

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

## WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Burgoyne to the Minister for Territory Families:

## Re-unification

1. How many children in foster care were re-unified with their parents? Please provide this information by financial year since 2015/16.

**ANSWER**

Table 1 below shows how many children from each placement type were reunified with their parents from 2015-16 to 2021-22:

**Table 1:**

Placement type	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Q1. Number of children in foster care re-unified with their parents	46	55	85	83	65	70	48
Q2. Number of children in kinship care re-unified with their parents	90	110	50	40	85	78	73
Q3. Number of children in out-of-home care re-unified with their parents	192	219	196	163	186	152	160

2. How many children in kinship care were re-unified with their parents? Please provide this information by financial year since 2015/16.

**ANSWER**

Refer table 1.

3. How many children in out-of-home care were re-unified with their parents? Please provide this information by financial year since 2015/16.

**ANSWER**

Refer table 1.

4. How many children in foster care who were reunified with parents since the 2015/16 financial year have returned to the care of Territory Families?

**ANSWER**

This response requires extensive, manual data matching and validation which is not possible within the timeframe.

5. How many children in kinship care who were reunified with parents since the 2015/16 financial year have returned to the care of Territory Families?

**ANSWER**

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6. How many children in out-of-home care who were reunified with parents since the 2015/16 financial year have returned to the care of Territory Families?

**ANSWER**

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