

## CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

Child maltreatment is a serious problem that has grave and costly consequences for the child, his or her family and the community at-large. A child who has experienced abuse and neglect is more likely to have social, emotional and physical health problems and perform poorly in school.

### Indicator

#### Child Abuse Reports

Reported incidents of suspected child abuse through the ChildLine and Abuse Registry. Does not include General Protective Services reports, which include less severe general neglect reports. (Number and rate per 1,000 children age 0-17)

County	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	Rural	State	County	Rural	State			
183	2,231	25,342	152	2,198	24,615	166	2,246	24,378	185	2,590	26,664	186	2,575	26,944	1.6%	
10.9	10.5	9.1	9.0	10.4	8.8	9.9	10.6	8.7	11.0	12.2	9.5	11.0	12.1	9.6		

#### Child Abuse Substantiations

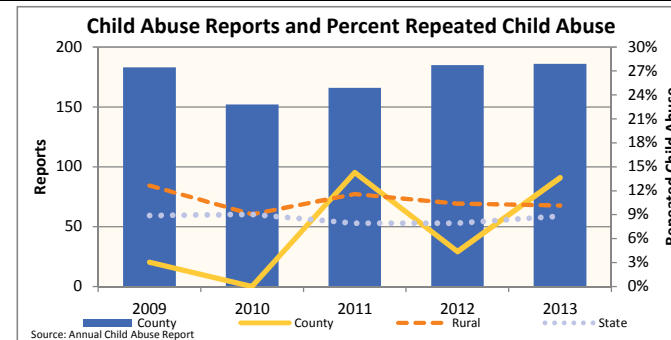
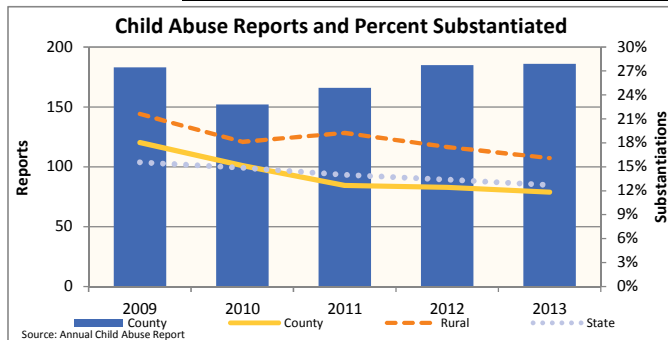
Founded or indicated reports of child abuse. Does not include the number of children determined to need General Protective Services.

18.0%	21.6%	15.6%	15.1%	18.1%	14.9%	12.7%	19.2%	14.0%	12.4%	17.5%	13.4%	11.8%	16.1%	12.7%	-34.4%
18.0%	21.6%	15.6%	15.1%	18.1%	14.9%	12.7%	19.2%	14.0%	12.4%	17.5%	13.4%	11.8%	16.1%	12.7%	

#### Repeated Child Abuse

Children with another substantiated incident of abuse following the first reported incident. (Data may be overstated.)

3.0%	12.7%	8.9%	0.0%	9.0%	9.0%	14.3%	11.6%	7.9%	4.3%	10.4%	7.9%	13.6%	10.1%	8.8%	350.0%
1 in 33	1 in 8	1 in 11	0	1 in 11	1 in 11	1 in 7	1 in 9	1 in 13	1 in 23	1 in 10	1 in 13	1 in 7	1 in 10	1 in 11	



## IN-HOME SERVICES

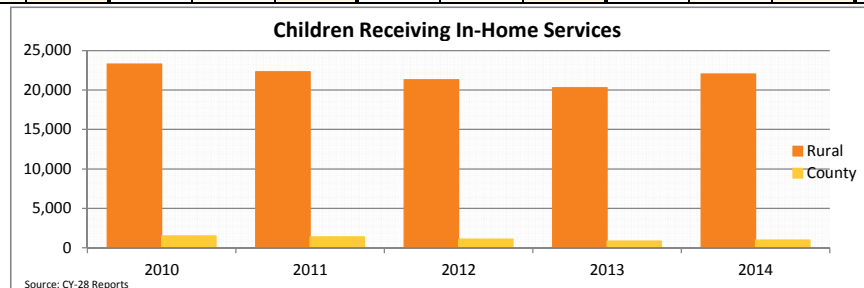
In-home services are designed to strengthen families by addressing the root causes of abuse and neglect. The provision of in-home services helps a child to remain safely in his or her home.

