

# 15A Protection and support services — attachment

All jurisdictions data

Table 15A.1

Table 15A.1 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Australia 2003-04 (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Indigenous children									
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations									
Investigations finalised by 31 August									
Substantiated	no.	na	749	1 864	351	633	13	61	405
Carer/family issues	no.	na	..	..	..	..	–	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	na	483	370	267	707	5	80	317
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>1 232</b>	<b>2 234</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>1 340</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>722</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	na	31	653	118	10	6	95	38
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>1 263</b>	<b>2 887</b>	<b>736</b>	<b>1 350</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>760</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	na	1 159	252	–	1 375	1	7	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	na	–	93	29	–	–	200	473
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>2 422</b>	<b>3 232</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>2 725</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>1 233</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations									
Investigations finalised by 31 August									
Substantiated	%	na	30.9	57.7	45.9	23.2	52.0	13.8	32.8
Carer/family issues	%	na	..	..	..	..	–	..	..
Not substantiated	%	na	19.9	11.4	34.9	25.9	20.0	18.1	25.7
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>50.9</b>	<b>69.1</b>	<b>80.8</b>	<b>49.2</b>	<b>72.0</b>	<b>31.8</b>	<b>58.6</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	na	1.3	20.2	15.4	0.4	24.0	21.4	3.1
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>52.1</b>	<b>89.3</b>	<b>96.2</b>	<b>49.5</b>	<b>96.0</b>	<b>53.3</b>	<b>61.6</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	na	47.9	7.8	–	50.5	4.0	1.6	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	na	–	2.9	3.8	–	–	45.1	38.4
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Non-Indigenous children									
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations									
Investigations finalised by 31 August									
Substantiated	no.	na	6 663	15 609	617	1 857	414	569	122
Carer/family issues	no.	na	..	..	..	..	–	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	na	3 979	5 760	789	3 186	503	690	167
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>10 642</b>	<b>21 369</b>	<b>1 406</b>	<b>5 043</b>	<b>917</b>	<b>1 259</b>	<b>289</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	na	354	5 059	176	52	353	883	23
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>10 996</b>	<b>26 428</b>	<b>1 582</b>	<b>5 095</b>	<b>1 270</b>	<b>2 142</b>	<b>312</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	na	23 538	4 373	–	7 097	3 410	68	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	na	–	990	70	–	2 543	2 672	412
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>34 534</b>	<b>31 791</b>	<b>1 652</b>	<b>12 192</b>	<b>7 223</b>	<b>4 882</b>	<b>724</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations									

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	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Investigations finalised by 31 August									
Substantiated	%	na	19.3	49.1	37.3	15.2	5.7	11.7	16.9
Carer/family issues	%	na	..	..	..	..	–	..	..
Not substantiated	%	na	11.5	18.1	47.8	26.1	7.0	14.1	23.1
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>30.8</b>	<b>67.2</b>	<b>85.1</b>	<b>41.4</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>25.8</b>	<b>39.9</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	na		15.9	10.7	0.4	4.9	18.1	3.2
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>31.8</b>	<b>83.1</b>	<b>95.8</b>	<b>41.8</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>43.9</b>	<b>43.1</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	na	68.2	13.8	–	58.2	47.2	1.4	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	na	–	3.1	4.2	–	35.2	54.7	56.9
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
All children									
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations									
Investigations finalised by 31 August									
Substantiated	no.	na	7 412	17 473	968	2 490	427	630	527
Carer/family issues	no.	na	..	..	..	..	–	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	na	4 462	6 130	1 056	3 893	508	770	484
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>11 874</b>	<b>23 603</b>	<b>2 024</b>	<b>6 383</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>1 400</b>	<b>1 011</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	na	385	5 712	294	62	359	978	61
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>12 259</b>	<b>29 315</b>	<b>2 318</b>	<b>6 445</b>	<b>1 294</b>	<b>2 378</b>	<b>1 072</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	na	24 697	4 625	–	8 472	3 411	75	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	na	–	1 083	99	–	2 543	2 872	885
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>115 541</b>	<b>36 956</b>	<b>35 023</b>	<b>2 417</b>	<b>14 917</b>	<b>7 248</b>	<b>5 325</b>	<b>1 957</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations									
Investigations finalised by 31 August									
Substantiated	%	na	20.1	49.9	40.0	16.7	5.9	11.8	26.9
Carer/family issues	%	na	..	..	..	..	–	..	..
Not substantiated	%	na	12.1	17.5	43.7	26.1	7.0	14.5	24.7
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>32.1</b>	<b>67.4</b>	<b>83.7</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>26.3</b>	<b>51.7</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	na	1.0	16.3	12.2	0.4	5.0	18.4	3.1
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>83.7</b>	<b>95.9</b>	<b>43.2</b>	<b>17.9</b>	<b>44.7</b>	<b>54.8</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	na	66.8	13.2	–	56.8	47.1	1.4	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	na	–	3.1	4.1	–	35.1	53.9	45.2
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) See notes to source tables for a description of how the data were defined and collected.

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: Tables 15A.27, 15A.44, 15A.61, 15A.78, 15A.95, 15A.112, 15A.132 and 15A.146; 2005 Report, table 15A.5.

Table 15A.2

Table 15A.2 **Children admitted to and discharged from care and protection orders by Indigenous status, Australia, 2003-04 (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Indigenous									
Children admitted to orders									
Admitted for the first time	no.	na	162	307	167	78	28	16	na
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	na	157	271	3	55	27	3	na
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>250</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	na	229	324	63	141	23	12	169
Non-Indigenous									
Children admitted to orders									
Admitted for the first time	no.	na	1 337	1 443	262	374	178	107	na
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	na	1 122	917	9	157	297	55	na
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>2 459</b>	<b>2 360</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>107</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	na	1 799	1 288	156	610	247	113	104
All children									
Children admitted to orders									
Admitted for the first time	no.	na	1 499	1 750	429	452	206	123	na
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	na	1 279	1 188	12	212	324	58	na
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>2 778</b>	<b>2 938</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>664</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>357</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	na	2 028	1 612	221	751	270	125	234

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na Not available.

Source: Tables 15A.28, 15A.45, 15A.62, 15A.79, 15A.96, 15A.113, 15A.130 and 15A.147; 2005 Report, table 15A.6.

Table 15A.3

Table 15A.3 **Number of children on care and protection orders at by type of order and Indigenous status, Australia, at 30 June 2004 (a)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Number of Indigenous children on orders								
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	na	439	1 041	513	256	74	47	206
Finalised supervisory orders	na	111	44	..	..	6	–	–
Interim and temporary orders	na	24	61	70	19	3	6	24
Other/not stated	na	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>1 146</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>230</b>
Number of non-Indigenous children on orders								
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	na	3 355	3 342	922	1 109	472	233	110
Finalised supervisory orders	na	1 118	172	..	..	20	37	–
Interim and temporary orders	na	204	290	134	71	59	30	5
Other/not stated	na	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>4 677</b>	<b>3 804</b>	<b>1 056</b>	<b>1 180</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>115</b>
Number of all children on orders								
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	na	3 794	4 383	1 435	1 365	546	280	316
Finalised supervisory orders	na	1 229	216	..	..	26	37	–
Interim and temporary orders	na	228	351	204	90	62	36	29
Other/not stated	na	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>5 251</b>	<b>4 950</b>	<b>1 639</b>	<b>1 455</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>345</b>

(a) See notes to source tables for a description of how the data were defined and collected.

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: Tables 15A.29, 15A.46, 15A.63, 15A.80, 15A.97, 15A.114, 15A.131 and 15A.148; 2005 Report, table 15A.7.

Table 15A.4

**Table 15A.4 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Australia, 2003-04 (a), (b)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
Children aged 0–16 years in notifications (a)									
Number of children									
Indigenous	na	1 673	1 933	688	1 634	15	175	1 052	7 170
Non-Indigenous	na	26 261	22 871	1 550	8 160	5 200	2 541	618	67 201
<b>All children</b>	<b>70 571</b>	<b>27 934</b>	<b>24 804</b>	<b>2 238</b>	<b>9 794</b>	<b>5 215</b>	<b>2 716</b>	<b>1 670</b>	<b>144 942</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years									
Indigenous	na	137.8	33.7	23.9	147.7	1.9	100.8	45.5	50.6
Non-Indigenous	na	24.3	27.1	3.6	25.8	50.3	35.9	18.6	23.4
All children	46.7	25.6	27.5	4.9	29.9	47.0	37.5	29.6	32.0
Children aged 0–16 years in finalised investigations									
Number of children									
Indigenous	na	1 064	1 445	571	887	15	70	656	4 708
Non-Indigenous	na	9 696	15 986	1 335	3 774	668	773	274	32 506
<b>All children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>10 760</b>	<b>17 431</b>	<b>1 906</b>	<b>4 661</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>843</b>	<b>930</b>	<b>37 214</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years									
Indigenous	na	87.6	25.2	19.9	80.2	1.9	40.3	28.4	33.2
Non-Indigenous	na	9.0	18.9	3.1	11.9	6.5	10.9	8.2	11.3
All children	na	9.9	19.3	4.2	14.2	6.2	11.6	16.5	12.3
Children aged 0–16 years in substantiations									
Number of children									
Indigenous	na	700	1 192	322	441	12	44	375	3 086
Non-Indigenous	na	6 323	11 481	599	1 499	317	441	116	20 776
<b>All children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>7 023</b>	<b>12 673</b>	<b>921</b>	<b>1 940</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>23 862</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years									
Indigenous	na	57.7	20.8	11.2	39.9	1.6	25.3	16.2	21.8
Non-Indigenous	na	5.9	13.6	1.4	4.7	3.1	6.2	3.5	7.2
All children	na	6.4	14.0	2.0	5.9	3.0	6.7	8.7	7.9
Children aged 0–17 years on care and protection orders									
Number of children									
Indigenous	na	574	1 146	583	275	83	53	230	2 944
Non-Indigenous	na	4 677	3 804	1 056	1 180	551	300	115	11 683
<b>All children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>5 251</b>	<b>4 950</b>	<b>1 639</b>	<b>1 455</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>14 627</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years									
Indigenous	na	44.7	18.9	19.2	23.5	10.2	28.7	9.4	19.6
Non-Indigenous	na	4.1	4.2	2.3	3.5	5.0	4.0	3.3	3.8
All children	na	4.5	5.2	3.4	4.2	5.4	4.6	5.8	4.6

Table 15A.4      **Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Australia, 2003-04 (a), (b)**

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(a) Data on the number of notifications by Indigenous status should be interpreted with care. These data are collected very early in the child protection process and often before the agency has full knowledge of the child's family circumstances. As a result of this lack of full knowledge and the other inherent difficulties in identifying Indigenous status, these data are not considered to have a high level of reliability.

(b) See notes to source tables for a description of how the data were defined and collected.

**na** Not available.

*Source:* Tables 15A.25, 15A.26, 15A.30, 15A.47, 15A.64, 15A.81, 15A.98, 15A.115, 15A.132 and 15A.149; 2005 Report, table 15A.8



Table 15A.5

Table 15A.5 **Children in out-of-home care: Number and rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years by Indigenous status, Australia, 2003-04 (a)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
Children in out-of-home care at 30 June									
Number of children in care									
Indigenous	2 459	531	958	587	236	55	58	175	5 059
Non-Indigenous	6 686	3 778	3 455	1 094	968	432	240	83	16 736
<b>All children</b>	<b>9 145</b>	<b>4 309</b>	<b>4 413</b>	<b>1 681</b>	<b>1 204</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>21 795</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population									
Indigenous	38.7	41.4	15.8	19.3	20.2	6.7	31.4	7.2	23.7
Non-Indigenous	4.4	3.3	3.9	2.4	2.9	3.9	3.2	2.4	3.7
All children	5.7	3.7	4.6	3.5	3.5	4.1	3.9	4.3	4.5
Children aged 0–17 years in at least one out-of-home care placement during the year									
Number of children in care									
Indigenous	na	1 043	1 217	836	433	78	81	338	4 026
Non-Indigenous	na	6 580	4 483	1 477	1 572	591	520	150	15 373
<b>All children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>7 623</b>	<b>5 700</b>	<b>2 313</b>	<b>2 005</b>	<b>669</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>19 399</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population									
Indigenous	na	81.7	20.2	27.6	37.2	9.6	44.3	13.9	27.0
Non-Indigenous	na	5.8	5.0	3.3	4.7	5.4	6.9	4.3	5.0
All children	na	6.6	6.0	4.8	5.8	5.7	7.8	8.2	6.1

(a) See notes to source tables for a description of how the data were defined and collected.

na Not available.

Source: Tables 15A.25, 15A.26, 15A.34, 15A.51, 15A.68, 15A.85, 15A.102, 15A.119, 15A.136 and 15A.153; 2005 Report, table 15A.11.

Table 15A.6

Table 15A.6 **Number of children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status and placement type, Australia, 30 June 2004 (a)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Indigenous								
Residential care	46	48	3	57	2	–	6	..
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	–	13	..	9
Home based care								
Foster care	710	269	587	204	182	10	23	118
Relative/kinship care	1 685	196	368	319	52	16	29	44
Other home based care	–	18	–	–	–	9	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>2 395</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>955</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>162</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	17	–	–	4	–	3	–	–
Other (incl. unknown)	1	–	–	3	–	4	–	4
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>2 459</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>175</b>
Non-Indigenous								
Residential care	250	332	44	104	44	–	20	..
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	13	41	..	5
Home based care								
Foster care	2 923	2 074	2 684	652	763	207	128	55
Relative/kinship care	3 392	1 149	727	304	142	97	82	16
Other home based care	–	195	–	–	6	40	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>6 315</b>	<b>3 418</b>	<b>3 411</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>911</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>71</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	113	28	–	28	–	27	1	–
Other (incl. unknown)	8	–	–	6	–	20	9	7
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>6 686</b>	<b>3 778</b>	<b>3 455</b>	<b>1 094</b>	<b>968</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>83</b>
All children								
Residential care	296	380	47	161	46	–	26	..
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	13	54	..	14
Home based care								
Foster care	3 633	2 343	3 271	856	945	217	151	173
Relative/kinship care	5 077	1 345	1 095	623	194	113	111	60
Other home based care	–	213	–	–	6	49	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>8 710</b>	<b>3 901</b>	<b>4 366</b>	<b>1 479</b>	<b>1 145</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>233</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	130	28	–	32	–	30	1	–
Other (incl. unknown)	9	–	–	9	–	24	9	11
<b>Total children</b>	<b>9 145</b>	<b>4 309</b>	<b>4 413</b>	<b>1 681</b>	<b>1 204</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>258</b>

(a) See notes to source tables for a description of how the data were defined and collected.

– Nil or rounded to zero. .. Not applicable.

Source: Tables 15A.35, 15A.52, 15A.69, 15A.86, 15A.103, 15A.120, 15A.137 and 15A.154; 2005 Report, table 15A.12.

Table 15A.7

Table 15A.7 **Number of children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status and whether on a care and protection order, Australia, 30 June 2004 (a)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Indigenous								
Care and protection order	na	385	892	518	195	54	52	175
Another type of order	na	7	2	–	41	–	1	..
Not on an order	na	139	64	69	–	1	5	..
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>2 459</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>175</b>
Non-Indigenous								
Care and protection order	na	2 938	3 032	917	833	432	225	83
Another type of order	na	112	5	–	135	–	6	..
Not on an order	na	700	418	177	–	–	9	..
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>6 686</b>	<b>3 750</b>	<b>3 455</b>	<b>1 094</b>	<b>968</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>83</b>
All children								
Care and protection order	na	3 323	3 924	1 435	1 028	486	277	258
Another type of order	na	119	7	–	176	–	7	..
Not on an order	na	839	482	246	–	1	14	..
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>9 145</b>	<b>4 281</b>	<b>4 413</b>	<b>1 681</b>	<b>1 204</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>258</b>

(a) See notes to source tables for a description of how the data were defined and collected.

na Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero. .. Not applicable.

Source: Tables 15A.36, 15A.53, 15A.70, 15A.87, 15A.104, 15A.121, 15A.138 and 15A.155; 2005 Report, table 15A.13.

Table 15A.8

**Table 15A.8 Number of children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Australia, 30 June 2004 (a)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Indigenous								
Respite	na	19	na	na	1	na	–	na
Non-respite								
Less than 1 month	na	25	124	21	11	4	–	6
1 to less than 6 months	na	83	229	44	25	26	6	28
6 months to less than 1 year	na	77	154	43	31	11	7	22
1 to less than 2 years	na	73	155	89	41	8	20	32
2 to less than 5 years	na	158	179	197	65	6	13	55
5 years or more	na	94	117	193	62	–	12	28
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–	–	–	4
Total non-respite	na	510	958	587	235	55	58	175
Not stated/unknown	na	2	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>2 459</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>175</b>
Non-Indigenous								
Respite	na	21	na	na	3	na	4	na
Non-respite								
Less than 1 month	na	164	404	29	52	62	6	–
1 to less than 6 months	na	525	797	71	185	145	31	11
6 months to less than 1 year	na	492	519	106	120	94	30	14
1 to less than 2 years	na	593	618	176	169	53	43	18
2 to less than 5 years	na	1 031	678	328	208	50	64	22
5 years or more	na	912	439	384	231	26	62	16
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–	1	–	2
Total non-respite	na	3 717	3 455	1 094	965	431	236	83
Not stated/unknown	na	42	–	–	–	1	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>6 686</b>	<b>3 778</b>	<b>3 455</b>	<b>1 094</b>	<b>968</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>83</b>
All children								
Respite	na	40	na	na	4	na	4	na
Non-respite								
Less than 1 month	na	189	528	50	63	66	6	6
1 to less than 6 months	na	608	1 026	115	210	171	37	39
6 months to less than 1 year	na	569	673	149	151	105	37	36
1 to less than 2 years	na	666	773	265	210	61	63	50
2 to less than 5 years	na	1 189	857	525	273	56	77	77
5 years or more	na	1 006	556	577	293	26	74	44
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–	1	–	6
Total non-respite	na	4 227	4 413	1 681	1 200	486	294	258
Not stated/unknown	na	42	–	–	–	1	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>9 145</b>	<b>4 309</b>	<b>4 413</b>	<b>1 681</b>	<b>1 204</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>258</b>

Table 15A.8      **Number of children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Australia, 30 June 2004**  
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(a) See notes to source tables for a description of how the data were defined and collected.

**na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

*Source:* Tables 15A.37, 15A.54, 15A.71, 15A.88, 15A.105, 15A.122, 15A.139 and 15A.156; 2005 Report, table 15A.14.

Table 15A.9

Table 15A.9 **Number of children who exited care during the year 2003-04 by Indigenous status and length of time spent in care, Australia (a)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Indigenous								
1 to less than 6 months	na	99	56	38	35	na	3	36
6 months to less than 1 year	na	43	23	9	8	na	4	2
1 to less than 2 years	na	34	27	11	12	na	2	4
2 to less than 5 years	na	25	40	23	7	na	–	–
5 years or more	na	3	21	20	9	na	2	2
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–	na	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>44</b>
Non-Indigenous								
1 to less than 6 months	na	548	365	67	109	na	70	8
6 months to less than 1 year	na	228	109	32	33	na	22	2
1 to less than 2 years	na	203	108	26	44	na	4	1
2 to less than 5 years	na	190	92	46	36	na	7	–
5 years or more	na	87	84	47	53	na	14	1
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–	na	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>1 256</b>	<b>758</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>12</b>
All children								
1 to less than 6 months	na	647	421	105	144	na	73	44
6 months to less than 1 year	na	271	132	41	41	na	26	4
1 to less than 2 years	na	237	135	37	56	na	6	5
2 to less than 5 years	na	215	132	69	43	na	7	–
5 years or more	na	90	105	67	62	na	16	3
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–	na	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>1 460</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>56</b>

(a) See notes to source tables for a description of how the data were defined and collected.

**na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: Tables 15A.38, 15A.55, 15A.72, 15A.89, 15A.106, 15A.123, 15A.140 and 15A.157; 2005 Report, table 15A.15.

Table 15A.10

Table 15A.10 **Children in out-of-home care placed with relatives/kin by Indigenous status, Australia, 30 June 2004 (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Number of children at 30 June									
Indigenous	no.	1 685	196	368	319	52	16	29	44
Non-Indigenous	no.	3 392	1 149	727	304	142	97	82	16
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>5 077</b>	<b>1 345</b>	<b>1 095</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>60</b>
As a proportion of all children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status at 30 June									
Indigenous	%	68.5	36.9	38.4	54.3	22.0	29.1	50.0	25.1
Non-Indigenous	%	50.7	30.4	21.0	27.8	14.7	22.5	34.2	19.3
All children	%	55.5	31.2	24.8	37.1	16.1	23.2	37.2	23.3

(a) See notes to source tables for a description of how the data were defined and collected.

Source: Tables 15A.39, 15A.56, 15A.73, 15A.90, 15A.107, 15A.124, 15A.141 and 15A.158; 2005 Report, table 15A.16.

Table 15A.11

Table 15A.11 **Indigenous children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status and relationship of caregiver, Australia, 30 June 2004 (a), (b)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Number of Indigenous children at 30 June									
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle									
Indigenous relative/kin	no.	na	98	326	282	37	3	26	67
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	no.	na	81	42	33	15	13	3	na
Other Indigenous caregiver	no.	na	117	236	127	131	3	5	53
Indigenous residential care	no.	na	12	3	28	–	–	1	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>120</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle									
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	no.	na	155	351	81	51	28	18	55
In non-Indigenous residential care	no.	na	36	–	29	2	–	5	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>175</b>
As a proportion of all Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June									
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle									
Indigenous relative/kin	%	na	19.6	34.0	48.6	15.7	6.4	44.8	38.3
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	%	na	16.2	4.4	5.7	6.4	27.7	5.2	na
Other Indigenous caregiver	%	na	23.4	24.6	21.9	55.5	6.4	8.6	30.3
Indigenous residential care	%	na	2.4	0.3	4.8	–	–	1.7	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>61.7</b>	<b>63.4</b>	<b>81.0</b>	<b>77.5</b>	<b>40.4</b>	<b>60.3</b>	<b>68.6</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle									
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	%	na	31.1	36.6	14.0	21.6	59.6	31.0	31.4
In non-Indigenous residential care	%	na	7.2	–	5.0	0.8	–	8.6	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>38.3</b>	<b>36.6</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>59.6</b>	<b>39.7</b>	<b>31.4</b>
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) See notes to source tables for a description of how the data were defined and collected.

(b) The denominator for calculating the percentage of children placed in accordance with the principle excludes Indigenous children living independently and those whose living arrangements were unknown.

**na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: Tables 15A.40, 15A.57, 15A.74, 15A.91, 15A.108, 15A.125, 15A.142 and 15A.159; 2005 Report, table 15A.17.



Table 15A.12

Table 15A.12 **Children aged under 12 years in out-of-home care and in a home based placement by Indigenous status, Australia, 30 June 2004 (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Number of children									
Indigenous	no.	1 769	350	685	403	156	21	35	131
Non-Indigenous	no.	4 477	2 127	2 426	655	590	248	154	44
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>6 246</b>	<b>2 477</b>	<b>3 111</b>	<b>1 058</b>	<b>746</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>175</b>
As a proportion of all children under 12 years in out-of-home care									
Indigenous	%	99.3	96.7	99.9	89.8	99.4	65.6	100.0	92.9
Non-Indigenous	%	99.0	97.0	99.6	92.4	99.0	90.5	98.7	89.8
All children	%	99.1	96.9	99.6	91.4	99.1	87.9	99.0	92.1

(a) See notes to source tables for a description of how the data were defined and collected.

Source: Tables 15A.41, 15A.58, 15A.75, 15A.92, 15A.109, 15A.126, 15A.143 and 15A.160; 2005 Report, table 15A.18.

