

# Ontario Looking After Children (OnLAC) 2018 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 2018 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 2018 AAR.

<b>Age group</b> <i>Total AAR sample</i>		<b>0-5</b> <i>N = 935</i>	<b>6-9</b> <i>N = 621</i>	<b>10-15</b> <i>N = 1612</i>	<b>16+</b> <i>N = 1027</i>
Biological sex	<i>n =</i>	935	621	1612	1027
	Male	54.9%	57.8%	56.7%	53.2%
	Female	45.0%	42.2%	43.1%	46.8%
	Intersex	0.1%	0%	0.1%	0%
Age	<i>n =</i>	935	621	1612	1027
	Mean	2.5	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.

	<b>0-5</b>	<b>6-9</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16+</b>
<i>n =</i>	898	610	1561	994
Temporary care agreement	4.6%	3.0	3.1%	0.9%
Interim care and custody	25.8%	16.7%	7.6%	3.0%
Society ward	25.2%	19.7%	12.9%	5.2%
Customary care	7.8%	8.5%	3.2%	1.3%
Crown ward	36.2%	51.8%	73.0%	82.5%
Other	0.4%	0.3%	0.1%	0.9%
Continued Care and Support for Youth				6.1%

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

	0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Physical/Sexual Harm by Commission	8.8%	17.9%	20.4%	16.4%
Harm by Omission	27.2%	31.7%	27.4%	23.4%
Emotional Harm	19.9%	33.5%	32.8%	27.2%
Abandonment/Separation	8.3%	10.5%	21.3%	29.2%
Caregiver Capacity	76.3%	64.7%	54.5%	46.3%
Request for Adoption Services	1.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Family Based Services	0.1%	0.5%	0.8%	0.9%
Volunteer Services	0.9%	0.5%	0.5%	0.4%
Request for Assistance	1.1%	2.1%	4.0%	4.9%
Request for Youth Services	0.2%	0.3%	0.7%	1.2%
Request for Counselling	0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.6%

Note: Respondents could select more than one option

Table 1-4 : Current placement.

	n =	0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Kinship in care	921	10.9%	9.5%	10.5%	7.0%
Foster home operated by child welfare organization	67.9%	52.1%	41.3%	30.2%	
Group home operated by child welfare organization	0.5%	0.2%	1.6%	2.1%	
Foster home – outside placement resource	12.4%	23.8%	25.5%	16.1%	
Group home – outside placement resource	1.2%	6.1%	15.0%	15.8%	
Customary care	6.4%	7.2%	2.7%	0.9%	
Children’s mental health residential facility	0%	0.8%	1.0%	0.4%	
Psychiatric facility	0%	0%	0.1%	0.1%	
With birth parent(s)	0.2%	0%	0.1%	1.7%	
Adoption probation	0.2%	0%	0.1%	0%	
With relatives				0.8%	
Hospital	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Whereabouts unknown			0.3%	0.5%	
Whereabouts unapproved			0.2%	1.1%	
Custody/Detention facility			0.3%	1.1%	
Shelter			0%	0.8%	
Independent living			0.2%	16.8%	
Other	0.3%	0.3%	1.2%	4.6%	

## 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> =	913	611	1567	996
	Male	5.7%	7.9%	11.0%	14.7%
	Female	94.2%	92.1%	88.8%	85.2%
	Non-binary	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Trans	0%	0%	0%	0.1%
	Prefer not to answer	0.1%	0%	0.1%	0%
Length of time working with this young person	<i>n</i> =	750	463	1190	739
	Mean years	1.2	1.9	2.5	2.8
	Median years	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0
Length of time working in child welfare	<i>n</i> =	760	503	1290	731
	Mean years	14.3	14.2	14.9	14.9
	Median years	15.0	15.0	16.0	15.0

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+
Less than a high school diploma	<i>n</i> =	923	612	1563	1001
	0%	0%	0.1%	0%	
	High school diploma	0.4%	0.8%	0.2%	0.2%
	Trades certificate – Vocational school – Apprenticeship training	0%	0.2%	0.1%	0%
	Non-university certificate or diploma from a community college, CEGEP, school of nursing, etc.	11.9%	14.1%	11.9%	10.9%
	University certificate or diploma below bachelor level	2.5%	2.0%	1.7%	1.9%
	Bachelor degree	60.3%	59.6%	60.8%	57.0%
	University certificate or diploma above bachelor level	7.3%	8.2%	5.2%	5.5%
	Master's degree	17.6%	15.2%	19.9%	24.4%
	Doctoral degree	0%	0%	0.2%	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> =	847	565	1442	918
	Yes	78.9%	82.3%	87.3%	87.6%
	No	21.1%	17.7%	12.7%	12.4%
Frequency that information contained in the AAR is discussed in supervision	<i>n</i> =	918	608	1564	999
	Very often	22.2%	20.6%	25.3%	26.2%
	Sometimes	49.7%	55.9%	56.9%	56.5%
	Almost never	7.2%	9.7%	8.7%	10.5%
	Not applicable – first AAR	20.9%	13.8%	9.1%	6.8%

### 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> =	919	608	1558	782
	Male	4.7%	8.9%	12.9%	14.3%
	Female	95.3%	91.0%	87.1%	85.0%
	Non-binary	0%	0%	0%	0.1%
	Trans	0%	0%	0%	0.1%
	Prefer not to answer	0%	0.2%	0%	0.4%
Length of time providing <i>foster</i> care (for foster placements)	<i>n</i> =	706	492	1047	496
	Mean years	9.3	9.8	10.9	11.2
	Median years	6.0	7.0	9.0	10.0
Language(s) spoken in caregiver's home ( <i>Note</i> : respondents could select more than one option)	English	97.3%	96.8%	94.2%	80.9%
	French	6.4%	4.2%	5.0%	2.3%
	First Nations or Inuit language	2.6%	2.9%	0.6%	0.7%
	Other	1.6%	2.4%	1.7%	1.9%
Ethnic/cultural background of caregiver and that of the young person is:	<i>n</i> =	911	609	1523	773
	The same	46.2%	44.8%	45.4%	44.6%
	Similar	38.3%	38.8%	36.4%	36.1%
Neither the same nor similar	15.5%	16.4%	18.2%	19.3%	

