



**One**  
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# **One Adoption West Yorkshire quarterly performance report**

**January to March 2019**

## **Introduction/summary**

This is the final quarterly report for 2018-19, providing an update on One Adoption West Yorkshire.

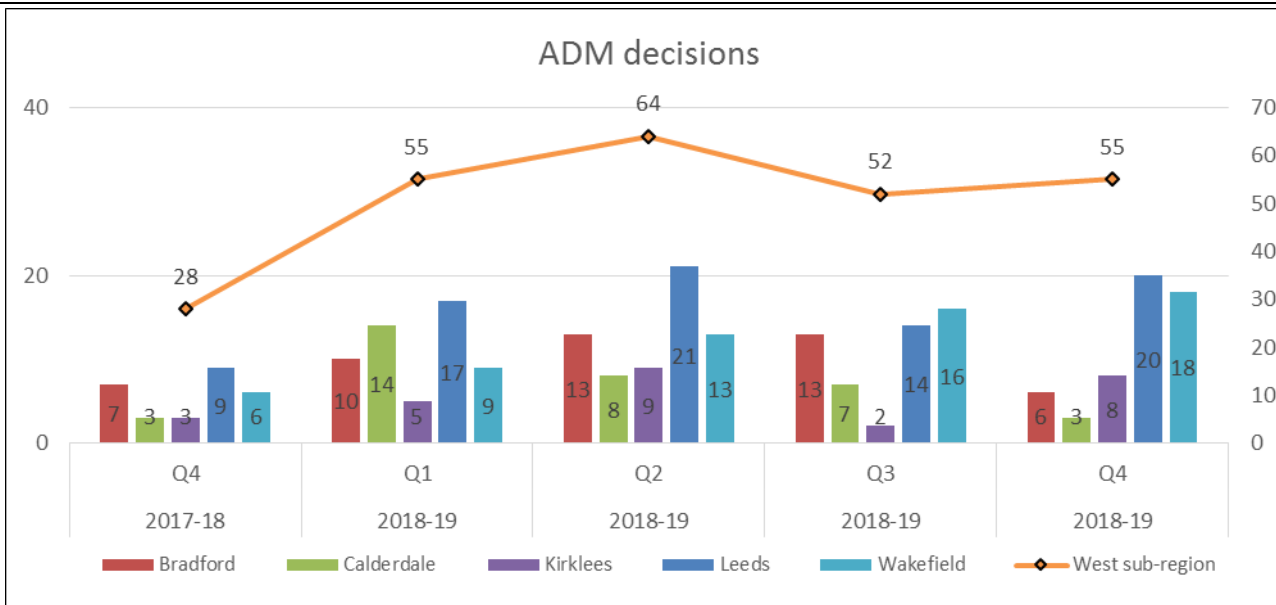
This report is based in the premise of how much work has been undertaken in the period, how well and what difference has it made. The report is a simple and concise report, with detailed tables in appendices. The report contains a number of tables and charts (when trends allow).

## Children

This section of the report provides headline figures relating to children and young people at various stages of the adoption process within West Yorkshire. . The figures in bold are for the current quarter and those in brackets are for the same quarter of the previous year.

