC region average.
- 2. The region has a low proportion of underperforming schools across each dimension (poor Ofsted outcomes, coasting schools and schools below the floor) in both phases.
- 3. The region has 71 underperforming schools identified as having an immediate need.
- 4. There are 85 MATs that are ready for expansion with capacity to take on 108 underperforming schools. The ratio of available capacity to immediate need in the region is 1.5 to 1.

**Key facts:** 

14.8%

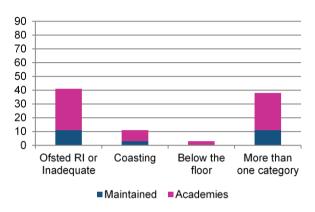
of schools are underperforming

2.6% Schools need immediate help

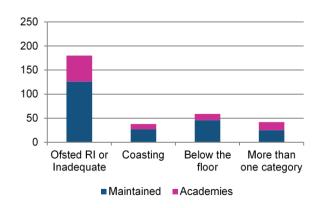
462 **Trusts operating** in the region

**MATs** have available capacity

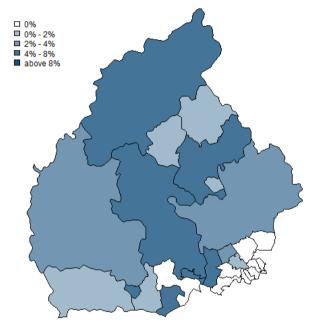
**South-Central England and North-West** London has a below average number and lowest proportion of underperforming secondary schools.



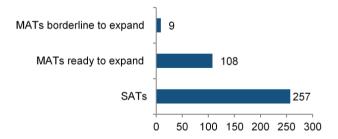
The region also has an average number of underperforming primary schools. Academies, which make up nearly a third, are over-represented in this group.



This region is split with most LAs in London having no schools in immediate need, while many LAs outside of London having higher proportions of schools with an immediate need.



The region's available capacity exceeds its immediate need. There are also 257 highperforming SATs that the RSC could approach if more capacity was needed.



**Commissioner Area Profile**