

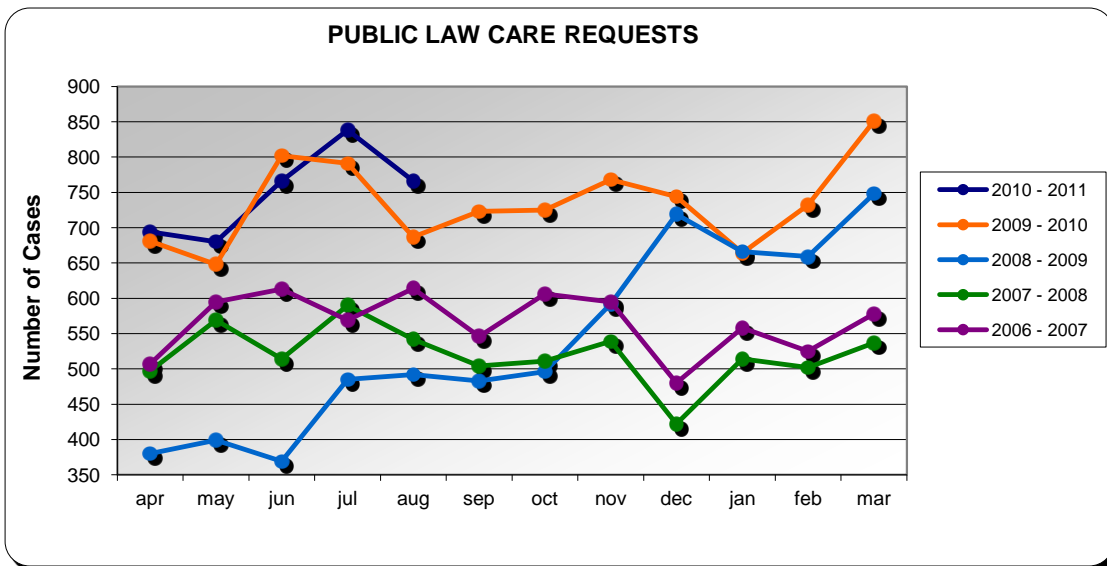
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CAFCASS CARE DEMAND - LATEST FIGURES FOR APRIL - AUGUST 2010

2009-2010: Care demand remained at unprecedentedly high levels throughout the year. During the year, Cafcass received 8,816 Care applications. March 2010 saw the highest ever number of Care applications recorded in an individual month, with 851 applications. As a whole, 2009-10 saw a 35.9% increase in public law Care applications when compared to 2008/09.

2010-2011: Care application demand has remained at a very high level. Between April and August 2010, Cafcass received 3,744 new applications. This figure is 3.7 % higher when compared to the same period last year. The April, May, July and August application numbers were the highest ever recorded by Cafcass for these individual months.



| Month | 06/07 | 07/08 | 08/09 | 09/10 | 10/11 |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| apr | 507 | 497 | 380 | 681 | 694 |
| may | 595 | 569 | 399 | 648 | 680 |
| jun | 613 | 514 | 369 | 802 | 766 |
| jul | 569 | 590 | 485 | 791 | 838 |
| aug | 614 | 542 | 492 | 687 | 766 |
| sep | 546 | 504 | 483 | 723 | |
| oct | 606 | 511 | 496 | 725 | |
| nov | 595 | 539 | 592 | 768 | |
| dec | 480 | 422 | 719 | 744 | |
| jan | 558 | 514 | 666 | 664 | |
| feb | 525 | 502 | 659 | 732 | |
| mar | 578 | 537 | 748 | 851 | |
| Total | 6,786 | 6,241 | 6,488 | 8,816 | 3,744 |

Note: Figures in the above table and graph are provided from the Cafcass national case management system (CMS). The unit of measurement is a Care application, upon its receipt by Cafcass from the Court and its entry into CMS. An application can involve multiple children. CMS is a live system and any late entries will be accounted for at the time of release of subsequent updates to this data. Updates to this information will be published on a monthly basis, in the second week of each month.