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Children and Families

ANALYSIS OF CHILD CARE DATASET 2007

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Analysis of the Child Care Data Set 2007

Background

The analysis of the Childcare Dataset for 2007 examines the datasets supplied by the four HSE areas in respect of this year 2007.

2007 is the tenth year that child care data has been collected and published.

The Performance Management Office from the Primary Community and Continuing Care Directorate (PCCC) of the HSE assumed responsibility for collating this data during 2007 with the responsibility commencing from year 2005 data. This is the third analysis document produced by the HSE.

Scope of the Survey

The Survey covers:

- Child Abuse
- Admissions of children in care over the course of the year
- Numbers of children in care on 31st December of the year
- The number of children whom it appeared were homeless
- Other services

The Survey does not cover:

- Children in day care or day fostering
- Children who are in child psychiatric units, intellectual disability units, or centres for children with a physical disability

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2007 – Summary of Main Findings

<u>1 Reports to Social Work Departments and Outcomes (includes child protection)</u>

Table 1.1 reflects the number of cases reported to the Social Work departments in each area in 2007 under the categories of Child Abuse and Child welfare, and the number that went to Initial Assessment.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
Total Number of Reported Cases	23,268	21,040	10.6%
No of Child Abuse Reported Cases that went to Initial Assessment	7,384	6,299	17.2%
No of Child Welfare Reported Cases that went to Initial Assessment	7,690	6,221	23.6%

Table 1.2 reflects the outcomes from the cases which went to Initial Assessment in 2007 and those with Initial Assessments to be completed from 2006.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
Number of Reported Cases that went to Initial Assessment	15,074	12,520	20.4%

Table 1.3 details the outcomes of cases notified to Child protection Notification Management Team (CPNMT) and/or Child Protection Notification Service (CPNS); cases where abuse is suspected but child not at risk; and notifications from assessments on-going from 2006.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
Confirmed Abuse	1,978	1,797	10.1%
Confirmed non Abuse/Unfounded	371	365	1.6%
Inconclusive Outcome	959	1,023	-6.3%
Assessment Ongoing	1,215	878	38.4%

Table 1.4 reflects the National Totals from table 1.3 under the four categories of abuse.(Notified)

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
Physical Abuse	991	888	11.6%
Sexual Abuse	1,099	975	12.7%
Emotional Abuse	782	789	-0.9%
Neglect	1,651	1,411	17.0%

2 Number of children in Care

In order to allow for the different population bases of the former health board areas, and for reasons of comparison, numbers of children per 10,000 of the 0-18 population have been calculated.

The number of children in Care at 31st December 2007 was.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
Number of Children in Care at 31 st December	5,307	5,247	1.1%

Figures taken from the 2006 Census indicate that the 0-18 population was 1,094,360. This indicates that at 31st December 2007, 0.5% of the 0-18 cohort was in Care. The number of children in Care has increased by 17% from 2006 figure of 5,247.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
% of 0-18 cohort in care	0.5%	0.5%	0%

Table 2.2 reflects the age, gender and type of Care in each area.

Table 2.3 and 2.4 reflects the number of <u>new</u> admissions to Care <u>during</u> the year.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007 Previous Year: 2006		Current Report: 2007		% Variance same period last year
New admissions to Care During the year	children admitted into care 2,159	No. of Children Admitted into Care by 10,000 of population: 18	children admitted into care 1,845	No. of Children Admitted into Care by 10,000 of population: 18	17%

3 Gender of children in Care

Of the 5,307 children in Care on 31st December 2007; 2,695 or 51% were male while 2,612 or 49% were female.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
Children in Care	5,307	5,247	1.1%
Male	2,695 (51%)	2,681 (51%)	0%
Female	2,612 (49%)	2,566 (49%)	0%

4 Age of children in Care

3,273 or 61.7% of all children in Care at 31st December 2007 were in the 0-12 year old age bracket, while 2,034 or 38.3% were 13 years old and over.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
0-12 year age group	3,273 (61.7%)	3,277 (62.5%)	-1.3%
13 and over age group	2,034 (38.3%)	1,970 (37.5%)	2.1%

<u>5 Type of children in Care</u>

89.5% (4,750) of all children in Care at 31st December 2007 were in Foster Care (this figure incorporates pre-adoptive placement) and 7.3% (388) were in Residential Care. Foster Care was the largest care category across all health areas.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
Foster Care	89.5% (4,750)	88.2% (4,631)	1.5%
Residential care	7.3% (388)	7.8% (408)	-0.5%

The number of children in Foster Care increased in 2007 by 2.6%.

