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## FOREWORD

This is the 6th report of the Children in Care survey. There is a number of changes in preparation, presentation and content from previous years.

### Preparation of the Report

This report is the first Children in Care survey to have been processed entirely on the Department of Health's information system. A special word of thanks is due to Jim Graham, Chris MacLochlainn and Tadhg O'Sullivan of the Department's Organisation Unit and also to the social workers and other health board staff who supplied the raw material for the report.

### Presentation of the Report

This report is divided into three main parts. Part A contains information on children in the care of health boards on one particular day (31 December, 1984); Part B contains information on children who were at any time in the care of health boards in 1984 - this is significantly different information from that in Part A, as children continuously enter and leave the care of health boards during a year; Part C contains information strictly relating to the year 1984. Detailed information on individual health boards is given in Appendices.

The nomenclature used in the report takes account of the Status of Children Act, 1987.

### Content of the Report

Changes have been made from previous years in an effort to make the information more relevant and easily understood. Some tables have been added, some omitted and some re-designed. This development will be taken a stage further in the next report.

### Number of Children in Care

The number of children in care on 31 December, 1984 was 2,400, a decrease of approximately 5% on the previous 31 December. The number of children who were at any time in care during 1984 was 3,671, an increase of approximately 2% on 1983.

**PART A**

CHILDREN IN THE CARE OF HEALTH BOARDS ON 31ST DECEMBER, 1984

TABLE A.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 (1983) BY TYPE OF CARE

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<b>HEALTH BOARD</b>					
EASTERN	345 (331)	481 (581)	24 (65)	7 (10)	857 (987)
MIDLAND	115 (122)	48 (49)	0 (0)	0 (0)	163 (171)
MID-WESTERN	219 (222)	124 (111)	0 (0)	0 (0)	343 (333)
NORTH-EASTERN	101 (113)	71 (67)	0 (0)	0 (0)	172 (180)
NORTH-WESTERN	72 (76)	44 (43)	0 (0)	0 (0)	116 (119)
SOUTH-EASTERN	154 (157)	152 (149)	1 (0)	0 (0)	307 (306)
SOUTHERN	142 (148)	156 (143)	2 (3)	0 (0)	300 (294)
WESTERN	110 (98)	29 (43)	3 (3)	0 (0)	142 (144)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1258 (1267)</b>	<b>1105 (1186)</b>	<b>30 (71)</b>	<b>7 (10)</b>	<b>2400 (2534)</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>52.4% (50.0%)</b>	<b>46.0% (46.8%)</b>	<b>1.3% (2.8%)</b>	<b>0.3% (0.4%)</b>	<b>100.0% (100.0%)</b>

Table A.2

Number of Children in Care on the 31 December from 1982-84

	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1984</u>
<u>Health Board</u>			
Eastern	903	987	857
Midland	179	171	163
Mid-Western	327	333	343
North-Eastern	170	180	172
North-Western	110	119	116
South-Eastern	318	306	307
Southern	279	294	300
Western	160	144	142
Total	2446	2534	2400

TABLE A.3

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY HEALTH BOARD

PRIMARY REASON FOR ADMISSION TO CARE	EASTERN	MIDLAND	MID-WESTERN	NORTH-EASTERN	NORTH-WESTERN	SOUTH-EASTERN	SOUTHERN	WESTERN	TOTAL
Physical Abuse	51	8	10	6	6	14	24	1	120
Sexual Abuse	11	1	3	5	1	3	3	1	28
Emotional Abuse	47	11	25	5	6	17	18	5	134
Neglect	206	38	70	31	37	34	79	33	528
One Parent Family Unable to Cope	259	60	119	64	39	145	87	52	825
Marital Disharmony	55	8	37	13	16	29	23	16	197
Child out of Control	49	2	26	8	1	8	11	3	108
Child Abandoned	62	18	20	18	2	40	23	12	195
Both Parents Dead	15	7	1	1	1	2	7	5	39
Short Term Crisis	61	5	25	14	6	10	23	9	153
Awaiting Adoption	41	5	7	7	1	5	2	5	73
<b>Total</b>	<b>857</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>2400</b>

TABLE A.4

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY AGE

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	OVER 15 YEARS	TOTAL	As % of Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	2	5	14	21	43	15	20	120	5.0%
SEXUAL ABUSE	0	0	0	1	12	5	10	28	1.2%
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	3	7	11	29	34	25	25	134	5.6%
NEGLECT	7	20	55	95	186	96	69	528	22.0%
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	30	27	88	139	235	132	174	825	34.4%
MARITAL DISHARMONY	5	4	8	26	51	52	51	197	8.2%
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	0	2	0	3	18	44	41	108	4.5%
CHILD ABANDONED	1	7	23	30	66	34	34	195	8.1%
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	2	0	2	0	4	11	20	39	1.6%
SHORT TERM CRISIS	19	10	19	27	37	27	14	153	6.4%
AWAITING ADOPTION	30	19	17	5	2	0	0	73	3.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>688</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>2400</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*Note: Age of children calculated as at 31 December 1984

TABLE A.5

BASIS FOR ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 (1983) BY HEALTH BOARD

HEALTH BOARD	VOLUNTARY ADMISSION	ADMISSION BY COURT ORDER	TOTAL
EASTERN	593 (707)	264 (280)	857 (987)
MIDLAND	135 (137)	28 (34)	163 (171)
MID-WESTERN	279 (277)	64 (56)	343 (333)
NORTH-EASTERN	128 (141)	44 (39)	172 (180)
NORTH-WESTERN	75 (79)	41 (40)	116 (119)
SOUTH-EASTERN	257 (268)	50 (38)	307 (306)
SOUTHERN	201 (204)	99 (90)	300 (294)
WESTERN	112 (120)	30 (24)	142 (144)
TOTAL	1780 (1933)	620 (601)	2400 (2534)
As % of Total	74.2% (76.3%)	25.8% (23.7%)	100.0% (100.0%)

TABLE A.6

STATUS OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY HEALTH BOARD

	Children of Married Parents	Children of Unmarried Mothers	Children of Married Women where husband is not Father	Total
<u>HEALTH BOARD</u>				
EASTERN	520	308	29	857
MIDLAND	117	34	12	163
MID WESTERN	256	81	6	343
NORTH EASTERN	87	67	18	172
NORTH WESTERN	61	50	5	116
SOUTH EASTERN	167	123	17	307
SOUTHERN	215	69	16	300
WESTERN	83	59	0	142
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1506</b>	<b>791</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>2400</b>
<b>% OF TOTAL</b>	<b>62.8%</b>	<b>33.0%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

TABLE A.7

STATUS OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE

<u>STATUS</u>	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
Children of Married Parents	644	848	8	6	1506
Children of Unmarried Mothers	537	231	22	1	791
Children of Married Women where husband is not Father	77	26	0	0	103
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1258</b>	<b>1105</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2400</b>

TABLE A.8

LENGTH OF STAY TO DATE OF ALL CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY HEALTH BOARD

<u>HEALTH BOARD</u>	<u>0-3 MONTHS</u>	<u>3-12 MONTHS</u>	<u>1-3 YEARS</u>	<u>3-5 YEARS</u>	<u>OVER 5 YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
EASTERN	48	108	244	160	297	857
MIDLAND	5	12	48	32	66	163
MID-WESTERN	19	30	101	48	145	343
NORTH-EASTERN	8	14	51	41	58	172
NORTH-WESTERN	10	5	23	19	59	116
SOUTH-EASTERN	8	35	65	37	162	307
SOUTHERN	12	41	57	71	119	300
WESTERN	14	13	28	21	66	142
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>972</b>	<b>2400</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>10.8%</b>	<b>25.7%</b>	<b>17.9%</b>	<b>40.5%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

