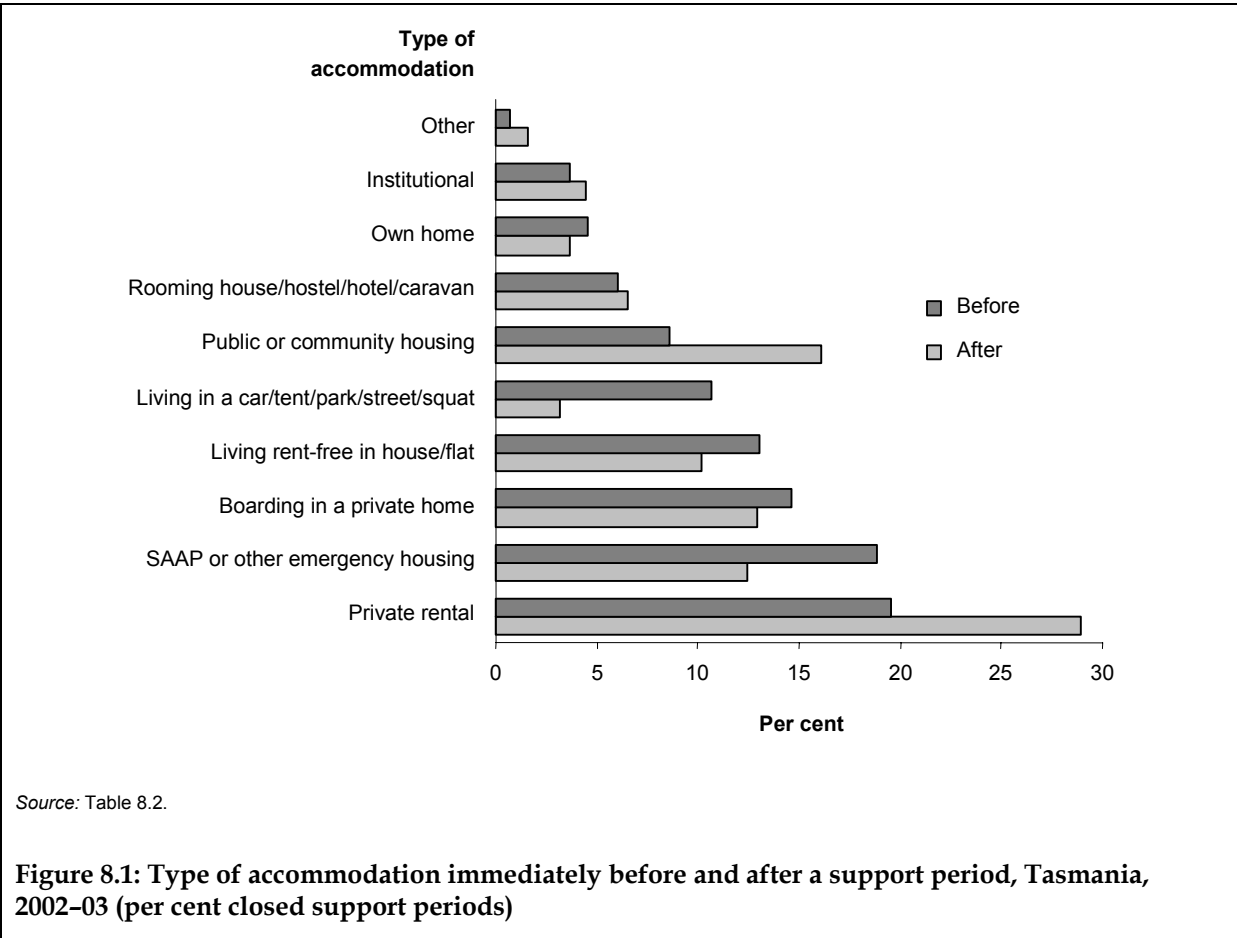


8 Circumstances of clients before and after support

8.1 Key chart



8.2 Tables

Table 8.1: SAAP closed support periods: source of income immediately before and after a support period, Tasmania, 2002–03 (per cent)

Source of income	Closed support periods in which clients needed assistance to obtain/maintain a pension or benefit		All closed support periods	
	Before	After	Before	After
No income	13.1	7.5	6.3	5.3
No income, awaiting pension/benefit	3.4	3.2	1.2	0.9
Government pension/benefit	79.6	86.5	89.0	90.7
Other	3.9	2.7	3.5	3.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
<i>Total (number with valid data)</i>	<i>650</i>	<i>600</i>	<i>4,900</i>	<i>3,950</i>
Number with missing data	<25	100	800	1,750
Total (number)	650	650	5,700	5,700

Note: Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non-consent.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 8.2: SAAP closed support periods: type of accommodation immediately before and after a support period, Tasmania, 2002-03 (per cent)

Type of accommodation	Closed support periods in which clients needed assistance to obtain/maintain independent housing		All closed support periods	
	Before	After	Before	After
SAAP or other emergency housing	25.4	8.6	18.8	12.4
Living rent-free in house/flat	12.7	7.4	13.0	10.2
Private rental	17.5	35.7	19.5	28.9
Public or community housing	7.9	20.2	8.6	16.1
Rooming house/hostel/hotel/caravan	6.1	6.5	6.0	6.5
Boarding in a private home	15.9	12.3	14.6	12.9
Own home	2.6	1.7	4.5	3.7
Living in a car/tent/park/street/squat	8.2	2.5	10.7	3.2
Institutional	3.0	2.9	3.7	4.4
Other	0.7	2.1	0.7	1.6
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
<i>Total (number with valid data)</i>	<i>1,900</i>	<i>1,300</i>	<i>4,850</i>	<i>3,200</i>
Number with missing data	100	700	850	2,500
Total (number)	2,000	2,000	5,700	5,700