Table 15A.13

**Table 15A.13 Intensive family support services: Number of children aged 0–17 years commencing intensive family support services by Indigenous status and gender (a)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
Number of children aged 0–17 years in intensive family support service by Indigenous status								
1999-2000								
Indigenous	66	na	na	22	na	4	9	na
Non-Indigenous	68	na	na	410	na	54	11	na
<b>All children</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>1 137</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>na</b>
2000-01								
Indigenous	32	na	13	47	136	10	na	na
Non-Indigenous	156	na	51	377	311	40	na	na
<b>All children</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>na</b>
2001-02								
Indigenous	25	111	23	56	44	3	27	na
Non-Indigenous	3	1 007	235	271	131	33	77	na
<b>All children</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1 118</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>na</b>
2002-03								
Indigenous	38	97	17	58	78	6	19	na
Non-Indigenous	100	1 018	111	329	177	65	104	na
<b>All children</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>1 115</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>na</b>
2003-04								
Indigenous	54	84	20	97	80	14	17	na
Non-Indigenous	74	1 308	79	199	170	49	99	na
<b>All children</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>1 392</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>na</b>
Number of children aged 0–17 years in intensive family support services by sex								
1999-2000								
Male	74	na	na	203	na	33	10	na
Female	60	na	na	229	na	25	10	na
Unknown	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Total</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>1 137</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>na</b>
2000-01								
Male	106	na	40	252	136	34	na	na
Female	82	na	24	172	311	16	na	na
Unknown	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>na</b>
2001-02								
Male	14	346	146	180	92	19	54	na
Female	14	301	112	147	83	17	50	na
Unknown	–	471	–	–	–	–	–	na
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1 118</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>na</b>

Table 15A.13

**Table 15A.13 Intensive family support services: Number of children aged 0–17 years commencing intensive family support services by Indigenous status and gender (a)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
2002-03								
Male	64	390	64	193	142	33	65	na
Female	74	309	64	194	113	38	58	na
Unknown	–	416	–	–	–	–	–	na
<b>Total</b>	<b>138</b>		<b>128</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>na</b>
2003-04								
Male	68	345	42	128	128	31	61	na
Female	60	285	57	114	121	32	55	na
Unknown	–	762	–	54	1	–	–	na
<b>Total</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>1 392</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>na</b>

(a) In 1999-2000 and 2001-02, for a service to fit the scope of this collection, they had to provide at least 8-10 hours .

**na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW), *Intensive Family Support Services Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.22.

Table 15A.14

Table 15A.14 Target population data used for annual data, December ('000)

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous children					
NSW	57.7	58.7	59.4	59.8	60.3
Vic	11.7	11.8	12.0	12.1	12.1
Qld	53.8	54.8	55.7	56.6	57.3
WA	27.7	28.1	28.3	28.5	28.7
SA	10.7	10.8	10.9	11.0	11.1
Tas	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.7
ACT	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7
NT	22.4	22.6	22.8	22.9	23.1
<b>Australia</b>	<b>193.2</b>	<b>196.0</b>	<b>198.3</b>	<b>200.3</b>	<b>202.1</b>
Non-Indigenous children					
NSW	1 450.7	1 460.6	1 462.7	1 454.7	1 451.6
Vic	1 071.1	1 076.0	1 078.4	1 078.1	1 079.1
Qld	807.2	816.3	826.8	836.2	845.0
WA	427.8	429.1	428.8	426.9	427.0
SA	325.8	323.5	321.2	318.7	316.6
Tas	106.9	105.7	104.6	103.6	103.3
ACT	73.3	73.0	72.5	71.7	70.7
NT	34.2	34.2	34.0	31.2	33.2
<b>Australia</b>	<b>4 297.0</b>	<b>4 318.3</b>	<b>4 329.0</b>	<b>4 321.2</b>	<b>4 326.5</b>
All children					
NSW	1 508.5	1 519.3	1 522.1	1 514.6	1 511.9
Vic	1 082.8	1 087.8	1 090.3	1 090.2	1 091.2
Qld	861.0	871.1	882.5	892.8	902.3
WA	455.5	457.2	457.1	455.4	455.8
SA	336.5	334.2	332.0	329.6	327.6
Tas	114.5	113.3	112.3	111.2	111.0
ACT	75.0	74.7	74.2	73.4	72.4
NT	56.5	56.8	56.8	54.2	56.3
<b>Australia</b>	<b>4 490.2</b>	<b>4 514.3</b>	<b>4 527.3</b>	<b>4 521.5</b>	<b>4 528.6</b>

Table 15A.14

Table 15A.14 Target population data used for annual data, December ('000)

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–17 years					
Indigenous children					
NSW	60.2	61.8	62.1	62.8	63.3
Vic	12.2	12.5	12.5	12.7	12.8
Qld	56.2	57.7	58.2	59.2	60.1
WA	29.0	29.6	29.7	30.0	30.2
SA	11.2	11.4	11.4	11.6	11.7
Tas	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1
ACT	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8
NT	23.5	23.9	24.0	24.2	24.4
<b>Australia</b>	<b>201.9</b>	<b>205.1</b>		<b>210.2</b>	<b>212.4</b>
Non-Indigenous children					
NSW	1 535.2	1 545.7	1 549.5	1 542.2	1 538.7
Vic	1 133.6	1 139.4	1 142.9	1 143.1	1 144.2
Qld	856.5	865.7	876.9	887.1	896.2
WA	453.5	455.0	455.4	453.8	454.3
SA	345.4	343.5	341.5	338.9	336.6
Tas	113.4	112.0	111.1	110.1	109.8
ACT	78.1	77.8	77.2	76.3	75.2
NT	35.9	35.8	35.7	32.8	34.9
<b>Australia</b>	<b>4 551.7</b>	<b>4 576.7</b>	<b>4 590.2</b>	<b>4 584.4</b>	<b>4 589.9</b>
All children					
NSW	1 595.4	1 607.5	1 611.6	1 605.0	1 602.0
Vic	1 145.8	1 151.9	1 155.4	1 155.7	1 157.0
Qld	912.7	923.4	935.1	946.4	956.3
WA	482.4	484.7	485.1	483.8	484.5
SA	356.6	354.9	352.9	350.5	348.3
Tas	121.4	120.1	119.2	118.2	117.9
ACT	79.8	79.6	79.0	78.1	77.1
NT	59.5	59.7	59.7	57.0	59.2
<b>Australia</b>	<b>4 753.6</b>	<b>4 781.8</b>	<b>4 798.1</b>	<b>4 794.6</b>	<b>4 802.3</b>

Source: ABS Population by age and sex, 31 March estimates; ABS Population by age and sex, 31 December estimates; ABS Indigenous population by age and sex, 30 June estimates; 2005 Report, table 15A.25.

Table 15A.15

Table 15A.15 **Target population data used for end of financial year data, March ('000)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous children					
NSW	58.3	59.1	59.6	60.1	60.5
Vic	11.8	11.9	12.0	12.1	12.2
Qld	54.3	55.2	56.1	57.0	57.7
WA	27.9	28.2	28.4	28.6	28.8
SA	10.7	10.8	10.9	11.0	11.1
Tas	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7
ACT	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8
NT	22.5	22.7	22.9	23.0	23.2
<b>Australia</b>	<b>194.7</b>	<b>197.2</b>	<b>199.4</b>	<b>201.2</b>	<b>202.9</b>
Non-Indigenous children					
NSW	1 433.5	1 434.7	1 467.6	1 453.7	1 444.2
Vic	1 063.9	1 065.6	1 083.3	1 079.8	1 078.8
Qld	801.5	807.0	828.5	833.9	846.0
WA	425.2	424.5	428.7	427.0	427.5
SA	322.6	319.5	321.1	317.9	316.0
Tas	105.8	104.2	104.6	103.6	103.4
ACT	71.8	71.5	72.8	71.5	70.5
NT	34.1	34.3	34.1	33.5	33.2
<b>Australia</b>	<b>4 258.3</b>	<b>4 261.2</b>	<b>4 340.8</b>	<b>4 320.9</b>	<b>4 319.6</b>
All children					
NSW	1 491.8	1 493.8	1 527.2	1 513.8	1 504.7
Vic	1 075.7	1 077.5	1 095.3	1 091.9	1 091.0
Qld	855.8	862.2	884.6	890.9	903.7
WA	453.1	452.7	457.1	455.7	456.4
SA	333.4	330.3	332.1	328.9	327.1
Tas	113.4	111.8	112.3	111.3	111.1
ACT	73.4	73.1	74.5	73.2	72.3
NT	56.6	57.0	56.9	56.5	56.4
<b>Australia</b>	<b>4 453.0</b>	<b>4 458.5</b>	<b>4 540.2</b>	<b>4 522.2</b>	<b>4 522.6</b>

Table 15A.15

Table 15A.15 **Target population data used for end of financial year data, March ('000)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–17 years					
Indigenous children					
NSW	60.8	61.8	62.4	63.1	63.5
Vic	12.3	12.4	12.6	12.7	12.8
Qld	56.7	57.7	58.8	59.7	60.5
WA	29.2	29.5	29.8	30.1	30.4
SA	11.2	11.4	11.5	11.6	11.7
Tas	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.2
ACT	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8
NT	23.7	23.9	24.1	24.2	24.5
<b>Australia</b>	<b>203.6</b>	<b>206.6</b>		<b>211.3</b>	<b>213.4</b>
Non-Indigenous children					
NSW	1 520.2	1 521.3	1 556.7	1 542.6	1 531.4
Vic	1 128.5	1 130.6	1 149.8	1 146.7	1 144.4
Qld	852.4	857.9	879.3	885.4	897.2
WA	451.5	451.3	456.0	454.7	454.9
SA	342.5	339.8	341.7	338.4	336.0
Tas	112.4	110.8	111.2	110.1	109.8
ACT	76.5	76.1	77.7	76.2	75.1
NT	35.8	36.1	35.9	35.2	34.9
<b>Australia</b>	<b>4 519.9</b>	<b>4 524.0</b>	<b>4 608.2</b>	<b>4 589.4</b>	<b>4 583.7</b>
All children					
NSW	1 581.0	1 583.2	1 619.2	1 605.7	1 594.9
Vic	1 140.8	1 143.0	1 162.4	1 159.4	1 157.3
Qld	909.1	915.6	938.1	945.1	957.7
WA	480.7	480.9	485.8	484.8	485.3
SA	353.7	351.2	353.2	350.0	347.7
Tas	120.4	118.8	119.3	118.2	118.0
ACT	78.2	77.9	79.5	78.0	76.9
NT	59.5	60.0	60.0	59.5	59.3
<b>Australia</b>	<b>4 723.5</b>	<b>4 730.5</b>	<b>4 817.4</b>	<b>4 800.7</b>	<b>4 797.1</b>

Source: ABS Population by age and sex, 31 March estimates; ABS Population by age and sex, 31 December estimates; ABS Indigenous population by age and sex, 30 June estimates; 2005 Report, table 15A.26.

Single jurisdiction data — NSW



Table 15A.16

Table 15A.16 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, New South Wales (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Indigenous children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	839	1 023	1 101	3 051	na
Carer/family issues	no.	..	815	1 118	93	na
Not substantiated	no.	na	779	1 252	1 245	na
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>2 617</b>	<b>3 471</b>	<b>4 389</b>	<b>na</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	na	673	971	2 614	na
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>2 522</b>	<b>3 290</b>	<b>4 442</b>	<b>7 003</b>	<b>na</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	790	1 216	1 979	6 586	na
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	–	–	na
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>3 312</b>	<b>4 506</b>	<b>6 421</b>	<b>13 589</b>	<b>na</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	25.3	22.7	17.1	22.5	na
Carer/family issues	%	..	18.1	17.4	0.7	na
Not substantiated	%	na	17.3	19.5	9.2	na
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>58.1</b>	<b>54.1</b>	<b>32.3</b>	<b>na</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	na	14.9	15.1	19.2	na
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>76.1</b>	<b>73.0</b>	<b>69.2</b>	<b>51.5</b>	<b>na</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	23.9	27.0	30.8	48.5	na
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	na
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>na</b>
Non-Indigenous children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	5 638	6 478	7 505	13 714	na
Carer/family issues	no.	..	3 785	4 826	535	na
Not substantiated	no.	na	7 033	10 453	7 825	na
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>17 296</b>	<b>22 784</b>	<b>22 074</b>	<b>na</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	na	4 706	6 392	16 188	na
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>15 585</b>	<b>22 002</b>	<b>29 176</b>	<b>38 262</b>	<b>na</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	11 501	14 429	19 611	57 647	na
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	–	–	na
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>27 086</b>	<b>36 431</b>	<b>48 787</b>	<b>95 909</b>	<b>na</b>

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Table 15A.16 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, New South Wales (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	20.8	17.8	15.4	14.3	na
Carer/family issues	%	..	10.4	9.9	0.6	na
Not substantiated	%	na	19.3	21.4	8.2	na
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>47.5</b>	<b>46.7</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>na</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	na		13.1	16.9	na
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>57.5</b>	<b>60.4</b>	<b>59.8</b>	<b>39.9</b>	<b>na</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	42.5	39.6	40.2	60.1	na
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	na
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>na</b>
All children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	6 477	7 501	8 606	16 765	na
Carer/family issues	no.	..	4 600	5 944	628	na
Not substantiated	no.	7 628	7 812	11 705	9 070	na
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>14 105</b>	<b>19 913</b>	<b>26 255</b>	<b>26 463</b>	<b>na</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	4 002	5 379	7 363	18 802	na
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>18 107</b>	<b>25 292</b>	<b>33 618</b>	<b>45 265</b>	<b>na</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	12 291	15 645	21 590	64 233	na
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	–	–	na
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>30 398</b>	<b>40 937</b>	<b>55 208</b>	<b>109 498</b>	<b>115 541</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	21.3	18.3	15.6	15.3	na
Carer/family issues	%	..	11.2	10.8	0.6	na
Not substantiated	%	25.1	19.1	21.2	8.3	na
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>46.4</b>	<b>48.6</b>	<b>47.6</b>	<b>24.2</b>	<b>na</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	13.2	13.1	13.3	17.2	na
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>59.6</b>	<b>61.8</b>	<b>60.9</b>	<b>41.3</b>	<b>na</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	40.4	38.2	39.1	58.7	na
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	na
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 15A.16 Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, New South Wales (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
(a)	If a child was the subject of more than one notification, investigation or substantiations, then each one of these was counted. The definition of an investigation includes interviewing or sighting of the child where practicable.					
(b)	Investigations relate to notifications received during the financial year. If the investigation was completed by 31 August it is classified as finalised. If the investigation was not completed by 31 August it is classified as not finalised.					
(c)	Notifications 'dealt with by other means' includes the provision of advice, referral to support services or referral to the police.					
(d)	Data on the number of investigations finalised and not finalised by Indigenous status were not collected in 1999-2000.					
(e)	From 2000-01, this category includes children where no actual harm is determined but carer/family issues were involved					
(f)	Data from 2002-03 should not be compared previous years. NSW implemented a modification to the data system to support legislation and associated practice changes during 2002-03 which would make any comparison inaccurate.					
(g)	In 2003-04, NSW unable to provide full data due to ongoing implementation of the new reporting system.					
	<b>na</b> Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.					

Source: AIHW *Child protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.27.

Table 15A.17

Table 15A.17 **Children admitted to and discharged from care and protection orders by Indigenous status, New South Wales (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
<b>Indigenous</b>						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	632	531	333	464	na
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	201	282	168	262	na
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>726</b>	<b>na</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	555	553	401	507	na
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	2 177	1 850	1644	1471	na
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	607	810	729	792	na
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>2 784</b>	<b>2 660</b>	<b>2 373</b>	<b>2 263</b>	<b>na</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	1 984	1 818	1 860	1 767	na
<b>All children</b>						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	2 809	2 381	1977	1935	na
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	808	1 092	897	1054	na
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>3 617</b>	<b>3 473</b>	<b>2 874</b>	<b>2 989</b>	<b>na</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	2 539	2 371	2 261	2 274	na

(a) In 2003-04, NSW was unable to provide data due to ongoing implementation of the new reporting system.

**na** Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.28.

Table 15A.18

**Table 15A.18 Number of children on care and protection orders at 30 June by type of order and Indigenous status, New South Wales (a), (b), (c)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Number of Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	1 512	1 798	1 762	1 958	na
Finalised supervisory orders	na	na	na	na	na
Interim and temporary orders	304	264	223	292	na
Other/not stated	10	8	7	15	na
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>1 826</b>	<b>2 070</b>	<b>1 992</b>	<b>2 265</b>	<b>na</b>
Number of non-Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	4 837	5 244	5 334	5 915	na
Finalised supervisory orders	na	na	na	na	na
Interim and temporary orders	974	775	870	769	na
Other/not stated	24	16	33	26	na
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>5 835</b>	<b>6 035</b>	<b>6 237</b>	<b>6 710</b>	<b>na</b>
Number of all children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	6 349	7 042	7 096	7 873	na
Finalised supervisory orders	na	na	na	na	na
Interim and temporary orders	1 278	1 039	1 093	1 061	na
Other/not stated	34	24	40	41	na
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>7 661</b>	<b>8 105</b>	<b>8 229</b>	<b>8 975</b>	<b>na</b>

(a) Data exclude children on 'finalised supervisory orders'.

(b) Data from 2002-03 should not be compared previous years. NSW implemented a modification to the data system to support legislation and associated practice changes during 2002-03 which would make any comparison inaccurate.

(c) In 2003-04, NSW was unable to provide data due to ongoing implementation of the new reporting system.

**na** Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children on care and protection orders, Australia data collection* (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.29.

Table 15A.19

**Table 15A.19 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, New South Wales (a), (b), (c), (d)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–16 years in notifications					
Number of children					
Indigenous	2 466	3 085	3 758	6 328	na
Non-Indigenous	22 113	27 925	35 010	59 293	na
<b>All children</b>	<b>24 579</b>	<b>31 010</b>	<b>38 768</b>	<b>65 621</b>	<b>70 571</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	42.7	52.6	63.3	105.7	na
Non-Indigenous	15.2	19.1	23.9	40.8	na
All children	16.3	20.4	25.5	43.3	46.7
Children aged 0–16 years in finalised investigations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	1 671	1 988	2 479	2 675	na
Non-Indigenous	10 334	14 161	17 940	15 136	na
<b>All children</b>	<b>12 005</b>	<b>16 149</b>	<b>20 419</b>	<b>17 811</b>	<b>na</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	28.9	33.9	41.8	44.7	na
Non-Indigenous	7.1	9.7	12.3	10.4	na
All children	8.0	10.6	13.4	11.8	na
Children aged 0–16 years in substantiations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	761	875	913	1 910	na
Non-Indigenous	5 054	5 655	6 361	9 524	na
<b>All children</b>	<b>5 815</b>	<b>6 530</b>	<b>7 274</b>	<b>11 434</b>	<b>na</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	13.2	14.9	15.4	31.9	na
Non-Indigenous	3.5	3.9	4.3	6.5	na
All children	3.9	4.3	4.8	7.5	na
Children aged 0–17 years on care and protection orders					
Number of children					
Indigenous	1 826	2 070	1 992	2 265	na
Non-Indigenous	5 835	6 035	6 237	6 710	na
<b>All children</b>	<b>7 661</b>	<b>8 105</b>	<b>8 229</b>	<b>8 975</b>	<b>na</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years					
Indigenous	30.0	33.5	31.9	35.9	na
Non-Indigenous	3.8	4.0	4.0	4.3	na
All children	4.8	5.1	5.1	5.6	na

**Table 15A.19 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, New South Wales (a), (b), (c), (d)**

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- (a) Rates of children in notifications, investigations and substantiations were calculated as the number of children aged 0–16 years in each category (including those whose age was not stated) divided by the estimated population of children aged 0–16 years at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (b) Rates of children on care and protection orders were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) who were on a care and protection order at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (c) Data from 2002-03 should not be compared previous years. NSW implemented a modification to the data system to support legislation and associated practice changes during 2002-03 which would make any comparison inaccurate.
- (d) In 2003-04, NSW was unable to provide full data due to ongoing implementation of the new reporting system.
- na** Not available.

*Source:* AIHW *Child Protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations Australia* data collection (unpublished), AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.30.

Table 15A.20

**Table 15A.20 Children in out-of-home care at 30 June: number and rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years, by Indigenous status, New South Wales (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Children in out-of-home care at 30 June					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	1 815	2 139	2 098	2 375	2 459
Non-Indigenous	5 226	5 647	5 986	6 261	6 686
<b>All children</b>	<b>7 041</b>	<b>7 786</b>	<b>8 084</b>	<b>8 636</b>	<b>9 145</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	29.9	34.6	33.6	37.7	38.7
Non-Indigenous	3.4	3.7	3.8	4.1	4.4
All children	4.5	4.9	5.0	5.4	5.7
Children aged 0–17 years in at least one out-of-home care placement during the year					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	2 303	2 818	2 833	3 159	na
Non-Indigenous	7 451	8 417	8 670	9 153	na
<b>All children</b>	<b>9 754</b>	<b>11 235</b>	<b>11 503</b>	<b>12 312</b>	<b>na</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	38.3	45.6	45.6	50.3	na
Non-Indigenous	4.9	5.4	5.6	5.9	na
All children	6.1	7.0	7.1	7.7	na

- (a) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in out of home care at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (b) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in at least one out of home care placement during the year, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (c) The data on children in out-of-home care include the following categories of children even if they do not meet the definition of 'out-of-home care': wards, children under a guardianship order, protected persons (including overseas adoptees) and pre-adoption placements.
- (d) Data from 2002-03 should not be compared previous years. NSW implemented a modification to the data system to support legislation and associated practice changes during 2002-03 which would make any comparison inaccurate.
- (e) In 2003-04, NSW was unable to provide full data due to ongoing implementation of the new reporting system.

na Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.34.



Table 15A.21

Table 15A.21 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and placement type, New South Wales (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	46	66	38	44	46
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	434	555	511	594	710
Relative/kinship care	1 282	1 458	1 491	1 662	1 685
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>1 716</b>	<b>2 013</b>	<b>2 002</b>	<b>2 256</b>	<b>2 395</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	15	17	14	16	17
Other (incl. unknown)	38	43	44	59	1
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>1 815</b>	<b>2 139</b>	<b>2 098</b>	<b>2 375</b>	<b>2 459</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	260	275	231	223	250
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	2 076	2 232	2 287	2 374	2 923
Relative/kinship care	2 530	2 821	3 109	3 267	3 392
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>4 606</b>	<b>5 053</b>	<b>5 396</b>	<b>5 641</b>	<b>6 315</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	119	103	101	103	113
Other (incl. unknown)	241	216	258	294	8
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>5 226</b>	<b>5 647</b>	<b>5 986</b>	<b>6 261</b>	<b>6 686</b>
<b>All children</b>					
Residential care	306	341	269	267	296
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	2 510	2 787	2 798	2 968	3 633
Relative/kinship care	3 812	4 279	4 600	4 929	5 077
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>6 322</b>	<b>7 066</b>	<b>7 398</b>	<b>7 897</b>	<b>8 710</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	134	120	115	119	130
Other (incl. unknown)	279	259	302	353	9
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>7 041</b>	<b>7 786</b>	<b>8 084</b>	<b>8 636</b>	<b>9 145</b>

(a) In 2002-03, the category 'Family group homes' was removed from 'Residential care'.

(b) Data from 2002-03 should not be compared previous years. NSW implemented a modification to the data system to support legislation and associated practice changes during 2002-03 which would make any comparison inaccurate.

.. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.35.

Table 15A.22

**Table 15A.22 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and whether on a care and protection order, New South Wales (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Care and protection order	1 555	1 814	1 774	2 016	na
Another type of order	–	–	–	–	na
Not on an order	260	325	324	359	na
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>1 815</b>	<b>2 139</b>	<b>2 098</b>	<b>2 375</b>	<b>2 459</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Care and protection order	4 856	5 138	5 449	5 772	na
Another type of order	–	–	–	–	na
Not on an order	370	509	537	489	na
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>5 226</b>	<b>5 647</b>	<b>5 986</b>	<b>6 261</b>	<b>6 686</b>
All children					
Care and protection order	6 411	6 952	7 223	7 788	na
Another type of order	–	–	–	–	na
Not on an order	630	834	861	848	na
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>7 041</b>	<b>7 786</b>	<b>8 084</b>	<b>8 636</b>	<b>9 145</b>

(a) 'On a care and protection order' includes children on guardianship or custody orders or arrangements; and those on interim or temporary orders. 'On another type of order' includes offence orders or other orders that are not care and protection orders.

(b) In 2003-04, NSW was unable to provide data due to ongoing implementation of the new reporting system.

na Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.36.

Table 15A.23

**Table 15A.23 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, New South Wales (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Respite	174	252	209	233	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	61	31	21	38	na
1 to less than 6 months	213	184	143	226	na
6 months to less than 1 year	211	242	181	233	na
1 to less than 2 years	308	369	305	271	na
2 to less than 5 years	481	648	779	771	na
5 years or more	365	408	456	594	na
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	na
Total non-respite	1 639	1 882	1 885	2 133	na
Not stated/unknown	2	5	4	9	na
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>1 815</b>	<b>2 139</b>	<b>2 098</b>	<b>2 375</b>	<b>2 459</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Respite	541	669	700	622	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	160	155	124	96	na
1 to less than 6 months	622	524	535	595	na
6 months to less than 1 year	583	615	527	565	na
1 to less than 2 years	878	936	911	847	na
2 to less than 5 years	1 381	1 559	1 834	1 966	na
5 years or more	1 059	1 185	1 351	1 565	na
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	na
Total non-respite	4 683	4 974	5 282	5 634	na
Not stated/unknown	2	4	4	5	na
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>5 226</b>	<b>5 647</b>	<b>5 986</b>	<b>6 261</b>	<b>6 686</b>
All children					
Respite	715	921	909	855	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	221	186	145	134	na
1 to less than 6 months	835	708	678	821	na
6 months to less than 1 year	794	857	708	798	na
1 to less than 2 years	1 186	1 305	1 216	1 118	na
2 to less than 5 years	1 862	2 207	2 613	2 737	na
5 years or more	1 424	1 593	1 807	2 159	na
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	na
Total non-respite	6 322	6 856	7 167	7 767	na
Not stated/unknown	4	9	8	14	na
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>7 041</b>	<b>7 786</b>	<b>8 084</b>	<b>8 636</b>	<b>9 145</b>

Table 15A.23 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, New South Wales (a), (b)**

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(a) This indicates the length of time a child has been in out-of-home placement on a continuous basis at 30 June. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.

(b) In 2003-04, NSW was unable to provide full data due to ongoing implementation of the new reporting system.

**na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.37.

Table 15A.24

Table 15A.24 **Number of children who exited care during the year by Indigenous status and length of time spent in care, New South Wales (a), (b)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
<b>Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	249	246	166	150	na
6 months to less than 1 year	99	102	59	50	na
1 to less than 2 years	68	78	61	69	na
2 to less than 5 years	40	73	78	82	na
5 years or more	17	52	60	46	na
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	na
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>na</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	511	549	589	516	na
6 months to less than 1 year	178	180	162	173	na
1 to less than 2 years	161	225	206	158	na
2 to less than 5 years	144	214	259	201	na
5 years or more	51	170	235	185	na
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	na
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>1 045</b>	<b>1 338</b>	<b>1 451</b>	<b>1 233</b>	<b>na</b>
<b>All children</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	760	795	755	666	na
6 months to less than 1 year	277	282	221	223	na
1 to less than 2 years	229	303	267	227	na
2 to less than 5 years	184	287	337	283	na
5 years or more	68	222	295	231	na
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	na
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>1 518</b>	<b>1 889</b>	<b>1 875</b>	<b>1 630</b>	<b>na</b>

(a) Separate data on children who exited care provided by non government organisations (NGOs) is in development but not currently available. Estimate figures are provided for these children exiting care. Data on these children are estimated using data already available.

(b) In 2003-04, NSW was unable to provide data due to ongoing implementation of the new reporting system.

**na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.38.

Table 15A.25

Table 15A.25 **Children in out-of-home care at 30 June placed with relatives/kin, by Indigenous status, New South Wales (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children at 30 June						
Indigenous	no.	1 282	1 458	1 491	1 662	1 685
Non-Indigenous	no.	2 530	2 821	3 109	3 267	3 392
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>3 812</b>	<b>4 279</b>	<b>4 600</b>	<b>4 929</b>	<b>5 077</b>
As a proportion of all children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status at 30 June						
Indigenous	%	70.6	68.2	71.1	70.0	68.5
Non-Indigenous	%	48.4	50.0	51.9	52.2	50.7
All children	%	54.1	55.0	56.9	57.1	55.5

(a) The percentage of children in out-of-home care placed with relatives or kin was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.39.

Table 15A.26

Table 15A.26 **Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June by Indigenous status and relationship of caregiver, New South Wales (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of Indigenous children at 30 June						
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Indigenous relative/kin	no.	999	1 187	1 212	1 340	na
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	no.	–	271	279	322	na
Other Indigenous caregiver	no.	462	395	339	371	na
Indigenous residential care	no.	..	..	9	11	na
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 461</b>	<b>1 853</b>	<b>1 839</b>	<b>2 044</b>	<b>na</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	no.	342	224	215	281	na
In non-Indigenous residential care	no.	..	41	29	33	na
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>na</b>
Independent living/unknown	no.	..	21	15	17	na
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 803</b>	<b>2 139</b>	<b>2 098</b>	<b>2 375</b>	<b>2 459</b>
As a proportion of all Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June (excl. Independent living/unknown)						
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Indigenous relative/kin	%	55.4	56.0	58.2	56.8	na
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	%	–	12.8	13.4	13.7	na
Other Indigenous caregiver	%	25.6	18.6	16.3	15.7	na
Indigenous residential care	%	..	..	0.4	0.5	na
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>81.0</b>	<b>87.5</b>	<b>88.3</b>	<b>86.7</b>	<b>na</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	%	19.0	10.6	10.3	11.9	na
In non-Indigenous residential care	%	..	1.9	1.4	1.4	na
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>13.3</b>	<b>na</b>
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>na</b>

- (a) Prior to 2002 the percentage of Indigenous children placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle was calculated using the total number of Indigenous children in out of home care as the denominator. From 2002 the denominator excluded Indigenous children living independently and those whose living arrangements were unknown.
- (b) Prior to 2001 Indigenous children in Indigenous residential care were included in the category 'other Indigenous caregiver'.
- (c) In 2000 there were 12 children where the Indigenous status of the caregiver was unknown. These children were included in the category 'in non-Indigenous residential care'.
- (d) In 2001, children in facility-based care with Indigenous caregivers were included in the category 'other Indigenous caregiver'. In 2000-01, Indigenous children in facility-based care/independent living/unknown include 41 children in facility-based care, 17 children living independently and 4 children for whom no details are known.
- (e) In 2003-04, NSW was unable to provide data due to ongoing implementation of the new reporting system.
- na** Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.40.

Table 15A.27

Table 15A.27 **Children aged under 12 years in out-of-home care in a home based placement at 30 June, by Indigenous status, New South Wales (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children						
Indigenous	no.	1 295	1 520	1 494	1 663	1 769
Non-Indigenous	no.	3 405	3 785	4 004	4 122	4 477
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>4 700</b>	<b>5 305</b>	<b>5 498</b>	<b>5 785</b>	<b>6 246</b>
As a proportion of all children under 12 years in out-of-home care						
Indigenous	%	96.8	96.7	98.1	97.8	99.3
Non-Indigenous	%	95.4	96.9	96.6	96.6	99.0
All children	%	95.8	96.8	97.0	97.0	99.1

(a) The percentage of children under 12 years in home-based placements was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children under 12 years old in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.41.



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Table 15A.28

Table 15A.28 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Victoria (a), (b), (c), (d)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
<b>Indigenous children</b>						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	629	650	630	725	749
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	na	353	394	470	483
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>1 003</b>	<b>1 024</b>	<b>1 195</b>	<b>1 232</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	na	22	28	26	31
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 028</b>	<b>1 025</b>	<b>1 052</b>	<b>1 221</b>	<b>1 263</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	980	988	1 082	1 210	1 159
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>2 008</b>	<b>2 013</b>	<b>2 134</b>	<b>2 431</b>	<b>2 422</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	31.3	32.3	29.5	29.8	30.9
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	na	17.5	18.5	19.3	19.9
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>49.8</b>	<b>48.0</b>	<b>49.2</b>	<b>50.9</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	na	1.1	1.3	1.1	1.3
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>51.2</b>	<b>50.9</b>	<b>49.3</b>	<b>50.2</b>	<b>52.1</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	48.8	49.1	50.7	49.8	47.9
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous children</b>						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	6 730	6 958	7 057	6 562	6 663
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	na	4 949	4 787	4 643	3 979
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>11 907</b>	<b>11 844</b>	<b>11 205</b>	<b>10 642</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	na	273	315	343	354
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>12 180</b>	<b>12 159</b>	<b>11 548</b>	<b>10 996</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	22 932	22 773	23 683	23 656	23 538
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>22 932</b>	<b>34 953</b>	<b>35 842</b>	<b>35 204</b>	<b>34 534</b>

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Table 15A.28 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Victoria (a), (b), (c), (d)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	29.3	19.9	19.7	18.6	19.3
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	na	14.2	13.4	13.2	11.5
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>34.1</b>	<b>33.0</b>	<b>31.8</b>	<b>30.8</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	na		0.9	1.0	1.0
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>34.8</b>	<b>33.9</b>	<b>32.8</b>	<b>31.8</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	100.0	65.2	66.1	67.2	68.2
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
All children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	7 359	7 608	7 687	7 287	7 412
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	5 223	5 302	5 181	5 113	4 462
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>12 582</b>	<b>12 910</b>	<b>12 868</b>	<b>12 400</b>	<b>11 874</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	311	295	343	369	385
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>12 893</b>	<b>13 205</b>	<b>13 211</b>	<b>12 769</b>	<b>12 259</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	23 912	23 761	24 765	24 866	24 697
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>36 805</b>	<b>36 966</b>	<b>37 976</b>	<b>37 635</b>	<b>36 956</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	20.0	20.6	20.2	19.4	20.1
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	14.2	14.3	13.6	13.6	12.1
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>34.2</b>	<b>34.9</b>	<b>33.9</b>	<b>32.9</b>	<b>32.1</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>35.0</b>	<b>35.7</b>	<b>34.8</b>	<b>33.9</b>	<b>33.2</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	65.0	64.3	65.2	66.1	66.8
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 15A.28 Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Victoria (a), (b), (c), (d)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
(a)	If a child was the subject of more than one notification, investigation or substantiations, then each one of these were counted. The definition of an investigation includes interviewing or sighting of the child where practicable.					
(b)	Investigations relate to notifications received during the financial year. If the investigation was completed by 31 August it is classified as finalised. If the investigation was not completed by 31 August it is classified as not finalised. Notifications 'dealt with by other means' includes the provision of advice, referral to support services or referral to the police.					
(c)	In Victoria if a case is open following the first notification, no further notifications concerning the child are counted.					
(d)	Data on the number of investigations finalised and not finalised by Indigenous status were not collected in 1999-00.					

**na** Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

*Source:* AIHW *Child protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.44.

Table 15A.29

Table 15A.29 **Children admitted to and discharged from care and protection orders by Indigenous status, Victoria (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Indigenous						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	164	165	160	147	162
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	107	143	143	131	157
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>319</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	174	199	235	220	229
Non-Indigenous						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	1 307	1 315	1324	1270	1 337
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	1029	989	1049	1057	1 122
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>2 336</b>	<b>2 304</b>	<b>2 373</b>	<b>2 327</b>	<b>2 459</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	1 803	1 833	1 719	1 826	1 799
All children						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	1 471	1 480	1484	1417	1 499
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	1136	1 132	1 192	1188	1 279
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>2 607</b>	<b>2 612</b>	<b>2 676</b>	<b>2 605</b>	<b>2 778</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	1 977	2 032	1 954	2 046	2 028

(a) Admissions to orders in other jurisdictions could not be counted.

Source: AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.45.

Table 15A.30

Table 15A.30 **Number of children on care and protection orders at 30 June by type of order and Indigenous status, Victoria (a)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Number of Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	347	370	377	388	439
Finalised supervisory orders	75	108	114	119	111
Interim and temporary orders	26	34	19	27	24
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>574</b>
Number of non-Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	3 135	3 168	3 240	3 262	3 355
Finalised supervisory orders	982	942	1 043	1 090	1 118
Interim and temporary orders	187	160	182	152	204
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>4 304</b>	<b>4 270</b>	<b>4 465</b>	<b>4 504</b>	<b>4 677</b>
Number of all children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	3 482	3 538	3 617	3 650	3 794
Finalised supervisory orders	1 057	1 050	1 157	1 209	1 229
Interim and temporary orders	213	194	201	179	228
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>4 752</b>	<b>4 782</b>	<b>4 975</b>	<b>5 038</b>	<b>5 251</b>

(a) Permanent care orders are included in the category 'finalised guardianship and custody orders'.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children on care and protection orders, Australia data collection* (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.46.

Table 15A.31

**Table 15A.31 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Victoria (a), (b)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–16 years in notifications					
Number of children					
Indigenous	1 285	1 398	1 449	1 638	1 673
Non-Indigenous	25 552	26 378	26 983	26 741	26 261
<b>All children</b>	<b>26 837</b>	<b>27 776</b>	<b>28 432</b>	<b>28 379</b>	<b>27 934</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	125.5	134.8	120.5	136.6	139.5
Non-Indigenous	24.0	24.7	24.9	24.8	24.3
All children	24.9	25.7	25.9	26.0	25.6
Children aged 0–16 years in finalised investigations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	825	880	859	999	1 064
Non-Indigenous	10 208	10 705	10 523	10 076	9 696
<b>All children</b>	<b>11 033</b>	<b>11 585</b>	<b>11 382</b>	<b>11 075</b>	<b>10 760</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	80.6	84.9	71.4	83.3	88.7
Non-Indigenous	9.6	10.0	9.7	9.3	9.0
All children	10.2	10.7	10.4	10.1	9.9
Children aged 0–16 years in substantiations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	568	602	579	667	700
Non-Indigenous	6 218	6 547	6 569	6 177	6 323
<b>All children</b>	<b>6 786</b>	<b>7 149</b>	<b>7 148</b>	<b>6 844</b>	<b>7 023</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	55.5	58.0	48.1	55.6	58.4
Non-Indigenous	5.8	6.1	6.1	5.7	5.9
All children	6.3	6.6	6.5	6.3	6.4
Children aged 0–17 years on care and protection orders					
Number of children					
Indigenous	448	512	510	534	574
Non-Indigenous	4 304	4 270	4 465	4 504	4 677
<b>All children</b>	<b>4 752</b>	<b>4 782</b>	<b>4 975</b>	<b>5 038</b>	<b>5 251</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years					
Indigenous	41.4	46.8	40.6	42.7	45.9
Non-Indigenous	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.1
All children	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.5

**Table 15A.31 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Victoria (a), (b)**

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- (a) Rates of children in notifications, investigations and substantiations were calculated as the number of children aged 0–16 years in each category (including those whose age was not stated) divided by the estimated population of children aged 0–16 years at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (b) Rates of children on care and protection orders were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) who were on a care and protection order at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.

*Source:* AIHW *Child Protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations Australia* data collection (unpublished), AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.47.



Table 15A.32

**Table 15A.32 Children in out-of-home care at 30 June: number and rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years, by Indigenous status, Victoria (a), (b), (c)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Children in out-of-home care at 30 June					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	297	454	489	507	531
Non-Indigenous	3 570	3 428	3 429	3 539	3 778
<b>All children</b>	<b>3 867</b>	<b>3 882</b>	<b>3 918</b>	<b>4 046</b>	<b>4 309</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	27.5	41.5	39.0	40.5	42.5
Non-Indigenous	3.2	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.3
All children	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.7
Children aged 0–17 years in at least one out-of-home care placement during the year					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	na	730	1 004	956	1 043
Non-Indigenous	na	6 145	6 547	6 275	6 580
<b>All children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>6 875</b>	<b>7 551</b>	<b>7 231</b>	<b>7 623</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	na	58.5	80.2	75.6	81.7
Non-Indigenous	na	5.4	5.7	5.5	5.8
All children	na	6.0	6.5	6.3	6.6

- (a) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in out of home care at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (b) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in at least one out of home care placement during the year, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (c) The number of Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June 2000 is an estimate based on a sample of Indigenous children in out-of-home care.

na Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.32.

Table 15A.33

Table 15A.33 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and placement type, Victoria (a), (b), (c)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	38	44	62	53	48
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	na	257	268	245	269
Relative/kinship care	na	141	151	188	196
Other home based care	na	12	8	21	18
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>483</b>
Independent living (incl. private board,	–	–	–	–	–
Other (incl. unknown)	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>531</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	483	426	383	367	332
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	na	1 939	1 991	1 927	2 074
Relative/kinship care	na	905	880	1 028	1 149
Other home based care	na	157	138	180	195
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>3 081</b>	<b>3 001</b>	<b>3 009</b>	<b>3 135</b>	<b>3 418</b>
Independent living (incl. private board,	na	1	37	37	28
Other (incl. unknown)	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>3 564</b>	<b>3 428</b>	<b>3 429</b>	<b>3 539</b>	<b>3 778</b>
<b>All children</b>					
Residential care	521	470	445	420	380
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	2 237	2 196	2 259	2 172	2 343
Relative/kinship care	962	1 046	1 031	1 216	1 345
Other home based care	141	169	146	201	213
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>3 340</b>	<b>3 411</b>	<b>3 436</b>	<b>3 589</b>	<b>3 901</b>
Independent living (incl. private board,	6	1	37	37	28
Other (incl. unknown)	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>3 867</b>	<b>3 882</b>	<b>3 918</b>	<b>4 046</b>	<b>4 309</b>

**Table 15A.33 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and placement type, Victoria (a), (b), (c)**

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- (a) Estimates of the number of Indigenous children were not available for all the categories for placement type in 1999-00. Estimates were provided for the number in home-based care and the number in facility based care.
- (b) Foster care category for Victoria includes children on permanent care orders where carers are in receipt of foster care payment and children in individually tailored home-based arrangements.
- (c) In 2002-03, the category 'Family group homes' was removed from 'Residential care'.

**na** Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero

*Source:* AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.52.

Table 15A.34

**Table 15A.34 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and whether on a care and protection order, Victoria (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Care and protection order	na	316	380	358	385
Another type of order	na	–	3	7	7
Not on an order	na	138	106	142	139
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>531</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Care and protection order	na	2 830	2 809	2 729	2 938
Another type of order	na	17	19	100	112
Not on an order	na	581	601	675	700
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>3 428</b>	<b>3 429</b>	<b>3 504</b>	<b>3 750</b>
All children					
Care and protection order	3 285	3 146	3 189	3 087	3 323
Another type of order	25	17	22	107	119
Not on an order	557	719	707	817	839
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>3 867</b>	<b>3 882</b>	<b>3 918</b>	<b>4 011</b>	<b>4 281</b>

(a) 'On a care and protection order' includes children on guardianship or custody orders or arrangements; and those on interim or temporary orders. 'On another type of order' includes offence orders or other orders that are not care and protection orders.

(b) In 2001-02, those children for whom it was not known whether they were on an order were distributed across the categories on the same prorata basis as those whose order status was known.

– Nil or rounded to zero. **na** Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.53.

Table 15A.35

**Table 15A.35 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Victoria (a)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Respite	na	21	14	10	19
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	na	19	51	32	25
1 to less than 6 months	na	102	117	89	83
6 months to less than 1 year	na	62	67	59	77
1 to less than 2 years	na	114	78	86	73
2 to less than 5 years	na	83	112	163	158
5 years or more	na	45	43	66	94
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	na	425	468	495	510
Not stated/unknown	na	8	7	2	2
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>531</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Respite	na	128	92	27	21
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	na	177	320	133	164
1 to less than 6 months	na	671	848	514	525
6 months to less than 1 year	na	529	479	453	492
1 to less than 2 years	na	694	498	569	593
2 to less than 5 years	na	717	723	1 023	1 031
5 years or more	na	426	424	772	912
Not stated/unknown	na	8	9	–	–
Total non-respite	na	3 222	3 301	3 464	3 717
Not stated/unknown	na	78	36	48	42
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>3 428</b>	<b>3 429</b>	<b>3 539</b>	<b>3 778</b>
All children					
Respite	134	149	106	37	40
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	269	196	371	165	189
1 to less than 6 months	911	773	965	603	608
6 months to less than 1 year	559	591	546	512	569
1 to less than 2 years	595	808	576	655	666
2 to less than 5 years	646	800	835	1 186	1 189
5 years or more	382	471	467	838	1 006
Not stated/unknown	–	8	9	–	–
Total non-respite	3 362	3 647	3 769	3 959	4 227
Not stated/unknown	371	86	43	50	42
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>3 867</b>	<b>3 882</b>	<b>3 918</b>	<b>4 046</b>	<b>4 309</b>

Table 15A.35 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Victoria (a)**

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(a) Indicates the length of time a child has been in out-of-home placement on a continuous basis at 30 June. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.

**na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

*Source:* AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.54.

Table 15A.36

**Table 15A.36 Number of children who exited care during the year by Indigenous status and length of time spent in care, Victoria (a)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
<b>Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	na	46	146	106	99
6 months to less than 1 year	na	36	31	24	43
1 to less than 2 years	na	48	43	27	34
2 to less than 5 years	na	20	21	18	25
5 years or more	na	4	6	10	3
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	na	513	587	575	548
6 months to less than 1 year	na	339	215	216	228
1 to less than 2 years	na	298	202	171	203
2 to less than 5 years	na	275	149	171	190
5 years or more	na	118	55	75	87
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous childrer</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>1 543</b>	<b>1 208</b>	<b>1 208</b>	<b>1 256</b>
<b>All children</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	na	559	733	681	647
6 months to less than 1 year	na	375	246	240	271
1 to less than 2 years	na	346	245	198	237
2 to less than 5 years	na	295	170	189	215
5 years or more	na	122	61	85	90
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>1 697</b>	<b>1 455</b>	<b>1 393</b>	<b>1 460</b>

(a) In 2000-01 and 2001-02, data were available only for July to May. Data were adjusted for full year effect.

na Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.55.

Table 15A.37

Table 15A.37 **Children in out-of-home care at 30 June placed with relatives/kin, by Indigenous status, Victoria (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children at 30 June						
Indigenous	no.	na	141	151	188	196
Non-Indigenous	no.	na	905	880	1 028	1 149
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>962</b>	<b>1 046</b>	<b>1 031</b>	<b>1 216</b>	<b>1 345</b>
As a proportion of all children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status at 30 June						
Indigenous	%	na	31.1	30.9	37.1	36.9
Non-Indigenous	%	na	26.4	25.7	29.0	30.4
All children	%	24.9	26.9	26.3	30.1	31.2

(a) The percentage of children in out-of-home care placed with relatives or kin was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

**na** Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.56.



Table 15A.38

Table 15A.38 **Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June by Indigenous status and relationship of caregiver, Victoria (a), (b), (c)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of Indigenous children at 30 June						
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Indigenous relative/kin	no.	na	89	87	104	98
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	no.	na	52	64	65	81
Other Indigenous caregiver	no.	na	115	100	75	117
Indigenous residential care	no.	na	..	20	12	12
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>308</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	no.	na	154	176	149	155
In non-Indigenous residential care	no.	na	44	42	25	36
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>191</b>
Independent living/unknown	no.	..	..	..	77	32
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>531</b>
As a proportion of all Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June (excl. Independent living/unknown)						
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Indigenous relative/kin	%	na	19.6	17.8	24.2	19.6
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	%	na	11.5	13.1	15.1	16.2
Other Indigenous caregiver	%	na	25.3	20.4	17.4	23.4
Indigenous residential care	%	na	..	4.1	2.8	2.4
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>56.4</b>	<b>55.4</b>	<b>59.5</b>	<b>61.7</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	%	na	33.9	36.0	34.7	31.1
In non-Indigenous residential care	%	na	9.7	8.6	5.8	7.2
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>43.6</b>	<b>44.6</b>	<b>40.5</b>	<b>38.3</b>
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Prior to 2002 the percentage of Indigenous children placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle was calculated using the total number of Indigenous children in out of home care as the denominator. From 2002 the denominator excluded Indigenous children living independently and those whose living arrangements were unknown.

