



1. As a month-by-month breakdown, how many children and young people have entered the care system in your area over the past five years?

[See table](#)

	<i>2024</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2020</i>
<i>January</i>	22	15	12	20	20
<i>February</i>	16	24	10	16	28
<i>March</i>	15	14	16	43	25
<i>April</i>	22	13	10	11	19
<i>May</i>	19	21	19	11	19
<i>June</i>	8	35	28	24	20
<i>July</i>	20	29	35	17	30
<i>August</i>	18	17	23	24	18
<i>September</i>	11	34	12	17	16
<i>October</i>	13	24	16	13	17
<i>November</i>	19	22	26	17	11
<i>December</i>	14	32	23	15	19

2. As a month by month breakdown, how many children/young people who are living with a disability have entered the care system in your area in the following years?

The Equality Act 2010 defines a disability as constituting a 'physical or mental impairment' the impairment 'has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on their ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities.

[See table](#)

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
January	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
February	<5	<5	<5	0	7
March	<5	0	<5	7	<5
April	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
May	<5	<5	<5	5	<5
June	0	<5	<5	<5	5
July	<5	<5	<5	<5	7
August	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
September	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
October	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
November	<5	<5	<5	<5	0
December	<5	<5	0	<5	5

3. How many foster carers do you currently have in your area?

171 recruited carer households

4. How many foster carers do you currently have in your area who are able to provide the types of foster care listed below. Please enter the total number of carers available, including those currently fostering children and those not.

See table below in relation to LA foster carers. All carers are approved for short and long term care.

Type of foster care	Number of carers in your area
Short term	171
Long term	171
Respite	21
Emergency	3
Remand	1
Fostering siblings	We cannot pull this information from our fostering register
Bridge to foster	0
Parent and child	1
Fostering a baby	40 (child 2 years old or younger)
Fostering those with a disability	We cannot pull this information from our fostering register
Fostering teenagers	80 – 13 – 18 birthday
Fostering unaccompanied children e.g. asylum seekers	0
Staying put	28
Therapeutic	We do not collate this as an approval type
Other	0

5. Has your council seen an increase in the demand for foster carers for children/young people who are living with a disability in the last 12 months? Y/N

YES