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Children's services Analysis Tool (ChAT)

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Headline figures

Contacts

Contacts in the last 6 months 7,719

Early Help / Common / Targeted Assessments

Early Help in the last 6 months 3,283

Referrals

Referrals in the last 6 months 2,123

Social Care Assessments

Total assessments in the last 6 months 3,292

Assessments completed in the last 6 months 2,398

Ongoing assessments 894

Section 47 enquiries and Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCS)

Section 47 enquiries in the last 6 months 853

ICPCs that started from an S47 in the last 6 months 201

Children in Need (CIN)

Total CIN in the last 6 months 2,896

CIN started in the last 6 months 519

CIN ceased in the last 6 months 504

Current children in need (snapshot) 2,392

Child Protection Plans (CPP)

Total CPP in the last 6 months 568

CPP started in the last 6 months 206

CPP ceased in the last 6 months 234

Current children subject of a child protection plan (snapshot) 334

Children Looked After (CLA)

Total CLA in the last 6 months 699

CLA started in the last 6 months 104

CLA ceased in the last 6 months 78

Current children looked after (snapshot) 621

Care leavers

Care leavers currently in receipt of leaving care services 593

Adoptions

Children adopted, waiting to be adopted, or had an adoption decision reversed in the last 12 months 38

Children adopted in the last 12 months 6

Children waiting to be adopted (snapshot) 32

Children with decision reversed in the last 12 months 0

Adopters

Prospective adopters in the last - 12 months NOTE from April 2018 RAA (AIM) data 263

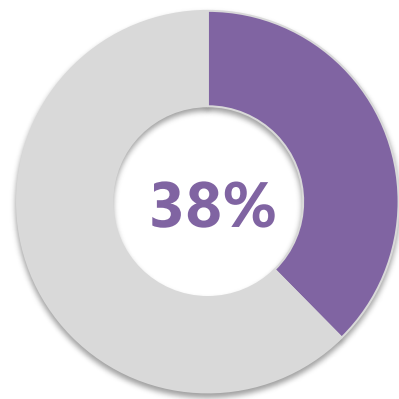
Contacts in the last 6 months

from 31/10/2022
to 30/04/2023

7719 contacts

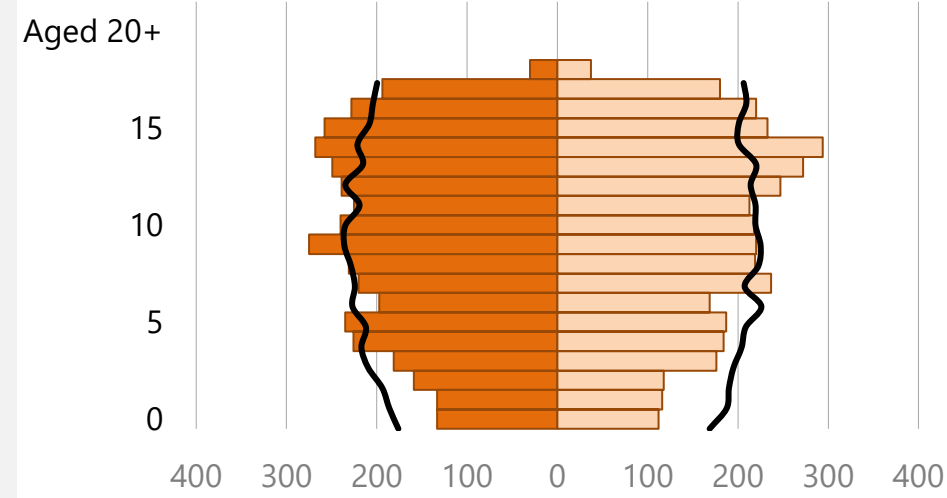
Contacts for children who also appear on Referrals

■ Yes ■ No



Age and gender

3921 Males (51%)
3652 Females (47%)
146 Other (not shown) (2%)
— 0-17 population estimate



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

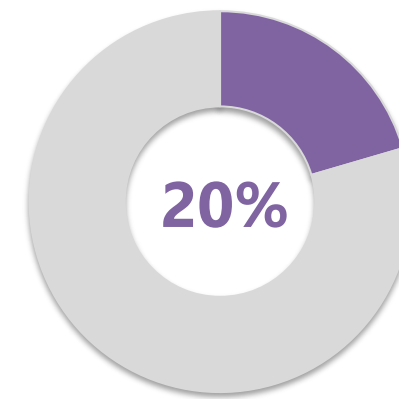
Early Help in the last 6 months

from 31/10/2022
to 30/04/2023

3283 Children with an Early Help Episode

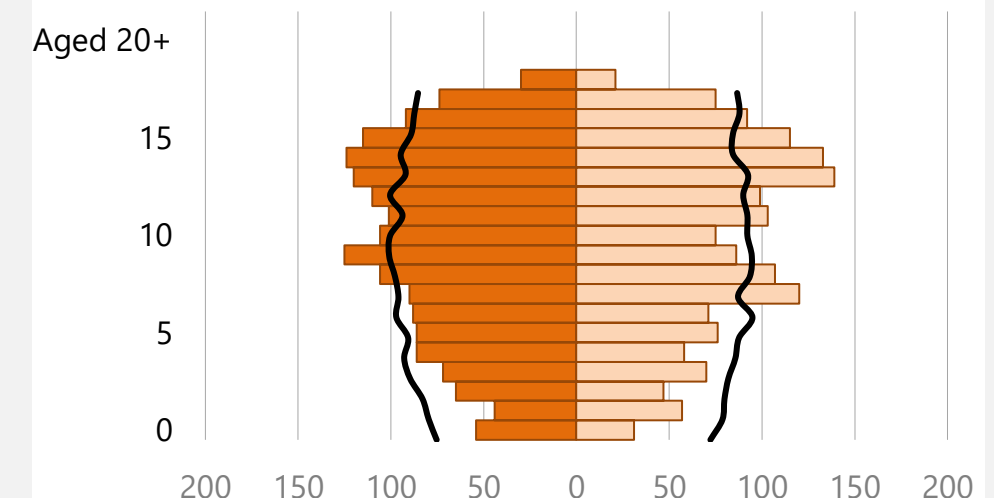
Early Help cases that also appear on the Referrals list

■ Yes ■ No



Age and gender

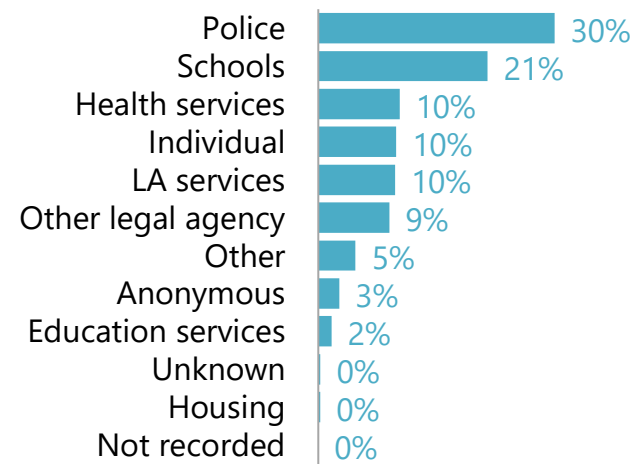
1688 Males (51%)
1575 Females (48%)
20 Other (not shown) (1%)
— 0-17 population estimate



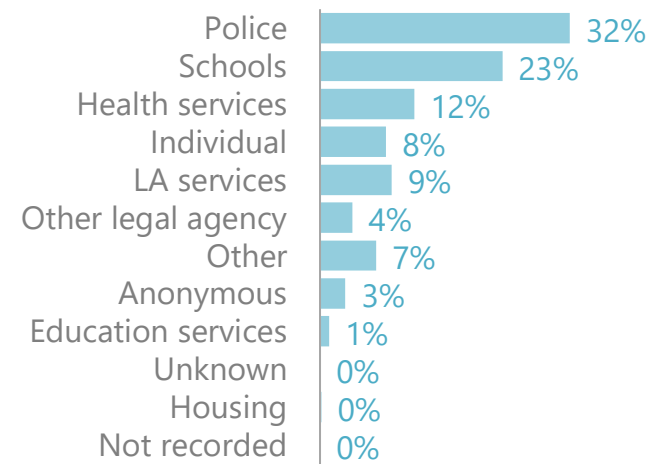
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Source of contacts compared to source of referrals

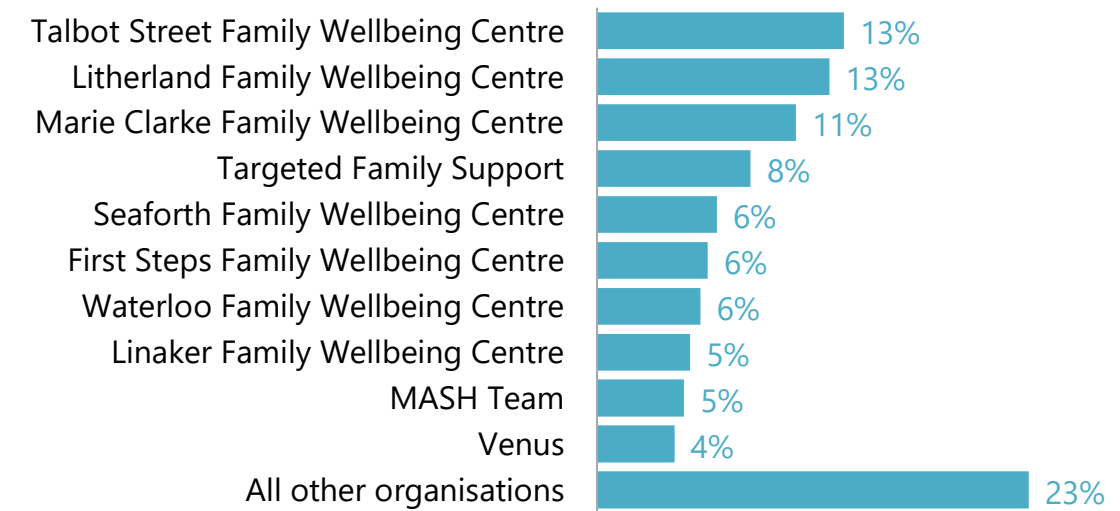
Contact source



Referral source comparison



Lead Organisation



Children with multiple contacts in period

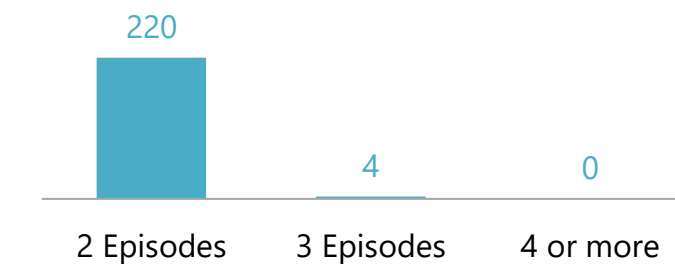


Ethnic backgrounds

White	66%
Mixed	3%
Asian or Asian British	0%
Black or black British	1%
Other ethnic group	1%
Not stated	29%
Not recorded	0%

See page 22 for comparisons

Children with multiple episodes in period



Ethnic backgrounds

White	64%
Mixed	2%
Asian or Asian British	0%
Black or black British	1%
Other ethnic group	1%
Not stated	32%
Not recorded	0%

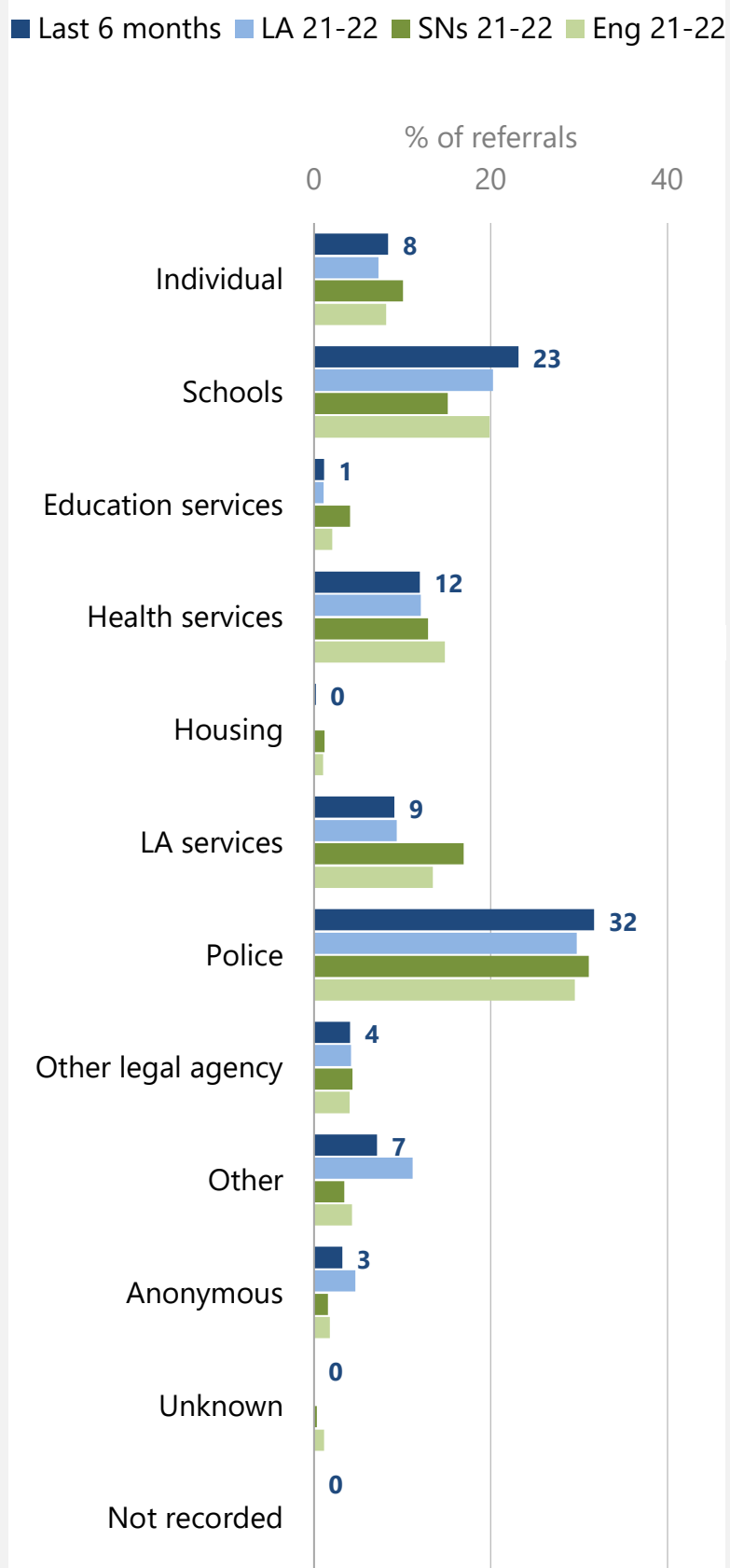
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Referrals in the last 6 months

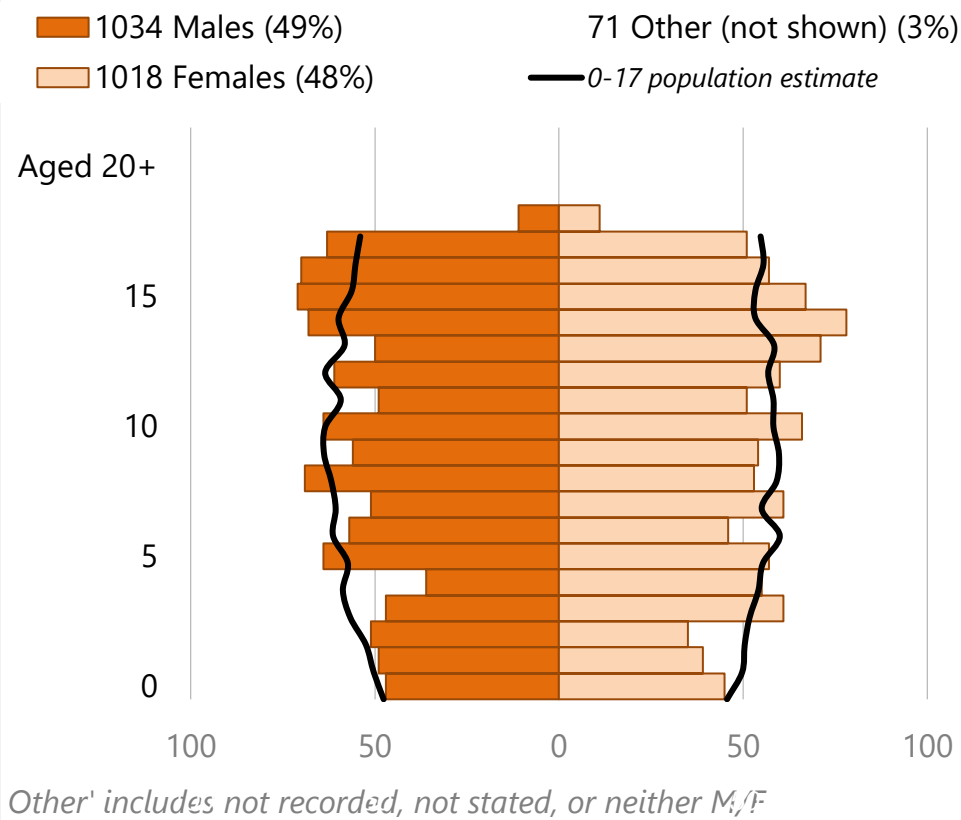
from 31/10/2022
to 30/04/2023

2123 referrals

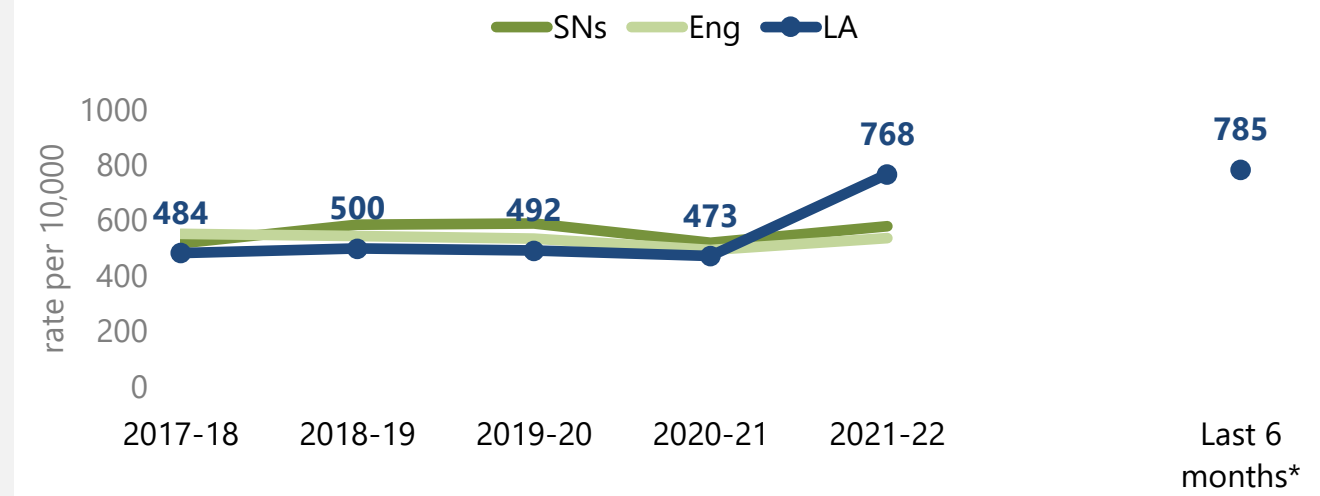
Source of referral



Age and gender

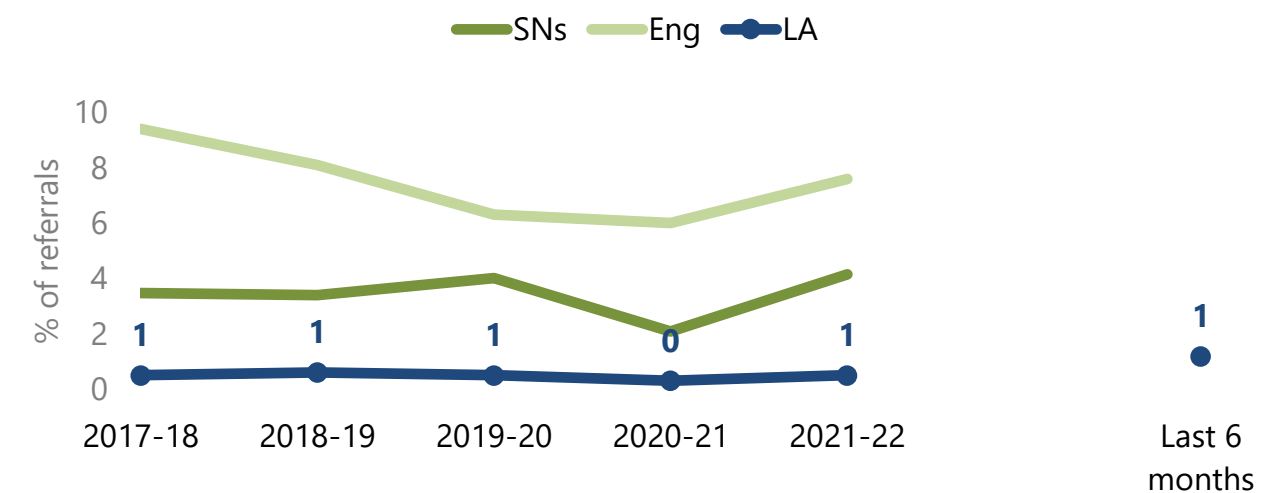


Rate of referrals per 10,000 children aged 0-17



*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

Referrals with No Further Action (NFA)



Ethnic backgrounds

White	77%
Mixed	4%
Asian or Asian British	1%
Black or black British	3%
Other ethnic group	1%
Not stated	14%
Not recorded	0%

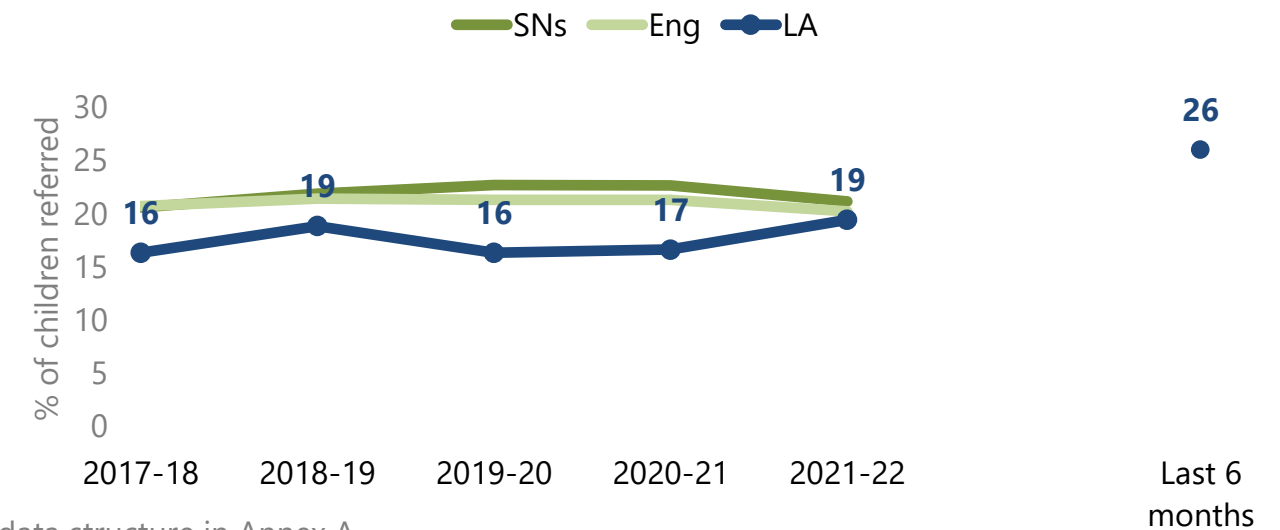
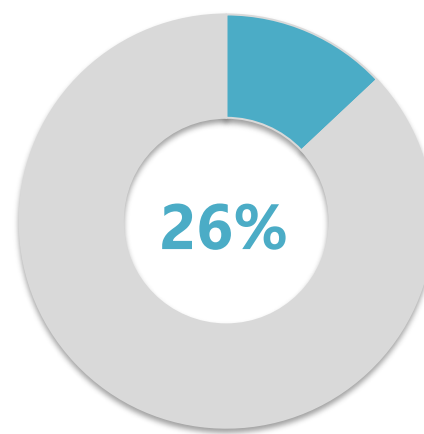
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Re-referrals: children with a previous referral within 12 months of their latest referral

523 children with previous referrals within 12 months of latest referral

First referral	1,488
1 prev referral	455
2 prev referrals	57
3 prev referrals	9
4+ prev referrals	2
Not recorded	0