<u>6 Legal basis for Care of children in Care</u>

51% of all children in Care were placed in Care on a voluntary basis while 49% of those in Care were in Care under a current Care Order.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
Voluntary Care	51%	51%	0%
Care Order	49%	49%	0%

7 Primary reasons for total number of children being in Care

This table is completed by "Primary Reason" for being in Care at the last review date.

The reasons for being in Care are divided into three categories:

- 1) Abuse including Physical, Sexual, Emotional Abuse and Neglect
- 2) **Child Centred Problems** including Child abusing drugs/alcohol, Child involved in crime, Child pregnancy, Child with emotional/behavioural problems, Child with mental health/intellectual disability and Other
- 3) **Family Centered Problems** including Parents Unable to Cope/Family difficulty re housing/finance, Family member abusing drugs/alcohol, Physical illness/disability in other family member, Mental health problem/ intellectual disability in other family member, Domestic Violence, Separated Children seeking asylum and Other

Neglect as a primary reason for children being in Care accounted for 27% of the total figure. This was followed by Parents Unable to Cope/family difficulty re housing/finance accounting for 25% as the most frequent reasons for children being in Care. Separated Children Seeking Asylum accounted for 0.5% of primary reasons for children being in care.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
Neglect	27%	27%	0%
Parents unable to cope/family difficulty re housing/finance	25%	25%	0%
Separated children seeking asylum	0.5%	0.4%	25%

8 Length of Stay of Children in Care

43% of children in care on 31st December 2007 were in Care for 5 years or more, 38% were in Care between 1 and 5 years, while 19% were in Care for less than 1 year.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
5+ Years	43%	34%	9%
1-5 Years	38%	39%	-1%
<1 Year	19%	27%	-8%

<u>9 Family Type of Children in care</u>

47.3% of children in Care at 31st December 2007 were from Lone Parent Families, while 31.7% were from Married Couple Families/Co-habiting Couples Families (Combined totals) 0.7% were from divorced families.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous Year: 2006	% Variance same period last year
Lone Parent Families	47.3%	45.3%	2%
Married Couples/Co-habiting Couples (combined figure)	31.7%	31.4%	0.3%
Divorced	0.7%	0.8%	-0.1%

10 Children who appeared to HSE to be homeless in 2007

This year's survey identified 242 children whom it appeared to HSE to be homeless in 2007; 71.1% were from HSE South followed by 27% from HSE West, 1.2% HSE DML and 0% HSE DNE.

Of the cohort of homeless children the highest age group of homeless children is the 16-17 age group at 80.2%, this is followed by the 14-15 age group at 18.6% the lowest being the 12-13 age group at 0.4%. Homeless children under 12 years of age are 0.8%.

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007*	Previous Year: 2006**	% Variance same period last year
Children who appeared to the HSE to be Homeless	242	351	-31.1%

** Figures for 2006 have been amended to exclude an out of hours figure for DML to ensure a correct % variance for same period last year (Old ERHA areas do not use YHCF).

* 2007 figures represent national figures less the former eastern region.

<u>11 Separated Children Seeking Asylum</u>

The number of separated children seeking asylum at 31^{st} December 2007 has increased by 24.8% on the figure of 563 for 2006

Comparison to Previous Year	Current Report: 2007	Previous year	% Variance same period last year
No of separated children seeking asylum	700	563	30.6%

1.1 BREAKDOWN OF REPORTED CASES

PERIOD 2007

HSE AREA	Total Number of Reported cases	Number of Child Abuse Reported Cases to Social Work Department	Number of Child Abuse Reported cases that went to Initial Assessment	Number of Child Welfare Reported cases to Social Work Department	Number of Child Welfare Reported cases that went to Initial Assessment
HSE Dublin Mid Leinster	6,047	3,112	3,054	2,935	2,685
HSE Dublin North East	4,678	2,717	1,387	1,961	1,113
HSE West	7,082	1,972	1,443	5,110	2,683
HSE South	5,461	2,752	1,500	2,709	1,209
National	23,268	10,553	7,384	12,715	7,690

Initial assessment figures were not available for the Waterford LHO at time of publication.

