

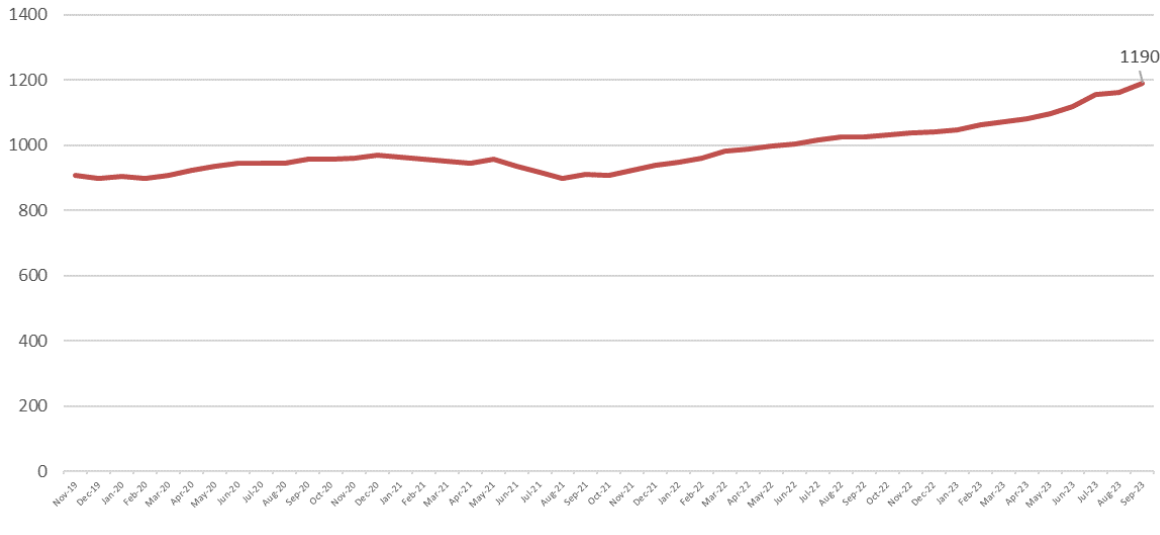
Children in our Care

Performance update Q2 2023-24



Children in our Care: 1,190

Monthly CiC Numbers



Increase in overall number of CiC and rate is now above regional and statistical neighbour average

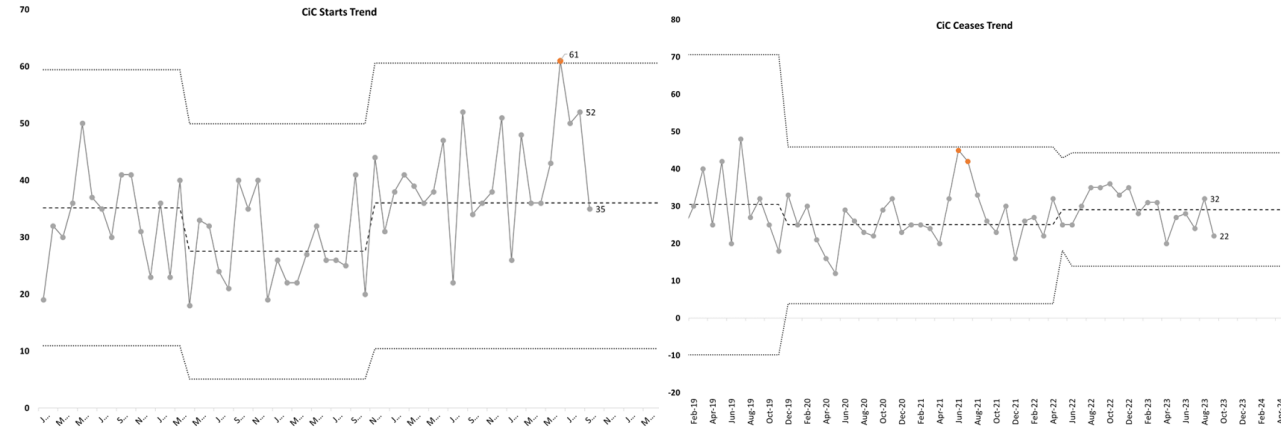
Around a third of children have been in care for less than 12 months whilst around a quarter have been in care for over 5 years

LoT in care	Under 6 Months	6-12 Months	1-2 Years	2-5 Years	5 Years+	Grand Total
No.	241	164	200	294	285	1184
%	20%	14%	17%	25%	24%	100%