■ Re-referral ■ First referral □ Not recorded

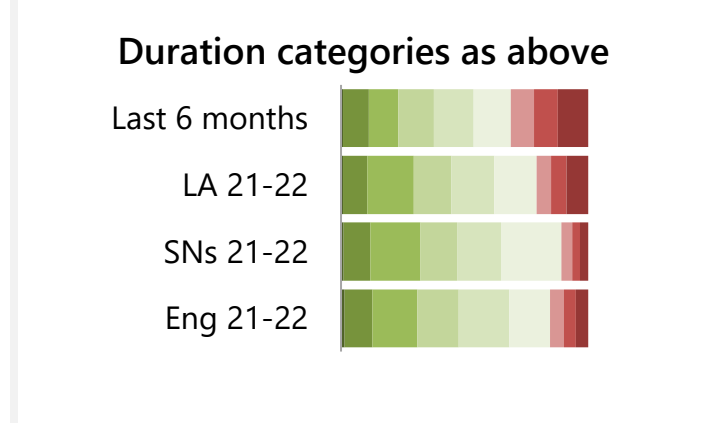
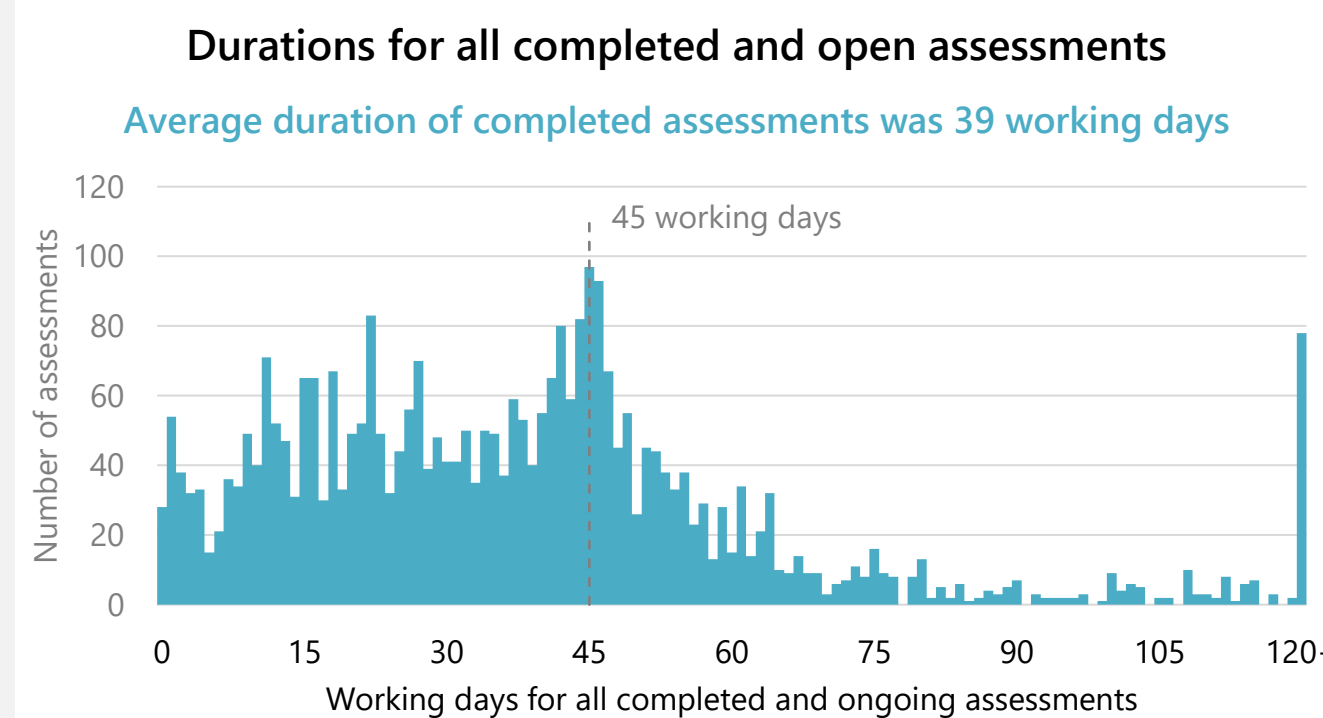
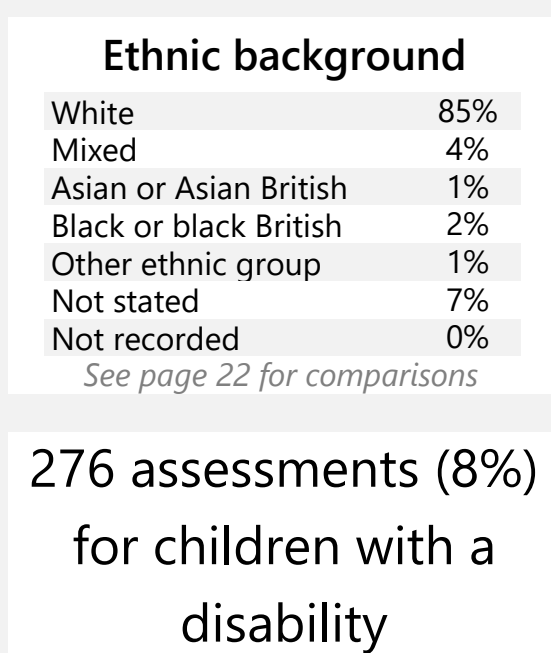
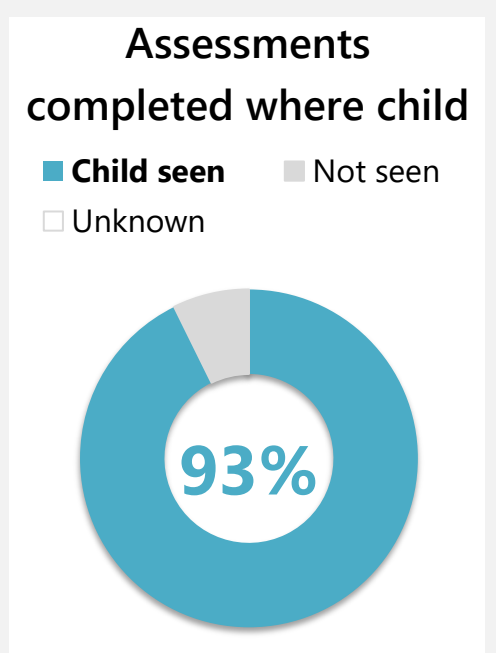
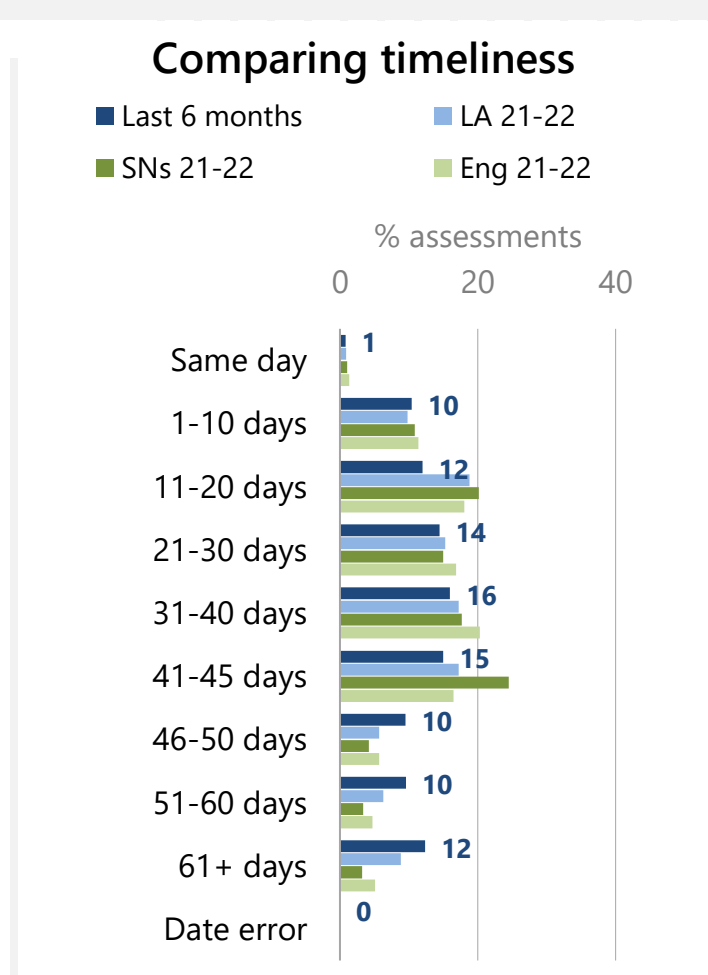
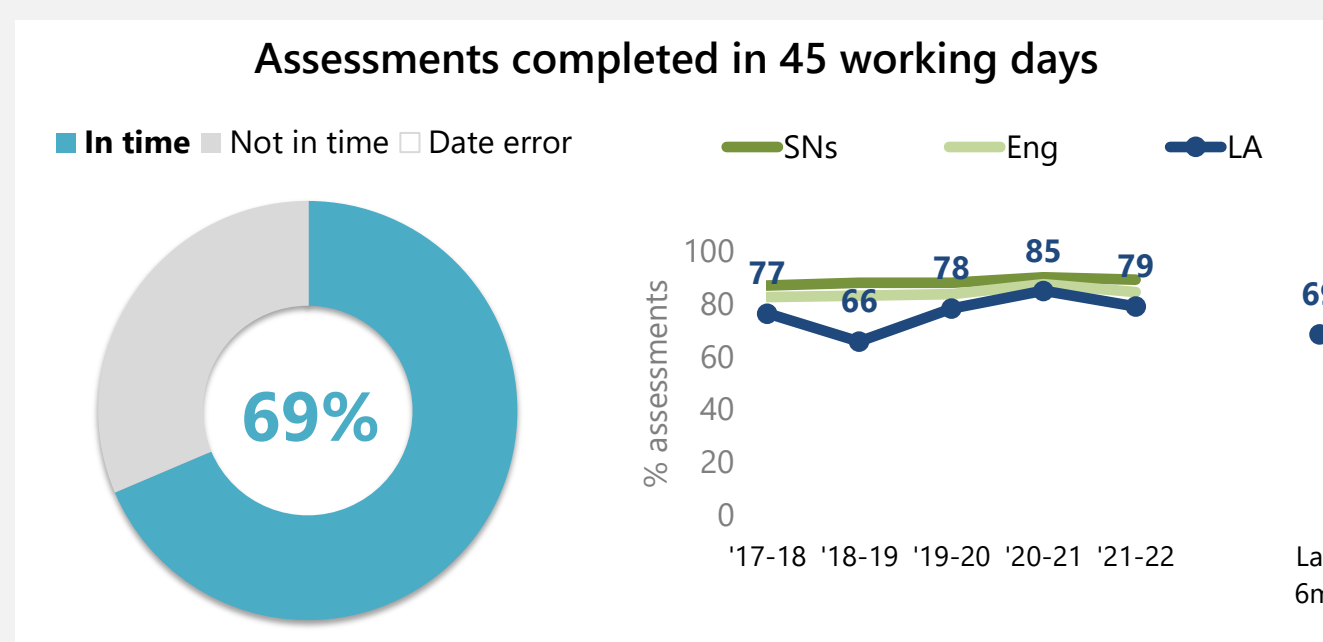
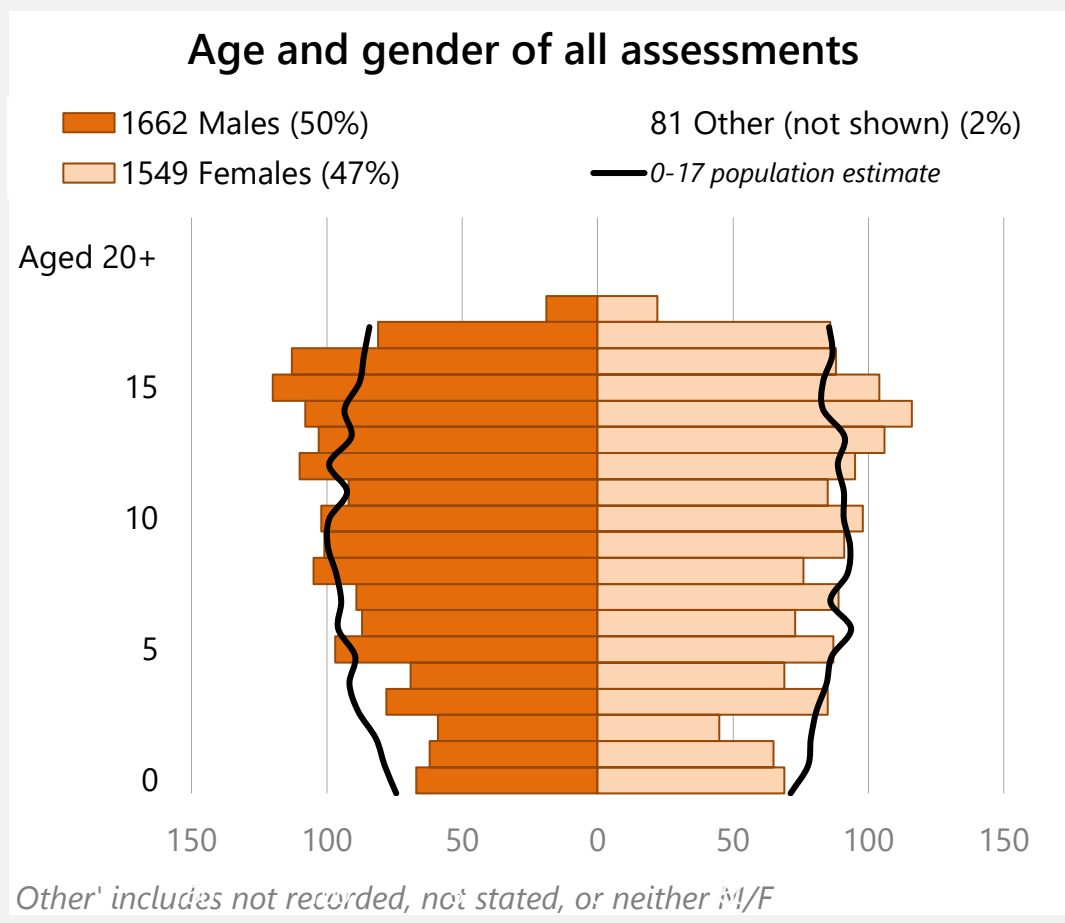
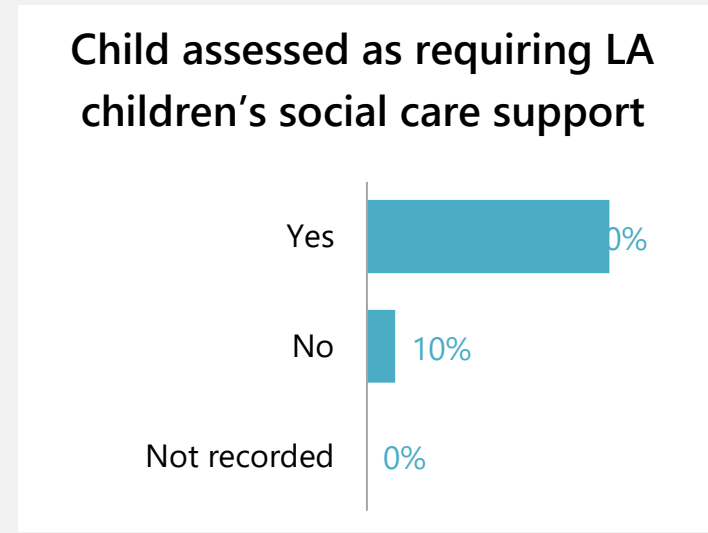
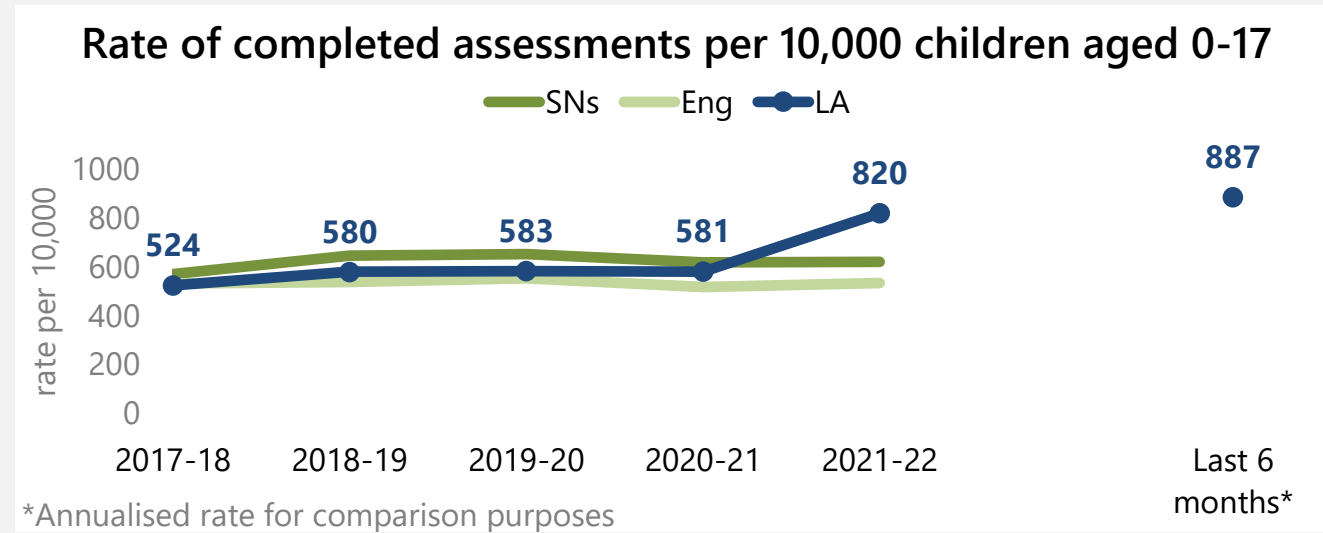


*"Last 6 months" calculation differs slightly from national statistics, due to data structure in Annex A

Assessments in the last 6 months

from 31/10/2022
to 30/04/2023

3292 total assessments
894 open assessments
2398 completed assessments



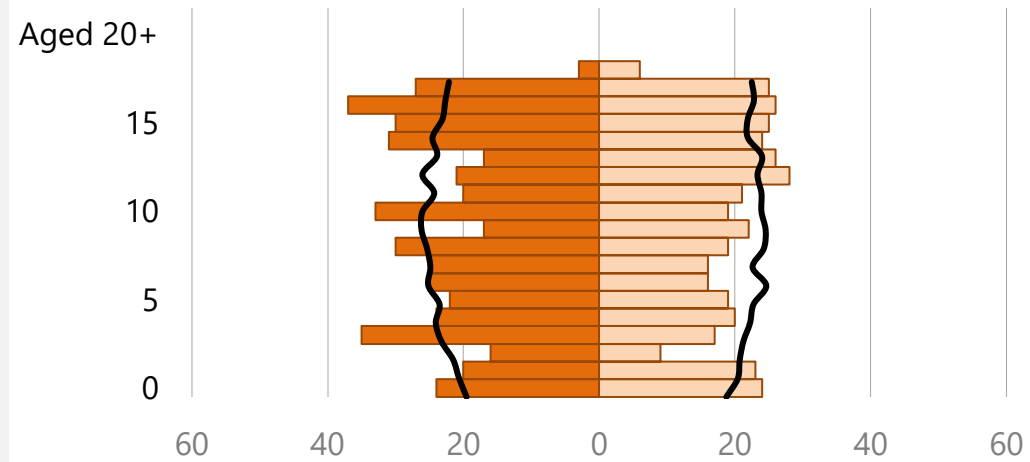
Section 47 enquiries in the last 6 months

from 31/10/2022
to 30/04/2023

853 Section 47 enquiries

Age and gender

457 Males (54%)
385 Females (45%)
11 Other (not shown) (1%)
— 0-17 population estimate



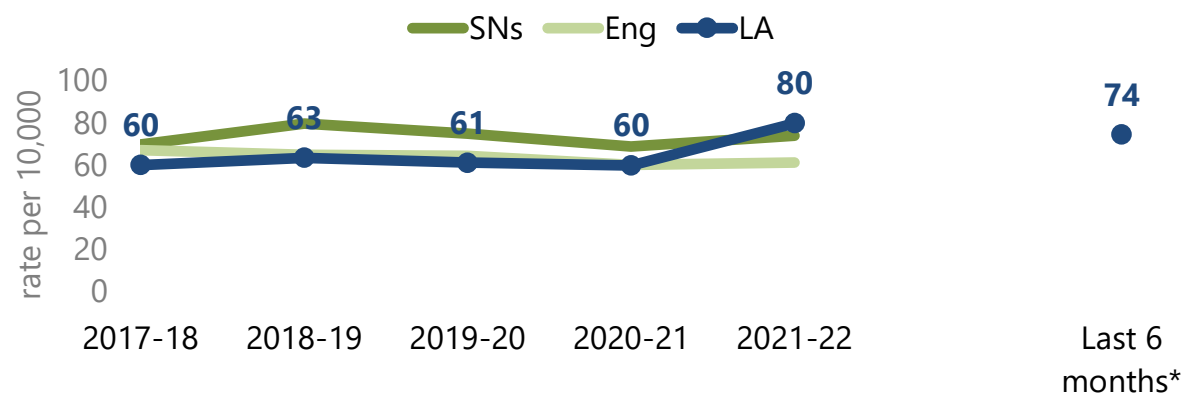
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201 Initial Child Protection Conferences (from S47 in period)

73% 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 ICPCs per 10,000 children aged 0-17



*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

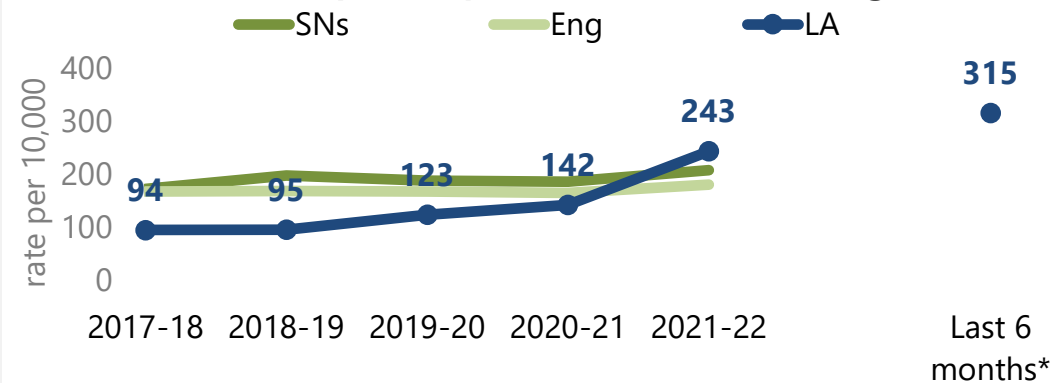
62 child(ren) with an ICPC in the 12 months preceding the latest S47*

*Including where latest S47 did not result in ICPC

82%

of ICPCs resulted in a child protection plan

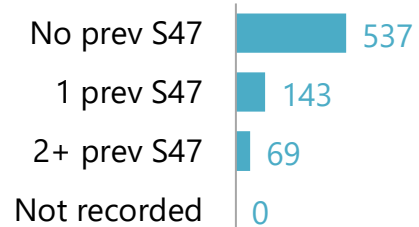
Rate of S47 enquiries per 10,000 children aged 0-17



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48 S47s (6%) for children with a disability

Children with a S47 in the 12 months preceding the latest

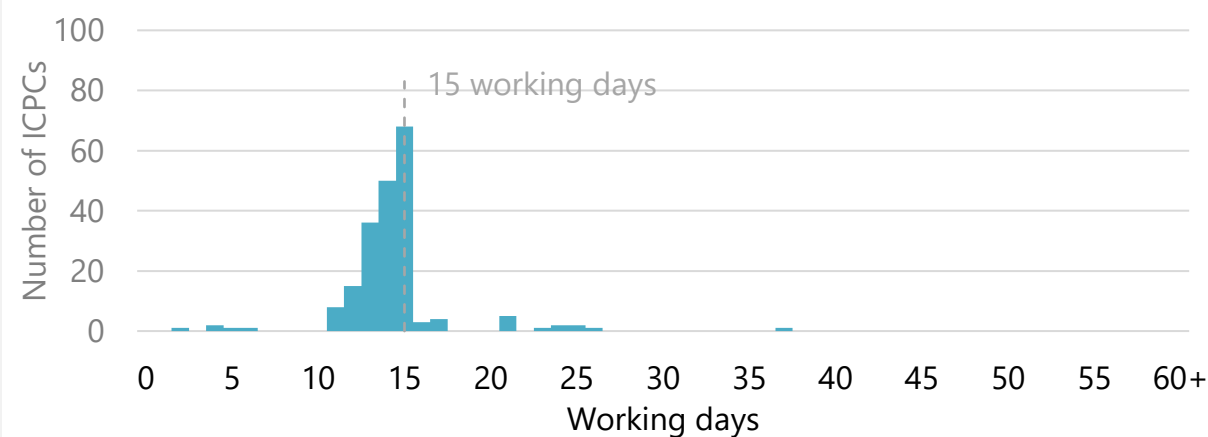


Ethnic background

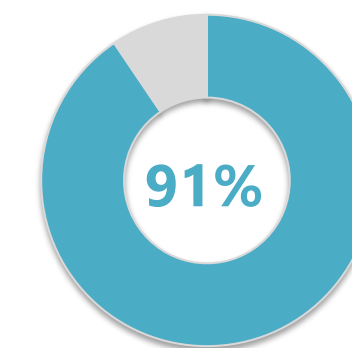
White	86%
Mixed	3%
Asian or Asian British	1%
Black or black British	3%
Other ethnic group	2%
Not stated	4%
Not recorded	0%

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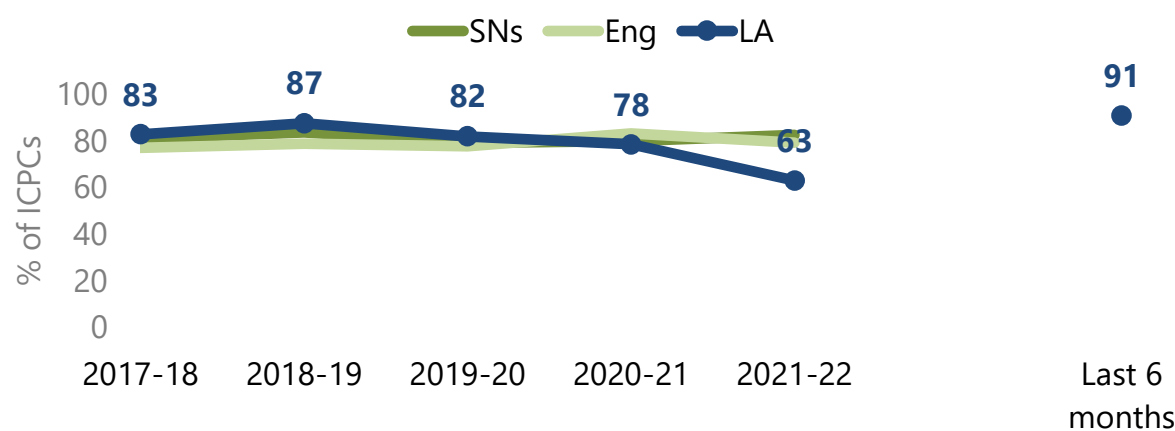
ICPCs occurred within 15 working days of the strategy discussion date



In time
Not in time
Date error

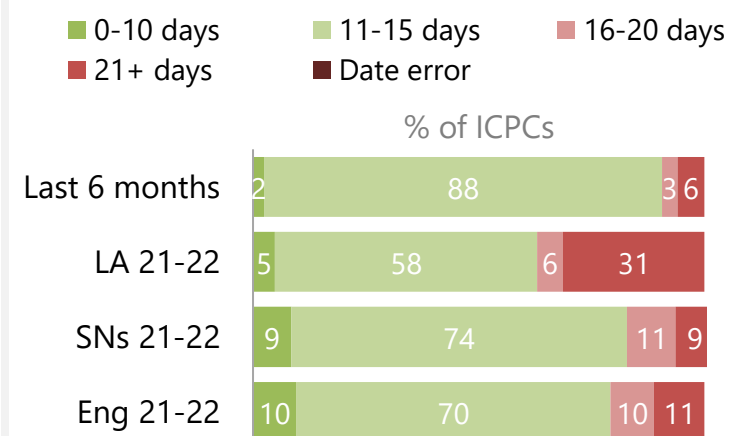


Trend of ICPC timeliness (within 15 days of S47 start)



* Published comparator data includes transfer-in conferences

Comparing ICPC durations



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

from 31/10/2022
to 30/04/2023

2896 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.

The children in need census includes any child referred to children's social care services in the year as well as any open case for whom the local authority was providing services. Ofsted's Annex A List 6 largely covers this cohort, with the exception of those with only an open referral and those accessing leaving care services.

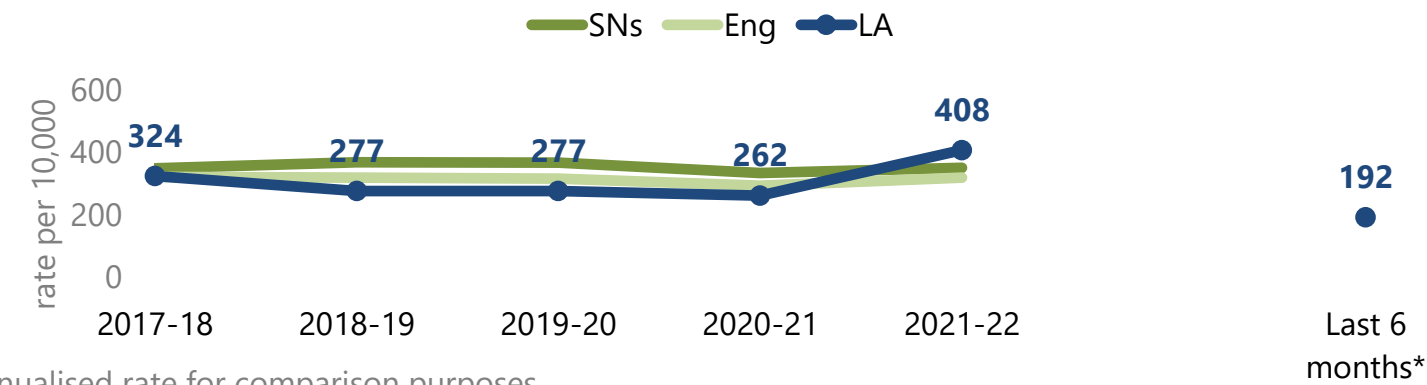
For this reason the published children in need census statistics are not directly comparable to ChAT, however there is considerable overlap with ChAT undercounting the true value as it excludes open referrals and care leavers.