1.2 OUTCOMES OF REPORTED CASES:

PERIOD 2007

HSE AREA	Number of Reported Cases that went to Initial Assessment	Abuse Cases Notified to CPNMT (See Note in Summary) (See Table 1.3 for Outcomes)	Cases where Abuse is Suspected but Child NOT at Risk (See Note in Summary) (See Table 1.3 for Outcomes)	Child Welfare Concern After Initial Assessment	No Concern/Closed After Initial Assessment	Assessment Ongoing after Initial Assessment
HSE Dublin Mid Leinster	5,739	1,156	1,186	1,784	404	119
HSE Dublin North East	2,500	861	29	1,026	135	322
HSE West	4,126	502	203	1,662	1,663	717
HSE South	2,709	200	426	515	938	1,955
National	15,074	2,719	1,844	4,987	3,140	3,113

Initial assessment figures were not available for the Waterford LHO at time of publication.

1.3 CHILD PROTECTION CASES AND OUTCOMES

PERIOD 2007

Breakdown of Cases						
HSE AREA	Number of Child Abuse Reports to Social Work Department	Child Protection Concerns after Initial Assessments (See notes in summary)	Confirmed Abuse	Confirmed Non-Abuse / Unfounded	Inconclusive Outcome	Assessment Ongoing
HSE Dublin Mid Leinster	3,112	2,303	943	208	531	621
HSE Dublin North East	2,717	881	378	28	183	292
HSE West	1,972	727	440	50	108	129
HSE South	2,752	612	217	85	137	173
National	10,553	4,523	1,978	371	959	1,215

Initial assessment figures were not available for the Waterford LHO at time of publication.

1.4 NATIONAL TOTALS: BREAKDOWN OF CATEGORIES OF CHILD ABUSE CASES

PERIOD 2007

Report Type	Totals	Confirmed Abuse	Confirmed Non- Abuse / Unfounded	Inconclusive Outcome	Assessment Ongoing
PHYSICAL ABUSE	991	389	94	236	272
SEXUAL ABUSE	1,099	293	105	325	376
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	782	432	52	117	181
NEGLECT	1,651	864	120	281	386
TOTALS	4,523	1,978	371	959	1,215

2.1NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CARE

PERIOD 2007:

HSE AREA	No of Children in care	No of Children in care per 10,000 of U18 Population
Dublin Mid Leinster	1,473	51
Dublin North East	1,365	60
West	1,041	41
South	1,428	53
National Total	5,307	

National Population 0-17 Years (Inclusive)

Census 2006 Figures:	Male	Female	M/F Total
Dublin Mid Leinster	148,952	141,588	290,540
Dublin North East	115,952	109,797	225,749
West	129,080	122,883	251,963
South	137,623	131,450	269,073
National Total	531,607	505,718	1,037,325

Figures extracted from: http://hsenet.hse.ie/factfile/County_Information/

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8	32	27	0	0	16	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	3
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17	17	23	2	1	8	18	0	0	1	7	0	0	1	0	2	0	2	4	33	5
Totals	328	345	12	5	137	132	4	2	11	22	3	2	6	0	10	5	11	6	522	5

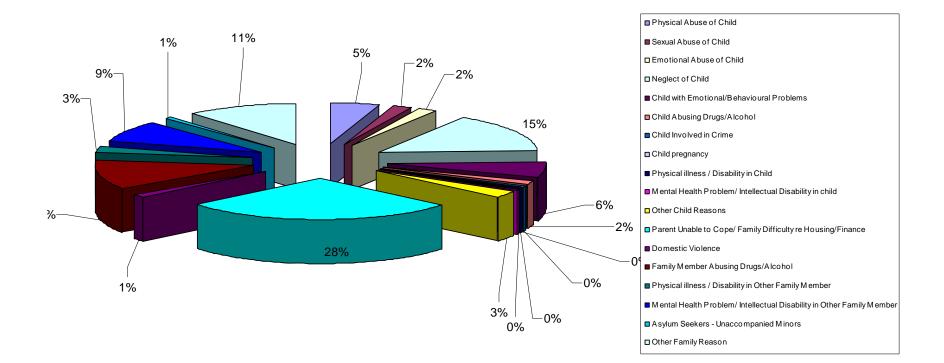
2.3 NUMBER OF NEW ADMISISONS TO CARE DURING THE YEAR

HSE AREA	No of Children Admitted to Care	No of Children Admitted into Care per 10,000 of U18 Population
Dublin Mid Leinster	380	13
Dublin North East	452	20
West	630	25
South	697	26
National Total	2,159	

