

# DCJ Quarterly Statistical Report on Services for Children and Young People - July-September 2023



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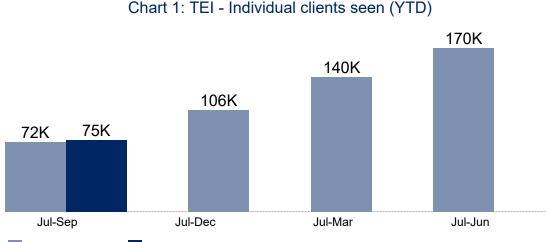
# Targeted Early Intervention (TEI) services - year to date (YTD) data



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 **75K** individual clients who received TEI services from 1 July 2023 to 30 September 2023.

When compared with the same period in the previous year of **72K** individual clients who received TEI services, this is an increase of approximately **3K**.



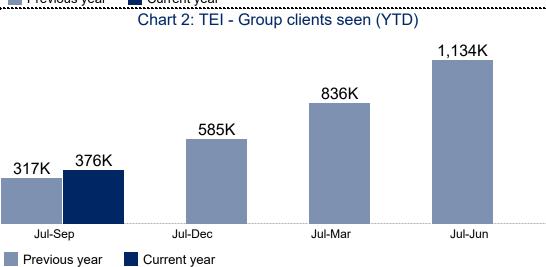
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How many **group clients** were seen in TEI from the first day of the financial year to the end of the quarter?

There were approximately **376K** group clients who received TEI services from 1 July 2023 to 30 September 2023.

When compared with the same period in the previous year of **317K** group clients who received TEI services, this is an increase of approximately **59K**.

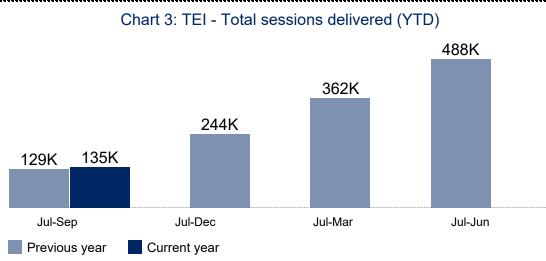


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How many **total sessions** were delivered in TEI from the first day of the financial year to the end of the quarter?

There were approximately **135K** TEI sessions delivered from 1 July 2023 to 30 September 2023.

When compared with the same period in the previous year of **129K** TEI sessions delivered, this is an increase of approximately **6K**.



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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 **106,495** child and young person concern reports were received in the July to September 2023 guarter. Of these concern reports reported in the quarter,

- 56.9% met the risk of significant harm (ROSH) threshold,
- 32.9% were assessed as not meeting the ROSH threshhold, and
- 10.2% were classified as other.

**Reporter Agency Reporter Type** 

**Helpline Assessment Outcome** 

#### Chart 1: Child and young person concern reports

98,905	101,602	103,471	99,289	106,495		
33,350	33,487	34,709	33,246	35,079		
56,258	57,926	57,482	56,263	60,600		
 Jul-Sep 2022	Oct-Dec 2022	Jan-Mar 2023	Apr-Jun 2023	Jul-Sep 2023		

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

The DCJ Child Protection Helpline received 90,453 child and young

person concern reports in the July to September 2023 quarter.

**Reporter Agency** 

Meeting ROSH threshold

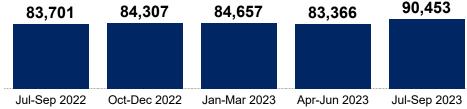
**Reporter Type** 

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Not meeting ROSH threshold Other

**Primary Helpline Assessed Issue** 

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





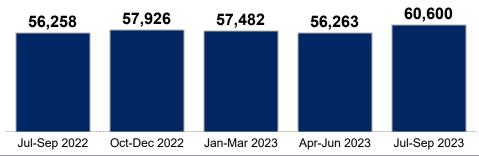
Assessment of child and young person concern reports to determine if they meet the statutory ROSH threshold

There were **60,600** ROSH reports in the July to September 2023 quarter. This is equivalent to an increase of **7.7%** from the previous quarter.

