

## Adoption Scorecard

Choose Local Authority	Hertfordshire
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See methodology and guidance document for further information

Children				Average time indicators											
	A1: Average time between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family (days)	A2: Average time between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family (days)	A3: Children who wait less than 14 months between entering care and moving in with their adoptive family (number and %)	<p>A1: Average time between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family</p> <p>A2: Average time between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family</p>											
LA's 3 year average (2014-17)	533	247	160 (50%)	<p>A1: Average time between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family, 2014-17</p>											
Distance from 2014-17 performance threshold (426 and 121 days)	107 days	126 days	n/a	<p>A2: Average time between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family, 2014-17</p>											
1 year trend - Improvement from 2016 to 2017	Average time in 2017 was longer than in 2016	Average time in 2017 was longer than in 2016	n/a												
3 year trend - Improvement from 2013-16 to 2014-17	Average time in 2014-17 was shorter than in 2013-16	Average time in 2014-17 was longer than in 2013-16	n/a												
England 3 year average (2014-17)	520	220	11120 (53%)												
Adopters				Related Information											
	Number of approved adoptive families waiting to be matched as at 31 March 2017	Number of applications to become an adoptive family still being assessed (not yet approved or rejected) as at 31 March 2017	Proportion of adoptive families who were matched to a child during 2016-17 who waited more than 3 months from approval to being matched to a child	<p>New ADM decisions</p> <p>2016: 85, 2017: 70</p> <p>2016: 70, 2017: 50</p> <p>THESE ARE NOT PERFORMANCE MEASURES</p>	<p>Adoptions from care during 2014-17 (with % leaving care who are adopted)</p> <p>230 (15%)</p>	<p>Children for whom the permanence decision has changed away from adoption during 2014-17 (number and %)</p> <p>70 (18%)</p>	<p>Number of children waiting to be placed for adoption (as at 31 March 2017)</p> <p>50</p>	<p>Number of children waiting to be placed for adoption with a placement order (as at 31 March 2017)</p> <p>30</p>	<p>A1 timeliness where times for children who are adopted by their foster family are stopped at the date the child moved in with the foster family (days) (2014-17)</p> <p>463</p>	<p>Number of children in a Fostering for Adoption / Concurrent Planning foster placement (as at 31 March 2017)</p> <p>x</p>	<p>Adoptions of children from ethnic minority backgrounds during 2014-17 (number adopted and % of BME children leaving care who are adopted)</p> <p>35 (8%)</p>	<p>Adoptions of children aged five or over during 2014-17 (number adopted and % of children aged 5 or over leaving care who are adopted)</p> <p>65 (6%)</p>	<p>Average length of care proceedings locally during 2014-17 (weeks)</p> <p>33</p>		
LA	35	50	79%	<p>LA % change -21%</p> <p>National % change -3%</p>	<p>LA % change -32%</p> <p>National % change -%</p>	England	14410 (15%)	2880 (12%)	4,100	2,580	435	380	2210 (8%)	3130 (5%)	30