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Headline figures

Contacts	
Contacts in the last 6 months	10,692
Early Help / Common / Targeted Assessments	
Early Help in the last 6 months	1,677
Referrals	
Referrals in the last 6 months	1,537
Social Care Assessments	
Total assessments in the last 6 months	1,481
Assessments completed in the last 6 months	1,092
Ongoing assessments	389
Section 47 enquiries and Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICP	CS)
Section 47 enquiries in the last 6 months	473
ICPCs that started from an S47 in the last 6 months	105
Children in Need (CIN)	
Total CIN in the last 6 months	2,774
CIN started in the last 6 months	1,467
CIN ceased in the last 6 months	1,341
Current children in need (snapshot)	1,406

Total CPP in the last 6 months	
CPP started in the last 6 months	
CPP ceased in the last 6 months	
Current children subject of a child protection plan (snapshot)	
Children Looked After (CLA)	
Total CLA in the last 6 months	
CLA started in the last 6 months	
CLA ceased in the last 6 months	
Current children looked after (snapshot)	
Care leavers	
Care leavers currently in receipt of leaving care services	
Adoptions	
Children adopted, waiting to be adopted, or had an adoption decision reversed in the last 12 months	
Children adopted in the last 12 months	
Children waiting to be adopted (snapshot)	
Children with decision reversed in the last 12 months	

Adopters

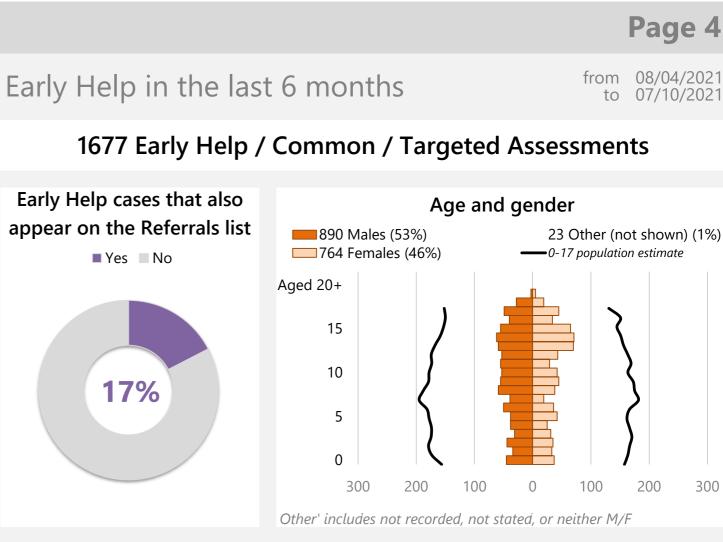
Prospective adopters in the last 12 months

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Contacts in the last 6 months

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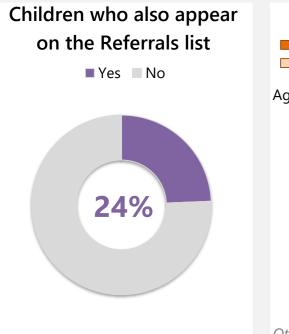
Organisation completing assessment

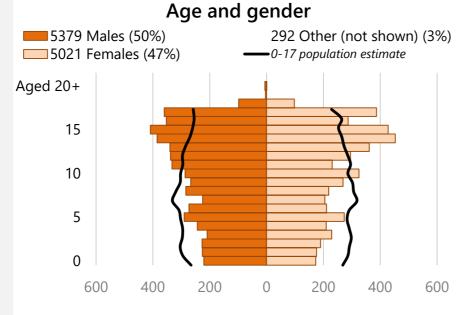
West Locality EAST Central Locality South Locality 0-19 Service MASH EHM -Newstead CC Barnet Carers Hampden Way CC / BEYA Troubled Families Underhill School And Children Centre All other organisations 1%

Children with multiple records in period



10692 contacts





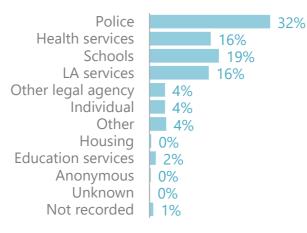
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Source of contacts compared to source of referrals

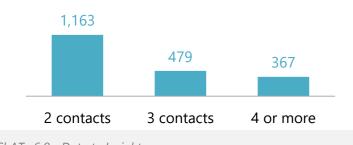
Contact source

Police		37%
Health services	17%	5170
Schools	13%	
LA services	12%	
Other legal agency	10%	
Individual	5%	
Other	3%	
Housing	1%	
Education services	1%	
Anonymous	0%	
Unknown	0%	
Not recorded	0%	

Referral source comparison



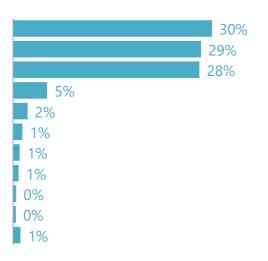
Children with multiple contacts in period



Ethnic backgrounds

White	31%
Mixed	11%
Asian or Asian British	9%
Black or black British	13%
Other ethnic group	12%
Not stated	23%
Not recorded	1%
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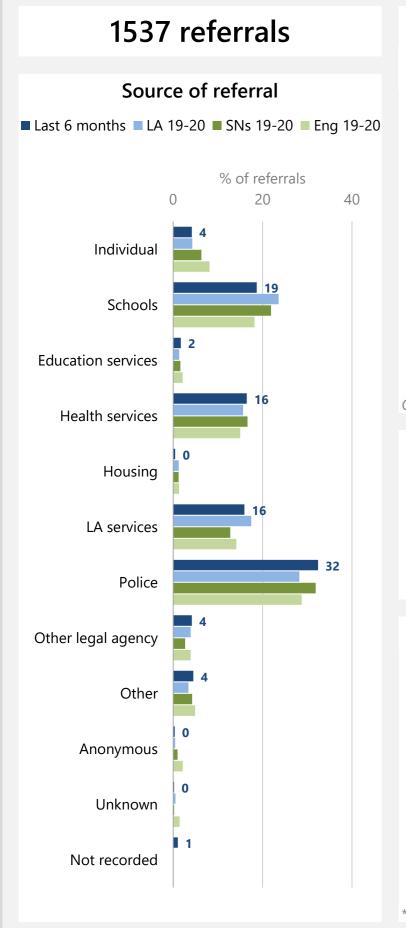
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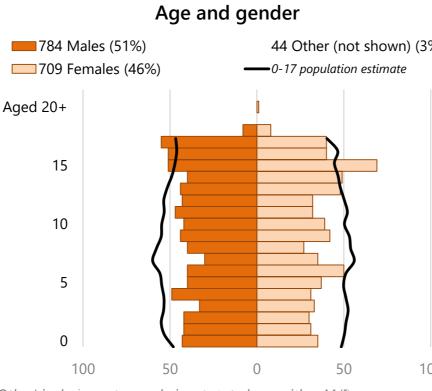


Ethnic backgrounds

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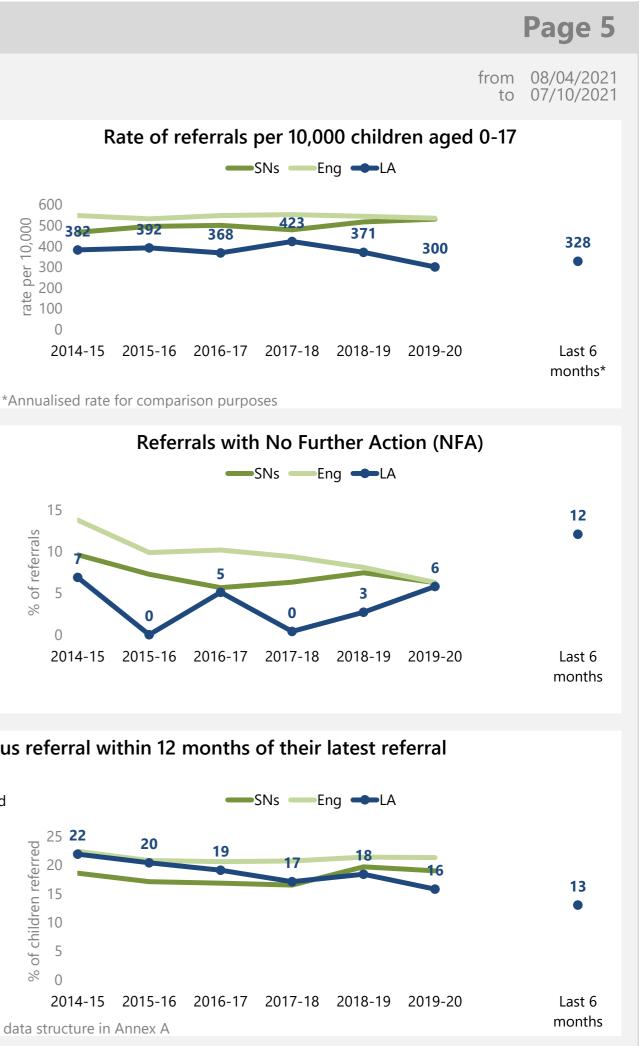
Referrals in the last 6 months

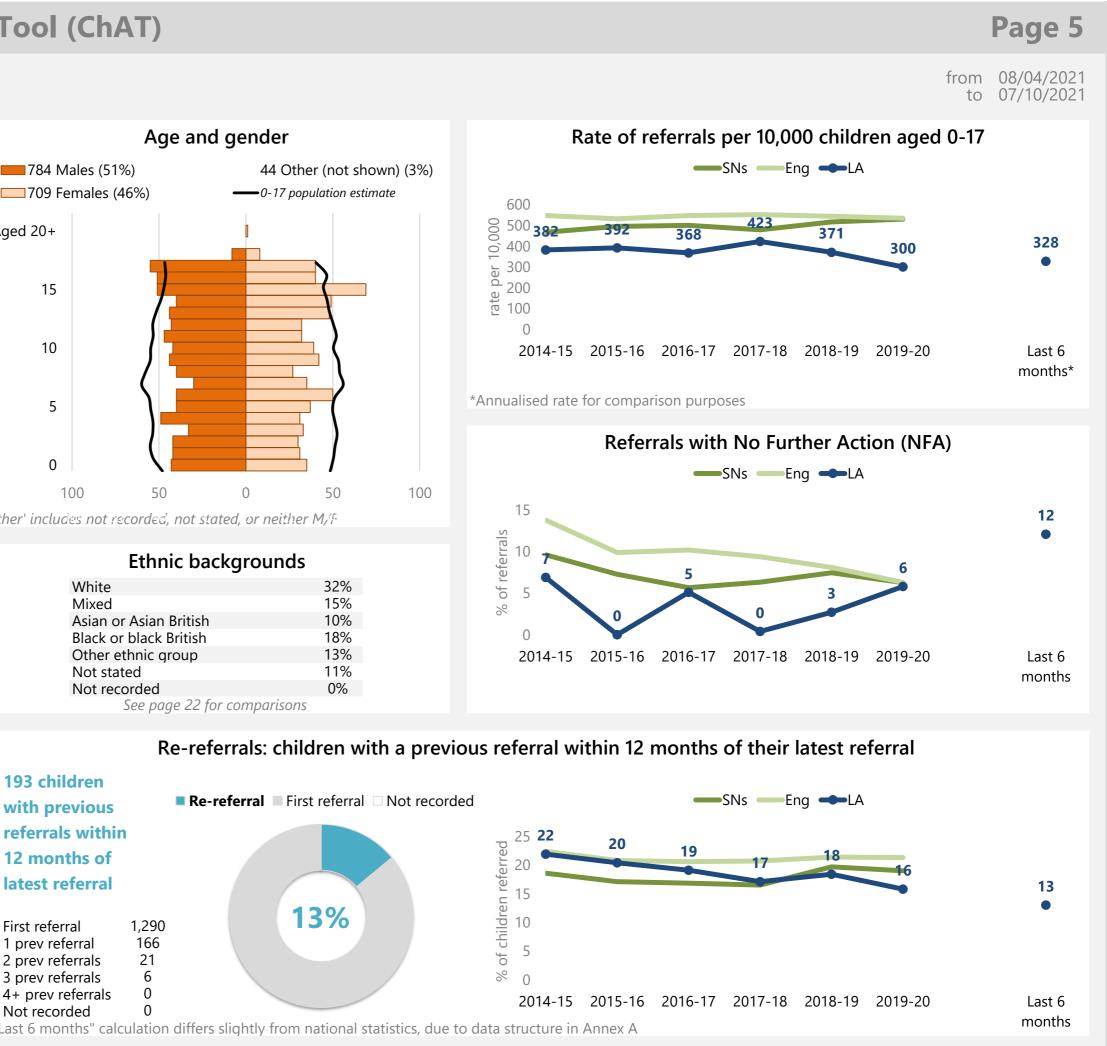




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White	32%
Mixed	15%
Asian or Asian British	10%
Black or black British	18%
Other ethnic group	13%
Not stated	11%
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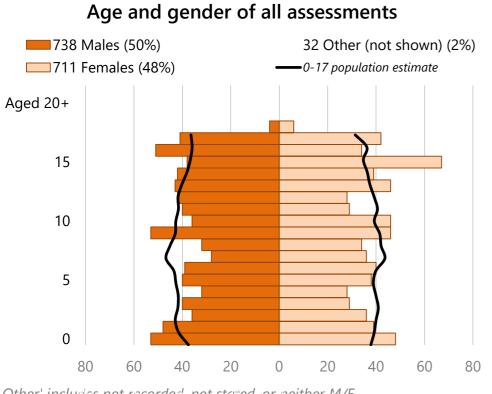
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Assessments in the last 6 months

