

Ontario Looking After Children (OnLAC) 2019 Provincial Report

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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 2019 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 2019 AAR.

Age group		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
<i>Total AAR sample</i>		<i>N = 950</i>	<i>N = 617</i>	<i>N = 1508</i>	<i>N = 849</i>
Biological sex	<i>n =</i>	950	617	1508	849
	Male	54.0%	57.2%	55.1%	52.9%
	Female	45.9%	42.8%	44.9%	47.0%
	Intersex	0.1%	0%	0%	0.1%
Age	<i>n =</i>	950	617	1508	849
	Mean	2.5	7.7	13.0	16.6
	Median	2.0	8.0	13.0	16.0

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

	0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
<i>n =</i>	898	576	1427	797
Temporary care agreement	3.9%	3.0%	1.9%	1.0%
Interim care and custody	22.9%	14.1%	7.9%	1.1%
Interim Society Care	28.5%	24.5%	11.6%	4.9%
Customary care	10.1%	12.8%	5.0%	2.0%
Extended Society Care	34.0%	45.3%	72.2%	84.6%
Other	0.6%	0.3%	1.3%	1.5%
Continued Care and Support for Youth				4.9%

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

	0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Physical/Sexual Harm by Commission	7.6%	17.2%	21.0%	19.7%
Harm by Omission	27.9%	32.0%	27.6%	21.0%
Emotional Harm	17.9%	27.2%	32.6%	25.8%
Abandonment/Separation	8.3%	13.9%	21.0%	29.3%
Caregiver Capacity	77.5%	62.2%	57.0%	44.9%
Request for Adoption Services	1.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Family Based Services	0%	1.0%	0.7%	0.9%
Volunteer Services	0.4%	0.2%	0.3%	0.6%
Request for Assistance	1.1%	1.8%	4.1%	2.8%
Request for Youth Services	0.1%	0.8%	0.9%	1.3%
Request for Counselling	0.1%	0%	0.6%	0.5%

Note: Respondents could select more than one option

Table 1-4 : Current placement.

	n =	0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
		913	597	1471	830
Kinship in care		8.7%	9.4%	10.6%	7.0%
Foster home operated by child welfare organization		67.0%	50.3%	41.4%	31.9%
Group home operated by child welfare organization		0.1%	0.8%	2.3%	2.9%
Foster home – outside placement resource		14.8%	24.1%	24.7%	17.8%
Group home – outside placement resource		1.4%	4.5%	14.9%	15.5%
Customary care		7.0%	9.2%	3.1%	0.7%
Children’s mental health residential facility		0%	0.3%	1.0%	1.1%
Psychiatric facility		0%	0%	0.1%	0%
With birth parent(s)		0%	0%	0.6%	1.2%
Adoption probation		0.3%	0.2%	0.1%	0%
With relatives					0.4%
Hospital		0%	0%	0%	0%
Whereabouts unknown				0.1%	0.4%
Whereabouts unapproved				0.1%	0.6%
Custody/Detention facility				0.1%	1.1%
Shelter				0%	0.1%
Independent living				0.1%	15.2%
Other		0.7%	1.2%	0.8%	4.1%

Demographics: Child Welfare Workers and Caregivers

Child Welfare Workers

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

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Gender	<i>n</i> =	918	588	1462	822
	Male	6.4%	12.1%	10.7%	16.2%
	Female	93.6%	87.6%	89.1%	83.5%
	Non-binary	0%	0%	0%	0.2%
	Trans	0%	0%	0.1%	0%
	Prefer not to answer	0%	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%
Length of time working with this young person	<i>n</i> =	608	463	1102	629
	Mean years	1.1	1.6	2.3	2.8
	Median years	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.7
Length of time working in child welfare	<i>n</i> =	755	489	1136	638
	Mean years	13.9	13.9	15.0	15.5
	Median years	15.6	15.0	16.0	16.0

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

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
	<i>n</i> =	930	596	1471	834
Less than a high school diploma		0.1%	0%	0.1%	0%
High school diploma		1.2%	2.7%	1.1%	0.2%
Trades certificate – Vocational school – Apprenticeship training		0.1%	0%	0%	0%
Non-university certificate or diploma from a community college, CEGEP, school of nursing, etc.		10.8%	12.4%	11.4%	12.2%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level		2.2%	3.0%	2.8%	1.9%
Bachelor degree		62.0%	56.7%	57.6%	57.8%
University certificate or diploma above bachelor level		6.2%	6.9%	5.4%	4.2%
Master's degree		17.4%	18.1%	21.6%	23.5%
Doctoral degree		0%	0.2%	0%	0.1%

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

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Child welfare worker has attended formal Looking After Children training	<i>n</i> =	846	541	1349	739
	Yes	84.9%	80.6%	85.7%	88.1%
	No	15.1%	19.4%	14.3%	11.9%
Frequency that information contained in the AAR is discussed in supervision	<i>n</i> =	931	594	1471	825
	Very often	23.4%	20.9%	24.5%	29.0%
	Sometimes	46.7%	51.5%	54.5%	52.2%
	Almost never	8.4%	10.6%	11.4%	11.4%
	Not applicable – first AAR	21.5%	17.0%	9.7%	7.4%

Caregivers

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

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17
Gender	<i>n</i> =	929	597	1470	696
	Male	5.1%	9.5%	14.3%	14.2%
	Female	94.8%	90.3%	85.6%	85.2%
	Non-binary	0%	0%	0%	0.1%
	Trans	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Prefer not to answer	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.4%
Length of time providing <i>foster</i> care (for foster placements)	<i>n</i> =	697	425	937	396
	Mean years	8.6	9.6	11.2	11.5
	Median years	5.0	7.0	10.0	10.0
Language(s) spoken in caregiver's home (<i>Note</i> : respondents could select more than one option)	English	95.8%	95.9%	94.9%	83.8%
	French	8.3%	3.9%	4.0%	2.8%
	First Nations or Inuit language	3.9%	2.9%	0.7%	0.2%
	Other	3.3%	2.6%	1.4%	0.9%
Ethnic/cultural background of caregiver and that of the young person is:	<i>n</i> =	924	598	1429	675
	The same	44.2%	42.8%	44.7%	45.5%
	Similar	38.5%	38.1%	35.6%	37.2%
	Neither the same nor similar	17.3%	19.1%	19.7%	17.3%

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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).

