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## **OUTCOME INDICATORS FOR CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER: TWELVE MONTHS TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2009, ENGLAND**

### **Introduction**

This Statistical First Release provides summary information that has been derived from statistical data supplied by the 152 local authorities in England. It covers all children and young people in England who had been continuously looked after by local authorities for at least twelve months as at 30 September 2009.

The information presented in this release is sourced from what is referred to as 'the OC2' data collection. This is the final year that this collection will take place; from 2010 onwards information on the outcomes of looked after children will be sourced from the children looked after collection (SSDA 903) and the matched administrative data taken from the National Pupil Database and the Children Looked After database. A comparison between the attainment figures returned via the OC2 data collection and this new matched data source was published by the Department on 25 November 2009 and can be accessed via the [Research and Statistics gateway](#). Further information is available in Technical Note 1. The new source will be more timely and cost effective than continuing with this OC2 collection.

A new publication on the Outcomes of Looked After Children presenting information from these new data sources is due to be released in November/December 2010.

### **KEY POINTS**

#### **Context**

- At 30 September 2009 there were 43,200 children who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months by English local authorities. This is a decrease of 1 per cent from the figure of 43,700 in 30 September 2008.
- 32,300 of these children were of school age and of these 27 per cent had a statement of Special Educational Needs, 12 per cent missed at least 25 days of school, and 0.4 per cent received a permanent exclusion.

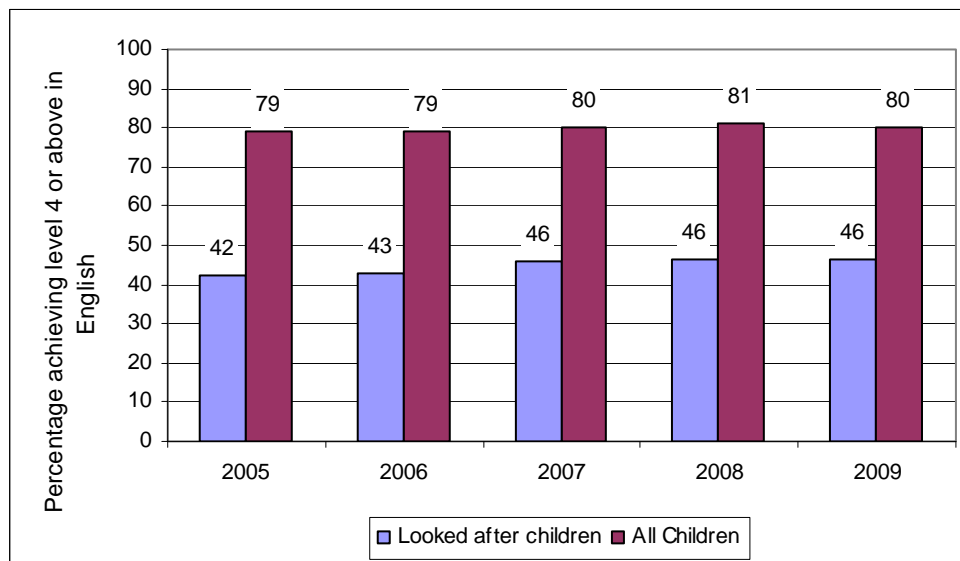
#### **Attainment**

- 58 per cent of children looked after continuously for at least twelve months aged 7 in 2009 achieved at least level 2 at KS1 Reading. This is an increase compared to the 2008 figure of 57 per cent.

