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About this Report

This report provides an overview of service activity and performance across a number of key metrics for **May 2026**.

In January 2026, Tusla commenced implementation of a major reform programme aimed at improving services delivered to children, young people and their families.

Previously, Tusla was set up to work across 17 geographical areas configured into six regions. These areas differed in size and staffing levels with the result that children, young people and families, did not always have the same level of access to services, or the same level of supports available.

To address this inequity, Tusla changed its structure to work across 30 networks in six regions. Each new network was indexed using Central Statistics Office demographic data, including population size, disadvantage and deprivation. The networks are more equal in size and staffing ensuring more equal access to services for everyone, no matter where they live.

This new configuration can be viewed on the map and table in Appendix 1 of this report.

The key metrics included in this report provide a snapshot of performance and activity across the following service areas, Safety & Welfare (previously referred to as Child Protection and Welfare), Children in Care, Tusla Education Support Services (Tess) and Children's Services Regulation (CSR). National and regional breakdowns of the data are provided in the main body of the report. Network level data can be found in Appendix 3.

More detailed data for these services and other services delivered by Tusla is provided in our Quarterly Performance & Activity Reports. These reports can be accessed on our [website](#).

Explanations of the terms and abbreviations used in this report can be found in Appendix 2.

Data can change from previously published data due to ongoing validation of data. Also, data for 2026 should be interpreted with caution due to work underway to align cases to new regions/networks.

Key Messages

SAFETY AND WELFARE

Referrals

- 9,132 referrals in May 2026, bringing to 46,803 the number of referrals for the first five months of 2026.
- 6% (2,620) increase in referrals, 2026 YTD versus the same period in 2025 (44,183).

Open Cases (Safety & Welfare and Children in Care (mainstream) Combined)

- 24,784 cases open to social work (includes safety & welfare cases and children in care) at the end of May 2026; 313 (1%) fewer than April 2026 (25,097).
- 6% (1,489) increase in open cases year on year
- 79% (19,476) of cases allocated to a case worker.
- 77% (14,928) of allocations to social workers and 23% (4,548) to other professionals.
- 5,308 (21%) cases awaiting allocation, 158 (3%) fewer than April 2026 (5,466).

Open Cases (Safety & Welfare Cases Only)

- 18,960 cases open to social work (safety & welfare cases only) at the end of May 2026; 319 (2%) fewer than April 2026 (19,279).
- 8% (1,342) increase in open cases year on year.
- 73% (13,815) of cases allocated to a case worker.
- 71% (9,872) of allocations to social workers and 29% (3,943) to other professionals.
- 5,145 (27%) cases awaiting allocation, 193 (4%) fewer than April 2026 (5,338).

Child Protection Notification System (CPNS)

- 1,218 children 'active' on the CPNS at the end of May 2026, 49 (4%) more than April 2026 (1,169).
- 18% (185) increase in the number 'active' year on year
- 98% (1,190) of children allocated to a social worker; 28 children awaiting allocation, 17 more than April 2026 (11).
- 6 of the 28 children awaiting allocation were allocated to another professional worker; 16 of the 22 remaining children were subsequently allocated to a social worker.

Child Abuse Substantiation Procedure (CASP)

- 107 referrals assigned in the first five months of 2026
- 309 assessments open under CASP at the end of May 2026; 35% (163) decrease year on year

- 85% (262) of open assessments allocated to a social worker, 47 (15%) assessments awaiting allocation, 8 (21%) more than April 2026 (39).

CHILDREN IN CARE

- 5,948 children in care (includes 124 unaccompanied minors) at the end of May 2026, a 3% (187) increase year on year.
- 85.2% of all children in care (mainstream and unaccompanied minors) are in foster care; 86.8% of mainstream children in care in foster care.
- 1,165 (19.6%) children in care are in placements with private providers, 10 (1%) fewer than April 2026 (1,175)
- 12% (126) increase in placements with private providers year on year.
- 97% (5,783) of children in care were allocated to a case worker.
- 90% (5,178) of allocations were to social workers and 10% (605) were to other professionals.
- 165 (3%) children awaiting allocation, 34 (26%) more than April 2026 (131)
- 83% (4,939) of children in care have an up-to-date care plan.

TUSLA EDUCATION SUPPORT SERVICES

- 12,613 referrals for an educational welfare service this school year to date.
- 11,725 cases open to educational welfare services at the end of May 2026, the highest number this school year to date.
- 51.8% (6,075) of cases allocated to educational welfare officers, 5,650 (48.2%) cases on a waiting list for allocation, 207 (4%) more than April 2026 (5,443).

CHILDREN'S SERVICES REGULATION

Early Years Services (Pre-Schools)

- 3,944 pre-school services on the register at the end of May 2026; <1% (19) decrease in the number of the register year on year.
- 1,122 inspections of pre-school services in the first five months of 2026; 7% (70) increase in inspections year-on-year.

Home Education

- 2,679 children on the register for home education at the end of May 2026; 10% (240) increase in the number on the register year on year.
- 339 children awaiting assessment for registration at the end of May 2026, 9 (3%) fewer than April 2026 (348)
- 5% (16) decrease in the number of children awaiting assessment for registration year-on-year.

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Safety & Welfare (Referrals)

Metric	Current Month	YTD	SPLY YTD	YTD v SPLY YTD % Δ	DML YTD	DNE YTD	MW YTD	SE YTD	SW YTD	WNE YTD
# Referrals	9,132	46,803	44,183	+2,620 (6%)	9,701	9,231	7,714	7,153	6,471	6,533
% Total	-	-	-	-	21%	20%	16%	15%	14%	14%
Metric	Current Month	YTD	Target	YTD v Target % Δ	DML YTD	DNE YTD	MW YTD	SE YTD	SW YTD	WNE YTD
% Re-Referrals	19.3%	19.5%	≤18.1%	+1.4% points	18.2%	19.0%	22.2%	21.1%	18.7%	18.0%

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Data on referrals to be considered provisional

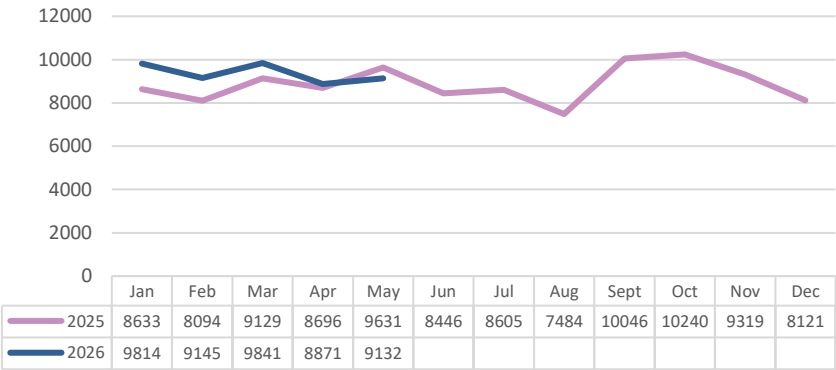
National

- 9,132 referrals in May 2026, bringing to 46,803 the number of referrals for the first five months of 2026.
- 6% (2,620) increase in referrals year on year
- 19.5% of referrals YTD were re-referrals against a target of ≤18.1%

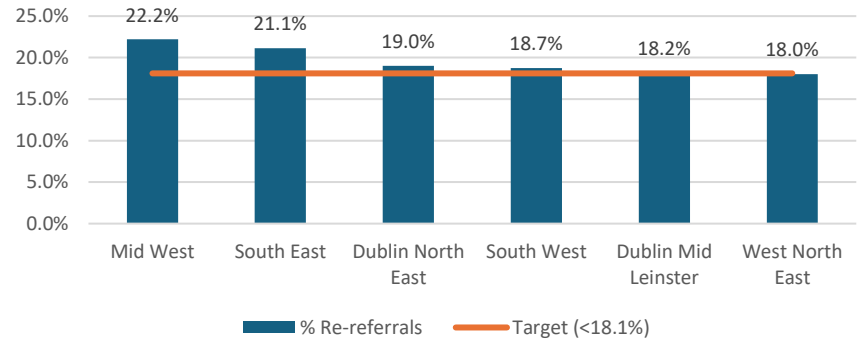
Regional

- Highest number of referrals YTD reported by Dublin Mid Leinster (9,701; 21%), fewest number South West (6,471; 14%).
- Highest rate of re-referrals reported by Mid West (22.2%), lowest rate West North East (18.0%).

