Children's Services Analysis Tool (ChAT)

Based on Ofsted's ILACS Annex A dataset (2020) / Inspection Report

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Contacts

Contacts in the last 6 months	10,174

Early Help / Common / Targeted Assessments

Early Help in the last 6 months	1,877

Referrals

Referrals in the last 6 months	1,408

Social Care Assessments

Total assessments in the last 6 months	1,668
Assessments completed in the last 6 months	1,342
Ongoing assessments	326

Section 47 enquiries and Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCS)

Section 47 enquiries in the last 6 months	426
ICPCs that started from an S47 in the last 6 months	116

Children in Need (CIN)

Total CIN in the last 6 months	2,617
CIN started in the last 6 months	1,405
CIN ceased in the last 6 months	1,346
Current children in need (snapshot)	1,556

Child Protection Plans (CPP)

Total CPP in the last 6 months	407
CPP started in the last 6 months	137
CPP ceased in the last 6 months	166
Current children subject of a child protection plan (snapshot)	241

Children Looked After (CLA)

Total CLA in the last 6 months	450
CLA started in the last 6 months	110
CLA ceased in the last 6 months	74
Current children looked after (snapshot)	374

Care leavers

Care leavers currently in receipt of leaving care services	323

Adoptions

Children adopted, waiting to be adopted, or had an adoption decision reversed in the last 12 months	53
Children adopted in the last 12 months	3
Children waiting to be adopted (snapshot)	48
Children with decision reversed in the last 12 months	2

Adopters

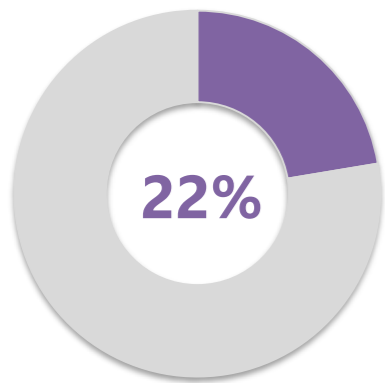|	
Prospective adopters in the last 12 months	0

Contacts in the last 6 months

from 08/05/2023
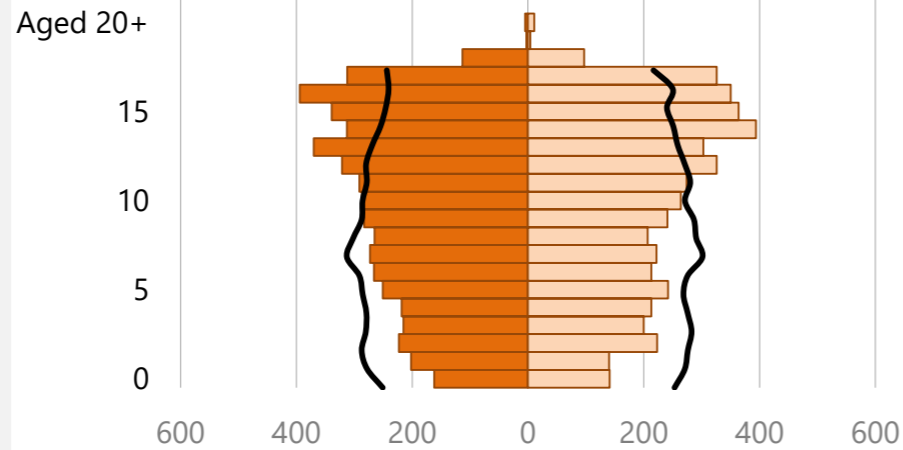to 07/11/2023

10174 contacts

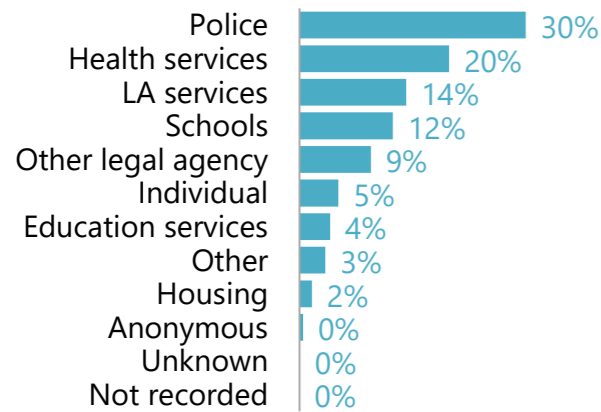#### Children who also appear on the Referrals list
■ Yes ■ No

22%

Age and gender
■ 5106 Males (50%)
■ 4755 Females (47%)
313 Other (not shown) (3%)
— 0-17 population estimate

Aged 20+

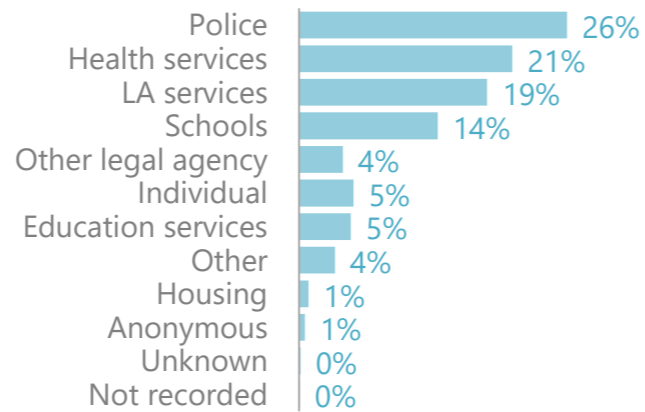*Other' includes not recorded, not stated, or neither M/F*

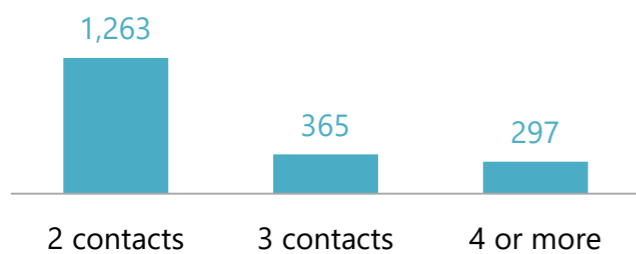#### Source of contacts compared to source of referrals

Contact source
Police	30%
Health services	20%
LA services	14%
Schools	12%
Other legal agency	9%
Individual	5%
Education services	4%
Other	3%
Housing	2%
Anonymous	0%
Unknown	0%
Not recorded	0%

Referral source comparison
Police	26%
Health services	21%
LA services	19%
Schools	14%
Other legal agency	4%
Individual	5%
Education services	5%
Other	4%
Housing	1%
Anonymous	1%
Unknown	0%
Not recorded	0%

Children with multiple contacts in period
2 contacts	3 contacts	4 or more
1,263	365	297

Ethnic backgrounds
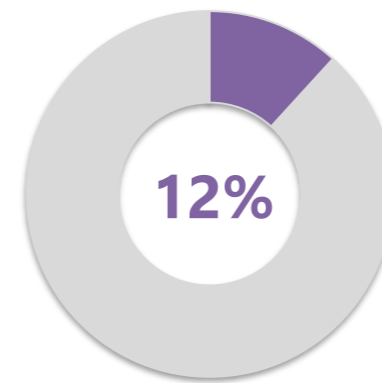|	
White	30%
Mixed	11%
Asian or Asian British	9%
Black or black British	13%
Other ethnic group	9%
Not stated	26%
Not recorded	1%

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Early Help in the last 6 months

from 08/05/2023
to 07/11/2023
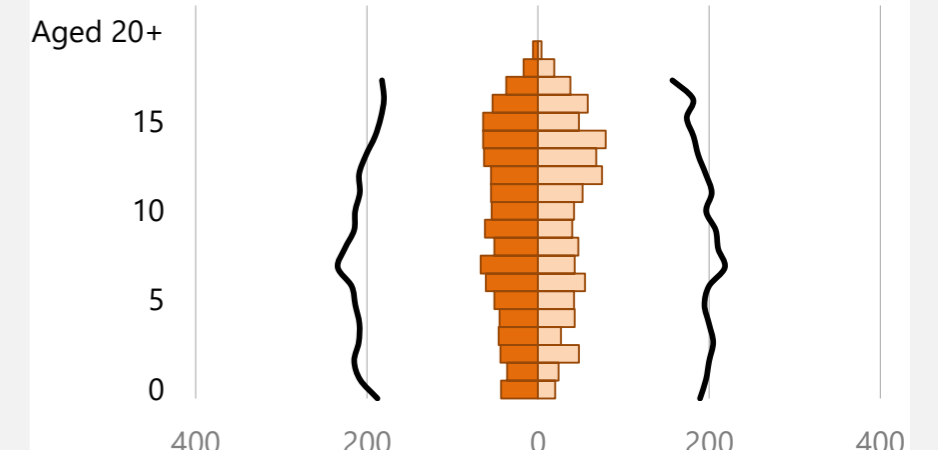
1877 Early Help / Common / Targeted Assessments

Early Help cases that also appear on the Referrals list
■ Yes ■ No

12%

Age and gender
■ 974 Males (52%)
■ 872 Females (46%)
31 Other (not shown) (2%)
— 0-17 population estimate

Aged 20+

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

Organisation completing assessment
EAST Central Locality	37%
West Locality	30%
South Locality	27%
Home-Start Barnet	1%
Barnet Carers	1%
0-19 Service	1%
Resources for Autism	1%
Underhill School And Children Centre	1%
EHM -Social Care Team	0%
BEYA	0%
All other organisations	1%
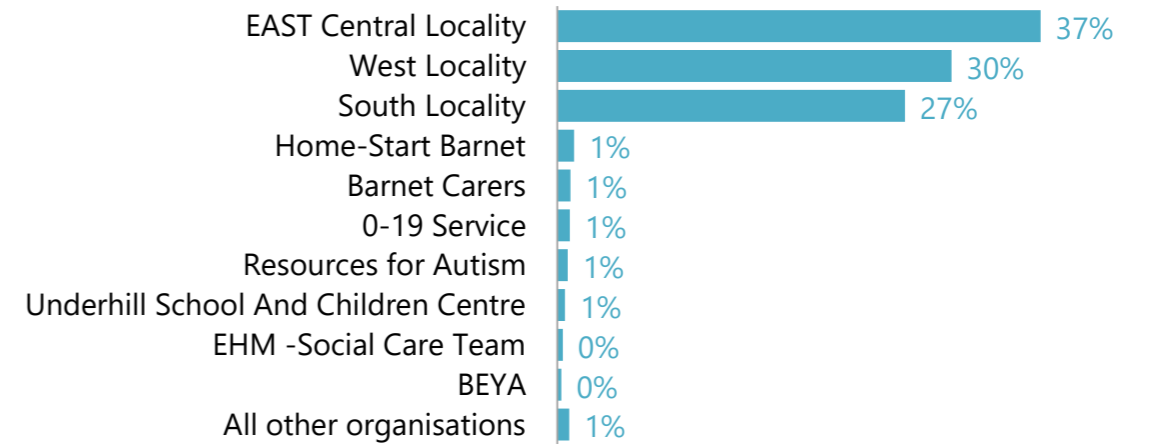
Children with multiple records in period
2 assessments	3 assessments	4 or more
121	12	2

Ethnic backgrounds
White	39%
Mixed	13%
Asian or Asian British	12%
Black or black British	15%
Other ethnic group	11%
Not stated	8%
Not recorded	0%
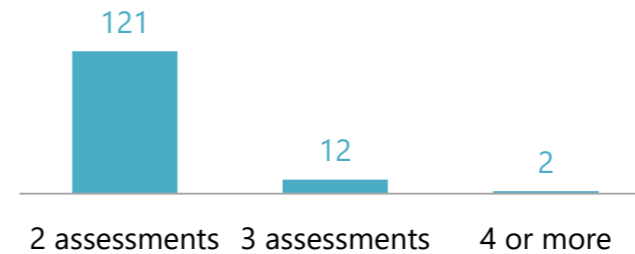
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Referrals in the last 6 months

1408 referrals

Source of referral

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

% of referrals

Source	Value
Individual	5
Schools	14
Education services	5
Health services	21
Housing	1
LA services	19
Police	26
Other legal agency	4
Other	4
Anonymous	1
Unknown	0
Not recorded	0
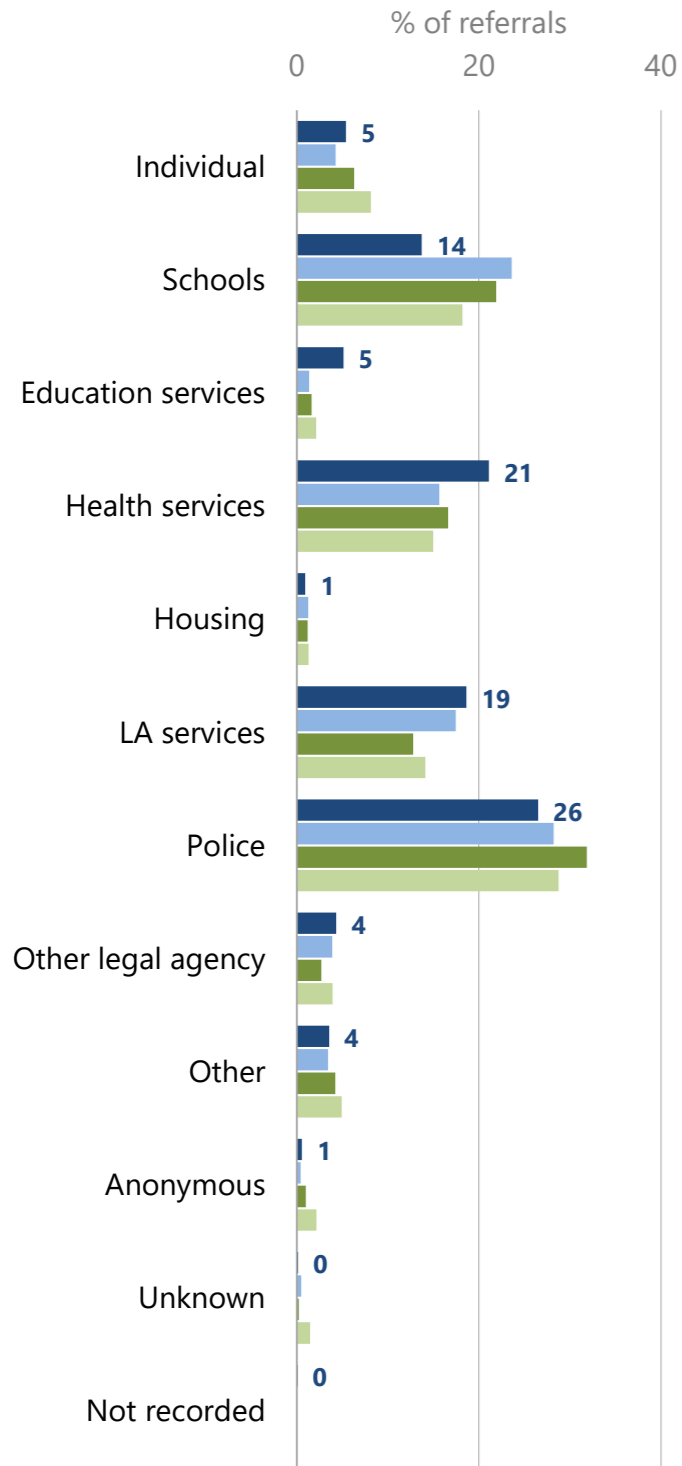
Age and gender

- ■ 703 Males (50%)
- ■ 670 Females (48%)
- 35 Other (not shown) (2%)
- — 0-17 population estimate

Aged 20+
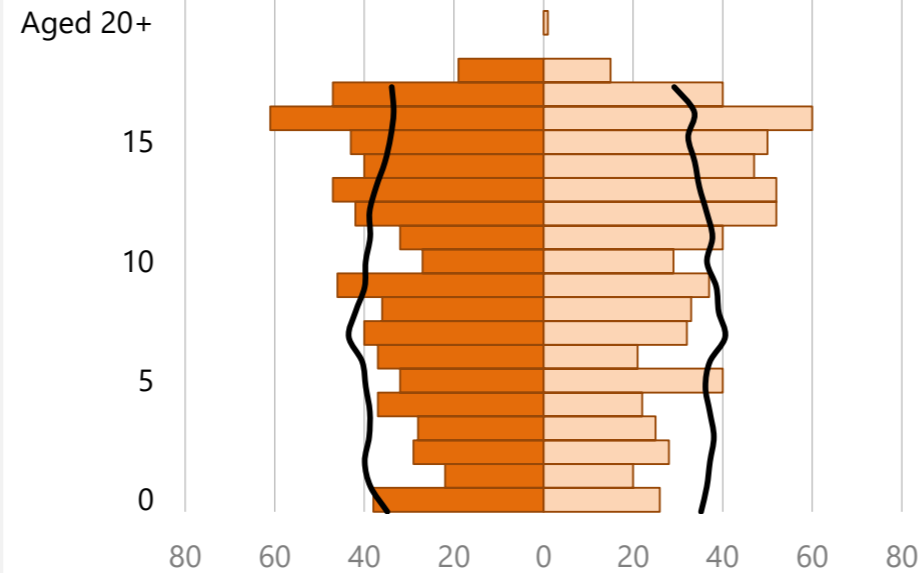
Other' includes not recorded, not stated, or neither M/F

Ethnic backgrounds

White	33%
Mixed	16%
Asian or Asian British	11%
Black or black British	17%
Other ethnic group	12%
Not stated	12%
Not recorded	0%

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Rate of referrals per 10,000 children aged 0-17

- — SNs
- — Eng
- ● LA

Year	Value
2014-15	382
2015-16	392
2016-17	368
2017-18	423
2018-19	371
2019-20	300
Last 6 months*	301
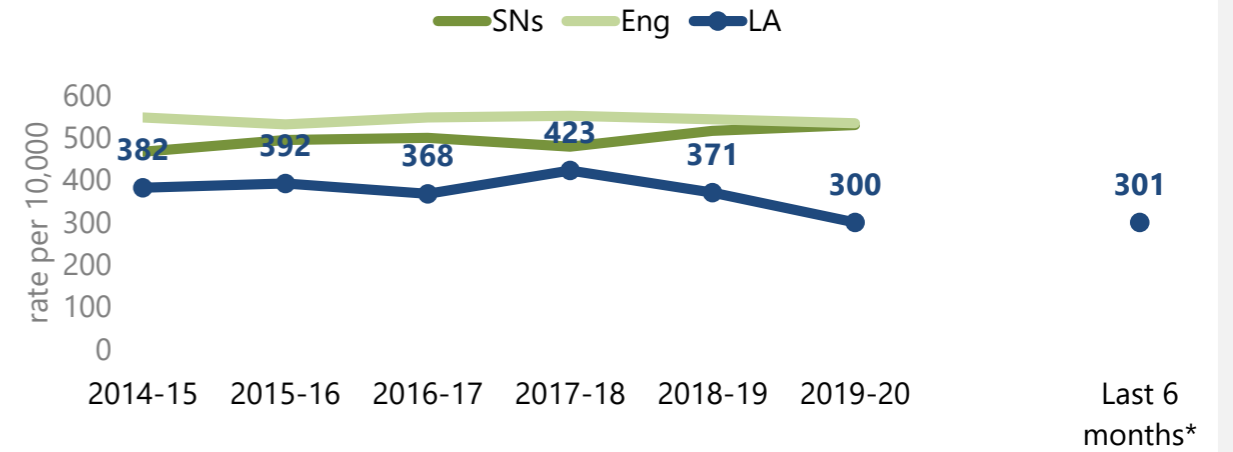
*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

Referrals with No Further Action (NFA)

- — SNs
- — Eng
- ● LA

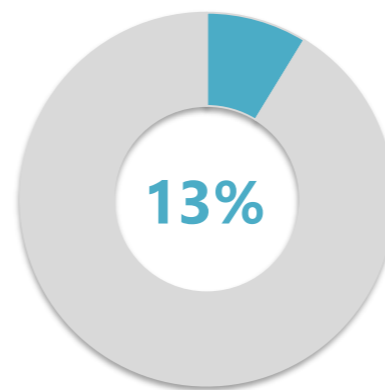| Year	LA
2014-15	7
2015-16	0
2016-17	5
2017-18	0
2018-19	3
2019-20	6
Last 6 months	5
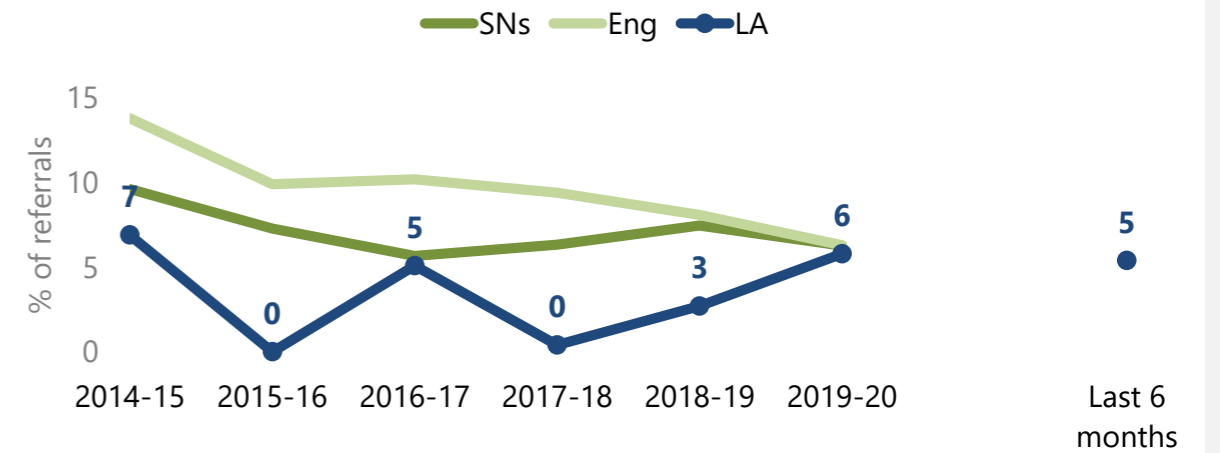
Re-referrals: children with a previous referral within 12 months of their latest referral