1481 total assessments

389 open assessments

1092 completed assessments



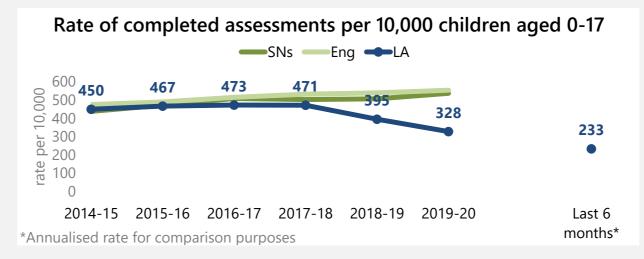
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Assessments completed	Et
where child was seen Child seen Not seen Unknown	White Mixed Asian o Black o Other o Not sta Not reo See
98%	62 a for

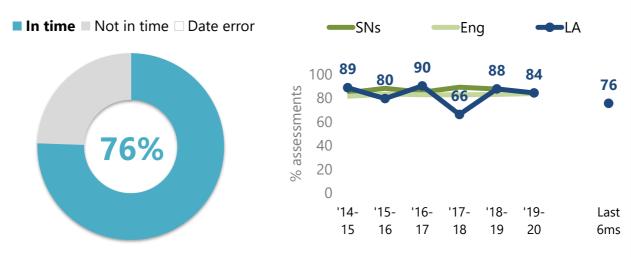
Ethnic background

White	35%
Mixed	18%
Asian or Asian British	9%
Black or black British	19%
Other ethnic group	14%
Not stated	6%
Not recorded	0%
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52 assessments (4%) for children with a disability

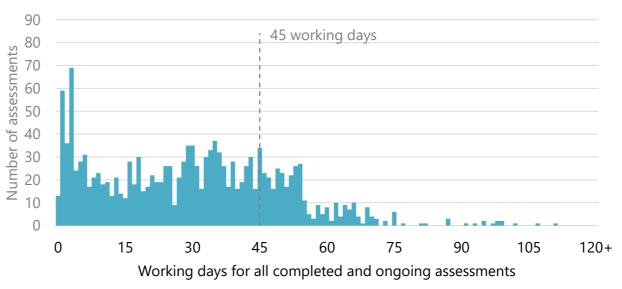


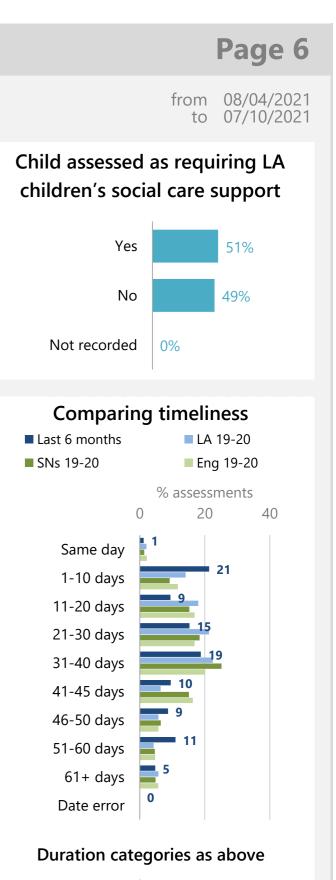
Assessments completed in 45 working days



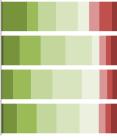
Durations for all completed and open assessments

Average duration of completed assessments was 30 working days



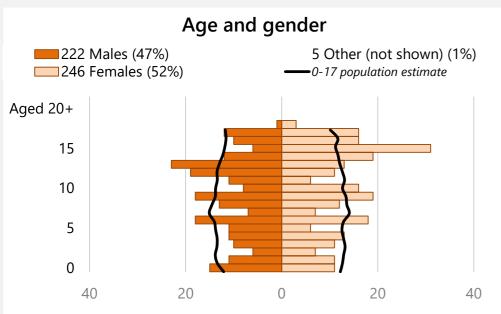


Last 6 months LA 19-20 SNs 19-20 Eng 19-20

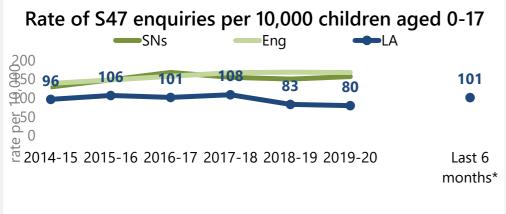


Section 47 enquiries in the last 6 months

473 Section 47 enquiries

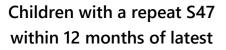


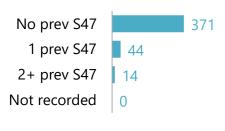
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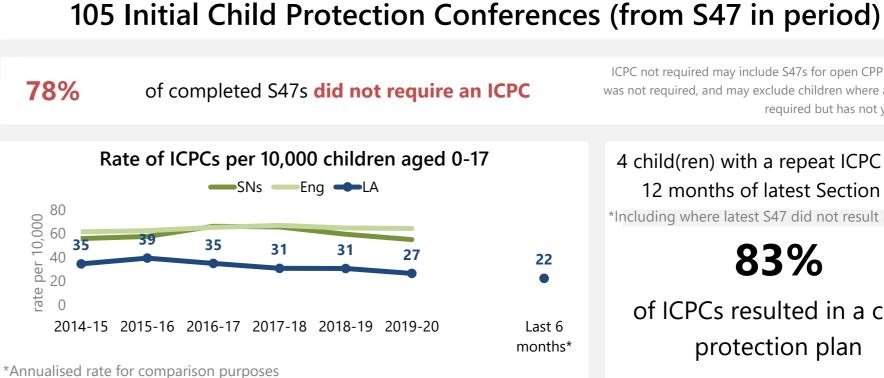
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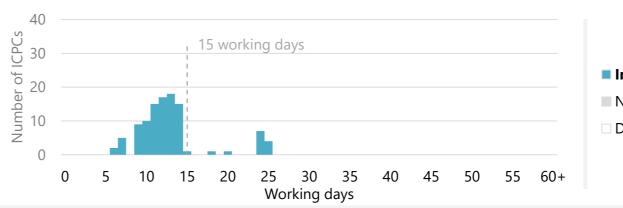
7 S47s (1%) for children with a disability

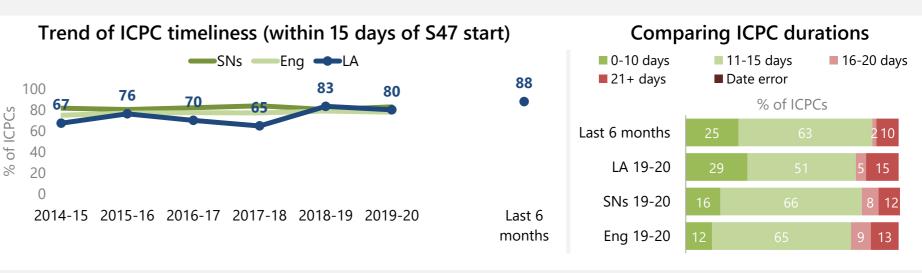




White	35%
Mixed	18%
Asian or Asian British	8%
Black or black British	22%
Other ethnic group	16%
Not stated	1%
Not recorded	0%
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ICPC not required may include S47s for open CPP where ICPC was not required, and may exclude children where an ICPC was required but has not yet occurred

4 child(ren) with a repeat ICPC within 12 months of latest Section 47*

*Including where latest S47 did not result in ICPC



of ICPCs resulted in a child protection plan

ICPCs occurred within 15 working days of the strategy discussion date

In time Not in time Date error



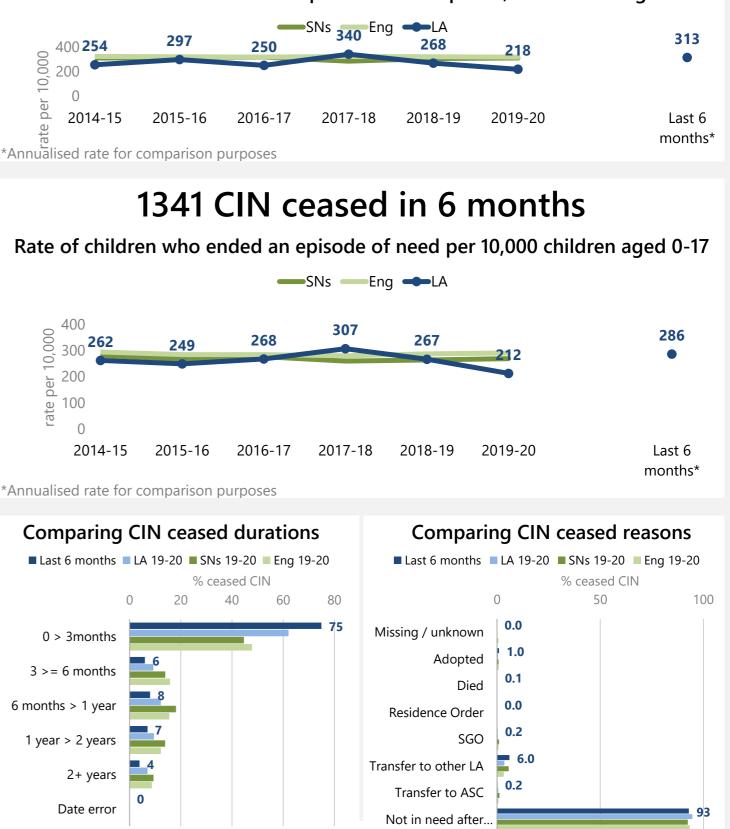
Children in Need (CIN) - total, started, and ceased in the last 6 months

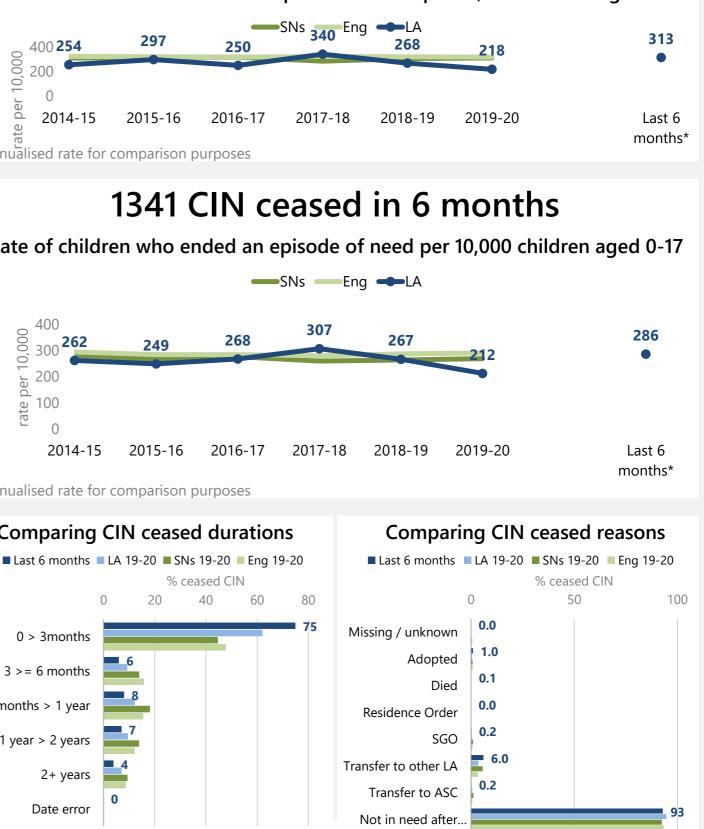
2774 total CIN in 6 months*

*Note: the numbers of children in need reported in ChAT are not directly comparable to published CIN census statistics due to an undercount of referrals and care leavers.