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17
	<i>n</i> =	862	569	1365	629
Less than a high school diploma		5.9%	5.4%	4.3%	3.7%
High school diploma		27.6%	26.0%	21.5%	21.6%
Trades certificate – Vocational school – Apprenticeship training		4.3%	4.7%	5.7%	4.8%
Non-university certificate or diploma from a community college, CEGEP, school of nursing, etc.		37.0%	39.4%	42.9%	39.7%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level		4.4%	6.9%	6.8%	7.9%
Bachelor degree		15.8%	13.0%	13.0%	14.9%
University certificate or diploma above bachelor level		2.6%	1.9%	3.2%	3.5%
Master's degree		2.3%	2.3%	2.6%	3.7%
Doctoral degree		0.1%	0.4%	0.1%	0.2%

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

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17
	<i>n</i> =	863	570	1383	658
Caregiver has attended formal Looking After Children training	Yes	54.8%	52.5%	59.4%	57.0%
	No	45.2%	47.5%	40.6%	43.0%
Caregiver has completed/is currently attending caregiver training (<i>Note:</i> respondents could select more than one option)	PRIDE*	67.7%	58.0%	51.9%	39.1%
	Agency-specific training	47.6%	50.1%	44.7%	35.1%
	Foster parenting techniques	12.9%	14.9%	15.5%	12.0%
	Other program	28.9%	37.6%	44.7%	37.6%

*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).

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	59	43	124	44
	Mean	1.6	2.3	4.6	8.2
	Median	1.0	2.0	3.0	8.5
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	465	324	716	309
	Mean	1.3	2.1	3.1	4.3
	Median	1.0	1.0	2.0	3.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	7	24	181	118
	Mean	2.4	1.9	1.6	2.6
	Median	2.9	1.0	1.0	1.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	54	45	40	5
	Mean	1.7	3.2	5.2	3.9
	Median	2.0	2.0	5.5	1.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	36
	Mean			0.4	0.9
	Median			0.4	0.4
Overall	<i>n</i> =	611	453	1107	563
	Mean	1.4	2.2	3.1	3.7
	Median	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0
	Range	0-5.0	0-9.0	0-15.0	0-17.0

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

	0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17
<i>n</i> =	923	603	1472	792
Much continuity of care (no placement change in last 12 months)	75.2%	74.5%	70.1%	61.5%
Some disruptions (one change of placement in last 12 months)	19.4%	17.4%	20.9%	22.0%
Serious disruptions (two or more changes of placement in last 12 months)	5.4%	8.1%	9.0%	16.5%

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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).

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	76	54	148	56
	Mean	2.0	3.7	3.3	3.3
	Median	2.0	4.0	3.0	2.5
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	732	426	929	404
	Mean	1.8	3.4	4.1	4.2
	Median	2.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	14	32	239	142
	Mean	1.9	4.3	5.4	5.7
	Median	2.0	4.0	5.0	5.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	60	45	40	4
	Mean	1.6	2.4	3.4	3.8
	Median	1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	95
	Mean			5.5	6.0
	Median			5.5	6.0
Overall	<i>n</i> =	922	576	1413	766
	Mean	1.8	3.3	4.3	4.9
	Median	2.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
	Range	0-9.0	0-12.0	0-22.0	0-34.0

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

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17
	<i>n</i> =	919	582	1436	787
Return home		12.6%	13.4%	10.3%	3.2%
Adoption		47.1%	35.6%	18.5%	1.8%
Kinship		8.5%	7.7%	5.2%	2.4%
Status change to legal custody		1.2%	1.0%	1.2%	0.6%
Customary care		7.2%	8.6%	2.6%	0.6%
Independent living		0%	0.2%	6.3%	40.3%
Adult services		0%	1.2%	7.0%	16.4%
Remain in current placement		5.7%	14.1%	33.6%	30.1%
Other		0.4%	1.4%	1.6%	0.6%
Permanency plan not yet determined		17.3%	16.8%	13.6%	3.9%

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).

	<i>n</i> =	6-9	10-15	16+
Stable relationship throughout life		599 48.7%	1465 48.7%	830 47.8%
Fairly long-term relationship (i.e., more than three years)		26.7%	31.9%	35.4%
Short-term relationship (i.e., one to three years)		19.0%	15.6%	12.2%
No stable relationship		5.5%	3.8%	4.6%

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

	<i>n</i> =	0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
At least once a week		925 51.9%	587 46.0%	1454 39.9%	822 42.1%
At least once a month		19.6%	32.5%	38.2%	37.6%
At least once a year		12.6%	10.6%	11.2%	11.3%
Less than once a year		3.0%	1.7%	3.7%	3.5%
Never		12.9%	9.2%	6.9%	5.5%

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

	<i>n</i> =	0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
At least once a week		900 71.7%	590 64.6%	1456 63.3%	819 62.0%
At least once a month		13.9%	22.0%	24.8%	26.3%
At least once a year		5.1%	5.8%	5.9%	5.9%
Less than once a year		0.8%	1.0%	1.4%	1.7%
Never		8.6%	6.6%	4.7%	4.2%

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).

