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## About This Report

This report is designed for use by child welfare organizations as a performance measurement system. The Assessment and Action Record (AAR) outcome data available in this report should assist child welfare organizations in the development of an internal evaluation program. The AAR findings are intended to help supervisors, program managers, executive directors and board members within child welfare organizations monitor children's outcomes on a regular basis by comparing children's and youths' developmental progress with intended goals. A second intended use of the AAR is to inform decision-makers as to possible means of improving the quality and relevance of services on an ongoing basis.

This report is also designed to provide policy-makers with accurate, up-to-date knowledge of system-wide outcomes thereby fulfilling an accountability function and a guiding function in identifying policies and practices that promote continuous improvements in child welfare policies and practices.

*Note: The AAR findings presented in this report must be reviewed and interpreted carefully by child welfare organizations before new policies and services are implemented.*

A double hyphen (- -) in this report indicates that there was no data collected on a specific variable for a specific group. Clarification is noted, where possible. Percentages are rounded.



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## Background Information

The Background Information section of this report provides basic socio-demographic information on the young people in care who completed a 2017 Assessment and Action Record (AAR), their caregivers, and their child welfare workers.

### Demographics: Young People in Care in Ontario

Table 1-1: Biological sex and age of young people in living in care who completed a 2017 AAR.

<b>Age group</b> <i>Total AAR sample</i>		<b>0-5</b> <i>N= 1,070</i>	<b>6-9</b> <i>N= 718</i>	<b>10-15</b> <i>N= 1,788</i>	<b>16+</b> <i>N= 1,338</i>
Biological sex	<i>n =</i>	1,070	718	1,788	1,338
	Male	52.4%	57.4%	54.6%	52.5%
	Female	47.5%	42.6%	45.4%	47.5%
	Intersex	0.1%	0%	0%	0.1%
Age	<i>n =</i>	1,070	718	1,788	1,338
	Mean	2.4	7.6	13.0	16.7
	Median	2.0	8.0	13.0	17.0

Table 1-2: Legal status of young people living in care.

	<i>n=</i>	<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
Temporary care agreement		1,027	703	1,757	1,311
Interim care and custody		4.3%	3.1%	2.1%	0.8%
Society ward		31.3%	17.2%	7.6%	2.4%
Customary care		25.4%	18.1%	12.1%	6.7%
Crown ward		6.6%	9.5%	3.6%	1.4%
Other		31.7%	51.6%	74.4%	78.0%
Continued Care and Support for Youth		0.7%	0.4%	0.2%	1.1%
					9.6%

Table 1-3: Primary reason(s) for current admission to service.

	<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
Physical/Sexual Harm by Commission	10.4%	22.7%	21.7%	13.3%
Harm by Omission	28.7%	33.8%	29.1%	16.9%
Emotional Harm	20.1%	35.1%	36.2%	20.7%
Abandonment/Separation	7.8%	12.7%	20.7%	21.6%
Caregiver Capacity	75.0%	58.5%	50.2%	30.0%
Request for Adoption Services	0.8%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%
Family Based Services	0.6%	0.1%	0.6%	0.8%
Volunteer Services	0.3%	0%	0.2%	0.1%
Request for Assistance	1.4%	1.4%	3.9%	3.6%
Request for Youth Services	0.3%	0.4%	0.8%	1.2%
Request for Counselling	0%	0%	0.7%	0.6%

*Note: Respondents could select more than one option*

Table 1-4 : Current placement.

	<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
<i>n =</i>	1,034	702	1,749	1,290
Kinship in care	8.5%	11.1%	10.2%	7.0%
Foster home operated by child welfare organization	72.6%	50.0%	45.3%	30.6%
Group home operated by child welfare organization	0.4%	0.4%	2.5%	1.5%
Foster home – outside placement resource	11.0%	24.2%	22.9%	15.5%
Group home – outside placement resource	1.5%	5.0%	14.4%	16.2%
Customary care	4.6%	8.1%	1.9%	0.7%
Children’s mental health residential facility	0%	0.6%	0.9%	0.6%
Psychiatric facility	0%	0%	0.1%	0%
With birth parent(s)	0.5%	0.1%	0.3%	0.9%
Adoption probation	0.2%	0%	0.1%	0%
With relatives				1.2%
Hospital	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Whereabouts unknown			0.3%	1.2%
Whereabouts unapproved			0.2%	1.1%
Custody/Detention facility			0.1%	0.9%
Shelter			0%	0.4%
Independent living			0.2%	17.9%
Other	0.6%	0.3%	0.6%	4.4%

## Demographics: Child Welfare Workers and Caregivers

### Child Welfare Workers

Table 1-5: Basic demographic information about the child welfare worker.

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
Gender	<i>n</i> =	1,043	692	1,732	1,307
	Male	5.5%	6.6%	12.1%	14.5%
	Female	94.4%	93.2%	87.8%	85.2%
	Non-binary	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Trans	0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
	Prefer not to answer	0.1%	0%	0.1%	0.1%
Length of time working with this young person	<i>n</i> =	1,017	663	1,697	1,282
	Mean years	1.1	1.8	2.5	3.0
	Median years	1.0	1.0	1.9	2.0
Length of time working in child welfare	<i>n</i> =	1,043	688	1,731	1,299
	Mean years	13.1	12.9	13.8	14.0
	Median years	13.0	13.1	15.0	14.5

Table 1-6: Child welfare worker's highest level of education in any field (degree, certificate, or diploma).

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
	<i>n</i> =	1,036	701	1,755	1,313
Less than a high school diploma		0.2%	0%	0.1%	0%
High school diploma		0.7%	1.0%	0.6%	0.2%
Trades certificate – Vocational school – Apprenticeship training		0%	0%	0%	0.1%
Non-university certificate or diploma from a community college, CEGEP, school of nursing, etc.		8.1%	11.0%	11.9%	10.7%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level		2.2%	1.9%	1.4%	1.3%
Bachelor degree		63.7%	61.9%	61.9%	63.0%
University certificate or diploma above bachelor level		6.1%	7.4%	6.1%	5.1%
Master's degree		19.0%	16.8%	18.1%	19.6%
Doctoral degree		0%	0%	0%	0%

Table 1-7: Child welfare worker's training in Looking After Children and use of the AAR in supervision.

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
Child welfare worker has attended formal Looking After Children training	<i>n</i> =	970	648	1,605	1,151
	Yes	81.1%	82.9%	86.3%	89.0%
	No	18.9%	17.1%	13.7%	11.0%
Frequency that information contained in the AAR is discussed in supervision	<i>n</i> =	1,035	699	1,750	1,316
	Very often	24.7%	23.6%	25.0%	27.6%
	Sometimes	49.9%	56.4%	56.9%	56.2%
	Almost never	6.7%	7.9%	10.1%	10.5%
	Not applicable – first AAR	18.7%	12.2%	8.0%	5.7%

### Caregivers

Table 1-8: Basic demographic information about the caregiver (for young people aged 0-17 years).

