

# Cafcass Performance Update – Appendix 4

## DFJ Durations

Duration is measured in calendar weeks from application issue date to the date the application was completed.

Care and Supervision (s31) application duration in calendar weeks by DFJ

DFJ Area	2014 - 2015			2015-2016				2016-17		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Birmingham	40	36	41	35	39	36	37	42	34	37
Blackburn/Lancaster	37	34	29	29	26	28	26	27	25	28
Bournemouth and Dorset	27	32	26	31	29	26	28	24	30	33
Brighton	30	30	33	31	31	35	27	30	28	28
Bristol (A, NS and G)	26	27	25	28	30	32	29	31	26	28
Carlisle	30	31	32	32	35	34	39	39	30	29
Central London	37	35	32	36	32	33	30	28	26	25
Cleveland and South Durham	21	23	24	25	24	26	24	25	24	26
Coventry	37	41	34	28	28	30	34	35	38	38
Derby	22	27	24	28	23	25	27	26	24	24
Devon	30	27	27	28	26	25	29	32	29	30
East London	36	33	32	31	31	32	36	32	29	29
Essex and Suffolk	26	24	24	23	24	25	25	26	25	26
Guildford	34	32	29	31	27	25	29	26	28	30
High Court	40	48	60	52	47	49	59	46	43	42
Humberside	23	27	31	32	25	26	27	28	29	29
Leicester	27	31	29	30	30	26	30	34	29	29
Lincoln	23	22	24	28	23	26	31	34	27	26
Liverpool	27	27	26	29	26	27	26	28	24	28
Luton	28	33	27	30	31	30	32	28	32	28
Manchester	30	33	31	34	30	29	29	29	26	26
Medway	32	30	29	28	26	30	30	31	36	29
Milton Keynes	31	32	29	31	32	31	32	35	30	31
North Yorkshire	25	21	20	21	23	23	21	29	25	23
Northampton	36	32	31	28	29	33	43	30	29	42
Northumbria and North Durham	31	28	34	33	35	31	33	30	30	29
Norwich	23	24	24	25	28	29	27	24	23	27
Nottingham	31	29	31	32	31	30	33	32	27	31
Peterborough	24	25	26	28	32	23	29	26	25	24
Portsmouth (Hampshire and IOW)	28	27	27	27	29	29	29	26	25	22
Reading	37	33	34	37	29	31	28	32	33	36
South Yorkshire	31	31	29	27	26	30	29	27	30	29
Stoke on Trent	22	24	27	29	29	27	26	26	26	30
Swindon	29	31	26	22	23	27	29	26	27	24
Taunton	33	28	37	36	29	30	24	24	28	30
Truro	20	16	18	23	22	24	21	20	24	20
Watford	36	32	30	34	30	30	34	30	32	36
West London	37	33	35	30	33	29	29	29	29	30
West Yorkshire	29	27	26	26	30	30	30	28	29	28
Wolverhampton/Telford	34	39	37	38	34	33	35	36	37	33
Worcester	30	28	26	32	30	29	34	34	32	26
<b>National</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>29</b>

Banding	Weeks	Number of DFJ's in each band by quarter									
<b>Red</b>	<b>30+</b>	23	22	17	21	19	20	18	19	14	15
<b>Amber</b>	<b>27 - 29</b>	7	11	10	13	9	9	15	10	13	14
<b>Green</b>	<b>26 or less</b>	11	8	14	7	13	12	8	12	14	12
<b>National average</b>		<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>29</b>