Cases included in Annex A / ChAT

Case status of children on CIN list	Number	Percentage
Looked after child	621	21%
Child protection plan	329	11%
Child in need plan	755	26%
Open assessment	687	24%
Closed episode	504	17%
Case status not recorded	0	0%
Total (excluding case status unknown)	2,896	100%

519 CIN started in 6 months

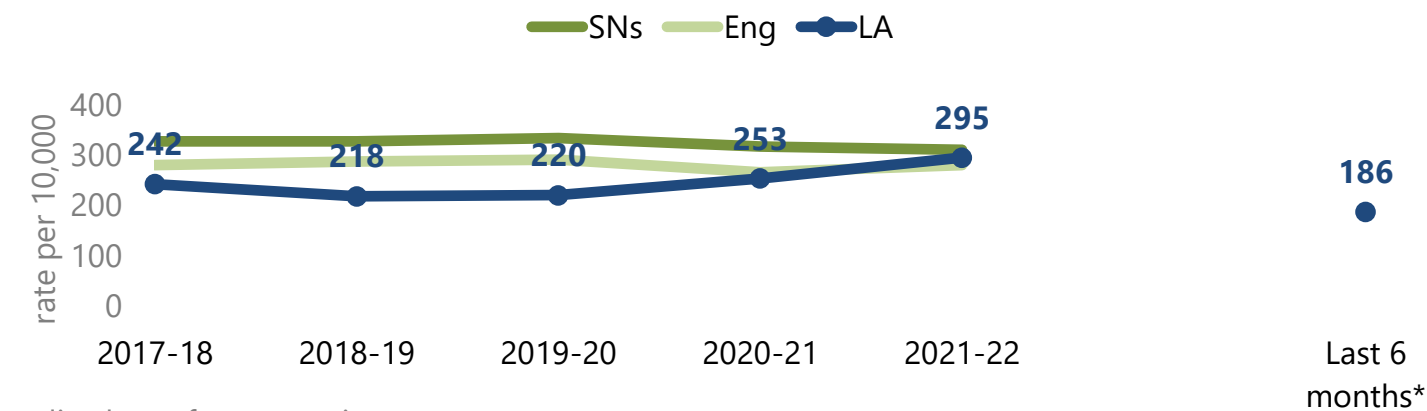
Rate of children who started an episode of need per 10,000 children aged 0-17



*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

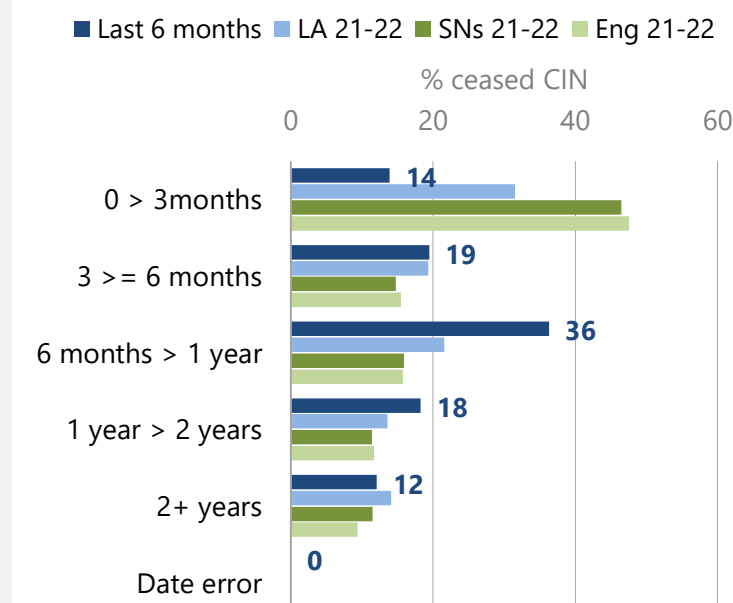
504 CIN ceased in 6 months

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

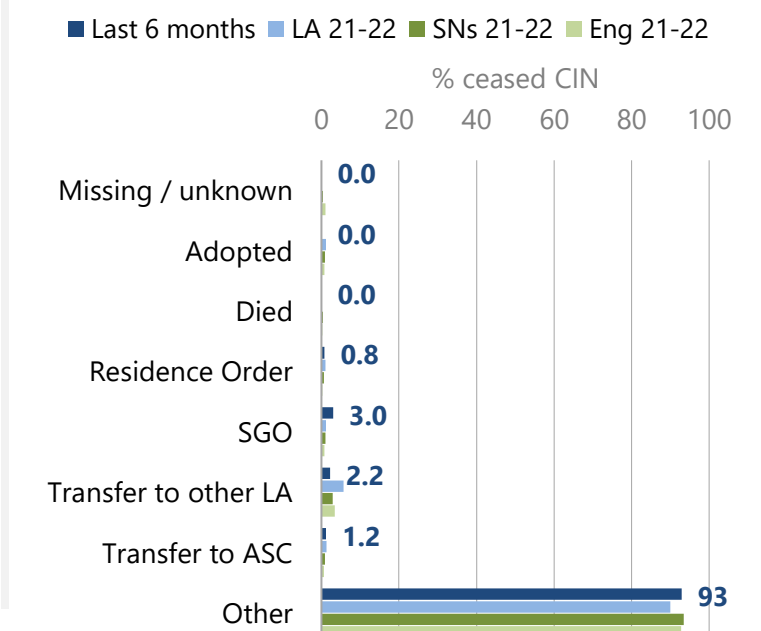


*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

Comparing CIN ceased durations



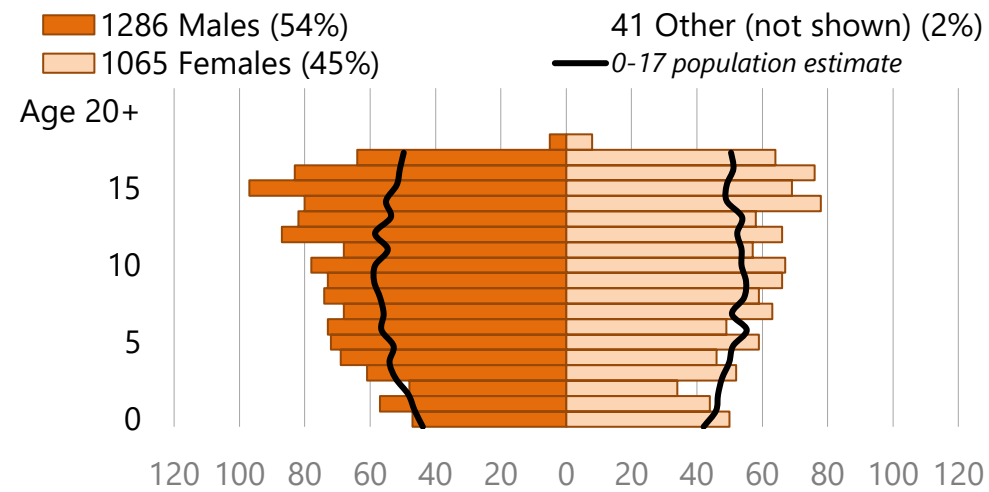
Comparing CIN ceased reasons



2392 Children in Need with an open episode of need*

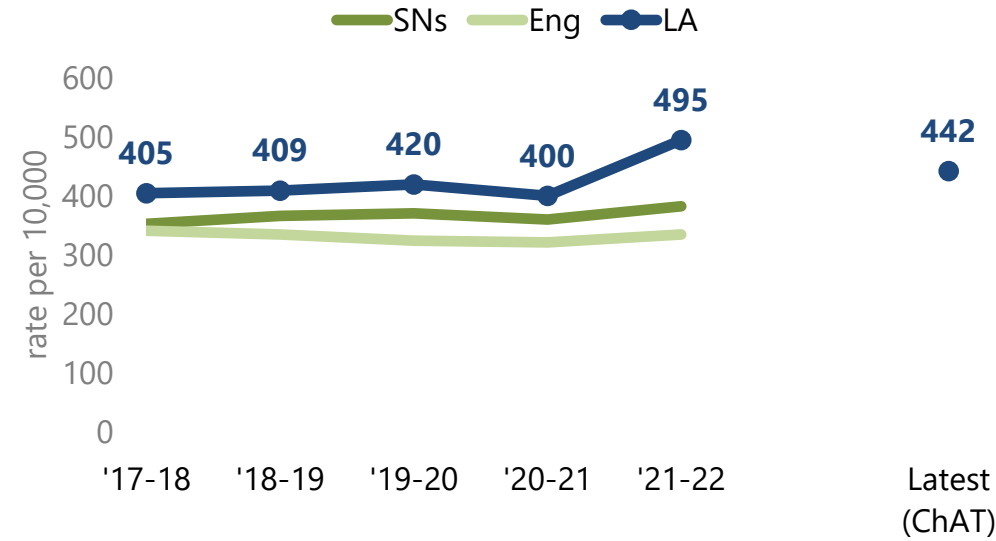
*Note: Annex A figures in this section are not directly comparable to the published Children in need census statistics (see note on page 8)

Age and gender

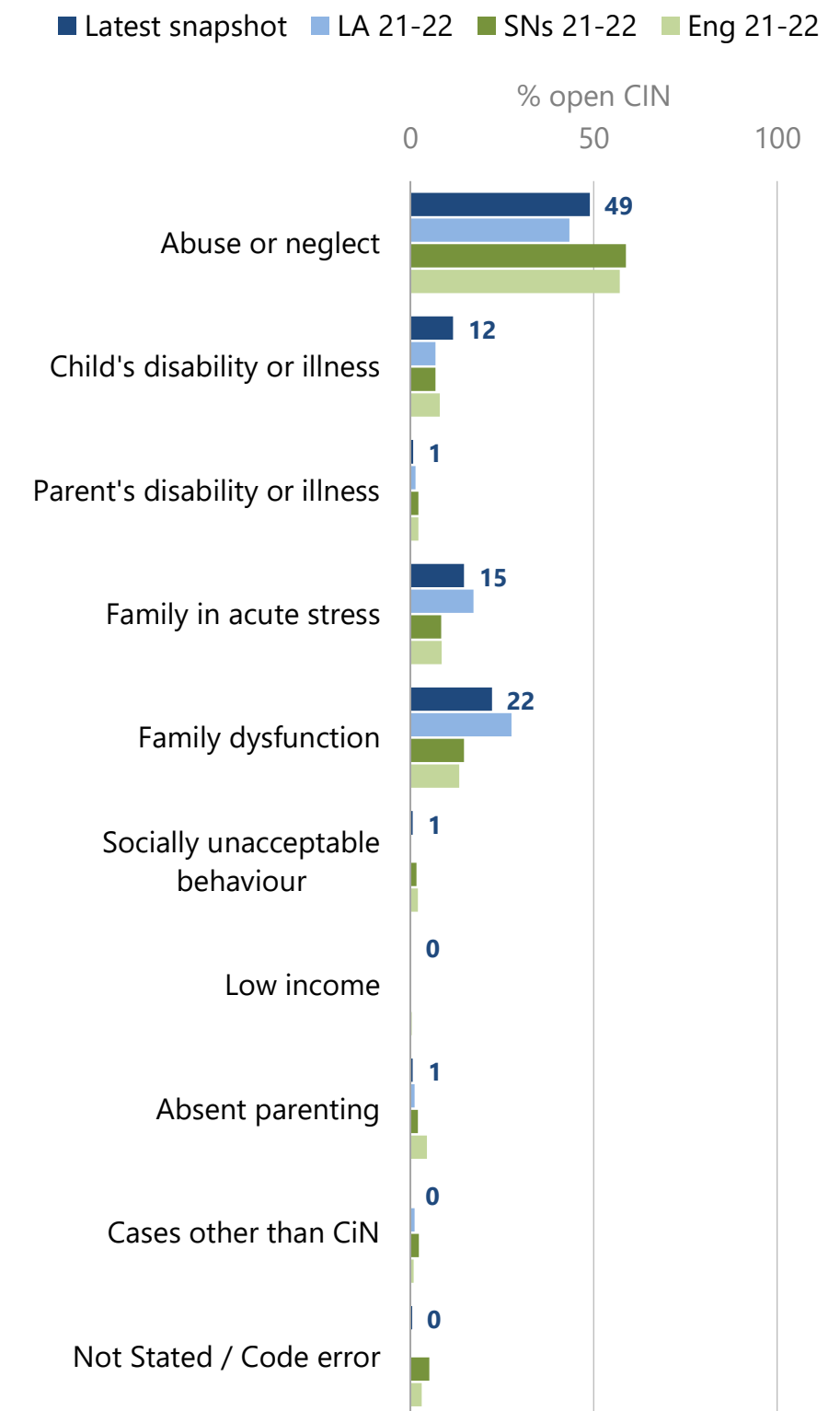


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Rate of open CIN per 10,000 children aged 0-17*

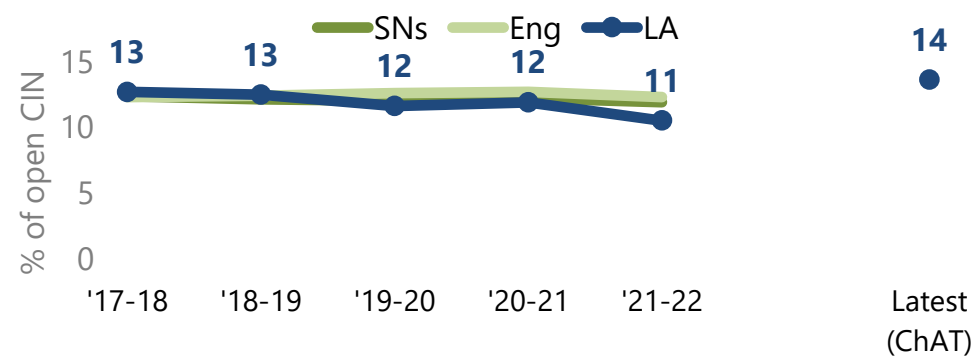


Comparing primary need of open CIN



326 children (14%) with a disability

CIN with an open episode of need with a disability

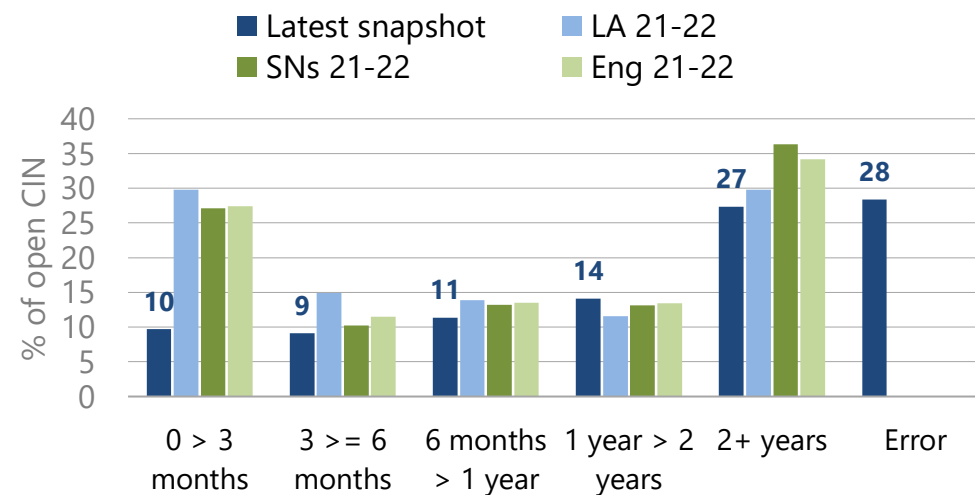


Ethnic background

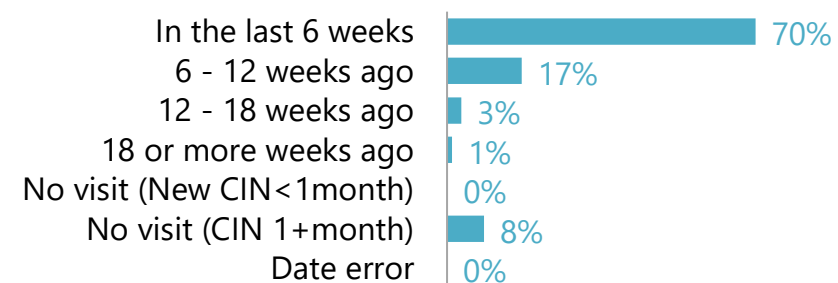
White	83%
Mixed	3%
Asian or Asian British	1%
Black or black British	2%
Other ethnic group	1%
Not stated	9%
Not recorded	0%

See page 22 for comparisons

Comparing episode duration of open CIN



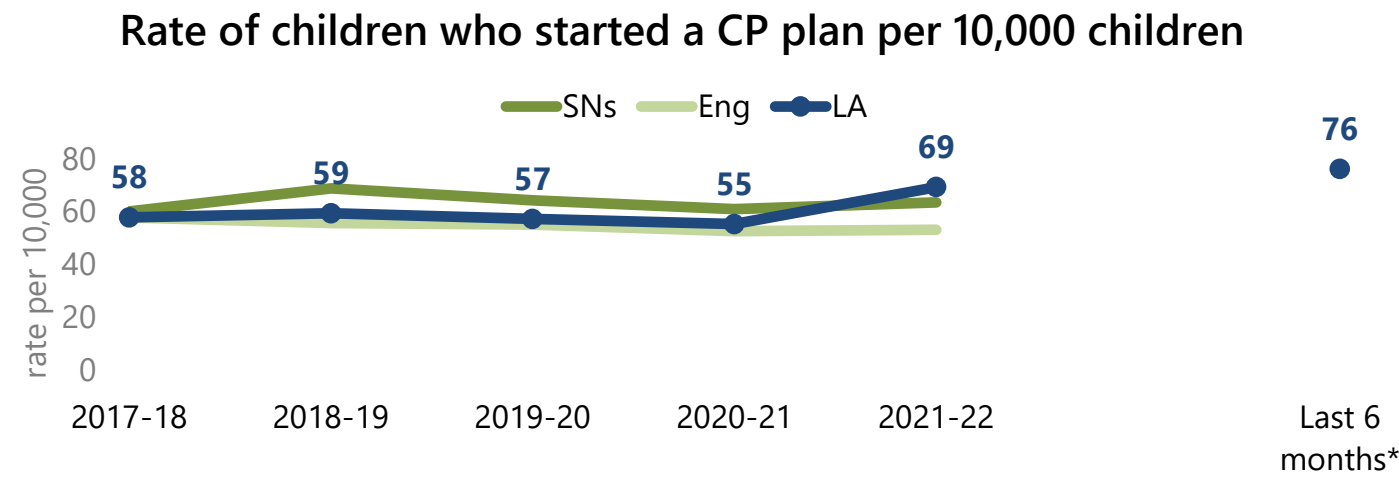
Time since the child was last seen by social worker



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

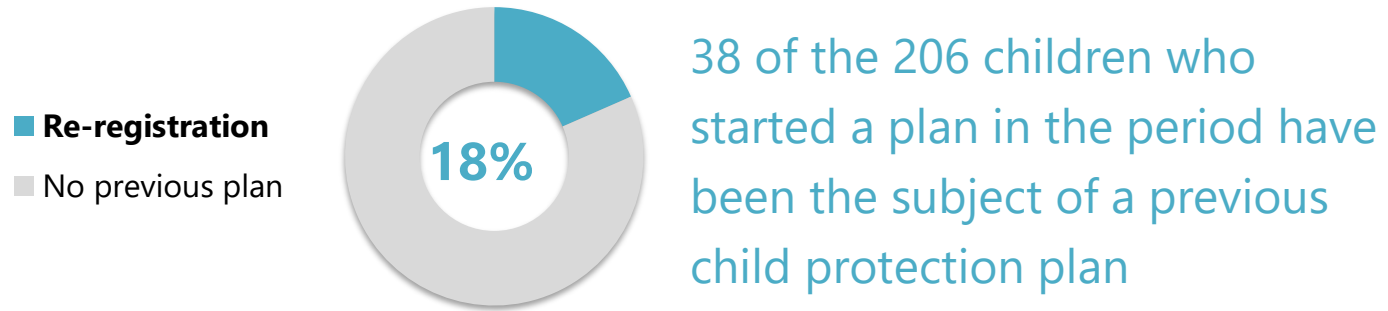
from 31/10/2022
to 30/04/2023

206 CPP started in 6 months

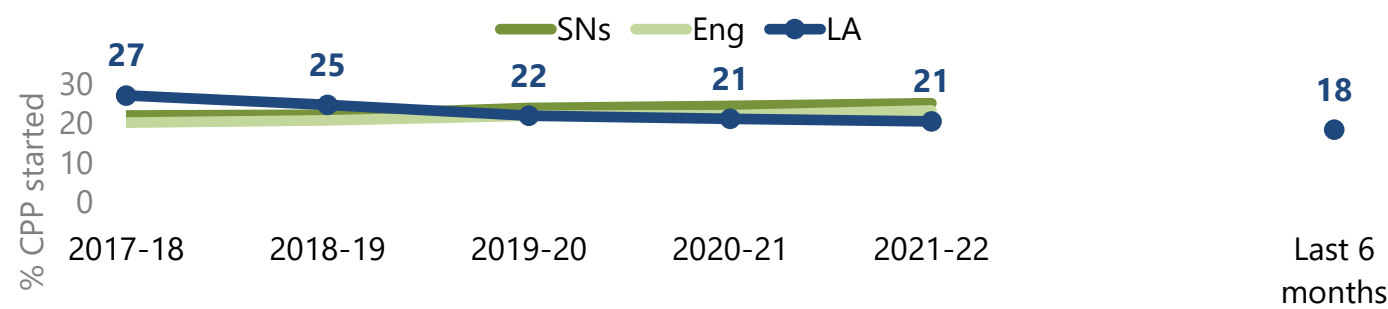


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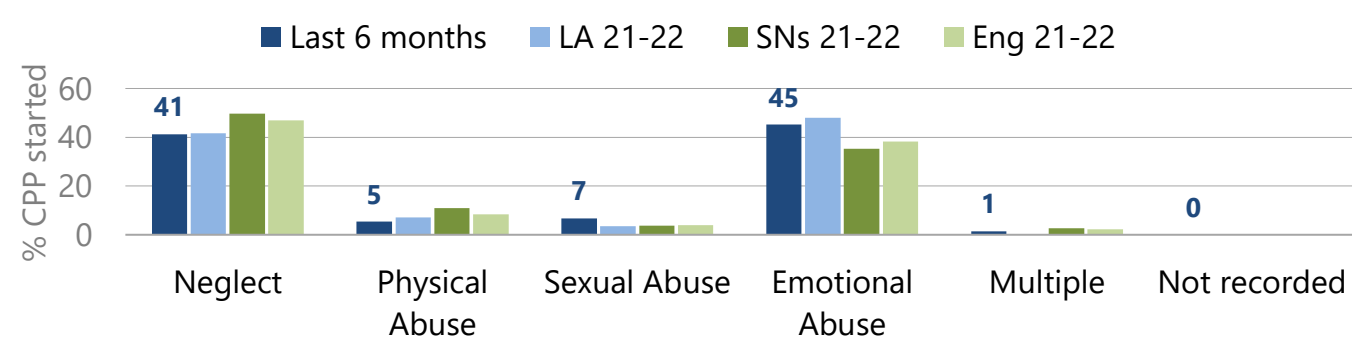
"Re-registrations" for children who started on a CP plan (ever)



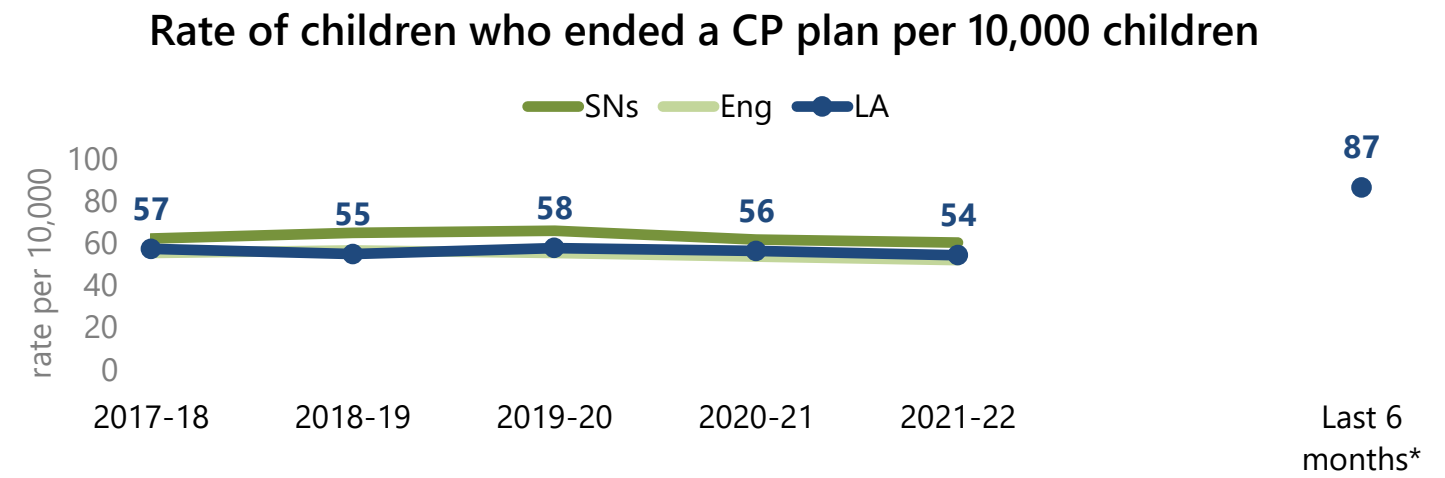
Comparing "re-registrations" for CPP started