### Indicator

#### Unduplicated Number of Children Served

Children whose families received services in their homes to address concerns related to child safety and well-being during the year.

County	2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			County % Change 2010 to 2014
	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	Rural	State	County	Rural	State			
1,504	23,312	164,099	1,394	22,325	168,821	1,111	21,306	164,842	860	20,283	172,807	973	22,048	167,582	-35.3%	



## FOSTER CARE - SERVED

Foster care is meant to be a temporary intervention to assure the safety and well-being of a child. A child who spends long periods in foster care is more likely than other children to drop out of school, have mental health challenges, and experience unemployment and/or homeless as an adult. The following shows the past five years of data regarding children served in foster care during each

### Indicator

#### Unduplicated Number of Children Served

All Children in Foster Care During the Year  
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)

County	2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			County % Change 2010 to 2014
	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State		
	100	1,709	25,917	95	1,692	22,750	105	1,615	22,000	112	1,462	21,416	107	1,535	22,510	7.0%
	4.0	6.5	7.7	3.8	6.4	6.7	4.1	6.1	6.5	4.4	5.6	6.4	4.2	5.8	6.7	

#### By Age

Age Group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change
0-2	5.0%	17.0%	18.2%	15.2%	18.5%	19.4%	124.3%
3-5	9.0%	15.6%	15.1%	8.0%	15.7%	16.8%	24.6%
6-8	8.0%	10.8%	10.5%	10.5%	11.7%	12.3%	86.9%
9-11	11.0%	8.9%	6.7%	8.9%	8.9%	9.5%	2.0%
12-14	15.0%	14.3%	12.1%	13.9%	11.4%	10.9%	-0.3%
15-17	46.0%	24.8%	24.8%	23.3%	22.3%	21.4%	-35.0%
18-20	6.0%	10.4%	14.3%	10.5%	10.7%	9.8%	9.0%
Infants (age 0-1)	4.0%	11.7%	11.4%	12.2%	11.9%	12.5%	63.6%
Youth (age 13+)	60.0%	44.2%	50.5%	50.0%	41.5%	38.9%	-22.1%

#### By Race and Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change
White	97.0%	93.0%	52.8%	94.6%	95.5%	58.4%	-3.7%
Black or African American	12.0%	6.4%	46.5%	6.3%	6.9%	44.8%	-45.5%
Other	1.0%	1.7%	2.6%	0.9%	2.0%	2.0%	86.9%
Hispanic or Latino	1.0%	3.4%	11.6%	0.9%	2.8%	13.1%	-100.0%

#### By Gender

Gender	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change
Male	51.0%	54.4%	50.7%	65.2%	52.9%	50.8%	24.6%
Female	49.0%	45.6%	49.3%	34.8%	47.1%	49.2%	-25.6%

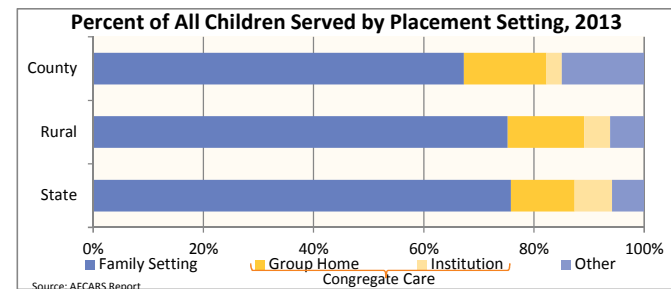
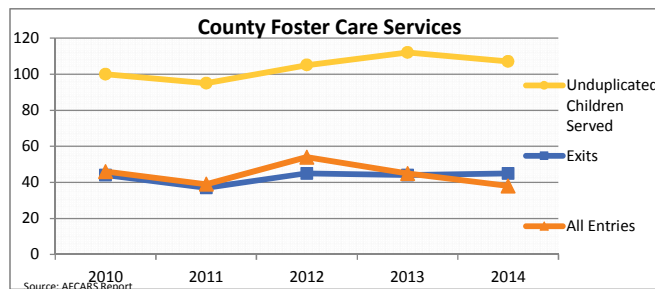
#### By First Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>55.0%</b>	<b>70.7%</b>	<b>72.0%</b>	<b>68.8%</b>	<b>73.8%</b>	<b>75.8%</b>	<b>22.3%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	7.0%	3.1%	6.7%	6.3%	4.2%	3.5%	-59.9%
Foster Family Home – Relative	11.0%	23.5%	15.2%	14.3%	24.8%	29.6%	120.9%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	37.0%	50.5%	44.8%	48.2%	45.2%	42.7%	8.6%
<b>Congregate Care</b>	<b>33.0%</b>	<b>25.3%</b>	<b>20.6%</b>	<b>29.5%</b>	<b>20.0%</b>	<b>18.3%</b>	<b>-46.2%</b>
Group Home	28.0%	16.1%	26.7%	14.7%	12.1%	11.6%	-46.6%
Institution	5.0%	6.4%	8.9%	2.7%	7.5%	6.8%	-43.9%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>-</b>
Runaway	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%	-
Trial Home Visit	12.0%	3.0%	3.1%	1.8%	3.2%	2.8%	9.0%