Note: Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non-consent.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 8.3: SAAP closed support periods in which the client was accommodated: length of accommodation by type of accommodation after support, Tasmania, 2002–03 (per cent)

Type of accommodation	1 day	>1–3 days	>3–7 days	>1–2 weeks	>2–4 weeks	>4–13 weeks	>13–26 weeks	>26–52 weeks	>52 weeks	Total	
										%	Number
SAAP or other emergency housing	15.1	14.6	16.9	13.8	8.7	12.0	19.3	(*)—	(*)—	13.6	200
Living rent-free in house/flat	22.3	20.4	14.5	11.0	10.3	13.2	13.2	(*)—	—	15.0	250
Private rental	14.0	16.6	16.0	19.9	22.2	23.2	19.4	32.4	23.3	19.1	300
Public or community housing	9.6	8.5	8.9	9.9	13.7	19.2	13.7	32.2	35.8	12.7	200
Rooming house/hostel/hotel/caravan	7.1	5.9	5.7	10.6	5.4	8.9	(*)—	(*)—	—	7.2	100
Boarding in a private home	12.4	14.0	19.9	18.4	23.3	14.5	17.1	(*)—	(*)—	16.5	250
Own home	4.9	2.0	1.8	2.5	3.1	1.5	(*)—	—	(*)—	2.6	50
Living in a car/tent/park/street/squat	6.5	9.6	5.7	5.3	5.4	2.5	—	—	—	5.2	100
Institutional	7.1	7.5	9.2	7.2	6.7	4.6	(*)—	—	(*)—	6.7	100
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	..
Total (%)	16.0	14.4	16.0	14.8	11.7	20.0	3.8	2.0	1.2	100.0	..
Total (number)	250	200	250	250	200	300	50	50	<25	..	1,550

Notes

1. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 866 closed support periods (type of accommodation and length of accommodation).
2. Table excludes closed support periods in which clients started and ended their accommodation on the same date.
3. 'Other' accommodation was reported by clients as the type of accommodation they moved into following support in a small number of closed support periods in which clients were accommodated. To ensure confidentiality, these cases are not presented separately but are included in the total.
4. To ensure confidentiality some cells in this table have been replaced with '(*)—'. While these cases are not presented separately, they are included in the total.
5. Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non-consent.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 8.4: SAAP closed support periods: living situation immediately before and after a support period, Tasmania, 2002–03 (per cent)

Living situation	Before	After
With parent(s)	10.0	6.7
With foster family	0.3	0.2
With relatives/friends short-term	18.8	14.7
With relatives/friends long-term	3.5	4.3
With spouse/partner with/without children	22.1	14.3
Alone with children	10.8	18.3
Alone	21.4	28.2
With other unrelated persons	12.0	12.7
Other	1.1	0.5
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
<i>Total (number with valid data)</i>	<i>4,900</i>	<i>3,450</i>
Number with missing data	800	2,250
Total (number)	5,700	5,700

Note: Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non-consent.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 8.5: SAAP closed support periods: employment status immediately before and after a support period, Tasmania, 2002–03 (per cent)

Employment status	Closed support periods in which clients needed assistance in employment and training		All closed support periods	
	Before	After	Before	After
Employed full-time	—	—	1.4	1.6
Employed part-time/casual	4.3	^(a) 10.7	4.2	4.3
Unemployed (looking for work)	47.7	41.3	33.4	33.3
Not in labour force	48.0	47.9	61.0	60.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
<i>Total (with valid data)</i>	<i>150</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>4,950</i>	<i>3,850</i>
Number with missing data	<25	50	750	1,850
Total (number)	200	200	5,700	5,700