183 children with previous referrals within 12 months of latest referral

- ■ Re-referral
- ■ First referral
- □ Not recorded

13%

First referral	1,201
1 prev referral	167
2 prev referrals	16
3 prev referrals	0
4+ prev referrals	0
Not recorded	0

*"Last 6 months" calculation differs slightly from national statistics, due to data structure in Annex A

- — SNs
- — Eng
- ● LA

Year	LA
2014-15	22
2015-16	20
2016-17	19
2017-18	17
2018-19	18
2019-20	16
Last 6 months	13
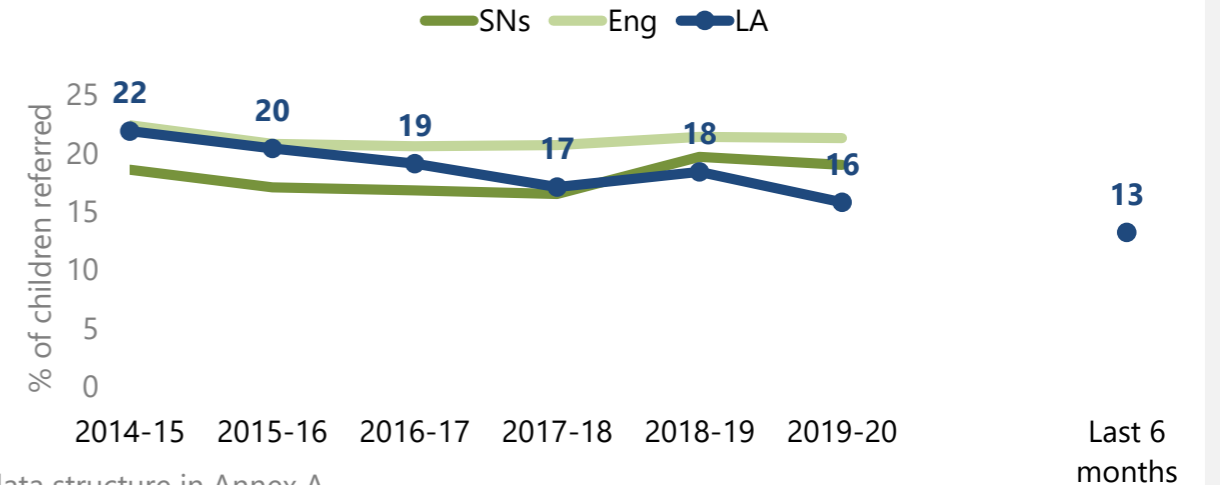
Assessments in the last 6 months

1668 total assessments

326 open assessments

1342 completed assessments

Age and gender of all assessments
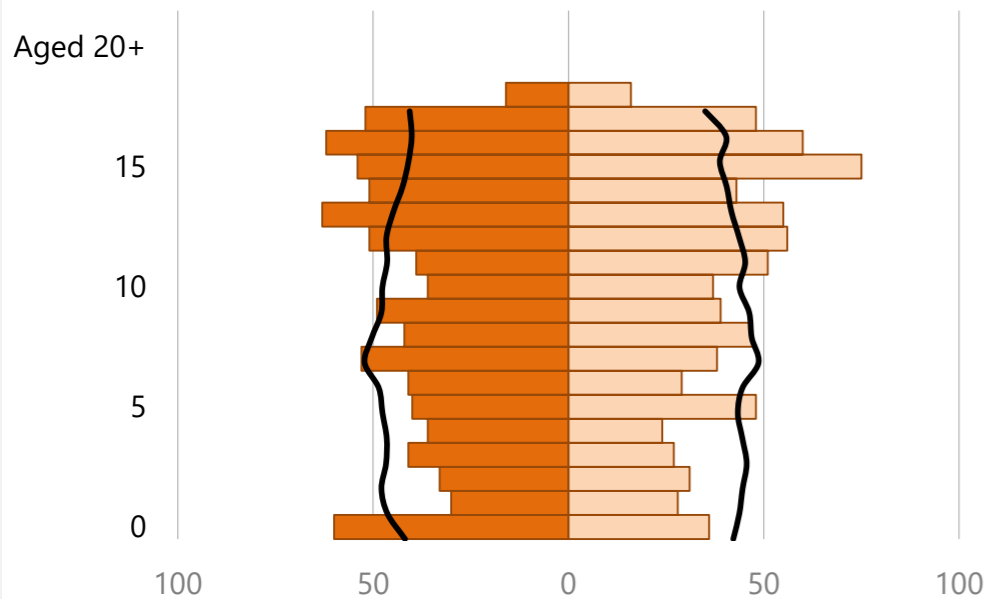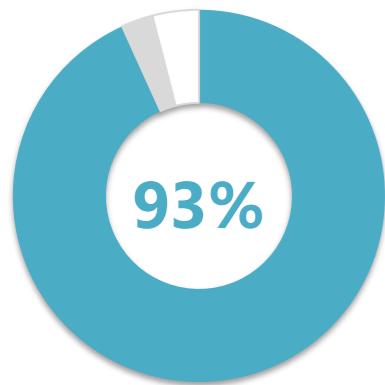
849 Males (51%)
788 Females (47%)
31 Other (not shown) (2%)
— 0-17 population estimate

Aged 20+

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

Rate of completed assessments per 10,000 children aged 0-17

— SNs — Eng — LA

Year	Rate
2014-15	450
2015-16	467
2016-17	473
2017-18	471
2018-19	395
2019-20	328
Last 6 months*	287
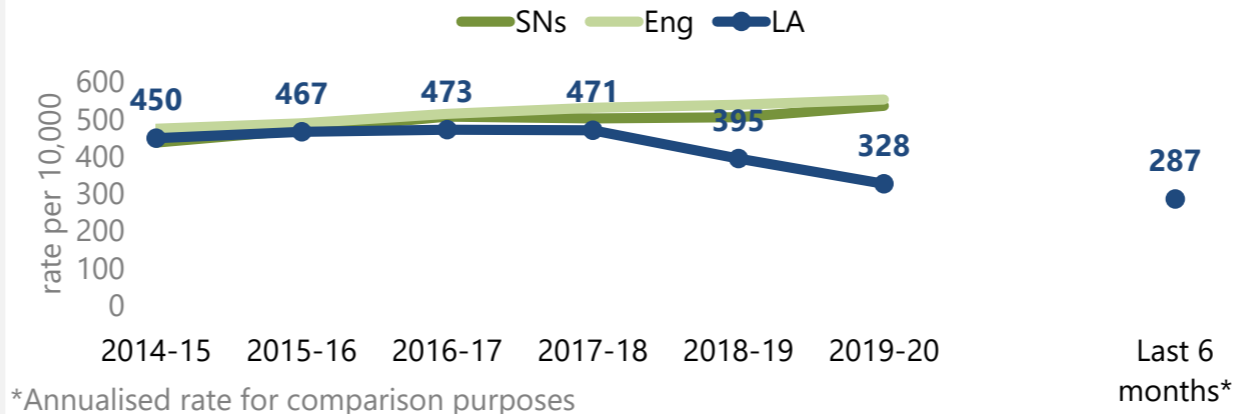
*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

Child assessed as requiring LA children's social care support

Yes — 62%
No — 36%
Not recorded — 2%
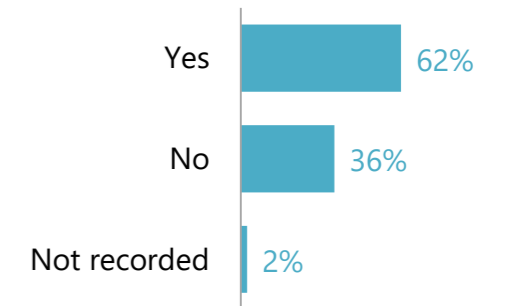
Assessments completed in 45 working days

■ In time ■ Not in time □ Date error

68%

— SNs — Eng — LA

Year	%
'14-15	89
'15-16	80
'16-17	90
'17-18	66
'18-19	88
'19-20	84
Last 6ms	68

Comparing timeliness

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

% assessments

Duration	Last 6 months
Same day	7
1-10 days	26
11-20 days	9
21-30 days	8
31-40 days	13
41-45 days	6
46-50 days	8
51-60 days	14
61+ days	10
Date error	0
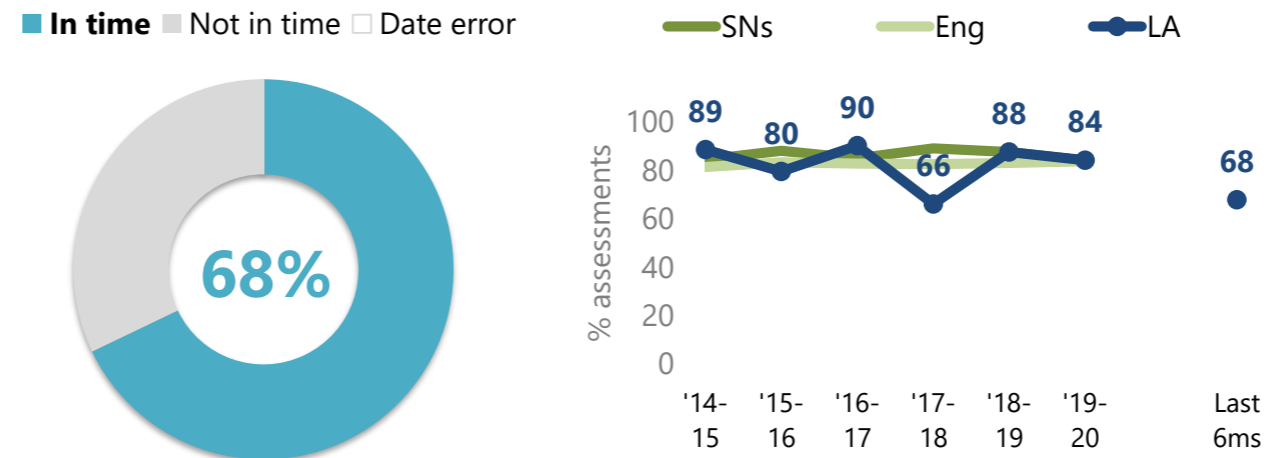
Durations for all completed and open assessments

Average duration of completed assessments was 31 working days

45 working days

Number of assessments
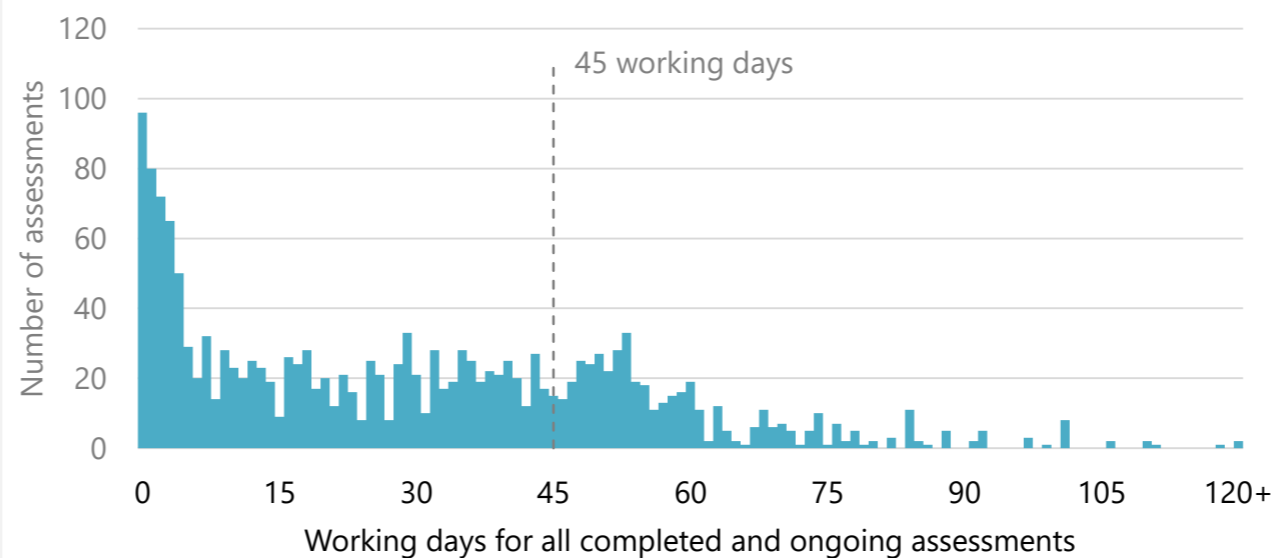
Working days for all completed and ongoing assessments

Duration categories as above

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

Assessments completed where child was seen

■ Child seen   ■ Not seen
□ Unknown

93%

Ethnic background

White	34%
Mixed	20%
Asian or Asian British	10%
Black or black British	17%
Other ethnic group	13%
Not stated	6%
Not recorded	0%

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116 assessments (7%) for children with a disability
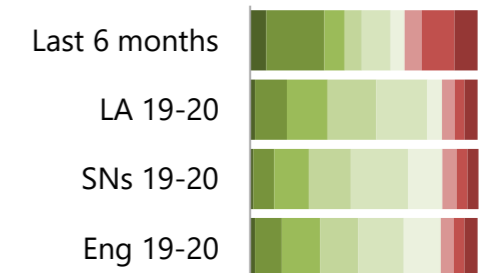
Section 47 enquiries in the last 6 months

from 08/05/2023
to 07/11/2023

426 Section 47 enquiries
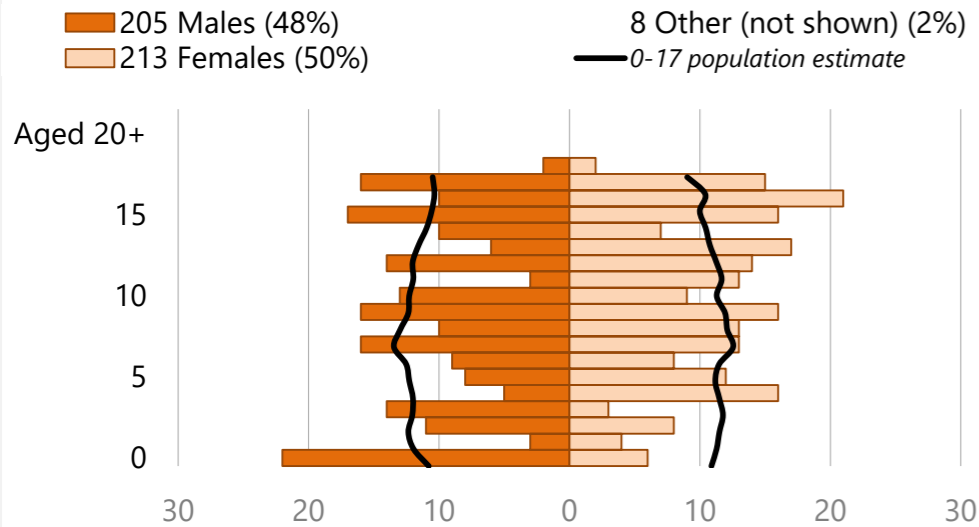
116 Initial Child Protection Conferences (from S47 in period)

Age and gender

■ 205 Males (48%)
■ 213 Females (50%)
8 Other (not shown) (2%)
— 0-17 population estimate

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

70%   of completed S47s **did not require an ICPC**

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

Rate of S47 enquiries per 10,000 children aged 0-17

— SNs   — Eng   ● LA

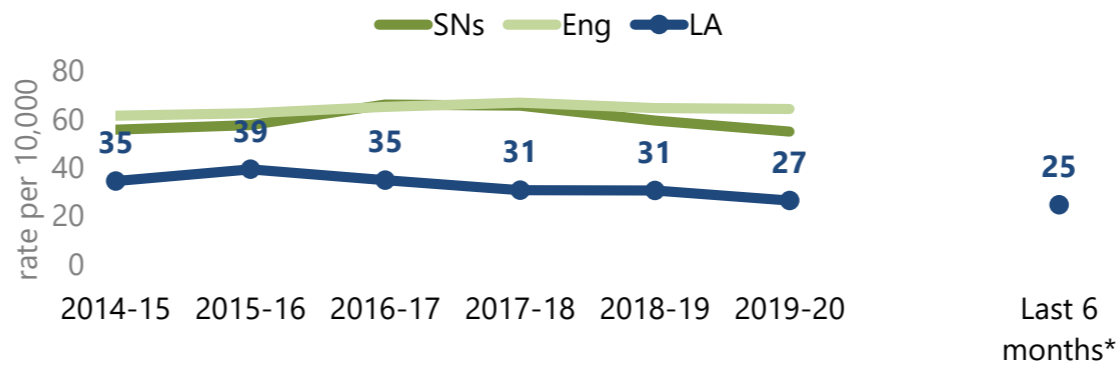96   106   101   108   83   80   91

2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 2017-18 2018-19 2019-20   Last 6 months*

Annualised rate for comparison purposes

Rate of ICPCs per 10,000 children aged 0-17

— SNs   — Eng   ● LA

35   39   35   31   31   27   25

2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 2017-18 2018-19 2019-20   Last 6 months*

Annualised rate for comparison purposes

2 child(ren) with a repeat ICPC within 12 months of latest Section 47*
Including where latest S47 did not result in ICPC

99%

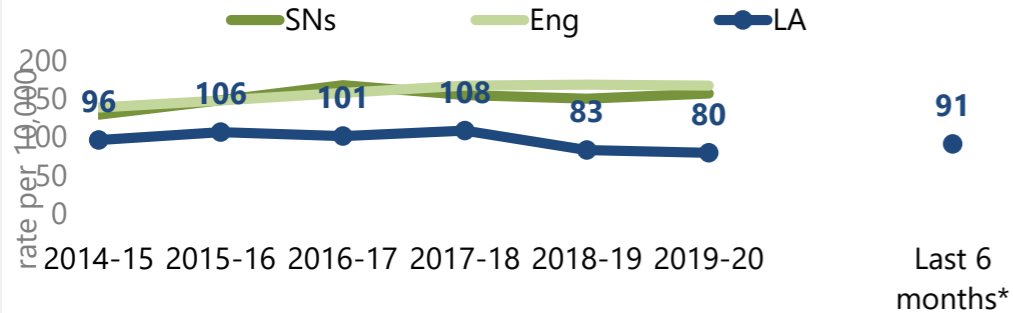of ICPCs resulted in a child protection plan

25 S47s (6%) for children with a disability

Children with a repeat S47 within 12 months of latest

No prev S47   304
1 prev S47   54
2+ prev S47   7
Not recorded   5
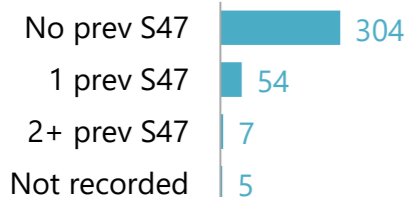
Ethnic background

White	37%
Mixed	20%
Asian or Asian British	10%
Black or black British	19%
Other ethnic group	9%
Not stated	5%
Not recorded	0%

See page 22 for comparisons

ICPCs occurred within 15 working days of the strategy discussion date

■ In time
■ Not in time
□ Date error

78%

Trend of ICPC timeliness (within 15 days of S47 start)

— SNs   — Eng   ● LA

67   76   70   65   83   80   78

2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 2017-18 2018-19 2019-20   Last 6 months
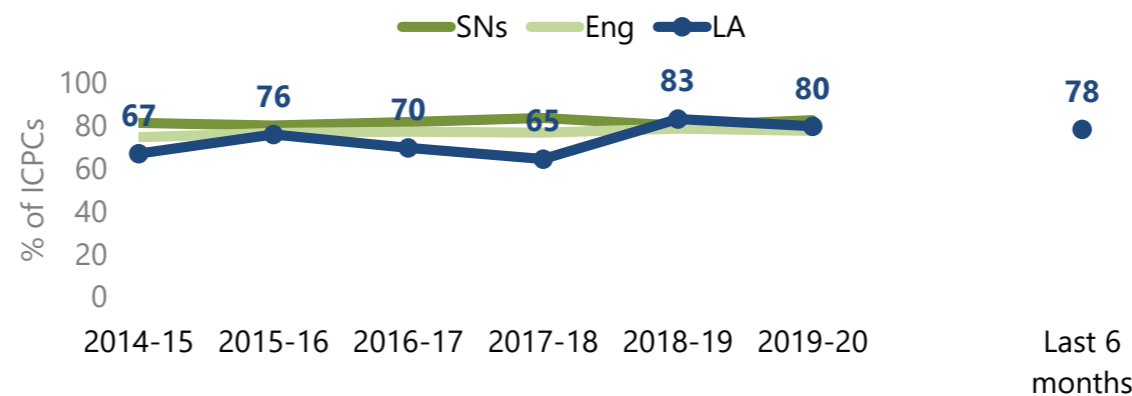
Comparing ICPC durations

■ 0-10 days   ■ 11-15 days   ■ 16-20 days
■ 21+ days   ■ Date error

% of ICPCs

	0-10	11-15	16-20	21+
Last 6 months	21	58	8	14
LA 19-20	29	51	5	15
SNs 19-20	16	66	8	12
Eng 19-20	12	65	9	13
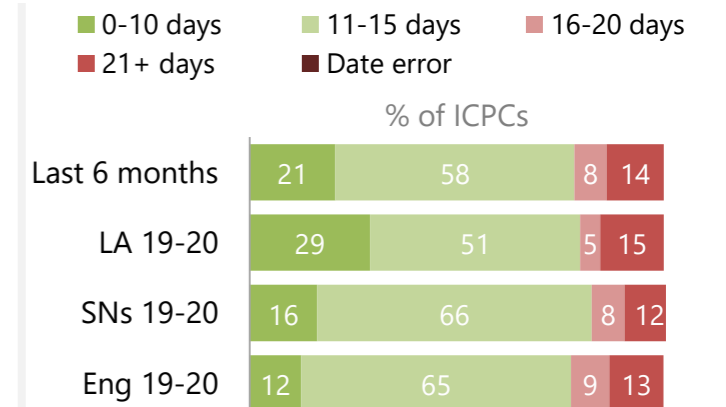
Children in Need (CIN) - total, started, and ceased in the last 6 months

from 08/05/2023
to 07/11/2023

2617 total CIN in 6 months*

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*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.