75 Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children

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

Slight increase in u1 CiC starts as % of all CiC starts
Reduction in age 1-4yr olds
Increase in 5-9 and 10-15yr olds

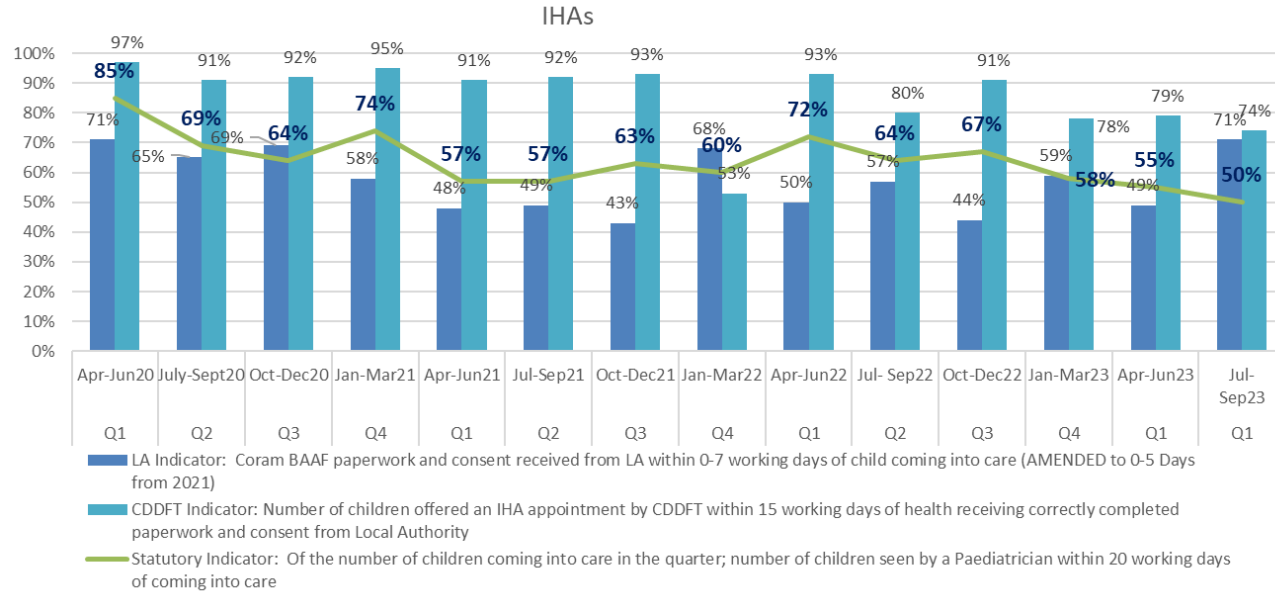


285 children became a child in care
160 children left care April – September 2023



70% of Social Workers in our Children in Care and Care Leavers Teams had fewer than 25 cases, 5% with 30+

