

## 58931 Parenting Capacity Assessments

I am carrying out research on the use of parenting capacity assessments by Children and Families teams in Scotland.

To this end, I would be grateful if you could provide me with the following information.

In the financial year 2024/25, how many parenting capacity assessments were completed by staff within your Children and Families teams?

[We do not have collated figures for Children's Services.](#)

Of those completed assessments, how many were completed on parents whose children were looked after away from home at the time?

[As set out in A1 above, we cannot provide a response to this question.](#)

Of those completed assessments, how many were written down as a formal report?

[As above.](#)

Of those formal reports, how many were presented to decision making forums such as a Children's Hearing or Court with the recommendation to either remove children from a parent or guardian's care or not to return them?

[As above.](#)

Of those carrying out the assessments, how many had undergone formal training in completing parenting capacity assessments?

[There is no formal training specifically for completing Parenting Capacity Assessments within the City of Edinburgh Council. Training for staff will complement their own professional development when working within Children's Services, such as neglect, Domestic Violence and Parents Under Pressure \(PuP\).](#)