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## CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER STATISTICS 2007-08

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Scotland's Chief Statistician today published [Children Looked After Statistics 2007-08](#). This publication contains statistics on children who were looked after by or eligible for aftercare services from local authorities between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008.

The main findings are:

- At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008 there were 14,886 children looked after by local authorities, an increase of six per cent since 2007. The number of children looked after has increased every year since 2001, and is at its highest since 1983.
- At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008, forty three per cent of children looked after were placed at home with parents, and sixteen per cent were looked after by friends or relatives. Twenty nine per cent were looked after by foster carers. Eleven per cent were in residential accommodation.
- There were 5,158 children who started to be looked after in 2007-08, a decrease of two per cent on 2006-07. The number ceasing to be looked after increased by nine per cent, to 4,513.
- Fifty five per cent of young people ceasing to be looked after above school leaving age during 2007-08 had a pathway plan on the date they were discharged, and fifty seven per cent had a pathway coordinator.
- There were 3,765 young people reported to be eligible for aftercare services on 31st March 2008. Forty two per cent of those with known economic activity were in education, training or employment, an increase of 4 percentage points on 2007.
- At 31st March 2008 there were 1,891 children being looked after on a series of short term placements. Just over half of all these were looked after in residential establishments.

## LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN

1. At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008 there were 14,886 children looked after by local authorities, an increase of six per cent since 2007. The number of children looked after has increased every year since 2001, and is at its highest since 1983 (Tables 1.1, 2.1, 2.9, Chart 1).
2. Fifty five per cent of children looked after on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008 were male (Table 1.1). Sixty eight per cent were aged five to 15, with just under half of these in the 12-15 age group (Tables 1.1, 2.1, Chart 3).
3. Most children looked after on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008 were under supervision requirement, either at home (40 per cent of all children looked after) or away from home (39 per cent). A further nine per cent were accommodated under Section 25 of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995 (Tables 1.4, 2.2).
4. At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008, forty three per cent of children looked after were looked after at home with parents and sixteen per cent were looked after by friends or relatives. The number of children being looked after by friends or relatives increased by 15 per cent compared with 31<sup>st</sup> March 2007, from 2,094 to 2,398 (Tables 1.8, 2.3, Chart 2).
5. At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008, nearly a quarter (24 per cent) of children looked after were with foster carers provided by the local authority, with a further four per cent looked after by foster carers purchased by the local authority. The number of children looked after by foster carers or prospective adopters has increased every year since 1993, from 2,574 to 4,480 (Tables 1.8, 2.3, 2.9, Chart 2).
6. At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008, the proportion of children looked after in residential care was 11 per cent nationally, and is now at its lowest since when data has been available. The actual numbers of children in residential care have been fairly stable since 2000, at around 1,600 (Tables 1.8, 2.9).
7. There were 5,158 children who started to be looked after in 2007-08, a decrease of two per cent on 2006-07 (Tables 1.11, 2.1). Children are counted for each episode of starting to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).
8. Forty six per cent of children starting to be looked after during 2007-08 were being looked after under a supervision requirement at home, 16 per cent were under a supervision requirement away from home, and 21 per cent were accommodated under Section 25 (Table 1.14, 2.2).
9. At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008 there were 1,891 children being looked after on a series of short term placements, a decrease of 12 per cent on the previous year. Just over half (51 per cent) of children looked after on a series of short term placements were looked after residentially and 27 per cent were looked after by foster carers (Tables 1.29, 1.30 and 2.8).

## LEAVING CARE

10. There were 4,513 children who ceased to be looked after in 2007-08, an increase of nine per cent on 2006-07 (Tables 1.15, 2.6). Children are counted for each episode of being looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

11. Ten per cent of children ceasing to be looked after had been looked after for under six weeks. Nearly a quarter (24 per cent) had been looked after for three years or more, including nine per cent who had been looked after for five years or more. Thirty nine per cent had been looked after for less than a year (Table 1.19).
12. In 55 per cent of the episodes of care that ended during 2007-08, the child's destination was home with parents (biological or newly-adoptive). The remaining children had a range of destinations, with no more than eight per cent in any one. (Table 1.16)

### **CARE LEAVERS**

13. Fifty five per cent of young people ceasing to be looked after beyond minimum school leaving age during 2007-08 had a pathway plan on the date they were discharged, and fifty seven per cent had a pathway coordinator (Table 1.20).
14. Sixty per cent of care leavers beyond minimum school leaving age whose last placement was at home with parents, with friends or relatives, or with foster carers stayed in the same placement type upon leaving care (Table 1.22).

### **YOUNG PEOPLE ELIGIBLE FOR AFTERCARE SERVICES**

15. There were 3,765 young people who were reported to be eligible for aftercare services on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008. However, as one local authority could not provide any data, all figures regarding aftercare should be seen as provisional (Tables 1.23-1.28).
16. Of all young people reported to be eligible for aftercare services on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008, the accommodation of 23 per cent was not recorded, in most cases because they were no longer in touch with the local authority. Of those whose accommodation was known, most were either living at home with their parents (28 per cent) or living independently/in their own tenancy (27 per cent). Five per cent were known to be homeless (Table 1.23).
17. Of the young people eligible for aftercare services on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008 who were in touch with the local authority and whose economic activity was known, 18 per cent were in education and 24 per cent were in training or employment. Four per cent were not in education, training or employment due to illness or disability, seven per cent were looking after family and 47 per cent were unemployed for other reasons (Table 1.24).
18. Of those young people eligible for aftercare services whose economic activity was known, there was no difference between the proportions of males and females that were in employment, education or training (42 per cent) (Table 1.25).

### **REVISIONS TO 2006-07 DATA**

19. Glasgow City have revised their 2006-07 figure on the number of children looked after at home who did not have a current care plan (Table 1.11 in the 2006-07 publication). Many of the children included in this figure did have a current care plan. As it was not possible to retrieve the data on those with a care plan retrospectively, all these children have been moved to the "not known" category (Table A1).

20. Aberdeen City have revised all of their 2006-07 data on children starting to be looked after (last year's Tables 1.12 to 1.15, 2.1, 2.2 and 3.1). The number starting to be looked after is now 224 lower than the figures that were previously published (Tables A2 to A5).

21. West Lothian revised their 2006-07 figures on the qualifications of care leavers (last year's Table 1.21, 3.4 and 3.5). Revised totals are shown in Table A6.

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## BACKGROUND NOTES

- 1 The survey forms and guidance notes for data presented in this publication, and previous years' publications, can be seen at [www.scotland.gov.uk/childrenstats](http://www.scotland.gov.uk/childrenstats) .
- 2 Although all local authorities supplied data, some were unable to provide information for every table. The larger omissions are listed below:
  - Falkirk were unable to provide any information on children starting to be looked after. Falkirk's figures from 2006-07 have been carried forward for these tables.
  - Fife were unable to provide any information on children ceasing to be looked after, or a breakdown of the number of placements of those looked after on 31<sup>st</sup> March. Fife's figures from 2006-07 have been carried forward for the tables on children ceasing to be looked after, and in Table 1.9 the total number of children looked after has been included as "not known".
  - Falkirk and North Lanarkshire were unable to provide any information on children ceasing to be looked after above minimum school leaving age. Figures from 2006-07 have been carried forward for these tables.
  - Renfrewshire were unable to provide figures on young people eligible for aftercare services. Renfrewshire's figures from 2006-07 have been carried forward for these tables.

In addition, there were a few minor omissions by other local authorities, which are footnoted in the relevant tables. In most cases, figures have been recorded as "not known" based on totals in other tables.

- 3 Figures previously published for 2006-07 have been revised to include amendments that a few local authorities provided after the 2006-07 publication. Revised data can be found in Tables A1 to A6. Changes to the data are described in paragraphs 19 to 21 above.
- 4 Tables 1.4, 1.14, 2.2 and A5 show numbers of children looked after under "other" statute. Examples of "other" include external housing support, English statutes, and the following sections from the Children (Scotland) Act 1995: 38(a)(1); 29;33;56(4)(b); 70(3)(b); 66(1); 22.
- 5 Tables 1.8, 1.22, 2.3 and 3.3 show number of children looked after by accommodation. "Other community" includes supported accommodation/semi-independent living, supported tenancy, own tenancy/independent living, hostel, "Leaving Care Services", placed with carers from adult services, and "throughcare and aftercare". "Other residential" includes close support unit, intensive support unit, residential units outwith the local authority, homeless unit, private or NHS home, emergency accommodation, hospital, Spark of Genius, Quarriers, residential home, and other specific residential establishments and purchased placements.
- 6 Tables 1.16, 1.23 and 2.6 show number of children by destination on discharge. Examples of 'other' include emergency accommodation, temporary accommodation, and offenders hostel.
- 7 Tables 1.23-1.28 and 3.6 show young people eligible for aftercare services. For details of young people's eligibility for aftercare, see regulations and guidance at <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2004/03/19113/34719> .

