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The year at a glance

Children and young people needing protection are safe from abuse and harm



58,893
Contacts to the Department



17,564
Child protection Notifications



15,485
Child Safety Investigations



778
Protection orders granted



48,283
Family and domestic violence incidents with and without children



4,242
Mandatory reports

Children and young people in the Chief Executive Officer's care receive a high quality of care and have much improved life chances



5,174
Children in care



337
Children with complex needs



3,165
Foster carer households



4,050
Children in foster/ family care

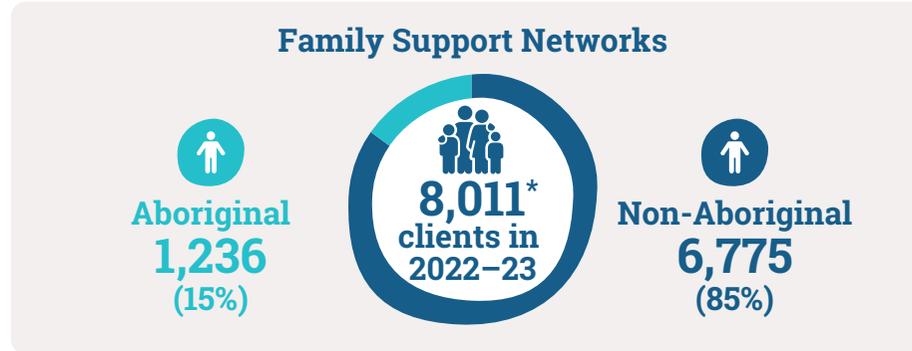


504
Children in residential care



1,772
Viewpoint surveys completed by children in care

Family Support Network clients



Family Support Network corridor	Number of cases			Number of clients			Aboriginal clients		
	Assessment and coordination	Intensive case management	Total cases	Assessment and coordination	Intensive case management	Total clients	Assessment and Coordination	Intensive case management	Total clients
Armadale / Cannington	486	95	581	1,599	364	1,963	208	90	298
Fremantle / Rockingham	738	92	830	2,080	405	2,485	265	113	378
Mirrabooka / Joondalup	452	62	514	1,499	250	1,749	137	28	165
Perth / Midland	485	88	573	1,628	355	1,983	319	107	426
Total	2,161	337	2,498	6,806	1,374	8,180	929	338	1,267

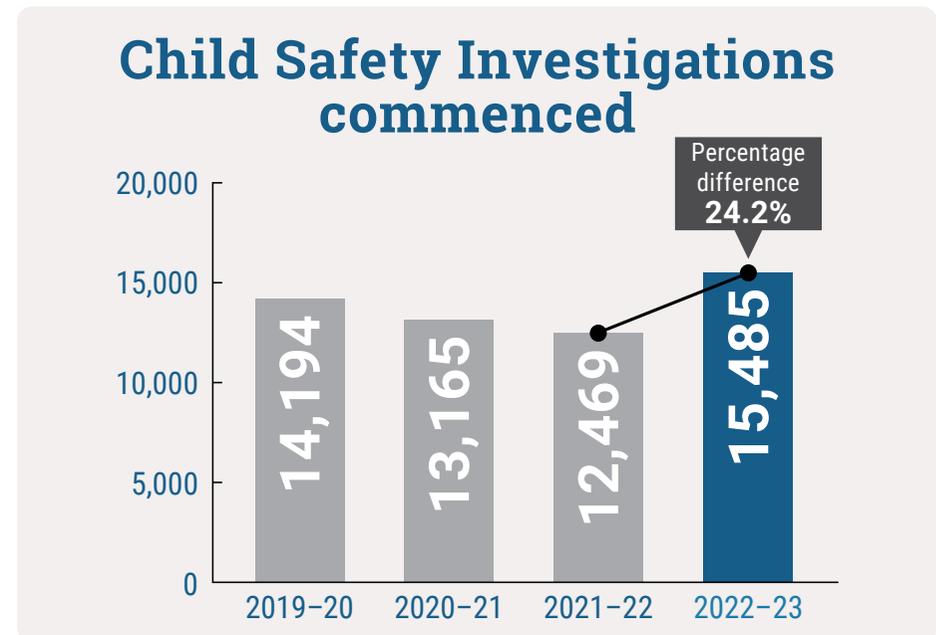
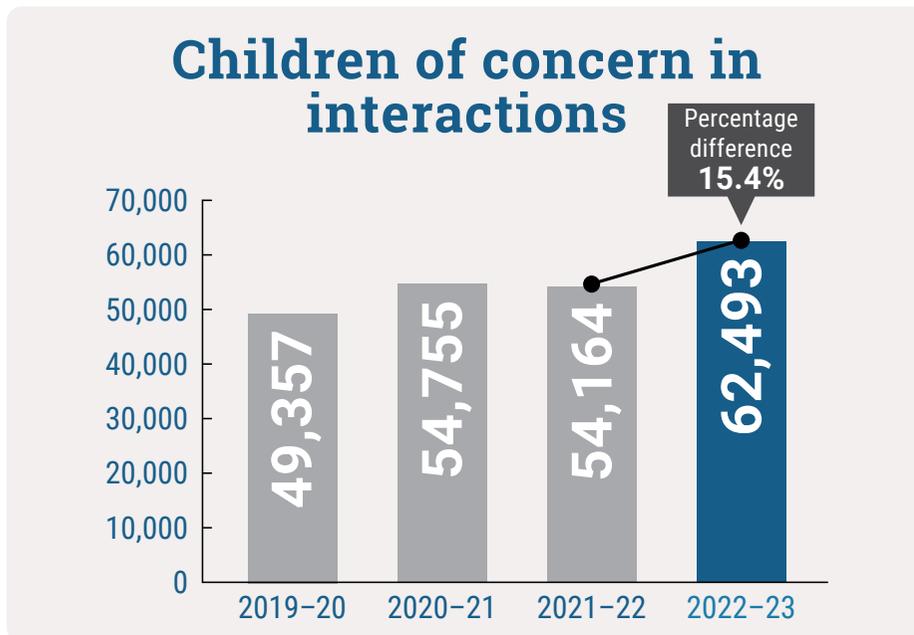
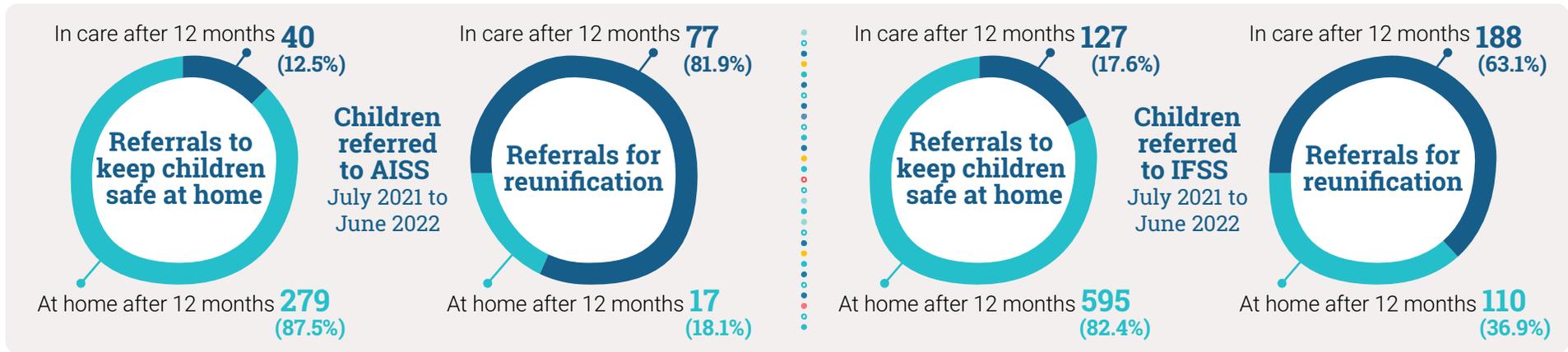
*The client count in this table is higher than the same in the above infographic. This discrepancy is due to clients being recorded in multiple corridors.

