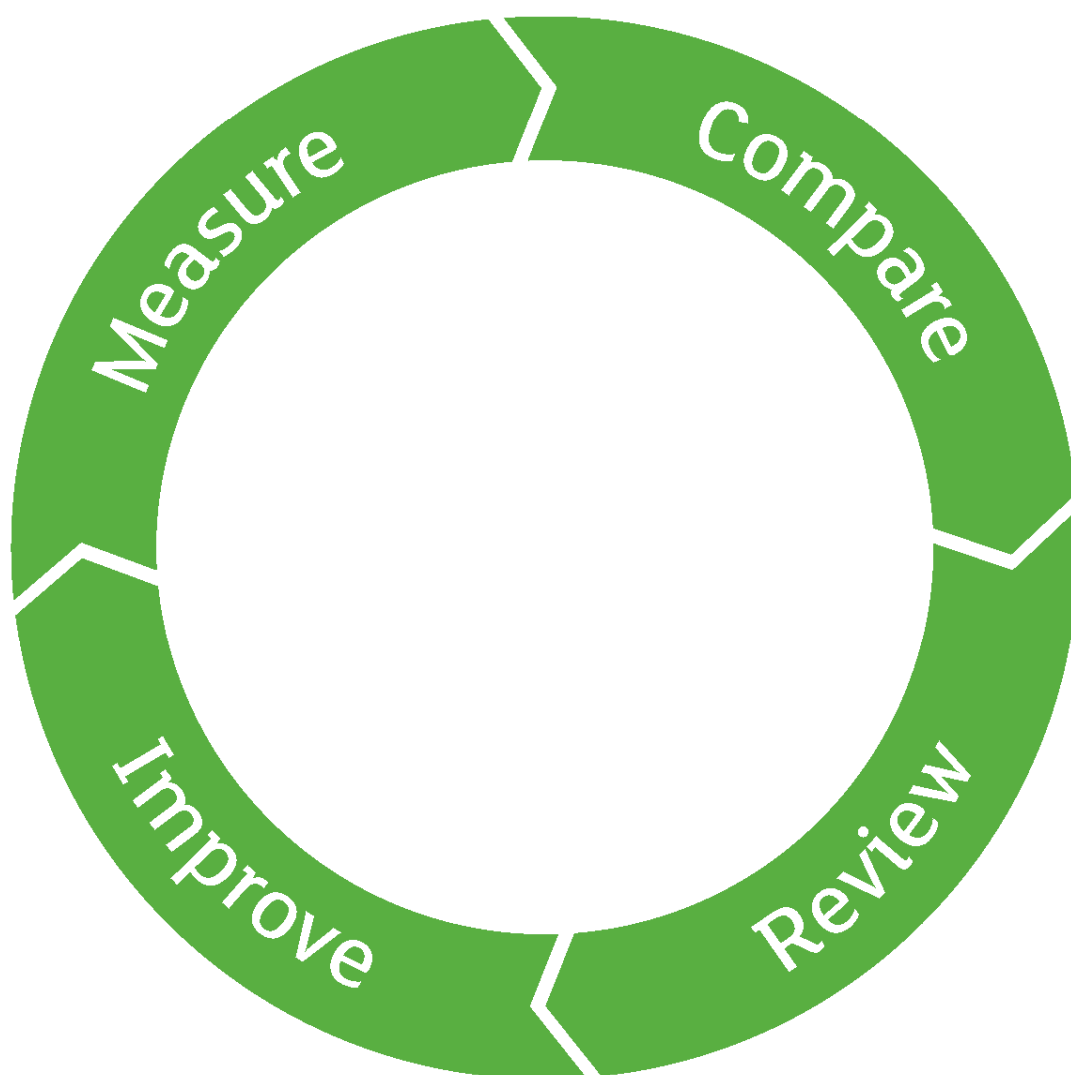


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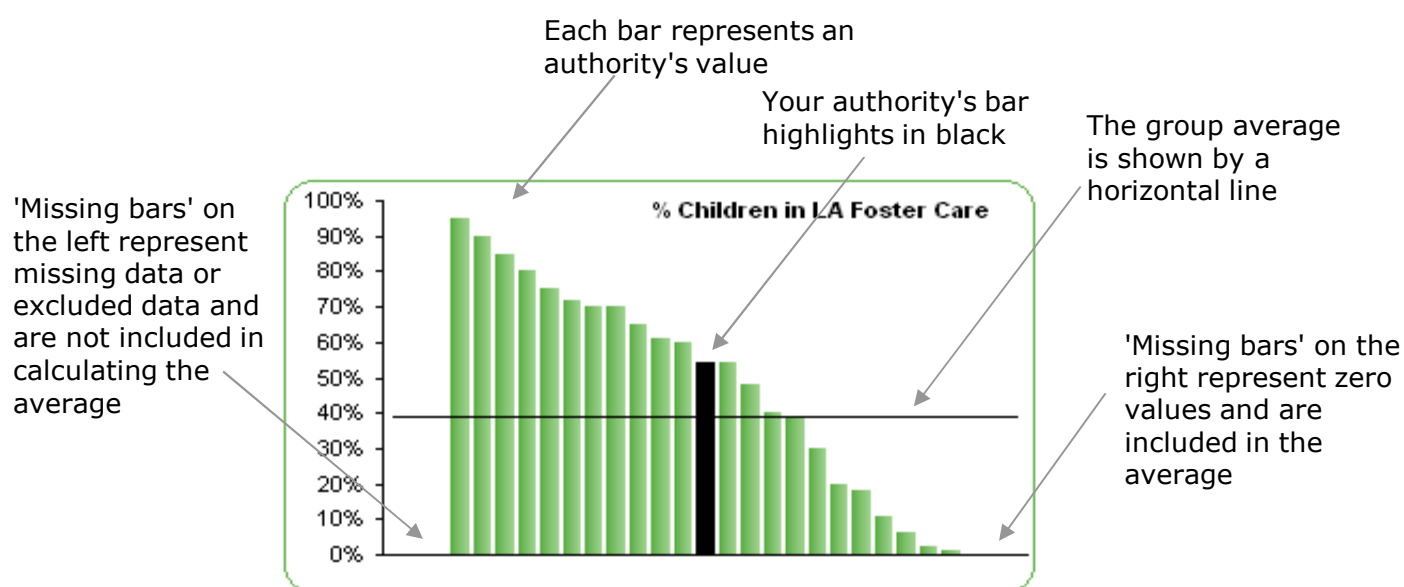


General Information

Averages: Almost all of our tables and charts compare your figure with a group average. The average is the unweighted mean value for the group. This average value ignores missing data, or data that we have excluded and for this reason sets of averages sometimes do not reconcile precisely.

Charts: We display a large amount of data on charts as this allows us to show data for entire groups efficiently and gives far more information than a simple average (i.e. range of data, individual authority values etc.) Below we have annotated some examples of the charts we use.

Bar Charts: These are our standard method of displaying comparisons between authorities



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Introduction

Welcome to the CIPFA Adoption Benchmarking Club Report.

This report compares data collected from your authority in the benchmarking club questionnaire with the data from the other participating authorities.

This is the fifth year of the benchmarking club and we hope you find the report interesting. You may find it helpful having a copy of your authority's completed questionnaire to hand when looking at the report as this will help provide context and useful definitional information.

The aim of the report is to enable you to compare what is happening in your authority with what is happening in other authorities, to enable you to see similarities and differences in terms of processes, workload and costs and better understand how your situation compares to that of other authorities.

Please note that if there is any way in which we could analyse the data collected that we haven't included here and you would find useful, we would be happy to hear from you and we will be happy to provide the additional analysis.

The CIPFA Adoption Benchmarking Club is a data sharing exercise for local authorities. The questionnaire was designed by CIPFA in conjunction with volunteer authorities. The exercise is run annually and future developments will be led by a steering group of club members.

The exercise is aimed at Adoption managers. While finance and performance professionals may also find the exercise interesting/useful, the key aim of the exercise is to help adoption teams share information that will be of benefit in helping them to do their job better.

As well as the comparative reports, club members will also receive the following outputs:

- The text questions submitted, spell & grammar checked and collated into Word documents.
- An interactive version of the report (Excel)
- The club database to enable you to do your own analysis
- All members will be eligible to attend the club review meeting.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us:
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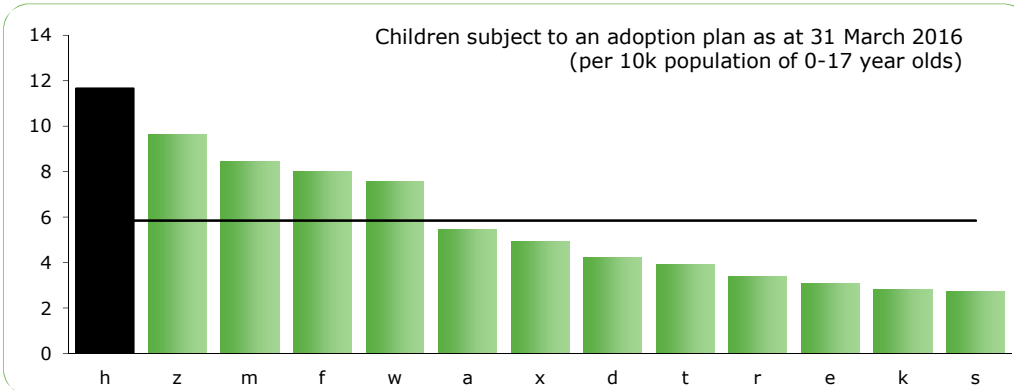
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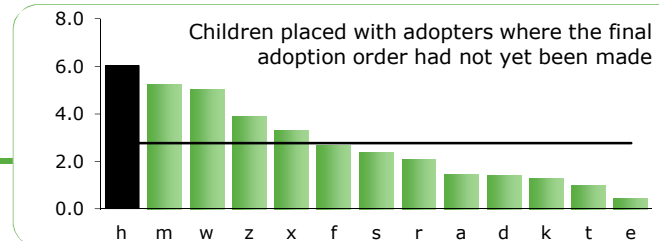
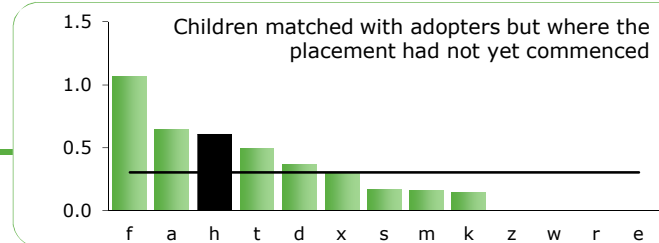
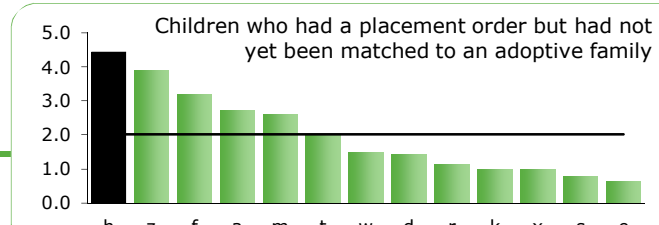
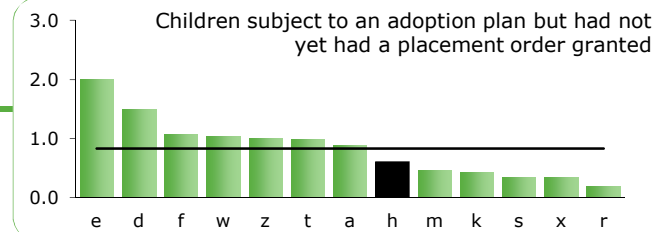
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- Population figures are used as a measure of size of authority to enable comparisons to be drawn on a like for like basis (per 10k population of 0-17 year olds).



Adoption - Number of Children	Number	Per 10k population	Average
Referrals received where adoption is the plan	58	11.67	5.83
Children who were subject to an adoption plan but had not yet had a placement order granted	3	0.60	0.83
Children who had a placement order but had not yet been matched to an adoptive family	22	4.43	2.01
Children who were matched with adopters but where the placement had not yet commenced	3	0.60	0.30
Children who were placed with adopters where the final adoption order had not yet been made	30	6.04	2.78
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

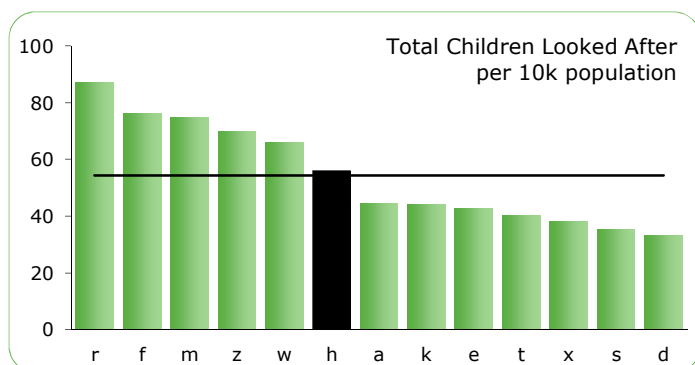
Adoption - Number of Children	Per referral received	Average
Children who were subject to an adoption plan but had not yet had a placement order granted	5.2%	17.6%
Children who had a placement order but had not yet been matched to an adoptive family	37.9%	33.8%
Children who were matched with adopters but where the placement had not yet commenced	5.2%	5.4%
Children who were placed with adopters where the final adoption order had not yet been made	51.7%	47.2%



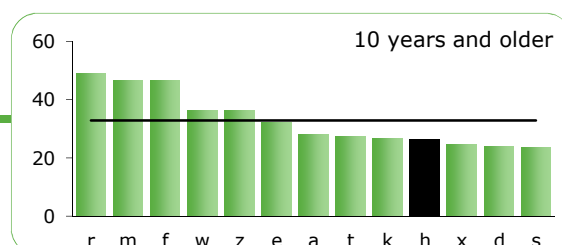
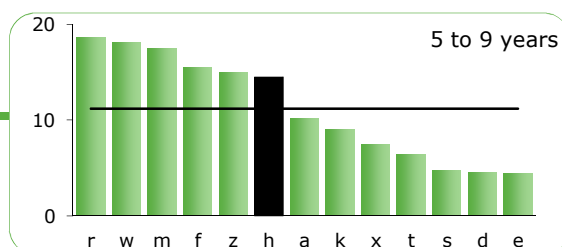
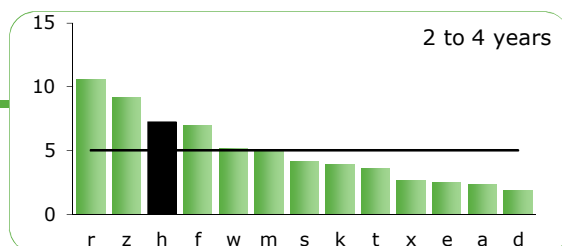
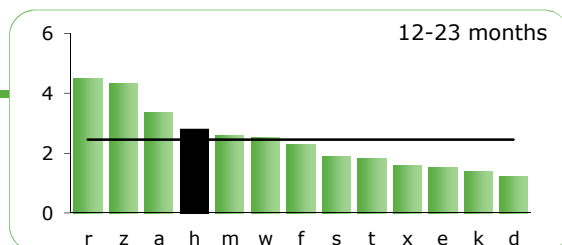
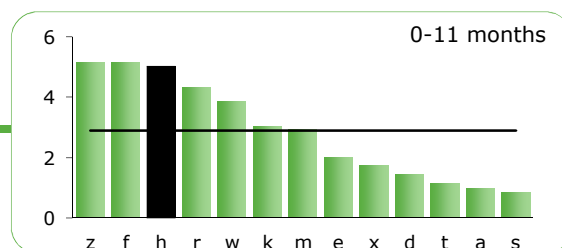
Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 1: A1.1 - A1.5

Children Looked After

Children's Ages	Number Barchester	per 10k population Barchester	Average
0 - 11 months	25	5.03	2.89
12 - 23 months	14	2.82	2.45
2 to 4 years	36	7.25	5.01
5 to 9 years	72	14.49	11.20
10 years and older	131	26.37	32.88
Total	278	55.95	54.43
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

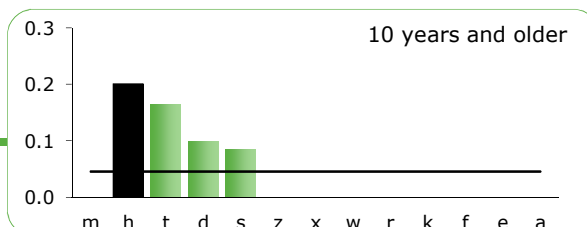
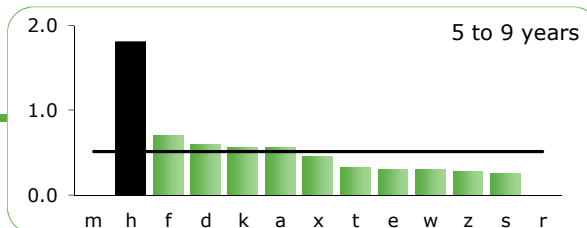
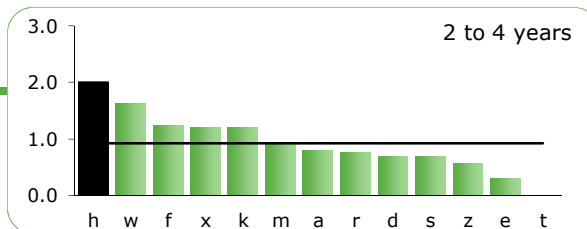
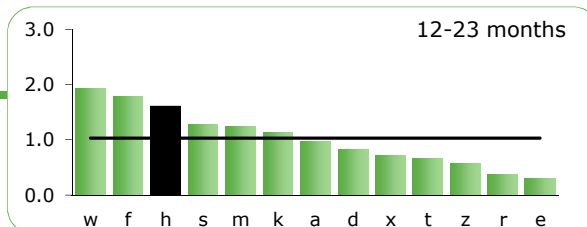
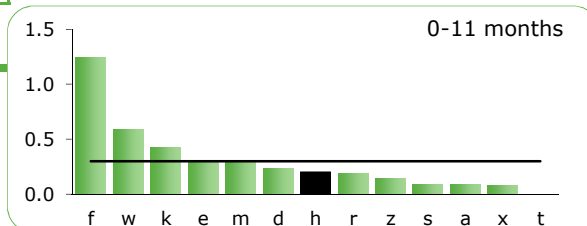
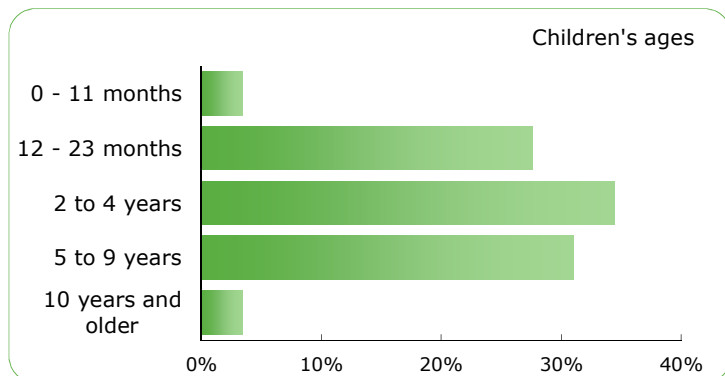
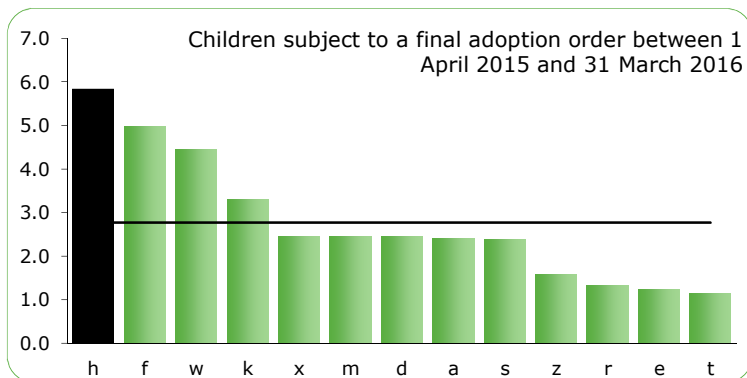