TABLE A.9

LENGTH OF STAY TO DATE OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 RELATED TO TYPE OF CARE

	<u>0-3</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>3-12</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>1-3</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>3-5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>OVER 5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FOSTER CARE	68	145	285	211	549	1258
RESIDENTIAL CARE	54	112	317	214	408	1105
PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	2	1	12	3	12	30
SUPERVISION AT HOME	0	0	3	1	3	7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>972</b>	<b>2400</b>
As % of Total	5.1%	10.8%	25.7%	17.9%	40.5%	100.0%

**PART B**

CHILDREN IN THE CARE OF HEALTH BOARDS DURING 1984

TABLE B.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY HEALTH BOARD BY TYPE OF CARE

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>HEALTH BOARD</u>					
EASTERN	548	792	66	10	1416
MIDLAND	167	52	0	0	219
MID-WESTERN	350	149	0	0	499
NORTH-EASTERN	134	109	0	0	243
NORTH-WESTERN	107	61	0	0	168
SOUTH-EASTERN	218	225	1	0	444
SOUTHERN	236	225	3	0	464
WESTERN	173	41	3	1	218
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1933</b>	<b>1654</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3671</b>
As % of Total	52.6%	45.1%	2.0%	0.3%	100.00%

TABLE B.2

REASON FOR PLACEMENT IN RESIDENTIAL CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY HEALTH BOARD

	EASTERN	MIDLAND	MID- WESTERN	NORTH EASTERN	NORTH WESTERN	SOUTH EASTERN	SOUTHERN	WESTERN	TOTAL	As % of Total
NO SHORT TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	34	0	3	1	1	31	5	0	75	4.5%
NO LONG-TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	123	2	6	20	23	6	6	2	188	11.4%
BREAKDOWN IN FOSTER PLACEMENT	10	0	0	3	0	8	3	0	24	1.5%
SIBLINGS IN SAME RESIDENTIAL HOME	165	31	55	12	12	86	115	11	487	29.4%
AWAITING ADOPTION	3	0	0	11	0	1	4	1	20	1.2%
PARENTS REFUSE TO ALLOW CHILD TO BE FOSTERED	22	4	1	32	2	26	18	4	109	6.6%
RESIDENTIAL CARE MOST SUITABLE FOR CHILD'S NEEDS	406	15	84	28	21	65	71	22	712	43.0%
OTHER REASONS	29	0	0	2	2	2	3	1	39	2.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>1654</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

TABLE B.3

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF ALL CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 (1983) BY HEALTH BOARD

	EASTERN	MIDLAND	MID- WESTERN	NORTH EASTERN	NORTH WESTERN	SOUTH EASTERN	SOUTHERN	WESTERN	TOTAL
PHYSICAL ABUSE	68 (66)	12 (11)	17 (11)	8 (6)	9 (8)	17 (14)	28 (21)	2 (2)	161 (139)
SEXUAL ABUSE	17 (10)	2 (2)	3 (4)	5 (5)	1 (1)	4 (5)	4 (3)	5 (6)	41 (36)
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	60 (63)	12 (15)	28 (17)	6 (3)	6 (4)	18 (22)	24 (11)	8 (15)	162 (150)
NEGLECT	270(242)	44 (40)	82 (73)	35 (30)	40 (36)	37 (48)	97 (98)	36 (30)	641 (597)
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	378(384)	63 (80)	132 (170)	83 (94)	45 (48)	172 (165)	118 (112)	65 (80)	1056 (1133)
MARITAL DISHARMONY	87 (112)	11 (15)	45 (50)	18 (25)	20 (20)	45 (51)	45 (31)	17 (18)	288 (322)
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	97 (99)	4 (4)	27 (25)	8 (6)	1 (3)	14 (16)	16 (13)	4 (6)	171 (172)
CHILD ABANDONED	86 (92)	21 (22)	23 (24)	18 (18)	3 (4)	47 (49)	31 (26)	13 (13)	242 (248)
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	21 (18)	10 (13)	2 (0)	1 (1)	1 (1)	2 (3)	7 (9)	11 (7)	55 (52)
SHORT TERM CRISIS	225 (216)	17 (25)	95 (65)	46 (34)	30 (16)	52 (43)	86 (77)	20 (14)	571 (490)
AWAITING ADOPTION	107 (110)	23 (8)	45 (25)	15 (19)	12 (18)	36 (11)	8 (17)	37 (48)	283 (256)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1416 (1412)</b>	<b>219 (235)</b>	<b>499 (464)</b>	<b>243 (241)</b>	<b>168 (159)</b>	<b>444 (427)</b>	<b>464 (418)</b>	<b>218 (239)</b>	<b>3671 (3595)</b>

TABLE B.4

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF ALL CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 (1983) BY TYPE OF CARE

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	Total	As % of Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	86 (64)	70 (70)	5 (5)	0 (0)	161 (139)	4.3% (3.9%)
SEXUAL ABUSE	17 (9)	24 (27)	0 (0)	0 (0)	41 (36)	1.1% (1.0%)
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	66 (64)	96 (86)	0 (0)	0 (0)	162 (150)	4.4% (4.2%)
NEGLECT	288 (234)	346 (356)	1 (2)	6 (5)	641 (597)	17.5% (16.6%)
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	615 (695)	402 (380)	37 (56)	2 (2)	1056 (1133)	28.8% (31.5%)
MARITAL DISHARMONY	126 (131)	160 (189)	2 (2)	0 (0)	288 (322)	7.8% (9.0%)
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	20 (16)	151 (156)	0 (0)	0 (0)	171 (172)	4.7% (4.8%)
CHILD ABANDONED	144 (149)	97 (98)	0 (0)	1 (1)	242 (248)	6.6% (6.9%)
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	41 (38)	14 (14)	0 (0)	0 (0)	55 (52)	1.5% (1.4%)
SHORT-TERM CRISIS	290 (224)	268 (260)	11 (4)	2 (2)	571 (490)	15.6% (13.6%)
AWAITING ADOPTION	240 (178)	26 (50)	17 (28)	0 (0)	283 (256)	7.7% (7.1%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1933 (1802)</b>	<b>1654 (1686)</b>	<b>73 (97)</b>	<b>11 (10)</b>	<b>3671 (3595)</b>	<b>100.0%(100.0%)</b>

TABLE B.5

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN OF UNMARRIED MOTHERS IN CARE DURING 1984

	<u>EASTERN</u>	<u>MIDLAND</u>	<u>WESTERN</u>	<u>MID- EASTERN</u>	<u>NORTH- WESTERN</u>	<u>NORTH- EASTERN</u>	<u>SOUTH- SOUTHERN</u>	<u>WESTERN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
PHYSICAL ABUSE	16	3	3	2	4	7	2	0	37
SEXUAL ABUSE	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	5	8
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	14	3	7	2	3	8	3	0	40
NEGLECT	49	3	6	2	10	6	16	7	99
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	211	23	49	68	34	92	53	47	577
MARITAL DISHARMONY	14	0	3	2	1	3	2	2	27
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	11	2	3	1	0	2	0	1	20
CHILD ABANDONED	42	3	10	8	3	16	8	4	9
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	5	0	1	0	0	0	1	6	13
SHORT TERM CRISIS	55	3	24	8	2	19	8	5	124
AWAITING ADOPTION	94	21	43	12	12	33	8	37	260
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>1299</b>

TABLE B.6

BASIS FOR ADMISSION OF ALL CHILDREN IN CARE OF HEALTH BOARDS DURING 1984 (1983)

<u>Health Board</u>	<u>Voluntary Admission</u>	<u>Admission By Court Order</u>	<u>Total</u>
Eastern	1089 (1096)	327 (316)	1416 (1412)
Midland	181 (192)	38 (43)	219 (235)
Mid-Western	425 (406)	74 (58)	499 (464)
North-Eastern	197 (197)	46 (44)	243 (241)
North-Western	122 (117)	46 (42)	168 (159)
South-Eastern	390 (379)	54 (48)	444 (427)
Southern	344 (323)	120 (95)	464 (418)
Western	182 (202)	36 (37)	218 (239)
Total	2930 (2912)	741 (683)	3671 (3595)
As % of Total	79.8% (81.0%)	20.2% (19.0%)	100.0% (100.0%)

