



Members Corporate Parenting Group

Children in Care Dataset 2015/16 Quarter 4

Glossary

LAC	Looked After Children
LBBB	London Borough of Barking and Dagenham
SN	Statistical Neighbour
PEP	Personal Education Plan
Sec 20	Voluntarily accommodated under Section 20 of the Children Act
Interim Care Order	Gives the local authority parental responsibility on a temporary basis
Full Care Order	Gives the local authority parental responsibility on a permanent basis
Placement Order	Authorises a local authority to place a child with prospective adopters

LAC Demographic Data

Children In Care Numbers	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 Q1	2015/16 Q2	2015/16 Q3	2015/16 Q4	SN Average (14/15)	London Average (14/15)	National Average (14/15)
Number of Children in Care	427	420	458	457	476	432	414	418	n/a	n/a	n/a
Rate per 10,000 aged 0-17 (LBBD Population 59,106)	86.2	76.4	80.4	77.3	80.5	73.1	70	71	69	52	60

Ethnic Breakdown of Children in Care - (Department Of Education Bandings)	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 Q1	2015/16 Q2	2015/16 Q3	2015/16 Q4	Under 18 Local Population (%) (14/15)	National Average (14/15)
White British	57.4% (245)	51.9% (218)	52.4% (240)	47.0% (215)	45.0% (214)	46.3% (200)	50.0% (207)	49.8% (209)	n/a	n/a
White Other	5.9% (25)	7.6% (32)	8.1% (37)	9.4% (43)	9.5% (45)	10.9% (47)	9.9% (41)	10.8% (45)	n/a	n/a
Black African	15.0% (64)	15.2% (64)	11.4% (52)	13.6% (62)	15.1% (72)	13.9% (60)	12.3% (51)	13.2% (55)	n/a	n/a
Black Caribbean	2.3% (10)	2.6% (11)	4.8% (22)	3.7% (17)	4.2% (20)	2.5% (11)	3.9% (16)	3.4% (14)	n/a	n/a
Black Other	3.7% (16)	3.6% (15)	2.8% (13)	2.2% (10)	2.5% (12)	2.5% (11)	1.9% (8)	2.2% (9)	n/a	n/a
Asian	5.4% (23)	4.3% (18)	4.4% (20)	7.4% (34)	7.1% (34)	7.9% (34)	6.0% (25)	6.7% (28)	n/a	n/a
Mixed White and Black	5.2% (22)	7.9% (33)	7.6% (35)	7.9% (36)	8.0% (38)	8.3% (36)	8.5% (35)	7.9% (33)	n/a	n/a
Mixed White and Asian	0.9% (4)	1.0% (4)	1.1% (5)	0.9% (4)	0.8% (4)	1.2% (5)	1.0% (4)	0.7% (3)	n/a	n/a
Mixed Other	1.6% (7)	2.6% (11)	2.4% (11)	2.6% (12)	2.7% (13)	2.1% (9)	1.9% (8)	1.9% (8)	n/a	n/a
Other Ethnicity	2.6% (11)	3.3% (14)	5.0% (23)	5.3% (24)	5.0% (24)	4.4% (19)	4.6% (19)	3.4% (14)	n/a	n/a

Ethnic Breakdown of Children in Care (GLA Bandings)	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 Q1	2015/16 Q2	2015/16 Q3	2015/16 Q4	Under 18 Local Population (%) (13/14)	National Average for LAC (14/15)
White	63.5 % (271)	59.8% (251)	60.9% (279)	55.8% (255)	54.2% (258)	57.2% (247)	59.9% (248)	60.7% (254)	39.4%	77%
Black African	17.4 % (75)	18.8% (79)	16.2% (74)	17.1% (78)	18.1% (86)	16.9% (73)	15.4% (64)	16.3% (68)	23.9%	5%
Black Caribbean	4.6% (20)	6.4% (27)	8.1% (37)	7.7% (35)	8.2% (39)	7.2% (31)	8.5% (35)	7.4% (31)	2.5%	5%
Black Other	3.7% (16)	3.3% (14)	2.8% (13)	2.6% (12)	3.4% (16)	3.2% (14)	2.7% (11)	2.9% (12)	9.4%	1%
Asian	6.3% (27)	5.2% (22)	4.6% (21)	8.3% (38)	7.9% (38)	9.0% (39)	7.0% (29)	7.4% (31)	20.2%	6%
Other	4.2% (18)	6.4% (27)	7.4% (34)	8.5% (39)	8.2% (39)	6.5% (28)	6.5% (27)	5.3% (22)	4.6%	6%