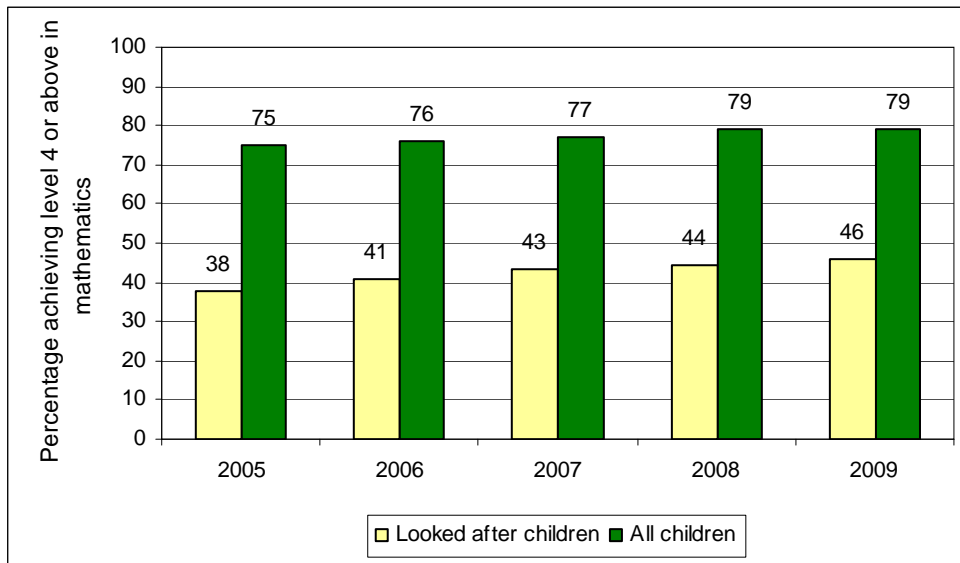
- 46 per cent of children looked after continuously for at least twelve months aged 11 in 2009 achieved at least level 4 at KS2 English. This is the same percentage as in 2008.
- 46 per cent of children looked after continuously for at least twelve months who were aged 11 in 2009 achieved at least level 4 in mathematics at Key Stage 2. The corresponding percentage for 2008 was 44 per cent.
- In school year 11, 68 per cent of children looked after continuously for at least twelve months obtained at least one GCSE or GNVQ compared with 99 per cent of all school children who gained any qualification.
- 15 per cent of children looked after continuously for at least twelve months obtained at least 5 GCSEs or GNVQs at grades A\* to C. This compares with 70 per cent of all school children in year 11 who gained 5 or more grades A\*-C at GCSE or equivalent.

The current Public Service Agreement Target 11 aims to narrow the gap in educational achievement between children from lower income and disadvantaged backgrounds and their peers. This is underpinned by two indicators. Indicator 4 aims to increase the proportion of looked after children achieving Level 4 in English to 60% by 2011 and to increase the proportion achieving Level 4 in mathematics at Key Stage 2 to 55% by 2011. Chart 1 illustrates the gap in educational achievement at Key Stage 2 in English between looked after children and all children; chart 2 illustrates this for mathematics.

**Chart 1: Percentage of children looked after continuously for at least twelve months at 30 September 2005 to 2009 achieving level 4 or above in English, compared with all children.**

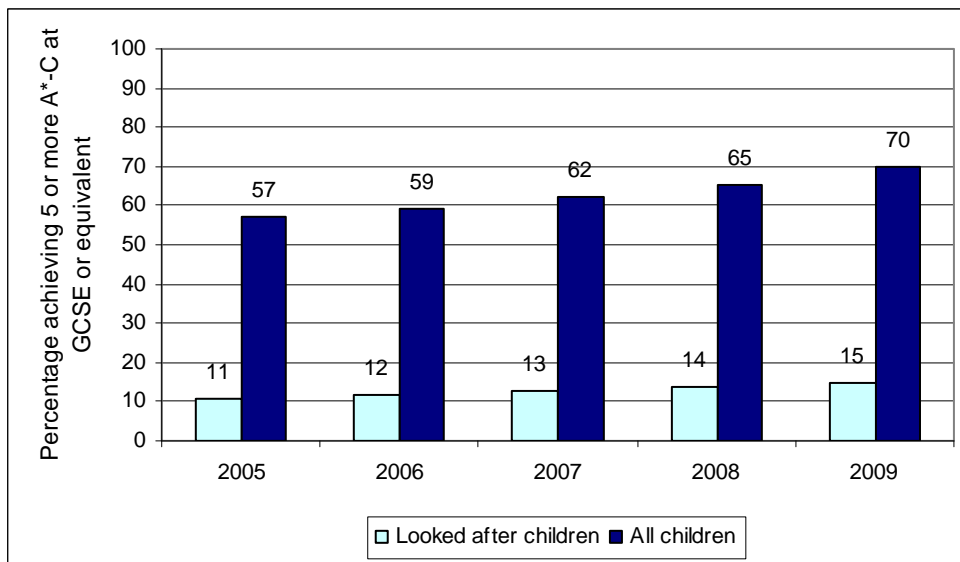


**Chart 2: Percentage of children looked after continuously for at least twelve months at 30 September 2005 to 2009 achieving level 4 or above in mathematics, compared with all children.**



Indicator 5 aims to increase the proportion of looked after children achieving 5 A\*-C GCSEs to 20% by 2011. Chart 3 illustrates the gap in attainment at GCSE level.