#### Children Entering Foster Care

All Entries into Foster Care During the Year

County	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change
	46	857	9,849	54	757	10,364	-17.4%



## FOSTER CARE - FIRST TIME ENTRIES

Data on first time entries provides information on children who have just begun their foster care experience during the past federal fiscal year. How the child welfare system is serving them may say something about current system practice and decision making.

### Indicator

#### Children Entering for the First Time

First Time Entries During the Year  
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)  
First Time Entries as Percent of All Entries

Indicator	2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			County % Change 2010 to 2014
	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
Children Entering for the First Time	38	553	7,083	34	637	6,979	37	568	7,018	39	546	6,698	36	658	7,592	-5.3%
First Time Entries During the Year (Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	1.5	2.1	2.1	1.3	2.4	2.1	1.5	2.2	2.1	1.5	2.1	2.0	1.4	2.5	2.3	-
First Time Entries as Percent of All Entries	82.6%	71.4%	65.0%	87.2%	74.3%	70.9%	68.5%	75.0%	71.7%	86.7%	78.0%	72.0%	94.7%	81.1%	73.3%	14.7%

#### By Age

0-2  
3-5  
6-8  
9-11  
12-14  
15-17  
18-20  
Infants (age 0-1)  
Youth (age 13+)

Age Group	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Rural	2014 State	% Change
0-2	10.5%	28.2%	30.9%	20.6%	27.3%	31.7%	29.7%	28.0%	32.2%	17.9%	30.2%	32.8%	19.4%	31.9%	32.7%	84.7%
3-5	13.2%	13.4%	12.6%	14.7%	12.1%	14.1%	16.2%	14.3%	14.2%	5.1%	13.9%	14.6%	11.1%	16.0%	15.7%	-15.6%
6-8	13.2%	9.9%	8.6%	5.9%	8.0%	9.3%	5.4%	9.7%	10.1%	15.4%	10.8%	10.0%	11.1%	13.1%	11.5%	-15.6%
9-11	13.2%	6.5%	7.8%	17.6%	8.8%	7.9%	8.1%	9.3%	8.6%	12.8%	8.8%	8.2%	11.1%	8.8%	9.2%	-15.6%
12-14	7.9%	12.8%	15.3%	17.6%	17.9%	14.7%	13.5%	15.1%	14.4%	30.8%	15.6%	13.5%	8.3%	10.9%	12.7%	5.6%
15-17	42.1%	29.1%	24.8%	23.5%	25.9%	22.2%	27.0%	23.6%	20.4%	17.9%	20.5%	20.8%	36.1%	19.0%	18.0%	-14.2%
18-20	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	2.8%	0.3%	0.1%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	7.9%	21.5%	25.1%	11.8%	21.7%	25.7%	24.3%	21.5%	26.2%	12.8%	24.5%	26.4%	13.9%	24.2%	26.3%	75.9%
Youth (age 13+)	44.7%	37.6%	36.8%	38.2%	39.7%	33.8%	40.5%	35.4%	31.2%	38.5%	32.2%	31.4%	47.2%	27.4%	27.6%	5.6%