TABLE B.7

AGE ON ADMISSION OF ALL CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY HEALTH BOARD

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	15+ YEARS	TOTAL
<u>Health Board</u>								
EASTERN	375	135	209	251	289	119	38	1416
MIDLAND	66	18	42	33	37	19	4	219
MID-WESTERN	157	49	62	87	95	33	16	499
NORTH-EASTERN	98	33	35	28	35	12	2	243
NORTH-WESTERN	63	12	29	26	27	10	1	168
SOUTH-EASTERN	126	43	68	78	87	31	11	444
SOUTHERN	112	53	91	83	81	29	15	464
WESTERN	99	15	25	35	27	13	4	218
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1096</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>3671</b>
As % of Total	29.9%	9.8%	15.3%	16.9%	18.4%	7.3%	2.4%	100.0%

Table B.8

NUMBER OF PLACEMENTS DURING CURRENT STAY FOR CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

<u>No. of Placements</u>	<u>No. of Children</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
1	3500	95.3%
2	113	3.1%
3	46	1.3%
4 or more	12	0.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3671</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table B.9

NUMBER OF PREVIOUS ADMISSIONS TO CARE (SINCE 1980) OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

<u>No. of Previous Admissions</u>	<u>No. of Children</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
No Previous Admission	2924	79.7%
1-3	725	19.7%
4-5	16	0.4%
Over 5	6	0.2 %
<b>Total</b>	<b>3671</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

TABLE B.10

NUMBER OF PREVIOUS ADMISSIONS TO CARE (SINCE 1980) OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY AGE OF CHILD

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	15+ YEARS	Total	As % of Total
<u>NO. of PREVIOUS ADMISSIONS</u>									
None	360	212	322	424	649	409	548	2924	79.7%
1-3	15	27	81	135	227	134	106	725	19.7%
4-5	1	1	4	2	3	3	2	16	0.4%
Over 5	0	0	2	1	2	0	1	6	0.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>3671</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

NOTE: AGE OF CHILDREN CALCULATED AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1984

TABLE B.11

CHILDREN RECEIVING CARE OUTSIDE RESPONSIBLE HEALTH BOARD'S AREA DURING 1984 (1983)

RESPONSIBLE HEALTH BOARD	HEALTH BOARD AREA IN WHICH CARE RECEIVED								TOTAL
	EASTERN	MIDLAND	MID- WESTERN	NORTH- EASTERN	NORTH- WESTERN	SOUTH- EASTERN	SOUTHERN	WESTERN	
EASTERN	-	6 (6)	2 (2)	7 (7)	0 (0)	19 (19)	1 (1)	2 (2)	37 (37)
MIDLAND	10 (11)	-	0 (0)	9 (11)	3 (3)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	22 (26)
MID-WESTERN	5 (5)	0 (0)	-	(0)	0 (0)	13 (15)	5 (5)	14 (15)	37 (40)
NORTH-EASTERN	14 (17)	10 (10)	0 (0)	-	3 (2)	3 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	30 (32)
NORTH-WESTERN	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	-	0 (0)	0 (0)	12 (14)	12 (15)
SOUTH-EASTERN	11 (12)	0 (0)	3 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	-	3 (4)	0 (0)	17 (19)
SOUTHERN	3 (3)	0 (0)	4 (4)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (1)	-	2 (1)	10 (9)
WESTERN	3 (5)	5 (5)	0 (0)	2 (2)	8 (11)	0 (0)	0 (0)	-	18 (23)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46 (54)</b>	<b>21 (21)</b>	<b>9 (9)</b>	<b>18 (20)</b>	<b>14 (16)</b>	<b>36 (39)</b>	<b>9 (10)</b>	<b>30 (32)</b>	<b>183 (201)</b>

TABLE B.12

NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDRENS' CASES REVIEWED DURING 1984

	No. of children	No. of cases reviewed	% of cases reviewed
HEALTH BOARD			
EASTERN	1416	628	44.4%
MIDLAND	219	186	84.9%
MID-WESTERN	499	331	66.3%
NORTH-EASTERN	243	175	72.0%
NORTH-WESTERN	168	117	69.6%
SOUTH-EASTERN	444	252	56.8%
SOUTHERN	464	266	57.3%
WESTERN	218	116	53.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3671</b>	<b>2071</b>	<b>56.4%</b>

**PART C**

ADMISSIONS AND DISCHARGES IN 1984

TABLE C.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 (1983) BY SEX

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Health Board</u>			
Eastern	244 (309)	204 (247)	448 (556)
Midland	25 (34)	23 (33)	48 (67)
Mid-Western	84 (83)	81 (91)	165 (174)
North-Eastern	31 (49)	32 (42)	63 (91)
North-Western	25 (25)	23 (31)	48 (56)
South Eastern	75 (58)	62 (68)	137 (126)
Southern	83 (81)	87 (77)	170 (158)
Western	35 (50)	39 (57)	74 (107)
Total for 1984	602 (689)	551 (646)	1153 (1335)
Increase/Decrease From 1983 To 1984	- 12.6%	- 14.7%	- 13.6%

TABLE C.2

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 BY AGE

	<u>UP TO 1 YEAR</u>	<u>1-2 YEARS</u>	<u>2-4 YEARS</u>	<u>4-7 YEARS</u>	<u>7-12 YEARS</u>	<u>12-15 YEARS</u>	<u>15 + YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>HEALTH BOARD</u>								
EASTERN	115	48	67	80	77	42	19	448
MIDLAND	23	3	10	7	3	2	0	48
MID-WESTERN	72	21	18	15	23	7	9	165
NORTH-EASTERN	24	10	10	10	4	3	2	63
NORTH-WESTERN	14	6	8	8	8	4	0	48
SOUTH-EASTERN	47	11	10	20	30	13	6	137
SOUTHERN	34	9	36	23	38	16	14	170
WESTERN	47	5	7	8	4	1	2	74
<b>Total</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>1153</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>32.7%</b>	<b>9.8%</b>	<b>14.4%</b>	<b>14.8%</b>	<b>16.2%</b>	<b>7.6%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Note: Age of Children calculated as at 31 December 1984

TABLE C.3

REASON FOR CHILDREN LEAVING CARE DURING 1984

	REACHED LEGAL AGE LIMIT	REUNITED WITH FAMILY/ RELATIVES	IN AFTER CARE/SELF SUFFICIENT	ADOPTED	ABSCONDED	ADMITTED TO SPECIALISED UNIT	DEATH OF CHILD	OTHER	TOTAL
HEALTH BOARD									
EASTERN	15	441	8	56	12	1	1	25	559
MIDLAND	2	38	3	12	0	1	0	0	56
MID-WESTERN	8	101	3	41	0	0	0	3	156
NORTH-EASTERN	3	47	0	18	0	3	0	0	71
NORTH-WESTERN	5	32	1	10	3	0	1	0	52
SOUTH-EASTERN	9	81	4	34	4	1	3	1	137
SOUTHERN	4	141	4	9	0	3	0	3	164
WESTERN	5	35	1	31	0	2	1	1	76
TOTAL FOR 1984	51	916	24	211	19	11	6	33	1271
% of Total	4.0%	72.1%	1.9%	16.6%	1.5%	0.9%	0.4%	2.6%	100.0%

