Child Intervention Information and Statistics Summary 2015/16 Third Quarter (December) Update

Initial Assessment	Not In Care		In Care	
	Family Enhancement		Child Protection	

Post-Intervention Supports

- All 2015/16 numbers reflect data as of **December 2015**, unless otherwise stated.
- Percent changes reflect the current year-to-date average over the previous year-to-date average (For example, average of April to December 2015, compared to the average of April to December 2014).

Table 1: Average Number of Intakes Completed Each Month							
Monthly Average	2013/14	2013/14 2014/15 Sept Apr-Sept Apr-Sept YTD % Cha 2013/14 2015/16 from 2014					
CFS Regions	4,049	4,054	3,751	3,946	4,175	16%	
DFNAs	253	313	377	295	365	û24 %	
Intakes Completed	4,302	4,367	4,128	4,241	4,540	☆7%	

^{*} The latest reported intake numbers are for September 2015, due to late entry.



In September 2015, there were **4,128 Intakes completed** across the Province. There has been a **7% increase** from 2014/15.

Table 2: Number of Children in Child Protection and Family Enhancement						
Monthly Average	Dec 2015 Apr-Dec Apr-Dec YTD % Change 2014/15 2015/16 from 2014/15					
Family Enhancement	2,253	2,220	2,222	û<1 %		
Child Protection	7,396	7,802	7,413	₽ 5%		
Total Child Intervention	9,649	10,022	9,635	₽4%		

In December 2015, **7,396** children (77%) received services through the Child Protection Program.

Table 3: Child Intervention Service Delivery						
Monthly Average	Dec 2015 Apr-Dec Apr-Dec YTD % Change 2014/15 2015/16 from 2014/1					
CFS Regions	8,095	8,465	8,127	₽4%		
DFNAs	1,554	1,557	1,508	₽3%		
Child Intervention	9,649	10,022	9,635	₽4%		

In December 2015, **84% of children** receiving Child Intervention Services were served by CFS Regions.

Monthly Average	Dec 2015	Apr-Dec 2014/15	Apr-Dec 2015/16	YTD % Change from 2014/15
Family Enhancement	2,253	2,220	2,222	û<1%
Child Protection Not In Care	516	586	529	 10%
Total Not In Care	2,769	2,806	2,751	₽2 %
Temporary Care	1,744	1,859	1,702	₽8%
Permanent Care	5,136	5,357	5,182	₽3%
Total In Care	6,880	7,216	6,884	 ₽5%
Total Child Intervention	9,649	10,022	9,635	₽4 %

- There were **9,649 children and youth** receiving Child Intervention Services at the end of December 2015. There has been a **4% reduction** from Q3 2014/15.
- There were **6,880** children In Care, while an additional **2,769** children received services at home.

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Table 5: Aboriginal Children In Care					
Monthly Average	Dec 2015	Apr-Dec 2014/15	Apr-Dec 2015/16	YTD % Change from 2014/15	
Aboriginal	4,719	4,947	4,742		
Non-Aboriginal	2,161	2,269	2,142	₽6%	
In Care Total	6,880	7,216	6,884	 ₽5%	
% of children In Care who are Aboriginal	69%	69%	69%	0%	



In December 2015, **69% of children and youth** receiving services In Care were Aboriginal. There has been a **reduction of 4%** in the number of Aboriginal children In Care from Q3 2014/15.



According to the National Household Survey (2011), Aboriginal children make up approximatively **10**% of the child population (ages 0-19) in Alberta. In December 2015, Aboriginal children accounted for **69**% of the children In Care.

Table 6: Placement Distribution for Children In Care					
Monthly Average	Dec 2015	Apr-Dec 2014/15	Apr-Dec 2015/16	YTD % Change from 2014/15	
Parental Care	174	196	170	₽13 %	
Kinship Care*	1,793	1,684	1,689	û<1%	
Foster Care	3,557	3,830	3,615	₽6%	
Permanency Placements [†]	286	294	310	☆5%	
Independent Living [‡]	189	199	167	₽16%	
Group Care	474	501	484	₽3%	
Treatment Care	212	235	223	₽ 5%	
Other Placement Types *	195	277	226	₽18 %	
All Placement Types (In Care)	6,880	7,216	6,884	 \$5%	

^{*}Kinship Care includes children placed with relatives or community members.

Other Placement Types include those in a placement related to their Health Needs, in Secure Services, in a Y.C.J.A Facility, in a PSECA Facility, in an interim placement or those who are not currently placed.



In December 2015, the most common placement types for children In Care were Foster and Kinship Care:

- ❖ 53% of children in care are placed in Foster Care; and
- **❖** 25% of children in care are placed in Kinship Care.
- There has been an 5% increase in permanency placements from Q3 2014/15.
- There has been a **3% decrease** in the number of children placed in Group Care from Q3 2014/15.

Table 7: Supports for Permanency (SFP) Program						
Monthly Average	Dec 2015 Apr-Dec 2014/15 Apr-Dec 2015/16 YTD % Change from 2014/15					
CFS Regions	4,306	4,028	4,231			
DFNAs	307	237	299	û26 %		
Province	4,613	4,265	4,530	1 6%		



At the end of December 2015, there were **4,613 families** accessing the Supports for Permanency (SFP) Program. There has been a **6% increase** from Q3 2014/15.

[†]Permanent Placements refer to the child's placement in their permanent home prior to the Adoption or Private Guardianship Order being granted.

[‡]Independent Living includes Supported Independent Living.

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Table 8: Supports to Young Adults (SFA Agreements)						
Monthly Average	Dec 2015 Apr-Dec 2014/15 Apr-Dec 2015/16 YTD % Change from 2014/15					
CFS Regions	1,365	930	1,288	û38 %		
DFNAs	124	65	101			
Province	1,489	995	1,389	 1 1 40 %		

At the end December 2015, there were **1,489 young adults** who had an active Support and Financial Assistance (SFA) Agreement. There has been a **40% increase** from Q3 2014/15.

Table 9: Permanency Outcomes				
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 (YTD Apr-Dec)	
Family Preservations	3,009	2,699	2,080	
Family Reunifications	1,651	1,172	812	
Private Guardianships	225	194	136	
Adoptions	246	228	201	
All Permanency Outcomes	5,131	4,293	3,229	

Preliminary data shows that between April and December 2015, there were **2,080 Family Preservations** and **812 Family Reunifications**.

Preliminary data shows that between April and December 2015, **136 Private Guardianships** and **201 Adoptions** have been granted.

Table 10: Approved Foster and Kinship Homes					
Monthly Average	2013/14	2014/15	Dec 2015		
Authority Foster Homes	1,418	1,390	1,315		
Agency Foster Homes	705	638	590		
Kinship Homes	1,533	1,444	1,615		
All Approved Homes	3,656	3,472	3,520		

As of December 2015, there were **1,905** approved and licenced Foster Homes and an additional **1,615** approved Kinship Homes.

Table 11: PSECA Caseload					
2012/2013 2013/2014 2014/2015					
Number of Distinct Children	120	129	137		
PChIP was amended to PSECA in 2007.					

In 2014/15, **137 distinct children** were served through the *Protection of Sexually Exploited Children Act (PSECA)*. There has been an **increase of 6%** since 2013/14.

Table 12: DECA Caseload			
	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015
Number of Distinct Children	36	20	3
DECA was introduced in November 2006.			

In 2014/15, **3 distinct children** were apprehended under the *Drug Endangered Children Act (DECA)*. There has been a decrease of 85% since 2013/14.