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> =	849	574	1414	702
Less than a high school diploma		6.4%	6.3%	3.3%	4.3%
High school diploma		26.7%	22.8%	21.4%	19.8%
Trades certificate – Vocational school – Apprenticeship training		6.4%	4.9%	4.5%	4.4%
Non-university certificate or diploma from a community college, CEGEP, school of nursing, etc.		39.7%	39.5%	43.8%	41.9%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level		4.1%	6.1%	7.4%	8.4%
Bachelor degree		11.5%	13.9%	13.6%	14.8%
University certificate or diploma above bachelor level		2.8%	2.4%	2.9%	3.1%
Master’s degree		2.1%	3.8%	3.0%	3.1%
Doctoral degree		0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%

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> =	827	577	1463	737
Caregiver has attended formal Looking After Children training	Yes	57.8%	55.6%	61.0%	58.6%
	No	42.2%	44.4%	39.0%	41.4%
Caregiver has completed/is currently attending caregiver training ( <i>Note:</i> respondents could select more than one option)	PRIDE*	68.9%	62.0%	53.1%	34.7%
	Agency-specific training	50.9%	49.0%	45.9%	35.5%
	Foster parenting techniques	14.3%	14.0%	15.1%	13.6%
	Other program	31.0%	41.1%	41.3%	36.1%

\*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> =	87	44	137	55
	Mean	1.3	3.2	4.5	6.7
	Median	1.0	2.0	3.0	6.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	565	321	764	313
	Mean	1.4	2.3	3.2	4.6
	Median	1.0	1.3	2.0	3.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	12	28	179	119
	Mean	1.4	1.6	1.9	2.4
	Median	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	52	34	37	7
	Mean	1.7	3.8	3.2	6.4
	Median	1.0	4.0	2.0	4.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			1	40
	Mean			0.7	0.4
	Median			0.7	0.3
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	729	442	1159	592
	Mean	1.4	2.5	3.1	3.7
	Median	1.0	1.8	2.0	2.0
	Range	0-5.9	0-11	0-15.7	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> =		917	609	1579	935
	Much continuity of care (no placement change in last 12 months)	76.9%	72.1%	71.3%	58.3%
	Some disruptions (one change of placement in last 12 months)	18.6%	21.0%	19.1%	24.5%
	Serious disruptions (two or more changes of placement in last 12 months)	4.5%	6.9%	9.6%	17.2%

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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> =	100	57	155	69
	Mean	2.4	2.7	3.3	3.0
	Median	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	730	451	1015	448
	Mean	1.9	3.3	3.9	4.0
	Median	2.0	3.0	4.0	3.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	15	35	248	168
	Mean	2.5	4.4	5.4	5.4
	Median	3.0	4.0	5.0	5.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	54	39	36	8
	Mean	1.7	2.5	3.9	4.0
	Median	2.0	2.0	3.0	3.5
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			3	115
	Mean			8.7	6.3
	Median			9.0	5.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	916	597	1523	900
	Mean	1.9	3.3	4.2	4.7
	Median	2.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
	Range	0-12.0	0-12.0	0-20.0	0-31.0

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

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16-17
	<i>n</i> =	884	579	1519	918
Return home		10.9%	13.0%	8.6%	5.3%
Adoption		51.1%	41.6%	17.6%	1.9%
Kinship		7.0%	7.8%	4.7%	1.6%
Status change to legal custody		0.9%	1.7%	1.7%	0%
Customary care		5.9%	5.5%	2.6%	0.3%
Independent living		0%	0.3%	6.3%	40.5%
Adult services		0.3%	0.9%	6.2%	12.2%
Remain in current placement		5.3%	14.2%	36.1%	30.7%
Other		0.9%	0.5%	1.5%	2.5%
Permanency plan not yet determined		17.6%	14.5%	14.5%	4.9%

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		606	1578	1001
		50.3%	48.9%	49.1%
Fairly long-term relationship (i.e., more than three years)		25.4%	32.0%	34.7%
Short-term relationship (i.e., one to three years)		19.8%	16.9%	11.1%
No stable relationship		4.5%	2.2%	5.2%

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		915	273	1554	994
		54.1%	44.8%	41.0%	42.9%
At least once a month		18.1%	30.0%	37.3%	37.4%
At least once a year		12.8%	12.3%	12.2%	11.3%
Less than once a year		2.5%	3.1%	2.8%	3.6%
Never		12.5%	9.8%	6.7%	4.8%

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		888	600	1541	989
		72.1%	64.7%	61.8%	64.2%
At least once a month		12.4%	21.8%	24.5%	25.6%
At least once a year		5.4%	6.3%	7.8%	6.6%
Less than once a year		1.1%	1.5%	1.6%	1.0%
Never		9.0%	5.7%	4.3%	2.6%

## 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> =	151	60
	Mean score	11.3	11.2
	Median score	12.0	12.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	937	389
	Mean score	10.6	10.4
	Median score	12.0	12.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	186	135
	Mean score	7.7	7.9
	Median score	8.0	8.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	29	7
	Mean score	10.8	9.4
	Median score	12.0	10.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	1	71
	Mean score	6.0	8.6
	Median score	6.0	10.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	1377	732
	Mean	10.2	9.7
	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).