Initial category of abuse for CPP started

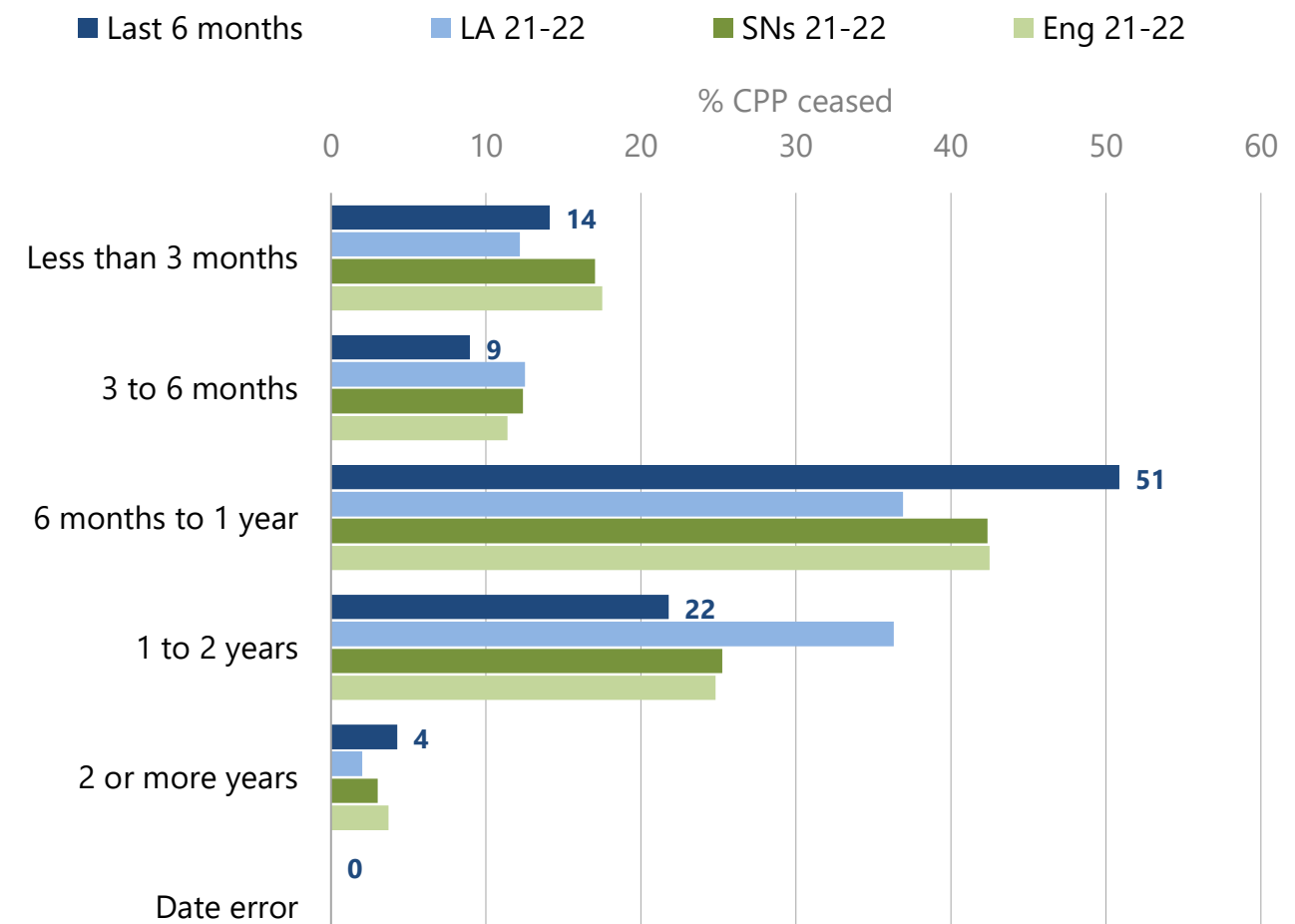


234 CPP ended in 6 months



*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

Comparing plan durations for CPP ended



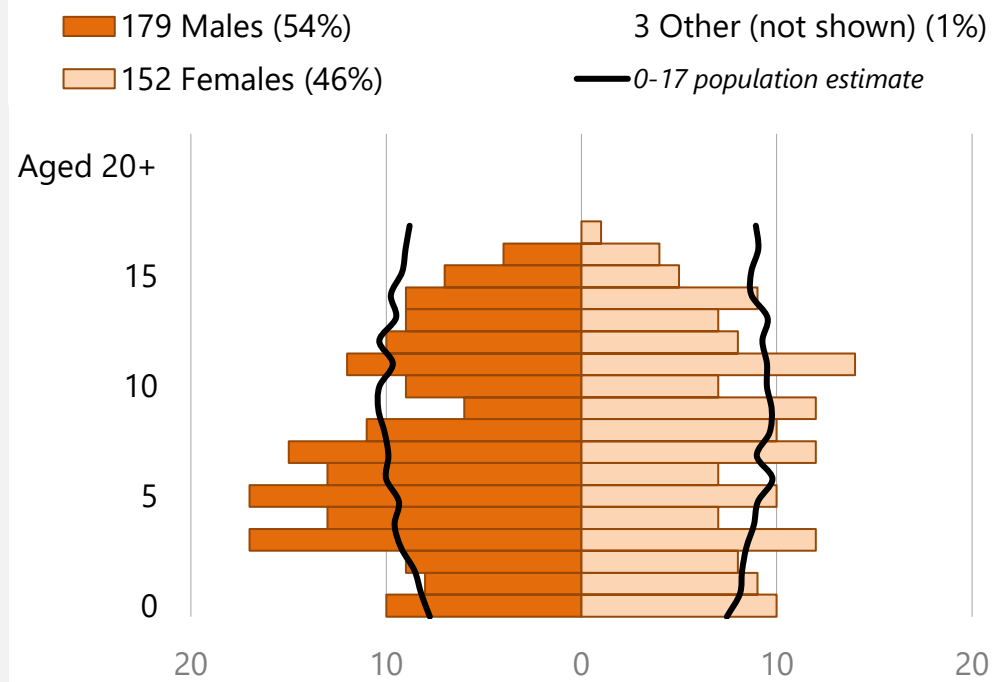
10 of 234 children ended a CP plan after 2 years or more

Child Protection Plans (CPP) currently open

Snapshot 30/04/2023

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

Age and gender



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

Ethnic background

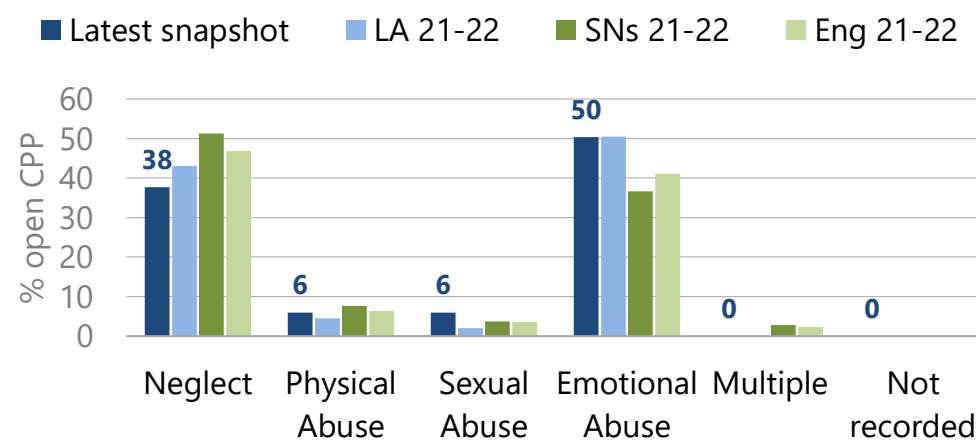
White	96%
Mixed	2%
Asian or Asian British	0%
Black or black British	1%
Other ethnic group	0%
Not stated	0%
Not recorded	0%

See page 20 for comparisons

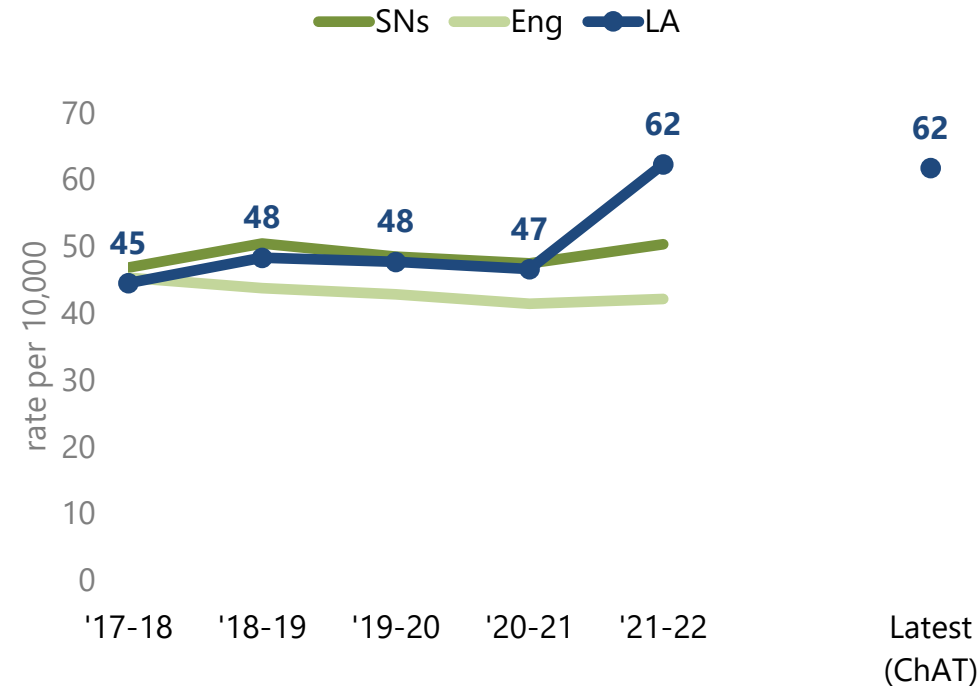
12 children (4%)
with a disability

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

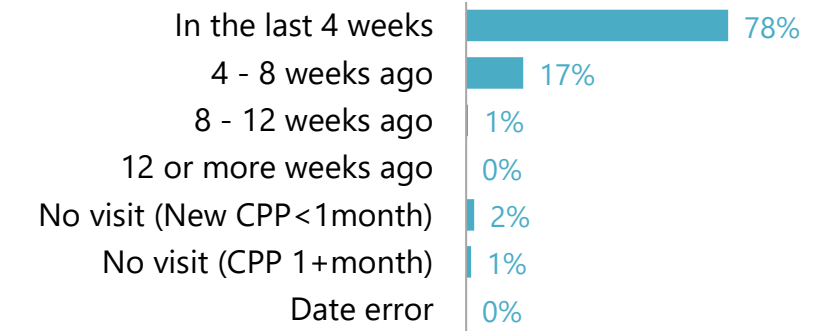
Latest category of abuse for current CP plans



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

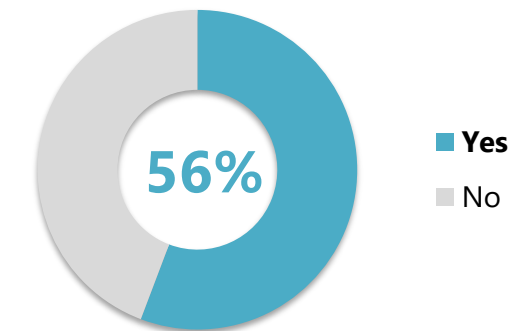


Time since the child was last seen

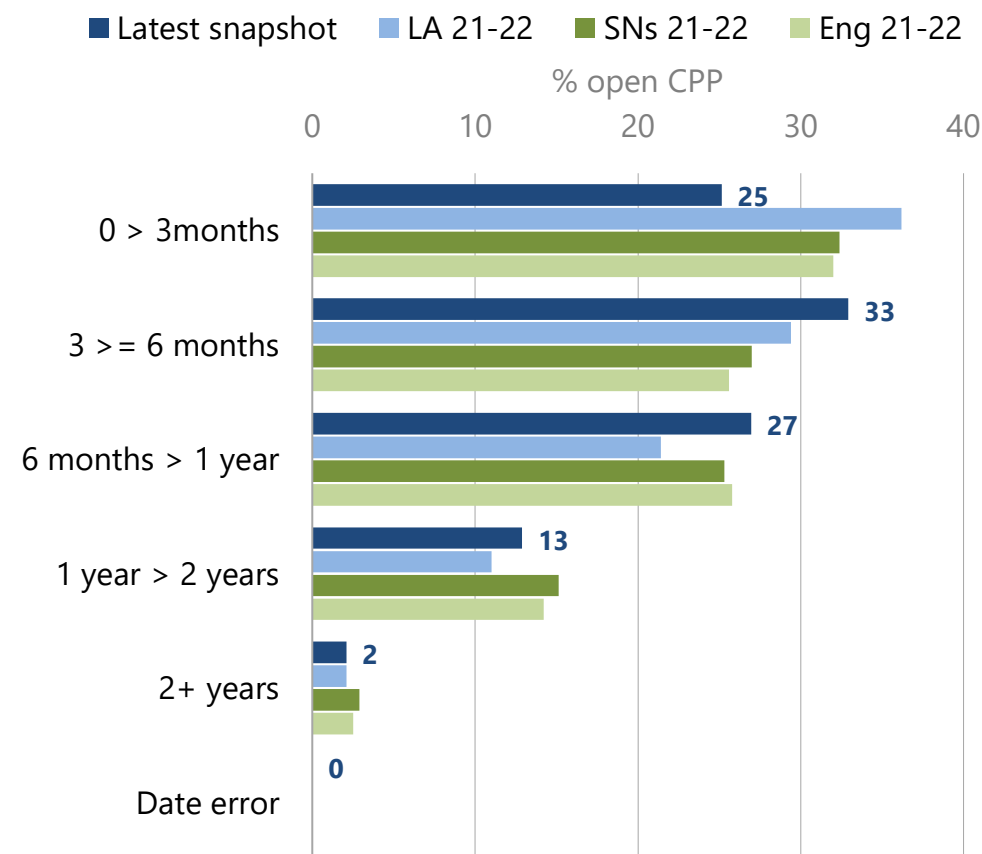


Open CPP seen
alone at their last
social work visit

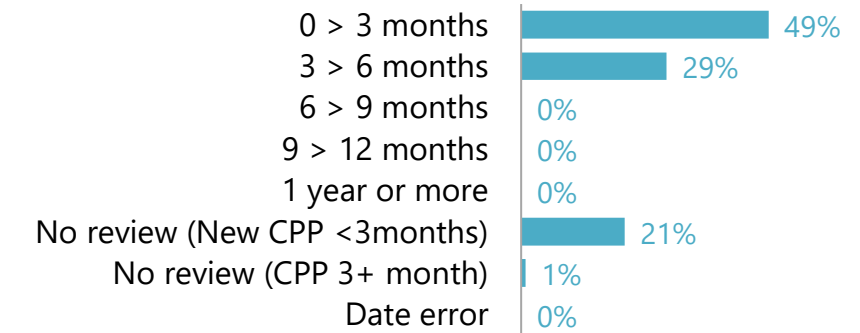
(excludes Not recorded or N/A)



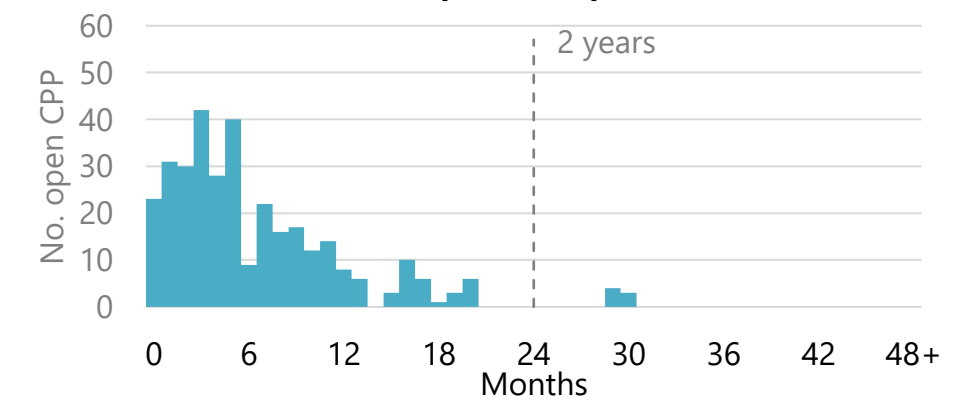
Comparing duration of open CP plans



Time since the child's latest review



Duration of current open CP plans (in months)

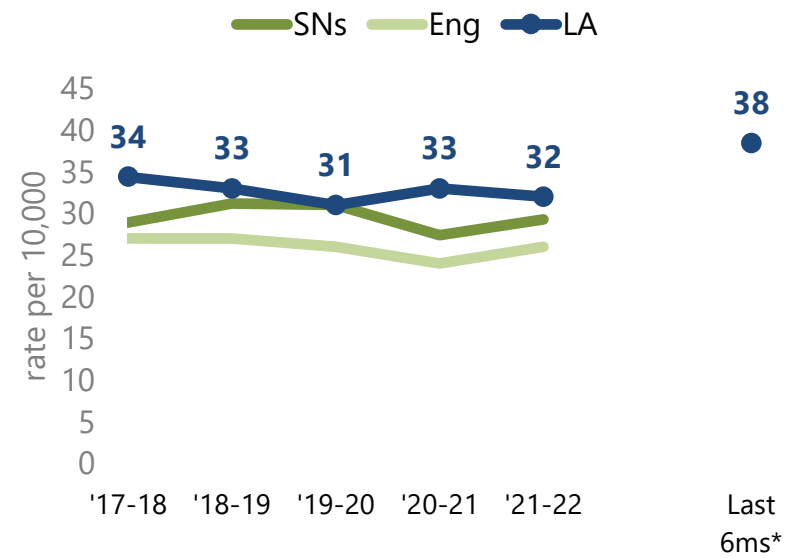


Children Looked After (CLA) started and ceased in the last 6 months

from 31/10/2022 to 30/04/2023

104 CLA started in the last 6 months

Rate of CLA started per 10,000 children

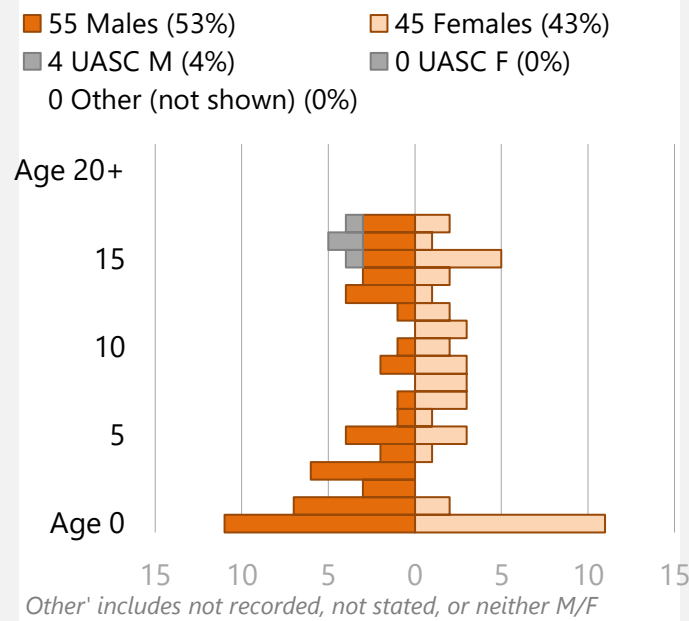


*Annualised rate for comparison purposes

4 of the 104 CLA starters were unaccompanied asylum seeking children (UASC)

4%

Age and gender



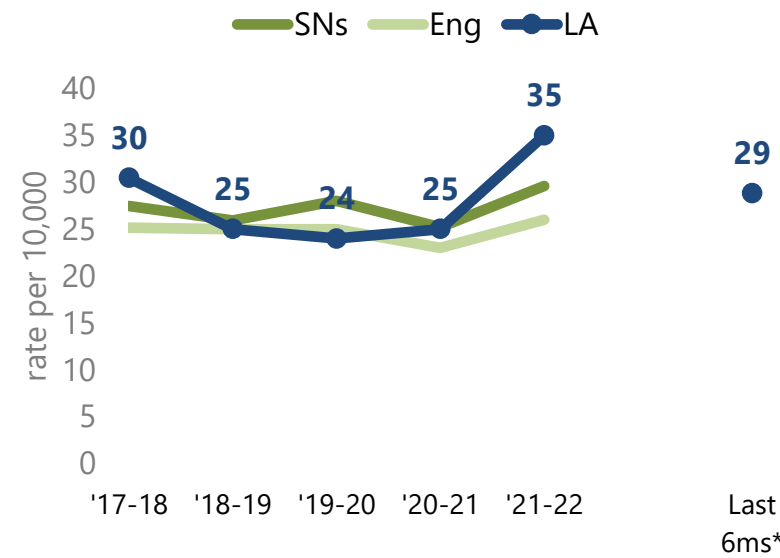
Other' includes not recorded, not stated, or neither M/F

0 of the 104 CLA starters have previously been looked after

0%

78 CLA ceased in the last 6 months

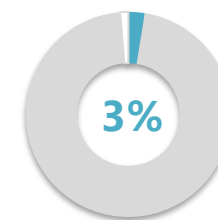
Rate of CLA ceased per 10,000 children



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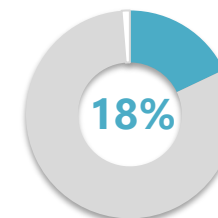
Reason episode of care ceased

Adopted



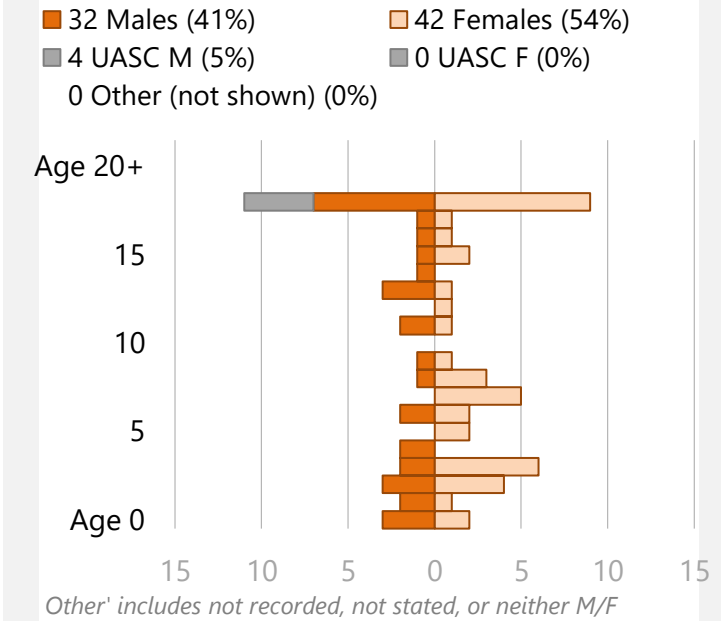
Category	LA	SNs	Eng
Last 6 months	3%	11%	10%
2021-22 (published)	13%	11%	10%

Special Guardianship Order



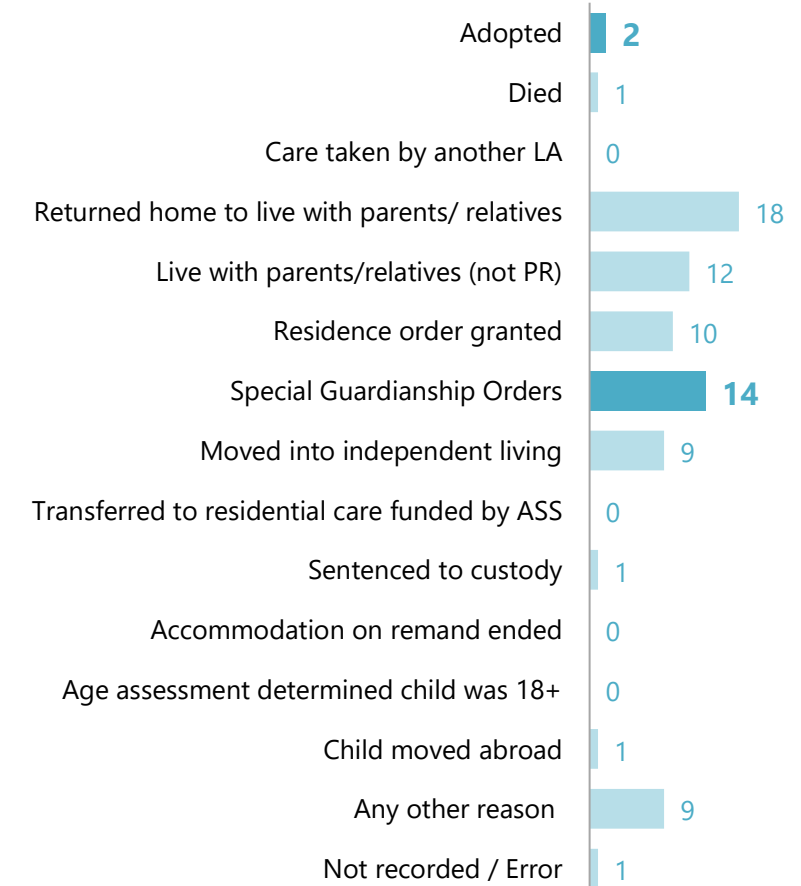
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Last 6 months	18%	17%	13%
2021-22 (published)	21%	17%	13%

Age and gender

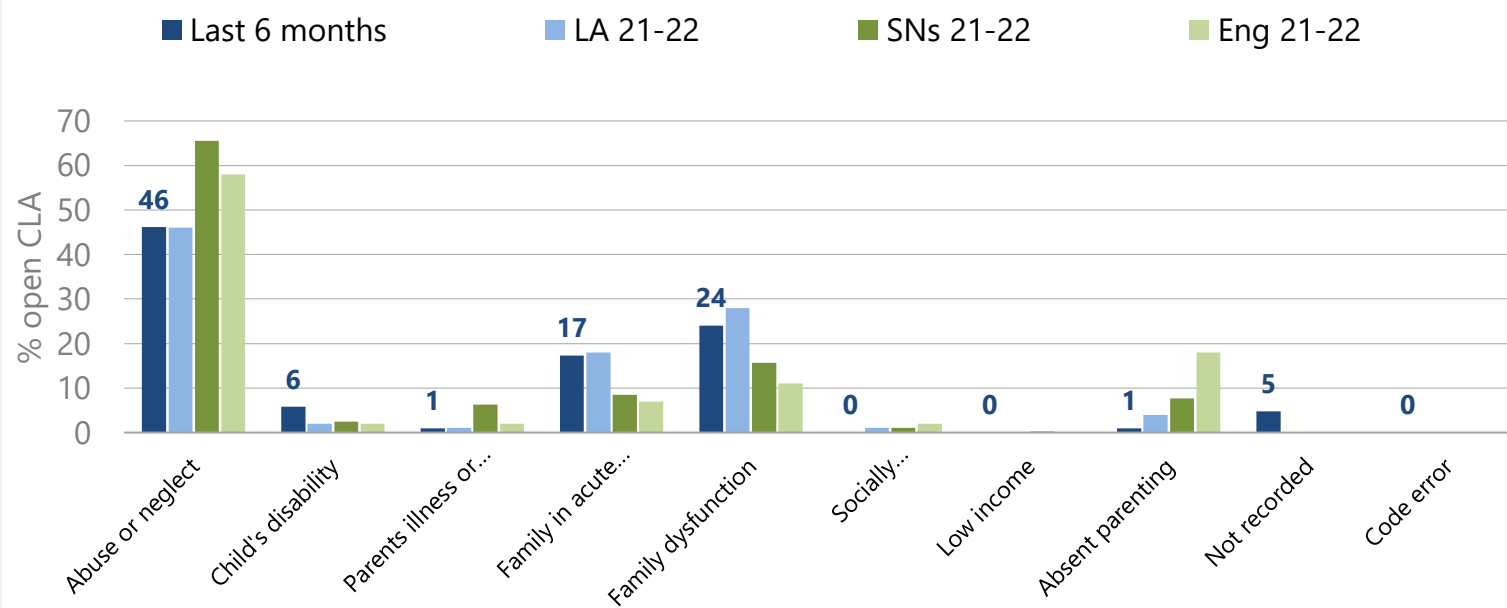


Other' includes not recorded, not stated, or neither M/F

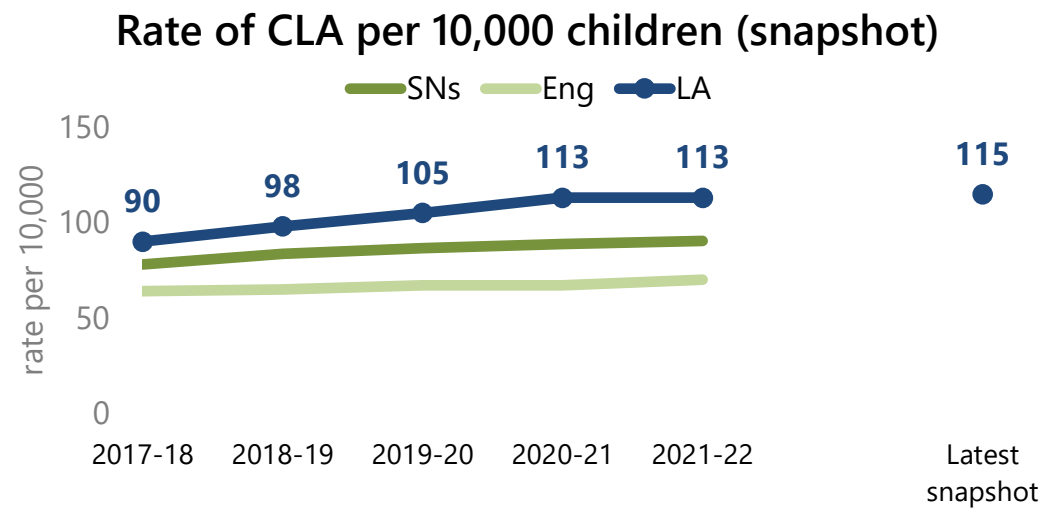
Number of CLA ceased by reason in the period