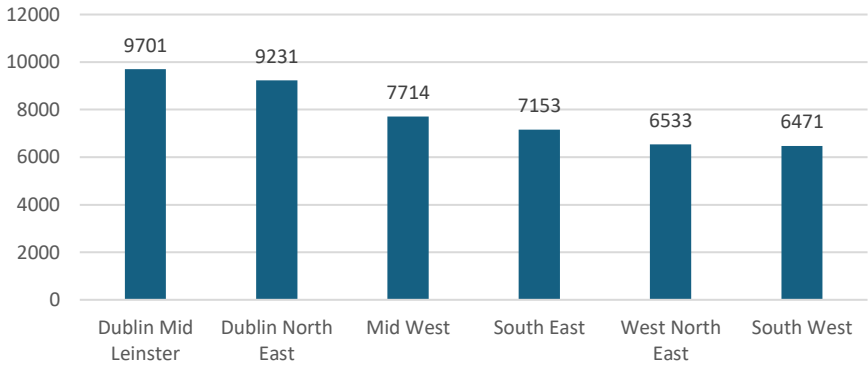
Referrals by Month



% Re-Referrals by Region, 2026 YTD



Referrals by Region, 2026 YTD



Safety & Welfare (All Cases Open to Social Work - Safety & Welfare and Children in Care Combined)

Metric	Current Month-1	Current Month	Trend	SPLY	Current v SPLY % Δ	DML Current	DNE Current	MW Current	SE Current	SW Current	WNE Current
# Open Cases Month End	25,097	24,784	↓	23,295	+1,489 (6%)	5,590	4,381	3,340	3,588	3,744	4,141
% Total Open Cases	-	-	-	-	-	23%	18%	13%	14%	15%	17%
% Allocated to Worker	78%	79%	↑	80%	-1% point	66%	86%	93%	76%	79%	79%
# Awaiting Allocation	5,466	5,308	↓	4,634	+674 (15%)	1,913	622	235	867	795	876
# High Priority Awaiting	232	274	↑	232	+42 (18%)	112	24	17	34	2	85
% High Priority Awaiting	4%	5%	↑	5%	-	6%	4%	7%	4%	<1%	10%

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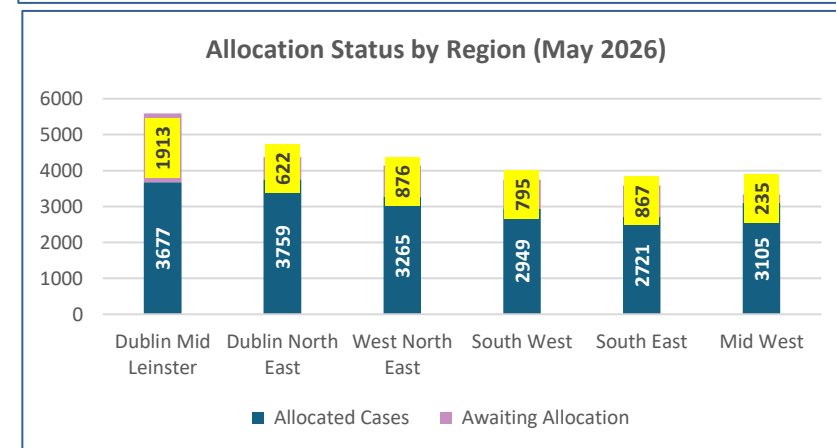
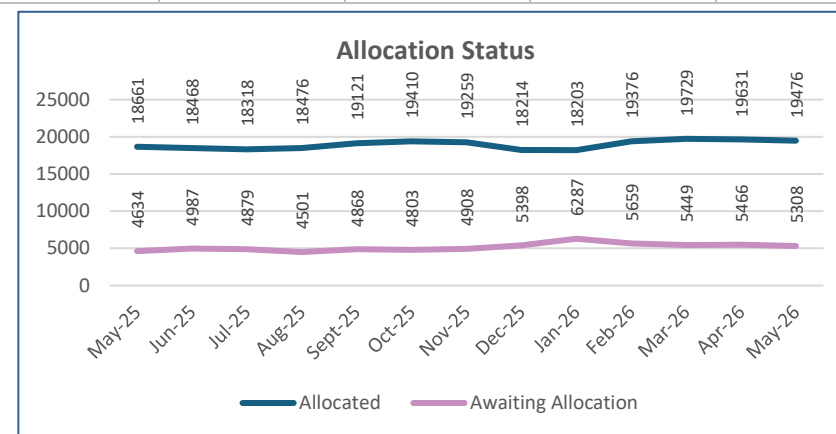
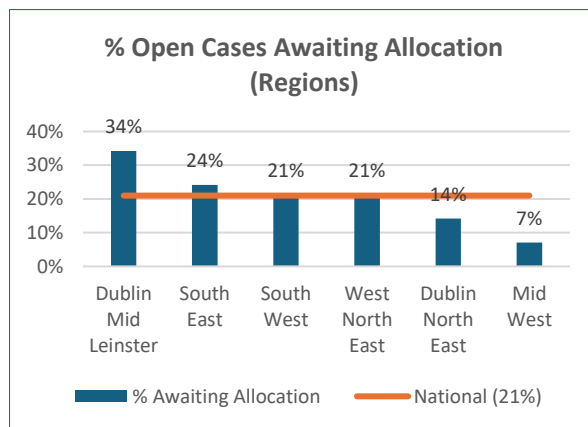
Safety & Welfare Cases and Children in Care (mainstream) Combined

National

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- 6% (1,489) increase in open cases year on year
- **79% (19,476) of open cases allocated to a case worker**
- **5,308 (21%) cases awaiting allocation**, 158 (3%) fewer than April 2026 (5,466)
- 77% (14,928) of allocations are to social workers; 23% (4,548) to other professionals
- **274 (5%) cases awaiting allocation are high priority**, 42 (18%) more than April 2026 (232).

Regional

- **Dublin Mid Leinster - highest number of open cases**, (5,590; 23%).
- **Mid West - fewest number** (3,340; 13%).
- **Dublin Mid Leinster - highest number of cases awaiting allocation** (1,913; accounting for 36% of all open cases awaiting and 34% of open cases in the region)
- **Mid West - fewest number** (235; accounting for 4% of all open cases awaiting and 7% of open cases in the region).



Safety & Welfare (Cases Open to Social Work - Safety and Welfare Cases Only)

Metric	Current Month-1	Current Month	Trend	SPLY	Current v SPLY % Δ	DML Current	DNE Current	MW Current	SE Current	SW Current	WNE Current
# Open Cases Month End	19,279	18,960	↓	17,618	+1,342 (8%)	4,736	3,432	2,347	2,732	2,787	2,926
% Total Open Cases	-	-	-	-	-	25%	18%	12%	14%	15%	15%
% Allocated to Worker	72%	73%	↑	74%	-1% point	60%	83%	90%	69%	73%	72%
# Awaiting Allocation	5,338	5,145	↓	4,509	+636 (14%)	1,905	588	235	859	753	805
# High Priority Awaiting	198	236	↑	207	+29 (14%)	109	9	17	32	1	68
% High Priority Awaiting	4%	5%	↑	5%	-	6%	2%	7%	4%	<1%	8%