(b) Prior to 2001 Indigenous children in Indigenous residential care were included in the category 'other Indigenous caregiver'.

(c) Data for 2001 may include some children who were in Indigenous residential care in the category 'in non-Indigenous residential care'.

**na** Not available. .. Not applicable.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.57.

Table 15A.39

Table 15A.39 **Children aged under 12 years in out-of-home care in a home based placement at 30 June, by Indigenous status, Victoria (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children						
Indigenous	no.	na	305	304	325	350
Non-Indigenous	no.	na	1 899	1 923	2 012	2 127
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>2 153</b>	<b>2 204</b>	<b>2 227</b>	<b>2 337</b>	<b>2 477</b>
As a proportion of all children under 12 years in out-of-home care						
Indigenous	%	na	94.1	94.1	95.6	96.7
Non-Indigenous	%	na	96.2	96.2	97.0	97.0
All children	%	94.2	95.9	95.9	96.8	96.9

(a) The percentage of children under 12 years in home-based placements was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children under 12 years old in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

**na** Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.58.

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Table 15A.40

Table 15A.40 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Queensland (a), (b), (c)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Indigenous children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	770	946	1 206	1 261	1 864
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	..	295	292	376	370
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>1 241</b>	<b>1 498</b>	<b>1 637</b>	<b>2 234</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	538	682	634	653
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 475</b>	<b>1 779</b>	<b>2 180</b>	<b>2 271</b>	<b>2 887</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	200	219	226	226	252
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	78	82	121	91	93
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 753</b>	<b>2 080</b>	<b>2 527</b>	<b>2 588</b>	<b>3 232</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	43.9	45.5	47.7	48.7	57.7
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	..	14.2	11.6	14.5	11.4
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>59.7</b>	<b>59.3</b>	<b>63.3</b>	<b>69.1</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..	25.9	27.0	24.5	20.2
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>84.1</b>	<b>85.5</b>	<b>86.3</b>	<b>87.8</b>	<b>89.3</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	11.4	10.5	8.9	8.7	7.8
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	4.4	3.9	4.8	3.5	2.9
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Non-Indigenous children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	6 149	7 449	8 830	10 942	15 609
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	..	3 657	4 310	4 963	5 760
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>11 106</b>	<b>13 140</b>	<b>15 905</b>	<b>21 369</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	5 237	7 714	8 011	5 059
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>13 823</b>	<b>16 343</b>	<b>20 854</b>	<b>23 916</b>	<b>26 428</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	2 680	2 925	3 263	3 624	4 373
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	801	721	948	940	990
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>17 304</b>	<b>19 989</b>	<b>25 065</b>	<b>28 480</b>	<b>31 791</b>

Table 15A.40

Table 15A.40 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Queensland (a), (b), (c)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	35.5	37.3	35.2	38.4	49.1
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	..	18.3	17.2	17.4	18.1
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>55.6</b>	<b>52.4</b>	<b>55.8</b>	<b>67.2</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..		30.8	28.1	15.9
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>79.9</b>	<b>81.8</b>	<b>83.2</b>	<b>84.0</b>	<b>83.1</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	15.5	14.6	13.0	12.7	13.8
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	4.6	3.6	3.8	3.3	3.1
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
All children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	6 919	8 395	10 036	12 203	17 473
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	3 985	3 952	4 602	5 339	6 130
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>10 904</b>	<b>12 347</b>	<b>14 638</b>	<b>17 542</b>	<b>23 603</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	4 394	5 775	8 396	8 645	5 712
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>15 298</b>	<b>18 122</b>	<b>23 034</b>	<b>26 187</b>	<b>29 315</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	2 880	3 144	3 489	3 850	4 625
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	879	803	1 069	1 031	1 083
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>19 057</b>	<b>22 069</b>	<b>27 592</b>	<b>31 068</b>	<b>35 023</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	36.3	38.0	36.4	39.3	49.9
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	20.9	17.9	16.7	17.2	17.5
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>57.2</b>	<b>55.9</b>	<b>53.1</b>	<b>56.5</b>	<b>67.4</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	23.1	26.2	30.4	27.8	16.3
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>80.3</b>	<b>82.1</b>	<b>83.5</b>	<b>84.3</b>	<b>83.7</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	15.1	14.2	12.6	12.4	13.2
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	4.6	3.6	3.9	3.3	3.1
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 15A.40 Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Queensland (a), (b), (c)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
(a)	If a child was the subject of more than one notification, investigation or substantiation, then each one of these were counted. The definition of an investigation includes interviewing or sighting of the child where practicable.					
(b)	Investigations relate to notifications received during the financial year. If the investigation was completed by 31 August it is classified as finalised. If the investigation was not completed by 31 August it is classified as not finalised. Notifications 'dealt with by other means' includes the provision of advice, referral to support services or referral to the police.					
(c)	Data on the number of investigations finalised and not finalised by Indigenous status were for 1999-00.					

**na** Not available. .. Not applicable.

*Source:* AIHW *Child protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.61.

Table 15A.41

Table 15A.41 **Children admitted to and discharged from care and protection orders by Indigenous status, Queensland (a), (b)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Indigenous						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	100	108	187	231	307
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	74	104	237	161	271
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>578</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	143	249	266	290	324
Non-Indigenous						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	577	725	806	1056	1 443
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	228	460	872	633	917
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>805</b>	<b>1 185</b>	<b>1 678</b>	<b>1 689</b>	<b>2 360</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	660	929	964	1 085	1 288
All children						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	677	833	993	1287	1 750
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	302	564	1 109	794	1 188
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>979</b>	<b>1 397</b>	<b>2 102</b>	<b>2 081</b>	<b>2 938</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	803	1 178	1 230	1 375	1 612

(a) Previous admissions to care and protection orders in other jurisdictions could not be counted.

(b) The significant increase in the number of children who had prior admissions orders in 2001-02 is due to the use of short term (less than two years duration) orders. This practice resulted from the much wider range of orders and conditions made available in the *Child Protection Act 1999*.

Source: AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.41.

Table 15A.42

**Table 15A.42 Number of children on care and protection orders at 30 June by type of order and Indigenous status, Queensland**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Number of Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	772	752	823	888	1 041
Finalised supervisory orders	71	5	20	24	44
Interim and temporary orders	13	46	37	41	61
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>856</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>880</b>	<b>953</b>	<b>1 146</b>
Number of non-Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	2 428	2 549	2 688	2 943	3 342
Finalised supervisory orders	217	63	86	111	172
Interim and temporary orders	111	158	111	100	290
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>2 756</b>	<b>2 770</b>	<b>2 885</b>	<b>3 154</b>	<b>3 804</b>
Number of all children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	3 200	3 301	3 511	3 831	4 383
Finalised supervisory orders	288	68	106	135	216
Interim and temporary orders	124	204	148	141	351
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>3 612</b>	<b>3 573</b>	<b>3 765</b>	<b>4 107</b>	<b>4 950</b>

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children on care and protection orders, Australia data collection* (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.63.



Table 15A.43

**Table 15A.43 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Queensland (a), (b), (c)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–16 years in notifications					
Number of children					
Indigenous	1 260	1 364	1 480	1 618	1 933
Non-Indigenous	13 154	14 834	17 888	20 203	22 871
<b>All children</b>	<b>14 414</b>	<b>16 198</b>	<b>19 368</b>	<b>21 821</b>	<b>24 804</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	23.4	24.9	26.6	28.6	33.7
Non-Indigenous	16.3	18.2	21.6	24.2	27.1
All children	16.7	18.6	21.9	24.4	27.5
Children aged 0–16 years in finalised investigations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	705	867	965	1 149	1 445
Non-Indigenous	7 218	8 577	9 878	11 942	15 986
<b>All children</b>	<b>7 923</b>	<b>9 444</b>	<b>10 843</b>	<b>13 091</b>	<b>17 431</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	13.1	15.8	17.3	20.3	25.2
Non-Indigenous	8.9	10.5	11.9	14.3	18.9
All children	9.2	10.8	12.3	14.7	19.3
Children aged 0–16 years in substantiations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	502	680	795	881	1 192
Non-Indigenous	4 303	5 690	6 553	8 104	11 481
<b>All children</b>	<b>4 805</b>	<b>6 370</b>	<b>7 348</b>	<b>8 985</b>	<b>12 673</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	9.3	12.4	14.3	15.6	20.8
Non-Indigenous	5.3	7.0	7.9	9.7	13.6
All children	5.6	7.3	8.3	10.1	14.0
Children aged 0–17 years on care and protection orders					
Number of children					
Indigenous	856	803	880	953	1 146
Non-Indigenous	2 756	2 770	2 885	3 154	3 804
<b>All children</b>	<b>3 612</b>	<b>3 573</b>	<b>3 765</b>	<b>4 107</b>	<b>4 950</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years					
Indigenous	15.1	13.9	15.0	16.0	18.9
Non-Indigenous	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.6	4.2
<b>All children</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>5.2</b>

**Table 15A.43 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Queensland (a), (b), (c)**

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- (a) Rates of children in notifications, investigations and substantiations were calculated as the number of children aged 0–16 years in each category (including those whose age was not stated) divided by the estimated population of children aged 0–16 years at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (b) Rates of children on care and protection orders were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) who were on a care and protection order at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (c) Data for children who were the subject of investigations and children who were subjects of substantiations in 2000-01 are not directly comparable with data from previous years due to system amendments, which allows for more accurate reporting of children who were the subject of more than one notification.

*Source:* AIHW *Child Protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations Australia* data collection (unpublished), AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.64.

Table 15A.44

**Table 15A.44 Children in out-of-home care at 30 June: number and rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years, by Indigenous status, Queensland (a), (b), (c)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Children in out-of-home care at 30 June					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	592	637	708	813	958
Non-Indigenous	2 042	2 374	2 549	2 974	3 455
<b>All children</b>	<b>2 634</b>	<b>3 011</b>	<b>3 257</b>	<b>3 787</b>	<b>4 413</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	10.4	11.0	12.0	13.6	15.8
Non-Indigenous	2.4	2.8	2.9	3.4	3.9
All children	2.9	3.3	3.5	4.0	4.6
Children aged 0–17 years in at least one out-of-home care placement during the year					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	763	823	934	1 081	1 217
Non-Indigenous	2 909	3 108	3 363	4 029	4 483
<b>All children</b>	<b>3 672</b>	<b>3 931</b>	<b>4 297</b>	<b>5 110</b>	<b>5 700</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	13.6	14.3	16.0	18.3	20.2
Non-Indigenous	3.4	3.6	3.8	4.5	5.0
All children	4.0	4.3	4.6	5.4	6.0

- (a) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in out of home care at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (b) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in at least one out of home care placement during the year, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (c) Data prior to 2001 does not include children in out-of-home care who were not on an order and is not comparable with data from 2001 onwards.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.68.

Table 15A.45

Table 15A.45 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and placement type, Queensland (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	18	19	12	8	3
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	357	377	409	463	587
Relative/kinship care	217	241	287	342	368
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>805</b>	<b>955</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	–	–	–	–	–
Other (incl. unknown)	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>958</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	67	62	36	35	44
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	1 553	1 834	1 976	2 352	2 684
Relative/kinship care	422	478	537	587	727
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>1 975</b>	<b>2 312</b>	<b>2 513</b>	<b>2 939</b>	<b>3 411</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	–	–	–	–	–
Other (incl. unknown)	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>2 042</b>	<b>2 374</b>	<b>2 549</b>	<b>2 974</b>	<b>3 455</b>
<b>All children</b>					
Residential care	85	81	48	43	47
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	1 910	2 211	2 385	2 815	3 271
Relative/kinship care	639	719	824	929	1 095
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>2 549</b>	<b>2 930</b>	<b>3 209</b>	<b>3 744</b>	<b>4 366</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	–	–	–	–	–
Other (incl. unknown)	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>2 634</b>	<b>3 011</b>	<b>3 257</b>	<b>3 787</b>	<b>4 413</b>

(a) In 2002-03, the category 'Family group homes' was removed from 'Residential care.'

(b) Data prior to 2001 does not include children in out-of-home care who were not on an order and is not comparable with data from 2001 onwards.

.. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.69.

Table 15A.46

Table 15A.46 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and whether on a care and protection order, Queensland (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Care and protection order	590	607	674	751	892
Another type of order	2	1	–	–	2
Not on an order	na	29	34	62	64
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>958</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Care and protection order	2 040	2 196	2 307	2 517	3 032
Another type of order	2	4	1	2	5
Not on an order	na	174	241	455	418
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>2 042</b>	<b>2 374</b>	<b>2 549</b>	<b>2 974</b>	<b>3 455</b>
All children					
Care and protection order	2 630	2 803	2 981	3 268	3 924
Another type of order	4	5	1	2	7
Not on an order	na	203	275	517	482
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>2 634</b>	<b>3 011</b>	<b>3 257</b>	<b>3 787</b>	<b>4 413</b>

(a) In Queensland all children counted in out-of-home care are on some type of order or are remanded in temporary custody awaiting the outcome of an order. 'On a care and protection order' includes children on guardianship or custody orders or arrangements; and those on interim or temporary orders. 'On another type of order' includes offence orders or other orders.

(b) Data prior to 2001 does not include children in out-of-home care who were not on an order and is not comparable with data from 2001 onwards.

na Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.70.

Table 15A.47

**Table 15A.47 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Queensland (a), (b), (c)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	39	51	57	85	124
1 to less than 6 months	92	131	167	166	229
6 months to less than 1 year	87	98	102	121	154
1 to less than 2 years	123	106	127	156	155
2 to less than 5 years	124	140	138	163	179
5 years or more	127	111	117	122	117
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	592	637	708	813	958
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>958</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	125	264	260	335	404
1 to less than 6 months	445	538	650	724	797
6 months to less than 1 year	271	363	308	458	519
1 to less than 2 years	370	345	455	472	618
2 to less than 5 years	459	472	471	564	678
5 years or more	372	392	405	421	439
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	2 042	2 374	2 549	2 974	3 455
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>2 042</b>	<b>2 374</b>	<b>2 549</b>	<b>2 974</b>	<b>3 455</b>
All children					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	164	315	317	420	528
1 to less than 6 months	537	669	817	890	1 026
6 months to less than 1 year	358	461	410	579	673
1 to less than 2 years	493	451	582	628	773
2 to less than 5 years	583	612	609	727	857
5 years or more	499	503	522	543	556
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	2 634	3 011	3 257	3 787	4 413
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>2 634</b>	<b>3 011</b>	<b>3 257</b>	<b>3 787</b>	<b>4 413</b>

Table 15A.47 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Queensland (a), (b), (c)**

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- (a) Data are based on length of time in current placement rather than total length of time in continuous out-of-home care.
- (b) Queensland is unable to distinguish between respite and non-respite care. As a result, both types of placement are included if they satisfy the general definition of out-of-home care.
- (c) Data prior to 2001 does not include children in out-of-home care who were not on an order and is not comparable with data from 2001 onwards.

**na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.71.

Table 15A.48

**Table 15A.48 Number of children who exited care during the year by Indigenous status and length of time spent in care, Queensland (a)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
<b>Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	64	44	85	117	56
6 months to less than 1 year	21	23	29	30	23
1 to less than 2 years	14	49	30	29	27
2 to less than 5 years	15	29	30	31	40
5 years or more	23	29	23	20	21
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>167</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	246	238	392	438	365
6 months to less than 1 year	86	83	98	145	109
1 to less than 2 years	82	98	100	99	108
2 to less than 5 years	66	110	109	114	92
5 years or more	64	78	75	96	84
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>774</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>758</b>
<b>All children</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	310	282	477	555	421
6 months to less than 1 year	107	106	127	175	132
1 to less than 2 years	96	147	130	128	135
2 to less than 5 years	81	139	139	145	132
5 years or more	87	107	98	116	105
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>681</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>1 119</b>	<b>925</b>

(a) This indicates the length of time a child had been in out-of-home placement on a continuous basis for those children who exited care during the year. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.72.



Table 15A.49

Table 15A.49 **Children in out-of-home care at 30 June placed with relatives/kin, by Indigenous status, Queensland (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children at 30 June						
Indigenous	no.	217	241	287	342	368
Non-Indigenous	no.	422	478	537	587	727
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>1 095</b>
As a proportion of all children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status at 30 June						
Indigenous	%	36.7	37.8	40.5	42.1	38.4
Non-Indigenous	%	20.7	20.1	21.1	19.7	21.0
All children	%	24.3	23.9	25.3	24.5	24.8

(a) The percentage of children in out-of-home care placed with relatives or kin was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.73.

Table 15A.50

Table 15A.50 **Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June by Indigenous status and relationship of caregiver, Queensland (a), (b), (c)**

	<i>Unit</i>	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Number of Indigenous children at 30 June						
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Indigenous relative/kin	no.	138	155	173	323	326
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	no.	79	86	115	19	42
Other Indigenous caregiver	no.	188	185	194	198	236
Indigenous residential care	no.	..	..	10	6	3
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>607</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	no.	187	192	214	265	351
In non-Indigenous residential care	no.	..	19	2	2	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>351</b>
Independent living/unknown	no.	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>958</b>
As a proportion of all Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June (excl. Independent living/unknown)						
Placed in accordance with the <i>Aboriginal Child Placement Principle</i>						
Indigenous relative/kin	%	23.3	24.3	24.4	39.7	34.0
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	%	13.3	13.5	16.2	2.3	4.4
Other Indigenous caregiver	%	31.8	29.0	27.4	24.4	24.6
Indigenous residential care	%	..	..	1.4	0.7	0.3
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>68.4</b>	<b>66.9</b>	<b>69.5</b>	<b>67.2</b>	<b>63.4</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	%	31.6	30.1	30.2	32.6	36.6
In non-Indigenous residential care	%	..	3.0	0.3	0.2	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>31.6</b>	<b>33.1</b>	<b>30.5</b>	<b>32.8</b>	<b>36.6</b>
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Prior to 2002 the percentage of Indigenous children placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle was calculated using the total number of Indigenous children in out of home care as the denominator. From 2002 the denominator excluded Indigenous children living independently and those whose living arrangements were unknown.

(b) Prior to 2001 Indigenous children in Indigenous residential care were included in the category 'other Indigenous caregiver'.

(c) There may be some children in the category 'residential care/independent living who had Indigenous caregivers in facility-based care.

.. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.74.

Table 15A.51

**Table 15A.51 Children aged under 12 years in out-of-home care in a home based placement at 30 June, by Indigenous status, Queensland (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children						
Indigenous	no.	364	397	476	548	685
Non-Indigenous	no.	1 289	1 540	1 705	2 052	2 426
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 653</b>	<b>1 937</b>	<b>2 181</b>	<b>2 600</b>	<b>3 111</b>
As a proportion of all children under 12 years in out-of-home care						
Indigenous	%	96.8	96.6	97.9	99.1	99.9
Non-Indigenous	%	98.8	98.9	99.4	99.5	99.6
All children	%	98.4	98.4	99.0	99.4	99.6

(a) The percentage of children under 12 years in home-based placements was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children under 12 years old in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.75.

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Table 15A.52

Table 15A.52 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Western Australia (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Indigenous children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	365	383	426	296	351
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	..	254	279	251	267
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>618</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	122	208	175	118
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>759</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>722</b>	<b>736</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	—	—	—	—	—
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	17	31	33	30	29
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>946</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>765</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	51.5	48.5	45.0	39.4	45.9
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	..	32.2	29.5	33.4	34.9
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>80.6</b>	<b>74.5</b>	<b>72.7</b>	<b>80.8</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..	15.4	22.0	23.3	15.4
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>97.6</b>	<b>96.1</b>	<b>96.5</b>	<b>96.0</b>	<b>96.2</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	—	—	—	—	—
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	2.4	3.9	3.5	4.0	3.8
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Non-Indigenous children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	804	808	761	592	617
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	..	947	961	696	789
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>1 755</b>	<b>1 722</b>	<b>1 288</b>	<b>1 406</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	245	302	198	176
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 885</b>	<b>2 000</b>	<b>2 024</b>	<b>1 486</b>	<b>1 582</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	—	—	—	—	—
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	51	61	75	55	70
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 936</b>	<b>2 061</b>	<b>2 099</b>	<b>1 541</b>	<b>1 652</b>

Table 15A.52

Table 15A.52 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Western Australia (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	41.5	39.2	36.3	38.4	37.3
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	..	45.9	45.8	45.2	47.8
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>85.2</b>	<b>82.0</b>	<b>83.6</b>	<b>85.1</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..		14.4	12.8	10.7
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>97.4</b>	<b>97.0</b>	<b>96.4</b>	<b>96.4</b>	<b>95.8</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	2.6	3.0	3.6	3.6	4.2
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
All children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	1 169	1 191	1 187	888	968
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	1 196	1 201	1 240	947	1 056
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>2 365</b>	<b>2 392</b>	<b>2 427</b>	<b>1 835</b>	<b>2 024</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	212	367	510	373	294
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>2 577</b>	<b>2 759</b>	<b>2 937</b>	<b>2 208</b>	<b>2 318</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	–	–	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	68	92	108	85	99
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>2 645</b>	<b>2 851</b>	<b>3 045</b>	<b>2 293</b>	<b>2 417</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	44.2	41.8	39.0	38.7	40.0
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	45.2	42.1	40.7	41.3	43.7
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>89.4</b>	<b>83.9</b>	<b>79.7</b>	<b>80.0</b>	<b>83.7</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	8.0	12.9	16.7	16.3	12.2
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>97.4</b>	<b>96.8</b>	<b>96.5</b>	<b>96.3</b>	<b>95.9</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	2.6	3.2	3.5	3.7	4.1
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 15A.52 Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Western Australia (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
(a)	If a child was the subject of more than one notification, investigation or substantiation, then each one of these was counted. The definition of an investigation includes interviewing or sighting of the child where practicable. For WA, however, investigations may include some situations where the child was not sighted.					
(b)	Investigations relate to notifications received during the financial year. If the investigation was completed by 31 August it is classified as finalised. If the investigation was not completed by 31 August it is classified as not finalised.					
(c)	Notifications 'dealt with by other means' includes the provision of advice, referral to support services or referral to the police.					
(d)	Notifications investigated' and 'investigations not finalised' includes 24 cases for 1999-00 where it was not known whether there would be an investigation at the time the data were extracted.					
(e)	Data on the number of investigations finalised and not finalised by Indigenous status were not collected in 1999-00.					
(f)	During 2001-02 new practices were introduced to improve the identification of Indigenous clients. Much of the increase in the number of Indigenous clients from 2001-02 is likely to be due to the improvements in the recording of Indigenous status rather than an increase in the number of Indigenous clients.					
	<b>na</b> Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.					

*Source:* AIHW *Child protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.78.

Table 15A.53

Table 15A.53 **Children admitted to and discharged from care and protection orders by Indigenous status, Western Australia (a), (b)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
<b>Indigenous</b>						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	130	131	179	140	167
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	4	12	8	2	3
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>170</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	47	36	52	75	63
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	272	280	316	289	262
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	4	7	4	6	9
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>271</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	139	127	197	143	156
<b>All children</b>						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	402	411	495	429	429
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	8	19	12	8	12
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>441</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	186	163	249	218	221

(a) Includes children admitted to and discharged from care applications.

(b) During 2001-02 new practices were introduced to improve the identification of Indigenous clients. Much of the increase in the number of Indigenous clients from 2001-02 is likely to be due to the improvements in the recording of Indigenous status rather than an increase in the number of Indigenous clients.

Source: AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.79.



Table 15A.54

Table 15A.54 **Number of children on care and protection orders at 30 June by type of order and Indigenous status, Western Australia (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Number of Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	297	354	432	459	513
Finalised supervisory orders	..	..	..	..	..
Interim and temporary orders	30	70	36	50	70
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>583</b>
Number of non-Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	718	789	834	879	922
Finalised supervisory orders	..	..	..	..	..
Interim and temporary orders	60	107	82	82	134
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>896</b>	<b>916</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>1 056</b>
Number of all children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	1 015	1 143	1 266	1 338	1 435
Finalised supervisory orders	..	..	..	..	..
Interim and temporary orders	90	177	118	132	204
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>1 105</b>	<b>1 320</b>	<b>1 384</b>	<b>1 470</b>	<b>1 639</b>

(a) Children on care applications are included in the category 'interim and temporary orders'.

