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## Investment in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community-controlled child protection and family support services

Real recurrent expenditure on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled services for 2017-18 (\$ and % of total expenditure)

	\$ Total expenditure	\$ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community-controlled services	% of total expenditure on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community-controlled services
Family support	\$10,647,457  (total Child, Youth and Family Services Program budget for 2017-18, GST exclusive)	\$654,827  (provided to Gugan Gulwan Youth Aboriginal Corporation under the Child, Youth and Family Services Program, GST exclusive funding)	6%

Real recurrent expenditure on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled services for 2018-19 (\$ and % of total expenditure)

	\$ Total expenditure	\$ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community-controlled services	% of total expenditure on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community-controlled services
Family support	\$11,253,199  (total Child, Youth and Family Services Program budget for 2018-19, GST exclusive)	\$670,871  (provided to Gugan Gulwan Youth Aboriginal Corporation under the Child, Youth and Family Services Program, GST exclusive funding)	6%

*\*Note this is not the final expenditure for 2018/19 – not available until August*

Children commencing intensive family support services, by Indigenous status, 2017-2018 (number)

	Number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children	Number of non-Indigenous children	Program name / type (if data can be disaggregated by program)
Children commencing intensive family support services	39	122	Barnardos Intensive Intervention Service
	41	95	Uniting Strengthening High Risk Families

2018/19 data is not currently available – it is collated at the end of the financial year

Children commencing family support services (non-intensive), by Indigenous status, 2017-2018 (number)

	Number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children	Number of non-Indigenous children	Number of unknown status children	Program name / type (if data can be disaggregated by program)
Children commencing Non-intensive family support services	247	1517	225	Child and Family Centres

(Source: CSD Datasets unpublished)

Children commencing family support services (non-intensive), by Indigenous status, 2016-2017 (number) - **CORRECTED**

	Number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children	Number of non-Indigenous children	Number of unknown status children	Program name / type (if data can be disaggregated by program)
Children commencing Non-intensive family support services	253	1399	236	Child and Family Centres

(Source: CSD Datasets unpublished)

2016/17 data was reported previously as occasions of service. This has been revised above to reflect number of children accessing services, to enable comparability with 2017/18.

The above tables represent the minimum number of children accessing the Child and Family Centres. In the case of large group sessions and one-off provision of advice/information client demographics are not collected therefore the data above under counts the number of children in Child and Family Centres.

## Children Supported through Gulgan Gulwan Services 2017/18

Case management Activities	Number of users
Case Management Services	171 service users
Exits from Case Management after achievement of identified needs	117 service users
Group Program participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people	1149
Youth Engagement Services – Provided individual support to children and young people under youth engagement services	171
Therapeutic Services	16 service users

## Permanency and Adoption

1. Children subject to a permanent care order\*, number and rate, by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status of the child, at 30 June 2018.
2. Children admitted to a permanent care order\*, by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status of the children, in 2017 – 2018.
3. For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children subject to a permanent care order at 30 June 2018, number and % who are placed with an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander carer.
4. For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children subject to a permanent care order at 30 June

	Number and rate per 1000 of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children	Number and rate per 1000 of non-Indigenous children	% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children with an Indigenous carer	% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children with a relative/kinship carer
Children subject to a permanent care order or equivalent	At 30 June 2018 28 Enduring Parental Responsibility Order	62 Rate for all (9.6)	3/28 10.7%	13/28 46.4%

*\*In AIHW Child Protection Australia, these are termed "Finalised third-party parental responsibility orders" – please provide the name of the order  
Please also provide data for 2018- 2019 if available*

5. Children subject to a finalised guardianship order\*, number and rate, by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status of the child, at 30 June 2018.

6. Children admitted to a finalised guardianship order\* by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status of the children, in 2017 – 2018.

7. For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children subject to a finalised guardianship order at 30 June 2018, number and % who are placed with an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander carer.

8. For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children subject to a finalised guardianship order at 30 June 2018 number and % who are placed with a kinship carer.

	Number and rate per 1000 of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children	Number and rate per 1000 of non-Indigenous children	% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children with an Indigenous carer	% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children with a relative/kinship carer
Children subject to a finalised guardianship order	207	479	88/207 42.5%	124/207 59.9%

## Adoption

9. Number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children who were admitted to an adoption order during the 2017-18 year.

10. For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children admitted to an adoption order, number who were adopted by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person.