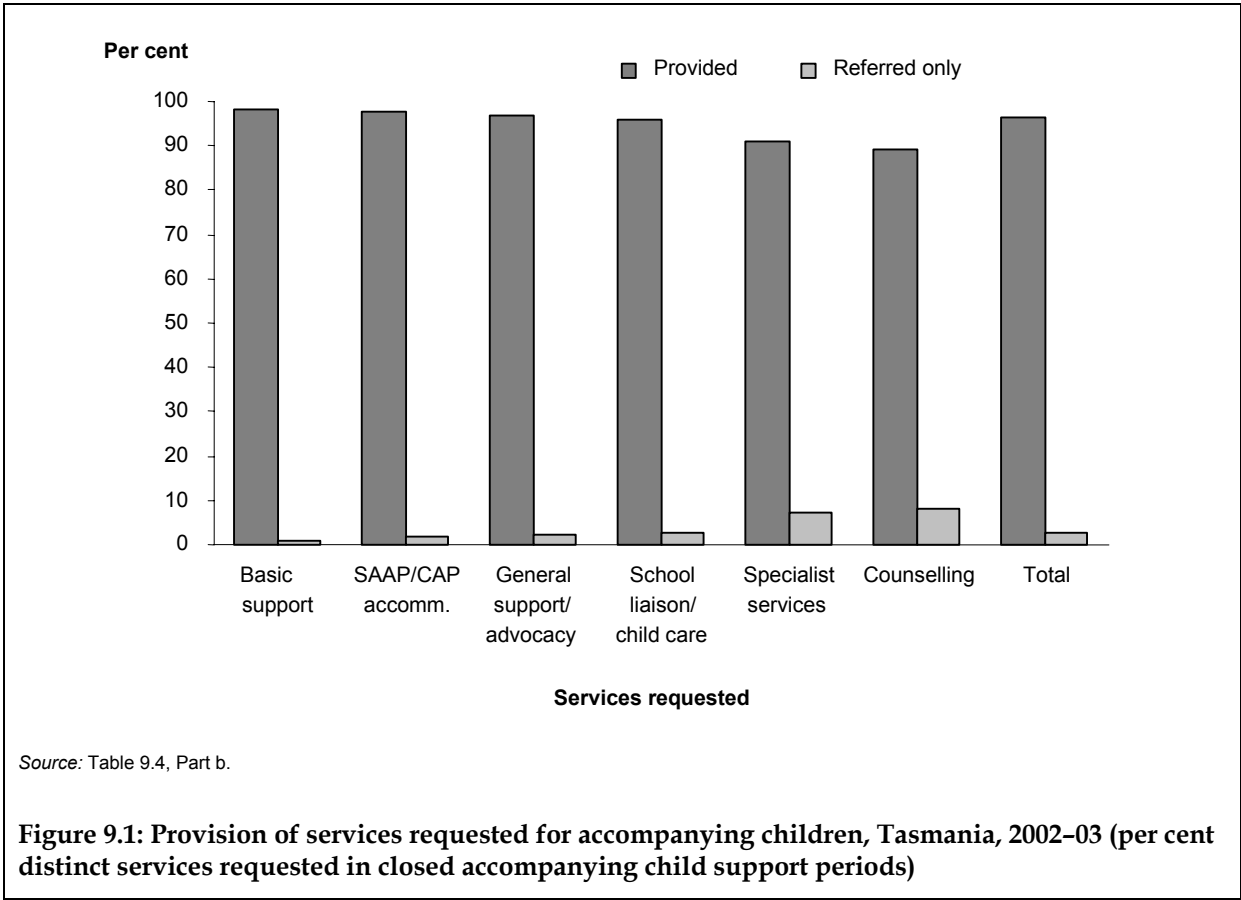
(a) Includes a small proportion of closed support periods in which clients needed assistance in employment and training where clients were 'Employed full-time' immediately following support. These cells have been merged to ensure client confidentiality.

Note: Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non-consent.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

9 Support to accompanying children

9.1 Key chart



9.2 Tables

Table 9.1: Accompanying children and accompanying child support periods, by age and gender of child, Tasmania, 2002–03

Age	Accompanying children		Accompanying child support periods	
	%	Number	%	Number
0–4 years	43.3	1,000	43.3	1,250
5–12 years	44.8	1,050	45.2	1,300
13–15 years	9.4	200	9.1	250
16–17 years	2.4	50	2.4	50
Total	100.0	2,300	100.0	2,850
Gender				
Male	52.3	1,200	51.6	1,500
Female	47.7	1,100	48.4	1,400
Total	100.0	2,300	100.0	2,900

Notes

1. Number excluded due to errors and omissions in age (weighted): 5 accompanying children.
2. Number excluded due to errors and omissions in gender (weighted): 5 accompanying children.
3. Number excluded due to errors and omissions in age (weighted): 65 accompanying child support periods.
4. Number excluded due to errors and omissions in gender (weighted): 38 accompanying child support periods.
5. Accompanying children figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non-consent.
6. Accompanying child support period figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 9.2: Accompanying children, birthplace of child, Tasmania, 2002–03

Birthplace	Per cent	Number
Australia	98.1	2,200
Oceania (excluding Australia)	0.2	<25
Europe and the former Soviet Union	—	—
South-East, North-East and Southern Asia	0.2	<25
Other (including the Middle East, Africa, the Americas and Caribbean)	1.5	50
Total	100.0	2,200

Notes

1. Number excluded due to errors and omissions in birthplace (weighted): 79 accompanying children.
2. Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non-consent.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 9.3: Accompanying child support periods: services provided to accompanying children, by client group, Tasmania, 2002–03

Type of service	Couple with children	Male with children	Female with children	Total	
Accompanying child support periods		(%)		%	Number
Accommodation	47.8	35.3	63.6	62.1	850
SAAP/CAP accommodation	47.8	35.3	63.6	62.1	850
School liaison/child care	8.7	2.9	40.3	37.8	500
School liaison	7.2	—	11.9	11.4	150
Child care	(*)—	—	33.8	31.2	450
Counselling	20.3	17.6	25.9	25.4	350
Help with behavioural problems	18.8	(*)—	8.8	9.4	150
Sexual/physical abuse counselling/support	17.4	(*)—	6.7	7.3	100
Skills education	(*)—	—	4.8	4.5	50
General counselling/support	13.0	17.6	16.2	16.0	200
General support/advocacy	46.4	47.1	29.7	31.0	450
Access arrangements	—	—	1.5	1.3	<25
Advice/information	20.3	14.7	14.5	14.8	200
Brokerage services	26.1	32.4	13.8	14.9	200
Advocacy	(*)—	(*)—	11.9	11.5	150
Specialist services	(*)—	(*)—	8.0	7.7	100
Culturally sensitive services	—	—	4.1	3.7	50
Health/medical services	(*)—	(*)—	5.0	5.0	50
Basic support and other services n.e.s.	34.8	32.4	59.9	57.9	800
Meals	17.4	14.7	35.1	33.7	450
Showers/hygiene	5.8	(*)—	26.1	24.5	350
Recreation	(*)—	(*)—	24.1	22.6	300
Transport	27.5	14.7	36.3	35.3	500
Other	(*)—	(*)—	13.7	13.1	200
No services provided directly by agency	4.3	11.8	6.2	6.2	100
Total accompanying child support periods (%)	5.2	2.5	92.3	100.0	..
Total accompanying child support periods (number)	50	50	1,250	..	1,350
Support periods for SAAP clients with accompanying children requiring assistance					
Total support periods (%)	5.6	3.4	91.0	100.0	..
Total support periods (number)	50	<25	650	..	700
Mean number of accompanying children requiring assistance	1.77	1.42	1.94	..	1.92