		10-15	16-17
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	143	52
	Mean score	11.1	11.0
	Median score	12.0	12.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	850	347
	Mean score	10.6	10.7
	Median score	12.0	12.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	184	98
	Mean score	8.1	7.9
	Median score	8.0	8.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	38	4
	Mean score	10.2	11.8
	Median score	12.0	12.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	1	69
	Mean score	6.0	9.2
	Median score	6.0	10.0
Overall	<i>n</i> =	1273	620
	Mean	10.2	10.1
	Median	12.0	12.0
	Possible range	0-12	

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

	3-5	6-9	10-15	16+
<i>n</i> =	397	595	1449	805
Clear understanding	11.3%	30.4%	60.7%	71.6%
Some understanding	41.3%	57.8%	33.8%	23.7%
Little or no understanding	47.4%	11.8%	5.5%	4.7%

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).

			10-15	16-17
Kinship in care	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	126	51
			6.9	7.1
			8.0	8.0
Foster home	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	852	344
			6.7	6.7
			8.0	8.0
Group home	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	186	93
			5.8	5.7
			6.0	6.0
Customary care	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	37	5
			7.1	7.8
			8.0	8.0
Overall	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	1215	510
			6.6	6.6
			8.0	7.0
	Possible range		0-8	

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

			10-15	16-17
Kinship in care	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	142	52
			10.2	10.3
			11.0	11.0
Foster home	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	850	349
			10.2	9.9
			11.0	11.0
Group home	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	184	97
			9.8	9.3
			11.0	9.0
Customary care	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	40	3
			10.6	9.3
			11.5	9.0
Overall	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	1231	525
			10.1	9.8
			11.0	11.0
	Possible range		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).

			10-15	16-17
Kinship in care		<i>n</i> =	138	52
	Mean		3.4	3.8
	Median		3.0	4.0
Foster home		<i>n</i> =	835	347
	Mean		2.9	2.8
	Median		3.0	2.0
Group home		<i>n</i> =	180	98
	Mean		3.1	2.8
	Median		3.0	2.0
Customary care		<i>n</i> =	40	3
	Mean		3.0	2.3
	Median		3.0	1.0
Overall		<i>n</i> =	1207	522
	Mean		3.0	2.9
	Median		3.0	2.0
	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).

			10-15	16-17
Kinship in care		<i>n</i> =	140	50
	Mean		1.7	2.4
	Median		1.0	2.0
Foster home		<i>n</i> =	836	347
	Mean		1.8	2.6
	Median		1.0	2.0
Group home		<i>n</i> =	179	99
	Mean		2.2	2.8
	Median		1.0	2.0
Customary care		<i>n</i> =	40	4
	Mean		2.3	1.8
	Median		1.5	2.0
Overall		<i>n</i> =	1209	524
	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).

		0-5	6-9
Kinship in care	Mean	76	52
	Median	19.8	17.8
Foster home	Mean	715	425
	Median	20.3	17.4
Group home	Mean	13	32
	Median	20.6	20.1
Customary care	Mean	60	50
	Median	19.8	18.0
Overall	Mean	20.3	17.6
	Median	20.0	18.0
	Possible range	0-24	

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 2019 OnLAC sample.

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
FNMI young people	<i>n</i> =	231	147	209	75
		24.3%	23.8%	13.9%	8.8%

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.

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Kinship in care	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	30.8%	20.0%	52.6%	14.3%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often	21.4%	10.0%	38.9%	0%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	21.4%	33.3%	33.3%	14.3%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often	28.6%	10.0%	38.9%	14.3%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often	15.4%	20.0%	16.7%	14.3%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	35.7%	10.0%	27.8%	14.3%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	21.4%	50.0%	27.8%	14.3%
	Has a native Spirit Name	21.4%	30.0%	44.4%	28.6%
Foster home	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	8.3%	23.4%	31.0%	33.3%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often	12.7%	15.8%	15.3%	15.6%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	10.5%	22.1%	19.6%	21.9%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often	14.3%	18.4%	18.8%	12.5%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often	13.5%	15.8%	11.5%	19.4%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	22.5%	13.3%	12.1%	5.4%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	14.7%	25.3%	25.5%	19.4%
	Has a native Spirit Name	7.6%	18.4%	31.0%	28.1%
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Group home	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	--	100%	14.3%	30.0%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often	--	0%	9.1%	10.0%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	--	50.0%	23.8%	40.0%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often	--	0%	4.5%	10.0%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often	--	0%	0%	10.0%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	--	0%	13.6%	0%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	--	0%	13.6%	20.0%
	Has a native Spirit Name	--	0%	15.0%	30.0%
Customary care	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	28.3%	32.6%	13.8%	25.0%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often	44.6%	44.2%	45.2%	75.0%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	36.4%	52.3%	41.9%	50.0%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often	38.9%	34.1%	31.3%	0%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often	33.3%	34.9%	31.3%	25.0%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	65.4%	50.0%	40.0%	25.0%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	50.0%	48.8%	54.8%	33.3%
	Has a native Spirit Name	32.7%	44.2%	48.4%	50.0%
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		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Independent living	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation			--	33.3%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often			--	11.1%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community			--	22.2%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often			--	22.2%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often			--	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			--	25.0%
	Has a native Spirit Name			--	0%
Overall	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	15.8%	27.1%	32.6%	33.3%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often	20.9%	25.7%	21.2%	15.4%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	18.8%	34.0%	26.4%	27.7%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often	22.2%	23.4%	22.1%	12.3%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often	19.0%	23.6%	14.3%	14.3%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	34.3%	26.1%	19.5%	8.0%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	25.5%	35.3%	30.2%	22.6%
	Has a native Spirit Name	15.2%	28.1%	33.2%	25.0%

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> =	76	55	152	56	
	Mean score	18.1	17.0	15.3	14.1	
	Median score	18.0	18.0	16.0	14.0	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	721	428	952	404	
	Mean score	18.2	16.9	14.9	13.6	
	Median score	19.0	17.0	15.0	14.0	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	14	31	246	151	
	Mean score	17.7	14.5	12.4	11.4	
	Median score	18.0	14.0	12.0	11.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	60	49	44	5	
	Mean score	18.3	18.2	15.6	13.8	
	Median score	19.0	18.0	16.0	13.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	96	26
	Mean score			4.5	9.1	10.7
	Median score			4.5	10.0	12.0
Overall	<i>n</i> =	906	584	1462	777	38
	Mean	18.2	16.9	14.4	12.4	10.9
	Median	19.0	17.0	15.0	12.0	12.0
	Possible range			0-20		

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

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17	18+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	76	55	152	56	
	Mean score	19.3	18.3	15.7	15.4	
	Median score	20.0	19.0	17.0	17.0	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	721	428	952	404	
	Mean score	19.5	17.9	14.3	13.0	
	Median score	20.0	19.0	15.0	14.0	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	14	31	246	151	
	Mean score	18.0	15.2	10.2	9.3	
	Median score	18.0	16.0	10.5	9.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	60	49	44	5	
	Mean score	19.5	19.2	15.5	14.6	
	Median score	20.0	20.0	17.0	17.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	96	26
	Mean score			7.0	9.6	13.7
	Median score			7.0	10.0	15.5
Overall	<i>n</i> =	906	584	1462	777	38
	Mean	19.5	17.9	13.6	11.7	13.4
	Median	20.0	19.0	15.0	12.0	15.0
	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> =	76	55	152	56	
	Mean score	37.4	35.3	31.0	29.5	
	Median score	38.0	36.0	33.0	31.0	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	721	428	952	404	
	Mean score	37.7	34.8	29.2	26.6	
	Median score	38.0	36.0	30.0	28.0	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	14	31	246	151	
	Mean score	35.7	29.7	22.6	20.8	
	Median score	36.0	31.0	30.0	20.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	60	49	44	5	
	Mean score	37.8	37.4	31.2	28.4	
	Median score	39.0	38.0	33.0	30.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	96	26
	Mean score			11.5	18.7	24.4
	Median score			11.5	19.0	28.0
Overall	<i>n</i> =	906	584	1462	777	38
	Mean	37.7	34.8	28.0	24.1	24.3
	Median	38.0	36.0	30.0	25.0	26.5
	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> =	76	55	152	56	
	Low asset	0%	0%	12.5%	16.1%	
	Medium asset	3.9%	9.1%	23.7%	28.6%	
	High asset	96.1%	90.9%	63.8%	55.4%	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	721	428	952	404	
	Low asset	0.3%	1.2%	13.6%	21.8%	
	Medium asset	1.9%	14.3%	37.7%	41.8%	
	High asset	97.8%	84.6%	48.7%	36.4%	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	14	31	246	151	
	Low asset	0%	6.5%	40.2%	52.3%	
	Medium asset	7.1%	38.7%	39.8%	33.8%	
	High asset	92.9%	54.8%	19.9%	13.9%	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	60	49	44	5	
	Low asset	0%	0%	11.4%	20.0%	
	Medium asset	1.7%	2.0%	22.7%	40.0%	
	High asset	98.3%	98.0%	65.9%	40.0%	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	96	26
	Low asset			100%	57.3%	38.5%
	Medium asset			0%	34.4%	26.9%
	High asset			0%	8.3%	34.6%
Overall	<i>n</i> =	906	584	1462	777	38
	Low asset	0.2%	1.2%	19.2%	34.4%	34.2%
	Medium asset	2.2%	14.0%	36.0%	38.1%	36.8%
	High asset	97.6%	84.8%	44.8%	27.5%	28.9%

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).

		6-9	10-15	16-17
Reading and language arts	<i>n</i> =	556	1350	621
	Very well or well	22.5%	24.1%	26.4%
	Average	39.0%	50.1%	52.2%
	Poorly or very poorly	38.5%	25.8%	21.4%
Mathematics	<i>n</i> =	550	1346	606
	Very well or well	20.0%	19.7%	18.5%
	Average	45.8%	50.3%	51.2%
	Poorly or very poorly	34.2%	30.0%	30.4%
Science	<i>n</i> =	492	1263	517
	Very well or well	20.5%	20.3%	18.6%
	Average	55.1%	58.5%	58.4%
	Poorly or very poorly	24.4%	21.1%	23.0%
Overall	<i>n</i> =	567	1399	655
	Very well or well	22.9%	21.9%	22.3%
	Average	48.7%	56.0%	53.4%
	Poorly or very poorly	28.4%	22.0%	24.3%
<i>Academic achievement score</i>	<i>n</i> =	487	1237	499
	Mean	3.7	3.9	4.0
	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).

		10-15	16+
	<i>n</i> =	1338	636
Doing very well in school		35.1%	26.1%
Doing average in school		56.5%	60.4%
Doing poorly in school		8.4%	13.5%

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

		6-9	10-15	16-17
Performance in school in reading	<i>n</i> =	589	1450	777
	Excellent	10.5%	12.9%	13.0%
	Good	32.9%	39.9%	42.7%
	Fair	28.9%	29.7%	24.1%
	Poor	27.7%	17.5%	20.2%
Performance in school in math	<i>n</i> =	590	1452	765
	Excellent	6.8%	7.5%	5.4%
	Good	39.0%	37.4%	35.2%
	Fair	32.2%	35.0%	32.3%
	Poor	22.0%	20.1%	27.2%

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)

		6-9	10-15	16-17
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	34	112	36
	Mean score	2.7	2.9	3.4
	Median score	3.0	3.0	3.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	324	762	333
	Mean score	2.3	3.7	3.9
	Median score	2.0	3.0	4.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	27	215	128
	Mean score	2.3	4.6	5.0
	Median score	2.0	4.0	4.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	26	23	3
	Mean score	1.8	3.3	4.7
	Median score	2.0	3.0	6.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =		2	84
	Mean score		3.0	5.5
	Median score		3.0	5.0
Overall	<i>n</i> =	424	1161	647
	Mean	2.3	3.8	4.5
	Median	2.0	4.0	4.0
	Range	0-9.0	0-18.0	0-20.0

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

		1-2
Kinship in care	Mean	27
	Median	32.6
Foster home	Mean	32.4
	Median	33.0
Group home	Mean	4
	Median	34.0
Customary care	Mean	31.7
	Median	32.5
Overall	Mean	389
	Median	32.4
	Possible range	33.0
		0-40

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

		3-5
Kinship in care	Mean	41
	Median	46.6
Foster home	Mean	47.0
	Median	270
Group home	Mean	45.4
	Median	47.0
Customary care	Mean	8
	Median	37.3
Overall	Mean	40.0
	Median	34
		45.1
		46.5
Overall	Mean	371
	Median	45.3
	Possible range	47.0
		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).