1405 CIN started in 6 months

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

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

Values: 254 (2014-15), 297 (2015-16), 250 (2016-17), 340 (2017-18), 268 (2018-19), 218 (2019-20), 300 (Last 6 months*)

*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

1346 CIN ceased in 6 months

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

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

Values: 262 (2014-15), 249 (2015-16), 268 (2016-17), 307 (2017-18), 267 (2018-19), 212 (2019-20), 287 (Last 6 months*)
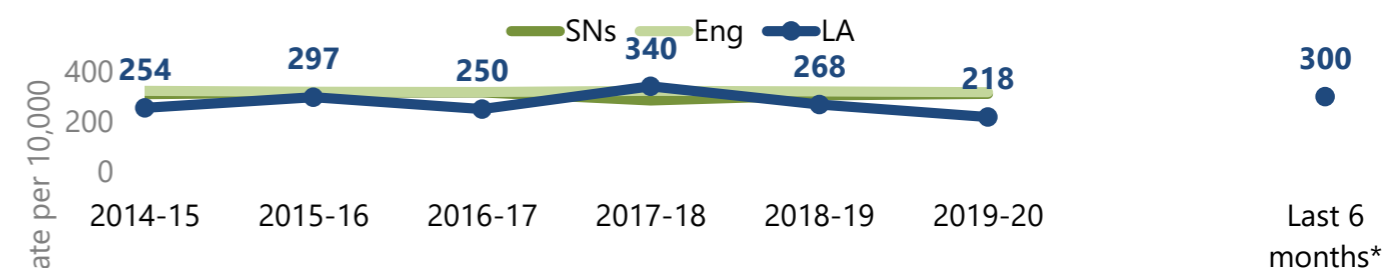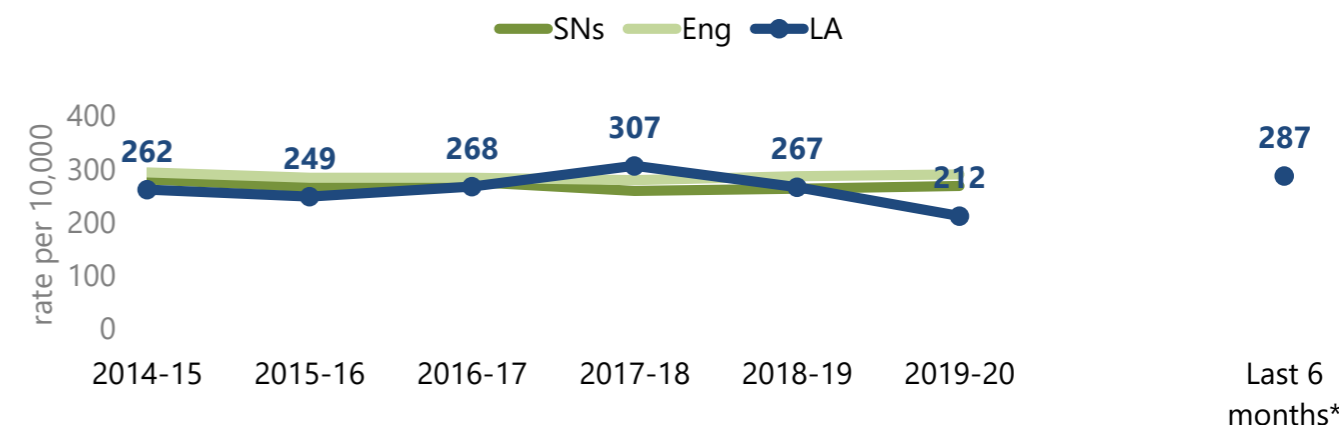
*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

Cases included in Annex A / ChAT

Case status of children on CIN list	Number	Percentage
Looked after child	374	14%
Child protection plan	241	9%
Child in need plan	330	13%
Open assessment	326	12%
Closed episode	1,346	51%
Case status not recorded	0	0%
Total (excluding case status unknown)	2,617	100%

Comparing CIN ceased durations

Legend: Last 6 months, LA 19-20, SNs 19-20, Eng 19-20

% ceased CIN

Duration	Last 6 months
0 > 3months	31
3 >= 6 months	15
6 months > 1 year	16
1 year > 2 years	19
2+ years	20
Date error	0
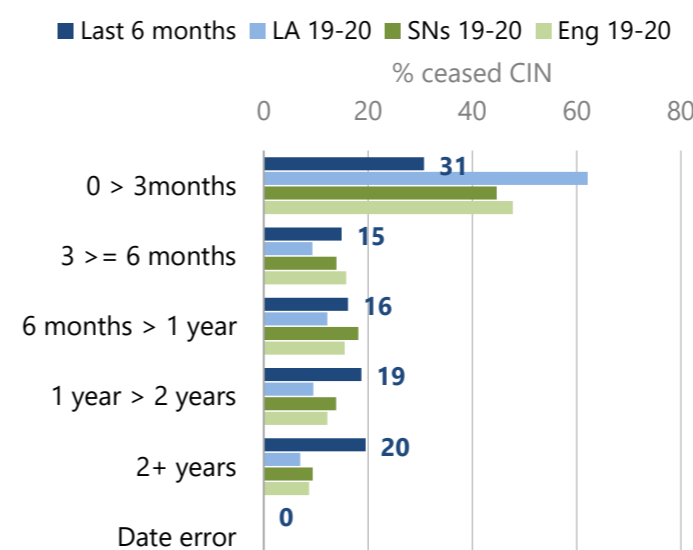
Comparing CIN ceased reasons

Legend: Last 6 months, LA 19-20, SNs 19-20, Eng 19-20

% ceased CIN

Reason	Last 6 months
Missing / unknown	0.0
Adopted	0.1
Died	0.1
Residence Order	0.0
SGO	0.4
Transfer to other LA	5.2
Transfer to ASC	0.1
Not in need after...	94
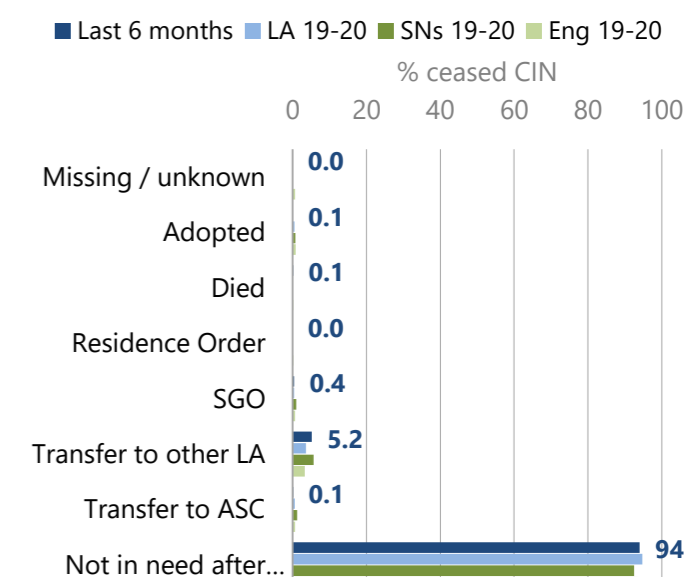
Children in Need (CIN) with an open episode of need

1556 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)

Age and gender

- 833 Males (54%)
- 701 Females (45%)
- 22 Other (not shown) (1%)
- 0-17 population estimate

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

Rate of open CIN per 10,000 children aged 0-17*

Legend: SNs — Eng — LA

	'14-15	'15-16	'16-17	'17-18	'18-19	'19-20	Latest (ChAT)
LA	205	238	206	230	207	198	166

Comparing primary need of open CIN

Legend: Latest snapshot ■ LA 19-20 ■ SNs 19-20 ■ Eng 19-20

% open CIN

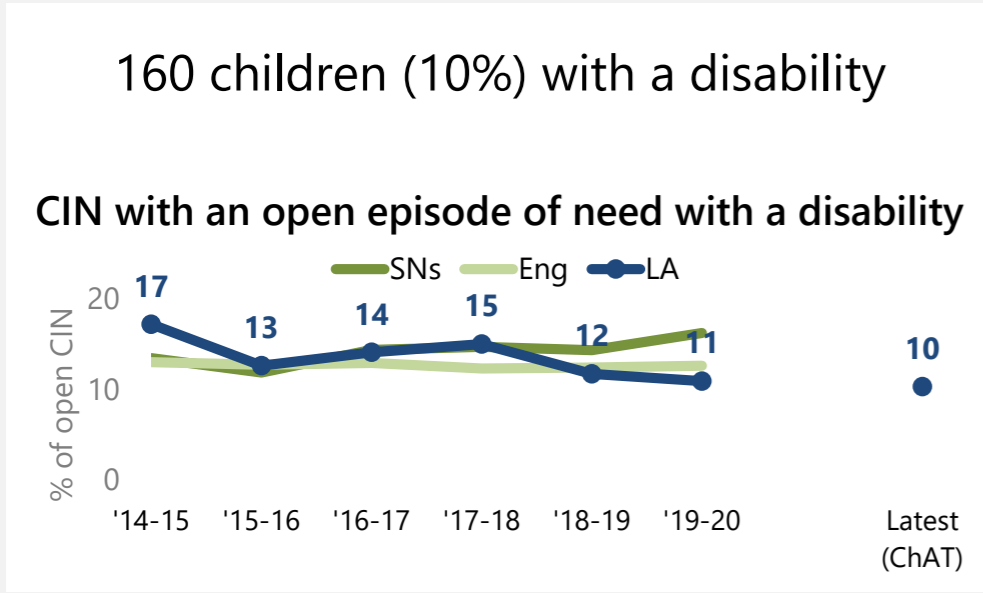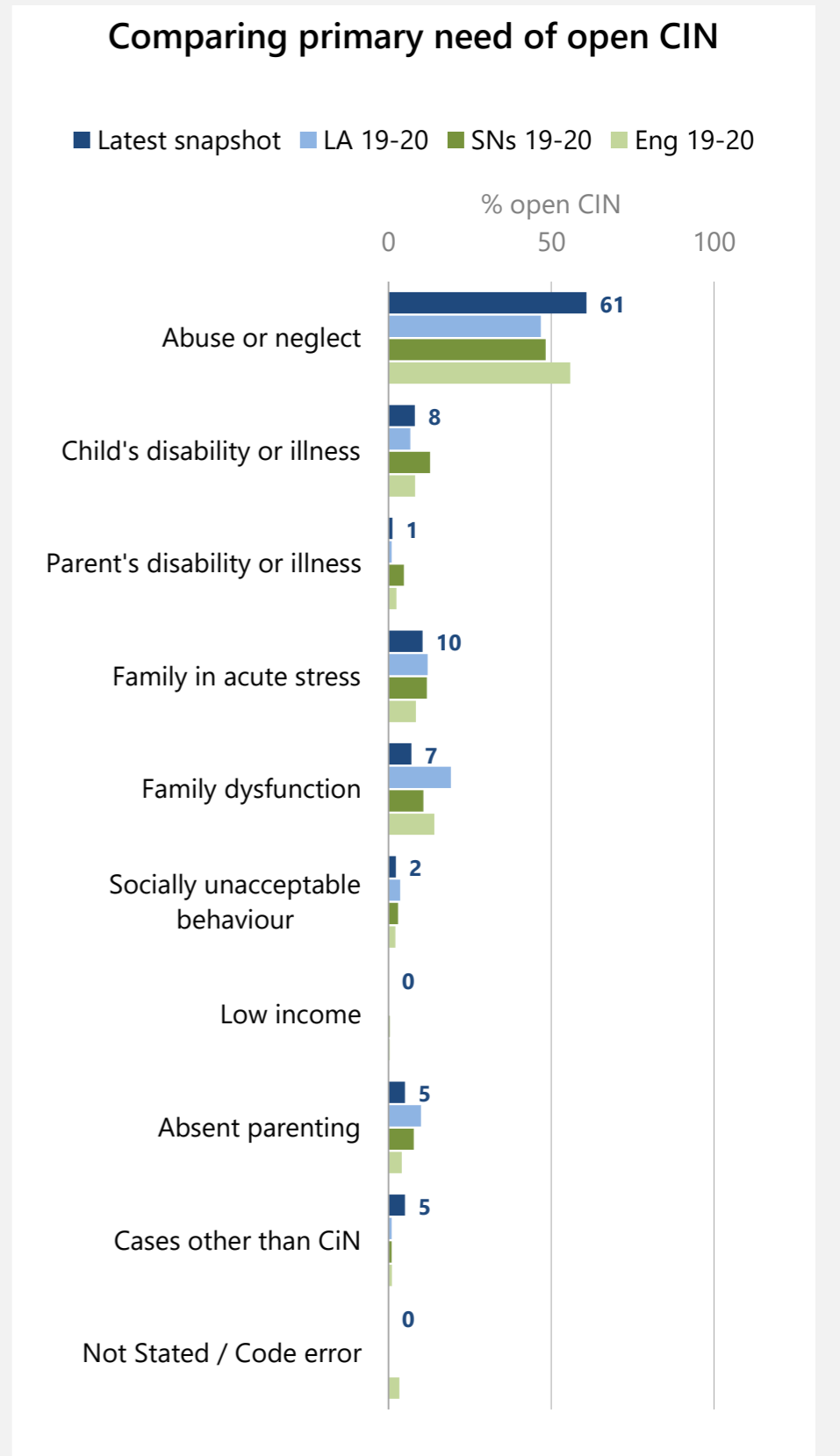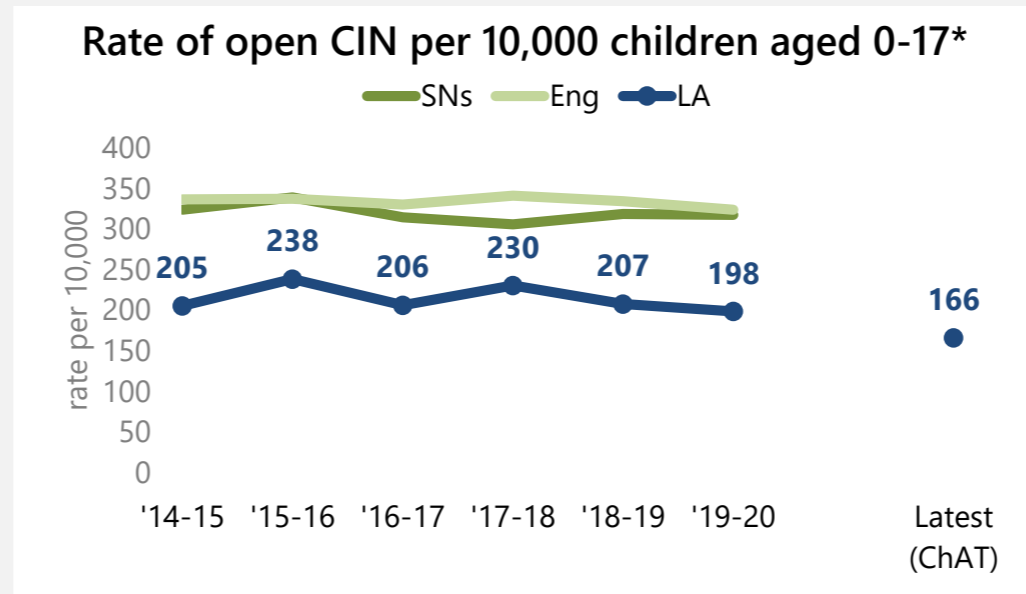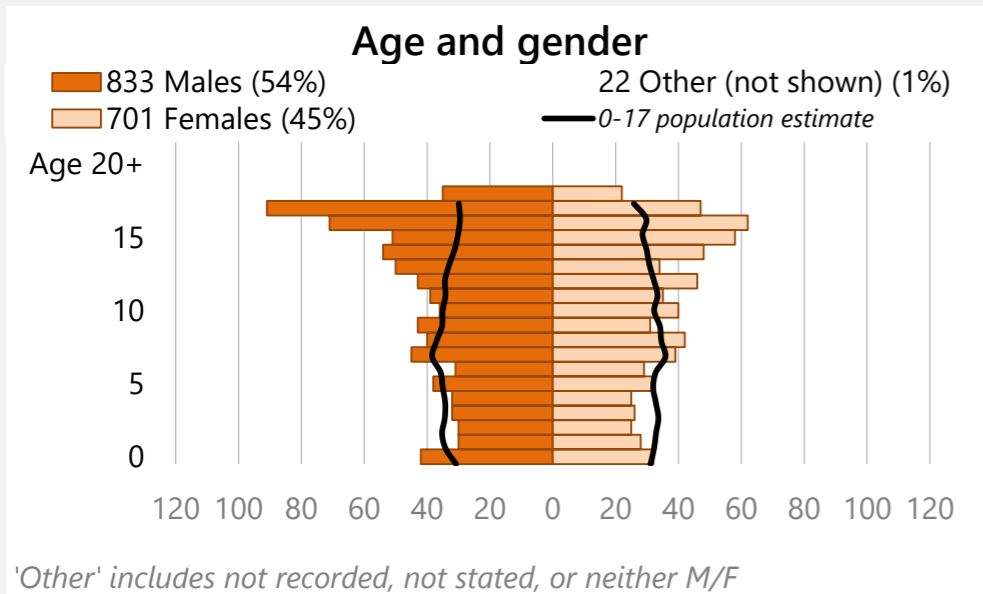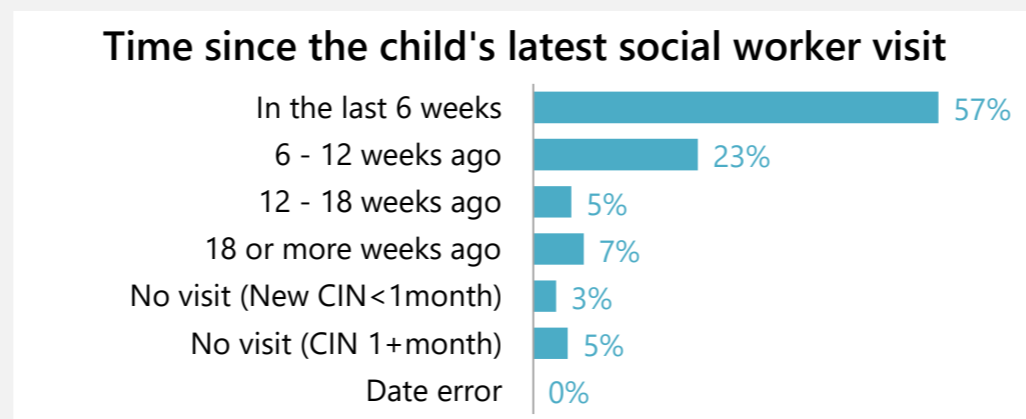| Need	Latest snapshot
Abuse or neglect	61
Child's disability or illness	8
Parent's disability or illness	1
Family in acute stress	10
Family dysfunction	7
Socially unacceptable behaviour	2
Low income	0
Absent parenting	5
Cases other than CiN	5
Not Stated / Code error	0

160 children (10%) with a disability

CIN with an open episode of need with a disability

Legend: SNs — Eng — LA

	'14-15	'15-16	'16-17	'17-18	'18-19	'19-20	Latest (ChAT)
LA	17	13	14	15	12	11	10

Comparing episode duration of open CIN

Legend: ■ Latest snapshot ■ LA 19-20 ■ SNs 19-20 ■ Eng 19-20

	0 > 3 months	3 >= 6 months	6 months > 1 year	1 year > 2 years	2+ years	Error
Latest snapshot	31	15	16	19	20	0

Ethnic background

White	35%
Mixed	19%
Asian or Asian British	10%
Black or black British	17%
Other ethnic group	13%
Not stated	6%
Not recorded	0%

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Time since the child's latest social worker visit

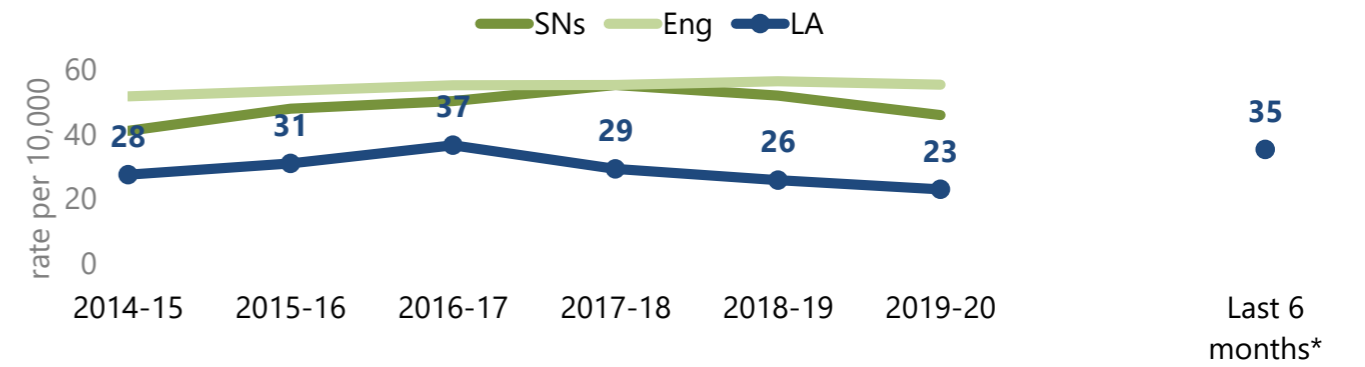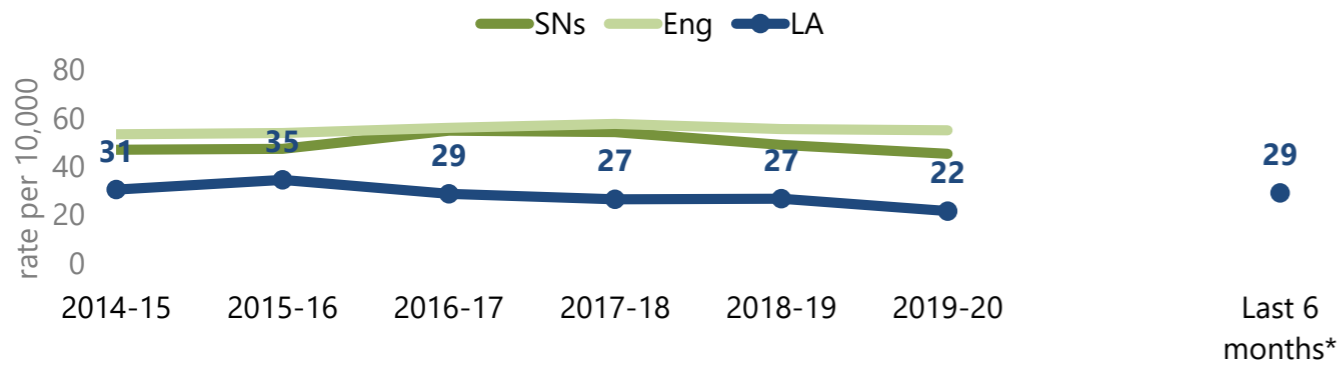|	
In the last 6 weeks	57%
6 - 12 weeks ago	23%
12 - 18 weeks ago	5%
18 or more weeks ago	7%
No visit (New CIN<1month)	3%
No visit (CIN 1+month)	5%
Date error	0%

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

137 CPP started in 6 months

166 CPP ended in 6 months

Rate of children who started a CP plan per 10,000 children

Legend: SNs — Eng — LA

Values (LA line): 31, 35, 29, 27, 27, 22, Last 6 months* 29

X-axis: 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, Last 6 months*

y-axis: rate per 10,000 (0–80)

*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

Rate of children who ended a CP plan per 10,000 children

Legend: SNs — Eng — LA

Values (LA line): 28, 31, 37, 29, 26, 23, Last 6 months* 35

X-axis: 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, Last 6 months*

y-axis: rate per 10,000 (0–60)

*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

Re-registrations for children who started on a CP plan (ever)
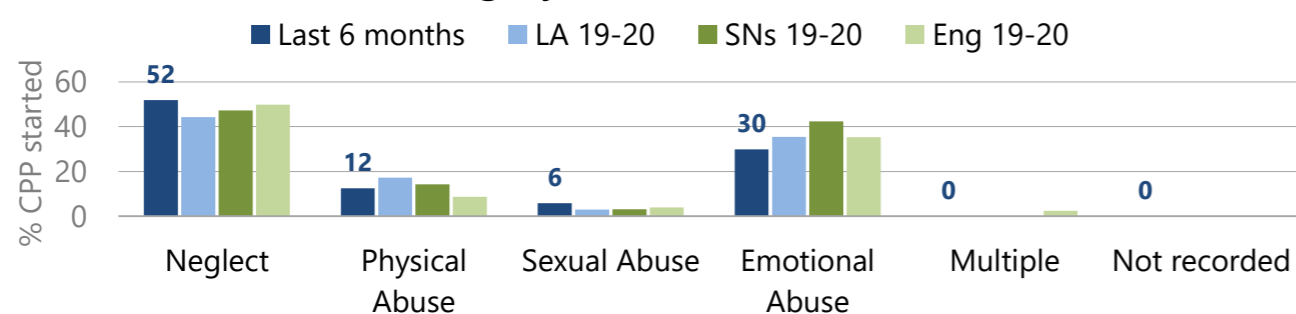
- **Re-registration** (teal)
- No previous plan (grey)

22%

30 of the 137 children who started a plan in the period have been the subject of a previous child protection plan

Comparing re-registrations for CPP started

Legend: SNs — Eng — LA

Values (LA line): 15, 17, 11, 10, 9, 12, Last 6 months 22

X-axis: 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, Last 6 months

y-axis: % CPP started (0–30)
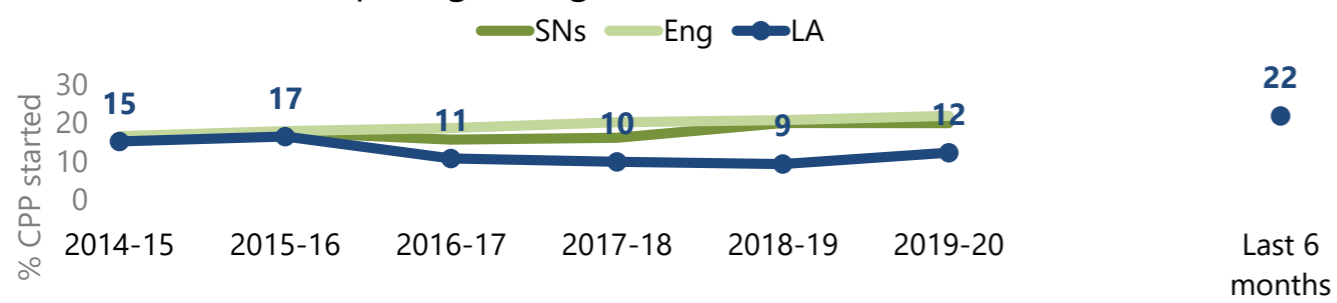
Comparing plan durations for CPP ended

Legend: ■ Last 6 months ■ LA 19-20 ■ SNs 19-20 ■ Eng 19-20

% CPP ceased (x-axis: 0, 20, 40, 60, 80)

- Less than 3 months: 16
- 3 to 6 months: 17
- 6 months to 1 year: 69
- 1 to 2 years: 32
- 2 or more years: 4
- Date error: 0
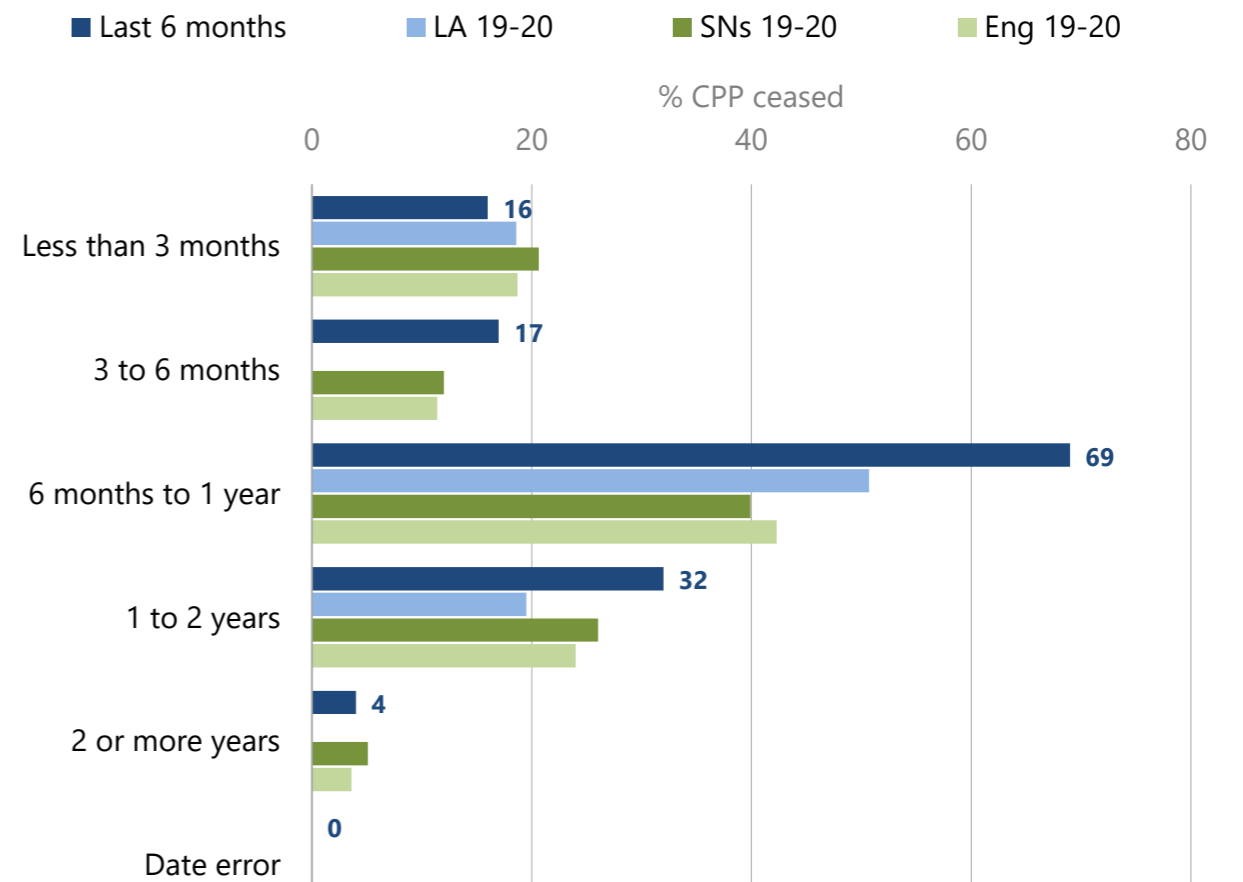
4 of 166 children ended a CP plan after 2 years or more

Initial category of abuse for CPP started

Legend: ■ Last 6 months ■ LA 19-20 ■ SNs 19-20 ■ Eng 19-20

y-axis: % CPP started (0–60)

- Neglect: 52
- Physical Abuse: 12
- Sexual Abuse: 6
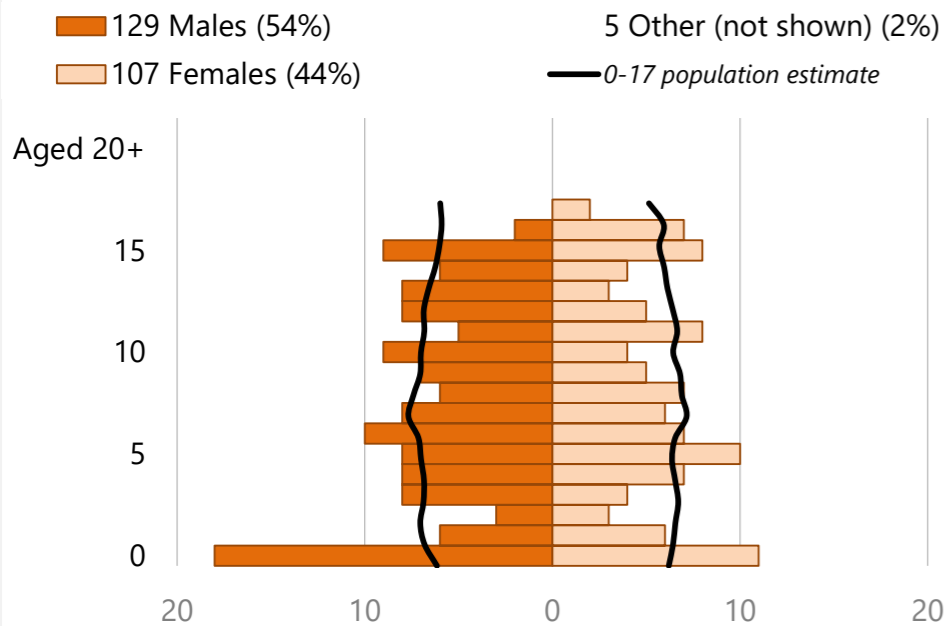- Emotional Abuse: 30
- Multiple: 0
- Not recorded: 0

Child Protection Plans (CPP) currently open

Snapshot 07/11/2023

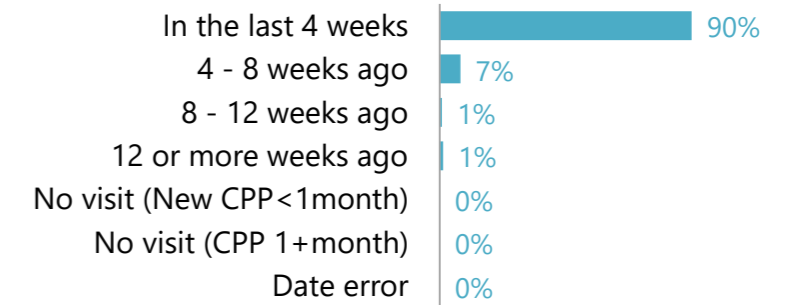# 241 children currently subject of a Child Protection Plan (CPP)

Age and gender

- 129 Males (54%)
- 107 Females (44%)
- 5 Other (not shown) (2%)
- 0-17 population estimate

Aged 20+

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

Rate of CPP per 10,000 children aged 0-17

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

LA values: 27, 30, 22, 18, 18, 17, 26 (Latest ChAT)

x-axis: '14-15 '15-16 '16-17 '17-18 '18-19 '19-20 Latest (ChAT)

Time since the child was last seen

In the last 4 weeks	90%
4 - 8 weeks ago	7%
8 - 12 weeks ago	1%
12 or more weeks ago	1%
No visit (New CPP <1month)	0%
No visit (CPP 1+month)	0%
Date error	0%
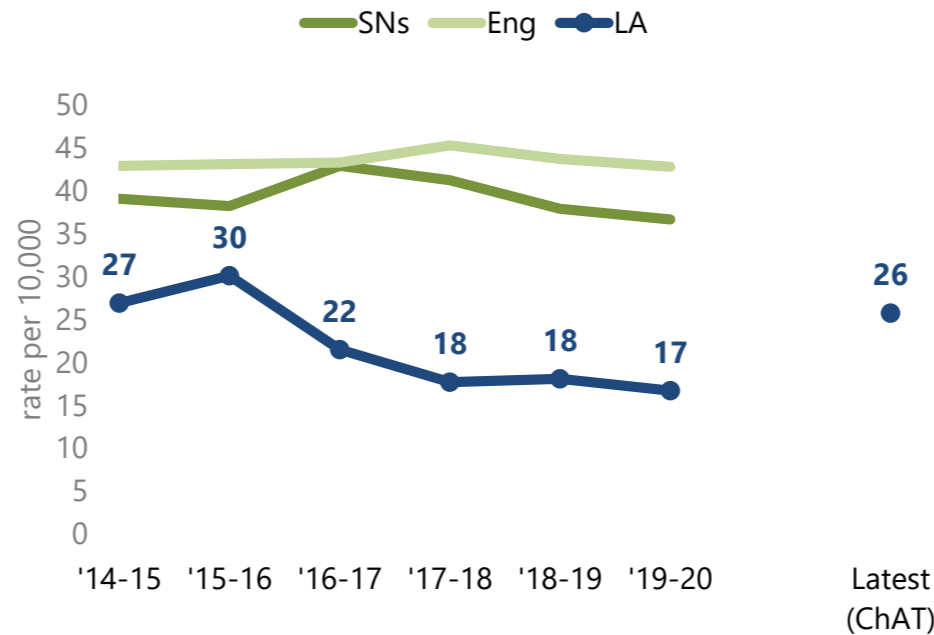
Open CPP **seen alone** at their last social work visit

(excludes Not recorded or N/A)

50% — Yes / No
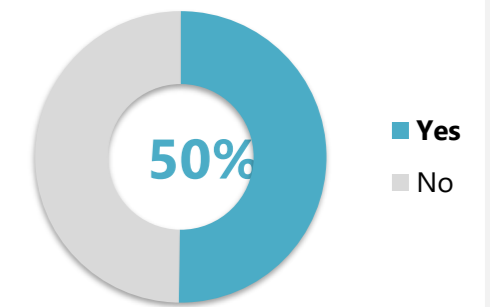
Ethnic background

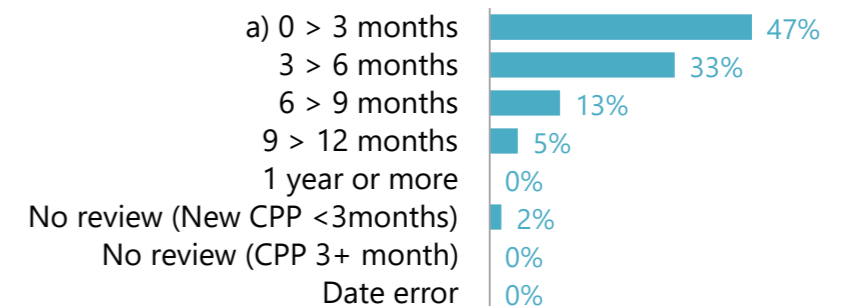|	
White	34%
Mixed	28%
Asian or Asian British	9%
Black or black British	12%
Other ethnic group	16%
Not stated	1%
Not recorded	0%

See page 20 for comparisons

19 children (8%) with a disability

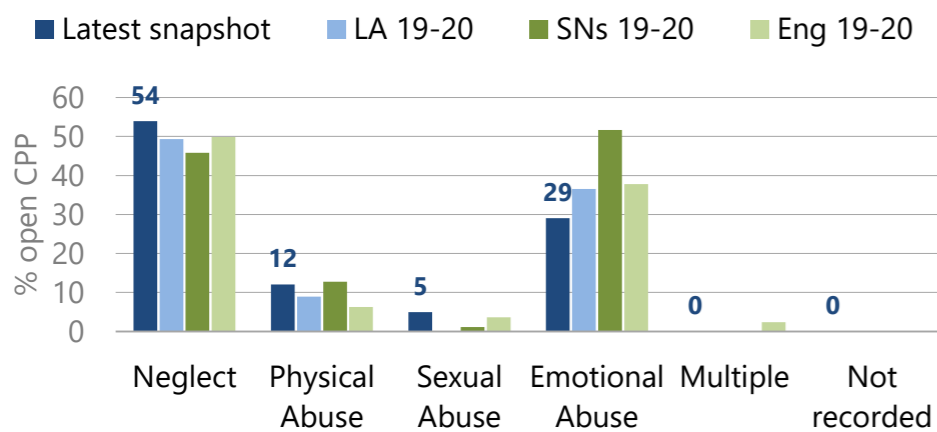7 open CP subject to Emergency Protection Order or Protected Under Police Powers in last 6 months

Comparing duration of open CP plans
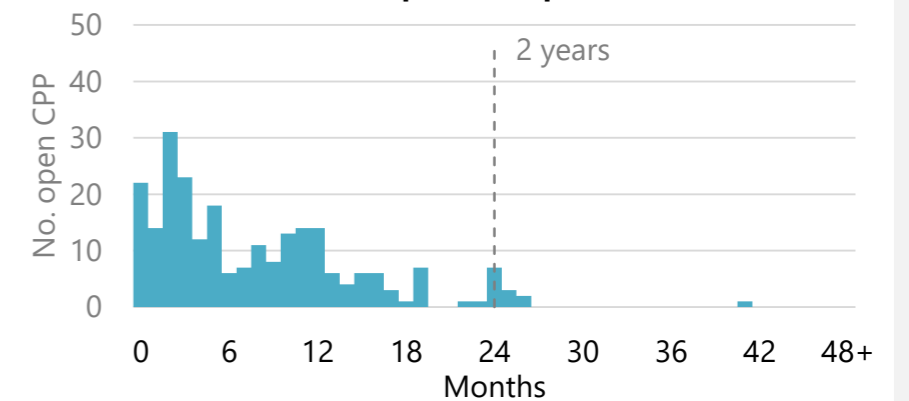
Legend: Latest snapshot, LA 19-20, SNs 19-20, Eng 19-20

% open CPP

- 0 > 3months: 28
- 3 >= 6 months: 22
- 6 months > 1 year: 24
- 1 year > 2 years: 20
- 2+ years: 5
- Date error: 0
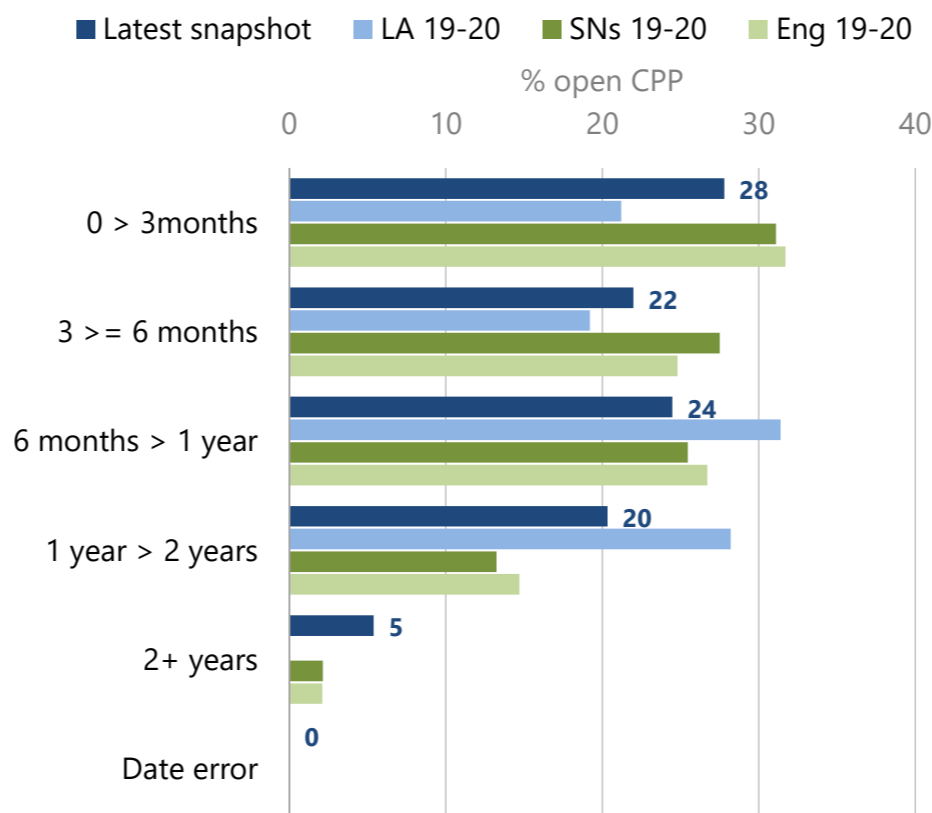
Time since the child's latest review

a) 0 > 3 months	47%
3 > 6 months	33%
6 > 9 months	13%
9 > 12 months	5%
1 year or more	0%
No review (New CPP <3months)	2%
No review (CPP 3+ month)	0%
Date error	0%