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Gender	<i>n</i> =	1,041	695	1,733	996
	Male	4.0%	9.9%	11.5%	14.9%
	Female	95.9%	90.1%	88.3%	84.8%
	Non-binary	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Trans	0%	0%	0%	0.1%
	Prefer not to answer	0.1%	0%	0.1%	0.2%
Length of time providing <i>foster</i> care (for foster placements)	<i>n</i> =	985	639	1,459	758
	Mean years	8.4	8.9	10.3	10.5
	Median years	5.0	6.8	9.0	10.0
Language(s) spoken in caregiver's home ( <i>Note</i> : respondents could select more than one option)	English	95.9%	96.5%	94.1%	80.8%
	French	5.4%	3.8%	3.9%	3.7%
	First Nations or Inuit language	2.1%	1.9%	0.8%	0.3%
	Other	2.0%	2.2%	1.7%	1.1%
Ethnic/cultural background of caregiver and that of the young person is:	<i>n</i> =	1,037	695	1,697	967
	The same	48.4%	49.2%	48.0%	49.7%
	Similar	34.5%	32.9%	34.2%	34.1%
	Neither the same nor similar	17.1%	17.8%	17.9%	16.1%

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Table 1-9: Caregiver's highest level of education in any field (degree, certificate, or diploma) (for young people aged 0-17 years).

	<i>n</i> =	<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Less than a high school diploma		973	639	1,575	893
		5.7%	3.6%	3.3%	4.4%
High school diploma		26.5%	25.4%	25.0%	20.2%
Trades certificate – Vocational school – Apprenticeship training		3.5%	4.7%	4.8%	4.5%
Non-university certificate or diploma from a community college, CEGEP, school of nursing, etc.		41.2%	39.3%	39.9%	44.0%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level		4.7%	7.5%	7.2%	6.3%
Bachelor degree		13.3%	13.3%	13.8%	14.9%
University certificate or diploma above bachelor level		3.2%	3.1%	3.2%	3.1%
Master's degree		1.6%	2.5%	2.2%	2.2%
Doctoral degree		0.3%	0.6%	0.5%	0.4%

Table 1-10: Caregiver's training in Looking After Children and other caregiver training programs (for young people aged 0-17 years).

	<i>n</i> =	<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Caregiver has attended formal Looking After Children training	Yes	976	653	1,625	993
		60.5%	57.4%	61.4%	60.3%
	No	39.5%	42.6%	38.6%	39.7%
Caregiver has completed/is currently attending caregiver training ( <i>Note:</i> respondents could select more than one option)	PRIDE*	69.7%	59.1%	52.2%	37.3%
	Agency-specific training	52.5%	46.9%	45.7%	34.1%
	Foster parenting techniques	13.2%	13.2%	14.7%	11.0%
	Other program	27.4%	39.1%	41.4%	35.0%

\*Parenting Resources for Information, Development, and Education program

## Placement Stability

This section illustrates the stability associated with selected placement settings for each age group, and/or overall for each age group.

Table 2-1: Mean and median number of years the young person has been living in the current placement, by selected placement type and overall (for young people aged 0-17 years).

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	69	63	141	69
	Mean	1.5	2.9	5.4	7.5
	Median	1.0	2.0	5.0	7.9
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	510	335	839	414
	Mean	1.4	2.2	3.5	4.5
	Median	1.0	1.3	2.0	2.3
Group home	<i>n</i> =	13	29	91	157
	Mean	1.2	1.9	1.5	1.7
	Median	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	37	52	29	5
	Mean	1.9	3.8	4.4	4.0
	Median	1.9	4.0	3.0	1.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	61
	Mean			0.8	0.5
	Median			0.8	0.3
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	656	492	1,275	770
	Mean	1.4	2.4	3.4	3.7
	Median	1.0	1.9	2.0	2.0
	Range	0.0 - 5.6	0.0 – 9.0	0.0 – 15.6	0.0 – 17.0

Table 2-2: Worker-reported continuity of care (for young people aged 0-17 years).

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
	<i>n</i> =	1,037	695	1,735	1,173
	Much continuity of care (no placement change in last 12 months)	78.7%	77.0%	70.5%	58.9%
	Some disruptions (one change of placement in last 12 months)	17.2%	17.0%	19.7%	22.3%
	Serious disruptions (two or more changes of placement in last 12 months)	4.1%	6.0%	9.8%	18.8%

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Table 2-3: Mean and median number of changes in caregiver the young person has experienced since birth, by selected placement type and overall (for young people aged 0-17 years).

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	87	74	173	88
	Mean	2.2	3.1	3.2	3.0
	Median	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	846	495	1,143	571
	Mean	1.7	3.4	3.9	4.2
	Median	2.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	17	34	272	218
	Mean	2.0	3.8	5.5	6.5
	Median	2.0	3.0	5.0	5.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	45	50	31	8
	Mean	1.7	2.9	4.3	8.0
	Median	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			3	137
	Mean			4.3	6.4
	Median			4.0	5.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	1,034	666	1,696	1,130
	Mean	1.8	3.3	4.2	5.1
	Median	2.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
	Range	0.0 – 9.0	0.0 – 20.0	0.0 – 28.0	0.0 – 31.0

Table 2-4: General permanency plan (for young people aged 0-17 years).

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
	<i>n</i> =	1,017	668	1,695	1,146
Return home		11.9%	11.8%	8.0%	4.1%
Adoption		51.9%	38.2%	14.9%	2.3%
Kinship		6.0%	4.8%	3.7%	1.9%
Status change to legal custody		1.9%	1.3%	2.2%	1.2%
Customary care		4.1%	6.3%	2.5%	0.3%
Independent living		0%	0%	6.8%	42.3%
Adult services		0.1%	0.9%	5.3%	12.3%
Remain in current placement		6.5%	18.9%	40.5%	29.0%
Other		1.0%	1.5%	2.8%	1.4%
Permanency plan not yet determined		16.6%	16.3%	13.4%	5.1%

Table 2-5: Young person's stable relationship with at least one adult over a number of years (for young people aged 6-16+ years).

		<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
	<i>n</i> =	697	1,733	1,313
Stable relationship throughout life		52.5%	52.3%	50.3%
Fairly long-term relationship (i.e., more than three years)		22.2%	29.8%	33.2%
Short-term relationship (i.e., one to three years)		21.4%	15.1%	11.3%
No stable relationship		3.9%	2.8%	5.3%

Table 2-6: Frequency of contact between young person and birth/adoptive family.

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
	<i>n</i> =	1,040	687	1,737	1,314
At least once a week		60.8%	43.1%	41.7%	44.6%
At least once a month		17.8%	32.8%	36.1%	35.2%
At least once a year		8.0%	10.2%	12.0%	10.9%
Less than once a year		1.8%	2.9%	2.8%	3.7%
Never		11.6%	11.1%	7.4%	5.6%

Table 2-7: Frequency of contact between young person and significant caring adults.

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
	<i>n</i> =	1,034	677	1,728	1,302
At least once a week		72.0%	64.7%	62.3%	62.4%
At least once a month		13.7%	19.4%	25.2%	25.7%
At least once a year		4.5%	5.5%	6.7%	6.4%
Less than once a year		0.8%	1.8%	1.0%	1.6%
Never		9.0%	8.7%	4.7%	3.9%

## Quality of Care

This section illustrates measures of quality of care experienced by young people by selected placement settings for each age group, and/or overall for each age group.

Table 3-1: Youth-reported placement satisfaction score by selected placement type and overall (for young people aged 10-17 years).

		<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	163	77
	Mean score	11.2	11.0
	Median score	12.0	12.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	1,030	517
	Mean score	10.7	10.5
	Median score	12.0	12.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	207	162
	Mean score	7.8	7.5
	Median score	8.0	8.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	26	7
	Mean score	9.8	10.0
	Median score	12.0	12.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	3	85
	Mean score	10.0	10.3
	Median score	11.0	11.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	1,488	917
	Mean	10.3	9.9
	Median	12.0	11.0
	Possible range	0-12	

Table 3-2: Young person's understanding of his/her current situation (for young people aged 3-16+ years).

