

Child protection register statistics: Northern Ireland 2013 – 2017

March 2018

Number of children on the Child Protection Register at 31 March by category of abuse

Category of abuse	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Neglect, physical and sexual abuse	18	24	23	24	21
Neglect and physical abuse	322	335	370	419	391
Neglect and sexual abuse	53	34	42	40	36
Physical and sexual abuse	57	45	69	44	41
Neglect (only)	640	574	558	623	597
Physical abuse (only)	534	540	597	691	717
Sexual abuse (only)	145	123	126	135	140
Emotional abuse (only)	192	239	184	170	189
All categories of abuse	1,961	1,914	1,969	2,146	2,132

Source:

Table 2.4 in Information Analysis Directorate (2017) Children's Social Care Statistics Tables 2016/17. Belfast: Northern Ireland, Department of Health.

Available online at: <https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/childrens-social-care-statistics-northern-ireland-201617>

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Number on the child protection register by age and gender at 31 March 2017

Age (years)	Boys	Girls	All children
<1	137	121	258
1-4	297	276	573
5-11	410	405	815
12-15	194	203	397
16 & over	49	40	89
Total	1,087	1,045	2,132

Source:

Table s 2.1 and 2.3 in Information Analysis Directorate (2017) Children's Social Care Statistics Tables 2016/17. Belfast: Northern Ireland, Department of Health.

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