



Department for Education

2014 ADOPTION SCORECARD

Local Authority Scorecard

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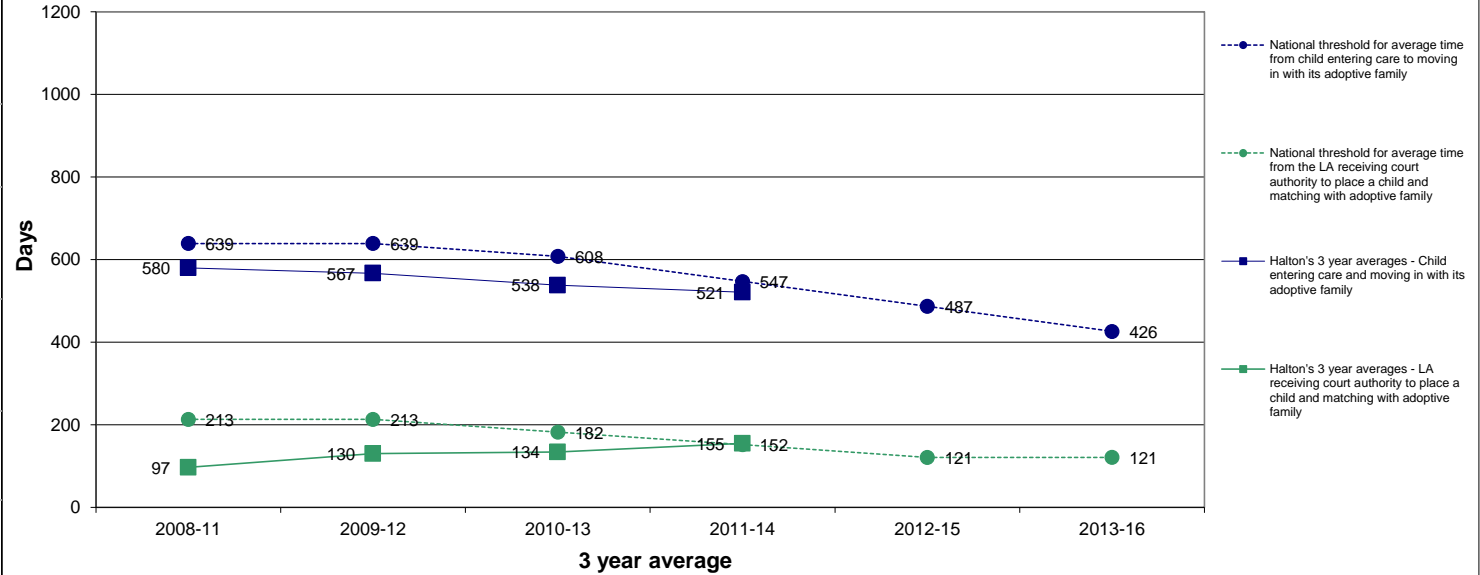
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Children

	Average time between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family, for children who have been adopted (days)	Average time between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family (days)	Children who wait less than 18 months between entering care and moving in with their adoptive family (number and %)
LA's 3 year average (2011-14)	521	155	25 (56%)
1 year trend - Improvement from 2013 to 2014	N/A	N/A	n/a
3 year trend - Improvement from 2010-13 to 2011-14	Average time in 2011-14 was shorter than in 2010-13	Average time in 2011-14 was longer than in 2010-13	n/a
England 3 year average (2011-14)	628	217	11,360 (51%)
Distance from 2011-14 performance threshold	Threshold met	3 days	n/a

Average Time Indicators



Adopters

	Number of approved adoptive families as at 31 March 2014	Proportion of adoptive families who were matched to a child during 2013-14 who waited more than 3 months from approval to being matched to a child
LA average	10	x
England	5,795	58

Related Information

	Adoptions from care (number adopted and % leaving care who are adopted)	Number and % of children for whom the permanence decision has changed away from adoption	Average time between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family. Where times for children who are adopted by their foster family are stopped at the date the child moved in with the foster family (days)	Adoptions of children from ethnic minority backgrounds (number adopted and % of BME children leaving care who are adopted)	Adoptions of children aged five or over (number adopted and % of children aged 5 or over leaving care who are adopted)	Average length of care proceedings locally (weeks)	Number of children awaiting adoption (as at 31 March 2014)	Number of children awaiting adoption with a placement order (as at 31 March 2014)	Number of applications for approval as an adopter still being assessed (not yet approved or rejected) as at 31 March 2014
LA's 3 year (2011-14)	25 (14%)	15 (23%)	460	x (x%)	x (x%)	41	10	10	10
England 3 year (2011-14)	12,530 (14%)	3,230 (12%)	525	1,910 (8%)	2,790 (5%)	48	6,370	4,680	4,245

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Statistical Neighbour Comparisons																
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876	Halton	521	155	56	10	x	14	23	460	x	x	41	10	10	10	
805	Hartlepool	Very Close	483	171	64	20	x	17	24	394	0	5	39	15	10	
342	St Helens	Very Close	692	201	46	NA	NA	14	10	539	x	4	43	60	55	
812	North East Lincolnshire	Very Close	575	240	64	20	57	26	19	537	x	11	35	45	35	
807	Redcar and Cleveland	Very Close	583	316	43	10	x	21	17	470	x	8	39	20	15	
394	Sunderland	Very Close	654	240	49	30	22	21	9	621	x	9	47	50	40	
370	Barnsley	Very Close	505	225	59	15	x	21	6	467	x	7	39	40	40	
357	Tameside	Very Close	536	197	57	30	57	19	9	462	x	4	46	20	20	
841	Darlington	Very Close	431	111	68	15	x	15	9	204	x	x	33	15	10	
384	Wakefield	Very Close	573	152	49	25	68	22	14	549	x	9	41	50	35	
393	South Tyneside	Very Close	536	112	64	30	32	27	15	482	x	10	58	20	10	
	Statistical Neighbours		557	197	56	22	47	20	13	473	0	7	42	34	27	
970	England		628	217	51	5,795	58	14	12	525	8	5	48	6,370	4,680	