		3-5	6-9	10-15	16+
	<i>n</i> =	399	604	1571	1000
Clear understanding		10.8%	32.0%	58.4%	72.8%
Some understanding		53.4%	54.8%	36.3%	23.6%
Little or no understanding		35.8%	13.2%	5.3%	3.6%

## 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		<i>n</i> =	141	55
	Mean		7.1	6.7
	Median		8.0	8.0
Foster home		<i>n</i> =	931	381
	Mean		6.7	6.5
	Median		8.0	7.0
Group home		<i>n</i> =	184	127
	Mean		5.9	5.3
	Median		6.0	6.0
Customary care		<i>n</i> =	36	7
	Mean		6.7	6.7
	Median		7.4	8.0
<b>Overall</b>		<i>n</i> =	1303	596
	Mean		6.6	6.2
	Median		7.9	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).

			<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-17</b>
Kinship in care		<i>n</i> =	152	59
	Mean		10.5	9.6
	Median		12.0	10.0
Foster home		<i>n</i> =	944	388
	Mean		10.2	9.9
	Median		11.0	10.0
Group home		<i>n</i> =	184	136
	Mean		9.7	9.3
	Median		10.5	10.0
Customary care		<i>n</i> =	38	7
	Mean		9.9	11.1
	Median		9.5	12.0
<b>Overall</b>		<i>n</i> =	1331	617
	Mean		10.1	9.7
	Median		11.0	10.0
		Possible range	0-12	

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	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	150	59
			2.9	4.0
			3.0	4.0
Foster home	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	921	379
			2.8	2.9
			2.0	2.0
Group home	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	184	134
			3.4	2.9
			4.0	2.0
Customary care	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	39	5
			3.1	4.2
			3.0	5.0
<b>Overall</b>	Mean Median Possible range	<i>n</i> =	1307	604
			2.9	3.1
			3.0	3.0
			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	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	144	59
			1.5	3.0
			1.0	3.0
Foster home	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	922	387
			1.8	2.6
			1.0	2.0
Group home	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	180	129
			2.5	3.1
			2.0	2.0
Customary care	Mean Median	<i>n</i> =	38	5
			3.0	3.0
			2.0	1.0
<b>Overall</b>	Mean Median Possible range	<i>n</i> =	1297	608
			1.9	2.8
			1.0	2.0
			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	<i>n</i> =	95	57
	Mean	20.2	17.5
	Median	21.0	18.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	699	442
	Mean	20.1	17.3
	Median	20.0	17.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	15	36
	Mean	19.7	19.0
	Median	20.0	19.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	54	40
	Mean	19.4	17.7
	Median	19.5	17.0
Overall	<i>n</i> =	884	592
	Mean	20.0	17.5
	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 2018 OnLAC sample.

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
FNMI young people	<i>n</i> =	235	141	298	157
		25.1%	22.7%	18.5%	15.3%

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	13.6%	25.0%	37.0%	50%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often	40.9%	16.7%	37.0%	16.7%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	22.7%	25.0%	18.5%	50.0%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often	22.7%	16.7%	22.2%	50.0%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often	13.6%	16.7%	23.1%	16.7%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	27.3%	8.3%	25.9%	33.3%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	18.2%	33.3%	36.0%	50.0%
	Has a native Spirit Name	4.5%	16.7%	24.0%	25.4%
Foster home	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	12.9%	27.7%	31.0%	36.1%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often	37.3%	20.6%	12.9%	14.8%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	13.6%	20.6%	9.8%	20.0%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often	16.8%	20.0%	15.6%	13.6%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often	12.9%	15.9%	11.1%	10.2%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	16.1%	18.5%	11.3%	12.0%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	26.2%	25.4%	25.2%	30.2%
	Has a native Spirit Name	9.7%	23.1%	27.3%	25.0%
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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	50.0%	0%	18.5%	25.9%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often	50.0%	0%	11.1%	22.2%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	0%	0%	14.8%	22.2%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often	0%	0%	20.7%	0%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often	0%	0%	17.2%	3.6%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	0%	0%	10.3%	7.1%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	0%	0%	31.0%	14.8%
	Has a native Spirit Name	0%	0%	10.3%	25.0%
Customary care	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	36.4%	56.1%	40.5%	83.3%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often	45.5%	65.9%	45.9%	50.0%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	31.5%	60.0%	37.8%	66.7%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often	36.4%	43.9%	33.3%	50.0%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often	32.7%	48.8%	30.6%	33.3%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	52.7%	39.0%	38.9%	33.4%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	46.3%	65.9%	51.4%	80.0%
	Has a native Spirit Name	21.8%	36.6%	51.4%	16.7%
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<i>continued from previous page, Table 3-9.</i>		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Independent living	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation			--	9.1%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often			--	10.0%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community			--	18.2%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often			--	9.1%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often			--	9.1%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes			--	0%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher			--	27.3%
	Has a native Spirit Name			--	0%
Overall	Belongs to a clan or have a clan affiliation	19.8%	36.4%	30.9%	32.0%
	Visits or meets with people from his/her FNMI community often	23.3%	35.3%	20.1%	16.4%
	Has a relationship to the land or landmarks in his/her community	19.2%	34.7%	16.3%	26.6%
	Learns about traditional teachings, customs, or ceremonies often	22.5%	27.3%	19.4%	14.0%
	Participates in his/her FNMI community events, activities, traditional meals/foods, and ceremonies often	18.4%	26.9%	16.0%	9.3%
	Speaks his/her First Nations or Inuit language often or sometimes	26.6%	24.0%	16.6%	11.1%
	Has a personal connection with an Elder, Healer, and/or Cultural Teacher	30.4%	39.5%	30.7%	30.0%
	Has a native Spirit Name	12.5%	26.4%	27.5%	22.3%

