



744
Children in Care

An increase of **7 Children in Care** since 30 November 2024

Children in Care Placement Type

WCC Foster Carer (inc Family and Friends carers)
302 children (40.6%); which is a decrease of 1 child on the previous month end.

Placed for Adoption
12 children (1.6%) of all CiC at 31/12/2024; this is an increase of 2 children since 30/11/2024.

Agency Foster Carer
168 CiC (22.6%); an increase of 5 children since 30/11/2024

Residential Home or Supported Accommodation
174 children (23.4%); an increase of 5 children since 30/11/2024

No. Children in Care - Monthly trend

	Jul 24	Aug 24	Sep 24	Oct 24	Nov 24	Dec 24
ALL CiC (Including Asylum Seekers)	748	-10	+2	-1	-2	+7 744
ALL CiC (Excluding Asylum Seekers)	651	-10	+2	-2	-1	+9 649

At 31 December 2024, Warwickshire's Children in Care population increased by 7 to 744, whilst the no. of CiC excluding asylum seekers increased by 9 to 649.

630 CiC target for 2024/25 **630**

Legal Status of Children in Care as at 31 December 2024

54.3% (404) of CiC are on a **Full Care Order**; this is a decrease of 2 children since 30/11/2024.

10.5% (78) of CiC are on an **Interim Care Order**; this is an increase of 11 children since the previous month end.

4.3% (32) of CiC are on a **Placement Order**; this is an increase of 1 child since the previous month end.

30.8% (229) of CiC are subject to **S20 Accommodation**; this is an increase of 1 child since the end of November 2024.

Leaving Care Activity Status

As at 31 December 2024, of those Relevant and Former Relevant Care Leavers (aged 16 - 21) ...

- 80.0%** had a contact within the last 8 weeks
- 88.4%** were in suitable accommodation
- 53.1%** were in EET (Employment, Education & Training)

CiC out of county as at 31 December 2024
20.3%
(151) 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'

42 children in care were missing (64 missing episodes)

During December 2024 there were **34 episodes** of a child missing or away from their placement without authorisation. This related to **22 individual children** with **7 children** having multiple missing episodes during the month.

Gender

59.4% (442) Male

40.6% (302) Female

0 'Indeterminate'

Ethnicity

1/4 (28.6%) of Children in Care (Including Asylum Seekers) are **Minority Ethnic (213)**;

71.4% (531) are of White ethnicity

Allocated Team

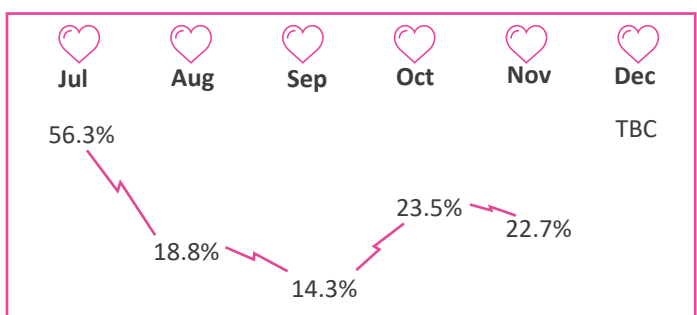
12.8% (95) of Children in Care are Unaccompanied Asylum Seekers

5.2% (39) are allocated to the Children with Disability teams

28.8% (214) are allocated to the CiC 14-18 Years Team

90.6% of Children in Care at 31 December 2024 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)



Age breakdown of the 744 children

- 2.6% (19) 0 years old
- 13.7% (102) aged 1 - 4
- 16.7% (124) aged 5 - 9
- 38.3% (285) aged 10 - 15
- 28.8% (214) aged 16 - 17