Table: Children who were adopted

	Number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children	Number of non-Indigenous children	Number of Indigenous children adopted by an Indigenous person
2013/14	0	17	0
2014/15	0	9	0
2015/16	0	4	0
2016/17	0	10	0
2017/18	0	7	0

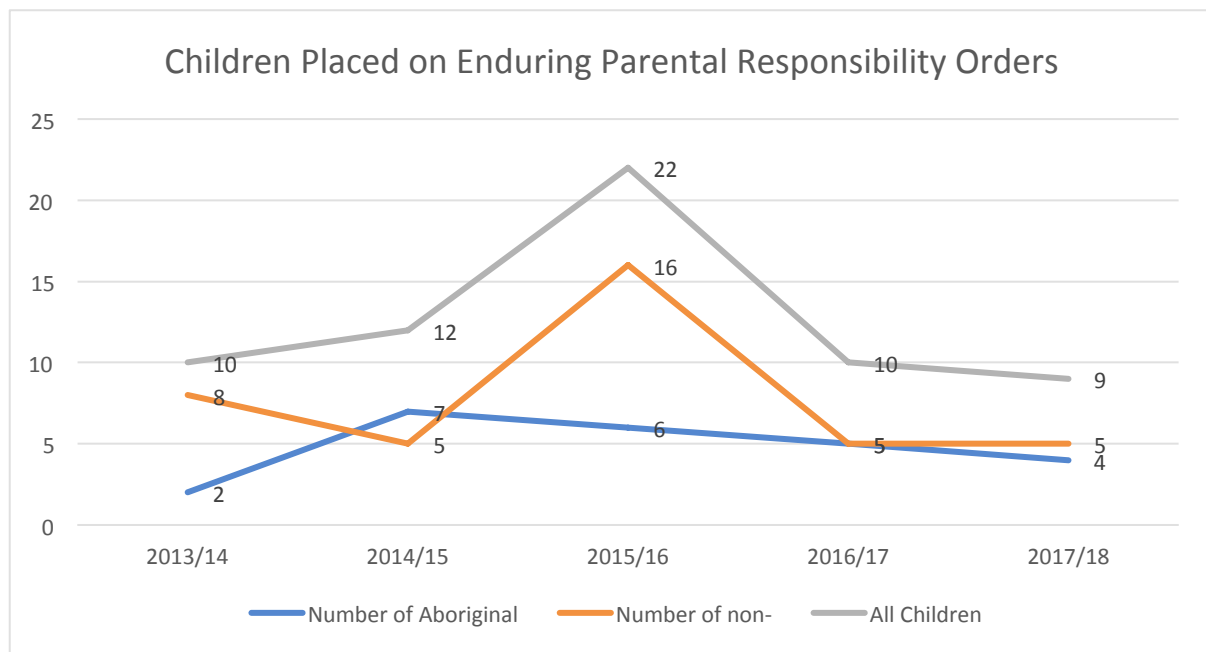
(Source: CSD Datasets unpublished)



Table: Children placed on Enduring Parental Responsibility Orders

	Number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children	Number of non-Indigenous children	All Children
2013/14	2	8	10
2014/15	7	5	12
2015/16	6	16	22
2016/17	5	5	10
2017/18	4	5	9

(Source: CSD Datasets unpublished)



## REUNIFICATION / RESTORATION AND RECONNECTION

Please provide whatever data is available across each and any of the variables for each and any of the years, even if the tables are incomplete.

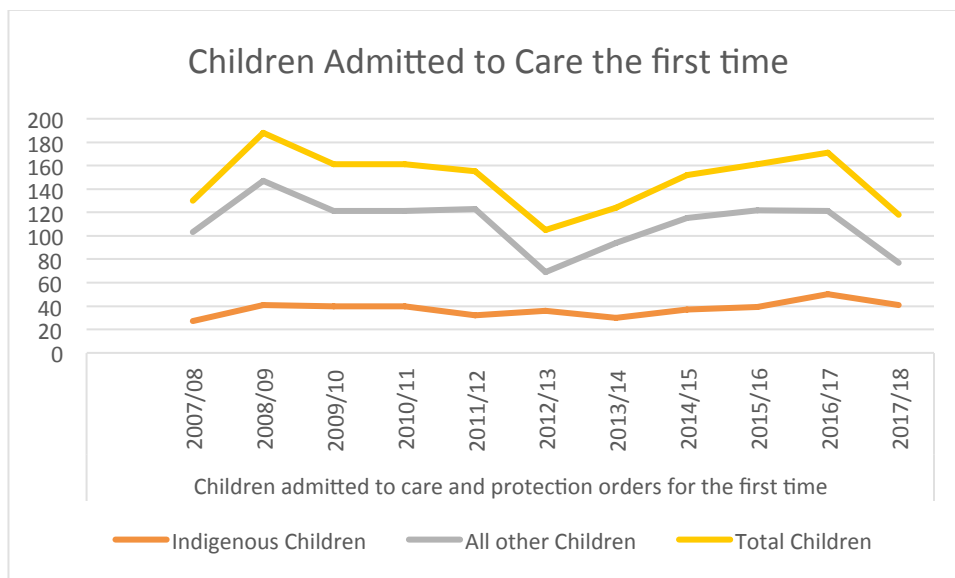
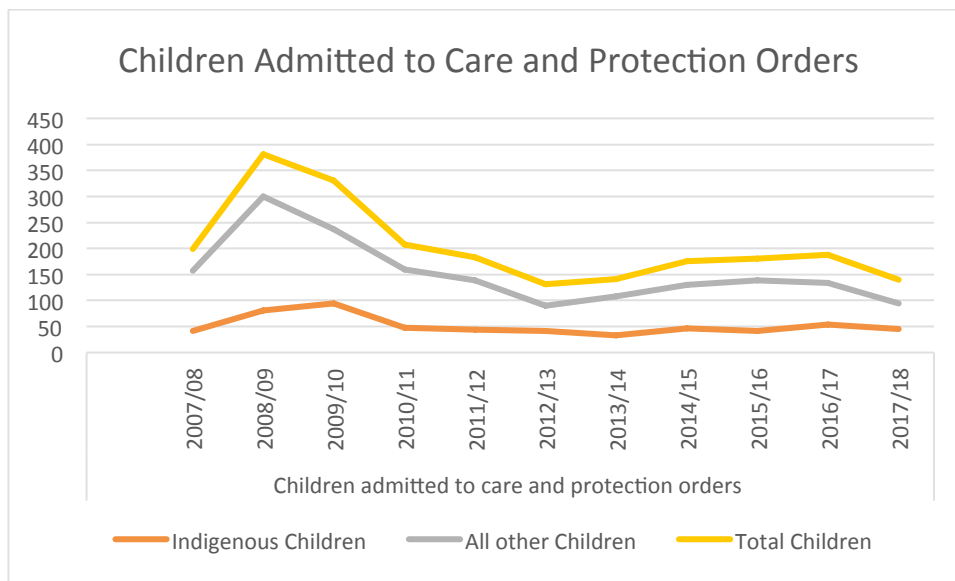
### REUNIFICATION / RESTORATION

