Children Looked After

Corporate Parenting Panel

Q3 2021-22

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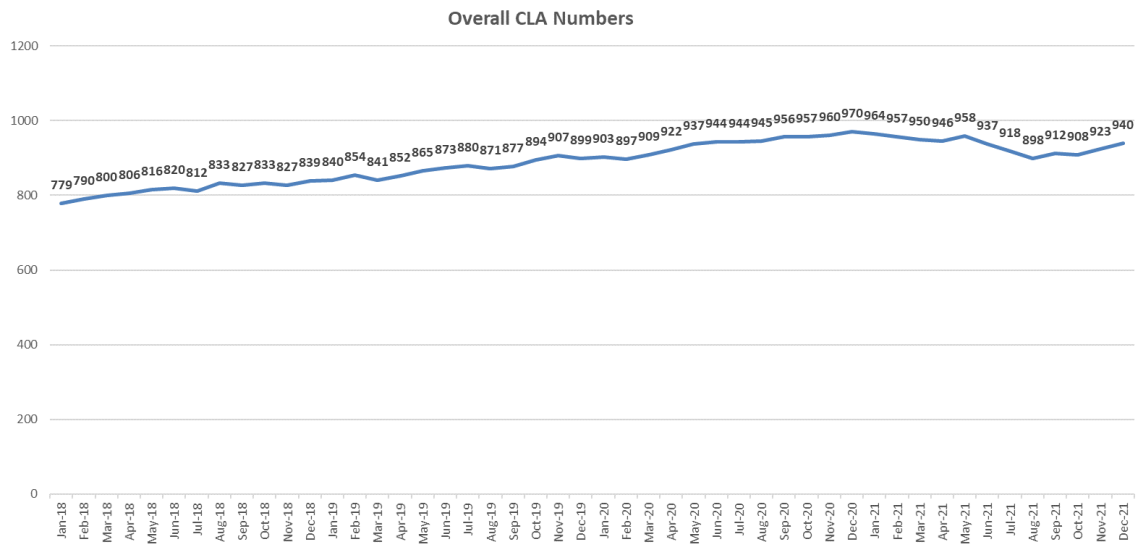
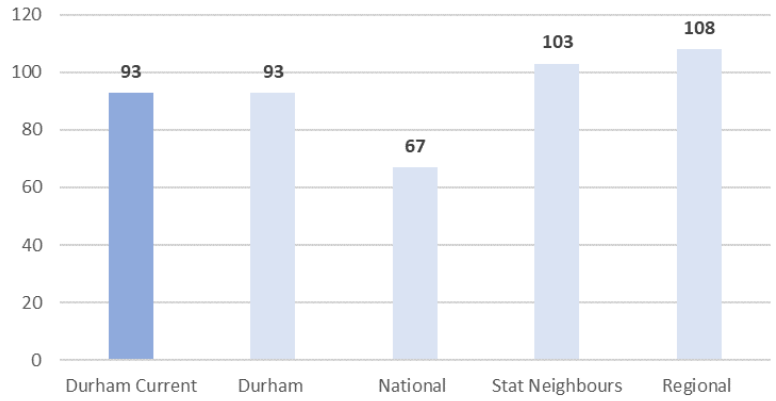
Children Looked After: 940



Increase in overall number of CLA but rate remains below regional and statistical neighbour average