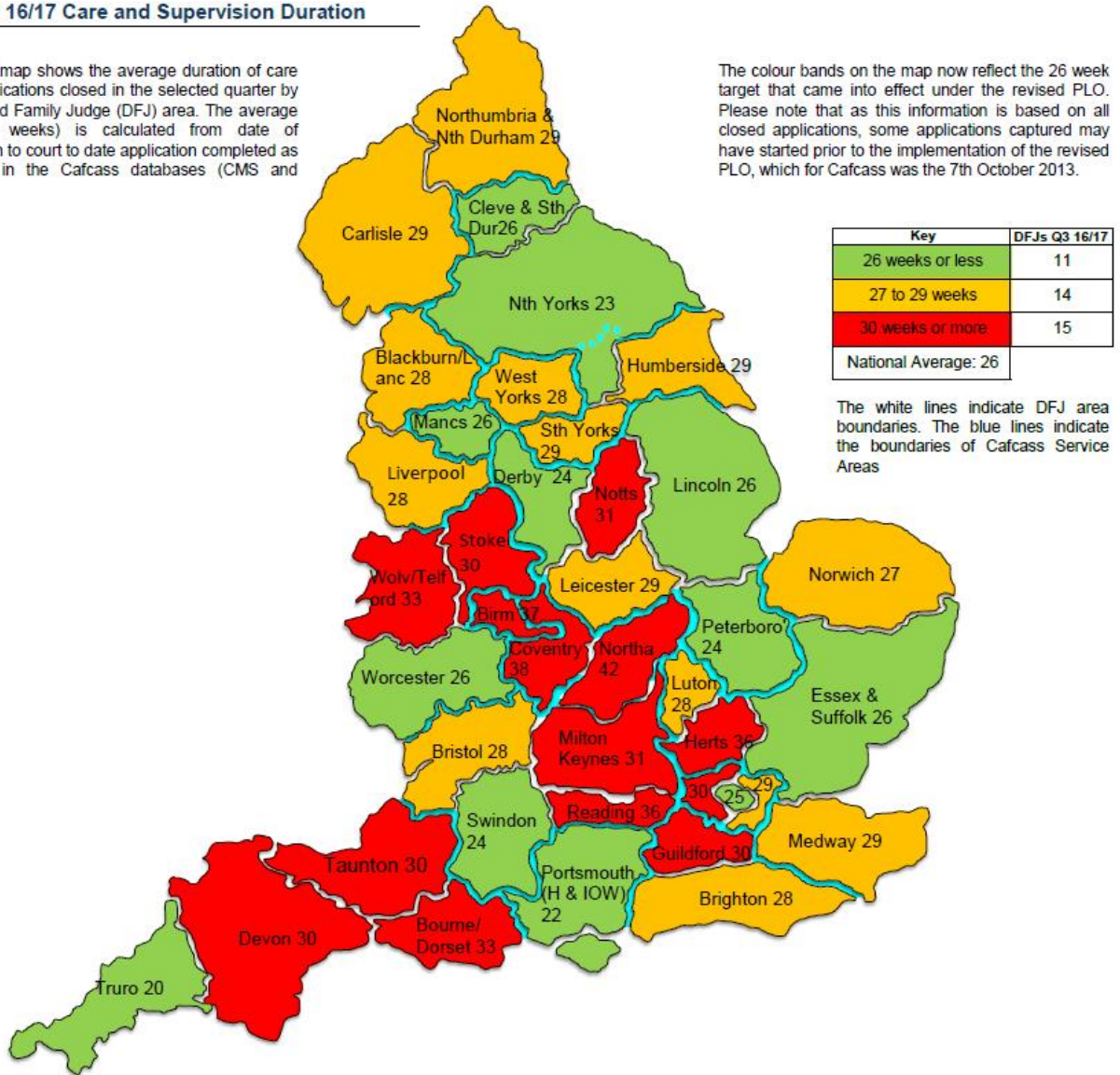
All data updated on the 13th February 2017

Data is taken from the Cafcass Management systems, the Case Management System (CMS) and the Electronic Case Management System (ECMS). ECMS is a live and continually updated national database. Each application can involve multiple children. ECMS is a live system and any late entries will be accounted for at the time of release of subsequent updates to this data.

### DFJ Q3 16/17 Care and Supervision Duration

This heat map shows the average duration of care (s31) applications closed in the selected quarter by Designated Family Judge (DFJ) area. The average (calendar weeks) is calculated from date of application to court to date application completed as recorded in the Cafcass databases (CMS and ECMS).