Initial Health Assessments

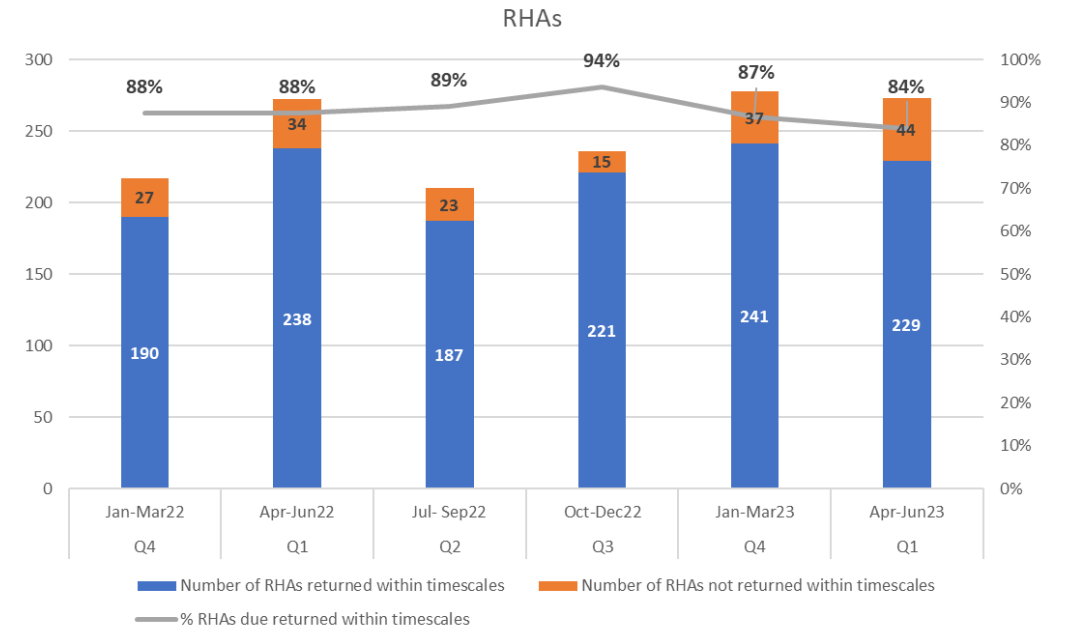


Reduction in children in care receiving an Initial Health Assessment within 20 working days of coming into care.

Rising children coming into care including UASC has affected this indicator

Improvement in required paperwork submitted in timescale to 71% but still room for improvement

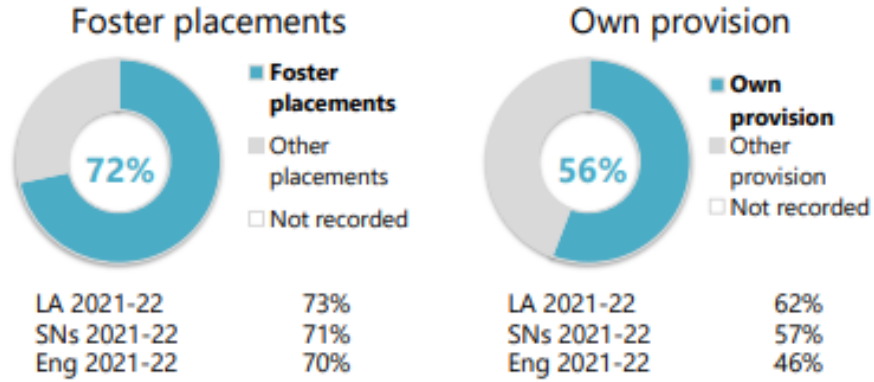
Review Health Assessments



Review Health Assessments completed within timescale have also reduced – 44 out of timescale in Q1

Placements and Placement Stability

CLA placements by type and provision



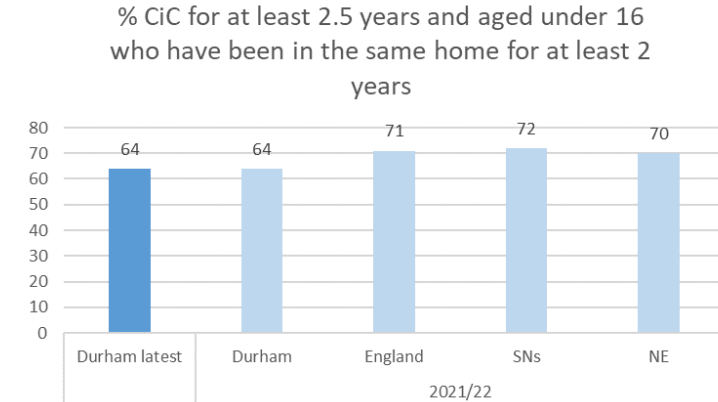
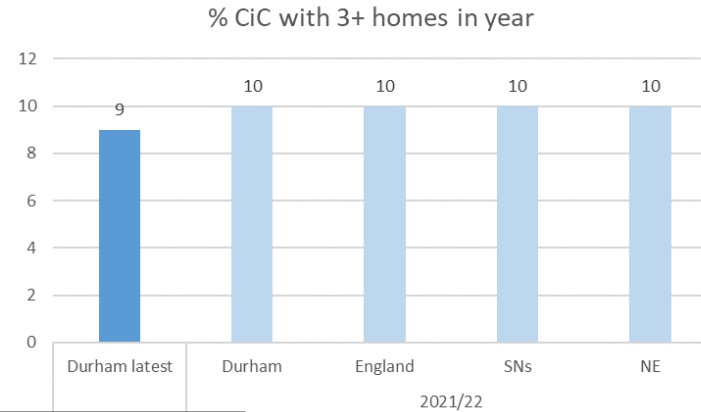
A higher proportion of children in Durham are placed in foster placements and in in-house provision to our benchmarks.