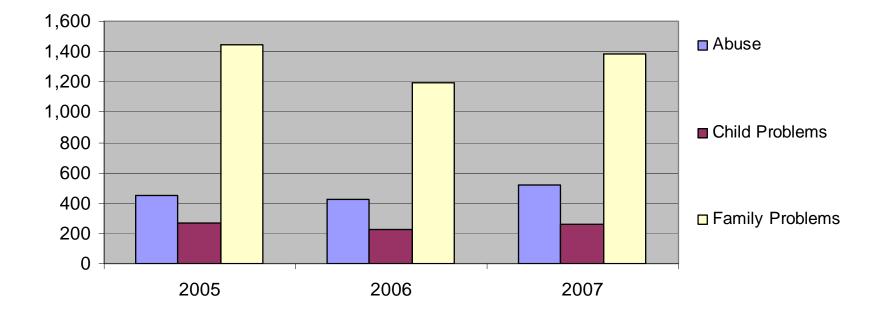
2.4 PRIMARY REASON FOR NEW ADMISSIONS OF CHILDREN TO CARE DURING THE YEAR

			ABUSE					
HSE AREA	Physical Abuse of Child	Sexual Abuse of Ch	ild E	motior	nal Abuse of Child		Neglect of Child	
Dublin Mid Leinster	30	11			2		48	
Dublin North East	28	2			4		97	
West	20	15			14		99	
South	32	9			23		85	
National	110	37			43		329	
			CHILD PROBLEMS					
HSE AREA	Child with Emotional/Behavioural Problems	Child Abusing Child Involved in illness Drugs/Alcohol Crime Disability		Physical illness / Disability in Child	Mental Health Problem/ Intellectual Disability in Child	Other (please specify)		
Dublin Mid Leinster	21	2	2		0	0	1	16
Dublin North East	8	4	1		2	0	0	20
West	58	27	3		1	2	2	12
South	50	3	1		2	7	5	8
National	137	36	7		5	9	8	56
		F	AMILY PROBLEM	5				
HSE AREA	Parent Unable to Cope/ Family Difficulty re Housing/Finance	Family Member Abusing Drugs/Alcohol	FAMILY PROBLEMS Domestic Violence Physical illness / Disability in Other Family Member			Mental Health Problem/ Intellectual Disability in Other Family Member	Asylum Seekers - Unaccompani ed Minors	Other (please specify)
Dublin Mid Leinster	117	52	3		21	19	0	35
Dublin North East	138	53	3		6	26	9	51
West	197	28	9		13	87	5	38
South	157	108	17		17	53	1	119
National	609	241	32		57	185	15	243
	National Total: Dublin	Mid-Leinster = 380 ; Dubli	in North East = 452	; West	st = 630 ; South = 697 ; Overa	all Total = 2,159		

2.4 PRIMARY REASON FOR NEW ADMISSIONS OF CHILDREN TO CARE DURING THE YEAR : 2007



2.4 Primary Reasons for Admission of Children to Care over three year period 2005-2007



3.1 Gender of Children In Care

Period 2007

HSE AREA	Males	Females	Total
Dublin Mid Leinster	750	723	1,473
Dublin North East	694	671	1,365
West	522	519	1,041
South	729	699	1,428
National	2,695	2,612	5,307

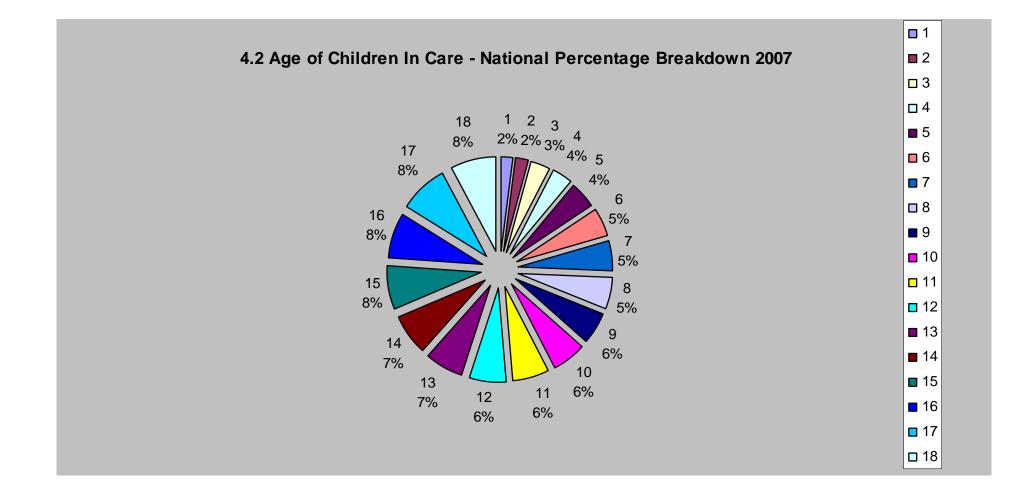
3.2 Gender of Children In Care : Percentage Breakdown