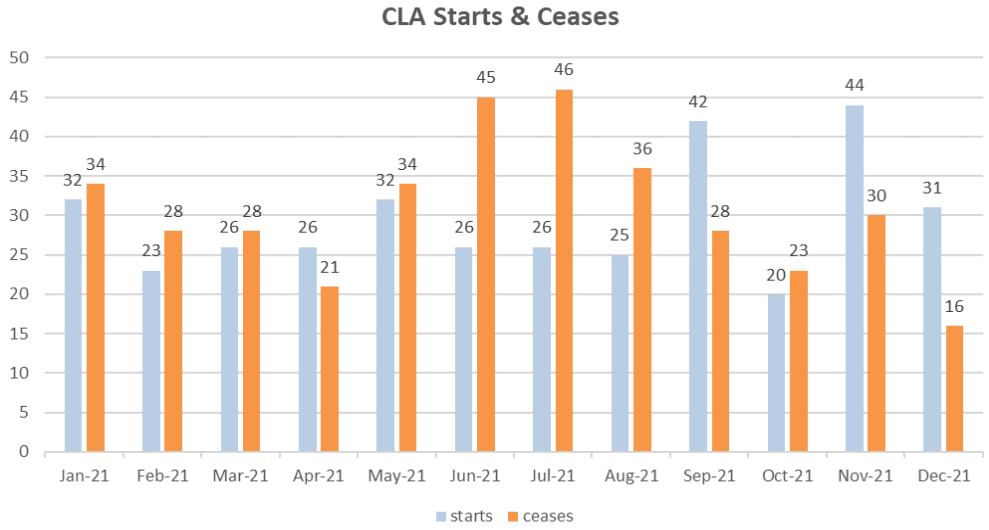


11 *Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children*

This will increase as UASC move to Durham through the National Transfer Scheme

	Apr-Dec21	2020/21			
	Durham	Durham	England	SN	NE
% Age: Under 1	24	29	20	22	23
% Age: 1 to 4	20	20	18	24	23
% Age: 5 to 9	21	21	17	22	22
% Age: 10 to 15	22	22	26	24	23
% Age: 16 and over	13	8	20	9	8

Reducing u1 CLA starts as % of all CLA starts



330 children became looked after
348 children left care in 2021

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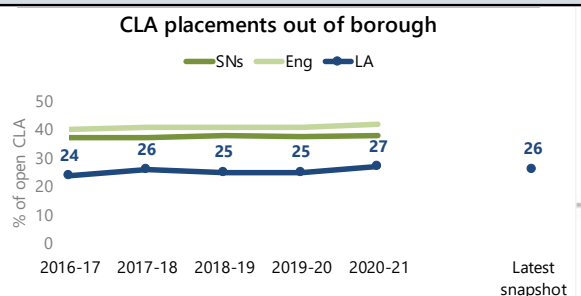
All Social Workers in our Children in Care and Care Leavers Teams had fewer than 25 cases, 57% had less than 20

Placement Trends

	June 2019		March 2020		December 2021		No.	% change	No.	% change
Placement Type	No.	%	No.	%	**No.**	**%**	change	on Jun19	change	pre-COVID
External Residential	31	4%	38	4%	**66**	**7%**	35	113%	28	74%
Friends and Family	134	15%	126	14%	**138**	**15%**	4	3%	12	10%
Unapproved Carers	5	1%	10	1%	**2**	**0%**	-3	-60%	-8	-80%
IFA	126	15%	159	18%	**162**	**17%**	36	29%	3	2%
In House Foster Care	422	49%	430	48%	**381**	**41%**	-41	-10%	-49	-11%
In House Residential	31	4%	26	3%	**28**	**3%**	-3	-10%	2	8%
Independent Living	9	1%	8	1%	**4**	**0%**	-5	-56%	-4	-50%
NHS/Health Trust	2	0%	1	0%	**2**	**0%**	0	0%	1	100%
Placed For Adoption	24	3%	23	3%	**39**	**4%**	15	63%	16	70%
Placed With Parents	66	8%	62	7%	**74**	**8%**	8	12%	12	19%
Full Care Order	*57*	*7%*	*47*	*5%*	*51*	*5%*	-6	-11%	4	9%
Interim Care Order	*9*	*1%*	*15*	*2%*	*23*	*2%*	14	156%	8	53%
Residential School	2	0%	2	0%	**0**	**0%**	-2	-100%	-2	-100%
Secure	1	0%	1	0%	**5**	**1%**	4	400%	4	400%
Supported Lodgings	12	1%	15	2%	**39**	**4%**	27	225%	24	160%
YOI/Prison	1	0%	1	0%	**0**	**0%**	-1	-100%	-1	-100%
Grand Total	**866**	**100%**	**902**	**100%**	**940**	**100%**	**74**	**9%**	**38**	**4%**