**APPENDICES**

DETAILS RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL HEALTH BOARDS

**EASTERN HEALTH BOARD**

EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.4

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY AGE

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	OVER 15 YEARS	TOTAL	As % of Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	2	2	6	5	20	9	7	51	6.0%
SEXUAL ABUSE	0	0	0	1	5	1	4	11	1.3%
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	1	1	1	8	13	13	10	47	5.5%
NEGLECT	2	9	26	34	67	37	31	206	24.0%
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	7	14	30	37	83	44	44	259	30.2%
MARITAL DISHARMONY	1	1	2	7	13	15	16	55	6.4%
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	0	1	0	2	9	20	17	49	5.7%
CHILD ABANDONED	0	3	6	11	19	11	12	62	7.2%
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	0	0	2	0	2	5	6	15	1.8%
SHORT TERM CRISIS	7	2	7	15	13	9	8	61	7.1%
AWAITING ADOPTION	16	8	13	3	1	0	0	41	4.8%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>857</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*Note: Age of Children calculated as at 31 December 1984

EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.7

STATUS OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>STATUS</u>					
Children of Married Parents	148	362	4	6	520
Children of Unmarried Mothers	179	108	20	1	308
Children of Married Women where husband is not Father	18	11	0	0	29
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>857</b>

EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.9

LENGTH OF STAY TO DATE OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 RELATED TO TYPE OF CARE

	<u>0-3</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>3-12</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>1-3</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>3-5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>OVER 5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FOSTER CARE	27	61	82	59	116	345
RESIDENTIAL CARE	20	46	147	98	170	481
PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	1	1	12	2	8	24
SUPERVISION AT HOME	0	0	3	1	3	7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>857</b>
As % of Total	5.6%	12.6%	28.5%	18.7%	34.6%	100.0%

EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE BY COMMUNITY CARE AREA

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>					
<b>DUBLIN</b>					
AREA 1	80	67	2	1	150
AREA 2	50	71	6	5	132
AREA 3	34	72	7	0	113
AREA 4	91	70	17	0	178
AREA 5	48	88	1	3	140
AREA 6	38	62	27	0	127
AREA 7	64	117	0	1	182
AREA 8	61	202	5	0	268
<b>KILDARE</b>	54	21	1	0	76
<b>WICKLOW</b>	28	22	0	0	50
<b>Total</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1416</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>38.7%</b>	<b>55.9%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.2

REASON FOR PLACEMENT IN RESIDENTIAL CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	AREA 1	AREA 2	AREA 3	AREA 4	AREA 5	AREA 6	AREA 7	AREA 8	KILDARE	WICKLOW	TOTAL	As % of Total
NO SHORT TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	0	1	5	3	9	1	9	3	3	0	34	4.3%
NO LONG-TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	14	11	11	14	25	8	23	14	1	2	123	15.5%
BREAKDOWN IN FOSTER PLACEMENT	0	2	1	2	1	0	2	1	1	0	10	1.3%
SIBLINGS IN SAME RESIDENTIAL HOME	13	15	0	16	11	11	20	77	2	0	165	20.8%
AWAITING ADOPTION	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	3	0.4%
PARENTS REFUSE TO ALLOW CHILD TO BE FOSTERED	3	0	3	0	5	2	9	0	0	0	22	2.8%
RESIDENTIAL CARE MOST SUITABLE FOR CHILD'S NEEDS	34	36	51	30	30	37	50	106	13	19	406	51.2%
OTHER REASONS	3	6	0	5	7	2	3	1	1	1	29	3.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.3

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	AREA 1	AREA 2	AREA 3	AREA 4	AREA 5	AREA 6	AREA 7	AREA 8	KILDARE	WICKLOW	TOTAL
PHYSICAL ABUSE	6	2	2	4	16	8	7	11	10	2	68
SEXUAL ABUSE	1	0	1	2	1	3	2	5	2	0	17
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	10	6	1	12	3	5	5	9	8	1	60
NEGLECT	20	26	17	33	31	9	56	51	14	13	270
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	50	35	45	30	35	48	36	61	20	18	378
MARITAL DISHARMONY	12	1	14	16	5	3	7	21	5	3	87
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	7	8	11	4	9	7	21	29	1	0	97
CHILD ABANDONED	4	18	3	12	1	6	22	15	4	1	86
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	5	4	0	2	0	0	0	4	4	2	21
SHORT TERM CRISIS	17	15	15	42	31	30	20	48	1	6	225
AWAITING ADOPTION	18	17	4	21	8	8	6	14	7	4	107
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>1416</b>

EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.7

AGE ON ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	15+ YEARS	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
DUBLIN								
AREA 1	48	13	26	17	33	11	2	150
AREA 2	49	14	15	25	15	11	3	132
AREA 3	34	10	16	23	21	7	2	113
AREA 4	44	14	29	34	38	14	5	178
AREA 5	29	8	22	31	38	9	3	140
AREA 6	52	7	17	12	18	12	9	127
AREA 7	37	27	33	33	31	17	4	182
AREA 8	42	26	31	53	73	34	9	268
KILDARE	23	11	13	14	12	3	0	76
WICKLOW	17	5	7	9	10	1	1	50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1416</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>26.5%</b>	<b>9.5%</b>	<b>14.8%</b>	<b>17.7%</b>	<b>20.4%</b>	<b>8.4%</b>	<b>2.7%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Eastern Health Board - C.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 (1983) BY SEX

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Community Care Area</u>			
Dublin			
Area 1	30	26	56
Area 2	21	22	43
Area 3	21	18	39
Area 4	40	39	79
Area 5	21	11	32
Area 6	22	34	56
Area 7	18	10	28
Area 8	54	32	86
Kildare	10	9	19
Wicklow	7	3	10
Total for 1984	244 (309)	204 (247)	448 (556)
% Increase/Decrease From 1983 To 1984	- 21.0%	- 17.4%	- 19.4%

EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - C.2

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 BY AGE

	<u>UP TO 1 YEAR</u>	<u>1-2 YEARS</u>	<u>2-4 YEARS</u>	<u>4-7 YEARS</u>	<u>7-12 YEARS</u>	<u>12-15 YEARS</u>	<u>15 + YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
Dublin Area 1	21	8	8	5	9	4	1	56
Area 2	13	4	2	9	10	4	1	43
Area 3	9	6	9	8	4	1	2	39
Area 4	7	8	15	21	16	11	1	79
Area 5	9	1	9	6	6	0	1	32
Area 6	32	3	4	4	5	3	5	56
Area 7	1	7	3	3	5	7	2	28
Area 8	12	6	11	20	20	11	6	86
Kildare	8	4	3	3	0	1	0	19
Wicklow	3	1	3	1	2	0	0	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>448</b>

Note: Age of Children calculated as at 31 December 1984

**MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD**

MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD - A.4

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY AGE

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	OVER 15 YEARS	TOTAL	As % of Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	0	0	1	2	2	1	2	8	4.9%
SEXUAL ABUSE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.6%
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	0	1	1	2	3	1	3	11	6.8%
NEGLECT	1	2	7	11	10	4	3	38	23.3%
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	1	1	3	10	17	10	18	60	36.8%
MARITAL DISHARMONY	0	0	0	4	1	1	2	8	4.9%
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	1.2%
CHILD ABANDONED	1	0	4	3	4	3	3	18	11.0%
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	7	4.3%
SHORT TERM CRISIS	0	3	0	0	1	0	1	5	3.1%
AWAITING ADOPTION	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	3.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*Note: Age of children calculated as at 31 December 1984

MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD - A.7

STATUS OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE

<u>STATUS</u>	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
Children of Married Parents	78	39	0	0	117
Children of Unmarried Mothers	29	5	0	0	34
Children of Married Women where husband is not Father	8	4	0	0	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>163</b>

MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD - A.9

LENGTH OF STAY TO DATE OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 RELATED TO TYPE OF CARE

	<u>0-3</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>3-12</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>1-3</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>3-5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>OVER 5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FOSTER CARE	5	12	27	22	49	115
RESIDENTIAL CARE	0	0	21	10	17	48
PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPERVISION AT HOME	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>163</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>7.4%</b>	<b>29.5%</b>	<b>19.6%</b>	<b>40.5%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD - B.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE BY COMMUNITY CARE AREA

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>					
Laois/Offaly	88	42	0	0	130
Longford/ Westmeath	79	10	0	0	89
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>219</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>76.3%</b>	<b>23.7%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD - B.2