Latest category of abuse for current CP plans

Legend: Latest snapshot, LA 19-20, SNs 19-20, Eng 19-20

% open CPP

- Neglect: 54
- Physical Abuse: 12
- Sexual Abuse: 5
- Emotional Abuse: 29
- Multiple: 0
- Not recorded: 0

Duration of current open CP plans (in months)

No. open CPP

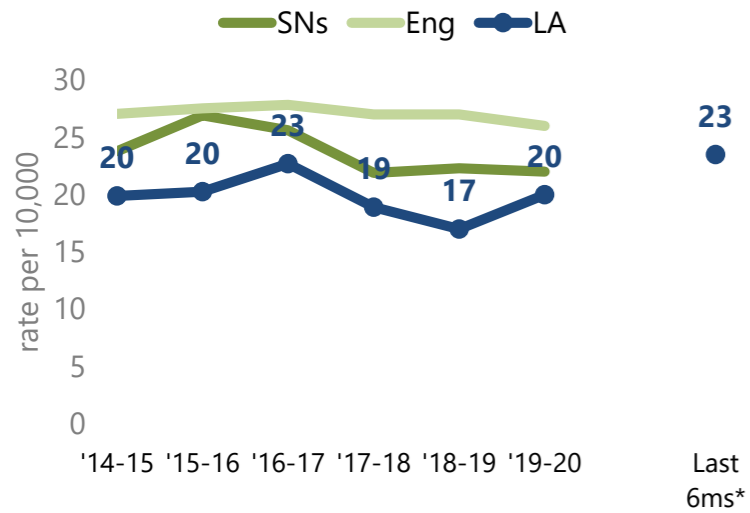x-axis: 0 6 12 18 24 30 36 42 48+ Months

2 years marker at 24

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

from 08/05/2023
to 07/11/2023

110 CLA started in the last 6 months
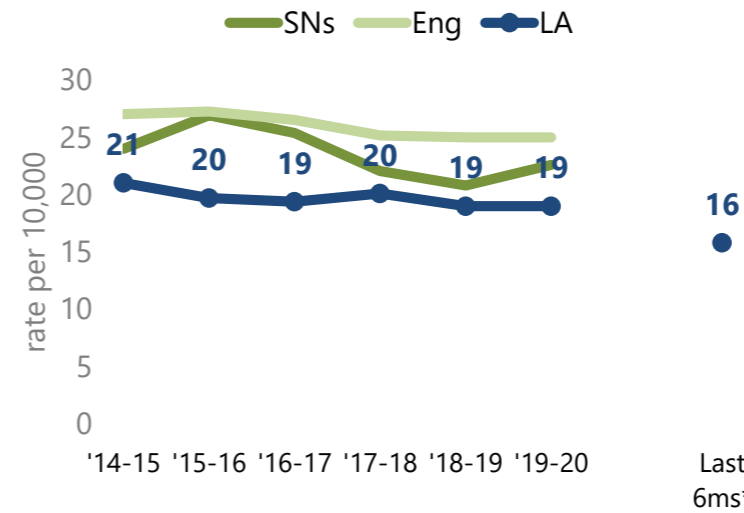
74 CLA ceased in the last 6 months

Rate of CLA started per 10,000 children

— SNs — Eng —●— LA

rate per 10,000

20 20 23 19 17 20   23

'14-15 '15-16 '16-17 '17-18 '18-19 '19-20   Last 6ms*

*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

Age and gender

■ 45 Males (41%)   ■ 46 Females (42%)
■ 18 UASC M (16%) ■ 1 UASC F (1%)
0 Other (not shown) (0%)

Age 20+
15
10
5
Age 0

20 10 0 10 20

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

Rate of CLA ceased per 10,000 children

— SNs — Eng —●— LA

rate per 10,000

21 20 19 20 19 19   16

'14-15 '15-16 '16-17 '17-18 '18-19 '19-20   Last 6ms*

*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

Age and gender

■ 32 Males (43%)   ■ 30 Females (41%)
■ 12 UASC M (16%) ■ 0 UASC F (0%)
Other (not shown) (0%)

Age 20+
15
10
5
Age 0

30 20 10 0 10 20 30

Other' includes not recorded, not stated, or neither M/F
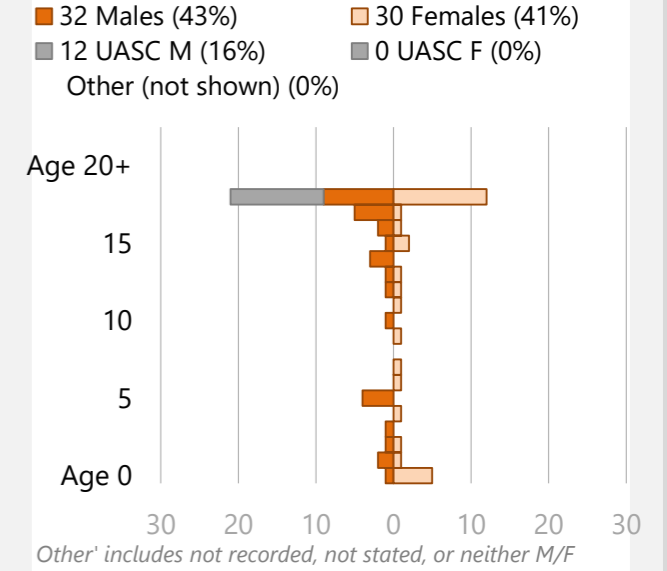
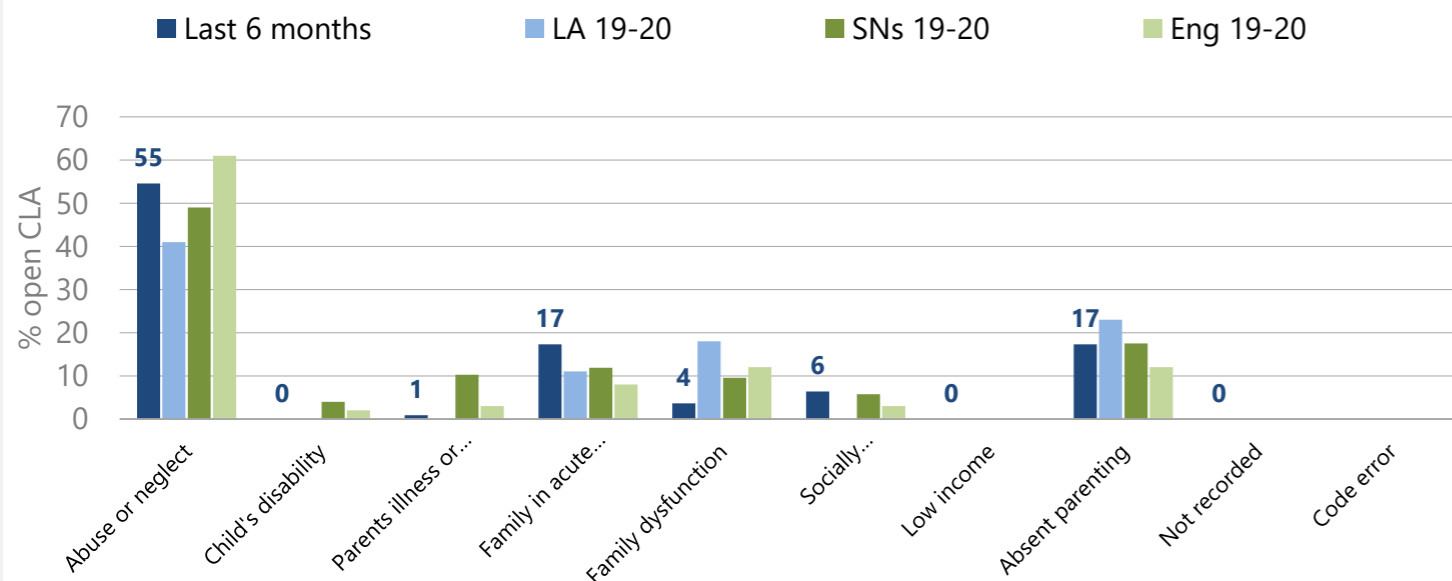**17%** 19 of the 110 CLA starters were unaccompanied asylum seeking children (UASC)

8% 9 of the 110 CLA starters have previously been looked after

Comparing the primary need of CLA starters

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

% open CLA

55 0 1 17 4 6 0 17 0

Abuse or neglect | Child's disability | Parents illness or... | Family in acute... | Family dysfunction | Socially... | Low income | Absent parenting | Not recorded | Code error

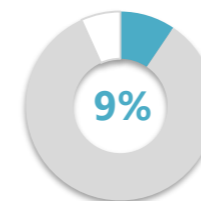## Reason episode of care ceased

Adopted

3%
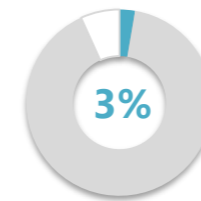
Last 6 months 3%

2018-19 (published)
LA 7%   SNs 8%   Eng 12%

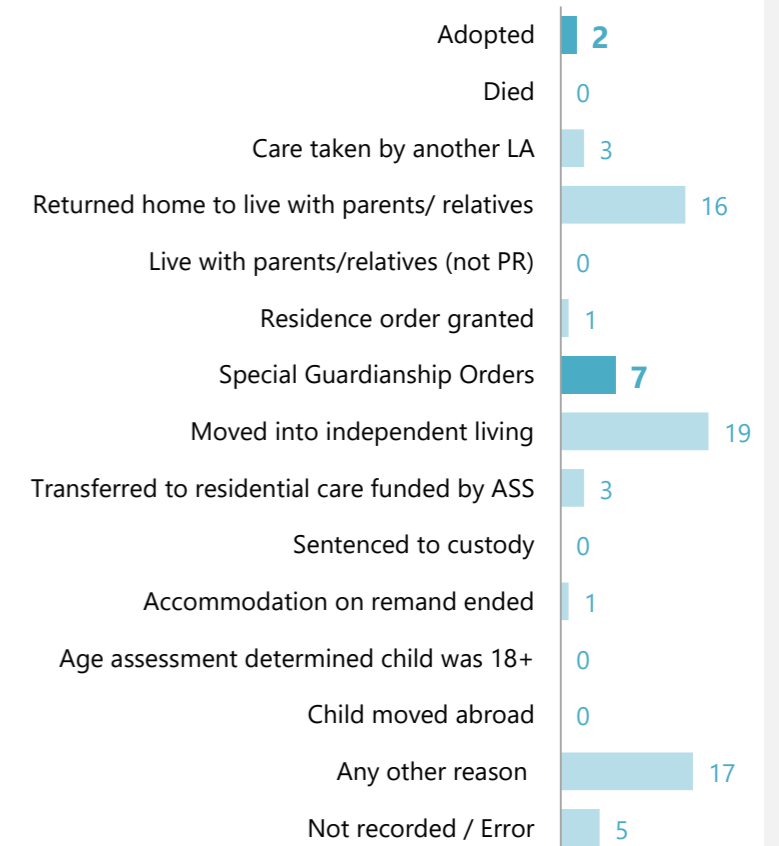### Special Guardianship Order

9%

Last 6 months 9%

2018-19 (published)
LA 3%   SNs 19%   Eng -
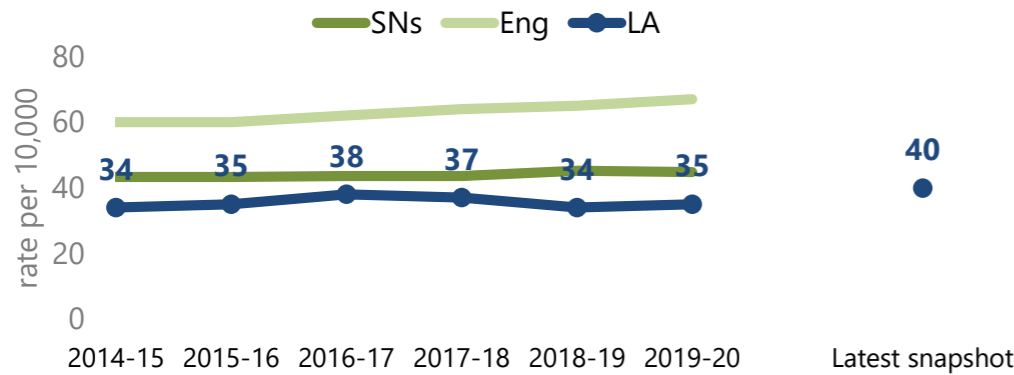
Number of CLA ceased by reason in the period

Reason	Number
Adopted	2
Died	0
Care taken by another LA	3
Returned home to live with parents/ relatives	16
Live with parents/relatives (not PR)	0
Residence order granted	1
Special Guardianship Orders	7
Moved into independent living	19
Transferred to residential care funded by ASS	3
Sentenced to custody	0
Accommodation on remand ended	1
Age assessment determined child was 18+	0
Child moved abroad	0
Any other reason	17
Not recorded / Error	5

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

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

Rate of CLA per 10,000 children (snapshot)

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

Year	LA rate
2014-15	34
2015-16	35
2016-17	38
2017-18	37
2018-19	34
2019-20	35
Latest snapshot	40

Ethnic background

	All CLA	Not UASC	UASC
White	38%	45%	7%
Mixed	25%	30%	1%
Asian or Asian British	9%	3%	37%
Black or black British	11%	13%	6%
Other ethnic group	15%	8%	45%
Not stated	2%	1%	4%
Not recorded	0%	0%	0%

See page 22 for comparisons

40 children (11%) with a disability

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%

Age and gender

- 160 Males (43%)
- 143 Females (38%)
- 0 Other (not shown) (0%)
- 69 UASC Males (18%)
- 2 UASC Females (1%)
- *0-17 population estimate*

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

Comparing legal status of open CLA (snapshot)

Legend: Latest snapshot, LA 19-20, SNs 19-20, Eng 19-20

% open CLA

Legal status	Latest snapshot
Interim care order	20
Full care order	32
Freed for adoption	0
Placement order granted	0
Accommodated under S20	40
Detained on CP grounds in LA accommodation	0
Youth justice legal status	3
Not recorded / code error	0
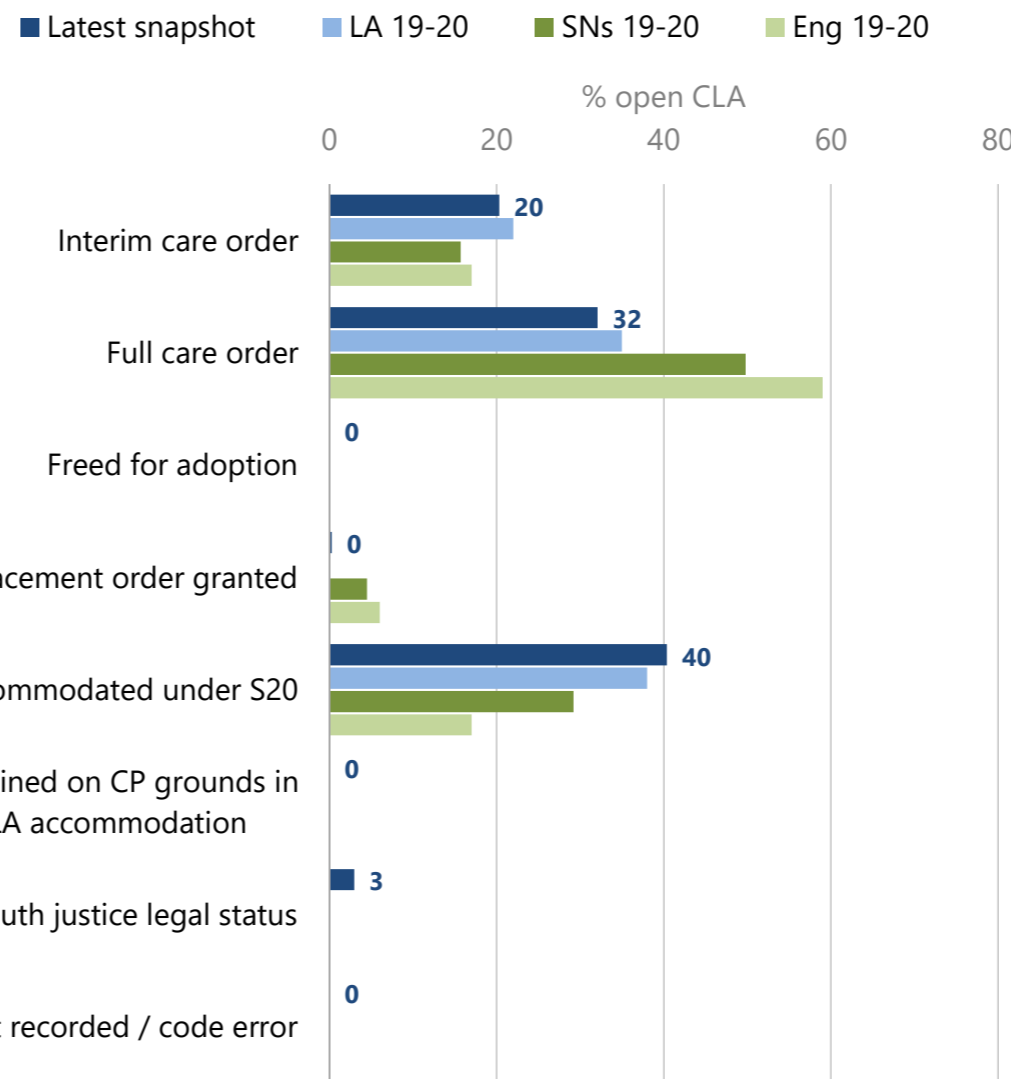
Time since latest review

a) 0 > 3 months	37%
b) 3 > 6 months	36%
c) 6 > 9 months	20%
d) 9 > 12 months	6%
e) 1 year or more	1%
No review (New CLA...)	0%
No review (CLA 1+ month)	0%
Date error	0%

71 open unaccompanied asylum seeking children (UASC)

UASC as a percentage of CLA (snapshot)

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

Year	LA %
2014-15	3
2015-16	6
2016-17	9
2017-18	20
2018-19	21
2019-20	20
Latest snapshot	19

Time since the child was last seen

In the last 6 weeks	34%
6 - 12 weeks ago	40%
12 - 18 weeks ago	10%
18 or more weeks ago	3%
No visit (New CLA<1month)	0%

Children Looked After (CLA) placements

Snapshot 07/11/2023

CLA placements by type and provision
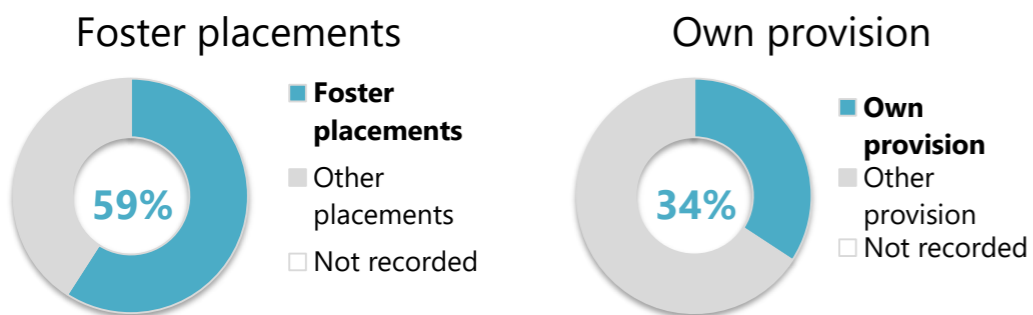
Foster placements

59%

- ■ **Foster placements**
- ■ Other placements
- □ Not recorded

LA 2018-19	65%
SNs 2018-19	70%
Eng 2018-19	72%

Own provision

34%

- ■ **Own provision**
- ■ Other provision
- □ Not recorded

LA 2018-19	47%
SNs 2018-19	41%
Eng 2018-19	50%

Placement type (open CLA)	Own LA	Private	Other	Total
Foster placement	107	112	2	221
Placed for adoption	1	0	7	8
Placed with parents	0	0	2	2
Independent living	0	0	0	0
Residential employment	0	0	0	0
Residential accommodation	12	65	1	78
Secure Children's Homes	0	1	1	2
Children's Homes	8	30	0	38
Residential Care Home	0	0	0	0
NHS/Health Trust	0	0	0	0
Family Centre	0	11	0	11
Young Offender Institution	0	0	8	8
Residential school	0	6	0	6
Other placements	0	0	0	0
Temporary placement	0	0	0	0
Total placements	128	225	21	374

