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Welsh Government

Eich cyf/Your ref WQ90327

Andrew RT Davies MS
Welsh Parliament

19 April 2024

Dear Andrew,

I write in response to WQ90327: How many children have been adopted in Wales in each of the last 10 years?

The data on the number of adoptions of looked after children is published each year on the StatsWales website. See attached link:

[Adoptions of looked after children during year ending 31 March by age and gender \(gov.wales\)](#)

Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Number of adoptions	345	385	340	315	305	310	300	270	285	245

The statistics show the number of children looked after adopted during the year (ending 31 March) for 2014 to 2023 and captures all children who ceased to be looked after during the year on the granting of an adoption order. Figures have been rounded to the nearest five.

Yours sincerely,

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