Comparing the primary need of CLA starters



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



Ethnic background

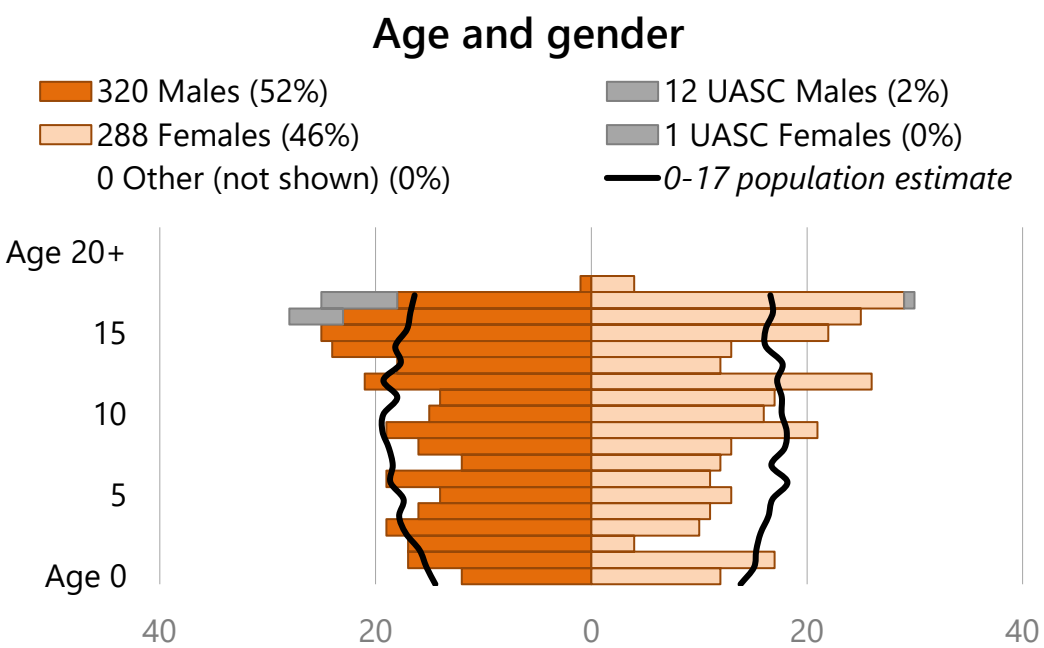
	All CLA	Not UASC	UASC
White	91%	93%	0%
Mixed	4%	4%	0%
Asian or Asian British	1%	0%	31%
Black or black British	1%	1%	0%
Other ethnic group	3%	1%	69%
Not stated	0%	0%	0%
Not recorded	0%	0%	0%

65 children (10%) with a disability

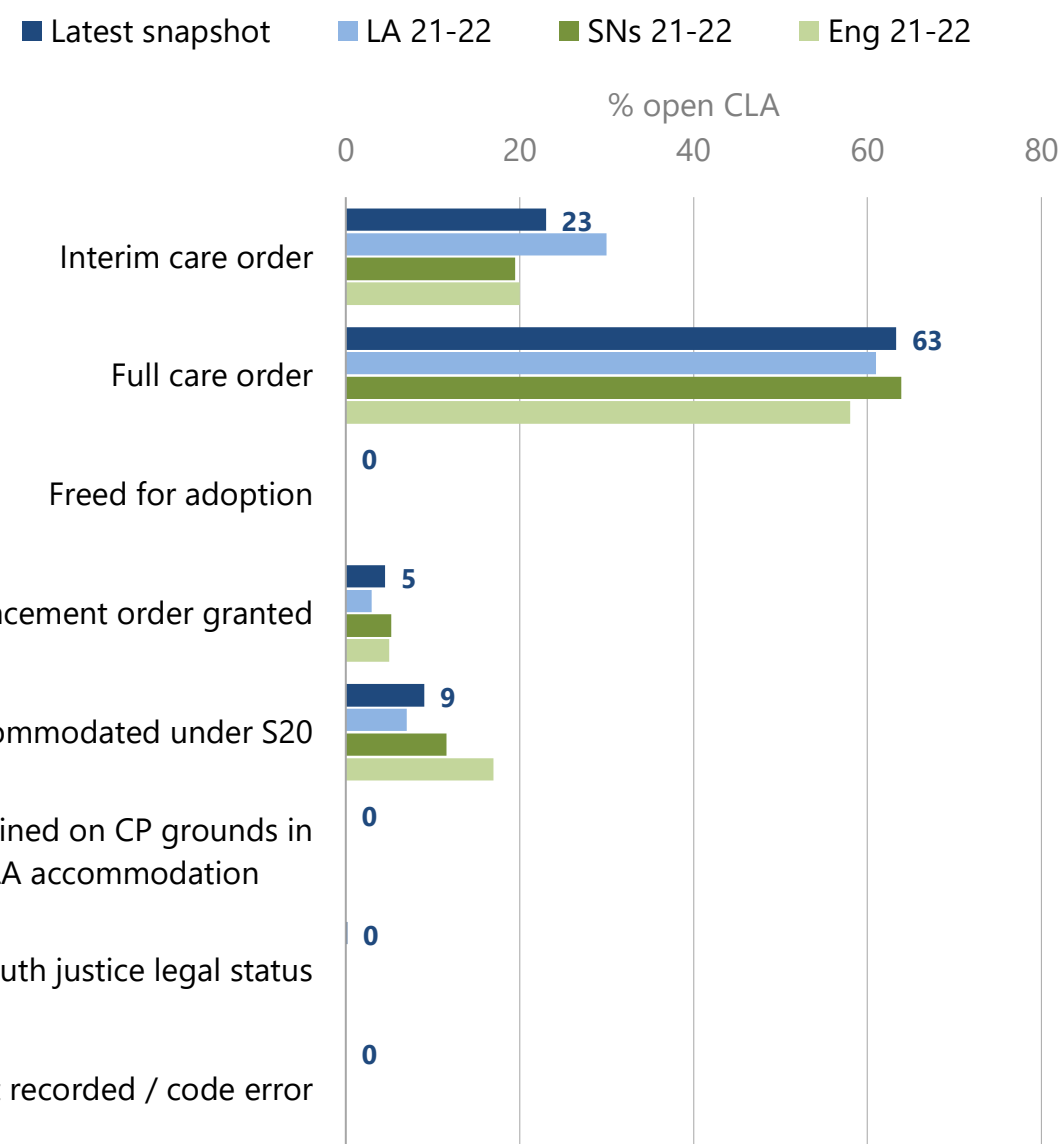
Permanence plan

	Number	%
Return to family	82	13%
Adoption	29	5%
SGO/CAO	6	1%
Supported living	14	2%
L/T residential	0	0%
L/T fostering	264	43%
Other	210	34%
Not recorded	16	3%

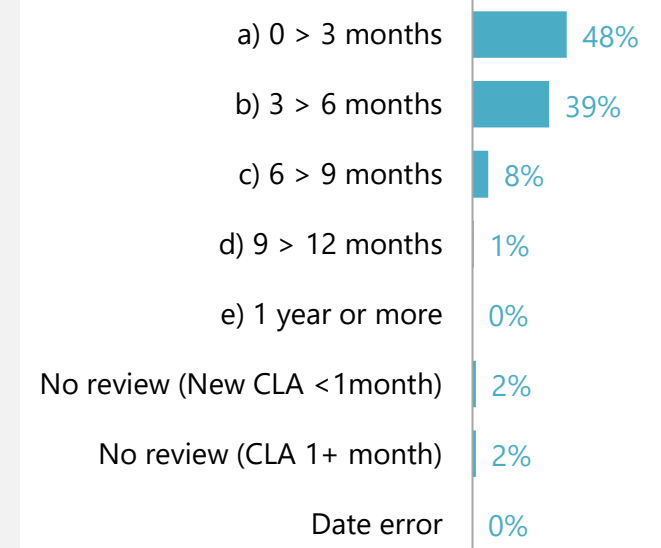
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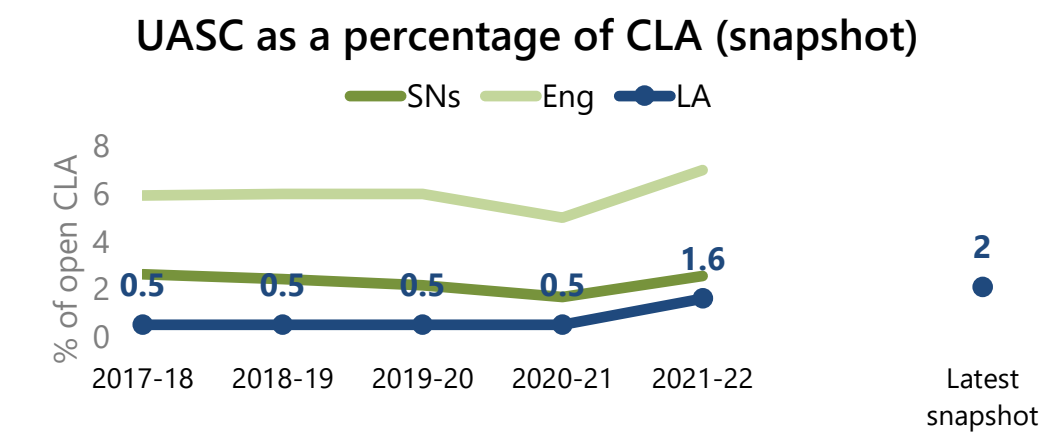
Comparing legal status of open CLA (snapshot)



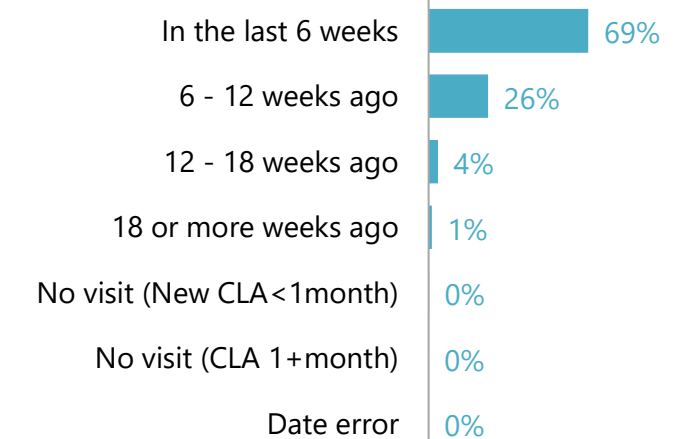
Time since latest review



13 open unaccompanied asylum seeking children (UASC)



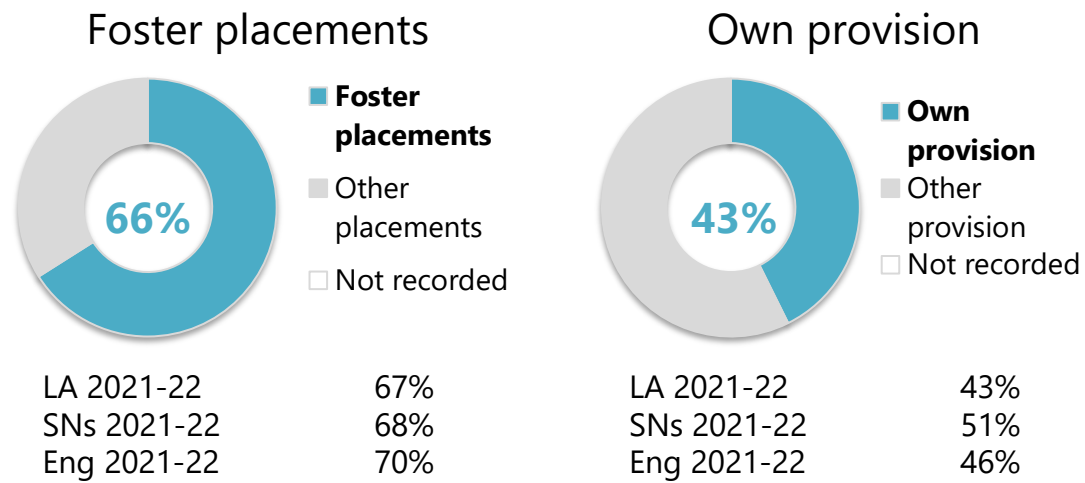
Time since the child was last seen



Children Looked After (CLA) placements

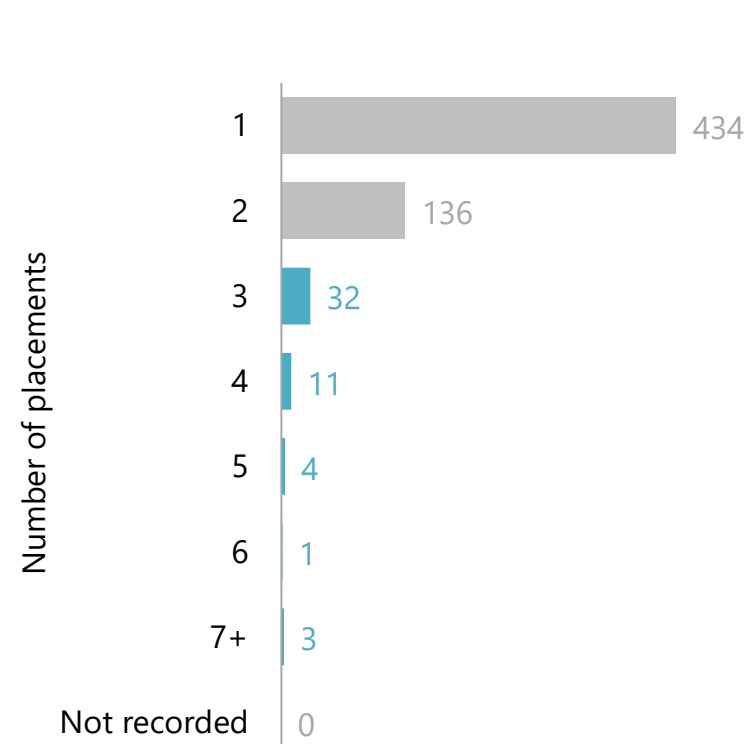
Snapshot 30/04/2023

CLA placements by type and provision



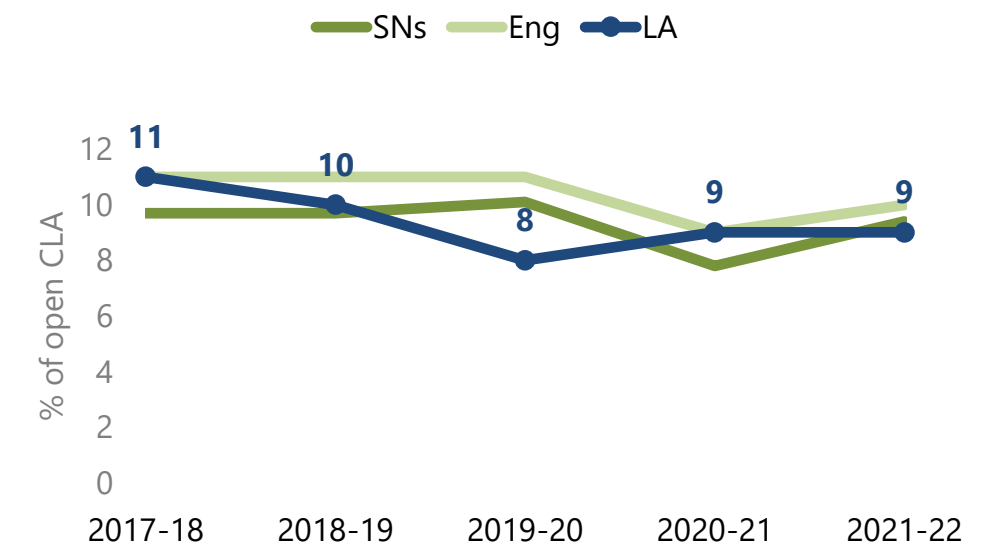
Placement type (open CLA)	Own LA	Private	Other	Total
Foster placement	257	129	24	410
Placed for adoption	2	0	4	6
Placed with parents	0	0	81	81
Independent living	0	1	1	2
Residential employment	0	0	0	0
Residential accommodation	2	23	0	25
Secure Children's Homes	0	0	1	1
Children's Homes	0	72	7	79
Residential Care Home	0	3	0	3
NHS/Health Trust	0	0	0	0
Family Centre	0	4	0	4
Young Offender Institution	0	0	1	1
Residential school	0	0	1	1
Other placements	4	3	1	8
Temporary placement	0	0	0	0
Total placements	265	235	121	621

Number of placements in the last 12 months



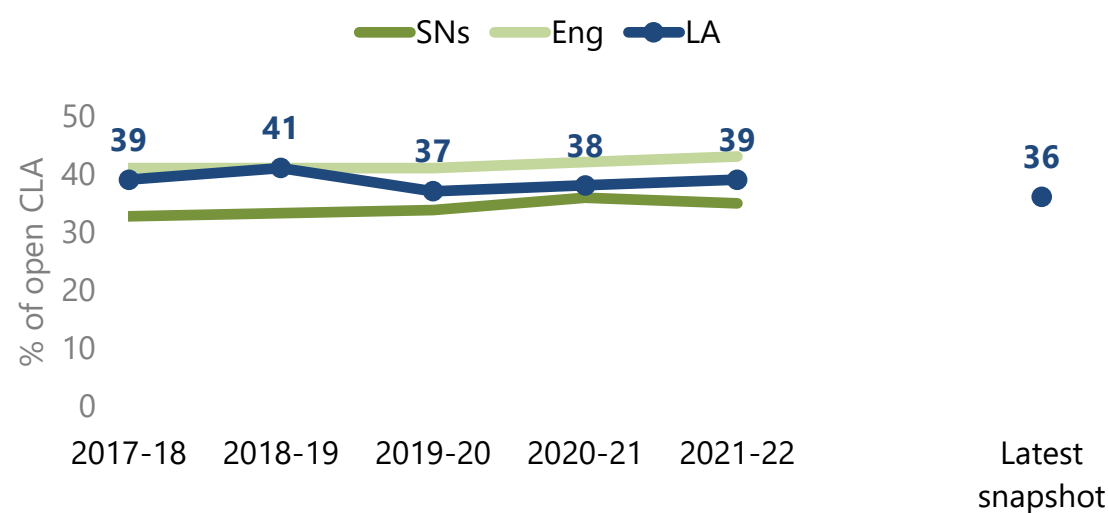
May include "status" changes as well as placements

Comparing short term placement stability



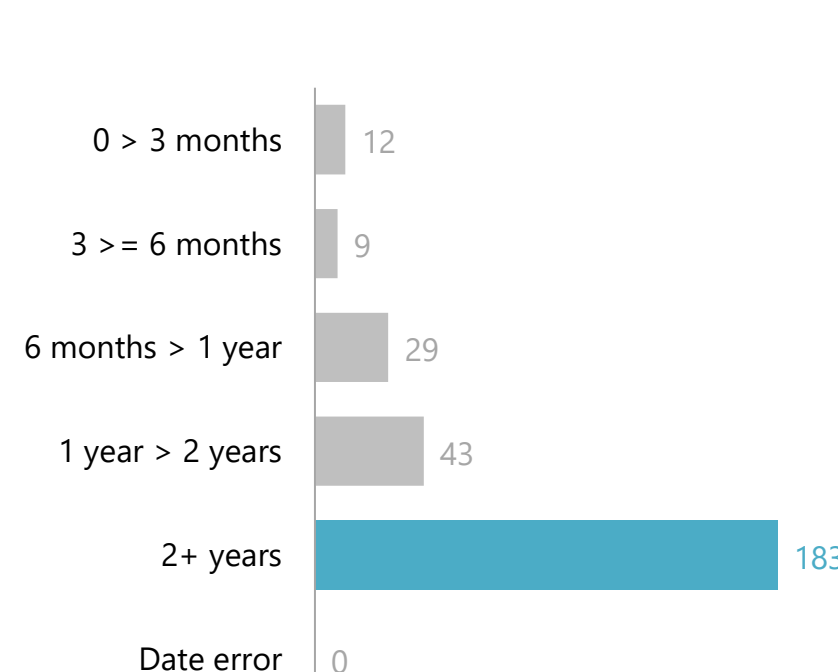
Due to limited data in the Annex A dataset, ChAT does not present short-term stability alongside published statistics

CLA placements out of borough



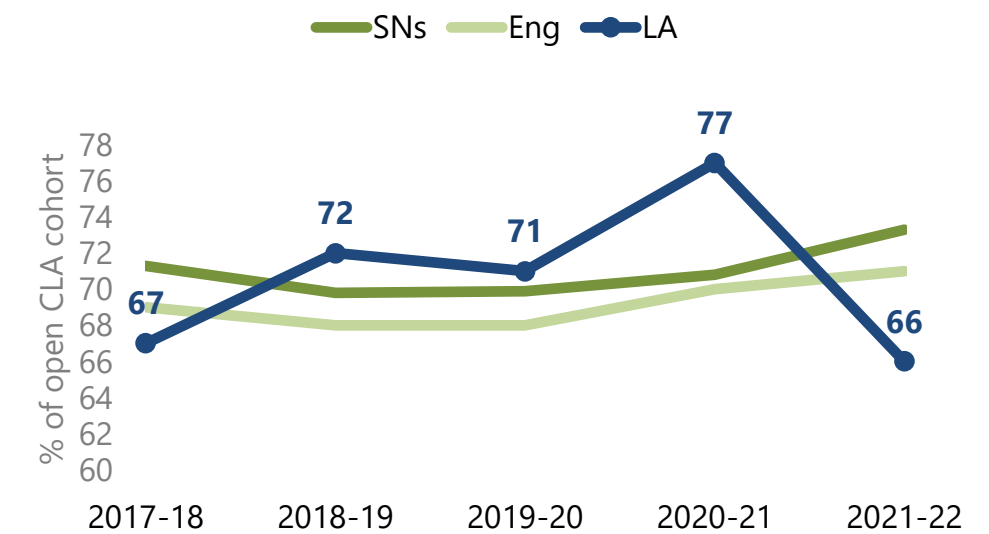
Duration of placements

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



May include "status" changes as well as placements

Comparing long term placement stability



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

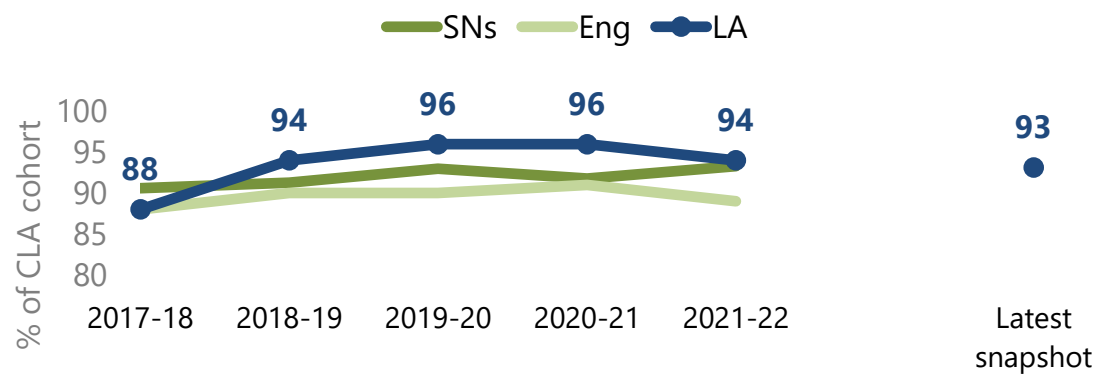
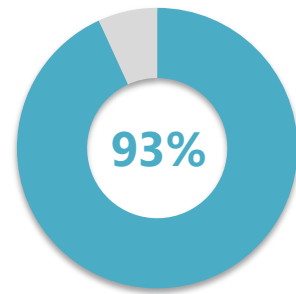
Snapshot 30/04/2023

Health

468 current open CLA looked after for at least 12 months

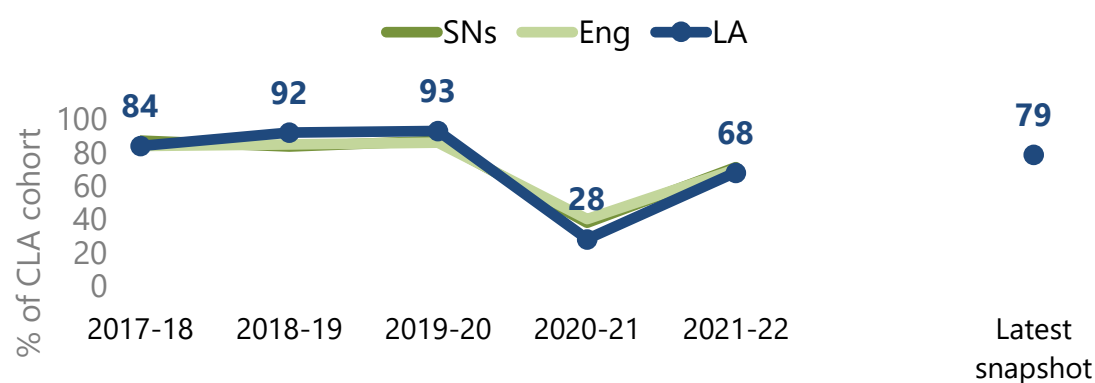
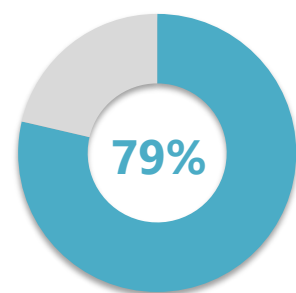
Health assessments

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)



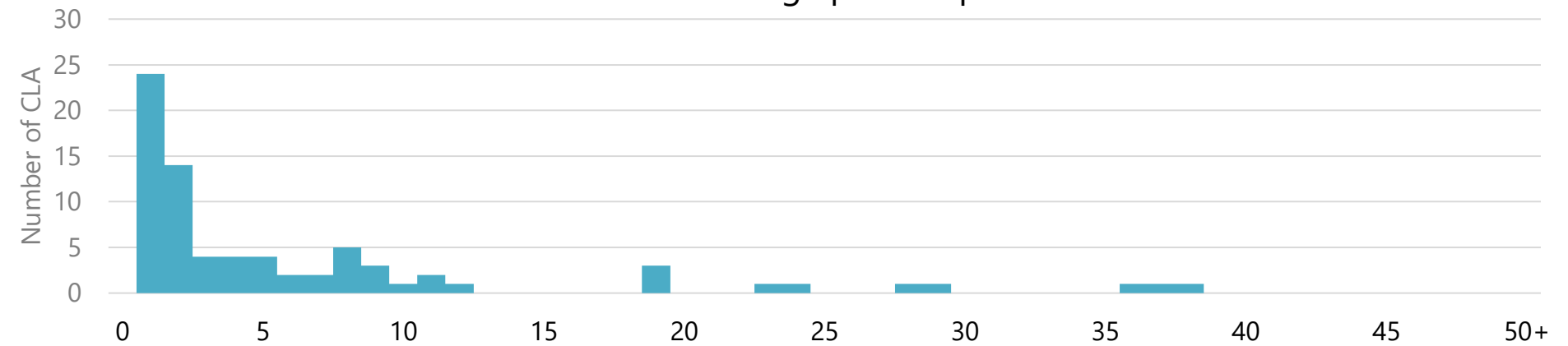
Dental checks

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



Missing from placement

Number of missing episodes per CLA

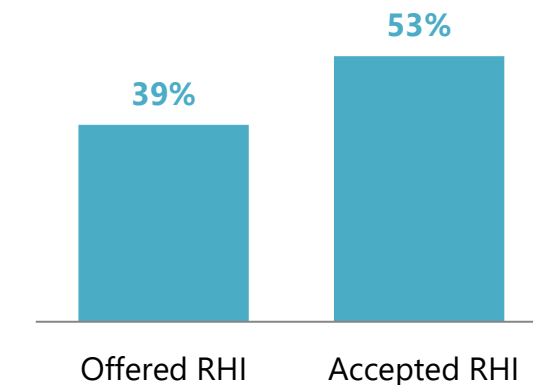


76 of 699 looked after children had a missing incident in the last 12 months

	Latest data	LA 21-22	SNs 21-22	Eng 21-22
Number of all CLA with a missing incident	76 of 699	73		
Percentage of all CLA with a missing incident	11%	9%	11%	11%
Total number of missing incidents for all CLA	509	297		
Average number of incidents per CLA who went missing	6.7	4.1	6.8	6.3