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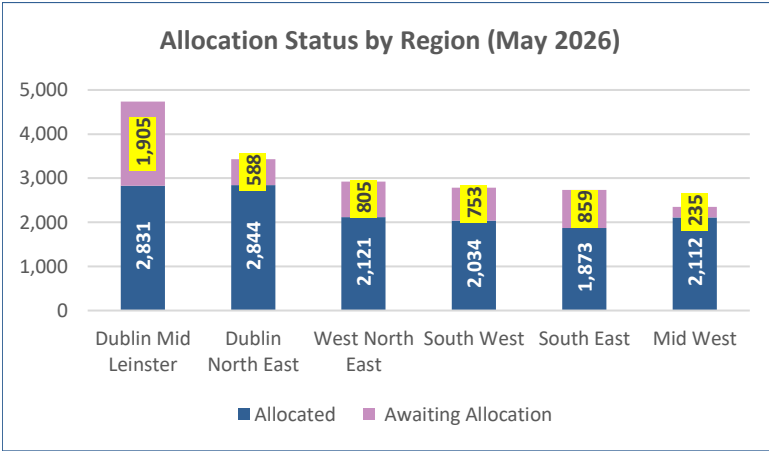
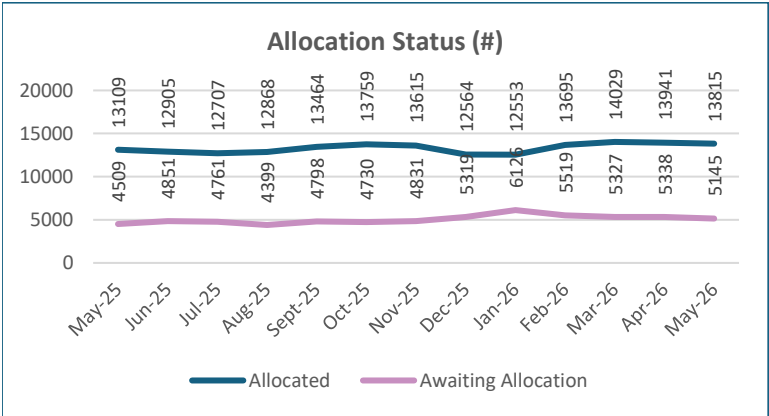
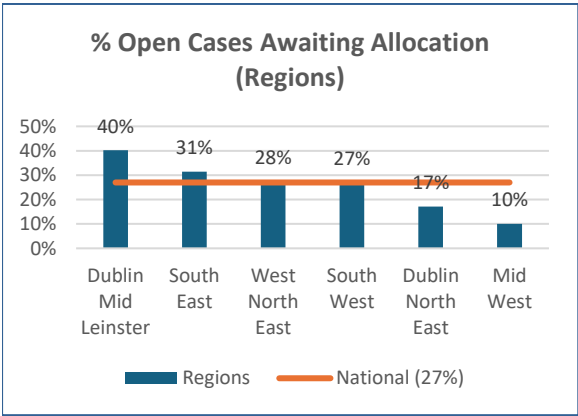
Safety & Welfare Cases Only

National

- **18,960 cases open** to social work at the end of May 2026, 319 (2%) fewer than April 2026 (19,279)
- 8% (1,342) increase in open cases year on year
- **73% (13,815) of open cases allocated to a case worker**
- **5,145 (27%) cases awaiting allocation**, 193 (4%) fewer than April 2026 (5,338)
- 71% (9,872) of allocations are to social workers; 29% (3,943) to other professionals
- **5% (236) of cases awaiting allocation are high priority**, 38 (19%) more than April 2026 (198)

Regional

- **Dublin Mid Leinster - highest number of open cases**, (4,736; 25%).
- **Mid West - fewest number** (2,347; 12%).
- **Dublin Mid Leinster - highest number of cases awaiting allocation** (1,905 accounting for 37% of all open cases awaiting and 40% of open cases in the region).
- **Mid West - fewest number** (235 accounting for 5% of all open cases awaiting and 10% of open cases in the region).



Safety & Welfare (Child Protection Notification System)

Metric	Current Month-1	Current Month	Trend	SPLY	Current v SPLY % Δ	DML Current	DNE Current	MW Current	SE Current	SW Current	WNE Current
# Children 'Active' Month End	1,169	1,218	↑	1,033	+185 (18%)	308 (25%)	240 (20%)	199 (16%)	103 (8%)	154 (13%)	214 (18%)
% Allocated to a Social Worker	99%	98%	↓	98%	0% points	95.8%	99.6%	98.5%	89.3%	100%	100%
# Awaiting Allocation	11	28	↑	21	+7 (33%)	13	1	3	11	0	0
# 'Active' for > 18 months	109	115	↑	82	+33 (40%)	41	32	23	4	9	6
% 'Active' for > 18 months	9%	9%	→	8%	+1% point	13%	13%	12%	4%	6%	3%

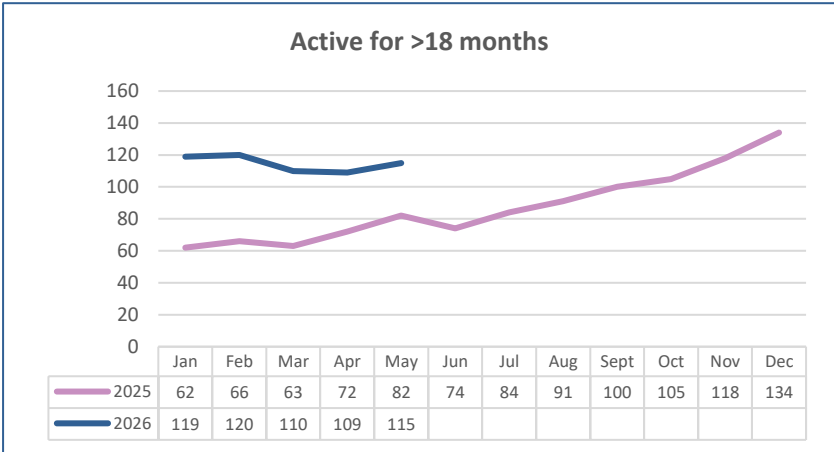
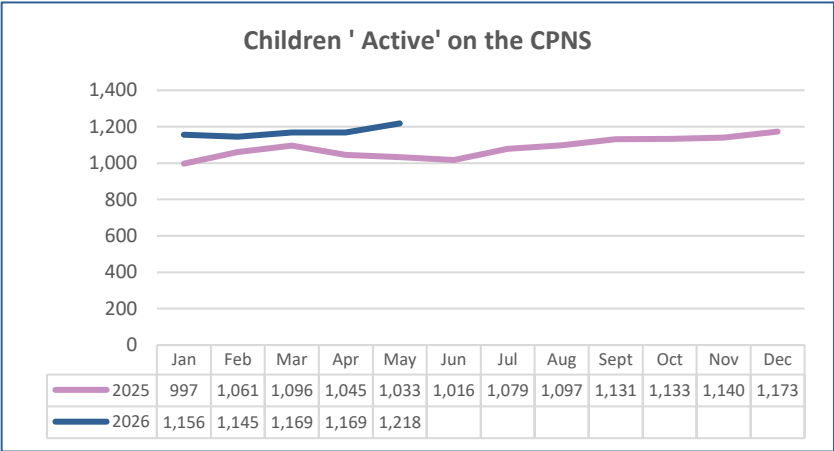
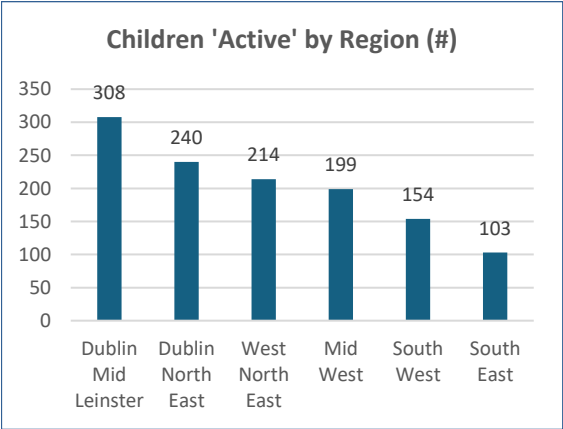
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National

- **1,218 children 'active' on the CPNS**, 49 (4%) more than April 2026 (1,169).
- 18% (185) increase in the number of children 'active' on the CPNS year-on-year.
- **98% (1,190) of children allocated to a social worker**; 28 children awaiting allocation, 17 more than April 2026 (11).
- 6 of the 28 children awaiting allocation were allocated to another professional worker; 16 of the 22 remaining children were subsequently allocated to a social worker.
- **115 (9%) children 'active' for more than 18 months**, 6 (6%) more than April 2026 (109) and 33 (40%) more than May 2025 (82).

Regional

- **Dublin Mid Leinster - highest number** (308; 25%) of children 'active'.
- **South East - fewest number** (103; 8%).
- Of the 28 children awaiting allocation, highest numbers reported by Dublin Mid Leinster (13) and South East (11).
- All children allocated in South West and West North East.
- **Dublin Mid Leinster reports the highest number of children 'active for >18 months** (41), followed by Dublin North East (32) and Mid West (23).