(b) During 2001-02 new practices were introduced to improve the identification of Indigenous clients. Much of the increase in the number of Indigenous clients from 2001-02 is likely to be due to the improvements in the recording of Indigenous status rather than an increase in the number of Indigenous clients.

.. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children on care and protection orders, Australia data collection* (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.80.

Table 15A.55

**Table 15A.55 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Western Australia (a), (b), (c)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–16 years in notifications					
Number of children					
Indigenous	630	702	819	682	688
Non-Indigenous	1 738	1 886	1 901	1 456	1 550
<b>All children</b>	<b>2 368</b>	<b>2 588</b>	<b>2 720</b>	<b>2 138</b>	<b>2 238</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	22.7	25.0	28.9	23.9	23.9
Non-Indigenous	4.1	4.4	4.4	3.4	3.6
All children	5.2	5.7	6.0	4.7	4.9
Children aged 0–16 years in finalised investigations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	559	576	620	530	571
Non-Indigenous	1 561	1 607	1 570	1 264	1 335
<b>All children</b>	<b>2 120</b>	<b>2 183</b>	<b>2 190</b>	<b>1 794</b>	<b>1 906</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	20.2	20.5	21.9	18.6	19.9
Non-Indigenous	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.0	3.1
All children	4.7	4.8	4.8	3.9	4.2
Children aged 0–16 years in substantiations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	329	355	386	275	322
Non-Indigenous	724	760	718	571	599
<b>All children</b>	<b>1 053</b>	<b>1 115</b>	<b>1 104</b>	<b>846</b>	<b>921</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	11.9	12.6	13.6	9.6	11.2
Non-Indigenous	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.3	1.4
All children	2.3	2.4	2.4	1.9	2.0
Children aged 0–17 years on care and protection orders					
Number of children					
Indigenous	327	424	468	509	583
Non-Indigenous	778	896	916	961	1 056
<b>All children</b>	<b>1 105</b>	<b>1 320</b>	<b>1 384</b>	<b>1 470</b>	<b>1 639</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years					
Indigenous	11.2	14.4	15.7	16.9	19.2
Non-Indigenous	1.7	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.3
All children	2.3	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.4

**Table 15A.55 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Western Australia (a), (b), (c)**

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- (a) Rates of children in notifications, investigations and substantiations were calculated as the number of children aged 0–16 years in each category (including those whose age was not stated) divided by the estimated population of children aged 0–16 years at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (b) Rates of children on care and protection orders were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) who were on a care and protection order at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (c) During 2001-02 new practices were introduced to improve the identification of Indigenous clients. Much of the increase in the number of Indigenous clients from 2001-02 is likely to be due to the improvements in the recording of Indigenous status rather than an increase in the number of Indigenous clients.

*Source:* AIHW *Child Protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations Australia* data collection (unpublished), AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.81.

Table 15A.56

**Table 15A.56 Children in out-of-home care at 30 June: number and rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years, by Indigenous status, Western Australia (a), (b), (c), (d)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Children in out-of-home care at 30 June					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	420	456	511	570	587
Non-Indigenous	906	980	983	1 045	1 094
<b>All children</b>	<b>1 326</b>	<b>1 436</b>	<b>1 494</b>	<b>1 615</b>	<b>1 681</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	14.4	15.4	17.1	18.9	19.3
Non-Indigenous	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.4
All children	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.5
Children aged 0–17 years in at least one out-of-home care placement during the year					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	621	681	758	834	836
Non-Indigenous	1 398	1 437	1 412	1 450	1 477
<b>All children</b>	<b>2 019</b>	<b>2 118</b>	<b>2 170</b>	<b>2 284</b>	<b>2 313</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	21.4	23.0	25.5	27.8	27.6
Non-Indigenous	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.3
All children	4.2	4.4	4.5	4.7	4.8

- (a) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in out of home care at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (b) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in at least one out of home care placement during the year, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (c) Data may include a small number of children placed with relatives who were not reimbursed.
- (d) A child is only counted once, regardless of the number of placements during the year.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.85.

Table 15A.57

**Table 15A.57 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and placement type, Western Australia (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	75	57	64	49	57
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	154	168	162	192	204
Relative/kinship care	184	223	280	323	319
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>523</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	1	5	3	2	4
Other (incl. unknown)	6	3	2	4	3
<b>Total indigenous children</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>587</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	100	88	90	87	104
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	615	623	622	644	652
Relative/kinship care	157	214	228	284	304
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>928</b>	<b>956</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	31	52	40	27	28
Other (incl. unknown)	3	3	3	3	6
<b>Total non-indigenous children</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>1 045</b>	<b>1 094</b>
<b>All children</b>					
Residential care	175	145	154	136	161
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	769	791	784	836	856
Relative/kinship care	341	437	508	607	623
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>1 110</b>	<b>1 228</b>	<b>1 292</b>	<b>1 443</b>	<b>1 479</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	32	57	43	29	32
Other (incl. unknown)	9	6	5	7	9
<b>Total children</b>	<b>1 326</b>	<b>1 436</b>	<b>1 494</b>	<b>1 615</b>	<b>1 681</b>

(a) In 2002-03, the category 'Family group homes' was removed from 'Residential care.'

(b) During 2001-02 new practices were introduced to improve the identification of Indigenous clients. Much of the increase in the number of Indigenous clients from 2001-02 is likely to be due to the improvements in the recording of Indigenous status rather than an increase in the number of Indigenous clients.

.. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.86.

Table 15A.58

Table 15A.58 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and whether on a care and protection order, Western Australia (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Care and protection order	246	325	420	491	518
Another type of order	–	–	–	–	–
Not on an order	174	131	91	79	69
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>587</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Care and protection order	691	731	795	868	917
Another type of order	–	–	–	–	–
Not on an order	215	249	188	177	177
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>1 045</b>	<b>1 094</b>
All children					
Care and protection order	937	1 056	1 215	1 359	1 435
Another type of order	–	–	–	–	–
Not on an order	389	380	279	256	246
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>1 326</b>	<b>1 436</b>	<b>1 494</b>	<b>1 615</b>	<b>1 681</b>

(a) 'On a care and protection order' includes children on guardianship or custody orders or arrangements; and those on interim or temporary orders. 'On another type of order' includes offence orders or other orders that are not care and protection orders.

(b) During 2001-02 new practices were introduced to improve the identification of Indigenous clients. Much of the increase in the number of Indigenous clients from 2001-02 is likely to be due to the improvements in the recording of Indigenous status rather than an increase in the number of Indigenous clients.  
– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.87.

Table 15A.59

**Table 15A.59 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Western Australia (a), (b), (c)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	19	9	13	8	21
1 to less than 6 months	44	51	51	45	44
6 months to less than 1 year	44	37	53	55	43
1 to less than 2 years	69	79	76	99	89
2 to less than 5 years	122	142	185	185	197
5 years or more	120	138	133	178	193
Not stated/unknown	2	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	420	456	511	570	587
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>587</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	36	28	26	35	29
1 to less than 6 months	117	130	67	103	71
6 months to less than 1 year	110	101	128	101	106
1 to less than 2 years	138	171	156	150	176
2 to less than 5 years	192	255	302	323	328
5 years or more	307	295	304	333	384
Not stated/unknown	6	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	906	980	983	1 045	1 094
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>1 045</b>	<b>1 094</b>
All children					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	55	37	39	43	50
1 to less than 6 months	161	181	118	148	115
6 months to less than 1 year	154	138	181	156	149
1 to less than 2 years	207	250	232	249	265
2 to less than 5 years	314	397	487	508	525
5 years or more	427	433	437	511	577
Not stated/unknown	8	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	1 326	1 436	1 494	1 615	1 681
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>1 326</b>	<b>1 436</b>	<b>1 494</b>	<b>1 615</b>	<b>1 681</b>

Table 15A.59 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Western Australia (a), (b), (c)**

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- (a) This indicates the length of time a child has been in out-of-home placement on a continuous basis at 30 June. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.
- (b) WA is unable to reliably distinguish between respite and non-respite care. As a result, both types of placement were included if they satisfy the definition of out-of-home care.
- (c) During 2001-02 new practices were introduced to improve the identification of Indigenous clients. Much of the increase in the number of Indigenous clients from 2001-02 is likely to be due to the improvements in the recording of Indigenous status rather than an increase in the number of Indigenous clients.
- na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.88.



Table 15A.60

Table 15A.60 **Number of children who exited care during the year by Indigenous status and length of time spent in care, Western Australia (a), (b), (c)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Indigenous					
1 to less than 6 months	33	28	22	23	38
6 months to less than 1 year	4	10	9	12	9
1 to less than 2 years	11	4	8	12	11
2 to less than 5 years	13	11	10	25	23
5 years or more	12	11	21	20	20
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>101</b>
Non-Indigenous					
1 to less than 6 months	117	98	92	66	67
6 months to less than 1 year	52	33	48	35	32
1 to less than 2 years	29	34	40	32	26
2 to less than 5 years	41	37	54	47	46
5 years or more	30	38	38	48	47
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>218</b>
All children					
1 to less than 6 months	150	126	114	89	105
6 months to less than 1 year	56	43	57	47	41
1 to less than 2 years	40	38	48	44	37
2 to less than 5 years	54	48	64	72	69
5 years or more	42	49	59	68	67
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>319</b>

(a) This indicates the length of time a child had been in out-of-home placement on a continuous basis for those children who exited care during the year. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.

(b) WA is unable to reliably distinguish between respite and non-respite care. As a result both types of placement were included if they satisfy the definition of out-of-home care.

(c) During 2001-02 new practices were introduced to improve the identification of Indigenous clients. Much of the increase in the number of Indigenous clients from 2001-02 is likely to be due to the improvements in the recording of Indigenous status rather than an increase in the number of Indigenous clients.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.89.

Table 15A.61

Table 15A.61 **Children in out-of-home care at 30 June placed with relatives/kin, by Indigenous status, Western Australia (a), (b)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children at 30 June						
Indigenous	no.	184	223	280	323	319
Non-Indigenous	no.	157	214	228	284	304
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>623</b>
As a proportion of all children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status at 30 June						
Indigenous	%	43.8	48.9	54.8	56.7	54.3
Non-Indigenous	%	17.3	21.8	23.2	27.2	27.8
All children	%	25.7	30.4	34.0	37.6	37.1

- (a) The percentage of children in out-of-home care placed with relatives or kin was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.
- (b) During 2001-02 new practices were introduced to improve the identification of Indigenous clients. Much of the increase in the number of Indigenous clients from 2001-02 is likely to be due to the improvements in the recording of Indigenous status rather than an increase in the number of Indigenous clients.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.90.

Table 15A.62

**Table 15A.62 Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June by Indigenous status and relationship of caregiver, Western Australia (a), (b), (c), (d)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of Indigenous children at 30 June						
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Indigenous relative/kin	no.	169	195	246	286	282
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	no.	22	28	34	37	33
Other Indigenous caregiver	no.	135	104	87	114	127
Indigenous residential care	no.	..	32	38	26	28
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>470</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	no.	94	64	75	78	81
In non-Indigenous residential care	no.	..	25	26	23	29
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>110</b>
Independent living/unknown	no.	na	8	5	6	7
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>587</b>
As a proportion of all Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June (excl. Independent living/unknown)						
Placed in accordance with the <i>Aboriginal Child Placement Principle</i>						
Indigenous relative/kin	%	40.2	43.5	48.6	50.7	48.6
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	%	5.2	6.3	6.7	6.6	5.7
Other Indigenous caregiver	%	32.1	23.2	17.2	20.2	21.9
Indigenous residential care	%	..	7.1	7.5	4.6	4.8
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>77.6</b>	<b>80.1</b>	<b>80.0</b>	<b>82.1</b>	<b>81.0</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	%	22.4	14.3	14.8	13.8	14.0
In non-Indigenous residential care	%	..	5.6	5.1	4.1	5.0
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>22.4</b>	<b>19.9</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>17.9</b>	<b>19.0</b>
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

- (a) Prior to 2002 the percentage of Indigenous children placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle was calculated using the total number of Indigenous children in out of home care as the denominator. From 2002 the denominator excluded Indigenous children living independently and those whose living arrangements were unknown.
- (b) Prior to 2001 Indigenous children in Indigenous residential care were included in the category 'other Indigenous caregiver'.
- (c) Children in residential care with Indigenous caregivers were included in the category 'other Indigenous caregiver'.
- (d) During 2001-02 new practices were introduced to improve the identification of Indigenous clients. Much of the increase in the number of Indigenous clients from 2001-02 is likely to be due to the improvements in the recording of Indigenous status rather than an increase in the number of Indigenous clients.

na Not available. .. Not applicable.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.91.

Table 15A.63

**Table 15A.63 Children aged under 12 years in out-of-home care in a home based placement at 30 June, by Indigenous status, Western Australia (a), (b)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children						
Indigenous	no.	260	314	347	399	403
Non-Indigenous	no.	524	570	569	631	655
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>916</b>	<b>1 030</b>	<b>1 058</b>
As a proportion of all children under 12 years in out-of-home care						
Indigenous	%	80.7	90.2	87.8	92.1	89.8
Non-Indigenous	%	91.9	93.1	93.4	94.5	92.4
All children	%	87.9	92.1	91.2	93.6	91.4

(a) The percentage of children under 12 years in home-based placements was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children under 12 years old in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

(b) During 2001-02 new practices were introduced to improve the identification of Indigenous clients. Much of the increase in the number of Indigenous clients from 2001-02 is likely to be due to the improvements in the recording of Indigenous status rather than an increase in the number of Indigenous clients.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.92.

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Table 15A.64

Table 15A.64 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, South Australia (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
<b>Indigenous children</b>						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	435	438	483	481	633
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	..	536	585	635	707
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>974</b>	<b>1 068</b>	<b>1 116</b>	<b>1 340</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	2	1	8	10
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>876</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>1 069</b>	<b>1 124</b>	<b>1 350</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	1 379	716	857	1 253	1 375
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>2 255</b>	<b>1 692</b>	<b>1 926</b>	<b>2 377</b>	<b>2 725</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	19.3	25.9	25.1	20.2	23.2
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	..	31.7	30.4	26.7	25.9
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>57.6</b>	<b>55.5</b>	<b>46.9</b>	<b>49.2</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.4
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>38.8</b>	<b>57.7</b>	<b>55.5</b>	<b>47.3</b>	<b>49.5</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	61.2	42.3	44.5	52.7	50.5
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous children</b>						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	1 650	1 560	1 747	1 942	1 857
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	..	2 590	2 800	3 070	3 186
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>4 150</b>	<b>4 547</b>	<b>5 012</b>	<b>5 043</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	30	17	39	52
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>4 142</b>	<b>4 180</b>	<b>4 564</b>	<b>5 051</b>	<b>5 095</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	704	4 116	4 713	6 014	7 097
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	8 080	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>12 926</b>	<b>8 296</b>	<b>9 277</b>	<b>11 065</b>	<b>12 192</b>

Table 15A.64

Table 15A.64 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, South Australia (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	12.8	18.8	18.8	17.6	15.2
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	..	31.2	30.2	27.7	26.1
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>49.0</b>	<b>45.3</b>	<b>41.4</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..		0.2	0.4	0.4
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>32.0</b>	<b>50.4</b>	<b>49.2</b>	<b>45.6</b>	<b>41.8</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	5.4	49.6	50.8	54.4	58.2
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	62.5	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
All children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	2 085	1 998	2 230	2 423	2 490
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	2 917	3 126	3 385	3 705	3 893
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>5 002</b>	<b>5 124</b>	<b>5 615</b>	<b>6 128</b>	<b>6 383</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	16	32	18	47	62
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>5 018</b>	<b>5 156</b>	<b>5 633</b>	<b>6 175</b>	<b>6 445</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	2 083	4 832	5 570	7 267	8 472
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	8 080	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>15 181</b>	<b>9 988</b>	<b>11 203</b>	<b>13 442</b>	<b>14 917</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	13.7	20.0	19.9	18.0	16.7
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	19.2	31.3	30.2	27.6	26.1
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>32.9</b>	<b>51.3</b>	<b>50.1</b>	<b>45.6</b>	<b>42.8</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>33.1</b>	<b>51.6</b>	<b>50.3</b>	<b>45.9</b>	<b>43.2</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	13.7	48.4	49.7	54.1	56.8
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	53.2	–	–	–	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Table 15A.64 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, South Australia (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
(a)	If a child was the subject of more than one notification, investigation or substantiation, then each one of these were counted.					
(b)	From 2000-01 'notifier concern reports' are excluded from the count of total notifications because concern reports are not reported.					
(c)	Notifications 'dealt with by other means' includes the provision of advice, referral to support services or referral to the police.					
(d)	Investigations relate to notifications received during the financial year. If the investigation was completed by 31 August it is classified as finalised. If the investigation was not completed by 31 August it is classified as not finalised. The definition of an investigation includes interviewing or sighting of the child where practicable.					
(e)	Data on the number of investigations finalised and not finalised by Indigenous status were not collected in 1999-2000.					
	<b>na</b> Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.					

Source: AIHW *Child Protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.95.



Table 15A.65

Table 15A.65 **Children admitted to and discharged from care and protection orders by Indigenous status, South Australia**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Indigenous						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	na	43	29	78	78
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	na	50	74	37	55
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>133</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	na	116	130	127	141
Non-Indigenous						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	na	208	190	340	374
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	na	191	264	117	157
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>531</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	na	448	516	543	610
All children						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	na	251	219	418	452
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	na	241	338	154	212
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>664</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	na	564	646	670	751

na Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.65.

Table 15A.66

Table 15A.66 **Number of children on care and protection orders at 30 June by type of order and Indigenous status, South Australia (a)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Number of Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	na	215	221	226	256
Finalised supervisory orders	na	..	..	..	..
Interim and temporary orders	na	6	12	35	19
Other/not stated	na	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>275</b>
Number of non-Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	na	995	1 021	1 061	1 109
Finalised supervisory orders	na	..	..	..	..
Interim and temporary orders	na	44	32	56	71
Other/not stated	na	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>769</b>	<b>1 039</b>	<b>1 053</b>	<b>1 117</b>	<b>1 180</b>
Number of all children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	na	1 210	1 242	1 287	1 365
Finalised supervisory orders	na	..	..	..	..
Interim and temporary orders	na	50	44	91	90
Other/not stated	na	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>943</b>	<b>1 260</b>	<b>1 286</b>	<b>1 378</b>	<b>1 455</b>

(a) SA could not provide data on type of order for 2000.

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.97.

Table 15A.67

**Table 15A.67 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, South Australia (a), (b), (c)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–16 years in notifications					
Number of children					
Indigenous	1 270	1 062	1 194	1 404	1 634
Non-Indigenous	8 230	6 018	6 567	7 507	8 160
<b>All children</b>	<b>9 500</b>	<b>7 080</b>	<b>7 761</b>	<b>8 911</b>	<b>9 794</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	119.0	98.5	109.7	127.9	147.7
Non-Indigenous	25.3	18.6	20.4	23.6	25.8
All children	28.2	21.2	23.4	27.0	29.9
Children aged 0–16 years in finalised investigations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	619	664	721	762	887
Non-Indigenous	3 174	3 286	3 499	3 775	3 774
<b>All children</b>	<b>3 793</b>	<b>3 950</b>	<b>4 220</b>	<b>4 537</b>	<b>4 661</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	58.0	61.6	66.3	69.4	80.2
Non-Indigenous	9.7	10.2	10.9	11.8	11.9
All children	11.3	11.8	12.7	13.8	14.2
Children aged 0–16 years in substantiations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	337	317	346	351	441
Non-Indigenous	1 354	1 334	1 407	1 545	1 499
<b>All children</b>	<b>1 691</b>	<b>1 651</b>	<b>1 753</b>	<b>1 896</b>	<b>1 940</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	31.6	29.4	31.8	32.0	39.9
Non-Indigenous	4.2	4.1	4.4	4.8	4.7
All children	5.0	4.9	5.3	5.8	5.9
Children aged 0–17 years on care and protection orders					
Number of children					
Indigenous	174	221	233	261	275
Non-Indigenous	769	1 039	1 053	1 117	1 180
<b>All children</b>	<b>943</b>	<b>1 260</b>	<b>1 286</b>	<b>1 378</b>	<b>1 455</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years					
Indigenous	15.5	19.5	20.2	22.5	23.5
Non-Indigenous	2.2	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.5
All children	2.7	3.6	3.6	3.9	4.2

**Table 15A.67 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, South Australia (a), (b), (c)**

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- (a) Rates of children in notifications, investigations and substantiations were calculated as the number of children aged 0–16 years in each category (including those whose age was not stated) divided by the estimated population of children aged 0–16 years at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (b) Rates of children on care and protection orders were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) who were on a care and protection order at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (c) From 2000-01 onwards, SA included in 'notifications' only those reports which have met the criteria for a reasonable suspicion of child abuse or neglect.

*Source:* AIHW *Child Protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations Australia* data collection (unpublished), AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished).; 2005 Report, table 15A.98.

Table 15A.68

**Table 15A.68 Children in out-of-home care at 30 June: number and rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years, by Indigenous status, South Australia (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Children in out-of-home care at 30 June					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	211	227	232	252	236
Non-Indigenous	920	948	964	993	968
<b>All children</b>	<b>1 131</b>	<b>1 175</b>	<b>1 196</b>	<b>1 245</b>	<b>1 204</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	18.8	20.0	20.2	21.7	20.2
Non-Indigenous	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.9
All children	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.6	3.5
Children aged 0–17 years in at least one out-of-home care placement during the year					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	na	444	455	442	433
Non-Indigenous	na	1 702	1 618	1 618	1 572
<b>All children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>2 146</b>	<b>2 073</b>	<b>2 060</b>	<b>2 005</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	na	39.1	39.8	38.3	37.2
Non-Indigenous	na	5.0	4.7	4.8	4.7
All children	na	6.0	5.9	5.9	5.8

(a) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in out of home care at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.

(b) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in at least one out of home care placement during the year, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.

na Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.102.

Table 15A.69

Table 15A.69 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and placement type, South Australia (a)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	3	4	3	3	2
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	–
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	na	176	174	197	182
Relative/kinship care	na	47	55	52	52
Other home based care	na	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>234</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	–	–	–	–	–
Other (incl. unknown)	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>236</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	33	39	41	43	44
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	13
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	na	799	811	821	763
Relative/kinship care	na	100	104	121	142
Other home based care	na	10	8	8	6
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>887</b>	<b>909</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>911</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	–	–	–	–	–
Other (incl. unknown)	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>948</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>968</b>
<b>All children</b>					
Residential care	36	43	44	46	46
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	13
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	na	975	985	1 018	945
Relative/kinship care	na	147	159	173	194
Other home based care	na	10	8	8	6
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>1 095</b>	<b>1 132</b>	<b>1 152</b>	<b>1 199</b>	<b>1 145</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	–	–	–	–	–
Other (incl. unknown)	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>1 131</b>	<b>1 175</b>	<b>1 196</b>	<b>1 245</b>	<b>1 204</b>

(a) In 2002-03, the category 'Family group homes' was removed from 'Residential care.'

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.103.

Table 15A.70

**Table 15A.70 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and whether on a care and protection order, South Australia (a)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Care and protection order	na	na	179	198	195
Another type of order	na	na	46	54	41
Not on an order	na	na	7	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>236</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Care and protection order	na	na	810	807	833
Another type of order	na	na	130	186	135
Not on an order	na	na	24	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>948</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>968</b>
All children					
Care and protection order	na	na	989	1 005	1 028
Another type of order	na	na	176	240	176
Not on an order	na	na	31	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>1 131</b>	<b>1 175</b>	<b>1 196</b>	<b>1 245</b>	<b>1 204</b>

(a) 'On a care and protection order' includes children on guardianship or custody orders or arrangements; and those on interim or temporary orders. 'On another type of order' includes offence orders or other orders that are not care and protection orders.

na Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.104.

