Children & Young People Services

Rotherham
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Safeguarding Children & Families Monthly Performance Report

As at Month End: December 2020

Please note: *Data reports are not dynamic. Although care is taken to ensure data is as accurate as possible every month, delays in data input can result in changes in figures when reports are re-run retrospectively. To combat this* <u>at least</u> *two individual months data is rerun for each indicator.*

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NEW	No. contacts (cyp) received in Front Door (All contacts)	Info	Count	1954	1567	1680	3247	↑					-	-	-	-	-				
1.1	No. contacts identified as 'harm' at source (old form <Oct 20 / New form Nov 20 >)	Info	Count	606	565	663	9903	↑				n/a	12165	16609	15670	16698	15605				
NEW	No. contacts identified as 'help' at source (new form - cyp)	Info	Count	486	520	531	1051	↑					-	-	-	-	-				
NEW	No. contacts identified as 'not sure' or 'not recorded' at source (new form - cyp)	Info	Count	862	675	706	1381	↑					-	-	-	-	-				
1.2	No. contacts with decision within 1 working day (harm & not sure) (new form - cyp)	Info	Count	275	287	379	5639	↑					-	-	-	-	-				
	% contacts with decision within 1 working day (harm & not sure) (new form - cyp)	High	Percentage	50.7%	50.8%	57.2%	56.9%	↑	RED	<92%	92%>	95%+	96.5%	86.0%	79.5%	80.9%	59.5%				
NEW	No. contacts with decision within 5 working day (help) (new form - cyp)	Info	Count	460	479	485	964	↑					-	-	-	-	-				
NEW	% contacts with decision within 5 working day (help) (new form - cyp)	Info	Percentage	94.7%	99.2%	91.3%	99.2%	↓					-	-	-	-	-				
1.3	No. of contacts going onto referral (new form - cyp)	Info	Count	280	207	224	2465	↑				n/a	4915	4411	4495	4268	3764				
1.4	% of contacts going onto referral (new form - cyp)	High	Percentage	20.7%	36.6%	33.8%	24.9%	↓					40.5%	26.6%	28.7%	25.6%	24.1%				
1.5	Rate of referrals per 10,000 population aged under 18 - rolling 12 month performance	Info	Rate per 10,000	602.4	592.6	612.3	-	↑				n/a	-	909.8	794.6	731.6	661.3	686.6	397.6	534.8	-
1.6	% of referrals going onto assessment	High	Percentage	99.0%	99.6%	100.0%	99.6%	↑	GREEN	<83%	83%>	86%+	77.6%	90.0%	97.3%	98.4%	99.2%				
1.7	% of re-referral in 12 months - in current month	Low	Percentage	21.0%	19.3%	12.3%	-	↑	GREEN	26%+	26%<	23%<	-	-	-	-	-				
1.8	% of re-referral in 12 months - rolling 12 mths	Low	Percentage	19.4%	19.3%	18.8%	-	↑	GREEN	26%+	26%<	23%<	-	27.5%	23.1%	21.4%	20.7%	21.6%	12.6%	22.6%	17.2%
1.9	CSE Cohort (Council Plan Indicator)	Info	Count	42	42	48	-	↑				n/a	-		85	63	50				
1.10	Number of CSE referrals in the current month	Info	Count	20	7	8	86	↑				n/a	200	256	169	124	65				
2.1	Number of assessments started	Info	Count	311	221	266	2485	↑				n/a	-	-	3924	3663	3379				
2.2	% of assessments for children's social care completed in 45 working days of referral	High	Percentage	96.9%	87.1%	88.8%	93.1%	↑	RED	<90%	90%>	95%+	-	-	79.0%	81.1%	93.7%	81.7%	99.8%	83.1%	91.2%
2.3	Open assessments already past 45 working days	Low	Count	13	7	25	-	↓				n/a	-	-	-	-	-				
2.4	Number of assessments completed in the current month	Info	Count	326	340	240	2522	↓				n/a	-	-	3819	3819	3442				
2.5	% of completed assessments ending in - On-going Involvement	High	Percentage	36.2%	42.1%	45.4%	41.9%	↑	GREEN	<40%	40%>	45%+	-	-	42.4%	40.6%	38.5%				
2.6	% of completed assessments ending in - No further action	Info	Percentage	35.9%	33.8%	30.8%	25.9%	↓				n/a	-	-	34.7%	31.6%	28.0%				
2.7	% of completed assessments ending in - Step down to Early Help / Other Agency	Info	Percentage	27.9%	24.1%	23.8%	32.3%	↓				n/a	-	-	22.8%	27.8%	33.5%				
2.8	% of completed assessments ending in - Other/Not Recorded	Info	Percentage	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	→				n/a	-	-	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%				
3.1	Number of S47 Investigations started	Info	Count	204	159	140	1582	↓				n/a	1478	1457	2267	2204	2195				
3.2	Number of S47 Investigations - rolling 12 month performance	Info	Count	2123	2120	2120	-	→				n/a	-	-	-	-	-				
3.3	Number of S47's per 10,000 population aged 0-17 - rolling 12 month performance	Info	Rate per 10,000	369.1	368.6	368.6	-	→	RED	more than +/-15	+/-15	+/-5 of 158.8	262.1	258.3	400.6	387.0	385.4	238.38	124.3	167.2	-
3.4	Number of S47 Investigations - Completed	Info	Count	233	190	128	1578	↓				n/a	1390	1384	2243	2203	2219				
3.5	% of S47's with an outcome - Concerns are substantiated and child is judged to be at continuing risk of significant harm	High	Percentage	42.5%	46.3%	36.7%	47.5%	↓				n/a	-	55.6%	63.8%	55.3%	48.7%				
3.6	% of S47's with an outcome - Concerns are substantiated, but the child is not judged to be at continuing risk of significant harm	Info	Percentage	48.9%	41.6%	60.9%	45.1%	↑				n/a	-	27.9%	28.8%	37.9%	44.5%				
3.7	% of S47's with an outcome - Concerns not substantiated	Low	Percentage	8.6%	12.1%	1.6%	7.3%	↑				n/a	-	10.9%	7.3%	6.8%	6.8%				
3.8	% of S47's with an outcome - Not Recorded	Low	Percentage	0.4%	0.0%	0.8%	-	-				n/a	-	-	-	-	-				
4.1	Number of open CIN cases	Info	Count	1154	1111	1137	-	↑				n/a	1430	1659	1678	1372	1260				

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CIN	4.2	Number of CIN (Inc. CPP, LAC & Care Leavers as per DfE definition)	Info	Count	2582	2522	2551	-	↑				n/a	1805	2029	2326	1879	1709				
CIN	4.3	Number of CIN per 10K pop. (Council Plan Indicator) (Inc. CPP, LAC & Care Leavers as per DfE definition)	Low	Rate per 10,000	448.9	438.4	443.5	-	↓	Red			375.5	426.4	481.1	563.3	495.0	459.6	430.8	280.3	323.7	-
CIN	4.4	% of CIN (open at least 45 days) with an up to date plan	High	Percentage	90.0%	88.4%	86.6%	-	↓	Amber	<85%	85%>	90%+	98.6%	89.9%	82.8%	89.9%	90.6%				
CHILD PROTECTION	5.1	Number of open CPP cases	Info	Count	488	465	462	-	↓				n/a	369	370	648	507	449				
CHILD PROTECTION	5.2	Number of Initial CP Conferences (children) - rolling 12 month	Info	Count	682	670	668	-	↓				n/a	597	490	960	786	732				
CHILD PROTECTION	5.3	Number of Initial CP Conferences (children) per 10,000 population - rolling 12 month	Within limits (low)	Rate per 10,000	118.6	116.5	116.1	-	↑	Red	79+	79<	74.1<	-	86.9	169.6	138.0	128.5	93.89	41.2	64.4	-
CHILD PROTECTION	5.4	Number of Initial CP Conferences (children) - in month	Info	Count	63	55	42	500						597	490	960	786	732				
CHILD PROTECTION	5.5	% of initial child protection conference (ICPCs) completed within 15 days of S47 (based on number of children)	High	Percentage	46.0%	40.0%	38.1%	45.6%	↓	Red	<85%	85%>	90%+	88.3%	91.0%	84.0%	86.6%	62.4%	78.5%	99.5%	78.7%	88.2%
CHILD PROTECTION	5.6	Number of children with a CP plan per 10,000 population under 18 (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Rate per 10,000	84.8	80.8	80.3	-	↑	Green			99.6	65.4	65.6	114.5	89.0	78.8	64.1	20.5	42.8	
CHILD PROTECTION	5.7	Number of children becoming subject to a CP plan per 10,000 population - rolling 12 months	Low	Rate per 10,000	111.6	109.2	109.3	-	↓					93.8	79.0	151.1	119.6	118.7	82.4	35.1	55.2	43.8
CHILD PROTECTION	5.8	No. of children ceased to be subject to a CP plan per 10K pop - rolling 12 months	High	Rate per 10,000	113.5	114.9	110.2	-	↓	Green	<55	55>	59.9+	105.0	79.8	103.2	144.7	129.1	75.5	46.9	55.7	
CHILD PROTECTION	5.9	% of children becoming the subject of a CP plan for a second or subsequent time within 2 years - rolling 12 months (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Percentage	6.1%	6.1%	6.0%	-	↑		11%+	11%<	9%<	4.7%	9.2%	9.5%	6.5%	8.6%				
CHILD PROTECTION	5.10	% of children becoming the subject of a CP plan for a second or subsequent time - ever - rolling 12 months	Low	Percentage	16.0%	14.6%	15.3%		↓	Amber	16%+	16%<	14%<	12.7%	20.0%	24.0%	19.8%	17.5%	20.6%	13.6%	21.9%	18.0%
CHILD PROTECTION	5.11	% of open CP plans lasting 2 years or more	Low	Percentage	0.6%	0.22%	0.65%	-	↓		3.7%+	3.6%<	2.6%<	0.8%	0.3%	0.2%	1.2%	2.2%	2.2%	0.0%	2.1%	1.2%
CHILD PROTECTION	5.12	% of CP plans lasting 2 years or more - ceased within period	Low	Percentage	0.0%	3.0%	0.0%	5.1%	↑		6.5%+	6.5%<	4.5%<	4.8%	1.8%	0.9%	1.2%	4.7%	3.4%	0.0%	3.6%	2.6%
CHILD PROTECTION	5.13	% of CP cases which were reviewed within timescales	High	Percentage	100.0%	90.9%	100.0%	96.6%	↑		<95%	95%>	98%+	94.2%	98.6%	93.8%	96.7%	97.0%	89.0%	100.0%	91.5%	97.6%
CHILD PROTECTION	5.14	% CPP with an up to date plan	High	Percentage	89.1%	82.7%	82.9%	-	↑	Red	<93%	93%>	95%+	100.0%	94.3%	87.7%	94.3%	90.2%				
CHILD PROTECTION	5.15	% of CPP with visits in the last 2 weeks	High	Percentage	90.6%	91.2%	84.4%	-	↓	Red	<90%	90%>	95%+	-	51.4%	93.6%	96.2%	88.4%				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.1	Number of Looked After Children	Info	Count	607	613	615	-	↑				n/a	432	488	627	642	595				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.2	Rate of Looked After Children per 10,000 population aged under 18 (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Rate per 10,000	105.5	106.6	106.9	-	↓	Red			99.1	76.6	86.6	110.8	112.7	104.5	98.2	59.0	67.0	
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.3	Admissions of Looked After Children	Info	Count	12	16	14	140	↓				n/a	208	262	330	271	214				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.4	Number of children who have ceased to be Looked After Children	High	Count	19	10	12	120	↑				n/a	192	215	194	254	259				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.5	Percentage of LAC who have ceased to be looked after due to permanence (Special Guardianship Order, Residence Order, Adoption)	High	Percentage	36.8%	50.0%	66.7%	33.3%	↑	Green	<33%	33%>	35%+	40.1%	27.9%	27.3%	31.5%	32.4%				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.6	Number of SGOs started (Legal Status)	High	Count	2	6	4	23	↓					-	-	67	62	73				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.7	Percentage of LAC who have ceased to be looked after due to a Special Guardianship Order	High	Percentage	0.0%	10.0%	50.0%	11.7%	↑					-	9.8%	8.2%	13.1%	16.2%	12.3% (2017)	22.0% (2017)	12.0% (2017)	17.0% (2017)
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.8	LAC cases reviewed within timescales	High	Percentage	97.1%	96.4%	96.2%	96.1%	↓	Green	<90%	90%>	95%+	83.3%	91.3%	90.6%	88.6%	90.8%				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.9	% of children adopted	High	Percentage	36.8%	50.0%	16.7%	21.7%	↓	Red	<20%	20%>	22.7%+	26.3%	14.4%	13.9%	12.6%	11.2%	17.3%	42.0%	12.0%	16.6%
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.10	Health of Looked After Children - up to date Health Assessments	High	Percentage	87.9%	85.3%	80.1%	-	↓	Red	<90%	90%>	95%+	92.8%	89.5%	83.7%	91.8%	88.2%				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.11	Health of Looked After Children - up to date Dental Assessments	High	Percentage	34.5%	27.7%	20.7%	-	↓	Red	<90%	90%>	95%+	95.0%	57.3%	72.5%	88.4%	82.2%				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.12	Health of Looked After Children - Initial Health Assessments carried out within 20 working days	High	Percentage	85.7%	66.7%	84.6%	78.8%	↑					8.4%	18.2%	55.7%	51.1%	86.4%				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.13	% of LAC with a PEP (Termly)	High	Percentage	-	-	-	n/a			<90%	90%>	95%+	76.0%	97.8%	97.0%	93.6%	97.5%				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.14	% of LAC with up to date PEPs (Termly)	High	Percentage	-	-	-	n/a			<90%	90%>	95%+	-	-	98.9%	97.4%	95.0%				
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.15	LAC Overall absence - % of sessions lost due to absence	Low	Percentage	-	-	-	n/a						5.0%	4.1%	5.7%	4.7%	4.6%	4.3%	2.9%	4.7%	3.9%

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	6.16	% of LAC who are classed as persistent absentees	Low	Percentage	-	-	-	-	n/a					11.7%	12.2%	13.3%	11.7%	8.6%	10.0%	6.3%	10.9%	9.2%
	6.17	% of LAC with at least one fixed term exclusion	Low	Percentage	-	-	-	-	n/a					11.8%	13.1%	15.5%	12.5%	tbc	13.2%	10.6%	11.7%	10.0%
	6.18	% of LAC on reduced timetable arrangements	Low	Percentage	-	-	-	-	n/a					-	-	-	-	-				
	6.19	% of eligible LAC with an up to date plan	High	Percentage	93.2%	91.8%	91.9%	-	↑	Red	<93%	93%>	95%+	98.4%	79.1%	89.5%	98.0%	92.6%				
	6.20	% LAC visits up to date & completed within timescale of National Minimum standard	High	Percentage	97.7%	97.3%	97.1%	-	↓	Amber	<95%	95%>	98%+	98.1%	74.0%	97.5%	96.9%	93.4%				
CARE LEAVERS	7.1	Number of care leavers	Info	Count	333	333	337	-	↑				n/a	197	223	255	298	313				
	7.2	% of eligible LAC & Care Leavers with a pathway plan	High	Percentage	95.2%	95.5%	89.0%	-	↓	Red	<93%	93%>	95%+	69.8%	99.3%	94.4%	87.4%	94.2%				
	7.3	% of eligible LAC & Care Leavers with an up to date pathway plan	High	Percentage	75.3%	76.8%	72.9%	-	↓					-	-	81.5%	82.0%	73.1%				
	7.4	% of care leavers in suitable accommodation	High	Percentage	96.1%	96.7%	97.0%	-	↑	Amber	<95%	95%>	98%+	96.5%	97.8%	94.5%	93.6%	93.0%	86.6%	94.0%	85.0%	92.0%
	7.5	% of care leavers in employment, education or training	High	Percentage	61.6%	62.2%	65.3%	-	↑	Red	<70%	70%>	72%+	68.0%	62.9%	62.4%	62.8%	59.7%	56.0%	73.0%	51.0%	59.0%
PLACEMENTS	8.1	% of long term LAC in placements which have been stable for at least 2 years	High	Percentage	67.7%	67.2%	68.0%	-	↑	Amber	<68%	68%>	70%+	72.7%	66.2%	61.2%	61.2%	62.1%	68.5%	77.0%	69.0%	73.0%
	8.2	% of LAC who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 months (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Percentage	8.4%	8.6%	8.8%	-	↓	Green	13%+	13%<	10.8%<	13.0%	11.9%	13.4%	13.3%	11.1%	10.0%	6.0%	10.0%	8.0%
	8.3	% of LAC in a family based setting (Council Plan Indicator)	High	Percentage	81.2%	80.9%	80.8%	-	↓	Amber			85%>	-	81.1%	81.0%	81.9%	81.5%				
	8.4	% of LAC placed with parents or other with parental responsibility (P1)	Low	Percentage	4.1%	4.4%	4.9%	-	↓					-	5.3%	4.3%	7.2%	5.4%				
	8.5	% of LAC in a Commissioned Placement	Low	Percentage	51.4%	51.5%	51.2%	-	↑					43.6%	43.2%	50.5%	52.3%	51.9%				
FOSTERING	9.1	Number of LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes family/friend carers)	High	Count	397	395	391	-	↓					-	353	414	427	405				
	9.2	% of LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes family/friend carers)	High	Percentage	65.4%	64.4%	63.6%	-	↓					-	56.3%	64.5%	66.5%	68.1%				
	9.3	Number of Foster Carers (Households)	High	Count	151	149	148	-	↓					156	161	154	149	147				
	9.4	Number of Foster Carers Recruited	High	Count	2	2	1	17	↓					13	32	16	11	18				
	9.5	Number of Foster Carers Deregistered	Info	Count	1	3	2	15	↓					16	22	25	21	20				
ADOPTIONS	10.1	Number of adoptions	High	Count	7	5	2	26	↓					43	31	27	32	29				
	10.2	Number of adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	High	Count	1	0	0	4	→					23	12	16	11	9				
	10.3	% of adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	High	Percentage	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	15.4%	→	Red	<83%	83%>	85%+	53.5%	38.7%	59.3%	34.4%	31.0%				
	10.4	Average number of days between a child becoming Looked After and having a adoption placement (A10)	Low	YTD Average	396.1	416.8	427.3	-	↓	Green	511+	511<	487<	296.0	404.0	325.3	386.9	391.5	359.7	310.0	376.0	333.0
	10.5	Average number of days between a placement order and being matched with an adoptive family (A2)	Low	YTD Average	176.6	181.4	185.4	-	↓	Red	127+	127<	121<	136	232.9	124.8	212.4	146.0	160.0	91.0	178.0	138.0
WORKFORCE & CASELOAD	11.1	% of agency staff in social care (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Percentage	8.46%	8.43%	7.84%	-	↑	Green			10%<	-	-	-	4.9%	1.6%				
	11.3	Maximum caseload of social workers in key safeguarding teams (excluding children's disability team)	Low	Average count	28	30	31	-	↓	Red	25+	24<	22<	29.1	30.0	30.0	33.0	30.0				
	11.4	Maximum caseload of social workers in LAC	Low	Average count	20	20	19	-	↑	Amber	21+	20<	18<	19.2	17.0	18.0	23.0	29.0				
	11.5	Average number of cases per qualified social worker in LAC Teams 1-3	Within Limits	Average count	18.2	18.1	16.7	-	↓		1+ above range limit	1 above / below range limit	14-20	-	-	12.6	19.4	17.9				
	11.6	Average number of cases per qualified social worker in Duty Teams	Within Limits	Average count	18.0	14.8	16.1	-	↑		1+ above range limit	1 above / below range limit	16-22	15.8	13.3	17.9	20.2	17.7				
	11.7	Average number of cases per qualified social worker in CIN Teams (1-12)	Within Limits	Average count	20.4	19.6	19.9	-	↑		1+ above range limit	1 above / below range limit	16-22	18.0	17.7	18.7	19.6	21.7				
	11.8	Average number of cases per qualified social worker in Children's Disability Team	Within Limits	Average count	19.3	18.8	20	-	↑		1+ above range limit	1 above / below range limit	16-22	19.1	15.4	13.4	21.6	17.5				

CONTACTS

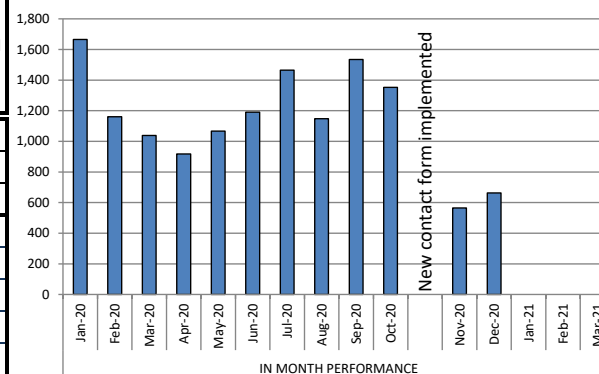| DEFINITION	A contact is where an LA receives a contact about a child, and where there is a request for general advice, information or a social care service. Contacts received are screened against an agreed multi-agency threshold criteria for social care, where a manager agrees these thresholds have been met the contact progresses to a 'Referral' for consideration of an assessment and/or the services which may be required for a child.

