

**Child Intervention Information and Statistics Summary
2017/18 Fourth Quarter (March) Update**

Initial Assessment	Not In Care	In Care	Post-Intervention Supports
	Family Enhancement	Child Protection	


- ❖ All 2017/18 numbers reflect data as of **March 2018**, unless otherwise stated.
- ❖ Percent changes reflect the current year-to-date average over the previous year-to-date average (For example, average of April to March 2018, compared to the average of April to March 2017).
- ❖ All initial assessment and preliminary permanency statistics are subject to change due to late entry.

Monthly Average	Dec 2017	Apr-Dec 2016/17	Apr-Dec 2017/18	% Change from 2016/17
Regions	4,380	4,235	4,343	↑3%
DFNAs	222	326	328	↑1%
Intakes Completed	4,602	4,561	4,671	↑2%


* All initial assessment numbers are subject to change due to late entry.

 In December 2017, there were **4,602 Intakes completed** across the Province. There has been a **2% increase** from 2016/17.


Monthly Average	Mar 2018	2016/17	2017/18	% Change from 2016/17
Family Enhancement	2,593	2,598	2,533	↓3%
Child Protection	7,865	7,672	7,850	↑2%
Total Child Intervention	10,458	10,270	10,383	↑1%


 In March 2018, **7,865 children (75%)** received services through the Child Protection Program.

Monthly Average	Mar 2018	2016/17	2017/18	% Change from 2016/17
Regions	8,682	8,630	8,646	↑<1%
DFNAs	1,776	1,640	1,737	↑6%
Child Intervention	10,458	10,270	10,383	↑1%

 **83% of children** who received Child Intervention Services in March 2018 were served by the Regions.

Monthly Average	Mar 2018	2016/17	2017/18	% Change from 2016/17
<i>Family Enhancement</i>	2,593	2,598	2,533	↓3%
<i>Child Protection Not In Care</i>	536	603	567	↓6%
Total Not In Care	3,129	3,201	3,100	↓3%
<i>Temporary Care</i>	2,299	2,109	2,293	↑9%
<i>Permanent Care</i>	5,030	4,960	4,990	↑1%
Total In Care	7,329	7,069	7,283	↑3%
Total Child Intervention	10,458	10,270	10,383	↑1%

 There were **10,458 children and youth** receiving Child Intervention Services at the end of March 2018. There has been a **1% increase** from 2016/17.


 There were **7,329 children In Care**, while an additional **3,129 children** received services at home.


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Monthly Average	Mar 2018	2016/17	2017/18	% Change from 2016/17
Indigenous	6,414	6,078	6,341	↑4%
Non-Indigenous	4,044	4,192	4,042	↓4%
CI Total	10,458	10,270	10,383	↑1%
% of children in CI who are Indigenous	61%	59%	61%	↑2%

 In March 2018, **61% of children and youth** receiving Child Intervention services were Indigenous.

Monthly Average	Mar 2018	2016/17	2017/18	% Change from 2016/17
Indigenous	5,145	4,862	5,056	↑4%
Non-Indigenous	2,184	2,207	2,227	↑1%
In Care Total	7,329	7,069	7,283	↑3%
% of children In Care who are Indigenous	70%	69%	69%	no change

 In March 2018, **70% of children and youth** receiving services In Care were Indigenous. There has been a **4% increase** in the number of Indigenous children In Care from 2016/17.

 According to the National Household Survey (2011), Indigenous children make up approximately **10%** of the child population (ages 0-19) in Alberta. In March 2018, they accounted for **70%** of the children In Care.

Monthly Average	Mar 2018	2016/17	2017/18	% Change from 2016/17
Parental Care	142	162	158	↓2%
Kinship Care*	2,411	1,960	2,263	↑15%
Foster Care	3,431	3,565	3,482	↓2%
Permanency Placements [†]	274	288	285	↓1%
Independent Living [‡]	158	186	178	↓4%
Group Care	465	498	480	↓4%
Treatment Care	235	196	221	↑13%
Other Placement Types [•]	213	214	216	↑1%
All Placement Types (In Care)	7,329	7,069	7,283	↑3%

*Kinship Care includes children placed with relatives or community members.


