

FOI Request Form

Instructions for completion of the form:

- Please provide recorded local authority data for the period 2023–2025 where available.
- Enter “0” where the answer is nil.
- If data cannot be provided, please explain using the question at the end of each section (e.g. data not recorded or unable to retrieve).
- If you can not answer all questions please answer what you can or prioritise Q4

1. Looked After Children with Immigration Status

In the period 2023 – 2025 inclusive, for each calendar year, please share the number of Looked After Children) who had immigration status recorded as an issue of concern, including (but not limited to): no current immigration status, unresolved or insecure immigration status, or ongoing immigration or nationality applications.

Responding authority	Number of Looked After children with immigration status			Number of Looked After children with NO immigration status		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
BHSCT	26	35	27	0	0	0

2. Number of Looked After Children with Family and/or Connected Persons abroad

In the period 2023 – 2025, did you explore Family and/or Connected Persons overseas as potential carers for a child in your care? Mark 1 for Yes; Mark 0 for No.

	Yes	No
Family and/or Connected Persons Overseas Explored as Potential Carers?	1	0

3. Number of children placed with Family and/or Connected Persons abroad

For each year, how many children were actually placed with Family and/or Connected Persons outside Northern Ireland or outside the UK? If it would threaten the privacy of any individual to report numbers year on year, please report for the full three-year basis (2023 – 2025 inclusive). If your response is ‘nil’, please use ‘0’.

Responding authority	Placed outside of Northern Ireland but within UK			Placed outside of the UK		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
BHSCT	0	0	0	0	0	0

4. Court orders used for placement overseas

For each year, what number and types of court orders were used to place children with Family and/or Connected Persons abroad? If it would threaten the privacy of any individual to report numbers year on year, please report for the full three-year basis (2023 – 2025 inclusive). If your response is ‘nil’, please use ‘0’.

No order but child placed outside of Northern Ireland			ICO			Residence Order	CAO			Special Guardian ship Order			Adoption Order			Other Order		
2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	Years ...	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
0			0			0	0			0			0			0		

5. Post-placement support for overseas placements

Has your local authority made any financial support payments to kinship carers living overseas in the past three calendar years (2023, 2024, 2025)? This is regardless of order type and could include: section 17 payments, kinship allowance, SG support, discretionary welfare payments etc. Please list countries of residence of the formerly LAC.

Responding Authority	Yes	No
BHSCT	0	X

If yes, to which countries were payments made?	
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