

Children Order Statistical Tables (2006/07)

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Key Points - Children on the Child Protection Register

- There were 1,805 children on the child protection register at 31 March 2007, of which 8% were aged under one year old (Table 1.1).
- Almost a third (32%) of children on the child protection register at 31 March 2007 were assessed to be at risk of neglect (only) (Table 1.2).
- At 31 March 2007, 6 in 10 (61%) of children on the child protection register had been on the register for less than one year (Table 1.5).
- There were 1,305 registrations, 215 re-registrations and 1,133 de-registrations relating to the child protection register during 2006/07 (Tables 1.7, 1.9 and 1.10).

Table 1.1: Number of Children on Child Protection Register by Gender and Age

Trust	Under 1		1 - 4		5 - 11		12 - 15		16 +		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	14	13	41	32	54	46	31	24	4	5	144	120	264
South & East Belfast	11	5	25	26	29	33	30	32	13	14	108	110	218
Ulster Community & Hospitals	9	9	26	20	33	24	13	6	0	3	81	62	143
Down Lisburn	15	9	39	32	56	43	23	44	11	16	144	144	288
Causeway	2	7	13	12	21	14	12	12	3	4	51	49	100
Homefirst	7	10	23	18	44	32	19	16	5	2	98	78	176
Armagh & Dungannon	2	3	14	12	15	20	11	13	3	6	45	54	99
Craigavon & Banbridge	5	1	7	8	11	9	8	8	0	1	31	27	58
Newry & Mourne	5	3	9	6	18	11	11	7	5	5	48	32	80
Foyle	7	4	22	21	38	30	19	25	5	5	91	85	176
Sperrin Lakeland	4	3	21	22	42	33	36	23	8	11	111	92	203
Northern Ireland	81	67	240	209	361	295	213	210	57	72	952	853	1,805

Source: CPR1

Table 1.2: Number of Children on Child Protection Register by Category of Abuse Where Category of Abuse is Confirmed, Suspected or Potential

Trust	Neglect, Physical Abuse and Sexual Abuse	Neglect and Physical Abuse	Neglect and Sexual Abuse	Physical and Sexual Abuse	Neglect Only	Physical Abuse Only	Sexual Abuse Only	Emotional Abuse Only	All Categories
North & West Belfast	0	15	12	1	118	46	30	42	264
South & East Belfast	8	24	2	14	58	52	25	35	218
Ulster Community & Hospitals	1	38	2	3	41	28	12	18	143
Down Lisburn	16	66	14	8	72	63	29	20	288
Causeway	0	24	1	35	13	4	23	0	100
Homefirst	2	10	3	4	67	54	16	20	176
Armagh & Dungannon	0	7	2	3	28	19	13	27	99
Craigavon & Banbridge	0	2	0	1	40	10	2	3	58
Newry & Mourne	0	2	0	2	33	8	16	19	80
Foyle	3	20	4	8	57	36	26	22	176
Sperrin Lakeland	10	37	19	5	42	37	33	20	203
Northern Ireland	40	245	59	84	569	357	225	226	1,805

Source: CPR2

Table 1.3: Number of Referrals to Child Protection Register Made During Year by Source of Referral

Trust	Police	School / EWO ¹	Voluntary Org.	GP	Social Services	Comm. Nursing	Relative	Neighbour / Friend	Hospital	Self	Anon	Other	Total
North & West Belfast	60	50	1	4	199	14	4	1	9	7	7	33	389
South & East Belfast	54	23	0	3	65	14	27	0	20	8	6	39	259
Ulster Community & Hospitals	20	3	2	8	33	7	8	6	9	1	11	13	121
Down Lisburn	59	38	1	3	137	33	39	14	31	8	36	61	460
Causeway	18	18	0	13	60	4	10	0	3	2	20	37	185
Homefirst	10	6	0	0	173	0	1	1	3	1	4	19	218
Armagh & Dungannon	47	35	0	10	55	6	34	5	6	1	21	41	261
Craigavon & Banbridge	31	8	0	0	68	7	24	2	1	0	17	15	173
Newry & Mourne	46	23	1	2	104	4	20	0	10	6	20	33	269
Foyle	26	32	11	0	87	4	41	24	6	6	35	23	295
Sperrin Lakeland	12	5	1	0	147	1	5	0	1	24	0	3	199
Northern Ireland	383	241	17	43	1,128	94	213	53	99	64	177	317	2,829

¹ EWO - Education Welfare Officer

Source: CPR3

Table 1.4: Legal Status of All Children on Child Protection Register

Trust	Emergency Protection Order (Article 63 & 64)	Accommodated Under Article 21	Interim Care Order (Article 57)	Care Order (Article 50 or 59)	Deemed Care Order (Paras 11 & 30 of Sch 8)	Interim Supervision Order (Article 57)	Other	None	Total
North & West Belfast	0	31	21	12	1	0	0	199	264
South & East Belfast	1	27	5	9	3	0	1	172	218
Ulster Community & Hospitals	0	26	7	7	0	0	4	99	143
Down Lisburn	5	34	21	8	2	1	1	216	288
Causeway	0	2	5	7	0	0	0	86	100
Homefirst	0	8	1	1	0	0	2	164	176
Armagh & Dungannon	0	3	3	1	0	2	0	90	99
Craigavon & Banbridge	1	6	2	0	0	0	0	49	58
Newry & Mourne	0	13	4	0	0	0	2	61	80
Foyle	0	13	8	7	2	1	3	142	176
Sperrin Lakeland	1	18	6	5	0	2	0	171	203
Northern Ireland	8	181	83	57	8	6	13	1,449	1,805

Source: CPR4

Table 1.5: Length of Time on Child Protection Register for all Current Cases

Trust	< 3 Months	3 Months < 6 Months	6 Months < 1 Year	1 Year < 2 Years	2 Years < 3 Years	3 + Years	Total
North & West Belfast	43	29	52	75	28	37	264
South & East Belfast	34	30	50	69	12	23	218
Ulster Community & Hospitals	49	21	21	28	15	9	143
Down Lisburn	46	47	97	70	11	17	288
Causeway	15	26	32	22	3	2	100
Homefirst	47	45	41	24	15	4	176
Armagh & Dungannon	18	11	42	26	1	1	99
Craigavon & Banbridge	17	14	15	12	0	0	58
Newry & Mourne	29	17	12	12	10	0	80
Foyle	12	29	45	33	42	15	176
Sperrin Lakeland	42	20	45	60	6	30	203
Northern Ireland	352	289	452	431	143	138	1,805

Source: CPR5

Table 1.6: Number of Investigations Completed During Year Under Child Protection Procedures

Trust	Joint Protocol Investigation	Social Work Investigation	Police Investigation	Total
North & West Belfast	39	312	10	361
South & East Belfast	53	197	1	251
Ulster Community & Hospitals	13	103	2	118
Down Lisburn	35	399	9	443
Causeway	11	157	1	169
Homefirst	44	167	3	214
Armagh & Dungannon	21	172	1	194
Craigavon & Banbridge	27	87	6	120
Newry & Mourne	21	53	3	77
Foyle	41	145	2	188
Sperrin Lakeland	11	174	0	185
Northern Ireland	316	1,966	38	2,320

Source: CPR6

Table 1.7: Number of Registrations During Year by Gender and Age

Trust	Under 1		1 - 4		5 - 11		12 - 15		16 +		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	20	20	17	12	21	18	12	11	2	3	72	64	136
South & East Belfast	11	6	13	14	16	21	17	23	3	4	60	68	128
Ulster Community & Hospitals	10	14	22	14	21	10	8	7	1	2	62	47	109
Down Lisburn	24	16	23	25	34	37	13	33	6	7	100	118	218
Causeway	5	7	7	11	22	15	7	12	0	3	41	48	89
Homefirst	18	19	18	14	41	27	18	16	2	2	97	78	175
Armagh & Dungannon	6	5	15	9	10	17	9	14	2	6	42	51	93
Craigavon & Banbridge	7	3	5	5	13	9	8	9	0	0	33	26	59
Newry & Mourne	6	4	5	4	14	9	8	6	3	2	36	25	61
Foyle	12	5	11	8	16	19	8	12	2	2	49	46	95
Sperrin Lakeland	7	6	13	13	30	26	19	20	5	3	74	68	142
Northern Ireland	126	105	149	129	238	208	127	163	26	34	666	639	1,305

Source: CPR7

Table 1.8: Number of Registrations During Year Where Category of Abuse is Confirmed, Suspected or Potential