		6-9
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	54
	Mean	22.9
	Median	24.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	43 ⁰
	Mean	23.2
	Median	24.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	29
	Mean	19.8
	Median	22.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	51
	Mean	22.8
	Median	23.0
Overall	<i>n</i> =	59 ⁰
	Mean	23.0
	Median	24.0
	Possible range	0-30

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

	18+
<i>n</i> =	33
Less than grade 9	3.0%
Grade 9	3.0%
Grade 10	3.0%
Grade 11	33.3%
High school diploma or its equivalent	51.5%
Technical, trade, or vocational school (above high school level)	3.0%
Community college	3.0%
University degree	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.

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	75	54	150	51
	Excellent or very good	90.6%	90.7%	87.3%	80.4%
	Good	8.0%	9.3%	12.0%	19.6%
	Fair or poor	1.3%	0%	0.7%	0%
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	726	435	914	369
	Excellent or very good	83.7%	86.0%	81.4%	69.4%
	Good	13.2%	11.7%	17.1%	27.4%
	Fair or poor	14.3%	2.3%	1.5%	3.3%
Group home	<i>n</i> =	--	32	215	115
	Excellent or very good	--	68.8%	68.4%	57.4%
	Good	--	21.9%	25.6%	33.9%
	Fair or poor	--	9.4%	6.0%	8.7%
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	63	53	45	6
	Excellent or very good	82.6%	79.2%	84.5%	33.3%
	Good	14.3%	18.9%	11.1%	66.7%
	Fair or poor	3.2%	1.9%	4.4%	0%
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			1	105
	Excellent or very good			0%	41.0%
	Good			100%	46.7%
	Fair or poor			0%	12.4%
Overall	<i>n</i> =	918	601	1393	708
	Excellent or very good	83.0%	84.4%	79.4%	62.7%
	Good	13.7%	13.1%	18.0%	31.0%
	Fair or poor	3.3%	2.5%	2.6%	5.6%

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

	6-9	10-15	16-17
No problems	59.3%	64.8%	58.9%
Speaking	25.1%	9.7%	4.9%
Walking	7.6%	4.5%	3.4%
Climbing	7.9%	4.8%	2.4%
Bending	5.0%	3.4%	3.4%
Seeing	13.0%	14.5%	15.7%
Hearing	3.4%	3.5%	3.3%
Using hands and fingers	8.9%	3.8%	2.0%

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

	0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
None	55.1%	32.7%	23.7%	23.0%
Food or digestive allergies	5.8%	3.4%	3.3%	3.5%
Respiratory allergies	1.1%	2.1%	2.3%	2.4%
Other allergies	1.8%	2.8%	3.8%	3.5%
Asthma	6.5%	5.5%	4.8%	5.8%
Bronchitis	0.5%	0.2%	0.2%	0.5%
Heart condition or disease	2.6%	2.3%	1.1%	2.0%
Epilepsy	0.5%	2.9%	2.2%	1.8%
Diabetes	0.1%	0.3%	0.9%	1.6%
Cerebral palsy	1.4%	1.5%	2.0%	0.9%
Kidney condition or disease	1.3%	1.5%	0.8%	0.8%
Blood disorder	0.2%	0.3%	0.4%	0.6%
Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder	2.4%	6.2%	6.3%	6.6%
Developmental disability	11.2%	18.2%	18.6%	18.8%
Learning disability	5.2%	23.7%	32.1%	33.2%
Attention deficit disorder	2.3%	27.1%	37.4%	30.7%
Emotional, psychological, or nervous disorder	2.8%	20.1%	31.0%	33.0%
Any other long-term condition	12.1%	16.7%	12.0%	9.9%

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

	0-2	3-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Traditional Healer (<i>FNMI young people</i>)	9.0%	2.2%	7.2%	10.9%	15.8%
Medical examination	99.3%	97.8%	98.3%	98.4%	94.1%
Dental examination	28.4%	94.5%	99.3%	98.9%	94.7%
Up-to-date immunizations	96.3%	97.0%	98.3%	98.3%	96.8%

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

		10-15	16-17	18+
Tobacco	<i>n</i> =	1350	659	32
	Not at all	69.9%	50.2%	37.5%
	Have tried it	6.5%	11.8%	12.5%
	Occasionally	4.7%	11.5%	12.5%
	Daily	18.8%	26.4%	37.5%
Alcohol	<i>n</i> =	1340	660	32
	Not at all	70.1%	41.7%	18.8%
	Have tried it	9.3%	25.6%	34.4%
	Occasionally	4.3%	20.8%	40.6%
	Daily	16.3%	12.0%	6.3%
Marijuana	<i>n</i> =	1342	664	32
	Not at all	69.8%	43.4%	31.3%
	Have tried it	6.6%	19.3%	21.9%
	Occasionally	6.2%	15.7%	25.0%
	Daily	17.4%	21.7%	21.9%

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

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Prescription or non-prescription	<i>n</i> =	924	607	1352	696
	Yes	21.4%	45.6%	59.6%	58.0%
	No	78.6%	54.4%	40.4%	42.0%
Psychotropic	<i>n</i> =	927	600	1465	790
	Yes	4.1%	35.5%	51.6%	45.1%
	No	95.9%	64.5%	48.3%	54.4%
	Uncertain	0%	0%	0.1%	0.5%
Support and monitoring of medication provided	<i>n</i> =	903	595	1459	807
	Yes	99.2%	99.8%	99.2%	97.1%
	No	0.8%	0.2%	0.8%	2.9%

Ages & Stages Questionnaires[®], Third Edition (ASQ-3[™])

The ASQ-3[™] 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[™] 10 Month Questionnaire for babies aged 9 months, 0 days through 10 months, 30 days.