- 8 No information on qualifications of care leavers was collected this year. This is because improvements are being made in the way information on looked after children is collected, which will enable more accurate figures on attainment of looked after children to be produced in the future. More information on this project can be found at <http://www.ltscotland.org.uk/lookedafterchildren/about/datareporting/introduction.asp>
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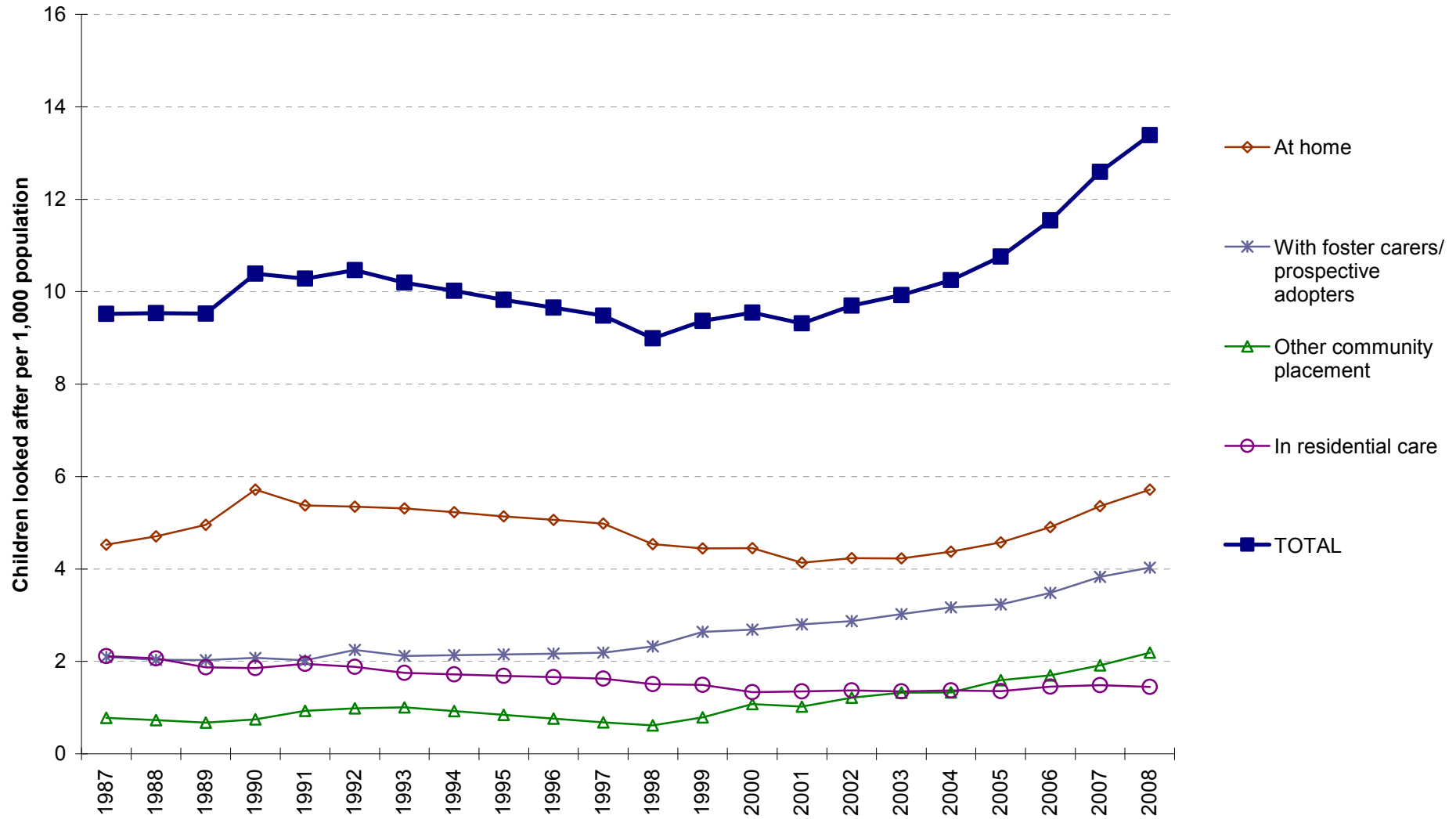
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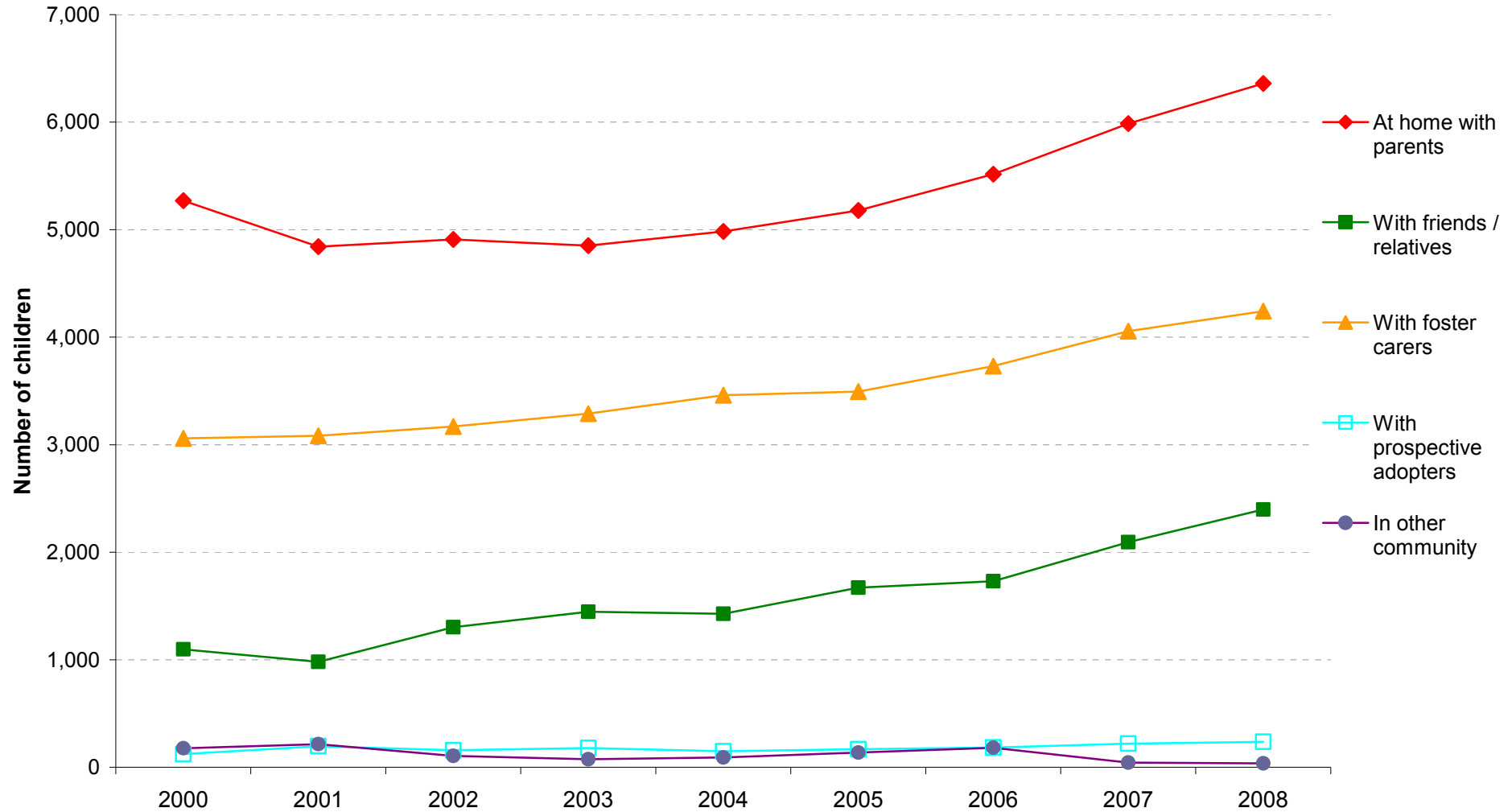
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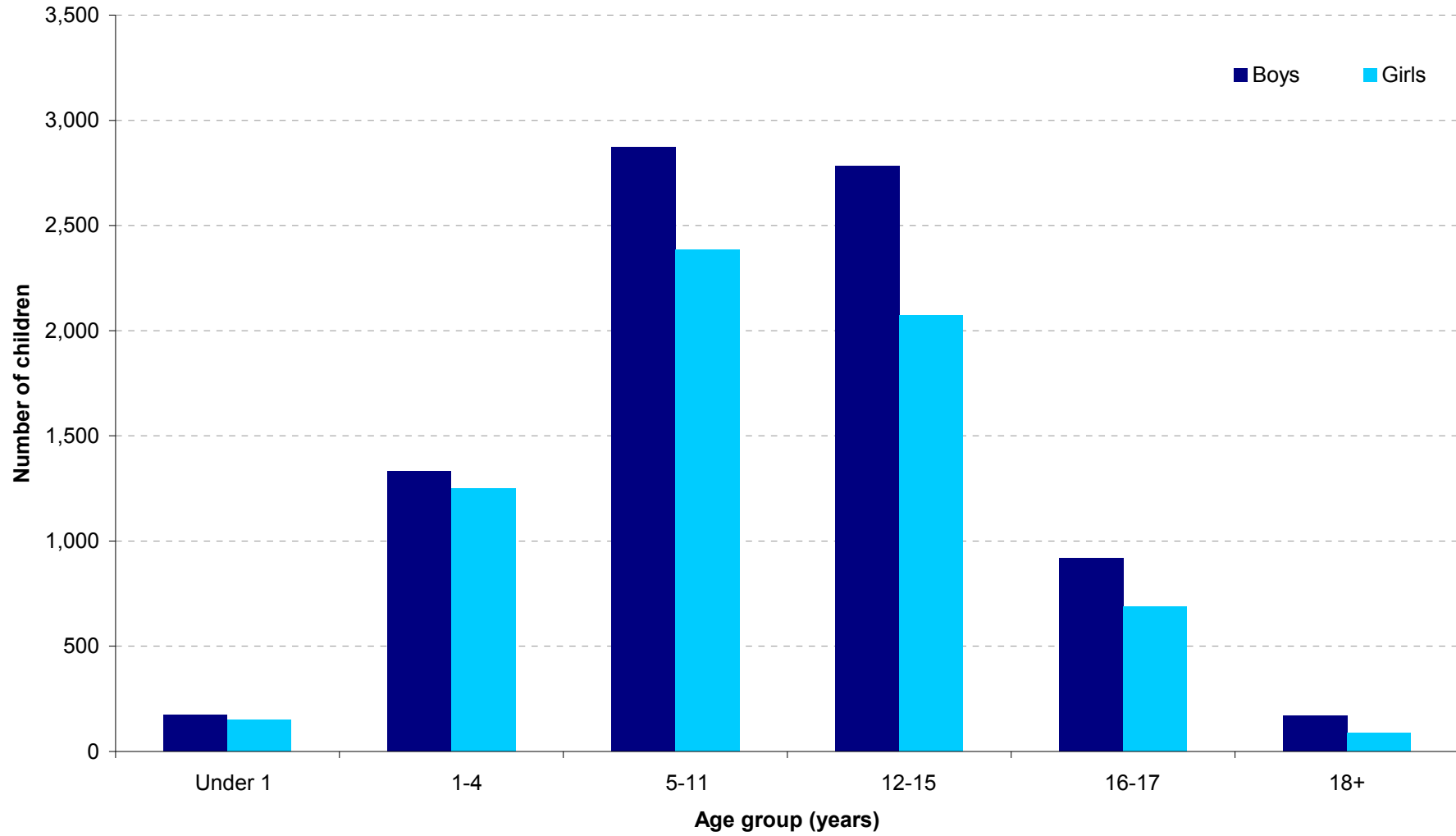
Chart 1: Children looked after per 1,000 of 0-18 population by type of placement, March 1987-2008



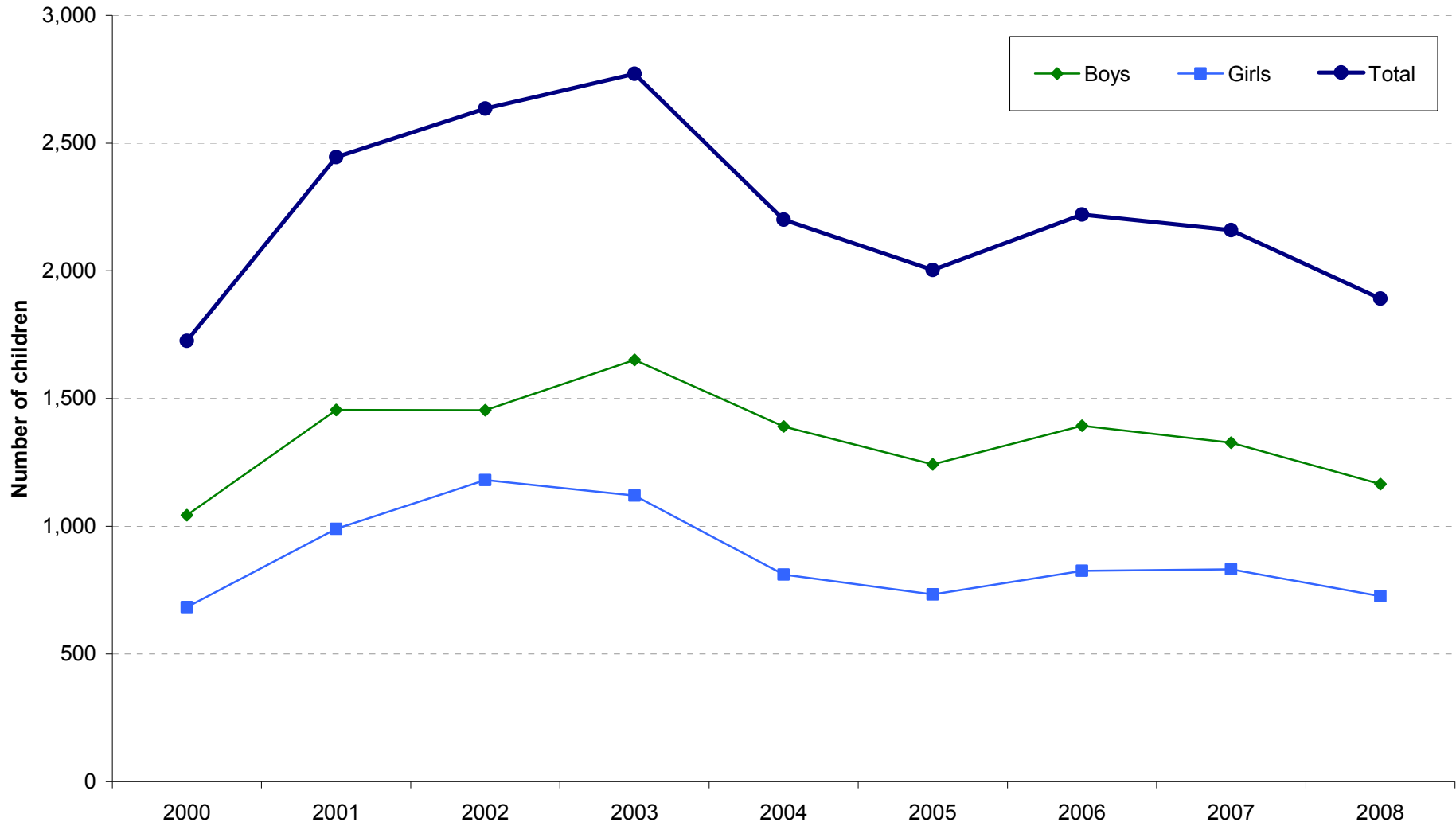
**Chart 2: Children looked after in the community by type of accommodation  
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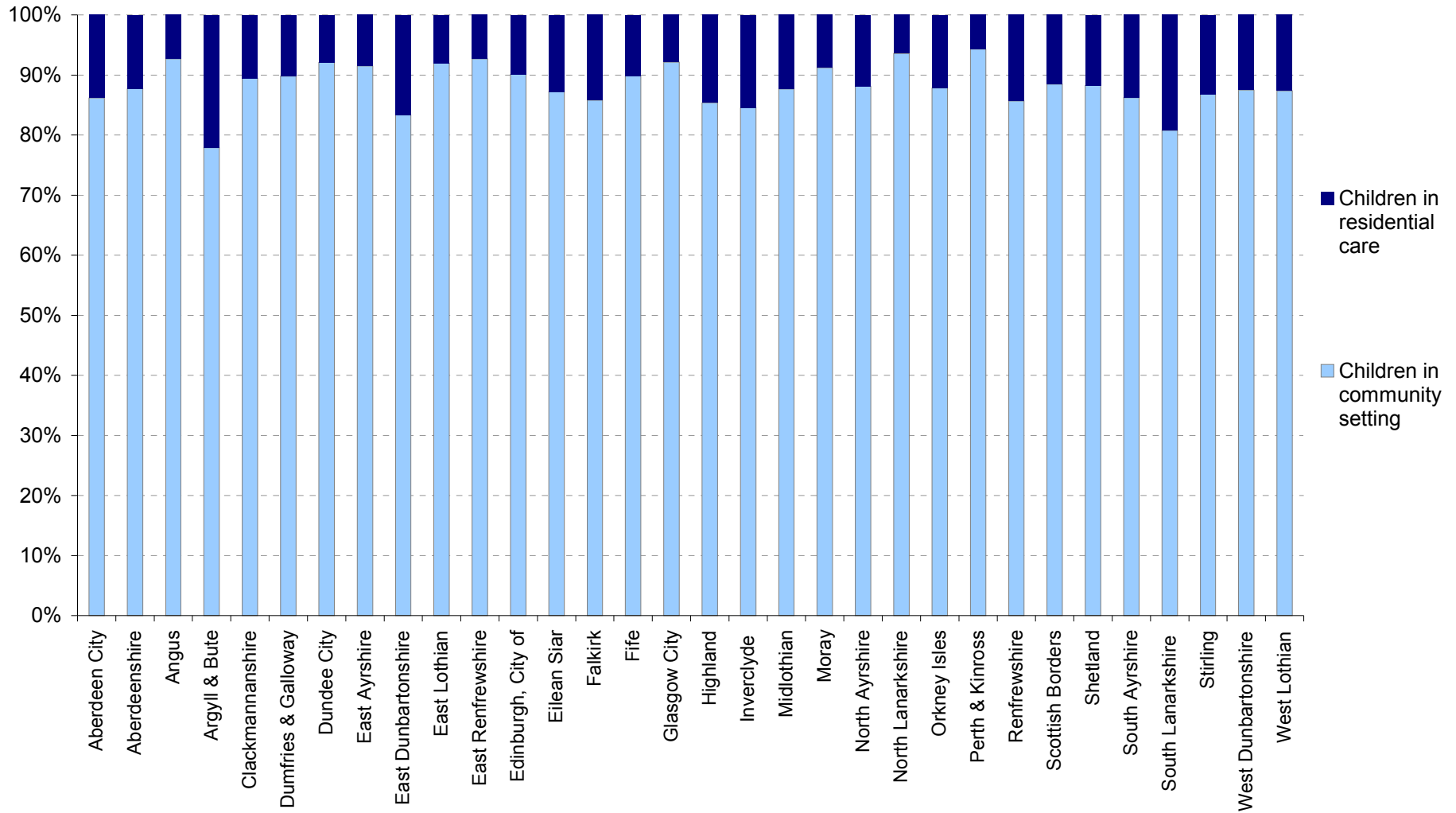
**Chart 3: Children looked after on 31st March 2008 by age and gender**



