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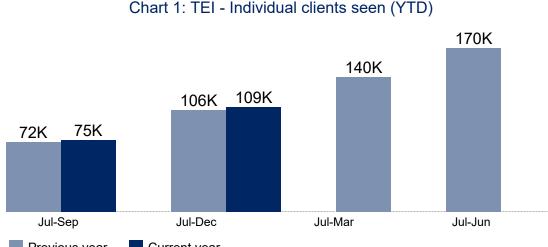
Targeted Early Intervention (TEI) services - year to date (YTD) data



How many **individual clients** were seen in TEI from the first day of the financial year to the end of the quarter?

There were approximately **109K** individual clients who received TEI services from 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023.

When compared with the same period in the previous year of **106K** individual clients who received TEI services, this is an increase of approximately **3K**.



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How many **group clients** were seen in TEI from the first day of the financial year to the end of the quarter?

There were approximately **656K** group clients who received TEI services from 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023.

When compared with the same period in the previous year of **585K** group clients who received TEI services, this is an increase of approximately **71K**.

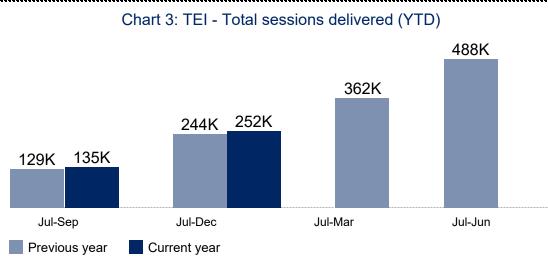


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How many **total sessions** were delivered in TEI from the first day of the financial year to the end of the quarter?

There were approximately **252K** TEI sessions delivered from 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023.

When compared with the same period in the previous year of **244K** TEI sessions delivered, this is an increase of approximately **8K**.



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- 1. Data on Targeted Early Intervention (TEI) Services from the Department of Social Security (DSS) DataExchange (DEX) platform was first reported in the September 2020 Caseworker
- 2. Finalised data on Targeted Early Intervention (TEI) services is available 6 monthly. Consequently from 2022-23, YTD Q1 data will be reported at the same time that YTD Q2 data is reported. Similarly YTD Q3 data will be reported at the same time that YTD Q4 data are reported.
- 3. TEI data for 2020-21 can be accessed **here**.





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Child and young person concern reports



Child and young person concern reports received from reporter agencies and how these reports were classified

A total of **106,308** child and young person concern reports were received in the October to December 2023 guarter. Of these concern reports reported in the quarter,

- 58.2% met the risk of significant harm (ROSH) threshold,
- 32.2% were assessed as not meeting the ROSH threshhold, and
- 9.6% were classified as other.

Reporter Agency Reporter Type

Helpline Assessment Outcome

Chart 1: Child and young person concern reports

101,602	103,471	99,289	106,495	106,308
33,487	34,709	33,246	35,079	34,265
57,926	57,482	56,263	60,600	61,870
 Oct-Dec 2022	Jan-Mar 2023	Apr-Jun 2023	Jul-Sep 2023	Oct-Dec 2023



What were the primary Helpline assessed issues reported from mandatory reporter agencies?

The DCJ Child Protection Helpline received 88,330 child and young

person concern reports in the October to December 2023 quarter.

Reporter Agency

Meeting ROSH threshold

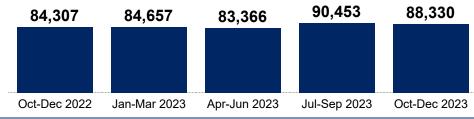
Reporter Type

ΑII

Not meeting ROSH threshold Other

Primary Helpline Assessed Issue

Chart 2: Child and young person **concern reports** from mandatory reporters





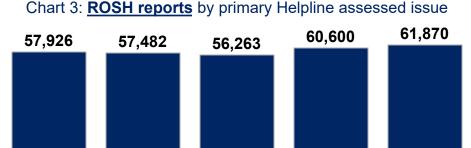
Assessment of child and young person concern reports to determine if they meet the statutory ROSH threshold

There were **61,870** ROSH reports in the October to December 2023 quarter. This is equivalent to an increase of **2.1%** from the previous quarter.

Compared with the same quarter last year of **57,926**, this represents a growth of 6.8%.

Primary Helpline Assessed Issue

Jan-Mar 2023



Apr-Jun 2023

Determining a response time for **ROSH reports** from mandatory and non-mandatory reporters

Of the 61,870 ROSH reports reported to the DCJ Child Protection Helpline in this quarter,

9,801 reports were classified as requiring a response in 24 hours 28,180 reports were classified as requiring a response in 72 hours **20,930** reports were classified as requiring a response in 10 days.