Table 15A.71

**Table 15A.71 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, South Australia (a)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Respite	na	3	–	3	1
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	24	23	18	30	11
1 to less than 6 months	34	36	29	49	25
6 months to less than 1 year	22	22	34	22	31
1 to less than 2 years	34	32	36	37	41
2 to less than 5 years	11	55	59	51	65
5 years or more	83	52	56	60	62
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	208	220	232	249	235
Not stated/unknown	3	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>236</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Respite	na	6	4	2	3
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	111	96	69	95	52
1 to less than 6 months	173	169	192	207	185
6 months to less than 1 year	81	122	128	125	120
1 to less than 2 years	115	112	149	141	169
2 to less than 5 years	61	168	195	206	208
5 years or more	346	236	227	217	231
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	887	903	960	991	965
Not stated/unknown	33	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>909</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>968</b>
All children					
Respite	na	9	4	5	4
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	135	119	87	125	63
1 to less than 6 months	207	205	221	256	210
6 months to less than 1 year	103	144	162	147	151
1 to less than 2 years	149	144	185	178	210
2 to less than 5 years	72	223	254	257	273
5 years or more	429	288	283	277	293
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	1 095	1 123	1 192	1 240	1 200
Not stated/unknown	36	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>1 131</b>	<b>1 132</b>	<b>1 196</b>	<b>1 245</b>	<b>1 204</b>



Table 15A.71 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, South Australia (a)**

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(a) This indicates the length of time a child has been in out-of-home placement on a continuous basis at 30 June. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.

**na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

*Source:* AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.105.

Table 15A.72

Table 15A.72 **Number of children who exited care during the year by Indigenous status and length of time spent in care, South Australia (a)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
<b>Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	na	51	59	49	35
6 months to less than 1 year	na	3	13	7	8
1 to less than 2 years	na	7	7	19	12
2 to less than 5 years	na	3	10	11	7
5 years or more	na	8	11	15	9
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	na	224	177	167	109
6 months to less than 1 year	na	44	58	52	33
1 to less than 2 years	na	21	56	48	44
2 to less than 5 years	na	25	28	42	36
5 years or more	na	33	43	63	53
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>275</b>
<b>All children</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	na	275	236	216	144
6 months to less than 1 year	na	47	71	59	41
1 to less than 2 years	na	28	63	67	56
2 to less than 5 years	na	28	38	53	43
5 years or more	na	41	54	78	62
Not stated/unknown	na	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>346</b>

(a) This indicates the length of time a child had been in out-of-home placement on a continuous basis for those children who exited care during the year. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.

**na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.106.

Table 15A.73

Table 15A.73 **Children in out-of-home care at 30 June placed with relatives/kin, by Indigenous status, South Australia (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children at 30 June						
Indigenous	no.	na	47	55	52	52
Non-Indigenous	no.	na	100	104	121	142
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>194</b>
As a proportion of all children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status at 30 June						
Indigenous	%	na	20.7	23.7	20.6	22.0
Non-Indigenous	%	na	10.5	10.8	12.2	14.7
All children	%	na	12.5	13.3	13.9	16.1

(a) The percentage of children in out-of-home care placed with relatives or kin was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

**na** Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.107.

Table 15A.74

Table 15A.74 **Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June by Indigenous status and relationship of caregiver, South Australia (a), (b)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of Indigenous children at 30 June						
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Indigenous relative/kin	no.	na	34	42	39	37
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	no.	na	13	13	13	15
Other Indigenous caregiver	no.	na	111	112	113	131
Indigenous residential care	no.	na	..	–	–	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>183</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	no.	na	65	62	84	51
In non-Indigenous residential care	no.	..	4	3	3	2
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>53</b>
Independent living/unknown	no.	na	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>236</b>
As a proportion of all Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June (excl. Independent living/unknown)						
Placed in accordance with the <i>Aboriginal Child Placement Principle</i>						
Indigenous relative/kin	%	na	15.0	18.1	15.5	15.7
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	%	na	5.7	5.6	5.2	6.4
Other Indigenous caregiver	%	na	48.9	48.3	44.8	55.5
Indigenous residential care	%	na	..	–	–	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>69.6</b>	<b>72.0</b>	<b>65.5</b>	<b>77.5</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	%	na	28.6	26.7	33.3	21.6
In non-Indigenous residential care	%	..	1.8	1.3	1.2	0.8
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>30.4</b>	<b>28.0</b>	<b>34.5</b>	<b>22.5</b>
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Prior to 2002 the percentage of Indigenous children placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle was calculated using the total number of Indigenous children in out of home care as the denominator. From 2002 the denominator excluded Indigenous children living independently and those whose living arrangements were unknown.

(b) Prior to 2001 Indigenous children in Indigenous residential care were included in the category 'other Indigenous caregiver'.

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.108.

Table 15A.75

**Table 15A.75 Children aged under 12 years in out-of-home care in a home based placement at 30 June, by Indigenous status, South Australia (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children						
Indigenous	no.	144	153	152	167	156
Non-Indigenous	no.	519	538	479	562	590
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>691</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>746</b>
As a proportion of all children under 12 years in out-of-home care						
Indigenous	%	100.0	100.0	99.3	99.4	99.4
Non-Indigenous	%	99.8	99.8	93.4	98.4	99.0
All children	%	99.8	99.9	99.1	98.6	99.1

(a) The percentage of children under 12 years in home-based placements was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children under 12 years old in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.109.

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Table 15A.76

Table 15A.76 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Tasmania (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
<b>Indigenous children</b>						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	5	2	2	20	13
Carer/family issues	no.	..	–	–	–	–
Not substantiated	no.	..	5	2	6	5
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>18</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	2	1	1	6
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>24</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	–	–	1
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	2	4	–	1	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>25</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	31.3	15.4	40.0	71.4	52.0
Carer/family issues	%	..	–	–	–	–
Not substantiated	%	..	38.5	40.0	21.4	20.0
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>53.8</b>	<b>80.0</b>	<b>92.9</b>	<b>72.0</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..	15.4	20.0	3.6	24.0
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>87.5</b>	<b>69.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>96.4</b>	<b>96.0</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	4.0
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	12.5	30.8	–	3.6	–
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous children</b>						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	92	101	156	193	414
Carer/family issues	no.	..	28	19	–	–
Not substantiated	no.	..	132	217	329	503
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>917</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	8	56	92	353
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>1 270</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	9	7	11	24	3 410
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	31	26	44	75	2 543
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>713</b>	<b>7 223</b>

Table 15A.76

Table 15A.76 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Tasmania (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	22.7	33.4	31.0	27.1	5.7
Carer/family issues	%	..	9.3	3.8	–	–
Not substantiated	%	..	43.7	43.1	46.1	7.0
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>86.4</b>	<b>77.9</b>	<b>73.2</b>	<b>12.7</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..		11.1	12.9	4.9
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>90.1</b>	<b>89.1</b>	<b>89.1</b>	<b>86.1</b>	<b>17.6</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	2.2	2.3	2.2	3.4	47.2
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	7.6	8.6	8.7	10.5	35.2
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
All children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	97	103	158	213	427
Carer/family issues	no.	77	28	19	–	–
Not substantiated	no.	182	137	219	335	508
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>935</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	24	10	57	93	359
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1 294</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	9	7	11	24	3 411
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	33	30	44	76	2 543
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>741</b>	<b>7 248</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	23.0	32.7	31.1	28.7	5.9
Carer/family issues	%	18.2	8.9	3.7	–	–
Not substantiated	%	43.1	43.5	43.1	45.2	7.0
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>84.4</b>	<b>85.1</b>	<b>78.0</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>12.9</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	5.7	3.2	11.2	12.6	5.0
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>88.3</b>	<b>89.2</b>	<b>86.5</b>	<b>17.9</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	2.1	2.2	2.2	3.2	47.1
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	7.8	9.5	8.7	10.3	35.1
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>



**Table 15A.76 Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Tasmania (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
(a)	Data on notifications for 2003-04 should not be compared to previous years. This is because of a change in recording practices due to the centralisation of the intake service, known as the Child Protection Advice and Referral Service. Now every call about a child is recorded as a notification, whereas previously, workers made the decision locally about whether the call was in fact a notification based on the risk to the child.					
(b)	If a child was the subject of more than one notification, investigation or substantiation, then each one of these were counted.					
(c)	Investigations relate to notifications received during the financial year. If the investigation was completed by 31 August it is classified as finalised. If the investigation was not completed by 31 August it is classified as not finalised. The definition of an investigation includes interviewing or sighting of the child where practicable.					
(d)	Notifications 'dealt with by other means' includes the provision of advice, referral to support services or referral to the police.					
(e)	Data on the number of investigations finalised and not finalised by Indigenous status were not collected in 1999-2000.					
(f)	Tasmania introduced new intake and assessment guidelines, based on the WA model, in July 1997. These new guidelines were likely to be the main reason for the decline in the number of notifications and substantiations between 1999-00 and 2000-01.					
	<b>na</b> Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.					

*Source:* AIHW *Child protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.112.

Table 15A.77

**Table 15A.77 Children admitted to and discharged from care and protection orders by Indigenous status, Tasmania**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
<b>Indigenous</b>						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	2	4	11	20	28
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	8	16	15	20	27
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>55</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	10	10	15	7	23
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	92	135	185	222	178
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	71	326	217	175	297
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>475</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	110	228	165	202	247
<b>All children</b>						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	94	139	196	242	206
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	79	342	232	195	324
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>530</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	120	238	180	209	270

Source: AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.113.

Table 15A.78

**Table 15A.78 Number of children on care and protection orders at 30 June by type of order and Indigenous status, Tasmania**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Number of Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	21	20	21	46	74
Finalised supervisory orders	10	5	–	6	6
Interim and temporary orders	–	2	2	7	3
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>83</b>
Number of non-Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	289	354	376	416	472
Finalised supervisory orders	134	45	23	31	20
Interim and temporary orders	16	27	41	94	59
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>439</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>551</b>
Number of all children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	310	374	397	462	546
Finalised supervisory orders	144	50	23	37	26
Interim and temporary orders	16	29	43	101	62
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>634</b>

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children on care and protection orders, Australia data collection* (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.114.

Table 15A.79

**Table 15A.79 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Tasmania (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–16 years in notifications					
Number of children					
Indigenous	8	10	4	23	15
Non-Indigenous	225	290	444	515	5 200
<b>All children</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>5 215</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	1.1	1.3	0.5	3.0	1.9
Non-Indigenous	2.1	2.7	4.2	5.0	50.3
All children	2.0	2.6	4.0	4.8	47.0
Children aged 0–16 years in finalised investigations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	8	6	4	19	15
Non-Indigenous	207	217	368	409	668
<b>All children</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>683</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	1.1	0.8	0.5	2.5	1.9
Non-Indigenous	1.9	2.1	3.5	3.9	6.5
All children	1.9	2.0	3.3	3.8	6.2
Children aged 0–16 years in substantiations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	4	2	2	19	12
Non-Indigenous	73	99	151	186	317
<b>All children</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>329</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	0.5	0.3	0.3	2.5	1.6
Non-Indigenous	0.7	0.9	1.4	1.8	3.1
All children	0.7	0.9	1.4	1.8	3.0
Children aged 0–17 years on care and protection orders					
Number of children					
Indigenous	31	27	23	59	83
Non-Indigenous	439	426	440	541	551
<b>All children</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>634</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years					
Indigenous	3.9	3.4	2.8	7.3	10.2
Non-Indigenous	3.9	3.8	4.0	4.9	5.0
All children	3.9	3.8	3.9	5.1	5.4

**Table 15A.79 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Tasmania (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

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- (a) Data on notifications for 2003-04 should not be compared to previous years. This is because of a change in recording practices due to the centralisation of the intake service, known as the Child Protection Advice and Referral Service. Now every call about a child is recorded as a notification, whereas previously, workers made the decision locally about whether the call was in fact a notification based on the risk to the child.
- (b) Rates of children in notifications, investigations and substantiations were calculated as the number of children aged 0–16 years in each category (including those whose age was not stated) divided by the estimated population of children aged 0–16 years at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (c) Rates of children on care and protection orders were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) who were on a care and protection order at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (d) Tasmania introduced new intake and assessment guidelines, based on the WA model, in July 1997. These new guidelines were likely to be the main reason for the decline in the number of notifications and substantiations between 1999-00 and 2000-01.
- (e) Care should be taken in interpreting the rates for Indigenous children due to the relatively small size of the Indigenous population.

*Source:* AIHW *Child Protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations Australia* data collection (unpublished), AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.115.

Table 15A.80

**Table 15A.80 Children in out-of-home care at 30 June: number and rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years, by Indigenous status, Tasmania (a), (b), (c)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Children in out-of-home care at 30 June					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	38	31	29	43	55
Non-Indigenous	510	541	515	425	432
<b>All children</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>487</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	4.8	3.9	3.6	5.3	6.7
Non-Indigenous	4.5	4.9	4.6	3.9	3.9
All children	4.6	4.8	4.6	4.0	4.1
Children aged 0–17 years in at least one out-of-home care placement during the year					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	95	50	30	72	78
Non-Indigenous	1 157	943	699	685	591
<b>All children</b>	<b>1 252</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>757</b>	<b>669</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	12.0	6.2	3.7	8.9	9.6
Non-Indigenous	10.2	8.4	6.3	6.2	5.4
All children	10.3	8.3	6.1	6.4	5.7

- (a) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in out of home care at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (b) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in at least one out of home care placement during the year, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (c) The number of children in out of home care in Tasmania from 2003 should not be compared with previous years, as a group of children who did not meet the definition of out of home care were excluded from this year's collection. These children are not the subject of a care and protection order and out of home care services did not arrange their placement with relatives.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.119.

Table 15A.81

Table 15A.81 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and placement type, Tasmania (a)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	11	8	8	17	–
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	13
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	11	11	9	17	10
Relative/kinship care	13	11	11	6	16
Other home based care	–	–	–	1	9
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>35</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	2	–	–	1	3
Other (incl. unknown)	1	1	1	1	4
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
Residential care	57	64	62	85	–
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	41
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	182	209	191	233	207
Relative/kinship care	207	208	214	65	97
Other home based care	12	13	10	6	40
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>344</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	30	21	23	22	27
Other (incl. unknown)	22	26	15	14	20
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>432</b>
<b>All children</b>					
Residential care	68	72	70	102	–
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	54
<b>Home based care</b>					
Foster care	193	220	200	250	217
Relative/kinship care	220	219	225	71	113
Other home based care	12	13	10	7	49
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>379</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	32	21	23	23	30
Other (incl. unknown)	23	27	16	15	24
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>487</b>

(a) In 2002-03, the category 'Family group homes' was removed from 'Residential care.'

.. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.120.

Table 15A.82

**Table 15A.82 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and whether on a care and protection order, Tasmania (a)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Care and protection order	23	27	20	34	54
Another type of order	–	3	–	–	–
Not on an order	15	–	9	9	1
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>55</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Care and protection order	308	426	351	342	432
Another type of order	19	116	12	10	–
Not on an order	183	–	152	73	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>432</b>
All children					
Care and protection order	331	453	371	376	486
Another type of order	19	119	12	10	–
Not on an order	198	–	161	82	1
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>487</b>

(a) 'On a care and protection order' includes children on guardianship or custody orders or arrangements; and those on interim or temporary orders. 'On another type of order' includes offence orders or other orders that are not care and protection orders.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.121.



Table 15A.83

**Table 15A.83 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Tasmania (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	4	6	3	6	4
1 to less than 6 months	11	8	8	22	26
6 months to less than 1 year	3	10	3	4	11
1 to less than 2 years	4	2	12	3	8
2 to less than 5 years	5	–	1	1	6
5 years or more	11	5	2	7	–
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	38	31	29	43	55
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>55</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	70	153	63	71	62
1 to less than 6 months	167	131	130	157	145
6 months to less than 1 year	72	122	56	72	94
1 to less than 2 years	63	52	200	46	53
2 to less than 5 years	55	22	40	65	50
5 years or more	83	28	26	13	26
Not stated/unknown	–	33	–	1	1
Total non-respite	510	541	515	425	431
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	1
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>432</b>
All children					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	74	159	66	77	66
1 to less than 6 months	178	139	138	179	171
6 months to less than 1 year	75	132	59	76	105
1 to less than 2 years	67	54	212	49	61
2 to less than 5 years	60	22	41	66	56
5 years or more	94	33	28	20	26
Not stated/unknown	–	33	–	1	1
Total non-respite	548	572	544	468	486
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	1
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>487</b>

Table 15A.83 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Tasmania (a), (b)**

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- (a) This indicates the length of time a child has been in out of home placement on a continuous basis at 30 June. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.
- (b) Tasmania was unable to distinguish between respite and non-respite care. Both types of placement are included if they satisfy the general definition of out of home care.
- na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.122.

Table 15A.84

Table 15A.84 **Number of children who exited care during the year by Indigenous status and length of time spent in care, Tasmania**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
<b>Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	na	na	na	na	na
6 months to less than 1 year	na	na	na	na	na
1 to less than 2 years	na	na	na	na	na
2 to less than 5 years	na	na	na	na	na
5 years or more	na	na	na	na	na
Not stated/unknown	na	na	na	na	na
<b>Total children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	na	na	na	na	na
6 months to less than 1 year	na	na	na	na	na
1 to less than 2 years	na	na	na	na	na
2 to less than 5 years	na	na	na	na	na
5 years or more	na	na	na	na	na
Not stated/unknown	na	na	na	na	na
<b>Total children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>
<b>All children</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	na	na	na	na	na
6 months to less than 1 year	na	na	na	na	na
1 to less than 2 years	na	na	na	na	na
2 to less than 5 years	na	na	na	na	na
5 years or more	na	na	na	na	na
Not stated/unknown	na	na	na	na	na
<b>Total children</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>na</b>

na Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.123.

Table 15A.85

Table 15A.85 **Children in out-of-home care at 30 June placed with relatives/kin, by Indigenous status, Tasmania (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children at 30 June						
Indigenous	no.	13	11	11	6	16
Non-Indigenous	no.	207	208	214	65	97
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>113</b>
As a proportion of all children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status at 30 June						
Indigenous	%	34.2	35.5	37.9	14.0	29.1
Non-Indigenous	%	40.6	38.4	41.6	15.3	22.5
All children	%	40.1	38.3	41.4	15.2	23.2

(a) The percentage of children in out-of-home care placed with relatives or kin was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.124.

Table 15A.86

Table 15A.86 **Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June by Indigenous status and relationship of caregiver, Tasmania (a), (b)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of Indigenous children at 30 June						
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Indigenous relative/kin	no.	4	5	5	–	3
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	no.	9	6	6	6	13
Other Indigenous caregiver	no.	3	1	2	1	3
Indigenous residential care	no.	na	na	–	–	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>19</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	no.	22	10	8	18	28
In non-Indigenous residential care	no.	..	9	8	17	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>28</b>
Independent living/unknown	no.	na	na	na	1	8
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>55</b>
As a proportion of all Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June (excl. Independent living/unknown)						
Placed in accordance with the <i>Aboriginal Child Placement Principle</i>						
Indigenous relative/kin	%	10.5	16.1	17.2	–	6.4
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	%	23.7	19.4	20.7	14.3	27.7
Other Indigenous caregiver	%	7.9	3.2	6.9	2.4	6.4
Indigenous residential care	%	na	na	–	–	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>42.1</b>	<b>38.7</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>40.4</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	%	57.9	32.3	27.6	42.9	59.6
In non-Indigenous residential care	%	..	29.0	27.6	40.5	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>57.9</b>	<b>61.3</b>	<b>55.2</b>	<b>83.3</b>	<b>59.6</b>
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Prior to 2002 the percentage of Indigenous children placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle was calculated using the total number of Indigenous children in out of home care as the denominator. From 2002 the denominator excluded Indigenous children living independently and those whose living arrangements were unknown.

(b) Prior to 2001 Indigenous children in Indigenous residential care were included in the category 'other Indigenous caregiver'.

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.125.

Table 15A.87

Table 15A.87 **Children aged under 12 years in out-of-home care in a home based placement at 30 June, by Indigenous status, Tasmania (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children						
Indigenous	no.	16	13	8	14	21
Non-Indigenous	no.	245	267	257	211	248
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>269</b>
As a proportion of all children under 12 years in out-of-home care						
Indigenous	%	80.0	76.5	61.5	51.9	65.6
Non-Indigenous	%	89.1	88.7	87.1	75.4	90.5
All children	%	88.5	88.1	86.0	73.3	87.9

(a) The percentage of children under 12 years in home-based placements was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children under 12 years old in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.126.

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Table 15A.88

Table 15A.88 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
<b>Indigenous children</b>						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	19	24	11	43	61
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	..	49	22	41	80
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>141</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	2	17	32	95
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>236</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	–	6	7
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	5	5	8	44	200
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>443</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	18.6	30.0	19.0	25.9	13.8
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	..	61.3	37.9	24.7	18.1
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>91.3</b>	<b>56.9</b>	<b>50.6</b>	<b>31.8</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..	2.5	29.3	19.3	21.4
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>95.1</b>	<b>93.8</b>	<b>86.2</b>	<b>69.9</b>	<b>53.3</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	3.6	1.6
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	4.9	6.3	13.8	26.5	45.1
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous children</b>						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	214	198	209	267	569
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	..	306	280	444	690
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>1 259</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	105	111	420	883
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>1 131</b>	<b>2 142</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	18	43	68
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	153	105	125	784	2 672
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 087</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>743</b>	<b>1 958</b>	<b>4 882</b>



Table 15A.88

Table 15A.88 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	19.7	27.7	28.1	13.6	11.7
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	..	42.9	37.7	22.7	14.1
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>70.6</b>	<b>65.8</b>	<b>36.3</b>	<b>25.8</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..		14.9	21.5	18.1
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>85.9</b>	<b>85.3</b>	<b>80.8</b>	<b>57.8</b>	<b>43.9</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	–	–	2.4	2.2	1.4
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	14.1	14.7	16.8	40.0	54.7
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
All children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	233	222	220	310	630
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	685	355	302	485	770
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>918</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>1 400</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	113	107	128	452	978
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 031</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>1 247</b>	<b>2 378</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	18	49	75
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	158	110	133	828	2 872
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 189</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>2 124</b>	<b>5 325</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	19.6	28.0	27.5	14.6	11.8
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	57.6	44.7	37.7	22.8	14.5
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>77.2</b>	<b>72.7</b>	<b>65.2</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>26.3</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	9.5	13.5	16.0	21.3	18.4
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>86.7</b>	<b>86.1</b>	<b>81.1</b>	<b>58.7</b>	<b>44.7</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	–	–	2.2	2.3	1.4
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	13.3	13.9	16.6	39.0	53.9
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 15A.88 Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
(a)	In 1999-2000 child protection policies were changed to focus on the level of harm to a child rather than an incident. This change is likely to be the main reason for the decrease in the number of substantiations.					
(b)	If a child was the subject of more than one notification, investigation or substantiations, then each one of these were counted. The definition of an investigation includes interviewing or sighting of the child where practicable.					
(c)	Investigations relate to notifications received during the financial year. If the investigation was completed by 31 August it is classified as finalised. If the investigation was not completed by 31 August it is classified as not finalised. Notifications 'dealt with by other means' includes 'non-abuse' notifications relating to serious incompatibility or self damaging behaviour where advise and/or referrals were followed up.					
(d)	Data on the number of investigations finalised and not finalised by Indigenous status were not collected in 1999-00.					
(e)	In 2002-03, the ACT changed the arrangements for recording reports of concerns about children and young people. This and stricter mandatory reporting guidelines has led to an increase in the number of <b>na</b> Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.					

*Source:* AIHW *Child protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.129.

Table 15A.89

Table 15A.89 **Children admitted to and discharged from care and protection orders by Indigenous status, Australian Capital Territory (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Indigenous						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	5	14	9	16	16
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	1	11	5	13	3
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>19</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	2	28	10	8	12
Non-Indigenous						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	46	78	87	78	107
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	11	56	62	42	55
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>162</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	55	89	95	94	113
All children						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	51	92	96	94	123
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	12	67	67	55	58
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>181</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	57	117	105	102	125

(a) The introduction of the new *Children and Young People Act 1999* provided for short term orders which has impacted on the number of children admitted to orders.

Source: AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.130.