#### By Race and Ethnicity

White  
Black or African American  
Other  
Hispanic or Latino

Race/Ethnicity	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Rural	2014 State	% Change
White	97.4%	94.8%	56.2%	100.0%	92.3%	59.2%	97.3%	93.0%	62.0%	87.2%	94.9%	62.1%	94.4%	96.7%	64.0%	-3.0%
Black or African American	2.6%	4.9%	41.3%	0.0%	6.4%	40.4%	2.7%	6.7%	37.7%	10.3%	7.5%	39.2%	2.8%	7.4%	39.0%	5.6%
Other	2.6%	1.4%	4.0%	0.0%	1.9%	2.3%	2.7%	1.2%	3.4%	2.6%	0.7%	2.6%	2.8%	0.8%	2.3%	5.6%
Hispanic or Latino	2.6%	3.6%	12.8%	0.0%	3.6%	12.4%	0.0%	1.8%	11.7%	2.6%	2.9%	13.0%	0.0%	3.3%	13.9%	-100.0%

#### By Gender

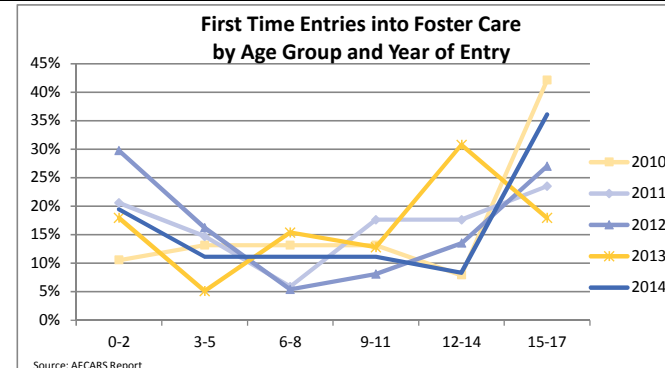
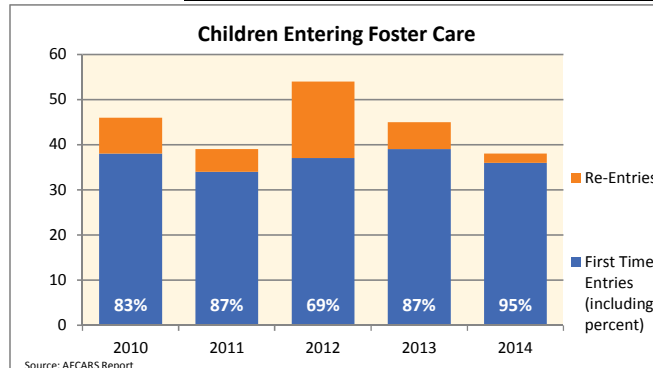
Male  
Female

Gender	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Rural	2014 State	% Change
Male	52.6%	52.6%	51.4%	58.8%	52.9%	49.6%	59.5%	49.8%	49.9%	56.4%	49.5%	50.1%	63.9%	53.3%	50.9%	21.4%
Female	47.4%	47.4%	48.6%	41.2%	47.1%	50.4%	40.5%	50.2%	50.1%	43.6%	50.5%	49.9%	36.1%	46.7%	49.1%	-23.8%

#### By First Placement Setting

**Family Setting**  
Pre-adoptive Home  
Foster Family Home – Relative  
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative  
**Congregate Care**  
Group Home  
Institution  
**Supervised Independent Living**  
Runaway  
Trial Home Visit

Placement Setting	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Rural	2014 State	% Change
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>52.6%</b>	<b>69.4%</b>	<b>71.6%</b>	<b>64.7%</b>	<b>72.1%</b>	<b>74.8%</b>	<b>73.0%</b>	<b>77.8%</b>	<b>76.4%</b>	<b>69.2%</b>	<b>77.5%</b>	<b>76.7%</b>	<b>69.4%</b>	<b>79.9%</b>	<b>80.7%</b>	<b>31.9%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	5.3%	0.4%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	2.7%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%	-100.0%
Foster Family Home – Relative	5.3%	20.4%	24.1%	8.8%	25.0%	25.0%	24.3%	27.8%	25.8%	15.4%	25.8%	27.2%	30.6%	33.6%	33.1%	480.6%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	42.1%	48.6%	47.3%	55.9%	47.1%	49.5%	45.9%	49.8%	50.4%	53.8%	51.5%	49.3%	38.9%	46.0%	47.5%	-7.6%
<b>Congregate Care</b>	<b>34.2%</b>	<b>29.5%</b>	<b>26.2%</b>	<b>35.3%</b>	<b>26.5%</b>	<b>22.4%</b>	<b>21.6%</b>	<b>21.1%</b>	<b>21.1%</b>	<b>28.2%</b>	<b>21.2%</b>	<b>21.0%</b>	<b>30.6%</b>	<b>16.6%</b>	<b>17.5%</b>	<b>-10.7%</b>
Group Home	28.9%	22.8%	16.3%	35.3%	22.0%	14.8%	21.6%	18.3%	14.7%	25.6%	16.1%	15.0%	27.8%	13.8%	12.1%	-4.0%
Institution	5.3%	6.7%	9.9%	0.0%	4.6%	7.6%	0.0%	2.8%	6.4%	2.6%	5.1%	6.0%	2.8%	2.7%	5.4%	-47.2%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>-</b>
Runaway	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%	0.0%	0.2%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.4%	0.6%	0.0%	0.3%	0.4%	-
Trial Home Visit	13.2%	1.1%	1.1%	0.0%	1.3%	1.9%	5.4%	0.9%	1.9%	2.6%	0.7%	1.5%	0.0%	3.0%	1.2%	-100.0%



