

## Better data for better child protection systems in Europe



# Greece



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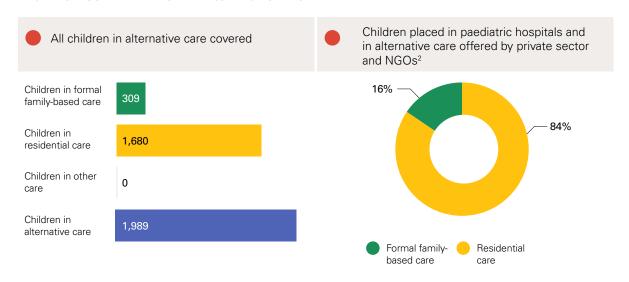
Children in formal family-based care

Children in residential care

Children in other care

Children in alternative care

#### Total number of children in alternative care<sup>1</sup>



### Headline statistics<sup>3</sup>

The rate of children aged 0-17 in alternative care at a specific point in time (per 100,000)	114
The rate of children aged 0-17 in residential care at a specific point in time (per 100,000)	96
The rate of children aged 0-17 in formal family-based care at a specific point in time (per 100,000)	18
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	84.5%

- Decentralised alternative care and data system

  Data on alternative care published
- Is the data system on children in alternative care covered in legislation?
- ls the overarching term, in line with 'alternative care', used in legislation?
- Formal kinship care is a subdivision of foster care

#### Data system

- Recent or current reform of data system on children in alternative care
- Data collected per individual child
- Personal identification numbers used
- More than one agency mandated to collect data
- Data collected on quality of care and outcomes



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Variables collected on			
	Age	Reason for entry into care	
	Sex	Placement decision maker	
	Unaccompanied minor status	Reintegrated with family	
	Statelessness	Adopted	
	Disability status	Leaving care due to death	
	Parental status	Age on leaving care	
Residential care			
	Official maximum number of places in a small group home		
	Official maximum number of places in largest type of residential care facilities		
	Data collected separately for small group homes and large institutions		
	Data collected on length of stay		
	Data collected on number of staff and their qualifications		

### Helpful examples

Since the start of the deinstitutionalisation programme in 2018 both the alternative care system and its data system have reformed significantly. More data are being collected on children in alternative care in a systematic way. This brings greater transparency to the situation of children in alternative care.

### Room for improvement

It is very difficult to find data and gain a global picture on the alternative care for children in Greece, both in the public and private sector.

Source: The DataCare project, 2021.

#### Endnotes

- 1 Data for 2020, provided on request by Greek Statistical authority (Ελληνική Στατιστική Αρχή).
- 2 The National Statistical Office has indicated that this has been changed very recently.
- 3 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.