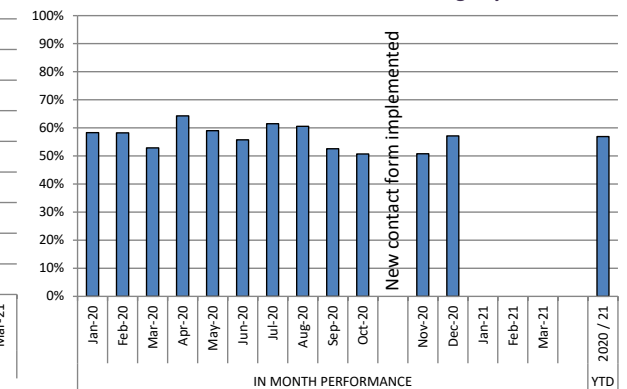| SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS	A new contact form and new processes have been implemented within MASH as part of the pathway work and this has altered performance reporting for November and December 20. The current reporting and form need further work, and this is likely to impact on data going forward. The new forms seem to have over complicated matters. The changes are significantly affecting the numbers which are reported, and this continues to be due to the following reasons: •Previous reporting was based on the 'reason for contact' field to identify if the contact was social care or early help. For the social care numbers, we included any contact that had a 'reason for contact' of: Advice/Consultation/Query, Notification, Request for Children's Social Care Service, Request for Information, Request for Service, or any Contact that progressed to a Referral – even if it was originally recorded as a Request for Early Help Service. This inevitably led to some double counting between Early Help and Social Care. For example, a contact may have been recorded as Request for Children's Social Care Service but resulted in an Early Help episode after screening, so will be counted by both EH and SC. The new contact form has additional fields to identify the type of contact, meaning we no longer use the above method and split the contacts by harm (social care), help (early help) and we will no longer have the issue of double counting in both services. •In addition to the issue of double counting, on the new front door contacts report, for Social Care timeliness the report only includes contacts identified as a 'contact' in the 'contact type' field. It does not include contacts recorded as 'information only' or 'view files' which now have a turnaround deadline of 5 working days, however, these would have previously been included. The timeliness in 1 working day also includes 'harm' and contacts recorded as 'not sure'.

Data Note: Contacts statistics relate to 'new' contacts only. Contacts on open cases and intended for Early Help services have been manually filtered.

		1.1	1.2	1.3
		No. contacts received in Front Door (cyp) (All contacts)	No. Contacts (harm & not sure only / previously social care contacts)	% Contacts with decision within 1 working day (harm & not sure / 'contact' field type only)	% Contacts progressing to referral (harm & not sure / 'contact' field type only)

IN MONTH PERFORMANCE					
	Jan-20	-	1666	972 of 1666 58.3%	385 of 1666 23.1%
	Feb-20	-	1161	676 of 1161 58.2%	302 of 1161 26.0%
	Mar-20	-	1038	549 of 1038 52.9%	321 of 1038 30.9%
	Apr-20	-	918	590 of 918 64.3%	252 of 918 27.5%
	May-20	-	1067	630 of 1067 59.0%	226 of 1067 21.2%
	Jun-20	-	1190	664 of 1190 55.8%	255 of 1190 21.4%
	Jul-20	-	1465	901 of 1465 61.5%	383 of 1465 26.1%
	Aug-20	-	1148	695 of 1148 60.5%	248 of 1148 21.6%
	Sep-20	-	1534	807 of 1534 52.6%	390 of 1534 25.4%
	Oct-20	-	1353	686 of 1353 50.7%	280 of 1353 20.7%
	New Contact Form Implemented				
	Nov-20	1567	565	287 of 565 50.8%	207 of 565 36.6%
	Dec-20	1680	663	379 of 663 57.2%	224 of 663 33.8%
	Jan-21				
	Feb-21				
	Mar-21				

YTD	2020 / 21		9903	5639 of 9903 56.9%	2465 of 9903 24.9%

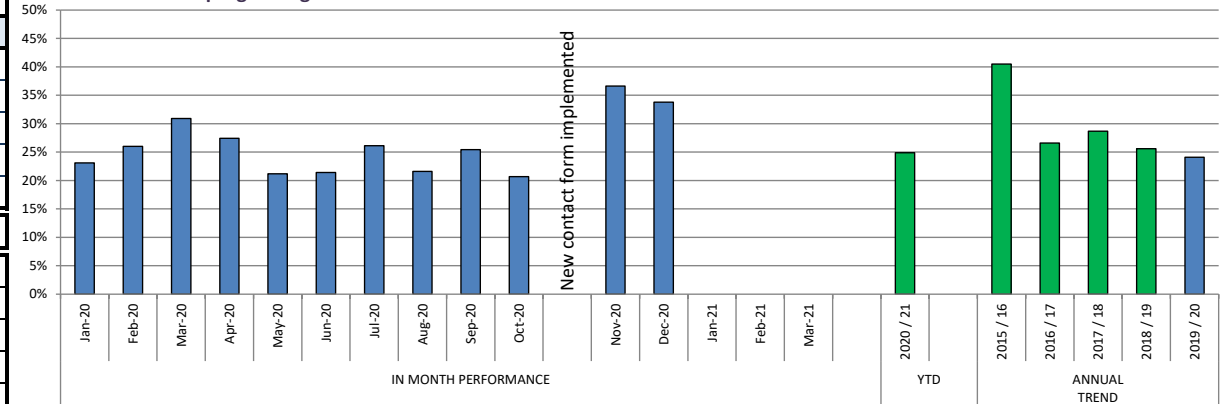| ANNUAL TREND					
	2015 / 16		12165	96.5%	40.5%
	2016 / 17		16609	86.0%	26.6%
	2017 / 18		15670	79.5%	28.7%
	2018 / 19		16698	80.9%	25.6%
	2019 / 20		15605	59.5%	24.1%

Number of contacts

% of Contacts with decision within 1 working day

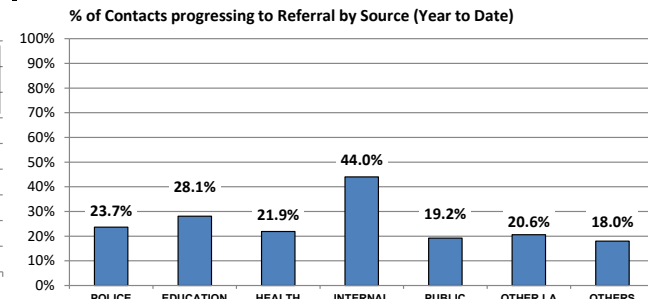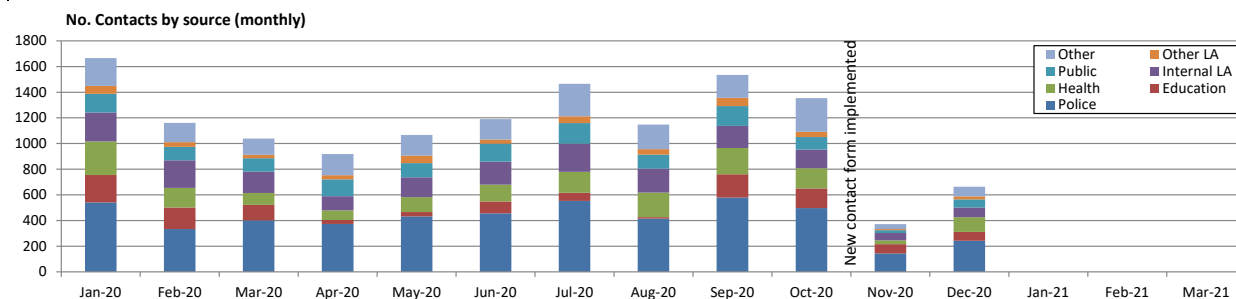**% of Contacts progressing to referral**

CONTACTS BY SOURCE 'HARM & NOT SURE'

DEFINITION	An initial contact is where a LA receives a contact about a child, and where there is a request for general advice, information or a social care service. Contacts received are screened against an agreed multi-agency threshold criteria for social care, where a manager agrees these thresholds have been met the contact progresses to a 'referral' for consideration of an assessment and/or services which may be required for a child. The analysis below provides a breakdown of numbers and progression rates to referral by the source of contact.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS	A new contact form and new processes have been implemented within service and performance for November and December 20 is based on this. Please see narrative on the previous page (Contacts) for more information on how this has affected performance reporting. The below performance metrics from November 20 onwards relate to contacts recorded as being 'harm' or 'not sure' on the new contact form. 663 contacts of which 224 had an outcome of progress to a social care referral in December 20.

		(1) POLICE			(2) Education services (Inc. Schools)			(3) Health services			(4) Internal council services			(5) Members of public (Inc. self / parent)			(6) OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES			(7) Others (Inc. Children centres, Legal services, Cafcass)		
		Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	541	106	19.6%	213	63	29.6%	262	48	18.3%	226	71	31.4%	146	32	21.9%	62	17	27.4%	216	48	22.2%
	Feb-20	334	89	26.6%	167	54	32.3%	153	39	25.5%	216	86	39.8%	104	2	1.9%	37	4	10.8%	150	28	18.7%
	Mar-20	401	88	21.9%	121	55	45.5%	92	21	22.8%	167	94	56.3%	104	34	32.7%	27	9	33.3%	126	20	15.9%
	Apr-20	373	99	26.5%	31	4	12.9%	75	21	28.0%	110	48	43.6%	131	32	24.4%	33	11	33.3%	165	37	22.4%
	May-20	432	103	23.8%	34	5	14.7%	117	20	17.1%	154	55	35.7%	111	8	7.2%	58	9	15.5%	161	26	16.1%
	Jun-20	455	76	16.7%	94	18	19.1%	130	26	20.0%	180	76	42.2%	140	30	21.4%	33	3	9.1%	158	26	16.5%
	Jul-20	553	132	23.9%	63	21	33.3%	163	32	19.6%	220	102	46.4%	161	37	23.0%	53	9	17.0%	252	50	19.8%
	Aug-20	415	86	20.7%	11	0	0.0%	191	35	18.3%	188	66	35.1%	109	25	22.9%	42	7	16.7%	192	29	15.1%
	Sep-20	579	119	20.6%	181	48	26.5%	205	50	24.4%	172	86	50.0%	155	31	20.0%	64	12	18.8%	178	44	24.7%
	Oct-20	497	96	19.3%	153	36	23.5%	157	32	20.4%	146	70	47.9%	98	11	11.2%	40	9	22.5%	262	26	9.9%
	New Contact Form Implemented																					
	Nov-20	144	71	49.3%	72	42	58.3%	29	16	55.2%	57	27	47.4%	22	6	27.3%	9	6	66.7%	39	8	20.5%
	Dec-20	242	91	37.6%	70	25	35.7%	115	27	23.5%	75	43	57.3%	63	10	15.9%	23	7	30.4%	75	21	28.0%
	Jan-21																					
	Feb-21																					
	Mar-21																					
YTD	2020 / 21	3690	873	23.7%	709	199	28.1%	1182	259	21.9%	1302	573	44.0%	990	190	19.2%	355	73	20.6%	1482	267	18.0%
ANNUAL TREND	2015 / 16	4383	1321	30.1%	1586	909	57.3%	1636	789	48.2%	1735	866	49.9%	1303	513	39.4%	2	0	0.0%	1520	517	34.0%
	2016 / 17	6085	1193	19.6%	1997	864	43.3%	1708	474	27.8%	784	317	40.4%	1404	371	26.4%	335	0.8	0.2%	4296	1112	25.9%
	2017 / 18	5936	1139	19.2%	1952	777	39.8%	1798	575	32.0%	2281	1159	50.8%	1350	336	24.9%	486	153	31.5%	1867	356	19.1%
	2018 / 19	5862	1063	18.1%	2201	799	36.3%	2092	545	26.1%	2323	1008	43.4%	1744	372	21.3%	495	123	24.8%	1981	358	18.1%
	2019 / 20	5136	1066	20.8%	1884	564	29.9%	2294	472	20.6%	2241	917	40.9%	1706	327	19.2%	490	116	23.7%	1854	302	16.3%

No. Contacts by source (monthly)

% of Contacts progressing to Referral by Source (Year to Date)

REFERRALS

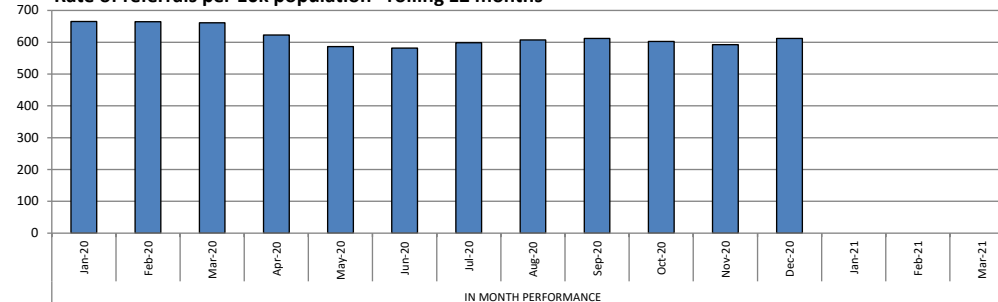| DEFINITION	A contact meeting the agreed multi agency threshold progresses to a 'referral' for consideration of an assessment and/or services may be required for a child or further information is required to make an informed decision.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

There were 276 referrals in December 20 compared to 223 in November 20, this is in line with the fluctuation in contacts. 100% of referrals in December 20 went onto assessment.

The CSE cohort increased to 48 in December 20, whereas the number of referrals having a reason of CSE remained stable at 8 compared to 7 in November 20. (86 CSE related referrals year to date).

		1.4	1.5		1.10	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.8
		No. of Referrals	No. of Referrals (rolling 12 months)	Rate of referrals (10k pop) rolling 12 month	No. of CSE Referrals (Victim & Perpetrator)	CSE Cohort (Council Plan Indicator)	% Referrals going on to Assessment	% Re-referrals - had a referral in last 12 months - in month	% Re-referrals - had a referral in last 12 months - rolling 12 months
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	342	3788	665.2	2	41	99.1%	18.7%	21.5%
	Feb-20	321	3786	664.8	0	48	98.1%	17.4%	21.0%
	Mar-20	338	3766	661.3	2	50	99.7%	20.7%	20.7%
	Apr-20	261	3584	623.1	3	51	100.0%	12.3%	19.9%
	May-20	195	3373	586.4	3	57	100.0%	24.1%	19.7%
	Jun-20	265	3345	581.5	1	53	98.9%	21.1%	20.2%
	Jul-20	377	3444	598.7	13	49	100.0%	18.6%	19.7%
	Aug-20	276	3494	607.4	22	47	99.6%	19.6%	19.9%
	Sep-20	333	3522	612.3	9	49	99.4%	21.3%	19.5%
	Oct-20	315	3465	602.4	20	42	99.0%	21.0%	19.4%
	Nov-20	223	3409	592.6	7	42	99.6%	19.3%	19.3%
	Dec-20	276	3522	612.3	8	48	100.0%	12.3%	18.8%
	Jan-21								
	Feb-21								
	Mar-21								
YTD	2020 / 21	2521	-	-	86	-	99.6%	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015 / 16	4915	-	-	200	-	77.6%	-	-
	2016 / 17	5127	-	910	256	-	90.0%	-	27.5%
	2017 / 18	4497	-	794.6	169	85	97.3%	-	23.1%
	2018 / 19	4166	-	731.6	124	63	98.4%	-	21.4%
	2019 / 20	3766	-	661.3	65	50	99.2%	-	20.7%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE			686.6					21.6%
	BEST SN			397.6					12.6%
	NAT AVE			534.8					22.6%
	NAT TOP QTILE			-					17.2%

Rate of referrals per 10k population - rolling 12 months

% Referrals going on to Assessment
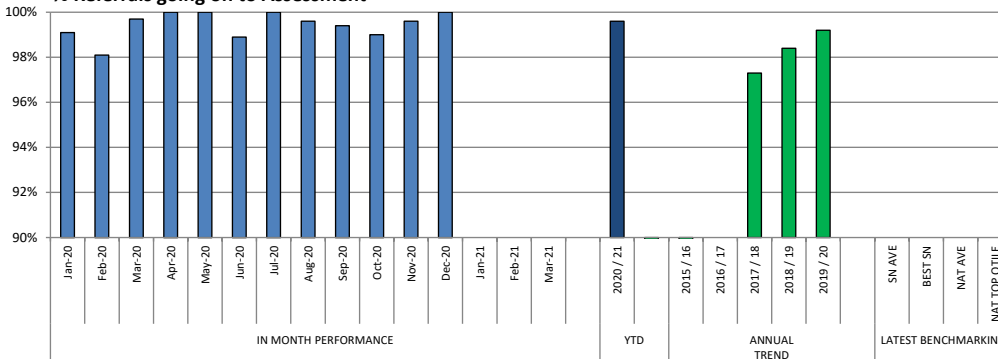
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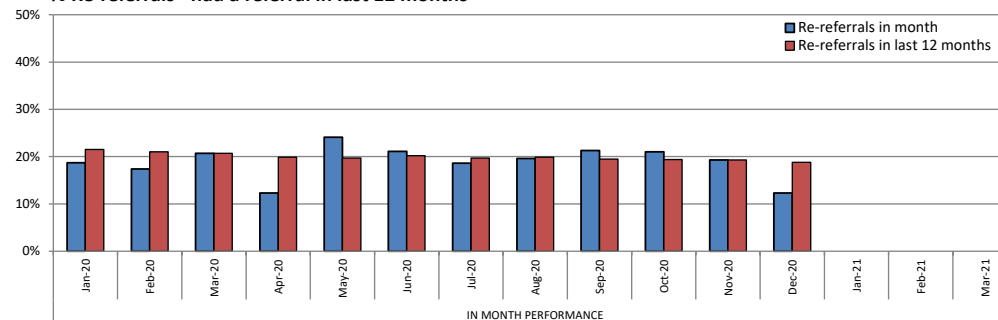
NEW ASSESSMENTS - STARTED / COMPLETED

DEFINITION	If a child meets the Children's Act definition of 'Child in Need' or is likely to be at risk of significant harm, authorisation will be given for an assessment of needs to be started to determine which services to provide and what action to take. National Working Together guidelines state that the maximum timeframe for the assessment to be completed is 45 working days from the point of referral. If, in discussion with a child and their family and other professionals, an assessment exceeds 45 working days the social worker should record the reasons for exceeding the time limit.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

266 assessments were started in December 20, 45 more than November 20 (221). 240 assessments were completed in December 20: 100 less than November 20 (340).