Trust	Neglect, Physical Abuse and Sexual Abuse	Neglect and Physical Abuse	Neglect and Sexual Abuse	Physical and Sexual Abuse	Neglect Only	Physical Abuse Only	Sexual Abuse Only	Emotional Abuse Only	All Categories
North & West Belfast	0	8	6	1	60	30	9	22	136
South & East Belfast	9	9	2	12	29	32	14	21	128
Ulster Community & Hospitals	1	35	3	3	27	20	8	12	109
Down Lisburn	12	51	9	4	66	51	15	10	218
Causeway	0	17	2	1	33	16	2	18	89
Homefirst	1	9	7	4	68	53	12	21	175
Armagh & Dungannon	0	5	2	1	33	22	9	21	93
Craigavon & Banbridge	0	7	0	6	34	9	0	3	59
Newry & Mourne	0	2	1	2	23	6	13	14	61
Foyle	1	10	3	7	35	27	5	7	95
Sperrin Lakeland	4	14	7	5	39	44	18	11	142
Northern Ireland	28	167	42	46	447	310	105	160	1,305

Source: CPR8

Table 1.9: Number of Re-Registrations to Child Protection Register During Year

Trust	Re-Registrations to Child Protection Register during year
North & West Belfast	29
South & East Belfast	26
Ulster Community & Hospitals	17
Down Lisburn	35
Causeway	11
Homefirst	23
Armagh & Dungannon	14
Craigavon & Banbridge	21
Newry & Mourne	8
Foyle	14
Sperrin Lakeland	17
Northern Ireland	215

Source: CPR9

Table 1.10: Cases Removed from Child Protection Register During Year by Length of Time on Child Protection Register

Trust	< 3 Months	3 Months < 6 Months	6 Months < 1 Year	1 Year < 2 Years	2 Years < 3 Years	3 Years < 5 Years	5 Years < 10 Years	10 + Years	Total
North & West Belfast	1	11	37	68	9	22	4	0	152
South & East Belfast	2	9	28	59	13	12	9	0	132
Ulster Community & Hospitals	9	6	26	45	14	5	0	0	105
Down Lisburn	4	22	28	37	30	5	0	0	126
Causeway	4	4	26	16	6	5	1	0	62
Homefirst	11	20	76	50	7	7	0	0	171
Armagh & Dungannon	6	6	23	14	11	2	1	0	63
Craigavon & Banbridge	5	9	26	17	1	0	0	0	58
Newry & Mourne	0	2	28	27	0	8	0	0	65
Foyle	0	10	11	43	23	14	0	0	101
Sperrin Lakeland	15	17	30	20	6	10	0	0	98
Northern Ireland	57	116	339	396	120	90	15	0	1,133

Source: CPR10

Table 1.11: Initial Case Conferences During Year by Outcome

Trust	Children who were subject to initial case conferences which led to registration	Children who were subject to initial case conferences which did NOT lead to registration	Total
North & West Belfast	138	61	199
South & East Belfast	124	39	163
Ulster Community & Hospitals	109	1	110
Down Lisburn	217	26	243
Causeway	86	34	120
Homefirst	159	40	199
Armagh & Dungannon	92	11	103
Craigavon & Banbridge	50	14	64
Newry & Mourne	61	15	76
Foyle	94	22	116
Sperrin Lakeland	136	35	171
Northern Ireland	1,266	298	1,564

Source: CPR11

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Key Points - Children in Need

- There were 31,930 referrals to Social Services, 20,717 episodes of involvement of children with Social Services and 21,456 children referred to Social Services during 2006/07 (Table 2.1).
- 26% of children referred to Social Services during the year 2006/07 were under 5 years old (Table 2.2).
- During 2006/07, 65% of children referred to Social Services were allocated for further action (service or assessment) (Table 2.3).

Table 2.1: Number of Referrals, Episodes and Children Referred to Social Services During Year

Trust	Number of Referrals	Number of Episodes	Number of Children
North & West Belfast	3,435	2,978	2,770
South & East Belfast	5,242	1,645	1,976
Ulster Community & Hospitals	2,203	1,586	1,674
Down Lisburn	3,261	2,118	2,063
Causeway	1,832	1,200	1,304
Homefirst	4,644	3,594	3,480
Armagh & Dungannon	1,753	1,217	1,334
Craigavon & Banbridge	2,768	1,746	1,896
Newry & Mourne	1,539	1,282	1,291
Foyle	2,213	1,788	1,870
Sperrin Lakeland	3,040	1,563	1,798
Northern Ireland	31,930	20,717	21,456

Source: N1

Table 2.2: Number of Children Referred During the Year, by Gender and Age

Trust	0 - 4		5 - 11		12 - 15		16 +		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	431	373	469	356	333	299	251	254	1,484	1,282	2,766
South & East Belfast	255	243	344	326	279	274	130	125	1,008	968	1,976
Ulster Community & Hospitals	237	197	295	248	245	208	125	112	902	765	1,667
Down Lisburn	296	282	343	294	292	255	170	124	1,101	955	2,056
Causeway	164	158	251	217	144	178	99	82	658	635	1,293
Homefirst	504	434	652	473	499	429	256	219	1,911	1,555	3,466
Armagh & Dungannon	193	188	280	239	161	160	44	63	678	650	1,328
Craigavon & Banbridge	265	238	353	301	265	292	86	92	969	923	1,892
Newry & Mourne	166	128	218	204	187	175	113	87	684	594	1,278
Foyle	263	248	403	345	238	232	61	64	965	889	1,854
Sperrin Lakeland	191	175	334	270	287	233	210	98	1,022	776	1,798
Northern Ireland	2,965	2,664	3,942	3,273	2,930	2,735	1,545	1,320	11,382	9,992	21,374

Source: N2

Table 2.3: Number of Children Referred During the Year, by Current Status and Gender

Trust	Inappropriate Referral		No further action required - work completed / dealt with at source		No further action taken - unmet need		Allocation for further action - service / assessment		Other		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	2	5	784	697	0	0	573	494	125	86	1,484	1,282	2,766
South & East Belfast	1	0	272	255	1	1	696	678	38	34	1,008	968	1,976
Ulster Community & Hospitals	2	5	167	90	0	0	616	555	117	115	902	765	1,667
Down Lisburn	13	18	402	318	0	0	607	543	79	76	1,101	955	2,056
Causeway	0	2	253	229	7	6	312	300	86	98	658	635	1,293
Homefirst	14	15	564	374	10	8	1,229	1,083	94	75	1,911	1,555	3,466
Armagh & Dungannon	5	4	92	92	0	1	531	507	50	46	678	650	1,328
Craigavon & Banbridge	18	12	198	216	1	1	671	628	81	66	969	923	1,892
Newry & Mourne	13	18	181	185	187	114	221	178	82	99	684	594	1,278
Foyle	0	0	1	1	0	0	955	886	9	2	965	889	1,854
Sperrin Lakeland	1	0	151	32	0	0	844	731	26	13	1,022	776	1,798
Northern Ireland	69	79	3,065	2,489	206	131	7,255	6,583	787	710	11,382	9,992	21,374

Source: N2

Table 2.4: Number of Children with a Disability / Mental Health Problem Referred During Year

Trust	Visually Disabled		Hearing Impaired		Physically Disabled		Learning Disabled		Mental Health		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	11	7	8	6	53	24	22	12	0	0	94	49	143
South & East Belfast	0	0	1	2	3	2	5	6	2	1	11	11	22
Ulster Community & Hospitals	5	3	20	10	10	7	16	10	0	1	51	31	82
Down Lisburn	5	3	5	2	13	12	29	12	0	0	52	29	81
Causeway	2	3	0	0	0	0	12	8	0	0	14	11	25
Homefirst	14	13	7	8	24	24	55	29	0	0	100	74	174
Armagh & Dungannon	0	2	2	5	7	1	6	3	1	0	16	11	27
Craigavon & Banbridge	2	5	12	14	3	6	14	7	0	0	31	32	63
Newry & Mourne	10	3	9	2	8	4	4	4	0	0	31	13	44
Foyle	13	5	5	4	82	34	36	23	0	0	136	66	202
Sperrin Lakeland	4	4	7	4	22	20	65	41	0	0	98	69	167
Northern Ireland	66	48	76	57	225	134	264	155	3	2	634	396	1,030

Source: N3

Table 2.5: Number of Episodes During Year, by Presenting Category and Gender

Trust	Awaiting Assessment		Child Subject to Child Protection Investigation		Other		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	1,450	1,226	122	125	0	0	1,572	1,351	2,923
South & East Belfast	709	695	71	81	0	0	780	776	1,556
Ulster Community & Hospitals	722	601	21	22	0	0	743	623	1,366
Down Lisburn	979	816	111	118	1	0	1,091	934	2,025
Causeway	541	505	39	51	0	0	580	556	1,136
Homefirst	1,830	1,462	33	48	1	0	1,864	1,510	3,374
Armagh & Dungannon	488	468	90	83	0	0	578	551	1,129
Craigavon & Banbridge	813	759	34	50	12	22	859	831	1,690
Newry & Mourne	566	470	91	84	0	0	657	554	1,211
Foyle	818	742	68	79	0	0	886	821	1,707
Sperrin Lakeland	822	612	15	8	0	0	837	620	1,457
Northern Ireland	9,738	8,356	695	749	14	22	10,447	9,127	19,574

