

SIMS Discover

Powerful, intuitive pupil data analysis

Quickly identify trends and patterns in your pupil data

Automatic alerts to changes in pupil performance, attendance or achievement

Access key information with a few simple drag and drop actions

Supports the diversity of independent schools' curriculums

Who benefits?



Senior
Leaders



Teachers



Data Managers

SIMS INDEPENDENT

Drive pupil progress with high performance data analysis

SIMS Discover is an award-winning data analysis tool which allows you to analyse and drill down into your SIMS data and present it in a variety of ways. The powerful user interface enables the data to be presented in Venn diagrams, bar charts, pie charts and line graphs. SIMS Discover brings key information to you with a few simple drag and drop actions and with the ability to export graphs and charts, you can use the data to suit your needs. Data is presented as a series of 'palettes' which include such items as pupil totals by gender and house or year group, attendance and assessment statistics.



Why choose SIMS Discover?

However broad your curriculum, SIMS Discover's benefits and features can prove a powerful tool for your school.

Provide the evidence you need to ISI, Ofsted and governors

SIMS Discover has a graphical format which makes it easier for you to pull off information to provide inspectors and governors. You can also export or copy your graphs in Word, PowerPoint and Excel, which can be useful for school reports.

Track academic performance

With SIMS Discover, you can closely monitor your pupils' academic performance, keeping parents informed of their child's progress and allowing them to see if they are on track. For example, you could compare the performance of scholarship pupils against the class or year as a whole.

Instant alerts allow early intervention

Another use of the analysis charts in SIMS Discover is the ability to create a Dynamic Group from an area of the chart, allowing you to monitor specific pupils. Alerts can be set up to indicate changes to group membership, meaning staff can be automatically alerted to changes to pupil data for groups they are interested in eg. pupils joining or leaving certain groups that they have hit the parameters for. This not only allows you to uncover where your school could be adding value, but gives you the critical insight you need to intervene at the earliest opportunity.

Pull key information from SIMS instantly

Get the information you need at the click of a button, with pre-defined graphs, such as A level examination and key stage attainment graphs, achievements by half term, attendance by type, whole school graphs and the student totals by key pastoral factors.

Simple drag and drop interface

The main SIMS Discover screen allows you to choose from a bank of predefined and customisable graphs and drag them onto the workspace. You can then use the analyses from these graphs to see which pupils fall into the specific categories. This data can also be compared over the last three years to show trends over time.

Monitor specific groups of pupils

Identify your disadvantaged children and monitor their key performance indicators such as reviewing their attendance, behaviour and awards. When you've identified a group, you can look at a characteristic, such as behaviour, and the system will recognise who drops out of this group. You can make the group dynamic to automatically receive alerts when the system detects any changes.

Screenshots

These screenshots show just a small sample of what you can do with SIMS Discover. For more screenshots and videos, visit www.capita-independent.co.uk/discover

Analysing attendance and intervention patterns

- Identify attendance and intervention information from the current year, last year and two years ago.
- The top left bar chart shows the pupils' attendance by half term in the last year, and breaks this down into those with SEN Status and those with Scholarship Concession.
- The bottom left bar chart shows student totals by year group, filtering by SEN Status.
- The top right bar chart shows the student outcomes by intervention and then below you can drill through to a count of students in each intervention.



Performance comparison through the grade distribution graph

- The new KS4 Grade Distribution Graph on the chart below shows the grades attained by pupils in each subject. This can be used to quickly compare performance across subjects and classes.
- The user has double clicked on the bar, and the graph on the left has appeared that shows the grade distribution of the English classes.



"We are using SIMS to update the way we share this information with parents, including using colour coding to show attainment against target grades to provide a very visual snapshot of current achievement."

Sarah Boyse, Deputy Head, Sheffield High School

WATCH THE VIDEO

Find out how to set up an assessment graph in SIMS Discover

<http://www.capita-independent.co.uk/resources/videos/did-you-know-how-to-set-up-an-assessment-graph-sims-discover>

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Your questions answered

How do I get SIMS Discover?

SIMS Discover is included as part of your current SIMS Assessment suite subscription. To find out more about getting up and running with SIMS Discover, contact your local SIMS Support Team, or call us on +44 (0)1285 647459.

Will it work out 5 good passes?

SIMS Discover can calculate 5 good passes, including English and Maths for your exam results and assessment results. It will show you which children meet all criteria and which meet some of the criteria.

How can we make sure we get the most from SIMS Discover?

Our dedicated team of Independent School Consultants have many years of experience and are ideally placed to support your use of SIMS Assessment to ensure you get the most from the analysis tools. This support includes scheduled training courses and on-site consultancy using your own data. Our support will help all your staff to become managers of their data.

Who benefits and how?

SENIOR LEADERS

SIMS Discover enables you to analyse and identify data trends within your school, whether seeing the result of interventions for a certain group or looking at the data for a house or tutor group.

TEACHERS

Monitor pupil performance efficiently through simple graphs and diagrams, helping you to identify when pupils may need additional help.

DATA MANAGERS

Keep up-to-date with pupil trends and key contextual information such as the number of EAL or Gifted and Talented children across each year group.

"SIMS Discover presents everything in a colourful, visual way. It simplifies the task of analysing data and helps us to identify those students who might not be achieving all they are capable of so we can step in."

Paul Young, Senior Vice Principal, Head of Secondary, Doha College

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