Notes

1. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 1,556 accompanying child support periods (including cases with no information on service requirements or provision).
2. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 12 support periods.
3. Accompanying children were able to receive multiple services, so percentages do not total 100.
4. An accompanying child may be counted in more than one support period, so the total number of accompanying child support periods does not equal the actual number of accompanying children requiring assistance.
5. Although each member of a couple has an individual support period, in this table a couple presenting with children contributes only one support period. The table is therefore not directly comparable with other tables showing the number of support periods by client group.
6. No people in the 'Other' client group presented with children.
7. To ensure confidentiality some cells in this table have been replaced with '(*)—' where appropriate. While these cases are not presented separately, they are included in the total.
8. Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 9.4: SAAP services requested for accompanying children in closed support periods, by provision, Tasmania, 2002-03

Part a: Individual types of SAAP services requested for accompanying children in closed support periods, by provision (per cent closed accompanying child support periods)

Type of service	Not provided			Provided			Total	Closed accompanying child support periods (number)
	Neither provided nor referred	Referred	Sub-total	Provided only	Provided and referred	Sub-total		
Accommodation								
SAAP/CAP accommodation	^(a) 0.6	^(a) 1.6	2.2	^(a) 97.2	^(a) 0.6	97.8	100.0	750
School liaison/child care								
School liaison	^(*) —	^(*) ⁽⁺⁾ —	1.7	89.2	9.2	98.4	100.0	100
Child care	2.1	3.0	5.1	93.3	1.5	94.8	100.0	350
Counselling								
Help with behavioural problems	^(*) —	⁽⁺⁾ —	12.1	79.4	8.4	87.8	100.0	100
Sexual/physical abuse counselling/support	^(*) —	⁽⁺⁾ —	10.1	83.1	6.7	89.8	100.0	100
Skills education	^(*) —	^(*) ⁽⁺⁾ —	6.0	⁽⁺⁾ —	^(*) —	94.0	100.0	50
General counselling/support	2.7	8.6	11.3	⁽⁺⁾ —	^(*) —	88.6	100.0	200
General support/advocacy								
Access arrangements	—	29.2	29.2	70.8	—	70.8	100.0	<25
Advice/information	^(*) —	^(*) ⁽⁺⁾ —	0.7	99.3	—	99.3	100.0	150
Brokerage services	^(*) ⁽⁺⁾ —	^(*) —	3.0	77.2	19.8	97.0	100.0	150
Advocacy	^(*) ⁽⁺⁾ —	^(*) —	0.9	95.4	3.7	99.1	100.0	100
Specialist services								
Culturally sensitive services	—	—	—	100.0	—	100.0	100.0	50
Health/medical services	^(*) —	⁽⁺⁾ —	14.7	79.4	5.9	85.3	100.0	50
Basic support and other services n.e.s.								
Meals	0.9	2.5	3.4	96.6	—	96.6	100.0	450
Showers/hygiene	^(a) 1.4	—	^(a) 1.4	⁽⁺⁾ —	^(*) —	98.7	100.0	300
Recreation	^(*) —	^(*) —	1.0	^(a) 97.0	^(a) 2.0	99.0	100.0	200
Transport	^(*) —	^(*) ⁽⁺⁾ —	0.7	99.3	—	99.3	100.0	450
Other	^(*) —	^(*) ⁽⁺⁾ —	1.9	92.5	5.6	98.1	100.0	100
Further other	^(*) —	^(*) ⁽⁺⁾ —	2.0	78.4	19.6	98.0	100.0	50

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Table 9.4 (continued): SAAP services requested for accompanying children in closed support periods, by provision, Tasmania, 2002-03

Part b: Broad types of SAAP services requested for accompanying children in closed support periods, by provision

Broad type of service	Not provided			Provided			Total	Distinct services requested	Assoc. closed accompanying child support periods
	Neither provided nor referred	Referred	Sub-total	Provided only	Provided and referred	Sub-total			
	% distinct services requested							Number	Number
Accommodation	0.5	1.7	2.2	97.5	0.3	97.8	100.0	750	750
School liaison/ child care	1.6	2.7	4.3	92.2	3.6	95.8	100.0	450	400
Counselling	2.6	8.1	10.7	85.4	3.9	89.3	100.0	450	300
General support/ advocacy	0.9	2.2	3.1	88.5	8.3	96.8	100.0	450	350
Specialist services	1.8	7.3	9.1	87.3	3.6	90.9	100.0	100	100
Basic support and services n.e.s.	0.7	1.1	1.8	96.9	1.3	98.2	100.0	1,600	650
Total (%)	1.0	2.6	3.6	93.8	2.6	96.4	100.0
Total (number)	50	100	150	3,600	100	3,700	..	3,800	1,000

(a) Indicates an adjusted cell. These cells have been adjusted slightly to ensure client confidentiality.

Notes

1. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 1,383 closed accompanying child support periods (including cases with no information on service requirements or provision).
2. In groups of service types, an accompanying child may require more than one type of service within the group. Percentages for broad groups relate to all needs and not to support periods. For individual types of services, a need can be recorded only once within a support period, so percentages relate to accompanying child support periods.
3. To ensure confidentiality some cells in this table have been replaced with "(*)". While these cases are not presented separately, they are included in the total. A "(+)" indicates cells that have been removed to ensure confidentiality but which make up the majority proportion of the subtotal for that provision grouping.
4. Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 9.5: SAAP services requested for accompanying children in closed support periods that were neither provided nor referred: broad type of service by client group, Tasmania, 2002-03

Broad type of service	Female with children	Total	
	% unmet needs	%	Number
Accommodation	9.4	9.1	<25
School liaison/child care	18.8	21.2	<25
Counselling	31.3	30.3	<25
General support/advocacy	12.5	12.1	<25
Specialist services	3.1	3.0	<25
Basic support and services n.e.s.	25.0	24.2	<25
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>50</i>
Summary totals			
Total unmet needs (%)	97.0	100.0	..
Total unmet needs (number)	50	..	50
Total closed accompanying child support periods with unmet needs (%)	95.7	100.0	..
Total closed accompanying child support periods with unmet needs (number)	<25	..	<25
Total closed accompanying child support periods (%)	93.3	100.0	..
Total closed accompanying child support periods (number)	1,100	..	1,150
Total closed support periods with accompanying children with unmet needs (%)	94.1	100.0	..
Total closed support periods with accompanying children with unmet needs (number)	<25	..	<25
Total closed support periods with accompanying children requiring assistance (%)	91.9	100.0	..
Total closed support periods with accompanying children requiring assistance (number)	550	..	600

