

Angus Council Performs

Child Protection and Children's Social Work

In the following pages we provide information on a range of indicators that together provide an overview of the performance of Child Protection and Children's Social Work services in Angus. For each indicator we provide not only data but also a short explanation of our performance.

Numbers can only tell us so much about performance so every year we also publish a range of other things, such as news releases, web-pages and committee reports that might give you a better picture of the services we provide and the level of service that is delivered.

More information on Child Protection and Children's Social Work in Angus can be found in the following:

[Angus Child Protection Committee](#) web-site

[Social Work](#) web-pages

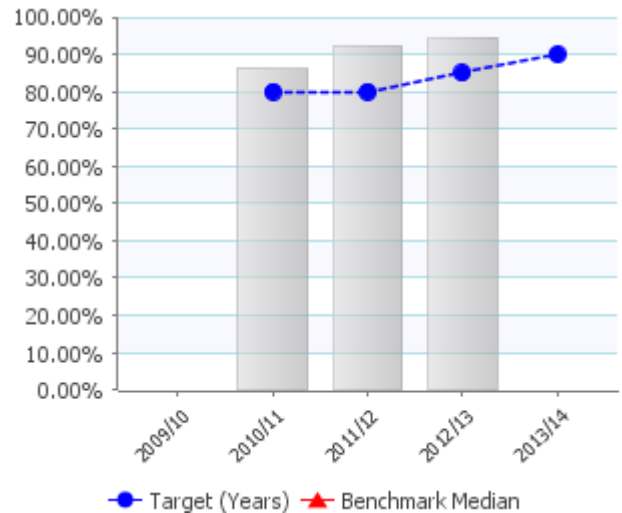
[Community Care](#) committee reports on performance

[Social Work and Health Annual Report 2012/13](#)

[Angus Child Protection Committee Annual Report 2012/13 and Business Plan 2013/14](#)

% referrals screened, prioritised and, where appropriate, initial action taken within 24 hours (KPI)

We have set a target of 90% for this indicator for 2013/14. Children's Services continue to ensure that referrals to the service are responded to promptly and within 24 hours. The small number of cases where this has not been possible is due to the need to gather further information from partner agencies before taking further action.

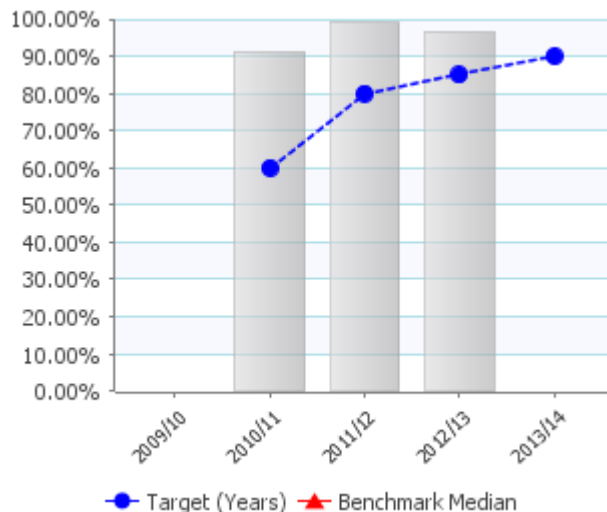


ITEM	YEAR	VALUE	TARGET	BENCHMARK MEDIAN
1	2009/10	Blank	Blank	Blank
2	2010/11	86.00%	80.00%	Blank
3	2011/12	92.23%	80.00%	Blank
4	2012/13	94.60%	85.00%	Blank
5	2013/14	Blank	90.00%	Blank

% of children on the Child Protection Register who are the subject of a Child Protection Plan within 14 days of registration (KPI)

We have set a target of 90% for this indicator in 2013/14. Continued positive progress is noted. The number of cases during 2012/13 where the target was missed equates to 3 cases. In each case a decision was made to delay compiling a full child protection plan to allow for partner agencies to participate in the process. At case conference a range of protection measures are identified and put in place immediately. Not compiling a comprehensive child protection plan does not delay putting in place actions to ensure the safety of children and young people.

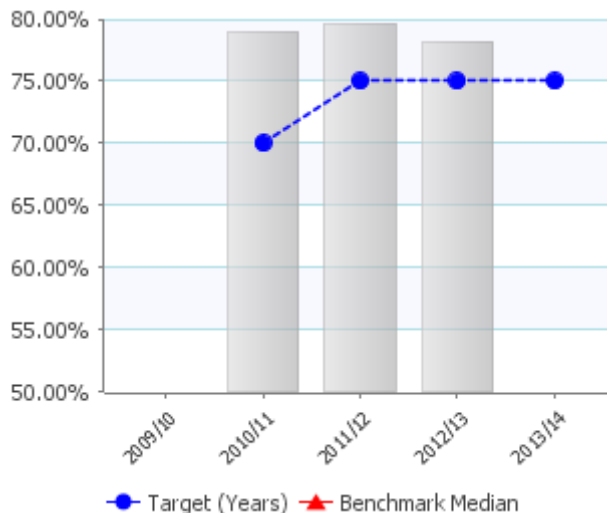
The 2013/14 target has been exceeded during 2012/13.