## 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> =	95	57	162	69	
	Mean score	17.7	16.8	15.6	13.8	
	Median score	18.0	17.0	16.0	14.0	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	721	454	1025	451	
	Mean score	18.3	16.9	15.0	13.4	
	Median score	19.0	17.0	15.0	14.0	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	16	36	251	175	
	Mean score	17.1	15.2	12.4	11.0	
	Median score	17.0	15.0	12.0	11.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	51	41	41	7	
	Mean score	17.9	17.6	15.2	12.9	
	Median score	19.0	19.0	16.0	14.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	117	36
	Mean score			5.5	8.3	12.1
	Median score			5.5	9.0	13.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	901	605	1557	914	69
	Mean	18.2	16.8	14.5	11.9	11.7
	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> =	95	57	162	69	
	Mean score	18.9	18.5	16.0	14.7	
	Median score	20.0	20.0	17.0	16.0	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	721	454	1025	451	
	Mean score	19.4	18.1	14.5	12.8	
	Median score	20.0	19.0	16.0	14.0	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	16	36	251	175	
	Mean score	18.3	15.6	9.8	8.6	
	Median score	19.0	16.0	10.0	9.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	51	41	41	7	
	Mean score	18.9	18.6	15.5	9.9	
	Median score	20.0	20.0	17.0	12.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	117	36
	Mean score			7.0	9.7	14.7
	Median score			7.0	9.0	16.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	901	605	1557	914	69
	Mean	19.3	18.0	13.8	11.3	13.0
	Median	20.0	19.0	15.0	12.0	14.0
	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> =	95	57	162	69	
	Mean score	36.6	35.4	31.6	28.5	
	Median score	38.0	36.0	33.0	30.0	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	721	454	1025	451	
	Mean score	37.7	35.0	29.4	26.2	
	Median score	39.0	36.0	31.0	27.0	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	16	36	251	175	
	Mean score	35.3	30.8	22.2	19.7	
	Median score	34.5	31.0	22.0	20.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	51	41	41	7	
	Mean score	36.8	36.2	30.6	22.7	
	Median score	38.0	37.0	32.0	23.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	117	36
	Mean score			12.5	18.0	26.8
	Median score			12.5	19.0	28.5
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	901	605	1557	914	69
	Mean	37.5	34.8	28.3	23.2	24.7
	Median	38.0	36.0	3.0	24.0	25.0
	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> =	95	57	162	69	
	Low asset	2.1%	1.8%	7.4%	13.0%	
	Medium asset	3.2%	12.3%	26.5%	40.6%	
	High asset	94.7%	86.0%	66.0%	46.4%	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	721	454	1025	451	
	Low asset	0.3%	2.6%	12.8%	20.4%	
	Medium asset	2.2%	11.5%	35.3%	47.5%	
	High asset	97.5%	85.9%	51.9%	32.2%	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	16	36	251	175	
	Low asset	0%	5.6%	42.6%	56.0%	
	Medium asset	0%	41.7%	39.4%	34.9%	
	High asset	100%	52.8%	17.9%	9.1%	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	51	41	24	7	
	Low asset	3.9%	0%	14.6%	28.6%	
	Medium asset	5.9%	9.8%	26.8%	42.9%	
	High asset	90.2%	90.2%	58.5%	28.6%	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	69	36
	Low asset			100%	59.0%	19.4%
	Medium asset			0%	30.8%	41.7%
	High asset			0%	10.3%	38.9%
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	901	605	1557	914	69
	Low asset	0.8%	2.6%	18.0%	36.2%	31.9%
	Medium asset	2.4%	13.2%	35.0%	39.6%	34.8%
	High asset	96.8%	84.1%	47.0%	24.2%	33.3%

**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> =	564	1439	721
	Very well or well	20.7%	25.2%	28.0%
	Average	41.8%	49.3%	48.4%
	Poorly or very poorly	37.4%	25.5%	23.6%
Mathematics	<i>n</i> =	562	1434	691
	Very well or well	18.1%	19.9%	17.8%
	Average	49.5%	48.3%	53.0%
	Poorly or very poorly	32.4%	31.9%	29.2%
Science	<i>n</i> =	507	1331	607
	Very well or well	19.5%	22.1%	19.6%
	Average	57.0%	56.9%	58.2%
	Poorly or very poorly	23.5%	21.0%	22.2%
Overall	<i>n</i> =	587	1491	758
	Very well or well	18.9%	24.3%	21.8%
	Average	52.6%	53.1%	52.8%
	Poorly or very poorly	28.4%	22.6%	25.5%
<i>Academic achievement score</i>	<i>n</i> =	499	1296	582
	Mean	3.6	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> =	1426	748
Doing very well in school	34.4%	26.9%
Doing average in school	57.8%	57.0%
Doing poorly in school	7.9%	16.1%

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> =	600	1546	899
	Excellent	9.3%	13.7%	13.2%
	Good	31.8%	38.8%	44.3%
	Fair	32.2%	27.1%	24.6%
	Poor	26.7%	20.4%	17.9%
Performance in school in math	<i>n</i> =	601	1549	892
	Excellent	6.3%	8.6%	5.3%
	Good	41.4%	34.7%	36.8%
	Fair	27.3%	34.0%	33.0%
	Poor	25.0%	22.7%	25.0%

