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Care applications in July 2015

July 2015 statistics from Cafcass

In July 2015, Cafcass received a total of **1,111 care applications**. This figure represents a **9% increase** compared to those received in July 2014.

April 2014 - March 2015

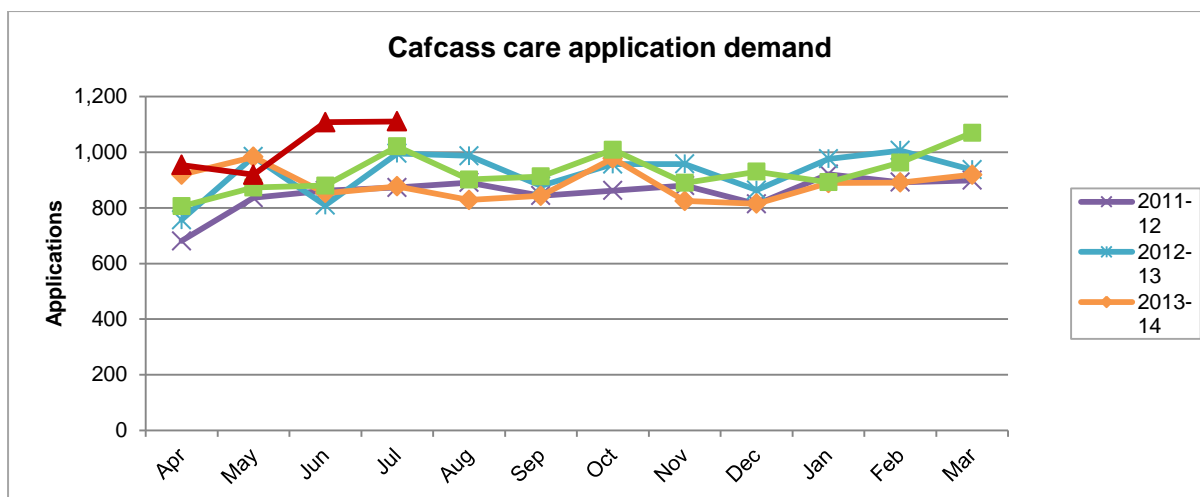
- Between **April 2014** and **March 2015** Cafcass received a total of **11,149** applications.
- This figure is **5%** higher when compared to the same period in the previous financial year, when **10,620** applications were received.
- Demand peaked during a few months. For example, new applications received in the month of April and October 2013 were the highest ever recorded by Cafcass in those individual months.

April 2013 - March 2014

- During 2013 – 2014, Cafcass received **10,620** new applications. This figure is **4%** higher when compared to the previous financial year.

April 2012 - March 2013: During 2012-13, Cafcass received **11,110** new applications. This figure is **8%** higher when compared to previous financial year, when Cafcass received **10,255** applications.

Please [click here](#) to view the spreadsheet, which, in addition to the monthly national stats, has a tab displaying a breakdown of application and children numbers by local authority for each complete quarter from April 2012.



	Care applications received				
	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Apr	681	757	919	806	954
May	836	984	983	873	919
Jun	862	809	853	880	1,108
Jul	873	996	877	1,021	1,111
Aug	891	987	828	902	
Sep	844	879	843	913	
Oct	862	957	978	1,009	
Nov	880	958	825	890	
Dec	814	864	815	930	
Jan	921	976	889	892	
Feb	892	1,006	891	963	
Mar	899	937	919	1,070	
Total	10,255	11,110	10,620	11,149	4,092

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Notes for Editors:

- Figures in the above table and graph are provided from the Cafccass national Electronic case management system (ECMS). The unit of measurement is a care application, upon its receipt by Cafccass from the Court and its entry into ECMS. An 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. Updates to this information will be published on a monthly basis, in the second week of each month.
- Pre-release of these statistics has been made available to our Minister in accordance with The Pre-Release Access to Official Statistics Order 2008.
- [Click here](#) to view previous care statistics releases.
- The Children and Family Court Advisory and Support Service (Cafccass) represents children in family court cases, making sure that their voices are heard and that the decisions that are made about them are in their best interests.
- Cafccass supports or works with over 115,000 children in public and private law cases every year.
- Cafccass operates 17 service areas across England, with over 1,800 employees working throughout 43 offices.
- Cafccass' role is to work with children and families in the family courts. The following list provides some examples of the types of cases we work with:-
 - Adoption
 - Care Orders (public law)
 - Emergency Protection Orders (public law)
 - Residency and contact following divorce and separation (private law)

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