

### How many children are looked after by Lancashire?

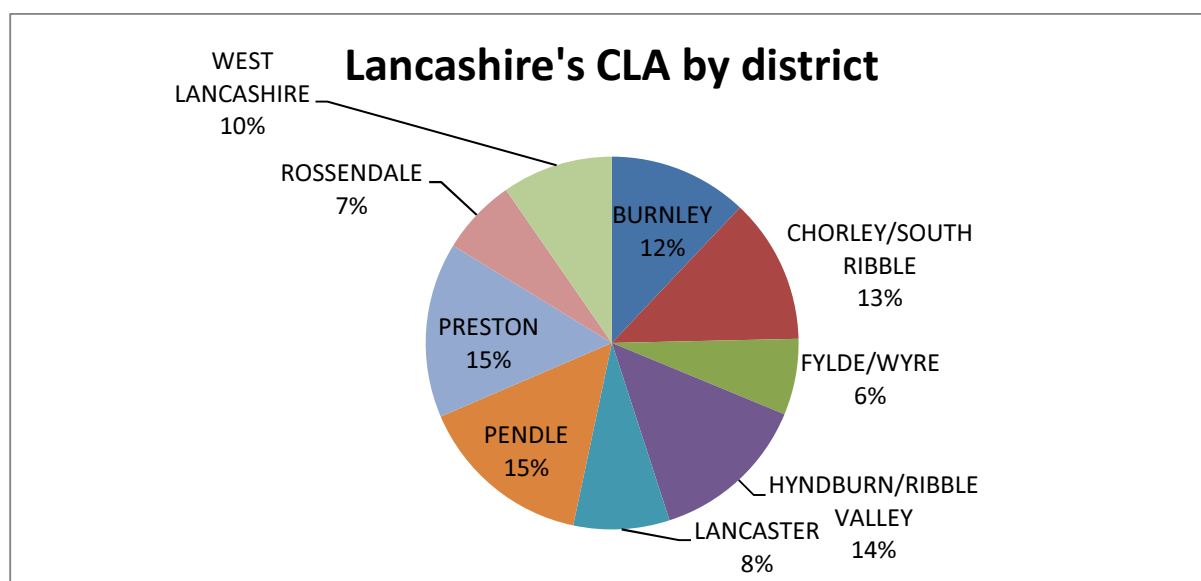
- There were 1380 children looked after (CLA) in Lancashire on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2012

- There has been slight but steady rise in CLA numbers since 2009. By 2012, this had reached 1325 which was a 2.2% rise on the previous year and highest level for 6 years.

District	Number of CLA
BURNLEY	166
CHORLEY/SOUTH RIBBLE	174
FYLDE/WYRE	91
HYNDBURN/RIBBLE VALLEY	190
LANCASTER	115
PENDLE	210
PRESTON	210
ROSENDALE	91
WEST LANCASHIRE	133
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1380</b>

- Lancashire's rate of CLA per 10,000 population remains below the national average,

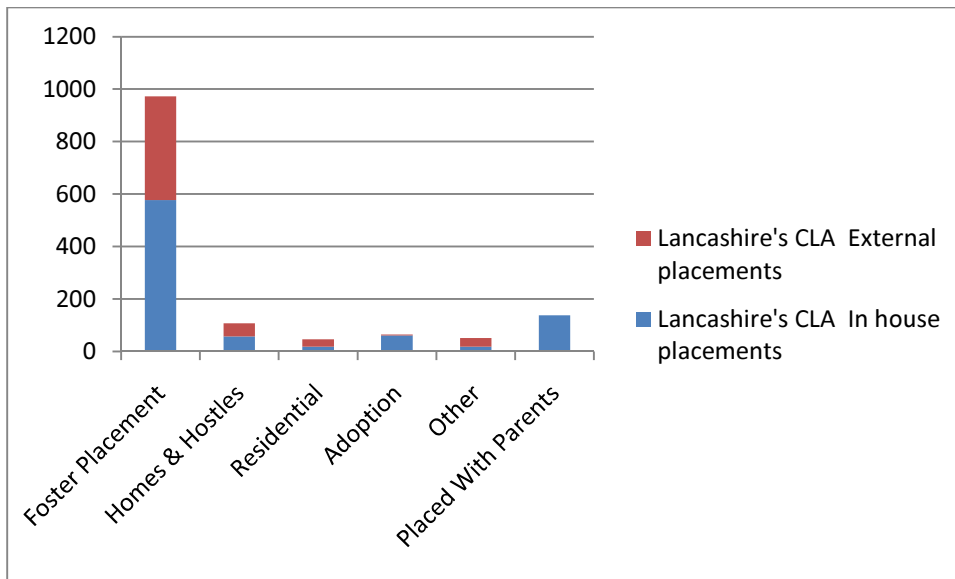
which in real terms means that Lancashire's CLA population should be 1450 according to the national average, and it remains 70 CLA below this level. Lancashire's rate is also well below the average rates of both the North West authorities group and that of similar local authority areas