Period 2007

HSE AREA	Males	Females
Dublin Mid Leinster	51%	49%
Dublin North East	51%	49%
West	50%	50%
South	51%	49%
National	51%	49%

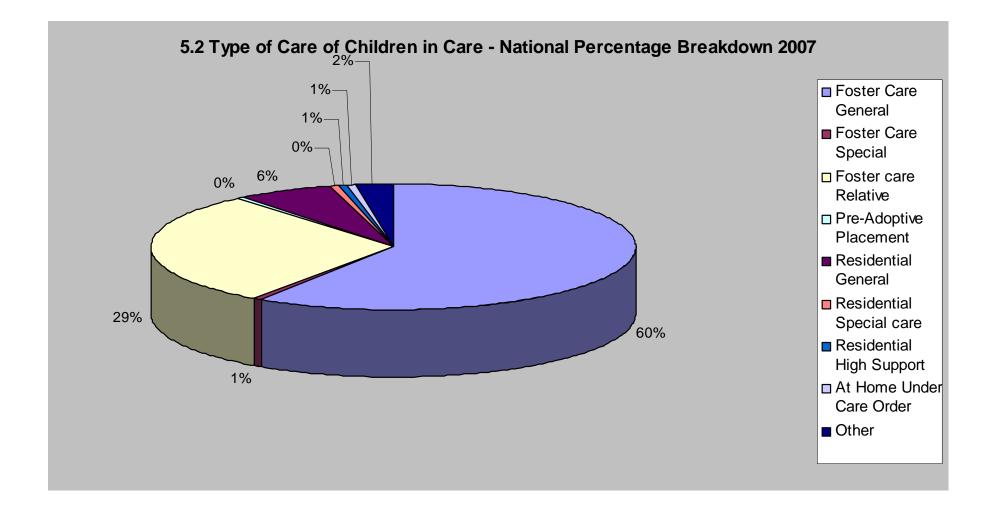
4.1 Age of Children In Care

HSE AREA	Age <1	Age 1	Age 2	Age 3	Age 4	Age 5	Age 6	Age 7	Age 8	Age 9	Age 10	Age 11	Age 12	Age 13	Age 14	Age 15	Age 16	Age 17	Total
Dublin Mid Leinster	24	25	41	56	53	89	70	70	86	87	87	96	101	114	111	115	133	115	1,473
Dublin North East	16	30	39	57	64	65	67	81	70	78	92	93	85	100	104	112	111	101	1,365
West	28	30	34	42	46	46	60	62	61	53	53	74	62	64	71	94	75	86	1,041
South	35	31	58	50	60	70	76	76	82	85	89	80	108	83	113	100	123	109	1,428
National	103	116	172	205	223	270	273	289	299	303	321	343	356	361	399	421	442	411	5,307



5.1 Type of Children In Care

HSE AREA	Foster Care General	Foster Care Special	Foster care Relative	Pre- Adoptive Placement	Residential General	Residential Special care	Residential High Support	At Home Under Care Order	Other	Total
Dublin Mid Leinster	878	0	417	5	133	5	9	0	26	1,473
Dublin North East	705	0	474	2	101	10	5	9	59	1,365
West	673	17	269	6	33	5	6	15	17	1,041
South	885	14	392	13	70	3	8	17	26	1,428
National	3,141	31	1,552	26	337	23	28	41	128	5,307



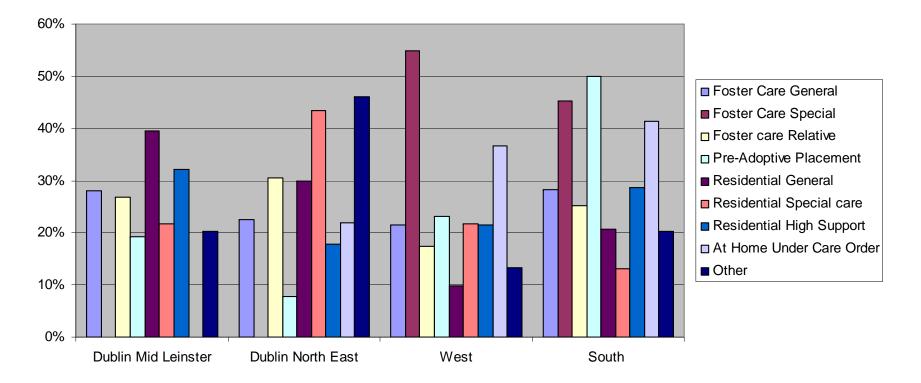
5.3 TYPE OF CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE – NATIONAL PERCENTAGE BREAKDOWN BY HSE AREA