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	10 months <i>n</i> = 8			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	22.87	0-60	38.75	62.5%	25.0%	12.5%
Gross Motor	30.07		37.50	37.5%	25.0%	37.5%
Fine Motor	37.97		46.25	37.5%	50.0%	12.5%
Problem Solving	32.51		39.38	37.5%	50.0%	12.5%
Personal-Social	27.25		31.88	37.5%	25.0%	37.5%

Table 7-2: ASQ-3[™] 12 Month Questionnaire for babies aged 11 months, 0 days through 12 months, 30 days.

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	Mean total score	12 months <i>n</i> = 154		
				% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	15.64	0-60	40.16	77.9%	14.9%	7.1%
Gross Motor	21.49		35.97	59.1%	12.3%	28.6%
Fine Motor	34.50		46.10	69.5%	14.9%	15.6%
Problem Solving	27.32		38.44	61.7%	12.3%	26.0%
Personal-Social	21.73		37.95	63.6%	16.2%	20.1%

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

			14 months <i>n = 30</i>			
Area	Cutoff	Possible range	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	17.40	0-60	40.00	73.3%	13.3%	13.3%
Gross Motor	25.80		35.50	53.3%	10.0%	36.7%
Fine Motor	23.06		43.50	73.3%	6.7%	20.0%
Problem Solving	22.56		40.67	63.3%	20.0%	16.7%
Personal-Social	23.18		44.83	66.7%	23.3%	10.0%

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

			16 months <i>n = 17</i>			
Area	Cutoff	Possible range	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	16.81	0-60	36.18	58.8%	23.5%	17.6%
Gross Motor	37.91		43.82	52.9%	17.6%	29.4%
Fine Motor	31.98		40.0	41.2%	29.4%	29.4%
Problem Solving	30.51		35.59	35.3%	29.4%	35.3%
Personal-Social	26.43		43.24	82.4%	0%	17.6%

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

			18 months <i>n = 16</i>			
Area	Cutoff	Possible range	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	13.06	0-60	37.81	75.0%	12.5%	12.5%
Gross Motor	37.38		49.38	62.5%	25.0%	12.5%
Fine Motor	34.32		51.56	81.3%	12.5%	6.3%
Problem Solving	25.74		43.44	62.5%	31.3%	6.3%
Personal-Social	27.19		43.75	68.8%	18.8%	12.5%

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

			20 months n = 16			
Area	Cutoff	Possible range	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	20.50	0-60	38.44	62.5%	18.8%	18.8%
Gross Motor	39.89		49.69	68.8%	25.0%	6.3%
Fine Motor	36.05		50.00	68.8%	18.8%	12.5%
Problem Solving	28.84		45.31	75.0%	18.8%	6.3%
Personal-Social	33.36		45.31	75.0%	6.3%	18.8%

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

			22 months n = 18			
Area	Cutoff	Possible range	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	13.04	0-60	37.50	72.2%	11.1%	16.7%
Gross Motor	27.75		50.28	88.9%	5.6%	5.6%
Fine Motor	29.61		47.78	83.3%	11.1%	5.6%
Problem Solving	29.30		48.33	88.9%	5.6%	5.6%
Personal-Social	30.07		49.44	77.8%	11.1%	11.1%

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

			24 months n = 67			
67Area	Cutoff	Possible range	Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	25.17	0-60	37.16	55.2%	11.9%	32.8%
Gross Motor	38.07		49.18	70.1%	14.9%	14.9%
Fine Motor	35.16		44.55	64.2%	16.4%	19.4%
Problem Solving	29.78		40.97	61.2%	17.9%	20.9%
Personal-Social	31.54		43.43	56.7%	25.4%	17.9%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	27 months n = 24			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	24.02	0-60	40.42	58.3%	29.2%	12.5%
Gross Motor	28.01		46.46	79.2%	29.2%	12.5%
Fine Motor	18.42		37.50	58.3%	37.5%	4.2%
Problem Solving	27.62		44.17	79.2%	4.2%	16.7%
Personal-Social	25.31		44.80	91.7%	0%	8.3%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	30 months n = 27			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	33.30	0-60	38.70	55.6%	7.4%	37.0%
Gross Motor	36.14		47.96	77.8%	3.7%	18.5%
Fine Motor	19.25		34.63	51.9%	37.0%	11.1%
Problem Solving	27.08		34.82	48.1%	22.2%	29.6%
Personal-Social	32.01		43.52	59.3%	14.8%	25.9%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	33 months n = 15			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	25.36	0-60	38.33	66.7%	20.0%	13.3%
Gross Motor	34.80		43.00	53.3%	26.7%	20.0%
Fine Motor	12.28		31.67	53.3%	33.3%	13.3%
Problem Solving	26.92		37.67	53.3%	20.0%	26.7%
Personal-Social	28.96		42.33	60.0%	13.3%	26.7%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	36 months <i>n</i> = 47			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	30.99	0-60	39.58	55.3%	14.9%	29.8%
Gross Motor	36.99		46.17	63.8%	14.9%	21.3%
Fine Motor	18.07		34.89	61.7%	19.1%	19.1%
Problem Solving	30.29		42.45	57.4%	12.8%	29.8%
Personal-Social	35.33		45.53	63.8%	8.5%	27.7%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	42 months <i>n</i> = 60			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	27.06	0-60	39.58	61.7%	18.3%	20.0%
Gross Motor	36.27		49.58	70.0%	13.3%	16.7%
Fine Motor	19.82		37.25	65.0%	13.3%	21.7%
Problem Solving	28.11		43.00	65.0%	18.3%	16.7%
Personal-Social	31.12		46.25	71.7%	16.7%	11.7%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	48 months <i>n</i> = 60			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	30.72	0-60	43.08	66.7%	6.7%	26.7%
Gross Motor	32.78		46.83	71.7%	6.7%	21.7%
Fine Motor	15.81		34.33	55.0%	20.0%	25.0%
Problem Solving	31.30		42.58	65.0%	6.7%	28.3%
Personal-Social	26.60		44.25	75.0%	15.0%	10.0%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	54 months <i>n</i> = 42			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	31.85	0-60	42.98	64.3%	7.1%	28.6%
Gross Motor	35.18		48.21	73.8%	4.8%	21.4%
Fine Motor	17.32		35.00	59.5%	19.0%	21.4%
Problem Solving	28.12		42.26	66.7%	14.3%	19.0%
Personal-Social	32.33		44.76	66.7%	14.3%	19.0%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	60 months <i>n</i> = 109			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	33.19	0-60	41.90	64.2%	11.0%	24.8%
Gross Motor	31.28		45.60	69.7%	9.2%	21.1%
Fine Motor	26.54		39.21	59.6%	10.1%	30.3%
Problem Solving	29.99		44.31	66.1%	15.6%	18.3%
Personal-Social	39.07		46.67	61.5%	17.4%	21.1%

