

## Appendix 1

### The work of CVAA Members 2007 / 2008

Number agencies responding	35/35	34/35	35/35
<i>Please note questions were clarified for 2007-08 and so there are more detailed responses for 2007-08 than for previous years</i>			

Q Ref	TOTAL	2006-07	2005-06
<b>1. Adoptive Families</b>			
1.1			
1.2	<b>506</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>544</b>
1.2a	200	225	150
1.2b	137	174	143
1.2c	70	64	57
1.2d	66	46	29
	<b>473</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>379</b>
1.3			
1.3a	11		
1.3b	0		
1.3c	7		
1.3d	47		
	<b>65</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>73</b>
1.4	252	259	216
1.5			
1.5a	1		
1.5b	61		
	<b>62</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>64</b>
1.6	134	147	108
1.7	9		
1.8	66		
1.9	4		
1.10	6		
1.11	7506		

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1.12	Total number of assessments of prospective adopters begun during the year	755		
1.13	Total number of Special Guardianship Order assessments begun during the year	2		
1.14	Total number of Kin Viability assessments begun during the year	11		
<b>2.</b>	<b>Children</b>			
2.1	Total number placed by VAAs not yet subject of an Adoption Order at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2008 ( <i>whether placed within this year or earlier</i> ):	<b>736</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>435</b>
2.1a	• Male	353		
2.1b	• Female	383		
2.2	Total Numbers placed between 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2007 and 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2008	<b>701</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>537</b>
	• Number boys placed aged: (at time of placement):			
2.2a	▪ Under 1 year	30		
2.2b	▪ 1-4 years	193		
2.2c	▪ 5-9 years	123		
2.2d	▪ 10+	3		
	<b>BOYS TOTAL (2.2 a-d):</b>	<b>349</b>		
	• Number girls placed aged: (at time of placement)			
2.2e	▪ Under 1 year	27		
2.2f	▪ 1-4 years	198		
2.2g	▪ 5-9 years	124		
2.2h	▪ 10+	3		
	<b>GIRLS TOTAL (2.2 e-h):</b>	<b>352</b>		
	• Numbers placed by age at placement			
	Under 1	57	77	67
	1-4 yrs	391	379	292
	5-9 yrs	247	161	167
	10+	6	5	11
2.2	Total Numbers placed between 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2007 and 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2008	<b>701</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>537</b>
2.3	Total Number of sibling groups placed during the year:			
2.3a	• Number of sibling groups of 2	114	123	116
2.3b	• Number of sibling groups of 3	42	22	26
2.3c	• Number of sibling groups of 4	3	2	3
2.3d	• Number of sibling groups of 5	0		
2.3e	• Other sibling groups (e.g. 1 sibling group of 6)	0		
	<b>TOTAL (2.3 a-e):</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>145</b>

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2.4	Of the total number of children placed during the year how many were of black or minority ethnic origin	155	118	97
2.5	Of the total number of children placed during the year how many had additional presenting needs or background factors: <i>children may be counted in more than one category as they may have more than one additional need</i>		130	102
2.5a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>they are disabled</li> </ul>	28		
2.5b	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>identified as developmentally delayed,</li> </ul>	158		
2.5c	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>identified as having specific health care needs, subject of an SEN statement</li> </ul>	70		
2.5d	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>parents are known to have abused alcohol and drugs during pregnancy</li> </ul>	189		
2.5e	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>known to carry genetic risks, such as schizophrenia</li> </ul>	60		
2.5f	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Other: please specify</li> </ul>	50		
	1 agency did not respond to this question			
<b>3.</b>	<b>Outcomes</b>			
3.1	Number of Adoption Orders Granted during year	<b>491</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>572</b>
3.2	Number of children whose placement disrupted during year <b>before</b> an Order was made. <i>Disruption means after placement, after a child has been placed with their adoptive family, and before an Order was made</i>		36	29
3.2a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Under 1 year at time of placement</li> </ul>	2		
3.2b	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1-4 years at time of placement</li> </ul>	17		
3.2c	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5-9 years at time of placement</li> </ul>	23		
3.2d	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10+ at time of placement</li> </ul>	0		
	TOTAL (3.2 a-d):	<b>42</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>29</b>
3.3	Number of children whose placement disrupted during year <b>after</b> an Order was made. <i>This refers only to those known by their VAA</i>			
3.3a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Under 1 year at time of disruption</li> </ul>	0		
3.3b	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1-4 years at time of disruption</li> </ul>	0		
3.3c	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5-9 years at time of disruption</li> </ul>	1		
3.3d	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10+ at time of disruption</li> </ul>	6		
	TOTAL (3.3 a-d):	<b>7</b>		

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	<b>DOMESTIC AND INTER COUNTRY ADOPTION</b>			
<b>4</b>	<b>Adoption Support (Post Order)</b>			
4.1	Total number of new referrals for support received from all parties to adoption during the year	511	6608	5633
4.2	Total number of adults (adoptive parents) in the families receiving support other than letterbox during the year <i>a couple count as one</i>	3 0		
4.3	Total number of children (birth and adoptive) in the families receiving support other than letterbox during the year	4 204		
4.4	Total number of Birth Relatives receiving intermediary services during the year	4 134	1393	967
4.5	Total number of Adopted Adults receiving access to information counselling /intermediary services during the year	2 278	2540	2700
4.6a	Total number of 'letterbox agreements' operated by the agency for post adoption contact during the year.	1 179	1781	1264
4.6b	Number of children involved in these	7 156		
4.7	Number of people receiving support through support networks or groups, not included in 4.2 to 4.6	8 300	2852	3122
4.8	In addition to those involved in 4.2 to 4.7 how many people (couple counted as one) the agency keep in touch with (e.g. on circulation lists)	2 2648		
<b>5</b>	<b>Inter Country</b>			
5.1	Total number of families assessed for inter-country adoption during the year	120	144	118
5.2	Total number of families supported for inter country adoption during the year	253	48	390
	<b>AGENCY DETAILS</b>			
<b>7</b>	<b>Finance</b>			
	<i>The total income not derived from contracts, Service Level Agreements or inter-agency fees, and derived entirely from voluntary sources.</i>			
7.1	Amount of voluntary funds spent on adoption in 2007/2008	£3.7m	£4.246m	£3.8m
<b>8</b>	<b>Staff</b>	366	379	322

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<b>9</b>			
9.1	2	6	2

The total FTE (full-time employees) number of ALL registered social work staff working in adoption including Managers, Team Leaders and Sessional workers on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008.

**Independent Review Mechanism**

The number of cases sent to IRM