Ciarán Mac an Bhaird\* (ciaranmacanbhaird@gmail.com), Department of Mathematics,
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Impact of Additional Mathematics Support on Student Performance.

We will discuss the current phenomenal growth of Mathematics Support Centres and services in the UK and Ireland. We will give a brief overview of the services and extra supports that are provided. We will also present published research which suggests that students who avail of these services perform consistently better than students of similar ability who do not avail of the services. This is particularly true of at-risk students. These students are also more likely to retain Mathematics as a subject, less likely to drop out of University because of mathematical difficulties and they feel more confident in their abilities. We will also give a brief overview of the extra online resources we are developing and providing to students to meet their specific needs. (Received September 23, 2009)