Intensive Family Support cases, Intensive Family Support Service referrals, Aboriginal In-home Support Service referrals and Best Beginnings Plus cases, by district

District	Intensive Family Support cases	Intensive Family Support Service referrals	Aboriginal In-home Support Service referrals*	Best Beginnings Plus cases
Armadale	149	51	30	43
Cannington	160	33	26	45
Crisis Care	0	1	12	0
East Kimberley	100	19	0	15
Fremantle	81	30	29	40
Goldfields	40	15	0	17
Great Southern	56	24	0	19
Joondalup	88	46	8	36
Midland	182	46	33	61
Mid-West Gascoyne	71	20	0	17
Mirrabooka	118	26	35	23
Peel	72	27	28	21
Perth	107	54	20	22
Pilbara	123	42	0	27
Rockingham	74	31	15	27
South West	96	25	0	54
West Kimberley	106	13	0	15
Wheatbelt	36	7	0	21
Total	1,659	510	236	503

* The Aboriginal In-home Support Service is a metropolitan service only.

Effectiveness of Aboriginal In-home Support Service and Intensive Family Support Service referrals in 2021–22



Action taken as a result of Child Safety Investigations

Outcome of Child Safety Investigations	Substantiated		Not substantiated		Unable to complete assessment		In process		Total
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
Intervention action	299	241	0	0	0	0	0	0	540
Commence Family Support (s.21)	24	26	30	36	0	0	0	0	116
Safety issues addressed – No further action	841	1,173	1,416	2,867	0	0	0	0	6,297
Action not possible	58	39	0	0	537	809	0	0	1,443
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,155	3,004	5,159
Commence Intensive Family Support (s.32)	831	794	26	32	0	0	0	0	1,683
Referral to external program	37	67	35	108	0	0	0	0	247
Total	2,090	2,340	1,507	3,043	537	809	2,155	3,004	15,485



Outcome of assessed concerns

Outcome of assessed concerns	Neglect		Emotional abuse – FDV		Emotional abuse – other		Physical abuse		Sexual abuse		Wellbeing concerns		Total
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
Substantiated	97	106	129	176	53	62	82	125	46	65	2	4	947
Substantiated likelihood harm	862	669	1,508	1,291	211	306	227	366	124	177	22	24	5,787
Not substantiated	952	1,203	817	1,214	163	466	427	1,140	361	949	8	27	7,727
Suitable adult	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	8
No suitable adult	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	6	8	19
In process	621	738	759	1,217	158	282	282	598	173	428	4	5	5,265
Unable to complete*	256	290	374	388	45	91	91	181	85	224	3	13	2,041
Total	2,790	3,009	3,587	4,287	630	1,207	1,110	2,410	789	1,845	45	85	21,794

A Child Safety Investigation may identify more than one concern and the Department assesses each of these concerns individually.

*Refers to circumstances such as a young person's refusal to engage with the Department's worker, or when a subject child or family has relocated during an investigation and their whereabouts are unknown.