Compared with the same quarter last year of **56,258**, this represents a growth of **7.7%**.

**Primary Helpline Assessed Issue** 

Chart 3: **ROSH reports** by primary Helpline assessed issue





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

Of the 60,600 ROSH reports reported to the DCJ Child Protection Helpline in this quarter,

**9,135** reports were classified as requiring a response in 24 hours **28,247** reports were classified as requiring a response in 72 hours **20,256** reports were classified as requiring a response in 10 days.

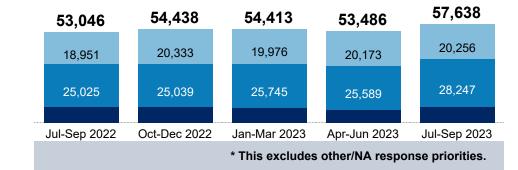
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Response Priority\*

Reporter Agency

Chart 4: **ROSH reports** by response priority\*

ΑII



< 10 days

to the DCJ Child Protection Helpline

< 72 hours

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

**Reporter Type** 

Jul-Sep 2023

**Reporter Type** 

The DCJ Child Protection Helpline received 40,666 child and young person contacts in the July to September 2023 quarter. This represents an increase of **7.5%** or **2,852** contacts, when compared with the previous quarter. Compared with the same quarter last year of **36,827**, this is an increase of 10.4% or 3,839 contacts.

40,666 37,335 38,352 37,814 36,827

Jan-Mar 2023

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

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Jul-Sep 2022

Oct-Dec 2022

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#### Children and young people involved in concern reports

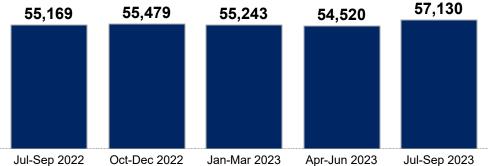


How many **children and young people** were involved in child and young person **concern reports** during the quarter?

There were **57,130** children and young people involved in concern reports in the July to September 2023 quarter, an increase of **4.8%** from the previous quarter.

When compared with the same quarter in the previous year of **55,169**, this is an increase of **3.6%**.





of **5.4%** from the previous quarter.

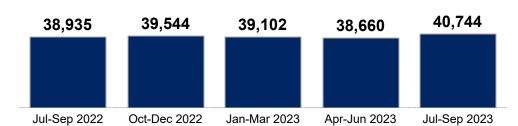
How many **children and young people** were involved in **ROSH reports** during the quarter?

A total of **40,744** children and young people involved in ROSH reports in NSW in the July to September 2023 quarter. This represents a rise

When compared with the same quarter in the previous year of **38,935**, this is an increase of **4.6%** or **1,809** children and young people.

Aboriginality District
All All

# Chart 2: Children and young people involved in ROSH reports<sup>2</sup> during the quarter



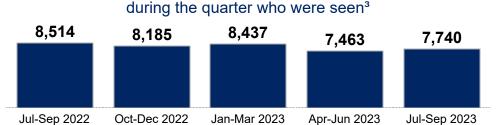
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How many **children and young people** were **seen** by a DCJ caseworker during the quarter?

A total of **7,740** children and young people involved in ROSH reports who were seen by a DCJ caseworker in NSW in the July to September 2023 quarter. This represents a rise of **3.7%** from the previous quarter.

When compared with the same quarter in the previous year of **8,514**, this is a decrease of **9.1%** or **774** children and young people.

Chart 3: Children and young people involved in ROSH reports



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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?

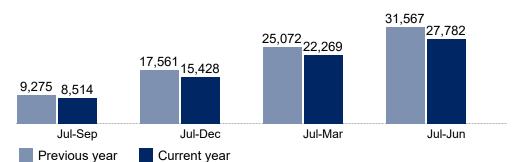
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**Aboriginality** All

Aboriginality

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

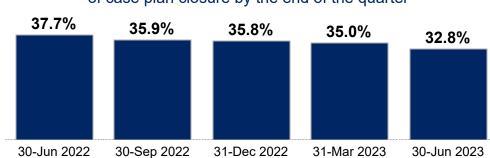


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What is the percentage of children and young people re-reported at ROSH within 12 months of case plan closure by the end of the quarter<sup>4</sup>?