Age Breakdown of Children in Care	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 Q1	2015/16 Q2	2015/16 Q3	2015/16 Q4	Under 18 Local Population (%) (13/14)	National Average for LAC (14/15)
0-4	24.6% (105)	23.1%(97)	23.6% (108)	19.0% (87)	18.5% (88)	15.7% (68)	15.9% (66)	14.4% (61)	33.7%	20%
5-9	19.1% (82)	21.9% (92)	22.3% (102)	21.4% (98)	22.3% (106)	22.9% (99)	21.5% (89)	19.7% (82)	30.0%	21%
10-15	34.3% (146)	35.2% (148)	38.4% (176)	38.8% (177)	36.3% (173)	38.2% (165)	36.3% (150)	37.6% (157)	26.9%	37%
16/17	22.0% (94)	19.8% (83)	15.7% (72)	20.8% (95)	22.9% (109)	23.2% (100)	26.3% (109)	28.3%(118)	9.4%	22%

Gender Breakdown	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 Q1	2015/16 Q2	2015/16 Q3	2015/16 Q4	Under 18 Local Population (%) (13/14)	National Average for LAC (14/15)
Male	50.1% (214)	46.9% (197)	49.1% (225)	51.4% (235)	49.8% (237)	49.5% (214)	49.5% (205)	51.1% (213)	51.1%	55.4%
Female	49.9% (213)	53.1% (223)	50.9%(233)	48.6% (222)	50.2% (239)	50.5% (218)	50.5% (209)	48.9% (205)	48.9%	44.6%

As at the end of Q4 15/16, there were 418 looked after children (LAC), a slight increase on position in Q3 (414), but lower than our 14/15 EoY figure of 457. Our rate per 10,000 is 71 at year end 15/16, compared to 77 the year before, which is in line with our statistical neighbours. The White British LAC population has increased from 47% in 14/15 to 50% in 15/16, and White Other from 9% to 11% over the year. Black (27%) and Asian (7%) have remained stable. Compared to the local population, the White LAC population continues to be over represented - 61% of our LAC are classed as 'White', compared to 39% locally. All other ethnicities are under-represented as a result.

Just over a third of the local under 18 population are aged under 5 - as at the end of Q4 2015/16, 14% of our LAC are in this age category - this is a decrease from 19% in 14/15. The percentage of young people aged 16/17 in care has increased from 21% to 28% over the last year- this is higher than the local population (under 10%) and the national average for LAC (22%). The percentage of LAC aged 10-15 fell slightly from 39% to 38% over the year and remains higher than the the local population (27%), but is in line with the national LAC average (37%). Those LAC aged 5-9 is slightly above the national average at 20%. Compared to the local population however, this is an under representation (30%).

As at the end of 15/16, the percentage of looked after children that were male remains at 51%, when compared to to the previous year. This is in line with the local population, but below the national average for LAC (55%).

Legal Status and Placement Breakdown

Current Legal Status	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 Q1	2015/16 Q2	2015/16 Q3	2015/16 Q4	SN Average 14/15	London Average 14/15	National Average 14/15
Sec 20	38.9% (166)	40.5% (170)	30.8% (141)	34.4% (157)	33.6% (160)	30.6% (132)	27.3% (113)	27.8% (116)	33%	42%	29%
Interim Care Order	25.2% (108)	18.6% (78)	24.0% (110)	15.8% (72)	14.7% (70)	14.8% (64)	15.9% (66)	12.2% (51)	12%	9%	11%
Full Care Order	26.5% (113)	27.1% (114)	32.5% (149)	36.3% (166)	38.2% (182)	43.2% (187)	47.8% (198)	52.3% (218)	44%	40%	49%
Placement Order	8.4% (36)	11.2% (47)	11.6% (53)	12.0% (55)	11.3% (54)	8.6% (37)	7.8% (32)	6.3% (26)	10%	8%	11%
Other	0.9% (4)	2.6% (11)	1.1% (5)	1.5% (7)	2.1% (10)	2.8% (12)	1.2% (5)	1.4% (6)	1%	1%	<1%