Source: N4

Table 2.6: Number of Episodes During Year, by Presenting Category, Religion and Gender

Trust	Roman Catholic		Presbyterian		Church of Ireland		Methodist		Other		None		Refused / Unknown		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	145	145	64	45	22	24	0	0	10	4	12	9	1,319	1,124	1,572	1,351	2,923
South & East Belfast	35	43	17	27	42	51	0	0	487	459	76	76	123	120	780	776	1,556
Ulster Community & Hospitals	2	4	13	9	6	4	0	0	15	4	200	178	507	424	743	623	1,366
Down Lisburn	133	142	10	12	19	22	2	5	16	6	10	7	901	740	1,091	934	2,025
Causeway	2	6	2	1	1	0	0	0	4	2	60	60	511	487	580	556	1,136
Homefirst	41	45	19	14	5	4	2	3	330	285	15	10	1,452	1,149	1,864	1,510	3,374
Armagh & Dungannon	175	157	1	12	45	35	3	4	2	2	1	2	351	339	578	551	1,129
Craigavon & Banbridge	47	48	3	0	4	1	0	0	18	15	172	158	615	609	859	831	1,690
Newry & Mourne	41	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	22	34	591	479	657	554	1,211
Foyle	364	382	26	22	36	40	1	0	11	8	13	3	435	366	886	821	1,707
Sperrin Lakeland	325	310	10	7	153	102	3	6	3	3	3	4	340	188	837	620	1,457
Northern Ireland	1,310	1,319	165	149	333	283	11	18	899	792	584	541	7,145	6,025	10,447	9,127	19,574

Source: N5a

Table 2.7: Number of Episodes During Year, by Presenting Category, Ethnic Group and Gender

Trust	White		Chinese		Traveller		Indian Sub-Continent		Black		Other		Refused / Unknown		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	436	359	1	1	10	10	0	0	1	0	3	2	1,121	979	1,572	1,351	2,923
South & East Belfast	626	608	2	3	0	0	2	0	10	10	38	56	102	99	780	776	1,556
Ulster Community & Hospitals	298	280	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	4	4	439	337	743	623	1,366
Down Lisburn	212	227	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	3	3	873	702	1,091	934	2,025
Causeway	26	24	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	552	530	580	556	1,136
Homefirst	504	405	2	1	3	1	2	2	1	0	12	10	1,340	1,091	1,864	1,510	3,374
Armagh & Dungannon	417	402	1	1	7	9	0	0	0	0	0	3	153	136	578	551	1,129
Craigavon & Banbridge	436	419	1	0	1	3	2	1	0	0	183	164	236	244	859	831	1,690
Newry & Mourne	55	41	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	599	509	657	554	1,211
Foyle	462	463	1	2	10	5	0	0	2	1	1	2	410	348	886	821	1,707
Sperrin Lakeland	643	553	0	0	4	3	0	1	1	1	6	3	183	59	837	620	1,457
Northern Ireland	4,115	3,781	8	10	37	33	9	4	16	13	254	252	6,008	5,034	10,447	9,127	19,574

Source: N5b

Table 2.8: Number of Episodes During Year, by Category After Initial Assessment and Gender ¹

Trust	Child Subject to Child Protection Investigation		Child with a Disability who may require Social Services		A Child whose carers require support and assistance in order that they might provide a reasonable standard of care		Other		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	129	128	38	20	163	160	29	19	359	327	686
South & East Belfast	70	71	0	0	277	274	13	15	360	360	720
Ulster Community & Hospitals	25	27	20	20	358	319	14	10	417	376	793
Down Lisburn	107	123	34	13	201	163	11	12	353	311	664
Causeway	41	49	13	6	109	97	13	18	176	170	346
Homefirst	31	43	54	38	663	615	35	42	783	738	1,521
Armagh & Dungannon	86	79	26	12	264	275	13	14	389	380	769
Craigavon & Banbridge	40	52	16	22	281	224	82	64	419	362	781
Newry & Mourne	81	80	34	21	35	24	5	3	155	128	283
Foyle	67	77	73	30	707	687	3	3	850	797	1,647
Sperrin Lakeland	34	53	20	18	540	471	3	4	597	546	1,143
Northern Ireland	711	782	328	200	3,598	3,309	221	204	4,858	4,495	9,353

¹ Children awaiting assessment, assessed as not in need, or whose need was unmet have been excluded from this table.

Source: N6

Table 2.9: Number of Episodes During Year, by Category After Initial Assessment, Religion and Gender

Trust	Roman Catholic		Presbyterian		Church of Ireland		Methodist		Other		None		Refused / Unknown		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	133	126	59	43	17	21	0	0	7	3	10	8	1,152	986	1,378	1,187	2,565
South & East Belfast	29	37	15	24	33	46	0	0	387	376	56	58	95	103	615	644	1,259
Ulster Community & Hospitals	1	4	10	9	4	2	0	0	15	3	154	128	420	330	604	476	1,080
Down Lisburn	113	118	10	11	16	21	2	5	16	6	6	4	766	640	929	805	1,734
Causeway	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	4	2	51	40	401	360	460	404	864
Homefirst	39	45	17	12	4	4	2	3	292	276	11	7	1,264	983	1,629	1,330	2,959
Armagh & Dungannon	144	131	1	11	40	33	3	4	2	2	0	1	283	279	473	461	934
Craigavon & Banbridge	39	40	3	0	4	1	0	0	15	11	167	150	525	536	753	738	1,491
Newry & Mourne	26	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	17	24	454	348	500	396	896
Foyle	353	377	26	21	33	38	1	0	11	8	13	3	414	355	851	802	1,653
Sperrin Lakeland	305	293	10	7	149	100	3	5	2	3	2	4	294	174	765	586	1,351
Northern Ireland	1,183	1,193	153	138	301	266	11	17	754	694	487	427	6,068	5,094	8,957	7,829	16,786

Source: N7a

Table 2.10: Number of Episodes During Year, by Category After Initial Assessment, Ethnic Group and Gender

Trust	White		Chinese		Traveller		Indian Sub-Continent		Black		Other		Refused / Unknown		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	385	315	0	1	10	10	0	0	1	0	3	1	979	860	1,378	1,187	2,565
South & East Belfast	496	501	1	2	0	0	0	0	8	6	34	47	76	88	615	644	1,259
Ulster Community & Hospitals	236	207	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	366	266	604	476	1,080
Down Lisburn	182	192	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	3	3	742	608	929	805	1,734
Causeway	23	15	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	435	387	460	404	864
Homefirst	449	378	2	1	3	1	2	2	1	0	10	7	1,162	941	1,629	1,330	2,959
Armagh & Dungannon	353	346	1	1	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	3	114	105	473	461	934
Craigavon & Banbridge	377	363	1	0	1	3	2	1	0	0	174	156	198	215	753	738	1,491
Newry & Mourne	38	25	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	459	367	500	396	896
Foyle	447	454	1	2	10	5	0	0	2	1	1	2	390	338	851	802	1,653
Sperrin Lakeland	608	526	0	0	4	3	0	1	1	1	5	2	147	53	765	586	1,351
Northern Ireland	3,594	3,322	6	9	34	30	7	4	14	9	234	227	5,068	4,228	8,957	7,829	16,786

Source: N7b

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Key Points - Children Looked After

- There were 2,356 children looked after at 31 March 2007, almost half (48%) of whom were aged 11 years or under (Table 3.1).
- During 2006/07, 56% of looked after children were subject to Care Orders or Deemed Care Orders (Table 3.2).
- Over half (55%) of children looked after at 31 March 2007 had been looked after for more than three years (Table 3.4).
- There were 714 children accommodated for respite care in 2006/07 (Table 3.5).
- In 2006/07 there were 833 admissions and 889 discharges to and from care respectively (Tables 3.6 and 3.8).
- Of the 2,356 children looked after at 31 March 2007, 59% (1,389) were placed in foster care, 24% (566) were placed with family, 12% (283) in residential care and 5% (118) in 'other' accommodation.