< 72 hours

Reporter Agency

Oct-Dec 2022

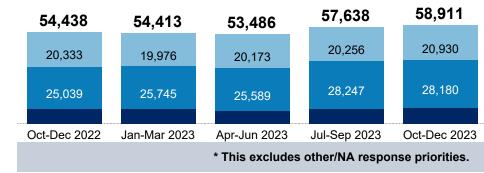
Reporter Type ΑII

Jul-Sep 2023

Oct-Dec 2023

Response Priority*

Chart 4: ROSH reports by response priority*





< 10 days

Child and young person **contacts** by mandatory reporters

to the DCJ Child Protection Helpline

< 24 hours

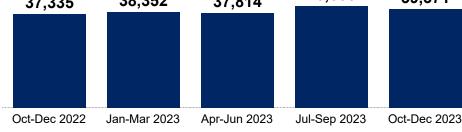
The DCJ Child Protection Helpline received 39,371 child and young person contacts in the October to December 2023 quarter. This represents a decrease of 3.2% or 1,295 contacts, when compared with the previous quarter. Compared with the same quarter last year of **37,335**, this is an increase of **5.5%** or **2,036** contacts.

Reporter Agency

Reporter Type

reporters 40,666 39,371 38,352 37,335 37,814

Chart 5: Child and young person concern **contacts** by mandatory



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Children and young people involved in concern reports



How many **children and young people** were involved in child and young person concern reports during the quarter?

There were **57,323** children and young people involved in concern reports in the October to December 2023 quarter. This is comparable to the number reported in the previous quarter.

When compared with the same quarter in the previous year of **55,479**, this is an increase of 3.3%.

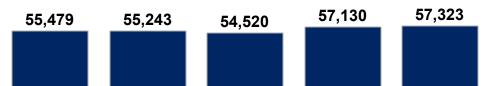
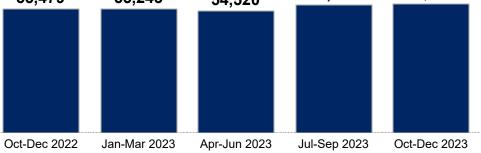


Chart 1: Children and young people involved in concern reports



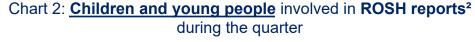


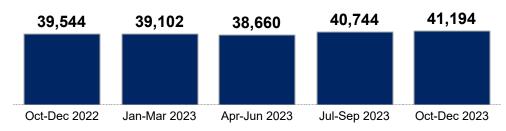
How many **children and young people** were involved in **ROSH reports** during the quarter?

A total of 41,194 children and young people involved in ROSH reports in NSW in the October to December 2023 quarter. This represents a rise of **1.1%** from the previous quarter.

When compared with the same quarter in the previous year of **39,544**, this is an increase of **4.2%** or **1,650** children and young people.

Aboriginality District





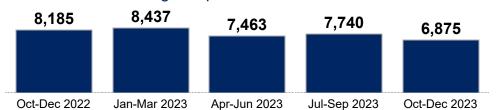
District

How many children and young people were seen by a DCJ caseworker during the quarter?

A total of **6,875** children and young people involved in ROSH reports who were seen by a DCJ caseworker in NSW in the October to December 2023 quarter. This translates to a decline of **11.2%** from the previous quarter.

When compared with the same quarter in the previous year of **8,185**, this is a decrease of 16.0% or 1,310 children and young people.

Chart 3: Children and young people involved in ROSH reports during the quarter who were seen³





How many children and young people were seen by a DCJ caseworker from the first day of the financial year to the end of the quarter?

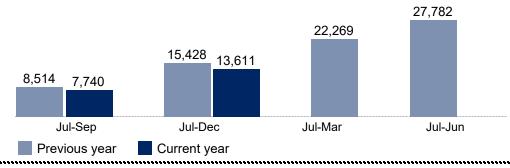
A total of 13,611 children and young people involved in ROSH reports who were seen by a DCJ caseworker from July 2023 to December

When compared with the same period in the previous year of 15,428 children and young people, this is a decrease of 1,817 children and young people who were seen by a DCJ caseworker.

Aboriginality

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Chart 4: Children and young people involved in ROSH reports who were seen YTD

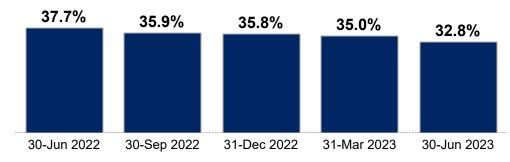




What is the percentage of children and young people re-reported at ROSH within 12 months of case plan closure by the end of the quarter⁴?

By 30 June 2023, **32.8%** of children and young people were re-reported at ROSH within 12 months of case plan closure (Target 32.3% by June 2023).

Chart 5: **Children and young people re-reported** within 12 months of case plan closure by the end of the quarter⁴



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- updated to be the sub-cohort of children seen only to align with the Children Seen measure. 3. District in Children Seen measure refers to District associated with the ROSH report during the reporting period that had the earliest submitted Safety/Alternative Assessment.
- 4. Based on the cohort of children who had closed cases during the 12 month period with case closure reasons of either (i) case plan goal achieved OR (ii) no further intervention required. These children are followed up for 12 months following care closure to determine what proportion is reported within that 12 month follow up period ending the last day of the
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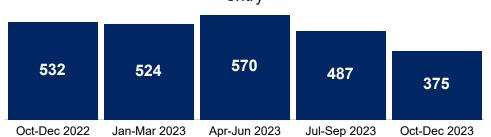
Children and young people entering care during the quarter

A total of **375** children and young people entered OOHC in the October to December 2023 quarter. This represents a reduction of 23.0% or **112** children and young people, when compared with the previous quarter.