**Chart 3: Percentage of children looked after continuously for at least twelve months at 30 September 2005 to 2009 obtaining 5 A\*-C GCSEs or GNVQ equivalents compared with all children<sup>1</sup>.**



1. The figures for looked after children relate to GCSE and GNVQ qualifications, figures for all children relate to GCSE and all equivalent qualifications. See Technical Note 4 of the SFR text.

This year, for the first time, data has been collected on the achievements of children looked after for at least twelve months for GCSE or any equivalent. This includes figures for the reporting of National Indicator 101; the number of children achieving 5 or more A\*-C GCSEs or equivalent at Key Stage 4, including English and mathematics. This data was collected from Local Authorities on a voluntary basis, with 127 of the 152 Local Authorities (LAs) providing a full return. The England figures for looked after children in table C2 and table 5 are based only on those LAs which made a full return for this section. Figures for all LAs calculated using the new matched data source can be found in the [Bridging Series](#) Statistical Release, published by the Department on 25 November 2009.

### Education and Employment at 16

- At the end of school year 11, 73 per cent of looked after children remained in full-time education and 14 per cent of looked after children were unemployed the September after leaving school. This compares to 2008 when 69 per cent remained in full-time education and 16 per cent of looked after children were unemployed.

### Cautions and Convictions

- 9 per cent of those looked after children aged 10 or over, were cautioned or convicted for an offence during the year, just over twice the rate for all children of this age. This rate is the same as in 2008.

### Health Outcomes

- 84 per cent of looked after children's immunisations were up to date, 86 per cent had a dental check, and 86 per cent had an annual health assessment. There has been an increase in the percentage of immunisations but a slight fall in the percentage of dental checks and health assessments since 2008 when the figures were 82 per cent, 87 per cent and 87 per cent respectively.

### Substance Misuse

- 5 per cent of looked after children were identified as having a substance misuse problem during the year, of which 60 per cent received an intervention for their problem during the year. In 2008, these figures were 5 per cent and 62 per cent respectively.

### Other indicators for looked after children

In addition to the Public Service Agreement target, there are three National Indicators (NIs) relating to the attainment of looked after children. National Indicators are a set of performance indicators for Local Authorities. The table below shows these three indicators, information showing progress against National Indicators 99 and 100 is shown in the additional tables. For the first time, data showing progress against National Indicator 101 has been collected on a voluntary basis and is also shown in the additional tables. Further details about this can be found in Technical Note 4.

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| <b>NI 99</b>  | Children in care reaching level 4 in English at Key Stage 2  |
| <b>NI 100</b> | Children in care reaching level 4 in Maths at Key Stage 2  |
| <b>NI 101</b> | Children in care achieving 5 A*-C GCSEs (or equivalent) at Key Stage 4 (including English and Maths) |

Further information on the National Indicator Set is available on the Communications and Local Government website via the following link:

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/localgovernment/nationalindicator>

These indicators are now monitored in place of Ofsted's Performance Assessment Framework (PAF), however we have continued to include figures for the previous PAF indicators within this publication for information.

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Supplementary tables, including figures at Local Authority (LA) and Government Office Region (GOR) level are available on the DCSF statistics website:

<http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/rsgateway/DB/SFR/s000930/index.shtml>

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#### **TECHNICAL NOTES**

1. **Source:** The 2009 figures on outcome indicators for looked after children in England are the latest in a regular series. Data are collected on the OC2 statistical return, which provides the Department for Children, Schools and Families with aggregate data on the outcomes of all children and young people in England who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months at 30 September. The figures presented for the year ending 30 September 2009 are based on data provided by all 152 Local Authorities.