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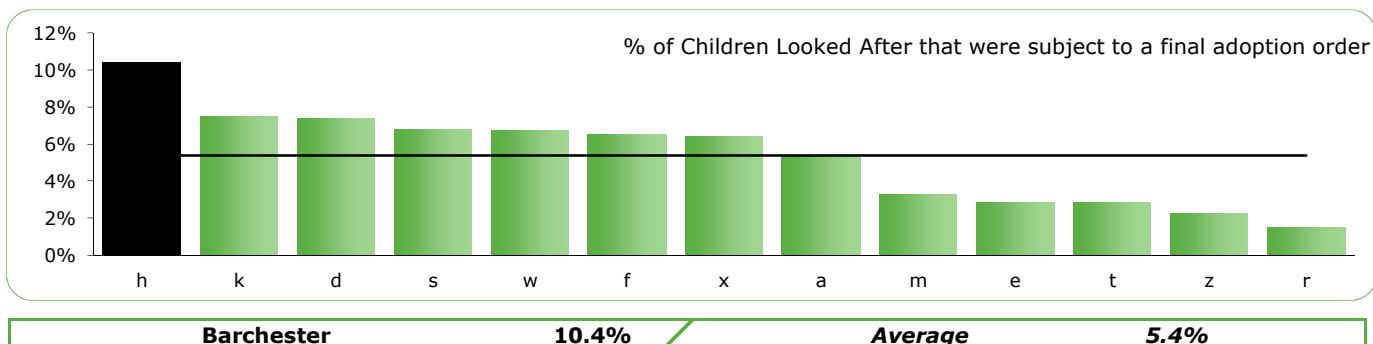


Children who were subject to a final adoption order between 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016

Children's Ages	Number Barchester	per 10k population Barchester	Average
0 - 11 months	1	0.20	0.30
12 - 23 months	8	1.61	1.03
2 to 4 years	10	2.01	0.92
5 to 9 years	9	1.81	0.51
10 years and older	1	0.20	0.05
Total	29	5.84	2.77
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

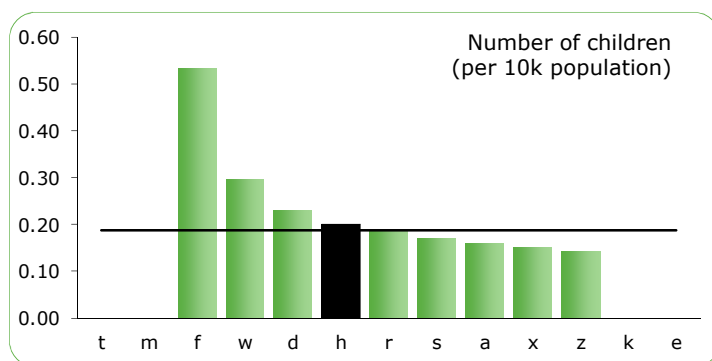
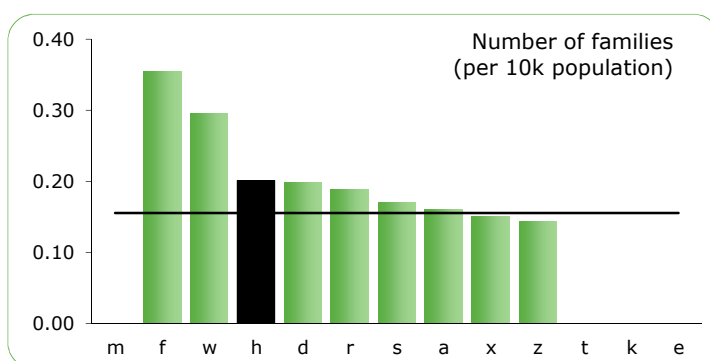


Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 1: A6



Number of placements disrupted prior to the final adoption order being made between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016	Number of families		Number of children	
	Barchester	Average	Barchester	Average
Where the placement was with an adoptive family aproved by your agency	1	0.85	1	1.08
Where the child was the responsibility of your local authority and the placement was with an adoptive family aproved by another local authority	0	0.58	0	0.73
Where the child was the responsibility of your local authority and the placement was with an adoptive family aproved by a voluntary adoption agency	0	0.33	0	0.36
Total number of placements disrupted prior to the final adoption being made (per 0000's)	0.20	0.16	0.20	0.19

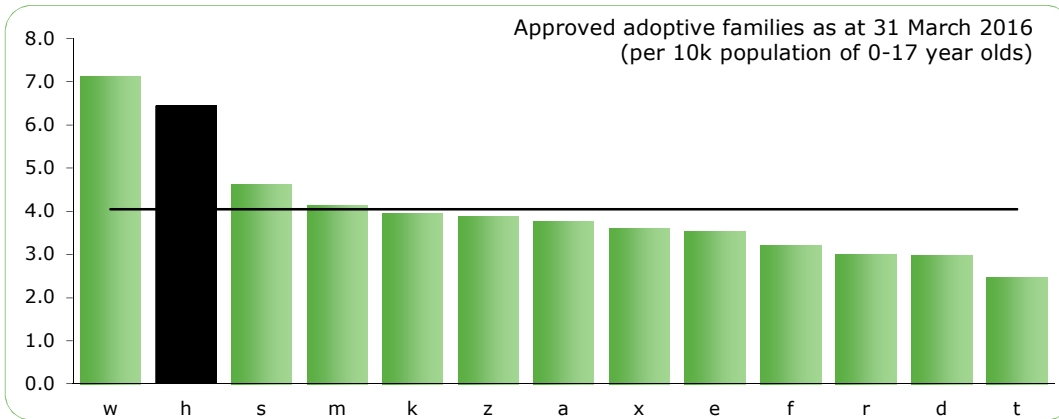
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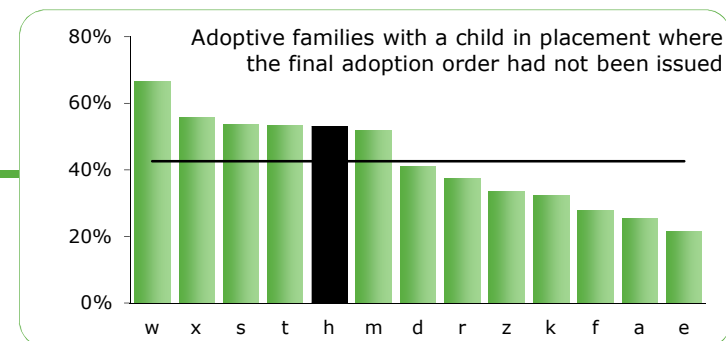
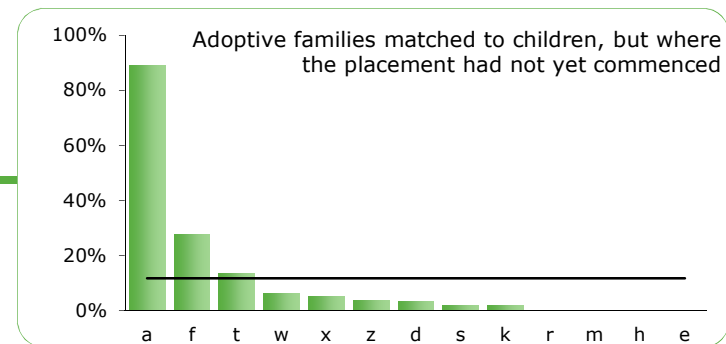
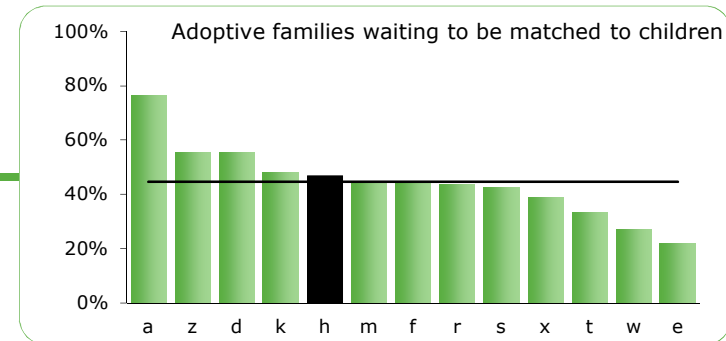
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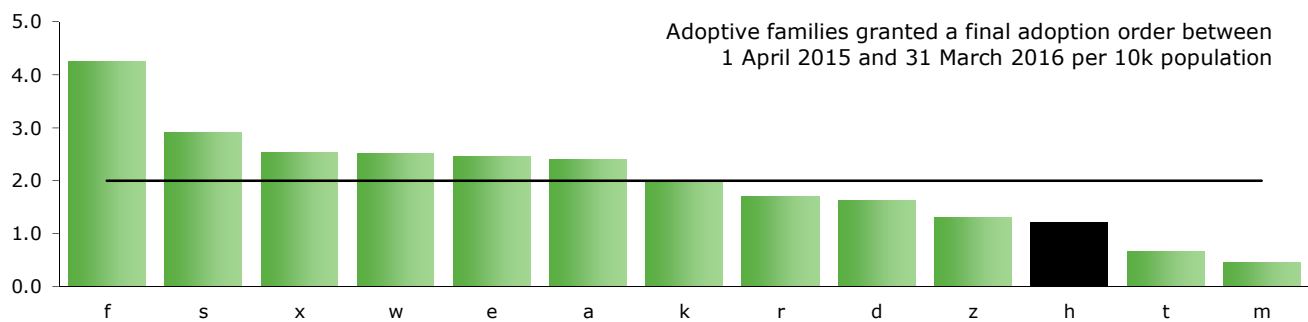


Adoption - Families / Adopters	Number	Per 10k population	Average
Approved adoptive families	32	6.44	4.05
Adoptive families that were waiting to be matched to children	15	3.02	1.77
Adoptive families that were matched to children, but where the placement had not yet commenced	0	0.00	0.43
Adoptive families that had a child in placement where the final adoption order had not been issued	17	3.42	1.82
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

Adoption - Families / Adopters	Per approved family	Average
Adoptive families that were waiting to be matched to children	46.9%	44.5%
Adoptive families that were matched to children, but where the placement had not yet commenced	0.0%	11.7%
Adoptive families that had a child in placement where the final adoption order had not been issued	53.1%	42.6%



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 2: B1.1 - B1.4



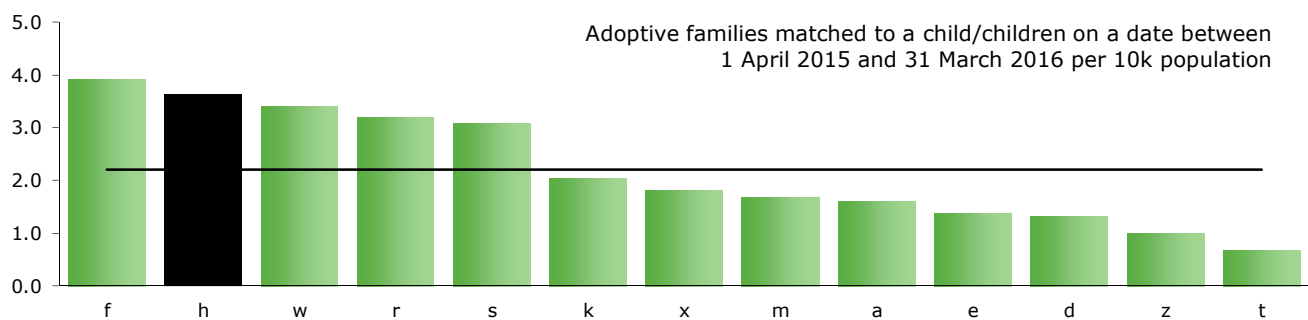
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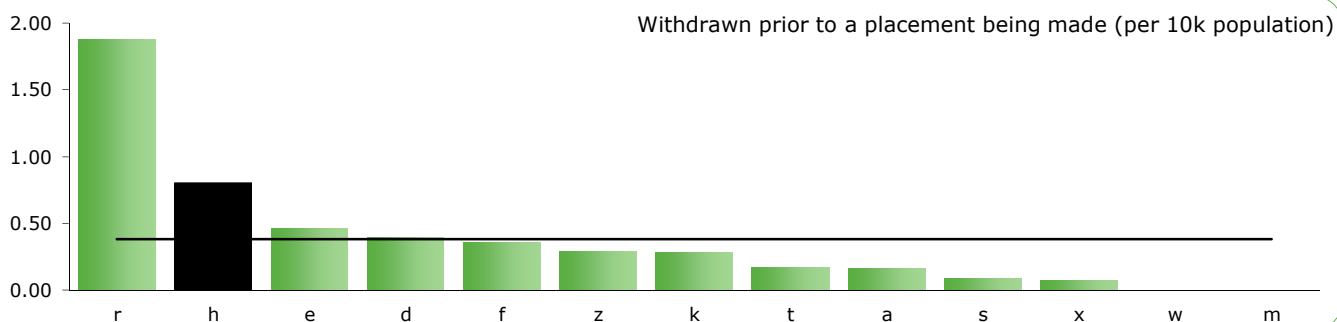
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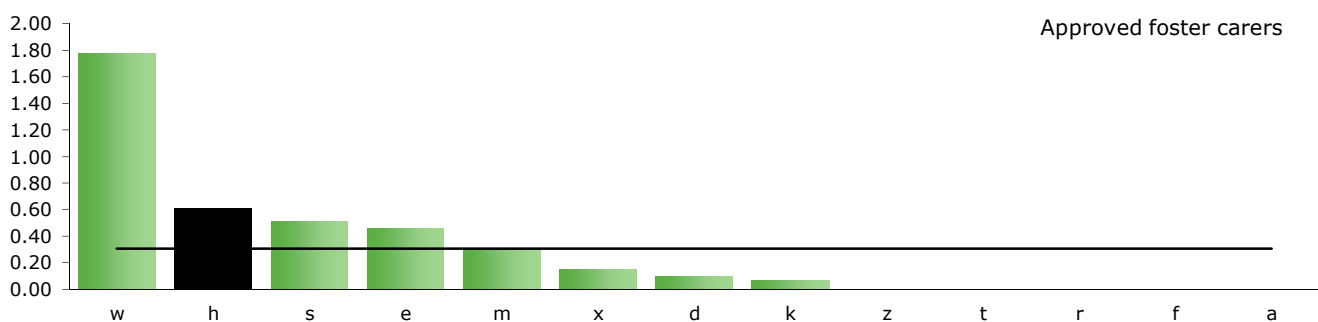
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Adoptive families that withdrew on a date between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016

	Number	Per 10k population	Average
Prior to a placement being made	4	0.81	0.38
Following a placement being made	0	0.00	0.04
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		



Foster carers that were approved on a date between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016 to adopt the child/children they were fostering



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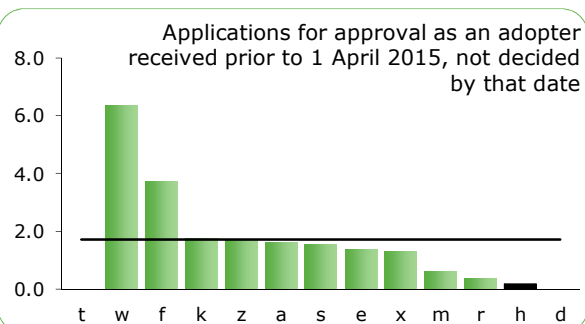
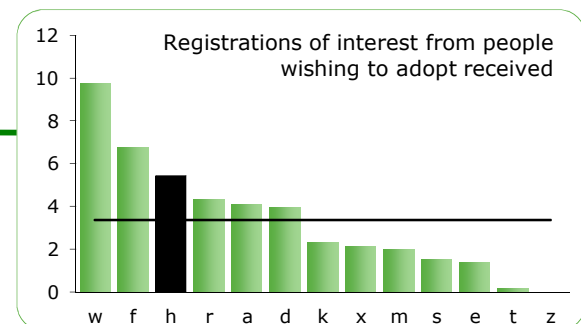
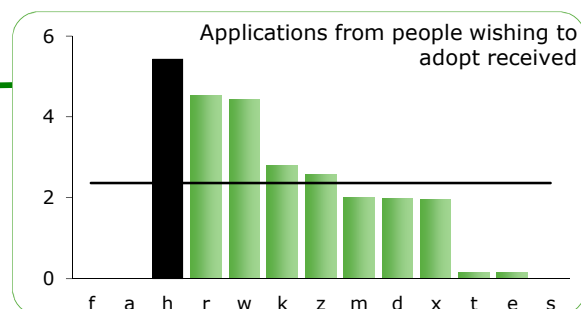
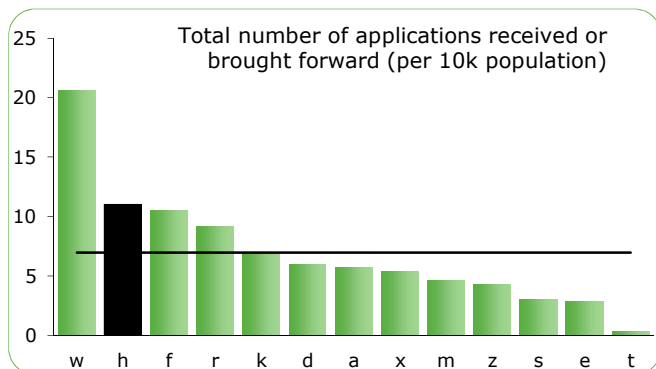
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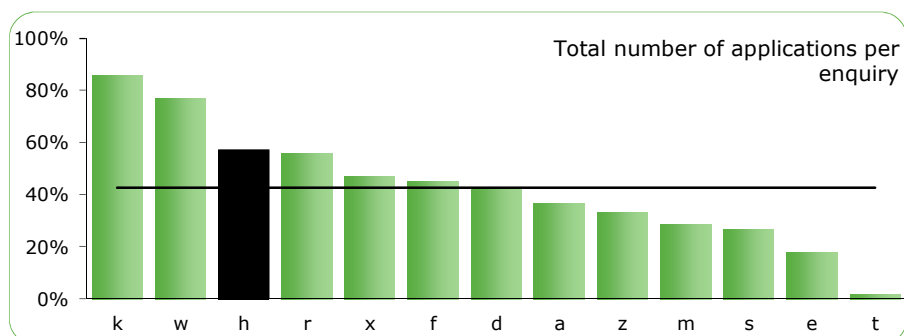
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Recruitment of Adopters