The timeliness of assessments (completed within the 45 days) remained fairly static in December 20 at 88.8% when compare to November 20 (87.1%). The overall YTD figure of 93.1% is now below the 2019/20 outturn of 93.7% but is still above the latest stat neighbour average and national average.

25 open assessments were showing as already being over 45 working days at the end of December 20.

		2.1	2.4	2.2	2.3
		New Assessments (children)			
		Number of Assessments started	**No. of assessments completed in Month**	**% completed within 45 working days**	**No. of open assessments already past 45 working days**
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	339	299	86.0%	16
	Feb-20	317	239	90.0%	9
	Mar-20	336	427	95.1%	6
	Apr-20	261	287	93.7%	1
	May-20	192	296	95.3%	4
	Jun-20	254	237	93.7%	2
	Jul-20	376	253	95.3%	3
	Aug-20	273	281	98.6%	5
	Sep-20	331	262	88.5%	9
	Oct-20	311	326	96.9%	13
	Nov-20	221	340	87.1%	7
	Dec-20	266	240	88.8%	25
	Jan-21				
	Feb-21				
	Mar-21				
YTD	2020 / 21	2485	2522	93.1%	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015 / 16	-	-	-	-
	2016 / 17	-	-	-	-
	2017 / 18	3924	3819	79.0%	-
	2018 / 19	3663	3819	81.1%	-
	2019 / 20	3379	3442	93.7%	-
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE			81.7%	
	BEST SN			99.8%	
	NAT AVE			83.1%	
	NAT TOP QTILE			91.2%	

Assessments Started / Completed
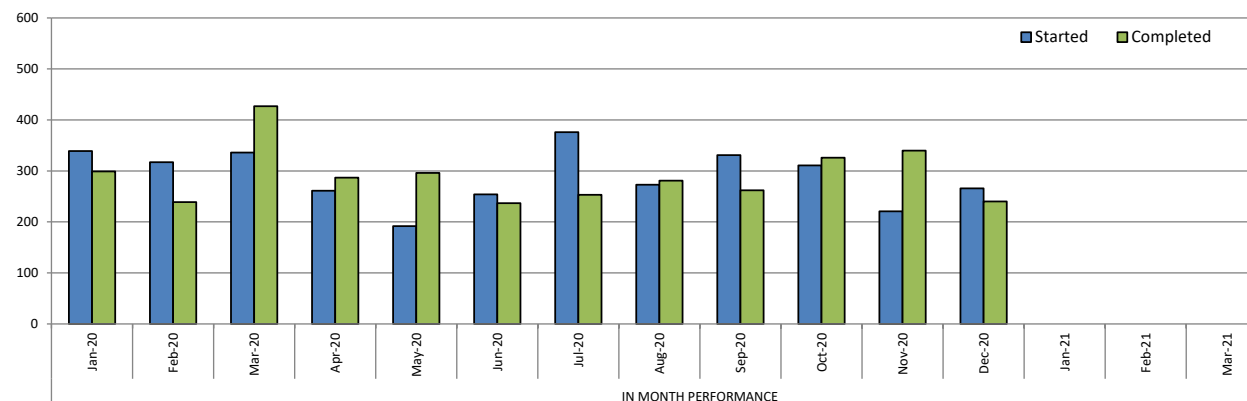
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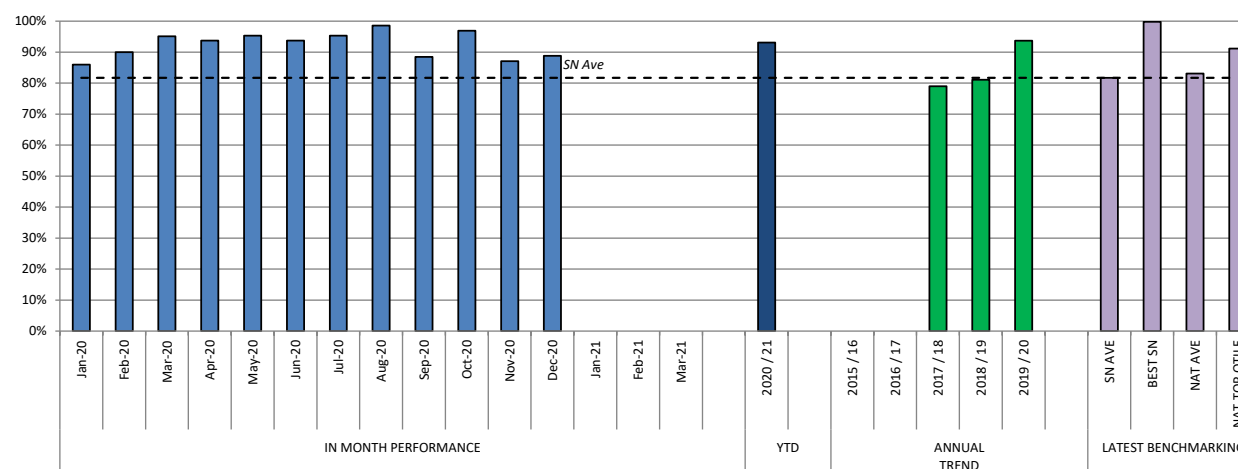
NEW ASSESSMENTS - OUTCOMES

| DEFINITION	Every assessment should be focused on outcomes, deciding which services and support to provide to deliver improved welfare for the child and reflect the child's best interests. Local monitoring processes were reviewed and new outcome options established June 2015 therefore care should be taken when comparing trend data from before that time.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

240 assessments were completed in December 20: 100 less than November 20 (340).

The percentage of assessments resulting in ongoing involvement increased further in December to 45.4% (109/240), however, the actual number of cases reduced (Dec: 109, Nov 143). The percentage of assessments ending in no further action has reduced further in December 20 to 30.8% from 33.8% in November.

|		2.5			2.6			2.7			2.8		
						New Assessments							
		On-going Involvement			No further action			Step down to Early Help			Not Recorded/Other		
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	147	of 299	49.2%	56	of 299	18.7%	96	of 299	32.1%	0	of 299	0.0%
	Feb-20	111	of 239	46.4%	54	of 239	22.6%	74	of 239	31.0%	0	of 239	0.0%
	Mar-20	163	of 427	38.2%	106	of 427	24.8%	158	of 427	37.0%	0	of 427	0.0%
	Apr-20	122	of 287	42.5%	44	of 287	15.3%	121	of 287	42.2%	0	of 287	0.0%
	May-20	142	of 296	48.0%	42	of 296	14.2%	112	of 296	37.8%	0	of 296	0.0%
	Jun-20	92	of 237	38.8%	54	of 237	22.8%	91	of 237	38.4%	0	of 237	0.0%
	Jul-20	100	of 253	39.5%	37	of 253	14.6%	116	of 253	45.8%	0	of 253	0.0%
	Aug-20	116	of 281	41.3%	78	of 281	27.8%	88	of 281	31.3%	0	of 281	0.0%
	Sep-20	114	of 262	43.5%	91	of 262	34.7%	57	of 262	21.8%	0	of 262	0.0%
	Oct-20	118	of 326	36.2%	117	of 326	35.9%	91	of 326	27.9%	0	of 326	0.0%
	Nov-20	143	of 340	42.1%	115	of 340	33.8%	82	of 340	24.1%	0	of 340	0.0%
	Dec-20	109	of 240	45.4%	74	of 240	30.8%	57	of 240	23.8%	0	of 240	0.0%
	Jan-21												
	Feb-21												
	Mar-21												
YTD	2020/21	1056	of 2522	41.9%	652	of 2522	25.9%	815	of 2522	32.3%	0	of 2522	0.0%
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16		-			-			-			-	
	2016/17		-			-			-			-	
	2017/18	2121	of 4999	42.4%	1737	of 4999	34.7%	1140	of 4999	22.8%	1	of 4999	0.0%
	2018/19	2010	of 4948	40.6%	1564	of 4948	31.6%	1374	of 4948	27.8%	0	of 4948	0.0%
	2019/20	1462	of 3799	38.5%	1064	of 3799	28.0%	1273	of 3799	33.5%	0	of 3799	0.0%

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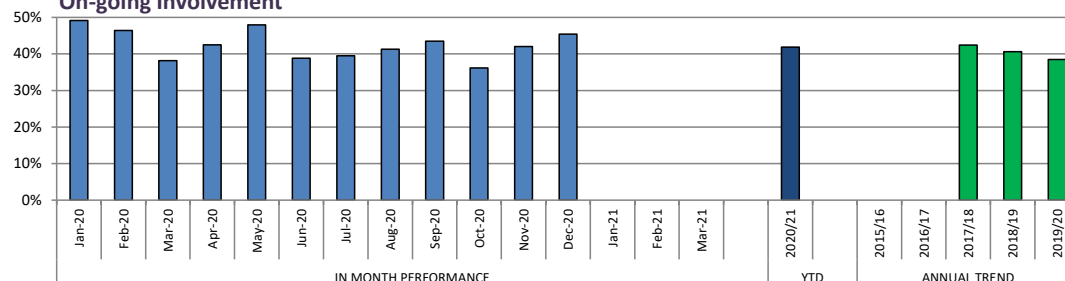
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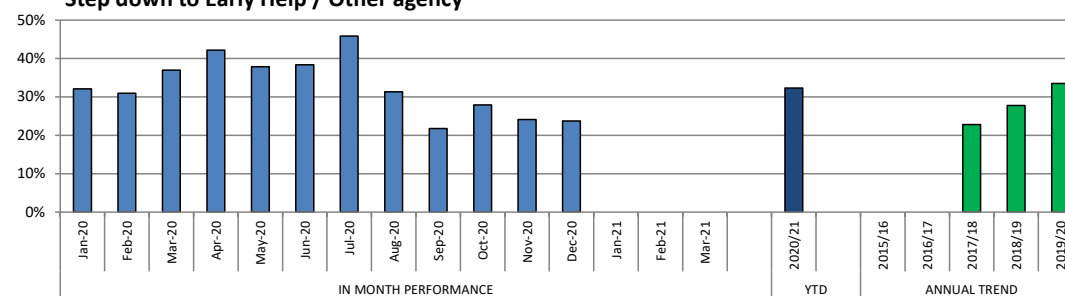
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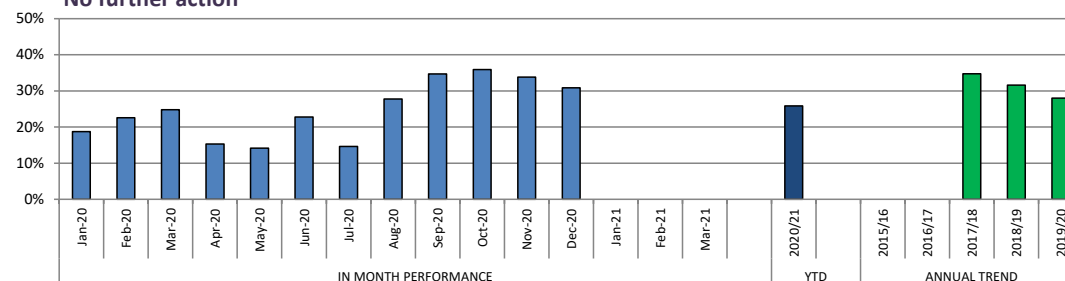
UPDATED ASSESSMENTS - STARTED / COMPLETED

DEFINITION	If a child meets the Children's Act definition of 'Child in Need' or is likely to be at risk of significant harm, authorisation will be given for an assessment of needs to be started to determine which services to provide and what action to take. National Working Together guidelines state that the maximum timeframe for the assessment to be completed is 45 working days from the point of referral. If, in discussion with a child and their family and other professionals, an assessment exceeds 45 working days the social worker should record the reasons for exceeding the time limit.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES /

The number of update assessments started has reduced in December 20 (88) when compared to November 20 (114). The number of assessments completed increased slightly 109 from 97 in November.

The percentage of updated assessments completed within 45 working days improved further in December 20 to 72.5% following a low of 58.3% in October 20.

		2.1	2.4	2.2	2.3
		Update Assessments (children)			
		Number of Assessments started	No. of Assessments completed in Month	% completed within 45 working days	*Open assessments already past 45 working days*
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	163	120	73.3%	43
	Feb-20	117	121	76.0%	39
	Mar-20	110	149	86.1%	45
	Apr-20	113	142	80.3%	37
	May-20	113	83	80.7%	37
	Jun-20	181	131	82.6%	33
	Jul-20	149	127	81.4%	43
	Aug-20	123	112	75.0%	49
	Sep-20	123	118	69.5%	56
	Oct-20	114	162	58.3%	30
	Nov-20	114	97	69.1%	31
	Dec-20	88	109	72.5%	31
	Jan-21				
	Feb-21				
	Mar-21				
YTD	2020 / 21	1118	1081	73.9%	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015 / 16	-	-	-	-
	2016 / 17	-	-	-	-
	2017 / 18	1907	1887	75.3%	-
	2018 / 19	1465	1580	79.2%	-
	2019 / 20	1242	1250	80.4%	-

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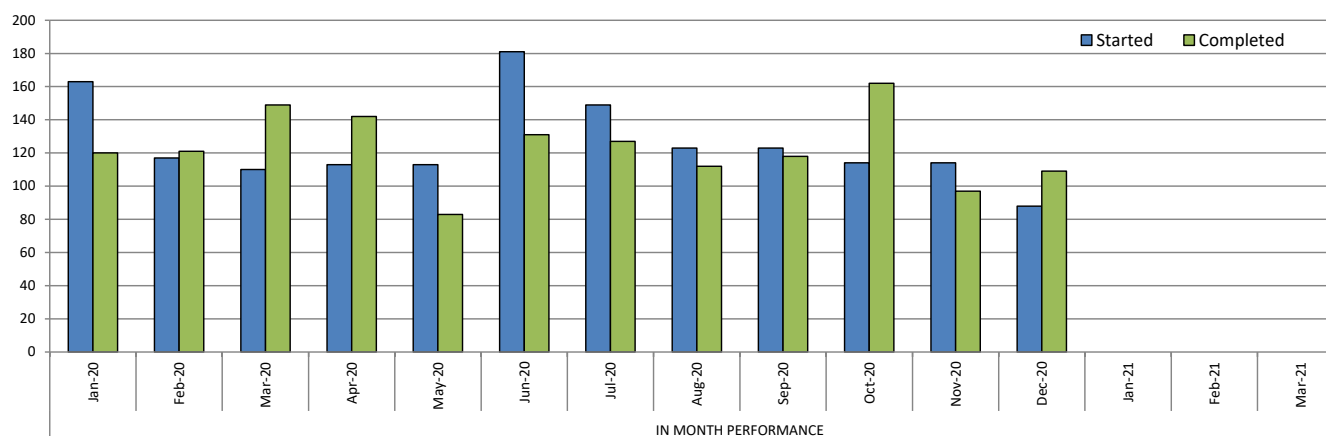
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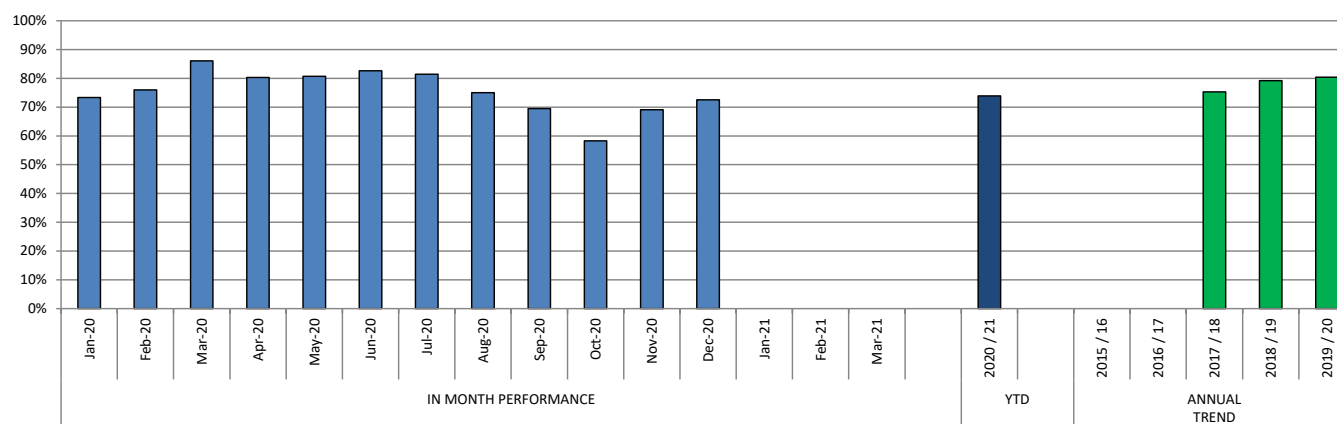
SECTION 47 INVESTIGATIONS - STARTED

DEFINITION	If there is reasonable cause to suspect a child is suffering or likely to be suffering significant harm; a Strategy Discussion will be convened between child protection staff and other relevant bodies. The Strategy Discussion may then decide to launch a Section 47 enquiry. This means the local authority must investigate the case further.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES /

The number of S47 investigations started in month remained fairly stable in December 20 (140) when compared to November 20 (159). However, the number of S47's started each month has reduced gradually since the peak in September. The current monthly average for 20/21 is 175. First Response managers are focusing on using 48 hours and a first visit to consider whether there is reasonable cause to suspect a likelihood of significant harm, rather than moving to a strategy meeting too quickly. This is reflected in the data which is positive and testament to their hard work and focus.

Whilst our rate per 10k population (Dec 20 - 368.6) remains significantly higher than that of our latest Statistical Neighbour average of 213.3; we have seen an overall slow decline from an outturn of 400.7 in Jan 2020 to 368.6 in Dec 2020.