**Chart 4: Children looked after on a series of short term placements on 31st March, 2000-2008**



**Chart 5: Percentage of looked after children in residential and community placements on 31st March 2008 by local authority**



**Table 1.1: Children looked after at 31st March 2008 by age group and gender**

	Age at 31st March 2008							Total
	Under 1	1-4	5-11	12-15	16-17	18	19-21	
Male	175	1,334	2,872	2,783	918	93	77	<b>8,252</b>
Female	151	1,251	2,383	2,074	687	36	52	<b>6,634</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>2,585</b>	<b>5,255</b>	<b>4,857</b>	<b>1,605</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>14,886</b>

Note: Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

**Table 1.2: Children looked after at 31st March 2008 by ethnic group**

Ethnic Group	
White	12,900
Mixed Ethnicity	172
Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British	73
Black, Black Scottish or Black British	46
Other Ethnic Background	63
Not disclosed	187
Not known	1,445
<b>Total looked after children</b>	<b>14,886</b>

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**Table 1.3: Children looked after at 31st March 2008 by disability status**

Main Disability	
Specific learning difficulties	45
Mental health problem	17
Autistic spectrum disorder	93
Hearing impairment	26
Language and communication disorder	36
Physical or motor impairment	100
Visual impairment	29
Social, emotional and behavioural difficulties	633
Learning disability	217
Combined sight and hearing loss (deafblind)	*
Other chronic illness/disability	103
Multiple disabilities	193
No disabilities	11,328
Not known	*
<b>Total looked after children</b>	<b>14,886</b>

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**Table 1.4: Children looked after at 31st March 2008 by current statute and length of time under current statute**

Statute Group	Time in statute group at 31st March 2008					Not known	Total children
	< 6 months	6 months to < 1 year	1 year to < 2 years	2 years to < 5 years	At least 5 years		
Accommodated under Section 25	383	231	278	273	162	0	1,327
Parental Responsibilities Order	34	28	78	131	149	4	424
Supervision Requirement at Home	1,631	1,115	1,488	1,403	389	0	6,026
Supervision Requirement away from Home (excluding Residential Establishment)	916	682	1,231	1,322	648	0	4,799
Supervision Requirement away from Home (in a Residential Establishment but excluding Secure)	199	174	206	218	95	0	892
Supervision Requirement away from Home with a Secure Condition	46	10	11	8	1	0	76
Warrant	221	37	40	37	7	0	342
Child Protection Measure	45	7	10	10	2	0	74
Criminal Court Provision	12	4	5	1	3	0	25
Freed for Adoption	29	42	15	22	26	0	134
Permanence Order	1	0	2	0	0	0	3
Permanence Order with Authority to Place for Adoption	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Other	29	47	39	64	42	0	221
Not known	0	0	0	0	0	542	542
<b>Total looked after children</b>	<b>3,547</b>	<b>2,377</b>	<b>3,403</b>	<b>3,489</b>	<b>1,524</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>14,886</b>

Notes:

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South Lanarkshire did not provide information. The total number of looked after children looked after in this local authority have been included in the "not known" column, with the number under a Parental Responsibilities Order identified from Table 1.5.

**Table 1.5: Children looked after as at 31st March 2008 under a Parental Responsibility Order, Freed for Adoption or under a Permanency order, by age group**

Statute Group	Age group					Total	
	Under 5	5-11	12-15	16-17	18		19-21
Parental Responsibilities Order	2	124	177	85	15	21	424
Freed for Adoption	51	60	17	6	0	0	134
Permanence Order	0	2	1	0	0	0	3
Permanence Order with Authority to Place for Adoption	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>562</b>

Note: Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

**Table 1.6: Children looked after as at 31st March 2008 under a Parental Responsibility Order, Freed for Adoption or under a Permanency order, by ethnic group**

Statute Group	Ethnicity						Total	
	White	Mixed Ethnicity	Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British	Black, Black Scottish or Black British	Other Ethnic Background	Not disclosed		Not known
Parental Responsibilities Order	409	5	*	0	*	0	7	424
Freed for Adoption	111	*	0	0	0	*	20	134
Permanence Order	*	*	0	0	0	0	0	3
Permanence Order with Authority to Place for Adoption	*	*	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>562</b>

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**Table 1.7: Children looked after as at 31st March 2008 under a Parental Responsibility Order, Freed for Adoption or under a Permanency order, by disability status**

Statute Group	Disability			Total
	Disability	No disability	Not known	
Parental Responsibilities Order	91	308	25	424
Freed for Adoption	*	104	*	134
Permanence Order	*	*	0	3
Permanence Order with Authority to Place for Adoption	0	*	*	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>562</b>

Notes:

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**Table 1.8: Children looked after at 31st March 2008 by type of accommodation**

Type of accommodation	Age Group					Total
	Under 5	5-11	12-15	16-17	18-21	
<b>In the community:-</b>						
At home with parents	1,039	2,167	2,347	695	111	<b>6,359</b>
With friends/relatives	647	1,102	503	133	13	<b>2,398</b>
With foster carers provided by LA	965	1,448	834	262	70	<b>3,579</b>
With foster carers purchased by LA	115	290	200	53	6	<b>664</b>
With prospective adopters	137	84	12	3	1	<b>237</b>
In other community	-	-	-	28	8	<b>36</b>
<b>Residential Accommodation:-</b>						
In local authority home	3	50	408	214	20	<b>695</b>
In voluntary home	0	12	25	17	4	<b>58</b>
In residential school	0	83	403	141	22	<b>649</b>
In secure accommodation	-	1	55	37	0	<b>93</b>
Crisis care	0	10	18	7	0	<b>35</b>
In other residential	5	8	52	15	3	<b>83</b>
<b>Total looked after children</b>	<b>2,911</b>	<b>5,255</b>	<b>4,857</b>	<b>1,605</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>14,886</b>

Note: Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

**Table 1.9: Children looked after away from home at 31st March 2008 by number of placements and length of time looked after**

Length of time looked after at 31st March 2008	Number of placements away from home during current episode of being looked after											Total
	1 placement	2 placements	3 placements	4 placements	5 placements	6 placements	7 placements	8 placements	9 placements	10 or more placements	Not known	
Under 6 weeks	246	81	31	10	9	3	4	1	1	1	0	<b>387</b>
6 weeks to under 6 months	481	142	36	21	10	8	5	0	3	2	0	<b>708</b>
6 months to under 1 year	497	213	91	32	15	6	5	2	2	2	0	<b>865</b>
1 year to under 2 years	747	469	155	105	44	31	15	7	5	5	0	<b>1,583</b>
2 years to under 5 years	865	674	371	248	105	59	35	24	28	27	0	<b>2,436</b>
5 years to under 8 years	328	304	167	155	83	56	29	25	20	43	0	<b>1,210</b>
8 years to under 10 years	89	79	43	92	48	20	14	15	5	27	0	<b>432</b>
10 years to under 15 years	89	40	34	56	30	29	13	16	8	24	0	<b>339</b>
15 years or more	7	5	3	4	1	1	4	0	1	9	0	<b>35</b>
Not known	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	532	<b>532</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,349</b>	<b>2,007</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>8,527</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Fife did not provide information. The total number of looked after children looked after in this local authority have been included in the "not known" column.

**Table 1.10: Children looked after at 31st March 2008 with and without a current care plan**

	Looked after at home	Looked after away from home	Total
With a current care plan	5,313	7,883	<b>13,196</b>
Without a current care plan	1,046	644	<b>1,690</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,359</b>	<b>8,527</b>	<b>14,886</b>

Note: Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

**Table 1.11: Children starting to be looked after during 2007-08 by age group and gender**

	Age on starting to be looked after						Total
	Under 1	1-4	5-11	12-15	16-17	18-21	
Boys	280	600	834	932	133	2	<b>2,781</b>
Girls	222	532	703	825	92	3	<b>2,377</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>1,132</b>	<b>1,537</b>	<b>1,757</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5,158</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Figures include all episodes of starting to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Falkirk did not provide information on children starting to be looked after. Falkirk's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into this table.

**Table 1.12: Children starting to be looked after during 2007-08 by ethnic origin**

Ethnic Group	
White	4,359
Mixed Ethnicity	69
Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British	54
Black, Black Scottish or Black British	25
Other Ethnic Background	21
Not disclosed	57
Not known	573
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,158</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Figures include all episodes of starting to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Falkirk did not provide information on children starting to be looked after. Falkirk's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into this table.

**Table 1.13: Children starting to be looked after during 2007-08 by disability status**

Main Disability	
Specific learning difficulties	168
Mental Health problem	9
Autistic spectrum disorder	20
Hearing impairment	7
Language and communication disorder	*
Physical or motor impairment	33
Visual impairment	6
Social, emotional and behavioural difficulties	139
Learning disability	40
Combined Sight and Hearing Loss (deafblind)	*
Other chronic illness/disability	31
Multiple disabilities	33
No disabilities	3,756
Not known	911
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,158</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Figures include all episodes of starting to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Falkirk did not provide information on children starting to be looked after. Falkirk's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into this table.

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**Table 1.14: Children starting to be looked after during 2007-08 by statutory reason for being looked after**

Statute group	
Accommodated under Section 25	1,089
Parental Responsibilities Order	1
Supervision Requirement at Home	2,392
Supervision Requirement away from Home (excluding Residential Establishment)	656
Supervision Requirement away from Home (in a Residential Establishment but excluding Secure)	147
Supervision Requirement away from Home with a Secure Condition	21
Warrant	424
Child Protection Measure	204
Criminal Court Provision	11
Freed for Adoption	10
Permanence Order	0
Permanence Order with Authority to Place for Adoption	1
Other	91
Not known	111
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,158</b>

Notes:

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Figures include all episodes of starting to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Falkirk did not provide information on children starting to be looked after. Falkirk's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into this table.

**Table 1.15: Children ceasing to be looked after during 2007-08 by age group and gender**

Gender	Ages of children at time of ceasing to be looked after							Total
	Under 1	1-4	5-11	12-15	16-17	18	19-21	
Boys	55	370	598	548	791	107	25	<b>2,494</b>
Girls	46	324	489	514	574	55	17	<b>2,019</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>1,087</b>	<b>1,062</b>	<b>1,365</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>4,513</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Figures include all episodes of ceasing to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Fife did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after. Fife's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into this table.