Adoption - Families / Adopters Between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016	Number Barchester	Per 10k population Barchester	<i>Average</i>
Initial enquiries to become adopters received	96	19.32	16.27
Applications from people wishing to adopt received	27	5.43	2.37
Registrations of interest from people wishing to adopt received	27	5.43	3.38
Applications for approval as an adopter received prior to 1 April 2015, not decided by that date	1	0.20	1.72
Total applications received or brought forward	55	11.07	6.96
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

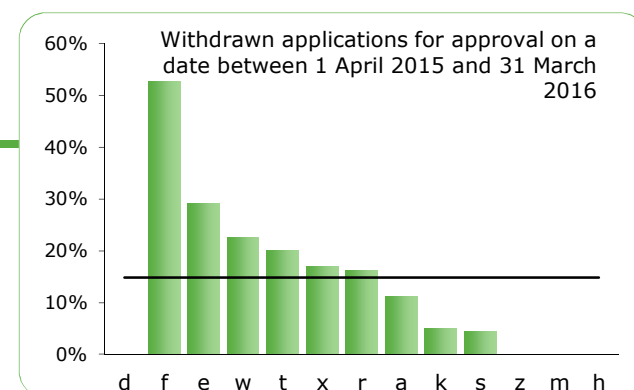
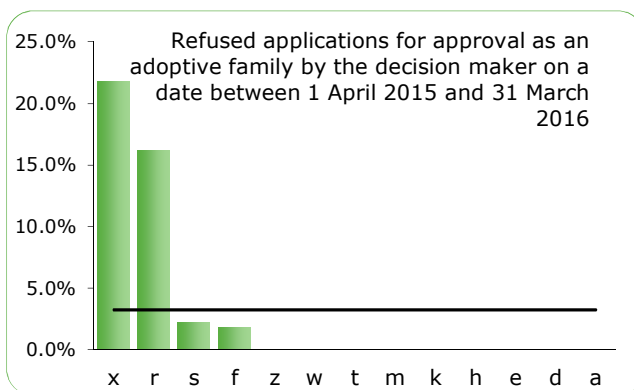
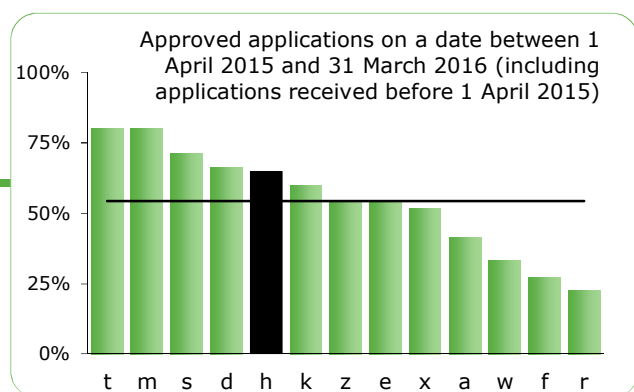
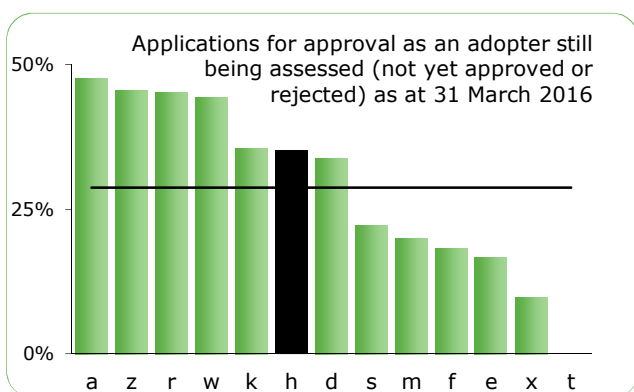
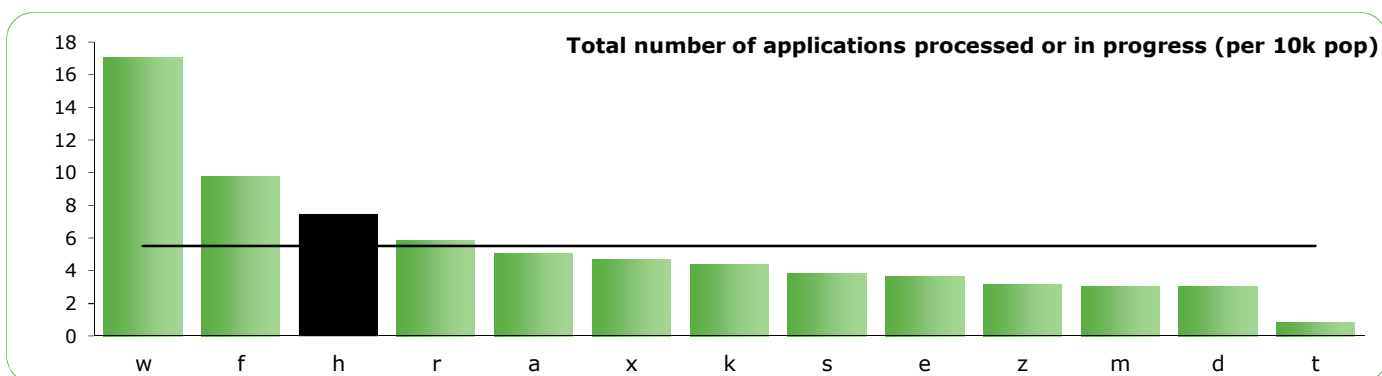


Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 2: B2.1 - B2.4



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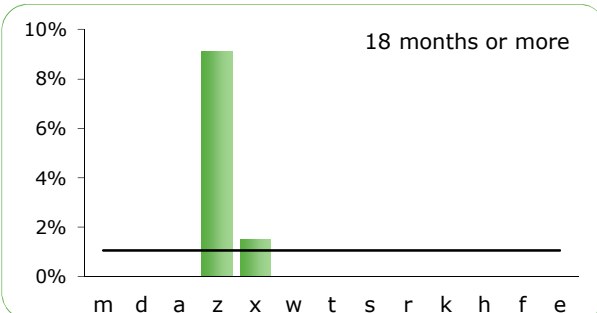
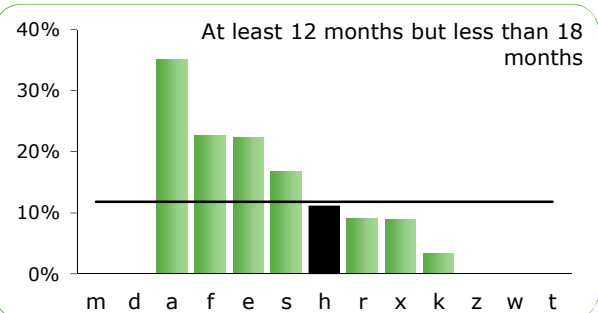
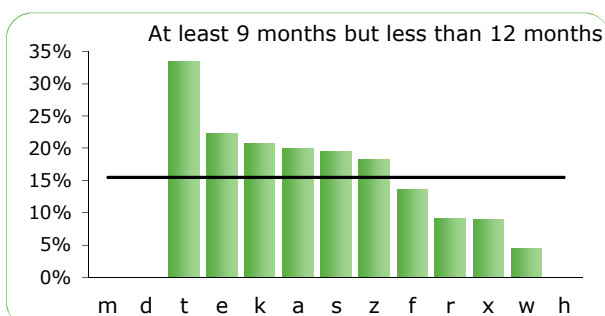
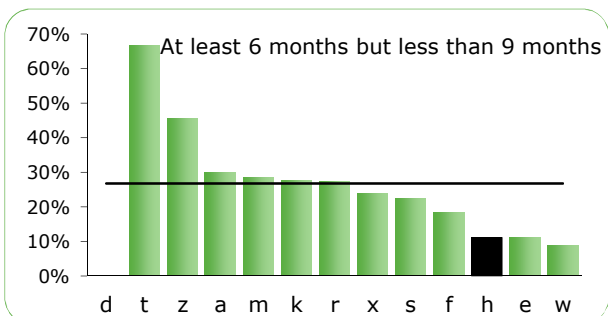
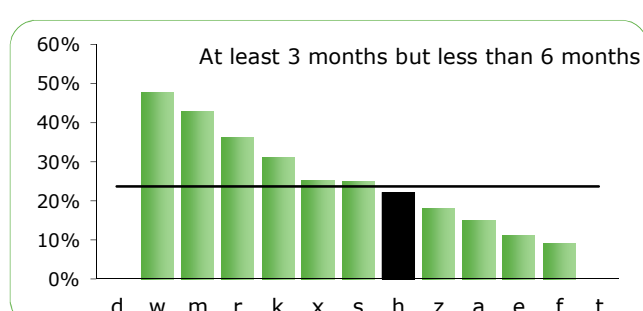
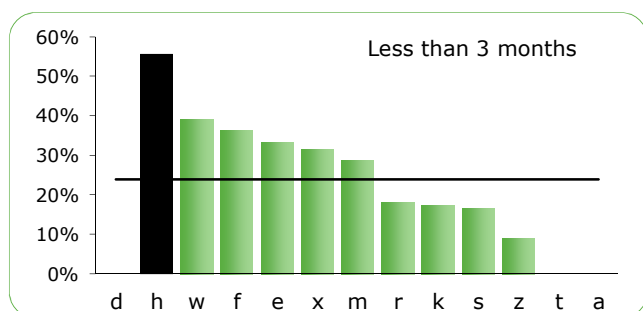
Adoption - Families / Adopters	Number	Percentage	
	Barchester	Barchester	Average
Applications for approval as an adopter still being assessed (not yet approved or rejected) as at 31 March 2016	13	35.1%	28.7%
Approved applications on a date between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016 (including applications received before 1 April 2015)	24	64.9%	54.3%
Refused applications for approval as an adoptive family by the decision maker on a date between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016	0	0.0%	3.2%
Withdrawn applications for approval on a date between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016	0	0.0%	14.8%
Total number of applications processed or in progress	37	per 10k population:	
		7.45	5.52
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 2: B2.5 - B2.8

Of all adoptive families who were matched between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016, how long had adoptive families waited between the date of approval and the date they were matched to a child/children?

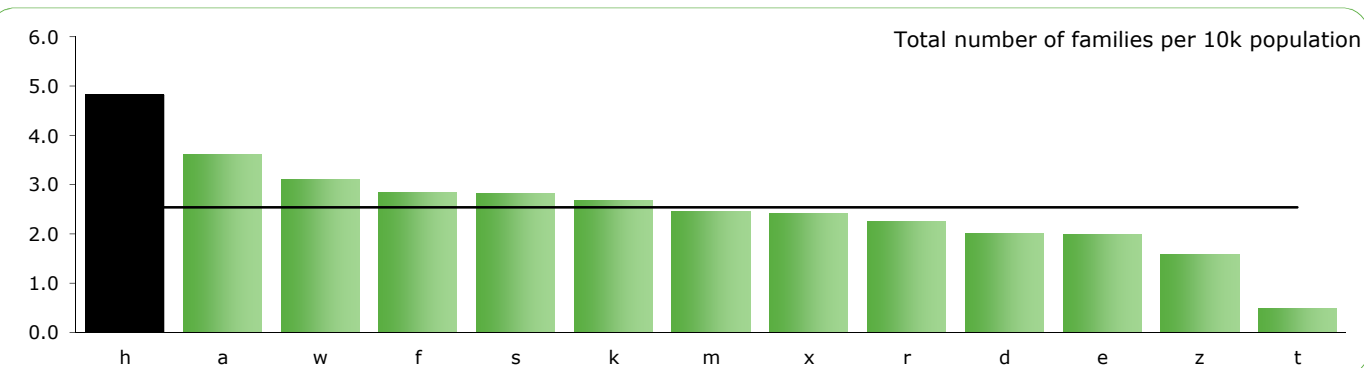
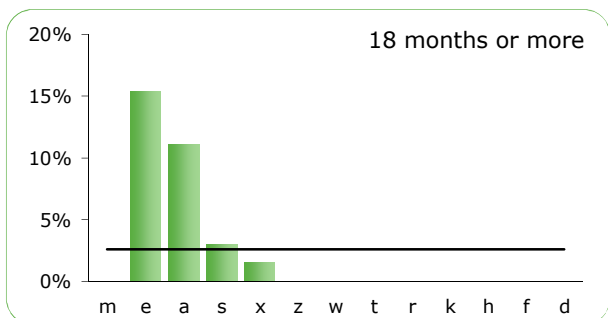
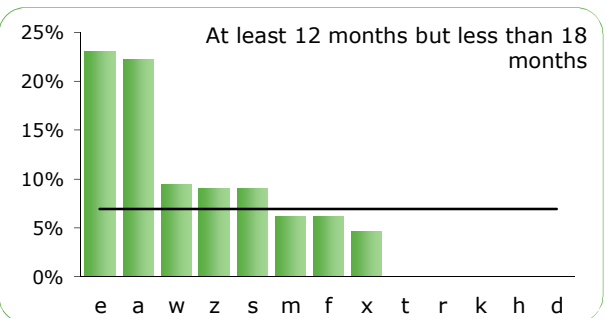
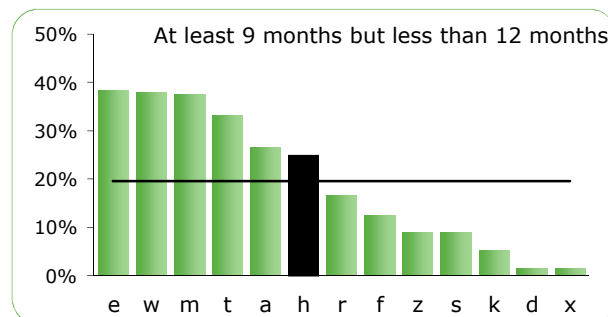
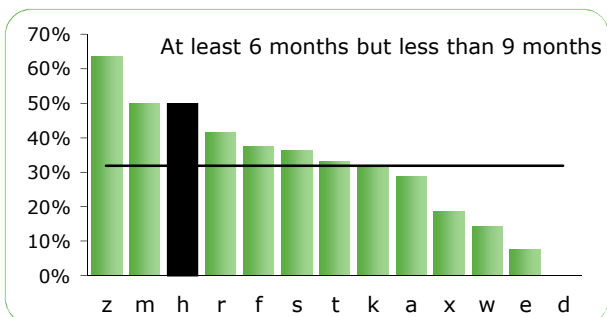
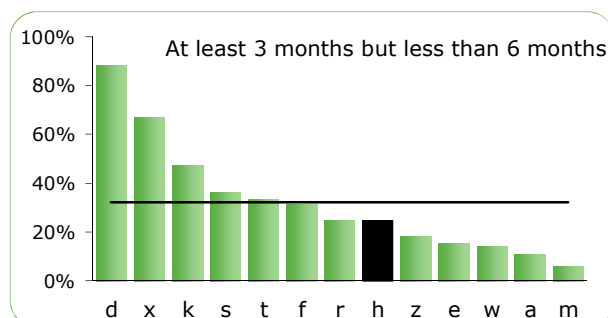
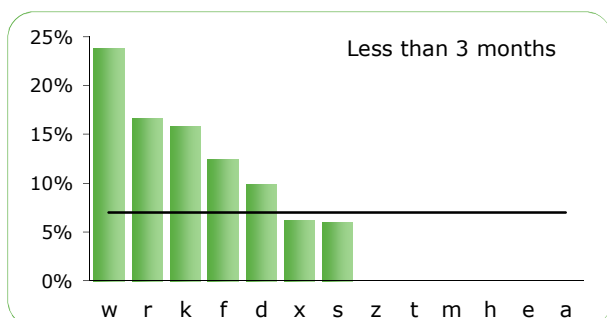
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	Barchester	Barchester	Average
Less than 3 months	10	55.6%	23.8%
At least 3 months but less than 6 months	4	22.2%	23.7%
At least 6 months but less than 9 months	2	11.1%	26.7%
At least 9 months but less than 12 months	0	0.0%	15.4%
At least 12 months but less than 18 months	2	11.1%	11.7%
18 months or more	0	0.0%	1.1%
Total number of families		per 10k population:	
		3.62	2.32



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 2: B3

Of all adoptive families who were approved or refused between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016, how long had adoptive families waited between the date of their application and the date of the approval decision?