CLA placements out of borough

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

LA values: 59, 61, 62, 63, 62, 63 (2014-15 to 2019-20); Latest snapshot 51

Number of placements in the last 12 months

Number of placements	Value
1	230
2	92
3	29
4	12
5	5
6	1
7+	0
Not recorded	0
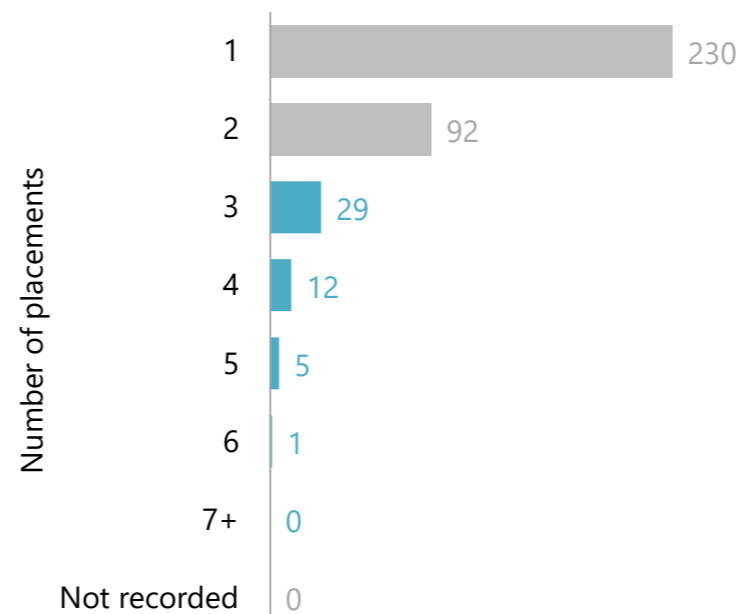
Comparing short term placement stability

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

LA values: 12, 12, 12, 11, 12 (2014-15 to 2018-19)
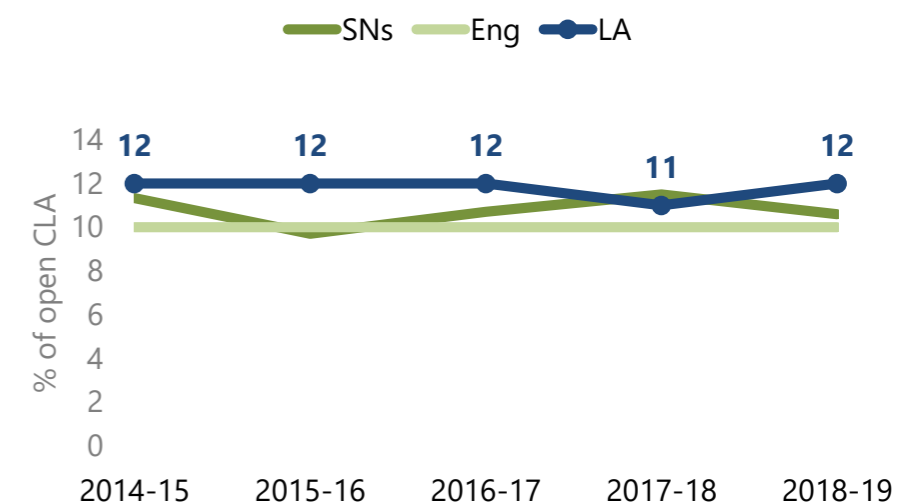
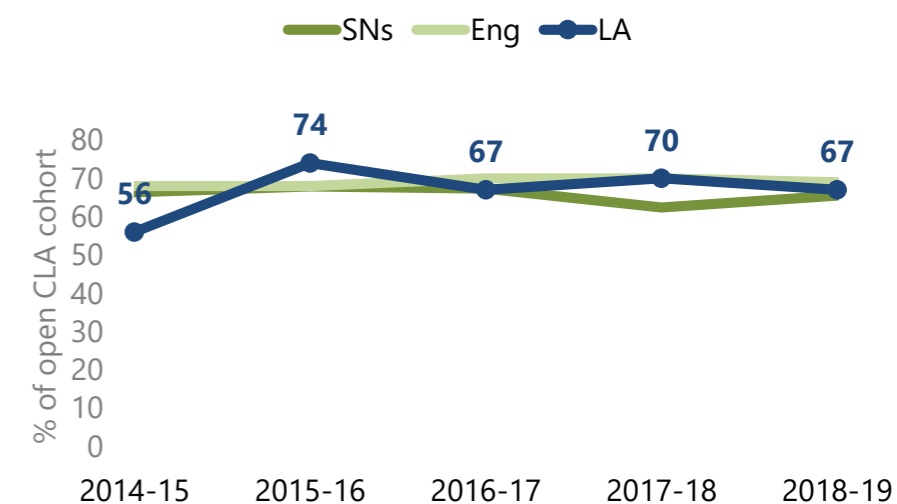Due to limited data in the Annex A dataset, ChAT does not present short-term stability alongside published statistics

Duration of placements

Duration of latest placement for each current CLA aged under 16 who have been looked after for 2½ years or more

Duration	Value
0 > 3 months	8
3 >= 6 months	3
6 months > 1 year	7
1 year > 2 years	19
2+ years	34
Date error	0

Comparing long term placement stability
Comparing long term placement stability

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

LA values: 56, 74, 67, 70, 67 (2014-15 to 2018-19)

Due to limited data in the Annex A dataset, ChAT does not present long-term stability alongside published statistics

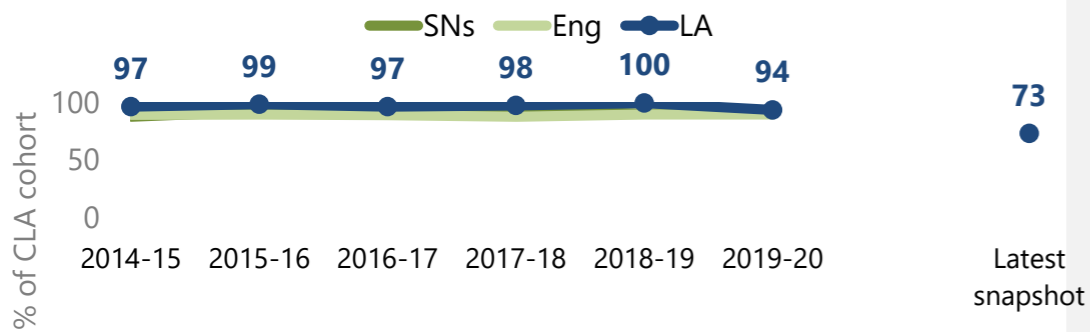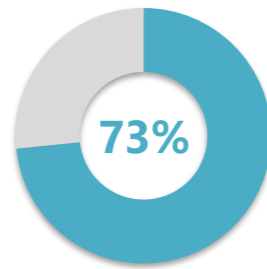## Children Looked After (CLA) health and missing/absent from placement

Health

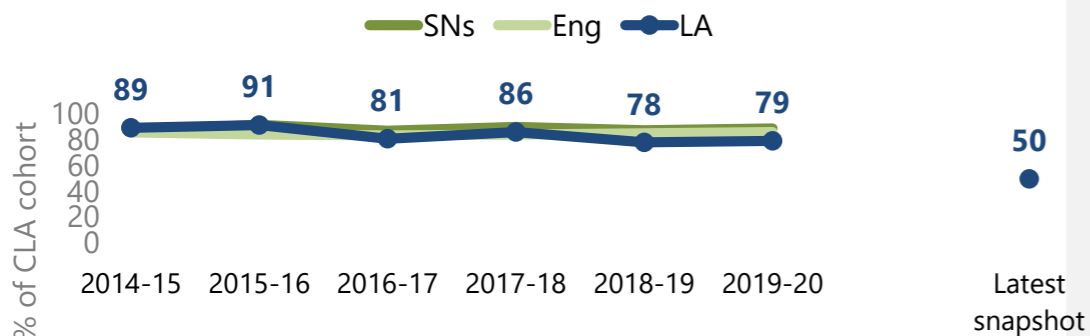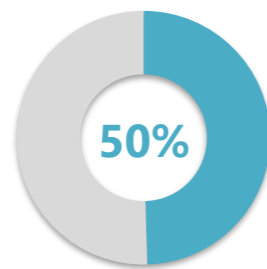**218 current open CLA looked after for at least 12 months**

Health assessments

Current open CLA who have been looked after for at least 12 months with an up to date health assessment (in the last 6 months for CLA aged under 5, and in the last 12 months for CLA aged 5-plus)
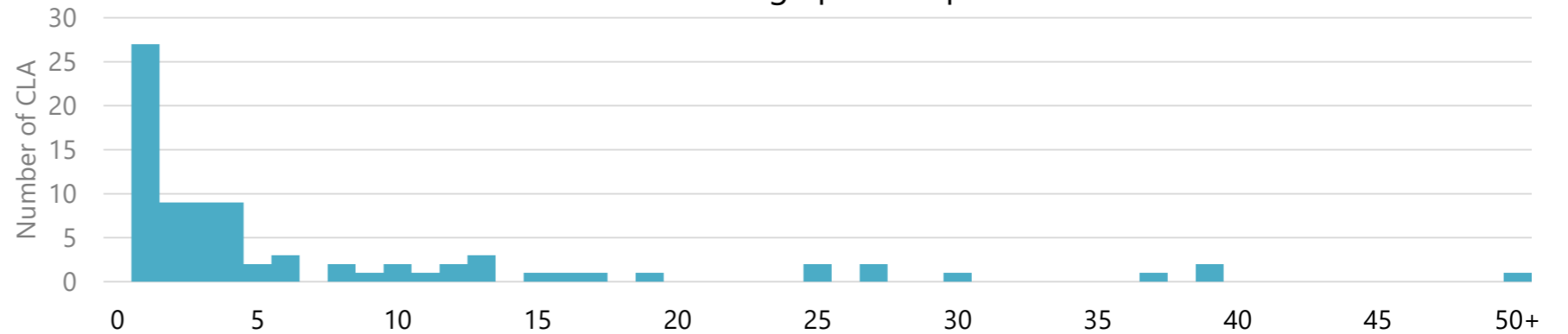
73%

Legend: SNs Eng LA

2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Latest snapshot
97	99	97	98	100	94	73

Dental checks

Current open CLA who have been looked after for at least 12 months who have had a dental check in the last 12 months.

50%

Legend: SNs Eng LA

2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Latest snapshot
89	91	81	86	78	79	50

Missing from placement

Number of missing episodes per CLA

83 of 450 looked after children had a missing incident in the last 12 months

	Latest data	LA 19-20	SNs 19-20	Eng 19-20
Number of all CLA with a missing incident	83 of 450	81		
Percentage of all CLA with a missing incident	18%	16%	13%	11%
Total number of missing incidents for all CLA	624	542		
Average number of incidents per CLA who went missing	7.5	6.7	6.4	6.5

Missing incidents - return home interviews

	Latest data	
Missing children offered return interview	49 of 83	59%
Missing children not offered return interview	29 of 83	35%
Missing children return interview offer not recorded	0 of 83	0%
Missing children where return interview was n/a	5 of 83	6%

	Latest data	
Missing children accepted return interview	26 of 49	53%
Missing children not accepted return interview	12 of 49	24%
Missing children return interview acceptance not recorded	11 of 49	22%

59% Offered RHI   **53%** Accepted RHI
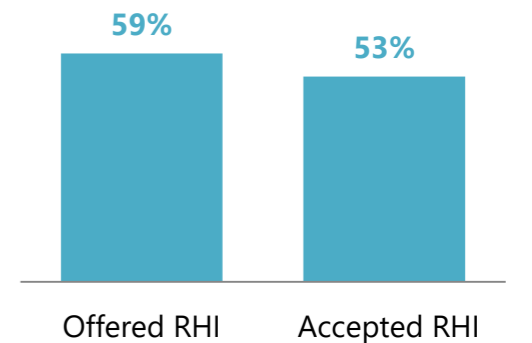
Absent from placement

0 of 450 looked after children had an absent incident in the last 12 months

	Latest data	LA 19-20	SNs 19-20	Eng 19-20
Number of all CLA with an absent incident	0 of 450	51		
Percentage of all CLA with an absent incident	0%	10%	7%	3%
Total number of absent incidents for all CLA	0	240		
Average number of incidents per CLA who were absent	-	4.7	4.0	4.0

Care leavers currently in receipt of leaving care services
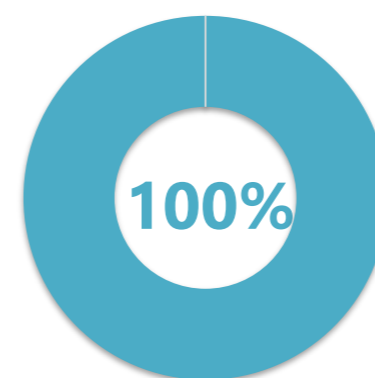
Snapshot 07/11/2023

323 care leavers

Age and gender

■ 215 Males (67%)   □ 95 Females (29%)
13 Other (not shown) (4%)

Age 25
24
23
22
21
20
19
18
17
16
15

100   50   0   50   100

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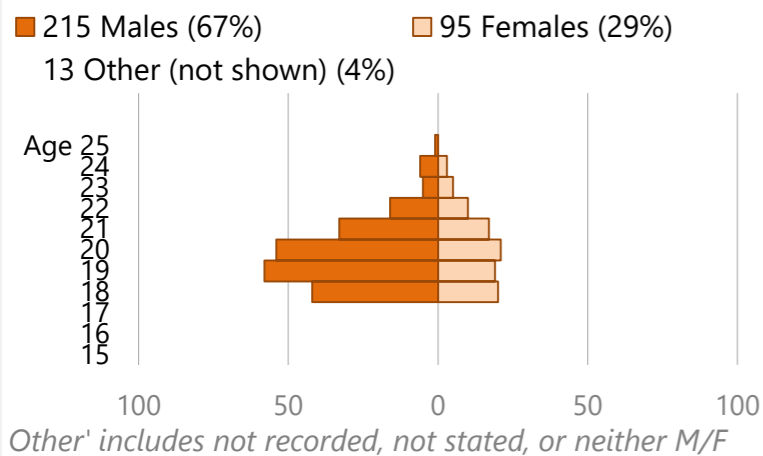
Ethnic background

White	27%
Mixed	11%
Asian or Asian British	10%
Black or black British	20%
Other ethnic group	29%
Not stated	0%
Not recorded	0%

See page 22 for comparisons

17 (5%) care leavers with a disability

Remained in care until aged 18

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

━SNs ━Eng ━LA

100
80
68 67 69 81 87 86   79
60
40
20
0

'14-15 '15-16 '16-17 '17-18 '18-19 '19-20   Last 6ms
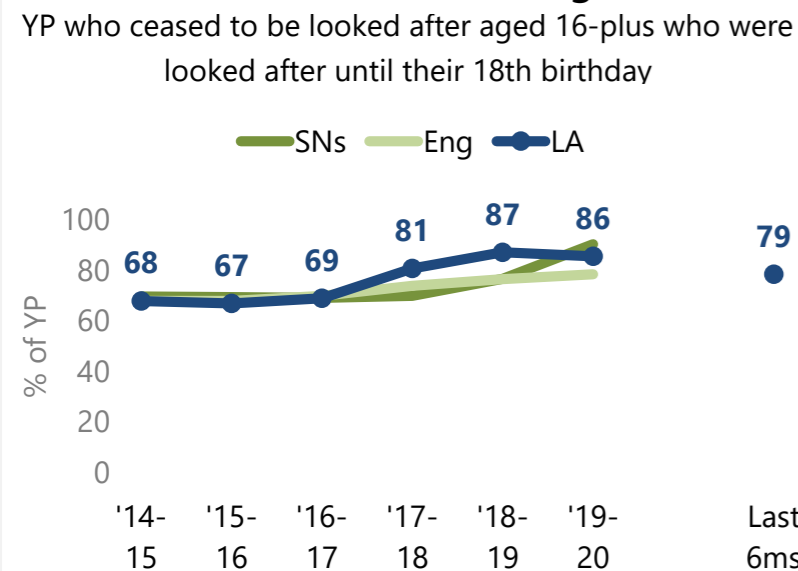
Eligibility category

Relevant	0
Former relevant	309
Qualifying	1
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.

Remain with former foster carer
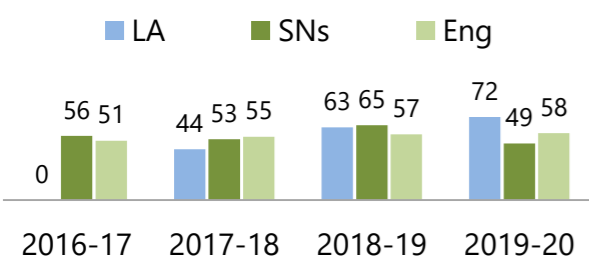
Aged 18

■ LA ■ SNs ■ Eng

56 51   44 53 55   63 65 57   72 49 58
0

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

Aged 19-20

■ LA ■ SNs ■ Eng

17 9   25   29 23 26   26 33 26   27 30 28

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

LA in touch with 17-18 year olds

ChAT	Aged 17	Aged 18	Total
Numbers in cohort	0	62	62
LA in touch with YP	-	100%	100%

100%

■ In touch
■ Not in touch
□ Not recorded

━SNs ━Eng ━LA

105
100   100
95   96
90 89 88
85
80

2016-17 2017-18 2018-19   Latest snapshot

% of YP 17-18

LA in touch with 19-21 year olds

ChAT	Aged 19	Aged 20	Aged 21	Total
Numbers in cohort	75	75	50	200
LA in touch with YP	100%	100%	100%	100%

100%

■ In touch
■ Not in touch
□ Not recorded

━SNs ━Eng ━LA

120
100   85 85 84 89   100
80
60
40
20
0

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

% of YP 19-21

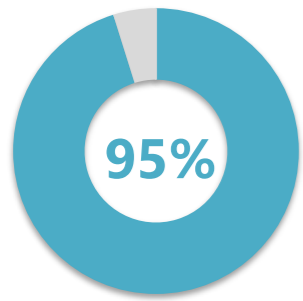## Care leavers accommodation suitability and type

Snapshot 07/11/2023

Accommodation suitability of 17-18 year olds

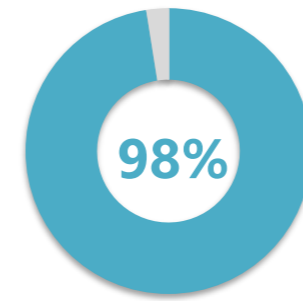| ChAT	Aged 17	Aged 18	Total
Numbers in cohort	0	62	62
In suitable accommodation	-	95%	95%

95%

- ■ **Suitable accom**
- ■ Not suitable
- □ No information

Chart: % of YP 17-18 — SNs, Eng, LA
- 2016-17: 85
- 2017-18: 88
- 2018-19: 93
- 2019-20: 95
- Latest snapshot: 95
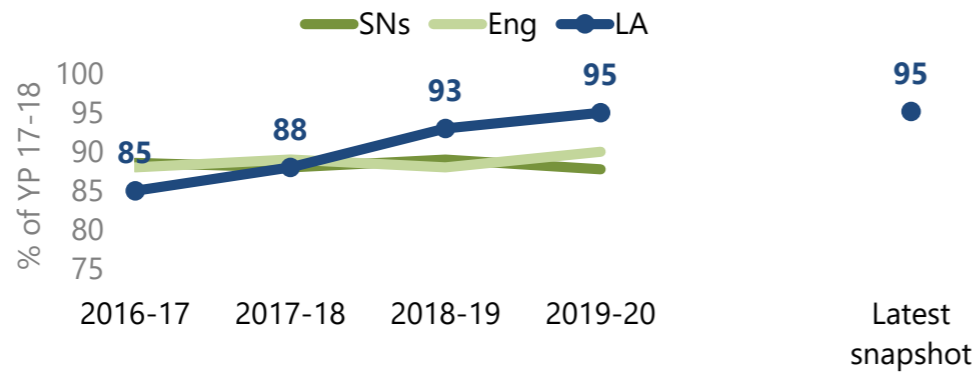
Accommodation suitability of 19-21 year olds

ChAT	Aged 19	Aged 20	Aged 21	Total
Numbers in cohort	75	75	50	200
In suitable accommodation	97%	97%	98%	98%

98%

- ■ **Suitable accom**
- ■ Not suitable
- □ No information

Chart: % of YP 19-21 — SNs, Eng, LA
- 2016-17: 84
- 2017-18: 81
- 2018-19: 82
- 2019-20: 86
- Latest snapshot: 98

Accommodation types of 17-18 year olds

Legend: ■ Latest snapshot ■ LA 19-20 ■ SNs 19-20 ■ Eng 19-20

% 17-18 year olds

Accommodation type	Latest snapshot
With parents or relatives	2
Community home	0
Semi-independent transitional	23
Supported lodgings	8
Gone abroad	0
Deported	0
Ordinary lodgings	0
Residence not known	0
No fixed abode / homeless	0
Foyers	
Independent living	45
Emergency accommodation	5
Bed and breakfast	0
In custody	5
With Former Foster Carer	5
Other accommodation	5
LA does not have information	2