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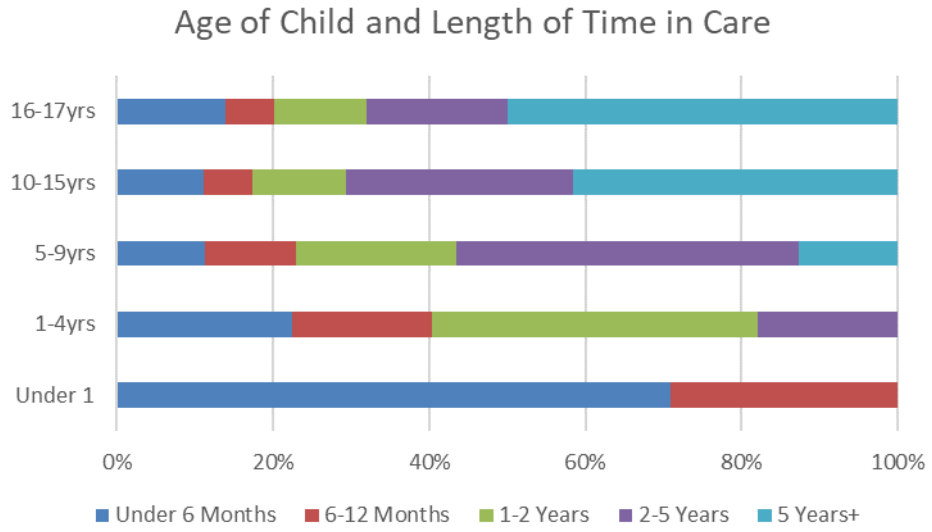
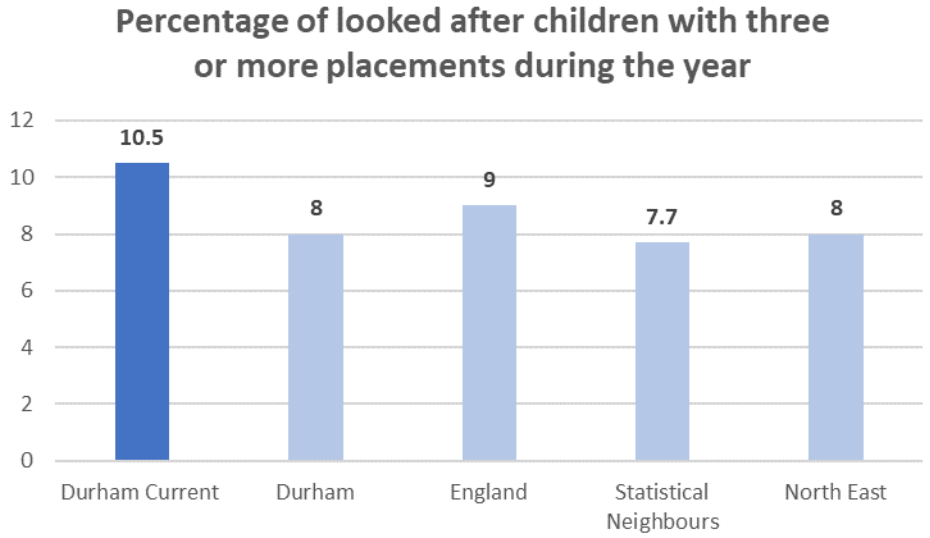
Age and Placement Stability

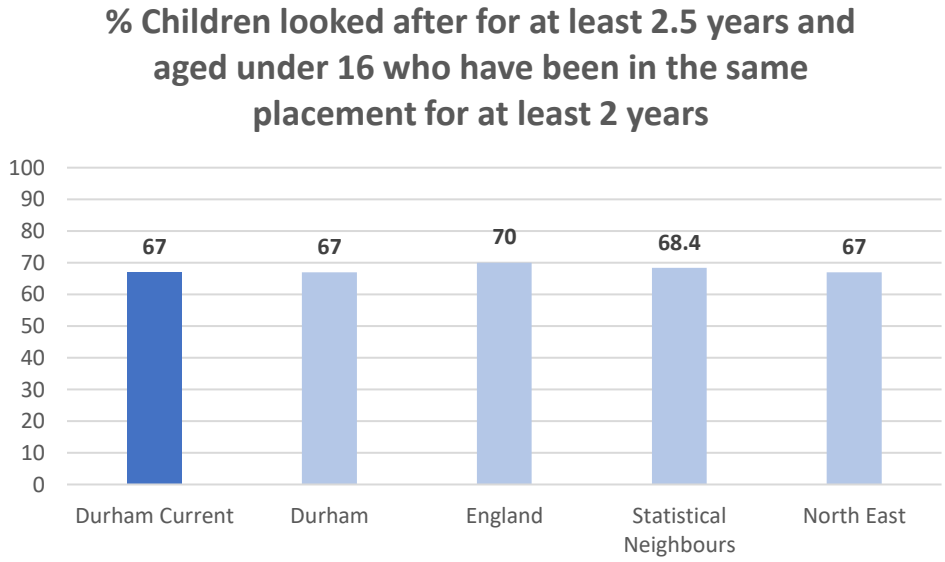
Age	Mar-20	Jan-22	% Diff
0	79	60	-24%
1	46	56	22%
2	48	27	-44%
3	34	35	3%
4	34	32	-6%
5	34	37	9%
6	39	27	-31%
7	35	43	23%
8	57	54	-5%
9	35	39	11%
10	49	57	16%
11	59	47	-20%
12	58	54	-7%
13	62	71	15%
14	59	80	36%
15	54	68	26%
16	57	73	28%
17	63	73	16%
	902	**933**	**3%**