Missing incidents - return home interviews

	Latest data	
Missing children offered return interview	30 of 76	39%
Missing children not offered return interview	19 of 76	25%
Missing children return interview offer not recorded	27 of 76	36%
Missing children where return interview was n/a	0 of 76	0%



	Latest data	
Missing children accepted return interview	16 of 30	53%
Missing children not accepted return interview	14 of 30	47%
Missing children return interview acceptance not recorded	0 of 30	0%

Absent from placement

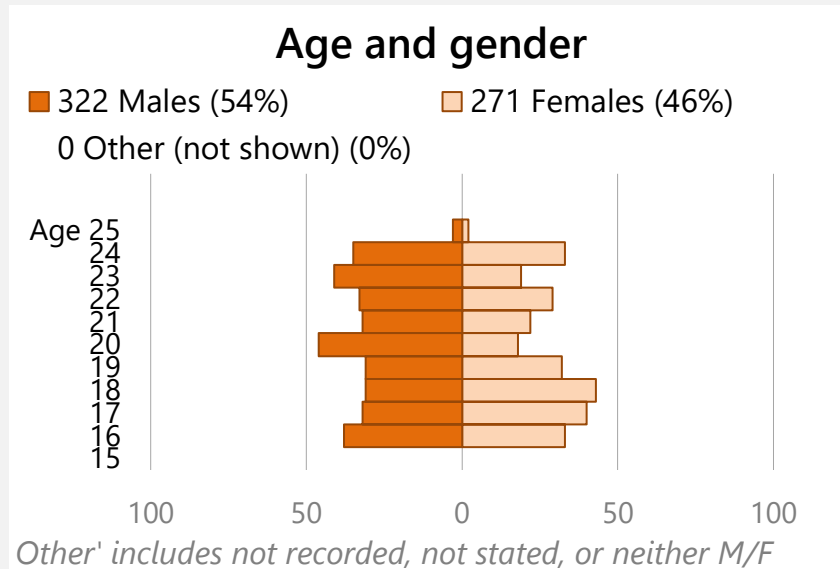
8 of 699 looked after children had an absent incident in the last 12 months

	Latest data	LA 21-22	SNs 21-22	Eng 21-22
Number of all CLA with an absent incident	8 of 699	c		
Percentage of all CLA with an absent incident	1%	c	3%	2%
Total number of absent incidents for all CLA	11	8		
Average number of incidents per CLA who were absent	1.4	1.6	4.3	3.5

Care leavers currently in receipt of leaving care services

Snapshot 30/04/2023

593 care leavers

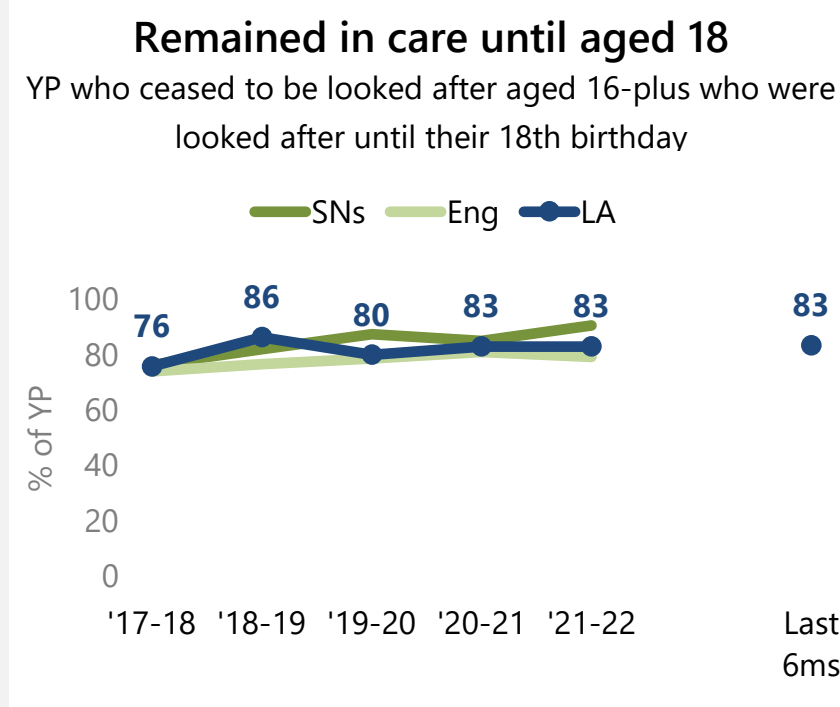


Ethnic background

White	88%
Mixed	3%
Asian or Asian British	2%
Black or black British	1%
Other ethnic group	6%
Not stated	0%
Not recorded	0%

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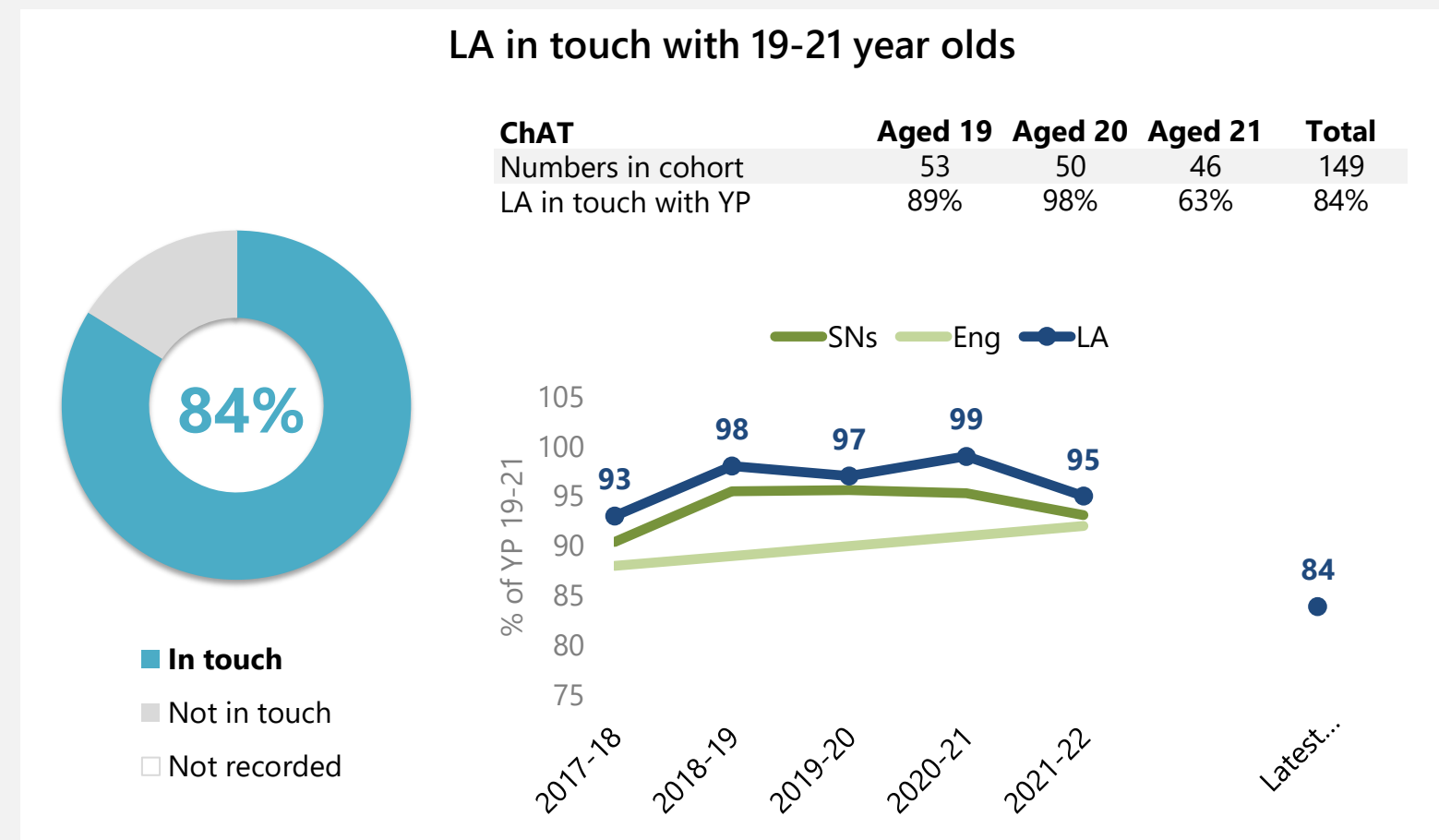
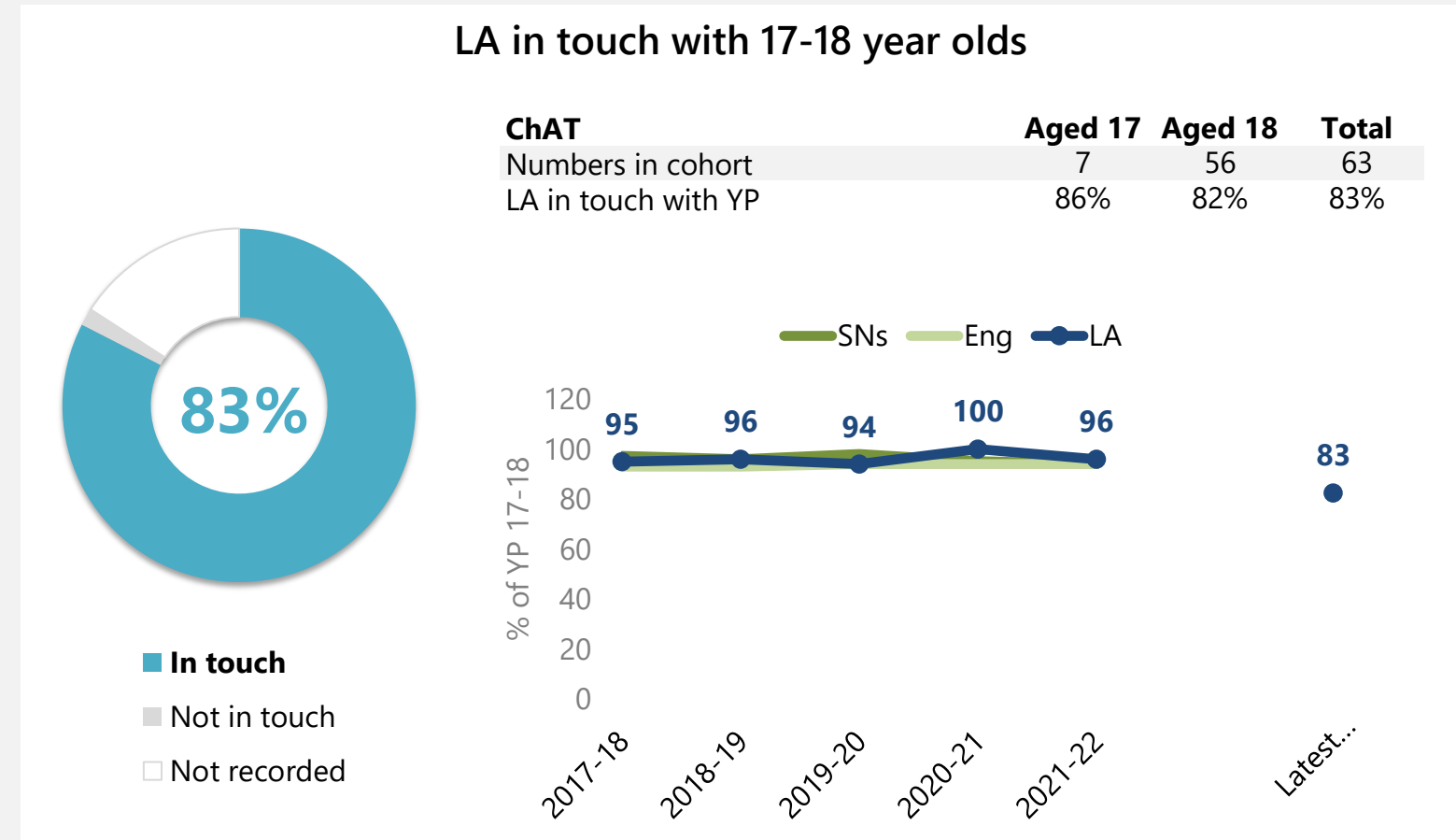
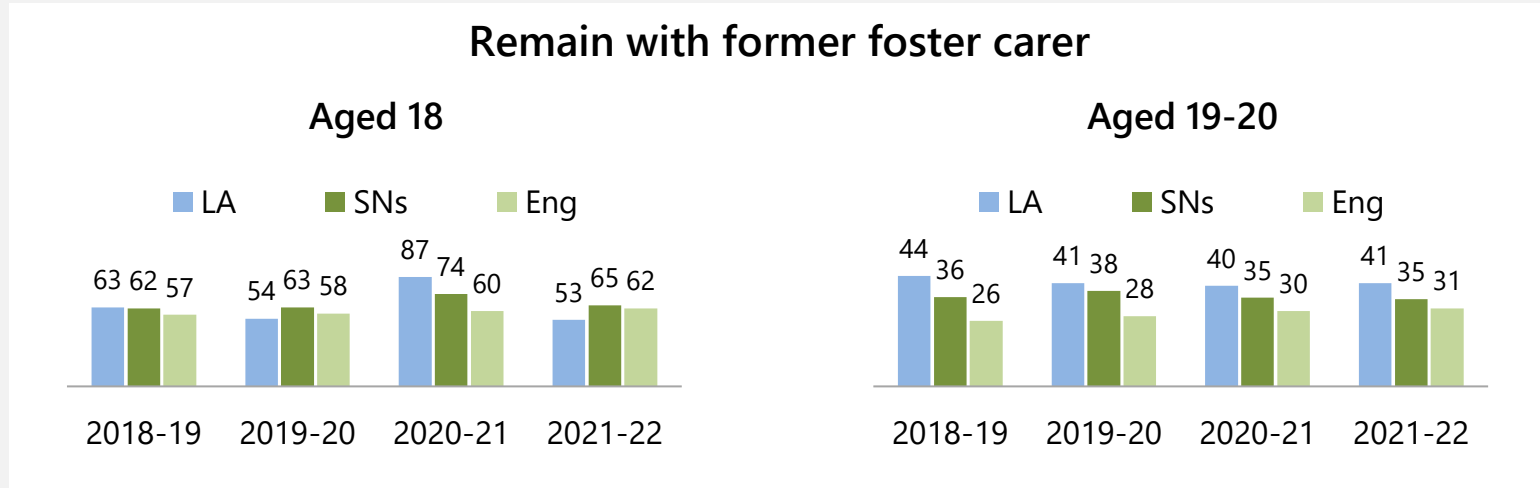
105 (18%) care leavers with a disability



Eligibility category

Relevant	8
Former relevant	368
Qualifying	113
Eligible	101
Other	0
Not recorded	3

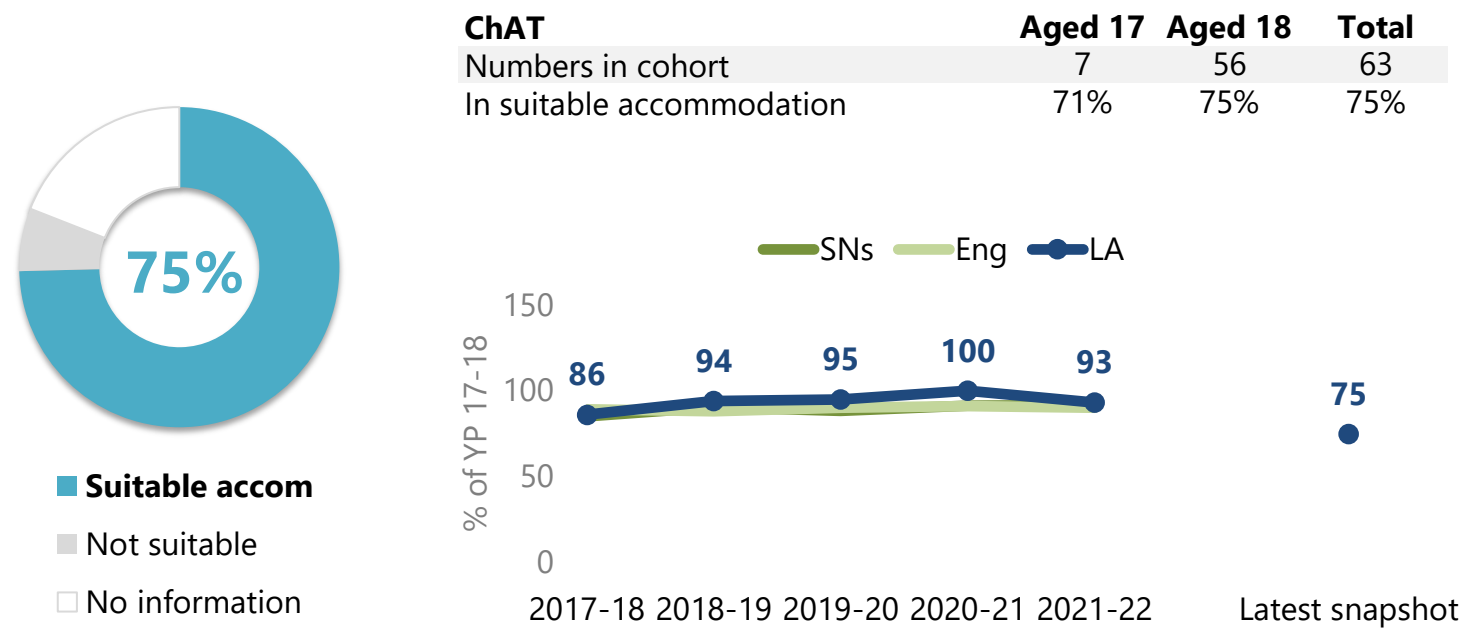
Relevant = YP aged 16-17 no longer looked after and eligible for leaving care services.
Former relevant = YP aged 18-25 eligible for leaving care services.
Qualifying = YP aged 18-25 in receipt of support but not eligible for full leaving care services.
Eligible = YP aged 16-17 looked after and eligible for leaving care services



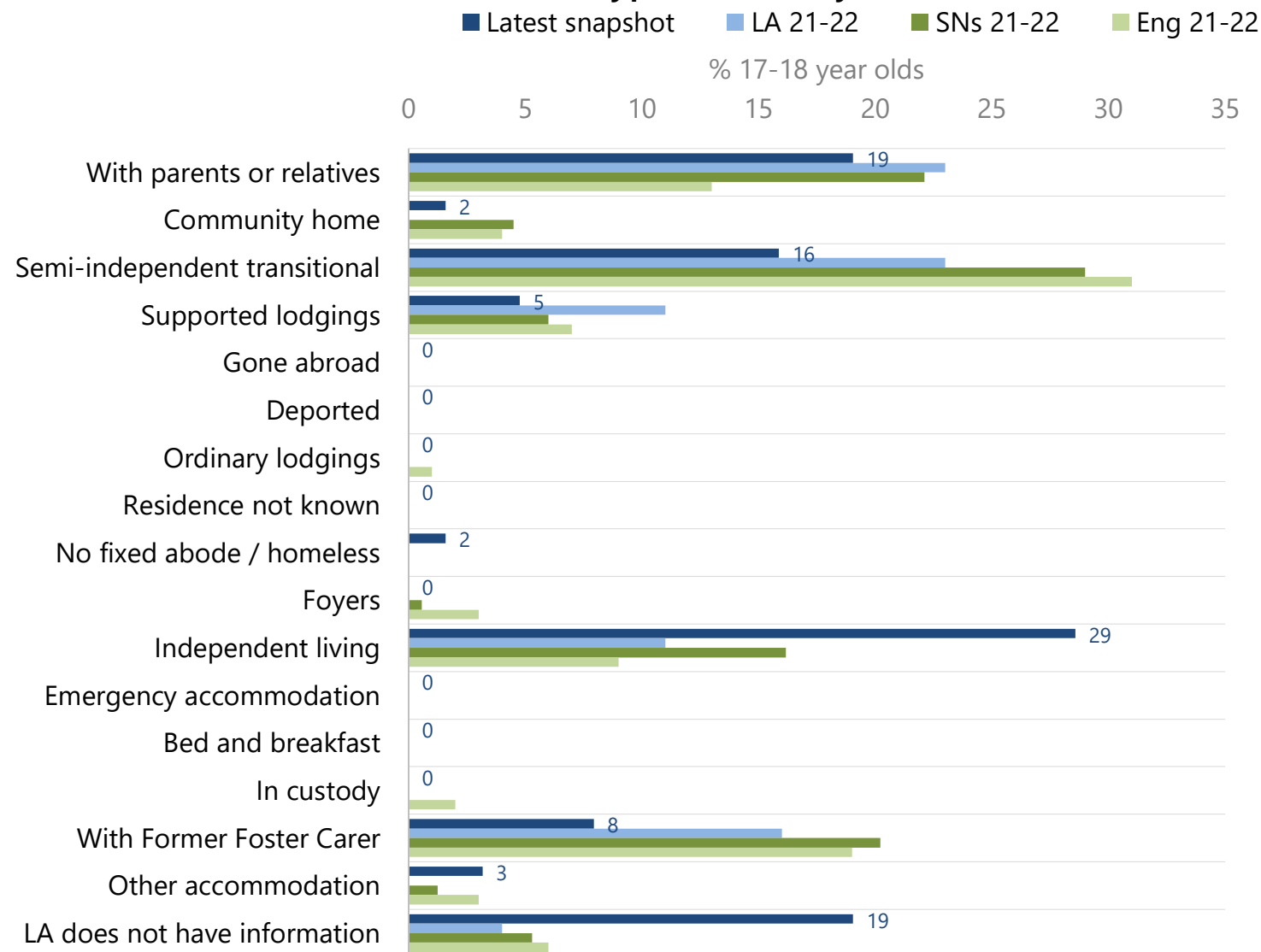
Care leavers accommodation suitability and type

Snapshot 30/04/2023

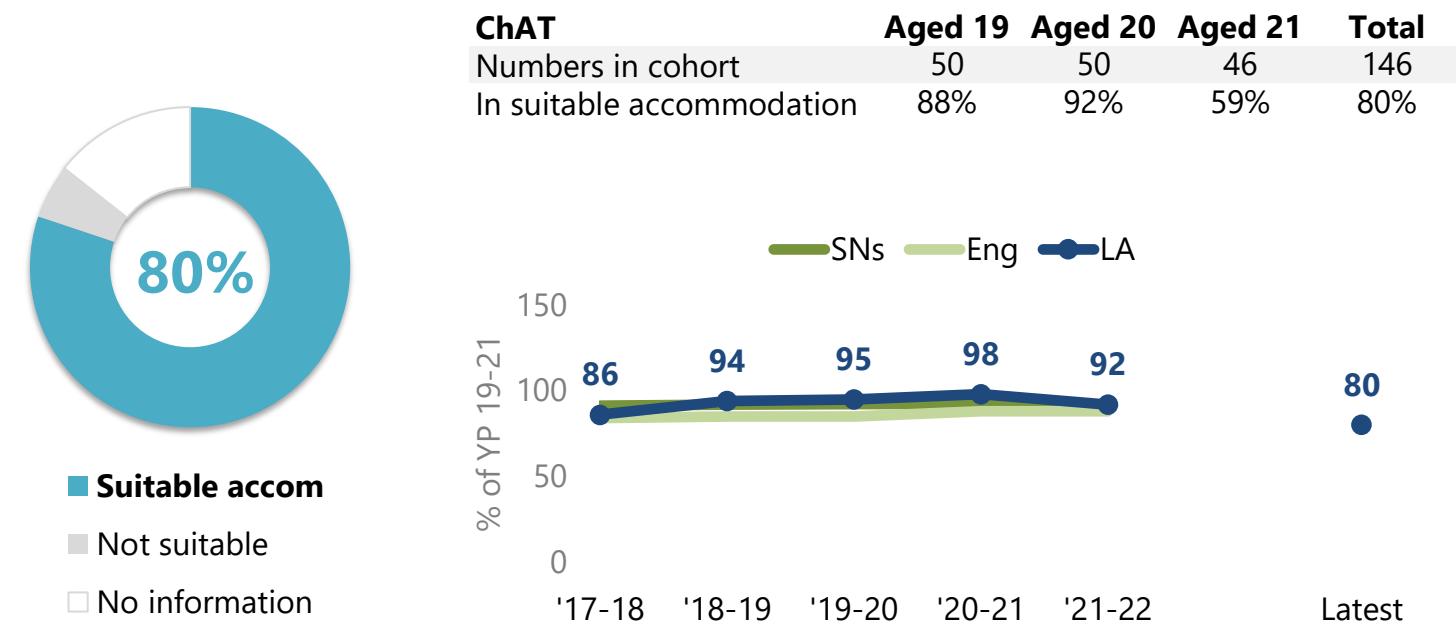
Accommodation suitability of 17-18 year olds



