

## Facts and figures

Sense is written in lower case with a capital "S" and deafblind is one word.

[Click here for information](#) on the population of deafblind people in the UK.

### Facts and figures about deafblindness in the UK

- Number of [causes of congenital and acquired deafblindness](#): Over 100
- Number of congenital rubella births reported 1971–1980\*: 447
- Number of rubella-associated pregnancy terminations reported 1971-1980\*: 5,711
- Number congenital rubella births reported 1991-2000 (following vaccination programme)\*: 38
- Number of rubella-associated pregnancy terminations reported 1991-2000 (after vaccination programme)\*: 61.

\* Vaccination was introduced for schoolgirls in 1970 and since 1988 the combined MMR vaccine has been offered to all children in the second year of life.

- [Position statements](#) This page contains links to our key briefing documents. They provide more information about some of the key issues which Sense is able to comment on.
- [Sense defined](#) Three explanations of Sense's work for use by newspaper and magazine journalists.
- [What is deafblindness?](#)
- [How many deafblind people are there?](#) Sense has worked on defining the number of deafblind people in the UK. Read about the new figures.