Safety & Welfare (Child Abuse Substantiation Procedure)

Metric	Current Month	YTD	SPLY YTD	YTD v SPLY YTD % Δ		DML YTD	DNE YTD	MW YTD	SE YTD	SW YTD	WNE YTD
# Referrals Assigned	24	107*	210	-103 (49%)		4	4	24	7	15	53
# Assessments Closed	16	132	434	-302 (70%)		13	0	37	9	16	57
Metric	Current Month-1	Current Month	Trend	SPLY	Current v SPLY % Δ	DML Current	DNE Current	MW Current	SE Current	SW Current	WNE Current
# Open Assessments	302	309	↑	472	-163 (35%)	20	27	86	25	46	105
% Total	-	-	-	-	-	6%	9%	28%	8%	15%	34%
# Allocated	263	262	↓	453	-191 (42%)	19	15	85	22	43	78
% Allocated to a Social Worker	87%	85%	↓	96%	-11% points	95%	56%	99%	88%	93%	74%
# Awaiting Allocation	39	47	↑	19	+ 28 (147%)	1	12	1	3	3	27

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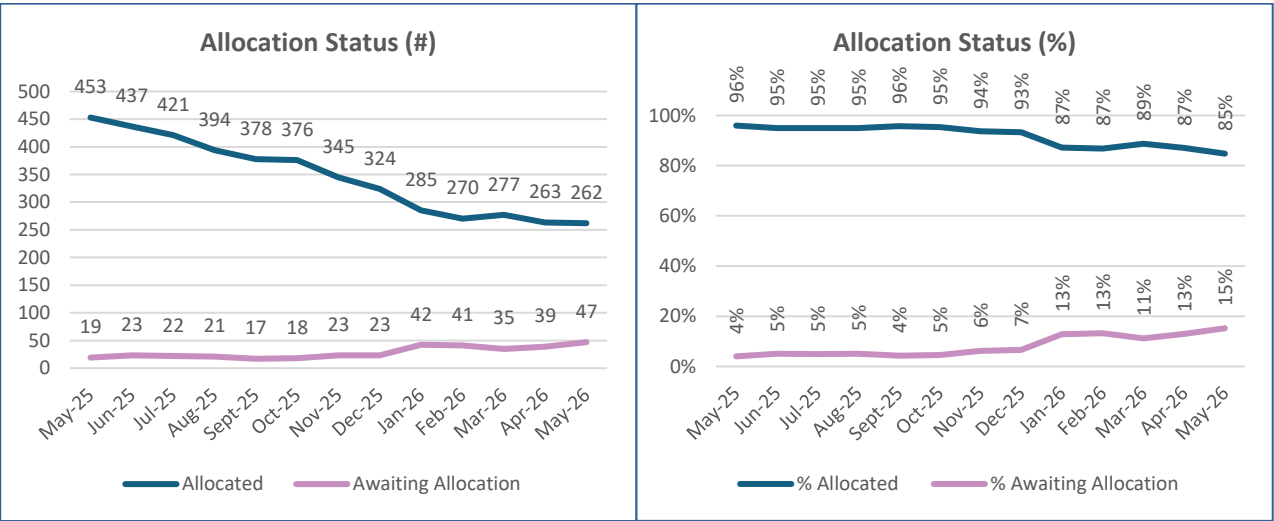
National

- **107 referrals assigned*** in the first five months of 2026
- **309 assessments open** at the end of May 2026.
- **35% (163)** decrease in assessments open year on year
- **85% (262)** of assessments allocated to a social worker
- **47 (15%) assessments awaiting allocation**, 8 (21%) more than April 2026 (39).

Regional

- **West North East - highest number** (105; 34%) of open assessments. **Dublin Mid Leinster - fewest number** (20; 6%).
- West North East (27) and Dublin North East (12) account for 83% (39) of assessments awaiting allocation.

**Note: referrals assigned needs to be interpreted with caution due to the alignment of referrals with the new geographical structures.*



Children in Care (Number and Placement Type)

Metric	Current Month-1	Current Month	Trend	SPLY	Current v SPLY % Δ	DML Current	DNE Current	MW Current	SE Current	SW Current	WNE Current	Service SCSIP Current
# Children in Care	5,949	5,948	↓	5,761	+187 (3%)	852	951	993	856	957	1,215	124
% Total	-	-	-	-	-	14%	16%	17%	14%	16%	20%	2%
# Residential Care	627	626	↓	535	+91 (17%)	112	134	53	56	103	58	110
% Residential Care	10.5%	10.5%	→	9.3%	+1.2% points	13.1%	14.1%	5.3%	6.5%	10.8%	4.8%	88.7%
# Foster Care	5,068	5,067	↓	5,034	+33 (<1%)	689	753	912	752	820	1,127	14
% Foster Care	85.2%	85.2%	→	87.4%	- 2.2% points	80.9%	79.2%	91.8%	87.9%	85.7%	92.8%	11.3%
# Other Placement	254	255	↑	192	+63 (33%)	51	64	28	48	34	30	0
% Other Placement	4.3%	4.3%	→	3.3%	+1.0% point	6.0%	6.7%	2.8%	5.6%	3.6%	2.5%	0.0%

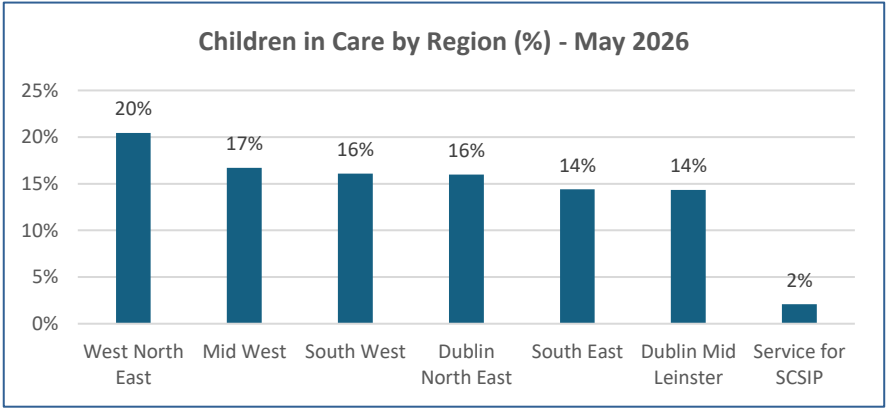
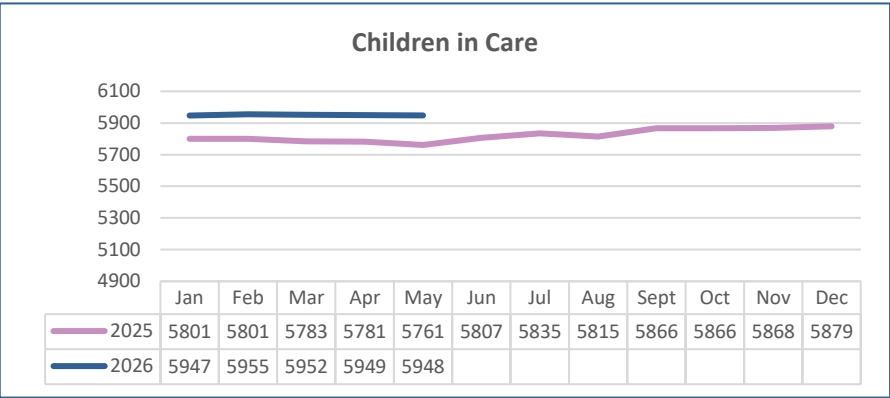
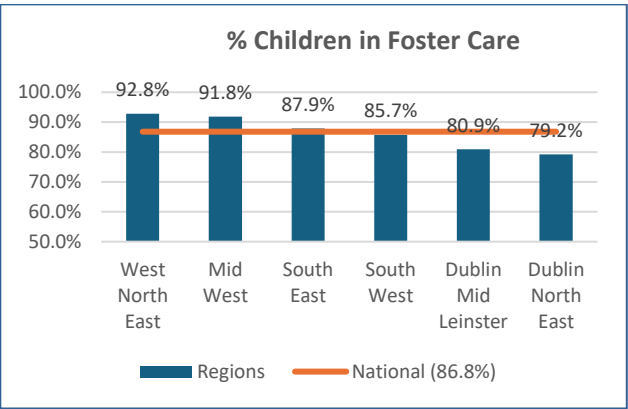
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National

- 5,948 children in care, includes 124 unaccompanied minors. The Service for Separated Children Seeking International Protection (SCSIP) reports an additional 363 children being accommodated / provided with services under Section 5 Child Care Act 1991.
- 3% (187) increase in children in care year on year (5,761).
- 85.2% of all children (mainstream and unaccompanied minors) in care are in foster care
- 86.8% of mainstream children in care in foster care

Regional

- West North East - highest number of children in care (1,215; 20%). Dublin Mid Leinster - fewest number (852; 14%).
- The percentage of children in foster care across the regions ranges from 92.8% in West North East to 79.2% in Dublin North East.