ITEM	YEAR	VALUE	TARGET	BENCHMARK MEDIAN
1	2009/10	Blank	Blank	Blank
2	2010/11	91.00%	60.00%	Blank
3	2011/12	98.97%	80.00%	Blank
4	2012/13	96.30%	85.00%	Blank
5	2013/14	Blank	90.00%	Blank

% of children, open to the department, being supported at home (KPI)

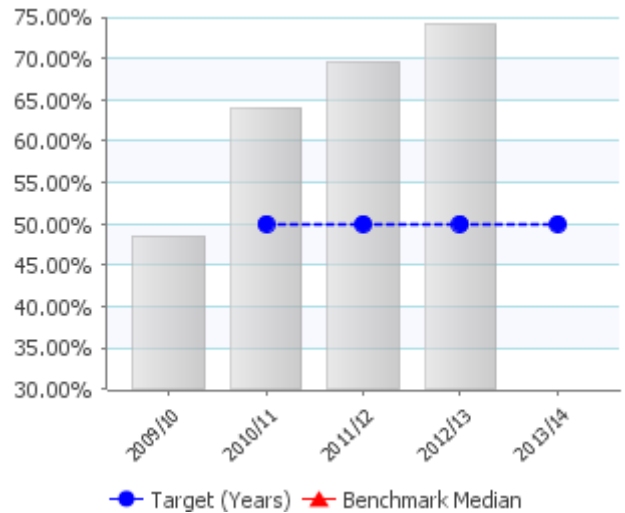
The percentage of cases open to the department being supported at home remains relatively stable but is subject to small fluctuations on a day to day basis. The small variation is accounted for by a temporary drop in short terms cases open to the Department's Intake Service.



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1	2009/10	Blank	Blank	Blank
2	2010/11	79.00%	70.00%	Blank
3	2011/12	79.63%	75.00%	Blank
4	2012/13	78.20%	75.00%	Blank
5	2013/14	Blank	75.00%	Blank

% of reports submitted to the Reporter within an agreed timescale (KPI)

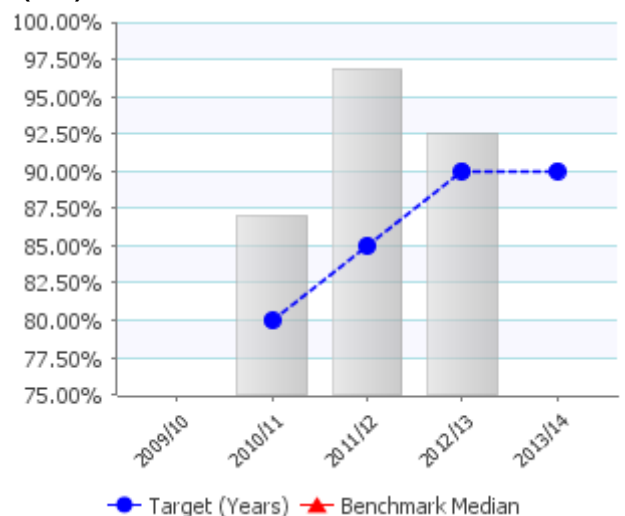
Angus Council continues to perform well above the National standard of 50% and performance in this area is gradually improving.



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1	2009/10	48.40%	Blank	Blank
2	2010/11	64.00%	50.00%	Blank
3	2011/12	69.55%	50.00%	Blank
4	2012/13	74.09%	50.00%	Blank
5	2013/14	Blank	50.00%	Blank

% of supervision requirements implemented within 7 days (KPI)

The change in performance in this area relates to 3 cases where implementing the supervision requirement was delayed. Despite this the 2012/13 target of 90% was exceeded with performance rates for 2012/13 being 92.5%

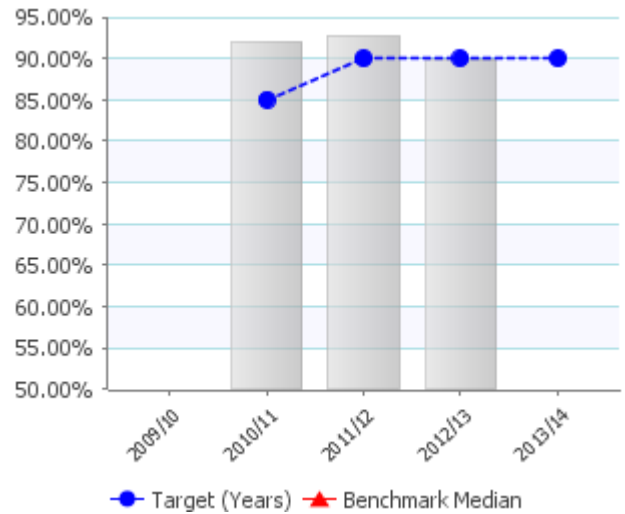


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1	2009/10	Blank	Blank	Blank
2	2010/11	87.00%	80.00%	Blank
3	2011/12	96.77%	85.00%	Blank
4	2012/13	92.50%	90.00%	Blank
5	2013/14	Blank	90.00%	Blank

% of children looked after away from home in family based placements (SOA 13/16) (KPI)

This percentage is subject to small fluctuations on a day to day basis due to children and young people coming into and leaving accommodation.

