

Children of the State Branch

1936 – c. 1953

Details

The Children of the State Branch replaced the Children of the State Department which, under the *Infants Welfare Act* 1935, had been absorbed into the Social Services Department. The Branch oversaw all the work associated with children's welfare. In about 1953, it became the Child Welfare Division.

The Branch administered the *Infants Welfare Act*. Its work included managing the boarding out system which involved the recruitment of foster mothers, placement of wards of state, and the inspection of their homes by visiting nurses, overseeing children under five placed in foster homes by their single mothers, and supervising child migrants. The Branch ran the Cottage Home which was in the Glebe.

More info

Chronology

- **Children of the State Branch (1936 – c. 1953)**
 - Child Welfare Division (c. 1953 - 1980)

Related Entries

Ran

- [Hobart Receiving Home \(1898 - 1958\)](#)
- [Omaru Receiving Home \(1910? - 1968\)](#)
- [Ashley Home for Boys \(1926 - 1999\)](#)
- [The Cottage Home \(1943 - c. 1950\)](#)
- [Rochebank Hostel \(c. 1950 - c. 1980\)](#)
- [Malmesbury Girls' Home \(1950 - 1962\)](#)

Related Legislation

- [Infants' Welfare Act 1935, Tasmania \(1935 - 1961\)](#)

The Children of the State Branch was established after the *Infants Welfare Act* abolished the Children of the State Department.

Related Organisations

- [Social Services Department, State of Tasmania \(1934 - 1961\)](#)

The Children of the State Branch was part of the Social Services Department.

Records

Records held by other organisations

- [Case Files of the Child Welfare Division \(North West Office\) \(1943 - 2002\)](#)
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