REASON FOR PLACEMENT IN RESIDENTIAL CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	<u>LAOIS/OFFALY</u>	<u>LONGFORD/WESTMEATH</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>As % of Total</u>
NO SHORT TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	0	0	0	0.0%
NO LONG TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	2	0	2	3.8%
BREAKDOWN IN FOSTER PLACEMENT	0	0	0	0.0%
SIBLINGS IN SAME RESIDENTIAL HOME	31	0	31	59.6%
AWAITING ADOPTION	0	0	0	0.0%
PARENTS REFUSE TO ALLOW CHILD TO BE FOSTERED	2	2	4	7.7%
RESIDENTIAL CARE MOST SUITABLE FOR CHILD'S NEEDS	7	8	15	28.9%
OTHER REASONS	0	0	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD - B.3

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	Laois/Offaly	Longford/Westmeath	Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	4	8	12
SEXUAL ABUSE	2	0	2
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	12	0	12
NEGLECT	25	19	44
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	40	23	63
MARITAL DISHARMONY	9	2	11
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	0	4	4
CHILD ABANDONED	15	6	21
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	7	3	10
SHORT TERM CRISIS	5	12	17
AWAITING ADOPTION	11	12	23
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>219</b>

MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD - B.7

AGE ON ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	15+ YEARS	Total
<u>COMMUNITY CARE</u>								
<u>AREA</u>								
Lois/Offaly	33	12	23	25	26	9	2	130
Longford/Westmeath	33	6	19	8	11	10	2	89
<b>Total</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>219</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>30.1%</b>	<b>8.2%</b>	<b>19.2%</b>	<b>15.1%</b>	<b>16.9%</b>	<b>8.7%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Midland Health Board - C.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 (1983) BY SEX

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Community Care Area</u>			
Laois/Offaly	6	10	16
Longford/Westmeath	19	13	32
Total for 1984	25 (34)	23 (33)	48 (67)
% Increase/Decrease From 1983 To 1984	- 26.5%	- 30.3%	- 28.3%

MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD - C.2

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 BY AGE

	<u>UP TO 1 YEAR</u>	<u>1-2 YEARS</u>	<u>2-4 YEARS</u>	<u>4-7 YEARS</u>	<u>7-12 YEARS</u>	<u>12-15 YEARS</u>	<u>15 + YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
Laois/Offaly	7	3	2	3	1	0	0	16
Longford/Westmeath	16	0	8	4	2	2	0	32
Total	23	3	10	7	3	2	0	48

Note: Age of Children calculated as at 31 December 1984

**MID-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD**

MID-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD A.4

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY AGE

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	OVER 15 YEARS	TOTAL	As % of Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	0	1	1	3	3	0	2	10	2.9%
SEXUAL ABUSE	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	0.9%
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	1	1	2	7	10	2	2	25	7.3%
NEGLECT	0	3	5	12	24	16	10	70	20.4%
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	1	1	9	24	32	21	31	119	34.7%
MARITAL DISHARMONY	1	0	1	5	10	12	8	37	10.8%
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	0	0	0	0	4	8	14	26	7.6%
CHILD ABANDONED	0	0	1	1	7	4	7	20	5.8%
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.3%
SHORT TERM CRISIS	4	0	3	5	11	2	0	25	7.3%
AWAITING ADOPTION	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	2.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*Note: Age of children calculated as at 31 December 1984

MID-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.7

STATUS OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE

<u>STATUS</u>	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
Children of Married Parents	142	114	0	0	256
Children of Unmarried Mothers	71	10	0	0	81
Children of Married Women where husband is not Father	6	0	0	0	6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>343</b>

MID-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.9

LENGTH OF STAY TO DATE OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 RELATED TO TYPE OF CARE

	<u>0-3</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>3-12</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>1-3</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>3-5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>OVER 5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FOSTER CARE	9	17	60	37	96	219
RESIDENTIAL CARE	10	13	41	11	49	124
PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPERVISION AT HOME	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>343</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>8.7%</b>	<b>29.5%</b>	<b>14.0%</b>	<b>42.3%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

MID-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE BY COMMUNITY CARE AREA

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE</u> <u>AREA</u>					
Limerick	150	77	0	0	227
Tipperary (N.R.)	91	57	0	0	148
Clare	109	15	0	0	124
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>499</b>
As % of Total	70.1%	29.9%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%

MID-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.2

REASON FOR PLACEMENT IN RESIDENTIAL CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	<u>LIMERICK</u>	<u>TIPPERARY (N.R.)</u>	<u>CLARE</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>As % of Total</u>
NO SHORT TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	2	1	0	3	2.0%
NO LONG TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	5	1	0	6	4.0%
BREAKDOWN IN FOSTER PLACEMENT	0	0	0	0	0.0%
SIBLINGS IN SAME RESIDENTIAL HOME	37	15	3	55	36.9%
AWAITING ADOPTION	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PARENTS REFUSE TO ALLOW CHILD TO BE FOSTERED	1	0	0	1	0.7%
RESIDENTIAL CARE MOST SUITABLE FOR CHILD'S NEEDS	32	40	12	84	56.4 %
OTHER REASONS	0	0	0	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

MID-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.3

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	Limerick	Tipp (N.R.)	Clare	Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	14	0	3	17
SEXUAL ABUSE	1	2	0	3
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	13	13	2	28
NEGLECT	51	15	16	82
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	50	60	22	132
MARITAL DISHARMONY	27	16	2	45
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	4	21	2	27
CHILD ABANDONED	12	3	8	23
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	2	0	0	2
SHORT TERM CRISIS	38	18	39	95
AWAITING ADOPTION	15	0	30	45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>499</b>

MID-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.7

AGE ON ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	15+ YEARS	Total
<u>COMMUNITY CARE</u> <u>AREA</u>								
Limerick	67	25	34	44	38	9	10	227
Tipperary (N.R.)	22	18	16	26	39	21	6	148
Clare	68	6	12	17	18	3	0	124
Total	157	49	62	87	95	33	16	499
As % of Total	31.5%	9.8%	12.4%	17.4%	19.0%	6.6%	3.3%	100.0%

Mid-Western Health Board - C.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 (1983) BY SEX

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Community Care Area</u>			
Limerick	38	43	81
Tipperary (N.R.)	10	8	18
Clare	36	30	66
Total for 1984	84 (83)	81 (91)	165 (174)
% Increase/Decrease From 1983 To 1984	+ 1.2%	- 11.0%	- 5.2%

MID-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - C.2

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 BY AGE

	<u>UP TO 1 YEAR</u>	<u>1-2 YEARS</u>	<u>2-4 YEARS</u>	<u>4-7 YEARS</u>	<u>7-12 YEARS</u>	<u>12-15 YEARS</u>	<u>15 + YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
Limerick	24	9	11	9	13	7	8	81
Tipperary (N.R.)	3	4	2	2	6	0	1	18
Clare	45	8	5	4	4	0	0	66
<b>Total</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>165</b>

Note: Age of Children calculated as at 31 December 1984

**NORTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD**

NORTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.4

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY AGE

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	OVER 15 YEARS	TOTAL	As % of Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	0	1	0	0	2	2	1	6	3.5%
SEXUAL ABUSE	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	2.9%
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	0	2	1	1	0	0	1	5	2.9%
NEGLECT	1	0	1	7	11	8	3	31	18.0%
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	5	3	12	13	17	4	10	64	37.2%
MARITAL DISHARMONY	0	1	0	2	3	4	3	13	7.6%
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	0	1	0	0	2	4	1	8	4.6%
CHILD ABANDONED	0	2	5	4	3	4	0	18	10.5%
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.6%
SHORT TERM CRISIS	1	0	2	4	1	4	2	14	8.1%
AWAITING ADOPTION	2	4	1	0	0	0	0	7	4.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*Note: Age of children calculated as at 31 December 1984

NORTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.7

STATUS OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>STATUS</u>					
Children of Married Parents	44	43	0	0	87
Children of Unmarried Mothers	44	23	0	0	67
Children of Married Women where husband is not Father	13	5	0	0	18
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>172</b>

NORTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.9

LENGTH OF STAY TO DATE OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 RELATED TO TYPE OF CARE

	<u>0-3</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>3-12</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>1-3</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>3-5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>OVER 5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FOSTER CARE	1	5	22	34	39	101
RESIDENTIAL CARE	7	9	29	7	19	71
PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPERVISION AT HOME	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>172</b>
As % of Total	4.7%	8.1%	29.7%	23.8%	33.7%	100.0%

NORTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE BY COMMUNITY CARE AREA

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>					
CAVAN/MONAGHAN	49	32	0	0	81
LOUTH	44	49	0	0	93
MEATH	41	28	0	0	69
TOTAL	134	109	0	0	243
As % of Total	55.1%	44.9%	0.0%	0.0%	100.00%

NORTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.2

REASON FOR PLACEMENT IN RESIDENTIAL CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	<u>CAVAN/ MONAGHAN</u>	<u>LOUTH</u>	<u>MEATH</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>As % of Total</u>
NO SHORT TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	0	1	0	1	0.9%
NO LONG TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	1	9	10	20	18.3%
BREAKDOWN IN FOSTER PLACEMENT	1	1	1	3	2.8%
SIBLINGS IN SAME RESIDENTIAL HOME	9	0	3	12	11.0%
AWAITING ADOPTION	4	5	2	11	10.1%
PARENTS REFUSE TO ALLOW CHILD TO BE FOSTERED	7	25	0	32	29.4%
RESIDENTIAL CARE MOST SUITABLE FOR CHILD'S NEEDS	9	7	12	28	25.7%
OTHER REASONS	1	1	0	2	1.8%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

NORTH EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.3

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	CAVAN/MONAGHAN	LOUTH	MEATH	TOTAL
PHYSICAL ABUSE	2	4	2	8
SEXUAL ABUSE	1	0	4	5
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	1	5	0	6
NEGLECT	13	12	10	35
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	32	23	28	83
MARITAL DISHARMONY	12	3	3	18
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	1	2	5	8
CHILD ABANDONED	5	13	0	18
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	0	1	0	1
SHORT TERM CRISIS	9	20	17	46
AWAITING ADOPTION	5	10	0	15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>243</b>

NORTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.7

AGE ON ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	15+ YEARS	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
CAVAN/MONAGHAN	32	12	15	7	11	4	0	81
LOUTH	43	11	13	8	14	2	2	93
MEATH	23	10	7	13	10	6	0	69
TOTAL	98	33	35	28	35	12	2	243
As % of Total	40.3%	13.6%	14.4%	11.6%	14.4%	4.9%	0.8%	100.0%

North-Eastern Health Board - C.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 (1983) BY SEX

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Community Care Area</u>			
Cavan/Monaghan	3	11	14
Louth	24	14	38
Meath	4	7	11
Total for 1984	31 (49)	32 (42)	63 (91)
% Increase/Decrease From 1983 To 1984	- 36.7%	- 23.8%	- 30.8%

NORTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - C.2

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 BY AGE

	<u>UP TO 1 YEAR</u>	<u>1-2 YEARS</u>	<u>2-4 YEARS</u>	<u>4-7 YEARS</u>	<u>7-12 YEARS</u>	<u>12-15 YEARS</u>	<u>15 + YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
Cavan/Monaghan	8	0	3	2	1	0	0	14
Louth	14	8	4	6	3	1	2	38
Meath	2	2	3	2	0	2	0	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>63</b>

Note: Age of Children calculated as at 31 December 1984

**NORTH-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD**

NORTH-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.4

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY AGE

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	OVER 15 YEARS	TOTAL	As % of Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	0	0	1	0	3	0	2	6	5.2%
SEXUAL ABUSE	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.9%
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	1	0	1	0	0	2	2	6	5.2%
NEGLECT	1	4	3	3	17	4	5	37	31.9%
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	0	4	6	4	13	5	7	39	33.6%
MARITAL DISHARMONY	0	0	0	3	6	3	4	16	13.7%
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.9%
CHILD ABANDONED	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	1.6%
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.9%
SHORT TERM CRISIS	0	1	2	0	1	2	0	6	5.2%
AWAITING ADOPTION	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.9%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*Note: Age of children calculated as at 31 December 1984

NORTH-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.7

STATUS OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>STATUS</u>					
Children of Married Parents	33	28	0	0	61
Children of Unmarried Mothers	37	13	0	0	50
Children of Married Women where husband is not Father	2	3	0	0	5
TOTAL	72	44	0	0	116

NORTH-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.9

LENGTH OF STAY TO DATE OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 RELATED TO TYPE OF CARE

	<u>0-3</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>3-12</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>1-3</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>3-5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>OVER 5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FOSTER CARE	4	5	17	1	45	72
RESIDENTIAL CARE	6	0	6	18	14	44
PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPERVISION AT HOME	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>116</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>8.6%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>	<b>19.8%</b>	<b>16.4%</b>	<b>50.9%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

NORTH WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE BY COMMUNITY CARE AREA

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>					
Donegal	63	21	0	0	84
Sligo-Leitrim	44	40	0	0	84
TOTAL	107	61	0	0	168
As % of Total	63.7%	36.3%	0.0%	0.0%	100.00%

NORTH-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.2

REASON FOR PLACEMENT IN RESIDENTIAL CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	<u>DONEGAL</u>	<u>SLIGO/LEITRIM</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>As % of Total</u>
NO SHORT TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	1	0	1	1.6%
NO LONG TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	10	13	23	37.7%
BREAKDOWN IN FOSTER PLACEMENT	0	0	0	0.0%
SIBLINGS IN SAME RESIDENTIAL HOME	7	5	12	19.7%
AWAITING ADOPTION	0	0	0	0.0%
PARENTS REFUSE TO ALLOW CHILD TO BE FOSTERED	0	2	2	3.3%
RESIDENTIAL CARE MOST SUITABLE FOR CHILD'S NEEDS	1	20	21	34.4%
OTHER REASONS	2	0	2	3.3%
TOTAL	21	40	61	100.0%

NORTH-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.3

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	Donegal	Sligo/Leitrim	Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	4	5	9
SEXUAL ABUSE	1	0	1
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	3	3	6
NEGLECT	30	10	40
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	9	36	45
MARITAL DISHARMONY	8	12	20
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	1	0	1
CHILD ABANDONED	2	1	3
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	0	1	1
SHORT TERM CRISIS	17	13	30
AWAITING ADOPTION	9	3	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>168</b>

NORTH-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.7

AGE ON ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	15+ YEARS	Total
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
Donegal	28	7	19	13	17	0	0	84
Sligo/Leitrim	35	5	10	13	10	10	1	84
Total	63	12	29	26	27	10	1	168
As % of Total	37.5%	7.1%	17.2%	15.5%	16.1%	6.0%	0.6%	100.0%

North-Western Health Board - C.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 (1983) BY SEX

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Community Care Area</u>			
Donegal	20	11	31
Sligo/Leitrim	5	12	17
Total for 1984	25 (25)	23 (31)	48 (56)
% Increase/Decrease From 1983 To 1984	(Same)	- 25.8%	- 14.3%

NORTH-WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - C.2

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 BY AGE

	<u>UP TO 1 YEAR</u>	<u>1-2 YEARS</u>	<u>2-4 YEARS</u>	<u>4-7 YEARS</u>	<u>7-12 YEARS</u>	<u>12-15 YEARS</u>	<u>15 + YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
Donegal	11	3	5	6	5	1	0	31
Sligo/Leitrim	3	3	3	2	3	3	0	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>