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> =	36	114	45
	Mean score	1.8	3.2	2.8
	Median score	1.0	3.0	3.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	339	830	359
	Mean score	2.4	3.6	3.7
	Median score	2.0	3.0	3.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	33	228	150
	Mean score	3.0	4.3	4.6
	Median score	3.0	4.0	4.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	21	28	7
	Mean score	1.8	3.2	4.4
	Median score	1.0	2.0	4.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =		3	115
	Mean score		8.7	5.8
	Median score		10.0	5.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	444	1262	748
	Mean	2.4	3.7	4.3
	Median	2.0	3.0	4.0
	Range	0-10.0	0-27.0	0-40.0

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	Mean	<i>n</i> =	39
	Median		32.4 33.0
Foster home	Mean	<i>n</i> =	300
	Median		32.5 33.0
Group home	Mean	<i>n</i> =	6
	Median		31.2 29.5
Customary care	Mean	<i>n</i> =	24
	Median		31.5 32.0
<b>Overall</b>	Mean	<i>n</i> =	376
	Median		32.4 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	Mean	<i>n</i> =	41
	Median		44.6 47.0
Foster home	Mean	<i>n</i> =	281
	Median		45.8 47.0
Group home	Mean	<i>n</i> =	9
	Median		33.4 34.0
Customary care	Mean	<i>n</i> =	23
	Median		44.8 47.0
<b>Overall</b>	Mean	<i>n</i> =	362
	Median		45.2 47.0
	Possible range		0-60

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	<i>n</i> =	58
	Mean	24.3
	Median	25.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	446
	Mean	23.6
	Median	25.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	33
	Mean	20.7
	Median	23.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	41
	Mean	24.0
	Median	24.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	594
	Mean	23.4
	Median	25.0
	Possible range	0-30

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

	<b>18+</b>
<i>n</i> =	58
Less than grade 9	5.2%
Grade 9	0%
Grade 10	6.9%
Grade 11	27.6%
High school diploma or its equivalent	53.4%
Technical, trade, or vocational school (above high school level)	0%
Community college	6.9%
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> =	97	57	158	58
	Excellent or very good	87%	82.4%	87.4%	72.4%
	Good	9.3%	15.8%	11.4%	22.4%
	Fair or poor	3.1%	1.8%	1.3%	5.2%
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	717	457	1004	416
	Excellent or very good	84.9%	88.4%	81.7%	73.3%
	Good	11.3%	8.5%	15.7%	23.8%
	Fair or poor	3.7%	3.0%	2.5%	2.9%
Group home	<i>n</i> =	16	37	223	149
	Excellent or very good	43.8%	75.6%	62.3%	55.0%
	Good	31.3%	10.8%	30.0%	36.2%
	Fair or poor	25.0%	13.5%	7.6%	8.7%
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	58	42	39	8
	Excellent or very good	84.5%	90.5%	82.1%	62.5%
	Good	15.5%	7.1%	17.9%	12.5%
	Fair or poor	0%	2.4%	0%	25.0%
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	22
	Excellent or very good			50.0%	43.5%
	Good			50.0%	47.6%
	Fair or poor			0%	8.9%
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	908	610	1500	861
	Excellent or very good	84.6%	86.9%	78.9%	63.4%
	Good	11.7%	9.5%	17.7%	30.9%
	Fair or poor	3.7%	3.7%	3.5%	5.7%

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

	6-9	10-15	16-17
No problems	58.1%	66.1%	59.3%
Speaking	26.9%	10.2%	5.0%
Walking	8.7%	4.2%	3.2%
Climbing	7.2%	3.9%	3.0%
Bending	4.8%	3.3%	4.2%
Seeing	13.7%	13.5%	14.0%
Hearing	3.2%	3.5%	4.7%
Using hands and fingers	9.8%	3.9%	1.9%

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

	0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
None	54.7%	30.6%	23.1%	22.5%
Food or digestive allergies	5.0%	2.9%	3.0%	3.5%
Respiratory allergies	1.4%	2.1%	2.0%	3.4%
Other allergies	1.9%	2.9%	3.3%	5.1%
Asthma	6.5%	5.5%	4.8%	6.3%
Bronchitis	0.6%	0.5%	0.2%	0.4%
Heart condition or disease	2.8%	2.6%	1.4%	1.5%
Epilepsy	1.5%	2.7%	2.2%	2.3%
Diabetes	0.1%	0.2%	0.6%	1.4%
Cerebral palsy	2.4%	2.7%	1.9%	1.4%
Kidney condition or disease	1.3%	1.1%	0.9%	0.7%
Blood disorder	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%	0.5%
Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder	1.9%	5.3%	6.0%	6.6%
Developmental disability	11.1%	17.2%	19.9%	16.2%
Learning disability	5.8%	25.1%	34.1%	31.3%
Attention deficit disorder	3.2%	31.6%	34.7%	31.4%
Emotional, psychological, or nervous disorder	4.9%	23.7%	30.5%	37.2%
Any other long-term condition	12.2%	15.8%	11.6%	9.6%

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> )	4.9%	2.1%	9.4%	11.6%	16.1%
Medical examination	99.0%	98.5%	97.7%	98.7%	93.3%
Dental examination	23.8%	95.5%	98.9%	99.2%	94.0%
Up-to-date immunizations	97.5%	97.0%	96.9%	97.6%	97.0%

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> =	1449	787	60
	Not at all	70.1%	46.9%	38.3%
	Have tried it	5.2%	12.6%	10.0%
	Occasionally	4.1%	12.2%	16.7%
	Daily	20.5%	28.3%	35.0%
Alcohol	<i>n</i> =	1444	784	60
	Not at all	69.2%	41.5%	16.7%
	Have tried it	7.8%	21.9%	26.7%
	Occasionally	5.6%	24.6%	48.3%
	Daily	17.5%	12.0%	8.3%
Marijuana	<i>n</i> =	1445	781	60
	Not at all	69.4%	42.8%	36.7%
	Have tried it	5.4%	16.5%	15.0%
	Occasionally	6.0%	18.6%	21.7%
	Daily	19.2%	22.2%	26.7%

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

		0-5	6-9	10-15	16+
Prescription or non-prescription	<i>n</i> =	910	609	1451	844
	Yes	21.6%	47.5%	60.4%	58.8%
	No	78.4%	52.5%	39.6%	41.2%
Psychotropic	<i>n</i> =	920	613	1557	920
	Yes	4.2%	38.8%	53.3%	45.3%
	No	95.7%	60.7%	46.6%	54.2%
	Uncertain	0.1%	0.5%	0.1%	0.4%
Support and monitoring of medication provided	<i>n</i> =	895	604	1559	989
	Yes	99.3%	99.5%	99.4%	96.8%
	No	0.7%	0.5%	0.6%	3.2%

## 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.

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	10 months <i>n</i> = 17			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	22.87	0-60	46.47	82.4%	5.9%	11.8%
Gross Motor	30.07		47.35	64.7%	11.8%	23.5%
Fine Motor	37.97		56.18	88.2%	11.8%	0%
Problem Solving	32.51		52.65	76.5%	17.6%	5.9%
Personal-Social	27.25		48.82	88.2%	11.2%	0%

Table 7-2: ASQ-3<sup>™</sup> 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> = 132		
				% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	15.64	0-60	42.42	82.4%	9.9%	7.6%
Gross Motor	21.49		38.02	59.5%	17.6%	22.9%
Fine Motor	34.50		46.78	74.0%	9.2%	16.8%
Problem Solving	27.32		39.05	61.1%	16.8%	22.1%
Personal-Social	21.73		40.30	67.2%	17.6%	15.3%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	14 months n = 32			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	17.40	0-60	35.47	53.1%	28.1%	18.8%
Gross Motor	25.80		40.31	62.5%	12.5%	25.0%
Fine Motor	23.06		42.34	71.9%	18.8%	9.4%
Problem Solving	22.56		33.59	53.1%	21.9%	25.0%
Personal-Social	23.18		41.72	75.0%	15.6%	9.4%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	16 months n = 20			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	16.81	0-60	41.75	75.0%	25.0%	5.0%
Gross Motor	37.91		52.50	80.0%	10.0%	10.0%
Fine Motor	31.98		49.00	80.0%	15.0%	5%
Problem Solving	30.51		46.00	65.0%	15.0%	20.0%
Personal-Social	26.43		47.25	80.0%	5.0%	15.0%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	18 months n = 16			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	13.06	0-60	28.13	37.5%	50.0%	12.5%
Gross Motor	37.38		48.75	62.5%	31.3%	6.3%
Fine Motor	34.32		44.38	56.3%	18.8%	25.0%
Problem Solving	25.74		37.19	62.5%	12.5%	25.0%
Personal-Social	27.19		42.50	68.8%	25.0%	6.3%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	20 months n = 16			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	20.50	0-60	34.06	56.3%	18.8%	25.0%
Gross Motor	39.89		50.00	76.5%	11.8%	11.8%
Fine Motor	36.05		40.29	58.8%	5.9%	35.3%
Problem Solving	28.84		36.47	64.7%	0%	35.3%
Personal-Social	33.36		40.29	52.9%	23.5%	23.5%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	22 months n = 15			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	13.04	0-60	37.67	66.7%	26.7%	6.7%
Gross Motor	27.75		48.44	81.3%	6.3%	12.5%
Fine Motor	29.61		47.50	87.5%	0%	12.5%
Problem Solving	29.30		44.06	75.0%	12.5%	12.5%
Personal-Social	30.07		46.33	73.3%	0%	26.7%

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

Area	Cutoff	Possible range	24 months n = 62			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	25.17	0-60	37.82	53.2%	8.1%	38.7%
Gross Motor	38.07		48.87	64.5%	21.0%	14.5%
Fine Motor	35.16		46.45	69.4%	9.7%	21.0%
Problem Solving	29.78		43.63	75.8%	11.3%	12.9%
Personal-Social	31.54		43.63	61.3%	21.0%	17.7%

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 <i>n</i> = 35			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	24.02	0-60	35.57	57.1%	8.6%	34.3%
Gross Motor	28.01		38.57	65.7%	5.7%	28.6%
Fine Motor	18.42		32.29	42.9%	34.3%	22.9%
Problem Solving	27.62		38.71	51.4%	20.0%	28.6%
Personal-Social	25.31		39.43	62.9%	14.3%	22.9%

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 <i>n</i> = 24			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	33.30	0-60	44.38	70.9%	8.3%	20.8%
Gross Motor	36.14		48.75	70.8%	12.5%	16.7%
Fine Motor	19.25		36.04	54.2%	25.0%	20.8%
Problem Solving	27.08		39.79	54.2%	20.8%	25.0%
Personal-Social	32.01		47.08	70.8%	12.5%	16.7%

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 <i>n</i> = 17			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	25.36	0-60	40.88	70.6%	11.8%	17.6%
Gross Motor	34.80		48.53	64.7%	23.5%	11.8%
Fine Motor	12.28		33.53	64.7%	5.9%	29.4%
Problem Solving	26.92		42.65	70.6%	5.9%	23.5%
Personal-Social	28.96		45.29	70.6%	11.8%	17.6%

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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 n = 67			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	30.99	0-60	43.36	65.7%	13.4%	20.9%
Gross Motor	36.99		49.85	76.1%	7.5%	16.4%
Fine Motor	18.07		37.31	65.7%	11.9%	22.4%
Problem Solving	30.29		45.07	65.7%	11.9%	22.4%
Personal-Social	35.33		49.40	74.6%	13.4%	11.9%