Outcomes of Child Safety Investigations, by district

District	Intervention action		Intensive Family Support		Family Support		Referral to external program		Safety issues addressed		Action not possible		In process		Total	
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal		
Armadale																
Substantiated	31	28	55	98	1	0	2	10	56	130	11	9	0	0	431	
Not substantiated	0	0	5	10	0	5	2	14	54	283	0	0	0	0	373	
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	35	0	0	45	
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	120	400	520	
Total	31	28	60	108	1	5	4	24	110	413	21	44	120	400	1,369	
Cannington																
Substantiated	20	19	62	67	2	0	5	28	93	154	2	0	0	0	452	
Not substantiated	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	8	60	246	0	0	0	0	319	
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	64	0	0	90	
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	103	200	303	
Total	20	19	62	69	2	0	8	36	153	400	28	64	103	200	1,164	

Outcomes of Child Safety Investigations, by district

District	Intervention action		Intensive Family Support		Family Support		Referral to external program		Safety issues addressed		Action not possible		In process		Total
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
East Kimberley															
Substantiated	12	0	46	0	0	0	0	0	74	3	5	0	0	0	140
Not substantiated	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	53	0	0	0	0	0	56
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	16	0	0	49
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	227	33	260
Total	12	0	49	0	0	0	0	0	127	3	38	16	227	33	505
Fremantle															
Substantiated	14	18	18	24	0	7	7	3	9	63	4	3	0	0	170
Not substantiated	0	0	3	0	2	1	7	18	39	113	0	0	0	0	183
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	71	0	0	93
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	129	183
Total	14	18	21	24	2	8	14	21	48	176	26	74	54	129	629
Goldfields															
Substantiated	16	5	35	21	4	2	2	0	76	46	2	0	0	0	209
Not substantiated	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	160	104	0	0	0	0	269
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	94	22	0	0	116
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	181	65	246
Total	16	5	39	22	4	2	2	0	236	150	96	22	181	65	840

Outcomes of Child Safety Investigations, by district

District	Intervention action		Intensive Family Support		Family Support		Referral to external program		Safety issues addressed		Action not possible		In process		Total
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
Great Southern															
Substantiated	10	10	26	38	0	0	0	0	36	64	0	0	0	0	184
Not substantiated	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	1	81	107	0	0	0	0	193
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	0	16
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	76	131
Total	10	10	28	40	0	0	0	1	117	171	8	8	55	76	524
Joondalup															
Substantiated	23	19	35	68	0	5	0	1	22	99	3	0	0	0	275
Not substantiated	0	0	1	4	0	0	5	14	105	380	0	0	0	0	509
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	30	0	0	48
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65	219	284
Total	23	19	36	72	0	5	5	15	127	479	21	30	65	219	1,116
Midland															
Substantiated	41	13	92	95	1	0	10	12	51	85	7	2	0	0	409
Not substantiated	0	0	0	9	0	1	8	19	78	204	0	0	0	0	319
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	102	0	0	156
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	124	199	323
Total	41	13	92	104	1	1	18	31	129	289	61	104	124	199	1,207

Outcomes of Child Safety Investigations, by district

District	Intervention action		Intensive Family Support		Family Support		Referral to external program		Safety issues addressed		Action not possible		In process		Total	
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal		
Mid-West Gascoyne																
Substantiated	12	2	54	13	5	0	1	0	106	41	11	0	0	0	245	
Not substantiated	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	91	49	0	0	0	0	143	
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	22	0	0	59	
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	253	193	446	
Total	12	2	56	13	6	0	1	0	197	90	48	22	253	193	893	
Mirrabooka																
Substantiated	19	25	66	108	1	3	0	3	43	108	3	9	0	0	388	
Not substantiated	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	3	34	120	0	0	0	0	161	
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	42	0	0	62	
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	115	171	
Total	19	25	67	108	1	6	0	6	77	228	23	51	56	115	782	
Peel																
Substantiated	12	26	34	71	0	0	1	3	20	78	0	2	0	0	247	
Not substantiated	0	0	0	1	0	5	6	6	62	304	0	0	0	0	384	
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	30	0	0	44	
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	51	176	227	
Total	12	26	34	72	0	5	7	9	82	382	14	32	51	176	902	

Outcomes of Child Safety Investigations, by district

District	Intervention action		Intensive Family Support		Family Support		Referral to external program		Safety issues addressed		Action not possible		In process		Total
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
Perth															
Substantiated	6	9	29	55	0	1	3	1	5	25	0	0	0	0	134
Not substantiated	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	8	38	102	0	0	0	0	149
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	17	0	0	21
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	125	298	423
Total	6	9	29	55	0	2	3	9	43	127	4	17	125	298	727
Pilbara															
Substantiated	17	4	107	7	2	0	0	0	68	9	3	2	0	0	219
Not substantiated	0	0	4	0	15	3	0	0	194	63	0	0	0	0	279
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	10	0	0	65
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	246	64	310
Total	17	4	111	7	17	3	0	0	262	72	58	12	246	64	873
Rockingham															
Substantiated	9	28	12	57	1	6	1	6	22	127	2	8	0	0	279
Not substantiated	0	0	0	3	0	3	4	17	118	503	0	0	0	0	648
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	182	0	0	222
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	61	320	381
Total	9	28	12	60	1	9	5	23	140	630	42	190	61	320	1,530

Outcomes of Child Safety Investigations, by district

District	Intervention action		Intensive Family Support		Family Support		Referral to external program		Safety issues addressed		Action not possible		In process		Total
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
South West															
Substantiated	34	27	53	56	5	1	5	0	54	109	0	4	0	0	348
Not substantiated	0	0	0	0	2	7	0	0	51	186	0	0	0	0	246
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	98	0	0	140
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	76	302	378
Total	34	27	53	56	7	8	5	0	105	295	42	102	76	302	1,112

West Kimberley

Substantiated	13	0	95	6	0	0	0	0	91	5	5	0	0	0	215
Not substantiated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	114	4	0	0	0	0	118
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	24	0	0	64
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	242	74	316
Total	13	0	95	6	0	0	0	0	205	9	45	24	242	74	713

Wheatbelt

Substantiated	10	8	12	10	2	1	0	0	15	26	0	0	0	0	84
Not substantiated	0	0	0	0	10	7	0	0	84	97	0	0	0	0	198
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	34	0	0	54
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	107	132	239
Total	10	8	12	10	12	8	0	0	99	123	20	34	107	132	575