		3.1	3.2	3.3
		Number of S47's Investigations - Started (C&YP)	Number of S47's Investigations Started - rolling 12 month (C&YP)	Rate of S47's per 10K pop. -12 month rolling
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	206	2282	400.7
	Feb-20	194	2279	400.2
	Mar-20	135	2195	385.4
	Apr-20	173	2136	371.3
	May-20	164	2066	359.2
	Jun-20	165	2053	356.9
	Jul-20	179	2056	357.4
	Aug-20	173	2107	366.3
	Sep-20	225	2146	373.1
	Oct-20	204	2123	369.1
	Nov-20	159	2120	368.6
	Dec-20	140	2120	368.6
	Jan-21			
	Feb-21			
	Mar-21			
YTD	2020/21	1582	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16	1478	-	262.1
	2016/17	1457	-	258.3
	2017/18	2267	-	400.6
	2018/19	2204	-	387.0
	2019/20	2195	-	385.4
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE	-	-	238.4
	BEST SN	-	-	124.3
	NAT AVE	-	-	167.2
	NAT TOP QTILE	-	-	-

Number of S47's Investigations Started - in month
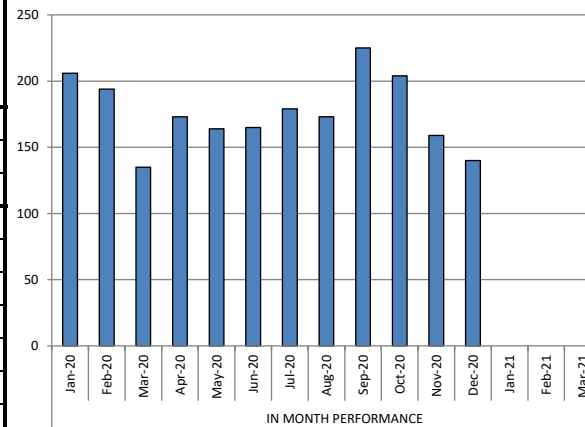
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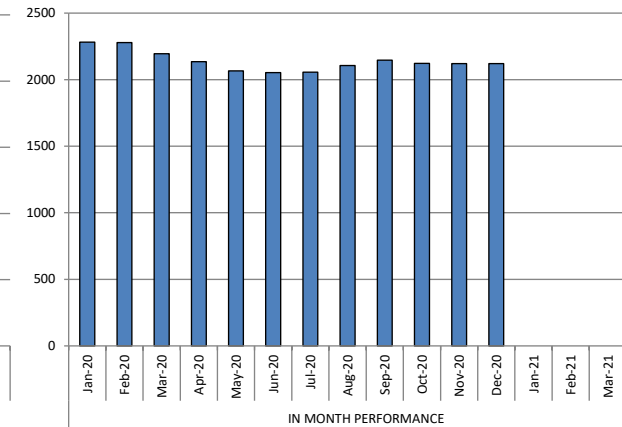
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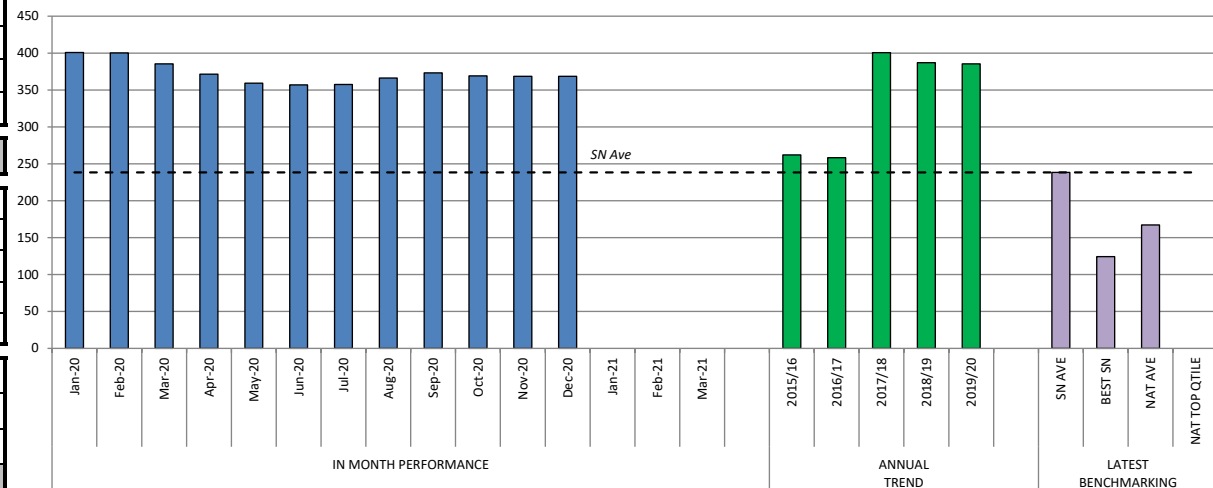
SECTION 47 INVESTIGATIONS - COMPLETED

DEFINITION	Section 47 enquiries are conducted through a Child's Assessment. Depending on the outcome of a Section 47 enquiry, it may range from 'no further action necessary' through 'further monitoring needed' to the convening of a Child Protection Conference.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

128 S47 investigations were completed in December 20, which is a significant drop compared to recent months (November 20: 190, October 20: 233) and is the lowest in month of 2020. This corresponds to the drop-in strategy meetings.

The number of S47 investigations completed with an outcome of 'Concerns substantiated - continuing risk of harm' reduced significantly from 88 in November 20 to 47 in December 20.   This is also shown in the 9.6% decrease to 36.7% in December from 46.3% in November; however due to the total number of S47's complete reducing this doesn't seem like as bigger gap.
Similarly, the percentage of those S47's with an outcome of 'Concerns substantiated - no continuing risk of harm' was also affected, and the percentage increased to 60.9% from 41.6% in November 20.
However, the actual number of those ending in 'no continuing risk' remained stable at 78; from 79 in November 20.

		3.4	3.5		3.6		3.7		3.8	
		Number of S47's Investigations - Completed (C&YP)	**Completed S47's by outcome** *(C&YP)* -							
			Concerns are substantiated - continuing risk of significant harm		**Concerns are substantiated - no continuing risk of significant harm**		**Concerns not substantiated**		**Not recorded** *(as at end of each month)*	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	186	96	51.6%	75	40.3%	15	8.1%	1	0.5%
	Feb-20	194	79	40.7%	97	50.0%	18	9.3%	0	0.0%
	Mar-20	176	91	51.7%	74	42.0%	11	6.3%	0	0.0%
	Apr-20	185	101	54.6%	75	40.5%	9	4.9%	1	0.5%
	May-20	150	83	55.3%	53	35.3%	14	9.3%	0	0.0%
	Jun-20	154	86	55.8%	55	35.7%	13	8.4%	2	1.3%
	Jul-20	164	86	52.4%	76	46.3%	2	1.2%	0	0.0%
	Aug-20	169	67	39.6%	88	52.1%	14	8.3%	3	1.8%
	Sep-20	205	93	45.4%	94	45.9%	18	8.8%	2	1.0%
	Oct-20	233	99	42.5%	114	48.9%	20	8.6%	1	0.4%
	Nov-20	190	88	46.3%	79	41.6%	23	12.1%	0	0.0%
	Dec-20	128	47	36.7%	78	60.9%	2	1.6%	1	0.8%
	Jan-21									
	Feb-21									
	Mar-21									
YTD	2020/21	1578	750	47.5%	712	45.1%	115	7.3%	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16	1390	810	58.3%	420	30.2%	156	11.2%		-
	2016/17	1384	770	55.6%	386	27.9%	151	10.9%		-
	2017/18	2243	1432	63.8%	647	28.8%	164	7.3%		-
	2018/19	2203	1219	55.3%	834	37.9%	150	6.8%		-
	2019/20	2219	1079	48.7%	987	44.5%	150	6.8%		-

Number of S47's Investigations - Completed

S47 Outcome - Concerns are;

■ substantiated: continuing risk   ■ substantiated: no continuing risk   ■ not substantiated
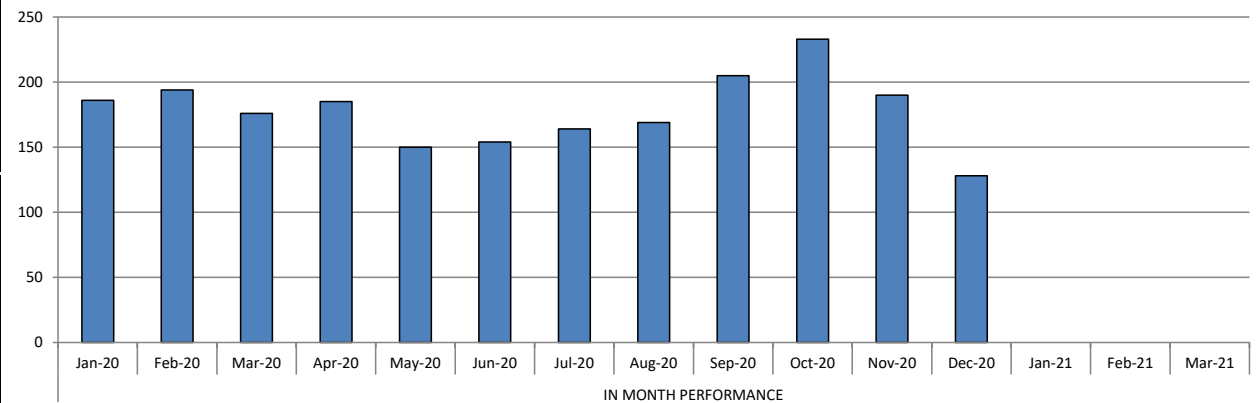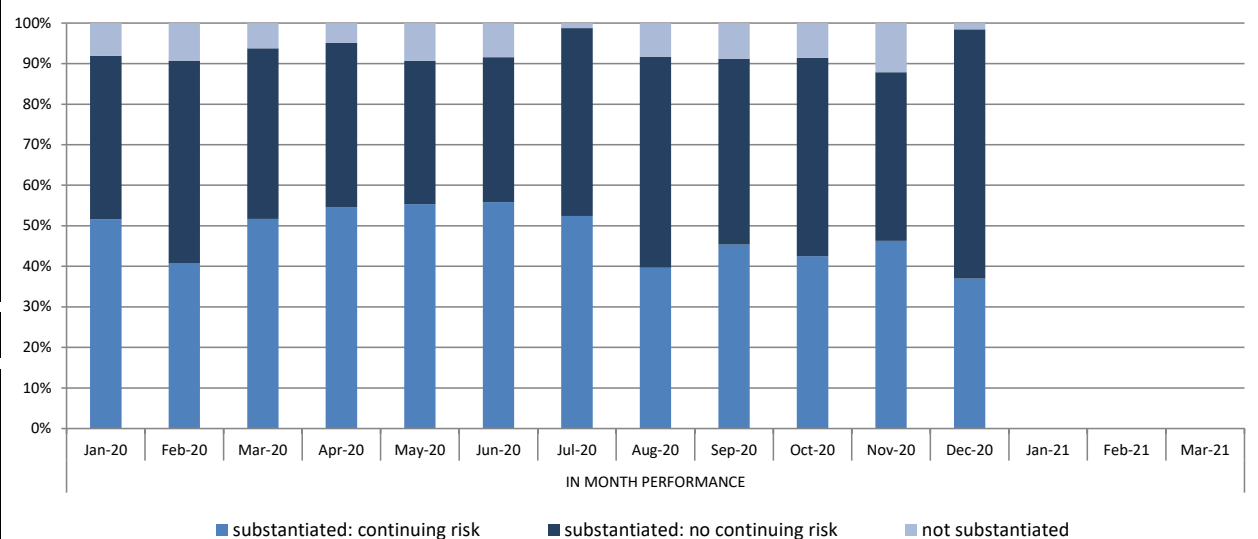
CHILDREN IN NEED (CIN)

DEFINITION	If the child is found to be disabled or the assessment finds that their health and development is likely to suffer without local authority intervention, the child will be classed as 'in need', as defined by Section 17 of the Children Act 1989. This means that the local authority is now legally obliged to provide the necessary services and support.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

The overall CIN population has fluctuated since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic from a high of 1275 in February 20 to a low of 1040 in June 20. At the end of December 20 there were 1137 open CiN cases, which is an increase of 26 when compared to November 20.

The number of children with an up-to-date plan has been fairly consistent in 2020 with performance being between 88%-93% month on month. This however has seen a drop to 86.6% in December 20 which is lowest performance has been in 2020.

		4.1	4.2	4.3	4.4
		Number of open CIN cases	Number of CIN (Inc. CPP, LAC & Care Leavers as per DfE definition)	Number of CIN per 10K pop. (Inc. CPP, LAC & Care Leavers as per DfE definition)	CIN with an up-to-date plan (open at least 45 days)
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	1218	2611	458.5	88.7%
	Feb-20	1275	2663	467.6	90.5%
	Mar-20	1260	2617	459.6	90.6%
	Apr-20	1189	2574	447.5	87.6%
	May-20	1064	2480	431.1	92.4%
	Jun-20	1040	2463	428.2	93.4%
	Jul-20	1126	2533	440.4	93.1%
	Aug-20	1143	2558	444.7	90.0%
	Sep-20	1234	2647	460.2	88.7%
	Oct-20	1154	2582	448.9	90.0%
	Nov-20	1111	2522	438.4	88.4%
	Dec-20	1137	2551	443.5	86.6%
	Jan-21				
	Feb-21				
	Mar-21				
YTD	2020/21	-	-	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16	1430	2428	426.4	98.6%
	2016/17	1659	2740	481.1	89.9%
	2017/18	1678	3208	563.3	82.8%
	2018/19	1372	2819	495.0	89.9%
	2019/20	1260	2617	459.6	90.6%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE			430.8	
	BEST SN			280.3	
	NAT AVE			323.7	
	NAT TOP QTILE			-	

Number of open CIN cases (CiN only)
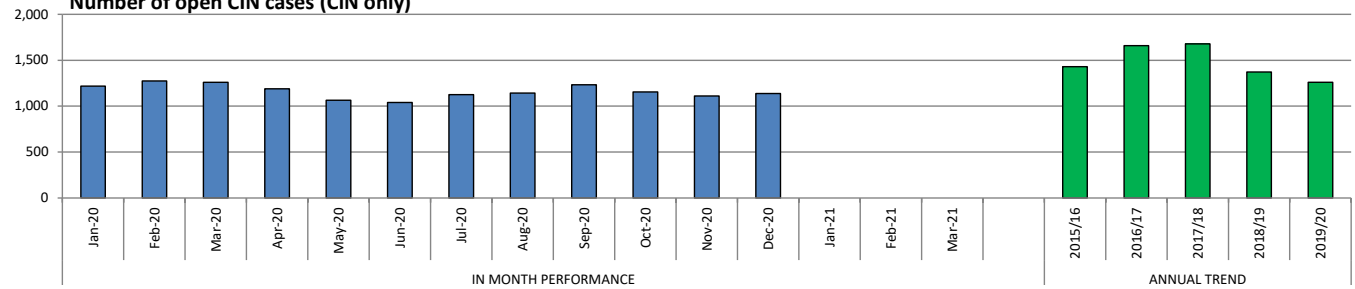
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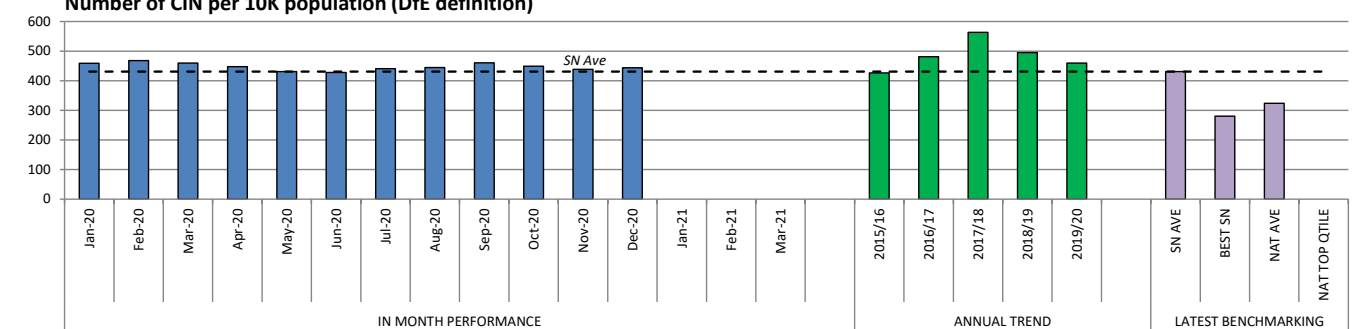
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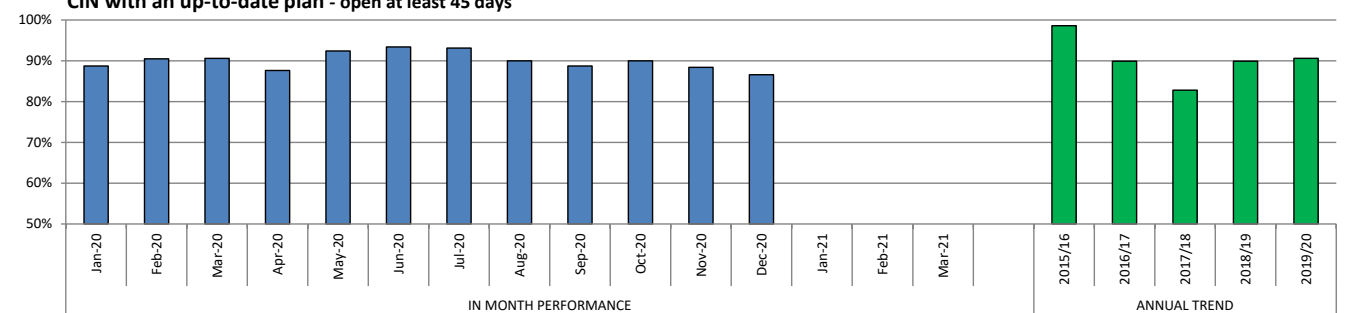
INITIAL CHILD PROTECTION CONFERENCES

DEFINITION	Following a S47 investigation a child protection conference may be convened to consider all the information obtained under the Section 47 enquiry and to determine the best course of action. One of the things the child protection conference considers is whether the child should become subject to a Child Protection Plan. The aim of a child protection plan is to ensure the child is safe from harm and remains that way. As long as it is in the best interests of the child, this will involve offering support and services to the family.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS	42 children were subject to an ICPC in December 20, which is normal for December given the Christmas break. This is a further reduction when compared to recent months (November 20: 55 ICPCs, October 20: 63 ICPCs). The timeliness of ICPCs decreased significantly in September 20 to 21.2% of children having an ICPC within 15 days; subsequently this did improve to 46.0% in October 20 but month on month we are starting to see a decline once again to 38.1% in December 20. 2020/21 YTD stands at 45.6% compared with a 2019/20 outturn of 62.4%, a reduction of 16.8%. The timeliness of ICPCs is further impacted with late conference requests to the safeguarding unit, workers availability and capacity within the safeguarding unit. It is anticipated we will see an improvement in January/February 21, and the unit has a current action plan to improve timeliness.

|		5.2	5.3	5.4	5.5	
		No of children with initial CP Conference (rolling 12mth)	No. of children with Initial CP Confs per 10K pop (rolling 12mth)	No of children subject to an initial CP Conferences (in month)	No. of initial CP confs (children) in 15 days (in month)	% of initial CP confs in 15 days (in month)
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	725	127.3	61	31	50.8%
	Feb-20	721	126.6	42	32	76.2%
	Mar-20	732	128.5	65	31	47.7%
	Apr-20	705	122.6	57	25	43.9%
	May-20	710	123.4	69	58	84.1%
	Jun-20	705	122.6	63	30	47.6%
	Jul-20	681	118.4	53	16	30.2%
	Aug-20	670	116.5	32	18	56.3%
	Sep-20	688	119.6	66	14	21.2%
	Oct-20	682	118.6	63	29	46.0%
	Nov-20	670	116.5	55	22	40.0%
	Dec-20	668	116.1	42	16	38.1%
	Jan-21					
	Feb-21					
	Mar-21					
YTD	2020/21	-	-	500	228	45.6%
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16	597	-	597	-	88.3%
	2016/17	490	86.9	490	446	91.0%
	2017/18	960	169.6	960	806	84.0%
	2018/19	786	138.0	786	681	86.6%
	2019/20	732	128.5	732	457	62.4%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE		93.89			78.5%
	BEST SN		41.2			99.5%
	NAT AVE		64.4			78.7%
	TOP QTILE		-			88.2%