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

Area		0-11 mos.	12-23 mos.	24-35 mos.	3-5 yrs.
Communication	<i>n</i> =	108	184	129	293
	% above cutoff	79.6%	70.7%	56.6%	62.5%
	% near cutoff	13.9%	15.2%	17.1%	10.9%
	% below cutoff	6.5%	14.1%	26.4%	26.6%
Gross Motor	<i>n</i> =	108	184	129	293
	% above cutoff	59.3%	63.0%	69.8%	69.6%
	% near cutoff	13.0%	14.1%	14.0%	8.9%
	% below cutoff	27.8%	22.8%	16.3%	21.5%
Fine Motor	<i>n</i> =	108	184	129	293
	% above cutoff	70.4%	67.4%	59.7%	59.0%
	% near cutoff	15.7%	16.8%	25.6%	15.4%
	% below cutoff	13.9%	15.8%	14.7%	25.6%
Problem Solving	<i>n</i> =	108	184	129	293
	% above cutoff	62.0%	63.6%	62.8%	63.5%
	% near cutoff	17.6%	15.8%	14.7%	14.3%
	% below cutoff	20.4%	20.7%	22.5%	22.2%
Personal-Social	<i>n</i> =	108	184	129	293
	% above cutoff	59.3%	70.1%	63.6%	66.9%
	% near cutoff	20.4%	13.6%	15.5%	15.4%
	% below cutoff	20.0%	16.3%	20.9%	17.7%

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	n =	Mean total score	Median total score	% below cutoff
6 months (infants aged 3 to 8 months)	45	0-285	2	7.50	7.50	100%
12 months (children aged 9 to 14 months)	48	0-330	207	16.54	10.00	95.2%
18 months (children aged 15 to 20 months)	50	0-390	57	17.46	15.00	98.2%
24 months (children aged 21 to 26 months)	50	0-390	108	23.84	15.00	91.7%
30 months (children aged 27 to 32 months)	57	0-435	55	44.36	25.00	74.5%
36 months (children aged 33 to 41 months)	59	0-465	92	59.62	42.50	64.1%
48 months (children aged 42 to 53 months)	70	0-495	117	62.82	50.00	74.4%
60 months (children ages 54 to 65 months)	70	0-495	128	69.06	50.00	66.4%

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).

	0-11 mos.	12-23 mos.	24-35 mos.	3-5 yrs.
n =	116	200	150	300
% below cutoff	94.8%	96.5%	80.0%	67.7%

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

		10-15	16-17
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	132	47
	Mean score	55.6	57.7
	Median score	58.0	61.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	773	323
	Mean score	54.6	54.2
	Median score	57.0	56.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	167	89
	Mean score	47.3	45.1
	Median score	51.0	45.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	38	4
	Mean score	55.7	51.5
	Median score	61.0	51.5
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	1	70
	Mean score	35.0	50.3
	Median score	35.0	53.5
Overall	<i>n</i> =	1164	580
	Mean	53.57	52.2
	Median	56.0	55.0
	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).

		18+
With relatives	<i>n</i> =	2
	Mean score	9.0
	Median score	9.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	21
	Mean score	9.3
	Median score	10.0
Other	<i>n</i> =	5
	Mean score	7.0
	Median score	7.0
Overall	<i>n</i> =	31
	Mean	9.1
	Median	8.0
	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).

		13-15	16-17
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	78	53
	Mean score	7.7	8.7
	Median score	7.0	8.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	505	341
	Mean score	7.8	8.3
	Median score	8.0	8.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	135	104
	Mean score	6.1	6.7
	Median score	5.0	6.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	19	5
	Mean score	6.8	5.6
	Median score	7.0	6.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	1	77
	Mean score	8.0	7.9
	Median score	8.0	8.0
Overall	<i>n</i> =	781	631
	Mean	7.4	8.0
	Median	7.0	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).

		13-15	16-17
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	77	53
	Mean score	13.2	14.6
	Median score	14.0	15.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	4941	343
	Mean score	13.0	13.6
	Median score	13.0	14.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	135	103
	Mean score	10.3	11.5
	Median score	10.0	11.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	21	5
	Mean score	12.0	10.0
	Median score	13.0	11.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	1	77
	Mean score	6.0	12.2
	Median score	6.0	12.0
Overall	<i>n</i> =	764	632
	Mean	12.5	13.1
	Median	13.0	13.0
	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).