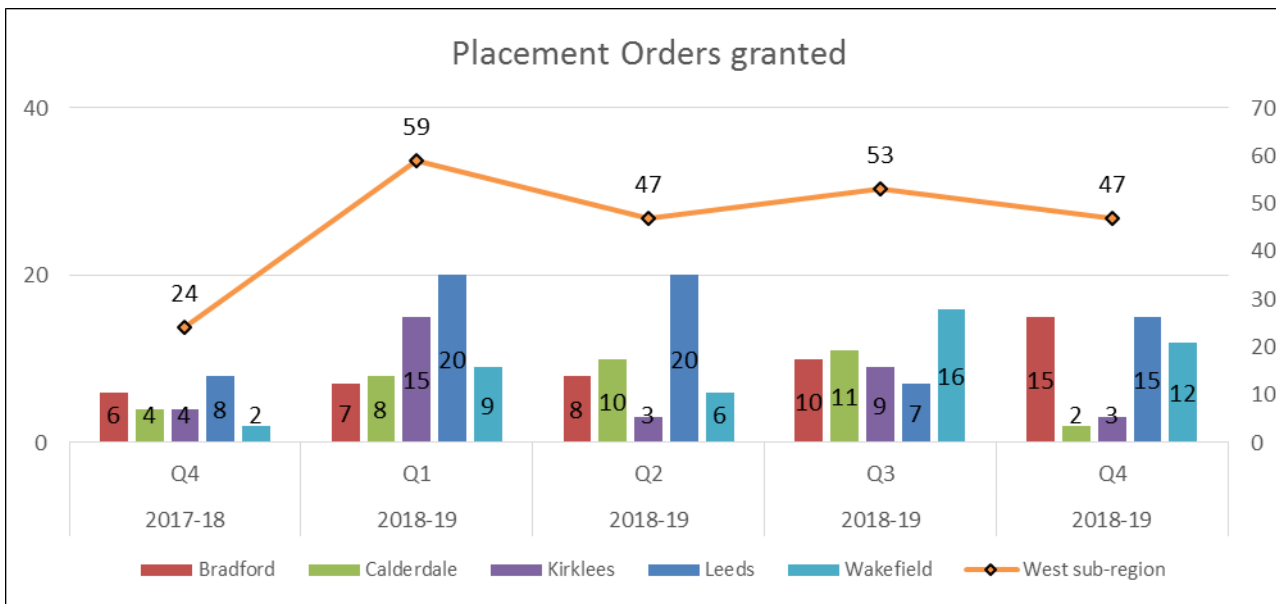
How much did we do?	How well did we do it?
<p><b>During the quarter</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>269</b> (319) children left care, <b>47</b> (40) were adopted <i>During 2017/18 162 children were adopted, average 41 per quarter (13.9%)</i></li> <li>• <b>55</b> (28) children had an ADM decision made <i>During 2017/18 191 children had ADM decision made, average 48 per quarter</i></li> <li>• <b>47</b> (24) placement orders were granted <i>During 2017/18 169 placement orders were granted, average 42 per quarter</i></li> <li>• <b>39</b> (37) children were matched to an adoptive family – <b>15</b> (15) inter agency placements <b>38%</b> (41%) <i>During 2017/18 154 children were matched, average 39 per quarter</i></li> <li>• <b>42</b> (37) children were placed with an adoptive family <i>During 2017/18 157 children were placed, average 39 per quarter</i></li> <li>• <b>1</b> (5) children in new EPP <i>During 2017/18 16 children were in new EPP, average 4 per quarter</i></li> <li>• <b>18</b> Children added to tracking</li> <li>• <b>9</b> (13) Children had a change of plan away from adoption</li> <li>• <b>1</b> (2) Children had an adoption disruption</li> </ul>	<p><b>Statutory Scorecard Data</b></p> <p>For the <b>47</b> (40) children who were adopted during quarter 4 2018/19, it took an average of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>445</b> (426) days between a child entering care and moving in with their adoptive family (National Indicator is 426 days) (England Average is 486)</li> <li>• <b>201</b> (117) days between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family (National indicator is 121 days) (England average is 201)</li> <li>• <b>32</b> (33) were placed within 426 days of entering care, this is <b>68%</b> (59%).</li> <li>• <b>21</b> (19) were matched within 121 days, this is <b>54%</b> (56%)</li> </ul> <hr/> <p>For the <b>42</b> (37) children who were placed during quarter 4 2018/19, it took an average of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>484</b> (384) days between a child entering care and moving in with their adopter family – *(13 of the 42 children took more than 500 days)* if these 13 children were taken out of the equation the average number of days would be <b>350</b></li> <li>• <b>262</b> (170) days between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family</li> <li>• <b>23</b> (27) were placed within 426 days of entering care, this is <b>55%</b> (73%)</li> <li>• <b>9</b> (13) were matched within 121 days, this is <b>21%</b> (35%)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the <b>39</b> (37) children matched with an adoptive family during the quarter it took an average of <b>298</b> (180) days from placement order and <b>524</b> (409) days from entering care (16 of the 39 children took more than 500 days between entering care and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family), if these children were taken out of the equation the average number of days would be <b>337</b></li> <li>• <b>17%</b> (13%) of children leaving care were adopted, (England average is 13%)</li> </ul>

<p><b>How much did we do?</b> <i>At the end of the quarter</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>191</b> (133) children have an ADM decision but not yet matched</li> <li>• <b>202</b> (162) children have an ADM decision but are not yet placed</li> <li>• <b>160</b> (110) children have a placement order but are not yet placed. Of these, <b>52</b> (67) have been waiting for at least 18 months since entering care. <b>105</b> (77) children have been waiting more than 121 days since the placement order was made</li> <li>• <b>1</b> child with an ADM decision has a potential match identified</li> </ul>	<p><b>How well did we do it?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The timeliness of children matched in the last quarter has dipped of the children placed during the period. However, one child was subject to a previous adoption disruption when placed with her sibling. The LA reviewed the plan and the child was placed on her own when subsequently placed in this quarter. The outcome for this child has been positive in securing permanence, despite the time taken to find the right family and contact is to be maintained between the siblings</li> <li>• Another child impacting upon the timeliness is a foster carer adoption whereby the child has remained with her foster carer throughout this period, although the match was not formally been agreed due to a number of issues raised as part of the approval and matching process.</li> </ul>
<p><b>What would we like to do better?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A protocol has been agreed for foster carer adoptions and it is hoped that this will speed up the process of approving adopters and agreeing the matches for children in these circumstances.</li> </ul>	<p><b>What difference did we make?</b></p>