When compared with the same quarter last year of 532 children and young people entering care, this is a decrease of 29.5% or 157 children and young people.

Age at entry

Chart 1: Children and young people entering OOHC⁴ by age at entry



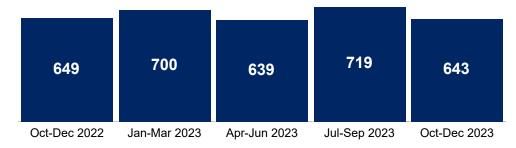
How many children and young people exited OOHC during the quarter?

There were **643** children and young people exiting OOHC in the October to December 2023 quarter. This is a decrease of 10.6% or 76 children and young people from the previous quarter.

Compared with the same quarter last year of **649** children and young people exiting OOHC, this is a decrease of 0.9% or 6 children and young people.

Age at exit

Chart 2: Children and young people exiting OOHC⁴ by age at exit



Children and young people in need of care and protection by case management responsibility

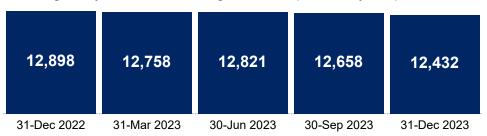
There were **12,432** children and young people in statutory OOHC at 31 December 2023. Of these 12,432 children, **46.1%** or **5,733** were

Aboriginal children and young people.

Aboriginality

Case management responsibility

Chart 3: Children and young people in statutory OOHC⁴ by Aboriginality and case management responsibility at quarter end



Placement of children and young people in need of care and protection

At 31 December 2023, a total of **14,273** children and young people were in OOHC. This means a decrease of 4.4%, when compared with **14,936** reported at the same quarter end last year.

Placement Type

Chart 4: Children and young people in OOHC⁴ by placement type at quarter end



Children and young people in High Cost Emergency **Arrangements (HCEA)**

Aboriginality

Placement type

416

There were **416** children and young people in HCEA at the end 395 368 371 372 of Dec 2023. This is a decrease of 11.1% or 52 children and 351 young people on the previous month. Compared with the same month of the previous year, the result is an increase of 18.5% or Oct Nov Dec Jan 65 children and young people.

Chart 5: Children and young people in HCEA4 at month end 475 463 469 470 468 430 451 419

413

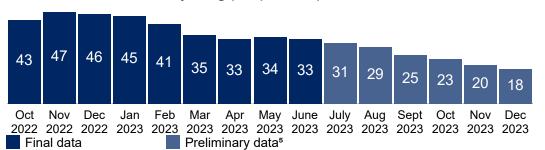
Feb Mar Apr May June July Aug Sept Oct Nov Dec 2022 2022 2022 2023 2023 Final data Preliminary data⁵

Children and young people in Special OOHC

There were **18** children and young people in Special OOHC at the end of Dec 2023. This is a decrease of 10.0% or 2 children and young people on the previous month. Compared with the same month of the previous year, the result is a decrease of **60.9%** or **28** children and young people.

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Chart 6: Children and young people in Special OOHC⁴ at month end



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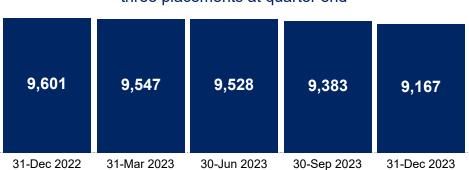
Age group

Better placements and matching for children and young people in care

At 31 December 2023, there were **9,167** children and young people in OOHC with fewer than three placements.

This is equivalent to a decrease of 2.3% or 216 children and young people from the end of the previous quarter.

Chart 1: Children and young people in OOHC4 with fewer than three placements at quarter end



Alternate permanent placement solutions for children and young people in need of care and protection

A total of **3,442** children and young people were on Guardianship Orders at 31 December 2023.

This is equivalent to a decrease of **0.5%** or **19** children and young people from the end of the previous quarter.

Chart 2: Number of children and young people on Guardianship Orders by Aboriginalty and age group

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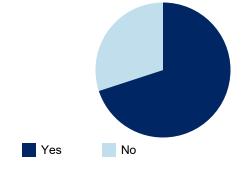
All children and young people



Placement of Aboriginal children and young people with extended family

At 31 December 2023, **70%** of Aboriginal children and young people in care were placed with an Aboriginal or non-Aboriginal relative or an Aboriginal carer.

Chart 3: Aboriginal children and young people in OOHC⁴ placed with a relative or an Aboriginal carer - 31 December 2023



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