Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email of 22 March 2016. You made the following requests for information:

Could you please tell me what the percentage of incorrect decisions made by cafccass with regard to contact from 2012 to present

Please see below for our response.

Cafcass does not hold the requested information.

Cafcass makes recommendations to the court for how a child’s welfare and best interests can be promoted and safeguarded. When considering how much time a child should spend with each parent, Cafcass’ recommendation to the court will be based on what the Cafcass officer assesses is in the child’s best interests in that specific case. This will be based on their professional judgement and will be different in every case.

It is the court, and not Cafcass, that makes decisions about contact. In accordance with Government policy, Cafcass supports children maintaining a meaningful relationship with both parents, where it is safe and in the best interests of the child to do so.

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](http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk)).
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