Current Placement Type	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 Q1	2015/16 Q2	2015/16 Q3	2015/16 Q4	SN Average 14/15	London Average 14/15	National Average 14/15
Foster and Kinship Care	77.1% (329)	78.8% (331)	82.5% (378)	74.8% (342)	72.4% (345)	72.7% (314)	74.4% (308)	75.8% (317)	76%	75%	75%
Placed For Adoption	4.0% (17)	3.1% (13)	2.2% (10)	2.8% (13)	3.6% (17)	3.7% (16)	2.9% (12)	1.9% (8)	4%	3%	5%
Placed with Parents	4.4% (19)	4.8% (20)	4.1% (19)	5.0% (23)	5.7% (27)	6.5% (28)	5.5% (23)	4.5% (19)	3%	2%	5%
Residential Care	6.8% (29)	4.5% (19)	4.6% (21)	9.9% (45)	9.9% (47)	8.8% (38)	7.0% (29)	8.4% (35)	14%	15%	12%
Semi Independent	7.5% (32)	8.1% (34)	6.2% (28)	7.0% (32)	8.2% (39)	8.1% (35)	9.2% (38)	9.3% (39)	3%	6%	3%
Other	0.2% (1)	0.7% (3)	0.4% (2)	0.5% (2)	0.2% (1)	0.2% (1)	1.0% (4)	0.0% (0)	1%	<1%	<1%

% of children placed In Borough	34.9% (149)	35.5% (149)	32.8% (150)	37.7% (172)	38.6% (184)	37.5% (162)	38.4% (159)	40.0% (167)	n/a	n/a	n/a
% of children placed out of Borough	61.1% (261)	61.2% (257)	64.8% (297)	59.5% (272)	57.8% (275)	58.8% (254)	58.7% (243)	58.3% (243)	n/a	n/a	n/a
% of children placed for adoption (undisclosed location)	4.0% (17)	3.3% (14)	2.4% (11)	2.8% (13)	3.6% (17)	3.7% (16)	2.9% (12)	1.7% (7)	n/a	n/a	n/a
% of Children placed 20 miles plus from home	14.8% (63)	15.5% (65)	14.4% (66)	14.7% (67)	15.5% (74)	16.4% (71)	16.4% (68)	15.6% (65)	20%	18%	18%

The number of children accommodated under Section 20 has fallen to 28% in 15/16 , compared to 34% in 14/15. This is below all comparators. The percentage of LAC on an Interim Care Order is 12% which is in line with the national and SN average, and lower than 14/15 (16%). There has been an increase in LAC that are on a Full Care Order - 52% in 15/16 compared to 36% in 14/15, which is above all comparators. The number of LAC on Placement Orders has decreased from 12% in 14/15 to 6% in 15/16 - below all comparators.

The percentage of LAC placed with foster carers has increased slightly to 76% compared to 75% in 14/15. This is in line with national and SN averages. The number of children placed for adoption has fallen to 2% (8 Children) compared to 13 children last year. Around 5% of LAC are placed with parents, which is slightly higher than London and SN benchmarks. Residential Care has decreased to 35 (8%) children as of the end of 15/16 compared in 45 children (10%) in 14/15 which is below national and SN averages (12% and 11% respectively).

The proportion of looked after children placed within borough has increased over the year from 38% to 40%. 16% of our LAC are placed 20 miles or more from home, which is slightly below National, SN and London averages.

Local Performance

	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 Q1	2015/16 Q2	2015/16 Q3	2015/16 Q4
Number of children coming into care	240	245	314	275	69	48	47	55
Number of children coming into care on Police protection	80	103	134	69	18	11	14	11
Number of Children Leaving care	223	247	272	281	50	85	61	47