**Table 1.16: Children ceasing to be looked after during 2007-08 by destination on discharge and age**

Destination	Ages of children at time of ceasing to be looked after					Total
	Under 5	5-11	12-15	16-17	18-21	
Home with biological parents	393	589	615	691	48	<b>2,336</b>
Home with newly-adoptive parents	87	47	3	0	0	<b>137</b>
Friends / relatives	71	125	75	92	14	<b>377</b>
Own tenancy / independent living	1	0	3	78	17	<b>99</b>
Supported accommodation / semi-independent living	1	0	4	130	48	<b>183</b>
Former foster carers	7	10	7	16	7	<b>47</b>
In residential care	1	6	18	8	3	<b>36</b>
Homeless	0	0	1	23	4	<b>28</b>
In custody	0	0	3	21	6	<b>30</b>
Other destination	50	55	46	63	9	<b>223</b>
Not known	184	255	287	243	48	<b>1,017</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>1,087</b>	<b>1,062</b>	<b>1,365</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>4,513</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Figures include all episodes of ceasing to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Fife did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after. Fife's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into this table.

South Lanarkshire did not provide information for this table. The total numbers of children ceasing to be looked after in this local authority have been included in the "not known" column, with the destinations of those aged above minimum school leaving age identified from Table 1.21.

**Table 1.17: Children ceasing to be looked after during 2007-08 by ethnic origin**

Ethnic Group	
White	3,585
Mixed Ethnicity	47
Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British	34
Black, Black Scottish or Black British	30
Other Ethnic Background	28
Not disclosed	133
Not known	656
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,513</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Figures include all episodes of ceasing to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Fife did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after. Fife's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into this table.

**Table 1.18: Children ceasing to be looked after during 2007-08 by disability status**

Main Disability	
Specific learning difficulties	12
Mental Health problem	13
Autistic spectrum disorder	17
Hearing impairment	7
Language and communication disorder	9
Physical or motor impairment	30
Visual impairment	7
Social, emotional and behavioural difficulties	195
Learning disability	40
Combined Sight and Hearing Loss (deafblind)	*
Other chronic illness/disability	27
Multiple disabilities	23
No disabilities	3,087
Not known	*
<b>Total looked after children</b>	<b>4,513</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Figures include all episodes of ceasing to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Fife did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after. Fife's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into this table.

Cells containing \* represent numbers that are suppressed to maintain confidentiality.

**Table 1.19: Children ceasing to be looked after during 2007-08 by age group and length of time looked after**

Length of time looked after	Ages of children at time of ceasing to be looked after						Total
	Under 1	1-4	5-11	12-15	16-17	18-21	
Under 6 weeks	46	119	141	127	26	1	<b>460</b>
6 weeks to under 6 months	33	119	96	149	98	9	<b>504</b>
6 months to under 1 year	21	119	173	216	259	15	<b>803</b>
1 year to under 3 years	-	255	343	337	594	62	<b>1,591</b>
3 years to under 5 years	-	66	206	134	204	43	<b>653</b>
5 years to under 10 years	-	-	102	70	131	52	<b>355</b>
10 years and over	-	-	0	9	29	21	<b>59</b>
Not known	1	16	26	20	24	1	<b>88</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>1,087</b>	<b>1,062</b>	<b>1,365</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>4,513</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Figures include all episodes of ceasing to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Fife did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after. Fife's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into this table.

Falkirk did not provide information for this table. The total numbers of children ceasing to be looked after in this local authority have been included in the "not known" row.

**Table 1.20: Young people ceasing to be looked after during 2007-08 who were beyond minimum school-leaving age on date they ceased to be looked after - with a pathway plan, and with a nominated pathway co-ordinator**

	Number				Percentage			
	Looked after at home	Looked after away from home	Not known	Total	Looked after at home	Looked after away from home	Not known	Total
With a pathway plan on date of discharge	309	483	27	819	42	75	26	55
Without a pathway plan on date of discharge	431	159	0	590	58	25	0	40
Not known	0	0	77	77	0	0	74	5
With a nominated pathway co-ordinator on date of discharge	322	493	27	842	44	77	26	57
Without a nominated pathway co-ordinator on date of discharge	417	150	0	567	56	23	0	38
Not known	0	0	77	77	0	0	74	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>642</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>1,486</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes:  
 Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.  
 Figures include all episodes of ceasing to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Falkirk and North Lanarkshire did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after beyond minimum school-leaving age. Figures from 2006-07 for these authorities have been incorporated into this table. However, as North Lanarkshire did not provide these figures in 2006-07 either, the total number of young people ceasing to be looked after above minimum school leaving age in 2006-07 in North Lanarkshire have been included as "not known".  
 The number of young people looked after at home with/without a pathway coordinator is one less than the total given, and the number looked after away from home with/without a pathway coordinator is one more than the total given, due to Edinburgh providing mismatching figures for this table.

**Table 1.21: Young people ceasing to be looked after during 2007-08 who were beyond minimum school-leaving age on date they ceased to be looked after - by age group and destination on discharge**

Destination on discharge	Age at time of ceasing to be looked after						Total
	15	16	17	18	19-21	Not known	
Home with (biological) parents	81	484	157	6	0	0	728
Home with newly adoptive parents	*	0	*	0	0	0	3
With friends/relatives	6	80	23	*	*	0	113
Own tenancy/ independent living	0	38	25	8	*	0	74
Supported accommodation/ semi-independent living	*	79	60	30	*	0	182
Former foster carers	*	6	10	*	*	0	23
In residential care	0	*	*	*	0	0	7
Homeless	*	*	12	0	0	0	24
In custody	0	12	*	*	0	0	23
Other destination	*	16	12	5	*	0	36
Not known	16	127	64	23	14	29	273
<b>Total</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>1,486</b>

Notes:  
 Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.  
 Figures include all episodes of ceasing to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Falkirk and North Lanarkshire did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after beyond minimum school-leaving age. Figures from 2006-07 for these authorities have been incorporated into this table. As no age breakdown was collected in 2006-07, figures are included in the "not known" row.

Midlothian did not provide information for this table. The total numbers of children ceasing to be looked after above minimum school leaving age in this local authority have been included in the "not known" row.

Totals for destinations do not completely match figures for the respective ages in Table 1.16 because data from 2006-07 for different local authorities were substituted in the two tables.

Cells containing \* represent numbers that are suppressed to maintain confidentiality.

**Table 1.22: Young people ceasing to be looked after during 2007-08 who were above school leaving age on date they ceased to be looked after - by final accommodation type and destination on discharge**

Final accommodation type	Destination on discharge											Total
	Home with (biological) parents	Home with newly-adoptive parents	Friends/relatives	Own tenancy / independent living	Supported accommodation / semi-independent living	Former foster carers	In residential care	Homeless	In custody	Other Destination	Not known	
<b>In the community:-</b>												
At home with parents	586	0	21	12	12	1	0	5	5	4	176	822
With friends/relatives	23	1	58	6	6	2	0	2	4	4	9	115
With foster carers provided by LA	35	0	13	9	38	13	0	2	1	9	22	142
With foster carers purchased by LA	0	2	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	1	3	12
With prospective adopters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
In other community	0	0	0	5	30	0	0	4	0	1	15	55
<b>Residential Accommodation:-</b>												
In local authority home	50	0	10	33	50	2	1	5	1	4	15	171
In voluntary home	3	0	2	3	10	0	1	0	0	1	2	22
In residential school	16	0	5	4	24	2	4	3	2	5	8	73
In secure accommodation	10	0	3	1	2	1	0	1	7	3	3	31
Crisis care	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	6
In other residential	5	0	0	0	8	0	0	2	2	4	5	26
Not known	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>728</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>1,486</b>

Notes:  
 Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.  
 Figures include all episodes of ceasing to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

Falkirk and North Lanarkshire did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after beyond minimum school-leaving age. Figures from 2006-07 for these authorities have been incorporated into this table.

Midlothian did not provide information for this table. The total numbers of children ceasing to be looked after above minimum school leaving age in this local authority have been included in the "not known" column, with the number who were looked after at home identified from Table 1.20.

**Table 1.23: Young people eligible for aftercare services on 31st March 2008, by age and type of accommodation**

Accommodation arrangements on 31 March 2008	Age on 31 March 2008				Total	Percentage of all young people eligible for aftercare	Percentage of young people with known accommodation
	15-16	17	18	19-21			
Home with (biological) parents	233	212	171	198	814	22	28
Home with newly-adoptive parents	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Friends / relatives	56	84	79	117	336	9	12
Own tenancy / independent living	40	119	220	408	787	21	27
Supported accommodation / semi-independent living	83	129	110	120	442	12	15
Former foster carers	28	14	30	29	101	3	3
In residential care	49	*	*	8	65	2	2
Homeless	22	44	30	58	154	4	5
In custody	7	24	29	40	100	3	3
Other destination	26	34	19	25	104	3	4
Not known	32	*	*	23	174	5	
No longer in touch	141	172	176	198	687	18	
<b>Total</b>	<b>717</b>	<b>889</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>1,225</b>	<b>3,765</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Renfrewshire did not provide information on young people eligible for aftercare services. Renfrewshire's 2006-07 figures have been incorporated into this table.

Glasgow's figures include 10 young people receiving an "aftercare" service who were not looked after by them, but for whom the service was deemed appropriate according to their needs. Some or all of them may have previously been looked after by other local authorities but it was not possible to identify which ones had.

West Lothian provided figures for six young people over the age of 21 who were also receiving aftercare services from them. These have not been included as these young people were above the age where they would be defined as "discretionally supported", and no information was collected on whether any 21 year olds were being supported in this way in other local authorities.

The "no longer in touch" category does not completely match that in Tables 1.24 to 1.27 because of inconsistencies in reporting.

Cells containing \* represent numbers that are suppressed to maintain confidentiality.

**Table 1.24: Young people eligible for aftercare services on 31st March 2008, by age and economic activity**

Economic activity on 31 March 2008	Age on 31 March 2008				Total	Percentage of all young people eligible for aftercare	Percentage of young people with known economic activity
	15-16	17	18	19-21			
<b>In education, training or employment</b>							
In higher education	26	36	44	48	154	4	6
In education other than HE	125	79	61	68	333	9	12
In training or employment	116	147	167	227	657	17	24
<b>Not in education, training or employment</b>							
- due to short term illness	0	*	*	18	27	1	1
- due to long term illness or disability	10	*	*	42	73	2	3
- due to looking after family	9	25	49	112	195	5	7
- due to other circumstances	193	353	327	411	1,284	34	47
Not known	91	70	72	84	317	8	
No longer in touch	147	176	187	215	725	19	
<b>Total</b>	<b>717</b>	<b>889</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>1,225</b>	<b>3,765</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Percentage in employment, education or training</b>							
<i>As percentage of all young people eligible for aftercare</i>	37	29	29	28	30		
<i>As percentage of young people with known economic activity</i>	56	41	40	37	42		

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Renfrewshire did not provide information on young people eligible for aftercare services. Renfrewshire's 2006-07 figures have been incorporated into this table.

Glasgow's figures include 10 young people receiving an "aftercare" service who were not looked after by them, but for whom the service was deemed appropriate according to their needs. Some or all of them may have previously been looked after by other local authorities but it was not possible to identify which ones had.

West Lothian provided figures for six young people over the age of 21 who were also receiving aftercare services from them. These have not been included as these young people were above the age where they would be defined as "discretionally supported", and no information was collected on whether any 21 year olds were being supported in this way in other local authorities.

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**Table 1.25: Young people eligible for aftercare services on 31st March 2008, by gender and economic activity**

Economic activity on 31st March 2008	Gender			Total
	Male	Female	Not known	
<b>In education, training or employment</b>				
In higher education	71	83	0	<b>154</b>
In education other than HE	142	191	0	<b>333</b>
In training or employment	378	279	0	<b>657</b>
<b>Not in education, training or employment</b>				
- due to short term illness	9	18	0	<b>27</b>
- due to long term illness or disability	39	34	0	<b>73</b>
- due to looking after family	10	185	0	<b>195</b>
- due to other circumstances	749	535	0	<b>1,284</b>
Don't know economic activity	133	106	78	<b>317</b>
No longer in touch	447	277	1	<b>725</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,978</b>	<b>1,708</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>3,765</b>
<b>Percentage in employment, education or training</b>				
<i>As percentage of all young people eligible for aftercare</i>	30	32	-	<b>30</b>
<i>As percentage of young people with known economic activity</i>	42	42	-	<b>42</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Renfrewshire did not provide information on young people eligible for aftercare services. Renfrewshire's 2006-07 figures have been incorporated into this table.

Highland did not provide information for those not in education, training or employment. The total numbers young people not in education, training or employment in this local authority have been included in the "not known" column.

Glasgow's figures include 10 young people receiving an "aftercare" service who were not looked after by them, but for whom the service was deemed appropriate according to their needs. Some or all of them may have previously been looked after by other local authorities but it was not possible to identify which ones had.

West Lothian provided figures for six young people over the age of 21 who were also receiving aftercare services from them. These have not been included as these young people were above the age where they would be defined as "discretionally supported", and no information was collected on whether any 21 year olds were being supported in this way in other local authorities.