	<b>3-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
<i>n</i> =	426	696	1,728	1,308
Clear understanding	10.3%	32.9%	60.6%	72.6%
Some understanding	50.5%	54.9%	34.3%	24.3%
Little or no understanding	39.2%	12.2%	5.2%	3.1%

## Parenting

Table 3-3: SERVICE PERFORMANCE INDICATOR 15: Youth-reported perceived quality of relationship with primary caregiver score by selected placement type and overall (for young people aged 10-17 years).

			<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care	Mean	<i>n</i> =	155	73
	Median		7.4	6.8
			8.0	8.0
Foster home	Mean	<i>n</i> =	1,043	508
	Median		6.8	6.5
			8.0	7.9
Group home	Mean	<i>n</i> =	199	160
	Median		5.9	5.8
			7.0	6.0
Customary care	Mean	<i>n</i> =	25	7
	Median		6.1	6.3
			7.0	7.0
<b>Overall</b>	Mean	<i>n</i> =	1,478	850
	Median		6.7	6.4
	Possible range		8.0	7.0
			0-8	

Table 3-4: Youth-reported positive parenting scores by selected placement type and overall (for young people aged 10-17 years).

			<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care	Mean	<i>n</i> =	164	76
	Median		10.5	9.8
			11.0	10.5
Foster home	Mean	<i>n</i> =	1,038	510
	Median		10.3	9.9
			11.0	11.0
Group home	Mean	<i>n</i> =	206	163
	Median		9.7	9.5
			10.0	10.0
Customary care	Mean	<i>n</i> =	27	7
	Median		9.7	11.0
			10.0	12.0
<b>Overall</b>	Mean	<i>n</i> =	1,449	786
	Median		10.2	9.8
	Possible range		11.0	11.0
			0-12	

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Table 3-5: Youth-reported inconsistent discipline scores by selected placement type and overall (for young people aged 10-17 years).

			<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care		<i>n</i> =	164	76
	Mean		3.3	3.6
	Median		3.0	4.0
Foster home		<i>n</i> =	1,027	506
	Mean		2.9	2.7
	Median		2.0	2.0
Group home		<i>n</i> =	207	162
	Mean		3.4	3.4
	Median		3.0	3.0
Customary care		<i>n</i> =	25	7
	Mean		4.0	4.3
	Median		4.0	4.0
<b>Overall</b>		<i>n</i> =	1,436	780
	Mean		3.0	3.0
	Median		3.0	3.0
	Possible range		0-12	

Table 3-6: Youth-reported poor supervision scores by selected placement type and overall (for young people aged 10-17 years).

			<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care		<i>n</i> =	166	78
	Mean		1.7	2.3
	Median		1.0	1.5
Foster home		<i>n</i> =	1,019	511
	Mean		1.8	2.5
	Median		1.0	2.0
Group home		<i>n</i> =	201	155
	Mean		2.3	3.1
	Median		1.0	2.0
Customary care		<i>n</i> =	23	7
	Mean		3.3	3.7
	Median		2.0	4.0
<b>Overall</b>		<i>n</i> =	1,423	781
	Mean		1.9	2.6
	Median		1.0	2.0
	Possible range		0-12	

Table 3-7: Caregiver-reported positive parenting score by selected placement type and overall (for children aged 0-9 years).

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>
Kinship in care	Mean	85	73
	Median	19.9	17.6
Foster home	Mean	20.0	17.0
	Median	827	496
Group home	Mean	20.3	17.1
	Median	20.0	17.0
Customary care	Mean	15	32
	Median	20.4	18.6
Overall	Mean	21.0	19.0
	Median	45	52
Possible range	Mean	19.6	17.5
	Median	20.0	18.0
Possible range	Mean	1,019	675
	Median	20.3	17.3
Possible range		20.0	17.0

## First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Young People

While it is essential for those who are providing child welfare services in ethnically diverse communities to consider the unique traditions and heritage of all cultures, the Child and Family Services Act emphasizes the importance of paying particular attention to the provision of services to FNMI young people. This section illustrates various broad opportunities and experiences of FNMI young people related to their culture.

Table 3-8: Percentage of FNMI young people in the 2017 OnLAC sample.

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
FNMI young people	<i>n</i> =	235	170	355	192
		22.0%	23.7%	19.9%	10.7%

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Table 3-9: Percentage of FNMI young people who report *often* or *yes* to having various experiences relating to their culture, by selected placement type.

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
Kinship in care	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	56.3%	25.0%	27.3%	16.7%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community	31.3%	12.5%	19.0%	30.0%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	42.9%	37.5%	17.4%	0%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies	33.3%	12.5%	13.0%	27.3%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies	33.3%	12.5%	4.3%	27.3%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	25.0%	12.5%	0%	0%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	31.3%	12.5%	18.2%	27.3%
	Has a native Spirit Name	43.8%	12.5%	25.0%	33.3%
Foster home	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	39.2%	23.7%	34.0%	39.7%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community	11.7%	17.1%	12.5%	11.7%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	13.3%	23.0%	20.7%	20.7%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies	19.4%	19.5%	15.3%	23.0%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies	11.1%	12.0%	8.0%	16.7%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	5.6%	1.3%	1.5%	1.6%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	18.6%	25.7%	27.6%	27.9%
	Has a native Spirit Name	15.5%	29.3%	28.2%	36.1%
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<i>continued from previous page, Table 3-9.</i>		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
Group home	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	0%	50.0%	33.3%	33.3%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community	0%	0%	21.4%	23.8%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	0%	0%	26.8%	30.0%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies	0%	0%	11.9%	14.3%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies	0%	0%	9.5%	14.3%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	0%	0%	11.9%	30.0%
	Has a native Spirit Name	0%	0%	27.9%	28.6%
Customary care	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	19.6%	50.0%	54.2%	75.0%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community	44.4%	61.8%	37.5%	62.5%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	27.3%	61.0%	41.7%	75.0%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies	34.8%	41.8%	26.9%	25.0%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies	41.3%	41.8%	23.1%	0%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	21.7%	10.9%	7.7%	0%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	33.3%	58.2%	45.8%	37.5%
	Has a native Spirit Name	22.2%	46.3%	40.0%	62.5%

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		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Independent living	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation			--	36.7%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community			--	13.3%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community			--	20.0%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies			--	10.3%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies			--	0%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes			--	0%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher			--	14.3%
	Has a native Spirit Name			--	24.1%
<b>Overall</b>	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	24.4%	34.0%	35.0%	39.9%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community	20.2%	33.3%	16.1%	17.6%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	18.5%	38.4%	23.4%	22.1%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies	22.5%	27.8%	15.8%	17.4%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies	19.4%	24.3%	9.3%	12.2%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	10.9%	5.3%	1.7%	0.7%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	22.5%	37.4%	26.4%	25.3%
	Has a native Spirit Name	18.6%	33.1%	28.9%	32.2%

## Developmental Asset Profile

SERVICE PERFORMANCE INDICATOR 14: The Search Institute has identified twenty external and internal assets as building blocks that help young people grow up healthy, caring, and responsible. External assets fall under the following categories: Support, Empowerment, and Boundaries and Expectations, and Constructive Use of Time. Internal assets fall under the following categories: Commitment to Learning, Positive Values, Social Competencies, and Positive Identity. Together, these make up the young person's Asset Profile.