No. Children - Initial Child Protection Conferences per 10,000 pop . 0-17 (Rolling 12 months)
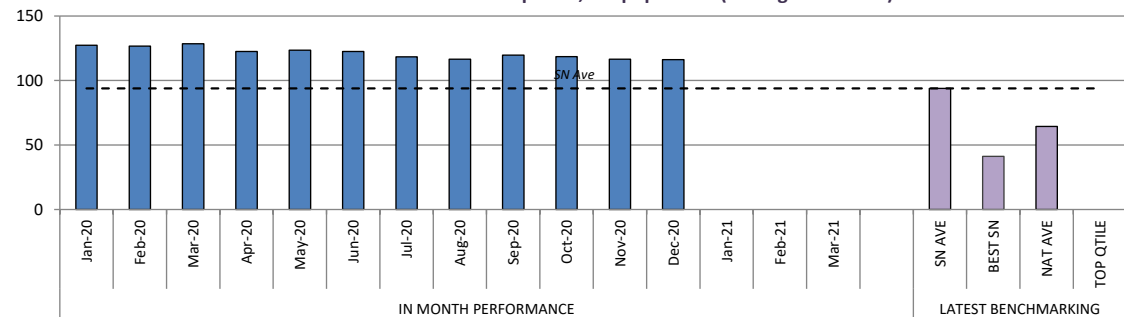
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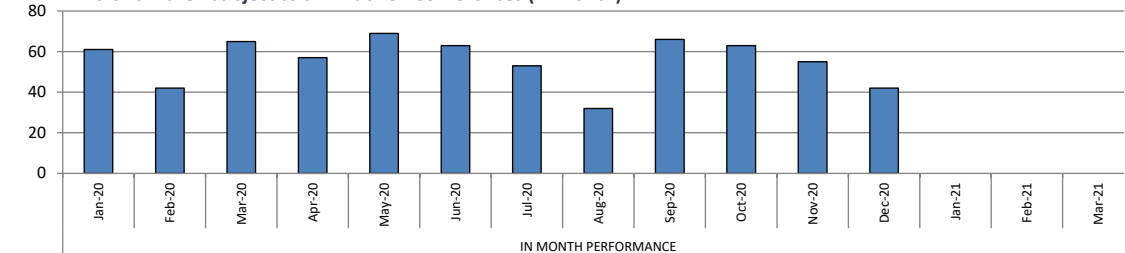
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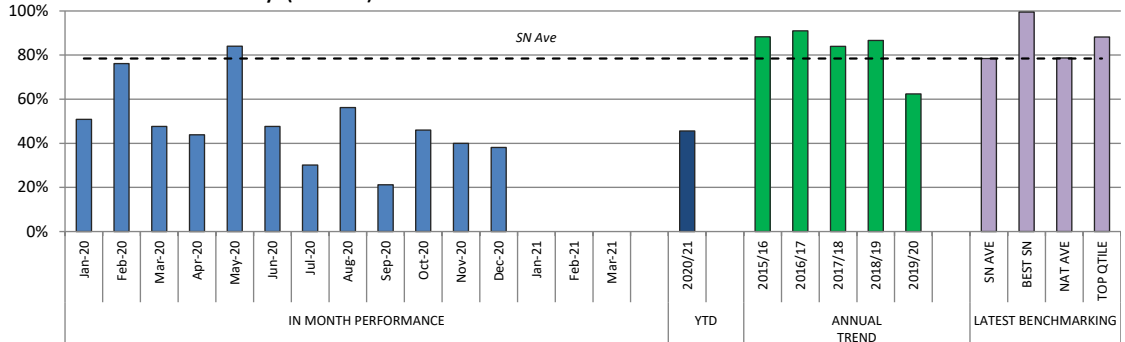
CHILD PROTECTION

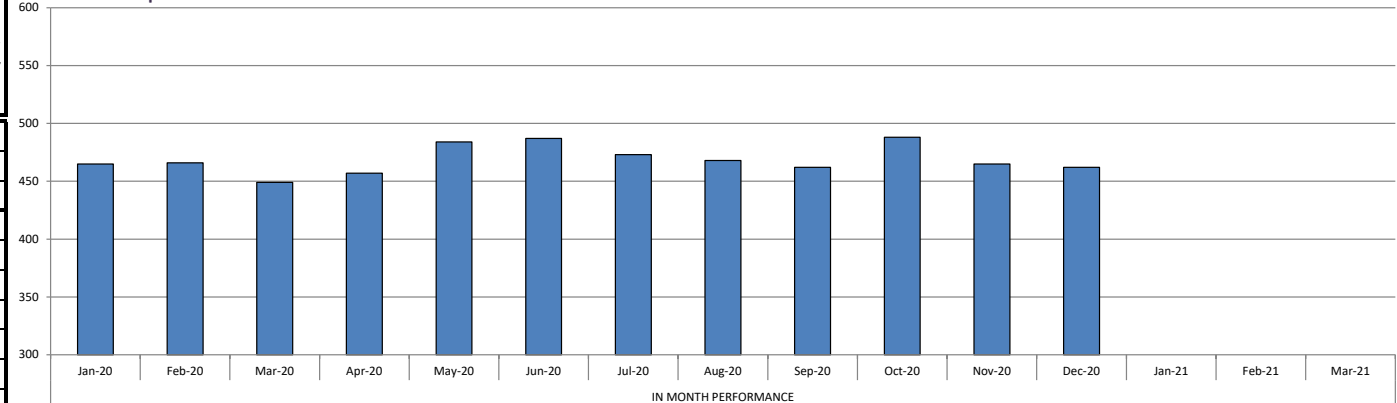| DEFINITION	Following a S47 investigation a child protection conference may be convened to consider all the information obtained under the Section 47 enquiry and to determine the best course of action. One of the things the child protection conference considers is whether the child should become subject to a Child Protection Plan. The aim of a child protection plan is to ensure the child is safe from harm and remains that way. As long as it is in the best interests of the child, this will involve offering support and services to the family. Following a S47 investigation a child protection conference may be convened to consider all the information obtained under the Section 47 enquiry and to determine the best course of action.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS	The number of children becoming subject to a CP plan (rolling 12 months) continued to be low in December 20 at 109.3 per 10,000 population (10k pop) when compared to previous months. The last 2 months have seen this figure drop to the lowest it has been since July 2017 (104.4). In December 20 the number of open child protection plan (CPP) cases reduced to 462 (80.3 per 10k population under 18).

		5.7		5.8		5.1	5.6
		No. of children becoming subject to a CP plan per 10K pop - rolling 12 months		No. of children ceased to be subject to a CP plan per 10K pop - rolling 12 months		No. of open CPP cases	No. of open CPP cases per 10K pop under 18
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	667	117.1	746	131.0	465	81.7
	Feb-20	667	117.1	745	130.8	466	81.8
	Mar-20	676	118.7	735	129.1	449	78.8
	Apr-20	647	112.5	731	127.1	457	79.4
	May-20	656	114.0	726	126.2	484	84.1
	Jun-20	655	113.9	711	123.6	487	84.7
	Jul-20	641	111.4	684	118.9	473	82.2
	Aug-20	633	110.0	680	118.2	468	81.4
	Sep-20	643	111.8	676	117.5	462	80.3
	Oct-20	642	111.6	653	113.5	488	84.8
	Nov-20	628	109.2	661	114.9	465	80.8
	Dec-20	629	109.3	634	110.2	462	80.3
	Jan-21						
	Feb-21						
	Mar-21						
YTD	2020/21	-	-	-	-	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16	-	93.8	-	105.0	369	65.4
	2016/17	445	79.0	450	79.8	370	65.6
	2017/18	855	151.1	584	103.2	648	114.5
	2018/19	681	119.6	824	144.7	507	89.0
	2019/20	676	118.7	735	129.1	449	78.8
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE	-	82.4	-	-	-	64.1
	BEST SN	-	35.1	-	-	-	20.5
	NAT AVE	-	55.2	-	-	-	42.8
	NAT TOP QTILE	-	45.7	-	-	-	-

No. of open CPP cases

No. of open CPP cases per 10K pop under 18
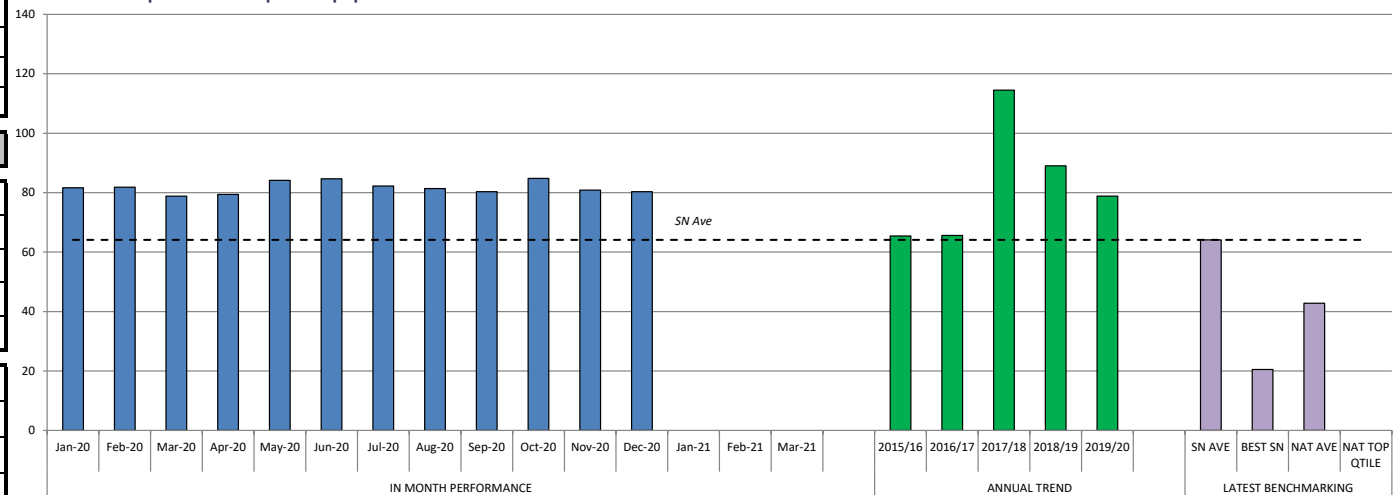
CHILD PROTECTION - TIME PERIODS

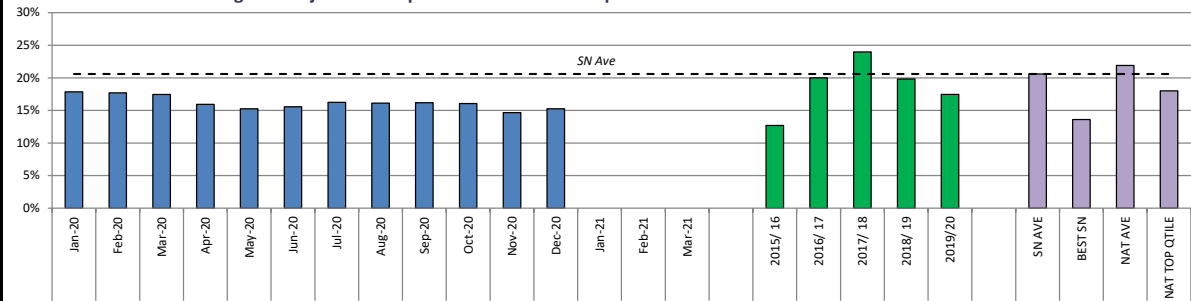| DEFINITION	Child protection plans remain in force until the child is no longer considered at risk, moves out of the local authority area (in which case the receiving authority should convene its own child protection conference) or reaches the age of 18.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

The percentage of children becoming subject of a CP plan for a second or subsequent time in 24 months has remained fairly static over the last 8 months ranging between 5.9% & 6.1% (December 20; 6.0%).

The number of CP plans lasting 2 years or more remains low with only 3 children having a plan over 2 years in December 20 (3/462; 0.6%). The children who are subject to planning over 15 months are reviewed by the conference chairs within supervision and midway reviews are diarised with the social workers to ensure planning is progressing. These children are often living in complex family situations and we have a number of young people who are vulnerable to child exploitation, where reducing and managing risk takes time to embed and sustain. In addition, a number of these families are also subject to Public Law Outline (PLO) running concurrently.

|		5.9 Children becoming the subject of a CP plan for a 2nd or subsequent time - in 24 months (Rolling)			5.10 Children becoming the subject of a CP plan for a 2nd or subsequent time - Ever (Rolling)			5.11 CP plans lasting 2 years or more			5.12 CP plans lasting 2 years or more - ceased in period		
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	60	of 667	9.0%	119	of 667	17.8%	11	of 465	2.4%	3	of 61	4.9%
	Feb-20	62	of 667	9.3%	118	of 667	17.7%	8	of 466	1.7%	3	of 43	7.0%
	Mar-20	58	of 676	8.6%	118	of 676	17.5%	10	of 448	2.2%	3	of 75	4.0%
	Apr-20	47	of 647	7.3%	103	of 647	15.9%	10	of 457	2.2%	2	of 44	4.5%
	May-20	40	of 656	6.1%	100	of 656	15.2%	10	of 484	2.1%	0	of 36	0.0%
	Jun-20	39	of 655	6.0%	102	of 655	15.6%	10	of 487	2.1%	4	of 57	7.0%
	Jul-20	39	of 641	6.1%	104	of 641	16.2%	12	of 473	2.5%	4	of 71	5.6%
	Aug-20	38	of 633	6.0%	102	of 633	16.1%	9	of 468	1.9%	4	of 37	10.8%
	Sep-20	38	of 643	5.9%	104	of 643	16.2%	2	of 462	0.4%	7	of 60	11.7%
	Oct-20	39	of 642	6.1%	103	of 642	16.0%	3	of 488	0.6%	0	of 36	0.0%
	Nov-20	38	of 628	6.1%	92	of 628	14.6%	1	of 465	0.2%	2	of 66	3.0%
	Dec-20	38	of 629	6.0%	96	of 629	15.3%	3	of 462	0.6%	0	of 44	0.0%
	Jan-21												
	Feb-21												
	Mar-21												
YTD	2020/21			-			-			-	23	of 451	5.1%
ANNUAL TREND	2015/ 16			4.7%	67	of 528	12.7%	3	of 369	0.8%	28	of 588	4.8%
	2016/ 17	41	of 445	9.2%	89	of 445	20.0%	1	of 367	0.3%	8	of 446	1.8%
	2017/ 18	81	of 855	9.5%	205	of 855	24.0%	1	of 648	0.2%	5	of 579	0.9%
	2018/ 19	44	of 681	6.5%	135	of 681	19.8%	6	of 507	1.2%	10	of 814	1.2%
	2019/20	58	of 676	8.6%	118	of 676	17.5%	10	of 448	2.2%	34	of 725	4.7%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE						20.6%			2.2%			3.4%
	BEST SN						13.6%			0.0%			0.0%
	NAT AVE						21.9%			2.1%			3.6%
	NAT TOP QTILE						18.0%			1.2%			2.6%

% children becoming the subject of a CP plan for a 2nd or subsequent time - Ever

% of open CP plans lasting 2 years or more
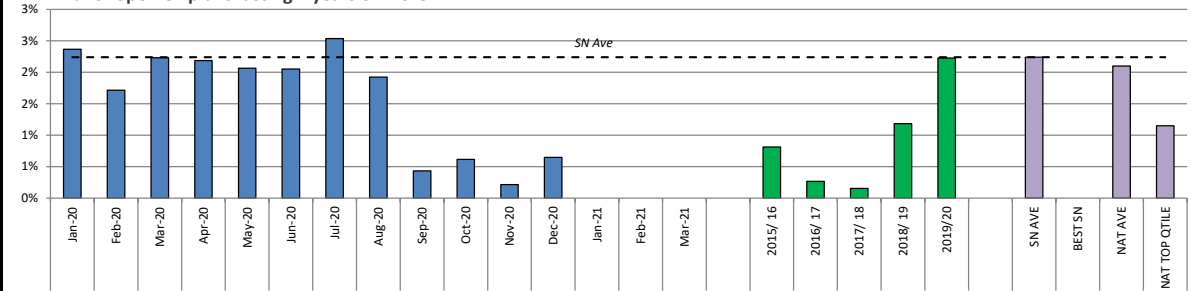
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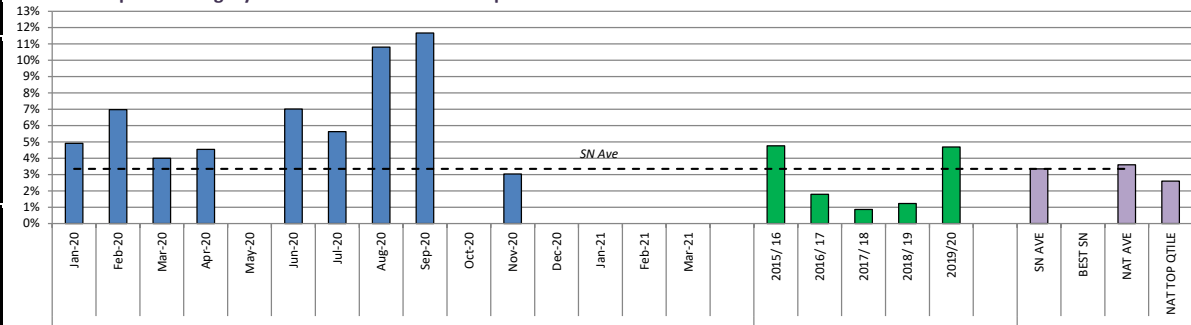
CHILD PROTECTION - REVIEWS, PLANS & VISITS

| DEFINITION	A child protection plan is reviewed after three months and at intervals of no more than six months thereafter. Local standards state that any child subject to a child protection plan should be visited at least every two weeks (this excludes children registered on a CPP for less than a week).

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

100% of CP cases were reviewed in time during December 20, equating to 98 out of 98 reviews being in time.

82.9% of CP cases in December 20 had an up-to-date care plan, which is a slight increase on November where 82.7% were in time.