## FOSTER CARE - RE-ENTRIES

Data on re-entries provides information on children who come back into foster care because of new or continuing challenges at home. Some children experience numerous foster care episodes or cycle in an out of the system. Others can experience large spans of time between foster care episodes, which is why the age of children who typically re-enter is older.

### Indicator

#### Children Re-Entering Foster Care

Re-Entries During the Year  
Re-Entries as Percent of All Entries

County	2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			County % Change 2010 to 2014
	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State		
	8	221	3,815	5	220	2,870	17	189	2,775	6	154	2,608	2	153	2,772	-75.0%
	17.4%	28.6%	35.0%	12.8%	25.7%	29.1%	31.5%	25.0%	28.3%	13.3%	22.0%	28.0%	5.3%	18.9%	26.7%	-69.7%

### By Age

Age Group	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Rural	2014 State	% Change
0-2	0.0%	12.7%	8.4%	0.0%	13.2%	8.8%	11.8%	11.1%	8.5%	0.0%	5.2%	6.6%	0.0%	9.2%	8.2%	-
3-5	0.0%	12.2%	6.9%	0.0%	13.2%	7.9%	29.4%	16.4%	9.5%	0.0%	9.1%	7.8%	0.0%	7.2%	9.2%	-
6-8	0.0%	7.7%	6.4%	0.0%	5.9%	7.5%	0.0%	6.9%	6.5%	0.0%	7.8%	7.4%	0.0%	8.5%	8.8%	-
9-11	12.5%	9.5%	6.9%	0.0%	7.7%	6.5%	11.8%	5.8%	7.4%	0.0%	5.8%	6.3%	0.0%	9.8%	7.5%	-100.0%
12-14	25.0%	17.6%	18.3%	20.0%	18.2%	19.7%	17.6%	17.5%	21.7%	33.3%	20.1%	18.4%	0.0%	19.6%	17.1%	-100.0%
15-17	62.5%	39.8%	49.6%	80.0%	41.8%	46.9%	23.5%	41.8%	44.1%	50.0%	45.5%	46.3%	100.0%	41.2%	43.7%	60.0%
18-20	0.0%	0.5%	3.3%	0.0%	0.0%	2.6%	5.9%	0.5%	2.5%	16.7%	6.5%	7.1%	0.0%	4.6%	5.7%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	0.0%	5.9%	5.1%	0.0%	9.1%	5.6%	11.8%	4.8%	4.9%	0.0%	2.6%	3.8%	0.0%	5.9%	5.2%	-
Youth (age 13+)	87.5%	54.8%	68.3%	100.0%	55.9%	65.2%	41.2%	55.6%	64.3%	100.0%	68.2%	68.6%	100.0%	63.4%	63.5%	14.3%