The general trend over the past year has been downwards due to success in supporting more children and young people to remain at home thus reducing the number of children and young people in foster care whilst the number in residential placements has remained relatively stable over the past year.



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1	2009/10	Blank	Blank	Blank
2	2010/11	92.00%	85.00%	Blank
3	2011/12	92.65%	90.00%	Blank
4	2012/13	89.90%	90.00%	Blank
5	2013/14	Blank	90.00%	Blank

Number of weeks of respite care provided to children with a disability (KPI)

The number of weeks of respite care continues to be over 25% more than the 200 weeks of funding received from the Scottish Government. The increase in performance is due to a more flexible approach to using alternative resources within children's services. The 2012/13 target has been exceeded with an increase of 25 weeks on the 2010/11 figure.



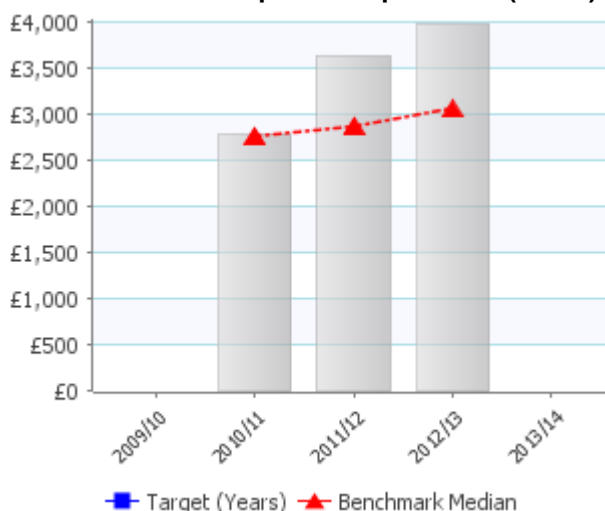
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1	2009/10	Blank	Blank	Blank
2	2010/11	229	120	Blank
3	2011/12	254	200	Blank
4	2012/13	262	200	Blank
5	2013/14	Blank	200	Blank

The Gross Cost of "Children Looked After" in Residential Based Services per Child per Week (LGBF)

The amount Angus Council spent on each child looked after in residential care each week rose from £3,631 in 2011/12 to £3,978 in 2012/13. In 2012/13 the average Scottish council spent £3,061. A looked after child is a child placed in the care of the council.

This measure is part of the Local Government Benchmarking Framework first published in March 2013. We're working with other Scottish councils to make sure we're all measuring the same costs, to learn from each other and improve services.

We haven't set targets for this indicator.



ITEM	YEAR	VALUE	TARGET	BENCHMARK MEDIAN
1	2009/10	Blank	Blank	Blank
2	2010/11	£2,793	Blank	£2,776
3	2011/12	£3,631	Blank	£2,884
4	2012/13	£3,978	Blank	£3,061
5	2013/14	Blank	Blank	Blank

The Gross Cost of "Children Looked After" in a Community Setting per Child per Week (LGBF)

The amount Angus Council spent on each child looked after in the community each week fell from £351 in 2011/12 to £336 in 2012/13. In 2012/13 the middle ranked Scottish council spent £238 per week. A looked after child is a child placed in the care of the council.

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We haven't set targets for this indicator.



ITEM	YEAR	VALUE	TARGET	BENCHMARK MEDIAN
1	2009/10	Blank	Blank	Blank
2	2010/11	£352.24	Blank	£211.18
3	2011/12	£351.22	Blank	£219.88
4	2012/13	£336.33	Blank	£238.16
5	2013/14	Blank	Blank	Blank

Balance of Care for looked after children: % of children being looked after in the Community (LGBF)

The percentage of 'looked after' children being cared for in the community in Angus fell 94.2% in 2011/12 to 93% in 2012/13. In 2012/13 the average Scottish council cared for 90% of 'looked after' children in the community. A looked after child is a child placed in the care of the council.

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We haven't set targets for this indicator.



ITEM	YEAR	VALUE	TARGET	BENCHMARK MEDIAN
1	2009/10	Blank	Blank	Blank
2	2010/11	93.60%	Blank	89.00%
3	2011/12	94.19%	Blank	89.91%
4	2012/13	93.00%	Blank	90.00%
5	2013/14	Blank	Blank	Blank