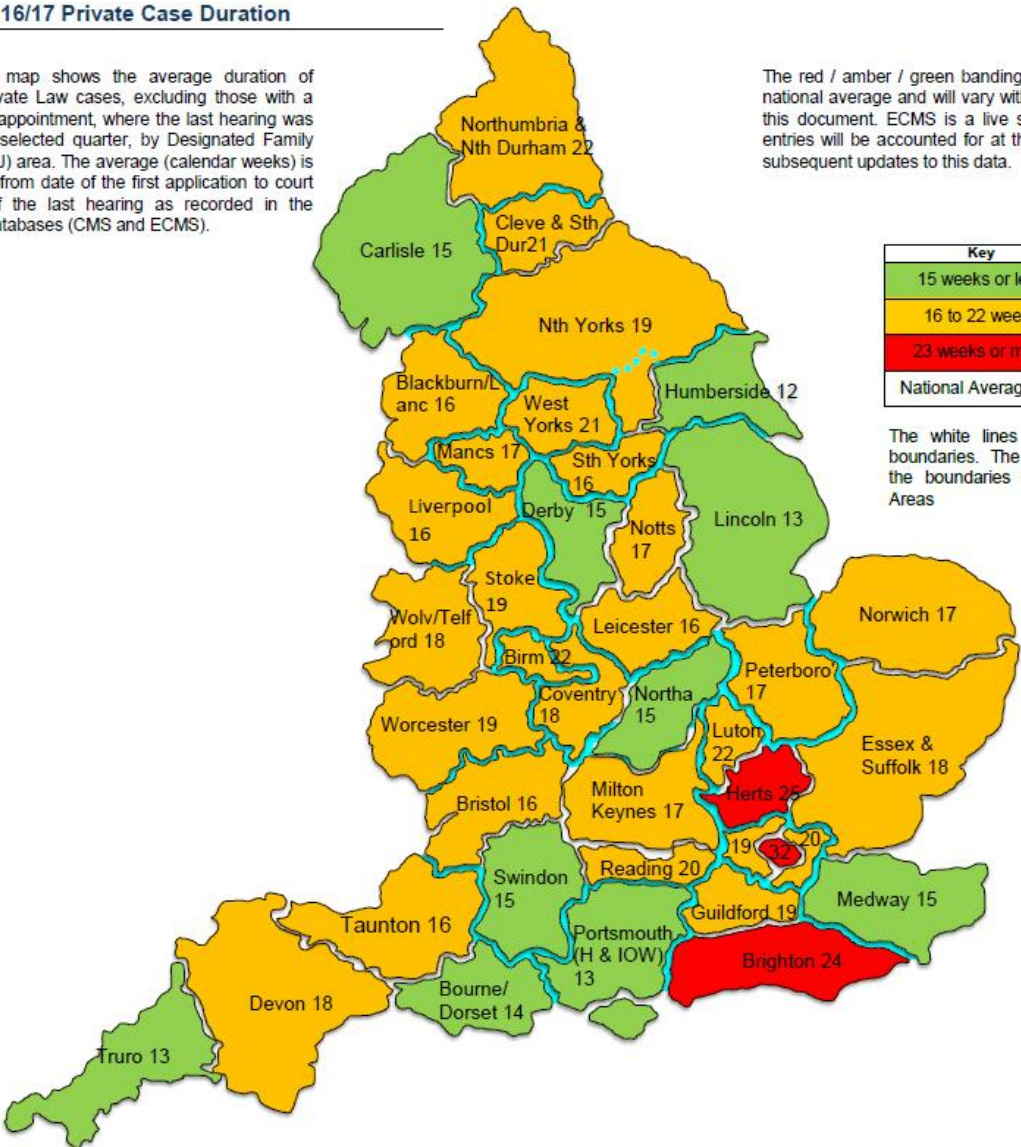
The colour bands on the map now reflect the 26 week target that came into effect under the revised PLO. Please note that as this information is based on all closed applications, some applications captured may have started prior to the implementation of the revised PLO, which for Cafcass was the 7th October 2013.



**DFJ Q3 16/17 Private Case Duration**

This heat map shows the average duration of closed Private Law cases, excluding those with a Rule 16.4 appointment, where the last hearing was within the selected quarter, by Designated Family Judge (DFJ) area. The average (calendar weeks) is calculated from date of the first application to court to date of the last hearing as recorded in the Cafcass databases (CMS and ECMS).

The red / amber / green bandings are specific to the national average and will vary with each production of this document. ECMS is a live system and any late entries will be accounted for at the time of release of subsequent updates to this data.



Key	DFJs Q3 16/17
15 weeks or less	10
16 to 22 weeks	26
23 weeks or more	4
National Average: 19	

The white lines indicate DFJ area boundaries. The blue lines indicate the boundaries of Cafcass Service Areas