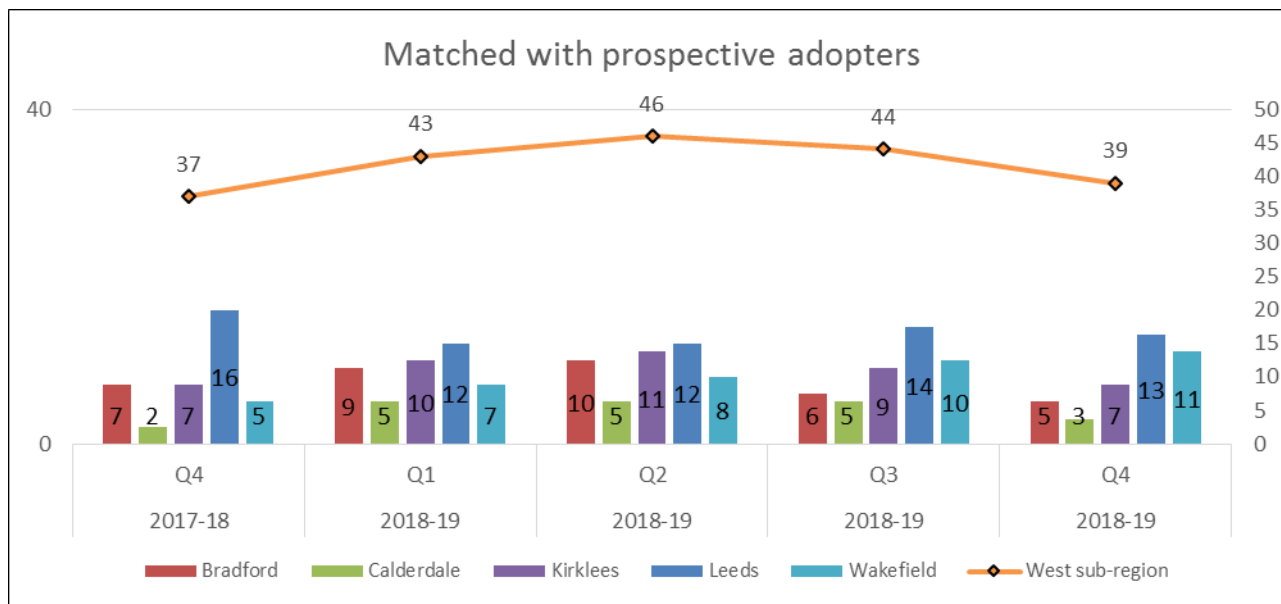
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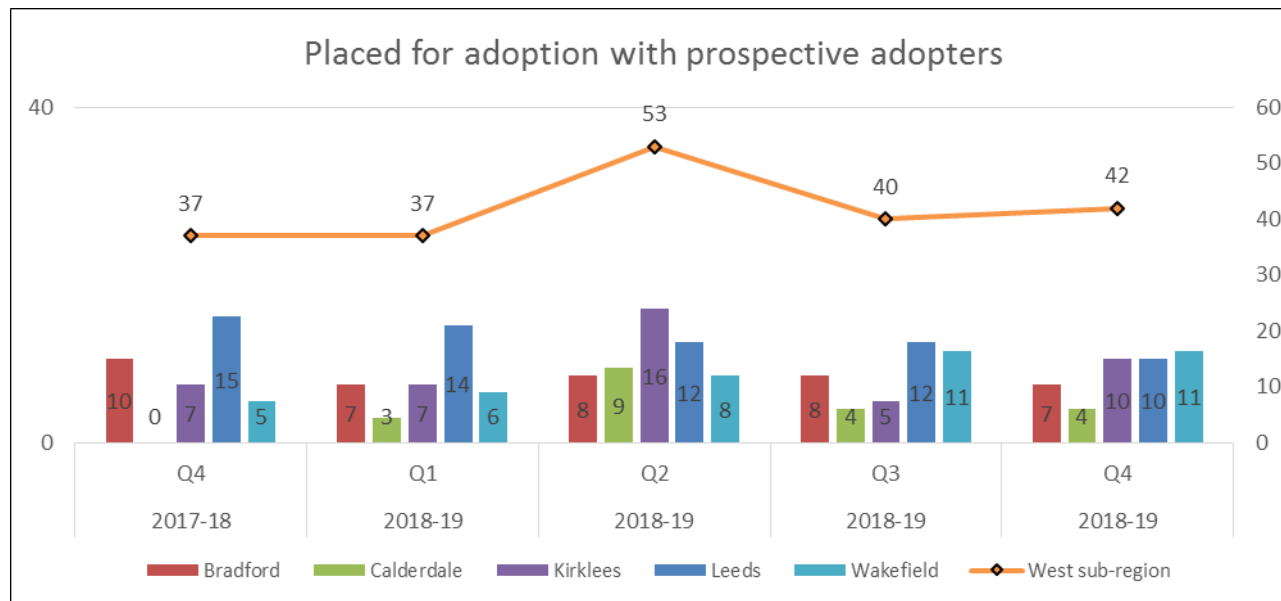
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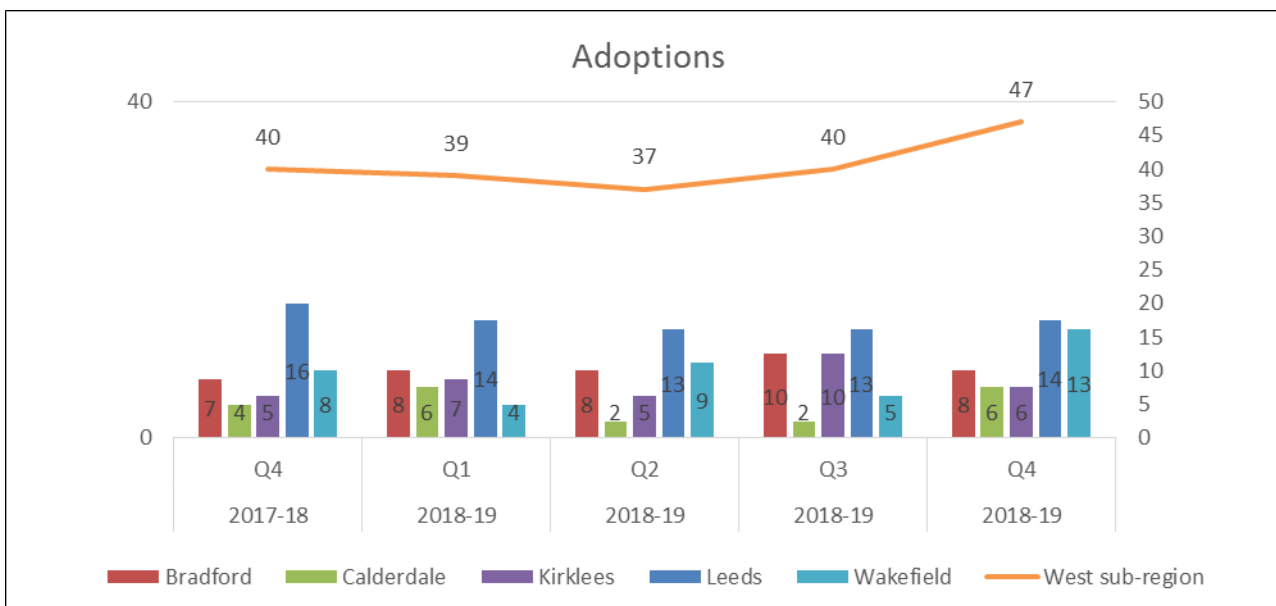
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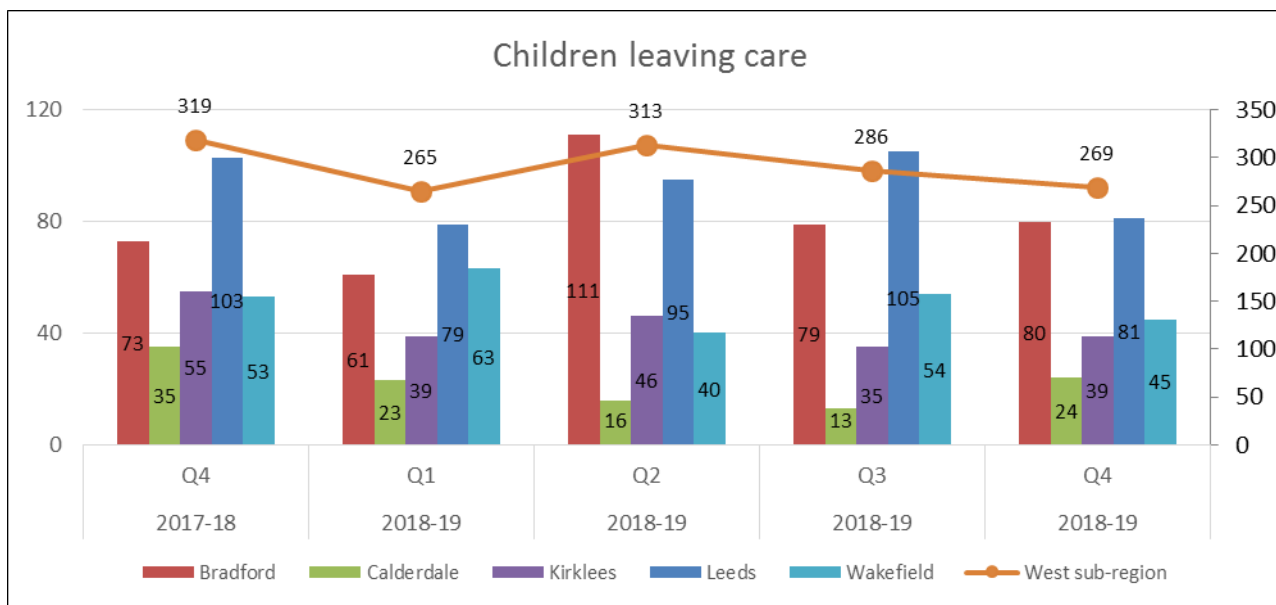