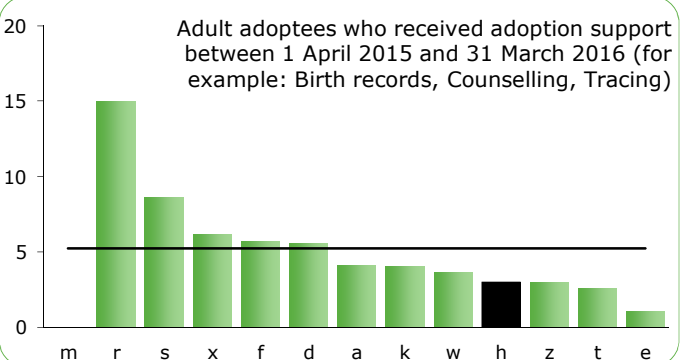
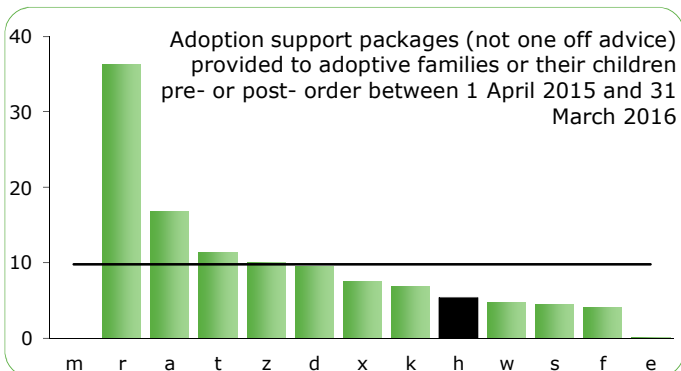
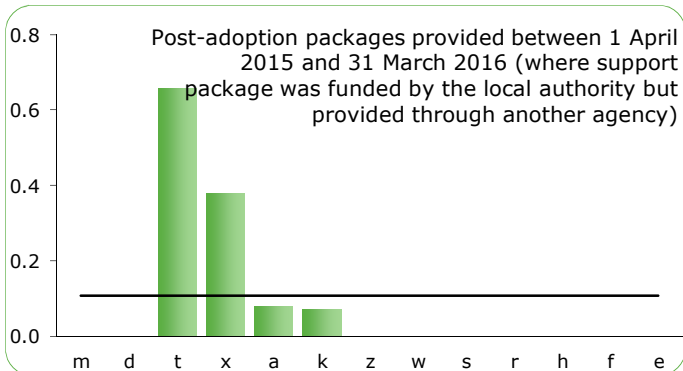
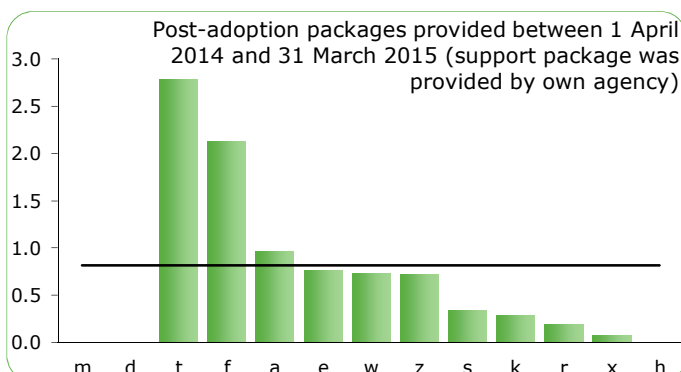
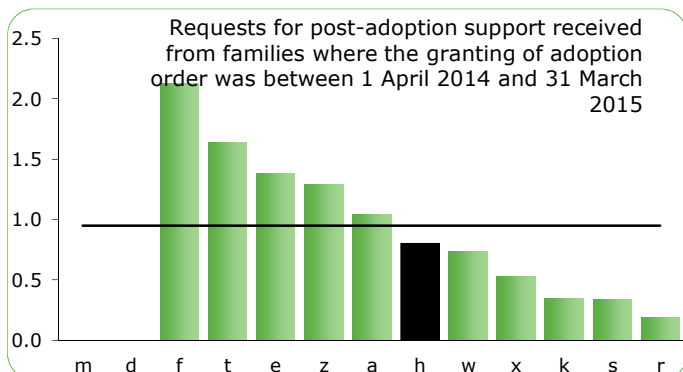
	Number	Percentage	
	Barchester	Barchester	Average
Less than 3 months	0	0.0%	7.0%
At least 3 months but less than 6 months	6	25.0%	32.2%
At least 6 months but less than 9 months	12	50.0%	31.8%
At least 9 months but less than 12 months	6	25.0%	19.6%
At least 12 months but less than 18 months	0	0.0%	6.9%
18 months or more	0	0.0%	2.6%
Total number of families	24	per 10k population	
		4.83	2.55



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 2: B4

Requests for adoption support

Adoption support	Number Barchester	Per 10k population Barchester	Average
Requests for post-adoption support received from families where the granting of adoption order was between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016	4	0.81	0.95
Post-adoption packages provided between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016 (where support package was provided by own agency)	0	0.00	0.82
Post-adoption packages provided between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016 (where support package was funded by the local authority but provided through another agency)	0	0.00	0.11
Adoption support packages (not one off advice) provided to adoptive families or their children pre- or post- order between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016	27	5.43	9.78
Adult adoptees who received adoption support between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016 (for example: Birth records, Counselling, Tracing)	15	3.02	5.23
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

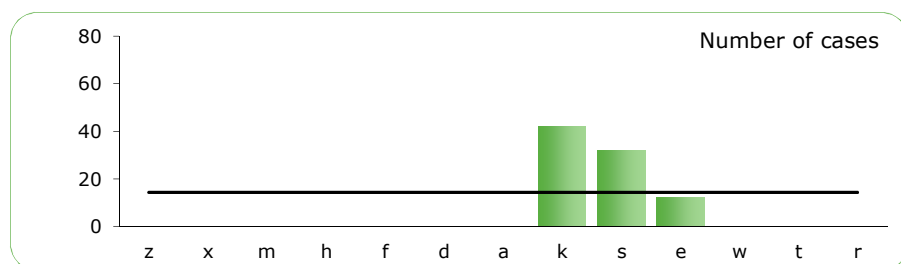


Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 2: D1

Section 2: Performance and Processes

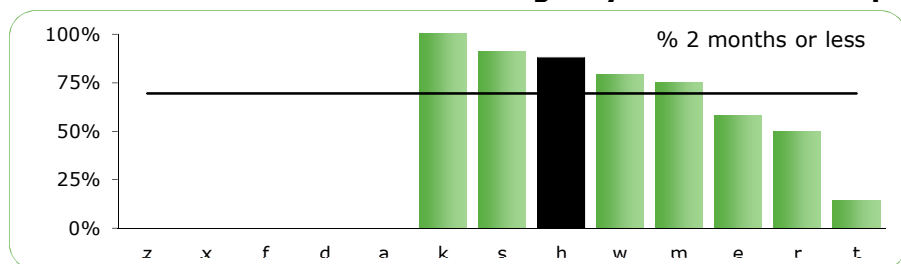
Timeliness Measures - Children:

Total number of cases presented at 1st hearing with permanence plan agreed



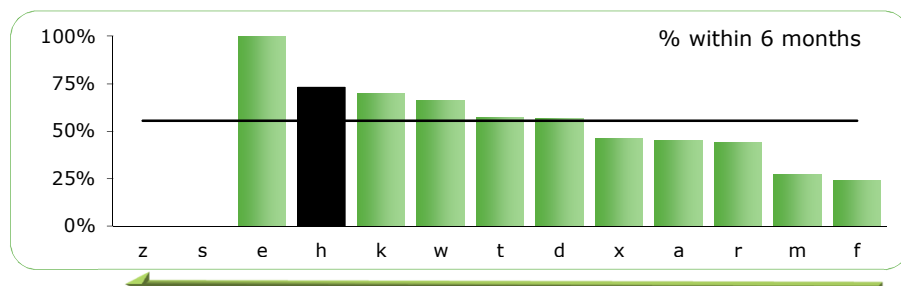
Barchester	Average
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Period between LAC review and agency decision for adoption



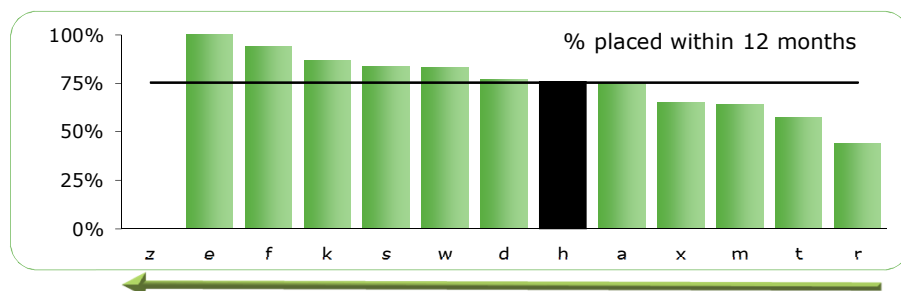
Barchester	Average
88%	69%

Period between agency decision and matching/linking with prospective adoptive parents

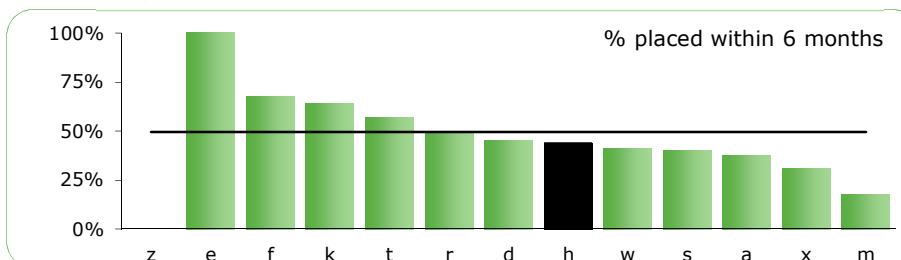


Barchester	Average
73%	55%

Period between agency decision and placement

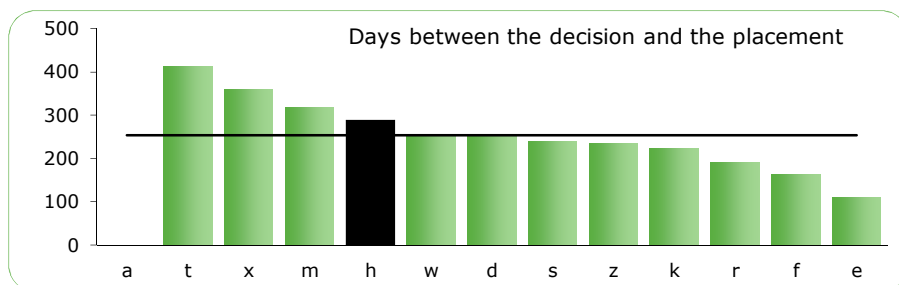


Barchester	Average
76%	76%

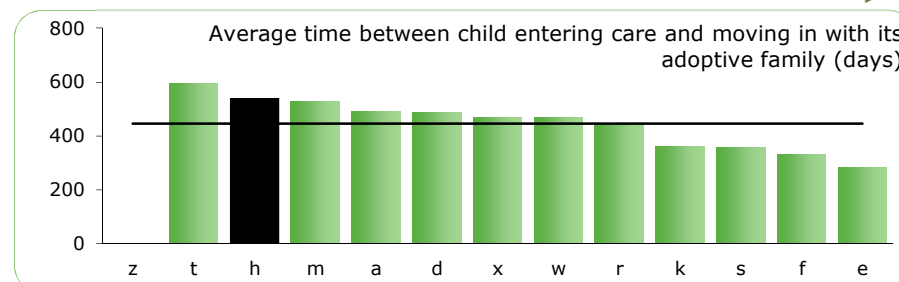


Barchester	Average
44%	50%

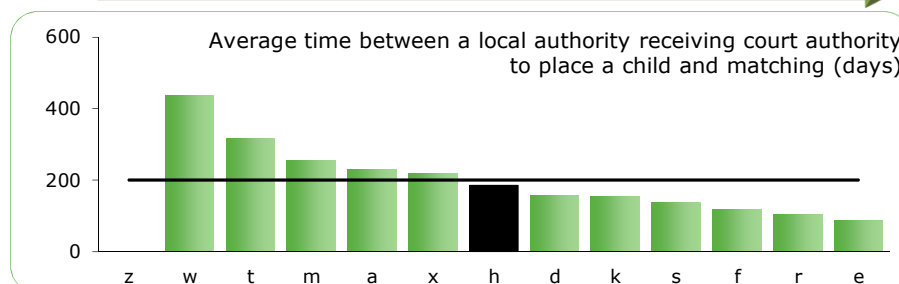
Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 4 (a)



Barchester	Average
289 Days	254 days

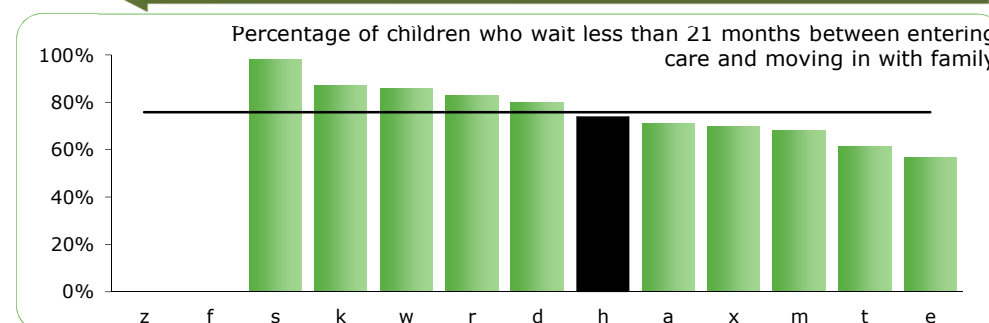
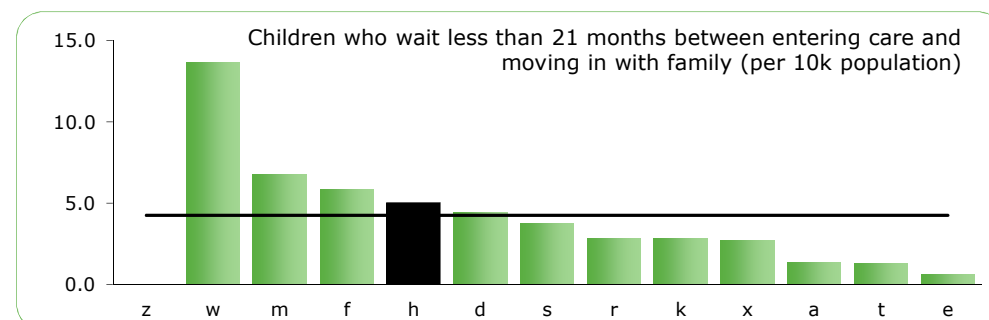


Barchester	Average
540 Days	446 days



Barchester	Average
185 Days	200 days

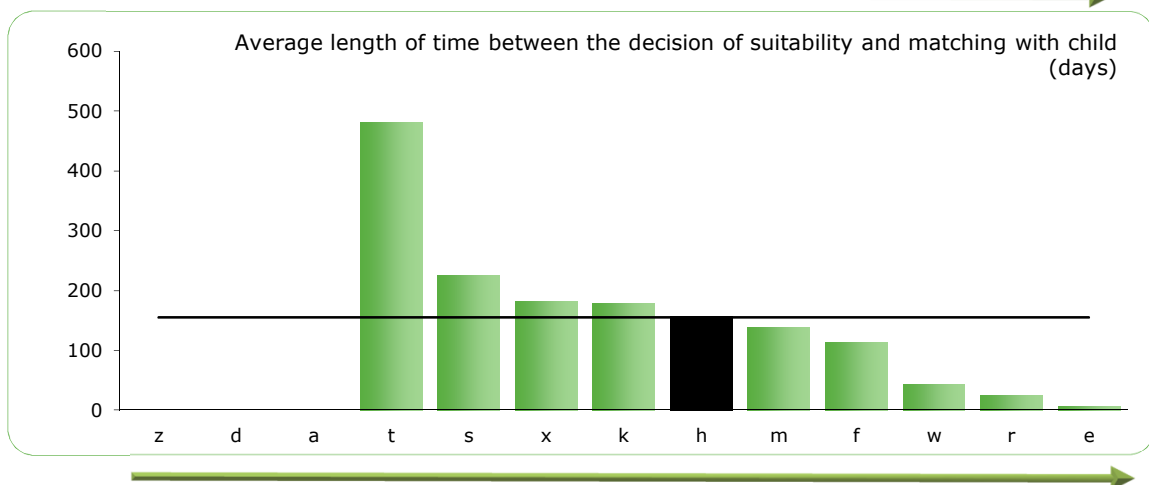
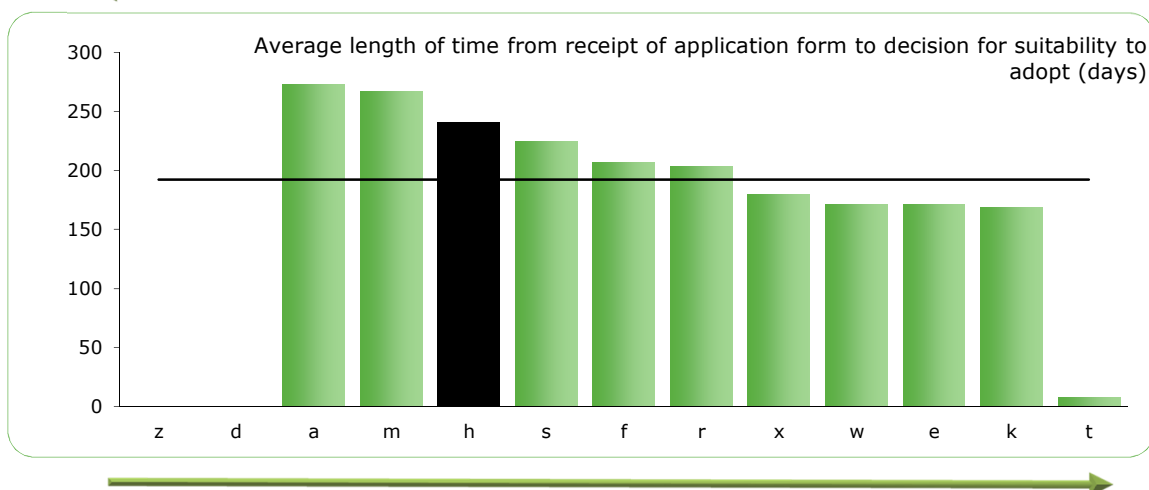
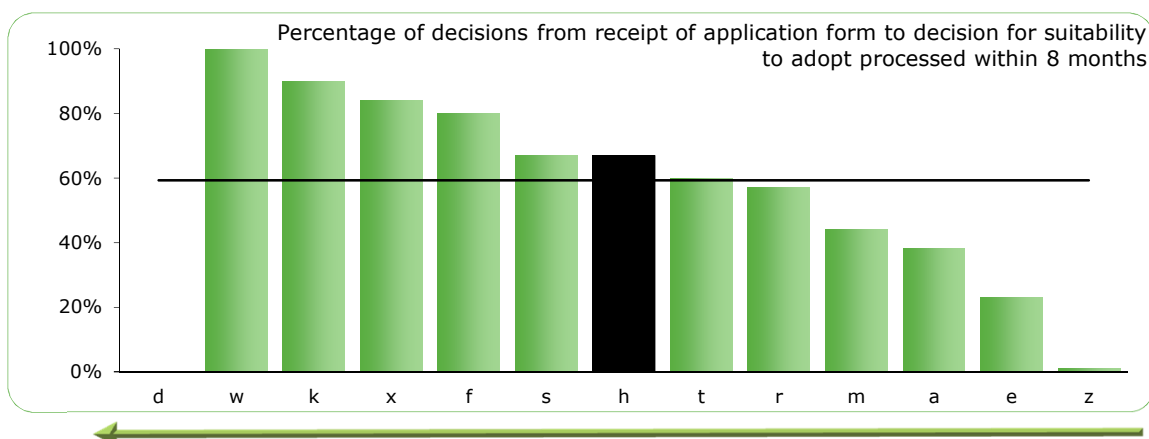
	Barchester	Barchester	Average
Children who wait less than 21 months between entering care and moving in with family	Number: 25	per 10k population: 5.03	4.25
Children who wait less than 21 months between entering care and moving in with family (%)		74%	76%
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 4 (a)

Timeliness measures - Adopters:

	Barchester	Average
Percentage of decisions from receipt of application form to decision for suitability to adopt processed within 8 months	67%	59%
Average length of time from receipt of application form to decision for suitability to adopt (days)	241 Days	192 days
Average length of time between the decision of suitability and matching with child (days)	157 Days	155 days

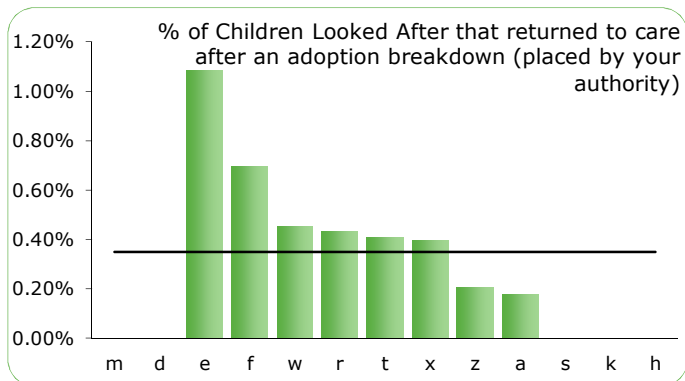


Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 4 (b)

Adoption Breakdown

How many children returned to care after an adoption breakdown?