Year	Metric	Total Frequency	Indigenous Children	All other Children	Total Children
<b>Children admitted to care and protection orders</b>					
	2007/08	17%	42	157	199
	2008/09	21%	81	300	381
	2009/10	21%	94	237	331
	2010/11	28%	48	159	207
	2011/12	23%	44	139	183
	2012/13	24%	41	90	131
	2013/14	31%	33	108	141
	2014/15	23%	46	130	176
	2015/16	26%	41	139	180
	2016/17	23%	54	134	188
	2017/18	29%	45	95	140
<b>Children admitted to care and protection orders for the first time</b>					
	2007/08	19%	27	103	130
	2008/09	22%	41	147	188
	2009/10	25%	40	121	161
	2010/11	25%	40	121	161
	2011/12	21%	32	123	155
	2012/13	34%	36	69	105
	2013/14	24%	30	94	124
	2014/15	24%	37	115	152
	2015/16	24%	39	122	161
	2016/17	29%	50	121	171
	2017/18	32%	41	77	118
<b>Number of children who were reunified / restored to birth parents within 12 months of admission*</b>					
	2013/14	9%	10	97	107
	2014/15	19%	17	72	89
	2015/16	21%	18	67	85
	2016/17	18%	14	62	76
	2017/18	30%	13	30	43
<b>Overall number of children reunified / restored to birth parents in the year (note this measure does not consider the length of time the child remains at home)</b>					
	2013/14	23%	41	134	175
	2014/15	13%	19	131	150
	2015/16	26%	30	86	116
	2016/17	27%	32	86	118
	2017/18	17%	17	84	101

\*'admission' for this figure is 'admission to out of home care' not 'admission to care and protection orders'. While most children will be present in both sets, there are some children admitted to orders who do not go into out of home care, instead the order assists in preservation at home. Please see

table below for admission to out of home care by aboriginal status as published in AIHW Child Protection Australia

Year	Metric	Total Frequency	Indigenous Children	All other Children	Total Children
<b>Number of children who were admitted to out of home care</b>					
	2013/14	17%	37	177	214
	2014/15	26%	56	163	219
	2015/16	22%	45	163	208
	2016/17	30%	59	137	196
	2017/18	34%	52	99	151



## Reconnection

Total population of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people in care in 2017/18

<i>Year</i>	<i>Metric</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>% of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in OOHC</i>
<i>*Data taken from Child Protection in Australia Table S45</i>			<i>Total Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children in Care 260</i>
<b>2017/18</b>	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children admitted to care and placed with relatives/kin or other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander carers	<i>103 (relatives/kin) 4 (other aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander carers)</i>	<i>41.1%</i>
	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in a relative/kinship placement at 30 June 2018 who moved from a non-relative/kinship care placement to a relative/kinship care placement during the reporting period	<i>25 moved from non-relative/kinship placement to relative kinship placement</i>	

New Entries of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people in care in 2017/18

<i>Year</i>	<i>Metric</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>% of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in OOHC</i>
<i>*Data taken from Child Protection in Australia Table S45</i>			<i>Total Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children in Care 50</i>
<b>2017/18</b>	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children admitted to care in the 2017/18 Financial Year and initially placed with relatives/kin or other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander carers	<i>26 in Kinship Care 9 in Kinship Care with a Carer with an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Status 23 in Foster care (1 not Identified) 1 in Residential Care</i>	<i>18% of children's first placements in 2017/18 was with a Kin who identified as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander</i>
	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children admitted to care in the 2017/18 Financial year and moved from a non/relative/kinship care placement to relative/kinship placement during the reporting period	<i>16 moved to a kinship placement with a carer who identified as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander</i>	<i>32%</i>
	Total number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children admitted to care in the 2017/18 Financial Year, who had at least one of their placements with relatives/kin or carers who identified as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	<i>25</i>	<i>50%</i>