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**Table 1.26: Young people eligible for aftercare services on 31st March 2008, by ethnic group and economic activity**

Economic activity on 31st March 2008	Ethnicity						Total
	White	Mixed Ethnicity	Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British	Black, Black Scottish or Black British	Other Ethnic Background	Not known / not disclosed	
<b>In education, training or employment</b>							
In higher education	126	*	7	*	*	12	<b>154</b>
In education other than HE	257	*	5	*	*	55	<b>333</b>
In training or employment	582	*	6	*	*	56	<b>657</b>
<b>Not in education, training or employment</b>							
- due to short term illness	23	0	0	0	*	*	<b>27</b>
- due to long term illness or disability	67	0	*	*	0	*	<b>73</b>
- due to looking after family	189	0	0	*	0	*	<b>195</b>
- due to other circumstances	1,183	12	*	*	7	76	<b>1,284</b>
Don't know economic activity	119	*	0	*	*	192	<b>317</b>
No longer in touch	456	*	*	*	6	254	<b>725</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,002</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>3,765</b>
<b>Percentage in employment, education or training</b>							
<i>As percentage of all young people eligible for aftercare</i>	32	27	64	77	32	19	<b>30</b>
<i>As percentage of young people with known economic activity</i>	40	33	75	89	50	58	<b>42</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Renfrewshire did not provide information on young people eligible for aftercare services. Renfrewshire's 2006-07 figures have been incorporated into this table.

Highland did not provide information for those not in education, training or employment. The total numbers young people not in education, training or employment in this local authority have been included in the "not known / not disclosed" column.

Glasgow's figures include 10 young people receiving an "aftercare" service who were not looked after by them, but for whom the service was deemed appropriate according to their needs. Some or all of them may have previously been looked after by other local authorities but it was not possible to identify which ones had.

West Lothian provided figures for six young people over the age of 21 who were also receiving aftercare services from them. These have not been included as these young people were above the age where they would be defined as "discretionally supported", and no information was collected on whether any 21 year olds were being supported in this way in other local authorities.

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**Table 1.27: Young people eligible for aftercare services on 31st March 2008, by disability status and economic activity**

Economic activity on 31st March 2008	Disability			Total
	Disability	No disability	Unknown	
<b>In education, training or employment</b>				
In higher education	13	75	66	<b>154</b>
In education other than HE	43	140	150	<b>333</b>
In training or employment	90	359	208	<b>657</b>
<b>Not in education, training or employment</b>				
- due to short term illness	5	10	12	<b>27</b>
- due to long term illness or disability	30	17	26	<b>73</b>
- due to looking after family	18	102	75	<b>195</b>
- due to other circumstances	199	697	388	<b>1,284</b>
Don't know economic activity	12	65	240	<b>317</b>
No longer in touch	62	330	333	<b>725</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>1,795</b>	<b>1,498</b>	<b>3,765</b>
<b>Percentage in employment, education or training</b>				
<i>As percentage of all young people eligible for aftercare</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>30</i>
<i>As percentage of young people with known economic activity</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>41</i>	<i>46</i>	<i>42</i>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Renfrewshire did not provide information on young people eligible for aftercare services. Renfrewshire's 2006-07 figures have been incorporated into this table.

Highland did not provide information for this table. The total numbers young people eligible for aftercare services in this local authority have been included in the "not known" column.

Glasgow's figures include 10 young people receiving an "aftercare" service who were not looked after by them, but for whom the service was deemed appropriate according to their needs. Some or all of them may have previously been looked after by other local authorities but it was not possible to identify which ones had.

West Lothian provided figures for six young people over the age of 21 who were also receiving aftercare services from them. These have not been included as these young people were above the age where they would be defined as "discretionally supported", and no information was collected on whether any 21 year olds were being supported in this way in other local authorities.

**Table 1.28: Young people eligible for aftercare services - episodes of homelessness**

Number of episodes of homelessness	Number	Percentage
Never homeless	1,513	40
One or more spell of homelessness	577	15
Not known	983	26
No longer in touch	692	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,765</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes:

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Renfrewshire did not provide information on young people eligible for aftercare services. Renfrewshire's 2006-07 figures have been incorporated into this table.

Fife and Highland did not provide information for this table. The total numbers young people eligible for aftercare services in these local authorities have been included in the "not known" column.

Glasgow's figures include 10 young people receiving an "aftercare" service who were not looked after by them, but for whom the service was deemed appropriate according to their needs. Some or all of them may have previously been looked after by other local authorities but it was not possible to identify which ones had. These 10 young people are included as "Not known" in this table.

West Lothian provided figures for six young people over the age of 21 who were also receiving aftercare services from them. These have not been included as these young people were above the age where they would be defined as "discretionally supported", and no information was collected on whether any 21 year olds were being supported in this way in other local authorities.

The "no longer in touch" category does not completely match that in Tables 1.24 to 1.27 because of inconsistencies in reporting.

**Table 1.29: All children with a current series of short term placements at 31st March 2008 by age group and gender**

Age at 31st March	Age-group					Total
	Under 1	1-4	5-11	12-15	16-17	
Boys	11	97	439	407	211	<b>1,165</b>
Girls	23	90	270	220	123	<b>726</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>1,891</b>

Note: Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

**Table 1.30: All children with a current series of short term placements at 31st March 2008 by type of placement**

Type of placement	Number of children	Percentage
Residential establishment	959	51
Hospital	0	0
Foster placement	504	27
Other placement	428	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,891</b>	<b>100</b>

Note: Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

**Table 2.1: Number of children looked after and number of children starting to be looked after 2000-2008 by age and gender**

Age/gender	Children looked after on 31st March....									Percentage of 2008 total	Children looked after as a percentage of the population
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008		
<b>Male</b>											
Under 1	130	101	99	104	122	141	126	150	175	1	0.6
1-4	956	890	957	926	975	995	1,093	1,211	1,334	9	1.2
5-11	1,997	1,968	2,081	2,144	2,192	2,269	2,451	2,645	2,872	19	1.4
12-15	2,724	2,577	2,548	2,498	2,489	2,481	2,595	2,659	2,783	19	2.2
16-17	765	756	801	811	793	849	854	948	918	6	1.4
18-21							107	174	170	1	0.5
Not known						1	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,572</b>	<b>6,291</b>	<b>6,486</b>	<b>6,483</b>	<b>6,571</b>	<b>6,736</b>	<b>7,226</b>	<b>7,787</b>	<b>8,252</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>1.4</b>
<b>Female</b>											
Under 1	105	92	84	77	125	106	140	134	151	1	0.5
1-4	729	722	811	841	873	957	1,005	1,171	1,251	8	1.2
5-11	1,572	1,554	1,701	1,771	1,873	1,987	2,044	2,149	2,383	16	1.2
12-15	1,763	1,674	1,676	1,617	1,687	1,806	1,929	2,087	2,074	14	1.7
16-17	568	564	483	599	546	592	525	610	687	5	1.1
18-21							113	122	88	1	0.3
Not known						0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,737</b>	<b>4,606</b>	<b>4,755</b>	<b>4,905</b>	<b>5,104</b>	<b>5,448</b>	<b>5,756</b>	<b>6,273</b>	<b>6,634</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>1.2</b>
<b>All people</b>											
Under 1	235	193	183	181	247	247	266	284	326	2	0.6
1-4	1,685	1,612	1,768	1,768	1,848	1,952	2,098	2,382	2,585	17	1.2
5-11	3,569	3,522	3,781	3,914	4,065	4,257	4,495	4,794	5,255	35	1.3
12-15	4,487	4,251	4,224	4,115	4,176	4,287	4,524	4,746	4,857	33	1.9
16-17	1,333	1,319	1,284	1,410	1,339	1,441	1,379	1,558	1,605	11	1.2
18-21							220	296	258	2	0.4
Not known						1	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,309</b>	<b>10,897</b>	<b>11,241</b>	<b>11,388</b>	<b>11,675</b>	<b>12,185</b>	<b>12,982</b>	<b>14,060</b>	<b>14,886</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1.3</b>

Age/gender	Children starting to be looked after in year ending 31st March....									Percentage of 2008 total
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
<b>Male</b>										
Under 1	115	127	139	146	179	218	220	207	280	5
1-4	497	444	516	457	483	433	523	593	600	12
5-11	805	737	702	783	732	666	748	864	834	16
12-15	1,177	1,220	1,070	1,021	949	949	986	1,043	932	18
16-17	156	192	210	163	142	100	140	164	133	3
18-21							9	7	2	0
Not known						1	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,750</b>	<b>2,720</b>	<b>2,637</b>	<b>2,570</b>	<b>2,485</b>	<b>2,367</b>	<b>2,626</b>	<b>2,878</b>	<b>2,781</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>Female</b>										
Under 1	122	107	120	123	187	182	195	205	222	4
1-4	398	377	427	393	417	424	470	564	532	10
5-11	585	578	583	568	626	589	545	649	703	14
12-15	797	782	781	753	750	695	810	835	825	16
16-17	120	130	130	108	100	74	79	110	92	2
18-21							8	4	3	0
Not known						1	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,022</b>	<b>1,974</b>	<b>2,042</b>	<b>1,943</b>	<b>2,079</b>	<b>1,965</b>	<b>2,107</b>	<b>2,367</b>	<b>2,377</b>	<b>46</b>
<b>All people</b>										
Under 1	237	234	259	268	366	400	415	412	502	10
1-4	895	821	943	850	900	857	993	1,157	1,132	22
5-11	1,390	1,315	1,285	1,350	1,357	1,255	1,293	1,513	1,537	30
12-15	1,974	2,002	1,852	1,773	1,699	1,644	1,796	1,878	1,757	34
16-17	276	322	340	271	242	175	219	274	225	4
18-21							17	11	5	0
Not known						2	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,771</b>	<b>4,694</b>	<b>4,678</b>	<b>4,513</b>	<b>4,564</b>	<b>4,333</b>	<b>4,733</b>	<b>5,245</b>	<b>5,158</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures for 2007-08 are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Falkirk did not provide information on children starting to be looked after in 2007-08. Falkirk's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into the bottom half of the table.

Figures for 2007 on children starting to be looked after are revised.

Prior to 2008, table includes estimates wherever local authorities were not able to provide information.

Prior to 2005 'unknowns' were allocated to a category rather than being reported as unknown. For this reason, totals do not always exactly equal the sum of their parts, due to rounding.

The number of looked after children aged 18+ was not asked for prior to 2006.

Bottom half of table records episodes of care which have begun. A child may start to be looked after more than once in a year and so may be counted more than once.

Changes between 2003-04 and 2004-05 are partly due to improved recording.

Rates per population are based on GRO(Scotland) 2007 mid-year population estimates. 18-21 is calculated as a percentage of 18 year olds. Total rates are calculated as a percentage of 0-18s.

**Table 2.2: Number of children looked after and number of children starting to be looked after 2000-2008 by statutory reason for being looked after**

Statute group	Children looked after on 31 March...									Percentage of 2008 total
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
Accommodated under Section 25	1,343	1,250	1,326	1,288	1,299	1,283	1,238	1,250	1,327	9
Parental Responsibilities Order	322	395	348	362	336	298	327	411	424	3
Supervision Requirement at Home	5,439	4,632	4,682	4,699	4,788	4,814	4,950	5,618	6,026	40
Supervision Requirement Away from Home (excluding Residential Establishment)	2,199	2,875	3,193	3,587	3,540	3,833	3,804	4,564	4,799	32
Supervision Requirement Away from Home (in a Residential Establishment but excluding Secure )	960	959	1,006	817	805	824	824	866	892	6
Supervision Requirement Away from Home with a Secure Condition	87	78	87	56	50	48	67	69	76	1
Warrant	114	149	180	210	286	257	324	379	342	2
Child Protection Measure	119	80	67	75	70	61	95	104	74	0
Criminal Court Provision	10	38	42	33	22	15	15	28	25	0
Freed for Adoption	50	72	80	102	89	83	70	133	134	1
Permanence Order								2	3	0
Permanence Order with Authority to Place for Adoption								1	1	0
Other	667	368	230	160	155	152	162	123	221	1
Not known					236	517	1,106	512	542	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,309</b>	<b>10,897</b>	<b>11,241</b>	<b>11,388</b>	<b>11,675</b>	<b>12,185</b>	<b>12,982</b>	<b>14,060</b>	<b>14,886</b>	<b>100</b>

Statute group	Children starting to be looked after in year ending 31st March...									Percentage of 2008 total
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
Accommodated under Section 25	1183	1002	1,054	1,016	1,016	1,111	999	1,031	1,089	21
Parental Responsibilities Order	5	8	18	17	31	9	10	3	1	0
Supervision Requirement at Home	2,200	2,149	1,984	2,022	1,986	1,799	2,178	2,455	2,392	46
Supervision Requirement Away from Home (excluding Residential Establishment)	609	632	850	689	716	541	549	736	656	13
Supervision Requirement Away from Home (in a Residential Establishment but excluding Secure )	259	367	320	338	355	154	126	173	147	3
Supervision Requirement Away from Home with a Secure Condition	30	36	55	28	26	10	28	29	21	0
Warrant	129	165	151	176	218	227	327	388	424	8
Child Protection Measure	81	118	105	129	133	145	194	201	204	4
Criminal Court Provision	6	17	18	35	12	13	22	10	11	0
Freed for Adoption	41	7	6	13	14	9	5	5	10	0
Permanence Order								0	0	0
Permanence Order with Authority to Place for Adoption								0	1	0
Other	228	194	118	52	58	122	132	23	91	2
Not known						193	163	191	111	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,771</b>	<b>4,694</b>	<b>4,678</b>	<b>4,513</b>	<b>4,564</b>	<b>4,333</b>	<b>4,733</b>	<b>5,245</b>	<b>5,158</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures for 2007-08 are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Falkirk did not provide information on children starting to be looked after in 2007-08. Falkirk's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into the bottom half of the table.