Table 15A.90

Table 15A.90 **Number of children on care and protection orders at 30 June by type of order and Indigenous status, Australian Capital Territory**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Number of Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	35	22	29	39	47
Finalised supervisory orders	1	1	2	–	–
Interim and temporary orders	4	9	1	9	6
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>53</b>
Number of non-Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	133	156	184	182	233
Finalised supervisory orders	17	13	23	13	37
Interim and temporary orders	42	18	22	45	30
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>300</b>
Number of all children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	168	178	213	221	280
Finalised supervisory orders	18	14	25	13	37
Interim and temporary orders	46	27	23	54	36
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>353</b>

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children on care and protection orders, Australia data collection* (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.131.

Table 15A.91

**Table 15A.91 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b), (c)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–16 years in notifications					
Number of children					
Indigenous	71	68	49	111	175
Non-Indigenous	886	606	635	1 372	2 541
<b>All children</b>	<b>957</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>1 483</b>	<b>2 716</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	43.5	41.3	29.3	65.1	100.8
Non-Indigenous	12.1	8.3	8.8	19.1	35.9
All children	12.8	9.0	9.2	20.2	37.5
Children aged 0–16 years in finalised investigations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	54	64	30	61	70
Non-Indigenous	711	450	433	601	773
<b>All children</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>843</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	33.1	38.9	17.9	35.8	40.3
Non-Indigenous	9.7	6.2	6.0	8.4	10.9
All children	10.2	6.9	6.2	9.0	11.6
Children aged 0–16 years in substantiations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	6	20	11	33	44
Non-Indigenous	184	183	191	230	441
<b>All children</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>485</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	3.7	12.1	6.6	19.4	25.3
Non-Indigenous	2.5	2.5	2.6	3.2	6.2
All children	2.5	2.7	2.7	3.6	6.7
Children aged 0–17 years on care and protection orders					
Number of children					
Indigenous	40	32	32	48	53
Non-Indigenous	192	187	229	240	300
<b>All children</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>353</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years					
Indigenous	23.3	18.4	18.0	26.5	28.7
Non-Indigenous	2.5	2.5	2.9	3.2	4.0
All children	3.0	2.8	3.3	3.7	4.6

**Table 15A.91 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b), (c)**

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- (a) Rates of children in notifications, investigations and substantiations were calculated as the number of children aged 0–16 years in each category (including those whose age was not stated) divided by the estimated population of children aged 0–16 years at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (b) Rates of children on care and protection orders were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) who were on a care and protection order at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (c) The Indigenous rates for 2001-02 and 2002-03 were calculated using the estimated Indigenous population at 30 June 2001 from the 2001 Census data. These rates should not be compared with the Indigenous rates for previous years. All Indigenous rates will be updated when Indigenous population projections from the 2001 Census are released in 2004.

*Source:* AIHW *Child Protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations Australia* data collection (unpublished), AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.132.

Table 15A.92

**Table 15A.92 Children in out-of-home care at 30 June: number and rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years, by Indigenous status, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b), (c), (d)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Children in out-of-home care at 30 June					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	29	29	27	48	58
Non-Indigenous	171	186	197	229	240
<b>All children</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>298</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	16.9	16.7	15.2	26.5	31.4
Non-Indigenous	2.2	2.4	2.5	3.0	3.2
All children	2.6	2.8	2.8	3.6	3.9
Children aged 0–17 years in at least one out-of-home care placement during the year					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	53	72	48	66	81
Non-Indigenous	519	420	445	471	520
<b>All children</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>601</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	31.1	41.6	27.3	36.8	44.3
Non-Indigenous	6.6	5.4	5.8	6.2	6.9
All children	7.2	6.2	6.2	6.9	7.8

- (a) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in out of home care at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (b) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in at least one out of home care placement during the year, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (c) A child is only counted once, regardless of the number of placements during the year.
- (d) SAAP placements were counted as out-of-home care placements where Family Services made a financial payment.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.136.

Table 15A.93

**Table 15A.93 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and placement type, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Residential care	3	2	1	7	6
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
Home based care					
Foster care	17	14	18	18	23
Relative/kinship care	9	11	7	22	29
Other home based care	–	–	–	1	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>52</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	–	1	–	–	–
Other (incl. unknown)	–	1	1	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>58</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Residential care	15	14	20	30	20
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
Home based care					
Foster care	113	126	120	120	128
Relative/kinship care	42	44	56	76	82
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>210</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	–	1	1	–	1
Other (incl. unknown)	1	1	–	3	9
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>240</b>
All children					
Residential care	18	16	21	37	26
Family group homes	..	..	..	..	..
Home based care					
Foster care	130	140	138	138	151
Relative/kinship care	51	55	63	98	111
Other home based care	–	–	–	1	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>262</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	–	2	1	–	1
Other (incl. unknown)	1	2	1	3	9
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>298</b>

(a) The number of children in relative/kinship care may be understated as the relationship to a child of foster carers from non-government organisations is unknown.

(b) In 2002-03, the category 'Family group homes' was removed from 'Residential care.'

.. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.137.



Table 15A.94

Table 15A.94 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and whether on a care and protection order, Australian Capital Territory (a)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Care and protection order	24	29	26	47	52
Another type of order	5	–	1	1	1
Not on an order	–	–	–	–	5
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>58</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Care and protection order	145	164	187	217	225
Another type of order	14	7	5	2	6
Not on an order	12	15	5	10	9
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>240</b>
All children					
Care and protection order	169	193	213	264	277
Another type of order	19	7	6	3	7
Not on an order	12	15	5	10	14
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>298</b>

(a) 'On a care and protection order' includes children on guardianship or custody orders or arrangements; and those on interim or temporary orders. 'On another type of order' includes offence orders or other orders that are not care and protection orders.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.138.

Table 15A.95

**Table 15A.95 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Respite	–	–	–	–	–
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	–	–	–	4	–
1 to less than 6 months	6	1	1	9	6
6 months to less than 1 year	2	–	4	8	7
1 to less than 2 years	5	7	1	7	20
2 to less than 5 years	13	12	8	7	13
5 years or more	3	9	13	13	12
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	29	29	27	48	58
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>58</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Respite	–	9	2	3	4
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	13	3	9	22	6
1 to less than 6 months	37	21	25	43	31
6 months to less than 1 year	22	15	21	11	30
1 to less than 2 years	22	40	24	37	43
2 to less than 5 years	42	35	51	48	64
5 years or more	35	63	65	65	62
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	171	177	195	226	236
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>240</b>
All children					
Respite	–	9	2	3	4
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	13	3	9	26	6
1 to less than 6 months	43	22	26	52	37
6 months to less than 1 year	24	15	25	19	37
1 to less than 2 years	27	47	25	44	63
2 to less than 5 years	55	47	59	55	77
5 years or more	38	72	78	78	74
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
Total non-respite	200	206	222	274	294
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>298</b>

**Table 15A.95 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b)**

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- (a) This indicates the length of time a child has been in out-of-home placement on a continuous basis at 30 June. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.
- (b) Respite care includes children who were in emergency or planned respite from the home for non-child protection reasons, such as where the parents were ill or unable to care for the child. Non-respite includes children in care for child protection reasons.
- Nil or rounded to zero.

*Source:* AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.139.

Table 15A.96

**Table 15A.96 Number of children who exited care during the year by Indigenous status and length of time spent in care, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
<b>Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	8	14	6	–	3
6 months to less than 1 year	–	–	–	–	4
1 to less than 2 years	–	2	2	–	2
2 to less than 5 years	–	7	2	–	–
5 years or more	–	2	1	2	2
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	84	31	25	21	70
6 months to less than 1 year	22	4	6	5	22
1 to less than 2 years	14	4	11	4	4
2 to less than 5 years	4	5	11	9	7
5 years or more	4	4	3	–	14
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>117</b>
<b>All children</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	92	45	31	21	73
6 months to less than 1 year	22	4	6	5	26
1 to less than 2 years	14	6	13	4	6
2 to less than 5 years	4	12	13	9	7
5 years or more	4	6	4	2	16
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>128</b>

(a) This indicates the length of time a child had been in out-of-home placement on a continuous basis for those children who exited care during the year. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.

(b) Children in respite care or temporary placements were not included.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.140.

Table 15A.97

Table 15A.97 **Children in out-of-home care at 30 June placed with relatives/kin, by Indigenous status, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children at 30 June						
Indigenous	no.	9	11	7	22	29
Non-Indigenous	no.	42	44	56	76	82
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>111</b>
As a proportion of all children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status at 30 June						
Indigenous	%	37.5	37.9	25.9	45.8	50.0
Non-Indigenous	%	28.0	23.7	28.4	33.2	34.2
All children	%	29.3	27.5	28.1	35.4	37.2

(a) The percentage of children in out-of-home care placed with relatives or kin was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

(b) The number children in relative/kinship care may be understated as the relationship to a child of foster carers from non-government organisations is unknown.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.141.

Table 15A.98

Table 15A.98 **Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June by Indigenous status and relationship of caregiver, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of Indigenous children at 30 June						
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Indigenous relative/kin	no.	7	9	5	19	26
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	no.	2	2	2	3	3
Other Indigenous caregiver	no.	11	6	12	5	5
Indigenous residential care	no.	..	..	1	–	1
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>35</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	no.	9	8	7	14	18
In non-Indigenous residential care	no.	..	4	–	7	5
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>23</b>
Independent living/unknown	no.	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>58</b>
As a proportion of all Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June (excl. Independent living/unknown)						
Placed in accordance with the <i>Aboriginal Child Placement Principle</i>						
Indigenous relative/kin	%	24.1	31.0	18.5	39.6	44.8
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	%	6.9	6.9	7.4	6.3	5.2
Other Indigenous caregiver	%	37.9	20.7	44.4	10.4	8.6
Indigenous residential care	%	..	..	3.7	–	1.7
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>69.0</b>	<b>58.6</b>	<b>74.1</b>	<b>56.3</b>	<b>60.3</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	%	31.0	27.6	25.9	29.2	31.0
In non-Indigenous residential care	%	..	13.8	–	14.6	8.6
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>31.0</b>	<b>41.4</b>	<b>25.9</b>	<b>43.8</b>	<b>39.7</b>
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Prior to 2002 the percentage of Indigenous children placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle was calculated using the total number of Indigenous children in out of home care as the denominator. From 2002 the denominator excluded Indigenous children living independently and those whose living arrangements were unknown.

(b) Prior to 2001 Indigenous children in Indigenous residential care were included in the category 'other Indigenous caregiver'.

.. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.142.

Table 15A.99

**Table 15A.99 Children aged under 12 years in out-of-home care in a home based placement at 30 June, by Indigenous status, Australian Capital Territory (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children						
Indigenous	no.	21	19	20	28	35
Non-Indigenous	no.	109	116	119	137	154
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>189</b>
As a proportion of all children under 12 years in out-of-home care						
Indigenous	%	100.0	95.0	95.2	90.3	100.0
Non-Indigenous	%	99.1	98.3	98.3	93.8	98.7
All children	%	99.2	97.8	97.9	93.2	99.0

(a) The percentage of children under 12 years in home-based placements was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children under 12 years old in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.143.

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Table 15A.100

Table 15A.100 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Northern Territory (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Indigenous children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	194	167	236	209	405
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	na	181	241	210	317
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>722</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	7	2	89	38
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>760</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	—	—	—	—	—
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	239	268	316	347	473
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>1 233</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	31.8	26.8	29.7	24.4	32.8
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	na	29.1	30.3	24.6	25.7
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>55.9</b>	<b>60.0</b>	<b>49.0</b>	<b>58.6</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..	1.1	0.3	10.4	3.1
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>60.8</b>	<b>57.0</b>	<b>60.3</b>	<b>59.4</b>	<b>61.6</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	—	—	—	—	—
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	39.2	43.0	39.7	40.6	38.4
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Non-Indigenous children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	199	182	113	118	122
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	na	225	234	208	167
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>289</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	..	7	9	56	23
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>312</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	—	—	—	—	—
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	419	514	454	317	412
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>827</b>	<b>928</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>724</b>

Table 15A.100

Table 15A.100 **Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Northern Territory (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	24.1	19.6	14.0	16.9	16.9
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	na	24.2	28.9	29.8	23.1
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>43.9</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>46.6</b>	<b>39.9</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	..		1.1	8.0	3.2
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>49.3</b>	<b>44.6</b>	<b>44.0</b>	<b>54.6</b>	<b>43.1</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	50.7	55.4	56.0	45.4	56.9
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
All children						
Number of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	no.	393	349	349	327	527
Carer/family issues	no.	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	no.	382	406	475	418	484
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>1 011</b>
Investigations not finalised	no.	4	14	11	145	61
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>769</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>1 072</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	no.	–	–	–	–	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	no.	658	782	770	664	885
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 437</b>	<b>1 551</b>	<b>1 605</b>	<b>1 554</b>	<b>1 957</b>
Proportion of notification, investigations and substantiations						
Investigations finalised by 31 August						
Substantiated	%	27.3	22.5	21.7	21.0	26.9
Carer/family issues	%	..	..	..	..	..
Not substantiated	%	26.6	26.2	29.6	26.9	24.7
<b>Total finalised</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>53.9</b>	<b>48.7</b>	<b>51.3</b>	<b>47.9</b>	<b>51.7</b>
Investigations not finalised	%	0.3	0.9	0.7	9.3	3.1
<b>Total investigations</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>54.2</b>	<b>49.6</b>	<b>52.0</b>	<b>57.3</b>	<b>54.8</b>
Notifications dealt with by other means	%	–	–	–	–	–
Notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means	%	45.8	50.4	48.0	42.7	45.2
<b>Total notifications</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 15A.100 Child protection notifications, investigations and substantiations by Indigenous status, Northern Territory (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
(a)	The NT includes child concern reports in child protection notifications.					
(b)	If a child was the subject of more than one notification, investigation or substantiations, then each one of these were counted. The definition of an investigation includes interviewing or sighting of the child where practicable.					
(c)	Investigations relate to notifications received during the financial year. If the investigation was completed by 31 August it is classified as finalised. If the investigation was not completed by 31 August it is classified as not finalised. Notifications 'dealt with by other means' includes the provision of advice, referral to support services or referral to the police.					
(d)	Data on the number of investigations finalised and not finalised by Indigenous status were not collected in 1999-00.					
(e)	The NT cannot reliably count notifications dealt with by other means and such matters are included under 'notifications not investigated/dealt with by other means'.					
	<b>na</b> Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero					

Source: AIHW *Child Protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.146.

Table 15A.101

Table 15A.101 **Children admitted to and discharged from care and protection orders by Indigenous status, Northern Territory (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>1999-00</i>	<i>2000-01</i>	<i>2001-02</i>	<i>2002-03</i>	<i>2003-04</i>
Indigenous						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	na	na	na	na	na
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	na	na	na	na	na
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>250</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	97	101	126	139	169
Non-Indigenous						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	na	na	na	na	na
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	na	na	na	na	na
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>107</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	79	130	81	75	104
All children						
Children admitted to orders						
Admitted for the first time	no.	na	na	na	na	na
Had prior admissions to orders	no.	na	na	na	na	na
<b>Total children admitted</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>357</b>
Children discharged from orders	no.	176	231	207	214	234

(a) NT cannot provide data on children admitted to orders for the first time.

**na** Not available.

Source: AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.147.

Table 15A.102

**Table 15A.102 Number of children on care and protection orders at 30 June by type of order and Indigenous status, Northern Territory**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Number of Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	95	111	112	155	206
Finalised supervisory orders	–	2	–	4	–
Interim and temporary orders	23	13	14	15	24
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>230</b>
Number of non-Indigenous children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	77	70	65	78	110
Finalised supervisory orders	3	3	1	1	–
Interim and temporary orders	22	6	2	21	5
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>115</b>
Number of all children on orders					
Finalised guardianship or custody orders/arrangements	172	181	177	233	316
Finalised supervisory orders	3	5	1	5	–
Interim and temporary orders	45	19	16	36	29
Other/not stated	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>345</b>

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children on care and protection orders, Australia data collection* (unpublished); 2005 Report 15A.148.

Table 15A.103

**Table 15A.103 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Northern Territory (a), (b), (c)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Children aged 0–16 years in notifications					
Number of children					
Indigenous	471	491	668	738	1 052
Non-Indigenous	663	695	675	595	618
<b>All children</b>	<b>1 134</b>	<b>1 186</b>	<b>1 343</b>	<b>1 333</b>	<b>1 670</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	21.1	21.7	29.3	32.2	45.5
Non-Indigenous	19.4	20.3	19.9	19.1	18.6
All children	20.1	20.9	23.7	24.6	29.6
Children aged 0–16 years in finalised investigations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	261	300	437	379	656
Non-Indigenous	306	364	327	286	274
<b>All children</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>664</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>930</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	11.7	13.3	19.2	16.5	28.4
Non-Indigenous	9.0	10.7	9.6	9.2	8.2
All children	10.0	11.7	13.5	12.3	16.5
Children aged 0–16 years in substantiations					
Number of children					
Indigenous	172	153	222	198	375
Non-Indigenous	179	177	109	113	116
<b>All children</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>491</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–16 years					
Indigenous	7.7	6.8	9.7	8.6	16.2
Non-Indigenous	5.2	5.2	3.2	3.6	3.5
All children	6.2	5.8	5.8	5.7	8.7
Children aged 0–17 years on care and protection orders					
Number of children					
Indigenous	118	126	126	174	230
Non-Indigenous	102	79	68	100	115
<b>All children</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>345</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years					
Indigenous	5.0	5.3	5.2	7.2	9.4
Non-Indigenous	2.8	2.2	1.9	2.8	3.3
All children	3.7	3.4	3.2	4.6	5.8

**Table 15A.103 Children in notifications, investigations and substantiations and children on care and protection orders: Number and rate per 1000 children in the target populations by Indigenous status, Northern Territory (a), (b), (c)**

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- (a) Rates of children in notifications, investigations and substantiations were calculated as the number of children aged 0–16 years in each category (including those whose age was not stated) divided by the estimated population of children aged 0–16 years at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.
- (b) Rates of children on care and protection orders were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) who were on a care and protection order at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.
- (c) The NT include child concern reports in child protection notifications.

*Source:* AIHW *Child Protection Notifications, Investigations and Substantiations Australia* data collection (unpublished), AIHW *Children on Care and Protection Orders, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.149.

Table 15A.104

**Table 15A.104 Children in out-of-home care at 30 June: number and rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years, by Indigenous status, Northern Territory (a), (b), (c)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Children in out-of-home care at 30 June					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	94	100	105	142	175
Non-Indigenous	82	64	58	81	83
<b>All children</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>258</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	4.0	4.2	4.4	5.9	7.2
Non-Indigenous	2.3	1.8	1.6	2.3	2.4
All children	3.0	2.7	2.7	3.8	4.3
Children aged 0–17 years in at least one out-of-home care placement during the year					
Number of children in care					
Indigenous	147	193	199	258	338
Non-Indigenous	160	190	125	140	150
<b>All children</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>488</b>
Rate per 1000 children aged 0–17 years in population					
Indigenous	6.2	8.1	8.3	10.7	13.9
Non-Indigenous	4.5	5.3	3.5	4.3	4.3
All children	5.2	6.4	5.4	7.0	8.2

(a) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in out of home care at 30 June, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 March, multiplied by 1000.

(b) Rates were calculated as the number of children aged 0–17 years (including those whose age was not stated) in at least one out of home care placement during the year, divided by the estimated population aged 0–17 at 31 December, multiplied by 1000. For Indigenous children, the June projections for two years were averaged to obtain a population figure for December of the relevant year.

(c) The data does not include children placed with parents or relatives who were not reimbursed.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.153.



Table 15A.105

Table 15A.105 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and placement type, Northern Territory (a)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Residential care	..	..	..	..	..
Family group homes	6	7	6	8	9
Home based care					
Foster care	62	61	72	95	118
Relative/kinship care	22	29	22	34	44
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>162</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	1	–	1	1	–
Other (incl. unknown)	3	3	4	4	4
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>175</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Residential care	..	..	..	..	..
Family group homes	7	2	–	4	5
Home based care					
Foster care	59	48	47	56	55
Relative/kinship care	4	9	7	12	16
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>71</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	3	2	1	1	–
Other (incl. unknown)	9	3	3	8	7
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>83</b>
All children					
Residential care	..	..	..	..	..
Family group homes	13	9	6	12	14
Home based care					
Foster care	121	109	119	151	173
Relative/kinship care	26	38	29	46	60
Other home based care	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total home based</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>233</b>
Independent living (incl. private board)	4	2	2	2	–
Other (incl. unknown)	12	6	7	12	11
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>258</b>

(a) In 2002-03, the category 'Family group homes' was removed from 'Residential care.'

.. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.154.

Table 15A.106

Table 15A.106 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and whether on a care and protection order, Northern Territory (a)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Care and protection order	94	100	105	142	175
Another type of order	..	..	..	..	..
Not on an order	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>175</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Care and protection order	82	64	58	81	83
Another type of order	..	..	..	..	..
Not on an order	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>83</b>
All children					
Care and protection order	176	164	163	223	258
Another type of order	..	..	..	..	..
Not on an order	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>258</b>

(a) 'On a care and protection order' includes children on guardianship or custody orders or arrangements; and those on interim or temporary orders.

.. Not applicable.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.155.

Table 15A.107

Table 15A.107 **Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Northern Territory (a), (b)**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Indigenous					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	8	2	7	5	6
1 to less than 6 months	14	9	11	15	28
6 months to less than 1 year	30	16	5	27	22
1 to less than 2 years	13	34	22	21	32
2 to less than 5 years	13	20	37	47	55
5 years or more	16	19	22	25	28
Not stated/unknown	–	–	1	2	4
Total non-respite	94	100	105	142	175
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>175</b>
Non-Indigenous					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	11	–	–	12	–
1 to less than 6 months	11	7	1	5	11
6 months to less than 1 year	16	13	6	16	14
1 to less than 2 years	15	16	9	8	18
2 to less than 5 years	24	21	25	26	22
5 years or more	5	7	14	12	16
Not stated/unknown	–	–	3	2	2
Total non-respite	82	64	58	81	83
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>83</b>
All children					
Respite	na	na	na	na	na
Non-respite					
Less than 1 month	19	2	7	17	6
1 to less than 6 months	25	16	12	20	39
6 months to less than 1 year	46	29	11	43	36
1 to less than 2 years	28	50	31	29	50
2 to less than 5 years	37	41	62	73	77
5 years or more	21	26	36	37	44
Not stated/unknown	–	–	4	4	6
Total non-respite	176	164	163	223	258
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>258</b>

**Table 15A.107 Number of children in out-of-home care at 30 June, by Indigenous status and length of time in continuous out-of-home care, Northern Territory (a), (b)**

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- (a) This indicates the length of time a child has been in out-of-home placement on a continuous basis at 30 June. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.
- (b) The NT is unable to reliably distinguish between respite and non-respite care. As a result both types of placement were included if they satisfy the definition of out-of-home care.

**na** Not available. – Nil or rounded to zero.

*Source:* AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.156.

Table 15A.108

**Table 15A.108 Number of children who exited care during the year by Indigenous status and length of time spent in care, Northern Territory (a), (b)**

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
<b>Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	14	8	15	18	36
6 months to less than 1 year	4	1	2	–	2
1 to less than 2 years	2	2	3	3	4
2 to less than 5 years	2	1	2	8	–
5 years or more	1	3	2	–	2
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Indigenous children</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Non-Indigenous</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	13	23	7	5	8
6 months to less than 1 year	1	4	–	–	2
1 to less than 2 years	6	5	3	2	1
2 to less than 5 years	2	10	5	2	–
5 years or more	2	1	–	2	1
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total non-Indigenous children</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>All children</b>					
1 to less than 6 months	27	31	22	23	44
6 months to less than 1 year	5	5	2	–	4
1 to less than 2 years	8	7	6	5	5
2 to less than 5 years	4	11	7	10	–
5 years or more	3	4	2	2	3
Not stated/unknown	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total all children</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>56</b>

(a) This indicates the length of time a child had been in out of home placement on a continuous basis for those children who exited care during the year. A return home of less than 7 days is not counted as a break in the continuity of placement.

(b) The NT is unable to reliably distinguish between respite and non-respite care. As a result both types of placement were included if they satisfy the definition of out-of-home care.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.157.