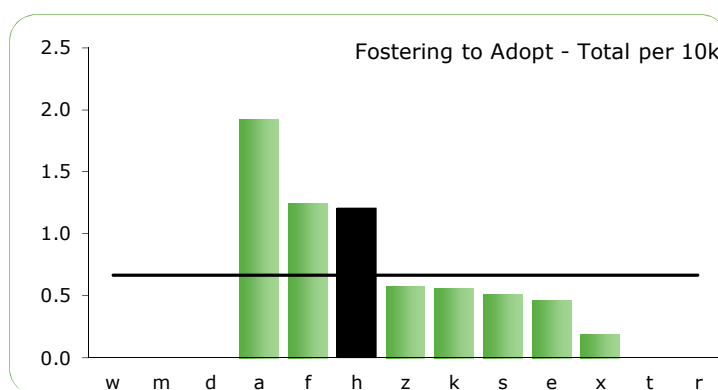
	Number	Per CLA	Average
Placed by your authority	0	0.00%	0.35%
Placed by other authorities	1	0.36%	47.20%



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 4 (d)

Fostering to Adopt

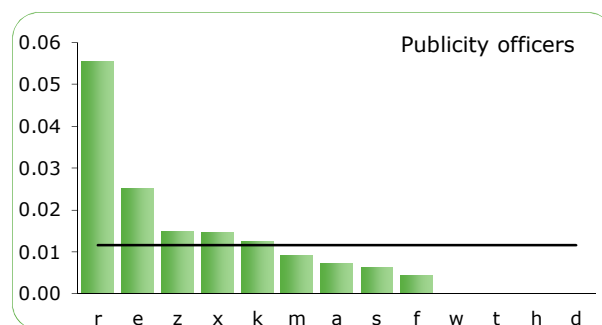
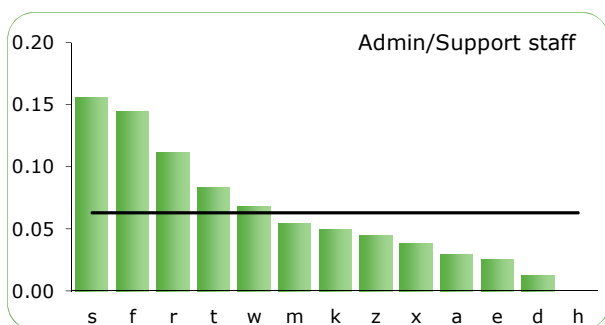
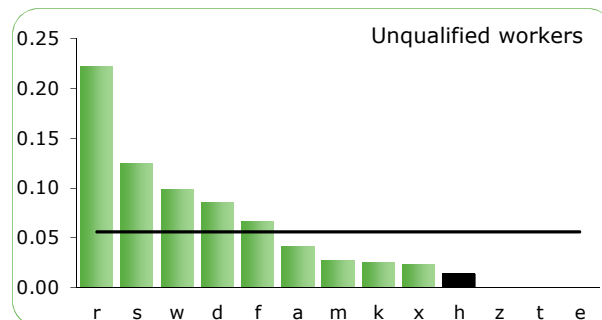
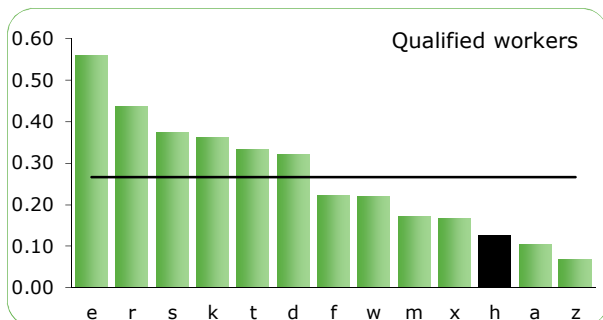
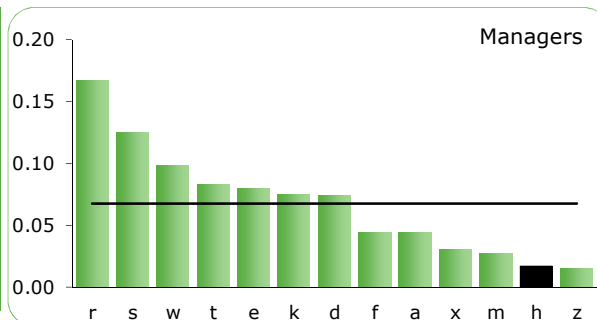
Children's Ages	Per 10k population:			of which Adoption are Placements	
	Number	Barchester	<i>Average</i>	Barchester	<i>Average</i>
0 - 11 months	2	0.40	0.53	100%	89%
12 - 23 months	1	0.20	0.06	100%	88%
2 to 4 years	3	0.60	0.07	100%	100%
5 to 9 years	0	0.00	0.04	na	67%
10 years and older	0	0.00	0.00	na	na
Total	6	1.21	0.67		
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)		4.97			



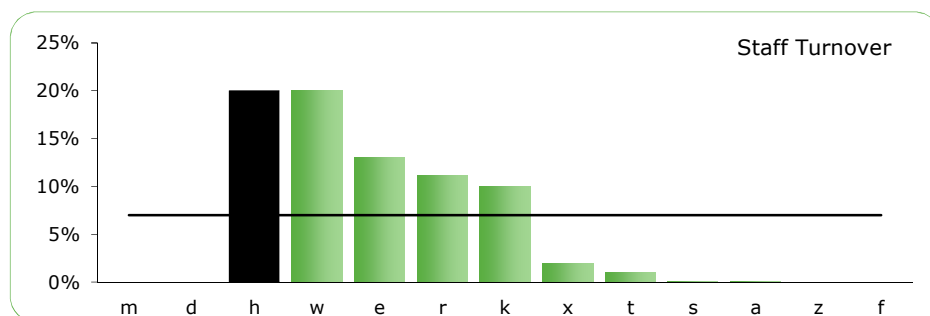
Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 6 (d)

Adoption Team

Staff by type	FTE	per referral	Average per referral
Managers	1.0	0.02	0.07
Qualified workers	7.3	0.13	0.27
Unqualified workers	0.8	0.01	0.06
Admin/Support staff	0.0	0.00	0.06
Publicity officers	0.0	0.00	0.01
Total	9.1	0.16	0.46
Referrals received where adoption is the plan			58

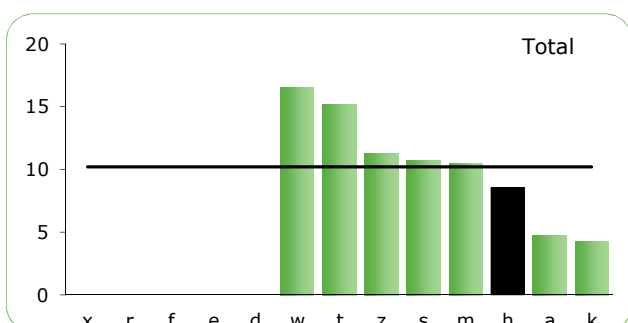


Staff turnover



Staff turnover	Average
20.00%	7.03%

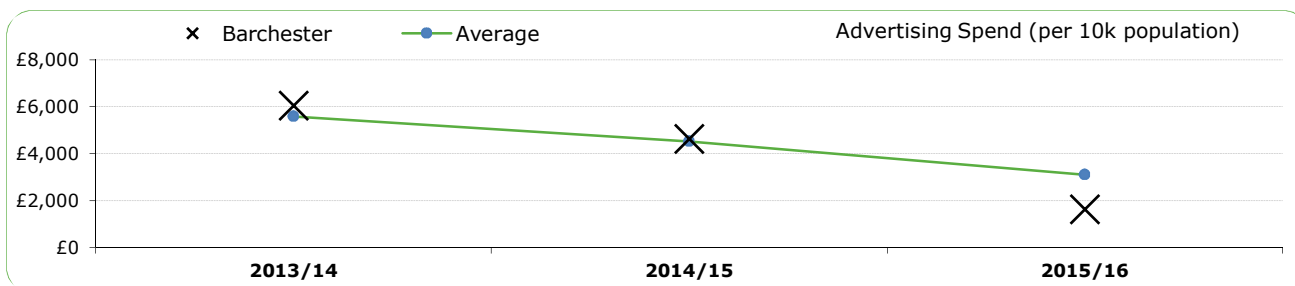
Number of cases



Staff by type	Number of cases	per FTE	Average
Managers	na	na	0.8
Qualified workers	78	10.7	14.9
Unqualified workers	na	na	19.1
Total	78	8.6	10.2

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 5

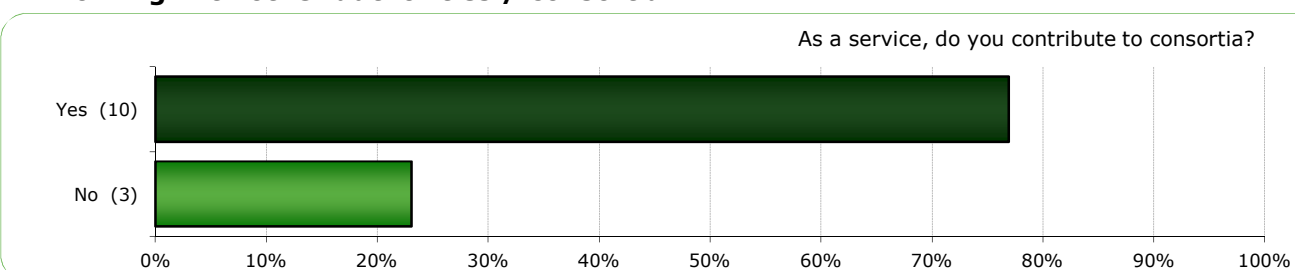
Advertising and Publicity Spend per 10,000 population (0-17)



Advertising Spend per population 0-17	Barchester £'k	Barchester per 10k	Avg per 10k
2013/14	£30	£6,038	£5,576
2014/15	£23	£4,629	£4,500
2015/16	£8	£1,610	£3,088
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 7

Working with other authorities / consortia



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 8

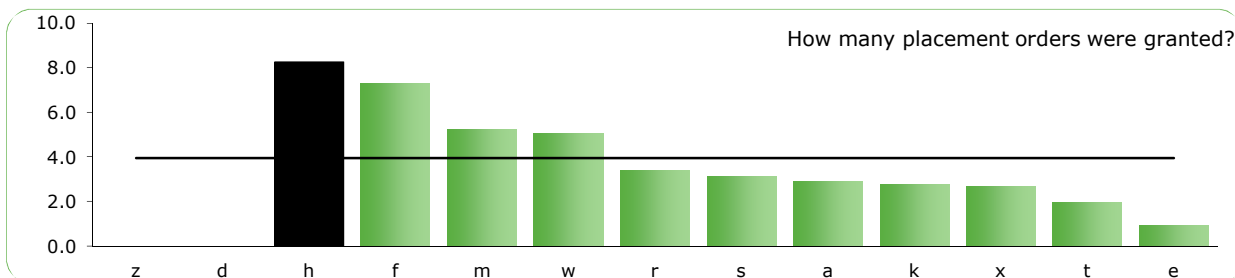
Adoption Support

Types of adoption support	Internally		With other authorities		Contracted Out		Not provided	
	✓	% yes	x	% yes	✓	% yes	x	% yes
Telephone Support	✓	100%	x	23%	✓	31%	x	0%
Signposting	✓	100%	x	31%	✓	15%	x	0%
Crisis support	✓	92%	x	8%	x	8%	x	8%
Support groups	✓	100%	x	31%	x	15%	x	0%
Parenting groups	x	69%	x	31%	✓	38%	x	8%
Support for relatives for adopters	✓	77%	x	15%	x	23%	x	15%
Counselling/therapeutic support	x	85%	x	38%	✓	77%	x	0%
Training courses for adoptive families	✓	100%	x	46%	✓	62%	x	0%
Life story work	✓	100%	x	8%	✓	46%	x	8%
Newsletters	✓	85%	x	15%	x	8%	x	8%
Dedicated adoption support team	✓	92%	x	8%	x	0%	✓	8%
Providing interest free loans	x	15%	x	0%	x	0%	✓	31%
Settling in grant	✓	92%	x	0%	x	0%	x	8%
Assistance with legal fees	✓	85%	x	0%	x	0%	x	8%
Respite	✓	85%	x	0%	x	15%	x	0%
Other	✓	46%	x	15%	x	23%		

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 9

Placement Orders

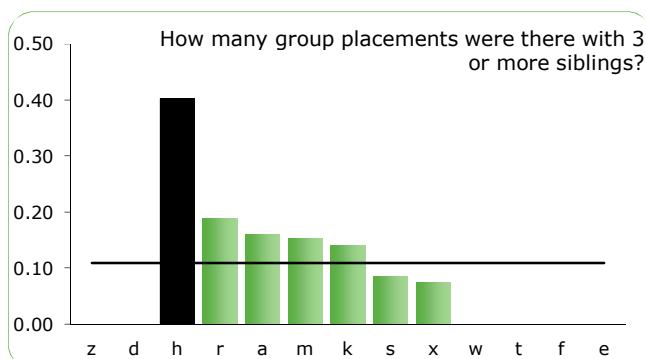
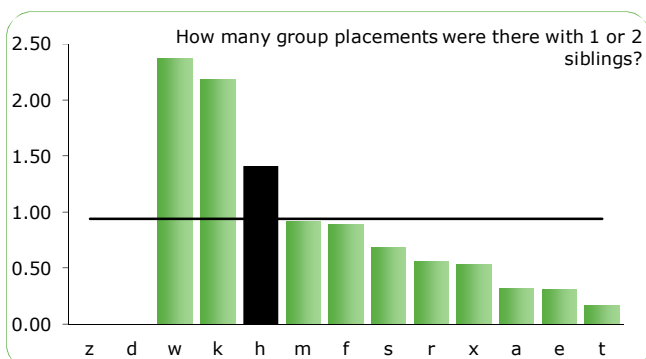
Adoption - Placement Orders	Number	Per 10k population	Average
How many placement orders were granted?	41	8.25	3.95
How many revocations of placement orders?	5	1.01	0.45
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 11

Placement of Children

Hard to Place Children	Number	Per 10k population	Average
How many group placements were there with 1 or 2 siblings?	7	1.41	0.94
How many group placements were there with 3 or more siblings?	2	0.40	0.11
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

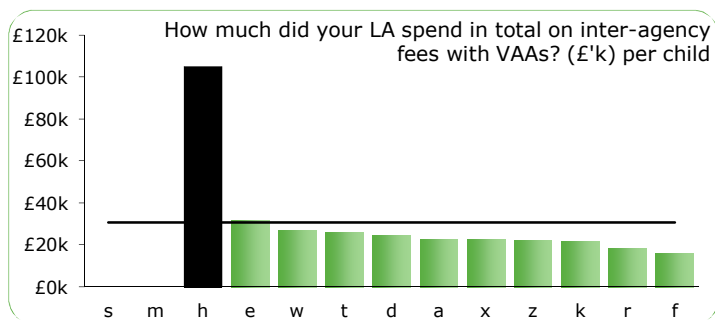


Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 10

Inter-agency Placements

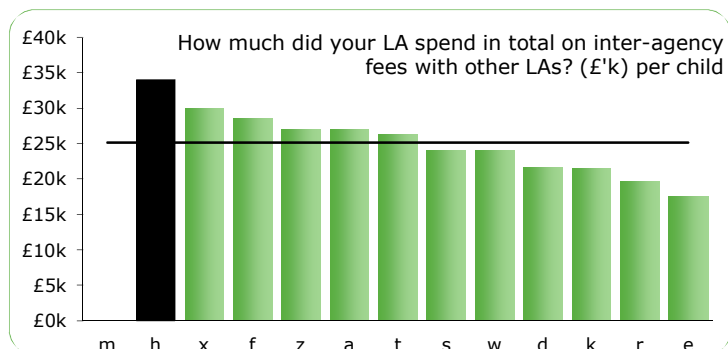
Inter-agency arrangements	Number	Per 10k population	Average
How many children did your LA place in inter-agency arrangements with VAAs?	1	0.20	0.71
How many children did your LA place in inter-agency arrangements with other LAs?	5	1.01	0.87
Total (number of children placed in inter-agency arrangements)	6	1.21	1.58
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

How much did your LA spend in total on inter-agency fees with VAAs? (£'k per child)



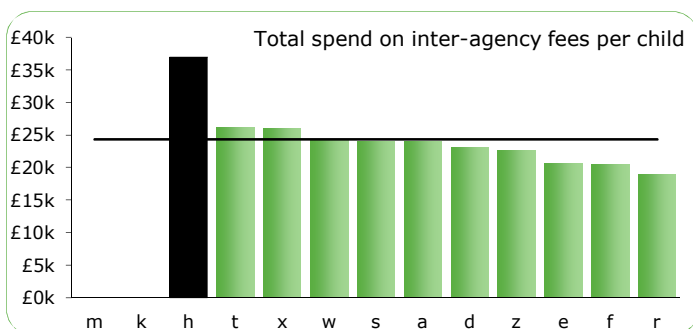
£'k	Per child placed with VAA	Average
£105k	£105.0k	£30.7k

How much did your LA spend in total on inter-agency fees with other LAs? (£'k per child)



£'k	Per child placed with other LA	Average
£170k	£34.0k	£25.1k

Total spend on inter-agency fees per child (£'k per child)

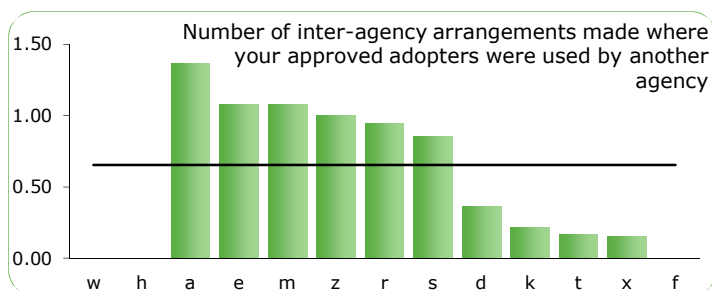


£'k	Per child placed in inter-agency arrangement	Average
£222k	£37.0k	£24.3k

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 12

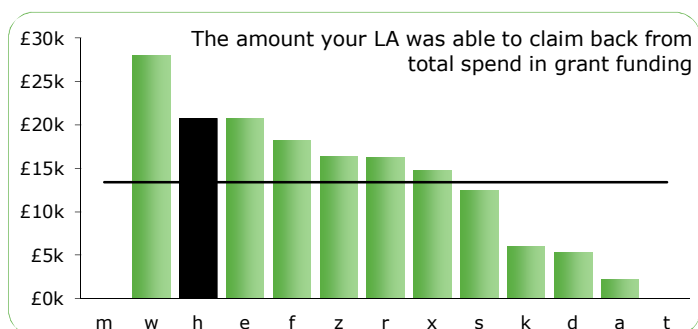
Inter-agency Placements

How many inter-agency arrangements were made where your approved adopters were used by another agency?