Outcomes of Child Safety Investigations, by district

District	Intervention action		Intensive Family Support		Family Support		Referral to external program		Safety issues addressed		Action not possible		In process		Total
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
Other work units															
Substantiated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Not substantiated	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3
Unable to complete	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
In process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	18
Total	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	9	9	24
Grand total	299	241	857	826	54	62	72	175	2,257	4,040	595	848	2,155	3,004	15,485

Protection applications lodged and orders granted, by district

Protection applications lodged in 2022–23, by district

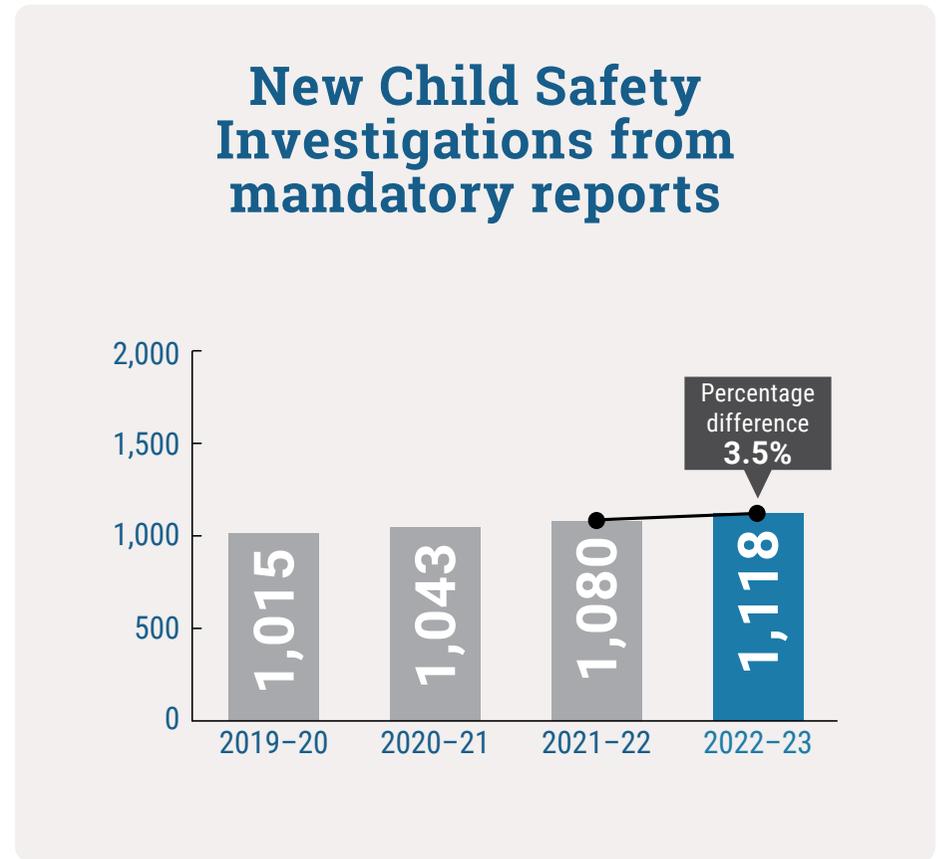
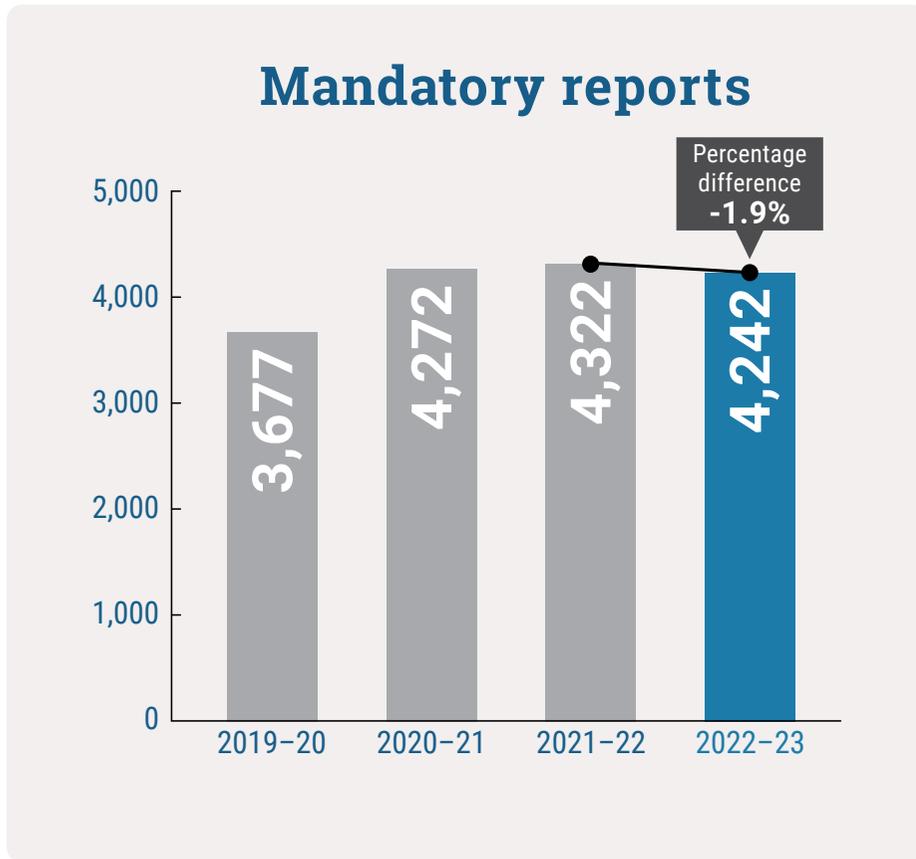
District	Applications for Aboriginal children	Applications for non-Aboriginal children
Armadale	63	65
Cannington	46	53
East Kimberley	50	0
Fremantle	36	41
Goldfields	40	7
Great Southern	24	18
Joondalup	52	46
Midland	64	51
Mid-West Gascoyne	56	5
Mirrabooka	33	53
Peel	34	55
Perth	29	31
Pilbara	53	8
Rockingham	20	53
South West	62	58
West Kimberley	67	0
Wheatbelt	26	17
Other work units	4	4
Total	759	565