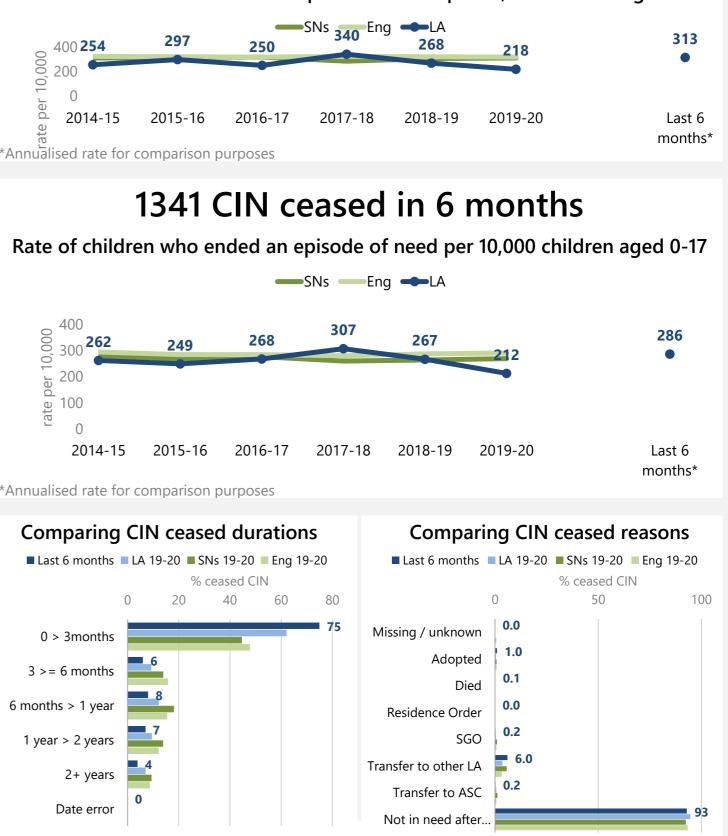
1467 CIN started in 6 months

Rate of children who started an episode of need per 10,000 children aged 0-17





*Annualised rate for comparison purposes



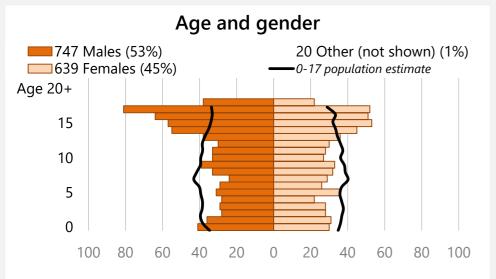
Cases included in Annex A / ChAT			
Case status of children on CIN list	Number	Percentage	
Looked after child	331	12%	
Child protection plan	194	7%	
Child in need plan	378	14%	
Open assessment	389	14%	
Closed episode	1,341	48%	
Case status not recorded	141	5%	
Total (excluding case status unknown)	2,633	95%	



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Children in Need (CIN) with an open episode of need

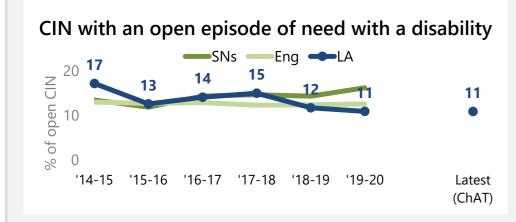
1406 Children in Need with an open episode of need*



*Note: Annex A figures in this section are not directly comparable to the published Children in need census statistics (see note on page 8)

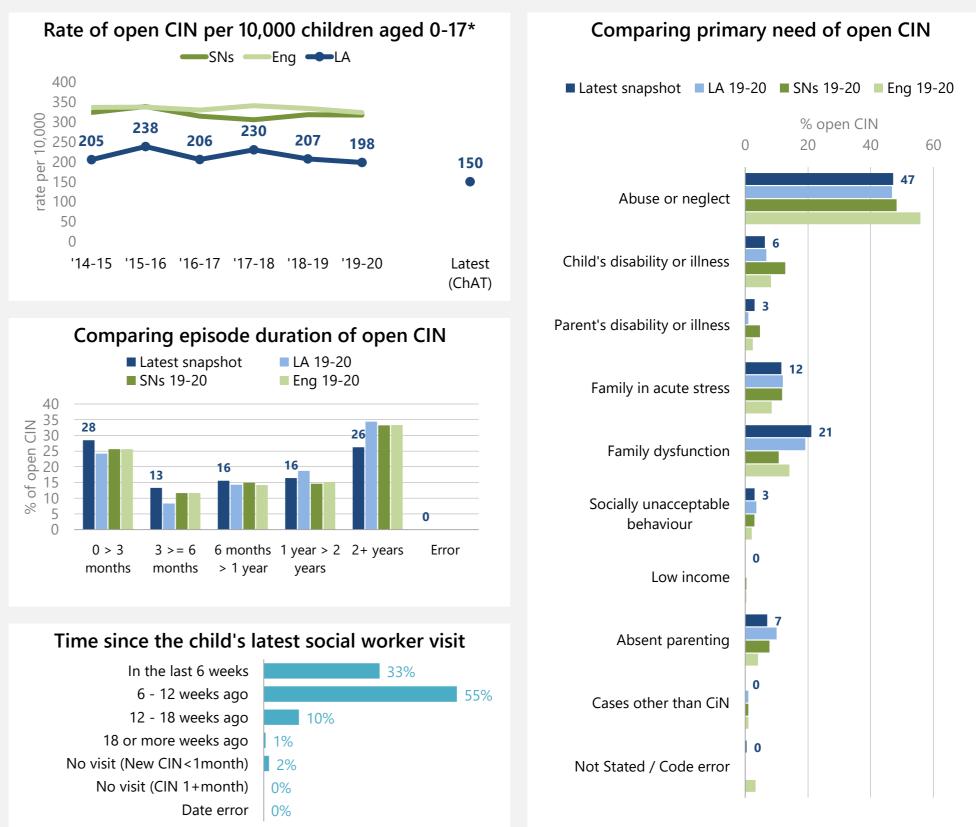


153 children (11%) with a disability



Ethnic background

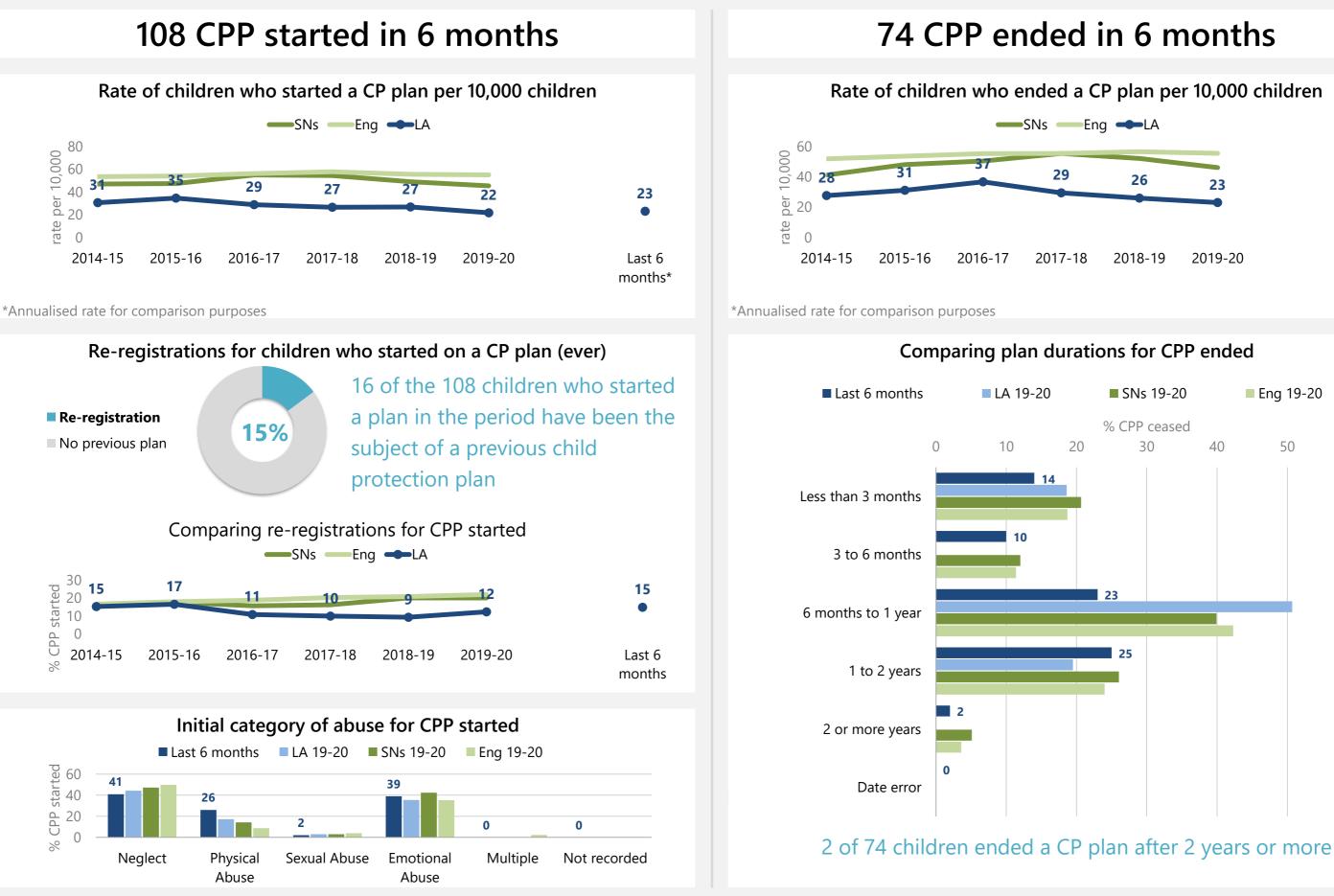
White	37%
Mixed	16%
Asian or Asian British	9%
Black or black British	19%
Other ethnic group	15%
Not stated	4%
Not recorded	0%
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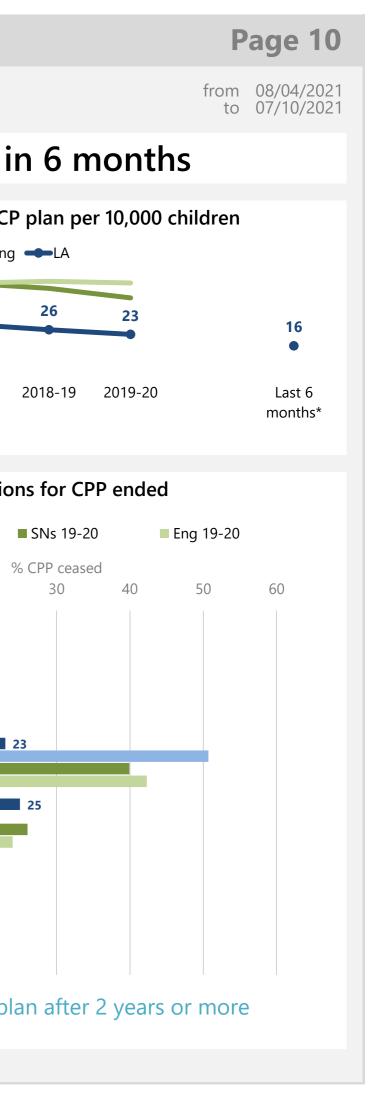