Table 3.1: Children Looked After by Gender and Age

Trust	Under 1		1 - 4		5 - 11		12 - 15		16 +		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	3	3	22	21	65	49	59	50	35	33	184	156	340
South & East Belfast	7	1	16	16	44	34	46	41	30	19	143	111	254
Ulster Community & Hospitals	4	2	10	11	41	31	42	41	29	25	126	110	236
Down Lisburn	6	1	18	15	42	38	39	49	35	22	140	125	265
Causeway	2	1	7	12	29	23	32	22	15	13	85	71	156
Homefirst	8	6	25	26	60	46	50	56	31	29	174	163	337
Armagh & Dungannon	2	1	10	12	20	16	24	16	11	16	67	61	128
Craigavon & Banbridge	0	2	13	7	24	21	18	16	13	6	68	52	120
Newry & Mourne	0	4	3	7	16	10	12	17	11	13	42	51	93
Foyle	8	1	15	17	47	56	38	44	30	22	138	140	278
Sperrin Lakeland	2	0	5	10	26	27	27	26	15	11	75	74	149
Northern Ireland	42	22	144	154	414	351	387	378	255	209	1,242	1,114	2,356

Source: LA1

Table 3.2: Children Looked After by Legal Status and Gender

Trust	Accommodated Under Article 21		Interim Care Order (Article 57)		Care Order (Article 50 or 59)		Deemed Care Order (Paras 11 & 30 of Sch 8)		Other		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	47	44	15	14	98	84	21	12	3	2	184	156	340
South & East Belfast	52	39	8	5	69	49	14	16	0	2	143	111	254
Ulster Community & Hospitals	71	62	10	8	41	40	4	0	0	0	126	110	236
Down Lisburn	64	41	19	12	40	55	16	10	1	7	140	125	265
Causeway	31	25	5	6	46	31	3	9	0	0	85	71	156
Homefirst	41	30	17	15	98	91	17	26	1	1	174	163	337
Armagh & Dungannon	30	17	8	3	28	40	1	1	0	0	67	61	128
Craigavon & Banbridge	16	12	9	14	40	24	3	1	0	1	68	52	120
Newry & Mourne	23	34	3	6	13	4	2	5	1	2	42	51	93
Foyle	30	29	20	12	62	73	24	23	2	3	138	140	278
Sperrin Lakeland	36	26	5	4	30	37	4	4	0	3	75	74	149
Northern Ireland	441	359	119	99	565	528	109	107	8	21	1,242	1,114	2,356

Source: LA1

Table 3.3: Children Looked After by Duration of Being Looked After and Gender

Trust	< 3 Months		3 Months < 1 Year		1 Year < 3 Years		3 Years < 5 Years		5 Years < 10 Years		10 + Years		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	8	6	23	17	55	47	29	18	47	56	22	12	184	156	340
South & East Belfast	10	13	21	14	32	25	21	12	42	25	17	22	143	111	254
Ulster Community & Hospitals	5	7	14	17	30	32	20	16	46	29	11	9	126	110	236
Down Lisburn	14	13	25	21	38	35	23	29	22	16	18	11	140	125	265
Causeway	6	5	14	10	26	18	16	13	17	13	6	12	85	71	156
Homefirst	7	11	23	17	40	39	33	21	48	48	23	27	174	163	337
Armagh & Dungannon	4	2	6	4	26	19	20	12	10	21	1	3	67	61	128
Craigavon & Banbridge	5	7	9	14	20	10	18	9	13	10	3	2	68	52	120
Newry & Mourne	1	3	9	11	11	17	10	9	9	6	2	5	42	51	93
Foyle	2	2	20	11	18	18	26	32	45	50	27	27	138	140	278
Sperrin Lakeland	0	2	21	16	17	22	20	17	12	11	5	6	75	74	149
Northern Ireland	62	71	185	152	313	282	236	188	311	285	135	136	1,242	1,114	2,356

Source: LA3

Table 3.4: Children Accommodated for Respite Care by Placement and Gender

Trust	Residential Care		Foster Care		Placed With Family		Other ¹		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	3	1	40	41	3	5	0	0	46	47	93
South & East Belfast	0	0	49	33	0	0	0	0	49	33	82
Ulster Community & Hospitals	28	23	17	16	2	0	0	0	47	39	86
Down Lisburn	3	7	44	30	6	6	2	0	55	43	98
Causeway	0	0	26	26	4	2	0	0	30	28	58
Homefirst	3	0	46	40	2	0	0	0	51	40	91
Armagh & Dungannon	1	0	27	19	4	5	0	1	32	25	57
Craigavon & Banbridge	1	0	16	10	1	1	15	7	33	18	51
Newry & Mourne	0	0	18	20	0	2	0	0	18	22	40
Foyle	0	0	15	9	0	0	0	0	15	9	24
Sperrin Lakeland	0	0	19	15	0	0	0	0	19	15	34
Northern Ireland	39	31	317	259	22	21	17	8	395	319	714

¹ Other Accommodation may include: independent living, supported accommodation, secure accommodation, hospital, hostels, aftercare facilities, Simon Community, respite care facilities, bed & breakfast accommodation, bed-sits, dependent living etc.

Source: LA5

Table 3.5: Number of Admissions During the Year by Legal Status and Gender

Trust	Emergency Protection Order (Article 63 & 64)		Accommodated Under Article 21		Interim Care Order (Article 57)		Care Order (Article 50 or 59)		Other		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	0	0	41	30	7	3	0	0	2	1	50	34	84
South & East Belfast	1	2	99	115	0	2	0	2	0	0	100	121	221
Ulster Community & Hospitals	0	0	21	28	1	0	0	0	0	0	22	28	50
Down Lisburn	4	7	40	35	8	7	0	0	0	1	52	50	102
Causeway	0	1	27	40	10	8	1	0	2	1	40	50	90
Homefirst	3	2	49	36	5	3	2	0	6	3	65	44	109
Armagh & Dungannon	1	0	11	10	2	1	0	0	0	0	14	11	25
Craigavon & Banbridge	2	4	20	20	8	6	3	5	0	0	33	35	68
Newry & Mourne	1	0	11	13	0	1	0	0	0	0	12	14	26
Foyle	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	4
Sperrin Lakeland	2	2	30	19	0	1	0	0	0	0	32	22	54
Northern Ireland	15	19	350	347	41	32	6	7	10	6	422	411	833

Source: LA6

Table 3.6: Number of Admissions During the Year by Placement and Gender

Trust	Residential Care		Foster Care		Placed With Family		Other ¹		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	9	5	18	13	22	16	1	0	50	34	84
South & East Belfast	4	4	84	107	6	4	6	6	100	121	221
Ulster Community & Hospitals	7	3	7	11	8	13	0	1	22	28	50
Down Lisburn	12	8	20	16	16	23	4	3	52	50	102
Causeway	1	1	36	43	2	6	1	0	40	50	90
Homefirst	10	5	43	30	7	6	5	3	65	44	109
Armagh & Dungannon	0	1	12	8	1	0	1	2	14	11	25
Craigavon & Banbridge	9	3	20	23	3	5	1	4	33	35	68
Newry & Mourne	1	2	7	7	4	5	0	0	12	14	26
Foyle	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	2	2	4
Sperrin Lakeland	5	0	24	20	2	2	1	0	32	22	54
Northern Ireland	58	32	273	278	71	82	20	19	422	411	833

¹ Other Accommodation may include: independent living, supported accommodation, secure accommodation, hospital, hostels, aftercare facilities, Simon Community, respite care facilities, bed & breakfast accommodation, bed-sits, dependent living etc.

Source: LA7

Table 3.7: Number of Discharges During Year by Duration of Being Looked After and Gender

Trust	< 3 Months		3 Months < 1 Year		1 Year < 3 Years		3 Years < 5 Years		5 Years < 10 Years		10 + Years		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	13	7	18	14	5	5	5	3	4	5	7	10	52	44	96
South & East Belfast	71	95	6	0	11	15	5	2	4	4	3	6	100	122	222
Ulster Community & Hospitals	2	3	4	7	9	15	1	1	0	5	4	5	20	36	56
Down Lisburn	11	11	10	19	18	11	8	5	2	4	4	0	53	50	103
Causeway	20	30	3	10	10	3	1	3	3	1	2	3	39	50	89
Homefirst	29	14	14	4	12	6	8	6	3	7	9	2	75	39	114
Armagh & Dungannon	2	3	4	4	13	7	6	6	2	1	2	2	29	23	52
Craigavon & Banbridge	14	6	7	9	12	3	8	10	7	0	2	3	50	31	81
Newry & Mourne	2	0	1	0	1	5	6	5	1	1	2	2	13	13	26
Foyle	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	4	3	1	0	7	4	11
Sperrin Lakeland	11	4	4	3	4	0	2	4	4	0	2	1	27	12	39
Northern Ireland	175	173	73	71	95	70	50	45	34	31	38	34	465	424	889

Source: LA8

Table 3.8: Number of Discharges of Young Persons Aged 16 and Over During Year by Gender and Age