Table 4-1: External assets by selected placement type and overall.

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	84	73	173	89	
	Mean score	17.9	17.1	15.4	14.5	
	Median score	18.0	17.0	15.0	15.0	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	823	501	1,139	575	
	Mean score	18.1	17.1	14.9	13.8	
	Median score	19.0	17.0	15.0	14.0	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	17	32	267	215	
	Mean score	17.0	15.3	12.6	11.2	
	Median score	17.0	16.0	13.0	11.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	44	52	31	9	
	Mean score	18.5	17.6	14.2	12.8	
	Median score	19.0	18.0	14.0	13.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			3	132	77
	Mean score			10.7	9.0	11.0
	Median score			12.0	9.0	11.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	1,008	675	1,685	1,132	133
	Mean	18.1	17.1	14.4	12.3	11.1
	Median	18.0	17.0	15.0	13.0	11.0
	Possible range			0-20		

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Table 4-2: Internal assets by selected placement type and overall.

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>	<b>18+</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	84	73	173	89	
	Mean score	19.1	19.0	16.3	15.1	
	Median score	20.0	20.0	17.0	17.0	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	823	501	1,139	575	
	Mean score	19.5	17.9	14.4	13.4	
	Median score	20.0	19.0	15.0	15.0	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	17	32	267	215	
	Mean score	18.1	16.7	10.0	8.6	
	Median score	20.0	17.5	10.0	8.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	44	52	31	9	
	Mean score	18.9	18.4	13.6	13.7	
	Median score	20.0	19.0	15.0	17.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			3	132	77
	Mean score			10.3	10.5	13.5
	Median score			10.0	11.0	15.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	1,008	675	1,685	1,132	133
	Mean	19.4	18.0	13.7	11.8	12.7
	Median	20.0	19.0	15.0	13.0	13.0
	Possible range			0-20		

Table 4-3: SERVICE PERFORMANCE INDICATOR 14: Total developmental assets by selected placement type and overall.

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	84	73	173	89	
	Mean score	37.1	36.1	31.6	29.6	
	Median score	37.5	37.0	33.0	31.0	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	823	501	1,139	575	
	Mean score	37.6	35.0	29.3	27.2	
	Median score	38.0	36.0	30.0	29.0	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	17	32	267	215	
	Mean score	35.1	32.0	22.6	19.8	
	Median score	35.0	33.0	23.0	20.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	44	52	31	9	
	Mean score	37.4	35.9	27.8	26.4	
	Median score	38.0	36.5	28.0	30.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			3	132	77
	Mean score			21.0	19.6	24.4
	Median score			22.0	20.5	26.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	1,008	675	1,685	1,132	133
	Mean	37.4	35.1	28.2	24.1	23.8
	Median	38.0	36.0	29.0	25.0	24.0
	Possible range			0-40		

Table 4-4: Percentage of low, medium, and high asset youth by selected placement type and overall.

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	84	73	173	89	
	Low asset	0%	1.4%	5.8%	11.2%	
	Medium asset	6.0%	2.7%	31.2%	36.0%	
	High asset	94.0%	95.9%	63.0%	52.8%	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	823	501	1,139	575	
	Low asset	0.4%	1.4%	12.7%	22.6%	
	Medium asset	2.4%	15.6%	39.2%	37.0%	
	High asset	97.2%	83.0%	48.0%	40.3%	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	17	32	267	215	
	Low asset	0%	6.3%	40.1%	54.0%	
	Medium asset	11.8%	21.9%	44.9%	32.6%	
	High asset	88.2%	71.9%	15.0%	13.5%	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	44	52	31	9	
	Low asset	0%	1.9%	16.1%	22.2%	
	Medium asset	4.5%	3.8%	41.9%	33.3%	
	High asset	95.5%	94.2%	41.9%	44.4%	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			3	132	77
	Low asset			33.3%	50.0%	35.1%
	Medium asset			66.7%	36.4%	35.1%
	High asset			0%	13.6%	29.9%
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	1,008	675	1,685	1,132	133
	Low asset	0.5%	1.6%	17.3%	34.8%	36.1%
	Medium asset	3.2%	13.6%	39.4%	34.6%	38.3%
	High asset	96.3%	84.7%	43.3%	30.6%	25.6%

**Note:** Low asset = 1-20 total developmental assets, medium asset = 21-30 total developmental assets, high asset = 31-40 total developmental assets.

## Education

This section illustrates the education-related experiences of young people by selected placement settings for each age group, and/or overall for each age group.

Table 5-1: Caregiver-reported academic achievement (for young people aged 6-17 years).

		<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Reading and language arts	<i>n</i> =	641	1,607	898
	Very well or well	23.6%	26.1%	28.0%
	Average	41.5%	49.2%	50.8%
	Poorly or very poorly	34.9%	24.7%	21.3%
Mathematics	<i>n</i> =	639	1,588	847
	Very well or well	18.0%	19.5%	20.8%
	Average	51.5%	48.8%	49.9%
	Poorly or very poorly	30.5%	31.7%	29.3%
Science	<i>n</i> =	571	1,478	718
	Very well or well	17.9%	19.4%	23.3%
	Average	58.5%	58.9%	55.7%
	Poorly or very poorly	23.6%	21.7%	21.0%
Overall	<i>n</i> =	655	1,658	952
	Very well or well	21.1%	22.0%	23.0%
	Average	53.1%	56.3%	55.5%
	Poorly or very poorly	25.8%	21.8%	21.5%
<i>Academic achievement score</i>	<i>n</i> =	561	1,439	686
	Mean	3.7	3.9	4.1
	Median	4.0	4.0	4.0
	Possible range		0-8	

Table 5-2: Young person's self-perceived success in school (for young people aged 10-17 years).

	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
<i>n</i> =	1,569	958
Doing very well in school	35.1%	29.9%
Doing average in school	56.2%	56.1%
Doing poorly in school	8.7%	14.1%

Table 5-3: SERVICE PERFORMANCE INDICATOR 16: Worker-rated age-to-grade performance in school (for young people aged 6-17 years).

		<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Performance in school in reading	<i>n</i> =	689	1,732	1,140
	Excellent	10.4%	13.2%	14.6%
	Good	35.6%	39.1%	43.6%
	Fair	29.0%	28.4%	24.8%
	Poor	25.0%	19.3%	16.9%
Performance in school in math	<i>n</i> =	684	1,731	1,123
	Excellent	6.6%	7.6%	6.4%
	Good	41.4%	34.2%	34.7%
	Fair	30.3%	35.1%	33.7%
	Poor	21.8%	23.1%	25.2%

Table 5-4: Estimated number of school changes, other than through natural progression, since entering school by selected placement and overall (for young people aged 6-17 years)

		<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	51	128	66
	Mean score	2.2	3.2	3.4
	Median score	2.0	3.0	3.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	390	926	444
	Mean score	2.4	3.5	4.2
	Median score	2.0	3.0	4.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	30	257	195
	Mean score	3.0	4.4	5.0
	Median score	3.0	4.0	5.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	18	20	6
	Mean score	1.7	3.2	2.5
	Median score	1.0	3.0	1.5
Independent living	<i>n</i> =		2	127
	Mean score		6.0	5.7
	Median score		6.0	5.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	499	1,401	934
	Mean	2.4	3.6	4.6
	Median	2.0	3.0	4.0
	Range	0.0 – 10.0	0.0 – 27.0	0.0 – 56.0

Table 5-5: Caregiver-reported literacy promoting activities score by selected placement type and overall (for children aged 1-2 years).