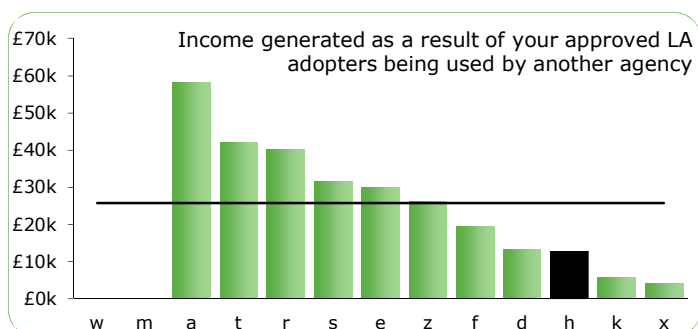
Number	Per 10k population	Average
na	na	0.65

How much was your LA able to claim back from total spend in grant funding?



£'k	Per 10k population	Average
£103k	£20.7k	£13.4k

What income did you generate as a result of your approved LA adopters being used by another agency?



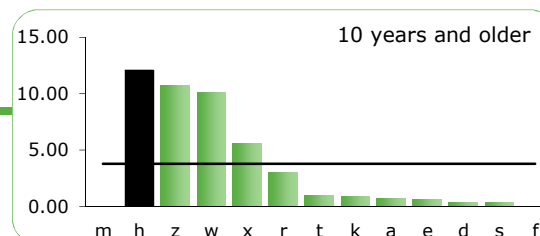
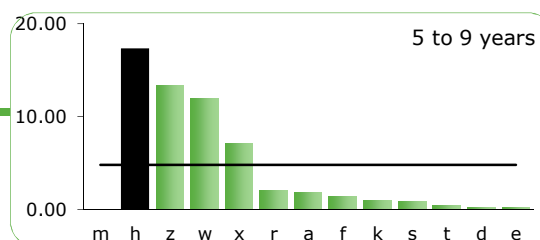
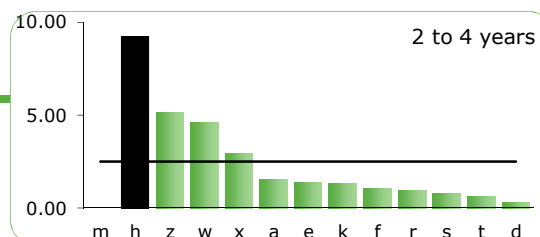
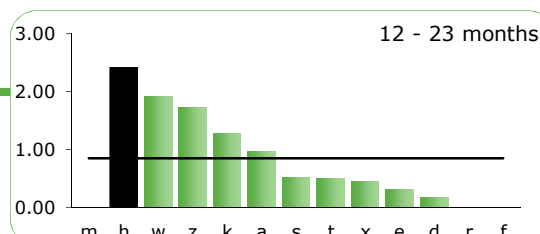
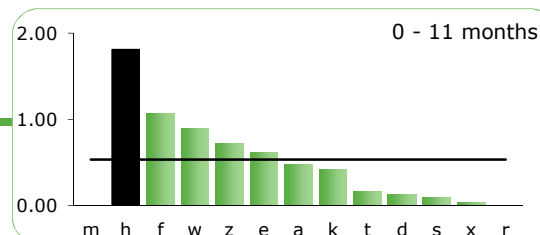
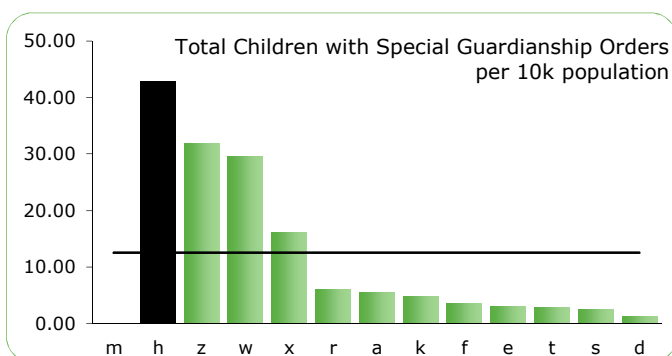
£'k	Per 10k population	Average
£63k	£12.7k	£25.7k

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 12

Section 3: Special Guardianship Orders

Number of Children with Special Guardianships Orders

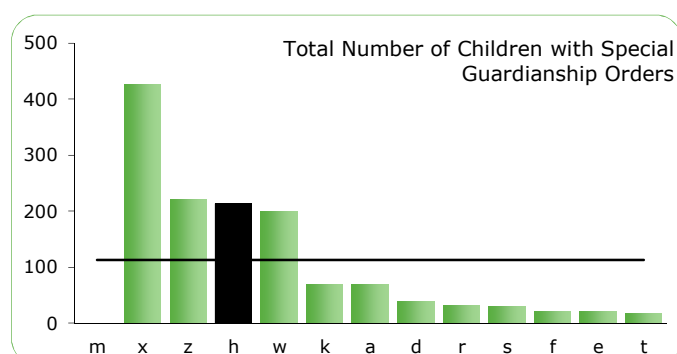
Children's Ages	Number Barchester	per 10k population Barchester	Average
0 - 11 months	9	1.81	0.53
12 - 23 months	12	2.42	0.85
2 to 4 years	46	9.26	2.49
5 to 9 years	86	17.31	4.82
10 years and older	60	12.08	3.78
Total	213	42.87	12.48
Population aged between 0-17 ('000's)	4.97		



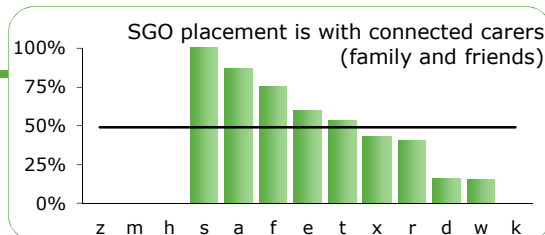
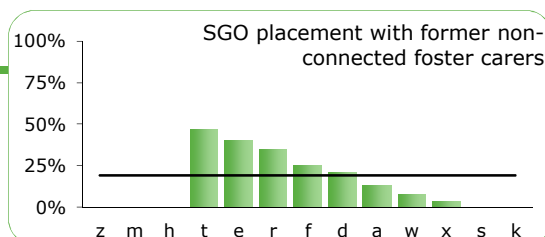
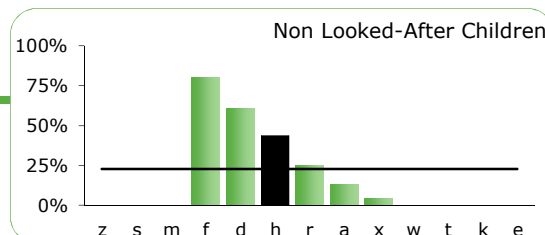
Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 14 (a)

Children with Special Guardianships Orders

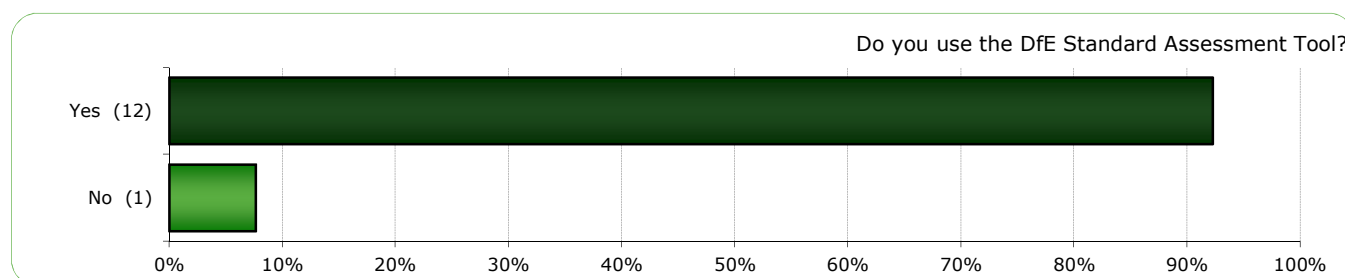
Of which:	Number Barchester	per Children with SGOs Barchester	Average
Non Looked-After Children	93	43.66%	22.67%
SGO placement with former non-connected foster carers	na	na	19.16%
SGO placement is with connected carers (family and friends)	na	na	48.96%
Number of Children with Special Guardianship Orders:	213		
Average Number of Children with SGOs:	113		



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 14 (a)



Assessment Process



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 14 (b)

Disruption Rate

Number of placements known to be disrupted post the order being made between:	Number	Per 10k population	Average
1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016	3	0.60	0.33
1 April 2014 and 31 March 2015	0	0.00	0.00
1 April 2013 and 31 March 2014	0	0.00	0.05

Number of Special Guardianship placements failed with the child(ren) returning into the care of the Local Authority (Via Section 20 or a Care Order):	Number	Per 10k population	Average
1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016	3	0.60	0.32
1 April 2014 and 31 March 2015	0	0.00	0.03
1 April 2013 and 31 March 2014	0	0.00	0.06

Number of Special Guardianship placements failed with the child(ren) then subject to an application for a Placement Order:	Number	Per 10k population	Average
1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016	1	0.20	0.02
1 April 2014 and 31 March 2015	0	0.00	0.00
1 April 2013 and 31 March 2014	0	0.00	0.00

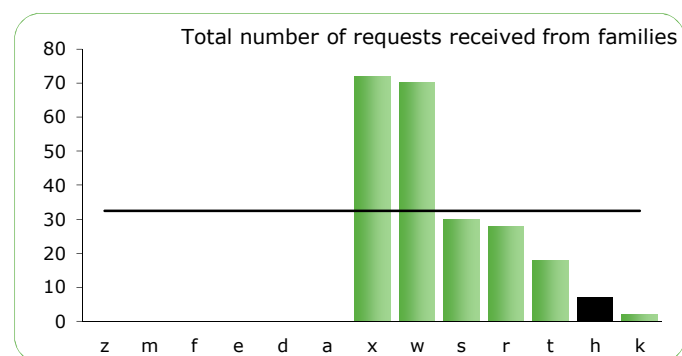
Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 14 (c)

Post Special Guardianship Order Support

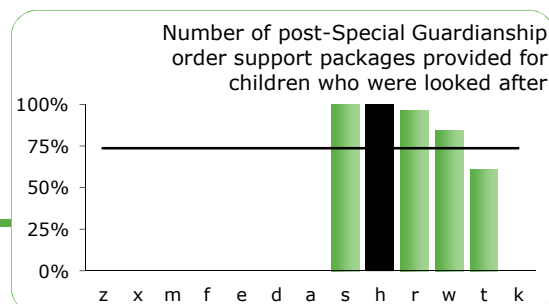
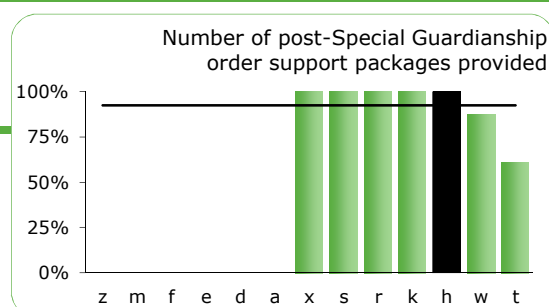
Number of requests for Special Guardianship support received from families (where the granting of an order was between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016):

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Of those requests:	Number Barchester	per all requests received Barchester	Average
How many post-Special Guardianship order support packages were provided between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016?	7	100.00%	92.61%
How many post-Special Guardianship order support packages were provided between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016 for children who were looked after?	7	100.00%	73.64%



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 14 (d)



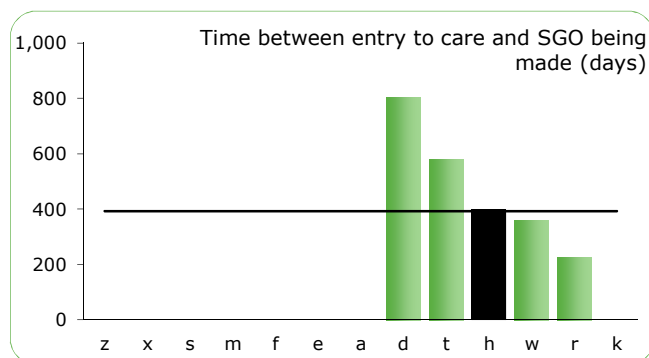
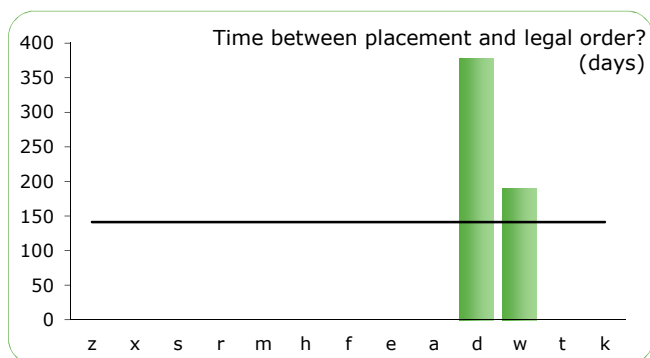
Post Special Guardianship Order Support - Services Provided

Service Provided	% yes	
Therapeutic services for the child	✗	54%
Services related to child behaviour difficulties	✗	62%
Services to support child's education	✗	62%
Advice, information or guidance from local authorities	✓	69%
Supporting contact/relationships with birth family	✓	69%
Assistance with legal costs	✓	54%
Short breaks/respite care	✗	23%

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 14 (d)

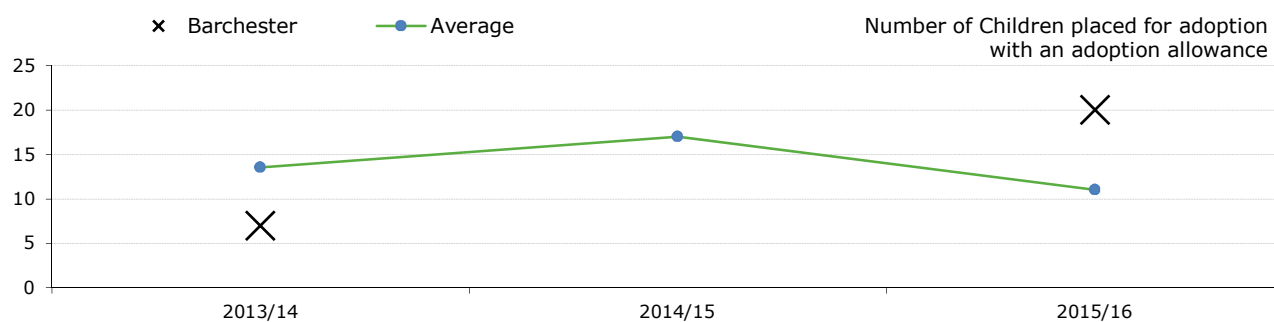
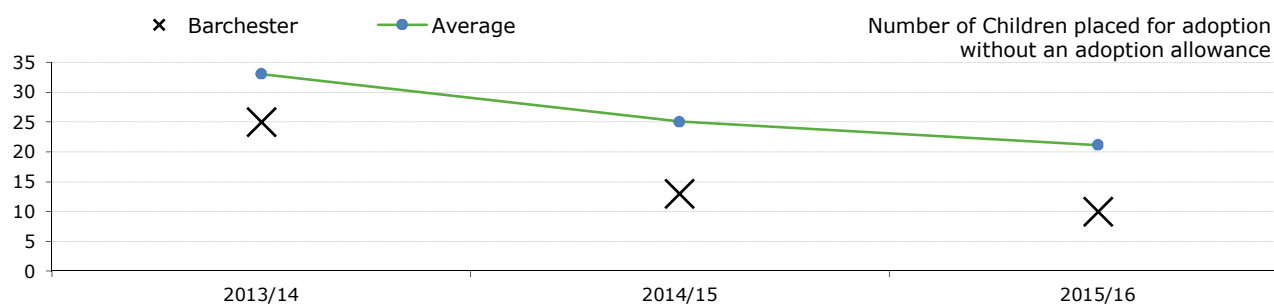
Timeliness

	Number	Average
Time between placement and legal order? (days)	na	141.75
Time between entry to care and SGO being made (days)	397	393.67



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 14 (e)

