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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email of 12 April 2016. You requested the following information:

Care and supervision applications and outcomes per month between January-December 2015.

1. The number of care (s31) applications and supervision (s31) applications received between January – December 2015 can be seen below. The data has been taken from the Cafcass national database ECMS. This is a live system which is subject to continual updates and change; the figures differ slightly from our [published care application figures](#) which are a snapshot taken each month.

Months	Care (s31)	Supervision (s31)
Jan	893	59
Feb	967	65
Mar	1,070	64
Apr	956	78
May	925	68
Jun	1,115	75
Jul	1,122	72
Aug	941	65
Sep	984	76
Oct	1,088	71
Nov	1,033	85
Dec	1,098	90
Total	12,192	868

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2. The recorded legal outcomes of care (s31) and supervision (s31) cases between January – December 2015 are set out in the tables below; these are based on the month in which the case closed. Please note that this means that these outcomes do not relate to the case applications listed above (which are based on the month the application was received) as these may not all have completed proceedings and therefore may not yet have outcomes recorded.

The data has been taken from the Cafcass national database ECMS; this is a live system which is subject to continual updating and change. As with any large scale recording system, these figures are subject to possible errors with data entry and processing. Legal outcomes which numbered less than ten across the year have been grouped and labelled 'other'; cases where no legal outcome was recorded are labelled as 'unknown outcome'.

Care (s31) Legal Output	Month												Total
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Care Order	445	444	454	419	435	466	512	432	441	480	460	466	5454
Special Guardianship	151	151	178	155	159	168	194	137	176	172	192	176	2009
Supervision Order	161	169	169	139	147	168	200	160	188	152	157	172	1982
CAO - Live With	34	35	33	33	45	39	63	43	40	45	41	48	499
Placement Order	28	18	22	27	13	31	17	27	28	24	25	34	294
Case by Leave Withdrawn	15	14	20	24	15	18	17	22	21	14	18	14	212
Order of No Order	10	19	23	13	7	19	19	19	21	12	11	12	185
Order Refused/App Dismissed	8	3	6	3	0	3	7	3	3	8	0	8	52
Order not made	4	8	3	5	0	3	2	1	5	6	4	9	50
CAO - Spend Time With	6	10	4	1	1	3	4	1	6	4	4	0	44
Family Assistance Order	2	5	2	7	1	0	6	5	2	1	3	3	37
Ext Supervision Order	0	1	1	1	2	6	4	1	2	4	3	3	28
Parental Responsibility Order	3	1	2	2	3	1	1	4	3	2	2	1	25
Adoption Order	3	0	1	2	1	2	3	1	0	2	1	3	19
Discharge of Care Order	0	0	4	1	3	1	0	1	2	0	1	3	16
Contact (child in care)	2	0	3	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	11
Other	3	9	8	9	9	6	10	8	7	10	6	11	96
Unknown Outcome	2	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	18	2	6	3	37
Total	877	887	934	842	844	935	1062	866	964	938	934	967	11,050



Supervision (s31)	2015												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Supervision Order	15	23	29	28	25	21	37	27	28	25	18	28	304
Care Order	5	5	8	7	16	9	6	6	7	18	10	14	111
Special Guardianship	5	6	8	13	11	9	10	9	10	8	15	6	110
CAO - Live With	3	3	5	4	2	3	5	1	3	2	5	1	37
Order of No Order	1	3	3	2	2	4	2	0	3	2	1	2	25
Order not made	0	2	1	0	1	3	2	3	2	5	3	1	23
Case by leave withdrawn	0	1	0	1	1	3	2	1	4	1	1	2	17
Placement Order	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	4	1	1	12
Other	1	3	8	4	5	5	4	7	1	6	2	2	48
Total	30	47	62	59	64	57	69	55	60	71	56	57	687

We hope that you feel your question has been answered effectively. If you are unhappy with the decisions made in relation to your request, you may ask for an internal review to be undertaken. If you are dissatisfied with the way the internal review is handled or with the final decision made at that review about the information released, you are free to contact the Information Commissioner's office (www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk):

Yours sincerely,

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