		6-9	10-15	16-17
Kinship in care	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	55	152	54
		8.4	8.3	8.3
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	55	152	54
		2.6	3.0	2.6
	Hyperactivity	6.2	5.3	4.5
	Conduct Problems	2.9	3.0	2.0
	Peer Problems	2.5	2.8	2.7
	Total Difficulties	14.1	14.0	11.9
Foster home	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	432	950	393
		7.4	7.5	7.5
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	433	950	391
		2.6	2.9	3.0
	Hyperactivity	5.9	5.0	4.4
	Conduct Problems	3.0	2.8	2.3
	Peer Problems	2.4	2.8	2.8
	Total Difficulties	13.9	13.6	12.4
Group home	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	30	243	144
		5.4	6.2	6.5
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	30	243	143
		3.6	3.4	3.2
	Hyperactivity	6.6	5.3	4.7
	Conduct Problems	3.5	2.7	2.5
	Peer Problems	2.3	3.0	3.0
	Total Difficulties	16.0	14.3	13.4
Customary care	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	52	44	5
		8.6	7.9	9.2
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	52	44	5
		2.5	2.8	2.4
	Hyperactivity	4.5	5.1	4.9
	Conduct Problems	2.0	2.8	3.3
	Peer Problems	1.8	2.9	2.0
	Total Difficulties	10.8	13.5	12.5
Overall	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	596	1406	623
		7.5	7.4	7.4
	Possible range		0-10	
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	598	1406	620
		2.6	3.0	2.9
	Hyperactivity	5.9	5.1	4.5
	Conduct Problems	2.9	2.8	2.3
	Peer Problems	2.4	2.8	2.8
		Total Difficulties	13.8	13.7
	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> =	52	
	Average score	4.7	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	346	
	Average score	4.6	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	102	
	Average score	4.2	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	5	
	Average score	4.4	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	75	21
	Average score	4.5	4.6
Overall	<i>n</i> =	632	31
	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> =	52	
	Average score	4.4	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	346	
	Average score	4.3	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	102	
	Average score	4.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	5	
	Average score	4.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	75	21
	Average score	4.5	4.5
Overall	<i>n</i> =	632	31
	Average score	4.3	4.5
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> =	52	
	Average score	4.4	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	346	
	Average score	4.2	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	102	
	Average score	3.9	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	5	
	Average score	4.1	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	75	21
	Average score	4.4	4.5
Overall	<i>n</i> =	632	31
	Average score	4.2	4.4
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> =	52	
	Average score	4.6	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	346	
	Average score	4.5	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	102	
	Average score	4.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	5	
	Average score	4.4	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	75	21
	Average score	4.5	4.6
Overall	<i>n</i> =	632	31
	Average score	4.4	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> =	52	
	Average score	3.6	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	346	
	Average score	3.4	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	102	
	Average score	2.9	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	5	
	Average score	2.7	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	75	21
	Average score	3.9	4.3
Overall	<i>n</i> =	632	31
	Average score Possible range	3.4 1-5	4.1

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> =	52	
	Average score	4.2	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	346	
	Average score	4.0	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	102	
	Average score	3.5	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	5	
	Average score	3.4	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	75	21
	Average score	4.2	4.5
Overall	<i>n</i> =	632	31
	Average score Possible range	3.9 1-5	4.4

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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	Average score <i>n</i> =	52 4.0	
Foster home	Average score <i>n</i> =	346 3.8	
Group home	Average score <i>n</i> =	102 3.3	
Customary care	Average score <i>n</i> =	5 3.2	
Independent living	Average score <i>n</i> =	75 4.0	21 4.1
Overall	Average score Possible range	632 3.7	31 4.2
		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	Average score <i>n</i> =	52 4.5	
Foster home	Average score <i>n</i> =	346 4.3	
Group home	Average score <i>n</i> =	102 3.6	
Customary care	Average score <i>n</i> =	5 3.9	
Independent living	Average score <i>n</i> =	75 4.1	21 4.3
Overall	Average score Possible range	632 4.1	31 4.3
		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> =	52	
	Average score	4.3	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	346	
	Average score	4.1	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	102	
	Average score	3.7	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	5	
	Average score	3.8	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	75	21
	Average score	4.3	4.5
Overall	<i>n</i> =	632	31
	Average score	4.1	4.4
	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.

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	70	50	140	52
	Mean time	1.9	1.9	2.2	1.8
	Median time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	653	403	893	379
	Mean time	2.0	1.9	2.3	2.2
	Median time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	14	32	232	138
	Mean time	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.0
	Median time	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	63	50	43	5
	Mean time	2.1	2.2	2.1	3.3
	Median time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.5
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	109
	Mean time			1.2	1.9
	Median time			1.2	1.8
Overall	<i>n</i> =	838	557	1370	766
	Mean time	2.0	1.9	2.3	2.1
	Median time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
	Range	0-16.0	0.5-6.0	0-15.8	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).

		6-9	10-15	16+
Kinship in care	<i>n</i> =	40	136	51
	Mean time	0.4	1.2	1.0
	Median time	0.2	1.0	1.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	384	871	369
	Mean time	0.3	1.2	1.2
	Median time	0.0	1.0	1.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	29	229	134
	Mean time	0.3	1.0	1.0
	Median time	0.0	1.0	1.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	42	41	5
	Mean time	0.4	1.0	1.6
	Median time	0.3	1.0	1.5
Independent living	<i>n</i> =		2	110
	Mean time		0.5	1.3
	Median time		0.5	1.3
Overall	<i>n</i> =	513	1341	752
	Mean time	0.3	1.1	1.2
	Median time	0.0	1.0	1.0
	Range	0-3.8	0-6.2	0-5.5