

Information of cases involving child custody matters handled by the Social Welfare Department (SWD)

| Item | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 (as at December 2022) |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| Number of new social enquiry cases ^[Note 1] | 838 | 717 | 888 | 440 |
| Number of cumulative cases ^[Note 2] | 157 | 161 | 123 | 107 |
| Number of social enquiry reports completed ^[Note 3] | 901 | 712 | 926 | 437 |
| Number of court attendances by SWD social workers | 97 | 65 | 72 | 51 |

^[Note 1] More than one child may be involved in a social enquiry case. SWD does not have the breakdown of reactivated cases.

^[Note 2] Cumulative cases cover those outstanding cases in the past year and remaining active in the current year.

^[Note 3] The number of completed social enquiry report cases is identical to the number of closed cases.