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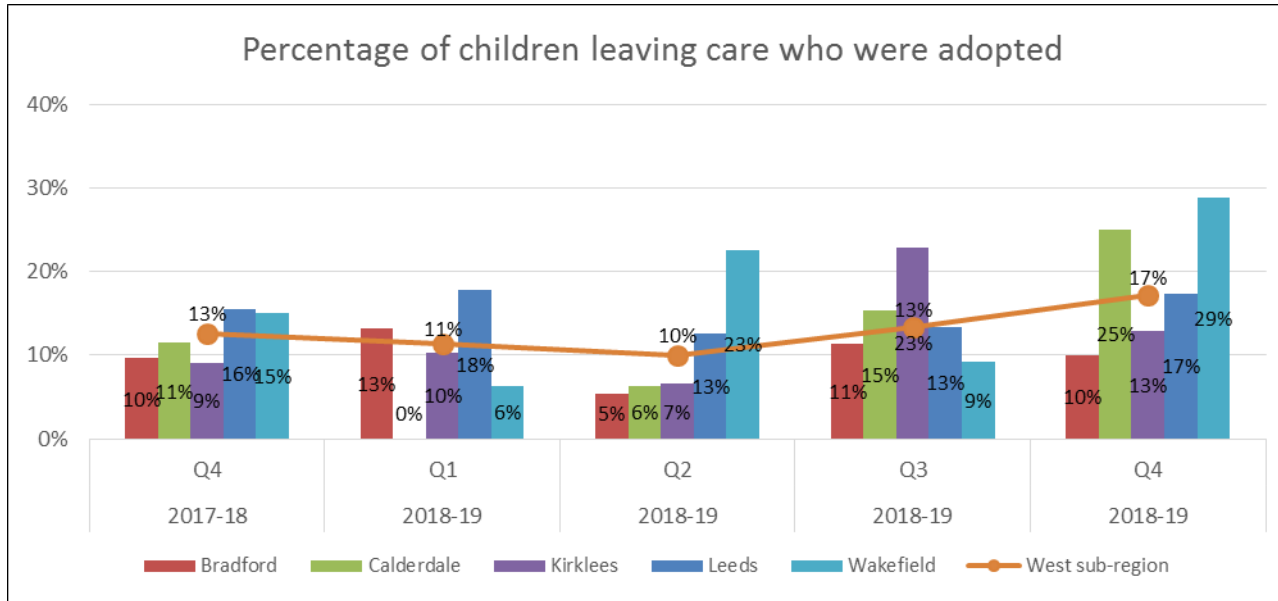
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This graph shows the percentage of children leaving care who were adopted in the last 5 quarters, thus showing figures for the same quarter in the previous year