Protection orders granted, by district*

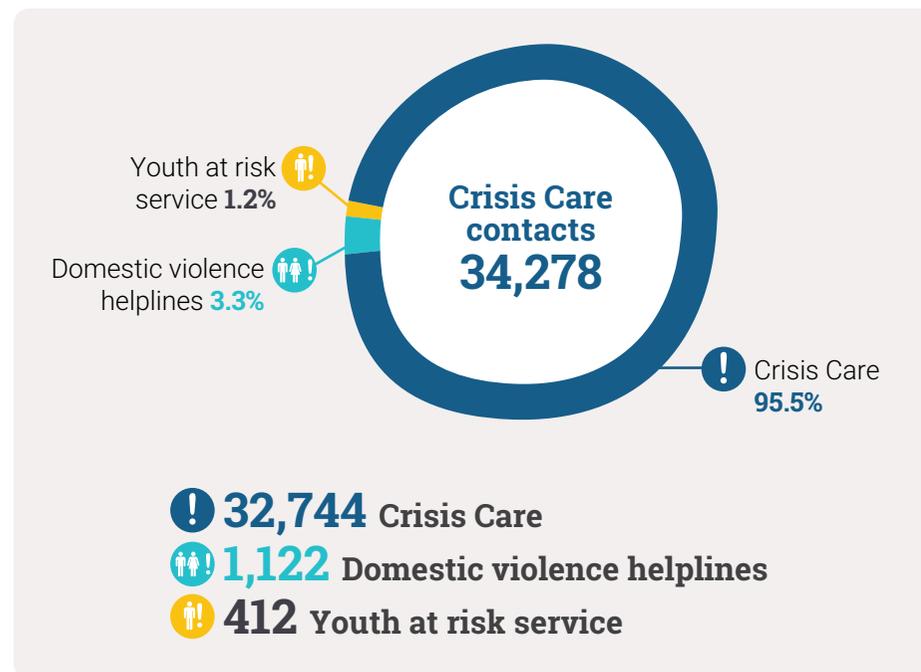
District	Orders for Aboriginal children	Orders for non-Aboriginal children
Armadale	45	39
Cannington	33	39
East Kimberley	29	0
Fremantle	28	36
Goldfields	32	2
Great Southern	7	11
Joondalup	17	23
Midland	38	30
Mid-West Gascoyne	20	7
Mirrabooka	31	22
Peel	16	33
Perth	19	18
Pilbara	17	0
Rockingham	12	31
South West	23	57
West Kimberley	35	0
Wheatbelt	10	15
Other work units	1	2
Total	413	365

*Orders granted in the financial year may relate to applications made in previous years.

Mandatory reporting



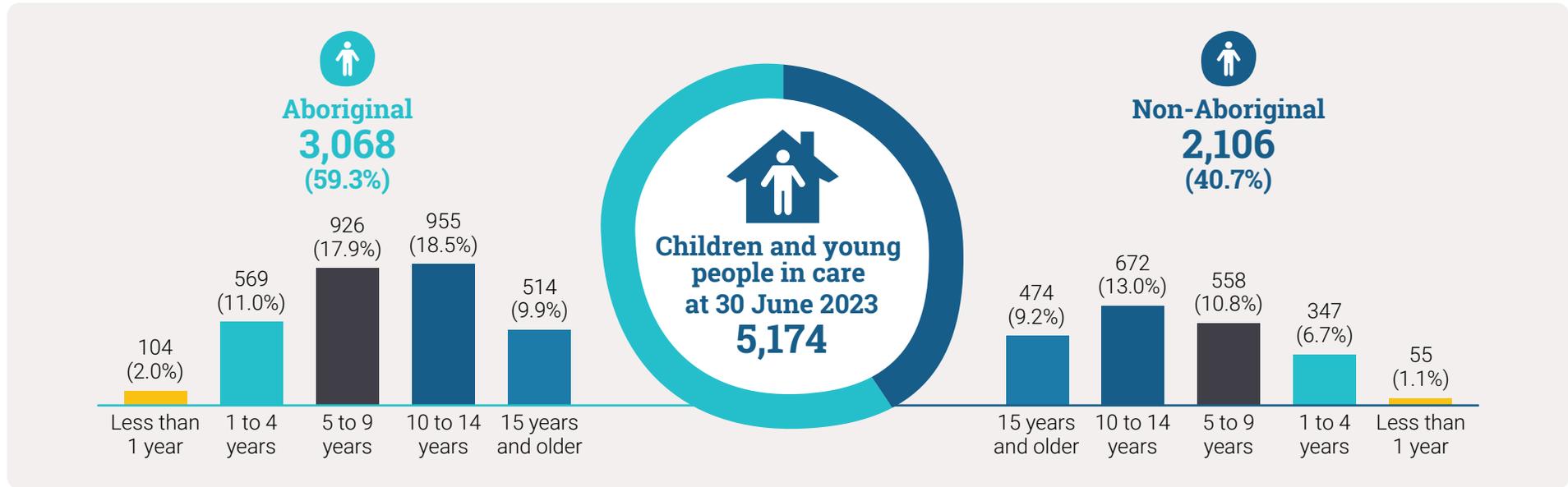
Crisis Care contacts



Children and young people in care at 30 June 2023, by district

District	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Armadale	300	248	548
Cannington	251	195	446
East Kimberley	157	0	157
Fremantle	146	142	288
Goldfields	136	16	152
Great Southern	71	52	123
Joondalup	155	197	352
Midland	333	223	556
Mid-West Gascoyne	211	39	250
Mirrabooka	198	162	360
Peel	121	197	318
Perth	116	136	252
Pilbara	197	2	199
Rockingham	106	186	292
South West	201	233	434
West Kimberley	230	0	230
Wheatbelt	137	71	208
Fostering/Adoption	2	7	9
Total	3,068	2,106	5,174