Trust	Age						Total		
	16		17		18		Boys	Girls	Total
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls			
North & West Belfast	1	3	3	3	10	16	14	22	36
South & East Belfast	0	12	0	21	14	14	14	47	61
Ulster Community & Hospitals	2	3	2	4	3	8	7	15	22
Down Lisburn	7	4	6	4	8	5	21	13	34
Causeway	2	2	1	1	3	2	6	5	11
Homefirst	4	2	0	2	15	7	19	11	30
Armagh & Dungannon	1	1	1	1	8	6	10	8	18
Craigavon & Banbridge	4	1	1	0	5	5	10	6	16
Newry & Mourne	0	0	1	1	3	5	4	6	10
Foyle	0	0	1	0	2	0	3	0	3
Sperrin Lakeland	13	2	1	0	5	3	19	5	24
Northern Ireland	34	30	17	37	76	71	127	138	265

Source: LA9

Table 3.9: Number of Young Persons Between 16 and 21 Who Are / Were Looked After and Received Services During Year by Service Type and Gender ¹

Trust	Financial Assistance		Ongoing Social Work		Other Agency Involvement		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
North & West Belfast	72	81	76	86	158	147	306	314	620
South & East Belfast	40	28	45	34	0	0	85	62	147
Ulster Community & Hospitals	15	18	38	40	0	0	53	58	111
Down Lisburn	36	18	55	38	0	0	91	56	147
Causeway	12	16	21	20	0	0	33	36	69
Homefirst	42	29	52	41	0	0	94	70	164
Armagh & Dungannon	6	10	22	24	0	0	28	34	62
Craigavon & Banbridge	4	3	48	25	40	27	92	55	147
Newry & Mourne	5	5	16	18	0	0	21	23	44
Foyle	6	10	33	22	0	0	39	32	71
Sperrin Lakeland	8	6	24	18	0	0	32	24	56
Northern Ireland	246	224	430	366	198	174	874	764	1,638

¹ Figures refer to the number of services provided in each category.

Source: LA11

Table 3.10: Children Looked After by Placement¹

Trust	Residential Care	Foster Care	Placed With Family	Other²	Total
North & West Belfast	50	183	95	12	340
South & East Belfast	28	166	40	20	254
Ulster Community & Hospitals	23	94	108	11	236
Down Lisburn	28	131	97	9	265
Causeway	17	97	35	7	156
Homefirst	36	220	53	28	337
Armagh & Dungannon	25	62	34	7	128
Craigavon & Banbridge	14	82	18	6	120
Newry & Mourne	7	50	30	6	93
Foyle	30	204	37	7	278
Sperrin Lakeland	25	100	19	5	149
Northern Ireland	283	1,389	566	118	2,356

¹This table was excluded from the original children order tables published in February 2008.

² Other Accommodation may include: independent living, supported accommodation, secure accommodation, hospital, hostels, aftercare facilities, Simon Community, respite care facilities, bed & breakfast accommodation, bed-sits, dependent living etc.

Source: LA2

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Key Points - Children's Homes

- There were 59 children's homes at 30 September 2007, 45 statutory homes and 14 independent homes (Table 4.1).
- Across all children's homes there were 403 places available at 30 September 2007 (Table 4.1).

Table 4.1: Residential Accommodation for Children by Type of Home

Trust	Number of Premises			Number of Places		
	Statutory	Independent	Total	Statutory	Independent	Total
North & West Belfast	5	5	10	34	36	70
South & East Belfast	3	1	4	24	6	30
Ulster Community & Hospitals	5	1	6	46	5	51
Down Lisburn	5	0	5	35	0	35
Causeway	1	0	1	8	0	8
Homefirst	6	3	9	52	17	69
Armagh & Dungannon	3	1	4	20	6	26
Craigavon & Banbridge	3	2	5	19	6	25
Newry & Mourne	1	1	2	6	4	10
Foyle	9	0	9	59	0	59
Sperrin Lakeland	4	0	4	20	0	20
Northern Ireland	45	14	59	323	80	403

Source: Health & Personal Social Services Regulation & Quality Improvement Authority

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Key Points - Children's Day Care Provision

- At 31 March 2007 there were 274 day nurseries providing a total of 10,671 registered places (Table 5.1).
- There were 3,441 registered childminders at 31 March 2007 providing 16,908 places of which 56% were designated for children under 5 years (Table 5.2).
- Of the 13,015 places in 547 playgroups, 97% were community/local or private provision at 31 March 2007 (Table 5.3).
- There were 266 out of schools clubs at 31 March 2007, with 35% of the 6,320 places provided by voluntary agencies (Table 5.4).

Table 5.1: Day Nursery Services

Trust	Voluntary Agencies		Private Organisations		Other Organisations		Total		Total No. of Children Placed and Paid for by the Trust in Day Nurseries During Year Ending 31 March 2006
	No. of Day Nurseries	No. of Registered Places	No. of Day Nurseries	No. of Registered Places	No. of Day Nurseries	No. of Registered Places	No. of Day Nurseries	No. of Registered Places	
North & West Belfast	1	20	8	226	17	590	26	836	59
South & East Belfast	2	66	43	1,803	5	100	50	1,969	18
Ulster Community & Hospitals	0	0	18	814	0	0	18	814	18
Down Lisburn	1	40	24	848	1	21	26	909	31
Causeway	5	155	5	282	0	0	10	437	16
Homefirst	2	69	63	2,203	0	0	65	2,272	52
Armagh & Dungannon	0	0	10	407	0	0	10	407	17
Craigavon & Banbridge	3	191	18	1,055	5	338	26	1,584	52
Newry & Mourne	5	57	8	331	0	0	13	388	37
Foyle	7	203	9	319	0	0	16	522	2
Sperrin Lakeland	5	217	6	220	3	96	14	533	1
Northern Ireland	31	1,018	212	8,508	31	1,145	274	10,671	303

Source: DC1 and DC1a

Table 5.2: Day Care Services for Children Under 12: Childminders

Trust	Registered Childminders			Sponsored Childminders			Total No. of Children Placed and Paid for by the Trust by Childminders	
	No. of Persons	No. of Places	No. of Designated Places for Under 5 Year Olds	No. of Persons	No. of Places	No. of Designated Places for Under 5 Year Olds	< 5 Years	5 - 12 Years
North & West Belfast	192	1,004	418	4	24	24	8	6
South & East Belfast	334	1,670	1,115	29	54	36	68	25
Ulster Community & Hospitals	364	1,952	1,047	58	340	172	23	12
Down Lisburn	417	2,502	1,127	0	0	0	29	8
Causeway	266	1,596	804	14	84	43	5	12
Homefirst	943	4,221	2,728	46	190	120	31	7
Armagh & Dungannon	184	900	488	2	9	6	11	1
Craigavon & Banbridge	202	928	509	15	30	5	0	22
Newry & Mourne	38	103	0	1	1	0	0	0
Foyle	275	997	666	19	80	55	8	1
Sperrin Lakeland	226	1,035	580	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Ireland	3,441	16,908	9,482	188	812	461	183	94

Source: DC2 and DC2a

Table 5.3: Day Care Services for Children Under 12: Playgroups

Trust	Trust		Voluntary Agencies		Community / Local		Private Provision		Total		Total No. of Children Placed and Paid for by the Trust in Playgroups
	No. of Playgroups	No. of Places	No. of Playgroups	No. of Places	No. of Playgroups	No. of Places	No. of Playgroups	No. of Places	No. of Playgroups	No. of Places	
North & West Belfast	1	24	0	0	31	1,014	0	0	32	1,038	17
South & East Belfast	0	0	3	29	51	1,021	19	368	73	1,418	13
Ulster Community & Hospitals	0	0	0	0	41	1,003	10	218	51	1,221	6
Down Lisburn	0	0	0	0	59	1,275	0	0	59	1,275	29
Causeway	0	0	0	0	28	683	6	146	34	829	39
Homefirst	0	0	4	100	93	2,257	9	183	106	2,540	40
Armagh & Dungannon	0	0	0	0	37	853	3	58	40	911	13
Craigavon & Banbridge	0	0	2	52	22	530	2	54	26	636	14
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	0	27	700	1	20	28	720	12
Foyle	3	82	0	0	46	1,241	0	0	49	1,323	3
Sperrin Lakeland	0	0	5	95	41	952	3	57	49	1,104	0
Northern Ireland	4	106	14	276	476	11,529	53	1,104	547	13,015	186