PERIOD 2007

HSE AREA	Foster Care General	Foster Care Special	Foster care Relative	Pre- Adoptive Placement	Residential General	Residential Special care	Residential High Support	At Home Under Care Order	Other
Dublin Mid Leinster	28%	0%	27%	19%	39%	22%	32%	0%	20%
Dublin North East	22%	0%	31%	8%	30%	43%	18%	22%	46%
West	21%	55%	17%	23%	10%	22%	21%	37%	13%
South	28%	45%	25%	50%	21%	13%	29%	41%	20%

5.3 TYPE OF CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE BY HSE AREA

PERIOD 2007: 5.3 TYPE OF CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE - PERCENTAGE BREAKDOWN BY HSE AREA



6.1 LEGAL BASIS FOR CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE

HSE AREA	Care Order	Voluntarily	Total
Dublin Mid Leinster	612	861	1,473
Dublin North East	603	762	1,365
West	694	347	1,041
South	689	739	1,428
National	2,598	2,709	5,307

6.2 LEGAL BASIS FOR CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE: PERCENTAGE BREAKDOWN BY HSE AREA

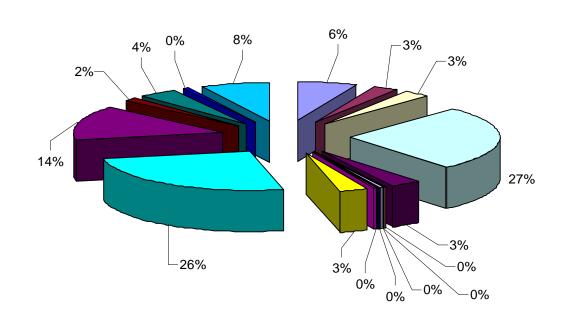
HSE AREA	Care Order	Voluntarily
Dublin Mid Leinster	42%	58%
Dublin North east	44%	56%
West	67%	33%
South	48%	52%
National	49%	51%

7.1 PRIMARY REASON FOR TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN BEING IN CARE AT 31st DECEMBER

ABUSE **HSE AREA** Physical Abuse of Child Sexual Abuse of Child Emotional Abuse of Child Nealect of Child **Dublin Mid Leinster** 92 54 24 399 90 22 24 Dublin North east 469 71 34 West 35 231 81 36 58 South 330 National 334 147 140 1.429 **CHILD PROBLEMS** Mental Health **Child with Physical illness Child Abusing** Problem/ Other (please **HSE AREA Child Involved in Crime** Child pregnancy / Disability in Emotional/Behavioural Drugs/Alcohol Intellectual specify) **Problems** Child **Disability in** child **Dublin Mid Leinster** 38 5 0 1 0 4 72 33 2 50 4 0 1 Dublin North east 0 West 37 5 1 1 4 5 7 South 55 8 3 4 12 6 25 National 163 22 4 8 17 15 154 FAMILY PROBLEMS Mental Health Problem/ Asylum Parent Unable to Cope/ Family Member Abusing Physical illness / Disability in Intellectual Seekers -Other (please **HSE AREA** Family Difficulty re **Domestic Violence** Drugs/Alcohol **Other Family Member Disability in** Unaccompa specify) Housing/Finance **Other Family** nied Minors Member **Dublin Mid Leinster** 275 7 48 0 53 364 37 70 3 5 **Dublin North east** 347 163 8 74 175 15 52 60 West 289 11 8 21 South 18 342 147 54 11 217 51 National 1342 760 80 217 24 400 National Total: Dublin Mid-Leinster = 1,473; Dublin North East = 1,365; West = 1, 041; South = 1,428 Overall Total = 5,307

PERIOD 2007

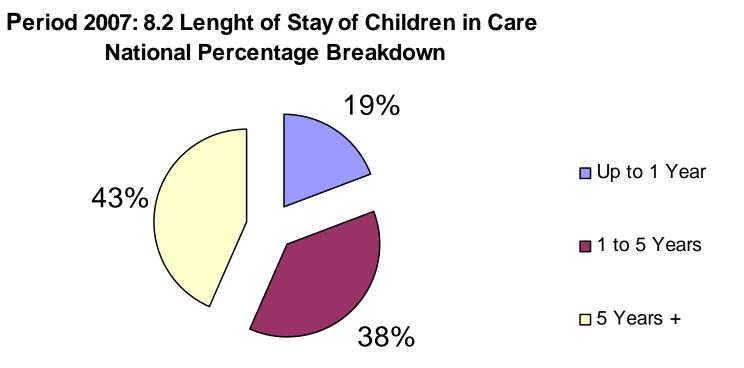
7.1 PRIMARY REASON FOR TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN BEING IN CARE AT 31st DECEMBER



