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**Request**

- 1) In total, how many times has the council been taken to the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Tribunal in relation to a child's education, health and care (EHC) needs assessment or an EHC plan over the last five years (September 2014 to September 2019)?
- 2) Of these cases how many were for a refusal to:
  - A. Assess a child's EHC needs
  - B. Make a statement of their special educational needs
  - C. Reassess their special educational needs
  - D. Create an EHC plan
  - E. Change what's in a child's special educational needs statement or EHC plan
  - F. Maintain the statement or EHC plan

**Response:**

Please find the table below. Information is not held for the year 2014-2015.

Year	Total number of appeals lodged with SEND Tribunal	Refusal to carry out an EHC needs assessment	Refusal to make a statement of SEN	Refusal to reassess SEN	Refusal to issue an EHC plan	Changes to the statement of SEN or EHC plan	Refusal to maintain the statement of SEN or EHC plan
September 2015 -	22	6	0	0	5	11	0

<b>September 2016</b>							
<b>September 2016 - September 2017</b>	29	9	0	0	4	16	0
<b>September 2017 – September 2018</b>	22	6	0	0	1	15	0
<b>September 2018 – September 2019</b>	21	5	0	0	3	13	0

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