County Durham Corporate Parenting Panel: Performance Management Framework

What are the characteristics of our cohort of children in care and care leavers?

Measure	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	Q2 2024/25	England	North East
Rate of CLA per 10,000 u18 population [Number]	85 [840]	92 [914]	96 [949]	99 [985]	107 [1067]	122 [1223]	119 [1187]	70 (2023/24)	114 (2022/23)
Age and length of time in care							See presentation	N/A	N/A
CLA Placement breakdown							See presentation	N/A	N/A
Percentage of CLA placed over 20 miles (outside LA boundary)	7%	8%	9%	10%	11% [117/1071]	10.6% [129/1213]	10.7% [128/1192]	17% (2023/24)	11% (2023/24)
Number of children placed for adoption	24	31	39	37	26	22	35	N/A	N/A
Percentage of CLA who are unaccompanied asylum seeking children [Number] u18	0.4% [3]	0.1% [1/914]	0.1% [1/949]	2% [18/982]	5% [53/1067]	7% [83/1213]	6% [74/1187]	9% (2023/24)	5% (2023/24)
Social worker caseloads							See presentation	N/A	N/A

Do our partner agencies understand their role in supporting us as corporate parents?

Measure	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	Q2 2024/25	England	North East
Percentage of CLA with a missing incident during the year	5%	6%	7%	10%	10% [143/1427]	10.7% [171/1593]	12% [169/1401]	11% (2023/24)	11% (2023/24)
Percentage of children on Child Exploitation and Vulnerability Tracker that were CLA^					35% [51/144]	23% [62/269]	18.4% [64/347]		
Strengths & Difficulties Questionnaire - Average score	14.1	13.6	13.5	14.1	14.8	14.9	Reported annually	14.4 (2022/23)	14.4 (2022/23)
Percentage of looked after children aged 10 and above convicted or subject to a Youth Caution or Youth Conditional Caution during the year [number of children]*	5% [17]	3% [11]	3% [11]	2% [12]	3% [15]	3.8% [20]	3.2% [22/689]	2% (2023/24)	3% (2022/23)

How are we giving children and young people the chance to express their views, wishes and feelings? How do we know those are being acted on?

Measure	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21 [Provisional]	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	Q2 2024/25	England	North East
Number of CLA accessing an independent visitor			16	69 (59 CDYJS, 10 AFC) 15 waiting for match	46 (45 CDYJS, 1 NEPACS)	63 (61 CDYJS, 2 NEPACS)	74 (72 CDYJS, 2 NEPACS)		

Are we providing stable environments for children in our care?

Measure	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	Q2 2024/25	England	North East
Percentage of CLA with 3 or more placements during the year	11% [93/840]	8% [74/914]	8% [73/949]	12% [122/985]	9% [101/1067]	11% [139/1213]	11% [135/1187]	10% (2023/24)	11% (2023/24)
Percentage of CLA continuously for 2.5 years or more aged under 16 who were living in the same placement for at least 2 years	62% [186/298]	65 [203/314]	67% [225/338]	64% [239/371]	68% [263/389]	70.5% [280/397]	65% [269/413]	68% (2023/24)	68% (2023/24)
Average number of days between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family, adjusted for foster carer adoptions (A10) [Last 12 months]	431 [2015-18]	428 [2016-19]	439 [2018-2021]	466	423	491	480	454 (Q1 2022/23)	N/A
Average time between an LA receiving court authority to place a child and the LA deciding on a match to an adoptive family (A2) [Last 12 months]	190 [2015-18]	192 [2016-19]	178 [2018-2021]	144	157	169	150	184 (Q1 2022/23)	N/A
Percentage of children adopted from care (as % of total children leaving care) [number of children adopted shown in brackets]	12.3 [39 of 316]	16% [55 / 352]	18% [54 / 304]	19% [65]	18% [65/360]	14% [55/398]	7% [14/213]	9% (2023/24)	11% (2023/24)
Number of Mainstream Foster Carers (Approved in period YTD)	26	12	21	29	12	23	11	N/A	N/A
Number of Friends and Family Foster Carers (Approved in period YTD)	129	121	190	150	219	ТВС	ТВС	N/A	N/A
Number of Adopters (Approved in period YTD)	22	25	47	40	35	15	17	N/A	N/A

What are we doing to look after the health and wellbeing of children in our care?