This is the final year in which information from the OC2 collection will be used to inform on the outcomes of looked after children. The OC2 collection is being discontinued and from 2010 the main source of information on the outcomes of looked after children will be the children looked after collection (SSDA 903) and the new matched administrative data source taken from the National Pupil Database and the Children Looked After database. A comparison of the attainment figures from the OC2 return and the new matched data source, and a summary of the methodology, was published by the Department in November 2009. The publication also contains comprehensive Technical Notes, including information on the impact of changing to the financial cohort basis. This publication can be accessed at: <http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/rsgateway/DB/STR/d000894/index.shtml>

2. **Further analysis**, along with information on data quality and the rounding and suppression used in the tables, can be found in the commentary, also available on the website.

3. **Key Stage 3 attainment**: Key Stage 3 attainment information is no longer collected and is therefore not reported on in this publication.

4. **Key Stage 4 attainment**: Information collected in the OC2 on the attainment of looked after children includes achievements in GCSEs and GNVQs only. Information for all children, as collected from awarding bodies includes attainment for GCSEs and all other equivalent qualifications approved for use pre 16.

This year, for the first time, data has been collected on achievements of children looked after for at least twelve months for GCSE or any equivalent. This includes figures for the reporting of National Indicator 101; the number of children achieving 5 or more A\*-C GCSEs or equivalent at Key Stage 4, including English and mathematics. This data was collected from Local Authorities on a voluntary basis, with 127 of the 152 LAs providing a full return. The England figures for looked after children in table C2 and table 5 are based only on those LAs which made a full return for this section. Figures for all LAs calculated using the new matched data source can be found in the [Bridging Series](#) Statistical Release, published by the Department on 25 November 2009.

5 **Changes to National Curriculum tests**: Comparisons of 2009 and 2008 data with earlier years are likely to be affected by various administrative changes to the 2008 National Curriculum tests. This includes the removal of borderlining. For further information on these changes and their impact, please see the following publications:

“National Curriculum Assessments at Key Stage 2 in England 2007/08 (Revised)”  
<http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/rsgateway/DB/SFR/s000836/index.shtml>

“National Curriculum Assessments at Key Stage 3 in England, 2008 (Provisional)”  
<http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/rsgateway/DB/SFR/s000805/index.shtml>

6. **National Indicator 101**: Information on this National Indicator is published here for the first time. National indicator 101 is defined as the percentage of children continuously looked after for at least twelve months achieving 5 or more A\*-C grades at GCSE or any equivalent, including English and mathematics. Information was collected for the first time, via the OC2 collection, for 2009. Although only information for 2009 is currently available, the use of the matched administrative data source will enable the Department to publish information for earlier years at a later date.

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### **Looked after children data user group:**

This is a new group which aims to seek feedback on whether these statistics are meeting users' requirements and to consult on any future changes to this data collection and the timing and format of our outputs. If you would like to participate in this group then please register your interest by email at [mailbox.cla.stats@dcsf.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:mailbox.cla.stats@dcsf.gsi.gov.uk).

**Table A: Number of children looked after at 30 September who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months, and general information about their education**  
**Years: 2007-2009**  
**Coverage: England**

|  | children looked after |        |        |                          |      |      | numbers and percentages |      |      |
|--|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|------|------|
|  | number                |        |        | percentages <sup>1</sup> |      |      | all children            |      |      |
|  | 2007                  | 2008   | 2009   | 2007                     | 2008 | 2009 | 2007                    | 2008 | 2009 |
| Number of children looked after at 30 Sept. who had been looked after for at least twelve months | 44,200                | 43,700 | 43,200 | .                        | .    | .    | .                       | .    | .    |
| <b>and of these:</b>   |                       |        |        |                          |      |      |                         |      |      |
| Number eligible for full-time schooling  | 33,600                | 33,000 | 32,300 | .                        | .    | .    | .                       | .    | .    |
| <b>and of these:</b>   |                       |        |        |                          |      |      |                         |      |      |
| Number with a statement of special educational needs   | 9,300                 | 9,200  | 8,700  | 27.6                     | 27.9 | 27.0 | 2.8                     | 2.8  | 2.7  |
| Number of permanent exclusions from school <sup>3</sup>  | 220                   | 170    | 130    | 0.7                      | 0.5  | 0.4  | 0.1                     | 0.1  | 0.1  |
| Number who missed at least 25 days of school <sup>4,5</sup>                                      | 4,400                 | 3,900  | 3,700  | 13.0                     | 11.9 | 11.5 | ..                      | ..   | ..   |

1. Expressed as a percentage of the number eligible for full-time schooling.

2. Source: DCSF Statistical First Releases: 'Special Educational Needs in England: January 2009', and 'Permanent and Fixed Period Exclusions from Schools in England 2007/08'.