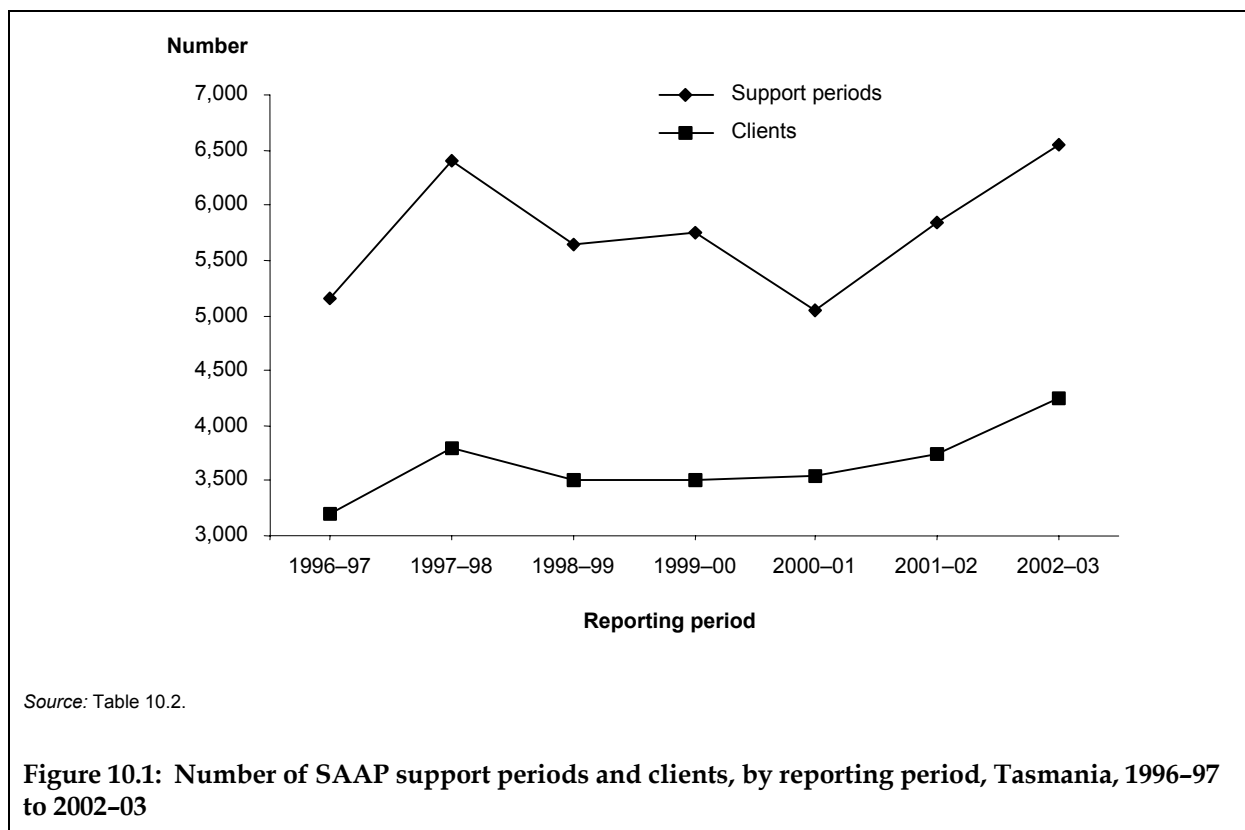
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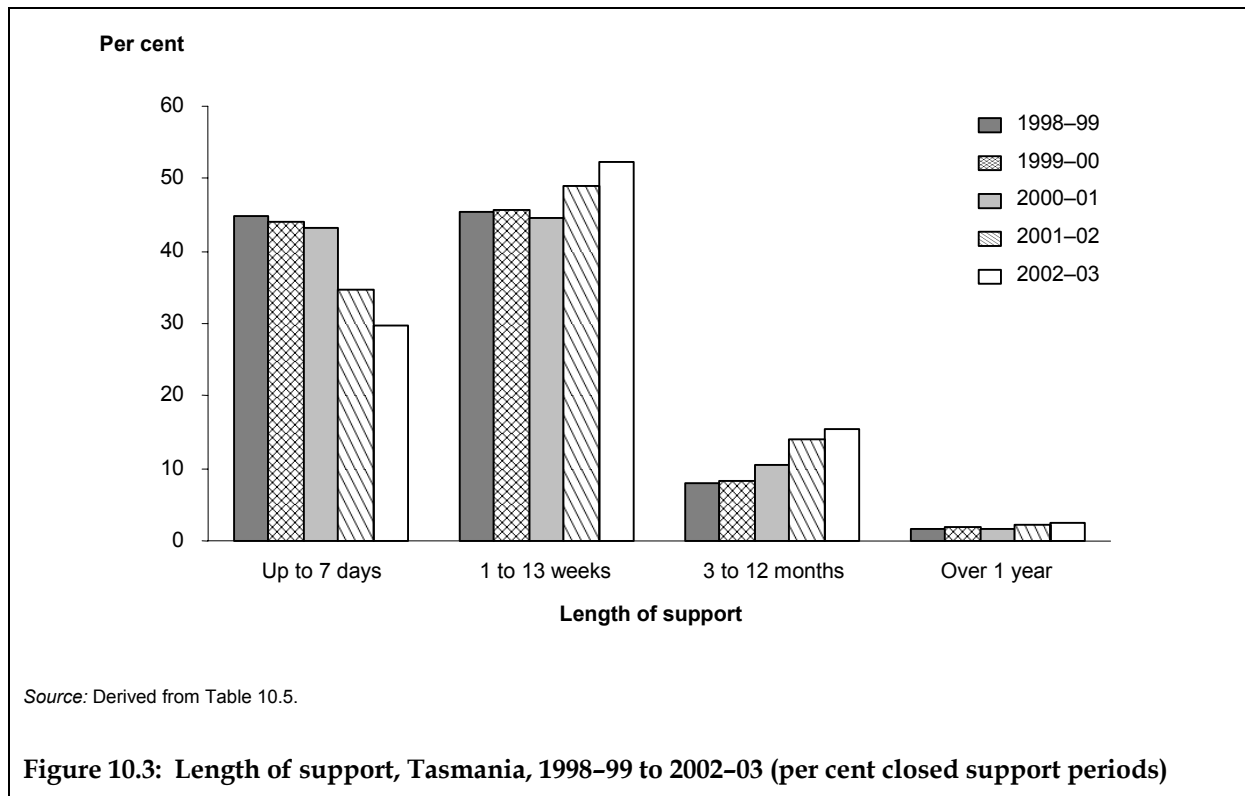
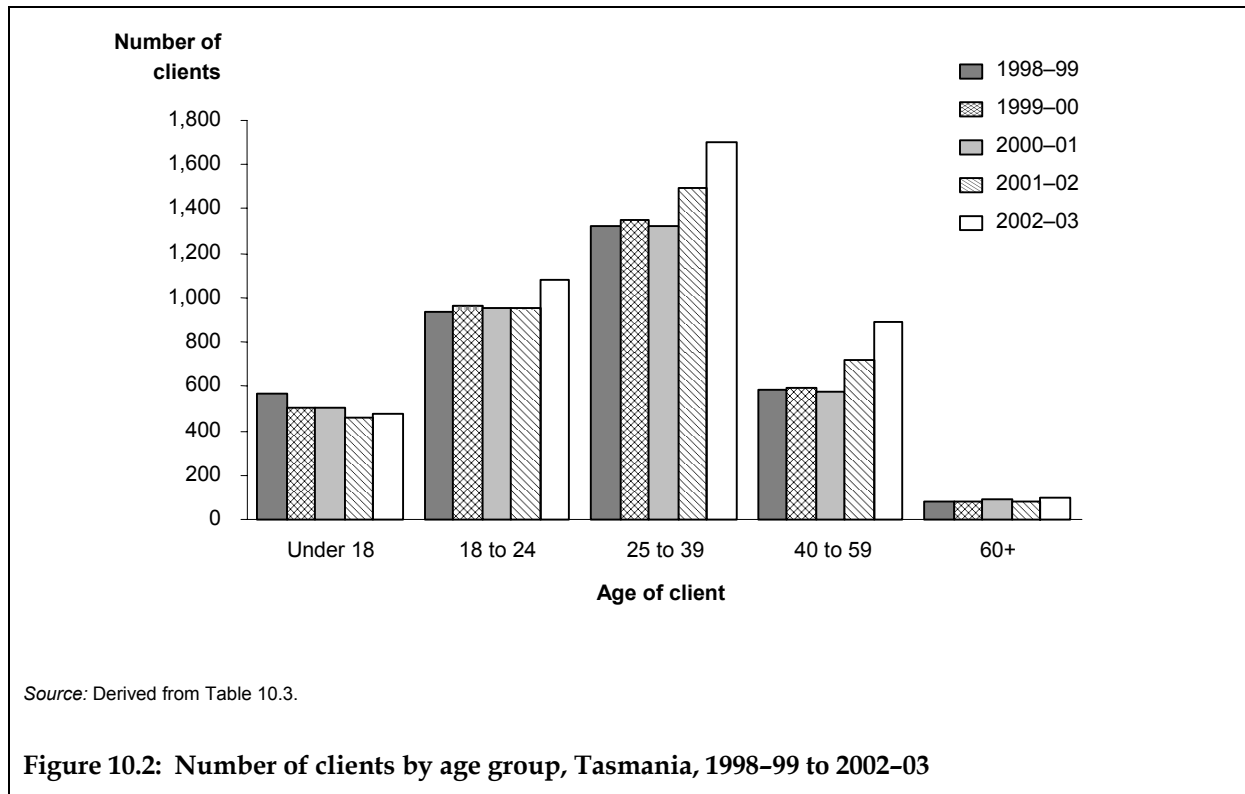
1. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 5 identified unmet needs for accompanying children.
2. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 1 closed accompanying child support periods with unmet needs.
3. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 1,234 closed accompanying child support periods (including cases with no information on service requirements or provision).
4. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 1 closed support periods with accompanying children with unmet needs.
5. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 6 closed support periods with accompanying children requiring assistance.
6. In a very small number of closed support periods, people in the 'Male with children' client group presented with children for whom requested services were neither provided nor referred. To ensure confidentiality, these cases are not presented separately but are included in the total. There were no closed support periods for the client group 'Couple with children' in which services requested for children were neither provided nor referred. No people in the 'Other' client group presented with children.
7. Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