Of the 462 visits that were due in December 20, 390 took place in a timely manner equating to 84.4% which is a decrease when compared to November 20 where 91.2% (413/453) were within 2 weeks. This is the lowest it has been in 2020.

|		5.13		5.14	5.15
		No. of CP cases reviewed within timescale (Children)		**CP with an up to date care plan**	**No. of CP with visits in the last 2 weeks** *(of those visits due)*
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	141 of 144	97.9%	91.9%	429 of 446 96.2%
	Feb-20	87 of 90	96.7%	91.9%	423 of 455 93.0%
	Mar-20	104 of 104	100.0%	90.2%	381 of 431 88.4%
	Apr-20	92 of 100	92.0%	89.5%	420 of 445 94.4%
	May-20	81 of 82	98.8%	90.2%	439 of 466 94.2%
	Jun-20	152 of 158	96.2%	87.4%	453 of 476 95.2%
	Jul-20	102 of 102	100.0%	89.6%	424 of 454 93.4%
	Aug-20	95 of 95	100.0%	87.9%	438 of 463 94.6%
	Sep-20	115 of 122	94.3%	83.2%	414 of 449 92.2%
	Oct-20	82 of 82	100.0%	89.1%	426 of 470 90.6%
	Nov-20	110 of 121	90.9%	82.7%	413 of 453 91.2%
	Dec-20	98 of 98	100.0%	82.9%	390 of 462 84.4%
	Jan-21				
	Feb-21				
	Mar-21				
YTD	2020/21	927 of 960	96.6%	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16		94.2%	100.0%	-
	2016/17		98.6%	94.3%	333 of 648 51.4%
	2017/18	1236 of 1317	93.8%	87.7%	584 of 624 93.6%
	2018/19	1588 of 1642	96.7%	94.3%	477 of 496 96.2%
	2019/20	1372 of 1415	97.0%	90.2%	381 of 431 88.4%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE	(2018)	89.0%		
	BEST SN	(2018)	100.0%		
	NAT AVE	(2018)	91.5%		
	NAT TOP QTILE	(2018)	97.6%		

% CP cases which were reviewed within timescale
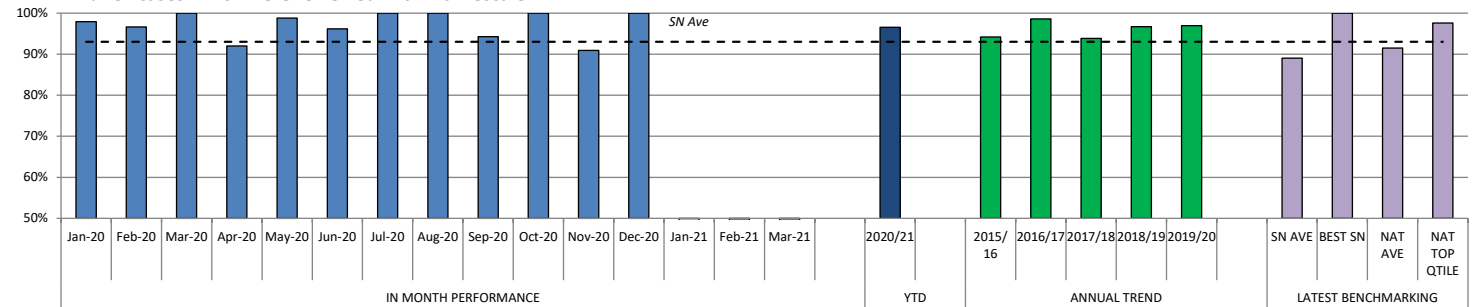
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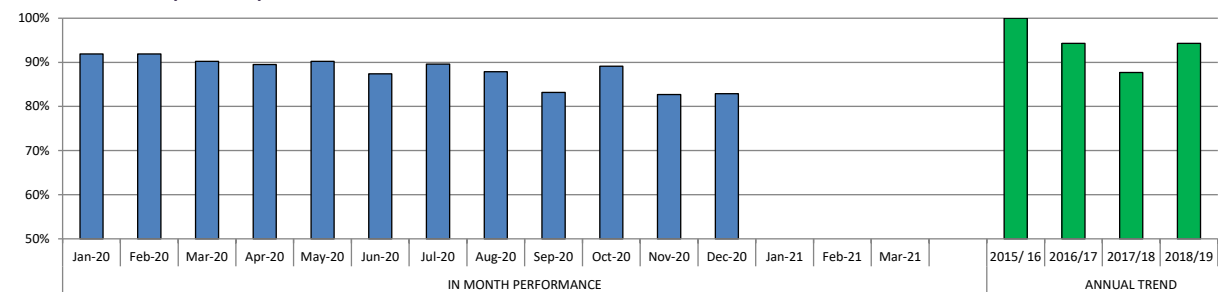
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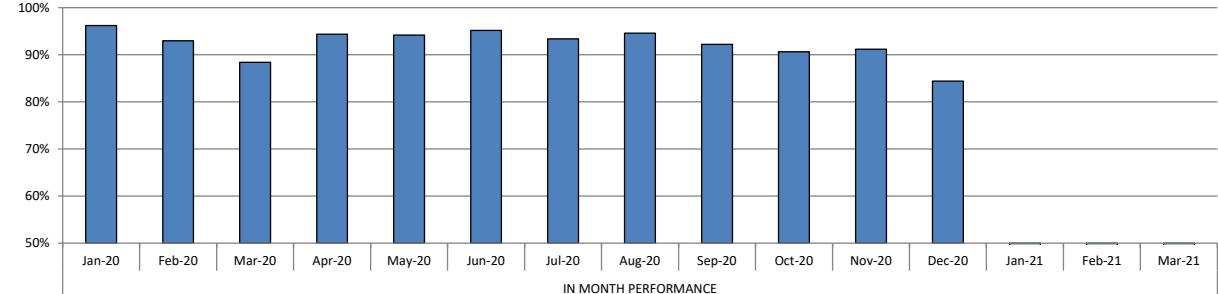
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN

DEFINITION	Children in care or 'looked after children' are children who have become the responsibility of the local authority. This can happen voluntarily by parents struggling to cope or through an intervention by children's services because a child is at risk of significant harm.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

LAC numbers had remained relatively static at the start of the financial year but saw an increase in August & September 20 reaching 616. This has since fluctuated and at the end of December 20 there were 615 LAC. There remains a number of children in the adoption pathway as we catch up with Adoption Order appeals and hearings.

14 children became looked after and 12 children ceased to be looked after in December 20, with 66.7% of these children leaving care to permanence. 33.3% of children have ceased care to permanency year to date. This is the highest the overall percentage has been since 2015/16 (40.1% year-end).

4 SGO's were started in December 20 bring the year-to-date total to 23. 6 out of the 12 children (50.0%) who ceased to be looked after in December ceased care due to a Special Guardianship Order (SGO).

Data Note: An issue has arisen within the Liquid Logic system which is impacting on the reporting LAC children. For some children who have left care and have had previous care episodes, the same 'end date' is copying into the previous episodes within the system. This has been reported, however, until this is rectified we will be unable to accurately report on measures regarding children ceasing care.

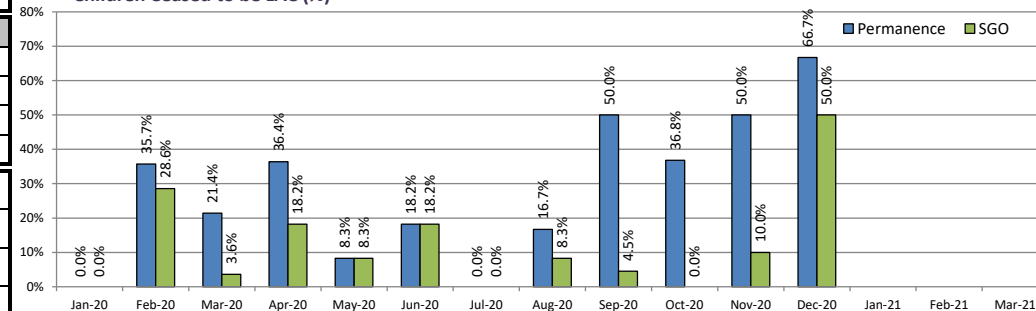|		6.2	6.1	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.7
		Rate of children looked after per 10K pop	Number of LAC	Admissions of children looked after *(Episodes)*	No. of children who have ceased to be LAC *(Episodes)*	% of children ceased to be LAC due to permanence *(Episodes)*	Number of SGO's started *(Legal Status)*	% of children ceased to be LAC due to an SGO
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	106.8	608	15	14	0.0%	6	0.0%
	Feb-20	106.2	605	11	14	35.7%	6	28.6%
	Mar-20	104.5	595	18	28	21.4%	5	3.6%
	Apr-20	104.8	603	19	11	36.4%	2	18.2%
	May-20	104.8	603	12	12	8.3%	1	8.3%
	Jun-20	105.0	604	11	11	18.2%	1	18.2%
	Jul-20	104.8	603	11	11	0.0%	1	0.0%
	Aug-20	107.1	616	25	12	16.7%	5	8.3%
	Sep-20	106.9	615	20	22	50.0%	1	4.5%
	Oct-20	105.5	607	12	19	36.8%	2	0.0%
	Nov-20	106.6	613	16	10	50.0%	6	10.0%
	Dec-20	106.9	615	14	12	66.7%	4	50.0%
	Jan-21							
	Feb-21							
	Mar-21							
YTD	2020 / 21	-	-	140	120	33.3%	23	11.7%
ANNUAL TREND	2015 / 16	76.6	432	208	192	40.1%	-	-
	2016 / 17	86.6	488	262	215	27.9%	-	9.8%
	2017 / 18	110.8	627	330	194	27.3%	67	8.2%
	2018 / 19	112.7	642	271	254	31.5%	62	13.1%
	2019 / 20	104.5	595	214	259	32.4%	73	16.2%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE	98.2						12.3% (2017)
	BEST SN	59.0						22.0% (2017)
	NAT AVE	67.0						12.0% (2017)
	NAT TOP QTILE	-						17.0% (2017)

Rate of Looked After Children per 10K pop
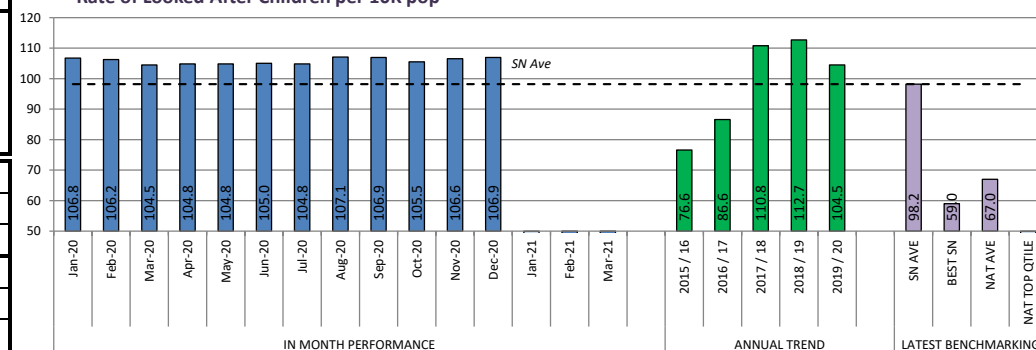
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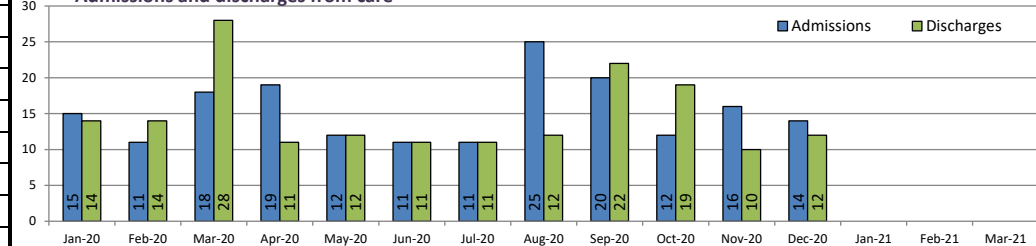
Children Ceased to be LAC (%)

LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - REVIEWS, PLANS & VISITS

DEFINITION	The purpose of a LAC review meeting is to consider the plan for the welfare of the looked after child and achieve Permanence for them within a timescale that meets their needs. The review is chaired by an Independent Reviewing Officer (IRO) The LA is also responsible for appointing a representative to visit the child wherever he or she is living to ensure that his/her welfare continues to be safeguarded and promoted. The minimum national timescales for visits is within one week of placement, then six weekly until the child has been in placement for a year and the 12 weekly thereafter. Rotherham have set a higher standard of within first week then four weekly thereafter until the child has been permanently matched to the placement.
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS	96.2% of LAC reviews were held within timescale during December 20. LAC with an up-to-date plan has remined fairly static in December at 91.9% compared to 91.8% in November 20. LAC visits in time (NMS) showed a small reduction in December 20 with 97.1% being in time (November 20; 97.3%). There were no virtual visits recorded during December 20.

|		6.8			6.19	6.20	
		% of LAC cases reviewed within timescales			**LAC with an up to date plan**	**% LAC visits up to date & complete within timescale of National Minimum standard**	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	105	of	125	84.0%	89.6%	573 of 609	94.1%
	Feb-20	106	of	123	86.2%	90.1%	583 of 605	96.4%
	Mar-20	176	of	187	94.1%	92.6%	563 of 596	94.5%
	Apr-20	142	of	149	95.3%	94.5%	492 of 605	81.3%
	May-20	133	of	140	95.0%	94.4%	487 of 603	80.8%
	Jun-20	128	of	135	94.8%	94.2%	528 of 606	87.1%
	Jul-20	142	of	144	98.6%	93.7%	571 of 608	93.9%
	Aug-20	76	of	77	98.7%	91.2%	595 of 618	96.3%
	Sep-20	185	of	196	94.4%	88.8%	605 of 616	98.2%
	Oct-20	136	of	140	97.1%	93.2%	595 of 609	97.7%
	Nov-20	161	of	167	96.4%	91.8%	602 of 619	97.3%
	Dec-20	128	of	133	96.2%	91.9%	599 of 617	97.1%
	Jan-21							
	Feb-21							
	Mar-21							
YTD	2020/21	1231	of	1281	96.1%	-	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16				83.3%	98.4%		98.1%
	2016/17	652	of	714	91.3%	79.1%		74.0%
	2017/18	1502	of	1658	90.6%	89.5%		97.5%
	2018/19	1668	of	1883	88.6%	98.0%		96.9%
	2019/20	1612	of	1775	90.8%	92.6%		93.4%

% of LAC cases reviewed within timescales
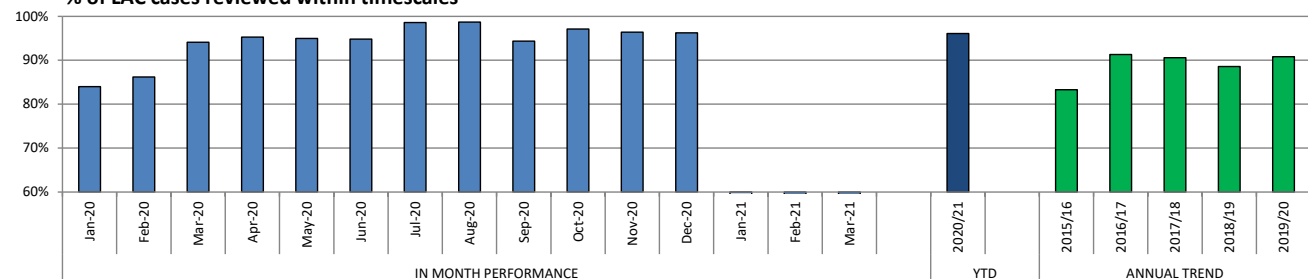
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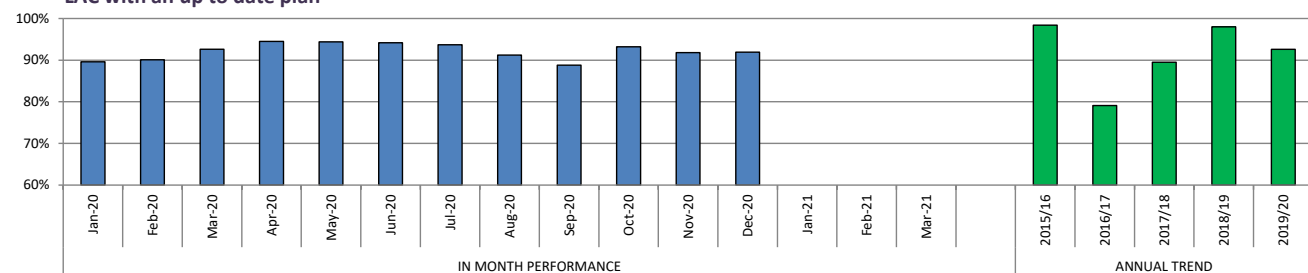
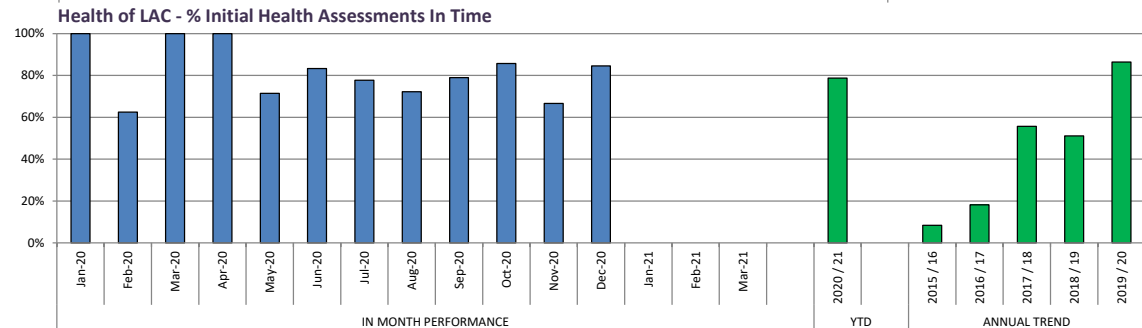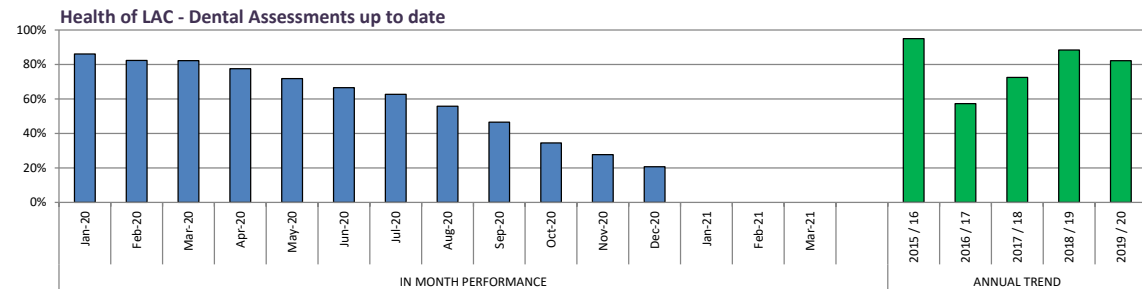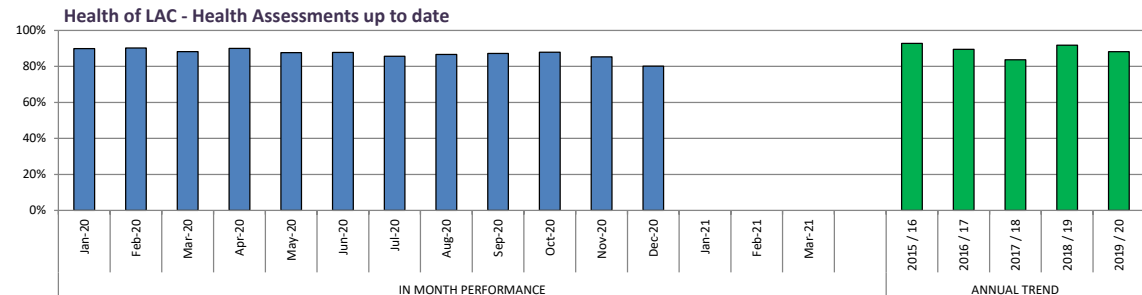**% LAC visits up to date & complete within timescale of National Minimum standard**
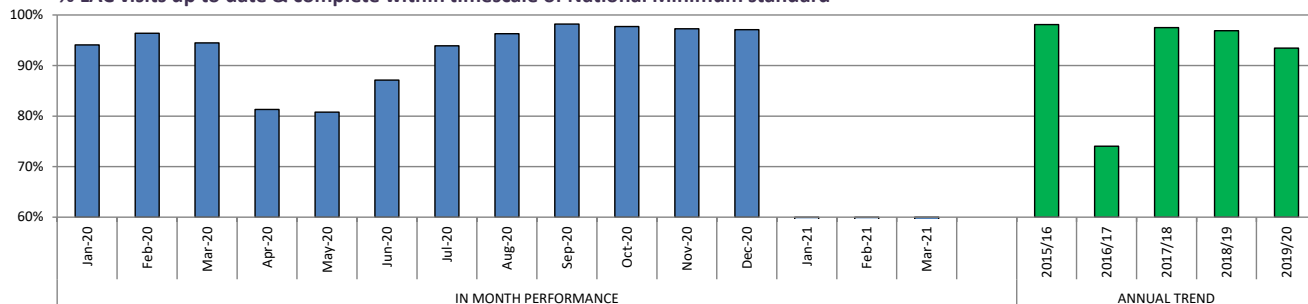
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - HEALTH

DEFINITION	Local authorities have a duty to safeguard and to promote the welfare of the children they look after, therefore the local authority should make arrangements to ensure that every child who is looked after has his/her health needs fully assessed and a health plan clearly set out.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

Health checks have seen a gradual decline since April 20 (90.0%) to 80.1% in December 20.