### Where do Lancashire's Children Looked After live?

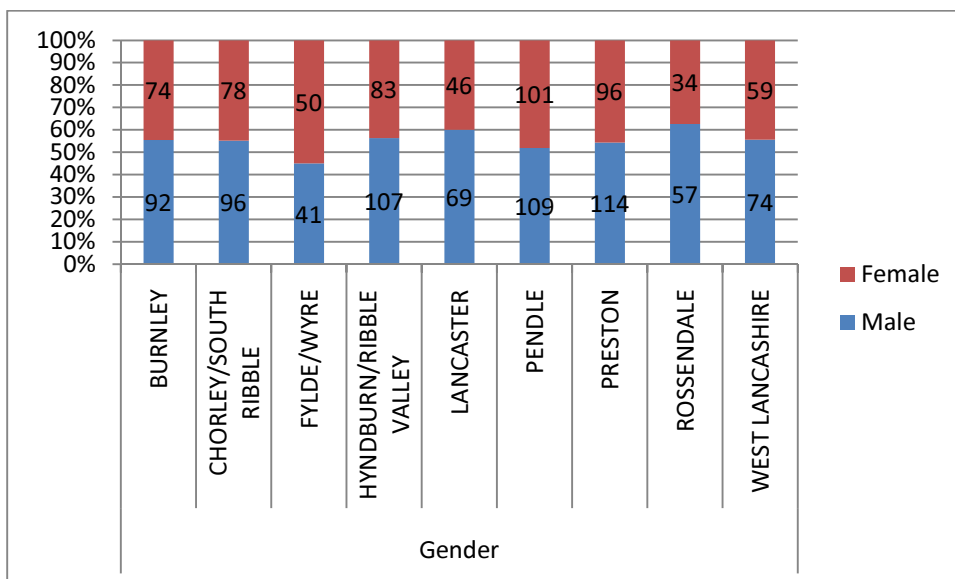
- Most of Lancashire's CLA (972) live with foster carers
- Most of these (577) live with our 'in house' foster carers

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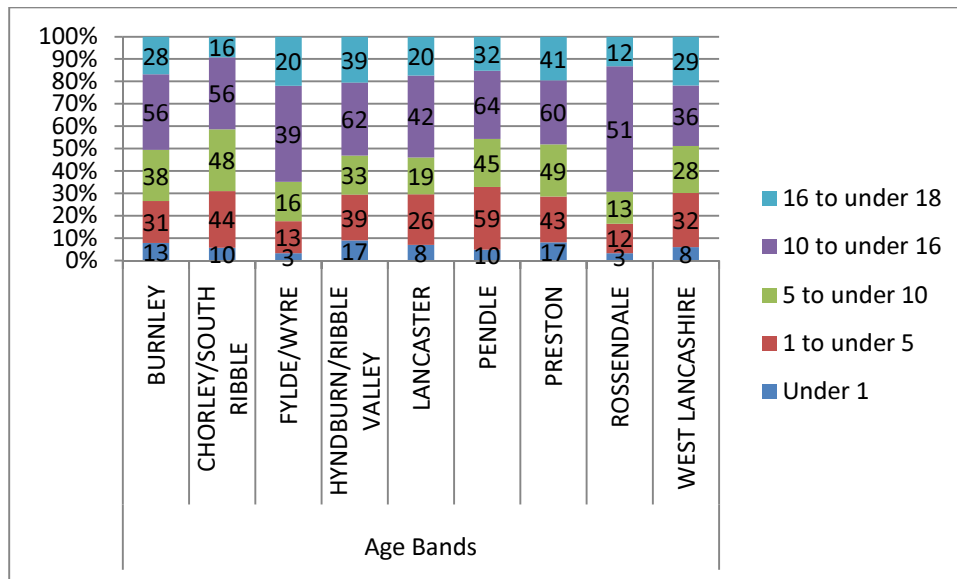
### Age and Gender of Lancashire's Children Looked After

- 55% of Lancashire's Children Looked After are male and 45% are female. This is the same for the North West



- The largest age group for CLA in Lancashire is 10 to under 16. This is the same for the North West

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### Diversity

- The largest ethnic group of CLA across Lancashire is White British (1262 or 91.4%) followed by Mixed heritage (61 or 4.4%)
- This is similar to Lancashire's overall White British population which is approximately 90.9%