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 n = 53			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	27.06	0-60	36.89	50.9%	20.8%	28.3%
Gross Motor	36.27		44.34	54.7%	20.8%	24.5%
Fine Motor	19.82		33.49	49.1%	24.5%	26.4%
Problem Solving	28.11		41.23	69.8%	11.3%	18.9%
Personal-Social	31.12		42.26	62.3%	13.2%	24.5%

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 n = 55			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	30.72	0-60	37.82	50.9%	12.7%	36.4%
Gross Motor	32.78		42.72	61.8%	12.7%	25.5%
Fine Motor	15.81		29.82	47.3%	25.5%	27.3%
Problem Solving	31.30		39.18	56.4%	14.5%	29.1%
Personal-Social	26.60		41.64	69.1%	10.9%	20.0%

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 n = 50			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	31.85	0-60	43.20	64.0%	12.0%	24.0%
Gross Motor	35.18		46.30	76.0%	0%	24.0%
Fine Motor	17.32		40.80	72.0%	10.0%	18.0%
Problem Solving	28.12		46.50	84.0%	2.0%	14.0%
Personal-Social	32.33		46.40	74.0%	10.0%	16.0%

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 n = 108			
			Mean total score	% above cutoff	% near cutoff	% below cutoff
Communication	33.19	0-60	45.56	71.3%	10.2%	18.5%
Gross Motor	31.28		50.37	79.6%	7.4%	13.0%
Fine Motor	26.54		45.88	74.1%	10.2%	15.7%
Problem Solving	29.99		51.16	83.3%	9.3%	7.4%
Personal-Social	39.07		49.54	70.4%	14.8%	14.8%

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> =	100	181	143	294
	% above cutoff	81.0%	67.4%	58.7%	61.6%
	% near cutoff	11.0%	18.2%	11.2%	13.3%
	% below cutoff	8.0%	14.4%	30.1%	25.2%
Gross Motor	<i>n</i> =	100	181	143	294
	% above cutoff	60.0%	68.5%	66.4%	71.1%
	% near cutoff	17.0%	15.5%	14.0%	9.2%
	% below cutoff	23.0%	16.0%	19.6%	19.7%
Fine Motor	<i>n</i> =	100	132	143	294
	% above cutoff	79.0%	72.9%	55.9%	63.3%
	% near cutoff	9.0%	11.0%	19.6%	15.3%
	% below cutoff	12.0%	16.0%	24.5%	21.4%
Problem Solving	<i>n</i> =	100	181	143	294
	% above cutoff	69.0%	63.0%	61.5%	73.8%
	% near cutoff	15.0%	15.5%	14.0%	9.9%
	% below cutoff	16.0%	21.5%	24.5%	16.3%
Personal-Social	<i>n</i> =	100	181	143	294
	% above cutoff	74.0%	68.5%	65.7%	69.4%
	% near cutoff	14.0%	18.2%	14.7%	12.6%
	% below cutoff	12.0%	13.3%	19.6%	18.0%

## 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
<b>6 months</b> (infants aged 3 to 8 months)	<b>45</b>	0-285	1	0.0	0.0	100%
<b>12 months</b> (children aged 9 to 14 months)	<b>48</b>	0-330	178	14.1	10.0	97.2%
<b>18 months</b> (children aged 15 to 20 months)	<b>50</b>	0-390	59	25.3	15.0	91.5%
<b>24 months</b> (children aged 21 to 26 months)	<b>50</b>	0-390	83	31.9	15.0	79.5%
<b>30 months</b> (children aged 27 to 32 months)	<b>57</b>	0-435	65	50.5	35.0	69.2%
<b>36 months</b> (children aged 33 to 41 months)	<b>59</b>	0-465	110	59.8	40.0	63.6%
<b>48 months</b> (children aged 42 to 53 months)	<b>70</b>	0-495	111	63.2	50.0	63.1%
<b>60 months</b> (children ages 54 to 65 months)	<b>70</b>	0-495	138	68.2	55.0	62.8%

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 =	100	182	153	100
% below cutoff	96.0%	91.8%	69.3%	63.4%