In quarter 4 this increased to 17%

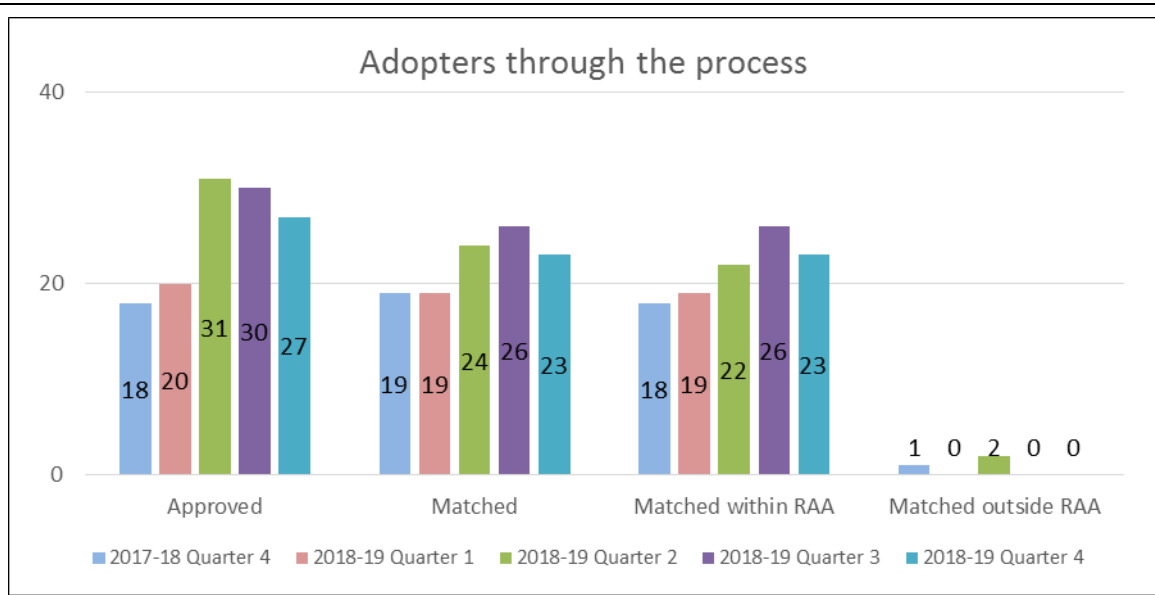


## Adopters

This section of the report provides headline figures relating to prospective and approved adopters at various stages of the adoption process in One Adoption. Appendix two contains figures for the last 5 quarter to give comparison between same quarter in the previous year. Figures in bold are for current quarter, those in brackets are for the same quarter in the previous year.