Children in Care (Placements with Private Providers)

Metric	Current Month-1	Current Month	Trend	SPLY	Current v SPLY % Δ	DML Current	DNE Current	MW Current	SE Current	SW Current	WNE Current	Service SCSIP Current
# Children with Private Providers (PP)	1,175	1,165	↓	1,039	+126 (12%)	248	250	123	141	138	164	101
% Children in Care with PP	19.8%	19.6%	↓	18.0%	+ 1.6% points	29.1%	26.3%	12.4%	16.5%	14.4%	13.5%	81.5%
# Children in Residential with PP	423	419	↓	348	+71 (20%)	54	86	40	39	68	40	92
% Children in Residential with PP	67.5%	66.9%	↓	65.0%	+1.9% point	48.2%	64.2%	75.5%	69.6%	66.0%	69.0%	83.6
# Children in Foster Care with PP	637	634	↓	600	+34 (6%)	167	135	75	79	59	110	9
% Children in Foster Care with PP	12.6%	12.5%	↓	11.9%	+0.6% points	24.2%	17.9%	8.2%	10.5%	7.2%	9.8%	64.3%
# Children in 'Other' with PP	115	112	↓	91	+21 (23%)	27	29	8	23	11	14	0
% Children in 'Other' with PP	45.3%	43.9%	↓	47.4%	-3.5% points	52.9%	45.3%	28.6%	47.9%	32.4%	46.7%	0.0%

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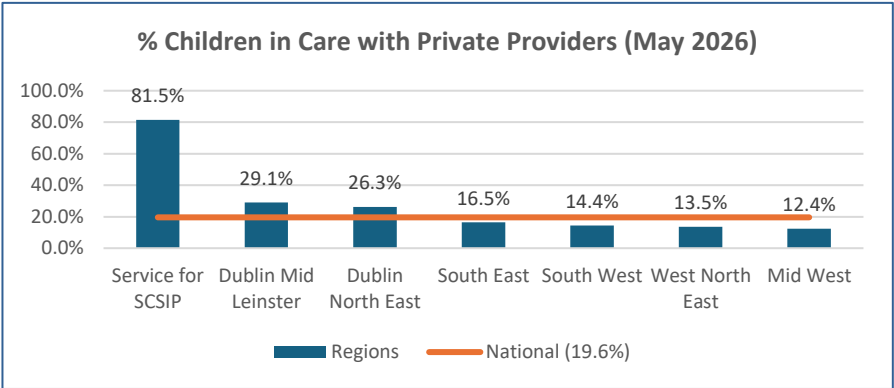
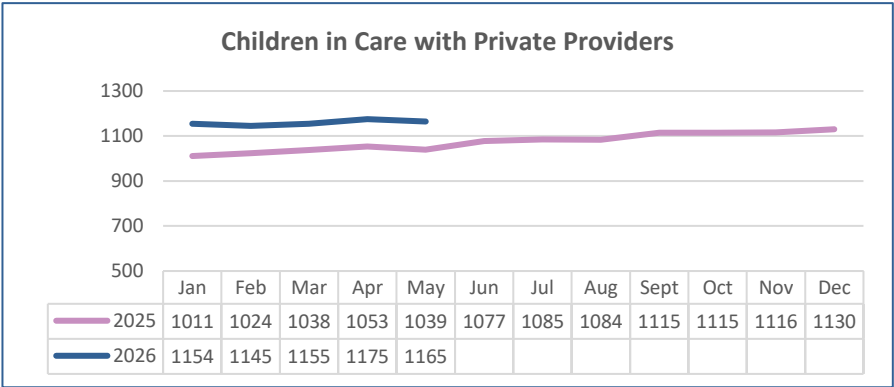
- **1,165 (19.6%) children** in care are with **private providers**, 10 (1%) fewer than April 2026 (1,175).
- **12% (126) increase** in the number of children with private providers year on year
- 36% (419) of children with private providers were in residential care, 54% (634) were in foster care and 10% (112) were in other care placements.

Regional

- Dublin North East (250) and Dublin Mid Leinster (248) - highest numbers of children with private providers. Mid West reports the fewest number at 123.
- The percentage of children in care with private providers across the regions ranges from 29.1% (Dublin Mid Leinster) to 12.4% (Mid West) against a national average of 19.6%.

Service for Separated Children Seeking International Protection

- The majority of unaccompanied minors in care are with private providers (81.5%; 101).



Children in Care (Allocation Status / Care Plan)

Metric	Current Month-1	Current Month	Trend	SPLY	Current v SPLY % Δ	DML Current	DNE Current	MW Current	SE Current	SW Current	WNE Current	Service SCSIP Current
# Children Allocated to a Worker	5,818	5,783	↓	5,634	+149 (3%)	844	917	993	848	915	1,144	122
% Allocated to a Worker	97.8%	97.2%	↓	97.8%	-0.6% points	99.1%	96.4%	100%	99.1%	95.6%	94.2%	98.4%
# Awaiting Allocation	131	165	↑	127	+38 (30%)	8	34	0	8	42	71	2
% Allocated to a Social Worker	91%	90%	↓	89%	+1% point	93%	95%	91%	81%	90%	87%	100%
# with Up-to-Date Care Plan	4,889	4,939	↑	4,803	+136 (3%)	678	742	849	776	793	998	103
% with Up-to-Date Care Plan	82%	83%	↑	83%	0% points	80%	78%	85%	91%	83%	82%	83%

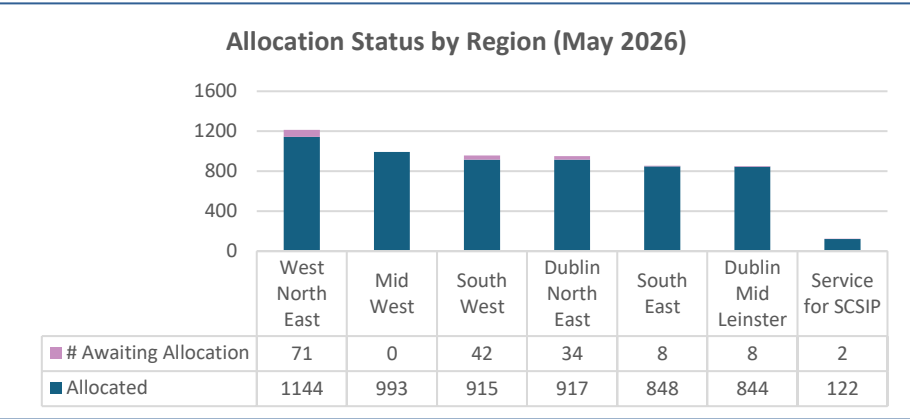
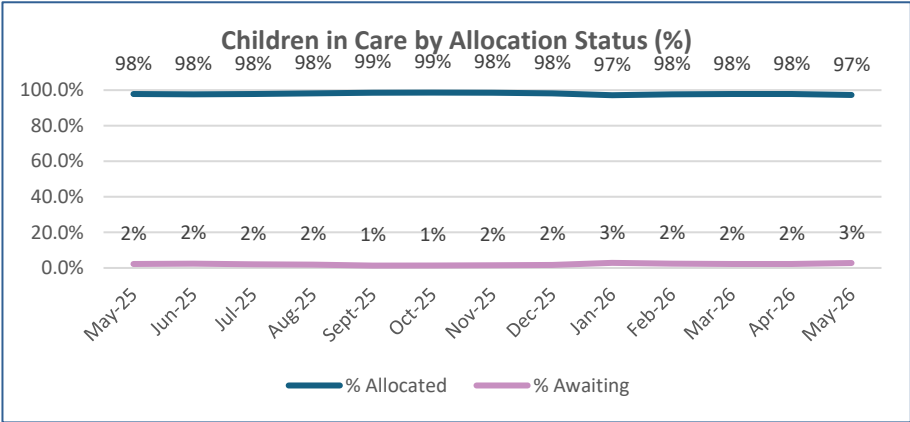
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National

- 97% (5,783) of children in care have an allocated case worker
- High rate consistently maintained
- 165 children awaiting allocation, 34 (26%) more than April 2026 (131).
- 90% (5,178) of allocations to social workers; 10% (605) to other professionals.
- 83% (4,939) children in care have an up-to-date care plan, 1,009 (17%) children awaiting, 51 (5%) fewer than April 2026 (1,060).

Regional

- All six regions reporting at least 94% of children with an allocated worker with one region (Mid West) reporting 100%.
- West North East (71) and South West (42) account for 68% (113) of children awaiting allocation to worker.
- Three of the six regions report at least 83% (national average) of children with an up-to-date care plan.
- Rates reported by Dublin Mid Leinster (80%), Dublin North East (78%) and West North East (82%) slightly lower than average.