3. If a child was permanently excluded more than once in the previous school year, each occasion has been counted.

4. Former Performance Assessment Framework Indicator C24: The percentage of children who had been looked after continuously for at least 12 months and were of school age, who missed a total of at least 25 days during the previous school year of schooling for any reason.

5. Figures on this basis are not collected by DCSF for all children.

. Not applicable

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For information on rounding conventions used please see the main commentary, paragraphs 80 to 89.

**Table B: Eligibility and performance of children who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months, in Key Stages 1 and 2, compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September  
Years: 2007-2009  
Coverage: England**

|   | children looked after |       |       |             |      |      | numbers and percentages   |      |      |
|---|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------------|------|------|---------------------------|------|------|
|   | number                |       |       | percentages |      |      | all children <sup>1</sup> |      |      |
|   | 2007                  | 2008  | 2009  | 2007        | 2008 | 2009 | 2007                      | 2008 | 2009 |
| <b>YEAR 2</b>   |                       |       |       |             |      |      |                           |      |      |
| Number eligible to sit Key Stage 1 tasks and tests                  | 1,500                 | 1,600 | 1,400 | .           | .    | .    | .                         | .    | .    |
| Numbers achieving at least Level 2 <sup>2</sup> in the following:   |                       |       |       |             |      |      |                           |      |      |
| Reading   | 850                   | 900   | 830   | 55          | 57   | 58   | 84                        | 84   | 84   |
| Writing   | 780                   | 790   | 750   | 51          | 50   | 52   | 80                        | 80   | 81   |
| Mathematics   | 980                   | 990   | 930   | 64          | 62   | 65   | 90                        | 90   | 89   |
| <b>YEAR 6</b>   |                       |       |       |             |      |      |                           |      |      |
| Number eligible to sit Key Stage 2 tasks and tests                  | 2,700                 | 2,700 | 2,500 | .           | .    | .    | .                         | .    | .    |
| Number who attained at least Level 4 <sup>2</sup> in the following: |                       |       |       |             |      |      |                           |      |      |
| English   | 1,200                 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 46          | 46   | 46   | 80                        | 81   | 80   |
| Mathematics   | 1,200                 | 1,200 | 1,100 | 43          | 44   | 46   | 77                        | 79   | 79   |
| Science   | 1,600                 | 1,600 | 1,600 | 59          | 60   | 62   | 88                        | 88   | 88   |

1. Source: DCSF Statistical First Releases 'National Curriculum Assessments at Key Stage 1 in England, 2009' (figures from 2007 and 2008 are final, figures from 2009 are provisional) and 'National Curriculum Assessments at Key Stage 2 in England, 2009 (Revised)' (figures from 2007 and 2008 are final, figures from 2009 are based on revised data). Includes all schools. All KS1 figures are based on teacher assessments.

2. Target level for age group.

. Not applicable

.. Not available

For information on rounding conventions used please see the main commentary, paragraphs 80 to 89.

**Table C1: GCSE and GNVQ equivalent performance of children who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months in Year 11, compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September  
Years: 2007-2009  
Coverage: England**