South Lanarkshire did not provide information on statute group for children looked after on 31st March 2008. The total number of looked after children looked after in this local authority have been included as "not known", with the number under a Parental Responsibilities Order identified from Table 1.5.

Figures for 2007 on children starting to be looked after are revised.

Prior to 2008 table includes estimates wherever local authorities were not able to provide information.

Prior to 2007 "Permanence Order" and "Permanence Order with Authority to Place for Adoption" were included in the "Other" category.

Prior to 2005 'unknowns' were allocated to a category rather than being reported as unknown. For this reason, totals do not always exactly equal the sum of their parts, due to rounding.

Bottom half of table records episodes of care which have begun. A child may start to be looked after more than once in a year and so may be counted more than once here.

**Table 2.3: Number of children looked after 2000-2008 by type of accommodation**

Type of accommodation	Children looked after on 31 March...									Percentage of 2008 total
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
<b>In the community</b>										
At home with parents	5,270	4,842	4,909	4,851	4,982	5,179	5,517	5,986	6,359	43
With friends / relatives	1,098	980	1,303	1,445	1,426	1,671	1,731	2,094	2,398	16
With foster carers	3,058	3,084	3,170	3,288	3,461	3,493	3,731	4,055	4,243	29
With prospective adopters	123	196	158	180	147	167	184	220	237	2
In other community	176	215	106	73	92	136	181	44	36	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,724</b>	<b>9,315</b>	<b>9,646</b>	<b>9,838</b>	<b>10,108</b>	<b>10,646</b>	<b>11,344</b>	<b>12,399</b>	<b>13,273</b>	<b>89</b>
<b>In residential accommodation</b>										
In local authority home	669	704	717	697	721	716	737	756	695	5
In voluntary sector home	54	63	56	83	66	57	84	112	58	0
In residential school	629	684	672	640	657	618	662	628	649	4
In secure accommodation	90	87	93	92	80	82	78	113	93	1
Other residential accommodation	143	44	55	38	44	66	77	52	118	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,585</b>	<b>1,582</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>1,550</b>	<b>1,567</b>	<b>1,539</b>	<b>1,638</b>	<b>1,661</b>	<b>1,613</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,309</b>	<b>10,897</b>	<b>11,241</b>	<b>11,388</b>	<b>11,675</b>	<b>12,185</b>	<b>12,982</b>	<b>14,060</b>	<b>14,886</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

For those children on mixed placements (for example, a child attending a residential school and living with foster carers during the weekend) the child has been entered under the dominant placement, i.e. the place where the child spends the most time.

Figures for 2008 are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

"Other residential accommodation" was replaced by "Crisis Care" on the data collection form in 2007. However, in 2008, both "Crisis Care" and "Other residential" were listed. As the definitions of these categories given in the guidance notes were inconsistent from year to year, all children included in either "Crisis Care" or "Other residential" have been included in the "Other residential" category here, and figures should be treated with caution.

Prior to 2008, table includes estimates wherever local authorities were not able to provide information.

Some totals do not exactly equal the sum of their component parts due to the effects of rounding.

**Table 2.4: Number of children looked after 2000-2008 by ethnic origin**

Ethnicity	Children looked after on 31 March...							Percentage of 2008 total
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
White	11,047	11,163	11,436	10,153	10,769	11,795	12,900	87
Mixed Ethnicity	85	100	114	95	122	137	172	1
Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British	47	51	43	40	49	74	73	0
Black, Black Scottish or Black British	19	21	24	31	41	48	46	0
Other Ethnic Background	44	52	57	32	30	44	63	0
Not disclosed/not known				1,834	1,971	1,962	1,632	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,241</b>	<b>11,388</b>	<b>11,675</b>	<b>12,185</b>	<b>12,982</b>	<b>14,060</b>	<b>14,886</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures for 2008 are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Prior to 2008, table includes estimates wherever local authorities were not able to provide information.

In the equivalent table in the 2006-07 publication the figures for 2007 for "Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British" were presented as "Black, Black Scottish or Black British" and vice versa. The mistake has been corrected in this table.

In years 2002 - 2004 children with unreported ethnic origin were allocated to an ethnic group rather than being presented as 'unknown'. For this reason, totals may not exactly equal the sum of their parts, due to rounding.

**Table 2.5: Number of children looked after 2000-2008 by disability status**

	Children looked after on 31 March...									Percentage of 2008 total
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
Specific learning difficulties								53	45	0
Mental Health problem	23	26	19	20	24	10	15	26	17	0
Autistic spectrum disorder	31	51	68	46	64	66	74	86	93	1
Hearing impairment	13	15	20	19	24	15	22	28	26	0
Language and communication disorder	35	31	17	65	42	41	37	39	36	0
Physical or motor impairment	92	140	96	136	113	84	75	112	100	1
Visual impairment	18	46	17	14	28	22	20	26	29	0
Social, emotional and behavioural difficulties	1,167	1,150	1,262	802	1,120	874	718	749	633	4
Learning disability	257	302	254	268	349	265	239	232	217	1
Combined Sight and Hearing Loss (deafblind)								6	*	0
Other chronic illness/disability	122	109	133	135	121	84	76	147	103	1
Multiple disabilities	116	135	124	85	135	115	108	104	193	1
No disabilities	9,436	8,893	9,230	9,797	9,655	8,138	8,313	9,189	11,328	76
Not known						2,471	3,285	3,263	*	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,309</b>	<b>10,897</b>	<b>11,241</b>	<b>11,388</b>	<b>11,675</b>	<b>12,185</b>	<b>12,982</b>	<b>14,060</b>	<b>14,886</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures for 2008 are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Prior to 2008, table includes estimates wherever local authorities were not able to provide information.

In 2000 to 2004 children with unreported disability status were allocated to a group rather than being presented as 'unknown'. For this reason, some totals do not exactly equal the sum of their component parts due to the effects of rounding.

The definitions of some disabilities changed in 2007:

"Significant Learning Disability" was replaced by the two categories of "Specific Learning Difficulties" and "Learning Disability". For 2000-2006, all those in the "Significant Learning Disability" category have been included in the latter.

"Significant hearing impairment" was replaced by "Hearing impairment", which may cause a discontinuity in the "hearing impairment" category between 2006 and 2007.

"Significant Language and Communication Disorder" was replaced by "Language and Communication Disorder", which may cause a discontinuity in the "Language and Communication Disorder" category between 2006 and 2007.

"Significant Physical or Motor Impairment" was replaced by "Physical or Motor Impairment", which may cause a discontinuity in the "Physical or Motor Impairment" category between 2006 and 2007.

"Significant Visual Impairment" was replaced by "Visual Impairment", which may cause a discontinuity in the "Visual Impairment" category between 2006 and 2007.

The "Combined Sight and Hearing Loss (Deafblind)" category was added in 2007.

"Other Disability" was replaced by "Other Chronic Illness/Disability", which may cause a discontinuity in the "Other Chronic Illness/Disability" category between 2006 and 2007.

The "No Disability - but affected by disability" and "No disability - and not affected by disability" categories were combined into "No disabilities". For 2000-2006 the "No Disabilities" category uses the sum of these figures.

The full definitions of these disabilities can be found in the Guidance Notes accompanying the 2007-08 CLAS form at:

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Children/FormCLASnotes2007-08>

Cells containing \* represent numbers that are suppressed to maintain confidentiality.

**Table 2.6: Number of children ceasing to be looked after, by destination and age, 2000-2008**

Age	Destination after leaving care	Children ceasing to be looked after in year ending 31st March....									Percentage of 2008 totals
		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
<b>Under 5</b>											
	Home with parents	580	398	471	431	530	293	374	339	393	49
	Friends / relatives	51	35	71	68	81	43	61	59	71	9
	Former foster carers								1	7	1
	Adoption	50	53	56	54	83	58	54	73	87	11
	Supported accommodation / own tenancy	4	2	0	1	0	3	0	0	2	0
	Other	122	190	115	89	38	32	90	93	51	6
	Not known						160	89	143	184	23
	<b>Total</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>713</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>5-11</b>											
	Home with parents	839	749	698	726	726	518	604	578	589	54
	Friends / relatives	61	69	84	103	106	72	91	98	125	11
	Former foster carers								2	10	1
	Adoption	35	17	30	48	72	51	52	53	47	4
	Supported accommodation / own tenancy	13	6	5	1	4	1	0	0	0	0
	Other	191	283	126	136	70	32	109	105	61	6
	Not known						214	130	193	255	23
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,140</b>	<b>1,124</b>	<b>943</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>979</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>1,087</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>12-15</b>											
	Home with parents	877	856	983	850	869	591	624	572	615	58
	Friends / relatives	57	76	110	87	62	57	74	90	75	7
	Former foster carers								1	7	1
	Adoption	0	4	3	4	44	3	8	4	3	0
	Supported accommodation / own tenancy	23	33	10	5	21	6	13	0	7	1
	Other	417	424	175	156	69	41	109	123	68	6
	Not known						209	112	134	287	27
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,374</b>	<b>1,393</b>	<b>1,281</b>	<b>1,102</b>	<b>1,065</b>	<b>907</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>1,062</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>16+</b>											
	Home with parents	642	718	770	741	776	582	592	666	739	47
	Friends / relatives	76	114	75	74	96	83	97	115	106	7
	Former foster carers								13	23	1
	Adoption	0	0	1	5	11	5	5	3	0	0
	Supported accommodation / own tenancy	159	302	208	187	188	173	189	206	273	17
	Other	245	410	210	267	175	95	233	211	137	9
	Not known						242	175	269	291	19
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,121</b>	<b>1,545</b>	<b>1,264</b>	<b>1,274</b>	<b>1,245</b>	<b>1,180</b>	<b>1,291</b>	<b>1,483</b>	<b>1,569</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>											
	Home with parents	2,938	2,721	2,922	2,748	2,902	1,984	2,194	2,155	2,336	52
	Friends / relatives	246	294	340	332	345	256	323	362	377	8
	Former foster carers								17	47	1
	Adoption	85	74	90	111	210	117	119	133	137	3
	Supported accommodation / own tenancy	198	343	223	194	213	183	202	206	282	6
	Other	975	1,308	626	649	352	200	541	532	317	7
	Not known						826	506	739	1,017	23
	<b>Total</b>	<b>4,441</b>	<b>4,740</b>	<b>4,202</b>	<b>4,034</b>	<b>4,021</b>	<b>3,566</b>	<b>3,885</b>	<b>4,144</b>	<b>4,513</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures for 2008 are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Fife did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after in 2007-08. Fife's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into this table.

South Lanarkshire did not provide information on destinations of children ceasing to be looked after in 2007-08. The total numbers of children ceasing to be looked after in this local authority in 2007-08 have been included as "not known", with the destinations of those aged above minimum school leaving age identified from Table 1.21.

Prior to 2008, table includes some estimates and some "not known"s where local authorities were not able to provide information.

"Former foster carers" was a new category in 2007. Prior to this, any children in this category are included in "other".

In 2000 to 2004 children with unknown destinations were allocated to a group rather than being presented as 'unknown'. For this reason, some totals do not exactly equal the sum of their component parts, due to the effects of rounding.

A child may cease to be looked after more than once during the year and will be counted once for each episode of care ending.

