

Better data for better child protection systems in Europe



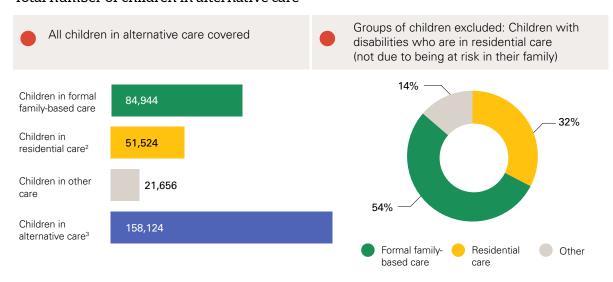
France



Red indicates that the variable is not collected or the statement not true, green that it is. If no information was found about any of the points in the overview for the particular country, the points are removed on the page for that country.

Children in formal family-based care
Children in residential care
Children in other care
Children in alternative care

Total number of children in alternative care¹



Headline statistics4

The rate of children aged 0-17 in alternative care at a specific point in time (per 100,000)	1,124
The rate of children aged 0-17 in residential care at a specific point in time (per 100,000)	366
The rate of children aged 0-17 in formal family-based care at a specific point in time (per 100,000)	604
The percentage of children aged 0-17 in residential care (of the total number of children in alternative care) at a specific point in time	32.6%

Country system	Data system
Decentralised alternative care and data system	Recent or current reform of data system on
Data on alternative care published	children in alternative care
Is the data system on children in alternative care	Data collected per individual child
covered in legislation?	Personal identification numbers used
Is the overarching term, in line with 'alternative care', used in legislation?	More than one agency mandated to collect data
care , used in registation:	Data collected on quality of care and outcomes
Formal kinship care is a subdivision of foster care	



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Age	Reason for entry into care⁵
Sex	Placement decision maker
Unaccompanied minor status	Reintegrated with family
Statelessness	Adopted
Disability status ⁶	 Leaving care due to death
Parental status	Age on leaving care
Official maximum number of places in a	a small group home
Official maximum number of places in I	argest type of residential care facilities
Data collected separately for small grou	up homes and large institutions
Data collected on length of stay	
Data collected on number of staff and t	heir qualifications
All forms of residential child care are re-	cognised as alternative care
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Room for improvement

Public data do not distinguish between 0-17 year olds and 18-20 year olds. Separate data on children aged 0-17 had to be requested.

Source: The DataCare project, 2021.

Endnotes

- 1 Contains 'other' alternative care provisions that cannot be definitely said to be residential care or family-based care, or that are not considered alternative care in all countries. Data for 31/12/2017. Data provided on request by the Direction de la recherche, des études, de l'évaluation et des statistiques.
- 2 Does not include data on children with disabilities who are in residential care and who are not at risk in their family.
- 3 Data from several sources containing both overlaps and gaps.
- 4 Calculated by the DataCare project team using, where relevant, country-specific population statistics from the UNICEF DataWarehouse. Source: https://data.unicef.org/resources/data_explorer/unicef_f/?ag=UNICEF&df=DM&ver=1.0&dq=.DM_POP_U18...&startPeriod=2010&endPeriod=2020.
- 5 Only present in the Enquête Aide Social. Volet les Bénéficiaires de l'Aide Social à l'Enfance.
- 6 As above.