An age breakdown of all children in care at Mar20 and Jan22 shows an overall 3% increase in CLA but a 31% increase in 14-15 year olds

Older children are more likely to experience placement breakdowns and this has impacted on our latest placement stability data with more children having experienced 3 or more placement moves in the last 12 months







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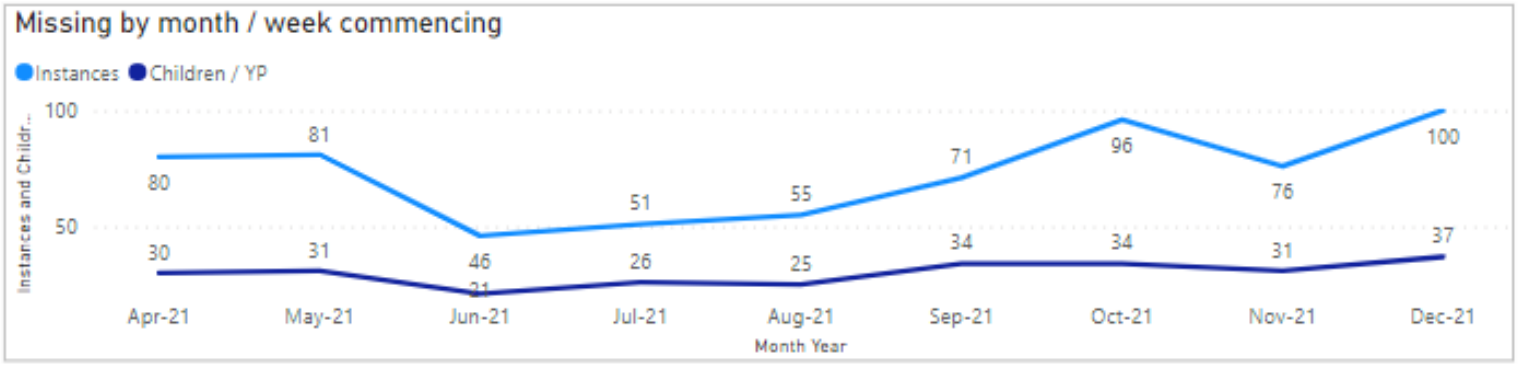
Missing Children

Missing Episodes: 656

Missing Children: 102

Return to Home Interviews

636 Offered → 443 Accepted → 443 Completed



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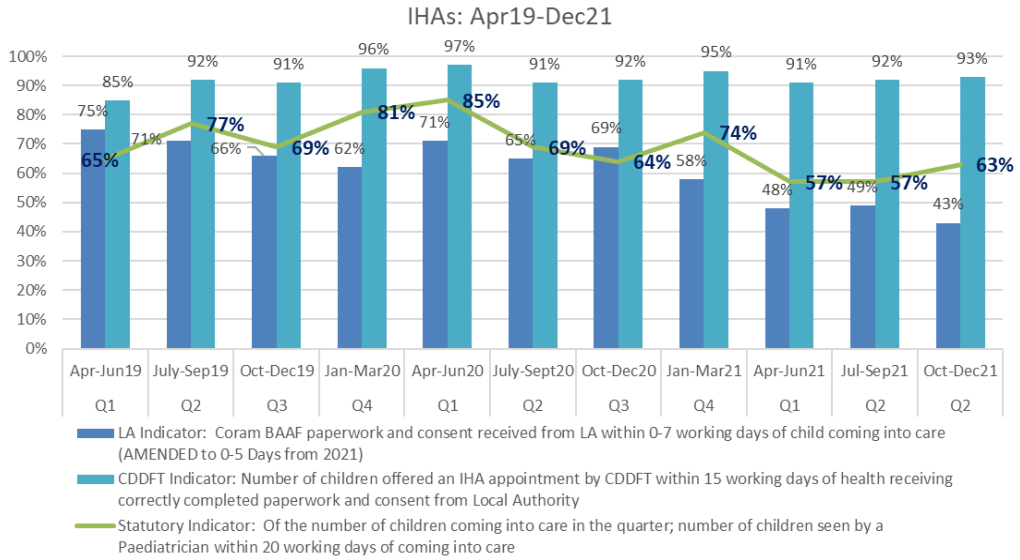