Placement Stability remains an ongoing area of focus – children with 3+ homes in one year is in line with benchmarks

Long term stability remains slightly worse than benchmarks

Children in Family Settings:

Reduction in proportion but increase in numbers
 Reduction in number and % in in-house FC
 Increase in other placement types



Placement type	04-Jun-19		11-Mar-20		03-Oct-23		No. change	% change on Jun19	No. change	% change pre-COVID
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%				
Friends and Family	134	15%	126	14%	228	19%	94	70%	102	81%
IFA	126	15%	159	18%	235	20%	109	87%	76	48%
In House Foster Care	422	49%	430	48%	387	33%	-35	-8%	-43	-10%
Placed For Adoption	24	3%	23	3%	32	3%	8	33%	9	39%
Placed With Parents	66	8%	62	7%	95	8%	29	44%	33	53%
<i>Family Settings</i>	<i>772</i>	<i>89%</i>	<i>800</i>	<i>89%</i>	<i>977</i>	<i>83%</i>				
Grand Total	866		902		1184		318		282	

Missing Children

203 of 1330 looked after children had a missing incident in the last 12 months

	Latest data	LA 21-22	SNs 21-22	Eng 21-22
Number of all CLA with a missing incident	203 of 1330	129		
Percentage of all CLA with a missing incident	15%	10%	10%	11%
Total number of missing incidents for all CLA	2252	892		
Average number of incidents per CLA who went missing	11.1	6.9	6.6	6.3

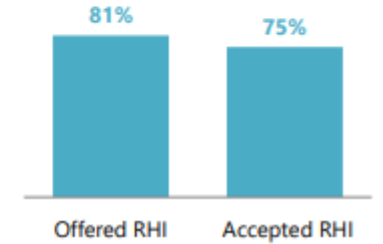
152
Children in care

1093
missing episodes

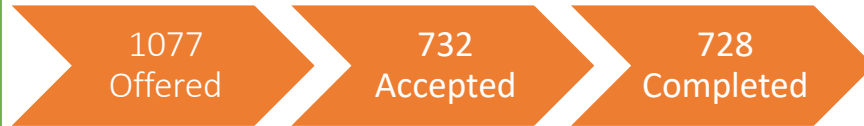
Missing incidents - return home interviews

	Latest data	
Missing children offered return interview	164 of 203	81%
Missing children not offered return interview	14 of 203	7%
Missing children return interview offer not recorded	21 of 203	10%
Missing children where return interview was n/a	4 of 203	2%

	Latest data	
Missing children accepted return interview	123 of 164	75%
Missing children not accepted return interview	36 of 164	22%
Missing children return interview acceptance not recorded	5 of 164	3%