		<b>1-2</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	37
	Mean	32.4
	Median	33.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	367
	Mean	32.4
	Median	33.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	8
	Mean	28.8
	Median	28.5
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	13
	Mean	32.0
	Median	33.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	447
	Mean	32.4
	Median	33.0
	Possible range	0-40

Table 5-6: Caregiver-reported literacy promoting activities score by selected placement type and overall (for children aged 3-5 years).

		<b>3-5</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	40
	Mean	47.6
	Median	48.5
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	317
	Mean	45.9
	Median	47.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	6
	Mean	36.3
	Median	37.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	27
	Mean	46.0
	Median	47.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	407
	Mean	45.8
	Median	47.0
	Possible range	0-60

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Table 5-7: Caregiver-reported literacy promoting activities score by selected placement type and overall (for children aged 6-9 years).

		<b>6-9</b>
Kinship in care	Mean	75
	Median	23.8
Foster home	Mean	25.0
	Median	497
Group home	Mean	23.4
	Median	24.0
Customary care	Mean	36
	Median	21.6
<b>Overall</b>	Mean	23.2
	Median	25.0
	Possible range	683
		23.3
		24.0
		0-30

Table 5-9: Highest level of education completed (for young adults aged 18+ years).

	<b>18+</b>
Less than grade 9	123
Grade 9	8.1%
Grade 10	3.3%
Grade 11	4.9%
High school diploma or its equivalent	32.5%
Technical, trade, or vocational school (above high school level)	47.2%
Community college	0%
University degree	4.1%
	0%

## Health

This section illustrates the health-related experiences of young people by selected placement settings for each age group, and/or overall for each age group.

Table 6-1: Health status by selected placement setting and overall.

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	86	78	174	82
	Excellent or very good	89.5%	92.3%	85.6%	74.4%
	Good	8.1%	5.1%	12.1%	22.0%
	Fair or poor	2.3%	2.6%	2.3%	3.7%
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	843	508	1,123	541
	Excellent or very good	84.0%	87.8%	80.3%	74.9%
	Good	12.2%	9.8%	16.3%	19.2%
	Fair or poor	3.8%	2.4%	2.7%	5.9%
Group home	<i>n</i> =	18	35	251	179
	Excellent or very good	44.4%	77.2%	70.5%	53.1%
	Good	16.7%	20.0%	26.7%	38.5%
	Fair or poor	38.9%	2.9%	2.8%	8.4%
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	47	55	33	8
	Excellent or very good	83.0%	85.4%	69.4%	75.0%
	Good	17.0%	12.7%	24.2%	25.0%
	Fair or poor	0%	1.8%	6.0%	0%
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			3	187
	Excellent or very good			0%	53.5%
	Good			100%	34.2%
	Fair or poor			0%	12.3%
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	1,041	699	1,652	1,135
	Excellent or very good	83.8%	87.7%	79.4%	65.1%
	Good	12.1%	10.0%	18.0%	27.3%
	Fair or poor	4.1%	2.3%	2.6%	7.5%

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Table 6-2: Physical difficulties (for young people aged 6-17 years).

	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
No problems	58.9%	67.3%	43.8%
Speaking	24.2%	9.3%	3.4%
Walking	6.3%	4.2%	2.1%
Climbing	7.2%	3.2%	1.5%
Bending	3.6%	3.9%	3.2%
Seeing	11.4%	12.6%	11.2%
Hearing	4.6%	3.4%	3.6%
Using hands and fingers	8.9%	3.9%	1.4%

Table 6-3: Long-term conditions diagnosed by a health professional.

	<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
None	56.6%	31.6%	22.8%	17.6%
Food or digestive allergies	5.0%	2.1%	3.2%	2.6%
Respiratory allergies	2.0%	1.9%	2.0%	1.5%
Other allergies	2.2%	1.9%	3.5%	3.6%
Asthma	6.4%	5.6%	4.9%	4.5%
Bronchitis	0.6%	0.1%	0.3%	0.3%
Heart condition or disease	2.9%	1.5%	1.5%	0.7%
Epilepsy	1.5%	2.8%	2.5%	1.0%
Diabetes	0.2%	0.1%	0.8%	1.0%
Cerebral palsy	1.5%	2.2%	2.1%	1.1%
Kidney condition or disease	0.8%	1.3%	1.1%	0.3%
Blood disorder	0.2%	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%
Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder	1.7%	6.0%	7.6%	5.6%
Developmental disability	11.8%	14.3%	18.2%	12.0%
Learning disability	6.1%	23.0%	34.7%	24.8%
Attention deficit disorder	3.0%	31.1%	34.4%	23.9%
Emotional, psychological, or nervous disorder	4.5%	21.0%	30.4%	26.3%
Any other long-term condition	12.2%	13.2%	10.7%	7.3%

Table 6-4: Health services received in the last year.

	<b>0-2</b>	<b>3-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
Traditional Healer ( <i>FNMI young people</i> )	3.7%	6.4%	9.0%	11.1%	15.7%
Medical examination	98.7%	98.4%	98.0%	97.9%	92.8%
Dental examination	21.3%	92.3%	99.4%	98.8%	92.2%
Up-to-date immunizations	96.7%	96.5%	97.3%	97.6%	96.5%

Table 6-5: Soft drug use (tobacco, alcohol, and marijuana, for young people aged 10-18+ years).

		<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>	<b>18+</b>
Tobacco	<i>n</i> =	1,593	988	127
	Not at all	82.7%	58.4%	44.9%
	Have tried it	7.6%	10.7%	9.4%
	Occasionally	3.7%	10.8%	8.7%
	Daily	6.0%	20.0%	37.0%
Alcohol	<i>n</i> =	1,588	986	125
	Not at all	83.8%	51.5%	17.6%
	Have tried it	10.1%	24.8%	23.2%
	Occasionally	4.4%	21.7%	58.4%
	Daily	1.6%	1.9%	0.8%
Marijuana	<i>n</i> =	1,588	979	127
	Not at all	83.8%	56.4%	37.0%
	Have tried it	7.2%	18.1%	22.8%
	Occasionally	5.2%	14.0%	23.6%
	Daily	3.8%	11.5%	16.5%

Table 6-6: Prescription or non-prescription medication use.

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
Prescription or non-prescription	<i>n</i> =	1,042	705	1,601	1,115
	Yes	19.8%	47.4%	56.3%	58.7%
	No	80.2%	52.6%	43.7%	41.3%
Psychotropic	<i>n</i> =	1,046	698	1,756	1,172
	Yes	4.2%	37.7%	48.5%	44.8%
	No	95.8%	61.7%	51.4%	54.9%
	Uncertain	0%	0.6%	0.1%	0.3%
Support and monitoring of medication provided	<i>n</i> =	1,032	681	1,708	1,277
	Yes	99.4%	99.7%	99.2%	95.4%
	No	0.6%	0.3%	0.8%	4.6%

## Ages & Stages Questionnaires<sup>®</sup>, Third Edition (ASQ-3<sup>™</sup>)

The ASQ-3<sup>™</sup> are caregiver-completed/reported, age-appropriate tools used to screen babies and children in the following areas of development: communication, gross motor, fine motor, problem solving, and personal-social. When a child's score is *above* the cutoff, development appears to be on schedule. When a child's score is *near* the cutoff, the child should be provided with learning materials and monitored. When a child's score is *below* the cutoff, further assessment by a professional may be needed.