Physical Abuse of Child
Sexual Abuse of Child
Emotional Abuse of Child
□ Neglect of Child
Child with Emotional/Behavioural Problems
Child Abusing Drugs/Alcohol
Child Involved in Crime
Child pregnancy
Physical illness / Disability in Child
Mental Health Problem/ Intellectual Disability in child
Other Child Reasons
Parent Unable to Cope/ Family Difficulty re Housing/Finance
Family Member Abusing Drugs/Alcohol
Physical illness / Disability in Other Family Member
Mental Health Problem/ Intellectual Disability in Other Family Member
Asylum Seekers - Unaccompanied Minors
Other Family Reason

8.1 LENGTH OF STAY OF CHILDREN IN CARE

HSE AREA	Up to 1 Year	1 - 5 Years	5 Years +	Total
Dublin Mid Leinster	230	548	695	1,473
Dublin North East	225	544	596	1,365
West	214	353	474	1,041
South	345	549	534	1,428
National	1,014	1,994	2,299	5,307

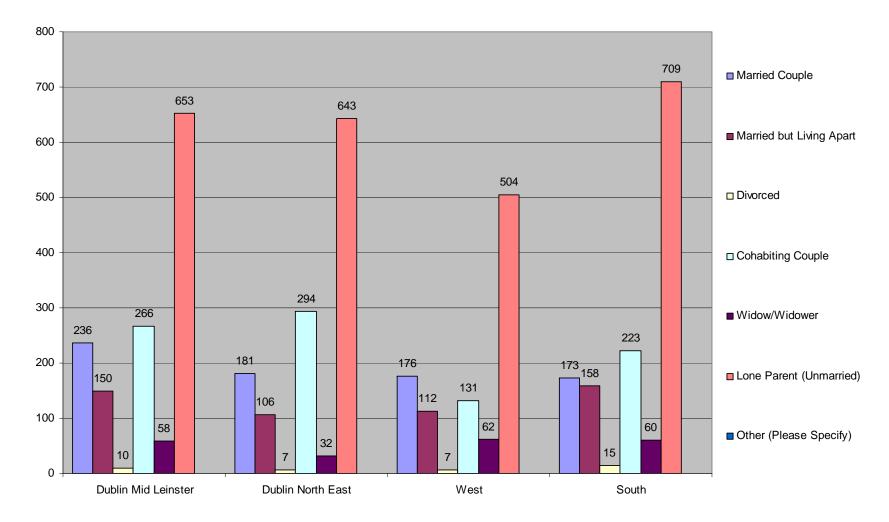


8.3 LENGTH OF STAY OF CHILDREN IN CARE Percentage Breakdown

HSE AREA	Up to 1 Year	1 - 5 Years	5 Years +
Dublin Mid Leinster	25%	37%	38%
Dublin North East	25%	39%	36%
West	23%	36%	41%
South	27%	37%	36%
National	25%	37%	37%

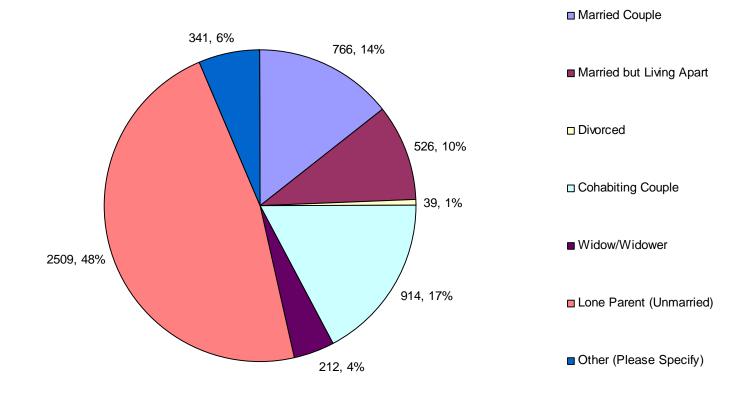
9.1 FAMILY TYPE OF CHILDREN IN CARE

HSE AREA	Married Couple	Married but Living Apart	Divorced	Cohabiting Couple	Widow/ Widower	Lone Parent (Unmarried)	Other (Please Specify)	Totals
Dublin Mid Leinster	236	150	10	266	58	653	100	1,473
Dublin North East	181	106	7	294	32	643	102	1,365
West	176	112	7	131	62	504	49	1,041
South	173	158	15	223	60	709	90	1,428
National	766	526	39	914	212	2,509	341	5,307



