

Please release the following information relating to looked after children in the care of your authority for the periods:

- 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021
- 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022
- 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023
- 1 January 2024 to 30 April 2024

1. The total number of looked after children in the care of your authority that are:
 - a. Identified as having been trafficked or a victim of modern slavery – including, but not limited to those identified through the National Referral Mechanism.
 - b. Suspected of having been a victim of trafficking or modern slavery, if not included in a.
 - c. Identified as an unaccompanied asylum-seeking child (UASC) or a separated child.
 - d. Identified as an unaccompanied asylum-seeking child (UASC) or a separated child who have also been identified or suspected of having been a victim of trafficking or modern slavery.
2. The total number of looked after children in the care of your authority:
 - a. Identified or suspected as having been trafficked/victim of modern slavery and that have gone missing or absent.
 - b. Identified as an UASC or separated child and that have gone missing or absent.
 - c. Identified as an unaccompanied asylum-seeking child (UASC) or a separated child who have also been identified or suspected of having been a victim of trafficking or modern slavery, and that have gone missing or absent.
3. The total number of individual incidents (which could involve the same child on more than one occasion) of looked after children in the care of your authority:
 - a. Identified or suspected as having been trafficked/victim of modern slavery and that have gone missing or absent.
 - b. Identified as an UASC or separated child and that have gone missing or absent.
4. The total number of looked after children in the care of your authority that are still missing or absent (including those that subsequently turned 18 without being found) that were identified or suspected as having been trafficked.
5. The total number of looked after children in the care of your authority that are still missing or absent (including those that subsequently turned 18 without being found) that were identified as an UASC or separated child.

Responses (Q1 to Q5)

| | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 01/01/24 to 30/04/24 |
|----|------|------|------|----------------------------|
| 1a | 6 | 6 | 9 | 2 |
| 1b | 7 | 16 | 18 | 13 |
| 1c | 14 | 37 | 76 | 63 |
| 1d | 1 | 5 | 10 | 9 |
| 2a | 4 | 5 | 8 | 0 |
| 2b | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 2c | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 3a | 37 | 10 | 30 | 0 |
| 3b | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5 |
| 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

6. For questions 1a, 1b and 2a please provide a breakdown of these numbers by year and whether the child is British or non-British.

Responses (Q6)

| | Year | British | Non-British |
|-------|------|---------|-------------|
| 6, 1a | 2021 | 6 | 0 |
| | 2022 | 6 | 0 |
| | 2023 | 6 | 3 |
| | 2024 | 0 | 2 |

| | Year | British | Non-British |
|------|------|---------|-------------|
| 6,1b | 2021 | 4 | 3 |
| | 2022 | 4 | 12 |
| | 2023 | 1 | 17 |
| | 2024 | 1 | 12 |

| | Year | British | Non-British |
|-------|------|---------|-------------|
| 6, 2a | 2021 | 4 | 0 |
| | 2022 | 5 | 0 |
| | 2023 | 6 | 2 |
| | 2024 | 0 | 0 |

7. For question 2, please provide a breakdown of these numbers by type of accommodation missing from

Responses (Q7)

7 - 2a

| Placement type | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
|---|----|----|----|----|
| Semi-independent living including Hostels, Foyers and YMCAs | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| Placed in Homes subject to Children's Homes Regulations | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Independent Living | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Young Offender Institution Or Prison | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Fostering | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Placed with Parents | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

7 - 2b

| Placement type | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
|---|----|----|----|----|
| Semi-independent living including Hostels, Foyers and YMCAs | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Placed in Homes subject to Children's Homes Regulations | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

7 - 2c

| Placement type | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
|---|----|----|----|----|
| Semi-independent living including Hostels, Foyers and YMCAs | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |