

Safeguarding Adults Data Report 2019/20

Referrals and Section 42 Enquiries

Chart 1: Safeguarding Referrals and Section 42 Enquiries by financial year

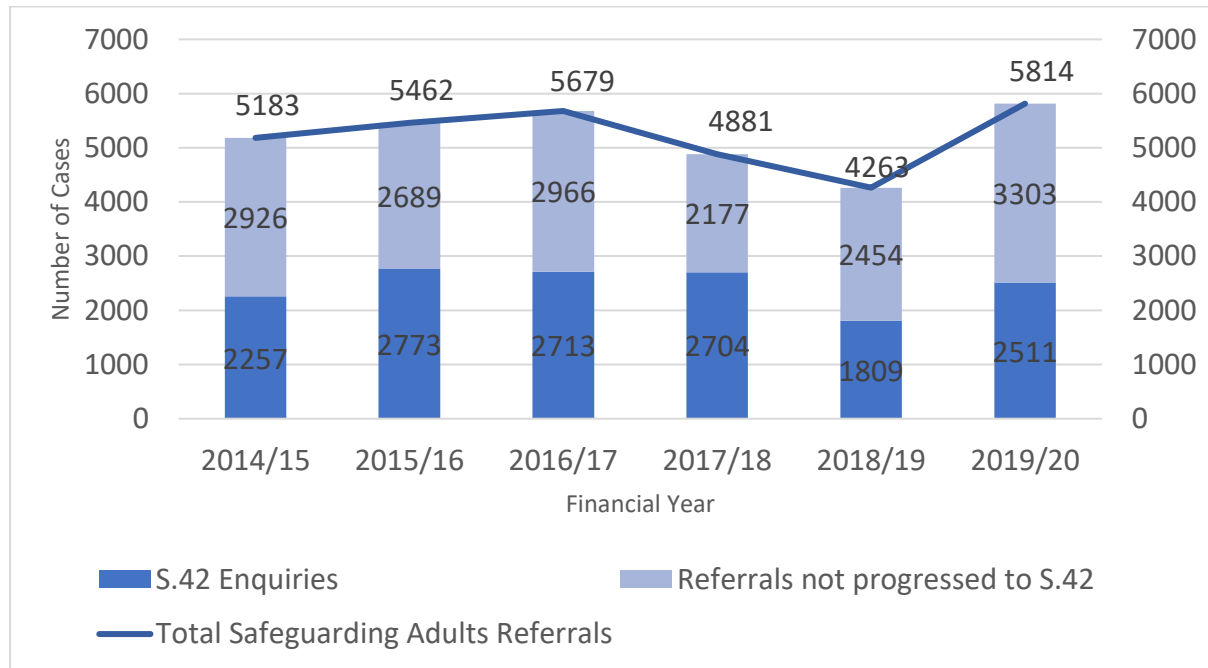


Chart 1 shows that during 2019/20 Safeguarding Referrals increased by 36% from 4263 in 2018/19 to 5814 in 2019/20. This is the highest number of Safeguarding Referrals recorded by the Local Authority. There was also an increase in Safeguarding Referrals which progressed to Section 42 Enquiries from 1809 in 2018/19 to 2511 in 2019/20.

Chart 2: Number of Adults subject to completed Section 42 Enquiries by Age Band

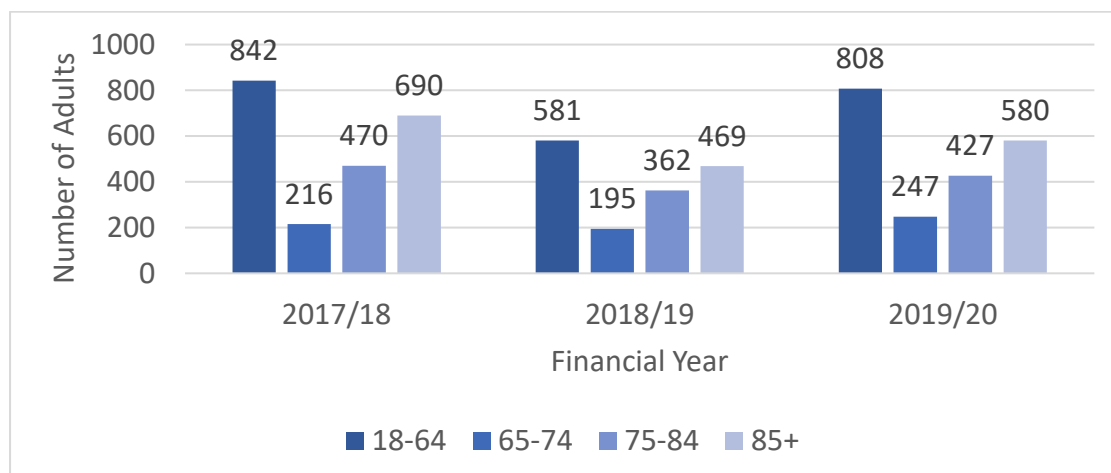
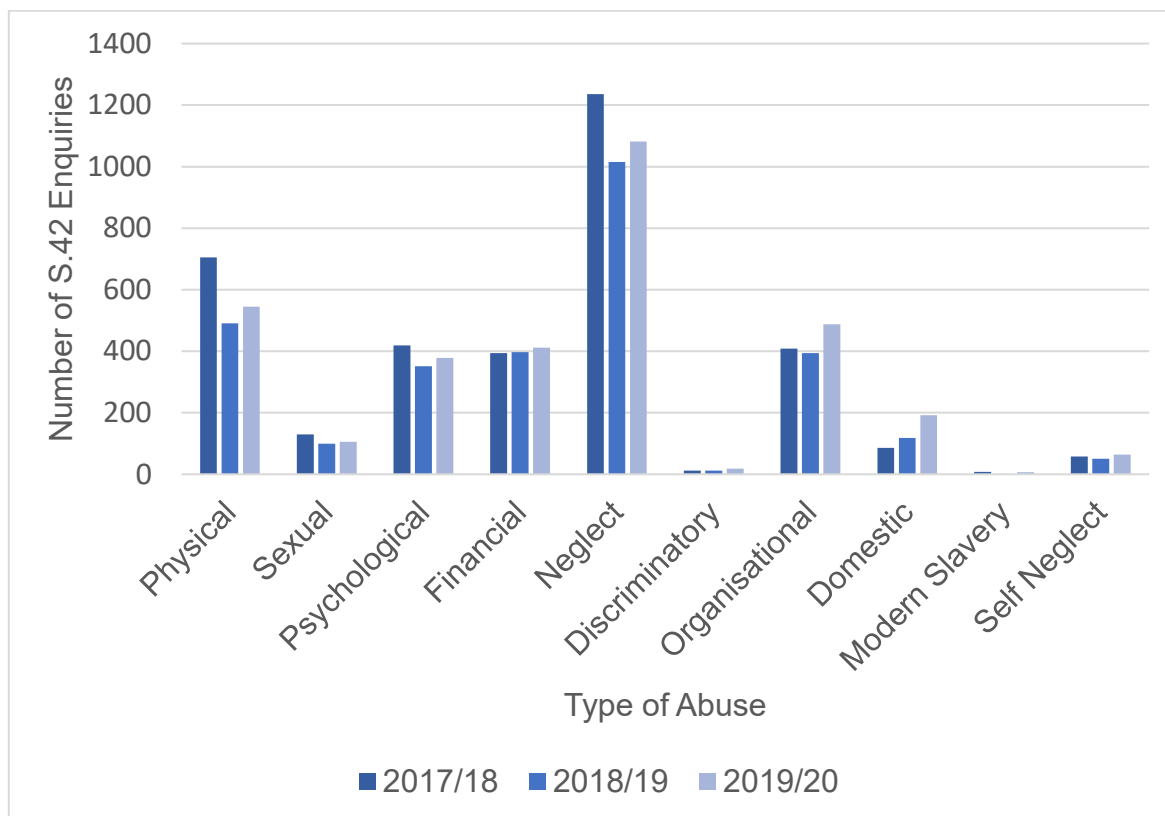


Chart 2 shows that 2062 adults were involved in Section 42 Enquiries which is an increase of 455 people from 2018/19. The increase is highest in relation to those in the age bands 18-64 and 85+.

Types of Abuse

Chart 3: Volume of Types of Abuse recorded for Section 42 Enquiries



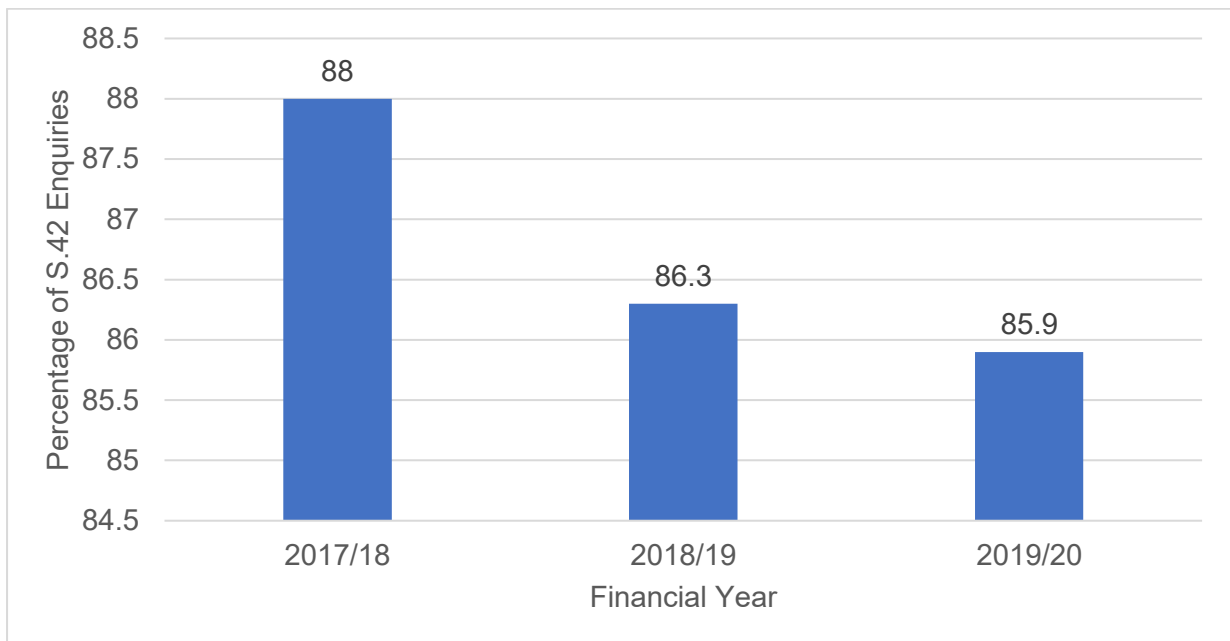
Type of abuse	2017/18		2018/19		2019/20	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Physical	705	20.4	491	16.8	545	16.6
Sexual	130	3.8	99	3.4	106	3.2
Psychological	419	12.1	351	12.0	378	11.5
Financial	394	11.4	397	13.6	412	12.5
Neglect	1236	35.8	1015	34.7	1082	32.9
Discriminatory	12	0.3	12	0.4	18	0.5
Organisational	408	11.8	394	13.5	488	14.8
Domestic	86	2.5	118	4.0	192	5.8
Modern Slavery	8	0.2	1	0.0	7	0.2
Self Neglect	58	1.7	50	1.7	64	1.9
Total	3456	100	2928	100	3292	100

Chart 3 and the associated table show that the two most significant types of abuse continue to be neglect with 32.9% of all abuse types recorded and physical abuse at 16.6% but the both have decreased in comparison to 2018/19. All other types of

abuse have increased apart from financial, sexual and psychological abuse which have decreased this financial year.