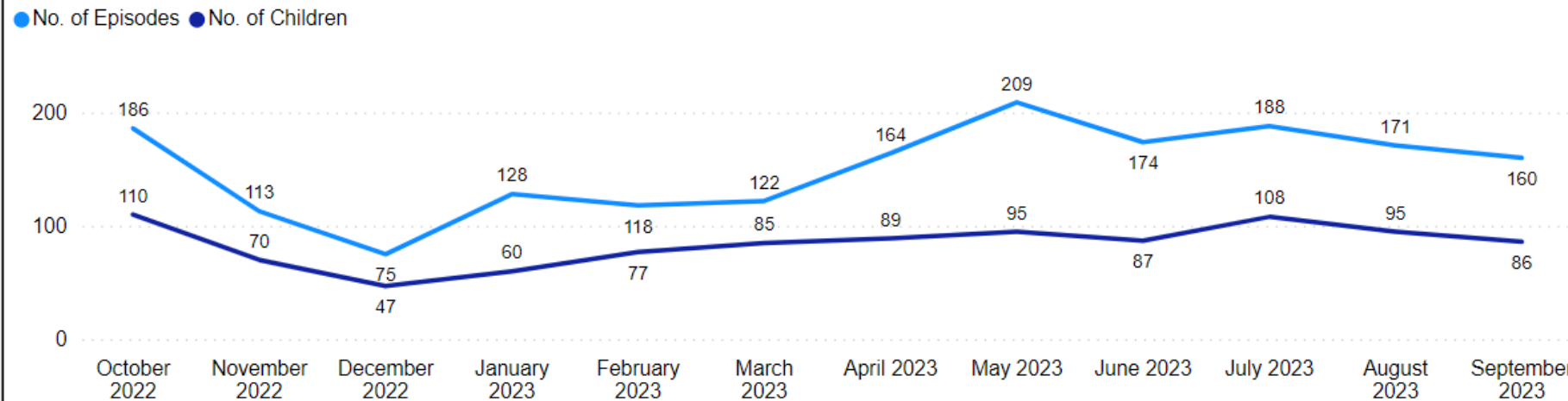
Return to Home Interviews



Increase in children in care with a missing incident and incidents per child

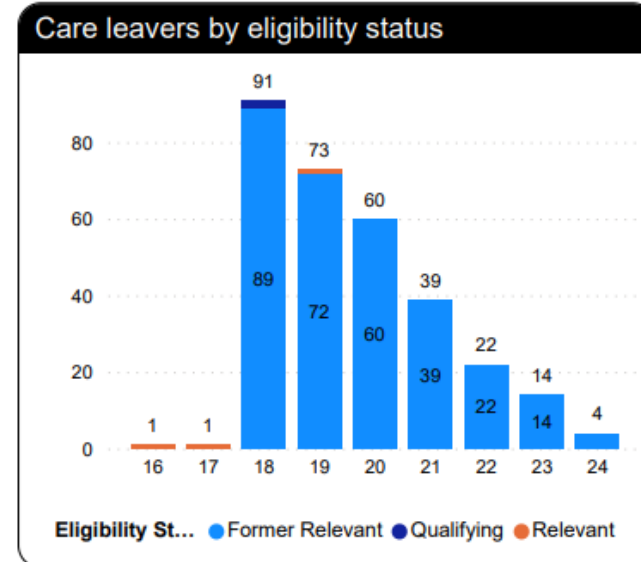
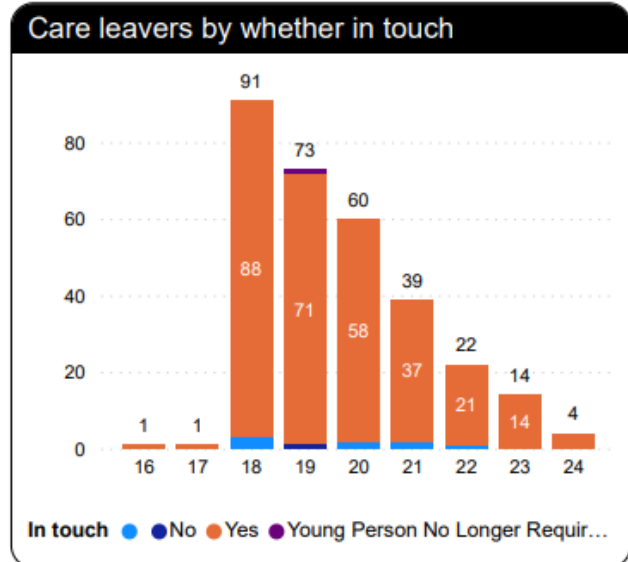
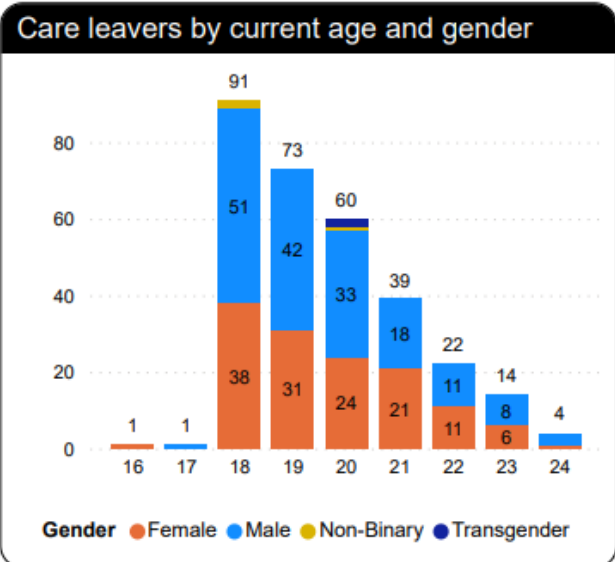
Improvement in return to home interview completion rate

Missing Episodes and Children by Month and Week



Care Leavers

264 Care Leavers aged 17-21



27 of our care leavers are recorded as being unaccompanied asylum seekers (UASC) and 26 are male aged 17-24, 1 female.

Currently have 219 YPS team monitoring open cases in addition to the 264 aged 17-21.