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> =	134	54
	Mean score	56.5	54.5
	Median score	58.0	58.5
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	852	358
	Mean score	54.9	54.8
	Median score	58.0	56.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =	168	122
	Mean score	47.0	47.2
	Median score	49.5	50.5
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	37	5
	Mean score	58.8	62.8
	Median score	64.0	68.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	--	81
	Mean score	--	49.0
	Median score	--	52.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	1254	691
	Mean	54.0	51.8
	Median	57.0	54.0
	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> =	6
	Mean score	8.2
	Median score	6.5
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	29
	Mean score	7.3
	Median score	7.0
Other	<i>n</i> =	12
	Mean score	9.9
	Median score	9.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	56
	Mean	7.6
	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> =		86	60
	Mean score		8.7	8.6
	Median score		9.0	9.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =		565	391
	Mean score		7.7	8.0
	Median score		8.0	8.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =		128	137
	Mean score		5.8	6.9
	Median score		5.0	7.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =		18	7
	Mean score		8.2	7.6
	Median score		8.0	8.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =		--	90
	Mean score		--	7.9
	Median score		--	8.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =		837	756
	Mean		7.5	7.8
	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> =		83	60
	Mean score		13.9	13.8
	Median score		15.0	15.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =		556	384
	Mean score		12.9	13.2
	Median score		13.0	14.0
Group home	<i>n</i> =		124	136
	Mean score		10.9	11.9
	Median score		11.0	12.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =		18	6
	Mean score		13.5	13.3
	Median score		14.5	14.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =		--	87
	Mean score		--	12.9
	Median score		--	14.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =		882	744
	Mean		12.7	12.8
	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> =	57	158	64
		8.4	8.6	8.5
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	57	158	64
		2.4	2.5	2.9
	Hyperactivity	5.1	4.6	4.3
	Conduct Problems	1.8	2.6	2.4
	Peer Problems	1.9	2.4	2.2
	Total Difficulties	11.1	12.1	11.8
Foster home	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	454	1024	446
		7.3	7.6	7.5
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	454	1024	446
		2.7	2.9	3.1
	Hyperactivity	6.2	5.1	4.6
	Conduct Problems	3.3	2.8	2.3
	Peer Problems	2.5	2.9	2.8
	Total Difficulties	14.7	13.7	12.8
Group home	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	36	245	164
		5.1	5.8	6.5
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	36	245	164
		2.6	2.6	3.2
	Hyperactivity	7.6	4.2	4.5
	Conduct Problems	4.3	2.5	2.4
	Peer Problems	4.6	2.9	2.9
	Total Difficulties	19.0	13.3	13.1
Customary care	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	44	40	7
		8.4	8.7	7.4
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	44	40	7
		1.6	2.2	2.0
	Hyperactivity	4.3	4.1	4.1
	Conduct Problems	1.8	2.0	2.4
	Peer Problems	1.4	2.3	3.6
	Total Difficulties	9.1	10.6	12.1
Overall	Prosocial <i>n</i> =	608	1490	710
		7.4	7.4	7.3
	Possible range		0-10	
	Emotional Symptoms <i>n</i> =	608	1490	710
		2.6	2.8	3.1
	Hyperactivity	6.1	5.0	4.5
	Conduct Problems	3.1	2.7	2.3
	Peer Problems	2.5	2.8	2.8
		Total Difficulties	14.2	13.3
	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> =	59	
	Average score	4.8	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	385	
	Average score	4.6	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	132	
	Average score	4.3	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	4	
	Average score	4.5	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	87	29
	Average score	4.4	4.7
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	735	57
	Average score	4.5	4.7
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> =	59	
	Average score	4.4	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	385	
	Average score	4.4	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	132	
	Average score	4.2	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	4	
	Average score	4.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	87	29
	Average score	4.4	4.7
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	735	57
	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> =	59	
	Average score	4.3	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	385	
	Average score	4.2	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	132	
	Average score	4.0	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	4	
	Average score	4.0	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	87	29
	Average score	4.4	4.6
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	735	57
	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> =	59	
	Average score	4.6	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	385	
	Average score	4.5	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	132	
	Average score	4.2	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	4	
	Average score	4.2	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	87	29
	Average score	4.4	4.7
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	735	57
	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	Average score <i>n</i> =	59 3.4	
Foster home	Average score <i>n</i> =	385 3.4	
Group home	Average score <i>n</i> =	132 3.1	
Customary care	Average score <i>n</i> =	4 2.8	
Independent living	Average score <i>n</i> =	87 4.0	29 4.3
<b>Overall</b>	Average score Possible range	735 3.4	57 4.0
		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	Average score <i>n</i> =	59 4.1	
Foster home	Average score <i>n</i> =	385 4.0	
Group home	Average score <i>n</i> =	132 3.7	
Customary care	Average score <i>n</i> =	4 3.3	
Independent living	Average score <i>n</i> =	87 4.2	29 4.5
<b>Overall</b>	Average score Possible range	735 4.0	57 4.2
		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> =	59	
	Average score	3.9	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	385	
	Average score	3.9	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	132	
	Average score	3.4	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	4	
	Average score	3.3	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	87	29
	Average score	4.0	4.3
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	735	57
	Average score	3.8	4.0
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> =	59	
	Average score	4.3	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	385	
	Average score	4.2	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	132	
	Average score	3.9	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	4	
	Average score	3.7	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	87	29
	Average score	4.1	4.4
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	735	57
	Average score	4.1	4.3
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> =	59	
	Average score	4.2	
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	385	
	Average score	4.1	
Group home	<i>n</i> =	132	
	Average score	3.8	
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	4	
	Average score	3.7	
Independent living	<i>n</i> =	87	29
	Average score	4.3	4.5
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	735	57
	Average score	4.1	4.3
	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> =	94	51	154	66
	Mean time	2.1	2.0	2.2	2.4
	Median time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	704	436	981	431
	Mean time	2.1	2.0	2.4	2.4
	Median time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.3
Group home	<i>n</i> =	15	36	243	167
	Mean time	1.7	1.9	2.4	2.3
	Median time	1.7	1.6	2.3	2.0
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	48	41	38	8
	Mean time	2.4	1.9	2.2	2.8
	Median time	2.4	2.0	2.0	3.0
Independent living	<i>n</i> =			2	152
	Mean time			3.5	1.9
	Median time			3.5	2.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	877	580	1494	955
	Mean time	2.1	2.0	2.3	2.2
	Median time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
	Range	0.1-15.0	0-7.0	0-10.0	0-10.0

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> =	48	146	60
	Mean time	0.3	1.2	1.4
	Median time	0.0	1.0	1.3
Foster home	<i>n</i> =	410	957	418
	Mean time	0.4	1.2	1.3
	Median time	0.0	1.0	1.1
Group home	<i>n</i> =	35	233	160
	Mean time	0.4	1.2	1.3
	Median time	0.0	1.0	1.3
Customary care	<i>n</i> =	38	39	8
	Mean time	0.4	1.1	1.2
	Median time	0.3	1.0	1.1
Independent living	<i>n</i> =		2	150
	Mean time		2.0	1.1
	Median time		2.0	1.0
<b>Overall</b>	<i>n</i> =	547	1450	923
	Mean time	0.3	1.2	1.3
	Median time	0.0	1.0	1.0
	Range	0-3.0	0-5.5	0-8.0