**Table 2.7: Number of children ceasing to be looked after, by length of time looked after and age, 2000-2008**

Age	Length of time looked after	Children ceasing to be looked after in year ending 31st March....								Percentage of	
		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2008 totals
<b>Under 1</b>											
	Under 6 weeks	61	27	42	26	72	56	39	55	46	46
	6 weeks to under 6 months	43	31	25	26	25	28	44	29	33	33
	6 months to under 1 year	14	20	11	17	9	9	19	13	21	21
	Not known									1	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>1-4</b>											
	Under 6 weeks	176	76	193	86	167	126	96	87	119	17
	6 weeks to under 6 months	97	89	90	56	116	56	67	80	119	17
	6 months to under 1 year	168	158	92	133	120	93	120	136	119	17
	1 year to under 3 years	211	234	211	244	184	195	235	254	255	37
	3 years to under 5 years	37	42	49	54	38	26	48	54	66	10
	Not known									16	2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>689</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>5-11</b>											
	Under 6 weeks	235	155	229	144	169	145	97	105	141	13
	6 weeks to under 6 months	135	184	144	92	140	80	86	112	96	9
	6 months to under 1 year	232	271	146	190	189	161	157	185	173	16
	1 year to under 3 years	377	390	276	385	269	317	400	351	343	32
	3 years to under 5 years	109	94	110	143	162	114	162	190	206	19
	5 years and over	53	30	39	61	51	71	84	86	102	9
	Not known									26	2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,140</b>	<b>1,124</b>	<b>943</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>979</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>1,087</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>12-15</b>											
	Under 6 weeks	233	200	306	151	182	182	140	130	127	12
	6 weeks to under 6 months	248	229	213	155	180	143	154	146	149	14
	6 months to under 1 year	264	349	228	217	215	170	164	204	216	20
	1 year to under 3 years	437	440	388	430	321	285	336	304	337	32
	3 years to under 5 years	127	111	91	109	120	86	81	82	134	13
	5 years and over	65	64	56	40	46	41	65	58	79	7
	Not known									20	2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,374</b>	<b>1,393</b>	<b>1,281</b>	<b>1,102</b>	<b>1,065</b>	<b>907</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>1,062</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>16+</b>											
	Under 6 weeks	46	48	90	33	50	68	18	21	27	2
	6 weeks to under 6 months	88	91	84	92	121	83	54	104	107	7
	6 months to under 1 year	175	280	176	175	179	184	194	267	274	17
	1 year to under 3 years	514	727	535	613	543	510	553	606	656	42
	3 years to under 5 years	186	248	236	198	223	169	243	243	247	16
	5 years and over	113	151	143	163	129	166	229	242	233	15
	Not known									25	2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,121</b>	<b>1,545</b>	<b>1,264</b>	<b>1,274</b>	<b>1,245</b>	<b>1,180</b>	<b>1,291</b>	<b>1,483</b>	<b>1,569</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>											
	Under 6 weeks	750	506	861	440	640	578	390	398	460	10
	6 weeks to under 6 months	611	625	556	421	583	390	405	471	504	11
	6 months to under 1 year	852	1,078	652	732	713	617	654	805	803	18
	1 year to under 3 years	1,539	1,791	1,410	1,672	1,317	1,308	1,524	1,515	1,591	35
	3 years to under 5 years	459	496	485	504	543	395	534	569	653	14
	5 years and over	230	245	237	264	225	278	378	386	414	9
	Not known									88	2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>4,441</b>	<b>4,740</b>	<b>4,202</b>	<b>4,034</b>	<b>4,021</b>	<b>3,566</b>	<b>3,885</b>	<b>4,144</b>	<b>4,513</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures for 2008 are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Fife did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after in 2007-08. Fife's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into this table.

Falkirk did not provide information on length of time looked after for children ceasing to be looked after in 2007-08. The total numbers of children ceasing to be looked after in this local authority have been included as "not known".

Prior to 2008, table includes estimates wherever local authorities were not able to provide data.

In 2000 to 2004 some totals do not exactly equal the sum of their component parts due to the effects of rounding estimated figures.

A child may cease to be looked after more than once during the year and will be counted once for each episode of care ending.

**Table 2.8: Number of children looked after in a planned series of short-term placements, by gender and age 2000-2008**

Age/gender	Children looked after on 31 March...									Percentage of 2008 totals
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
<b>Male</b>										
Under 5	192	188	228	172	89	77	126	123	108	6
5-11	513	679	517	766	602	520	578	540	439	23
12-15	269	442	539	530	497	455	486	458	407	22
16-17	69	146	169	183	202	185	204	206	211	11
Unknown						5	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,043</b>	<b>1,455</b>	<b>1,454</b>	<b>1,651</b>	<b>1,390</b>	<b>1,242</b>	<b>1,394</b>	<b>1,327</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>Female</b>										
Under 5	137	142	274	141	76	65	95	105	113	6
5-11	319	414	286	433	312	279	345	330	270	14
12-15	181	304	492	385	285	260	285	285	220	12
16-17	46	130	129	161	137	123	101	112	123	7
Unknown						6	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>1,181</b>	<b>1,120</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>733</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>832</b>	<b>726</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>All people</b>										
Under 5	329	330	502	313	165	142	221	228	221	12
5-11	832	1,093	804	1,199	914	800	923	870	709	37
12-15	450	746	1,031	915	782	715	771	743	627	33
16-17	115	276	297	344	339	308	305	318	334	18
Unknown						38	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,726</b>	<b>2,445</b>	<b>2,635</b>	<b>2,771</b>	<b>2,201</b>	<b>2,003</b>	<b>2,220</b>	<b>2,159</b>	<b>1,891</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes: Figures for 2008 are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Prior to 2008, table includes estimates wherever local authorities were not able to provide data.

In 2005 there were 27 children whose gender or age was not known. Consequently the "all people" total does not equal the sum of the total boys and girls.

In years 2000 - 2004 children with unreported gender or age were allocated to a group rather than being presented as 'unknown'. For this reason, some totals do not exactly equal the sum of their component parts due to the effects of rounding.

**Table 2.9: Number of children looked after by accommodation, 1971-2008**

Year	Accommodation type				All children looked after
	At home	With foster carers or prospective adopters	Other community placement	In residential care	
1971	-	-	-	-	14,788
1972	-	-	-	-	19,166
1973	-	-	-	-	20,703
1974	-	-	-	-	20,553
1975	-	-	-	-	18,936
1976	5,883	3,763	1,430	6,242	17,318
1977	5,593	3,733	1,337	6,209	16,872
1978	-	-	-	-	17,107
1979	-	-	-	-	16,887
1980	-	-	-	-	16,845
1981	-	-	-	-	17,045
1982	-	-	-	-	16,084
1983	-	-	-	-	15,529
1984	-	-	-	-	13,783
1985	-	-	-	-	13,261
1986	-	-	-	-	13,319
1987	5,949	2,759	1,025	2,784	12,517
1988	6,064	2,620	939	2,664	12,287
1989	6,262	2,560	851	2,364	12,037
1990	7,128	2,593	928	2,313	12,962
1991	6,625	2,492	1,147	2,401	12,665
1992	6,527	2,746	1,200	2,298	12,771
1993	6,447	2,574	1,221	2,124	12,371
1994	6,335	2,589	1,121	2,083	12,128
1995	6,224	2,605	1,021	2,042	11,891
1996	6,112	2,620	920	2,001	11,653
1997	6,000	2,635	820	1,960	11,415
1998	5,455	2,794	738	1,817	10,804
1999	5,309	3,155	943	1,784	11,191
2000	5,270	3,181	1,274	1,585	11,309
2001	4,842	3,280	1,195	1,582	10,897
2002	4,909	3,328	1,409	1,595	11,241
2003	4,851	3,468	1,518	1,550	11,388
2004	4,982	3,608	1,518	1,567	11,675
2005	5,179	3,660	1,807	1,539	12,185
2006	5,517	3,915	1,912	1,638	12,982
2007	5,986	4,275	2,138	1,661	14,060
2008	6,359	4,480	2,434	1,613	14,886

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures for 2008 are provisional and may be revised in 2009.

Prior to 2008, table includes estimates wherever local authorities were not able to provide data.

Young people aged 18-21 are included from 2006 onwards.

Table includes rounded estimates for local authorities not able to provide information in all years up to 2004. For this reason, the total for all children looked after may not exactly equal the sum of its component parts.

For cells shown as "-", figures are not available.

Figures are estimates for 1975, 1994, 1995 and 1996.

**Table 3.1: Children starting and ceasing to be looked after, by local authority, 2007-08**

Local authority area	Children looked after on 31 March 2008	Children looked after on 31 March 2008 as a percentage of the 0-18 population	Starting to be looked after in 2007-08	Ceasing to be looked after in 2007-08
Aberdeen City	650	1.6	494	178
Aberdeenshire	432	0.8	128	131
Angus	287	1.2	76	74
Argyll & Bute	208	1.1	64	80
Clackmannanshire	171	1.5	61	59
Dumfries & Galloway	462	1.5	181	136
Dundee City	607	2.1	217	144
East Ayrshire	470	1.8	117	87
East Dunbartonshire	102	0.4	47	45
East Lothian	187	0.8	67	76
East Renfrewshire	137	0.6	42	31
Edinburgh, City of	1,294	1.5	448	386
Eilean Siar	39	0.7	14	25
Falkirk	486	1.4		88
Fife	777	1.0	307	
Glasgow City	3,019	2.5	736	758
Highland	465	1.0	152	185
Inverclyde	285	1.6	147	161
Midlothian	316	1.7	160	149
Moray	182	0.9	116	97
North Ayrshire	497	1.6	145	144
North Lanarkshire	855	1.1	283	298
Orkney Isles	41	0.9	21	9
Perth & Kinross	193	0.6	83	75
Renfrewshire	663	1.8	236	198
Scottish Borders	182	0.8	49	59
Shetland	34	0.6	12	5
South Ayrshire	276	1.2	108	96
South Lanarkshire	546	0.8	111	110
Stirling	212	1.0	79	63
West Dunbartonshire	408	2.0	193	154
West Lothian	403	1.0	118	152
<b>Scotland</b>	<b>14,886</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>5,158</b>	<b>4,513</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Rates per population based on GRO(Scotland) 2007 mid-year population estimates.

A child may start and cease to be looked after more than once during the year and will be counted once for each episode of care starting and ending.

Falkirk did not provide information on children starting to be looked after. Falkirk's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into the total for children starting to be looked after in this table.

Fife did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after. Fife's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into the total for children ceasing to be looked after in this table.

**Table 3.2: Characteristics of children looked after by local authority, 31st March 2008**

Local authority area	Gender of children looked after			Age of children looked after				Children known to be from minority ethnic groups		Children known to have a disability	
	Male	Female	Percentage male	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
Aberdeen City	377	273	58	153	24	71	11	45	7	43	7
Aberdeenshire	227	205	53	63	15	95	22	2	0	17	4
Angus	169	118	59	65	23	26	9	9	3	8	3
Argyll & Bute	123	85	59	34	16	27	13	3	1	19	9
Clackmannanshire	101	70	59	43	25	19	11	1	1	45	26
Dumfries & Galloway	252	210	55	125	27	41	9	4	1	21	5
Dundee City	344	263	57	152	25	41	7	21	3	49	8
East Ayrshire	247	223	53	84	18	91	19	4	1	36	8
East Dunbartonshire	64	38	63	18	18	12	12	2	2	17	17
East Lothian	108	79	58	32	17	24	13	0	0	23	12
East Renfrewshire	87	50	64	26	19	20	15	2	1	19	14
Edinburgh, City of	731	563	56	313	24	117	9	32	2	78	6
Eilean Siar	17	22	44	5	13	4	10	2	5	12	31
Falkirk	283	203	58	123	25	32	7	4	1	31	6
Fife	404	373	52	166	21	70	9	17	2	21	3
Glasgow City	1,659	1,360	55	485	16	460	15	125	4	518	17
Highland	235	230	51	88	19	65	14	6	1	74	16
Inverclyde	168	117	59	60	21	42	15	7	2	74	26
Midlothian	167	149	53	46	15	50	16	1	0	11	3
Moray	95	87	52	31	17	30	16	6	3	7	4
North Ayrshire	264	233	53	114	23	46	9	6	1	61	12
North Lanarkshire	477	378	56	155	18	182	21	5	1	55	6
Orkney Isles	18	23	44	9	22	7	17	0	0	14	34
Perth & Kinross	120	73	62	31	16	11	6	1	1	41	21
Renfrewshire	354	309	53	120	18	52	8	6	1	28	4
Scottish Borders	108	74	59	35	19	29	16	13	7	7	4
Shetland	20	14	59	8	24	7	21	0	0	0	0
South Ayrshire	165	111	60	47	17	28	10	3	1	110	40
South Lanarkshire	302	244	55	101	18	63	12	6	1	0	0
Stirling	112	100	53	32	15	26	12	5	2	15	7
West Dunbartonshire	225	183	55	66	16	44	11	4	1	12	3
West Lothian	229	174	57	81	20	31	8	12	3	27	7
<b>Scotland</b>	<b>8,252</b>	<b>6,634</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>2,911</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,863</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1,493</b>	<b>10</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

'Minority Ethnic Group' includes the ethnic groups Mixed Ethnicity, Black, Asian, and Other Ethnic Background.