|   | numbers and percentages |       |       |                          |      |      |                           |      |      |
|---|-------------------------|-------|-------|--------------------------|------|------|---------------------------|------|------|
|   | children looked after   |       |       |                          |      |      | all children <sup>†</sup> |      |      |
|   | number                  |       |       | percentages <sup>2</sup> |      |      | percentages               |      |      |
|   | 2007                    | 2008  | 2009  | 2007                     | 2008 | 2009 | 2007                      | 2008 | 2009 |
| Number in Year 11   | 5,100                   | 5,100 | 5,300 | .                        | .    | .    | .                         | .    | .    |
| Number who sat at least one GCSE/GNVQ equivalent <sup>3</sup> | 3,400                   | 3,500 | 3,700 | 67.7                     | 68.8 | 71.1 | 99.5                      | 99.1 | 98.8 |
| Number who obtained at least:                                 |                         |       |       |                          |      |      |                           |      |      |
| 1 GCSE/GNVQ equivalent at grade A* to G <sup>3</sup>          | 3,200                   | 3,400 | 3,600 | 63.7                     | 65.6 | 68.2 | 98.9                      | 98.6 | 98.9 |
| 5 GCSEs/GNVQ equivalents at grade A* to G <sup>3</sup>        | 2,200                   | 2,200 | 2,300 | 43.1                     | 43.4 | 44.3 | 91.7                      | 91.6 | 92.3 |
| 5 GCSEs/GNVQ equivalents at grade A* to C <sup>3</sup>        | 640                     | 710   | 780   | 12.6                     | 13.9 | 14.8 | 62.0                      | 65.3 | 70.0 |

1. Source: DCSF Statistical First Release 'GCSE and Equivalent Results in England 2008/09 (Revised)'. Includes all schools.

2. Expressed as a percentage of all looked after children in Year 11.

3. The figures for children looked after relate to GCSE and GNVQ qualifications, figures for all children relate to GCSE and all equivalent qualifications. See Technical Note 4 in the SFR text.

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For information on rounding conventions used please see the main commentary, paragraphs 80 to 89.

**Table C2: GCSE and all equivalents performance of children who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months<sup>1</sup>, in Year 11, compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September  
Years: 2009  
Coverage: England**

|  | <b>numbers and percentages</b> |                          |                           |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
|  | children looked after          |                          | all children <sup>2</sup> |
|  | number                         | percentages <sup>3</sup> | percentages               |
| Number in Year 11  | 3,900                          | .                        | .                         |
| Number who sat at least one GCSE or equivalent <sup>4</sup>                            | 3,300                          | 84.1                     | 98.8                      |
| Number who obtained at least:  |                                |                          |                           |
| 1 GCSE or equivalent at grade A* to G <sup>4</sup>                                     | 2,800                          | 71.5                     | 98.9                      |
| 5 GCSEs or equivalents at grade A* to G <sup>4</sup>                                   | 1,900                          | 49.3                     | 92.3                      |
| 5 GCSEs or equivalents at grade A* to C <sup>4</sup>                                   | 740                            | 18.8                     | 70.0                      |
| 5 GCSEs or equivalents at grade A* to C including English and mathematics <sup>4</sup> | 390                            | 9.8                      | 49.8                      |

1. This section of the OC2 return was voluntary; figures are only displayed for those LAs with a full return for this section. A total of 127 LAs provided a full return.

2. Source: DCSF Statistical First Release 'GCSE and Equivalent Results in England 2008/09 (Revised)'. Includes all schools.

3. Expressed as a percentage of all looked after children in Year 11.

4. The figures for both children looked after and all children relate to GCSE and all equivalent qualifications. See Technical Note 4 in the SFR text.

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*For information on rounding conventions used please see the main commentary, paragraphs 80 to 89.*

**Table D: Education and employment status at 30 September of children who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months, in Year 11 in 2008/09 school year, compared with all children**  
**Year: 2009**  
**Coverage: England**