Table 7-1: ASQ-3<sup>™</sup> 10 Month Questionnaire for babies aged 9 months, 0 days through 10 months, 30 days.

			<b>10 months n = 17</b>			
Area	Cutoff	Possible range	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	22.87	0-60	49.76	94.1%	5.9%	0%
Gross Motor	30.07		45.29	70.6%	0%	29.4%
Fine Motor	37.97		51.47	70.6%	17.6%	11.8%
Problem Solving	32.51		50.94	76.5%	17.6%	5.9%
Personal-Social	27.25		42.18	70.6%	23.5%	5.9%

Table 7-2: ASQ-3<sup>™</sup> 12 Month Questionnaire for babies aged 11 months, 0 days through 12 months, 30 days.

			<b>12 months n = 177</b>			
Area	Cutoff	Possible range	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	15.64	0-60	43.77	84.2%	9.6%	6.2%
Gross Motor	21.49		37.51	58.8%	15.3%	26.0%
Fine Motor	34.50		47.48	78.0%	9.0%	13.0%
Problem Solving	27.32		39.55	65.0%	14.1%	20.9%
Personal-Social	21.73		39.41	71.2%	10.7%	18.1%

Table 7-3 ASQ-3™ 14 Month Questionnaire for babies aged 13 months, 0 days through 14 months, 30 days.

			<b>14 months</b> <i>n = 20</i>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	17.40	0-60	40.00	75.0%	10.0%	15.0%
Gross Motor	25.80		38.50	55.0%	10.0%	35.0%
Fine Motor	23.06		41.00	71.4%	14.3%	14.3%
Problem Solving	22.56		35.00	52.4%	23.8%	23.8%
Personal-Social	23.18		45.00	76.2%	19.0%	4.8%

Table 7-4: ASQ-3™ 16 Month Questionnaire for children aged 15 months, 0 days through 16 months, 30 days.

			<b>16 months</b> <i>n = 26</i>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	16.81	0-60	30.50	53.8%	23.1%	23.1%
Gross Motor	37.91		42.50	53.8%	19.2%	26.9%
Fine Motor	31.98		37.73	46.2%	26.9%	26.9%
Problem Solving	30.51		32.69	38.5%	11.5%	50.0%
Personal-Social	26.43		35.96	50.0%	15.4%	34.6%

Table 7-5: ASQ-3™ 18 Month Questionnaire for children aged 17 months, 0 days through 18 months, 30 days.

			<b>18 months</b> <i>n = 25</i>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	13.06	0-60	32.19	64.0%	16.0%	20.0%
Gross Motor	37.38		41.92	52.0%	20.0%	28.0%
Fine Motor	34.32		44.81	68.0%	16.0%	16.0%
Problem Solving	25.74		36.35	56.0%	16.0%	28.0%
Personal-Social	27.19		39.96	72.0%	16.0%	12.0%

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Table 7-6: ASQ-3™ 20 Month Questionnaire for children aged 19 months, 0 days through 20 months, 30 days.

			<b>20 months n = 17</b>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	20.50	0-60	37.06	52.9%	23.5%	23.5%
Gross Motor	39.89		41.47	64.7%	0%	35.3%
Fine Motor	36.05		42.35	58.8%	5.9%	35.3%
Problem Solving	28.84		34.71	52.9%	17.6%	29.4%
Personal-Social	33.36		42.35	41.2%	41.2%	17.6%

Table 7-7: ASQ-3™ 22 Month Questionnaire for children aged 21 months, 0 days through 22 months, 30 days.

			<b>22 months n = 15</b>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	13.04	0-60	39.00	80.0%	6.7%	13.3%
Gross Motor	27.75		46.00	86.7%	0%	13.3%
Fine Motor	29.61		41.53	66.7%	6.7%	26.7%
Problem Solving	29.30		40.87	60.0%	20.0%	20.0%
Personal-Social	30.07		43.67	66.7%	13.3%	20.0%

Table 7-8: ASQ-3™ 24 Month Questionnaire for children aged 23 months, 0 days through 25 months, 15 days.

			<b>24 months n = 93</b>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	25.17	0-60	40.33	63.4%	8.6%	28.0%
Gross Motor	38.07		48.26	72.0%	8.6%	19.4%
Fine Motor	35.16		47.30	75.3%	14.0%	10.8%
Problem Solving	29.78		42.77	74.2%	12.9%	12.9%
Personal-Social	31.54		44.03	68.1%	11.7%	20.2%

Table 7-9: ASQ-3™ 27 Month Questionnaire for children aged 25 months, 16 days through 28 months, 15 days.

			<b>27 months n = 31</b>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	24.02	0-60	39.65	61.3%	9.7%	29.0%
Gross Motor	28.01		40.65	64.5%	12.9%	22.6%
Fine Motor	18.42		31.77	54.8%	25.8%	19.4%
Problem Solving	27.62		39.10	61.3%	16.1%	22.6%
Personal-Social	25.31		39.65	61.3%	12.9%	25.8%

Table 7-10: ASQ-3™ 30 Month Questionnaire for children aged 28 months, 16 days through 31 months, 15 days.

			<b>30 months n = 36</b>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	33.30	0-60	45.56	58.3%	25.0%	16.7%
Gross Motor	36.14		49.03	77.8%	2.8%	19.4%
Fine Motor	19.25		35.92	50.0%	36.1%	13.9%
Problem Solving	27.08		36.86	50.0%	19.4%	30.6%
Personal-Social	32.01		48.19	77.8%	13.9%	8.3%

Table 7-11: ASQ-3™ 33 Month Questionnaire for children aged 31 months, 16 days through 34 months, 15 days.

			<b>33 months n = 29</b>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	25.36	0-60	43.95	79.3%	3.4%	17.2%
Gross Motor	34.80		51.21	79.3%	13.8%	6.9%
Fine Motor	12.28		37.59	65.5%	17.2%	17.2%
Problem Solving	26.92		39.41	55.2%	20.7%	24.1%
Personal-Social	28.96		44.45	65.5%	17.2%	17.2%

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Table 7-12: ASQ-3™ 36 Month Questionnaire for children aged 34 months, 16 days through 38 months, 30 days.

			<b>36 months</b> <i>n = 57</i>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	30.99	0-60	41.42	63.2%	19.3%	17.5%
Gross Motor	36.99		48.68	77.2%	5.3%	17.5%
Fine Motor	18.07		35.27	61.4%	15.8%	22.8%
Problem Solving	30.29		40.39	59.6%	10.5%	29.8%
Personal-Social	35.33		46.81	73.7%	12.3%	14.0%

Table 7-13: ASQ-3™ 42 Month Questionnaire for children aged 39 months, 0 days through 44 months, 30 days.

			<b>42 months</b> <i>n = 68</i>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	27.06	0-60	40.22	58.8%	25.0%	16.2%
Gross Motor	36.27		51.38	73.5%	14.7%	11.8%
Fine Motor	19.82		35.32	57.4%	25.0%	17.65%
Problem Solving	28.11		44.07	72.1%	14.7%	13.2%
Personal-Social	31.12		46.43	72.1%	13.2%	14.7%

Table 7-14: ASQ-3™ 48 Month Questionnaire for children aged 45 months, 0 days through 50 months, 30 days.