Note: Age of Children calculated as at 31 December 1984

**SOUTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD**

SOUTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.4

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY AGE

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	OVER 15 YEARS	TOTAL	As % of Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	0	1	2	5	2	3	1	14	4.6%
SEXUAL ABUSE	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	1.0%
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	0	0	2	4	4	5	2	17	5.5%
NEGLECT	0	0	4	6	10	8	6	34	11.0%
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	9	1	7	26	44	25	33	145	47.2%
MARITAL DISHARMONY	1	0	3	4	6	7	8	29	9.5%
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	0	0	0	0	1	4	3	8	2.6%
CHILD ABANDONED	0	1	3	5	16	6	9	40	13.0%
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0.7%
SHORT TERM CRISIS	0	1	0	0	2	5	2	10	3.3%
AWAITING ADOPTION	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	5	1.6%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*Note: Age of Children calculated as at 31 December 1984

SOUTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.7

STATUS OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>STATUS</u>					
Children of Married Parents	58	109	0	0	167
Children of Unmarried Mothers	81	41	1	0	123
Children of Married Women where husband is not Father	15	2	0	0	17
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>307</b>

SOUTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD -- A.9

LENGTH OF STAY TO DATE OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 RELATED TO TYPE OF CARE

	<u>0-3</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>3-12</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>1-3</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>3-5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>OVER 5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FOSTER CARE	4	14	25	23	88	154
RESIDENTIAL CARE	3	21	40	14	74	152
PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	1	0	0	0	0	1
SUPERVISION AT HOME	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>307</b>
As % of Total	2.6%	11.4%	21.2%	12.0%	52.8%	100.0%

SOUTH EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE BY COMMUNITY CARE AREA

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>					
Carlow/Kilkenny	65	64	0	0	129
Tipperary (S.R.)	56	63	0	0	119
Waterford	45	66	0	0	111
Wexford	52	32	1	0	85
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>444</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>49.1%</b>	<b>50.7%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

SOUTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.2

REASON FOR PLACEMENT IN RESIDENTIAL CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	<u>CARLOW/KILKENNY</u>	<u>TIPPERARY (S.R.)</u>	<u>WATERFORD</u>	<u>WEXFORD</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>As % of Total</u>
NO SHORT TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	3	14	14	0	31	13.8%
NO LONG TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	0	2	4	0	6	2.7%
BREAKDOWN IN FOSTER PLACEMENT	5	1	1	1	8	3.6%
SIBLINGS IN SAME RESIDENTIAL HOME	34	32	7	13	86	38.2%
AWAITING ADOPTION	0	1	0	0	1	0.4%
PARENTS REFUSE TO ALLOW CHILD TO BE FOSTERED	5	7	13	1	26	11.6%
RESIDENTIAL CARE MOST SUITABLE FOR CHILD'S NEEDS	17	6	25	17	65	28.9%
OTHER REASONS	0	0	2	0	2	0.8%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

SOUTH EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.3

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	Carlow/Kilkenny	Tipp (S.R.)	Waterford	Wexford	Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	4	5	5	3	17
SEXUAL ABUSE	1	0	0	3	4
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	7	4	1	6	18
NEGLECT	12	10	11	4	37
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	64	51	35	22	172
MARITAL DISHARMONY	15	6	12	12	45
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	2	2	3	7	14
CHILD ABANDONED	17	19	0	11	47
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	0	1	1	0	2
SHORT TERM CRISIS	6	16	22	8	52
AWAITING ADOPTION	1	5	21	9	36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>444</b>

SOUTH EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.7

AGE ON ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	15+ YEARS	Total
<u>COMMUNITY CARE</u>								
<u>AREA</u>								
Carlow/Kilkenny	32	17	18	26	27	5	4	129
Tipperary (S.R.)	30	11	26	19	26	6	1	119
Waterford	38	8	13	17	19	11	5	111
Wexford	26	7	11	16	15	9	1	85
<b>Total</b>	126	43	68	78	87	31	11	444
<b>As % of Total</b>	28.4%	9.7%	15.3%	17.6%	19.6%	7.0%	2.4%	100.0%

South-Eastern Health Board - C.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 (1983) BY SEX

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Community Care Area</u>			
Carlow/Kilkenny	18	12	30
Tipperary (S.R.)	16	13	29
Waterford	36	26	62
Wexford	5	11	16
Total for 1984	75 (58)	62 (68)	137 (126)
% Increase/Decrease From 1983 To 1984	+ 29.3%	- 8.8%	+ 8.7%

SOUTH-EASTERN HEALTH BOARD - C.2

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 BY AGE

	<u>UP TO 1 YEAR</u>	<u>1-2 YEARS</u>	<u>2-4 YEARS</u>	<u>4-7 YEARS</u>	<u>7-12 YEARS</u>	<u>12-15 YEARS</u>	<u>15 + YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
Carlow/Kilkenny	3	6	4	7	8	1	1	30
Tipperary (S.R.)	9	3	2	4	5	4	2	29
Waterford	26	1	2	7	15	8	3	62
Wexford	9	1	2	2	2	0	0	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>137</b>

Note: Age of Children calculated as at 31 December 1984

**SOUTHERN HEALTH BOARD**

SOUTHERN HEALTH BOARD - A.4

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY AGE

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	OVER 15 YEARS	TOTAL	As % of Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	0	0	2	6	11	0	5	24	8.0%
SEXUAL ABUSE	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	1.0%
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	0	2	2	3	4	2	5	18	6.0%
NEGLECT	0	1	6	15	36	16	5	79	26.3%
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	4	2	11	17	20	15	18	87	29.0%
MARITAL DISHARMONY	2	1	2	1	9	5	3	23	7.7%
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	0	0	0	0	2	5	4	11	3.7%
CHILD ABANDONED	0	1	3	2	10	5	2	23	7.7%
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	0	0	0	0	2	1	4	7	2.3%
SHORT TERM CRISIS	5	2	4	1	6	4	1	23	7.7%
AWAITING ADOPTION	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0.6%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*Note: Age of children calculated as at 31 December 1984

SOUTHERN HEALTH BOARD - A.7

STATUS OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>STATUS</u>					
Children of Married Parents	78	135	2	0	215
Children of Unmarried Mothers	49	20	0	0	69
Children of Married Women where husband is not Father	15	1	0	0	16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>300</b>

SOUTHERN HEALTH BOARD - A.9

LENGTH OF STAY TO DATE OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 RELATED TO TYPE OF CARE

	<u>0-3</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>3-12</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>1-3</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>3-5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>OVER 5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FOSTER CARE	4	18	37	20	63	142
RESIDENTIAL CARE	8	23	20	51	54	156
PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	0	0	0	0	2	2
SUPERVISION AT HOME	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>300</b>
As % of Total	4.0%	13.7%	19.0%	23.7%	39.6%	100.0%

SOUTHERN HEALTH BOARD - B.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE BY COMMUNITY CARE AREA

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>					
CORK NTH. LEE	112	56	1	0	169
CORK STH. LEE	40	14	0	0	54
NORTH CORK	16	39	1	0	56
WEST CORK	38	5	0	0	43
KERRY	30	111	1	0	142
TOTAL	236	225	3	0	464
As % of Total	50.9%	48.5%	0.6%	0.0%	100.00%

SOUTHERN HEALTH BOARD - B.2

REASON FOR PLACEMENT IN RESIDENTIAL CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	CORK NTH. LEE	CORK STH. LEE	NORTH CORK	WEST CORK	KERRY	Total	As % of Total
NO SHORT TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	1	0	1	0	3	5	2.2%
NO LONG-TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	3	1	2	0	0	6	2.7%
BREAKDOWN IN FOSTER PLACEMENT	2	0	0	1	0	3	1.3%
SIBLINGS IN SAME RESIDENTIAL HOME	34	0	28	0	53	115	51.1%
AWAITING ADOPTION	0	0	0	0	4	4	1.8%
PARENTS REFUSE TO ALLOW CHILD TO BE FOSTERED	0	0	0	0	18	18	8.0%
RESIDENTIAL CARE MOST SUITABLE FOR CHILD'S NEEDS	16	12	7	4	32	71	31.6%
OTHER REASONS	0	1	1	0	1	3	1.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