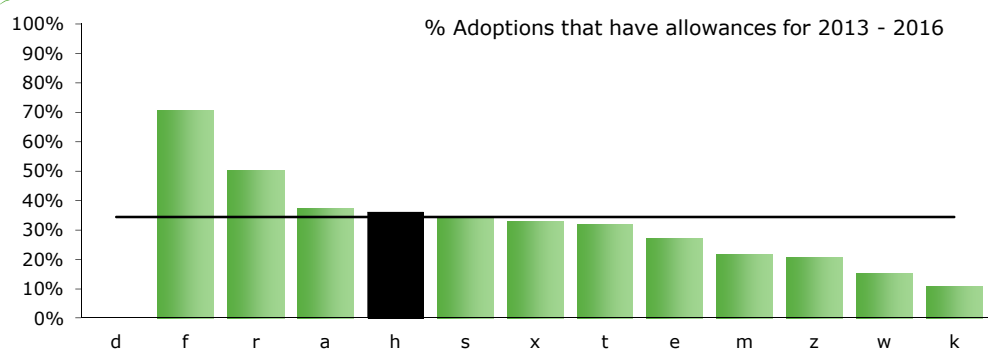
Section 4: Financial Support



Adoptions	2013/14		2014/15		2015/16	
		Average		Average		Average
Without an allowance	25	33.0	13	25.0	10	21.1
With an allowance	7	13.5	na	17.0	20	11.0

Special Guardianship Orders	2013/14		2014/15		2015/16	
		Average		Average		Average
Without an allowance	na	na	na	0.0	23	5.7
With an allowance	0	56.7	na	75.7	34	50.8

Child Arrangement Orders	2013/14		2014/15		2015/16	
		Average		Average		Average
Without an allowance	na	na	na	0.0	na	0.3
With an allowance	na	68.5	na	48.0	13	23.4



	%	Avg
% of Adoptions with allowances 2013 - 2016	36.0%	34.4%
% of Special Guardianship Orders with allowances 2013 - 2016	59.6%	97.0%
% of Child Arrangement Orders with allowances 2013 - 2016	100.0%	99.8%

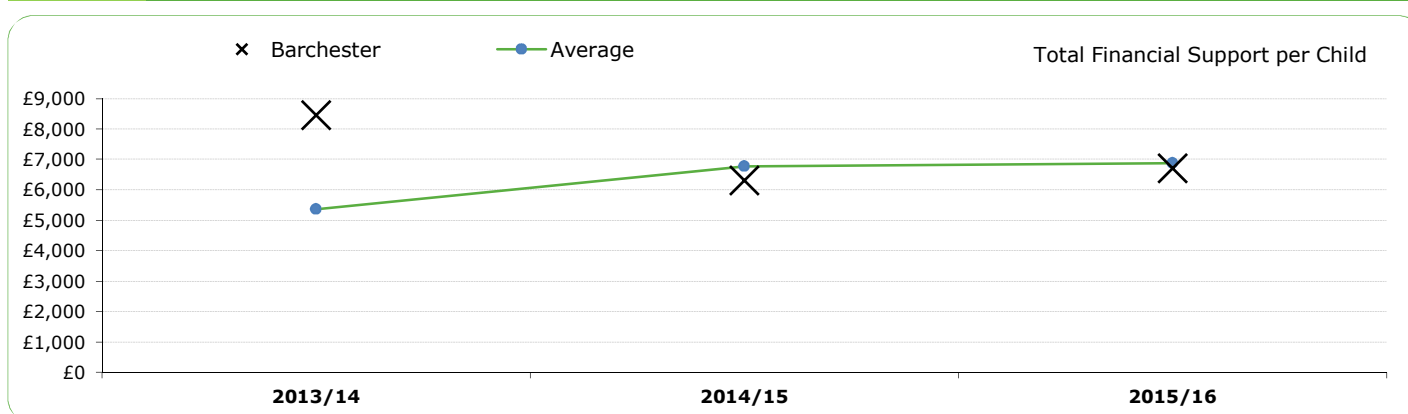
Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 15 (a)

Number of children receiving financial support

Financial Support Provided	Number of children receiving financial support		
	Number	per 10k	Average
2013/14	96	19.3	13.9
2014/15	107	21.5	13.5
2015/16	122	24.6	12.8
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

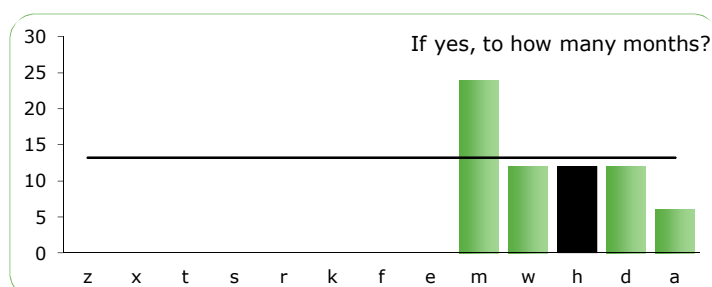
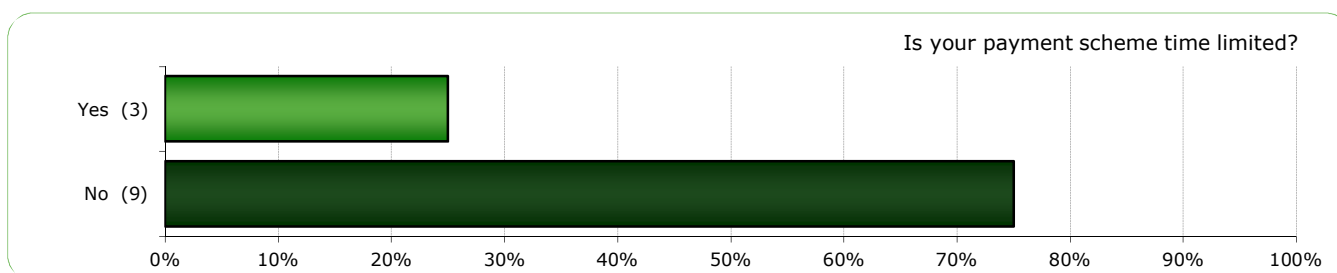
Value of financial support

Financial Support Provided	Value of "standard" ongoing financial support			Value of "care related" ongoing financial support			Value of other financial support			Total financial support		
	Value	per child	Avg	Value	per child	Avg	Value	per child	Avg	Value	per child	Avg
2013/14	£761k	£7,927	£6,431	£17k	£177	£354	£35k	£365	£183	£813k	£8,469	£5,374
2014/15	£656k	£6,131	£6,472	£19k	£178	£277	£0k	£0	£21	£675k	£6,308	£6,770
2015/16	£799k	£6,549	£6,807	£19k	£156	£246	£0k	£0	£39	£818k	£6,705	£6,887



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 15 (b)

Financial Support Policy

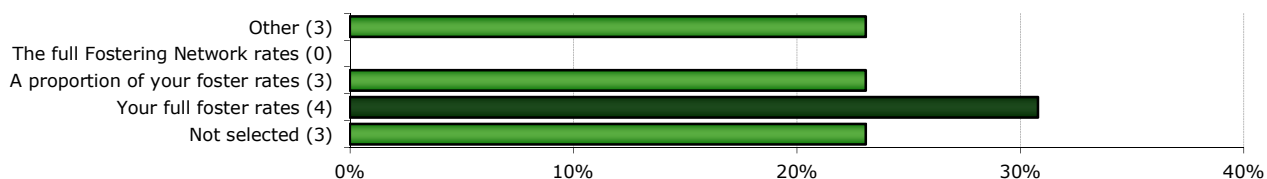


Barchester	Average
12	13

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 16

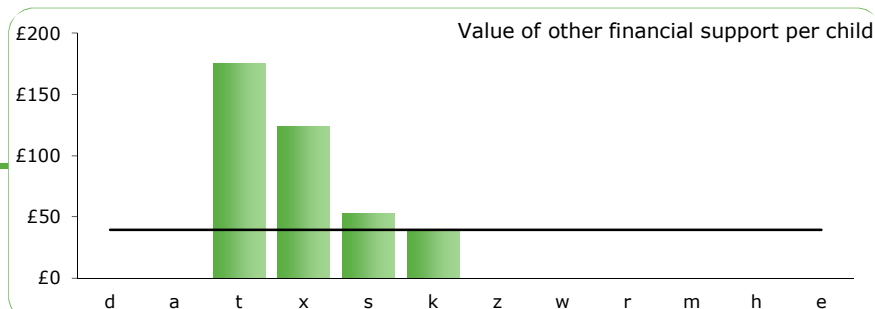
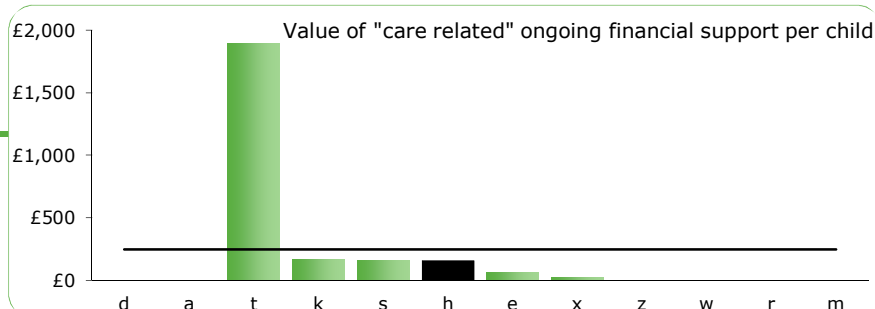
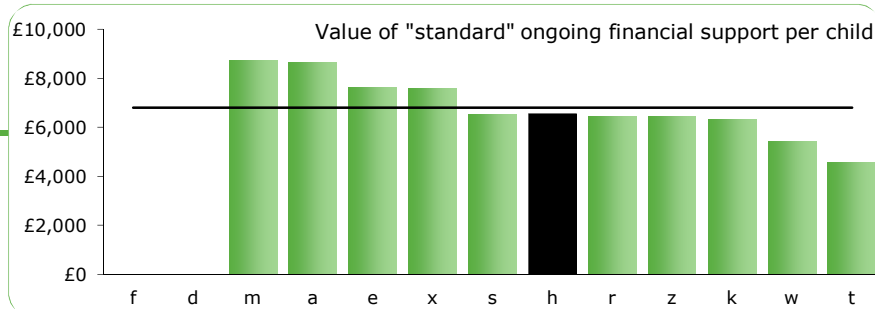
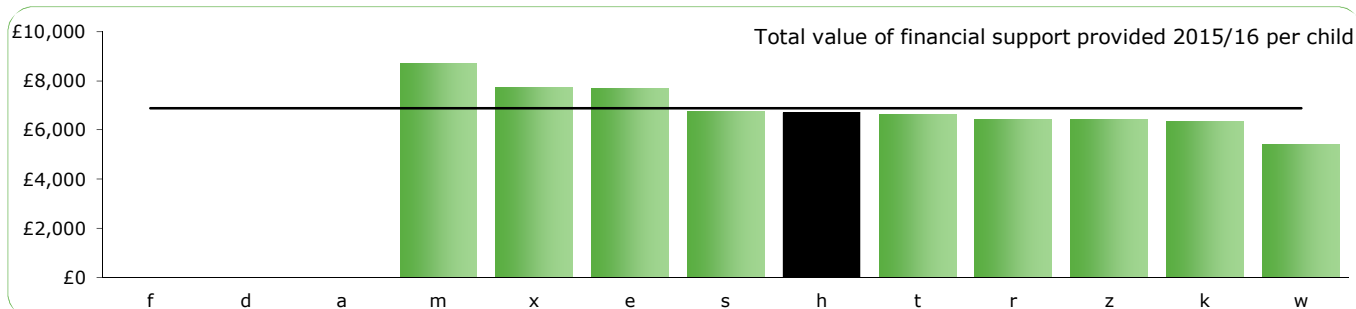
Financial Support Policy

Do you align your standard weekly financial support rates with:



Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 16 (c)

Detailed financial support figures per child for 2015/16

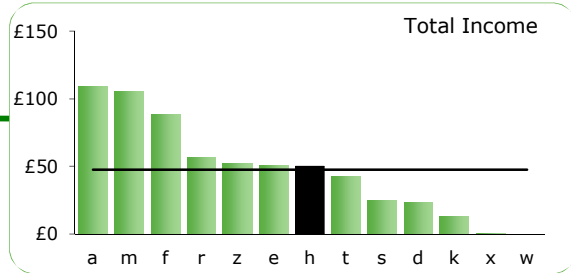
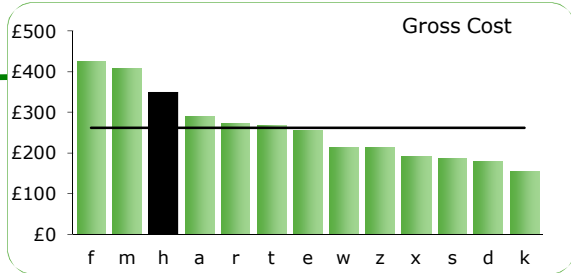
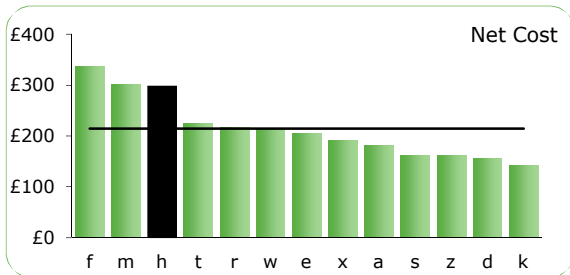


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Section 5: Costs

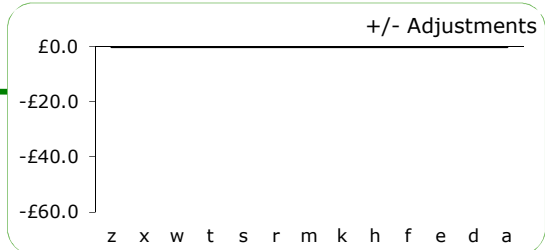
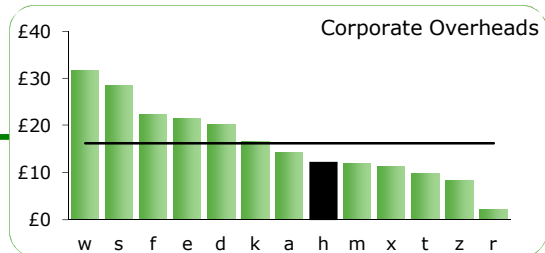
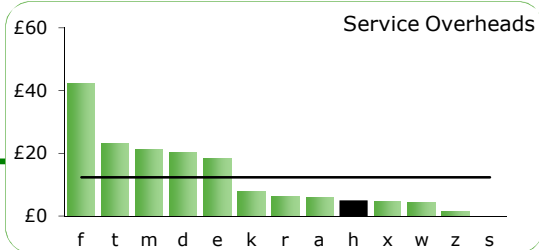
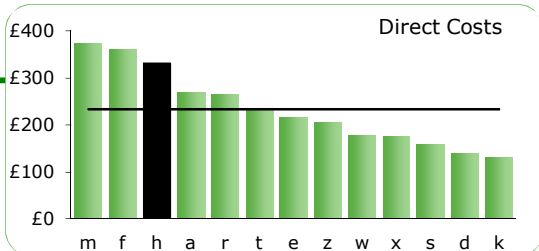
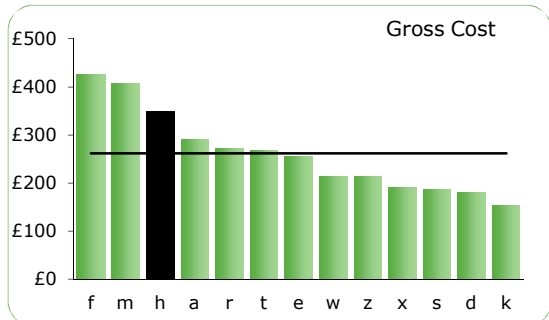
Net Cost of Adoption per 10k population

2015/16



Gross Cost of Adoption per 10k population

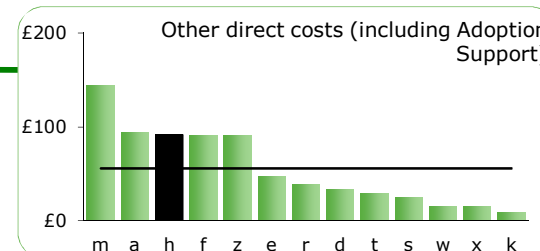
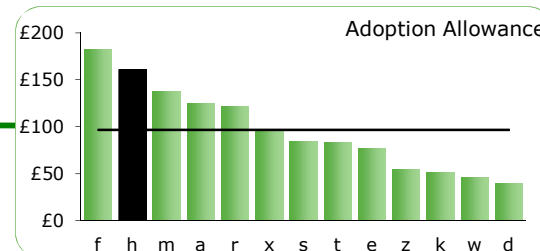
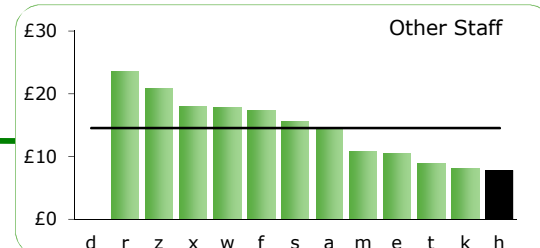
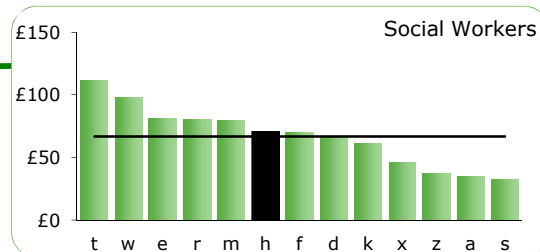
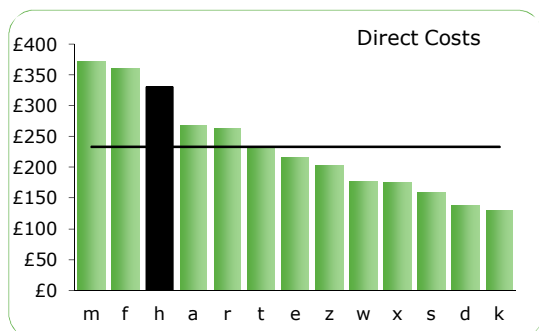
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Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 17 (a)