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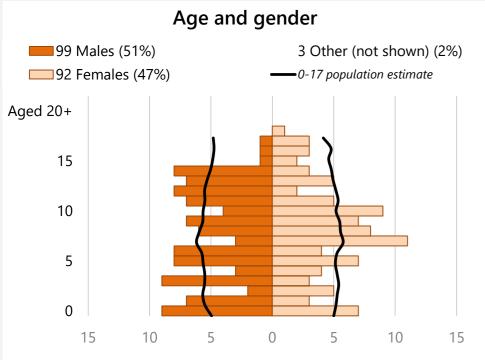
Child Protection Plans (CPP) started and ceased in the last 6 months





Child Protection Plans (CPP) currently open

194 children currently subject of a Child Protection Plan (CPP)



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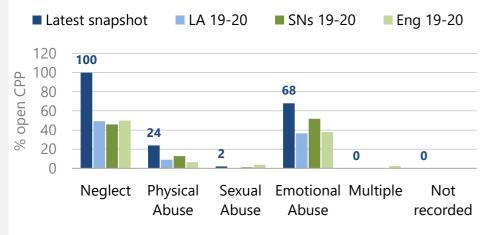
Ethnic background

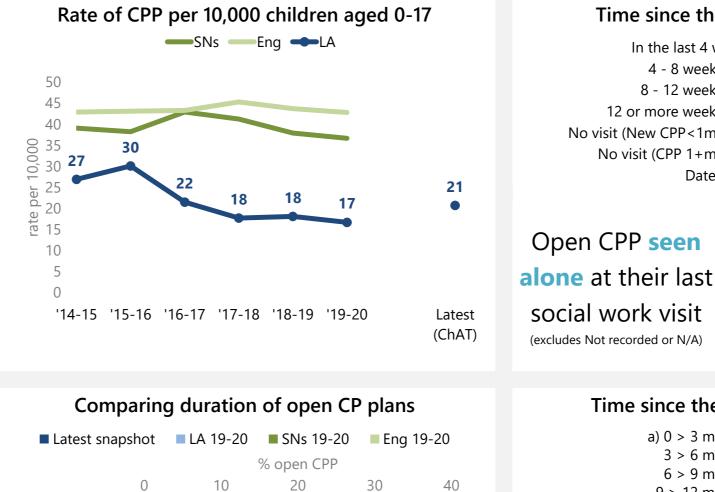
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White	37%
Mixed	24%
Asian or Asian British	5%
Black or black British	22%
Other ethnic group	12%
Not stated	0%
Not recorded	0%
See page 20 for comparis	sons

10 children (5%) with a disability

17 open CP subject to **Emergency Protection Order** or Protected Under Police Powers in last 6 months

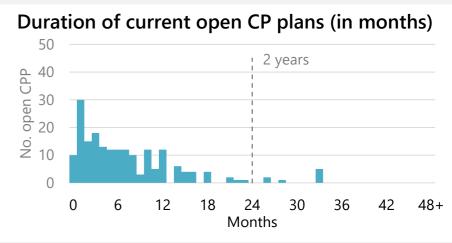
Latest category of abuse for current CP plans



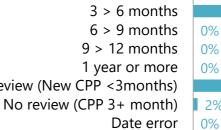


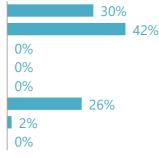


No review (New CPP <3months)



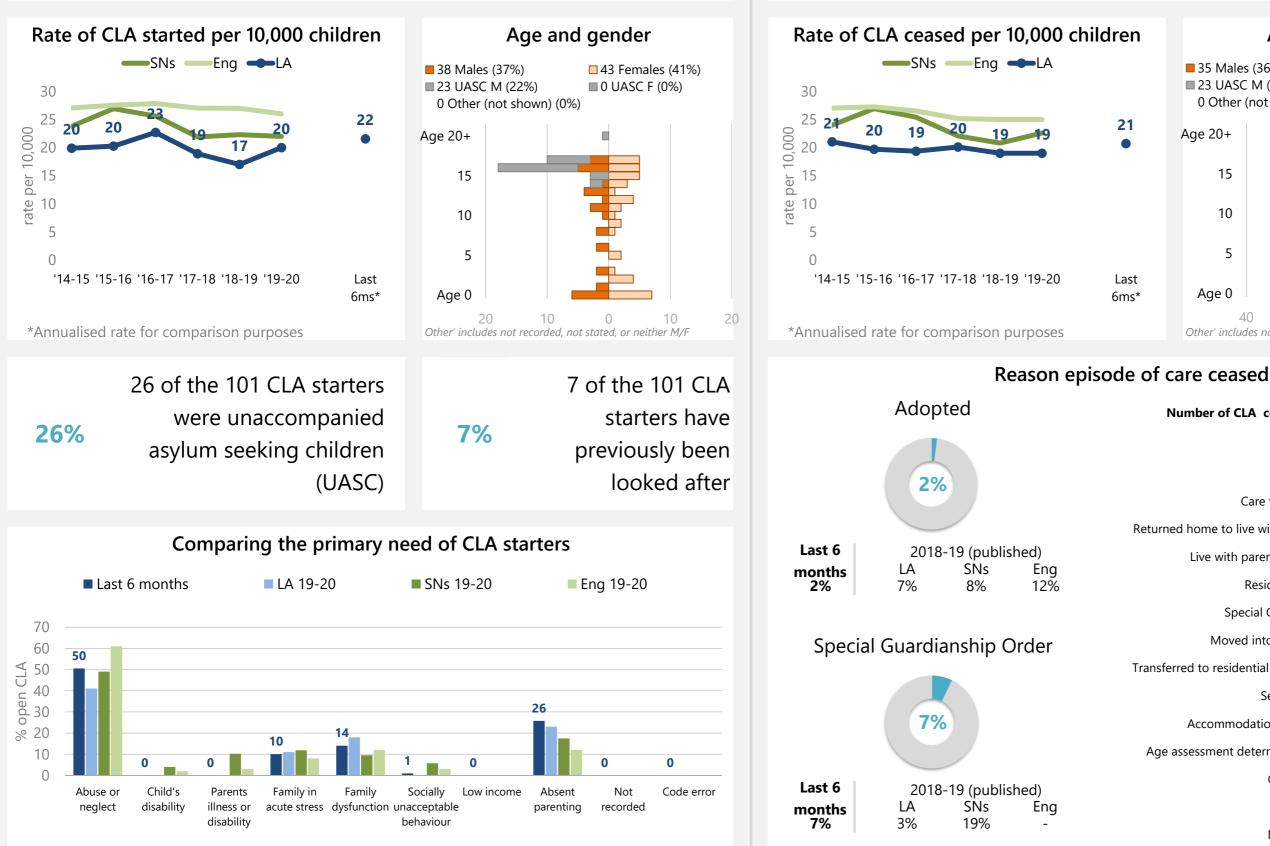




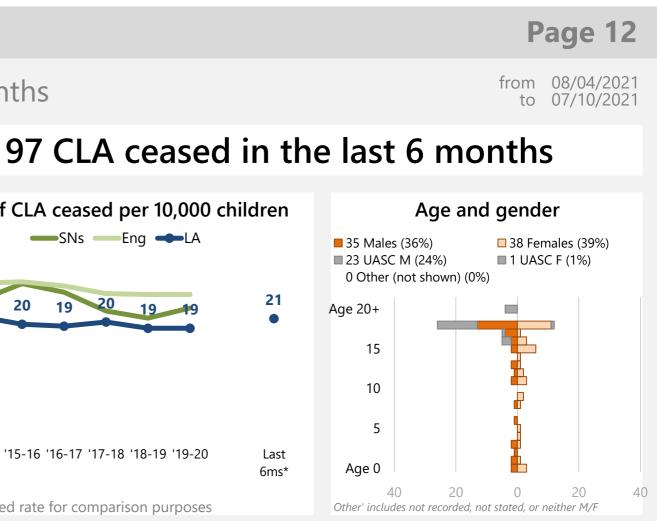


Children Looked After (CLA) started and ceased in the last 6 months

101 CLA started in the last 6 months



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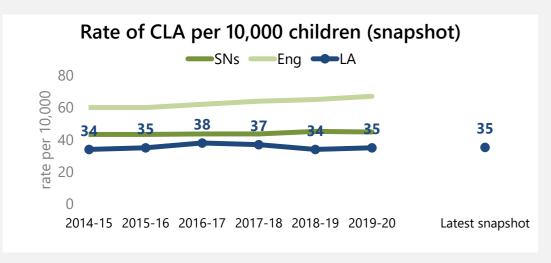
Number of CLA ceased by reason in the period

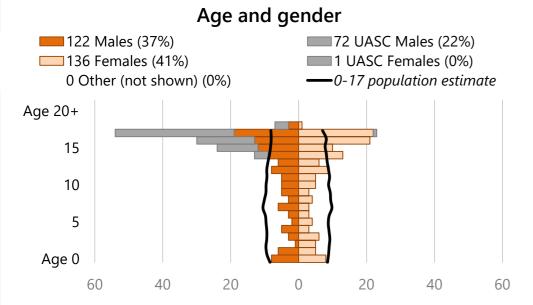
Adopted
Died
Care taken by another LA
ned home to live with parents/ relatives
Live with parents/relatives (not PR)
Residence order granted
Special Guardianship Orders
Moved into independent living
ferred to residential care funded by ASS
Sentenced to custody
Accommodation on remand ended
e assessment determined child was 18+
Child moved abroad
Any other reason
Not recorded / Error

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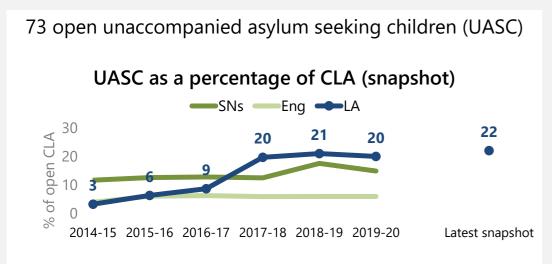
Children Looked After (CLA) with an open episode of care

331 Children Looked After (CLA) with an open episode of care





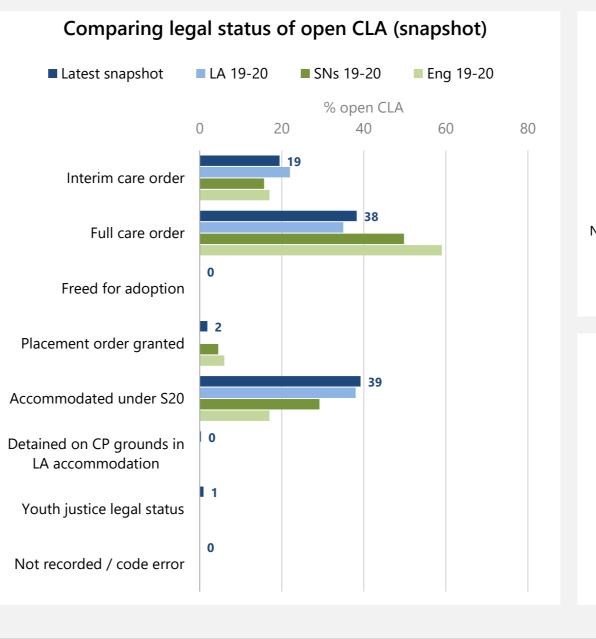
Other' includes not recorded, not stated, or neither M/F



Ethnic background			
	All CLA	Not UASC	UASC
White	37%	46%	4%
Mixed	19%	24%	0%
Asian or Asian British	7%	4%	18%
Black or black British	17%	16%	21%
Other ethnic group	20%	9%	56%
Not stated	1%	0%	1%
Not recorded	0%	0%	0%

25 children (8%) with a disability





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Permanence plan

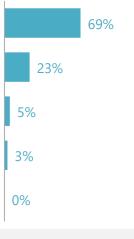
	Number	%
Return to family	0	0%
Adoption	0	0%
SGO/CAO	0	0%
Supported living	0	0%
L/T residential	0	0%
L/T fostering	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Not recorded	0	0%