<p><b>How much did we do?</b></p> <p><i>During the quarter</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>150</b> (123) prospective adoptive households attended information sessions</li> <li>• <b>51</b> (27) Families started Stage 1</li> <li>• <b>27</b> (X) prospective adoptive families attended preparation training</li> <li>• <b>35</b> (32) Families started Stage 2</li> <li>• <b>27</b> (18) prospective adoptive families were approved, of these, <b>4</b> (2) families were Foster Carer Adopters</li> <li>• <b>23</b> (19) prospective adoptive families were matched, of these, <b>0</b> (1) families were matched with children outside the RAA and <b>23</b> (18) were matched with children from within the RAA</li> <li>• <b>25</b> (21) prospective adoptive families had a child(ren) placed, of these, <b>0</b> (1) families had children placed from outside RAA and <b>25</b> (19) had children placed from within the RAA</li> <li>• <b>26</b> (24) adoptive families adopted a child/young person</li> <li>• <b>8</b> (5) Families withdrew from the process</li> </ul>	<p><b>How well did we do it?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Of those prospective adoptive families who ended Stage 1 in the quarter, they were in Stage 1 for an average of <b>2</b> months             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>56%</b> were within timescales (Lowest was <b>0</b> month, highest was <b>6</b> months)</li> <li>○ Those still in Stage 1 at the end of the quarter have been in Stage 1 for an average of <b>2</b> months</li> <li>○ <b>75%</b> are within timescales</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Of those prospective adoptive families who ended Stage 2 in the quarter, they were in Stage 2 for an average of <b>5</b> months             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>75%</b> were within timescales (Lowest was <b>1</b> months, highest was <b>15</b> months)</li> <li>○ Those still in Stage 2 at the end of the quarter have been in Stage 2 for an average of <b>2</b> months</li> <li>○ <b>89%</b> are within timescales</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Of those approved <b>8</b> months was the average time between registration of interest and approval.</p> <p><b>17</b> (10) adoptive families were matched within three months of their approval; <b>6</b> (9) were matched after three months of their approval</p> <p>The average time taken from approval to matching was <b>2</b> (7) months</p>
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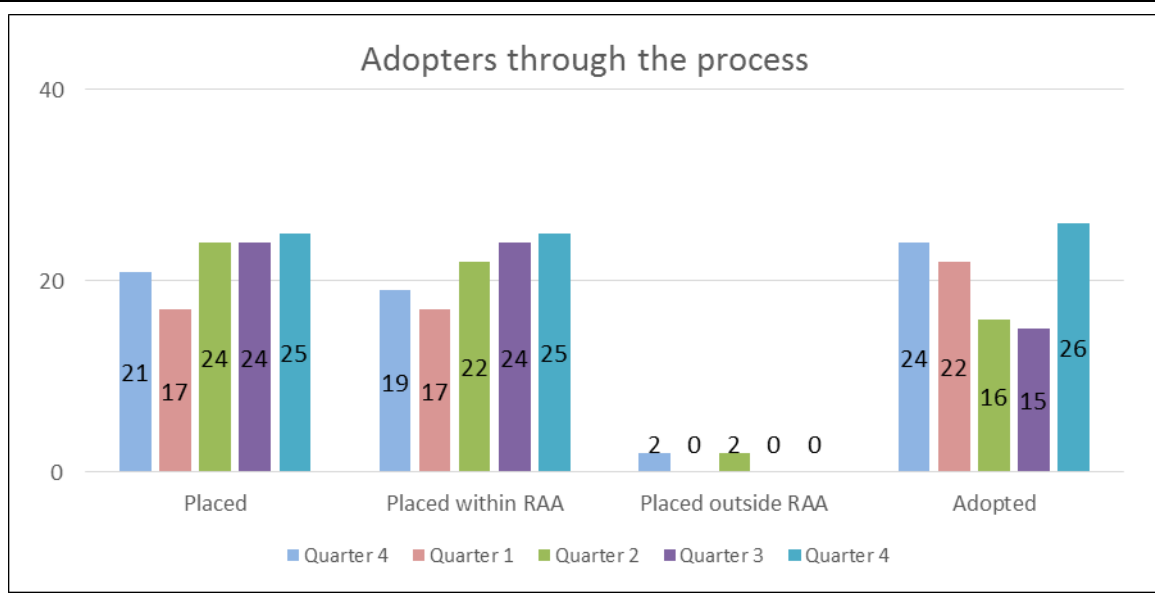
<p><b>How much did we do?</b></p> <p><i>At the end of the quarter</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Of the <b>84</b> (59) individual approved adopters, <b>42</b> (33) are female and <b>42</b> (26) are male. <b>28</b>, <b>33%</b> (10,17%) are from a BME background</li> <li>• <b>97</b> (78) prospective adoptive families are not yet approved</li> <li>• <b>55</b> (33) prospective adoptive families are in stage one; <b>42</b> (45) are in stage two</li> <li>• <b>45</b> (32) approved adoptive families are yet to be matched <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>6</b> (4) of these families have been waiting more than six months</li> <li>○ <b>4</b> (4) of these families have a matching panel booked</li> <li>○ <b>7</b> (6) of these families have a match identified but no panel date booked</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>16</b> (8) prospective adoptive families are on hold</p>	<p><b>How well did we do it?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 75 % of assessments were completed within stage 2 timescales.</li> </ul>
<p><b>What would we like to do better?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To increase the number of BAME adopters</li> <li>• Stage 1 timescales remain an issue with medicals and DBS checks taking time to be returned.</li> </ul>	<p><b>What difference did we make</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase the number of adopters in assessment</li> </ul>