Measure	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	Q2 2024/25	England	North East
Initial Health Assessments completed within 20 working days of the child becoming looked after	63%	73%	73%	59%	65%	59%	64%	N/A	N/A
CLA with the required number of health assessments	93%	94%	91%	93%	95%	93%	84%	89% (2023/24)	92% (2023/24)
CLA who have had a dental check	86.0%	87%	41%	85%	95%	86%	78%	79% (2023/24)	78% (2023/24)
CLA whose immunisations were up-to-date	99%	99%	90%	91%	82%	78.9%	Reported annually	82% (2023/24)	82% (2023/24)
CLA whose development assessments were up to date (CLA 12+ months and aged 5 or younger at 31 March)	95%	97%	83%	99%	97%	94.1%	Reported annually	88% (2023/24)	87% (2023/24)
% CLA identified as having a substance misuse problem in the year	2.0%	2.0%	Data Error	1.0%	1.0%	1.4%	Reported annually	3% (2023/24)	3% (2023/24)
Percentage of new presentations to drug and alcohol treatment during period who were CLA [Number] YTD	10% [18 of 185]	10% [21 of 216]	ТВС	17% [27/149]	13% [17/126]	14% [23/168]	твс	44% (2020/21)	33% (2020/21)
Care leavers aged 17-21 who are pregnant or mothers (as a % of female care leavers)		26.3% [25/95]		29% [32/111]	19% [22/114]	24% [27/115]	19% [28/146]	N/A	N/A
Care leavers aged 17-25 who are pregnant or mothers (as a % of female care leavers)				30% [39/132]	24% [33/137]	30% [40/135]	26% [46/178]	N/A	N/A

What are outcomes like for our care leavers?

Measure	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	Q2 2024/25	England	North East
Percentage of care leavers age 18-21 who have stayed	N/A	N/A	N/A	21%	18%	14%	10%		
with their foster carer	N/A	N/A	IV/ A	[50]	[44]	[39]	[29]		
Percentage of care leavers aged 17-18 in education, employment	61%	65%	76%	67%	65%	64.7%	61%	64%	61%
or training (EET)	[48/79]	[55/84]	[59/78]	[56/84]	[68/104]	[77/119]	[65/106]	(2023/24)	(2023/24)
Percentage of care leavers aged 17-18 in suitable	86%	90%	95%	93%	86%	94.1%	93%	91%	95%
accommodation	[68/79]	[76/84]	[74/78]	[76/84]	[89/104]	[112/119]	[99/106]	(2023/24)	(2023/24)
Development of care leguers aged 17.10 in higher advection	0%	0%	0%	6%	0%	1.7%	6%	3%	3%
Percentage of care leavers aged 17-18 in higher education	[0]	[0]	[0 / 78]	[5 / 83]	[0/104]	[2/119]	[7/106]	(2023/24)	(2023/24)
Percentage of care leavers aged 19-21 in education, employment or training (EET)	51% [80/156]	54% [94/175]	56% [110/197]	61% [134/218]	56% [127/228]	47% [116/247]	48% [92/190]	54% (2023/24)	50% (2023/24)
Percentage of care leavers aged 19-21 in suitable accommodation	86% [131/156]	83% [144/175]	90% [177/197]	85% [186/218]	84% [192/228]	79.4% [196/247]	92% [174/190]	88% (2023/24)	89% (2023/24)
Percentage of care leavers aged 19-21 in higher education	7% [11/156]	9% [16/175]	6% [11/197]	8% [18/218]	9% [21/228]	7.3% [18/247]	8% [16/190]	6% (2023/24)	8% (2023/24)