| Government Office Region    |                             | total number of children in year 11 in 2008-09 school year | position at 30 September 2009, shown as a percentage of the total |                    |  |   |  | unemployed                           |              |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|---|--------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|--------------|
|                             |                             |  | full-time education   | full-time training | full-time employment with planned training | full-time employment with no planned training | part-time employment, education, or training | a result of ill-health or disability | other reason |
| <b>ENGLAND</b>              | looked after children       | 5,300  | 73  | 6                  | 1  | 0   | 5  | 1                                    | 13           |
|                             | all children <sup>1,2</sup> | 608,500  | 86  | 5                  | 1  | 1   | 1  | 4                                    |              |
| <b>NORTH EAST</b>           | looked after children       | 250  | 71  | 12                 | 0  | 0   | 5  | 0                                    | 11           |
|                             | all children <sup>1,2</sup> | 32,300   | 83  | 8                  | 1  | 1   | 1  | 6                                    |              |
| <b>NORTH WEST</b>           | looked after children       | 810  | 69  | 9                  | 2  | 0   | 5  | 1                                    | 14           |
|                             | all children <sup>1,2</sup> | 88,500   | 84  | 7                  | 1  | 1   | 1  | 5                                    |              |
| <b>YORKS AND THE HUMBER</b> | looked after children       | 540  | 62  | 12                 | 2  | 0   | 6  | 1                                    | 18           |
|                             | all children <sup>1,2</sup> | 63,400   | 83  | 7                  | 2  | 1   | 1  | 5                                    |              |
| <b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>        | looked after children       | 300  | 68  | 9                  | 1  | 1   | 4  | 1                                    | 15           |
|                             | all children <sup>1,2</sup> | 54,000   | 86  | 6                  | 2  | 1   | 1  | 4                                    |              |
| <b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>        | looked after children       | 600  | 75  | 7                  | 1  | 0   | 4  | 1                                    | 12           |
|                             | all children <sup>1,2</sup> | 68,700   | 86  | 5                  | 1  | 1   | 1  | 4                                    |              |
| <b>EAST OF ENGLAND</b>      | looked after children       | 520  | 78  | 2                  | 3  | 1   | 6  | 0                                    | 11           |
|                             | all children <sup>1,2</sup> | 67,900   | 87  | 4                  | 2  | 1   | 1  | 4                                    |              |
| <b>LONDON</b>               | looked after children       | 1,100  | 79  | 3                  | 1  | 0   | 4  | 1                                    | 13           |
|                             | all children <sup>1,2</sup> | 80,400   | 91  | 2                  | 1  | 0   | 1  | 3                                    |              |
| <b>SOUTH EAST</b>           | looked after children       | 710  | 77  | 4                  | 0  | 1   | 5  | 1                                    | 12           |
|                             | all children <sup>1,2</sup> | 93,600   | 88  | 3                  | 2  | 1   | 1  | 4                                    |              |
| <b>SOUTH WEST</b>           | looked after children       | 440  | 75  | 2                  | 1  | 1   | 5  | 1                                    | 14           |
|                             | all children <sup>1,2</sup> | 59,700   | 87  | 4                  | 1  | 1   | 1  | 3                                    |              |

1. Source: 'The Connexions/Careers Service Annual Activity Survey 2009'. Covers all young people who were in year 11 during the school year ending August 2009, and is based on a survey carried out during October 2009.

2. Percentages for 'all children' do not sum to 100 because the Connexions/Career Service Survey included an additional category of 'moved away' 'no response' and 'refused to participate', which is not relevant to looked after children.

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For information on rounding conventions used please see the main commentary, paragraphs 80 to 89.

**Table E: Offending by children who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months, twelve months ending 30 September**  
**Years: 2007-2009**  
**Coverage: England**

|  |                       |        |        |             |      |      |                                       |      |      | numbers and percentages          |      |      |
|--|-----------------------|--------|--------|-------------|------|------|---------------------------------------|------|------|----------------------------------|------|------|
|  | children looked after |        |        |             |      |      | all children <sup>1</sup> percentages |      |      | PAF Indicator C18 <sup>2,3</sup> |      |      |
|  | number                |        |        | percentages |      |      |                                       |      |      |                                  |      |      |
|  | 2007                  | 2008   | 2009   | 2007        | 2008 | 2009 | 2007                                  | 2008 | 2009 | 2007                             | 2008 | 2009 |
| Number of children looked after at 30 Sept. who had been looked after for at least twelve months | 44,200                | 43,700 | 43,200 | .           | .    | .    | .                                     | .    | .    | .                                | .    | .    |
| Number of children aged 10 or older at 30 September  | 30,400                | 30,000 | 30,000 | .           | .    | .    | .                                     | .    | .    | .                                | .    | .    |
| Number convicted or subject to a final warning or reprimand during the year                      | 2,900                 | 2,600  | 2,600  | 9.5         | 8.8  | 8.7  | 3.9                                   | 4.3  | 3.5  | 2.5                              | 2.1  | 2.5  |

1. Data for all children are from the Home Office, and are for calendar years ending 31 December 2006 to 2008, expressed as a percentage of all children aged 10-17.