Accommodation types of 19-21 year olds

Legend: ■ Latest snapshot ■ LA 19-20 ■ SNs 19-20 ■ Eng 19-20

% 19-21 year olds

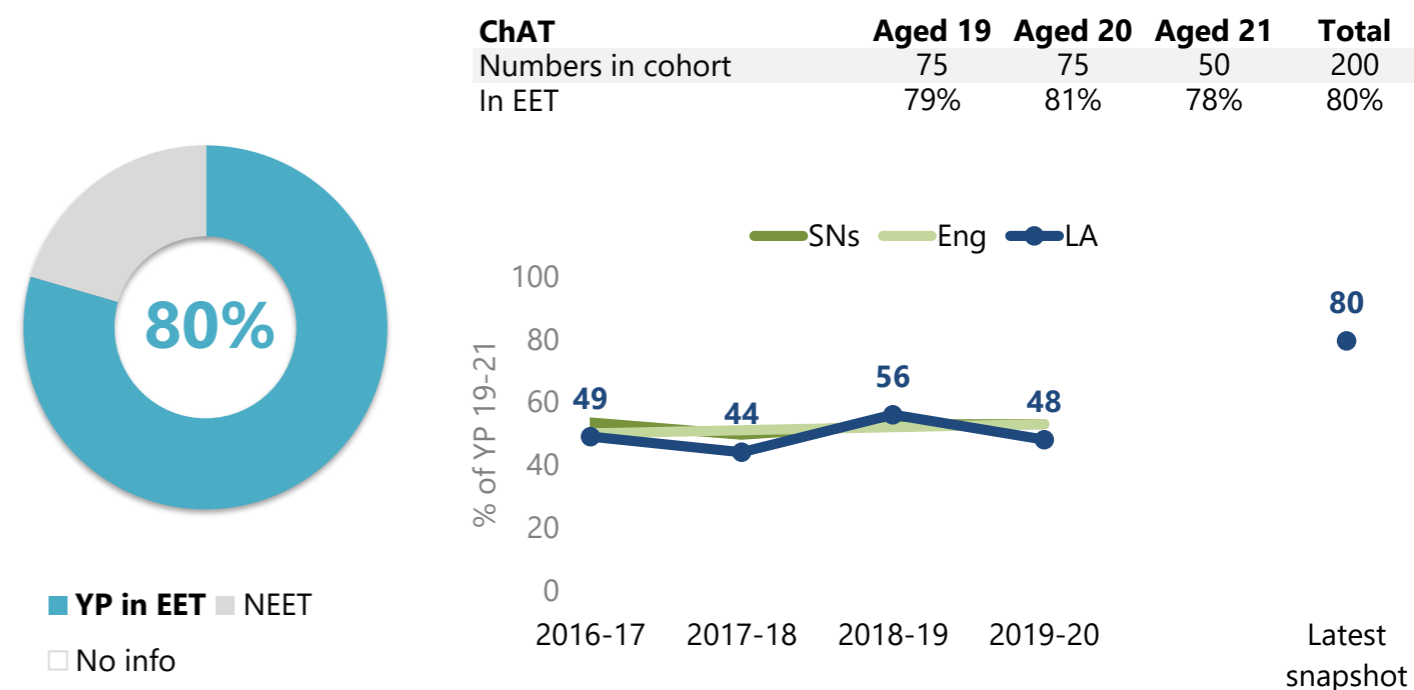| Accommodation type	Latest snapshot
With parents or relatives	4
Community home	0
Semi-independent transitional	4
Supported lodgings	1
Gone abroad	0
Deported	0
Ordinary lodgings	0
Residence not known	
No fixed abode / homeless	
Foyers	2
Independent living	81
Emergency accommodation	1
Bed and breakfast	0
In custody	3
With Former Foster Carer	6
Other accommodation	1
LA does not have information	0

Care leavers activity (Education, Employment, or Training)

Education, Employment, or Training (EET) of 17-18 year olds

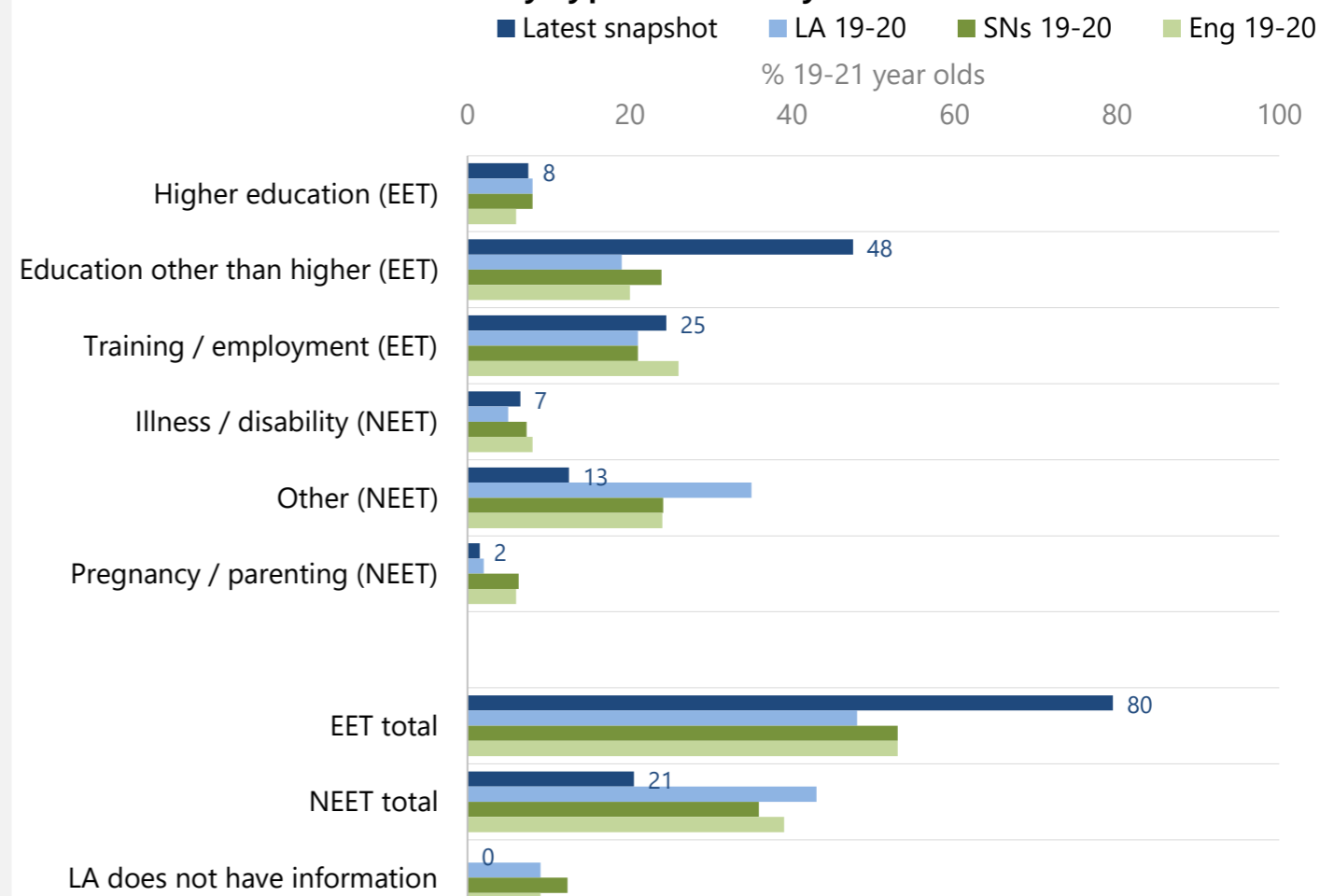| ChAT	Aged 17	Aged 18	Total
Numbers in cohort	0	62	62
In EET	-	73%	73%

73%

- YP in EET
- NEET
- No info

Chart (% of YP 17-18): SNs, Eng, LA
- LA: 52 (2016-17), 59 area, 61 (2018-19), 67 (2019-20)
- Latest snapshot: 73
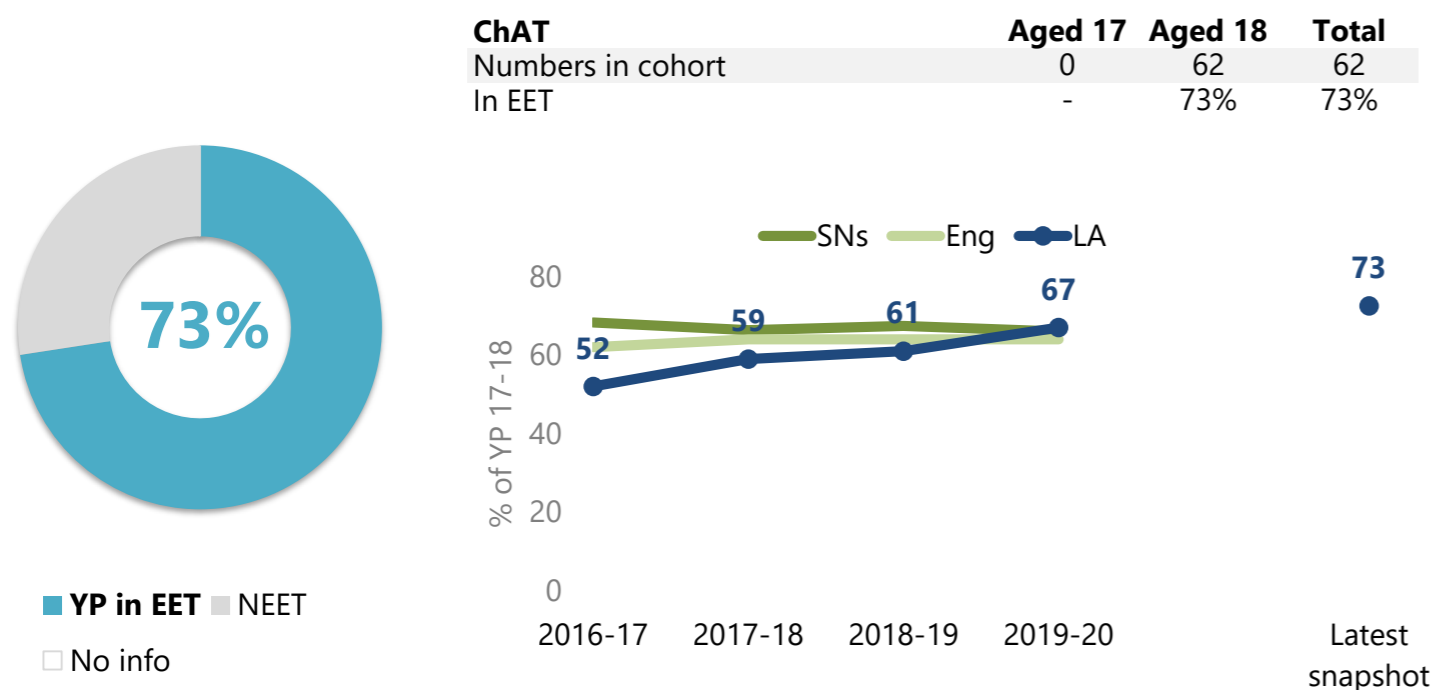
Education, Employment, or Training (EET) of 19-21 year olds

ChAT	Aged 19	Aged 20	Aged 21	Total
Numbers in cohort	75	75	50	200
In EET	79%	81%	78%	80%

80%

- YP in EET
- NEET
- No info

Chart (% of YP 19-21): SNs, Eng, LA
- LA: 49 (2016-17), 44 (2017-18), 56 (2018-19), 48 (2019-20)
- Latest snapshot: 80

Activity types of 17-18 year olds

Legend: Latest snapshot | LA 19-20 | SNs 19-20 | Eng 19-20

% 17-18 year olds

Activity	Latest snapshot
Higher education (EET)	11
Education other than higher (EET)	56
Training / employment (EET)	5
Illness / disability (NEET)	8
Other (NEET)	19
Pregnancy / parenting (NEET)	0
LA does not have information	0
EET total	73
NEET total	27
LA does not have information	0
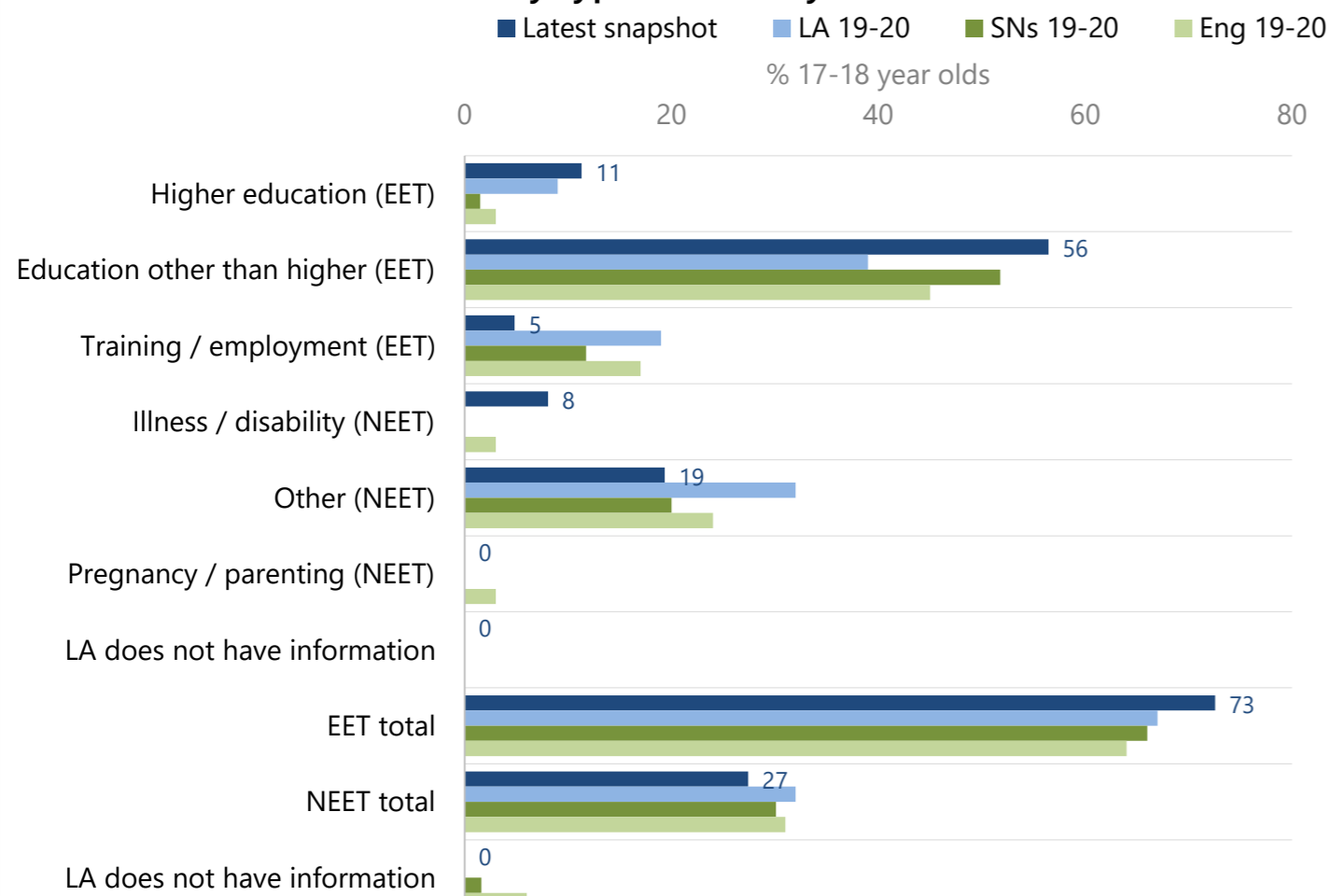
Activity types of 19-21 year olds

Legend: Latest snapshot | LA 19-20 | SNs 19-20 | Eng 19-20

% 19-21 year olds

Activity	Latest snapshot
Higher education (EET)	8
Education other than higher (EET)	48
Training / employment (EET)	25
Illness / disability (NEET)	7
Other (NEET)	13
Pregnancy / parenting (NEET)	2
LA does not have information	
EET total	80
NEET total	21
LA does not have information	0

Children adopted, waiting to be adopted, or had an adoption decision reversed in the last 12 months
from 08/11/2022
to 07/11/2023

53 children

3   Child/ren adopted last 12 months
48   Child/ren waiting to be adopted
(13   Child/ren waiting with placement order)
2   Child/ren with decision reversed

Age and gender

- 30 Males (56%)
- 24 Females (44%)
- 0 Other (not shown) (0%)

Age 20+

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

Ethnic background

White	87%
Mixed	6%
Asian or Asian British	4%
Black or black British	4%
Other ethnic group	0%
Not stated	0%
Not recorded	0%

See page 22 for comparisons
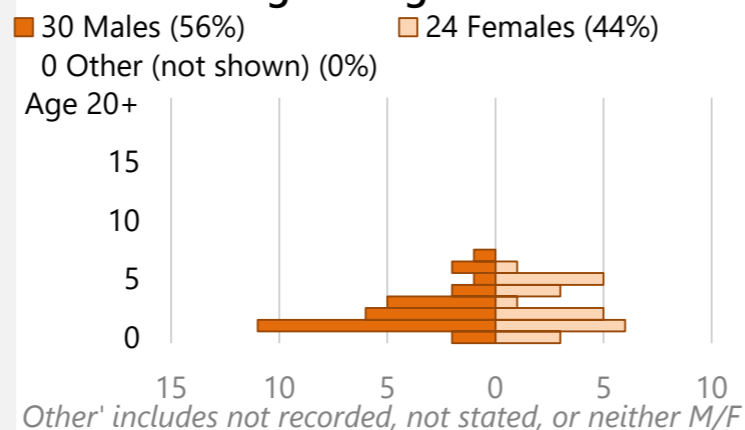
0 children (0%) with a disability

Of the 74 children who ceased to be looked after in the last 6 months, 2 was/were adopted (3%)

Children ceased who were adopted

SNs — Eng — LA

% CLA ceased

9, 6, 5, 7, 7, 12 (LA)
3 (Last 6ms)

| '14-15 | '15-16 | '16-17 | '17-18 | '18-19 | '19-20 | Last 6ms |
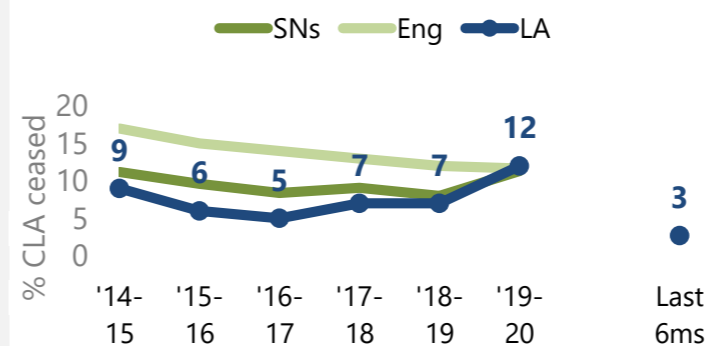
Children aged 5-plus who were adopted

0%

0 of the 61 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	0.0%
LA 2013-16 (3 yr average)	2.0%
SNs 2013-16 (3 yr average)	5.0%
Eng 2013-16 (3 yr average)	5.0%

Timeliness of each stage of the adoption process

Stage 1   Child entered care

Stage 2   Decision that child should be placed for adoption

Stage 3   Placement order granted

Stage 4   Matching child and prospective adopters

Stage 5   Placed for adoption

Stage 6   Adoption order granted

Average duration of each stage (number of days)

Average days

average days

Stage 1 to 2 (0 children)	Stage 2 to 3 (0 children)	Stage 3 to 4 (0 children)	Stage 4 to 5 (0 children)	Stage 5 to 6 (0 children)	Stage 1 to 5 (0 children)
0	0	0	0	0	0
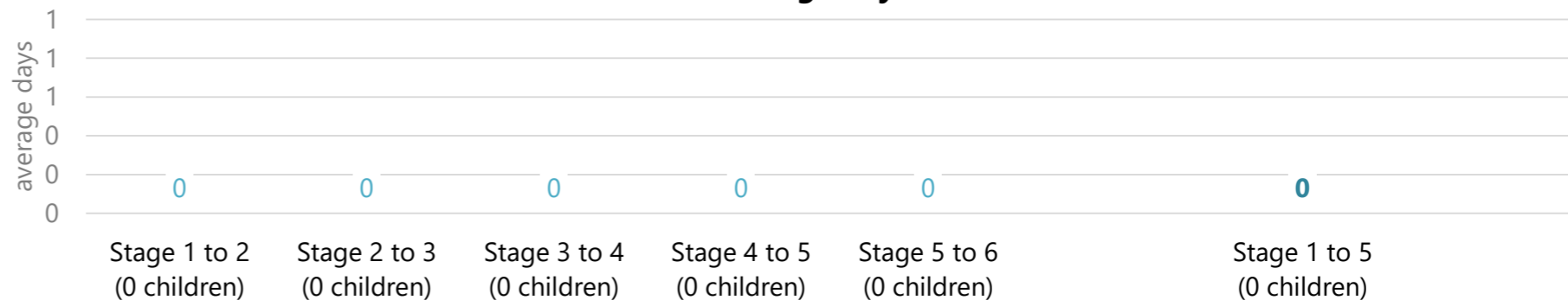
Range in days between shortest and longest cases at each stage

Longest case

Shortest case

Stage 1 to 2 (0 children)	Stage 2 to 3 (0 children)	Stage 3 to 4 (0 children)	Stage 4 to 5 (0 children)	Stage 5 to 6 (0 children)	Stage 1 to 5 (0 children)
0	0	0	0	0	0
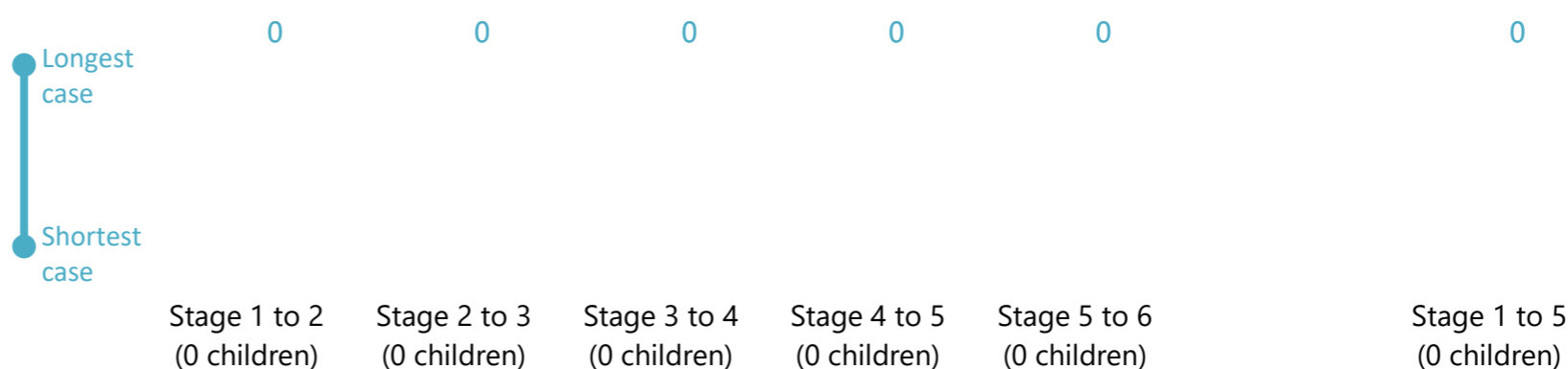
Adoption benchmarking