Care Leavers by Age Group and Whether in Touch

Age group	In Touch	YN	17-18		19-21		22-24		Total	
			No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Yes	1	100%	89	97%	166	97%	39	98%	295	97%
No			3	3%	6	3%	1	3%	10	3%
Total	1	100%	92	100%	172	100%	40	100%	305	100%

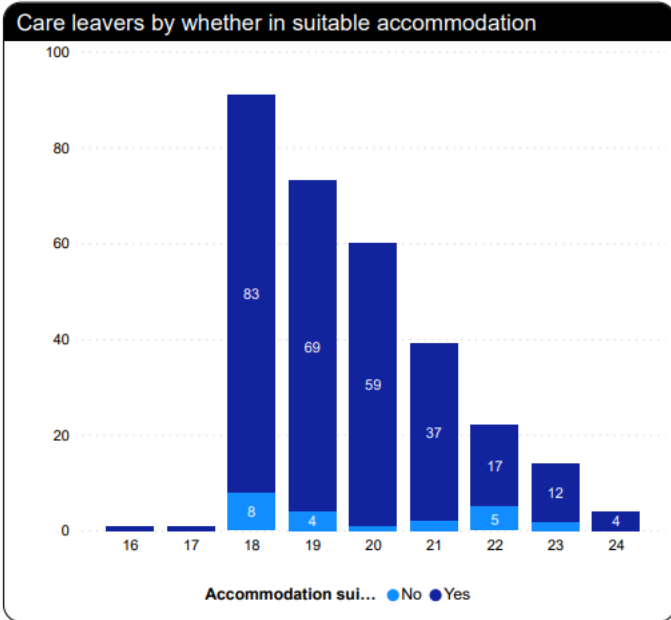
Care Leavers by Age and Whether in Touch

In touch	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Total
No			3	2	2	1				8
Yes	1	1	88	71	58	37	21	14	4	295
Young Person No Longer Requires Services			1							1
Total	1	1	91	73	60	39	22	14	4	305

Care Leavers by Eligibility Status

Eligibility status	No.
Qualifying	2
Relevant	3
Former Relevant	300
Total	305

Care Leavers – suitable accommodation



Care leavers by whether in suitable accommodation and age group

Age group	17-18		19-21		22-24		Total	
Accommodation	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Yes	1	100%	84	91%	165	96%	33	83%
No			8	9%	7	4%	7	18%
Total	1	100%	92	100%	172	100%	40	100%

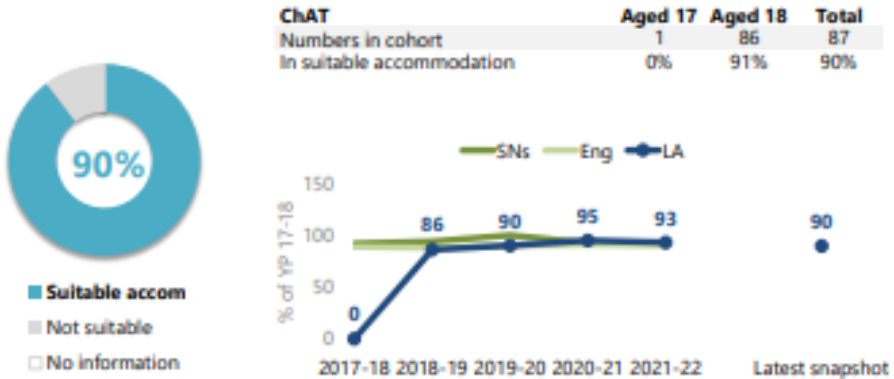
The proportion of care leavers in suitable accommodation aged 17-18 is 91% (in line with benchmarks) and for ages 19-21 is 96% (above benchmarks)