2. The proportion of children (aged 10 or over) who had been looked after continuously for at least 12 months, who were convicted or subject to a final warning or reprimand during the year for an offence committed whilst they were looked after, expressed as a ratio of the proportion of all children and young people convicted or subject to a final warning or reprimand for an offence in the police force area.

3. PAF indicators are no longer used for monitoring but have been included here for information. PAF Indicator C18 related to the ratio between the percentage of looked after children and the percentage of all children convicted or subject to a final warning or reprimand during the year

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**Table F: Health care of children who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months, twelve months ending 30 September**  
**Years: 2007-2009**  
**Coverage: England**

|  | numbers and percentages |        |        |             |      |      |                                  |        |        |
|--|-------------------------|--------|--------|-------------|------|------|----------------------------------|--------|--------|
|  | number                  |        |        | percentages |      |      | PAF Indicator C19 <sup>1,2</sup> |        |        |
|  | 2007                    | 2008   | 2009   | 2007        | 2008 | 2009 | 2007                             | 2008   | 2009   |
| Number of children looked after at 30 Sept. who had been looked after for at least twelve months | 44,200                  | 43,700 | 43,200 | .           | .    | .    | .                                | .      | .      |
| <b>of these:</b>   |                         |        |        |             |      |      |                                  |        |        |
| number whose immunisations were up to date   | 35,300                  | 35,900 | 36,100 | 79.9        | 82.3 | 83.7 | .                                | .      | .      |
| number who had their teeth checked by a dentist  | 38,000                  | 38,200 | 37,300 | 85.8        | 87.3 | 86.4 | } 85.1                           | } 86.9 | } 85.9 |
| number who had their annual health assessment  | 37,300                  | 37,800 | 36,800 | 84.4        | 86.5 | 85.4 |                                  |        |        |
| number of children looked after for at least one year, and aged 5 or younger at 30 September:    | 7,000                   | 7,100  | 7,000  | .           | .    | .    | .                                | .      | .      |
| <b>of these:</b>   |                         |        |        |             |      |      |                                  |        |        |
| number whose development assessments were up to date   | 6,100                   | 6,200  | 6,100  | 88.3        | 87.5 | 87.8 | .                                | .      | .      |

1. The average of the percentages of children looked after at 30 September who had been looked after continuously for at least 12 months, who had their teeth checked by a dentist during the previous 12 months, and had an annual health assessment during the previous 12 months. In previous years this indicator also included immunisations. The figures shown here reflect the revised definition.

2. PAF indicators are no longer used for monitoring but have been included here for information. PAF Indicator C19 related to the combination of the percentages of looked after children for whom dental checks and health assessments were up to date.

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**Table G: Substance misuse of children who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months, twelve months ending 30 September**  
**Years: 2007-2009**  
**Coverage: England**

|   | number |        |        | percentages |      |      |
|---|--------|--------|--------|-------------|------|------|
|   | 2007   | 2008   | 2009   | 2007        | 2008 | 2009 |
| Number of children looked after at 30 Sept. who had been looked after for at least twelve months    | 44,200 | 43,700 | 43,200 | .           | .    | .    |
| <b>and of these:</b>  |        |        |        |             |      |      |
| Number identified as having a substance misuse problem during the year <sup>1</sup>                 | 2,400  | 2,200  | 2,200  | 5.4         | 4.9  | 5.1  |
| <b>and of these:</b>  |        |        |        |             |      |      |
| Number who received an intervention for their substance misuse problem during the year <sup>2</sup> | 1,500  | 1,400  | 1,300  | 61.7        | 63.0 | 60.2 |
| Number who were offered an intervention but who refused it during the year <sup>2</sup>             | 800    | 750    | 780    | 33.4        | 34.9 | 35.3 |

1. Expressed as a percentage of the number of children looked after at 30 Sept. who had been looked after for at least twelve months.

2. Expressed as a percentage of the number of children identified as having a substance misuse problem during the year.

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*For information on rounding conventions used please see the main commentary, paragraphs 80 to 89.*