Source: DC3 and DC3a

Table 5.4: Day Care Services for Children Under 12: Out of School Clubs

Trust	Trust		Education & Library Boards		District Councils		Voluntary Agencies		Other Organisations		Total	
	No. of Clubs	No. of Places	No. of Clubs	No. of Places	No. of Clubs	No. of Places	No. of Clubs	No. of Places	No. of Clubs	No. of Places	No. of Clubs	No. of Places
North & West Belfast	2	14	0	0	1	16	1	32	39	935	43	997
South & East Belfast	0	0	3	112	3	72	1	16	29	741	36	941
Ulster Community & Hospitals	12	240	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	240
Down Lisburn	2	83	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	508	26	591
Causeway	1	24	1	25	0	0	12	298	5	120	19	467
Homefirst	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	534	23	477	46	1,011
Armagh & Dungannon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	290	13	290
Craigavon & Banbridge	1	24	0	0	0	0	9	230	7	143	17	397
Newry & Mourne	1	48	0	0	0	0	7	185	1	32	9	265
Foyle	3	90	0	0	0	0	15	397	4	100	22	587
Sperrin Lakeland	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	518	1	16	23	534
Northern Ireland	22	523	4	137	4	88	90	2,210	146	3,362	266	6,320

Source: DC4

Table 5.5: Day Care Services for Children Under 12: Holiday Schemes ¹

Trust	Trust		Education & Library Boards		District Councils		Voluntary Agencies		Partnership with Trust		Other Organisations		Total	
	No. of Schemes	No. of Places	No. of Schemes	No. of Places	No. of Schemes	No. of Places	No. of Schemes	No. of Places	No. of Schemes	No. of Places	No. of Schemes	No. of Places	No. of Schemes	No. of Places
North & West Belfast	1	36	0	0	0	0	1	24	0	0	44	1,320	46	1,380
South & East Belfast	3	122	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	342	6	464
Ulster Community & Hosp	1	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	65
Down Lisburn	2	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	180	11	260
Causeway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Homefirst	1	724	0	0	0	0	12	273	1	24	1	20	15	1,041
Armagh & Dungannon	3	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20	4	110
Craigavon & Banbridge	2	36	0	0	0	0	2	25	3	70	15	300	22	431
Newry & Mourne	1	58	0	0	0	0	9	270	0	0	0	0	10	328
Foyle	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	40	0	0	0	0	1	40
Sperrin Lakeland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Ireland	14	1,211	0	0	0	0	25	632	4	94	73	2,182	116	4,119

¹ Information on the number of District Council places is not available for all schemes.

Source: DC5

Table 5.6: Day Care Services for Children Under 12: Family Centres

Trust	Trust		Voluntary Agencies / Grant Aided		Other Organisations		Total		No. Placed and Paid for by Trust in Non-Trust Family Centres	
	No. of Families	No. of Children	No. of Families	No. of Children	No. of Families	No. of Children	No. of Families	No. of Children	No. of Families	No. of Children
North & West Belfast	349	583	0	0	945	1,100	1,294	1,683	0	0
South & East Belfast	134	134	49	113	0	0	183	247	36	36
Ulster Community & Hospitals	0	0	74	67	0	0	74	67	74	67
Down Lisburn	108	129	0	0	0	0	108	129	58	90
Causeway	60	93	0	0	0	0	60	93	0	0
Homefirst	664	604	64	47	0	0	728	651	0	0
Armagh & Dungannon	46	102	0	0	9	26	55	128	0	0
Craigavon & Banbridge	0	0	187	274	73	181	260	455	0	0
Newry & Mourne	0	0	54	126	0	0	54	126	18	38
Foyle	73	183	84	65	0	0	157	248	16	30
Sperrin Lakeland	126	147	0	0	0	0	126	147	0	0
Northern Ireland	1,560	1,975	512	692	1,027	1,307	3,099	3,974	202	261

Source: DC6 and DC6a

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Key Points - Children in Hospital

- In 2006/07 there were 53 children admitted into hospital for periods of three months or more (Table 6.1).
- 4 in 10 (40%) of children in hospital for periods of three months or more during 2006/07 were less than 5 years of age (Table 6.1).

Table 6.1: Number of Children in Hospital for Periods of More Than 3 Months During Year ^{1, 2}

Trust	0 - 4		5 - 11		12 - 15		16 +		Total		
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
Altnagelvin	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	4	7
Armagh & Dungannon	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
Belfast City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Causeway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Craigavon & Banbridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Down Lisburn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Foyle	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	2	3	4	7
Green Park	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Homefirst	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	4
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North & West Belfast	0	0	2	0	7	3	7	3	16	6	22
South & East Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sperrin Lakeland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UCHT	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	12
Northern Ireland	11	10	3	0	7	5	10	7	31	22	53

¹ Homefirst represents a joint return between Homefirst and United.

² Any Trusts / Hospitals not listed above did not submit a return.

Source: H1

Table 6.2: Number of Children in Hospital for Periods of More Than 3 Months During Year and Who Receive Social Services by Service Provided and Gender ^{1, 2}

Trust	Educational Tuition		Family Holiday		Day Care Services to Child / Other Family Members		Shared Care Using a Foster Home / Residential Unit		Respite Placement		Support From Voluntary Organisation		Other Services		Total			
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total	
Altnagelvin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armagh & Dungannon	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Belfast City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Causeway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Craigavon & Banbridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Down Lisburn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Foyle	3	2	0	0	2	4	0	1	0	1	0	1	6	6	11	15	26	
Homefirst	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	1	3	
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North & West Belfast	16	6	0	0	12	5	3	0	5	0	8	2	25	7	69	20	89	
South & East Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sperrin Lakeland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UCHT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	1	5	1	6	
Northern Ireland	19	8	0	0	15	9	3	1	5	1	10	3	36	15	88	37	125	

¹ Homefirst represents a joint return between Homefirst and United.

² Any Trusts / Hospitals not listed above did not submit a return.

Source: H2

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Key Points - Immunisations

- In 2006/07, 97.7% of children were immunised against Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio before their second birthday (Table 7.1).

Table 7.1: Percentage Uptake Rates of Children Immunised before their Second Birthday by Disease Type and Board of Residence ¹

Board of Residence	Diphtheria	Polio	Tetanus	Pertussis	MMR	HIB
Eastern Board	97.3%	97.3%	97.3%	97.3%	89.8%	97.2%
Northern Board	98.1%	98.1%	98.1%	98.0%	91.4%	97.8%
Southern Board	98.2%	98.2%	98.2%	98.2%	93.2%	97.8%
Western Board	97.5%	97.5%	97.5%	97.5%	92.3%	97.2%
Northern Ireland	97.7%	97.7%	97.7%	97.7%	91.4%	97.5%

¹ Information refers to children who were immunised at any time before their second birthday, which occurred during year ending 31 March 2007.

Source: KC51

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Appendix 1: HSS Trusts Providing a Community Service in Northern Ireland

Community HSS Trust	Operational From
North & West Belfast	1 April 1994
South & East Belfast	1 April 1994
Ulster Community & Hosp	1 April 1998
Down Lisburn	1 April 1994
Causeway	1 April 1995
Homefirst	1 April 1996
Armagh & Dungannon	1 April 1996
Craigavon & Banbridge	1 April 1994
Newry & Mourne	1 April 1994
Foyle	1 April 1996
Sperrin Lakeland	1 April 1996

Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995

The Children (Northern Ireland) Order was made on 15 March 1995. The Order deals with the care, upbringing and protection of children, including disabled children. It reforms, consolidates and harmonises most of the public and private law relating to children in a single coherent statutory framework along the lines of the Children Act 1989 in England and Wales.

The information in this report helps in monitoring the operation of the Children Order.

Child

Under the Children (Northern Ireland) Order a child is defined as a person under the age of 18.

Children on the Child Protection Register

Child Protection Register

A register must be maintained by each Trust listing every child in the Trust area who has been abused or who is considered to be at risk of abuse, and who is currently the subject of a child protection plan.

Registration

Placement of a child on to the Child Protection Register. Where a child has moved on or off the Register several times during the year each registration is recorded.

Deregistration

Removal of a child from the Child Protection Register. Where a child has moved on or off the Register several times during the year each deregistration is recorded.

Re-registration

Placement on to the Child Protection Register of a child who has already been on the register, irrespective of the date of their first registration on the Register.

Child Protection Referrals

Child protection referrals are those referrals for which the initial assessment indicates that there may be child protection issues.

The threshold for action should be the allegation or suspicion of child abuse. However the balance needs to be struck between taking action designed to protect the child from abuse while at the same time avoiding unnecessary intervention. Except in emergency situations or urgent cases when immediate protective action is required, referrals will require preliminary discussion with other professionals from the child protection agencies and with the referrer. In some cases it will be necessary to seek specialist opinion.

In some cases action other than a formal investigation will be decided upon following the consultation process. This might include the provision of support for the family. Such a decision should be discussed and agreed with a social worker in consultation with the team leader or supervisor; and recorded and communicated to senior management.

The definition is not taken to mean all referrals, as some may require action such as advice or family support rather than child protection procedures.

Investigation

The purpose of an investigation is to establish whether a Trust should make an application for a court order or exercise any of its other powers, for example the provision of services under Part IV of the Children Order.