Time since latest review

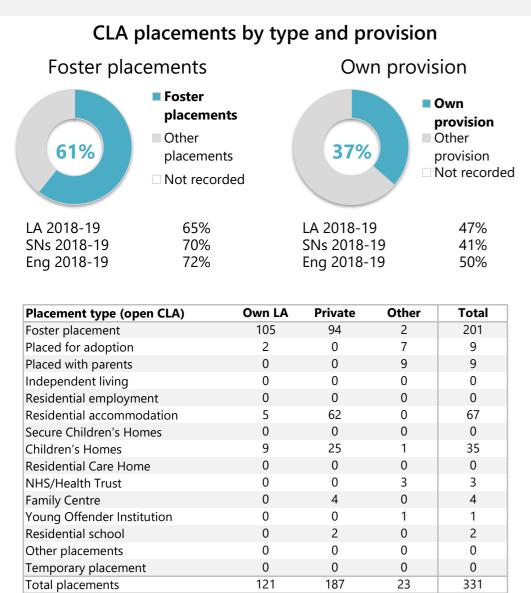
a) 0 > 3 months		29%	6	
b) 3 > 6 months			44%	
c) 6 > 9 months		23%		
d) 9 > 12 months	3%			
e) 1 year or more	1%			
No review (New CLA <1month)	0%			
No review (CLA 1+ month)	0%			
Date error	0%			

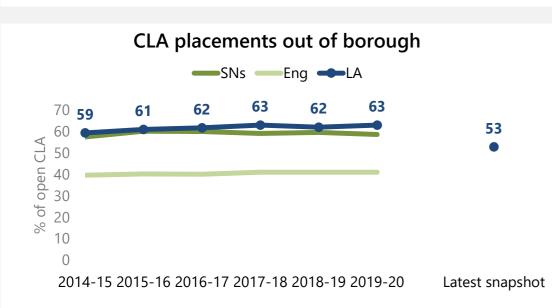
Time since the child was last seen

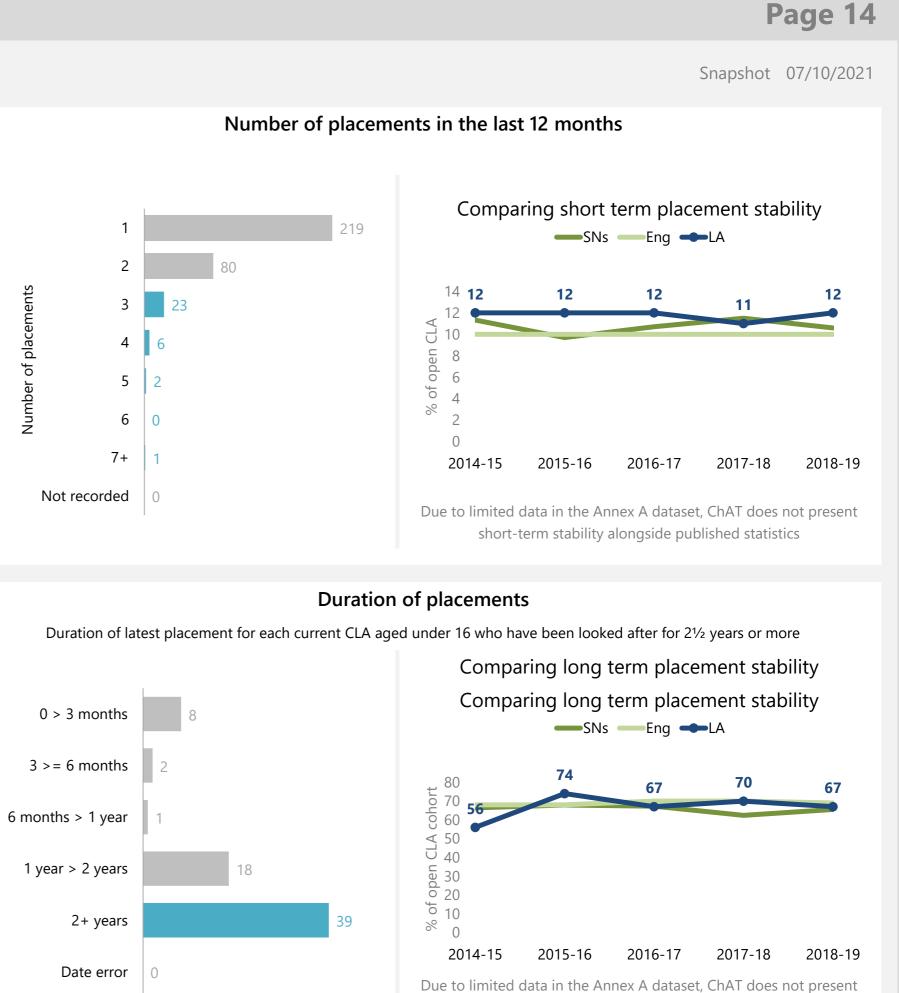
In the last 6 weeks
6 - 12 weeks ago
12 - 18 weeks ago
18 or more weeks ago
No visit (New CLA<1month)

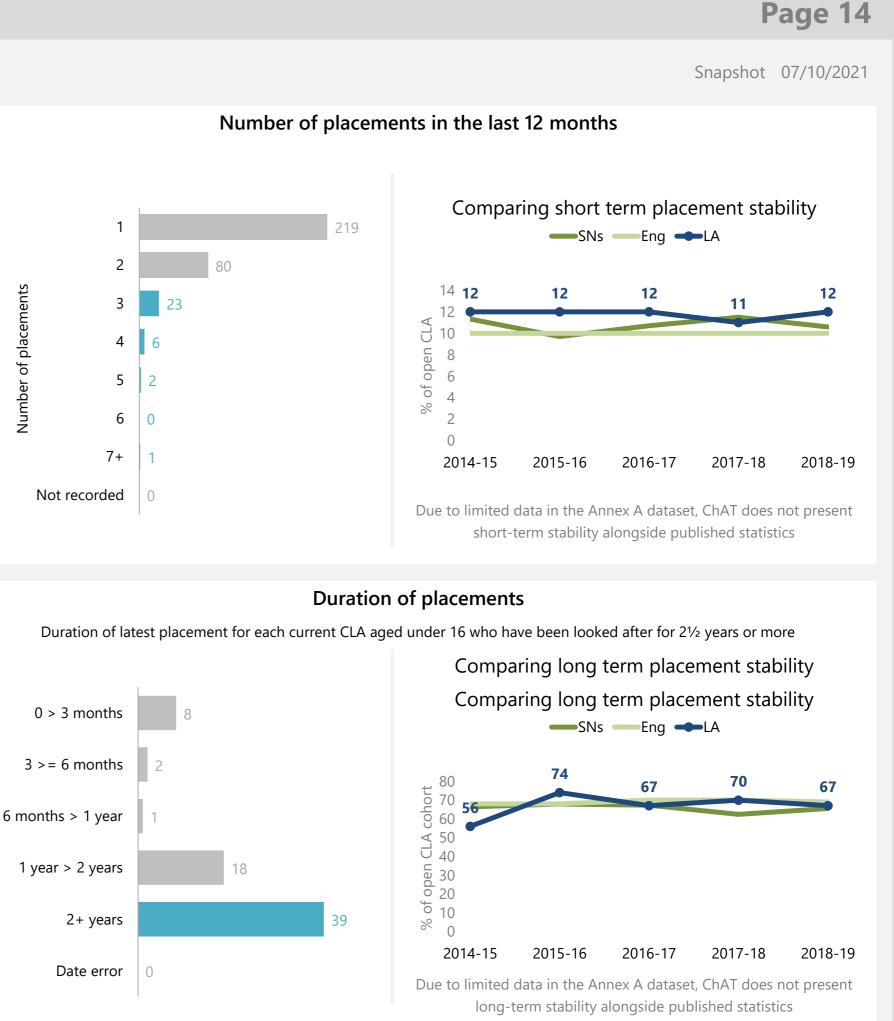


Children Looked After (CLA) placements

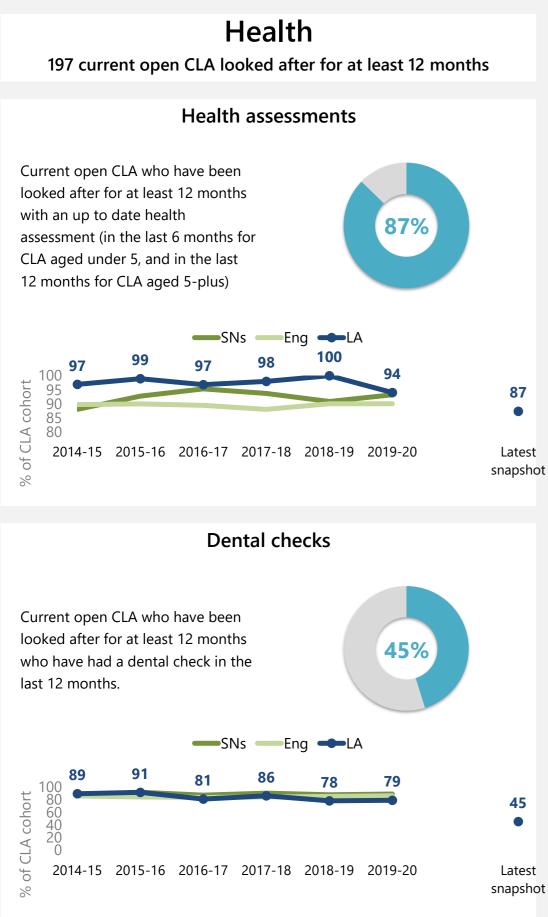


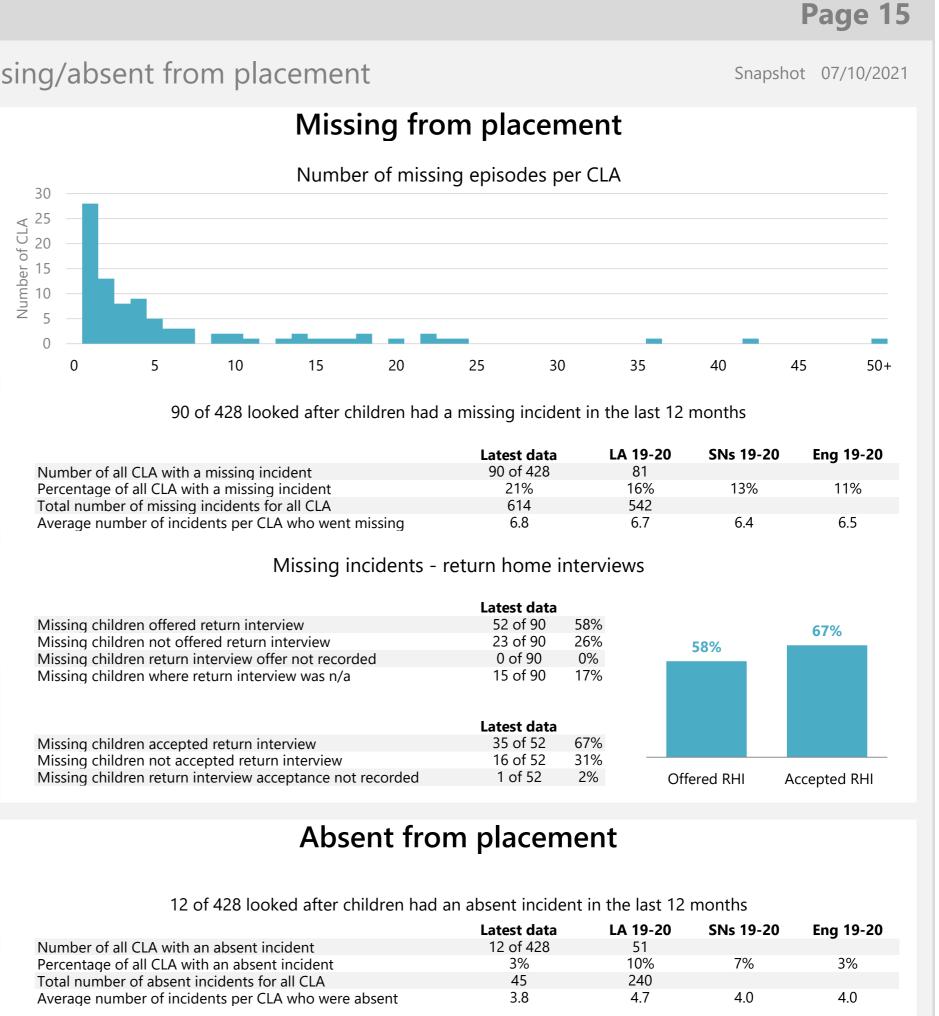






Children Looked After (CLA) health and missing/absent from placement





	Latest data
Number of all CLA with a missing incident	90 of 428
Percentage of all CLA with a missing incident	21%
Total number of missing incidents for all CLA	614
Average number of incidents per CLA who went missing	6.8