Table 15A.109 **Children in out-of-home care at 30 June placed with relatives/kin, by Indigenous status, Northern Territory (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children at 30 June						
Indigenous	no.	22	29	22	34	44
Non-Indigenous	no.	4	9	7	12	16
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>60</b>
As a proportion of all children in out-of-home care by Indigenous status at 30 June						
Indigenous	%	23.4	29.0	21.0	23.9	25.1
Non-Indigenous	%	4.9	14.1	12.1	14.8	19.3
All children	%	14.8	23.2	17.8	20.6	23.3

(a) The percentage of children in out-of-home care placed with relatives or kin was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.158.

Table 15A.110

Table 15A.110 **Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June by Indigenous status and relationship of caregiver, Northern Territory (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of Indigenous children at 30 June						
Placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Indigenous relative/kin	no.	28	38	22	51	67
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	no.	na	na	na	na	na
Other Indigenous caregiver	no.	26	29	54	43	53
Indigenous residential care	no.	..	..	–	–	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>120</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	no.	40	29	21	39	55
In non-Indigenous residential care	no.	..	4	6	8	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>55</b>
Independent living/unknown	no.	na	–	2	1	–
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>175</b>
As a proportion of all Indigenous children in out-of-home care at 30 June (excl. Independent living/unknown)						
Placed in accordance with the <i>Aboriginal Child Placement Principle</i>						
Indigenous relative/kin	%	29.8	38.0	21.4	36.2	38.3
Non-Indigenous relative/kin	%	na	na	na	na	na
Other Indigenous caregiver	%	27.7	29.0	52.4	30.5	30.3
Indigenous residential care	%	..	..	–	–	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>57.4</b>	<b>67.0</b>	<b>73.8</b>	<b>66.7</b>	<b>68.6</b>
Not placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle						
Other non-Indigenous caregivers	%	42.6	29.0	20.4	27.7	31.4
In non-Indigenous residential care	%	..	4.0	5.8	5.7	–
<b>Total children</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>42.6</b>	<b>33.0</b>	<b>26.2</b>	<b>33.3</b>	<b>31.4</b>
<b>Total Indigenous children in care</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

- (a) Prior to 2002 the percentage of Indigenous children placed in accordance with the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle was calculated using the total number of Indigenous children in out of home care as the denominator. From 2002 the denominator excluded Indigenous children living independently and those whose living arrangements were unknown.
- (b) Prior to 2001 Indigenous children in Indigenous residential care were included in the category 'other Indigenous caregiver'.
- (c) The definition of 'relative/kin' used in this table is broader than the definition used in other tables because it includes kin relationships based on customary law.
- (d) Data on the relationship of the caregiver to children placed with non-Indigenous carers could not be provided and these children were included in the category 'other non-Indigenous carer'.
- (e) For 2001-02 the number of Indigenous children placed with Indigenous relative/kin may be under-enumerated due to data entry error.

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.159.

Table 15A.111

Table 15A.111 **Children aged under 12 years in out-of-home care in a home based placement at 30 June, by Indigenous status, Northern Territory (a)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>
Number of children						
Indigenous	no.	73	76	83	105	131
Non-Indigenous	no.	52	39	38	45	44
<b>All children</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>175</b>
As a proportion of all children under 12 years in out-of-home care						
Indigenous	%	86.9	90.5	93.3	92.1	92.9
Non-Indigenous	%	92.9	95.1	97.4	86.5	89.8
All children	%	89.3	92.0	94.5	90.4	92.1

(a) The percentage of children under 12 years in home-based placements was calculated using as the denominator the total number of children under 12 years old in out-of-home placement, by Indigenous status, at 30 June where placement type was known.

Source: AIHW *Children in Out-of-Home Care, Australia* data collection (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.160.



SAAP data

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Table 15A.112

Table 15A.112 **Change in Indigenous client's income source after SAAP support, Australia (a), (b), (c)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
2001-02										
From no income to some income	%	2.2	1.5	0.8	0.5	1.3	1.0	2.0	0.6	1.1
Obtained own benefit/extra benefit/wages	%	0.4	1.2	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.3	–	0.6	0.4
No substantive change	%	91.5	94.4	92.4	97.1	94.4	92.1	84.5	95.7	93.8
No income before or after support	%	5.5	2.3	6.0	1.9	3.6	6.6	12.6	2.5	4.3
From wage to govt payments/ some income to no income	%	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.5	–	0.9	0.6	0.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>3 700</b>	<b>1 200</b>	<b>4 500</b>	<b>3 700</b>	<b>1 000</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>2 100</b>	<b>16 700</b>
2002-03										
From no income to some income	%	1.8	1.7	0.8	0.5	0.7	1.2	3.8	0.9	1.1
Obtained own benefit/extra benefit/wages	%	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.2	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.7	0.5
No substantive change	%	91.1	93.4	92.8	97.4	95.6	88.6	79.5	96.1	93.9
No income before or after support	%	6.2	3.7	5.4	1.7	2.2	9.0	15.1	1.6	4.1
From wage to govt payments/ some income to no income	%	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>3 600</b>	<b>1 600</b>	<b>4 300</b>	<b>4 100</b>	<b>1 100</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1 800</b>	<b>17 100</b>
2003-04 (d)										
From no income to some income	%	1.5	1.5	1.0	0.6	1.5	0.2	2.8	0.5	1.1
Obtained own benefit/extra benefit/wages	%	0.5	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.4
No substantive change	%	93.7	94.4	89.0	96.2	94.4	91.6	82.5	97.1	93.6
No income before or after support	%	3.8	3.2	9.2	2.8	3.2	7.5	14.1	1.8	4.6
From wage to govt payments/ some income to no income	%	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.3	–	0.4	0.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>5 000</b>	<b>1 800</b>	<b>4 100</b>	<b>4 700</b>	<b>1 200</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>2 300</b>	<b>19 800</b>

(a) Totals may not add up to 100 per cent as a result of rounding.

(b) Excludes high volume records as not all items were included on high volume form.

(c) Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non consent.

(d) Data excludes 4302 clients (weighted) due to errors and omissions.

– Nil or rounded to zero

Source: SAAP NDCA *Administrative Data and Client Collections* (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.170.

Table 15A.113

Table 15A.113 **Change in type of housing after SAAP support, Indigenous clients (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
2001-02										
Independent housing										
Private rental	%	35.3	37.0	24.1	24.2	21.1	37.3	13.0	15.8	26.6
Owner-occupied	%	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4	1.3	–	0.4	0.6
Public housing	%	20.8	28.6	12.7	40.3	33.7	17.1	19.6	45.9	26.6
Other	%	15.2	10.9	10.8	14.2	19.9	19.4	26.1	18.7	14.3
Non-independent housing										
SAAP crisis/short term	%	11.7	6.7	5.2	8.9	7.1	8.0	9.8	4.2	7.6
SAAP medium/short term	%	3.5	4.0	1.0	1.3	4.7	3.4	11.2	1.8	2.3
Other	%	12.9	12.2	45.6	10.3	13.1	13.6	20.2	13.2	22.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>3 000</b>	<b>1 200</b>	<b>4 200</b>	<b>2 900</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1 500</b>	<b>14 200</b>
2002-03										
Independent housing										
Private rental	%	38.0	36.9	27.3	19.7	24.3	38.5	16.8	18.2	27.5
Owner-occupied	%	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.7	4.5	1.8	0.1	0.6
Public housing	%	20.3	24.1	15.1	45.9	31.1	19.5	20.3	40.4	28.2
Other	%	14.5	9.8	12.5	16.7	19.8	14.7	28.1	25.3	15.6
Non-independent housing										
SAAP crisis/short term	%	11.7	9.4	5.1	6.1	7.5	6.6	10.7	2.1	7.0
SAAP medium/short term	%	3.7	5.0	1.1	1.1	6.1	2.5	8.1	0.9	2.4
Other	%	11.4	14.0	38.5	9.9	10.5	13.7	14.2	13.0	18.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>2 900</b>	<b>1 500</b>	<b>3 800</b>	<b>3 500</b>	<b>1 000</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1 500</b>	<b>14 700</b>
2003-04 (f)										
Independent housing										
Private rental	%	30.9	33.1	29.4	20.3	23.7	47.1	13.4	16.4	26.5
Owner-occupied	%	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.8	2.2	–	0.4	0.6
Public housing	%	20.5	23.8	18.7	54.7	31.8	21.7	22.1	45.0	31.7
Other	%	10.3	11.3	13.8	11.6	18.9	12.2	30.3	19.0	13.2
Non-independent housing										
SAAP crisis/short term	%	7.8	11.6	5.0	3.2	7.0	3.4	11.9	3.0	5.9
SAAP medium/short term	%	2.7	4.6	1.1	1.0	4.8	2.3	13.3	1.8	2.3
Other	%	27.0	15.3	31.4	8.7	13.0	11.0	9.0	14.4	19.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>4 300</b>	<b>1 600</b>	<b>3 700</b>	<b>4 000</b>	<b>1 000</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1 600</b>	<b>16 900</b>

**Table 15A.113 Change in type of housing after SAAP support, Indigenous clients  
(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)**

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- (a) Totals may not add up to 100 per cent as a result of rounding.
- (b) Excludes high volume records because not all items were included in high volume forms.
- (c) 'Other' independent housing may include living rent free in a house or flat.
- (d) 'Other' non-independent housing may include SAAP funded accommodation at hostels, hotels or community placements; non-SAAP emergency accommodation; a car, a tent or squat, or an institutional setting. Refer to the SAAP NDCA annual reports for further explanation of the counting rules.
- (e) Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non participation and client non consent.
- (f) Data excludes 7259 clients (weighted) due to errors and omissions.
  - Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: SAAP NDCA *Administrative Data and Client Collections* (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.172.

Table 15A.114

Table 15A.114 **Change in labour force status of unemployed Indigenous clients after SAAP support (a), (b), (c), (d)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
2001-02										
Employed										
Full time	%	1.4	3.0	1.2	0.6	1.1	–	1.6	1.3	1.3
Part time	%	1.2	1.6	1.6	0.3	–	–	3.2	1.0	1.0
Casual	%	2.6	2.0	2.4	0.3	1.7	5.4	1.4	0.7	1.7
Sub-total	%	5.2	6.5	5.1	1.2	2.9	5.4	6.2	3.0	4.1
Unemployed										
Studying	%	5.4	4.2	5.9	2.7	9.3	1.0	6.7	2.1	4.4
Not studying	%	76.5	81.3	75.2	82.6	65.4	74.1	85.7	85.7	78.9
Sub-total	%	81.9	85.5	81.1	85.3	74.7	75.2	92.4	87.8	83.4
Not in labour force										
Studying	%	1.8	1.4	0.6	1.1	3.0	3.1	1.4	0.6	1.3
Not studying	%	11.0	6.6	13.1	12.5	19.4	16.4	–	8.6	11.3
Sub-total	%	12.8	8.0	13.7	13.5	22.4	19.5	1.4	9.2	12.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 000</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>3 900</b>
2002-03										
Employed										
Full time	%	1.4	1.7	1.3	0.7	2.7	na	3.2	1.3	1.3
Part time	%	1.3	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.1	na	1.9	1.2	1.2
Casual	%	3.1	2.3	2.0	0.7	3.3	3.9	5.0	1.3	2.1
Sub-total	%	5.7	5.0	4.4	2.6	7.2	3.9	10.0	3.9	4.6
Unemployed										
Studying	%	7.2	3.3	9.9	1.3	3.5	2.4	6.8	3.5	5.3
Not studying	%	76.3	78.6	73.9	83.0	67.6	82.1	76.2	81.4	77.8
Sub-total	%	83.6	81.9	83.9	84.3	71.2	84.4	83.1	84.9	83.1
Not in labour force										
Studying	%	1.7	2.4	1.5	0.8	3.7	2.3	3.4	0.8	1.6
Not studying	%	9.1	10.7	10.1	12.3	18.0	9.3	3.5	10.4	10.7
Sub-total	%	10.7	13.1	11.7	13.1	21.7	11.7	6.9	11.2	12.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 000</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>4 100</b>

**Table 15A.114 Change in labour force status of unemployed Indigenous clients after SAAP support (a), (b), (c), (d)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
2003-04 (e)										
Employed										
Full time	%	2.4	2.1	0.8	0.3	3.6	0.9	–	0.8	1.4
Part time	%	0.8	1.5	1.0	0.3	1.7	–	1.6	1.0	0.9
Casual	%	2.0	2.0	1.7	1.2	5.6	1.1	3.4	–	1.6
Sub-total	%	5.2	5.7	3.4	1.8	10.9	2.1	5.0	1.8	3.9
Unemployed										
Studying	%	7.2	2.2	3.9	2.5	6.8	4.0	8.9	3.9	4.6
Not studying	%	78.5	85.4	82.2	84.5	74.5	85.6	74.5	88.8	82.6
Sub-total	%	85.7		86.1	87.0	81.3	89.6	83.4	92.7	87.2
Not in labour force										
Studying	%	1.6	0.3	0.6	0.5	1.3	3.9	3.3	0.2	0.9
Not studying	%	7.5	6.4	9.9	10.7	6.6	4.4	8.3	5.3	8.0
Sub-total	%	9.1	6.7	10.5	11.2	7.9	8.4	11.6	5.4	8.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>1 100</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>4 200</b>

(a) Totals may not add up to 100 per cent as a result of rounding.

(b) Data are for support periods for people who were unemployed when entering SAAP services.

(c) Excludes high volume records because not all items were included on high volume forms.

(d) Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non participation and client non consent.

(e) Data excludes 4026 clients (weighted) due to errors and omissions.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: SAAP NDCA Administrative Data and Client Collections (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.175.

Table 15A.115

Table 15A.115 **Indigenous SAAP clients who exited from the service and who returned to SAAP agencies before the end of that year (a), (b)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
2001-02 (c)										
Total number of support periods										
1	%	66.4	69.5	65.2	61.1	63.0	63.7	67.6	64.8	64.9
2	%	17.6	19.4	15.5	19.8	20.7	18.1	17.1	19.3	18.0
3	%	7.6	5.9	6.2	9.3	8.7	8.4	9.3	6.6	7.4
4	%	2.8	2.0	2.4	3.6	4.1	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.9
5	%	1.8	1.3	1.7	2.4	1.5	2.5	1.7	3.0	2.0
6+	%	3.6	1.9	9.0	3.8	1.9	3.6	1.1	3.3	4.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>4 000</b>	<b>1 400</b>	<b>4 100</b>	<b>2 800</b>	<b>1 100</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1 600</b>	<b>15 400</b>
2002-03										
Total number of support periods										
1	%	77.2	79.8	73.5	68.8	72.4	71.7	80.0	73.4	71.5
2	%	13.2	12.7	11.9	15.9	14.1	16.7	10.6	15.6	14.3
3	%	3.9	4.5	4.0	7.1	6.2	6.1	5.8	6.2	5.8
4	%	2.1	1.1	2.3	3.1	3.7	1.9	1.8	2.2	2.7
5	%	1.0	0.7	0.9	1.9	1.6	1.3	na	1.1	1.4
6+	%	2.7	1.2	7.4	3.2	2.0	2.2	1.8	1.5	4.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>4 200</b>	<b>1 700</b>	<b>4 500</b>	<b>3 300</b>	<b>1 400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1 700</b>	<b>16 500</b>
2003-04										
Total number of support periods										
1	%	76.6	74.1	76.3	68.0	68.1	73.2	72.8	74.0	71.4
2	%	12.8	13.8	14.0	15.5	17.7	14.3	9.3	14.5	14.7
3	%	4.2	4.4	5.0	8.5	7.2	7.2	11.2	5.4	6.1
4	%	2.1	2.7	1.8	3.0	3.4	3.1	5.0	3.1	2.9
5	%	1.2	2.0	0.9	1.7	2.2	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.6
6+	%	3.1	3.0	2.0	3.4	1.4	1.1	0.5	1.8	3.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>4 200</b>	<b>1 500</b>	<b>3 900</b>	<b>3 200</b>	<b>1 500</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1 800</b>	<b>15 900</b>
Proportion of SAAP clients who return to SAAP within 12 months that is, clients having two or more support periods in 12 months										
2001-02 (c)	%	33.4	30.5	34.8	38.9	36.9	36.3	32.5	35.2	35.0
2002-03	%	22.9	20.2	26.5	31.2	27.6	28.2	20.0	26.6	28.5
2003-04	%	23.4	25.9	23.7	32.1	31.9	26.8	27.1	26.1	28.5

(a) Totals may not add up to 100 per cent as a result of rounding.

(b) Client figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non participation and client non consent.

(c) Caution should be taken when comparing 2001-02 data with other years as 2001-02 figures are based on estimated support periods for each client rather than observed support periods for each client.

na Not available.

Source: SAAP NDCA *Administrative Data and Client Collections* (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.177.

Table 15A.116

Table 15A.116 **Support periods, by existence of a support plan, Indigenous clients (a), (b), (c)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
2001-02										
Support plan	%	57.5	65.3	71.0	48.5	72.1	73.6	74.4	71.8	62.6
No support plan	%	17.0	15.9	12.1	24.5	11.1	13.2	9.5	16.3	16.8
Support plan not appropriate	%	25.5	18.8	16.9	27.0	16.8	13.2	16.0	11.9	20.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>4 200</b>	<b>1 500</b>	<b>4 300</b>	<b>4 100</b>	<b>1 100</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>2 200</b>	<b>18 200</b>
2002-03										
Support plan	%	54.7	60.9	68.8	46.8	69.2	68.4	83.1	62.9	59.3
No support plan	%	17.2	14.4	13.1	22.5	11.8	14.8	2.3	21.1	17.0
Support plan not appropriate	%	28.1	24.7	18.1	30.7	19.1	16.8	14.6	16.0	23.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>5 100</b>	<b>2 100</b>	<b>5 200</b>	<b>5 100</b>	<b>1 500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>2 300</b>	<b>22 000</b>
2003-04 (d)										
Support plan	%	59.4	55.4	60.9	42.4	70.3	71.5	82.4	67.7	57.7
No support plan	%	17.4	23.6	20.8	36.1	12.8	11.8	5.3	15.0	22.2
Support plan not appropriate	%	23.2	21.0	18.2	21.5	16.9	16.7	12.3	17.3	20.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>5 300</b>	<b>2 200</b>	<b>5 200</b>	<b>5 300</b>	<b>1 500</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>2 400</b>	<b>23 000</b>

(a) Totals may not add up to 100 per cent as a result of rounding.

(b) Excludes high volume records because not all items were included on high volume forms.

(c) Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non participation and client non consent.

(d) Data excludes 3499 support periods (weighted) due to errors and omissions.

Source: SAAP NDCA Administrative Data and Client Collections (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.180.



**Table 15A.117 Indigenous people among SAAP clients and among people unable to be provided with a SAAP service, Australia (per cent) (a), (b), (c), (d)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
Representation among SAAP clients									
1999-2000	15.0	4.5	15.9	31.5	12.4	8.7	9.2	44.8	13.8
2000-01	16.0	4.8	20.5	34.5	14.0	8.9	9.9	46.4	15.9
2001-02	16.4	5.0	24.3	33.4	14.0	9.4	12.3	54.5	16.7
2002-03	17.2	5.8	24.9	36.5	15.3	8.8	11.4	55.7	17.7
2003-04	17.4	4.5	22.7	38.7	16.4	9.4	12.9	57.3	16.5
Representation among people unable to be provided with a SAAP service									
1999-2000	12.4	4.0	15.4	26.3	15.4	3.1	8.1	38.8	12.0
2000-01	16.5	1.6	16.6	32.8	12.8	7.5	20.6	55.3	13.4
2001-02	13.4	3.1	14.1	34.8	21.1	2.4	11.0	63.2	13.3
2002-03	19.5	5.7	18.0	47.7	24.8	2.5	20.2	55.9	17.7
2003-04	20.8	7.0	19.2	47.6	21.9	7.4	10.5	57.1	18.7

- (a) Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non participation and client non consent.
- (b) Unmet requests exclude those where the person refused an offer of assistance; those where a similar request was made at a SAAP funded agency within the collection period (to limit double counting); and those where the reason their request was not met was either that the referral was inappropriate (wrong target group) or that the service requested was not provided by the agency.
- (c) Data on unmet requests should be interpreted with caution for several reasons. First, a person can make request on more than one occasion and to more than one SAAP agency. While double counting has been limited through the exclusion of those requests where the person had made a similar request to a SAAP agency within the collection period, this information may not have been available to record. Therefore, the total numbers do not represent actual people. Second, a number of people may receive the ongoing support or accommodation from a SAAP agency at a later time, quite possibly soon after their initial request. As a result, this estimate may overstate the actual level of unmet demand. Third, a number of potential clients have their needs met by other means and do not return to a SAAP agency. And finally, there are shortfalls in pro-rating from a two week collection period to the full year. It was not possible to identify a two week period which is 'typical' for all SAAP agencies.
- (d) Data from 2000-01 onwards are not comparable to earlier years. Figures for SAAP clients exclude accompanying children, while figures for people with unmet requests include accompanying children. The client collection data is not comparable with the unmet demand data.

Source: SAAP NDCA (unpublished), *Client and Unmet Demand Collections*; 2005 Report, table 15A.183.

Table 15A.118 **Support needs of indigenous clients, met and unmet, Australia (a), (b)**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
1999-2000										
Provided only	%	82.7	67.4	85.5	84.2	76.4	77.9	75.8	83.9	81.6
Referred only	%	4.2	11.8	3.2	2.8	5.7	5.8	5.0	6.3	4.9
Provided & referred	%	5.1	10.4	4.4	6.5	8.8	7.7	9.9	4.4	6.0
Unmet	%	8.1	10.4	7.0	6.4	9.1	8.7	9.3	5.3	7.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>'000</b>	<b>46.7</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>24.1</b>	<b>26.4</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>18.1</b>	<b>142.7</b>
2000-01										
Provided only	%	83.6	69.2	87.3	87.8	80.9	79.7	76.7	86.9	84.2
Referred only	%	4.3	14.2	3.6	2.9	5.5	6.0	6.2	4.4	4.8
Provided & referred	%	6.1	9.3	4.4	4.9	6.3	7.7	11.9	6.0	5.9
Unmet	%	5.9	7.4	4.7	4.3	7.3	6.5	5.2	2.6	5.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>'000</b>	<b>44.2</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>35.3</b>	<b>30.2</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>157.2</b>
2001-02										
Provided only	%	84.2	72.2	81.4	88.8	80.2	83.5	73.1	91.5	83.0
Referred only	%	4.4	12.5	0.9	3.4	6.4	6.0	6.4	3.1	2.7
Provided & referred	%	7.0	8.6	1.2	4.1	7.3	4.8	16.0	3.6	3.5
Unmet	%	4.4	6.7	16.5	3.7	6.1	5.6	4.5	1.9	10.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>'000</b>	<b>41.1</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>136.6</b>	<b>27.0</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>253.3</b>
2002-03										
Provided only	%	83.9	73.4	82.0	91.3	82.2	87.6	78.6	88.5	83.4
Referred only	%	4.2	10.6	0.8	2.3	5.5	4.5	3.9	3.1	2.4
Provided & referred	%	7.3	9.2	1.2	3.6	6.6	3.6	12.1	5.5	3.5
Unmet	%	4.7	6.8	16.0	2.8	5.6	4.3	5.5	2.9	10.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>'000</b>	<b>39.1</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>138.0</b>	<b>28.8</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>253.3</b>
2003-04										
Provided only	%	84.3	72.3	84.7	91.7	81.4	84.9	73.6	86.9	84.7
Referred only	%	4.9	10.2	4.4	2.1	6.0	6.2	5.4	3.2	4.6
Provided & referred	%	7.9	12.6	4.8	3.4	7.3	4.2	11.5	8.1	6.8
Unmet	%	2.9	4.9	6.1	2.7	5.3	4.7	9.5	1.8	4.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total number</b>	<b>'000</b>	<b>45.8</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>28.9</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>23.9</b>	<b>168.5</b>

(a) Totals may not add up to 100 per cent as a result of rounding.

(b) Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non participation and client non consent.

Source: SAAP NDCA *Administrative Data and Client Collections* (unpublished); 2005 Report, table 15A.186.