Risk

Chart 4: Proportion of Section 42 Enquiries completed where the risk has been reduced or removed



**Please note, S.42 Enquiries in which no risk was identified do not feature in this chart but have in previous reports. Subsequently, the data reflected above will differ from the 2017/18 and 2018/19 reports.*

Chart 4 shows that the proportion of Section 42 Enquiries completed in which the risk has been reduced or removed has decreased from 2018/19 to 85.9%. However, while there has been a decrease in the proportion of Section 42 Enquiries in which the risk was removed, there has been an increase in the proportion in which risk was reduced. It should be noted that in accordance with the principals of Making Safeguarding Personal, the Section 42 Enquiry should enhance choice and control which may mean the person choosing to live with a degree of risk.

Chart 5: Proportion adults who were subject to two or more Section 42 Enquiries in a financial year

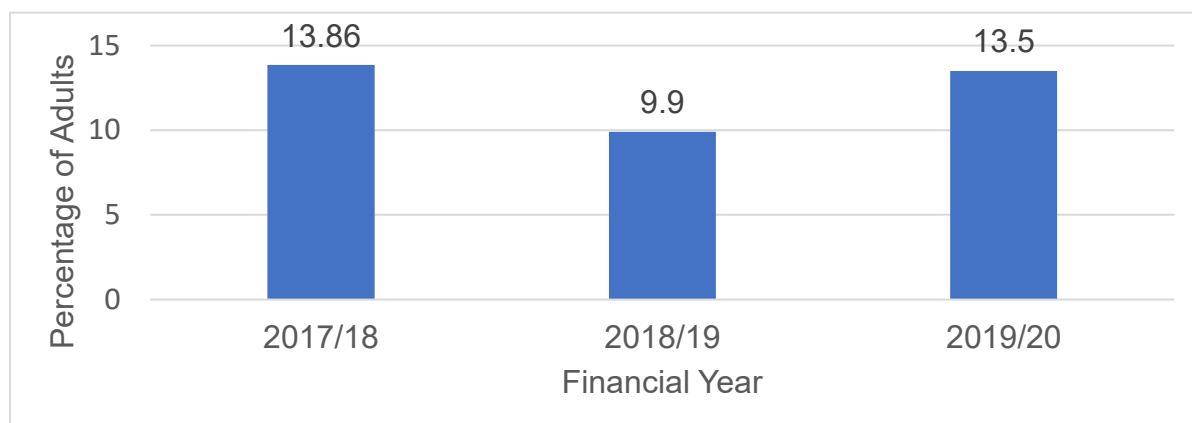
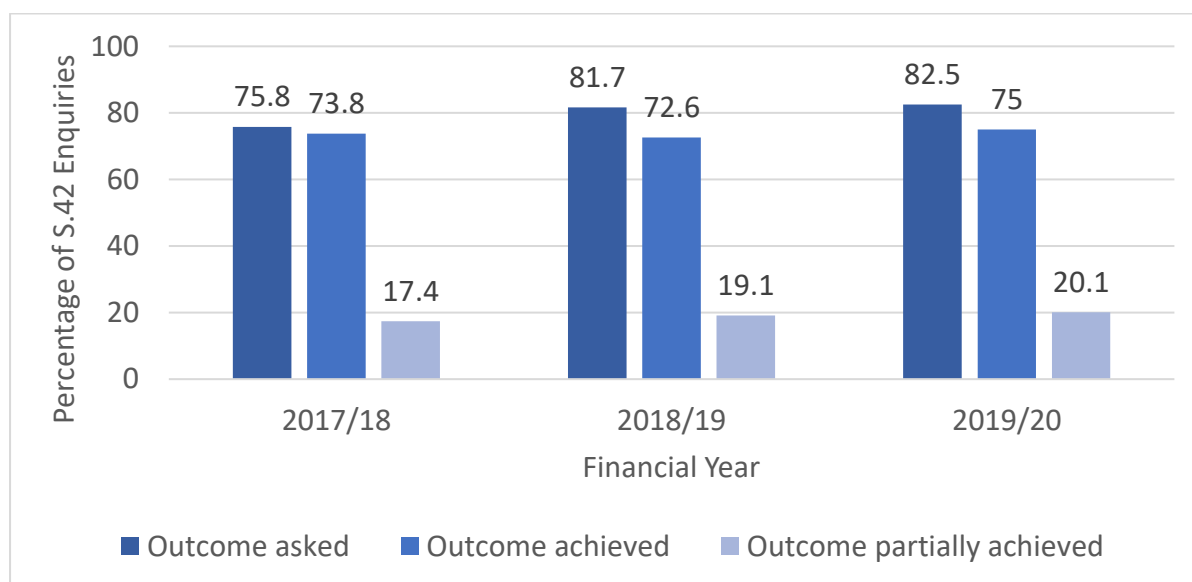