Dental checks are continuing a downward trend that started in October 2019 (88.1%) and since the Covid-19 pandemic this has reduced down month by month since to 20.7% in December 20. Due to the pandemic, since March 20 dental surgeries have either closed or only been providing emergency care at times which has significantly affected LAC being able to attend assessments. There is focused work in place via the Health and Wellbeing partnership and as dentists seek to reopen there is a clear plan to support a focused increase in dental checks.

13 initial health assessments were completed in December 20 and 84.6% (11 assessments) were completed within timescale. Year to date, 78.8% of assessments have been completed in time which is not currently meeting the year end performance of 2019/20 (86.4%) but is above other previous years and is considered to be positive under the current demands and pressures related to Covid-19.

		6.10	6.11	6.12	
		Health of LAC - Health Assessments up to date	Health of LAC - Dental Assessments up to date	Health of LAC - No. Initial Health Assessments In Time	Health of LAC - % Initial Health Assessments In Time
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	89.9%	86.1%	18 of 18	100.0%
	Feb-20	90.2%	82.3%	5 of 8	62.5%
	Mar-20	88.2%	82.2%	13 of 13	100.0%
	Apr-20	90.0%	77.6%	7 of 7	100.0%
	May-20	87.7%	71.8%	15 of 21	71.4%
	Jun-20	87.8%	66.5%	5 of 6	83.3%
	Jul-20	85.7%	62.7%	7 of 9	77.8%
	Aug-20	86.6%	55.8%	13 of 18	72.2%
	Sep-20	87.2%	46.6%	15 of 19	78.9%
	Oct-20	87.9%	34.5%	12 of 14	85.7%
	Nov-20	85.3%	27.7%	4 of 6	66.7%
	Dec-20	80.1%	20.7%	11 of 13	84.6%
	Jan-21				
	Feb-21				
	Mar-21				
YTD	2020 / 21	-	-	89 of 113	78.8%
ANNUAL TREND	2015 / 16	92.8%	95.0%		8.4%
	2016 / 17	89.5%	57.3%		18.2%
	2017 / 18	83.7%	72.5%		55.7%
	2018 / 19	91.8%	88.4%	136 of 266	51.1%
	2019 / 20	88.2%	82.2%	172 of 199	86.4%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE				
	BEST SN				
	NAT AVE				
	NAT TOP QTILE				

Health of LAC - Health Assessments up to date

Health of LAC - Dental Assessments up to date

Health of LAC - % Initial Health Assessments In Time

LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - EDUCATION

DEFINITION	A personal education plan (PEP) is a school based meeting to plan for the education of a child in care. The government have made PEPs a statutory requirement for children in care to help track and promote their achievements. *(PEPs are now in place for LAC aged two to their 18th birthday.)*

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

All measures are reported termly, Autumn term 2020/21 performance will be reported in February 2021 as the new reporting system is still being worked on to ensure data is as accurate as possible.

The Summer Term PEP completion rates show a slight increase in the LAC with a PEP measure (98.9%) and a significant increase in the number of PEPs in time (96.5%), when compared to the previous Spring term. These figures also show an improvement on last year's performance (2018/19 Academic Year - with a PEP - 97.5% / up to date PEP - 95.0%). This is due in part to the impact of home working supporting increased capacity for the advisers. Of the 19 young people who didn't have a PEP in the summer term 16 either became LAC or ended being LAC during the term and 3 young people did not have a PEP following the request of the CDT team manager. These young people were said to be under a different criterion of care that meant they did not require a PEP.

During Covid-19, schools closed with vulnerable pupils and key worker's children being able to attend if required. Monitoring for LAC (including whether children physically attended or were being educated by their foster carer etc) was undertaken by the Virtual School and this was reported on a weekly basis to CYPS DLT and also the strategic GOLD meeting. Virtual School attendance from September 20 (start of the new academic year) is now being monitored from within the ePEP system. This will improve the overall quality of the attendance data we hold and will now include all our eligible children from 2-18. All schools and Education providers are aware of the changes and training is being offered. This and other changes to the ePEP to improve the overall quality of the PEP and the data we hold is now live on the ePEP system.

Data Note: System produced reports have now been introduced for the below measures which has caused some changes in performance. (PEP data from April 19 onwards is now produced direct from the ePEP system. From June 19 onwards all attendance data is now extracted direct from attendance systems.)

|		6.13	6.14	6.15	6.16	6.17	6.18
		% LAC with a Personal Education Plan (Termly)	% LAC with up to date Personal Education Plan (Termly)	LAC Overall absence - % of sessions lost due to absence (LAC continuous for at least 12 months)	% of LAC who are classed as persistent absentees (LAC continuous for at least 12 months - missing 10%+ sessions)	% of LAC with at least one fixed term exclusion (LAC continuous for at least 12 months)	% of LAC on reduced timetable arrangements (All LAC)
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Autumn Term (2019/20)	94.3%	83.6%	5.9%	14.4%	9.3%	5.9%
	Spring Term (2019/20)	97.7%	86.3%	7.1%	19.1%	12.6%	7.2%
	Summer Term (2019/20)	98.9%	96.5%	*(Summer Term 2019/20 was during Covid-19 lockdown. LAC attendance was monitored and reported via the weekly 'GOLD Meetings'.)*			
	Autumn Term (2020/21)						
YTD	2019/20	-	-	-	-	-	-
ANNUAL TREND (ACADEMIC YEAR)	2014/15	76.0%	-	5.0%	11.7%	11.8%	-
	2015/16	97.8%	-	4.1%	12.2%	13.1%	-
	2016/17	97.0%	98.9%	5.7%	13.3%	15.5%	-
	2017/18	93.6%	97.4%	4.7%	11.7%	12.5%	-
	2018/19	97.5%	95.0%	4.6%	8.6%	tbc	-
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE		-	4.3%	10.0%	13.2%	-
	BEST SN		-	2.9%	6.3%	10.6%	-
	NAT AVE		-	4.7%	10.9%	11.7%	-
	NAT TOP QTILE		-	4.0%	9.2%	10.0%	-

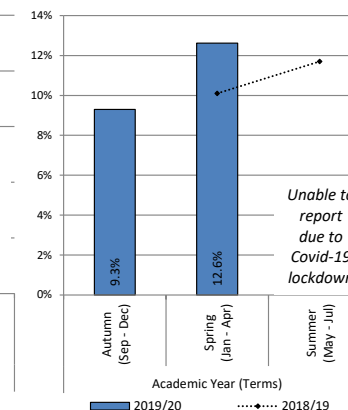**% of LAC with a PEP & % with an up-to-date PEP**
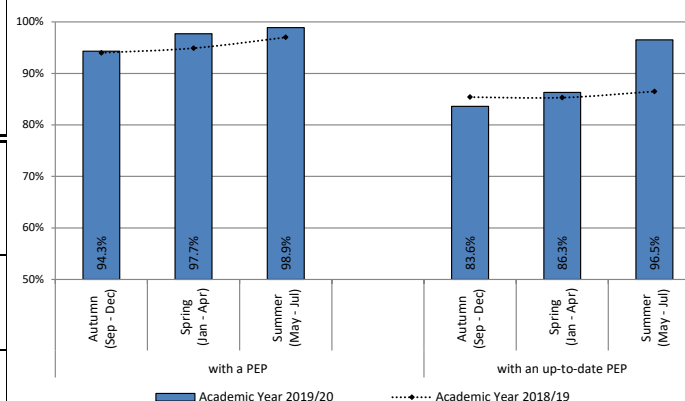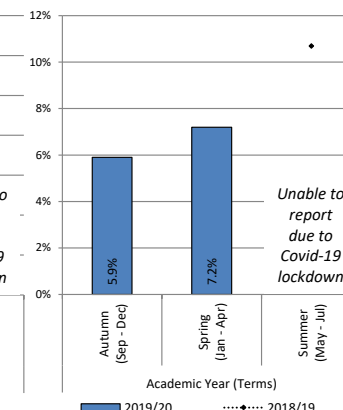
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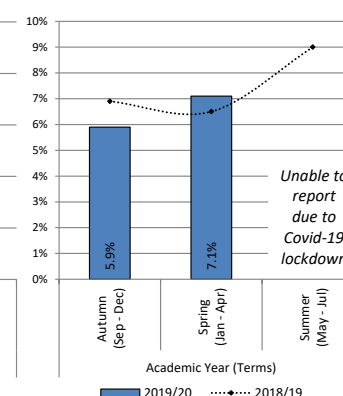
% of LAC persistent absentees
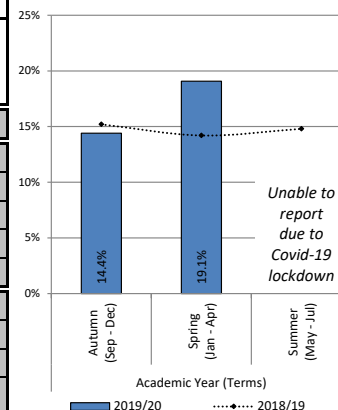
% of LAC with a fixed term exclusion

% of LAC on a reduced timetable

LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - PLACEMENTS

DEFINITION	A LAC placement is where a child has become the responsibility of the local authority (LAC) and is placed with foster carers, in residential homes or with parents or other relatives.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

The percentage of children and young people experiencing long term placement stability remains high with 68% being stable for at least 2 years. This remains a positive indicator.
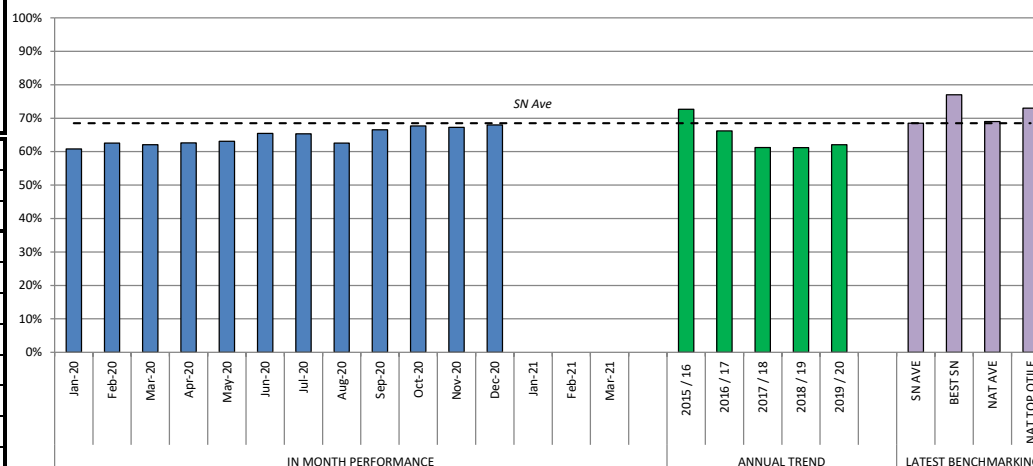
The percentage of children having 3 or more placements in the last rolling 12 months has slightly increased once again in December 20 to 8.8%, from 8.6% in November 20. The increase since October reflects some of the placement instability brought by Covid-19.

The percentage of children in a family-based placement has been fairly consistent between 81-82% until recent months where we have started to see this fall below 81% (December 80.8%). Similarly, LAC in a commissioned placement is also fairly consistent ranging between 50-52%; December 20 was 51.2% (315/615).

Date Note [March 20]: External Fostering numbers are now report direct from Liquid Logic.

	8.1 Long term LAC placements stable for at least 2 years		8.2 LAC who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 mth		8.3 % of LAC in a family Based setting (includes living with parents)	8.4 % of LAC placed with parents or other with parental responsibility (P1)	8.5 LAC in a Commissioned Placement (External Fostering & Residential)	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE								
Jan-20	118 of 194	60.8%	64 of 608	10.5%	81.1%	5.1%	330 of 608	54.3%
Feb-20	122 of 195	62.6%	64 of 605	10.6%	81.5%	6.1%	326 of 605	53.9%
Mar-20	126 of 203	62.1%	66 of 595	11.1%	81.5%	5.4%	309 of 595	51.9%
Apr-20	129 of 206	62.6%	59 of 603	9.8%	81.8%	5.5%	310 of 603	51.4%
May-20	135 of 214	63.1%	60 of 603	10.0%	82.3%	5.5%	313 of 603	51.9%
Jun-20	144 of 220	65.5%	62 of 604	10.3%	82.1%	5.3%	307 of 604	50.8%
Jul-20	145 of 222	65.3%	56 of 603	9.3%	82.6%	4.6%	315 of 603	52.2%
Aug-20	142 of 227	62.6%	48 of 616	7.8%	81.8%	4.9%	315 of 616	51.1%
Sep-20	153 of 230	66.5%	48 of 615	7.8%	81.6%	4.4%	312 of 615	50.7%
Oct-20	153 of 226	67.7%	51 of 607	8.4%	81.2%	4.1%	312 of 607	51.4%
Nov-20	156 of 232	67.2%	53 of 613	8.6%	80.9%	4.4%	316 of 613	51.5%
Dec-20	155 of 228	68.0%	54 of 615	8.8%	80.8%	4.9%	315 of 615	51.2%
Jan-21								
Feb-21								
Mar-21								
YTD 2020 / 21	-		-		-	-	-	
ANNUAL TREND 2015 / 16	109 of 150	72.7%	56 of 431	13.0%	-	-	188 of 431	43.6%
2016 / 17	96 of 145	66.2%	58 of 488	11.9%	81.1%	5.3%	211 of 488	43.2%
2017 / 18	90 of 147	61.2%	83 of 621	13.4%	81.0%	4.3%	315 of 624	50.5%
2018 / 19	90 of 147	61.2%	85 of 638	13.3%	81.9%	7.2%	336 of 642	52.3%
2019 / 20	126 of 203	62.1%	66 of 595	11.1%	81.5%	5.4%	309 of 595	51.9%
LATEST BENCHMARKING SN AVE				68.5%	10.0%			
BEST SN				77.0%	6.0%			
NAT AVE				69.0%	10.0%			
NAT TOP QTILE				73.0%	8.0%			

% long term LAC placements stable for at least 2 years

% LAC who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 months
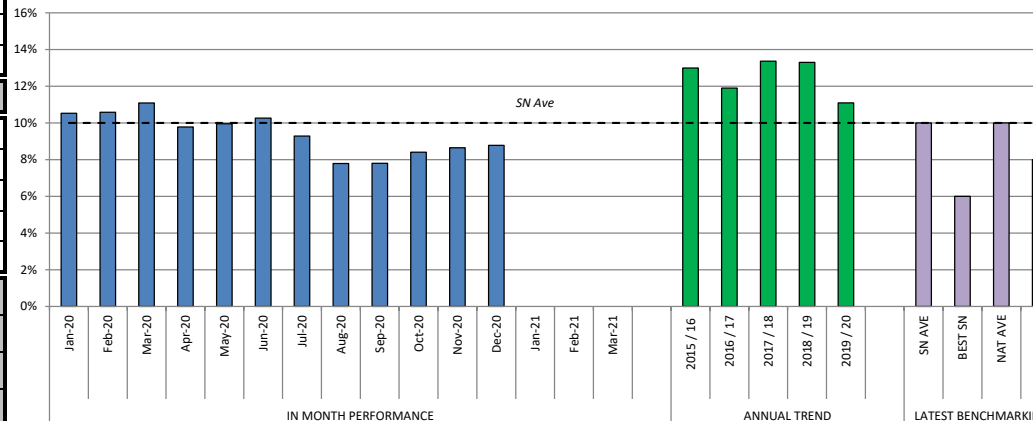
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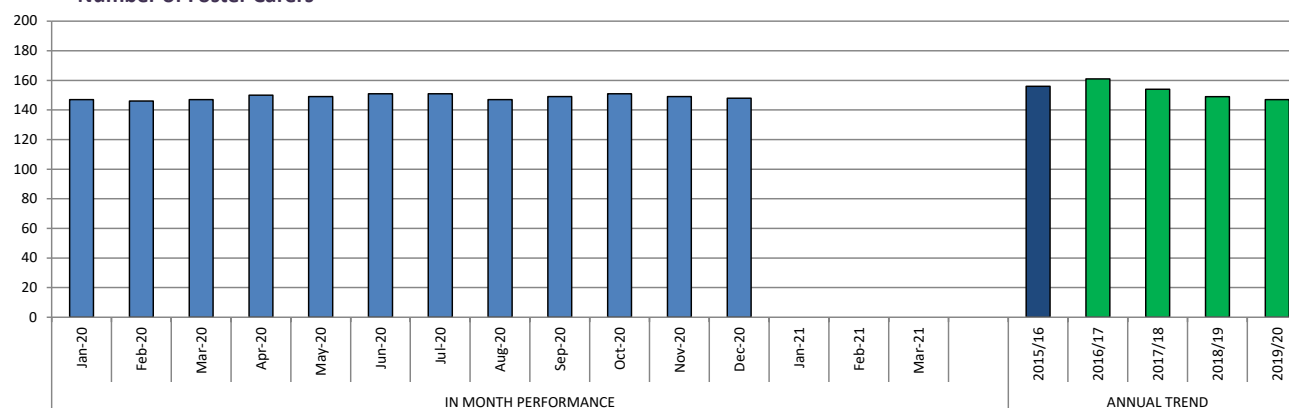| DEFINITION	A foster care family provide the best form of care for most Looked after children. Rotherham would like most of its children to be looked after by its own carers so that they remain part of their families and community .

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

The number of LAC in a fostering placement has reduced in recent months to 391 in December 20 from 420 in January 20. However, the number of fostering households remains fairly stable at 148, compared to 147 in January.

1 set of foster carers were approved during December 20 and there were 2 resignations. This brings the number of new Foster carer approvals to 17 and deregistration's to 15 in 2020-21 thus far. A key element to factor in is that carers who resign are often more established and are often approved for 2 or more young people. New carers usually start with 1 or potentially 2 children. The combination of newer carers coming in and some placements being on hold due to Covid-19 means while the number of fostering households look the same the number of young people in fostering are lower thank at the start of the year. These foster carers will grow and have potential for future placements. Themes around resignations are linked to families revisiting their commitments in light of their own family commitments.