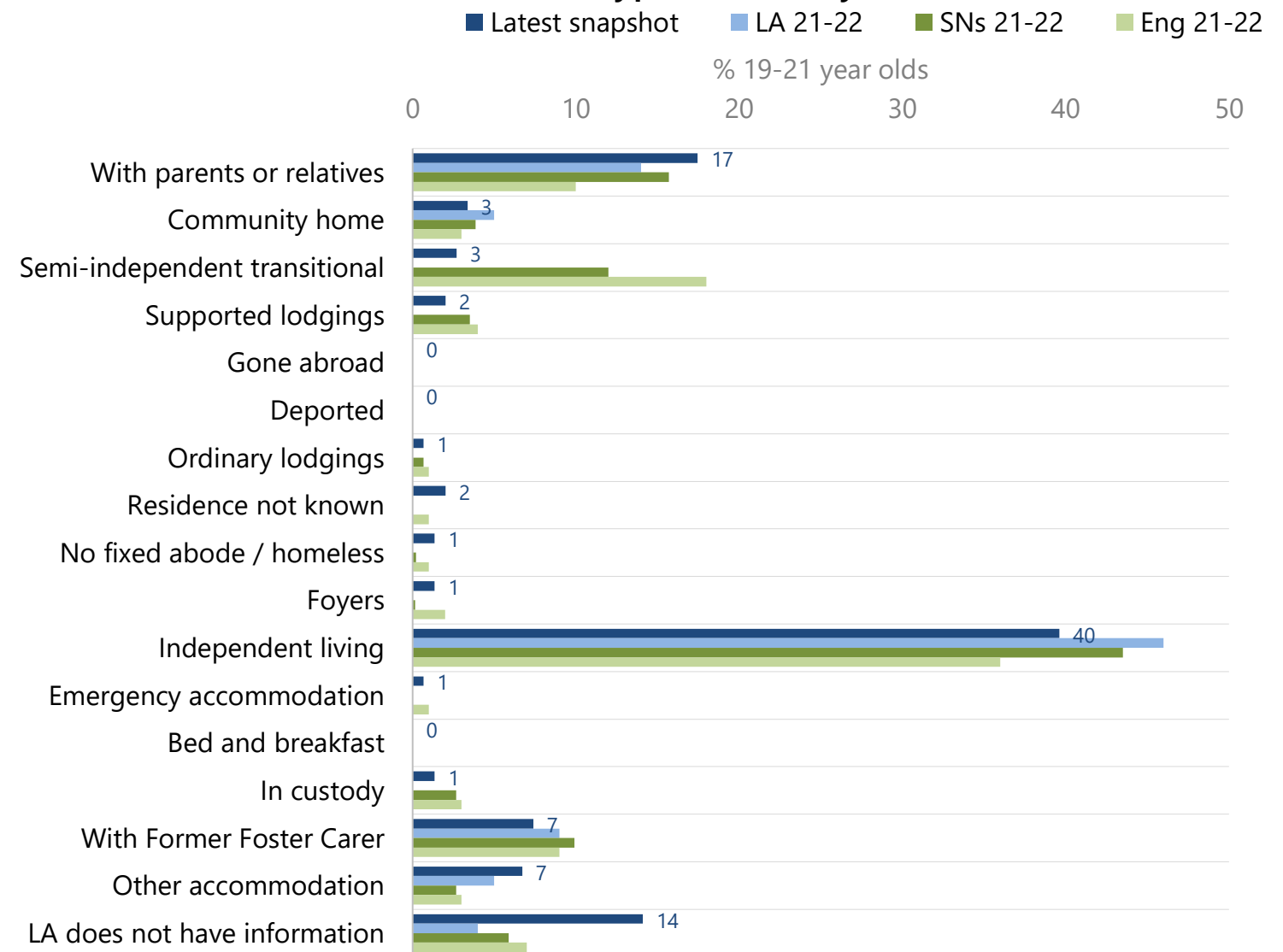
Accommodation types of 17-18 year olds



Accommodation suitability of 19-21 year olds



Accommodation types of 19-21 year olds

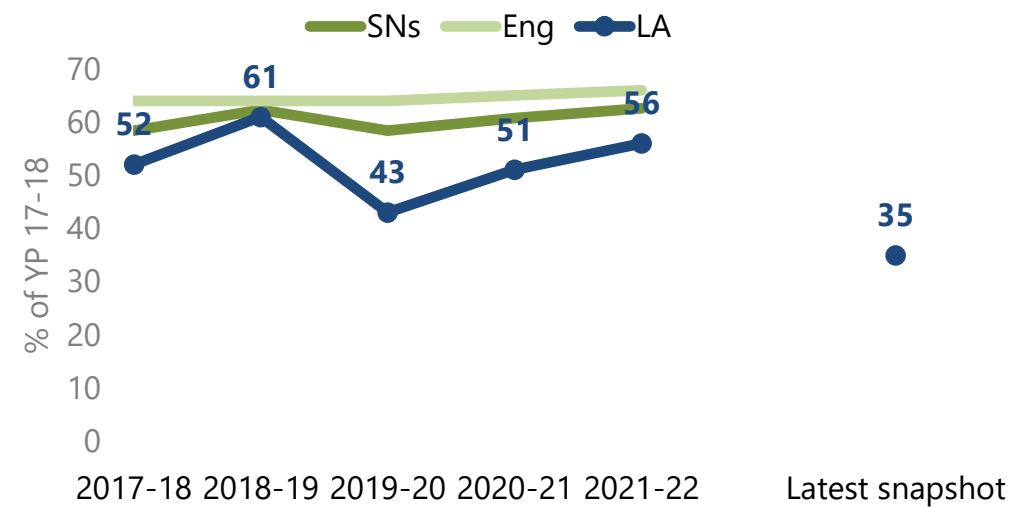
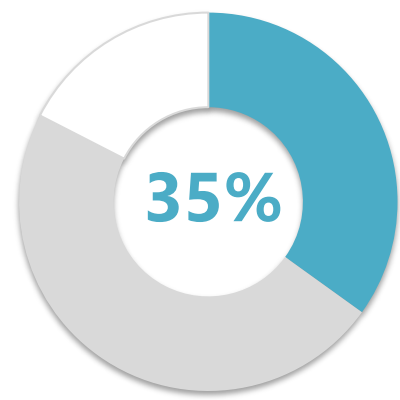


Care leavers activity (Education, Employment, or Training)

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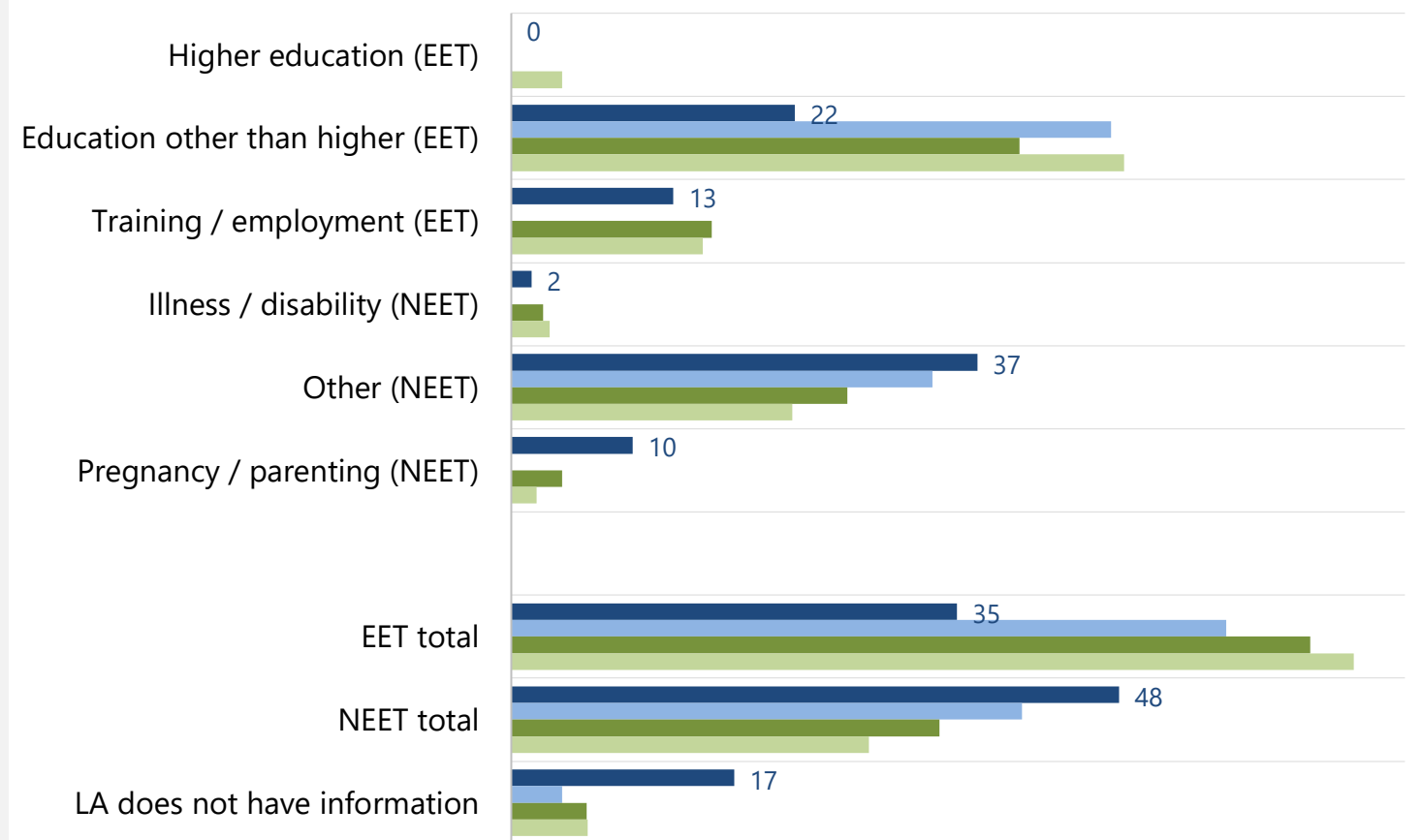
Education, Employment, or Training (EET) of 17-18 year olds

ChAT	Aged 17	Aged 18	Total
Numbers in cohort	7	56	63
In EET	57%	32%	35%



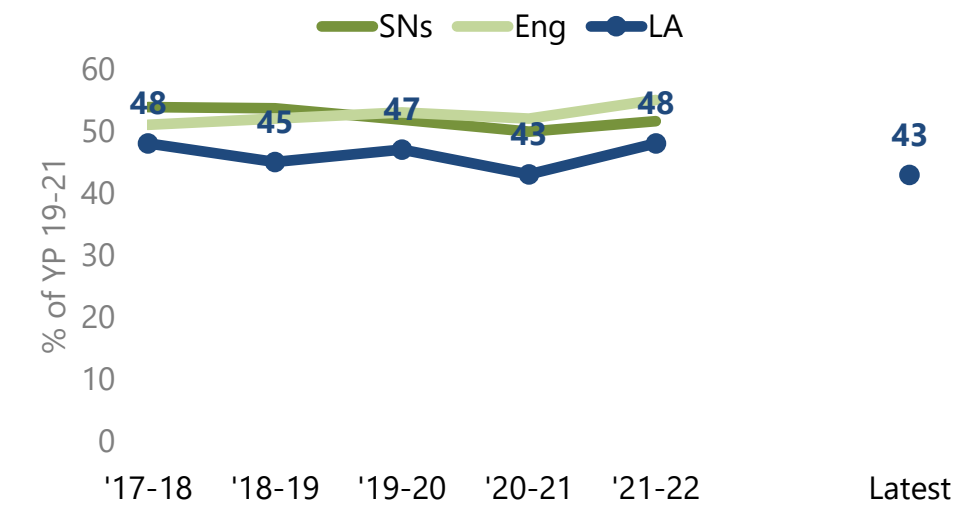
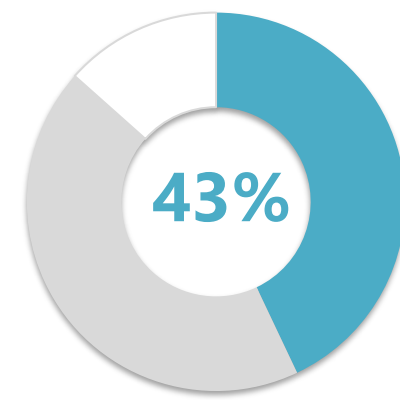
Activity types of 17-18 year olds

Activity Type	Latest snapshot	LA 21-22	SNs 21-22	Eng 21-22
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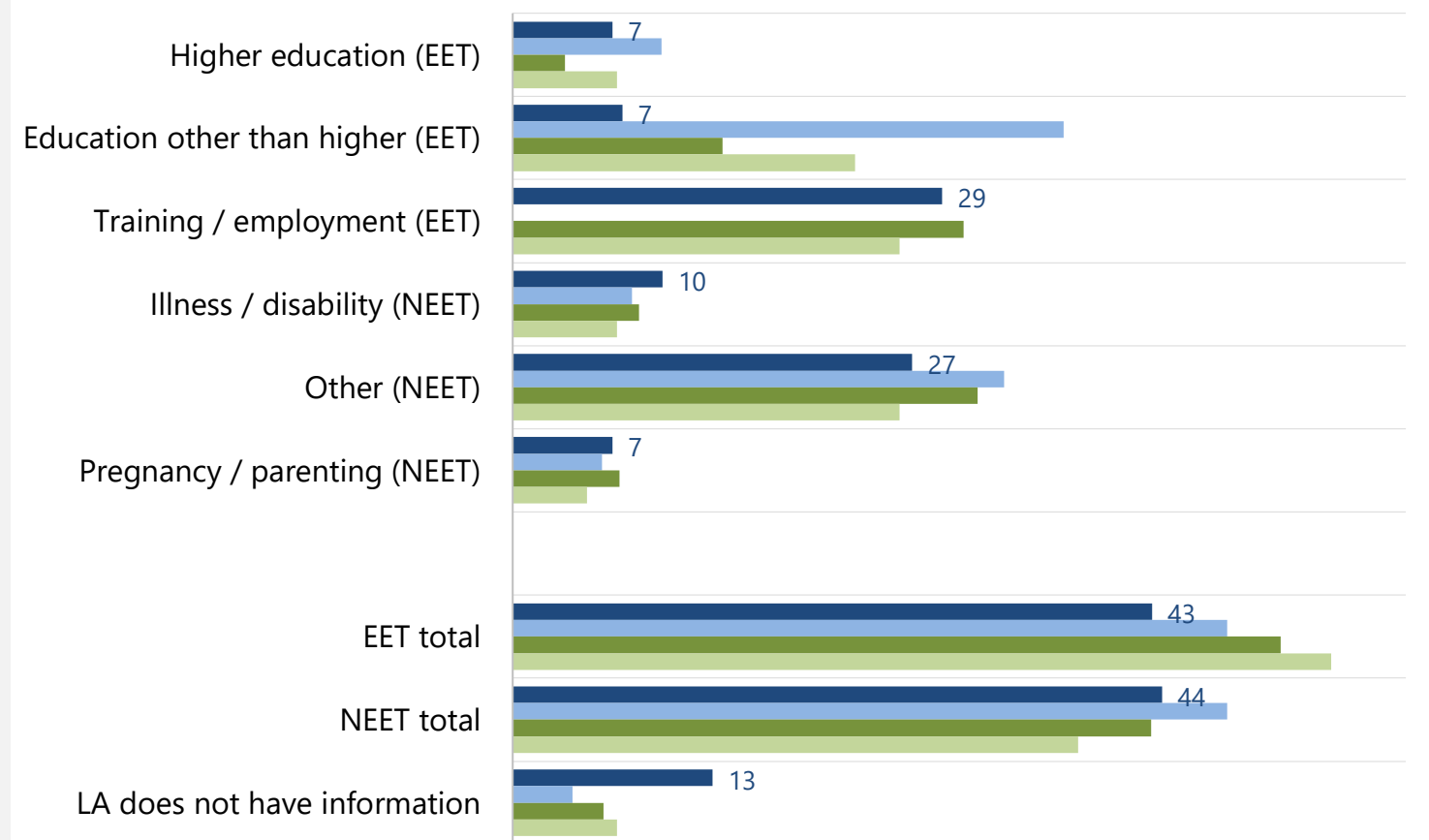
Education, Employment, or Training (EET) of 19-21 year olds

ChAT	Aged 19	Aged 20	Aged 21	Total
Numbers in cohort	53	50	46	149
In EET	43%	48%	37%	43%



Activity types of 19-21 year olds

Activity Type	Latest snapshot	LA 21-22	SNs 21-22	Eng 21-22
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Children adopted, waiting to be adopted, or had an adoption decision reversed in the last 12 month from 01/05/2022 to 30/04/2023

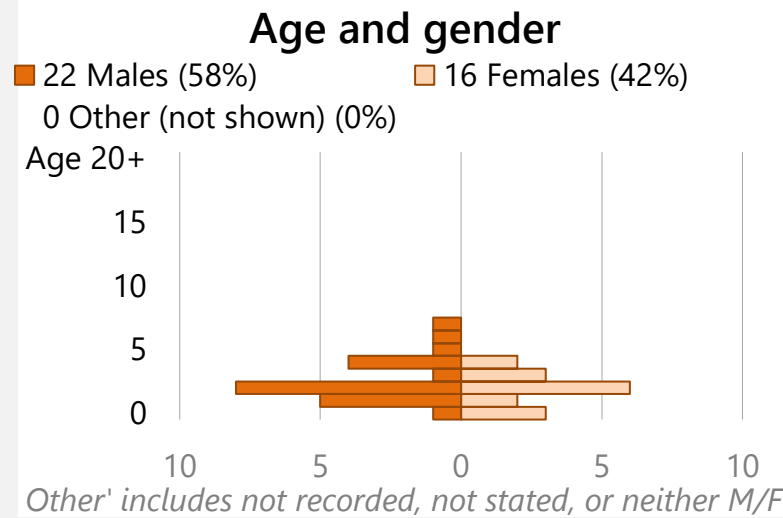
38 children

- 6 Child/ren adopted last 12 months
- 32 Child/ren waiting to be adopted
- (24 Child/ren waiting with placement order)
- 0 Child/ren with decision reversed

Ethnic background

White	97%
Mixed	3%
Asian or Asian British	0%
Black or black British	0%
Other ethnic group	0%
Not stated	0%
Not recorded	0%

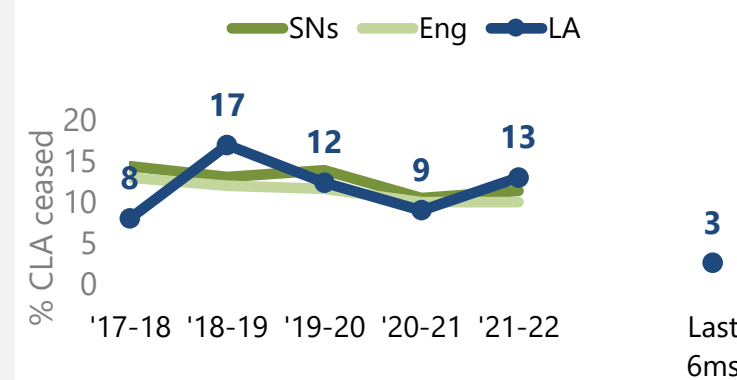
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0 children (0%) with a disability

Of the 78 children who ceased to be looked after in the last 6 months, 2 was/were adopted (3%)

Children ceased who were adopted



Children aged 5-plus who were adopted

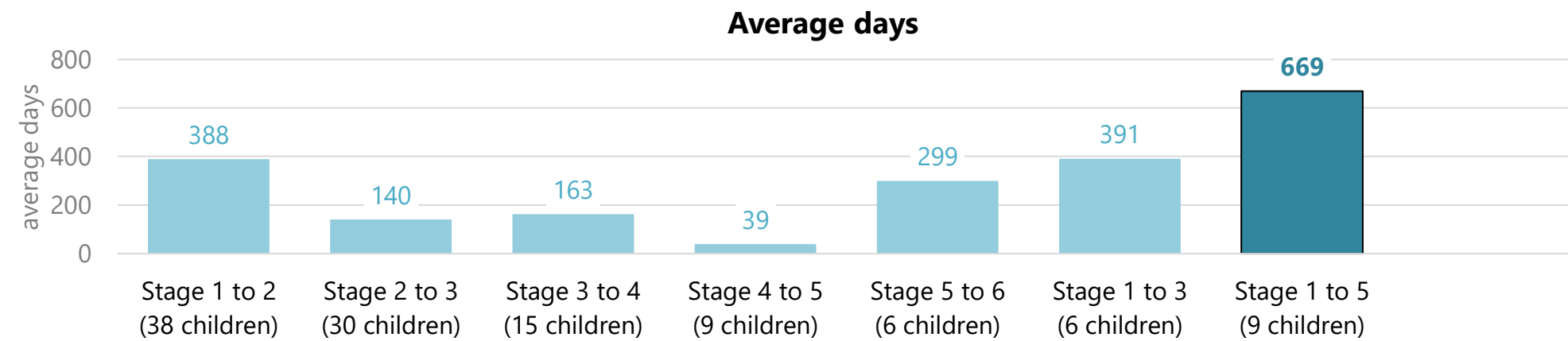
0% 0 of the 53 children aged 5-plus who ceased to be looked after in the last 6 months were adopted

Comparing 5-plus adoptions

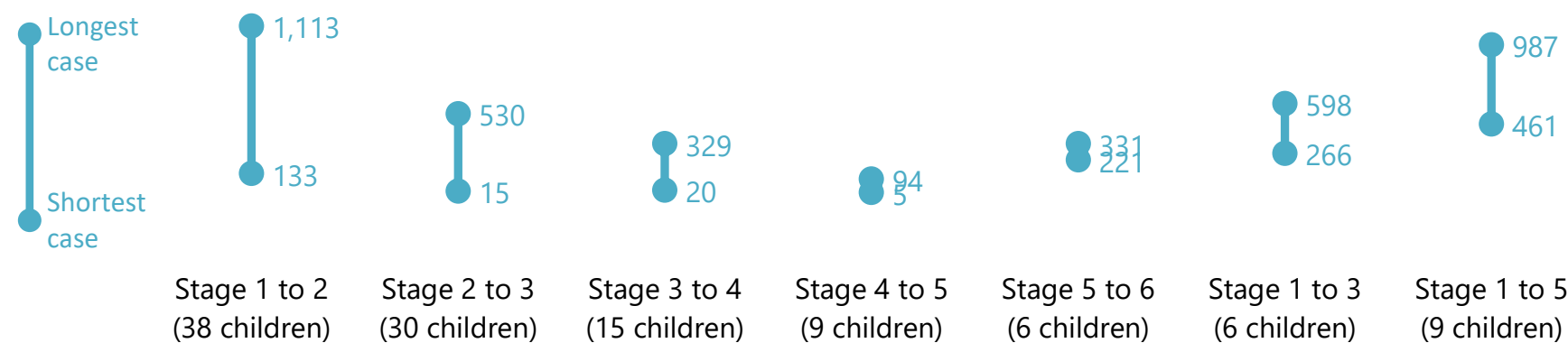
LA last 6 months	0.0%
LA 2015-18 (3 yr average)	2.0%
SNs 2015-18 (3 yr average)	5.0%
Eng 2015-18 (3 yr average)	6.2%

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

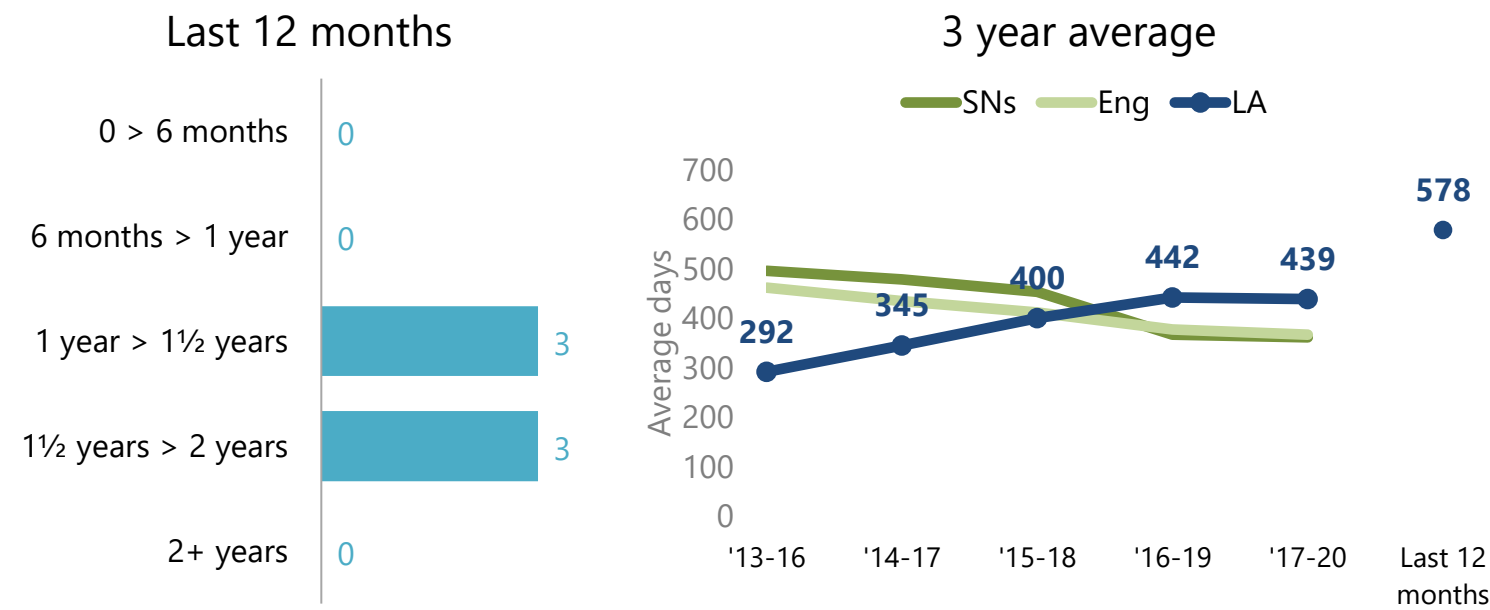


Adoption benchmarking

from 01/05/2022
to 30/04/2023

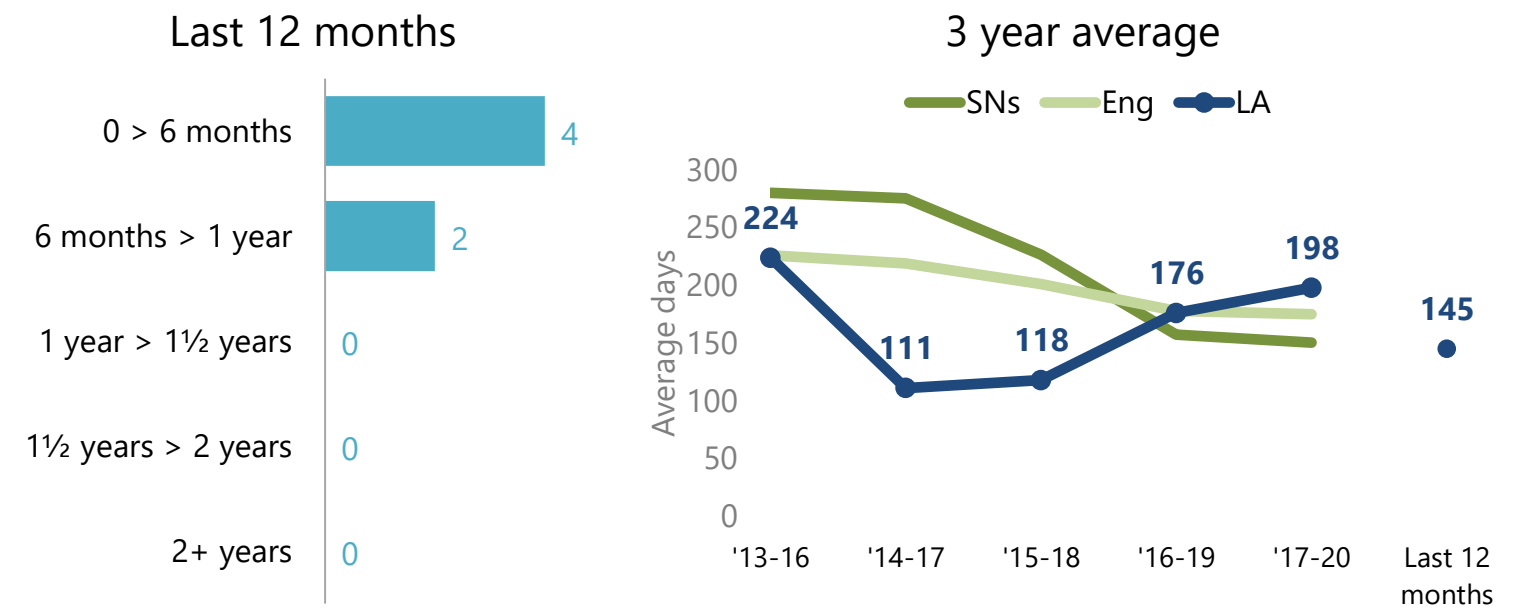
(A10) Time between entering care and placed with family for adopted children

