

Summary

- Total number of Authorised Carers has decreased slightly since the last quarter
- DCJ authorise 44% of the total households, NGOs 56%
- 15% of authorised carers identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- 62% of authorised carers are female, 38% are male, 0.1% are gender X
- 48% of household members are over 18 years and require a WWCC

* Provisionally authorised carers provide emergency placements and are pending full authorisation

Carers Register Key Stats - 2024/25 Qtr1		30 Sep 2024
Designated agencies		
Designated agencies		53
DCJ		1
NGO		52
Current authorisations		
Authorised Households		10100
DCJ		4422
NGO		5678
Authorised carers (NB: Some carers may be authorised by multiple agencies)		15688
DCJ		6710
Statutory Foster Care		1037
Other Care (Relative / kin / supported care)		5673
NGO		8978
Statutory Foster Care		7639
Other Care (Relative / kin / supported care)		1339
Provisional authorisations (in progress applications) *		
Provisionally authorised households (not counted above)		522
DCJ		414
NGO		108
Provisionally authorised carers		826
DCJ		667
NGO		159
Household demographics		
Individual counts - authorised carers & provisionally authorised carers		16395
Individuals who identify as Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander		2491
Gender		
Female		10228
Male		6156
Indeterminate/Intersex/Unspecified		11
Individual counts - household members residing in authorised & provisional households		11367
< 18 yo		5890
18+ yo		5477
Gender		
Female		5489
Male		5864
Indeterminate/Intersex/Unspecified		14
In Progress Applications		
Household applications (non-provisional authorisation)		1068
DCJ		332
NGO		736
Carer applicants		1633
DCJ		502
NGO		1131

Household counts (within quarter)	
Households Authorised	462
DCJ	220
NGO	242
Households Refused	263
DCJ	137
NGO	126
Households Cancelled	563
DCJ	245
NGO	318
Households Suspended	43
DCJ	7
NGO	36
Cancelled / Surrendered Carers (within quarter)	
Cancelled with concerns	41
DCJ	18
NGO	23
Cancelled without concerns	482
DCJ	308
NGO	174
Surrendered with concerns	14
DCJ	3
NGO	11
Surrendered without concerns	319
DCJ	54
NGO	265
Reportable Allegation Counts (within quarter)	
Current	150
Finalised – contact agency	7
Finalised – no record	22
<i>Note: Unless indicated otherwise, figures represent data at end of quarter indicated</i>	

Key statistics - NSW Carers Register

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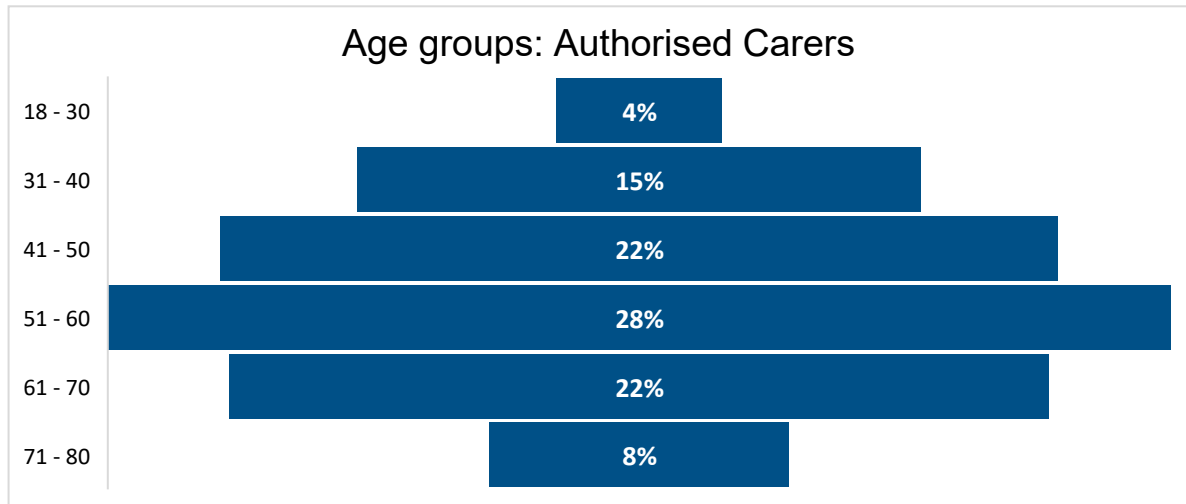
- Total number of Authorised Carers has decreased slightly since the last quarter
- DCJ authorise 44% of the total carers, NGOs 56%
- 14.5% of authorised carers identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- 62% of authorised carers are female 38% of authorised carers are male 0.04% of authorised carers are Gender X
- 52% of household members are over 18 years and require a WWCC
- 46% of carer applicants are being managed by DCJ

Carers Register Data 2023	30 Sept 2023	31 Dec 2023	31 Mar 2024	30 June 2024
Designated agencies – Accredited to provide statutory out-of-home care	53	53	52	53
Authorised carers (Currently Authorised) Note: some carers may be authorised with one or more agencies	16,833	16,643	16,061	15,875
DCJ	7,487	7,401	7,010	6,879
NGO	9,516	9,396	9,188	9,077
Authorised carers who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	2,441	2,419	2,337	2,303
Households (current)	10,964	10,830	10,442	10,304
DCJ	4,923	4,872	4,603	4,529
NGOs	6,041	5,958	5,839	5,775
Household members (currently residing with an authorised carer)	12,022	11,976	11,604	11,522
< 18 years	5,828	5,765	5,578	5,545
> 18 years	6,194	6,211	6,026	5,977
Authorised carers – Female	10,475	10,361	10,001	9,890
Authorised carers – Male	6,353	6,278	6,056	5,976
Authorised carers – Indeterminate/Intersex/Unspecified	8	8	8	9
Household members – Female	5,818	5,819	5,594	5,563
Household members – Male	6,190	6,143	5,997	5,945
Household members – Indeterminate/Intersex/Unspecified	13	13	12	14
Total Carer applicants (includes provisionally authorised carers)	2,742	2,717	2,573	2,398
Households	1,771	1,763	1,674	1,560
DCJ (applicants)	1,184	1,256	1,196	1,114
Households (Applicant)	761	814	779	713
NGO (applicants)	1,585	1,486	1,400	1,305
Households (applicant)	1,010	949	895	847
Household counts (within quarter)				
Households Authorised	418	333	393	430
Households Refused	483	236	326	279
Households Cancelled	481	411	594	578
Households Suspended	94	66	62	49
Cancelled Carers /Applicant counts (within quarter)				
Cancelled – with concerns	41	57	38	62
Cancelled – without concerns	423	338	607	507
Surrendered – with concerns	23	9	5	6
Surrendered – without concerns	292	225	227	249
Applications- Refused/ Withdrawn (in specified period)	1,122	476	644	515
Refused	172	65	92	60
Withdrawn – with concerns	78	33	46	51
Withdrawn – without concerns	873	378	506	404
Reportable allegation counts (within quarter)				
Reportable allegations (lodged during past 3 months)				
Current	141	147	144	141
Finalised – contact agency	32	5	6	11
Finalised – no record	35	18	17	17
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NSW Carers Register	30-Jun-21	30-Jun-22	30-Jun-23	30-Jun-24
Designated Agencies – Accredited to provide statutory out of home care	49	53	53	53
Authorised Carers (Currently Authorised) Note: some carers may be authorised with one or more agencies	18,369	17,960	17,121	15,871
<i>DCJ</i>	8,649	8,186	7,659	6,878
<i>NGOs</i>	9,901	9,928	9,635	9,074
Authorised carers that identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	2,592	2,549	2,447	2,303
Households (current)	11,849	11,625	11,156	10,304
<i>DCJ</i>	5,626	5,342	5,040	4,529
<i>NGOs</i>	6,223	6,283	6,116	5,775
Household members (Currently residing with an authorised carer)	12,801	12,682	12,165	11,522
< 18 years	6,366	6,277	5,912	5,578
> 18 years	6,435	6,405	6,253	5,944
Gender of Authorised Carers				
Female	11,387	11,137	10,637	9,888
Male	6,981	6,819	6,477	5,974
Indeterminate/Intersex/Unspecified	1	4	7	9
Gender of Household Members				
Female	6,225	6,199	5,895	5,563
Male	6,569	6,475	6,256	5,945
Indeterminate/Intersex/Unspecified	7	8	14	14
Carer Applicants Note: includes provisionally authorised carers	2,895	2,971	3,057	2,398
o Number of Households	1,886	1,921	2,007	1,560
DCJ	1,040	1,018	1,251	1,112
o Number of Households	677	664	824	713
NGOs	2,040	1,953	1,837	1,298
o Number of Households	1,316	1,257	1,182	847
Authorisation- Cancelled/ Surrendered (In past reporting year)				
Cancelled - with concerns	251	203	161	223
Cancelled - without concerns	1266	1059	1210	2045
Surrendered - with concerns	65	41	58	44
Surrendered - without concerns	1,609	1,195	1,255	1,072
Applications- Refused/ Withdrawn (In past reporting year)				
Refused	293	247	343	371
Withdrawn - with concerns	217	178	169	215
Withdrawn - without concerns	1,528	1,385	1,843	2,120
Reportable Allegations (RA) (Status per reporting year)				
Current reportable allegations	445	400	408	409
Finalised RA – contact agency	113	78	106	98
Finalised RA – no record	286	125	200	195

Additional Descriptive Data (Point in time at end of last quarter)

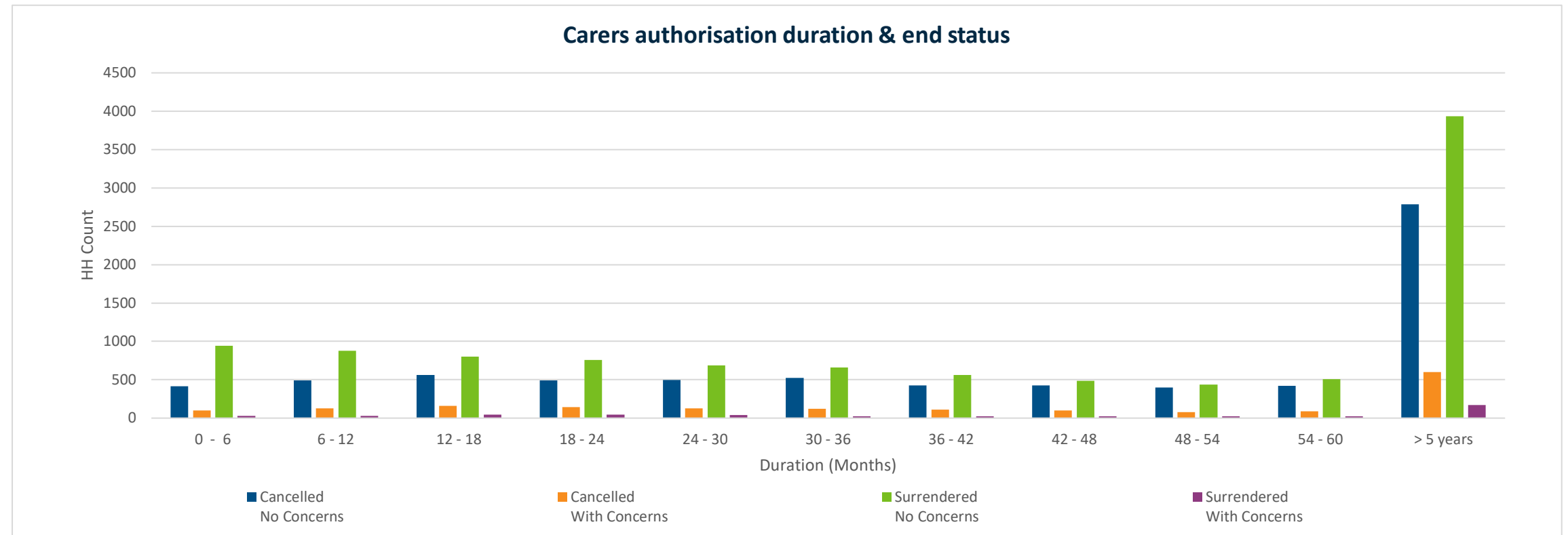
Authorised Carers per age group	
Age group	%
18 - 30	4%
31 - 40	15%
41 - 50	22%
51 - 60	28%
61 - 70	22%
71 - 80	8%
81+	1%



Data per District - Sept 2024					
District	Total Authorised carers	# of HH members under 18	Current Household	New Carers in Quarter	New Applicants in Quarter
Hunter	2013	718	1294	85	91
South Western Sydney	2008	694	1288	70	108
Nepean Blue Mountains	1294	466	820	71	51
Western Sydney	1222	418	785	42	67
Illawarra Shoalhaven	1101	369	703	61	58
Western NSW	988	392	656	75	58
Central Coast	911	272	604	35	42
Mid North Coast	932	346	637	44	59
New England	764	298	490	40	45
Northern NSW	790	286	512	42	48
Murrumbidgee	737	269	488	32	57
Outside NSW	679	305	435	35	59
South Eastern Sydney	702	174	449	22	28
Northern Sydney	532	130	325	34	27
Southern NSW	390	119	249	13	22
Sydney	434	97	302	15	23
Far West	81	26	57	5	3
Not yet nominated	10	2	6	8	35
Grand Total	15575	5371	10100	729	881

Carer authorisation duration & end status

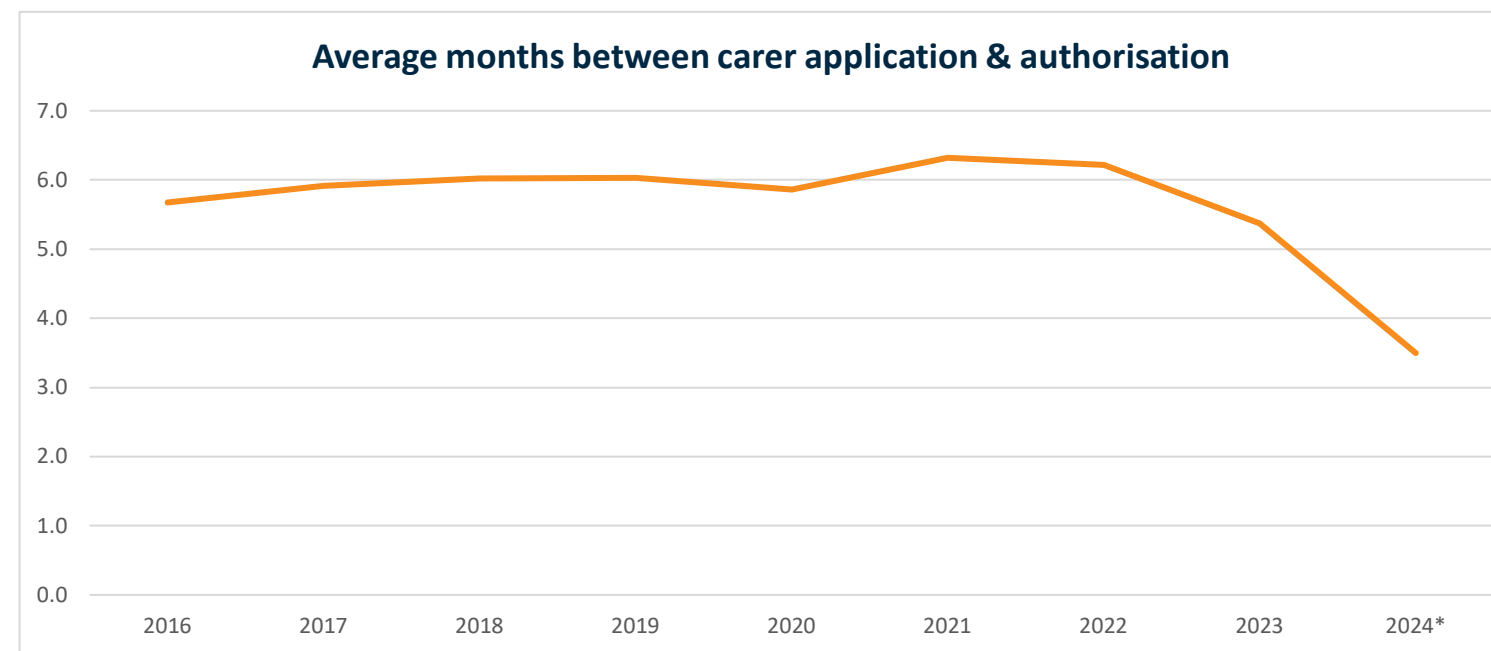
Duration (months)	End Status Count				Total
	Cancelled No Concerns	Cancelled With Concerns	Surrendered No Concerns	Surrendered With Concerns	
0 - 6	416	99	945	29	1475
6 - 12	492	128	880	30	1519
12 - 18	564	161	799	45	1548
18 - 24	491	142	758	47	1426
24 - 30	499	128	685	39	1337
30 - 36	522	123	662	22	1306
36 - 42	426	112	562	26	1113
42 - 48	427	102	487	23	1029
48 - 54	398	80	436	22	923
54 - 60	423	91	506	25	1036
> 5 years	2785	602	3937	168	7314