Age of children in care at 30 June 2023



Percentages may not total 100% due to rounding

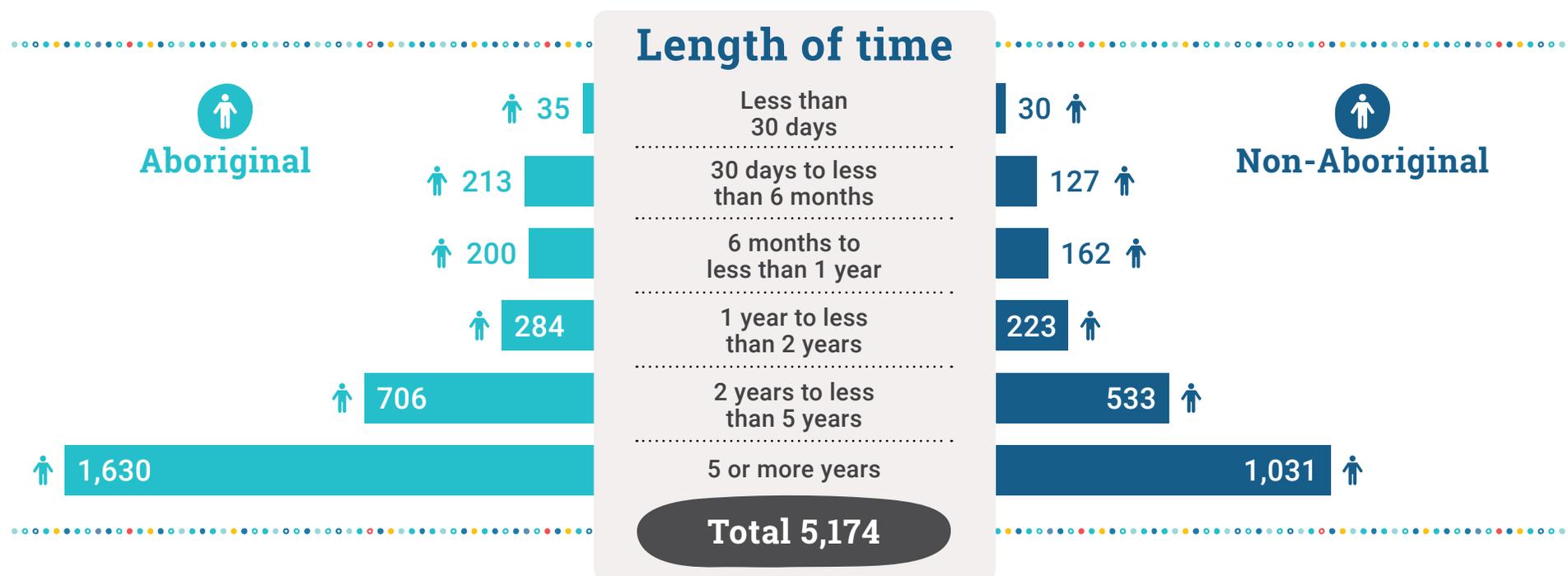
Age of children and young people in care at 30 June 2023, by district

District	Less than 1 year		1 to 4 years		5 to 9 years		10 to 14 years		15 years and older		Total
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
Armadale	14	13	50	48	76	84	101	61	59	42	548
Cannington	6	6	42	25	71	47	91	65	41	52	446
East Kimberley	2	0	30	0	44	0	51	0	30	0	157
Fremantle	8	5	31	31	40	40	39	39	28	27	288
Goldfields	9	2	39	5	29	3	37	2	22	4	152
Great Southern	3	3	8	8	21	15	26	16	13	10	123
Joondalup	4	2	27	25	42	58	52	64	30	48	352
Midland	8	3	59	41	124	53	89	66	53	60	556
Mid-West Gascoyne	5	1	39	6	61	10	70	14	36	8	250
Mirrabooka	8	3	40	30	62	43	65	52	23	34	360
Peel	5	6	18	29	35	55	38	63	25	44	318
Perth	4	1	24	20	35	33	37	55	16	27	252
Pilbara	4	0	44	0	73	0	52	1	24	1	199
Rockingham	2	5	17	25	35	38	32	73	20	45	292
South West	7	3	30	42	57	62	63	69	44	57	434
West Kimberley	8	0	53	0	80	0	57	0	32	0	230
Wheatbelt	6	0	17	7	41	17	55	32	18	15	208
Fostering/ Adoption	1	2	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Total	104	55	569	347	926	558	955	672	514	474	5,174

Children and young people by length of time in care, by district

District	Less than 30 days		30 days to less than 6 months		6 months to less than 1 year		1 year to less than 2 years		2 years to less than 5 years		5 years or more		Total
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
Armadale	8	9	10	17	28	16	24	36	42	67	188	103	548
Cannington	5	0	19	6	5	16	22	21	57	53	143	99	446
East Kimberley	0	0	3	0	16	0	18	0	41	0	79	0	157
Fremantle	2	0	5	9	13	13	18	16	35	41	73	63	288
Goldfields	0	0	14	3	7	2	15	1	36	6	64	4	152
Great Southern	1	3	7	4	1	4	4	13	18	5	40	23	123
Joondalup	0	8	13	17	14	5	10	22	37	35	81	110	352
Midland	2	1	24	7	18	7	39	24	62	81	188	103	556
Mid-West Gascoyne	0	0	24	1	10	3	9	4	44	14	124	17	250
Mirrabooka	3	2	12	10	11	19	40	8	45	53	87	70	360
Peel	1	1	7	9	10	19	11	17	28	48	64	103	318
Perth	0	1	9	11	4	6	10	13	35	28	58	77	252
Pilbara	7	0	14	0	17	0	16	0	46	0	97	2	199
Rockingham	0	0	6	19	4	11	10	20	30	22	56	114	292
South West	2	4	17	9	22	28	13	22	42	65	105	105	434
West Kimberley	2	0	12	0	16	0	18	0	77	0	105	0	230
Wheatbelt	2	0	16	3	4	12	6	4	31	14	78	38	208
Fostering/ Adoption	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	9
Total	35	30	213	127	200	162	284	223	706	533	1,630	1,031	5,174