**Table 3.3: Children looked after by type of accommodation and local authority, 31st March 2008**

Local authority area	In the community						In residential accommodation						Total looked after children
	At home with parents	With friends / relatives	With foster carers provided by LA	With foster carers purchased by LA	With prospective adopters	In other community	In local authority home	In voluntary home	In residential school	In secure accommodation	In crisis care	In other residential care	
Aberdeen City	204	128	181	18	24	5	21	6	51	7	0	5	650
Aberdeenshire	194	42	132	8	3	0	24	2	22	4	0	1	432
Angus	93	30	118	4	21	0	6	0	10	2	3	0	287
Argyll & Bute	121	2	31	3	5	0	15	1	27	3	0	0	208
Clackmannanshire	47	41	44	20	1	0	5	0	9	1	0	3	171
Dumfries & Galloway	247	73	89	1	3	2	0	0	40	0	2	5	462
Dundee City	223	157	137	36	6	0	20	5	19	4	0	0	607
East Ayrshire	194	98	69	57	11	1	22	0	16	2	0	0	470
East Dunbartonshire	45	14	14	8	4	0	6	1	8	2	0	0	102
East Lothian	67	35	66	4	0	0	10	1	4	0	0	0	187
East Renfrewshire	74	22	14	17	0	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	137
Edinburgh, City of	453	240	313	118	39	3	66	3	43	14	0	2	1,294
Eilean Siar	12	8	10	4	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	0	39
Falkirk	218	69	124	0	6	0	2	1	39	2	25	0	486
Fife	245	137	271	29	16	0	22	7	18	5	0	27	777
Glasgow City	1,289	570	818	84	16	5	136	15	63	23	0	0	3,019
Highland	181	64	143	2	6	1	27	0	21	3	0	17	465
Inverclyde	135	55	38	4	9	0	20	0	19	2	0	3	285
Midlothian	103	94	52	21	6	1	13	1	23	2	0	0	316
Moray	62	34	58	10	1	1	0	12	2	2	0	0	182
North Ayrshire	243	100	44	39	8	4	36	0	12	3	0	8	497
North Lanarkshire	635	0	150	0	5	10	32	0	22	1	0	0	855
Orkney Isles	23	2	11	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	41
Perth & Kinross	82	28	62	7	3	0	5	0	1	1	0	4	193
Renfrewshire	243	130	83	106	6	0	57	0	36	2	0	0	663
Scottish Borders	53	21	71	6	10	0	6	0	9	0	0	6	182
Shetland	9	10	11	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	34
South Ayrshire	114	45	40	32	4	3	7	0	29	2	0	0	276
South Lanarkshire	302	0	124	0	15	0	79	0	26	0	0	0	546
Stirling	88	30	47	16	3	0	8	0	15	0	5	0	212
West Dunbartonshire	223	63	64	6	1	0	24	1	23	2	0	1	408
West Lothian	137	56	150	4	5	0	20	0	27	3	0	1	403
<b>Scotland</b>	<b>6,359</b>	<b>2,398</b>	<b>3,579</b>	<b>664</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>649</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>14,886</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

**Table 3.4: Number of children looked after away from home by characteristics of care and local authority, 31st March 2008**

Local authority area	Children looked after away from home on 31st March 2008				
	Number looked after away from home	In placement for 1 year +		With 3+ placements	
		Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
Aberdeen City	446	299	67	185	41
Aberdeenshire	238	188	79	52	22
Angus	194	154	79	69	36
Argyll & Bute	87	78	90	36	41
Clackmannanshire	124	92	74	33	27
Dumfries & Galloway	215	172	80	61	28
Dundee City	384	264	69	190	49
East Ayrshire	276	215	78	67	24
East Dunbartonshire	57	42	74	15	26
East Lothian	120	93	78	13	11
East Renfrewshire	63	55	87	6	10
Edinburgh, City of	841	638	76	310	37
Eilean Siar	27	19	70	0	0
Falkirk	268	83	31	108	40
Fife	532				
Glasgow City	1,730	1,423	82	594	34
Highland	284	223	79	78	27
Inverclyde	150	68	45	8	5
Midlothian	213	145	68	93	44
Moray	120	86	72	21	18
North Ayrshire	254	209	82	119	47
North Lanarkshire	220	201	91	172	78
Orkney Isles	18	12	67	0	0
Perth & Kinross	111	83	75	37	33
Renfrewshire	420	335	80	137	33
Scottish Borders	129	109	84	29	22
Shetland	25	16	64	4	16
South Ayrshire	162	133	82	28	17
South Lanarkshire	244	170	70	4	2
Stirling	124	99	80	58	47
West Dunbartonshire	185	117	63	24	13
West Lothian	266	214	80	88	33
<b>Scotland</b>	<b>8,527</b>	<b>6,035</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>2,639</b>	<b>31</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

Fife did not provide information on stability of placements of children looked after away from home.

**Table 3.5: Percentage of care leavers beyond minimum school leaving age with a pathway plan and a pathway co-ordinator, by local authority, 2007-08**

Local authority area	Number of care leavers	Percentage with a pathway plan	Percentage point change since 2006-07	Percentage with a pathway co-ordinator	Percentage point change since 2006-07
Aberdeen City	28	50	41	50	19
Aberdeenshire	36	42	-21	28	-15
Angus	40	95	38	95	38
Argyll & Bute	28	100	60	100	60
Clackmannanshire	25	28	-72	28	-72
Dumfries & Galloway	54	48	23	81	40
Dundee City	53	64	-9	64	-19
East Ayrshire	38	26	2	100	75
East Dunbartonshire	20	25	3	25	3
East Lothian	22	41	-2	50	7
East Renfrewshire	19	100	0	100	0
Edinburgh, City of	104	20	-10	52	7
Eilean Siar	11	91	91	91	91
Falkirk	27				
Fife	74	39	6	64	0
Glasgow City	297	57	-6	28	-11
Highland	83	100	70	100	70
Inverclyde	29	69	18	69	18
Midlothian	29	100	0	100	0
Moray	24	25	-28	42	-17
North Ayrshire	38	11	-70	11	-70
North Lanarkshire	77				
Orkney Isles	4	50	23	50	5
Perth & Kinross	28	100	21	100	0
Renfrewshire	61	28	24	34	-5
Scottish Borders	27	67	33	63	21
Shetland	3	0	0	0	0
South Ayrshire	42	60	-40	62	-38
South Lanarkshire	30	100	28	100	28
Stirling	30	27	-10	27	-10
West Dunbartonshire	63	100	0	100	0
West Lothian	42	60	35	79	15
<b>Scotland</b>	<b>1,486</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>2</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

The question on the form was amended slightly in 2008 to ask for the number of young people with a pathway plan/coordinator on the date they left care. Previously the question asked for the number with a plan on the 31st March. For this reason data from 2007-08 is not strictly comparable with 2006-07 and should be treated with caution.

Falkirk and North Lanarkshire did not provide information on children ceasing to be looked after beyond minimum school-leaving age. Fife's figures from 2006-07 have been incorporated into the totals in this table. However, as North Lanarkshire did not provide these figures in 2006-07 either, no data for North Lanarkshire have been included in the percentages.

For 2006-07, table includes estimates wherever local authorities were not able to provide data.

**Table 3.6: Young people entitled to aftercare, percentage in touch with social services and percentage in employment, education or training, by local authority, 2007-08**

Local authority area	Young people entitled to aftercare services	Per cent still in touch with social services	In employment, education or training	
			As percentage of those with known economic activity	As percentage of all entitled to aftercare services
Aberdeen City	88	97	81	50
Aberdeenshire	114	97	53	42
Angus	86	79	41	29
Argyll & Bute	28	100	93	93
Clackmannanshire	8	50	25	13
Dumfries & Galloway	158	69	36	24
Dundee City	116	100	41	41
East Ayrshire	71	100	11	11
East Dunbartonshire	30	80	42	33
East Lothian	75	72	30	21
East Renfrewshire	17	100	71	71
Edinburgh, City of	631	67	44	25
Eilean Siar	5	100	100	100
Falkirk	50	76	45	34
Fife	200	89	28	25
Glasgow City	791	79	54	36
Highland	128	99	100	38
Inverclyde	91	100	22	21
Midlothian	34	100	44	44
Moray	44	64	40	23
North Ayrshire	101	94	35	33
North Lanarkshire	53	98	51	49
Orkney Isles	14	100	50	50
Perth & Kinross	67	100	51	51
Renfrewshire				
Scottish Borders	61	48	31	15
Shetland	15	80	58	47
South Ayrshire	86	51	41	21
South Lanarkshire	107	100	23	23
Stirling	93	43	29	11
West Dunbartonshire	76	84	33	28
West Lothian	191	100	22	22
<b>Scotland</b>	<b>3,765</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>30</b>

Notes: Table excludes children who are on a planned series of short term placements.

Figures are provisional and may be revised in 2008-09.

The 'per cent still in touch with social services' column was revised in February 2009. The total number in touch with social services is the total number eligible for aftercare services minus the number no longer in touch with social services. The percentage previously calculated had incorrectly excluded 'not knowns' also.

Renfrewshire did not provide information on young people eligible for aftercare services. Renfrewshire's 2006-07 figures have been incorporated into the totals in this table.

Glasgow's figures include 10 young people receiving an "aftercare" service who were not looked after by them, but for whom the service was deemed appropriate according to their needs. Some or all of them may have previously been looked after by other local authorities but it was not possible to identify which ones had.

West Lothian provided figures for six young people over the age of 21 who were also receiving aftercare services from them. These have not been included as these young people were above the age where they would be defined as "discretionally supported", and no information was collected on whether any 21 year olds were being supported in this way in other local authorities.

**Table A1: Children looked after at 31st March 2007 with and without a current care plan (revised)**

	Looked after at home	Looked after away from home	<b>Total</b>
With a current care plan	4,228	6,421	<b>10,649</b>
Without a current care plan	90	649	<b>739</b>
Not known	1,668	1,004	<b>2,672</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,986</b>	<b>8,074</b>	<b>14,060</b>

Note: Glasgow City provided revised figures. Previously they had recorded 1,031 children as "looked after at home - without a current care plan". All of these have now been moved to "looked after at home - not known", as many of these children did have care plans, although the exact number is not available.

Argyll & Bute, City of Edinburgh and Scottish Borders did not provide information. The total numbers of looked after children in these authorities have been included as "not known".

**Table A2: Children starting to be looked after during 2006-07 by age group and gender (revised)**

	Age on starting to be looked after						Total
	Under 1	1-4	5-11	12-15	16-17	18-21	
Boys	207	593	864	1,043	164	7	<b>2,878</b>
Girls	205	564	649	835	110	4	<b>2,367</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>1,157</b>	<b>1,513</b>	<b>1,878</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5,245</b>

Note: Aberdeen City provided corrected figures. The total number of children starting to be looked after in Aberdeen City during 2006-07 was 429. Figures include all episodes of starting to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

**Table A3: Children starting to be looked after during 2006-07 by ethnic origin (revised)**

Ethnic Group	
White	4,019
Mixed Ethnicity	56
Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British	27
Black, Black Scottish or Black British	29
Other Ethnic Background	29
Not disclosed	157
Not known	928
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,245</b>

Note: Aberdeen City provided corrected figures. The total number of children starting to be looked after in Aberdeen City during 2006-07 was 429. Figures include all episodes of starting to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

**Table A4: Children starting to be looked after during 2006-07 by disability status (revised)**

Main Disability	
Specific learning difficulties	24
Mental Health problem	15
Autistic spectrum disorder	22
Hearing impairment	8
Language and communication disorder	*
Physical or motor impairment	19
Visual impairment	*
Social, emotional and behavioural difficulties	187
Learning disability	33
Combined Sight and Hearing Loss (deafblind)	0
Other chronic illness/disability	47
Multiple disabilities	13
No disabilities	3,351
Not known	1,520
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,245</b>

Note: Aberdeen City provided corrected figures. The total number of children starting to be looked after in Aberdeen City during 2006-07 was 429. Figures include all episodes of starting to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once). Cells containing \* represent numbers that are suppressed to maintain confidentiality.

**Table A5: Children starting to be looked after during 2006-07 by statutory reason for being looked after (revised)**

Statute group	
Accommodated under section 25	1,031
Parental Responsibilities Order	3
Supervision Requirement at Home	2,455
Supervision Requirement away from Home (excluding Residential Establishment)	736
Supervision Requirement away from Home (in a Residential Establishment but excluding Secure)	173
Supervision Requirement away from Home with a Secure Condition	29
Warrant	388
Child Protection Measure	201
Criminal Court Provision	10
Freed for Adoption	5
Permanence order	0
Permanence order with authority to place for adoption	0
Other	23
Not known	191
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,245</b>

Note: Aberdeen City provided corrected figures. The total number of children starting to be looked after in Aberdeen City during 2006-07 was 429. Figures include all episodes of starting to be looked after (i.e. a child may be counted more than once).

South Lanarkshire did not provide information. The total number of children starting to be looked after in 2006-07 in this local authority has been included as "not known".

**Table A6: Academic attainment of young people aged 16 or over who ceased to be looked after during 2006-07 (revised)**

Qualifications gained	Number of young people aged 16 or over ceasing to be looked after...			Percentage of young people aged 16 or over ceasing to be looked after...		
	At home	Away from home	Total	At home	Away from home	Total
No qualifications at SCQF Level 3 or higher	389	223	<b>612</b>	55	39	<b>48</b>
At least one subject at SCQF Level 3 or higher	322	353	<b>675</b>	45	61	<b>52</b>
Both English and Maths at SCQF Level 3 or higher	182	263	<b>445</b>	26	46	<b>35</b>
At least one subject at SCQF Level 6 or higher	14	23	<b>37</b>	2	4	<b>3</b>
<b>Total care leavers beyond minimum school leaving age</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>1,287</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

Note: West Lothian provided corrected figures.

Eilean Siar did not provide information. 2005-06 figures for this authority have been incorporated into this table. The numbers of young people are therefore best understood as estimates.