	Latest data	
Missing children offered return interview	52 of 90	58%
Missing children not offered return interview	23 of 90 2	26%
Missing children return interview offer not recorded	0 of 90	0%
Missing children where return interview was n/a	15 of 90	179
	Latest data	
Missing children accepted return interview	35 of 52 6	67%
Missing children not accepted return interview	16 of 52	319
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	Latest data
Number of all CLA with an absent incident	12 of 428
Percentage of all CLA with an absent incident	3%
Total number of absent incidents for all CLA	45
Average number of incidents per CLA who were absent	3.8

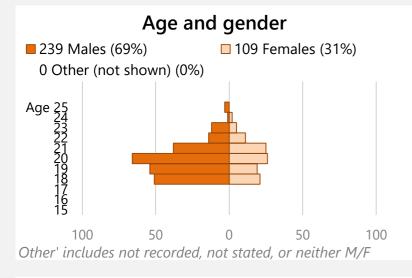
Care leavers currently in receipt of leaving care services



28%

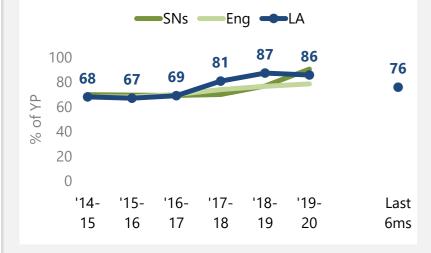
13%

13%



Remained in care until aged 18

YP who ceased to be looked after aged 16-plus who were looked after until their 18th birthday



23% Black or black British 22% Other ethnic group 1% Not stated Not recorded 0% See page 22 for comparisons 34 (10%) care leavers with a disability

Ethnic background

White Mixed

Asian or Asian British

Eligibility category

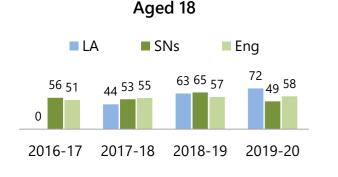
Relevant	0
Former relevant	345
Qualifying	2
Other	1
Not recorded	0

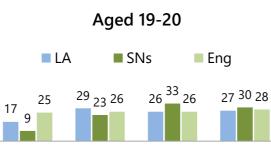
Relevant = YP aged 16-17 no longer looked after and eligible for leaving care services.

Former relevant = YP aged 18-25 eligible for leaving care services.

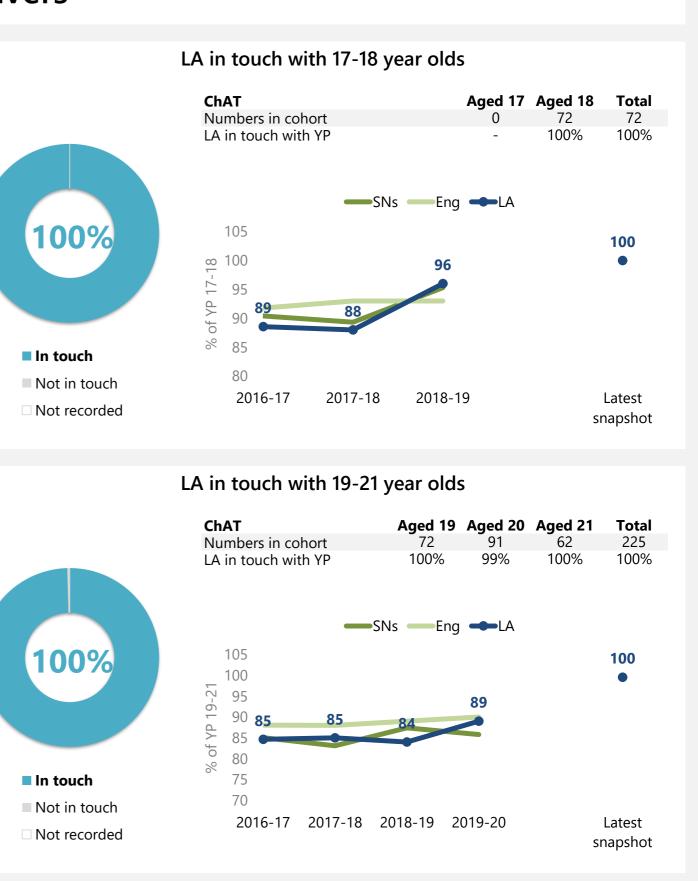
Qualifying = YP aged 18-25 in receipt of support but not eligible for full leaving care services.