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



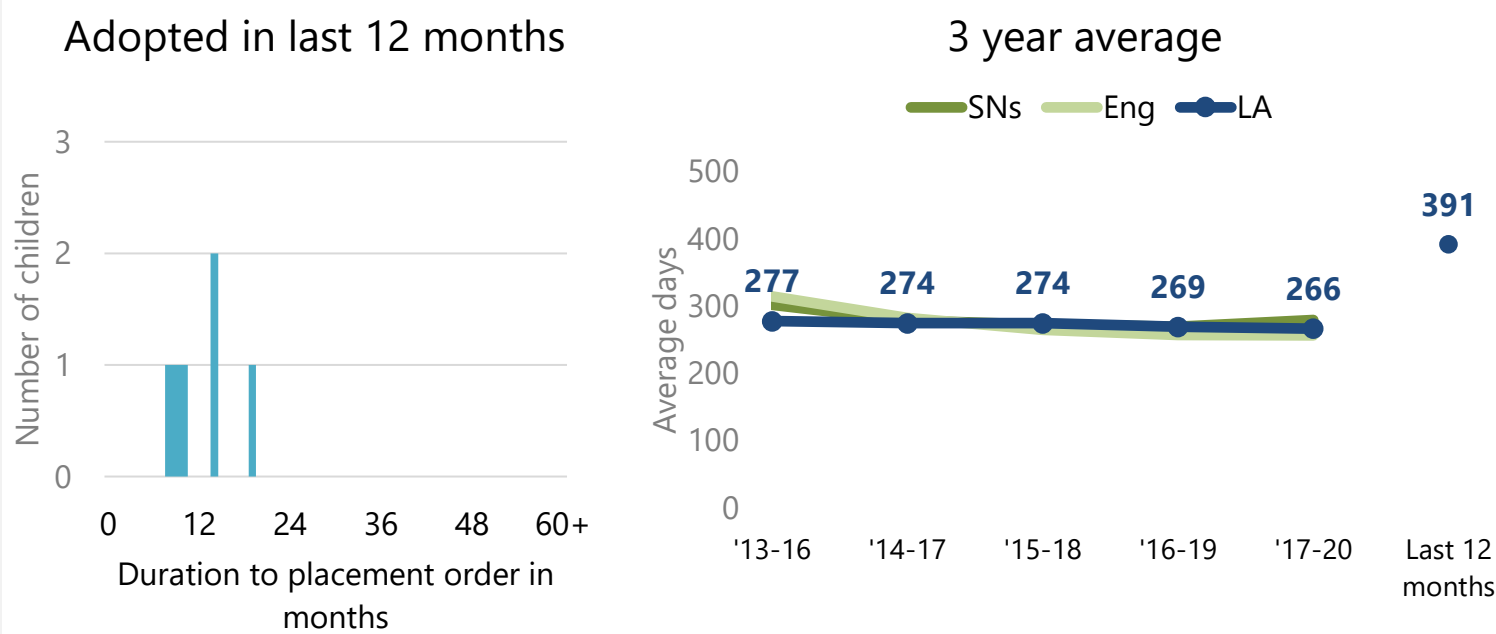
(A2) Time between placement order and deciding on a match

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



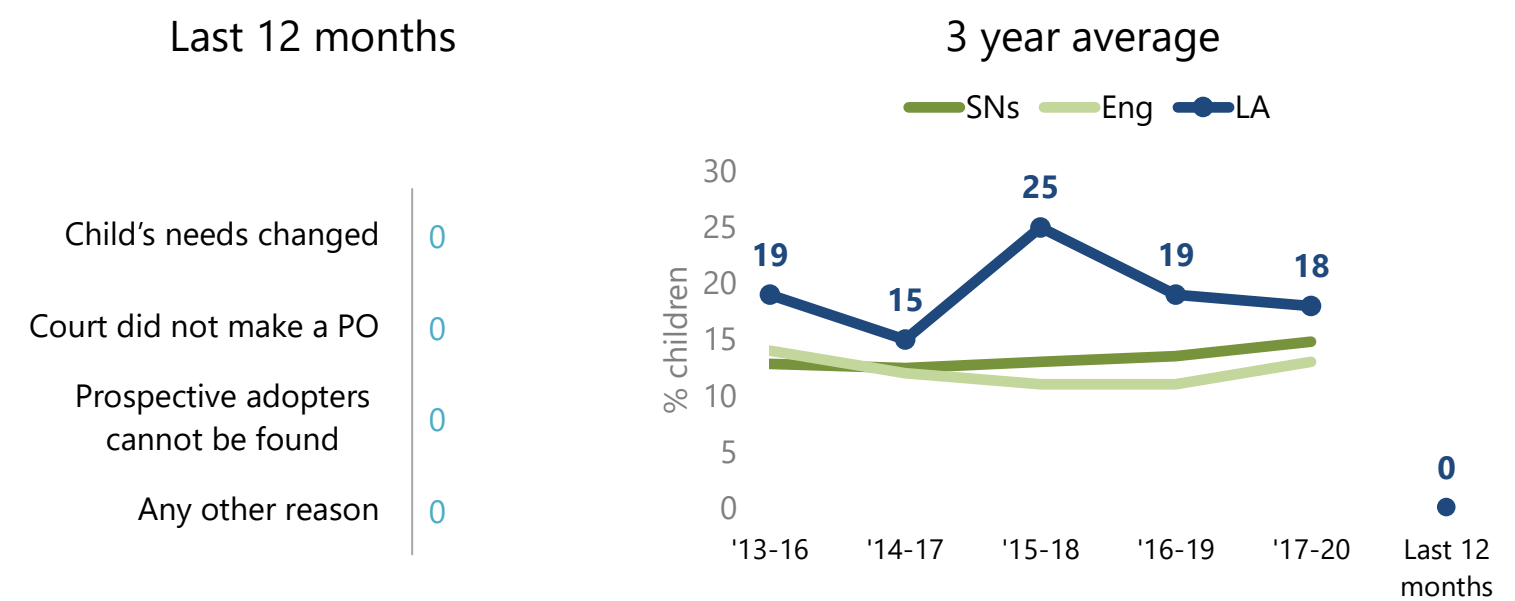
(A20) Time between entering care and placement order

391 days Average time between a child entering care and a local authority receiving court authority to place a child, for children who have been adopted (days)
6 children



(A5) Permanence decision changed away from adoption

0% Children where there was a decision that the child should no longer be placed for adoption
0/38 children



Prospective adopters in the last - 12 months NOTE from April 2018 RAA (AIM) data

from 01/05/2022
to 30/04/2023

263 prospective adopters (138 families)

Prospective adopter current status

	Adults	Families
Child adopted	61	31
Child placed	41	21
Child matched	4	2
Application	117	63
Enquiry	0	0
Withdrawn	40	21

Ethnic breakdown

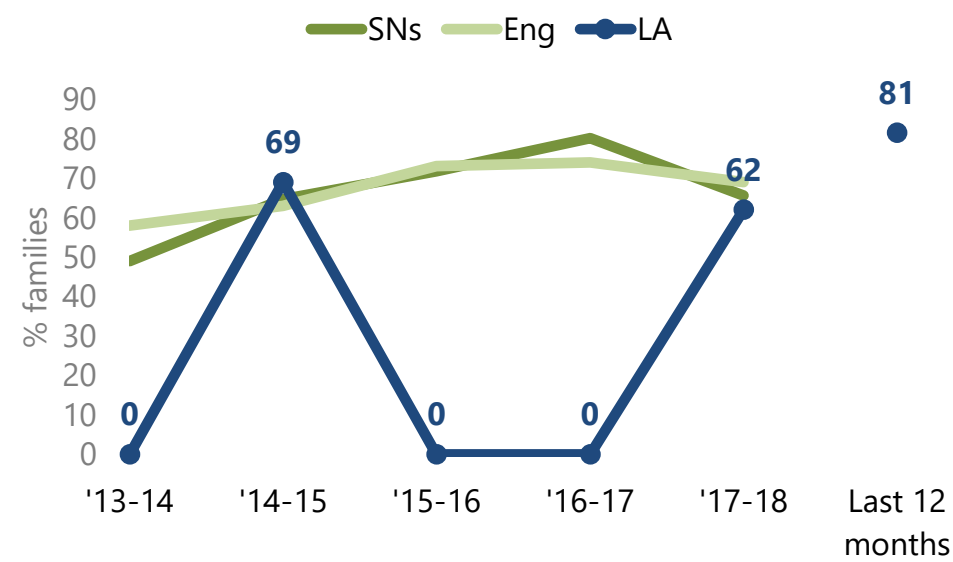
	Adults %	Children %
White	97%	97%
Mixed	0%	3%
Asian or Asian British	1%	0%
Black or black British	0%	0%
Other ethnic group	0%	0%
Not stated	1%	0%
Not recorded	0%	0%

New two-stage adoption process

- Stage 1 start** Registration of interest
- Stage 1 end** Decision of suitability to adopt
- Stage 2 start** Adopter's wish to proceed
- Stage 2 end** Agency Decision-Maker (ADM decision)
- Matched** Family matched with child(ren)
- Placed** Child(ren) placed with family
- Adopted** Adoption order granted

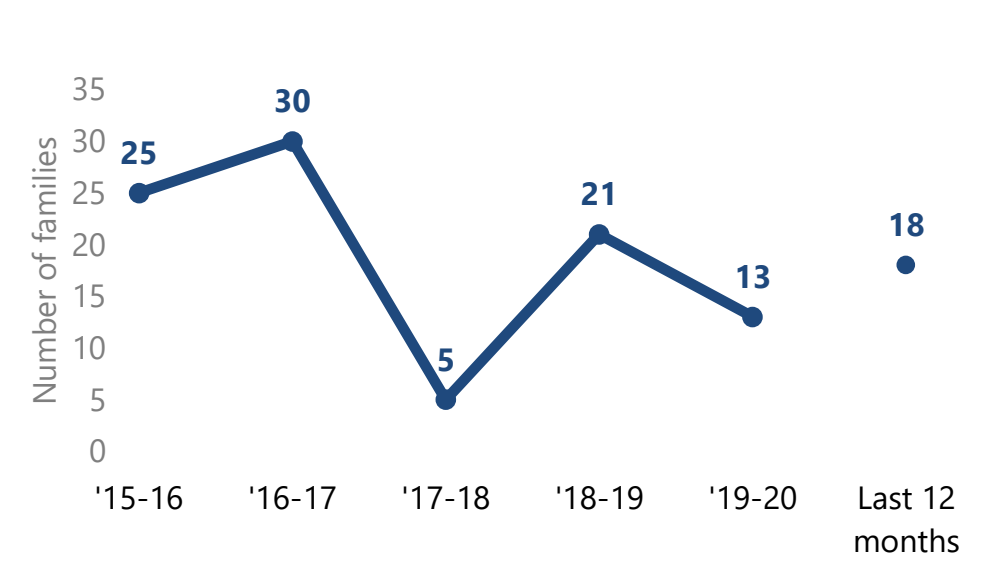
Adoption Scorecard A12 - wait to be matched

Percentage of adoptive families matched to a child who waited more than three months between approval and matching (discontinued)



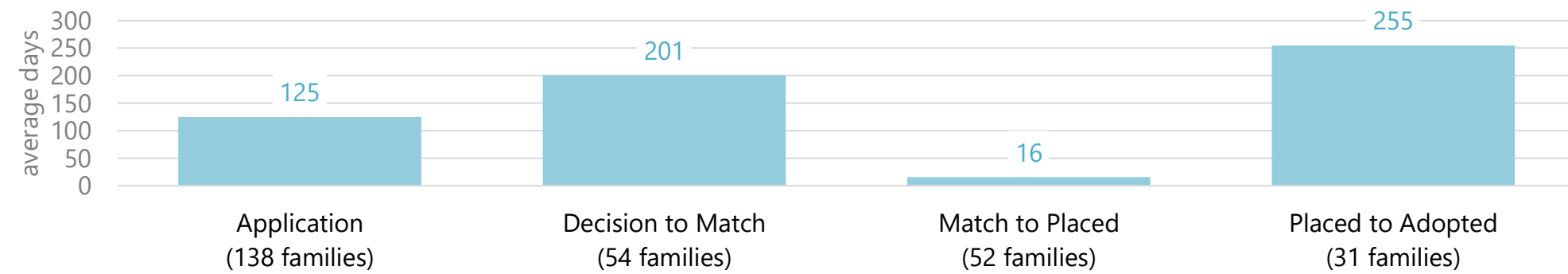
Adoption Scorecard A15 - new ADM decisions

Number of new ADM decisions for children in the year (ADM = Agency Decision-Maker)

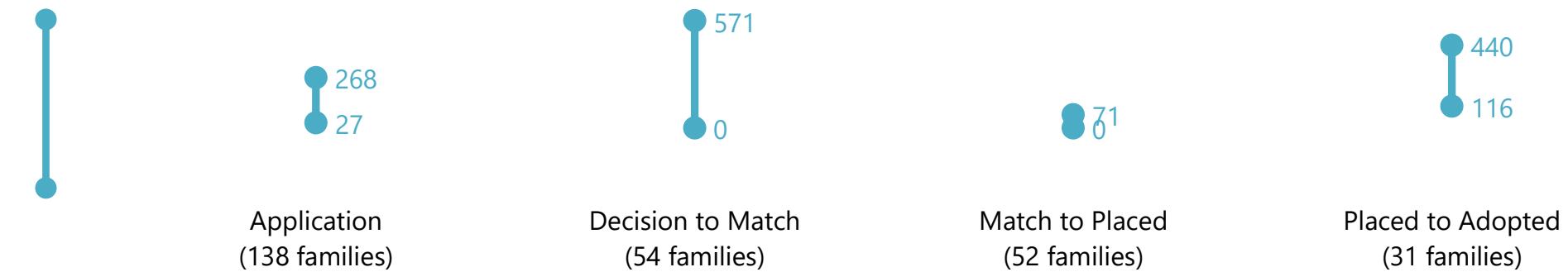


Duration of each stage of the adoption process

Average duration of each stage (number of days)



Range in days between shortest and longest cases at each stage



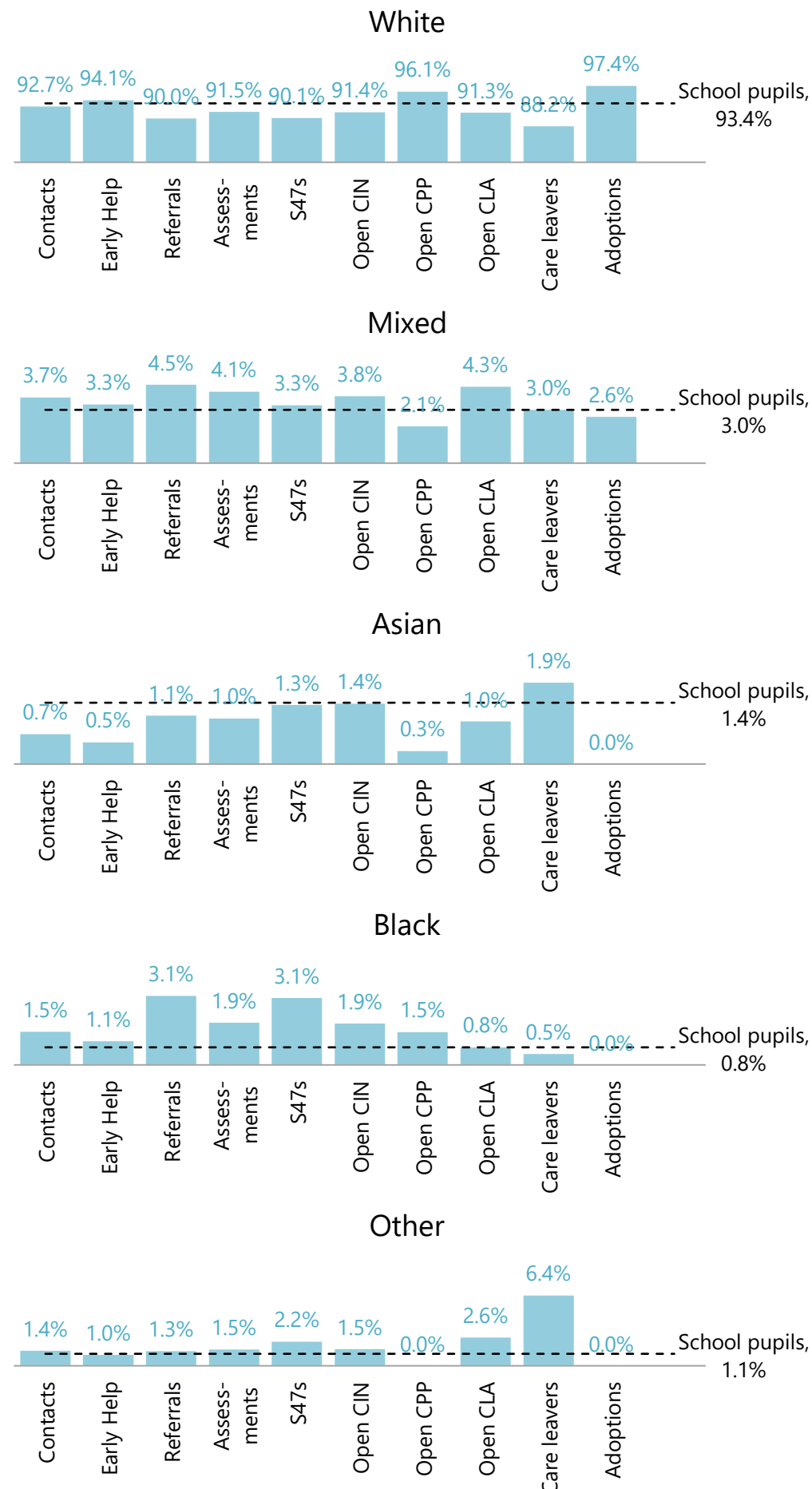
Demographics of children across all areas of children's social care

Snapshot 30/04/2023

Ethnicity

ChAT* compared to pupils in the LA schools (Jan-22)

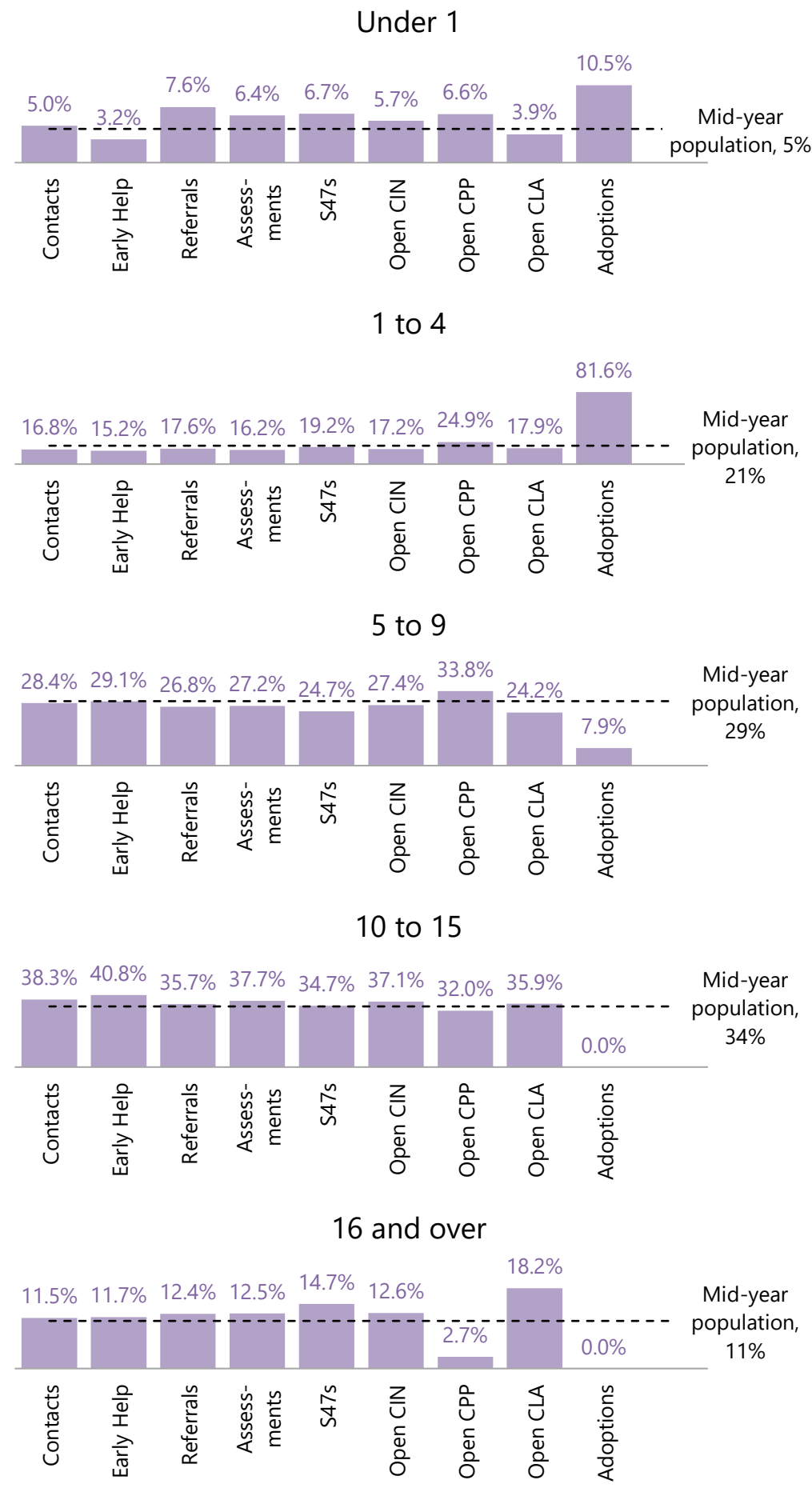
*percentage of known ethnicity only



Age

ChAT* compared to mid-year (2020) population estimates (ONS)

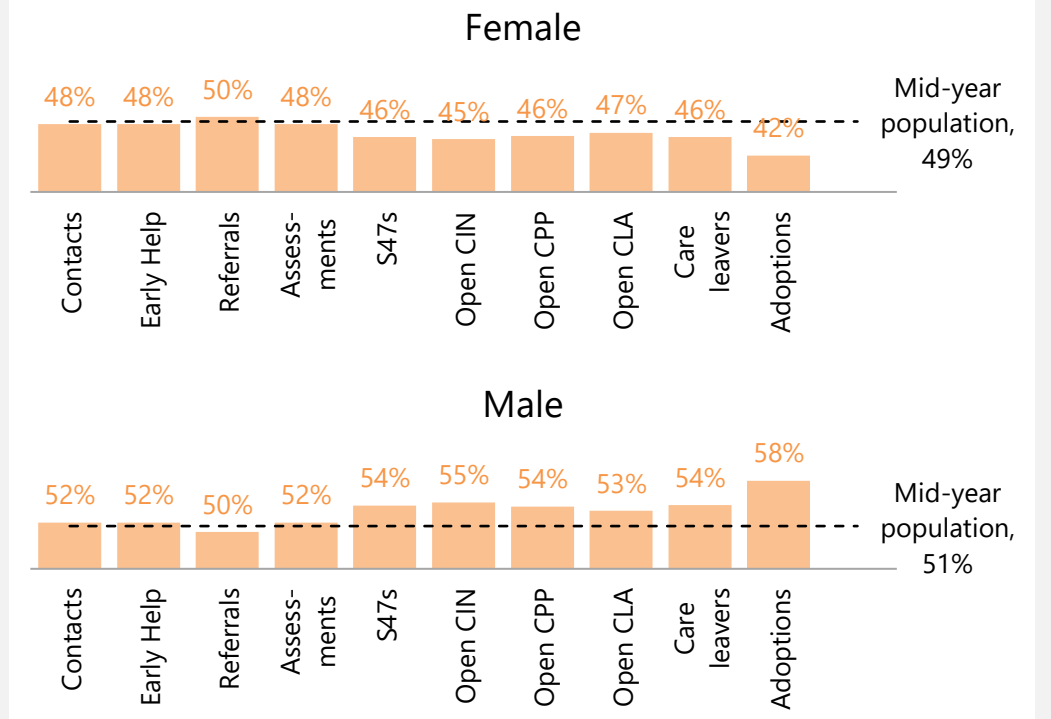
*percentage of known age only



Gender

ChAT* compared to mid-year (2020) population estimates (ONS)

*percentage of Male / Female genders only, excludes Other



Comparing CLA demographics

CLA figures compared to published population statistics

* compared to school census

	LA Latest snapshot			LA 2022			Eng 2022		
	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference
White	91	93	lower -2%	93	93	no dif 0%	73	73	higher 1%
Mixed	4	3	higher 43%	5	3	higher 65%	10	7	higher 48%
Asian	1	1	lower -31%	c	1		5	12	lower -58%
Black	1	1	no dif 0%	c	1		7	6	higher 19%
Other	3	1	higher 136%	2	1	higher 83%	4	2	higher 79%

* Comparator is ONS mid-year population estimates

	LA Latest snapshot			LA 2020			LA 2020		
	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference
Under 1	4	5	lower -16%	5	5	higher 9%	5	5	no dif 0%
1 to 4	18	21	lower -14%	18	21	lower -14%	14	22	lower -36%
5 to 9	24	29	lower -17%	25	29	lower -15%	18	29	lower -38%
10 to 15	36	34	higher 4%	37	34	higher 7%	39	34	higher 16%
16-plus	18	11	higher 68%	15	11	higher 39%	25	10	higher 144%

* Comparator is ONS mid-year population estimates

	LA Latest snapshot			LA 2020			LA 2020		
	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference	CLA	Pop	% difference
Male	53	51	higher 4%	51	51	no dif 0%	56	51	higher 9%
Female	47	49	lower -5%	49	49	higher 1%	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

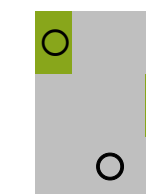


Increasing, high is good



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)	785	Increase	➤	768	579	538	Higher	○	2021-22
Referrals to social care that were within 12 months of a previous referral (%)	26	Increase	➤	19	21	20	In range	○	2021-22
Assessments completed (annual rate per 10,000 of children)	887	Increase	➤	820	622	533	Higher	○	2021-22
Assessments completed within 45 working days (%)	69	Decrease	⬅	79	89	84	In range	○	2021-22
Children subject to section 47 enquiries (annual rate per 10,000 of children)	315	Increase	➤	243	207	180	Higher	○	2021-22
Children subject of an initial child protection conference (annual rate per 10,000 of children)	74	Decrease	⬅	80	74	61	Higher	○	2021-22
Initial Child Protection Conferences held within 15 working days of the start of the section 47 enquiry (%)	91	Increase	➤	63	82	79	Lower	○	2021-22
Children in need (snapshot rate per 10,000 children)	442	Decrease	⬅	495	382	334	Higher	○	2021-22
Children who are the subject of a child protection plan (snapshot rate per 10,000 children)	62	Decrease	⬅	62	50	42	Higher	○	2021-22
Children who became the subject of a CP plan for a second or subsequent time (%)	18	Decrease	⬅	21	25	23	In range	○	2021-22
Children who ceased to be on a CP plan whose plan lasted 2 years or more (%)	4	Increase	➤	2	3	4	Lower	○	2021-22
Children who are looked after (snapshot rate per 10,000 children)	115	Increase	➤	113	90	70	Higher	○	2021-22
Children looked after who had a missing incident in the period (%)	11	Increase	➤	9	11	11	In range	○	2021-22
Children looked after who were away without authorisation in the period (%)	1	-	↑ ↑	c	3	2	Higher	○	2021-22
Children looked after who had their teeth checked by a dentist in the last 12 months (%)	79	Increase	➤	68	71	70	In range	○	2021-22
Children looked after who had their annual health assessment (%)	93	Decrease	⬅	94	93	89	In range	○	2021-22
Children who ceased to be looked after in the period who were adopted (%)	3	Decrease	⬅	13	11	10	In range	○	2021-22
Children who ceased to be looked after in the period due to a Special Guardianship Order (%)	18	Decrease	⬅	21	17	13	Higher	○	2021-22
Children leaving care over the age of 16 who remained looked after until their 18th birthday (%)	83	Increase	➤	83	91	79	Lower	○	2021-22
Care leavers aged 19-21 in suitable accommodation (%)	80	Decrease	⬅	92	90	88	In range	○	2021-22
Care leavers aged 19-21 in education, employment, or training (%)	43	Decrease	⬅	48	52	55	Lower	○	2021-22
A1 - Average time between entering care and moving in with family for children who were adopted (days)	578	Increase	➤	404	522	486	Lower	○	2015-18
A2 - Average time between LA receiving placement order and LA deciding on a match with family (days)	-	-		118	227	201	Lower	○	2015-18