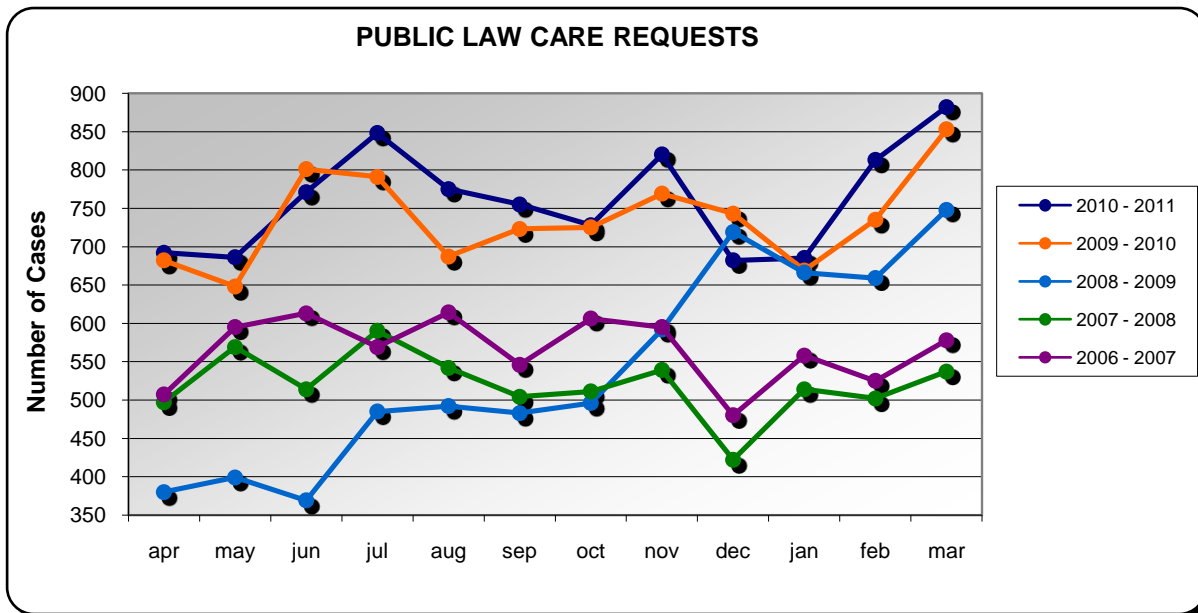




## CAFCASS CARE DEMAND - LATEST FIGURES FOR APRIL 2010 - MARCH 2011

**2009-2010:** Care demand remained at unprecedentedly high levels throughout the year. During the year, Cafcass received 8,826 Care applications. As a whole, 2009-10 saw a 36% increase in public law care applications when compared to 2008-09.

**2010-2011:** Care application demand has remained at a very high level. During 2010-11, Cafcass received a total of 9,127 new applications. This figure is 3.5% higher when compared to the previous year. Care application demand for all months in the current year have been the highest ever recorded by Cafcass for the individual months except June and December 2010. March 2011 saw the highest ever number of care applications recorded in an individual month, with 882 applications.



Month	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	10/11
apr	507	497	380	682	692
may	595	569	399	648	686
jun	613	514	369	801	771
jul	569	590	485	791	848
aug	614	542	492	687	775
sep	546	504	483	723	755
oct	606	511	496	725	728
nov	595	539	592	769	820
dec	480	422	719	743	682
jan	558	514	666	669	685
feb	525	502	659	735	813
mar	578	537	748	853	882
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,786</b>	<b>6,241</b>	<b>6,488</b>	<b>8,826</b>	<b>9,137</b>

### Notes:

1. 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.

2. Pre-release of these statistics has been made available to the Children's Minister, Tim Loughton MP in accordance with The Pre-Release Access to Official Statistics Order 2008.