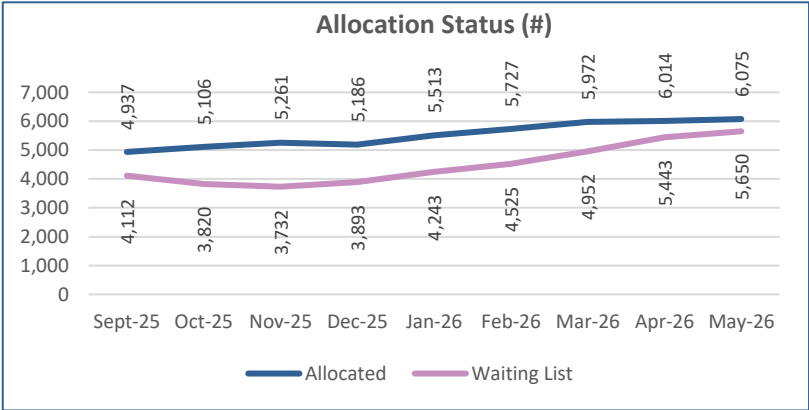
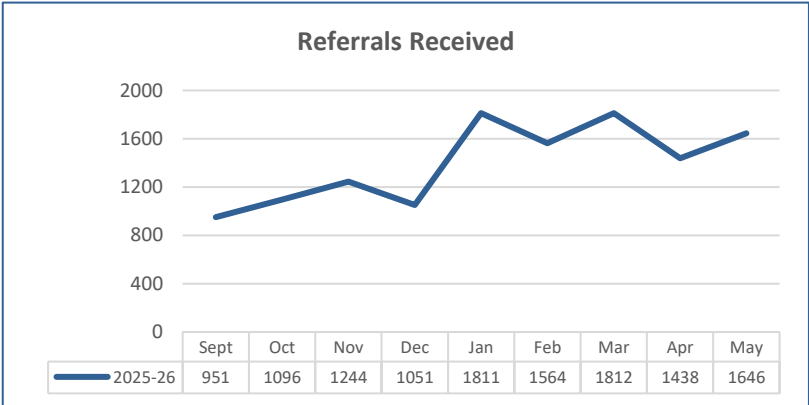
Tusla Education Support Services (Tess)

Metric	Current Month-1	Current Month	Trend	School YTD	
# Referrals Received (new metric)	1,438	1,646	↑	12,613	

Metric	Current Month-1	Current Month	Trend	SPLY	Current v SPLY % Δ
# Open Cases month end	11,457	11,725	↑	-	-
# Open Cases Allocated to an Educational Welfare Officer	6,014	6,075	↑	-	-
% Allocated to an Educational Welfare Officer	52.5%	51.8%	↓	-	-
# on Waiting List for Allocation	5,443	5,650	↑	4,884	+766 (16%)

Key Messages | May 2026

- **1,646 referrals** for an education welfare service in May 2026, bringing to 12,613 the number of referrals for the school YTD
- **11,725 cases open** to educational welfare services at the end of May 2026, 268 (2%) more than April 2026 (11,457) and the highest number for all months this school YTD.
- **51.8% (6,075) of open cases were allocated**, down slightly from 52.5% (6,014) in April 2026.
- Despite the slight decrease in the percentage of cases allocated, there were 61 more cases allocated at the end of May 2026 (6,075) than at the end of April 2026 (6,014).
- **48.2% (5,650) of cases were on a waiting list for allocation**
- 207 more cases on the waiting list at the end of May 2026 (5,650) than at the end of April 2026 (5,443).
- This represents a 4% increase over the month, and it is the sixth consecutive monthly increase.

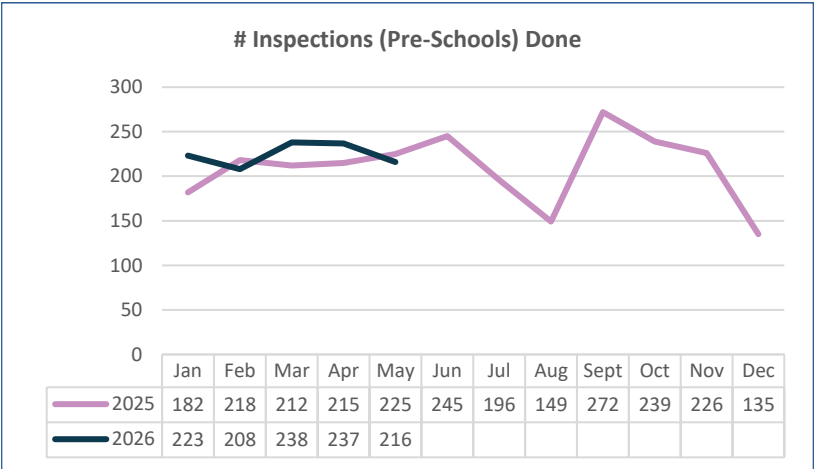
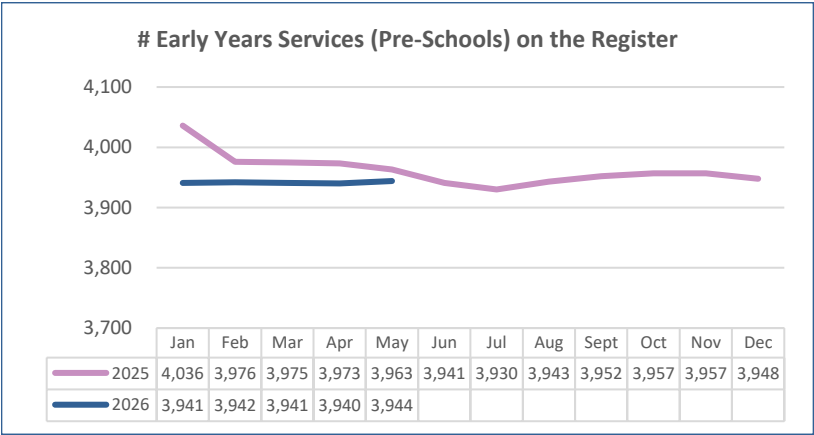


Children’s Service Regulation (Early Years Inspectorate)

Metric	Current Month - 1	Current Month	Trend	SPLY	Current v SPLY % Δ
# Early Years Services (Pre-Schools) on the Register	3,940	3,944	↑	3,963	-19 (<1%)
Metric	Current Month - 1	Current Month	YTD	SPLY YTD	YTD v SPLY YTD % Δ
# Inspections of Early Years Services (Pre-Schools)	237	216	1,122	1,052	+70 (7%)

Key Messages | May 2026

- **3,944 pre-school services on the register** at the end of May 2026
- <1% (19) decrease in the number of pre-school services on the register year on year
- 216 inspections of pre-school services in May 2026, bringing to 1,122 the number of inspections for the first five months of 2026.
- 7% (70) increase in inspections year-on-year.



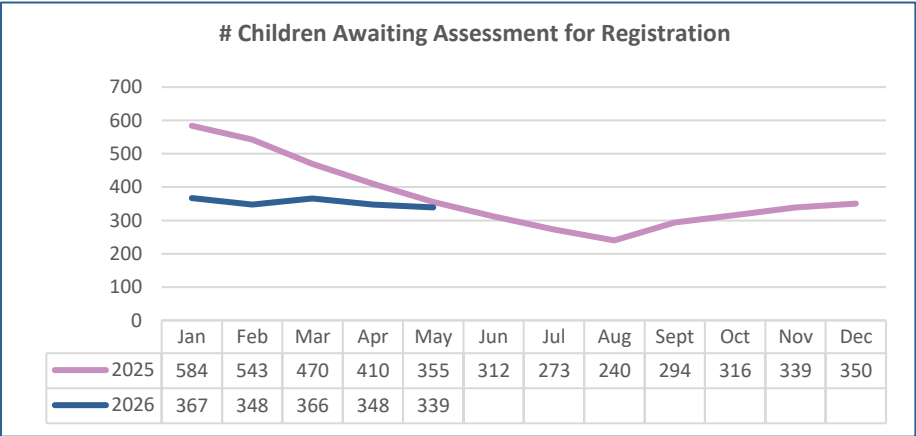
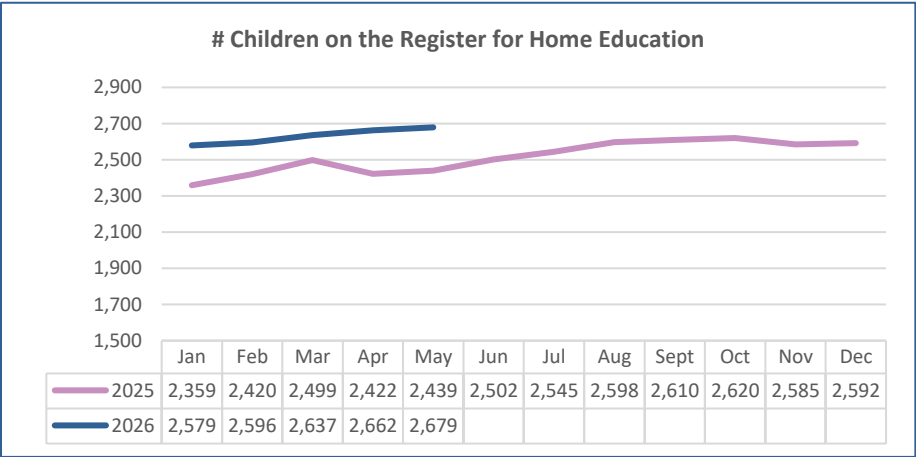
Children’s Service Regulation (Alternative Education Assessment & Registration Service)