			<b>48 months</b> <i>n = 54</i>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	30.72	0-60	47.78	81.5%	3.7%	14.8%
Gross Motor	32.78		51.11	79.6%	11.1%	9.3%
Fine Motor	15.81		42.04	77.8%	9.3%	13.0%
Problem Solving	31.30		46.17	70.4%	16.7%	13.0%
Personal-Social	26.60		49.44	87.0%	5.6%	7.4%

Table 7-15: ASQ-3™ 54 Month Questionnaire for children aged 51 months, 0 days through 56 months, 30 days.

			<b>54 months</b> <i>n = 66</i>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	31.85	0-60	42.68	63.6%	7.6%	28.8%
Gross Motor	35.18		47.50	72.7%	3.0%	24.2%
Fine Motor	17.32		35.94	59.1%	24.2%	16.7%
Problem Solving	28.12		43.00	74.2%	10.6%	15.2%
Personal-Social	32.33		43.52	63.6%	16.7%	19.7%

Table 7-16: ASQ-3™ 60 Month Questionnaire for children aged 57 months, 0 days through 66 months, 30 days.

			<b>60 months</b> <i>n = 103</i>			
<b>Area</b>	<b>Cutoff</b>	<b>Possible range</b>	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	33.19	0-60	44.75	68.0%	11.7%	20.4%
Gross Motor	31.28		46.70	71.8%	13.6%	14.6%
Fine Motor	26.54		41.20	62.1%	11.7%	26.2%
Problem Solving	29.99		48.12	76.7%	11.7%	11.7%
Personal-Social	39.07		49.18	68.0%	17.5%	14.6%

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Table 7-17: ASQ-3™ Questionnaire summaries by area (for children aged 0-5 years, OnLAC age groups).

<b>Area</b>		<b>0-11 mos.</b>	<b>12-23 mos.</b>	<b>24.35 mos.</b>	<b>3-5 yrs.</b>
Communication	<i>n</i> =	124	214	172	324
	% above cutoff	84.7%	72.0%	62.8%	67.3%
	% near cutoff	7.3%	15.0%	12.2%	12.7%
	% below cutoff	8.1%	13.1%	25.0%	20.1%
Gross Motor	<i>n</i> =	124	214	172	324
	% above cutoff	58.9%	62.6%	74.1%	74.1%
	% near cutoff	12.9%	13.6%	10.8%	10.8%
	% below cutoff	28.2%	23.8%	15.1%	15.1%
Fine Motor	<i>n</i> =	124	214	172	324
	% above cutoff	76.6%	70.6%	61.6%	63.0%
	% near cutoff	10.5%	11.2%	23.3%	17.3%
	% below cutoff	12.9%	18.2%	15.1%	19.8%
Problem Solving	<i>n</i> =	124	214	172	324
	% above cutoff	61.3%	64.0%	60.5%	72.5%
	% near cutoff	17.7%	12.6%	16.9%	13.0%
	% below cutoff	21.0%	23.4%	22.7%	14.5%
Personal-Social	<i>n</i> =	124	214	172	324
	% above cutoff	69.4%	67.8%	67.4%	72.2%
	% near cutoff	15.3%	14.0%	13.4%	13.9%
	% below cutoff	15.3%	18.2%	19.2%	13.9%

## Emotional Health and Social Development

This section illustrates the well-being of young people by selected placement settings for each age group, and/or overall for each age group.

### *Ages & Stages Questionnaires®: Social-Emotional (ASQ:SE)*

The ASQ:SE are caregiver-completed/reported, age-appropriate questionnaires focused on the social and emotional development of babies and young children. When a child's score is *below* the cutoff, social and emotional development appear to be on schedule. When a child's score is *above* the cutoff, setting/time factors, development factors, health factors, and family/cultural factors must be considered, and referral for a mental health evaluation may be appropriate.

Table 8-1: ASQ:SE Questionnaire summaries (for children aged 3 to 65 months).

ASQ:SE Questionnaire	Cutoff	Possible range	<i>n</i> =	Mean total score	Median total score	% below cutoff
<b>6 months</b> (infants aged 3 to 8 months)	<b>45</b>	0-285	3	10.00	5.00	100%
<b>12 months</b> (children aged 9 to 14 months)	<b>48</b>	0-330	250	17.19	10.00	95.2%
<b>18 months</b> (children aged 15 to 20 months)	<b>50</b>	0-390	71	30.40	20.00	83.1%
<b>24 months</b> (children aged 21 to 26 months)	<b>50</b>	0-390	143	28.64	15.60	82.5%
<b>30 months</b> (children aged 27 to 32 months)	<b>57</b>	0-435	65	39.24	25.00	81.5%
<b>36 months</b> (children aged 33 to 41 months)	<b>59</b>	0-465	124	55.08	43.19	65.3%
<b>48 months</b> (children aged 42 to 53 months)	<b>70</b>	0-495	139	61.72	45.00	69.8%
<b>60 months</b> (children ages 54 to 65 months)	<b>70</b>	0-495	115	74.11	60.00	53.9%

Table 8-2: Percentage of children below the ASQ:SE age-appropriate cutoff (social and emotional development appear to be on schedule) by OnLAC age group (for children aged 0-5 years).

	<b>0-11 mos.</b>	<b>12-23 mos.</b>	<b>24-35 mos.</b>	<b>3-5 yrs.</b>
<i>n</i> =	142	250	184	334
% below cutoff	97.2%	87.2%	79.9%	60.5%

Table 8-3: Youth-reported positive mental health score by selected placement type and overall (for young people aged 10-17 years).

		<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	152	70
	Mean score	56.5	57.7
	Median score	58.0	58.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	937	482
	Mean score	55.6	55.2
	Median score	58.0	58.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	189	147
	Mean score	48.9	46.8
	Median score	52.0	49.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	20	7
	Mean score	50.1	54.0
	Median score	58.0	54.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	3	96
	Mean score	53.3	50.6
	Median score	55.0	50.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	1,356	873
	Mean	54.5	53.1
	Median	57.0	56.0
	Possible range	0-70	

Table 8-4: Youth-reported Kessler-6 distress scale score by current place of residence and overall (for young adults aged 18+ years).

		<b>18+</b>
With relatives	<i>n</i> =	12
	Mean score	7.1
	Median score	7.5
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	71
	Mean score	7.5
	Median score	6.0
Other	<i>n</i> =	17
	Mean score	7.2
	Median score	7.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	119
	Mean	7.1
	Median	6.0
	Possible range	0-24

Table 8-5: Youth-reported coping strategies score by selected placement type and overall (for young people aged 13-17 years).

		<b>13-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	101	77
	Mean score	8.5	8.6
	Median score	9.0	9.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	630	512
	Mean score	7.8	8.1
	Median score	8.0	8.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	158	171
	Mean score	6.6	7.0
	Median score	6.5	7.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	13	8
	Mean score	6.3	8.9
	Median score	5.0	9.5
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	3	106
	Mean score	7.3	7.9
	Median score	6.0	8.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	944	949
	Mean	7.6	7.9
	Median	8.0	8.0
	Possible range	0-12	

Table 8-6: Youth-reported hope score by selected placement type and overall (for young people aged 13-17 years).

		<b>13-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	98	77
	Mean score	14.2	14.2
	Median score	15.0	15.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	619	510
	Mean score	13.2	13.5
	Median score	14.0	14.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	149	168
	Mean score	11.5	11.9
	Median score	12.0	12.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	13	8
	Mean score	9.7	13.6
	Median score	11.0	14.5
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	3	103
	Mean score	13.7	13.3
	Median score	16.0	14.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	922	937
	Mean	13.0	13.1
	Median	13.0	14.0
	Possible range	0-18	

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Table 8-7: Caregiver-reported mean Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire (SDQ) scores by selected placement type and overall (for young people aged 6-17 years).