[†]Permanency Placements refer to the child's placement in their permanent home prior to the Adoption or Private Guardianship Order being granted.


[‡]Independent Living includes Supported Independent Living.

[•]Other Placement Types include those in a placement related to their Health Needs, in Secure Services, in a Y.C.J.A Facility, in a PSECA Facility, or those who are not currently placed.

 In March 2018, the most common placement types for children In Care were Foster and Kinship Care:

- ❖ **47% of children In Care were placed in Foster Care; and**
- ❖ **33% of children In Care were placed in Kinship Care.**

 There has been a **4% decrease** in the number of children placed in Independent Living from 2016/17.

 There has been a **13% increase** in the number of children placed in Treatment Care from 2016/17.

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Table 8: Supports for Permanency (SFP) Program				
Monthly Average	Mar 2018	2016/17	2017/18	% Change from 2016/17
Regions	4,399	4,345	4,383	↑1%
DFNAs	390	352	369	↑5%
Province	4,789	4,697	4,752	↑1%


 At the end of March 2018, there were **4,789 families** accessing the SFP Program. There has been a **1% increase** from 2016/17.

Table 9: Supports to Young Adults (SFA Agreements)				
Monthly Average	Mar 2018	2016/17	2017/18	% Change from 2016/17
Regions	1,796	1,579	1,767	↑12%
DFNAs	205	170	204	↑20%
Province	2,001	1,749	1,971	↑13%



 At the end of March 2018, there were **2,001 young adults** who had an active SFA Agreement. There has been a **13% increase** from 2016/17.

Table 10: Advancing Futures Bursary				
	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	% Change from 2016/17
Number of Approved Students	553	575	625	↑9%
Percentage of youth who completed their studies	82%	84%	86%	↑2%

2017/18 Advancing Futures Bursary data will be available with the 2018/19 first quarter update.

 In 2016/17, **625 students** were enrolled in the following program types:

- ❖ Upgrading (**18%**)
- ❖ Certificate/Trade (**25%**)
- ❖ Diploma (**29%**)
- ❖ Degree (**28%**)



 Since the inception of the program in January 2004, over **2,193 students** have accessed the program and over **1,000 students** have graduated with a certificate, trade, diploma or degree.

Table 11: Permanency Outcomes				
	2015/16 (Official)	2016/17 (Preliminary)	2017/18 (Preliminary)	
Family Preservations	3,047	3,841	3,569	
Family Reunifications	1,288	1,168	953	
Private Guardianships	231	179	148	
Adoptions	290	226	198	
All Permanency Outcomes	4,856	5,414	4,868	

 Preliminary data shows that in 2017/18, there were **3,569 Family Preservations** and **953 Family Reunifications**. Also, there were **148 Private Guardianships** and **198 Adoptions** granted during the same period of time.

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Table 12: Approved Foster and Kinship Homes			
	2015/16	2016/17	As of March 29, 2018
Authority Foster Homes	1,344	1,201	1,228
Agency Foster Homes	613	529	531
Kinship Homes	1,529	1,806	2,041
All Approved Homes	3,486	3,536	3,800


 As of March 29, 2018, there were **1,759** approved and licenced Foster Homes and an additional **2,041** approved Kinship Homes.

Table 13: PSECA Caseload			
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
Number of Distinct Children	167	178	183
The Protection of Children Involved in Prostitution Act (PChIP) was introduced in February 1999. PChIP was amended to PSECA in 2007.			



 In 2017/18, **183 distinct children** were served through the *Protection of Sexually Exploited Children Act (PSECA)*. There has been an **increase of 3%** since 2016/17.

Table 14: DECA Caseload			
	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Number of Distinct Children	3	2	5
DECA was introduced in November 2006.			

 In 2017/18, **five distinct children** were apprehended under the *Drug Endangered Children Act (DECA)*.