Children and young people by length of time in care



Number of foster carers approved

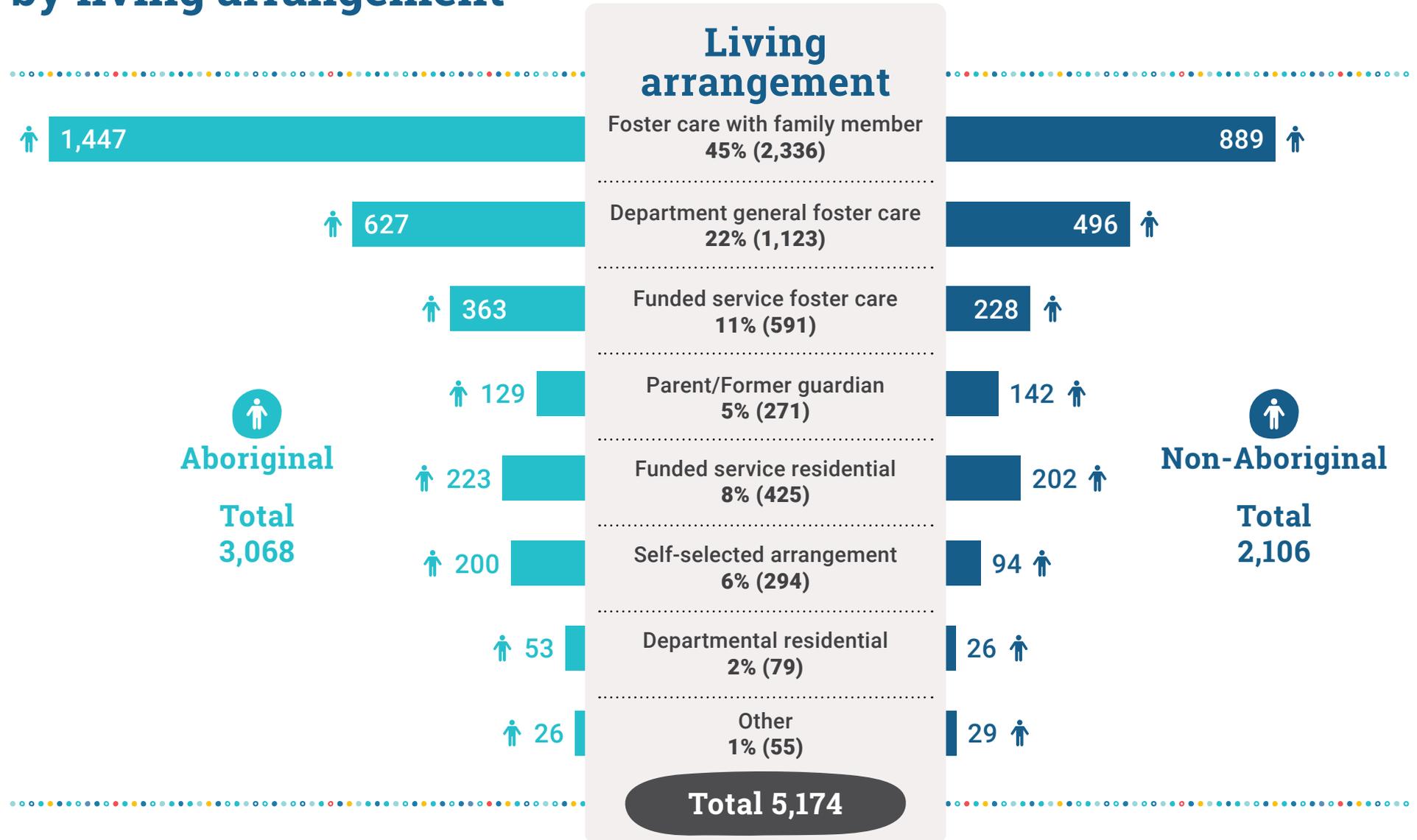
At 30 June 2023

	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Approved departmental foster carers	37	804	841
Approved community organisation foster carers	61	571	632
Approved departmental family carers	662	1,030	1,692
Total	760	2,405	3,165

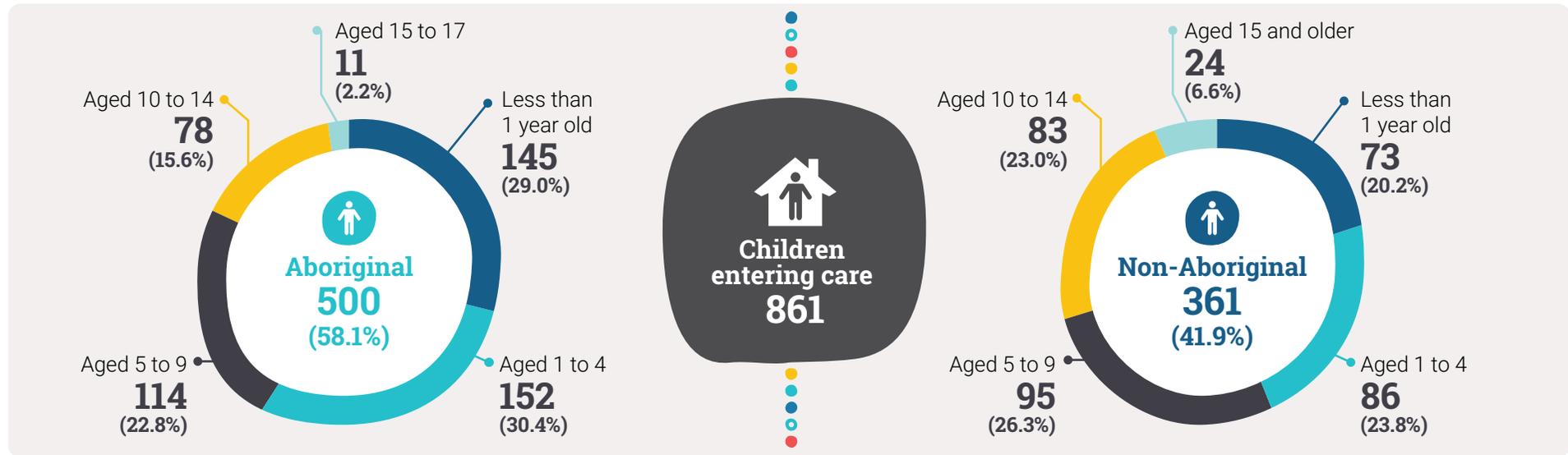
Number of new Departmental foster carer households approved during 2022–23, by district