Metric	Current Month-1	Current Month	Trend	SPLY	Current v SPLY % Δ
# Children on the Register for Home Education	2,662	2,679	↑	2,439	240 (10%)

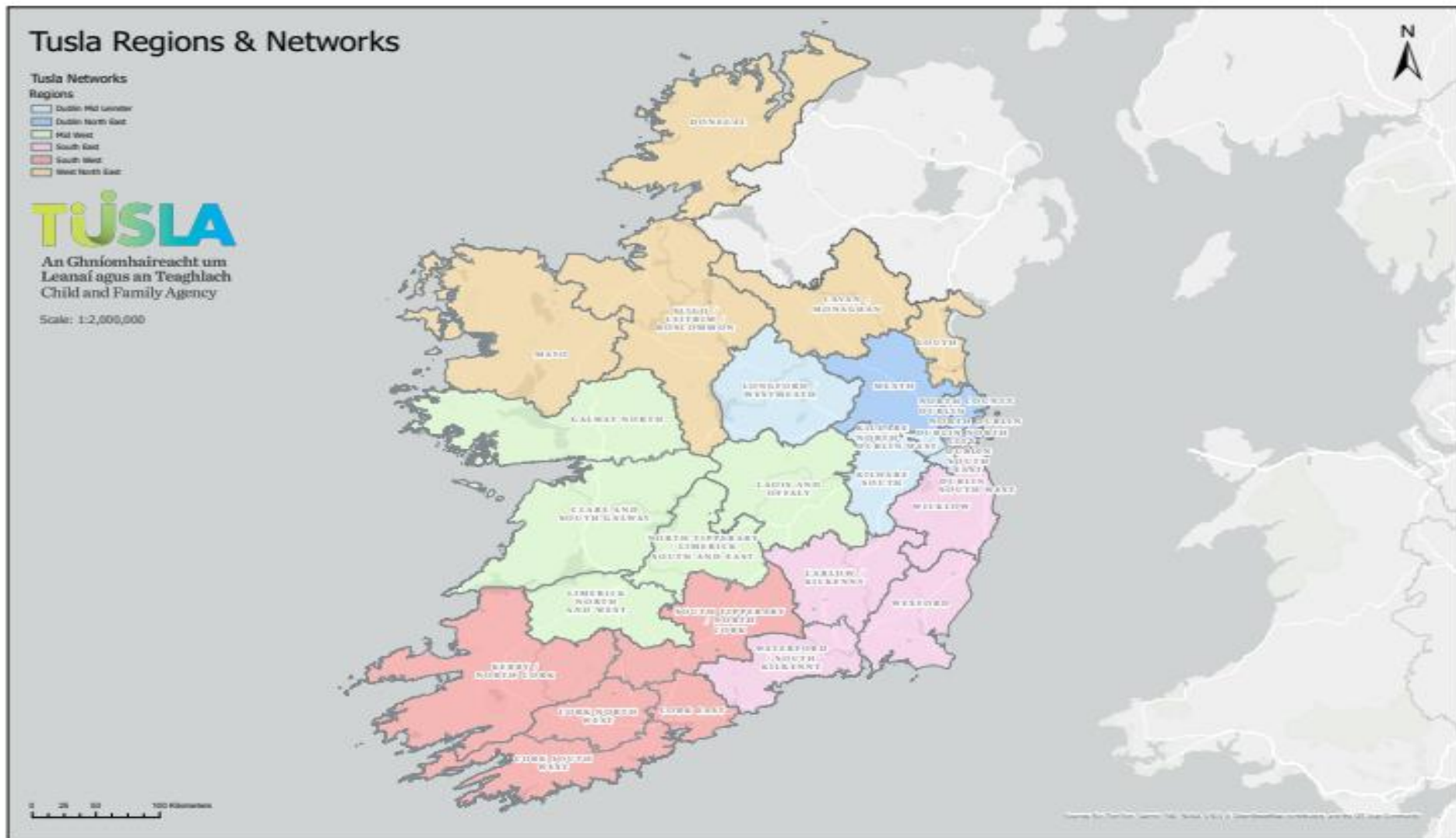
Metric	Current Month-1	Current Month	Trend	SPLY	Current v SPLY % Δ
# Children Awaiting Assessment for Registration	348	339	↓	355	-16 (5%)

Key Messages | May 2026

- 2,679 children on the register for home education at the end of May 2026, 17 (<1%) more than April 2026 (2,662)
 - 10% (240) increase in the number on the register year on year.
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- 339 children awaiting assessment for registration at the end of May 2026, 9 (3%) fewer than April 2026 (348).
 - 5% (16) decrease in the number of children awaiting assessment for registration year-on-year.



Appendix 1



<i>Tusla Regions</i>	<i>Tusla Networks</i>	<i>Tusla Regions</i>	<i>Tusla Networks</i>
<i>Dublin North East</i>	Dublin North West	<i>South West</i>	South Tipperary/North Cork
	Dublin North City		Cork East
	North Dublin		Cork North West
	North County Dublin		Cork South West
	Meath		Kerry/North Cork
<i>Dublin Mid Leinster</i>	Dublin South West	<i>Midwest</i>	Laois/Offaly
	Dublin South City		Galway North
	Kildare North/Dublin West		North Tipperary/Limerick South and East
	Kildare South		Limerick North and West
	Longford/Westmeath		Clare/South Galway
<i>South East</i>	Dublin South East	<i>West North East</i>	Sligo/Leitrim/Roscommon
	Wicklow		Mayo
	Carlow/Kilkenny		Louth
	Wexford		Donegal
	Waterford/South Kilkenny		Cavan/Monaghan

Appendix 2

Term	Explanation
Current Month	Performance / Activity for reporting month
Current-1	Performance / Activity for previous month
SPLY	Performance / Activity for Same Period Last Year
Trend	Trend is based on the current month v previous month
Δ% SPLY	Percentage change (+/-) current month v same period last year
YTD	Year to date
DML	Dublin Mid Leinster
DNE	Dublin North East
MW	Mid West
SE	South East
SW	South West
WNE	West North East
Safety and Welfare	Previously referred to as Child Protection and Welfare
Service for SCSIP	Service for Separated Children Seeking International Protection
Allocated	Reflecting an ongoing changing environment and significant social work vacancies, Tusla has moved to a more multi-disciplinary way of working with children now allocated to social workers and other professional grades where necessary and appropriate to ensure they have the support of a key worker. All children continue to be overseen by social work management.
CPNS	Child Protection Notification System The CPNS, in accordance with the Children First: National Guidance for the Protection and Welfare of Children, 2011, is a national record of all children who have reached the threshold of being at ongoing risk of significant harm and where there are ongoing child protection concerns. These children are the subject of a child protection plan agreed at a child protection conference. The CPNS is accessible to named professional groups subject to strict protocols. Further information can be found on the Tusla website .
CASP	Child Abuse Substantiation Procedure It is Tusla's statutory obligation and responsibility to promote the welfare of children under Section 3 of the Child Care Act 1991 and under Section 8 (1)(b) of the Child and Family Agency Act 2013. In meeting this obligation and

	responsibility, where there is a need to share information with a relevant third party to protect an identified, identifiable and or yet to be identified children, or yet to be identified child or children from harm, Tusla must carry out an assessment of allegations of child abuse in line with fair procedures. This is called a ‘substantiation assessment’ – an assessment that examines and weighs up all the evidence and decides if the allegation is founded or unfounded on the balance of probabilities. If the allegation is founded a determination is made whether that the person who is the subject of the abuse allegations poses a potential risk to a child or children. Tusla calls this process the CASP – Child Abuse Substantiation Procedure. Further information can be found on the Tusla <u>website</u>
Other Care Placements	Other care placements include disability centres, supported lodgings, detention centre, hospital, at home under a care order, special emergency arrangements
Re-referral	A re-referral is defined as a referral on a child who was previously open to social work, but whose case was closed within 12 months prior to receipt of the re-referral.
Service for SCSIP	Service for Separated Children Seeking International Protection