9.1 FAMILY TYPE OF CHILDREN IN CARE : NATIONAL BREAKDOWN 2007

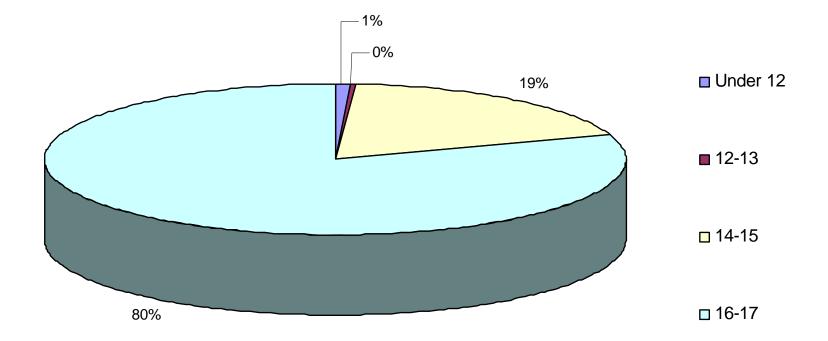
9.2 FAMILY TYPE OF CHILDREN IN CARE: NATIONAL PERCENTAGE BREAKDOWN 2007



10.1 NUMBER OF CHILDREN WHO APPEARED TO THE HSE TO BE HOMELESS IN 2007

HSE AREA	Age Under 12	Age 12-13	Age 14-15	Age 16-17	Total			
Dublin Mid Leinster	0	0	0	3	3 (1.2%)			
Dublin North East	0	0	0	0	0 (0%)			
West	1	1	9	56	67 (27.7%)			
South	1	0	36	135	172 (71.1%)			
National	2 (0.8%)	1 (0.4%)	45 (18.6%)	194 (80.2%)	242			
* 2007 figures represent national figures less the former eastern region.								

10.2 AGE OF CHILDREN WHO APPEARED TO THE HSE TO BE HOMELESS: NATIONAL PERCENTAGE BREAKDOWN 2007



11.1 NUMBER OF SEPERATED CHILDREN SEEKING ASYLUM IN 2007

Period: 2007:

Age Grouping	HSE Dublin Mid Leinster		HSE Dublin North East		HSE West		HSE South		National Total	
	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F
<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4
2	0	3	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	7
3	3	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	6	4
4	5	6	6	6	0	0	0	0	11	12
5	6	3	6	3	0	0	0	0	12	6
6	8	9	8	9	0	0	0	0	16	18
7	9	8	9	8	0	0	0	0	18	16
8	12	6	12	11	0	0	0	0	24	17
9	9	5	9	5	0	0	0	0	18	10
10	4	10	5	11	0	0	0	0	9	21
11	7	8	9	10	0	0	1	0	17	18
12	5	10	5	10	0	0	0	1	10	21
13	5	11	5	11	0	0	0	0	10	22
14	8	10	8	10	0	0	0	0	16	20
15	16	28	16	28	0	0	1	2	33	58
16	25	25	25	25	0	2	1	1	51	53
17	36	31	35	32	1	1	3	1	75	65
18	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Totals	159	178	161	187	1	3	6	5	<u>327</u>	<u>373</u> 00
Note: Figures for DML relate to all forme	r ERHA LH	IO and inclu	ude figures	for 3 Dublin	n North LH	O's. All data	a is correlat	ted via Dub	lin South E	ast LHO.

11.2 NUMBER OF SEPERATED CHILDREN SEEKING ASYLUM IN 2007

Period: 2007:

HSE Area	Re-united with HSE Area Family		Placed In Care			ot to be a nor	Other		National Total	
	М	F	М	F	м	F	М	F	М	F
HSE Dublin Mid										
Leinster**	81	104	66	64	10	6	2	4	159	178
HSE Dublin North										
East	84	108	67	68	10	6	1	4	162	186
HSE West	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	1	3
HSE South	1	1	1	0	0	0	4	4	6	5
National Total	166	213	134	134	21	13	7	12	328	372
	100	215	134 134 21 13 7 12			12	700			
** Figures for DML relate to all former ERHA LHO and include figures for 3 Dublin North LHO's. All data is correlated via Dublin South East LHO.										