



**855 Children in Care**

A decrease of **13 Children in Care** since November 2021

### Children in Care Placement Type

- WCC Foster Carer (inc Family and Friends carers)**  
339 children (39.6%); a decrease of 14 children since November
- Placed for Adoption**  
12 children (1.4%) of all CiC at 31 December; a decrease of 2 CiC since 30 November 2021
- Agency Foster Carer**  
215 CiC (25.1%); an increase of 4 children since 30/11/2021
- Residential Establishment**  
84 children (9.8%); an increase of 1 child since 30/11/2021

### No. Children in Care - Monthly trend

	Jul 21	Aug 21	Sep 21	Oct 21	Nov 21	Dec 21
ALL CiC (Including Asylum Seekers)	878	-2	+3	-11	+0	-13 <b>855</b>
ALL CiC (Excluding Asylum Seekers)	794	-5	+0	-14	-16	-12 <b>747</b>

At 31 December 2021, Warwickshire's Children in Care population decreased by 13 to 855, whilst the no. of CiC excluding asylum seekers also decreased by 12 to 747.

580 CiC target for 2019 / 20 **580**

### Legal Status of Children in Care as at 31 December 2021

- 49.7%** (425) of CiC are on a **Full Care Order**; this is a decrease of 0.7% (3 CiC) since 30/11/2021
- 18.9%** (162) of CiC are on an **Interim Care Order**; this is a decrease of 2.4% (6) since the end of November 2021.
- 3.3%** (28) of CiC are on a **Placement Order**; this is the same number as the previous month end.
- 28.1%** (240) of CiC are subject to **S20 Accommodation**; this is a decrease of 2.4% (6 children) since 30 November 2021

### Leaving Care Activity Status

As at 31 December 2021, of those Relevant and Former Relevant Care Leavers (aged 16 - 21) ...

- 83.1%** had a contact within the last 8 weeks
- 79.2%** were in suitable accommodation
- 55.8%** were in EET (Employment, Education & Training)

### CiC out of county as at 31st December 2021

**19.7%**

(165) of CiC were placed outside the LA boundary and more than 20 miles from where they used to live

*NB. Please note that this is a quarterly measure*

### CiC 'Missing' or 'Away from placement without authorisation'

26 children in care were missing (77 episodes)

During December 2021 there were **77 episodes** of a child missing or away from their placement without authorisation. This related to **26 individual children** with **17 children** having multiple missing episodes during the month.

### Gender

- 61.9%** (529) Male
- 38.0%** (325) Female
- 1 'Indeterminate'

### Ethnicity

- 1/4 (25.4%)** of Children in Care (Including Asylum Seekers) are **Minority Ethnic (217)**;
- 74.6% (677)** are of White ethnicity

### Allocated Team

- 12.6% (108)** of Children in Care are Unaccompanied Asylum Seekers
- 7.5% (64)** are allocated to the Children with Disability teams
- 25.3% (216)** are allocated to the CiC 14-18 Years Team

**75.4%** of Children in Care at 31 December 2021 have had a 'completed' health assessment in the last 12 months

### % of CiC accommodated during the month (who remained accommodated) and who had their IHA within 20 working days (Monthly trend)

Month	Percentage
Jul	8.0%
Aug	5.9%
Sep	4.8%
Oct	6.7%
Nov	24.9%
Dec	TBC

### Age breakdown of the 855 children

Age Group	Percentage	Count
0 years old	3.6%	31
aged 1 - 4	15.4%	132
aged 5 - 9	16.3%	139
aged 10 - 15	36.0%	308
aged 16 - 17	28.7%	245

### Short Term / Long Term Placement Stability of Children in Care as at 31 December 2021

Category	Warwickshire	National Average (2021)
Short Term	12.0%	9%
Long Term	63.6%	70%