10 Support from 1996–97 to 2002–03

10.1 Key charts





10.2 Tables

Table 10.1: SAAP funding to agencies and mean funding per support period and client: current and constant 2002–03 dollars, by reporting period, Tasmania, 1996–97 to 2002–03

Reporting period	Total recurrent funding	Funding to agencies	Funding per support period	Funding per client
Current \$				
1996–97	9,666,000	8,990,000	1,740	2,810
1997–98	9,839,000	9,156,000	1,430	2,400
1998–99	10,065,000	9,382,000	1,660	2,680
1999–00	10,375,000	9,518,000	1,650	2,700
2000–01	11,229,000	9,693,000	1,920	2,740
2001–02	11,554,000	11,139,000	1,910	2,980
2002–03	11,920,000	11,366,000	1,730	2,670
Constant 2002–03 \$				
1996–97	11,019,000	10,248,000	1,990	3,210
1997–98	11,045,000	10,278,000	1,610	2,700
1998–99	10,986,000	10,240,000	1,810	2,920
1999–00	11,240,000	10,312,000	1,790	2,930
2000–01	11,768,000	10,159,000	2,010	2,870
2001–02	11,854,000	11,429,000	1,960	3,060
2002–03	11,920,000	11,366,000	1,730	2,670

Notes

1. Funding per support period and funding per client are based on recurrent allocations to agencies.
2. 'Total recurrent funding' for 1999–00 and 2000–01 includes relatively small amounts provided through the Partnerships Against Domestic Violence Program (AIHW 2001a: Table 2.1; AIHW 2001b: Table 2.1).
3. Support period figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation.
4. Client figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non-consent.

Sources: SAAP Administrative Data and Client Collections; AIHW 1997, 1999, 2000, 2001a, 2001b, 2002; ABS 2003b; FaCS unpublished data.

Table 10.2: SAAP support periods and clients, by reporting period, Tasmania, 1996–97 to 2002–03 (number)

	1996–97	1997–98	1998–99	1999–00	2000–01	2001–02	2002–03
Support periods (number)	5,150	6,400	5,650	5,750	5,050	5,850	6,550
Clients (number)	3,200	3,800	3,500	3,500	3,550	3,750	4,250
Mean number of support periods per client	1.63	1.67	1.60	1.64	1.44	1.57	1.55
Clients per 10,000 population 10+	79	94	86	87	87	91	103
Nightly average support periods with accommodation	150	250	200	200	200	200	150
Daily average support periods	450	650	550	650	700	850	1,000

Notes

1. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 0 client and support periods.
2. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 951 nightly average support periods with accommodation.
3. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 572 daily average support periods.
4. Numbers of clients in this table relate to clients that ever received assistance from a SAAP agency in Tasmania.
5. Some of the support periods for clients may have been at agencies in another state or territory. Consequently, the number of clients multiplied by the average number of support periods for these clients may be greater than the number of support periods provided with Tasmania.
6. 'Clients per 10,000 population 10+' shows how many people out of every 10,000 aged 10 years and over in the general population become SAAP clients. The rate is estimated by comparing the number of SAAP clients aged 10 years and over with the estimated resident population aged 10 years and over at 30 June just prior to the reporting period.
7. The method used to calculate the number of support periods per client was adjusted in 2002–03. The adjusted method has been applied to the mean number of support periods per client presented in this table.
8. Support period figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation.
9. Client figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non-consent.

Sources: SAAP Administrative Data and Client Collections; ABS 2003a.