Category of Abuse for Registration

The category of abuse under which a child is registered will have been decided upon at the child protection conference, when agreement was reached that registration was necessary. If a child suffers multiple abuse, this should be recorded against the main category of abuse. The abuse may be potential, suspected or confirmed, although the terms 'actual' or 'likely' occur. Potential and suspected equate with 'likely' and confirmed with 'actual'. The categories are:

1. Neglect, Physical Abuse and Sexual Abuse

2. Main category - neglect

3. Main category - physical abuse

4. Main category - sexual abuse

5. Neglect and Physical Abuse

6. Main category - neglect

7. Main category - physical abuse

8. Neglect and Sexual Abuse

9. Main category - neglect

10. Main category - sexual abuse

11. Physical and Sexual Abuse

12. Main category - physical abuse

13. Main category - sexual abuse

14. Neglect (only)

15. Physical Abuse (only)

16. Sexual Abuse (only)

17. Emotional Abuse (only)

Neglect

The actual or likely persistent or severe neglect of a child, or the failure to protect a child from exposure to any kind of danger, including cold or starvation, or persistent failure to carry out important aspects of care, resulting in significant impairment of the child's health or development, including non-organic failure to thrive.

Physical Abuse

Actual or likely deliberate physical injury to a child, or wilful or neglectful failure to prevent physical injury or suffering to a child including deliberate poisoning, suffocation or Munchausen syndrome by proxy.

Sexual Abuse

Actual or likely sexual exploitation of a child or adolescent. The child may be dependent and/or developmentally immature.

Emotional Abuse

Actual or likely persistent or severe emotional ill-treatment or rejection resulting in severe adverse effects on the emotional, physical and/or behavioural development of a child. All abuse involves some emotional ill-treatment. This category should be used where it is the main or only form of abuse.

Legal Status

The legal framework for compulsory intervention in the care and upbringing of children. If more than one legal status is indicated or in force for the child at 31 March, the latest one only is recorded.

Children in Need

Referral

A referral of a child to Social Services, regardless of source of referral. A child may be referred several times over the course of a year.

Episode of Care

An episode of involvement of a child with Social Services. There may be several episodes of involvement over a year or, alternatively, an episode may span more than one year. Where an episode of involvement commences in one year and closes in another, it is counted in the year in which the case opened.

Current Status of Children Referred

The status at 31 March of children referred during the year.

Inappropriate Referral

An inappropriate childcare referral to Social Services, referred back to referral source.

No further action required

Not required to allocate for full assessment of need due to the query being dealt with at referral stage, e.g. advice on social security, health and social services etc.

No further action taken

Unable to meet needs of the client referred, perhaps due to lack of skilled resources to deal with the case. Unmet need may be recorded. Referred back to referral source with advice on outcome of initial assessment of referral.

Allocation for service/assessment

Upon initial assessment of referral, allocated to social services professional/team to carry out full assessment of need for client or for provision of a service.

Other

Cases which are not allocated to one of the above categories, including cases awaiting a decision (pending cases).

Initial Assessment

An assessment made soon after referral to determine the type of need, if any, and how best this need may be met.

Children in Need Categories

A child is considered to be in need if he/she falls into at least one of the following Children in Need categories.

Child subject to Child Protection investigation

Children will not normally be subject to a child protection investigation at the initial referral. However, this category should be recorded when the referral indicates child protection investigation is required and if/when this is confirmed by the initial assessment. Children will cease to be “in need” under this definition when the child protection investigation is complete. They may, however, continue to be “children in need” under any other of the definitional headings.

Child with a disability who may require social work service

Children with a disability are defined as those children who meet the definition agreed by the working group on children with a disability. To be accepted as a child in need the child must meet the disability definition and be likely to require social care services. Some children with disability will have their needs met by medical, educational, family and social networks not requiring social care services involvement. The need for social care services will be established only after a full assessment.

Child for whom no one is exercising parental responsibility

This definition applies to children abandoned, or “out of home” on what initially appears to be a long-term basis i.e. there is no obvious individual or family who can immediately provide “parental” responsibility. After assessment the family may be able to offer appropriate care and the child would no longer be in need.

Child for whom the carer is temporarily unable to offer care for whatever reason

This definition applies to children who are normally well cared for by their carer(s) but the carer(s) is/are temporarily unable to exercise that care through illness, or unavoidable absence. In these cases there is no question over the carers normally discharging their responsibility.

A child whose carers require support and assistance in order that they might provide a reasonable standard of care

Many referrals illustrate a deficit in care but not sufficient to expose the child to risk of significant harm. In these circumstances the child's needs for improved parenting can be achieved by offering the child and family support, for example, day care provision for a child under five whose carer is suffering mental health problems.

A child who is likely to experience significant emotional, physical or development impairment as a result of family breakdown without the provision of social care services

The level of breakdown of families is high but can be achieved in amicable separations without significant emotional, physical or development impairment to the child. If this is so the child is not in need. This category should only be used where:

- impairment can be predicted and
- is causally linked with the family breakdown and
- can be shown to be reduced by social care services

A child whose well-being is significantly prejudiced as a result of their behavioural, emotional, psychiatric or psychological disturbance, and may require social care services

This definition involves children whose well-being is damaged by their behavioural, emotional, psychiatric and psychological disturbance and could include drug and alcohol use, neurotic and psychotic conditions as well as emotional and behavioural problems such as "challenging behaviour" or "self harm". However, these conditions are qualified by having to be of such severity as to "significantly prejudice the well-being of the child" thus recreational use of alcohol by older adolescents may be excluded. The need for social care services will have to be established by an assessment.

A child for whom their offending and its consequences are a significant feature of their life

Not all offenders will be "children in need" for the purposes of this definition. The nature of their offending (e.g. frequency, severity) and its consequences (e.g. response of the criminal justice system, impact upon the victim or community) should be a significant feature of their life.

A child whose welfare is, or is likely to be, significantly prejudiced as a result of homelessness

Families experiencing "homelessness" are the responsibility of the Housing Executive; however, a young person may be homeless and their welfare at risk. Such children will be in need.

A child ceasing to be looked after by a Trust

A child requiring Social Services support due to ceasing to be looked after by the Trust.

A child with caring duties which are significantly impairing or distorting their normal health, social or intellectual development

This category requires an assessment be made as to whether performing the duty “impairs or distorts the child’s normal development”. Thus the burden of daily care may involve activities appropriate to the age of the child but distort the child’s opportunity for normal age related education and leisure.

Request for financial assistance for a specific child in need

The request for financial assistance is relevant where such assistance assists, safeguards or promotes the well-being of a specific child who by definition without such assistance would be in need, e.g. financial assistance to a day care placement.

Request for financial assistance for children in a family

In many instances the financial assistance is to a family rather than a specific child, e.g. emergency payment to ensure food or warmth. In such circumstances the family should be counted as one referral, but a note made of how many children are in the family and receiving assistance, since all such children will be deemed as in need.

Initial Assessment

An assessment made soon after referral to determine the type of need, if any, and how best this need may be met.

Religion

Roman Catholic

Refers to all of the Roman Catholic faith.

Presbyterian

Refers to all stating their denomination to be Presbyterian. Include here also Church of Scotland but exclude all other groupings with ‘Presbyterian’ in their title, e.g. Free Presbyterian, Non-subscribing Presbyterian, etc. These groups are recorded under ‘Other denominations’.

Church of Ireland

Refers to all stating their denomination to be Church of Ireland.

Methodist

Refers to all stating their denomination to be Methodist.

Other Denominations

Refers to all other Christian and non-Christian denominations and faiths.

None

Refers to those with no religious persuasion.

Refused/Unknown

Refers to those who refuse to give details of their religious affiliation or whose religious affiliation cannot be established.

Ethnic Group**White**

Refers to all white or olive skinned people from Europe, North Africa, Middle East, the Americas and Australasia.

Chinese

Refers to all those belonging to the Chinese ethnic group, originating from mainland China, Hong Kong, Singapore, Taiwan and Malaysia.

Traveller

Refers to persons sometimes known as gypsies or itinerants but excluding New Age Travellers. The term applies to those who travel from place to place, are temporarily based on a traveller site or who are settled in permanent accommodation on a traveller site.

Indian

Refers to those from the Indian sub-continent, i.e. India, Pakistan and Bangladesh.

Black

Refers to Black Africans, Afro-Caribbeans, and African Americans.

Others

Refers to those other ethnic groups. Included here are those from Malaysia (other than Chinese), Vietnam, Japan, etc.

Refused/Unknown

Refers to those who refuse to give details of their ethnic group or whose ethnic group cannot be established.

Children Looked After**Looked After**

A child is looked after by an Authority if he or she is in their care or if he or she is provided with accommodation for a continuous period of more than 24 hours by the authority in the exercise of its Social Services function.

Residential Care

Residential care refers to care which takes place in statutory, voluntary or private children's homes.