		<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	74	173	89
		8.7	8.5	8.4
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	74	173	89
		1.9	2.8	3.1
	Hyperactivity	5.2	4.3	5.1
	Conduct Problems	1.6	2.3	2.8
	Peer Problems	1.6	2.5	2.3
	Total Difficulties	10.3	11.9	13.3
Foster home	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	508	1,140	559
		7.3	7.6	7.6
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	508	1,140	559
		2.6	2.9	2.8
	Hyperactivity	6.0	5.1	4.9
	Conduct Problems	3.3	2.7	2.5
	Peer Problems	2.6	2.7	2.6
	Total Difficulties	14.5	13.4	12.8
Group home	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	36	273	211
		6.3	6.2	6.5
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	36	273	211
		2.7	3.6	2.6
	Hyperactivity	7.2	6.4	4.8
	Conduct Problems	2.8	3.7	2.4
	Peer Problems	3.5	3.8	2.5
	Total Difficulties	16.2	17.5	12.4
Customary care	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	54	30	8
		8.7	8.0	8.8
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	54	30	8
		1.8	2.9	4.6
	Hyperactivity	5.6	4.1	5.3
	Conduct Problems	1.8	2.0	3.2
	Peer Problems	1.6	2.2	3.3
	Total Difficulties	10.9	11.2	16.4
<b>Overall</b>	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	696	1,682	895
		7.5	7.5	7.4
	Possible range		0-10	
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	696	1,682	895
		2.4	3.0	2.8
	Hyperactivity	5.9	5.2	4.9
	Conduct Problems	3.0	2.8	2.6
	Peer Problems	2.5	2.8	2.6
		Total Difficulties	13.8	13.8
	Possible range		0-40	

## Transition to Adulthood: Casey Life Skills

Casey Life Skills is a broad tool (youth-reported) that helps young people to assess skills, abilities, and supports they possess, that can help them to transition to adulthood in a healthy and positive way. The tool covers eight areas: permanency, daily living, self care, relationships and communication, housing and money management, work and study life, career and education planning, and looking forward.

Table 9-1: Average Casey Life Skills Permanency scores by selected placement type or place of residence and overall (for young people aged 16+ years).

		16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	77	
	Average score	4.8	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	502	
	Average score	4.6	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	164	
	Average score	4.3	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	8	
	Average score	4.4	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	99	71
	Average score	4.5	4.6
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	925	122
	Average score	4.5	4.6
Possible range		1-5	

Table 9-2: Average Casey Life Skills Daily Living scores by selected placement type or place of residence and overall (for young people aged 16+ years).

		16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	77	
	Average score	4.5	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	502	
	Average score	4.4	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	164	
	Average score	4.1	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	8	
	Average score	4.4	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	99	71
	Average score	4.5	4.7
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	925	122
	Average score	4.4	4.6
Possible range		1-5	

Table 9-3: Average Casey Life Skills Self Care scores by selected placement type or place of residence and overall (for young people aged 16+ years).

		16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	77	
	Average score	4.5	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	502	
	Average score	4.2	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	164	
	Average score	4.1	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	8	
	Average score	4.1	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	99	71
	Average score	4.5	4.7
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	95	122
	Average score	4.3	4.6
	Possible range	1-5	

Table 9-4: Average Casey Life Skills Relationships and Communication scores by selected placement type or place of residence and overall (for young people aged 16+ years).

		16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	77	
	Average score	4.7	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	502	
	Average score	4.5	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	164	
	Average score	4.2	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	8	
	Average score	4.4	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	99	71
	Average score	4.5	4.7
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	925	122
	Average score	4.5	4.6
	Possible range	1-5	

Table 9-5: Average Casey Life Skills Housing and Money Management scores by selected placement type or place of residence and overall (for young people aged 16+ years).

		16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	77	
	Average score	3.8	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	502	
	Average score	3.4	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	164	
	Average score	3.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	8	
	Average score	3.1	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	99	71
	Average score	4.0	4.6
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	925	122
	Average score	3.4	4.3
	Possible range	1-5	

Table 9-6: Average Casey Life Skills Work and Study Life scores by selected placement type or place of residence and overall (for young people aged 16+ years).

		16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	77	
	Average score	4.3	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	502	
	Average score	4.0	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	164	
	Average score	3.6	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	8	
	Average score	3.7	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	99	71
	Average score	4.3	4.7
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	925	122
	Average score	4.0	4.4
	Possible range	1-5	

Table 9-7: Average Casey Life Skills Career and Education Planning scores by selected placement type or place of residence and overall (for young people aged 16+ years).

		16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	77	
	Average score	4.2	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	502	
	Average score	3.9	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	164	
	Average score	3.5	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	8	
	Average score	3.3	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	99	71
	Average score	4.1	4.4
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	925	122
	Average score	3.9	4.2
	Possible range	1-5	

Table 9-8: Average Casey Life Skills Looking Forward scores by selected placement type or place of residence and overall (for young people aged 16+ years).

		16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	77	
	Average score	4.4	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	502	
	Average score	4.2	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	164	
	Average score	3.9	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	8	
	Average score	4.3	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	99	71
	Average score	4.2	4.5
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	925	122
	Average score	4.1	4.4
	Possible range	1-5	

Table 9-9: Average Casey Life Skills Total scores by selected placement type or place of residence and overall (for young people aged 16+ years).

		16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	77	
	Average score	4.4	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	502	
	Average score	4.1	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	164	
	Average score	3.8	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	8	
	Average score	4.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	99	71
	Average score	4.4	4.6
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	925	122
	Average score	4.1	4.5
	Possible range	1-5	

## Time to Complete the AAR

This section illustrates the time taken to complete the AAR conversation.

Table 10-1: Total mean and median time (in hours) to complete the AAR by selected placement setting and overall.

		<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	82	68	169	90
	Mean time	2.3	2.1	2.3	2.1
	Median time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	800	451	1,136	570
	Mean time	2.1	2.1	2.4	2.3
	Median time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	16	34	268	215
	Mean time	1.9	2.0	2.3	2.3
	Median time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	44	50	31	9
	Mean time	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.0
	Median time	2.0	2.5	2.5	2.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			3	217
	Mean time			1.9	1.8
	Median time			2.0	1.8
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	979	620	1,680	1,277
	Mean time	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.1
	Median time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
	Range	0.3 – 10.3	0.0 – 10.0	0.0 – 10.0	0.0 – 8.0

Table 10-2: Total mean and median time ( in hours) that the young person participated in completing the AAR, by placement setting and overall (for young people aged 6-16+ years).

		<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	64	167	90
	Mean time	0.4	1.3	1.1
	Median time	0.0	1.0	1.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	396	1,123	571
	Mean time	0.4	1.2	1.4
	Median time	0.0	1.0	1.2
Group home	<i>n</i> =	31	258	215
	Mean time	0.2	1.1	1.2
	Median time	0.0	1.0	1.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	47	31	9
	Mean time	0.6	0.9	1.2
	Median time	0.5	1.0	1.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =		3	211
	Mean time		1.8	1.2
	Median time		2.0	1.2
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	554	1,651	1,266
	Mean time	0.4	1.2	1.3
	Median time	0.0	1.0	1.0
	Range	0.0 – 9.0	0.0 – 5.0	0.0 – 6.5