District	Total
Armadale	5
Cannington	5
East Kimberley	0
Fremantle	0
Goldfields	1
Great Southern	0
Joondalup	4
Midland	6
Mid-West Gascoyne	0
Mirrabooka	2
Peel	0
Perth	5
Pilbara	0
Rockingham	2
South West	3
West Kimberley	0
Wheatbelt	0
Child and carer connection hub	2
Total	35

Children and young people in care at 30 June 2023 by living arrangement



Age of children entering care during the year



Percentages may not total 100% due to rounding

Children and young people with complex needs, in care during the year

Service	Community sector organisations	Children
Transitional high needs	8	50
Specialised fostering	15	152
Disability placement	17	135

Reasons why children left care*



*Does not include children who left care on turning 18 years of age.

Age of children and young people upon leaving care, by district

District	Less than 1 year		1 to 4 years		5 to 9 years		10 to 14 years		15 to 17 years		18 years or older		Total
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
Armadale	0	0	2	2	5	7	7	2	1	5	15	13	59
Cannington	1	0	7	7	8	3	3	2	0	3	6	6	46
East Kimberley	1	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	13	0	19
Fremantle	3	2	3	4	3	5	0	2	3	1	7	7	40
Goldfields	3	0	10	1	3	3	3	3	0	0	9	0	35
Great Southern	0	0	3	2	2	4	3	5	0	1	3	6	29
Joondalup	1	0	5	7	11	11	5	8	0	2	7	16	73
Midland	0	0	4	7	1	10	3	12	1	4	13	16	71
Mid-West Gascoyne	4	1	4	1	4	2	4	2	1	0	14	2	39
Mirrabooka	1	0	3	5	1	7	0	4	0	1	8	10	40
Peel	1	0	7	2	4	6	2	3	1	2	7	13	48
Perth	0	0	7	1	4	2	3	4	0	3	5	9	38
Pilbara	1	0	10	1	5	8	4	0	0	1	13	0	43
Rockingham	1	0	3	6	2	6	5	3	0	3	4	9	42
South West	1	0	5	6	4	9	1	8	1	5	8	17	65
West Kimberley	0	0	4	0	5	0	4	0	2	0	12	0	27
Wheatbelt	1	0	4	1	4	0	5	3	1	2	4	5	30
Crisis Care	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Fostering/Adoption	1	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Total	20	5	83	56	69	83	53	61	11	34	148	129	752

Children and young people who left care, by length of time in care, by district

District	Less than 30 days		30 days to less than 6 months		6 months to less than 1 year		1 year to less than 2 years		2 years to less than 5 years		5 years or more		Total
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
Armadale	2	3	2	1	0	1	2	3	7	8	17	13	59
Cannington	3	1	0	1	1	1	8	6	6	3	7	9	46
East Kimberley	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	2	0	12	0	19
Fremantle	0	0	1	2	2	4	1	4	6	3	9	8	40
Goldfields	2	5	4	0	1	0	4	1	8	1	9	0	35
Great Southern	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	4	7	3	9	29
Joondalup	1	0	6	2	0	4	7	2	4	24	11	12	73
Midland	2	1	0	2	0	4	1	4	9	23	10	15	71
Mid-West Gascoyne	5	3	1	0	2	1	0	1	9	0	14	3	39
Mirrabooka	0	2	0	1	2	0	0	9	3	8	8	7	40
Peel	0	1	1	4	0	1	6	2	6	6	9	12	48
Perth	0	5	0	0	1	0	5	0	8	2	5	12	38
Pilbara	4	4	0	0	4	0	3	2	10	3	12	1	43
Rockingham	0	0	2	2	0	1	3	8	3	5	7	11	42
South West	0	1	5	1	0	5	2	10	3	12	10	16	65
West Kimberley	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	7	0	16	0	27
Wheatbelt	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	15	4	3	4	30
Crisis Care	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Fostering/Adoption	1	1	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Total	21	28	25	19	21	26	45	54	110	109	162	132	752

Where children have experienced more than one period of care in 2022–23, the length of time of the most recent period of care is used.

Adoption orders granted by the Family Court or country of origin, by type of adoption

Type of adoption	2019–20	2020–21	2021–22	2022–23
Adult	21	20	15	16
Step-parent	9	14	5	2
Relative	0	0	1	0
Local	7	4	2	5
Inter-country	1	6	3	1
Total	38	44	26	24

Post-adoption information services

This data shows the number of post-adoption information services provided during the financial year.

Services	2019–20	2020–21	2021–22	2022–23
Registrations where services were provided*	763	686	626	639
Provision of sensitive information	102	80	67	62
Duty enquiry by registered client	344	339	169	213
Facilitated contact between adoption parties	76	75	38	50
Outreach services	75	96	54	72
Death notifications†	97	110	117	85

*Includes registrations made in previous years as services can be provided over time.

† The Department is legislated to advise parties to an adoption about the death of other parties to the adoption.



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