	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 Q1	2015/16 Q2	2015/16 Q3	2015/16 Q4
Percentage of Children in Care allocated to a social worker	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Percentage of Children in Care for whom 3 monthly visits are up to date	89.6%	82.5%	89.2%	90.7%	90.3%	90.1%	87.7%	89.2%
Percentage of Children in Care for whom 6 weekly visits are up to date	74.3%	73.8%	69.8%	84.1%	66.7%	63.5%	67.0%	66.5%
Percentage of all Children in Care with a PEP review in timescale	74.5%	74.8%	77.4%	88.2%	91.2%	87.1%	77.7%	89.7%
Percentage of Children in Care with up to date dental checks	78.4%	60.1%	95.5%	80.2%	70.4%	76.5%	71.8%	85.0%
Percentage of Children in Care with up to date medicals	89.0%	65.6%	91.3%	75.2%	71.6%	64.7%	74.8%	82.3%
Percentage of Children in Care with up to eye checks	57.4%	57.8%	74.4%	77.2%	77.4%	77.9%	77.1%	75.5%
% children who have been in care for a year of more with up to date health checks	94.2%	71.2%	94.7%	91.8%	82.0%	72.4%	73.8%	94.2%
Care Leavers with an up to date Pathway plan	89.8%	88.3%	99.3%	98.7%	97.7%	96.1%	90.1%	90.9%

Length of time Children have been in care	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 Q1	2015/16 Q2	2015/16 Q3	2015/16 Q4
Less than 1 month	3	14	26	26	20	15	15	12
1-6 months	68	64	95	92	102	61	50	63
6 months to 1 year	73	63	77	50	55	78	73	49
1 year to 2 years	108	84	58	92	93	67	62	77
2 to 4 years	94	105	104	81	76	83	89	89
4-8 Years	57	68	75	90	102	111	102	103
8 years plus	24	23	23	26	28	17	23	24

The number of children coming into care decreased in 15/16 - 219 compared to 275 in 14/15. The number of children entering care on police protection was 54 in 15/16, representing 24% of all admissions. This compares to 69 children in 14/15 (25% of all children entering care).

All of our LAC are allocated to a social worker. LAC visits remain below target with 89% of 3 monthly visits and 67% of 6 weekly visits completed within timescales. The number of PEP reviews completed in time has increased to 90%, compared to 78% in Q3 and slightly higher than the 88% reported in 14/15. The percentage of LAC in care for a year or more with an annual health check has increased to 94% in 15/16- compared to 92% in 14/15. Medical performance for all children has decreased from 89% to 82% over the year, although dental checks have increased from 80% to 85% during the same period. 91% of care leavers had an up to date pathway plan as at end of 15/16, a decrease from the 99% reported in 14/15.

As at the end of 15/16, 70% of our LAC have been in care for over a year, which is higher than the 14/15 figure of 63%.

Key Performance Indicators (former National Indicators)

Former National Indicators	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	SN Average (14/15)	London Average (14/15)	National Average (14/15)	2015/16 Q1	2015/16 Q2	2015/16 Q3	2015/16 Q4	Targets
Children who have had 3 or more placements in the financial year	12.6%	9.3%	10.7%	13.1%	11%	12%	10%	1.1%	3.9%	7.7%	12.0%	<10%
Children aged under 16 who have been in care for at least 2.5 years and in the same placement for 2 years	66.0%	74.8%	66.4%	59.1%	69%	66%	68%	70.3%	64.7%	61.8%	59.9%	70-75%
Children in care reviews completed within timescales	86.0%	82.1%	79.9%	87.4%	88%	91%	90%	96.2%	92.5%	89.7%	93.4%	>95%
Placed for Adoption Timing	63.6%	66.7%	52.9%	59.4%	78%	77%	74%	50.0%	75.0%	66.7%	55.5%	70-75%
Care leavers in employment, education or training	40.4%	56.4%	51.6%	54.4%	48%	53%	48%	52.0%	43.3%	45.2%	50.2%	55-60%
Care Leavers in Suitable Accommodation	87.2%	92.3%	80.5%	79.9%	81%	83%	81%	76.0%	71.2%	73.2%	76.7%	85.0%

As of the end of 15/16, 50 Children have had 3 or more placements (12.0%), compared to 60 children (13.1%) in 14/15. Our long term placement stability performance has increased slightly to 60% compared to 59% last year and remains below SN and national averages. LAC reviews completed within timescale has increased from 87% to 93% over the year and is above comparative figures. Adoption timeliness has fallen to 56% - a total of 27 children have been adopted in 15/16, compared to 32 in 14/15.

50% of care leavers were in education, employment or training (EET) as at the end of 15/16, which is below the 14/15 figure of 54%. Performance is in line with the national average. 77% of care leavers were in suitable accommodation in 15/16, compared to 80% in 14/15.