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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- 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 reported quarter.
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#### Keeping children and young people safe

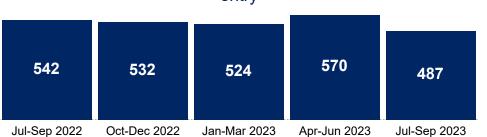
#### Children and young people entering care during the quarter

A total of 487 children and young people entered OOHC in the July to September 2023 quarter. This represents a reduction of **14.6%** or **83** children and young people, when compared with the previous quarter.

When compared with the same quarter last year of **542** children and voung people entering care, this is a decrease of 10.1% or 55 children and young people.

### Age at entry

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



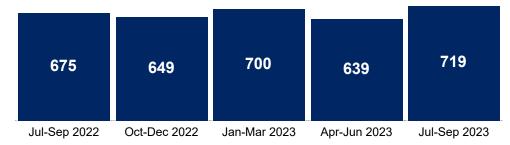
#### How many children and young people exited OOHC during the quarter?

There were **719** children and young people exiting OOHC in the July to September 2023 guarter. This is an increase of 12.5% or 80 children and young people from the previous quarter.

Compared with the same quarter last year of **675** children and young people exiting OOHC, this is an increase of 6.5% or 44 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 **12,658** children and young people in statutory OOHC at 30 September 2023. Of these 12,658 children, **46.0%** or **5,824** 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 30 September 2023, a total of **14,521** children and young people were in OOHC. This means a decrease of 3.6%, when compared with **15,058** 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)**

There were **470** children and young people in HCEA at the end of Sept 2023. This is a decrease of 1.1% or 5 children and young people on the previous month. Compared with the same month of the previous year, the result is an increase of **39.5%** or **133** children and young people.

# **Aboriginality**

Placement type

325	311	337	368	371	351	372	395	413	419	430	451	469	475	470
2022		Sept 2022 a		2022	2022		2023							

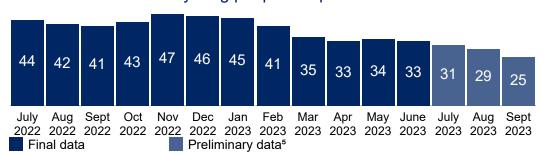
Chart 5: Children and young people in HCEA⁴ at month end

# Children and young people in Special OOHC

There were **25** children and young people in Special OOHC at the end of Sept 2023. This is a decrease of 13.8% or 4 children and young people on the previous month. Compared with the same month of the previous year, the result is a decrease of 39.0% or 16 children and young people.

# **Aboriginality**

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



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## Stable and nurturing environments for children and young people

Age group

#### Better placements and matching for children and young people in care

At 30 September 2023, there were **9,383** children and young people in OOHC with fewer than three placements.

This is equivalent to a decrease of 1.5% or 145 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

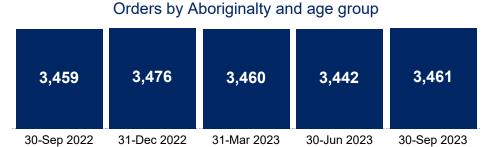
A total of **3,461** children and young people were on Guardianship Orders at 30 September 2023.

This is equivalent to an increase of **0.6%** or **19** children and young people from the end of the previous quarter.

Chart 2: Number of children and young people on Guardianship

**Aboriginality** 

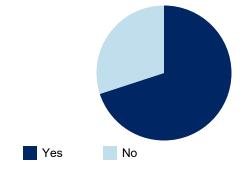
All children and young people



#### Placement of Aboriginal children and young people with extended family

At 30 September 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 - 30 September 2023



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