Direct Costs of Adoption per 10k population

2015/16

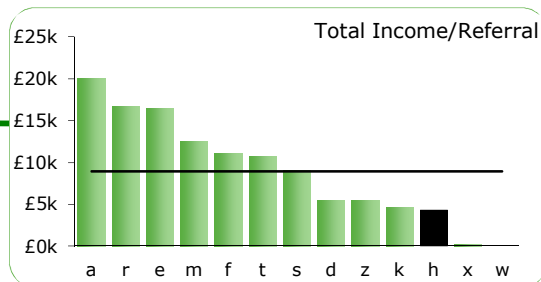
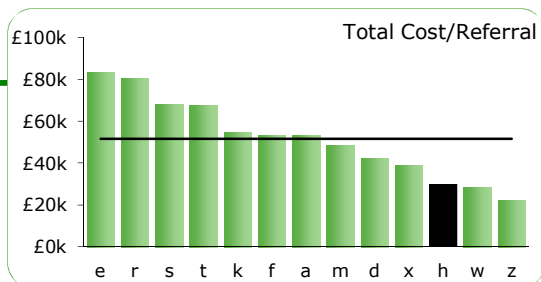
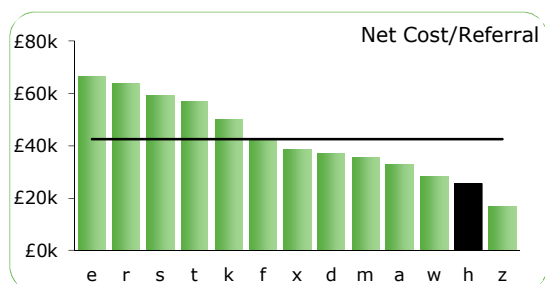


Cost of Adoption		Per 10k population	Average
Direct Costs			
Social Workers	£352k	£70.85	£66.98
Other Staff	£38k	£7.73	£14.48
Adoption Allowance	£799k	£160.82	£96.75
Other direct costs (including Adoption Support)	£456k	£91.78	£55.91
Sub total	£1,645k	£331.17	£233.01
Indirect Costs			
Service Overheads	£24k	£4.83	£12.34
Corporate Overheads	£61k	£12.28	£16.24
Sub total	£85k	£17.11	£28.58
+/- Adjustments	£0k	£0.00	£0.00
Gross Cost	£1,730k	£348.28	£261.58
Total Income	£248k	£49.92	£47.30
Net Cost	£1,482k	£298.37	£214.28
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 17 (a)

Net Cost of Adoption per Referral

2015/16

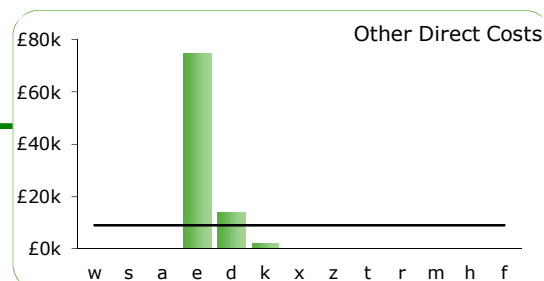
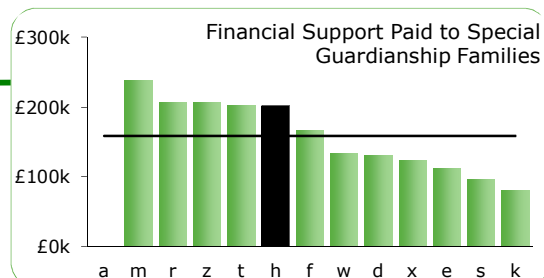
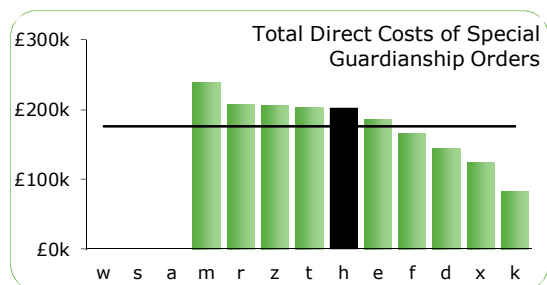


Cost of Adoption	per referral		Average
Total Cost	£1,730k	£29.8k	£51.6k
Total Income	£248k	£4.3k	£8.9k
Net Cost	£1,482k	£25.6k	£42.6k
Referrals received where adoption is the plan	58		

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 17 (a)

Cost of Special Guardianship Orders

2015/16

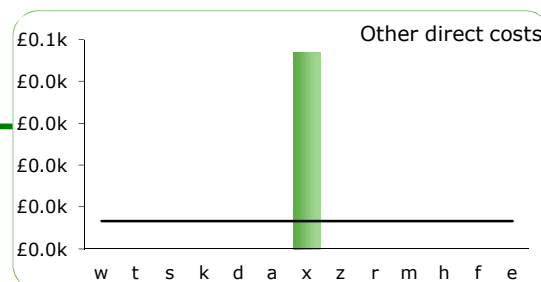
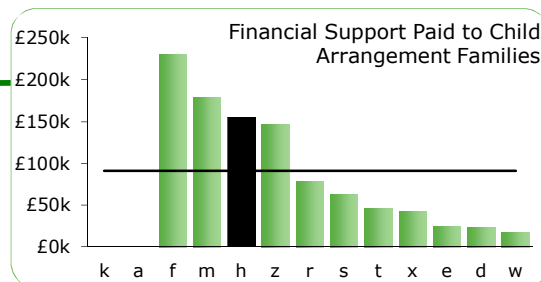
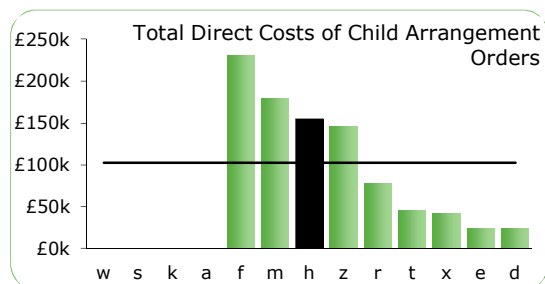


Special Guardianship Orders	Per 10k population		Average
Financial Support Paid to Special Guardianship Families	£1,003k	£201.9k	£158.2k
Other Direct Costs	£0.0k	£0.0k	£9.1k
Total Direct Costs	£1,003k	£201.9k	£175.9k
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 18 (a)

Cost of Child Arrangement Orders

2015/16



Child Arrangement Orders		Per 10k population	Average
Financial Support Paid to Child Arrangement Families	£769k	£154.8k	£91.1k
Other Direct Costs	£0.0k	£0.00k	£0.01k
Total Direct Costs	£769k	£154.8k	£102.4k
Population aged between 0-17 (0000's)	4.97		

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 19 (a)

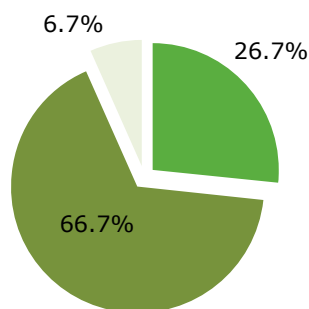
Section 6: Adoption Support Fund

	Number	%	Average
Number of Bids put in:	15		
Number of Successful Bids:	15	100.0%	95.0%

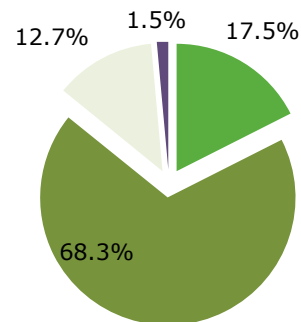


Successful bids	Number	%	Average
Under £1000	4	26.7%	17.6%
£1,000 to £10,000	10	66.7%	68.4%
£10,001 to £50,000	1	6.7%	12.8%
Over £50,000	0	0.0%	1.5%

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Average



■ Under £1000
 ■ £1,000 to £10,000
 ■ £10,001 to £50,000
 ■ Over £50,000

Source: Adoption Questionnaire - question 20

Section 7: Time Series Analysis

The 2016 averages are the actual club averages.

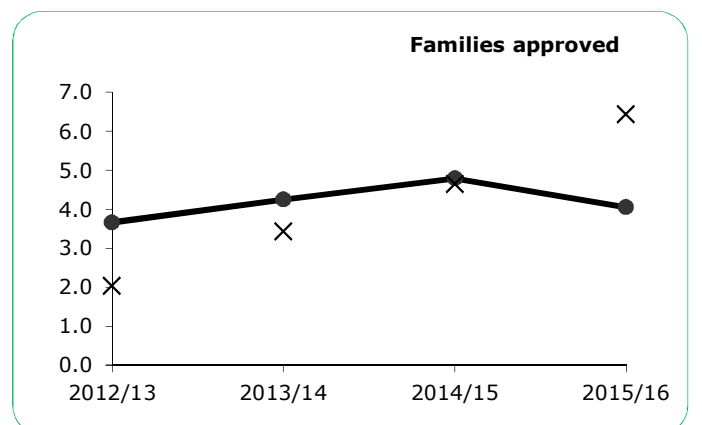
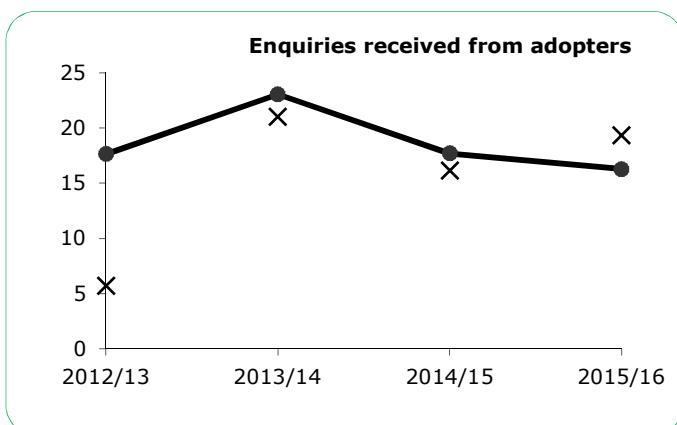
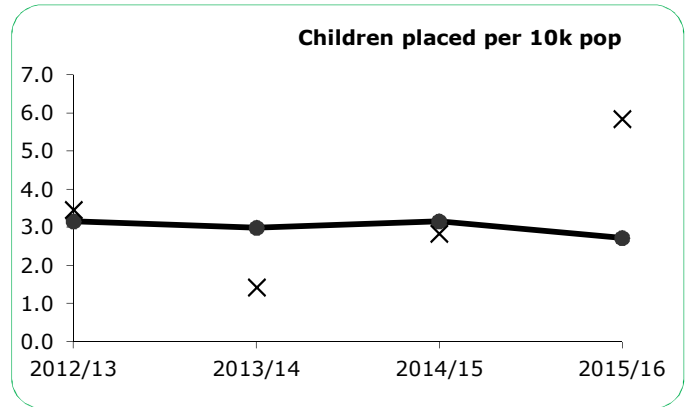
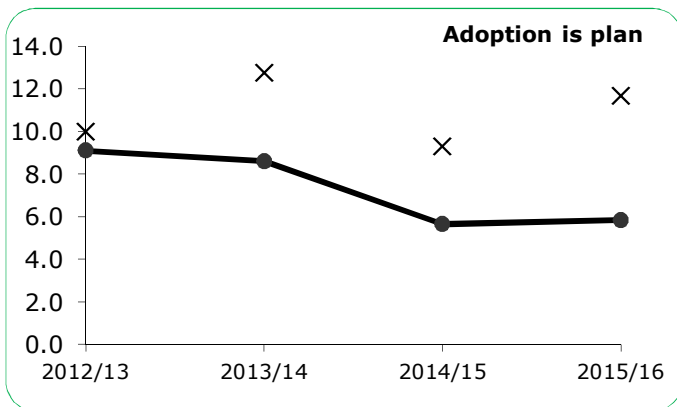
The full club averages are used even in comparator reports.

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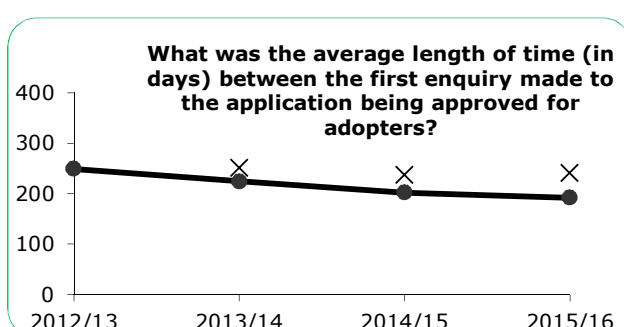
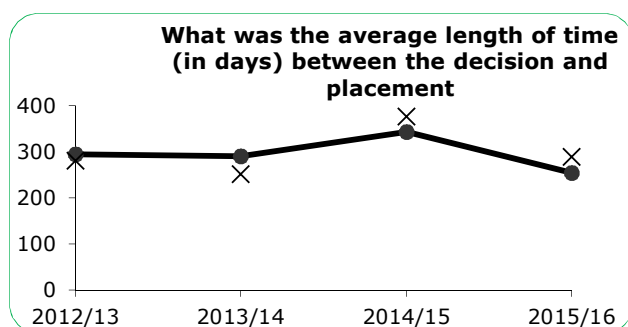
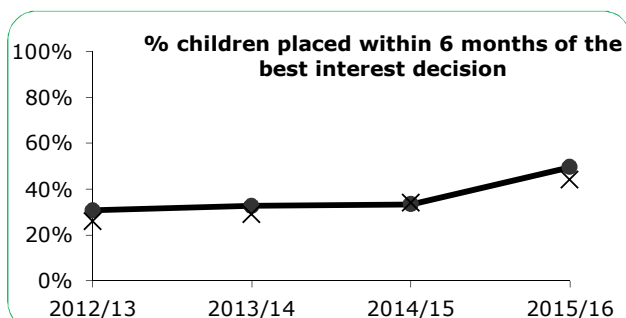
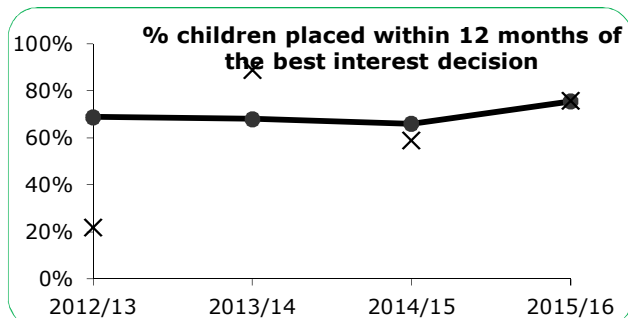
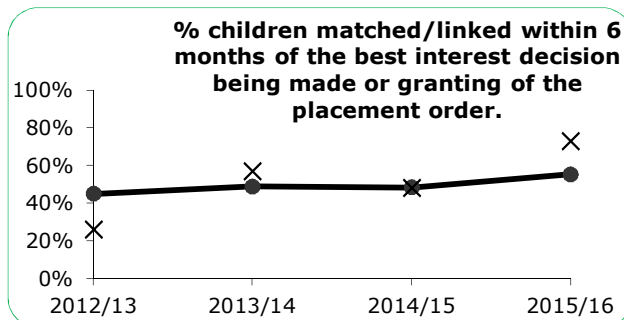
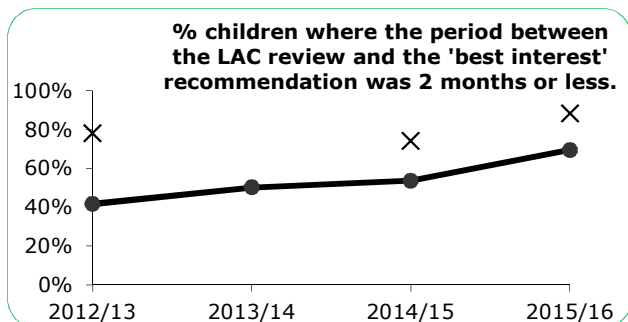
Times Series (per 10k population 0-17)

		Barchester	Average
Adoption is plan	2015/16	11.67	5.83
	2014/15	9.28	5.65
	2013/14	12.74	8.61
	2012/13	9.97	9.09
Children placed per 10k pop	2015/16	5.84	2.72
	2014/15	2.82	3.16
	2013/14	1.42	2.98
	2012/13	3.46	3.16
Enquiries received from adopters	2015/16	19.32	16.27
	2014/15	16.14	17.70
	2013/14	21.03	23.04
	2012/13	5.70	17.65
Families approved	2015/16	6.44	4.05
	2014/15	4.64	4.79
	2013/14	3.44	4.24
	2012/13	2.04	3.66



Times Series

		Barchester	Average
% children where the period between the LAC review and the 'best interest' recommendation was 2 months or less.	2015/16	88.0%	69.4%
	2014/15	74.0%	53.6%
	2013/14	na	50.1%
	2012/13	77.8%	41.6%
% children matched/linked within 6 months of the best interest decision being made or granting of the placement order.	2015/16	73.0%	55.3%
	2014/15	48.0%	48.3%
	2013/14	57.0%	48.9%
	2012/13	26.0%	44.9%
% children placed within 12 months of the best interest decision	2015/16	76.0%	75.5%
	2014/15	59.0%	66.0%
	2013/14	89.0%	68.1%
	2012/13	22.0%	68.8%
% children placed within 6 months of the best interest decision	2015/16	44.0%	49.6%
	2014/15	34.0%	33.4%
	2013/14	29.0%	32.7%
	2012/13	26.0%	30.7%
What was the average length of time (in days) between the decision and placement	2015/16	289	254
	2014/15	376	343
	2013/14	251	290
	2012/13	280	295
What was the average length of time (in days) between the first enquiry made to the application being approved for adopters?	2015/16	241	192
	2014/15	237	202
	2013/14	251	225
	2012/13	403	249



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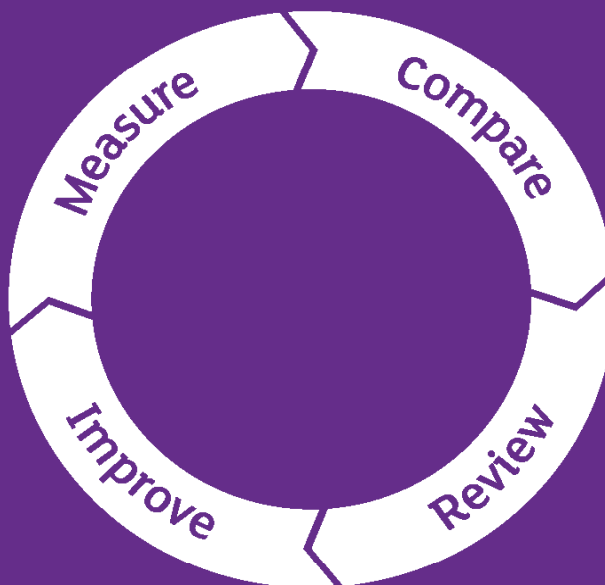
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