Care leavers in unsuitable accommodation by age and type

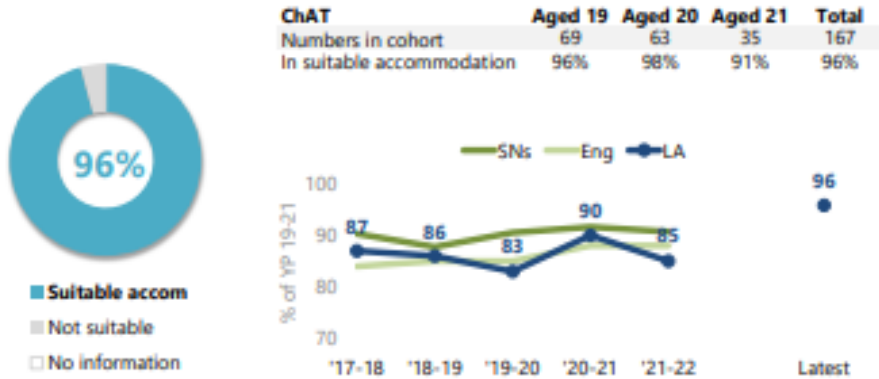
Accommodation code	18	19	20	21	22	23	Total
S - No fixed abode / homeless	2	2					4
W - Bed and breakfast	1	1					2
X - In custody	1						1
Y - Other accommodation	1	1	1	2	5	2	12
Total	3	3	1	2	5	2	22

Majority in unsuitable accommodation are in custody

Accommodation suitability of 17-18 year olds (relevant/former relevant)

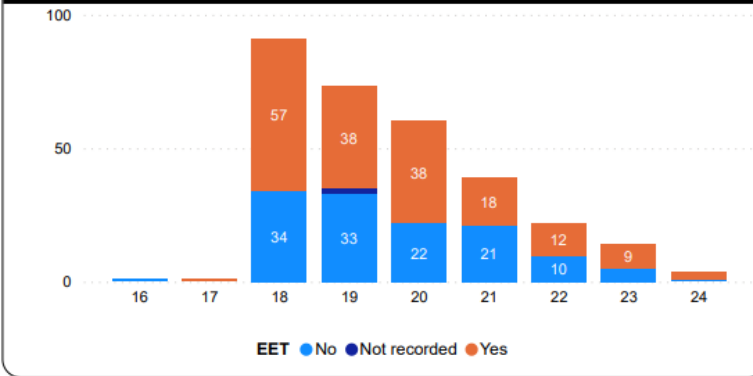


Accommodation suitability of 19-21 year olds (former relevant)



Care Leavers - Education, Employment or Training

Care Leavers by Whether in Education, Employment or Training (EET)



Care Leavers by Main Education, Employment or Training (EET) Activity and Age Group

Age group EET	17-18		19-21		22-24		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Yes	58	63%	94	55%	24	60%	176	58%
Not recorded			2	1%			2	1%
No	1	100%	34	37%	76	44%	16	40%
Total	1	100%	92	100%	172	100%	40	100%

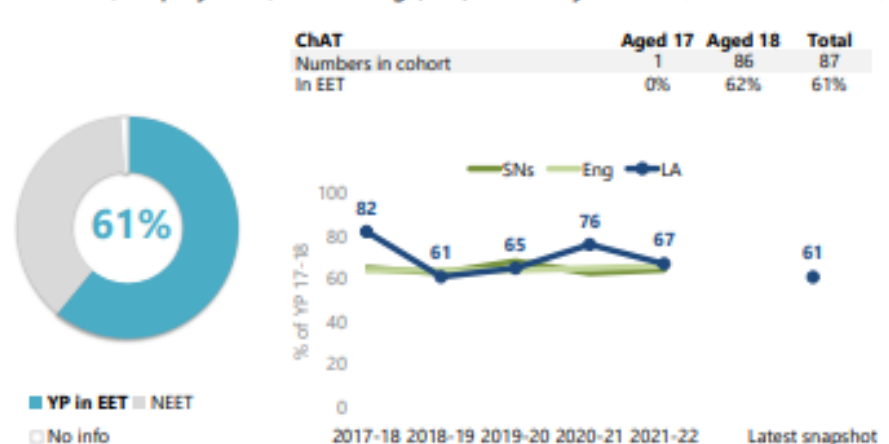
The proportion of care leavers in Education, Employment or Training aged 17-18 is 63% which is in line with benchmarks.

Care Leavers not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) by Main Education, Employment or Training (EET) Activity

Main EET activity	16	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Total
G6 - Young person not in education, employment or training due to pregnancy or parenting	1	6	3	4	3	2	1		20
G5 - Young person not in education, employment or training: other circumstances	19	9	4	4	3	1			40
G4 - Young person not in education, employment or training because of illness or disability	1	14	18	15	13	4	2		67
Total	1	34	33	22	21	10	5	1	127

For those aged 19-21 this is 53%, also in line with above benchmarks

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



Education, Employment, or Training (EET) of 19-21 year olds (former relevant)

