Child Intervention Information and Statistics Summary 2013/14 Fourth Quarter (March) Update



Initial Assessment	Not In Care		In Care	
	Family Enhancement		Child Protection	

Post-Intervention Supports

- All 2013/14 numbers reflect data as of March 2014, unless otherwise stated.
- Previous year data reflects the average monthly caseload of the full fiscal year.
- Percent changes reflect the current year-to-date average over the previous year-to-date average (For example, average of April 2013 to March 2014, compared to the average of April 2013 to March 2014).

	2011/12	2012/13	December 2013	April – Dec 2012/2013	April – Dec 2013/2014	YTD % Change from 2012/2013
CFS Regions	4,156	4,240	3,606	4,294	4,115	₽4%
DFNAs	212	227	163	223	246	û 10%
Intakes Completed	4,368	4,467	3,769	4,517	4,361	₽3%

^{*} All front-end numbers reported are for December 2013, due to late entry.



In December 2013, there were **3,769 Intakes completed** across the Province. There has been a 3% **decrease** from 2012/2013.

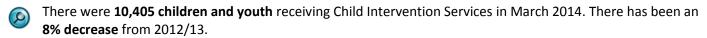
Table 2: Number of Children in Child Protection and Family Enhancement						
	March 2014 2012/13 2013/14 % Change from 2012/13					
Family Enhancement	2,211	2,158	2,130	₽1%		
Child Protection	8,194	9,874	8,911	₽10%		
Total Child Intervention	10,405	12,032	11,041	₽8%		

In March 2014, there were 8,194 children (79%) receiving services through the Child Protection Program.

Table 3: Child Intervention Service Delivery by Authority Type						
	March 2014 2012/13 2013/14 % Change from 2012/13					
CFS Regions	8,729	10,095	9,282	₽8%		
DFNAs	1,676	1,937	1,759	 ₽9%		
Child Intervention	10,405	12,032	11,041	 ₽8%		

84% of children receiving Child Intervention Services in March 2014 were served by CFS Regions.

Table 4: Child Intervention (CI) Caseload and Legal Statuses					
	March 2014	2012/13	2013/14	% Change from 2012/13	
Family Enhancement	2,211	2,158	2,130	₽1%	
Child Protection Not In Care	763	1,382	1,069	₽23 %	
Total Not In Care	2,974	3,540	3,199	₽10 %	
Temporary Care (CP)	1,941	2,758	2,272	₽18 %	
Permanent Care(CP)	5,490	5,734	5,570	₽3 %	
Total In Care	7,431	8,492	7,842	₽8%	
Total CI Cases	10,405	12,032	11,041	₽8%	



In March 2014, there were 7,431 children In Care. An additional 2,974 children received services at home.

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Table 5: Aboriginal Children In Care					
	March 2014	2012/13	2013/14	% Change from 2012/13	
Aboriginal	5,092	5,769	5,391	₽7 %	
Non-Aboriginal	2,339	2,723	2,451	∜10%	
In Care Total	7,431	8,492	7,842	₽8%	
% of children In Care who are Aboriginal	69%	68%	69%		



In March 2014, **69% of children and youth** receiving services In Care were Aboriginal. There has been a **7% decrease** in the number of Aboriginal children In Care from 2012/13.



According to the latest census data (2006), Aboriginal children make up approximately **9%** of the child population in Alberta. In March 2014, they accounted for **69%** of the children In Care.

Table 6: Placement Distribution for Children In Care					
	March 2014	2012/13	2013/14	% Change from 2012/13	
Parental Care	209	199	195	₽2%	
Kinship Care*	1,726	1,990	1,818	₽9 %	
Foster Care	3,995	4,512	4,216	₽7 %	
Permanency Placements [†]	264	283	257	∜10%	
Independent Living [‡]	205	289	240	 17%	
Group Care	507	690	579	 16%	
Treatment Care	258	293	264	 10%	
Other Placement Types *	267	236	273	û15%	
All Placement Types (In Care)	7,431	8,492	7,842	₽8%	

^{*}Kinship Care includes children placed with Extended Family, Community Members or in the care of Significant Others.

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 March 2014, the most common placement types for children in care were Foster and Kinship Care:

- ❖ 54% of children in care are placed in Foster Care; and
- **❖** 23% of children in care are placed in Kinship Care.
- There has been a 17% decrease in Independent Living placements from 2012/13.
- There has been a **16% decrease** in the number of children in group care from 2012/13.

Table 7: Supports for Permanency (SFP) Program					
	March 2014 2012/13 2013/14 % Change from 2012/13				
CFS Regions	3,974	3,638	3,860	介6%	
DFNAs	217	183	182	₽<1%	
Province	4,191	3,821	4,042	1 6%	



At the end of March 2014, there were **4,191 families** accessing the Supports for Permanency (SFP) Program. There has been a **6% increase** from 2012/13.

[†]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)						
	March 2014 2012/13 2013/14 % Change from 2012/13					
CFS Regions	807	573	728	û27 %		
DFNAs	58	80	65	₽19%		
Province	865	653	793	企21%		

At the end of March 2014, there were **865 young adults** who had an active Support and Financial Assistance (SFA) Agreement. There has been a **21% increase** from 2012/13.

Table 9: Permanency Outcomes					
	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14		
Family Preservations	3,570	3,452	3,009		
Family Reunifications	2,036	1,914	1,651		
Private Guardianships	231	255	225		
Adoptions	350	334	246		
All Permanency Outcomes	6,187	5,955	5,131		

Preliminary data shows that in 2013/14, there were **3,009 Family Preservations** and **1,651 Family Reunifications**.

Preliminary data shows that in 2013/14, 225 Private Guardianships and 246 Adoptions were granted.

Table 10: Approved Foster and Kinship Homes					
	2011/12	2012/13	As of March 31, 2014		
Authority Foster Homes	1,592	1,620	1,418		
Agency Foster Homes	820	807	705		
Kinship Homes	1,381	1,364	1,533		
All Approved Homes	3,793	3,791	3,656		

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As of March 31, 2014, there were **2,123** approved and licensed Foster Homes and an additional **1,533** approved Kinship Homes.

Table 11: PSECA Caseload				
	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	
Number of Distinct Children	135	120	129	
The Protection of Children Involved in Prostitution Act (PChIP) was introduced in February 1999. PChIP was amended to				
PSECA in 2007.				



In 2013/2014, **129 distinct children** were served through the *Protection of Sexually Exploited Children Act (PSECA)*. There has been an **increase of 8%** since 2012/2013.

Table 12: DECA Caseload			
	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Number of Distinct Children	31	36	20
DECA was introduced in November 2006.			



In 2013/2014, **20 distinct children** were apprehended under the *Drug Endangered Children Act (DECA)*. There has been a **decrease of 44%** since 2012/2013.