Table 10.3: SAAP clients: age of client by reporting period, Tasmania, 1998–99 to 2002–03 (per cent)

Age of client	1998–99	1999–00	2000–01	2001–02	2002–03
Under 15 years	2.0	1.3	2.1	1.9	1.5
15–17 years	14.3	13.2	12.4	10.4	9.7
18–19 years	8.5	9.1	8.7	8.3	8.5
20–24 years	18.2	18.4	18.9	17.4	17.0
25–29 years	14.5	14.9	14.7	15.4	14.3
30–34 years	13.1	12.7	13.4	14.5	14.1
35–39 years	10.2	10.9	10.3	10.5	11.6
40–44 years	7.6	7.9	7.8	9.2	9.4
45–49 years	4.9	4.9	4.6	5.3	5.9
50–54 years	2.6	2.8	2.6	3.1	3.8
55–59 years	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.8
60–64 years	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.1	1.1
65 years and over	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.3
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
Total (number)	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,700	4,250
Mean age (years)	29.3	29.5	30.2	30.4	31.0
Median age (years)	27	27	27	28	29

Notes

1. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 67.
2. Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non-consent.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 10.4: SAAP closed support periods: existence of a support plan by reporting period, Tasmania, 1998–99 to 2002–03 (per cent)

Existence of support plan	1998–99	1999–00	2000–01	2001–02	2002–03
<i>Support plan</i>	56.1	55.9	64.6	65.8	69.4
All goals achieved	n.a.	n.a.	15.4	15.5	15.1
Most or some goals achieved	n.a.	n.a.	29.8	34.7	39.8
No goals achieved	n.a.	n.a.	2.7	4.1	5.3
No information given	n.a.	n.a.	16.7	11.4	9.2
<i>No support plan</i>	17.9	21.8	17.8	16.4	13.5
<i>Not appropriate</i>	26.1	22.3	17.6	17.8	17.2
<i>Total</i>	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Total (number)	4,600	4,500	3,600	4,500	4,750

Notes

1. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 3,448.
2. Data on goal achievement were not collected before 2000–01. In addition, the percentage with 'No information given' on goal achievement is high for 2000–01: these data were not collected for the first half of the year by agencies using the electronic reporting tool.
3. Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 10.5: SAAP closed support periods: length of support by reporting period, Tasmania, 1998–99 to 2002–03 (per cent)

Length of support	1998–99	1999–00	2000–01	2001–02	2002–03
Less than 1 day	11.5	13.1	13.3	7.6	5.8
1 day	11.2	10.2	9.1	8.3	7.8
2 days	5.5	4.9	4.9	4.2	3.8
3 days	4.3	4.1	3.8	3.5	3.3
4 days	3.8	3.4	3.2	3.0	3.0
5 days	3.0	2.7	3.0	2.6	1.9
6 days	3.1	2.7	3.0	2.8	1.9
7 days	2.4	3.0	3.0	2.6	2.3
>1–2 weeks	13.4	12.3	11.1	10.8	10.0
>2–4 weeks	11.2	10.9	11.1	10.2	10.9
>4–13 weeks	20.9	22.5	22.5	28.1	31.3
>13–26 weeks	4.9	5.3	6.9	8.5	9.0
>26–52 weeks	3.0	2.9	3.5	5.4	6.3
>52 weeks	1.7	2.0	1.6	2.2	2.6
<i>Total (%)</i>	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Total (number)	5,100	5,100	4,300	5,000	5,750
Mean length (days)	42	45	45	56	62
Median length (days)	10	11	12	20	28

Notes

1. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 179.
2. Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 10.6: SAAP clients: number of support periods per client by reporting period, Tasmania, 1996–97 to 2002–03 (per cent)

	1996–97	1997–98	1998–99	1999–00	2000–01	2001–02	2002–03
1	76.5	76.7	73.6	70.2	78.5	78.5	76.1
2	13.3	10.6	16.1	17.4	12.2	11.0	13.9
3	5.5	8.3	5.1	6.1	5.2	5.1	5.0
4	2.3	2.0	2.1	2.4	2.3	2.8	2.3
5	1.1	0.6	1.4	1.6	0.9	1.2	1.4
6+	1.2	1.7	1.6	2.2	0.9	1.4	1.2
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
Total (number)	3,200	3,800	3,500	3,500	3,550	3,750	4,250
Mean number of support periods	1.63	1.67	1.60	1.64	1.44	1.57	1.55

Notes

1. Number excluded due to errors and omissions (weighted): 0.
2. The method used to calculate the number of support periods per client was adjusted in 2002–03. The adjusted method has been applied to the number of support periods per client presented in this table.
3. Figures have been weighted to adjust for agency non-participation and client non-consent.

Source: SAAP Client Collection.

Table 10.7: SAAP Client Collection: agency participation rates and forms returned with informed consent and valid consent by reporting period, Tasmania, 1996–97 to 2002–03

	1996–97	1997–98	1998–99	1999–00	2000–01	2001–02	2002–03
Agencies (number)	42	40	41	41	39	40	36
Agency participation rate (%)	95.2	100.0	100.0	97.6	100.0	92.5	97.2
Forms returned (number)	4,895	6,063	5,643	5,634	5,051	5,045	6,383
Forms returned with consent (%)	64.1	62.5	66.1	71.3	76.2	81.9	81.6
Forms returned with valid consent (%)	59.8	58.6	63.4	69.5	75.2	80.4	80.0

Notes

1. 'Agencies' refers to the number of agencies that were 'in scope'—that is, that should have been participating in the reference period.
2. Based on forms returned from agencies in scope for the Client Collection during the reference period. Not all agencies funded under SAAP are required to participate in the Client Collection. For example, agencies that only provide support to other agencies or that only provide casual assistance lasting less than 1 hour are not required to participate in the collection. Consequently, some agencies funded under SAAP (see Chapter 2) are not included in this table.
3. 'Valid consent' here refers to all forms with a valid alpha code that were answered with consent (see 'alpha code' in the Glossary).

Sources: SAAP Administrative Data and Client Collections.