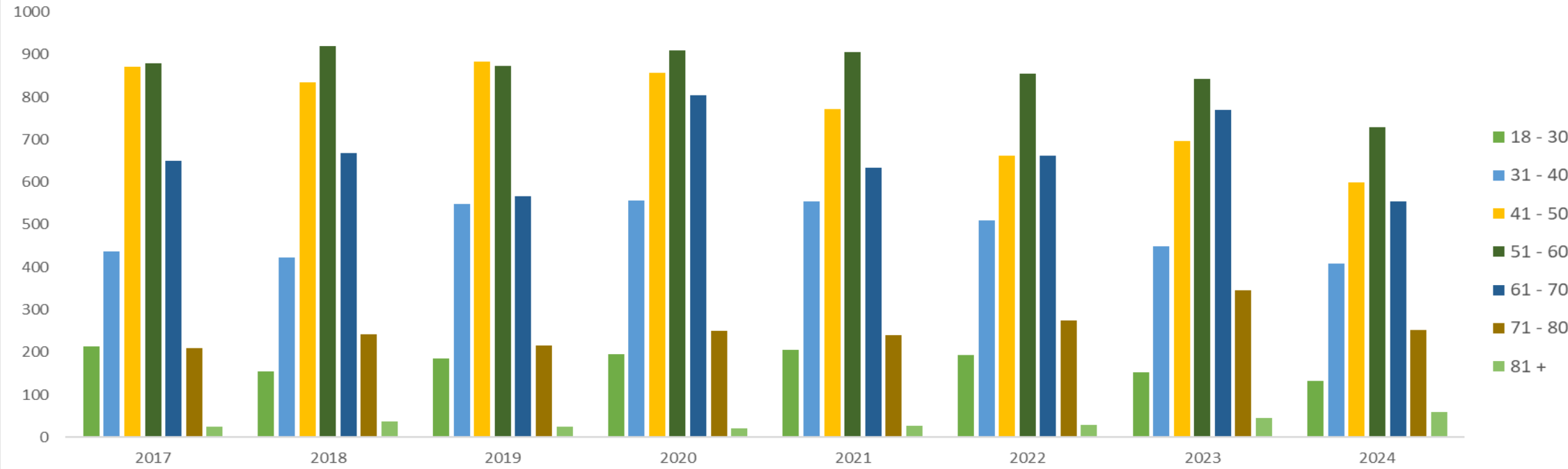
Average months between carer application & authorisation

Year application lodged (calendar year)	Average months btw carer application & authorisation
2016	5.7
2017	5.9
2018	6.0
2019	6.0
2020	5.9
2021	6.3
2022	6.2
2023	5.4
2024*	3.5

* As at end of Sept 2024



Carers Age When Authorisation Ended



Duration of Carer Authorisation