		9.1	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.5
		Number of LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes relative/friend)	% of total LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes relative/friend)	Number of Foster Carers (Households)	Number of Foster Carers Recruited (Households)	Number of Foster Carers De-registered (Households)
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	420	69.1%	147	1	1
	Feb-20	417	68.9%	146	0	1
	Mar-20	405	68.1%	147	2	1
	Apr-20	410	68.0%	150	3	0
	May-20	412	68.3%	149	0	1
	Jun-20	409	67.7%	151	3	1
	Jul-20	411	68.2%	151	1	1
	Aug-20	416	67.5%	147	2	5
	Sep-20	417	67.8%	149	3	1
	Oct-20	397	65.4%	151	2	1
	Nov-20	395	64.4%	149	2	3
	Dec-20	391	63.6%	148	1	2
	Jan-21					
	Feb-21					
	Mar-21					
YTD	2020/21	-	-	-	17	15
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16	-	-	156	13	16
	2016/17	353	1	161	32	22
	2017/18	414	64.5%	154	16	25
	2018/19	427	66.5%	149	11	21
	2019/20	405	68.1%	147	18	20

Number of Foster Carers

Fostering Recruitment & De-registrations

Recruited ▪ De-registered
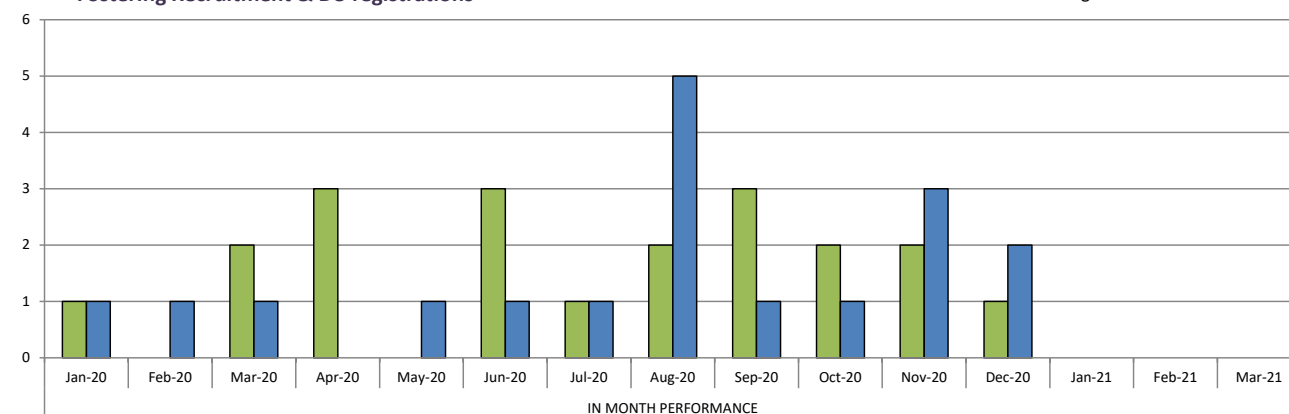
ADOPTIONS

DEFINITION	Following a child becoming a LAC, it may be deemed suitable for a child to become adopted which is a legal process of becoming a non-biological parent. The date it is agreed that it is in the best interests of the child that they should be placed for adoption is known as their 'SHOBPA'. Following this a family finding process is undertaken to find a suitable match for the child based on the child's needs, they will then be matched with an adopter(s) followed by placement with their adopter(s). This adoption placement is monitored for a minimum of 10 weeks and assessed as stable and secure before the final adoption order is granted by court decision and the adoption order is made . Targets for measures A1 and A2 are set centrally by government office.

| SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS	The current year to date total of adoptions is 26 with 23 of these taking place since September 20 due to delays as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. The increase in adoptions completed is reassuring to see and highlights that despite the Covid-19 pandemic the service has continued to ensure transitions to support adoption, adoption support and applications have continued to be progressed, ready for court coming back online. The A1 measure for 2020/21 is reporting at 427.3 days and the A2 measure is reporting at 185.4 days in December 20.

Data Note: Performance is taken from a manual tracker updated in service as not all of the data is currently recorded on LCS.

|		10.1	10.2	10.3	10.4	10.5
		Number of adoptions	Number of adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	% adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	Av. No. days between a child becoming LAC & having a adoption placement (A1) *(ytd. ave.)*	Av. No. days between placement order & being matched with adoptive family (A2) *(ytd. ave.)*
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	0	0	-	408.0	146.1
	Feb-20	1	1	100.0%	404.1	143.7
	Mar-20	3	0	-	391.5	146.0
	Apr-20	1	1	100.0%	0.0	n/a
	May-20	0	0	-	0.0	n/a
	Jun-20	0	0	-	0.0	n/a
	Jul-20	1	0	0.0%	164.0	84.5
	Aug-20	1	1	100.0%	109.3	79.7
	Sep-20	9	1	11.1%	344.8	145.0
	Oct-20	7	1	14.3%	396.1	176.6
	Nov-20	5	0	0.0%	416.8	181.4
	Dec-20	2	0	0.0%	427.3	185.4
	Jan-21					
	Feb-21					
	Mar-21					
YTD	2020 / 21	26	4	15.4%	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015 / 16	43	23	53.5%	296.0	136.0
	2016 / 17	31	12	38.7%	404.0	232.9
	2017 / 18	27	16	59.3%	325.3	124.8
	2018 / 19	32	11	34.4%	386.9	212.4
	2019 / 20	29	9	31.0%	391.5	146.0
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE				359.7	160.0
	BEST SN				310.0	91.0
	NAT AVE				376.0	178.0
	NAT TOP QTILE				333.0	138.0

*Annual Trend relates to current reporting year April to Mar - not rolling year
**adoptions have a 28 day appeal period so any children adopted in the last 28 days are still subject to appeal
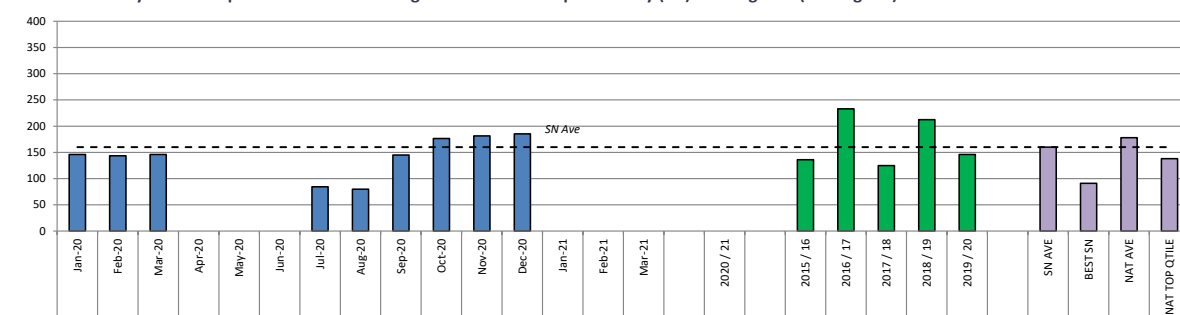
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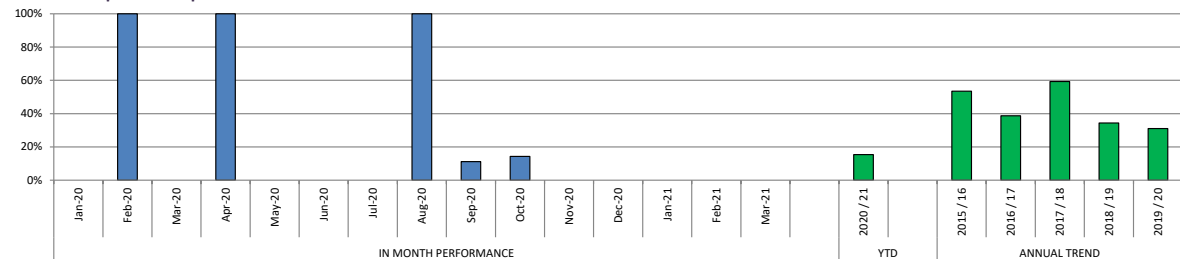
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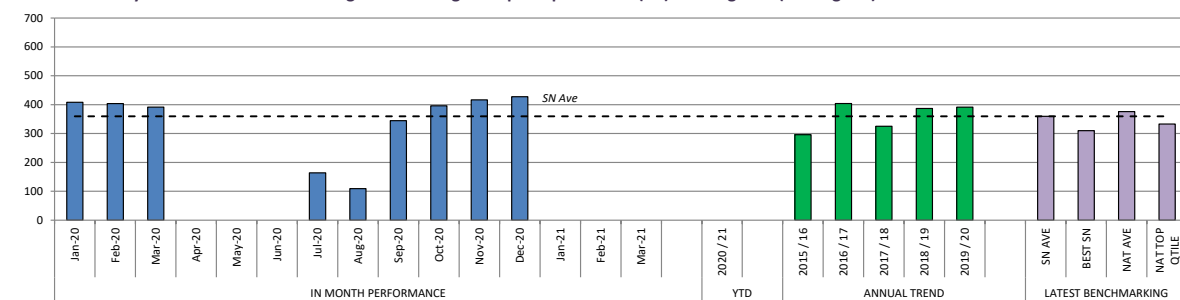
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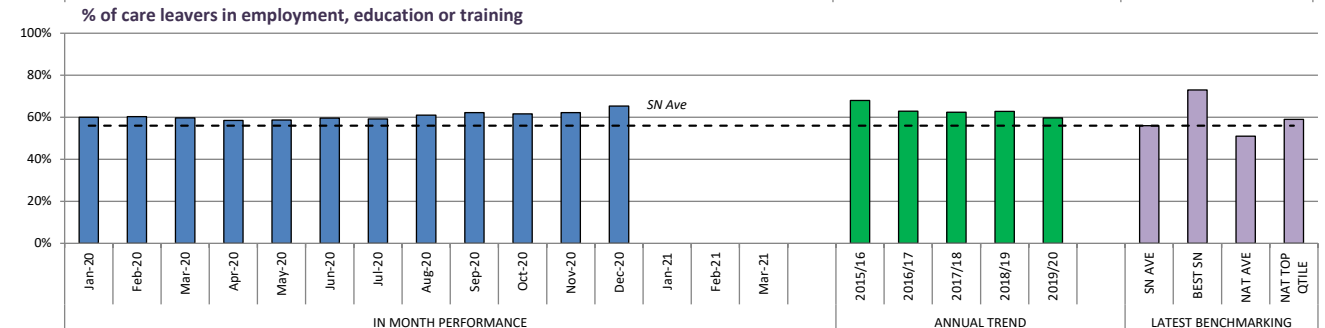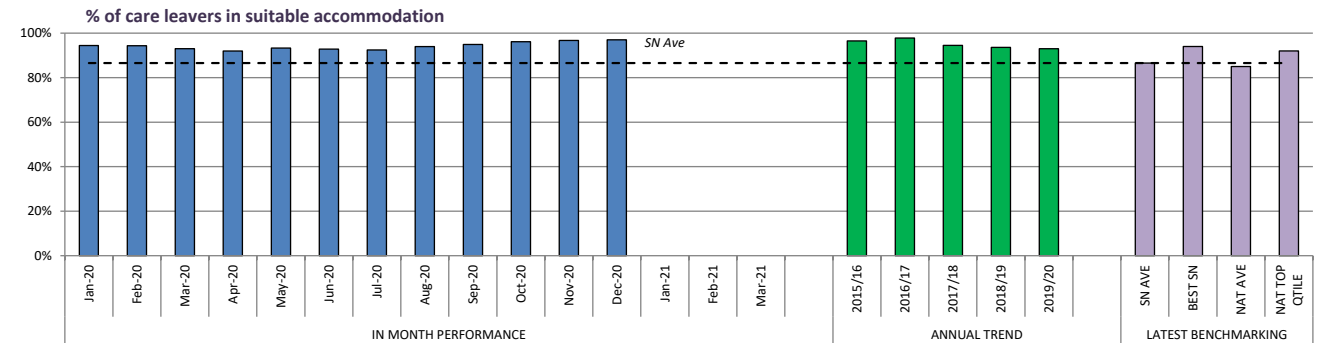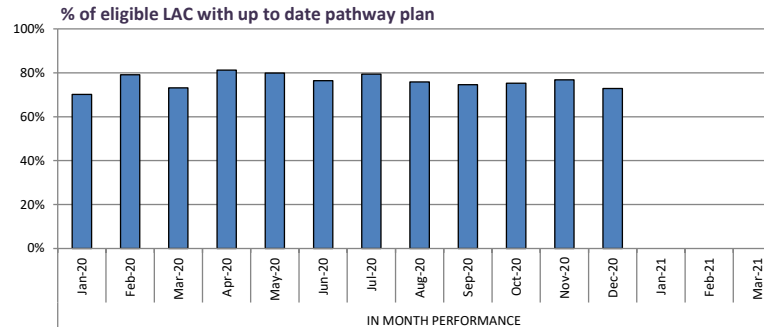
CARE LEAVERS

DEFINITION	A care leaver is defined as a person aged 25 or under, who has been looked after away from home by a local authority for at least 13 weeks since the age of 14; and who was looked after away from home by the local authority at school-leaving age or after that date. Suitable accommodation is defined as any that is not prison or bed and breakfast.

| SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS | At the end of December 20, the care leavers cohort had increased by 4 up to 337 from November when it was 333.

All care leavers measures continue to fluctuate month on month and in December 20 both pathway plan measures saw a fall in how many care leavers have a plan and how many are up to date. However, performance for care leavers in suitable accommodation and care leavers in employment, education, or training both continued to increase during December 20 which shows the ongoing positive work of the network around the young people, despite the challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic and acknowledged impact on this age group nationally. |
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		7.1	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.5
		Number of care leavers	% of eligible Care Leavers with a pathway plan	% of eligible Care Leavers with up to date pathway plan	% of care leavers in suitable accommodation	% of care leavers in employment, education or training
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	320	91.8%	70.2%	94.4%	60.0%
	Feb-20	317	94.0%	79.1%	94.3%	60.3%
	Mar-20	313	94.2%	73.1%	93.0%	59.7%
	Apr-20	325	93.2%	81.2%	92.0%	58.5%
	May-20	329	93.0%	79.9%	93.3%	58.7%
	Jun-20	332	91.8%	76.4%	92.8%	59.6%
	Jul-20	331	94.2%	79.4%	92.4%	59.2%
	Aug-20	331	94.5%	75.8%	94.0%	61.0%
	Sep-20	336	93.1%	74.6%	94.9%	62.2%
	Oct-20	333	95.2%	75.3%	96.1%	61.6%
	Nov-20	333	95.5%	76.8%	96.7%	62.2%
	Dec-20	337	89.0%	72.9%	97.0%	65.3%
	Jan-21					
	Feb-21					
	Mar-21					
YTD	2020/21	-	-	-	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16	197	69.8%	-	96.5%	68.0%
	2016/17	223	99.3%	-	97.8%	62.9%
	2017/18	255	94.4%	81.5%	94.5%	62.4%
	2018/19	298	87.4%	82.0%	93.6%	62.8%
	2019/20	313	94.2%	73.1%	93.0%	59.7%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE				86.6%	56.0%
	BEST SN				94.0%	73.0%
	NAT AVE				85.0%	51.0%
	NAT TOP QTILE				92.0%	59.0%

% of eligible LAC with up to date pathway plan

% of care leavers in suitable accommodation

% of care leavers in employment, education or training

CASELOADS

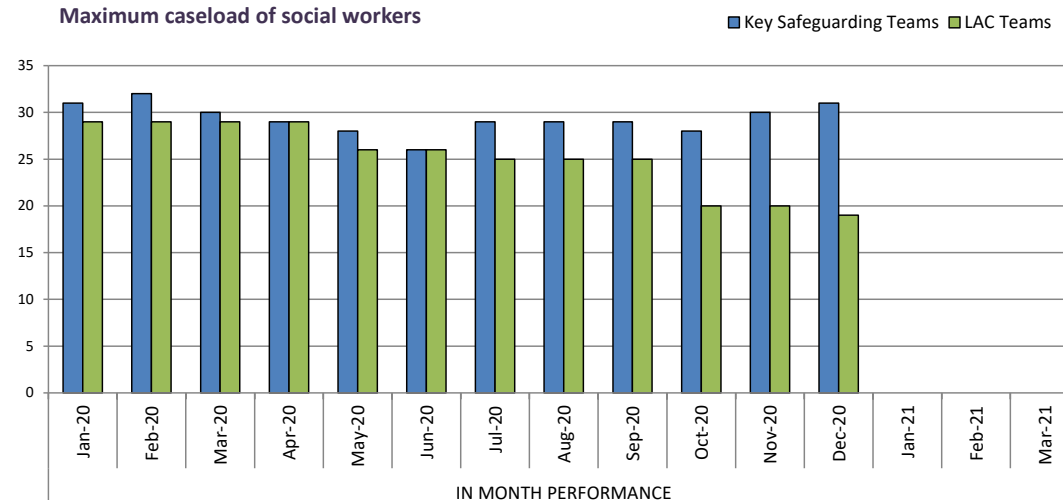| DEFINITION	Caseload figures relate to the number of children the social worker is currently the lead key worker. Fieldwork teams relate to frontline social care services including the four Duty Teams, none Long Term CIN Teams, two LAC teams and the CSE Team. All averages are calculated on a full time equivalency basis, based on the number of hours the worker is contracted to work.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS	The highest caseload within all key safeguarding teams increased further to 31 in December 20 which is the highest it has been since February 20 (32). However, the highest caseload within LAC teams reduced by 1 to 19. Safeguarding services average caseloads increased in December 20 with the exception of the LAC service where it reduced (-1.4). The Duty service had an increase of 1.3 taking the average caseload up to 16.1; following a significant reduction in November (-3.2) (Nov: 14.8 av. / Oct: 18.0 av.). The number of agency staff had been gradually increasing during this financial year up to 21 (8.43% of social care staff) in November 20. December however has seen a reduction to 19 (7.84% of social care staff). 15 of the 19-agency staff are covering vacancies for case holding social workers (10.06% of case holding posts).

	11.1	11.2	11.3	11.4	11.5	11.6	11.7
	% of agency staff in social care (Council Plan Indicator)	Maximum caseload of social workers in key Safeguarding Teams	Maximum caseload of social workers in LAC Teams	Av. no. cases in LAC Teams (1-3)	Av. no. cases in Duty Teams (1-4)	Av. no. cases in Locality Teams (1-12 (CiN)	Av. no. cases in Children's Disability Team
Jan-20	2.71% (7)	31	29	17.8	20.6	20.2	18.7
Feb-20	2.34% (6)	32	29	18.6	20.8	21.2	15.8
Mar-20	1.60% (4)	30	29	17.9	17.7	21.7	17.5
Apr-20	2.00% (5)	29	29	17.4	14.4	21.8	16.8
May-20	2.75% (7)	28	26	17.3	15.0	20.7	17.8
Jun-20	4.29% (11)	26	26	16.5	15.9	19.8	13.8
Jul-20	6.99% (18)	29	25	18.4	19.2	20.9	18.5
Aug-20	7.79% (19)	29	25	17.8	18.0	20.8	20.6
Sep-20	7.30% (19)	29	25	18.4	19.9	21.2	16.6
Oct-20	8.46% (21)	28	20	18.2	18.0	20.4	19.3
Nov-20	8.43% (21)	30	20	18.1	14.8	19.6	18.8
Dec-20	7.84% (19)	31	19	16.7	16.1	19.9	20.0
Jan-21							
Feb-21							
Mar-21							
YTD 2020/21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015/16	-	29	19	-	15.8	18.0	19.1
2016/17	-	30	17	-	13.3	17.7	15.4
2017/18	-	30	18	12.6	17.9	18.7	13.4
2018/19	4.93% (14)	33	23	19.4	20.2	19.6	21.6
2019/20	1.60% (4)	30	29	17.9	17.7	21.7	17.5

Maximum caseload of social workers

Average number of cases per team