Foster Care

Foster care includes children fostered either with relatives or with persons who are not related to the child.

Placed with family

This refers to children for whom a Care Order exists and who are placed with their parents, a person who is not a parent but who has parental responsibility for the child or where a child is in care and there was a Residence Order in force with respect to him/her immediately before the Care Order was made, a person in whose favour the Residence Order was made.

Respite Care

This term refers to either a series of short-term pre-planned, or ad hoc placements, where a child moves temporarily from his/her carer (i.e. foster care, residential care, family etc) in order to allow the child and/or the carer a period of respite. The move could, in ad-hoc situations, involve a change of placement (e.g. foster care to residential care) or the child could remain within the same placement type (e.g. foster care to foster care). Children could also move from a family placement to another placement type for respite care.

Where respite care is pre-planned, within the same placement (note: placement rather than placement type **must** remain constant), no single period of respite should be for a duration of more than four weeks and the total duration of the periods of respite should not exceed 90 days in any one year (to comply with Regulation 11 of the Review of Children's Cases Regulations (NI) 1996).

As a general rule of thumb, if a social worker regards the short-term placement of a child as being "for respite", either to benefit the child or the carer(s), then this should be recorded on the appropriate return.

Placement is recorded as first placement during the financial year.

Independent living

Refers to any young person being looked after by an authority, who moves from his/her placement to live independently within the community before he/she is 18 years of age. Do not count changes of placement or change of legal status within care as a re-admission, or children being looked after for respite care.

Children's Homes

Statutory Children's Home

A home which provides care and accommodation for children as defined under Part IX of the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995.

Voluntary Children's Home

A home which provides care and accommodation for children, carried out by a voluntary organisation, being any association carrying out any activities otherwise than for the purpose of gain by the association or by individual members.

Respite Care (in Children's Homes)

This refers to a series of short-term pre-planned or ad hoc placements, no single period of which should be for a duration of more than 4 weeks and the total duration of the periods does not exceed 90 days in any one year.

Services Received

This applies to all young people aged between 16 and 21 who were looked after by the Trust during the year and who received services. It is the number of services which are recorded, not the number of young people.

Day Care

Day nurseries

Day nurseries look after under fives for the length of the adult working day. They may be run by voluntary organisations, private companies or individuals as a business, community groups as a co-operative enterprise, employers in the public or private sectors for their workforce, or any of these bodies on a partnership basis. Children will attend part-time or full-time depending on their and their parent's needs. For registration purposes it is the number of providers that are registered rather than the number of premises, but each provider should be registered for each location from which he/she operates.

Number of registered places in day nurseries

Refers to the total number of places available in day nurseries in the Trust area at 31 March of the relevant year, irrespective of whether they are occupied or not.

Children placed and paid for by the Trust in day nurseries

The total number of children who were placed and paid for by the Trust in day nurseries during the year ending 31 March. All such children are counted irrespective of whether the day nursery was located inside or outside the Trust area.

Childminders

Childminders look after children aged under five and school age children outside school hours and in the holidays in domestic premises, usually the childminder's own home. They offer this service all the year round for the full adult working day. Parents and childminders negotiate the terms and conditions.

Sponsored childminders

These are registered childminders with whom children may be placed but the fees for such children are paid for by the Trust. As sponsored childminders should also be registered childminders they are counted in the total of registered childminders and then recorded separately.

Number of places with childminders

The total number of childminding places available with registered childminders in the Trust area at 31 March of the relevant year, irrespective of whether they were occupied on that day or not.

Number of children placed and paid for by the Trust with sponsored childminders

The total number of children in the under 5 and 5-under 12 age groups who were placed and paid for by the Trust with sponsored childminders during the relevant year ending 31 March. All such children should be counted irrespective of whether the childminder was located inside or outside the Trust area.

Playgroups

Playgroups provide session care for children aged between three and five, though exceptionally some may take slightly younger children. They aim to provide learning experiences through structured play opportunities in groups, and with involvement of the parents in all aspects of the operation of the group. Most playgroups are run on a self-help basis by groups of parents with one or two paid staff. Some playgroups may be run by Trusts or voluntary organisations e.g. NSPCC. Some are called opportunity groups and cater specifically for children with special needs. Playgroup sessions last no longer than 4 hours.

The total number of playgroups operated by each provider in the Trust area at 31 March of the relevant year is recorded. As one provider may operate several playgroups in different locations, each playgroup is counted.

Number of places in playgroups

The total number of places available in playgroups in the Trust area at 31 March of the relevant year irrespective of whether they were occupied or not.

Total number of children placed and paid for by the Trust

The total number of children who were placed and paid for by the Trust in playgroups during the relevant year ending 31 March. All such children should be counted irrespective of whether the playgroup was located inside or outside the Trust area.

Out of School Clubs

These offer to care for the school age children in the absence of the parents or the carers from the end of the school day until the parent can collect the child. Some may also care for children before the school starts. They are not open access. They may be run by the Trust, voluntary organisations or community groups or privately. Children will be escorted to the club by a responsible person and not allowed to leave until collected by the parent or person who has parental responsibility or who is looking after the child.

Number of places in Out of School Clubs

The total number of places available in the Trust area at 31 March of the relevant year. If the number of places varies the maximum number is recorded.

Holiday Schemes for Children

These look after children of school age during the school holidays and operate like out of school clubs. They may be provided by the Trusts, District Councils, Education and Library Boards, voluntary agencies such as Harmony Community Trust, Extern etc, by other organisations in partnership with the Trust or by other organisations on their own. A holiday scheme is counted for each holiday period for which it is operating.

Number of places in holiday schemes for children

The total number of places available in schemes operated by each body during the year ending 31 March, irrespective of whether or not all places are occupied.

Family Centres

Family Centres are facilities used or attended by children of any age and their parents or those with parental responsibility for them or looking after them. The range of services or facilities likely to be provided include those for children (e.g. play sessions, toy libraries, out of school activities), for adults (e.g. training opportunities, advice or therapy sessions) and for the whole family (e.g. group work with a professionally qualified person).

Number of families attending Family Centres

The number of families (i.e. parent(s) of children or those with responsibility for children) attending the centre at least once during the relevant year ending 31 March. Only one attendance is counted for each family. This attendance is counted even if only one parent or one person responsible for the child(ren) attends.

Number of children attending Family Centres

The number of children attending the centre during the relevant year ending 31 March, **NOT** the number of times children attend the centre during the year. For example a child who attends only once and a child who attends 10 times would both be recorded only once.

Numbers placed and paid for by the Trust in non-Trust Family Centres

The number of families and number of children for whom the Trust has accepted financial responsibility with regard to their placement in a family centre not operated directly by the Trust (includes grant aided family centres) during the relevant year ending 31 March. All such families and children are counted irrespective of whether the family centre was located inside or outside the Trust area.

Children in Hospital

Children in Hospital for periods of more than 3 months

The number of children who have been in hospital continuously for periods of more than 3 months during the relevant year ending 31 March. Short periods (e.g. weekends) when the child may have gone home but has not been discharged from hospital are disregarded. Hospital refers to **all** hospitals, not just acute hospitals.

It is the duration of hospital stay (i.e. more than 3 months) which is important, and it is not necessary for the child to have been in the **same** hospital for more than three months or to have been treated for the same or related condition to be recorded. For example, a child might be admitted to, and remain in, a hospital for two months before being transferred directly to another hospital (inside or outside the Trust area) where he/she remains for a further 2 months before being discharged home. The total continuous period of stay in hospital in this example is 4 months and should therefore be recorded on this return. Where a child moves between hospitals, the discharge from one and admission to the other should be done on the same or following day.

Children in Hospital for periods of more than 3 months and who receive social work support or service

The number of children who have been in hospital for a period of at least three months during the financial year and who have received social work support or one of the services listed, from the date of admission to hospital until 31 March. Not all the services will be provided to the child directly in hospital. The Children Order deals with the concept of family support and, as many children who are in hospital for prolonged periods also have short visits home, services will be provided for the child/family in the home environment. Services provided for the child after discharge from hospital and up to the end of the financial year are also recorded. It is the number of services which are reported, not the number of children.

Appendix 2: Explanatory Notes

Source: The data contained in this publication have been compiled from the Children Order (NI) 1995 returns, which were effective from 4 November 1996.

Healthcare Providers: This bulletin presents data broken down by Providers where that particular Provider had a community service (see Appendix 1 for a complete list of Providers which had a community service in 2006/2007). The exception to this is the section on Children in Hospital, which contains some information provided by hospital Trusts.

Data Availability/Format: Data can be supplied in spreadsheet format (Microsoft Excel Version 5.0) in order to aid secondary analysis. The appropriate contact point for more detailed analyses or to answer queries in relation to the data is CIB@dhsspsni.gov.uk (Tel 028 90522960).

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4 What did you find most useful?

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