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

n/a

3 children

Average number of days between entering care and moving in with adoptive family for adopted children (adjusted for foster carer adoptions)

Last 12 months

0 > 6 months	0
6 months > 1 year	0
1 year > 1½ years	0
1½ years > 2 years	0
2+ years	0

3 year average

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

Average days

- '11-14: 506
- '12-15: 416
- '13-16: 428
- '14-17: 423
- '15-18: 534
- Last 12 months: 0
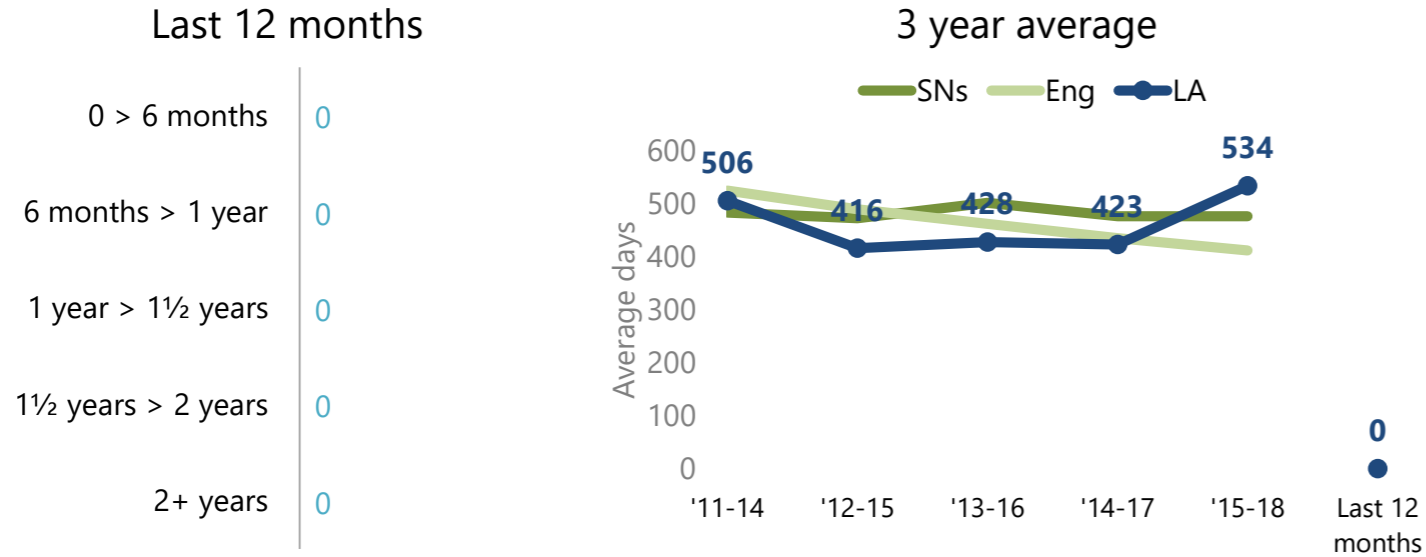
(A2) Time between placement order and deciding on a match

n/a

0 children

The average number of days from the date of the placement order to the date the child was matched to prospective adopters

Last 12 months

0 > 6 months	0
6 months > 1 year	0
1 year > 1½ years	0
1½ years > 2 years	0
2+ years	0

3 year average

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

Average days

- '11-14: 140
- '12-15: 154
- '13-16: 172
- '14-17: 180
- '15-18: 163
- Last 12 months: 0
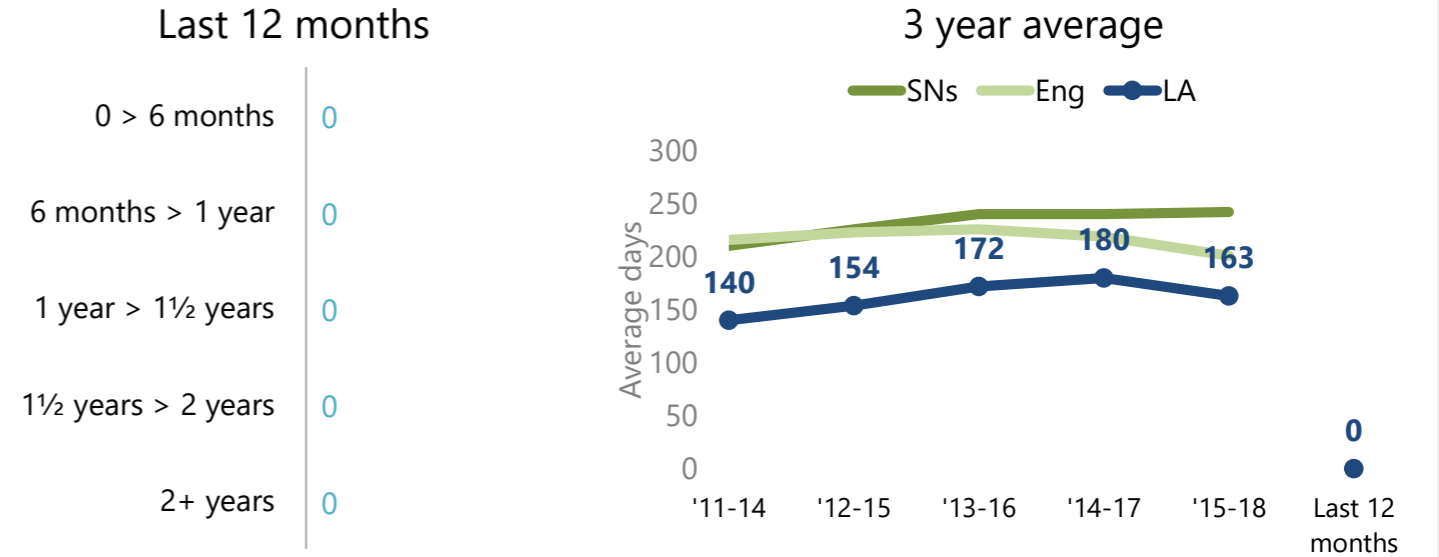
(A3) Time between entering care and placed for adoption

61%

31/51 children

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

Last 12 months

Number of children vs Duration to be placed in months (0 to 60+), with 14 months threshold marked.

3 year average

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

% children

- '11-14: 51
- '12-15: 57
- '13-16: 46
- '14-17: 51
- '15-18: 37
- Last 12 months: 61
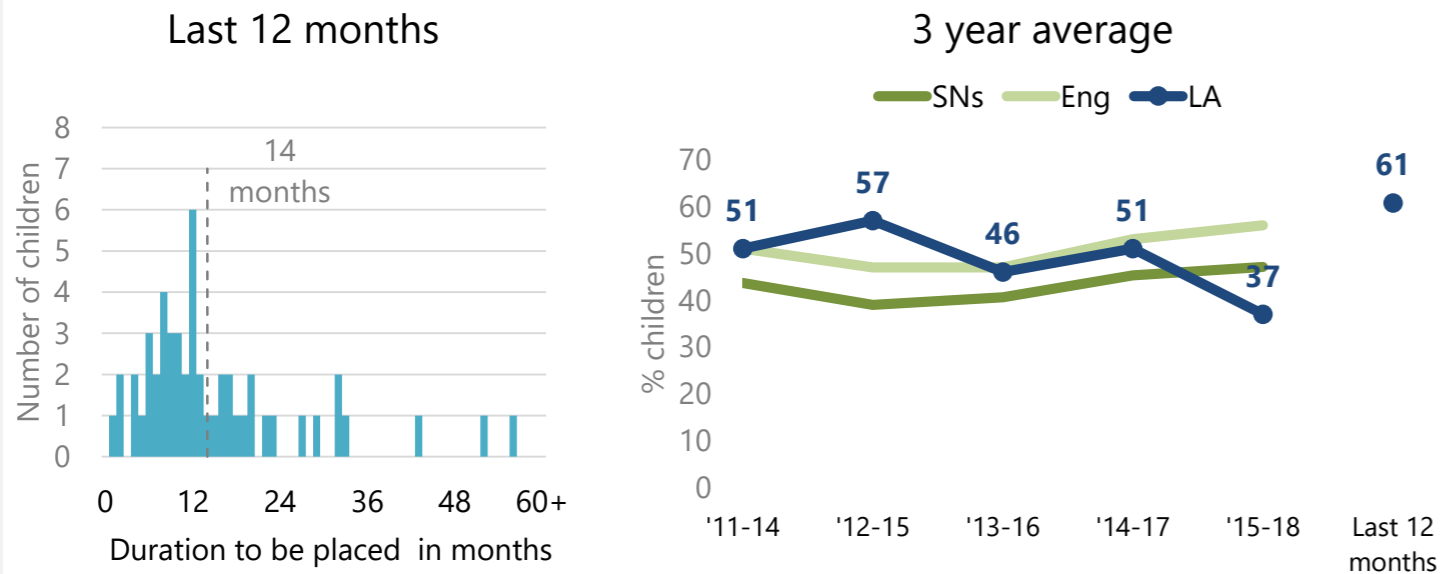
(A5) Permanence decision changed away from adoption

4%

2/53 children

Children where there was a decision that the child should no longer be placed for adoption

Last 12 months

Child's needs changed	0
Court did not make a PO	0
Prospective adopters cannot be found	0
Any other reason	0

3 year average

Legend: SNs, Eng, LA

% children

- '11-14: 34
- '12-15: 38
- '13-16: 26
- '14-17: 17
- '15-18: 0
- Last 12 months: 4
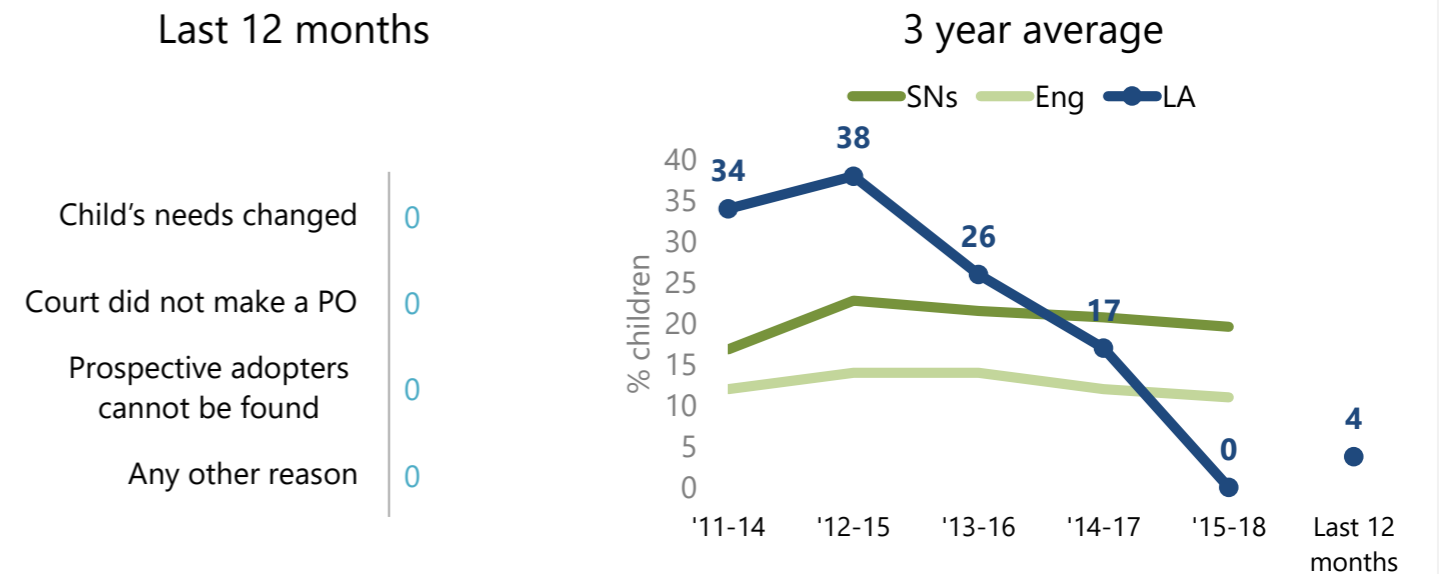
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Demographics of children across all areas of children's social care

Snapshot 07/11/2023

Ethnicity
ChAT* compared to pupils in the LA schools (Jan-20)
*percentage of known ethnicity only

White
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Care leavers	Adoptions
41.5%	43.0%	37.6%	36.7%	38.9%	37.0%	34.3%	38.7%	27.7%	86.8%

School pupils, 53%

Mixed
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Care leavers	Adoptions
15.6%	14.3%	17.9%	21.1%	21.4%	20.7%	28.0%	25.3%	11.9%	5.7%

School pupils, 11%

Asian
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Care leavers	Adoptions
12.4%	13.5%	11.9%	10.6%	10.8%	10.7%	9.2%	9.3%	10.0%	3.8%

School pupils, 13%

Black
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Care leavers	Adoptions
17.6%	16.6%	19.1%	17.7%	19.5%	17.7%	12.6%	11.7%	20.3%	3.8%

School pupils, 11%

Other
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Care leavers	Adoptions
12.9%	12.5%	13.6%	13.9%	9.4%	14.0%	15.9%	15.0%	30.2%	0.0%

School pupils, 1%

Age
ChAT* compared to mid-year population estimates (ONS-2019)
*percentage of known age only

Under 1
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Adoptions
5.1%	4.5%	7.0%	7.6%	8.5%	6.1%	13.7%	4.3%	11.9%

Mid-year population, 5%

1 to 4
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Adoptions
16.3%	16.7%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	14.7%	18.7%	13.6%	61.9%

Mid-year population, 23%

5 to 9
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Adoptions
24.5%	27.9%	25.1%	25.5%	28.4%	23.8%	30.7%	15.8%	26.2%

Mid-year population, 30%

10 to 15
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Adoptions
38.1%	38.5%	35.6%	36.7%	32.6%	34.4%	32.4%	28.9%	0.0%

Mid-year population, 33%

16 and over
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Adoptions
16.0%	12.4%	17.3%	15.2%	15.5%	21.1%	4.6%	37.4%	0.0%

Mid-year population, 10%

Gender
ChAT* compared to mid-year population estimates (ONS-2019)
*percentage of Male / Female genders only, excludes Other

Female
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Care leavers	Adoptions
48%	47%	49%	48%	51%	46%	45%	39%	31%	45%

Mid-year population, 49%

Male
Contacts	Early Help	Referrals	Assessments	S47s	Open CIN	Open CPP	Open CLA	Care leavers	Adoptions
52%	53%	51%	52%	49%	54%	55%	61%	69%	55%

Mid-year population, 51%
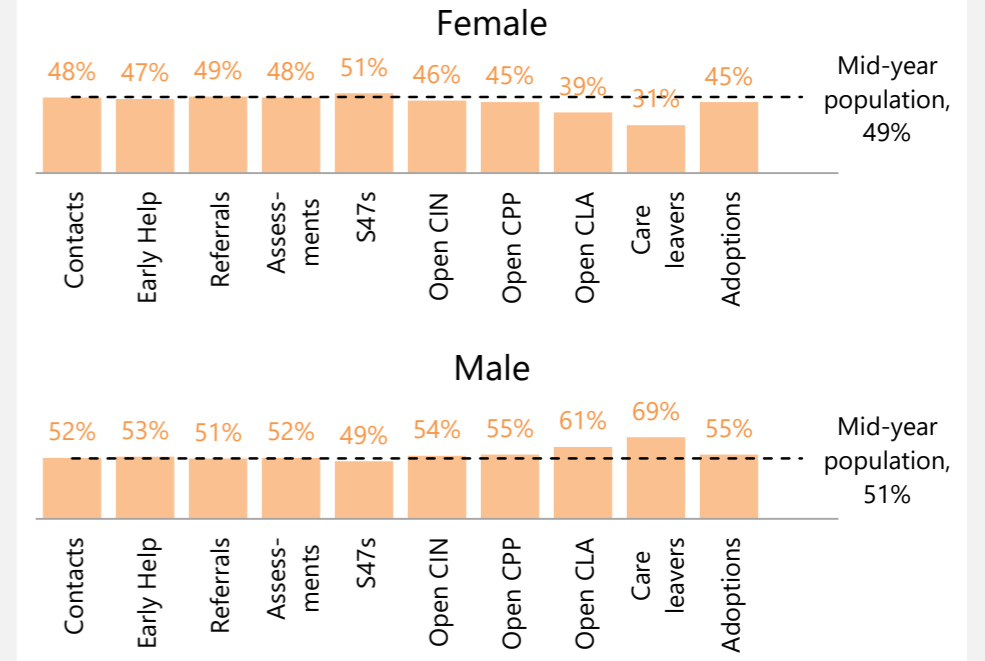
Comparing CLA demographics

CLA figures compared to published population statistics

Ethnicity
	LA Latest snapshot			LA 2020			Eng 2020		
	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference
White	39	53	lower -28%	39	53	lower -26%	74	74	no dif 0%
Mixed	25	11	higher 130%	22	11	higher 104%	10	6	higher 59%
Asian	9	13	lower -31%	6	13	lower -54%	4	12	lower -65%
Black	12	11	higher 4%	15	11	higher 36%	7	6	higher 21%
Other	15	1	higher 955%	16	1	higher 1048%	4	0	higher 769%
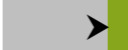
Age
	LA Latest snapshot			LA 2020			Eng 2020		
	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference
Under 1	4	5	lower -18%	5	5	lower -4%	5	5	lower -3%
1 to 4	14	23	lower -40%	10	23	lower -56%	14	22	lower -37%
5 to 9	16	30	lower -47%	13	30	lower -56%	18	29	lower -39%
10 to 15	29	33	lower -11%	35	33	higher 7%	39	33	higher 18%
16-plus	37	10	higher 285%	36	10	higher 270%	24	10	higher 139%

Gender
	LA Latest snapshot			LA 2020			Eng 2020		
	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference
Male	61	51	higher 19%	59	51	higher 15%	56	51	higher 9%
Female	39	49	lower -20%	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% quartile, low is good ○

Highest 25% quartile, high is good ○

Mid 50% range, not RAG-rated ○

Indicator	Latest data (ChAT)			Latest published statistics for all local authorities					
	LA	Direction of travel		LA	SNs	Eng	LA compared to mid-50% range of all LAs		Date
Referrals received (annual rate per 10,000 of children)	301	Increase	➤	300	531	535	Lower	○	2019-20
Referrals to social care that were within 12 months of a previous referral (%)	13	Decrease	◀	16	19	21	Lower	○	2019-20
Assessments completed (annual rate per 10,000 of children)	287	Decrease	◀	328	537	554	Lower	○	2019-20
Assessments completed within 45 working days (%)	68	Decrease	◀	84	84	84	In range	○	2019-20
Children subject to section 47 enquiries (annual rate per 10,000 of children)	91	Increase	➤	80	157	167	Lower	○	2019-20
Children subject of an initial child protection conference (annual rate per 10,000 of children)	25	Decrease	◀	27	55	64	Lower	○	2019-20
Initial Child Protection Conferences held within 15 working days of the start of the section 47 enquiry (%)	78	Decrease	◀	80	83	78	In range	○	2019-20
Children in need (snapshot rate per 10,000 children)	166	Decrease	◀	198	317	324	Lower	○	2019-20
Children who are the subject of a child protection plan (snapshot rate per 10,000 children)	26	Increase	➤	17	37	43	Lower	○	2019-20
Children who became the subject of a CP plan for a second or subsequent time (%)	22	Increase	➤	12	20	22	Lower	○	2019-20
Children who ceased to be on a CP plan whose plan lasted 2 years or more (%)	4	-	↑ ↑	c	5	4	Higher	○	2019-20
Children who are looked after (snapshot rate per 10,000 children)	40	Increase	➤	35	45	67	Lower	○	2019-20
Children looked after who had a missing incident in the period (%)	18	Increase	➤	16	13	11	Higher	○	2019-20
Children looked after who were away without authorisation in the period (%)	0	Decrease	◀	10	7	3	Higher	○	2019-20
Children looked after who had their teeth checked by a dentist in the last 12 months (%)	50	Decrease	◀	79	89	86	Lower	○	2019-20
Children looked after who had their annual health assessment (%)	73	Decrease	◀	94	93	90	In range	○	2019-20
Children who ceased to be looked after in the period who were adopted (%)	3	Decrease	◀	12	11	12	In range	○	2019-20
Children who ceased to be looked after in the period due to a Special Guardianship Order (%)	9	-	↑ ↑	-	-	-	Higher	○	2019-20
Children leaving care over the age of 16 who remained looked after until their 18th birthday (%)	79	Decrease	◀	86	90	79	In range	○	2019-20
Care leavers aged 19-21 in suitable accommodation (%)	98	Increase	➤	86	84	85	In range	○	2019-20
Care leavers aged 19-21 in education, employment, or training (%)	80	Increase	➤	48	53	53	In range	○	2019-20
A1 - Average time between entering care and moving in with family for children who were adopted (days)	-	-		576	577	486	Higher	○	2015-18
A2 - Average time between LA receiving placement order and LA deciding on a match with family (days)	-	-		163	242	201	In range	○	2015-18