SOUTHERN HEALTH BOARD - B.3

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	CORK NTH. LEE	CORK STH. LEE	NORTH CORK	WEST CORK	KERRY	TOTAL
PHYSICAL ABUSE	11	3	1	8	5	28
SEXUAL ABUSE	0	0	3	0	1	4
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	2	1	2	1	18	24
NEGLECT	45	5	17	9	21	97
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	39	17	22	12	28	118
MARITAL DISHARMONY	14	5	3	5	18	45
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	9	1	1	2	3	16
CHILD ABANDONED	19	5	2	4	1	31
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	0	2	0	0	5	7
SHORT TERM CRISIS	30	14	4	2	36	86
AWAITING ADOPTION	0	1	1	0	6	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>464</b>

SOUTHERN HEALTH BOARD - B.7

AGE ON ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	15+ YEARS	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE</u>								
<u>AREA</u>								
CORK NTH. LEE	34	22	35	33	33	11	1	169
CORK STH. LEE	20	5	14	7	4	4	0	54
NORTH CORK	4	7	12	19	8	4	2	56
WEST CORK	10	5	9	10	6	2	1	43
KERRY	44	14	21	14	30	8	11	142
TOTAL	112	53	91	83	81	29	15	464
AS % of Total	24.1%	11.4%	19.6%	17.9%	17.5%	6.3%	3.2%	100.0%

Southern Health Board - C.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 (1983) BY SEX

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Community Care Area</u>			
Cork Nth Lee	38	29	67
Cork Sth Lee	5	11	16
North Cork	3	4	7
West Cork	4	6	10
Kerry	33	37	70
Total for 1984	83 (81)	87 (77)	170 (158)
% Increase/Decrease From 1983 To 1984	+ 2.5%	+ 13.0%	+ 7.6%

SOUTHERN HEALTH BOARD - C.2

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 BY AGE

	<u>UP TO 1 YEAR</u>	<u>1-2 YEARS</u>	<u>2-4 YEARS</u>	<u>4-7 YEARS</u>	<u>7-12 YEARS</u>	<u>12-15 YEARS</u>	<u>15 + YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
Cork Nth. Lee	7	2	22	9	17	8	2	67
Cork Sth. Lee	3	0	4	5	2	1	1	16
North Cork	1	2	0	2	2	0	0	7
West Cork	2	0	2	3	2	1	0	10
Kerry	21	5	8	4	15	6	11	70
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>170</b>

Note: Age of Children calculated as at 31 December 1984

**WESTERN HEALTH BOARD**

WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.4

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY AGE

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	OVER 15 YEARS	TOTAL	As % of Total
PHYSICAL ABUSE	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.7%
SEXUAL ABUSE	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.7%
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	5	3.5%
NEGLECT	2	1	3	7	11	3	6	33	23.2%
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	3	1	10	8	9	8	13	52	36.6%
MARITAL DISHARMONY	0	1	0	0	3	5	7	16	11.3%
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	2.1%
CHILD ABANDONED	0	0	1	4	6	1	0	12	8.4%
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	5	3.5%
SHORT TERM CRISIS	2	1	1	2	2	1	0	9	6.3%
AWAITING ADOPTION	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	5	3.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*Note: Age of children calculated as at 31 December 1984

WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.7

STATUS OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>STATUS</u>					
Children of Married Parents	63	18	2	0	83
Children of Unmarried Mothers	47	11	1	0	59
Children of Married Women where husband is not Father	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>142</b>

WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - A.9

LENGTH OF STAY TO DATE OF CHILDREN IN CARE ON 31 DECEMBER 1984 RELATED TO TYPE OF CARE

	<u>0-3</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>3-12</u> <u>MONTHS</u>	<u>1-3</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>3-5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>OVER 5</u> <u>YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FOSTER CARE	14	13	15	15	53	110
RESIDENTIAL CARE	0	0	13	5	11	29
PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	0	0	0	1	2	3
SUPERVISION AT HOME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	14	13	28	21	66	142
As % of Total	9.9%	9.1%	19.7%	14.8%	46.5%	100.0%

WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984 BY TYPE OF CARE BY COMMUNITY CARE AREA

	FOSTER CARE	RESIDENTIAL CARE	PRIVATE FOSTER CARE	SUPERVISION AT HOME	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>					
GALWAY	97	16	3	0	116
MAYO	58	7	0	1	66
ROSCOMMON	18	18	0	0	36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>218</b>
<b>As % of Total</b>	<b>79.3%</b>	<b>18.8%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.2

REASON FOR PLACEMENT IN RESIDENTIAL CARE OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	<u>GALWAY</u>	<u>MAYO</u>	<u>ROSCOMMON</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>As % of Total</u>
NO SHORT TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	0	0	0	0	0.0%
NO LONG-TERM FOSTER HOME AVAILABLE	1	0	1	2	4.9%
BREAKDOWN IN FOSTER PLACEMENT	0	0	0	0	0.0%
SIBLINGS IN SAME RESIDENTIAL HOME	6	0	5	11	26.8%
AWAITING ADOPTION	0	0	1	1	2.4%
PARENTS REFUSE TO ALLOW CHILD TO BE FOSTERED	2	0	2	4	9.8%
RESIDENTIAL CARE MOST SUITABLE FOR CHILD'S NEEDS	6	7	9	22	53.7%
OTHER REASONS	1	0	0	1	2.4%
TOTAL	16	7	18	41	100.0%

WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.3

PRIMARY REASON FOR CURRENT ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN THE CARE DURING 1984

	GALWAY	MAYO	ROSCOMMON	TOTAL
PHYSICAL ABUSE	1	0	1	2
SEXUAL ABUSE	5	0	0	5
EMOTIONAL ABUSE	1	5	2	8
NEGLECT	16	17	3	36
ONE PARENT FAMILY UNABLE TO COPE	34	21	10	65
MARITAL DISHARMONY	9	4	4	17
CHILD OUT OF CONTROL	2	1	1	4
CHILD ABANDONED	4	2	7	13
BOTH PARENTS DEAD	7	4	0	11
SHORT TERM CRISIS	12	8	0	20
AWAITING ADOPTION	25	4	8	37
TOTAL	116	66	36	218

WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - B.7

AGE ON ADMISSION OF CHILDREN IN CARE DURING 1984

	0-1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-4 YEARS	4-7 YEARS	7-12 YEARS	12-15 YEARS	15+ YEARS	TOTAL
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
GALWAY	59	9	11	21	10	5	1	116
MAYO	19	2	12	14	10	6	3	66
ROSCOMMON	21	4	2	0	7	2	0	36
TOTAL	99	15	25	35	27	13	4	218
As % of Total	45.4%	6.9%	11.5%	16.0%	12.4%	6.0%	1.8%	100.0%

Western Health Board - C.1

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 (1983) BY SEX

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Community Care Area</u>			
Galway	20	22	42
Mayo	11	12	23
Roscommon	4	5	9
Total for 1984	35 (50)	39 (57)	74 (107)
% Increase/Decrease From 1983 To 1984	- 30.0%	- 31.6%	- 30.8%

WESTERN HEALTH BOARD - C.2

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ADMITTED TO CARE DURING 1984 BY AGE

	<u>UP TO 1 YEAR</u>	<u>1-2 YEARS</u>	<u>2-4 YEARS</u>	<u>4-7 YEARS</u>	<u>7-12 YEARS</u>	<u>12-15 YEARS</u>	<u>15 + YEARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>COMMUNITY CARE AREA</u>								
Galway	33	1	4	3	1	0	0	42
Mayo	8	2	3	5	2	1	2	23
Roscommon	6	2	0	0	1	0	0	9
Total	47	5	7	8	4	1	2	74

Note: Age of Children calculated as at 31 December 1984