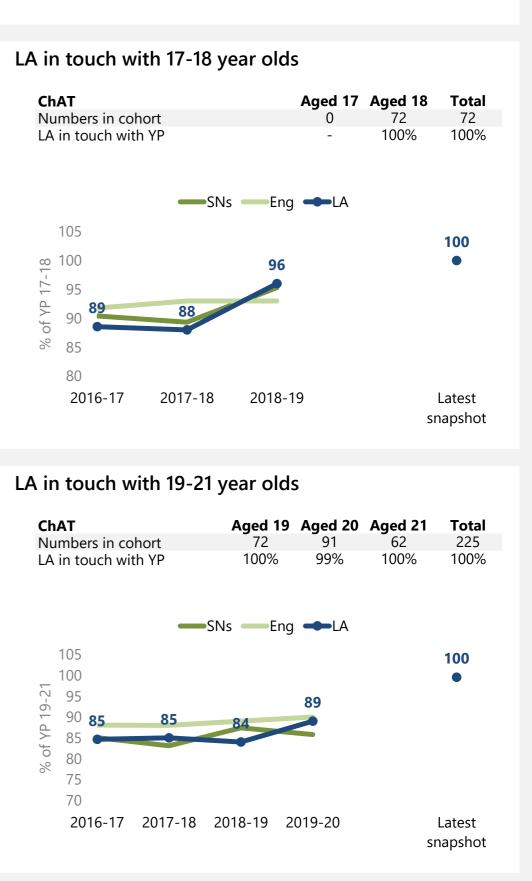






2017-18 2018-19 2019-20 2016-17





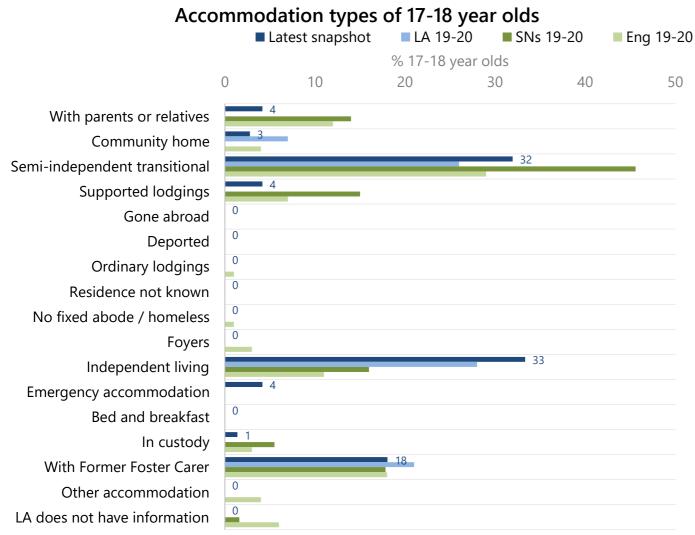


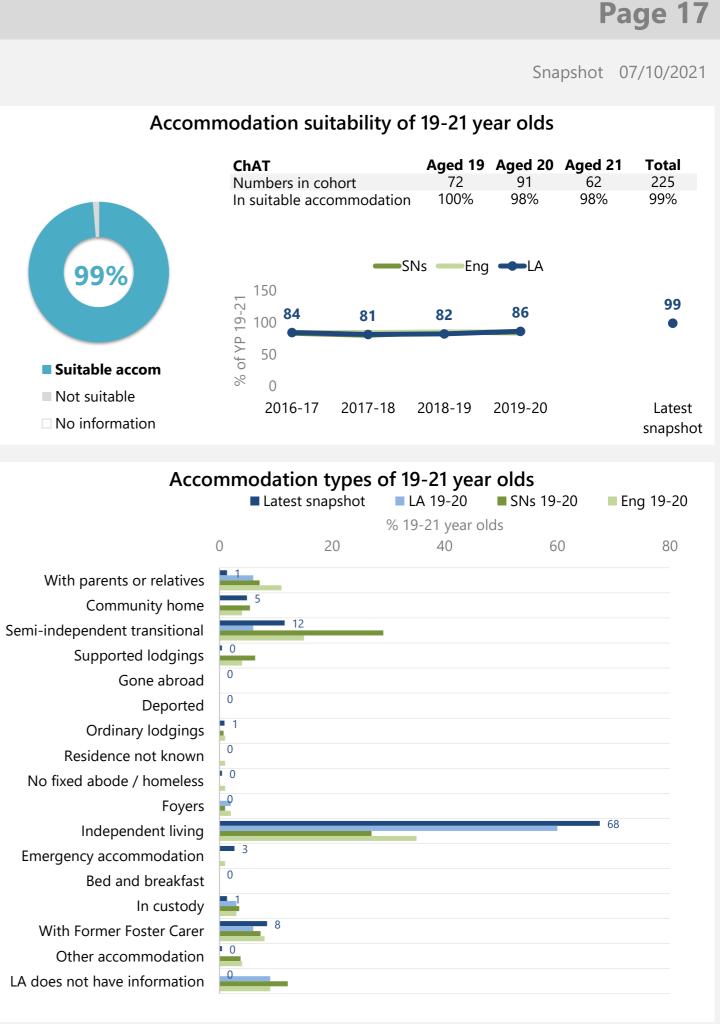


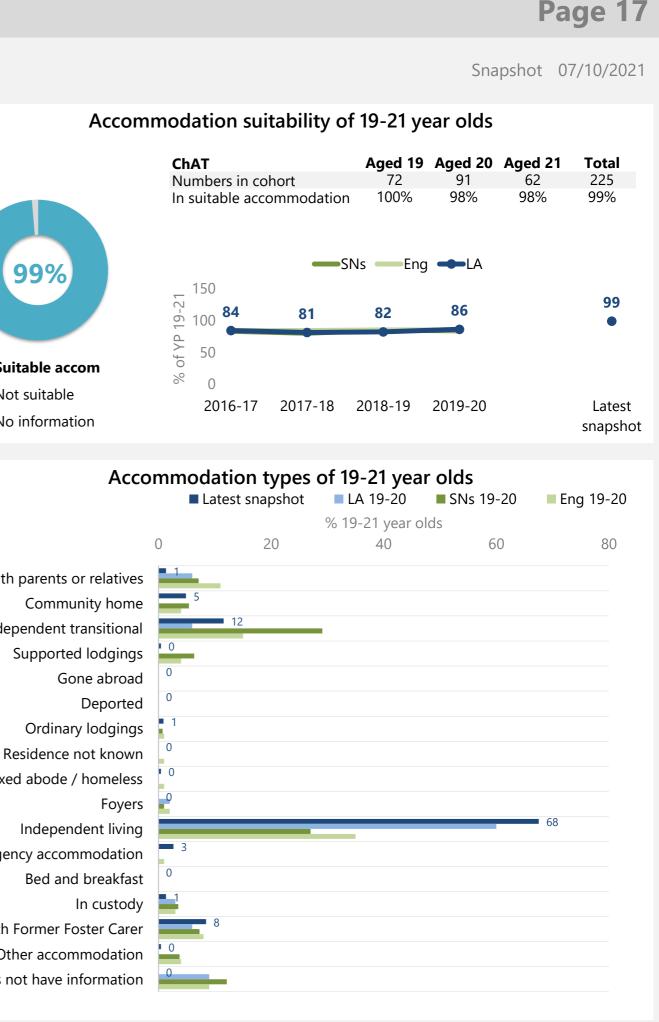
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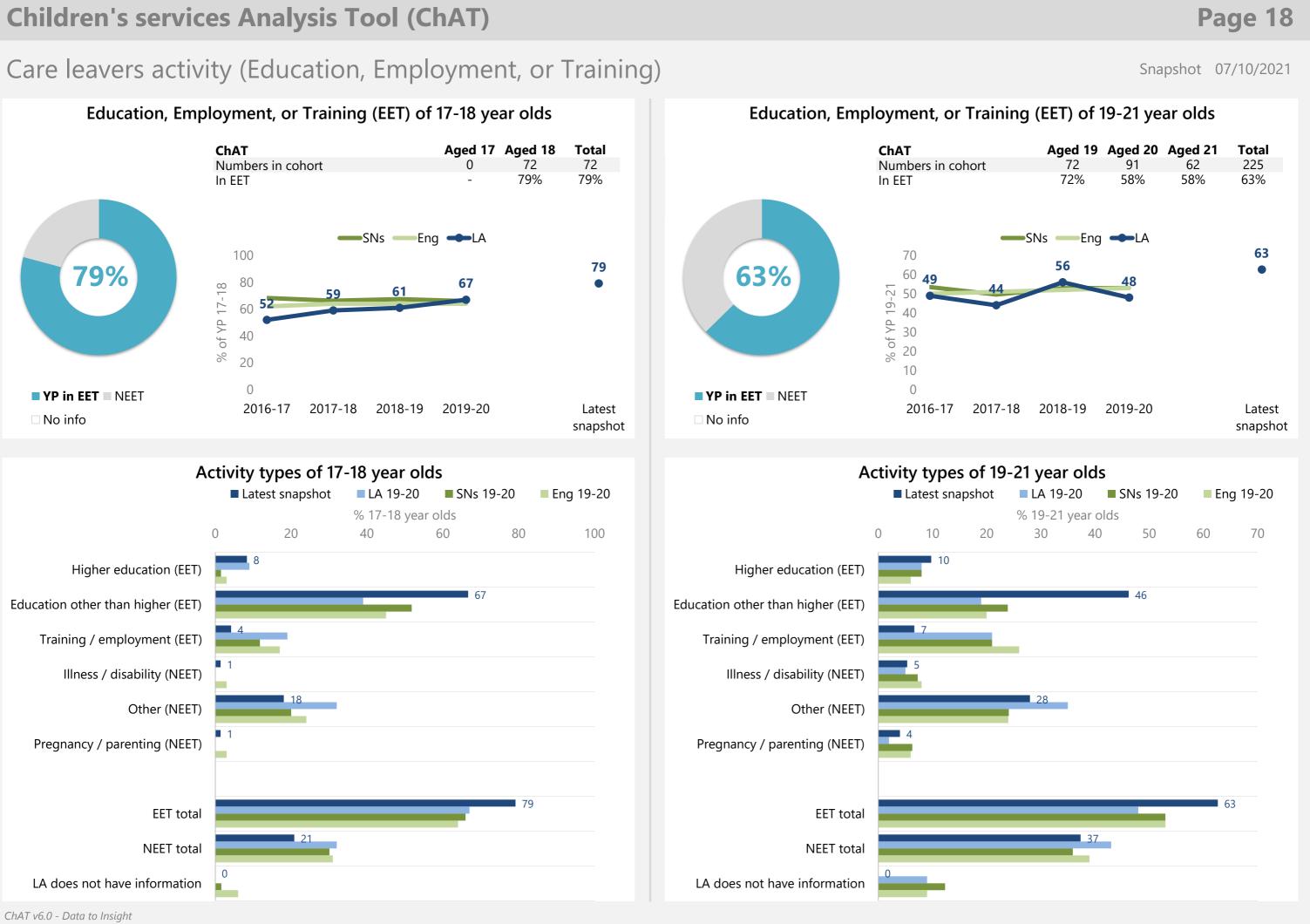
Care leavers accommodation suitability and type











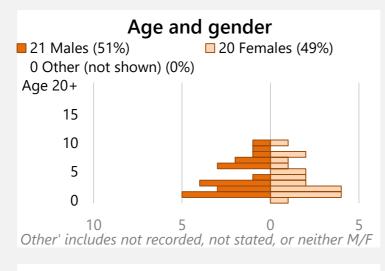
Children adopted, waiting to be adopted, or had an adoption decision reversed in the last 12 months

41 children

- 10 Child/ren adopted last 12 months
- 21 Child/ren waiting to be adopted
- (18 Child/ren waiting with placement order) 9 Child/ren with decision reversed

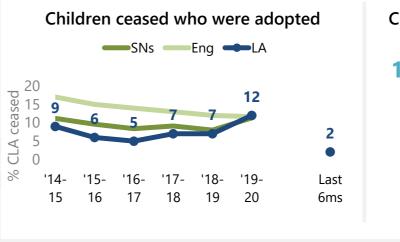
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Not recorded	0%
See page 22 for comparisons	



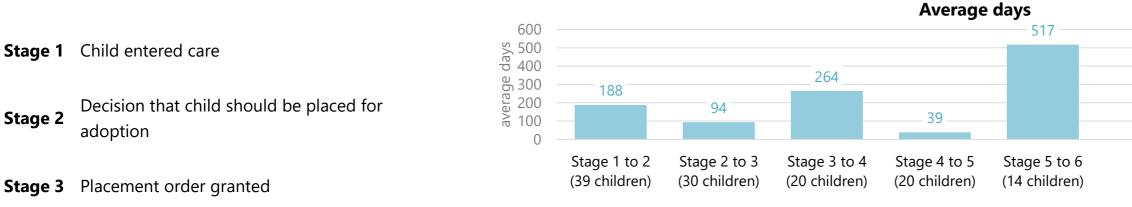
1 children (2%) with a disability

Of the 97 children who ceased to be looked after in the last 6 months, 2 was/were adopted (2%)

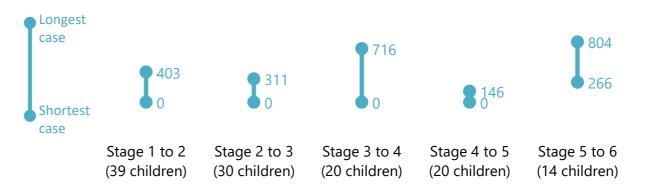


Timeliness of each stage of the adoption process

Average duration of each stage (number of days)



Range in days between shortest and longest cases at each stage



- **Stage 4** Matching child and prospective adopters
- **Stage 5** Placed for adoption
- **Stage 6** Adoption order granted



from 08/10/2020 to 07/10/2021

Children aged 5-plus who were adopted

1.2%

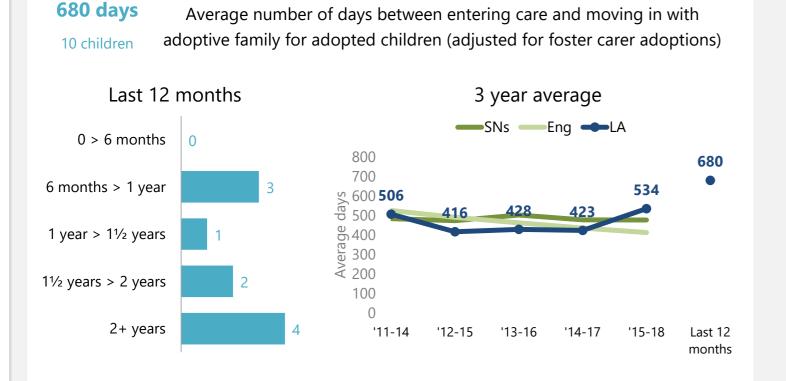
1 of the 84 children aged 5-plus who ceased to be looked after in the last 6 months were adopted

Comparing 5-plus adoptions

LA last 6 months	1.2%
LA 2013-16 (3 yr average)	2.0%
SNs 2013-16 (3 yr average)	5.0%
Eng 2013-16 (3 yr average)	5.0%



Adoption benchmarking

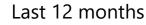


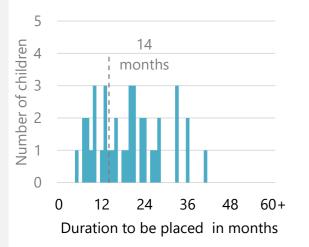
(A10) Time between entering care and placed with family for adopted children

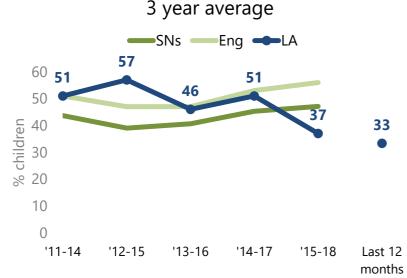
(A3) Time between entering care and placed for adoption

33% 13/39 children

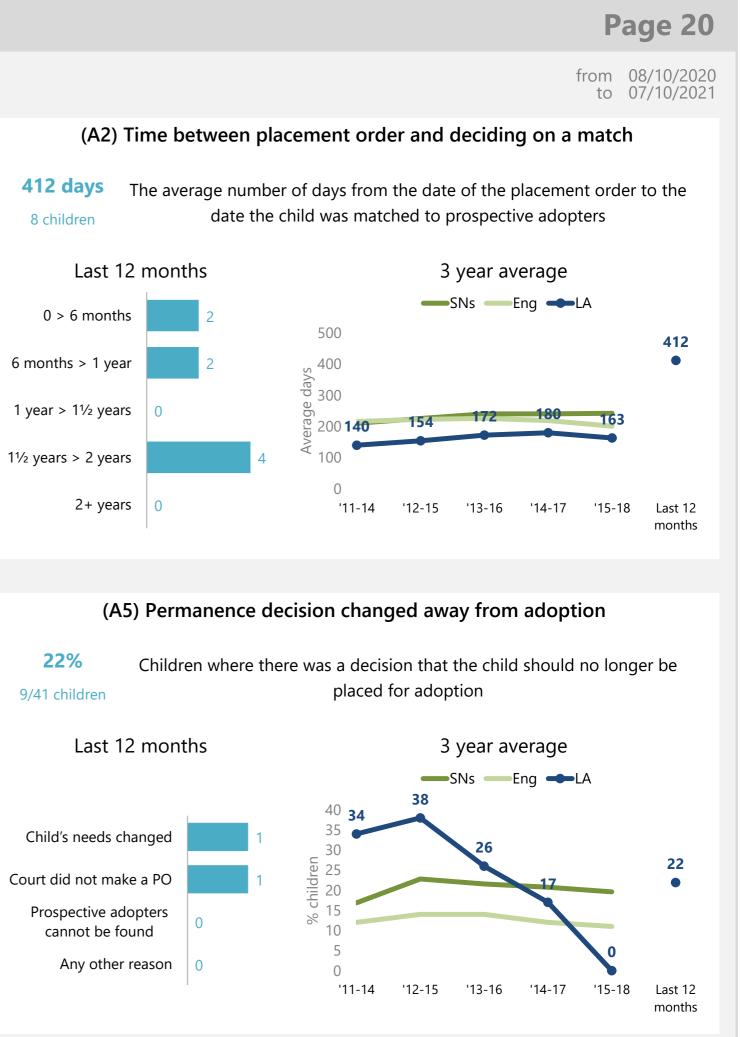
Children placed who waited less than the threshold between entering care and being placed for adoption (threshold: 14 months for 2013-16)