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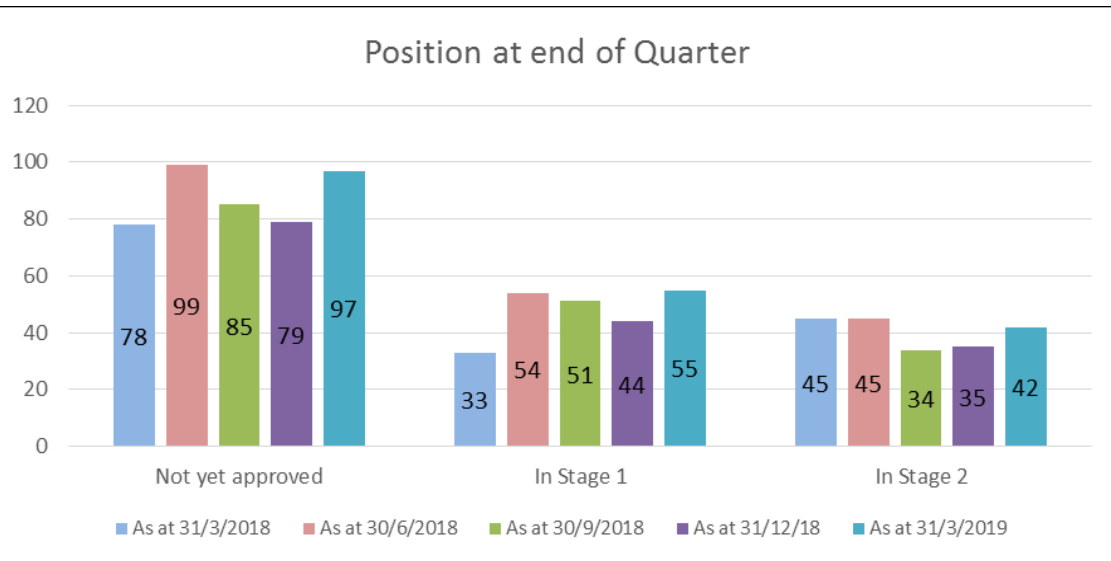
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This provides a comparison of the same quarter in the previous year.



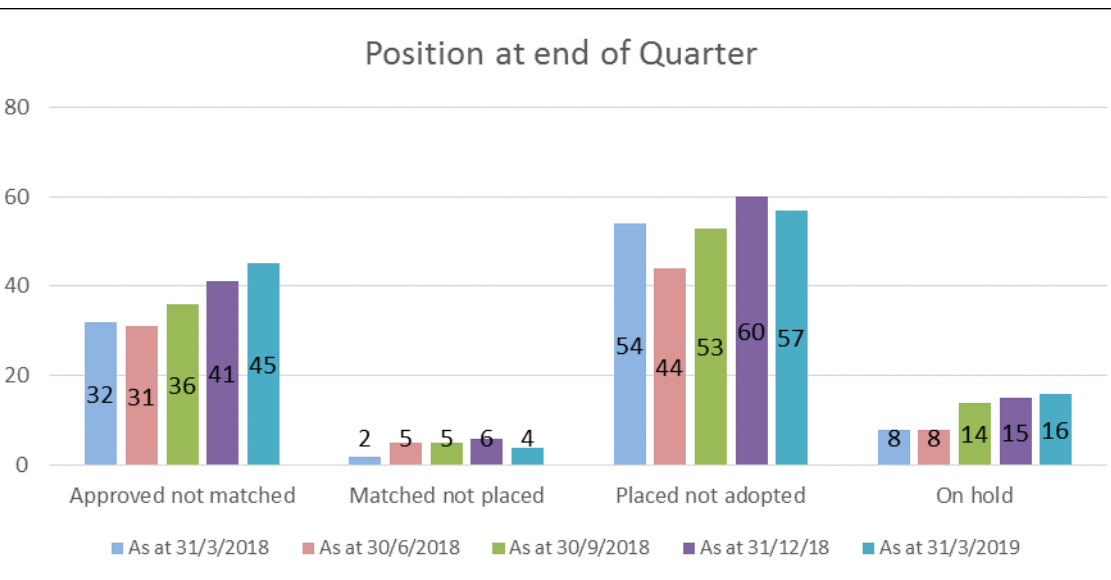
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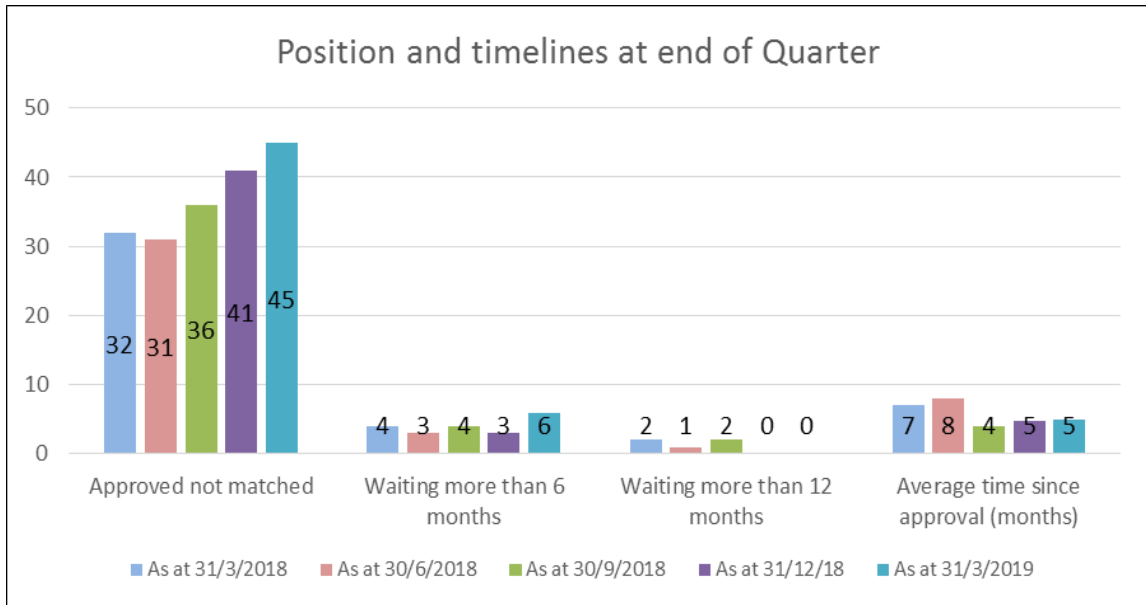
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This graph shows the number of adopters approved and not matched at the end of each quarter and the timeliness. It shows the last 5 quarters so we can compare the same quarter in the previous year.