Highest % of CLA started received their IHA in timescale in Q3 in 2021/22 so far but further work continues as we want to continue to improve this

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Care Leavers

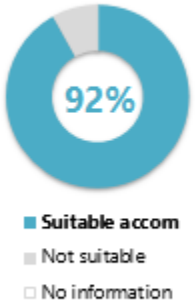
Actively working with

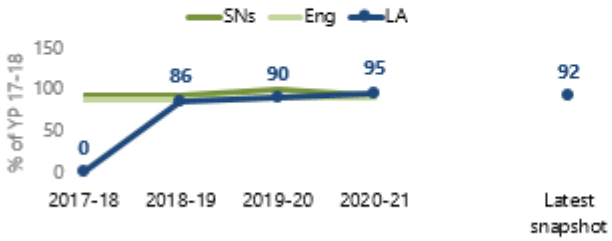
275

Care Leavers aged 17-21

Accommodation suitability of 17-18 year olds

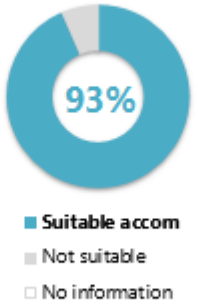
ChAT	Aged 17	Aged 18	Total
Numbers in cohort	7	67	74
In suitable accommodatio	100%	91%	92%

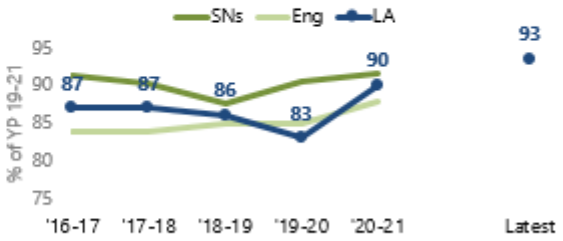




Accommodation suitability of 19-21 year olds

ChAT	Aged 19	Aged 20	Aged 21	Total
Numbers in cohort	71	60	37	168
In suitable accommodatio	93%	92%	97%	93%





Accommodation types of 17-18 year olds

Latest snapshot | LA 20-21 | SNs 20-21 | Eng 20-21

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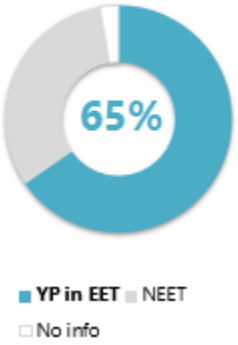
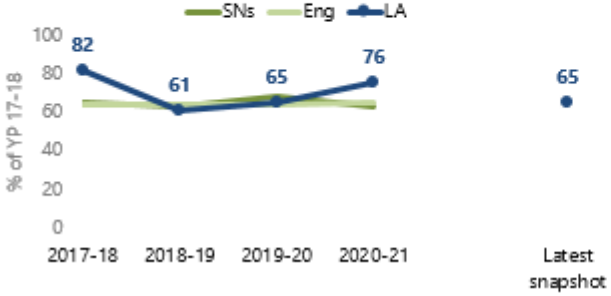
Education, Employment, or Training (EET) of 17-18 year olds

ChAT	Aged 17	Aged 18	Total
Numbers in cohort	8	67	75
In EET	38%	69%	65%





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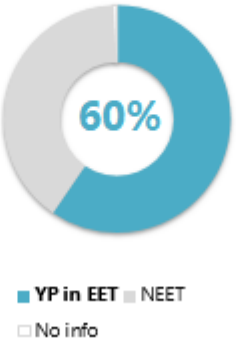
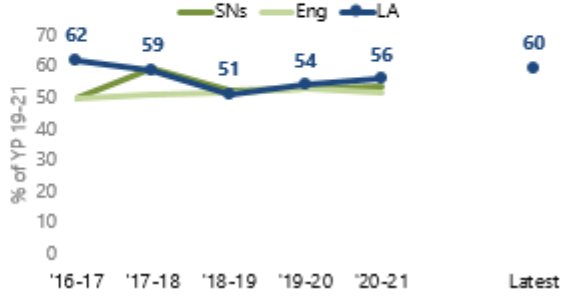
ChAT	Aged 19	Aged 20	Aged 21	Total
Numbers in cohort	71	60	37	168
In EET	65%	55%	57%	60%





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