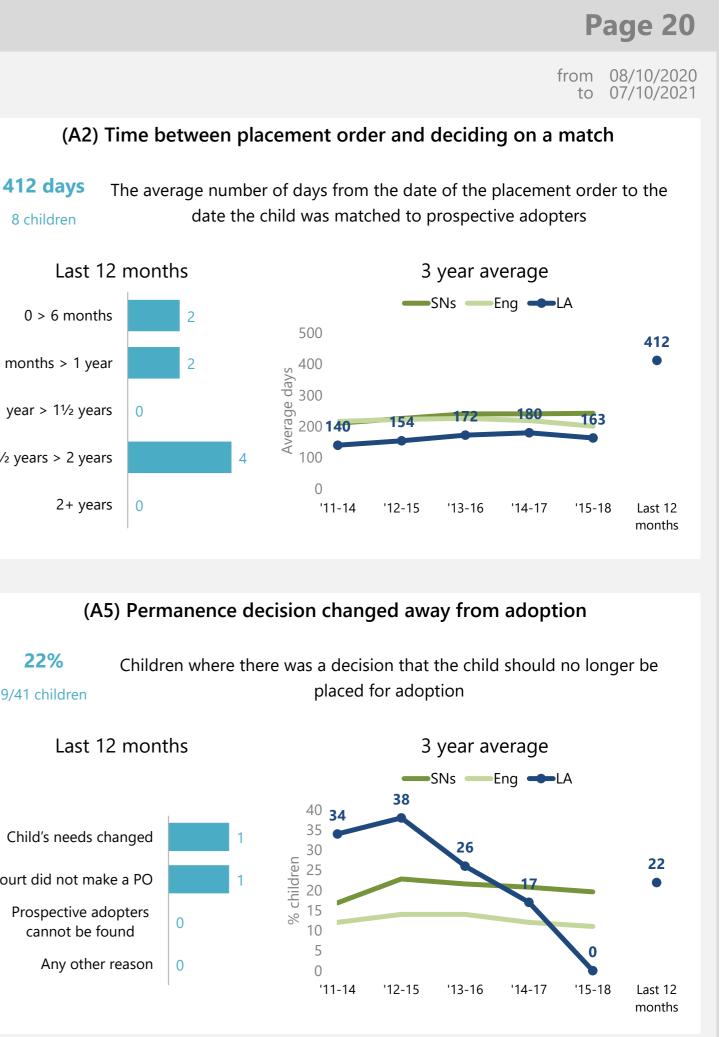


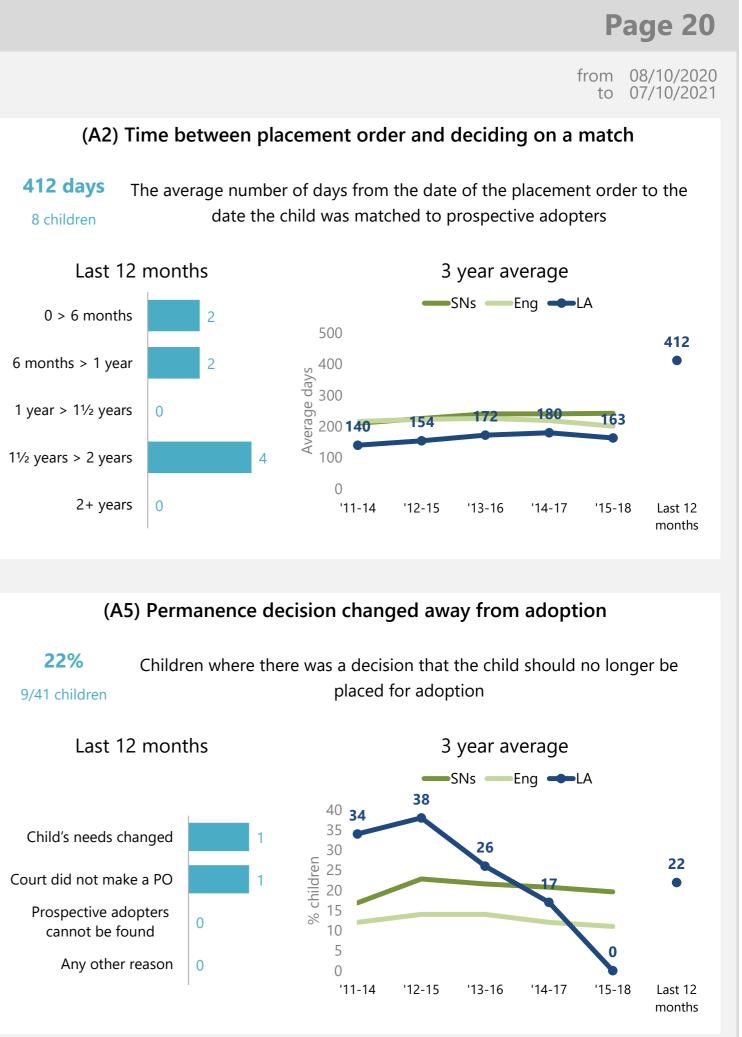




8 children



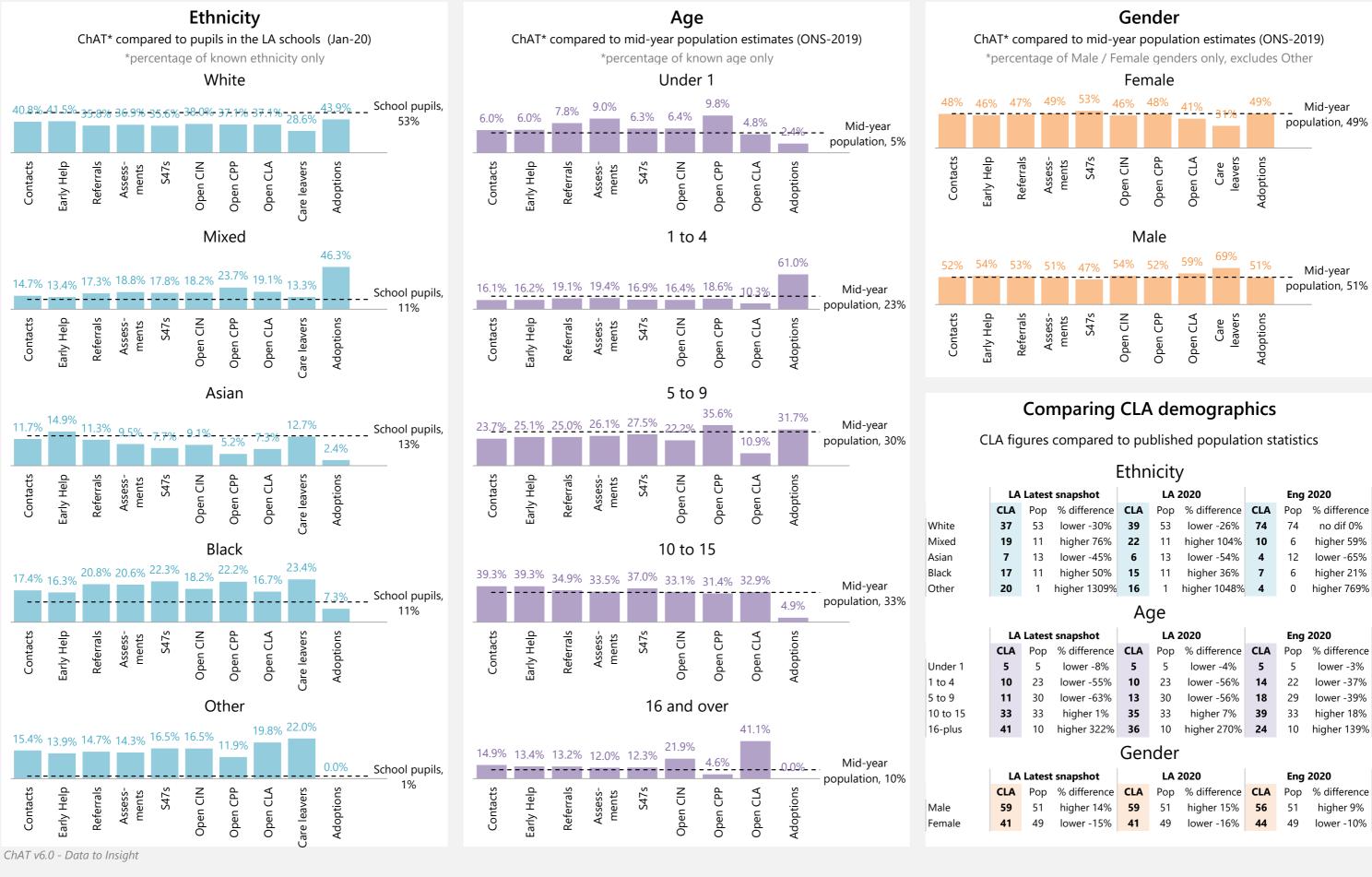




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Demographics of children across all areas of children's social care





Snapshot 07/10/2021

apshot		LA 2020			Eng 2020			
difference	CLA	Рор	% difference	CLA	% difference			
wer -30%	39	53	lower -26%	74	74	no dif 0%		
gher 76%	22	11	higher 104%	10	0 6 higher 5			
wer -45%	6	13	lower -54%	4	12	lower -65%		
gher 50%	15	11	higher 36%	7	6	higher 21%		
her 1309%	16	1	higher 1048%	6 4 0 higher 76				

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apshot		LA 2020			Eng 2020			
difference	CLA	Рор	% difference	CLA	Рор	% difference		
ower -8%	5	5	lower -4%	5	5	lower -3%		
wer -55%	10	23	lower -56%	14	22	lower -37%		
wer -63%	13	30	lower -56%	18	29	lower -39%		
igher 1%	35	33	higher 7%	39	33	higher 18%		
gher 322%	36	10	higher 270%	24	higher 139%			

apshot		LA 2	2020	Eng 2020			
difference	CLA	Рор	% difference	CLA	Рор	% difference	
gher 14%	59	51	higher 15%	56	51	higher 9%	
wer -15%	41	49	lower -16%	44	49	lower -10%	

Comparisons of headline figures and performance data to published statistics

The table below shows the Local Authority's latest data for each indicator as calculated in ChAT, and the direction of travel since the latest published statistics (where available).

Decreasing, low is good Increasing, high is good No change, not RAG rated



Lowest 25% of Highest 25% Mid 50% rang

Indicator	Latest data (ChAT) Latest publishe				ned statist	ed statistics for all local authorities				
	LA	Directio	n of travel	LA	SNs	Eng	LA compared range of		Date	
Referrals received (annual rate per 10,000 of children)	328	Increase	>	300	531	535	Lower	0	2019-20	
Referrals to social care that were within 12 months of a previous referral (%)	13	Decrease	<	16	19	21	Lower	0	2019-20	
Assessments completed (annual rate per 10,000 of children)	233	Decrease	<	328	537	554	Lower	0	2019-20	
Assessments completed within 45 working days (%)	76	Decrease	<	84	84	84	In range	0	2019-20	
Children subject to section 47 enquiries (annual rate per 10,000 of children)	101	Increase	>	80	157	167	Lower	0	2019-20	
Children subject of an initial child protection conference (annual rate per 10,000 of children)	22	Decrease	<	27	55	64	Lower	0	2019-20	
Initial Child Protection Conferences held within 15 working days of the start of the section 47 enquiry (%)	88	Increase	>	80	83	78	In range	0	2019-20	
Children in need (snapshot rate per 10,000 children)	150	Decrease	<	198	317	324	Lower	0	2019-20	
Children who are the subject of a child protection plan (snapshot rate per 10,000 children)	21	Increase	>	17	37	43	Lower	0	2019-20	
Children who became the subject of a CP plan for a second or subsequent time (%)	15	Increase	>	12	20	22	Lower	0	2019-20	
Children who ceased to be on a CP plan whose plan lasted 2 years or more (%)	2	-	† †	С	5	4	Higher	(2019-20	
Children who are looked after (snapshot rate per 10,000 children)	35	Increase	>	35	45	67	Lower	0	2019-20	
Children looked after who had a missing incident in the period (%)	21	Increase	>	16	13	11	Higher	(2019-20	
Children looked after who were away without authorisation in the period (%)	3	Decrease	<	10	7	3	Higher	(2019-20	
Children looked after who had their teeth checked by a dentist in the last 12 months (%)	45	Decrease	<	79	89	86	Lower	0	2019-20	
Children looked after who had their annual health assessment (%)	87	Decrease	<	94	93	90	In range	0	2019-20	
Children who ceased to be looked after in the period who were adopted (%)	2	Decrease	<	12	11	12	In range	0	2019-20	
Children who ceased to be looked after in the period due to a Special Guardianship Order (%)	7	-	1 1	-	-	-	Higher	C	2019-20	
Children leaving care over the age of 16 who remained looked after until their 18th birthday (%)	76	Decrease	<	86	90	79	In range	0	2019-20	
Care leavers aged 19-21 in suitable accommodation (%)	99	Increase	>	86	84	85	In range	0	2019-20	
Care leavers aged 19-21 in education, employment, or training (%)	63	Increase	>	48	53	53	In range	0	2019-20	
A1 - Average time between entering care and moving in with family for children who were adopted (days)	680	Increase	>	576	577	486	Higher	C	2015-18	
A2 - Average time between LA receiving placement order and LA deciding on a match with family (days)	412	Increase	>	163	242	201	In range	0	2015-18	

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