## Snapshot Figures

This section of the report looks at characteristics of prospective adopters who are approved but not yet matched and those characteristics of children still waiting to be matched as at the end of the quarter. **This section is work in progress and requires further development.**

### Characteristics of those adopters who are approved and not yet matched

Ethnicity	Number of individuals
African	1
Any other Asian background	3
Any other White background	3
Caribbean	3
Indian	7
Pakistani	12
White and Asian	1
White British	53
White Irish	1
<b>TOTAL INDIVIDUALS</b>	<b>84</b>
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	<b>45</b>

Religion	Number of individuals
Christian	42
Muslim	14
Hindu	2
No information available	18
None	
Other	8
<b>TOTAL INDIVIDUALS</b>	<b>84</b>
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	<b>45</b>

### Characteristics of children who have a decision but not yet matched (191), of these, 150 have a Placement Order

Ethnicity	Number of children
African	2
Any other Asian background	1
Any other Black background	1
Any other ethnic group	11
Any other Mixed background	13
Any other White background	11
Gypsy/Roma	5
Information not yet obtained	6
Pakistani	3
White and Asian	5
White and Black Caribbean	10
White British	123
<b>TOTAL INDIVIDUALS</b>	<b>191</b>

Children who wait longer (more than one characteristic)	Number of children
Part of a Sibling Group	97
With a Disability	4
BME	51
Aged 5 years +	27
<b>TOTAL INDIVIDUALS</b>	<b>120</b>

**45** Children have 2 of above characteristics

**7** Children have 3 of above characteristics

**Of those above**

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<b>Certain characteristics specified</b>	<b>Number of Households</b>
Potential Match	12
Not specified any age group	43
Specified 0-4 years (incl 0-2 years)	32
Specified 0-2 years	25
Sibling groups	7
Specific Gender	5
Open to EPP	17

## Appendix One

This appendix contains a range of measures related to prospective adopters progressing through the approval and adoption process.

Table A9: individuals and families progressing through the approval and adoption processes

		Enquiries		Progress through the adoption process (Families)					
		Individuals	Families	Start Stage 1	Start Stage 2	Approved	Matched	Placed	Adopted
2017-18	Quarter 4	110	61	27	32	18	19	21	24
2018-19	Quarter 1		62	46	27	20	19	17	22
2018-19	Quarter 2		55	31	24	31	24	24	16
2018-19	Quarter 3		67	34	26	30	26	24	15
2018-19	Quarter 4		84	51	35	27	23	25	26

Table A10: snapshot numbers of prospective adopters at different stages of the approval process

	Prospective adoptive families				Approved adoptive families waiting		
	Prospective adoptive families not yet approved	In Stage 1	In Stage 2	On hold	Approved adoptive families waiting to be matched	Approved adoptive families waiting to be matched for more than 6 months	Average time since approval (months)
As at 31/3/2018	78	33	45	8	32	4	0
As at 30/6/2018	99	54	45	8	31	3	0
As at 30/9/2018	85	51	34	14	36	4	0
As at 31/12/2018	79	44	35	15	41	3	0
As at 31/3/2019	97	55	42	16	45	6	0