Appendix 3

NETWORK TABLES

Note: Networks with equal values share the same rank. Hence rank numbers skip to account for equal

Region	Network	Referrals YTD	Rank	Open Cases (S&W and CiC)	Rank	Open Cases Unallocated	Rank	Active on CPNS	Rank	CASP Open Assessments	Rank
DML	Dublin South City	2115	3	1343	2	517	1	72	2	10	10
DML	Dublin South West	2059	5	1222	3	342	5	82	1	0	29
DML	Kildare North Dublin West	1773	9	1153	5	384	4	51	10	1	26
DML	Kildare South	1453	17	653	23	176	13	50	11	1	26
DML	Longford Westmeath	2301	2	1219	4	494	2	53	8	8	15
DNE	Dublin North City	2060	4	1133	6	119	19	66	4	5	20
DNE	Dublin North West	1974	7	1044	7	124	18	52	9	5	20
DNE	Meath	1741	10	761	17	221	10	31	20	9	13
DNE	North County Dublin	1479	16	672	22	59	22	34	15	5	20
DNE	North Dublin	1977	6	771	15	99	20	57	5	3	23
MW	Clare and South Galway	1419	18	597	25	39	26	21	26	17	7
MW	Galway North	1419	18	886	10	12	28	48	13	27	3
MW	Laois Offaly	2396	1	746	19	82	21	50	11	1	26
MW	Limerick North and West	1186	26	557	26	55	23	56	7	27	3
MW	North Tipp Limerick South and East	1294	23	554	27	47	24	24	23	14	9
SE	Carlow Kilkenny	1588	13	653	23	226	9	29	21	6	17
SE	Dublin South East	1494	14	811	12	274	6	21	26	2	25
SE	Waterford South Kilkenny	1315	21	496	29	43	25	20	28	9	13
SE	Wexford	1623	12	864	11	141	16	19	29	8	15
SE	Wicklow	1133	27	764	16	183	12	14	30	0	29
SW	Cork East	1120	28	804	13	193	11	32	18	10	10
SW	Cork North West	990	29	750	18	148	15	34	15	3	23
SW	Cork South West	1290	24	965	8	268	7	38	14	17	7
SW	Kerry North Cork	1333	20	499	28	12	28	22	25	10	10
SW	South Tipperary North Cork	1738	11	726	20	174	14	28	22	6	17
WNE	Cavan Monaghan	1493	15	960	9	135	17	32	18	18	6
WNE	Donegal	1303	22	795	14	260	8	33	17	29	1
WNE	Louth	1854	8	1389	1	451	3	57	5	6	17
WNE	Mayo	616	30	303	30	1	30	24	23	28	2
WNE	Sligo Leitrim Roscommon	1267	25	694	21	29	27	68	3	24	5
Total		46803		24784		5308		1218		309	

Region	Network	Children in Care	Rank	# Residential Care	Rank	# Foster Care	Rank	# Other	Rank	% Foster Care	Rank
DML	Dublin South City	164	23	28	7	121	27	15	3	74%	28
DML	Dublin South West	182	21	42	2	132	26	8	12	73%	29
DML	Kildare North Dublin West	161	24	15	17	133	25	13	5	83%	23
DML	Kildare South	188	20	12	21	169	16	7	19	90%	8
DML	Longford Westmeath	157	25	15	17	134	24	8	12	85%	22
DNE	Dublin North City	200	14	34	4	157	19	9	8	79%	26
DNE	Dublin North West	225	6	37	3	173	14	15	3	77%	27
DNE	Meath	202	11	16	14	178	11	8	12	88%	14
DNE	North County Dublin	123	29	15	17	100	29	8	12	81%	24
DNE	North Dublin	201	12	32	5	145	22	24	1	72%	30
MW	Clare and South Galway	157	25	10	23	140	23	7	19	89%	11
MW	Galway North	239	4	7	29	227	4	5	23	95%	3
MW	Laois Offaly	207	9	17	11	181	8	9	8	87%	17
MW	Limerick North and West	201	12	11	22	184	7	6	22	92%	7
MW	North Tipp Limerick South and East	189	19	8	28	180	9	1	30	95%	2
SE	Carlow Kilkenny	208	8	9	26	179	10	20	2	86%	20
SE	Dublin South East	117	30	6	30	104	28	7	19	89%	13
SE	Waterford South Kilkenny	200	14	14	20	176	12	10	7	88%	15
SE	Wexford	231	5	17	11	206	6	8	12	89%	10
SE	Wicklow	100	31	10	23	87	30	3	27	87%	18
SW	Cork East	195	16	17	11	174	13	4	25	89%	9
SW	Cork North West	170	22	16	14	146	21	8	12	86%	21
SW	Cork South West	195	16	19	9	171	15	5	23	88%	16
SW	Kerry North Cork	203	10	32	5	162	18	9	8	80%	25
SW	South Tipperary North Cork	194	18	19	9	167	17	8	12	86%	19
WNE	Cavan Monaghan	218	7	9	26	207	5	2	28	95%	4
WNE	Donegal	258	3	16	14	238	3	4	25	92%	6
WNE	Louth	303	1	20	8	270	1	13	5	89%	12
WNE	Mayo	153	27	3	31	148	20	2	28	97%	1
WNE	Sligo Leitrim Roscommon	283	2	10	23	264	2	9	8	93%	5
SCSIP	Service for SCSIP	124	28	110	1	14	31	0	31	11%	31
Total		5948		626		5067		255		85%	

Region	Network	# Private Providers	Rank	% Private Providers	Rank	# Allocated Worker	Rank	% Allocated Worker	Rank	% with UTD Care Plan	Rank
DML	Dublin South City	41	12	25%	10	162	22	98.8%	21	68%	31
DML	Dublin South West	54	7	30%	5	180	19	98.9%	20	75%	25
DML	Kildare North Dublin West	47	9	29%	6	161	23	100.0%	1	69%	30
DML	Kildare South	63	4	34%	2	184	18	97.9%	24	87%	11
DML	Longford Westmeath	43	10	27%	8	157	24	100.0%	1	99%	1
DNE	Dublin North City	66	2	33%	3	200	11	100.0%	1	73%	26
DNE	Dublin North West	64	3	28%	7	225	4	100.0%	1	72%	28
DNE	Meath	36	16	18%	16	175	21	86.6%	30	87%	13
DNE	North County Dublin	22	24	18%	15	123	28	100.0%	1	80%	20
DNE	North Dublin	62	5	31%	4	194	14	96.5%	27	80%	19
MW	Clare and South Galway	18	27	11%	26	157	24	100.0%	1	70%	29
MW	Galway North	20	26	8%	27	239	3	100.0%	1	86%	14
MW	Laois Offaly	56	6	27%	9	207	8	100.0%	1	98%	2
MW	Limerick North and West	14	30	7%	31	201	10	100.0%	1	85%	17
MW	North Tipp Limerick South and East	15	29	8%	28	189	16	100.0%	1	85%	16
SE	Carlow Kilkenny	16	28	8%	29	208	7	100.0%	1	86%	15
SE	Dublin South East	23	22	20%	14	117	30	100.0%	1	87%	12
SE	Waterford South Kilkenny	27	18	14%	21	200	11	100.0%	1	95%	3
SE	Wexford	51	8	22%	12	224	5	97.0%	25	92%	5
SE	Wicklow	24	21	24%	11	99	31	99.0%	19	94%	4
SW	Cork East	23	22	12%	25	177	20	90.8%	28	79%	21
SW	Cork North West	21	25	12%	24	152	27	89.4%	29	75%	24
SW	Cork South West	25	20	13%	23	195	13	100.0%	1	78%	22
SW	Kerry North Cork	42	11	21%	13	203	9	100.0%	1	89%	8
SW	South Tipperary North Cork	27	18	14%	20	188	17	96.9%	26	91%	6
WNE	Cavan Monaghan	33	17	15%	18	218	6	100.0%	1	89%	9
WNE	Donegal	40	13	16%	17	193	15	74.8%	31	90%	7
WNE	Louth	40	13	13%	22	297	1	98.0%	23	77%	23
WNE	Mayo	11	31	7%	30	153	26	100.0%	1	88%	10
WNE	Sligo Leitrim Roscommon	40	13	14%	19	283	2	100.0%	1	73%	27
SCSIP	Service for SCSIP	101	1	81%	1	122	29	98.4%	22	83%	18
Total		1165		20%		5783		97%		83%	