Chart 5 shows the proportions of adults who have been subject to two or more Section 42 Enquiries in a year. This is 13.5% in 2019/20 compared to 9.9% in 2018/19.

Making Safeguarding Personal

Chart 6: Proportion of Section 42 Enquiries in which the adult was asked their outcomes and the proportion of which these outcomes were achieved.



**Please note, the question relating to 'outcomes achieved' changed from the start of 18/19 and therefore comparison to 17/18 will not be 'like for like'.*

Chart 6 shows that the proportion of Section 42 Enquiries in which the adult was asked their outcome has increased year on year to 82.5% in 2019/20. The proportion of adults who confirmed that their outcomes had been achieved or partially achieved has also increased.

Chart 7: The proportion of adults who lacked mental capacity in respect of the Section 42 Enquiry and were supported to give their views.

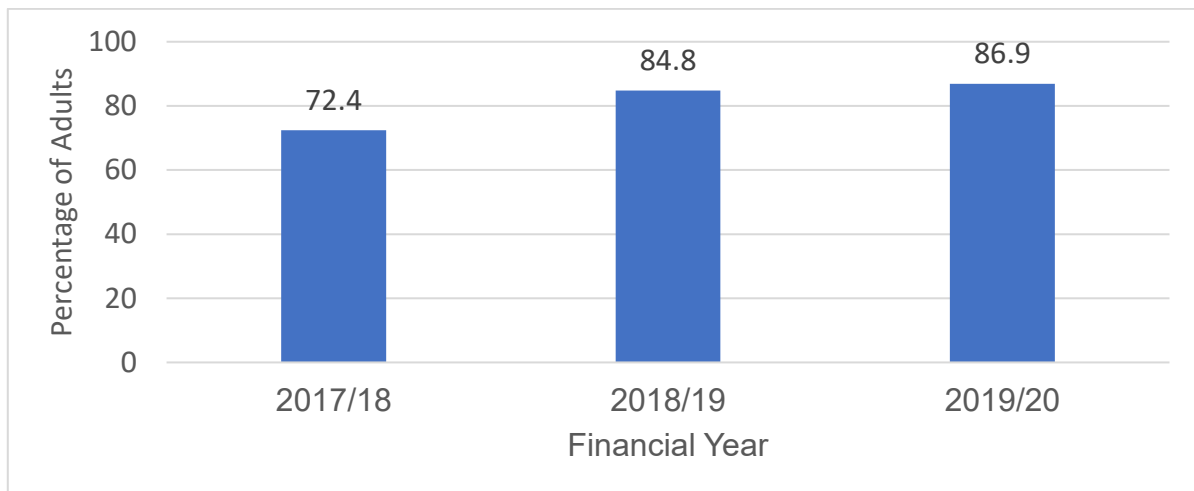


Chart 7 shows that the proportion of adults who lacked mental capacity in relation to the Section 42 Enquiry and were supported to give their view by an IMCA, Advocate, family member or friend has increase year on year to 86.9% in 2019/20.