### By Race and Ethnicity

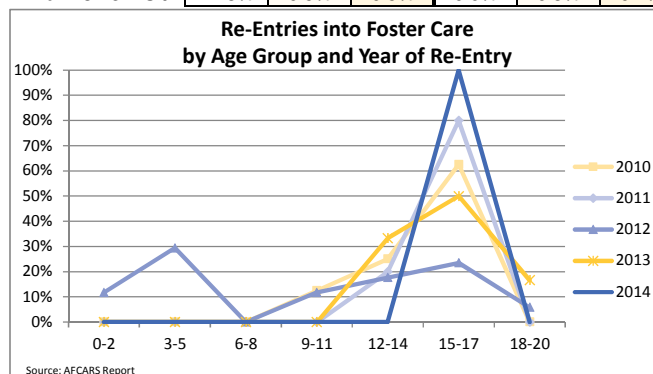
Race/Ethnicity	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Rural	2014 State	% Change
White	100.0%	95.9%	37.6%	80.0%	93.6%	45.3%	100.0%	97.4%	47.4%	100.0%	96.8%	47.3%	100.0%	96.7%	50.5%	0.0%
Black or African American	0.0%	5.0%	58.3%	20.0%	4.1%	54.0%	0.0%	3.7%	53.7%	0.0%	7.8%	54.7%	0.0%	3.9%	52.3%	-
Other	0.0%	0.0%	5.1%	0.0%	2.7%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%	0.0%	0.7%	1.8%	-
Hispanic or Latino	0.0%	0.5%	11.4%	0.0%	1.4%	10.7%	0.0%	3.2%	11.3%	0.0%	1.9%	11.4%	0.0%	2.6%	12.2%	-

### By Gender

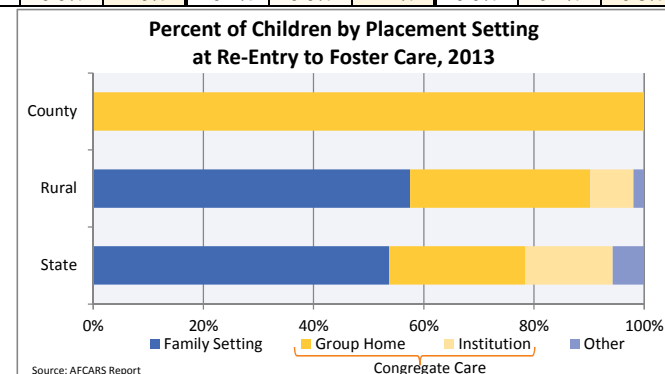
Gender	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Rural	2014 State	% Change
Male	62.5%	60.2%	53.8%	60.0%	52.7%	47.0%	64.7%	55.6%	47.6%	50.0%	50.0%	48.1%	0.0%	53.6%	50.6%	-100.0%
Female	37.5%	39.8%	46.2%	40.0%	47.3%	53.0%	35.3%	44.4%	52.4%	50.0%	50.0%	51.9%	100.0%	46.4%	49.4%	166.7%

### By Placement Setting at Re-Entry

Placement Setting	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Rural	2014 State	% Change
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>57.5%</b>	<b>45.6%</b>	<b>20.0%</b>	<b>61.8%</b>	<b>50.9%</b>	<b>70.6%</b>	<b>58.7%</b>	<b>50.5%</b>	<b>33.3%</b>	<b>52.6%</b>	<b>48.5%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>57.5%</b>	<b>53.7%</b>	-
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	0.0%	12.2%	16.6%	0.0%	11.8%	17.2%	5.9%	18.0%	16.5%	0.0%	11.0%	14.9%	0.0%	19.0%	20.2%	-
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	0.0%	45.2%	28.8%	20.0%	50.0%	33.3%	64.7%	40.7%	33.5%	33.3%	41.6%	33.3%	0.0%	38.6%	33.3%	-
<b>Congregate Care</b>	<b>87.5%</b>	<b>41.6%</b>	<b>47.9%</b>	<b>80.0%</b>	<b>37.3%</b>	<b>42.7%</b>	<b>29.4%</b>	<b>40.7%</b>	<b>45.3%</b>	<b>50.0%</b>	<b>45.5%</b>	<b>44.4%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>40.5%</b>	<b>40.6%</b>	14.3%
Group Home	87.5%	31.7%	24.0%	80.0%	30.9%	23.8%	23.5%	34.4%	26.0%	33.3%	35.7%	26.7%	100.0%	32.7%	24.8%	14.3%
Institution	0.0%	10.0%	23.9%	0.0%	6.4%	18.9%	5.9%	6.3%	19.2%	16.7%	9.7%	17.7%	0.0%	7.8%	15.9%	-
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.0%	4.4%	0.0%	0.5%	4.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	0.0%	0.0%	4.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3.3%	-
Trial Home Visit	12.5%	0.9%	0.9%	0.0%	0.5%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	16.7%	0.6%	1.2%	0.0%	0.7%	0.8%	-100.0%



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## FOSTER CARE - GOALS

All children in foster care have a court-ordered permanency goal, which directs the efforts of the child welfare agency toward a certain family outcome for each child. This data provides information on the most recent goal for every child served in foster care during the federal fiscal year.

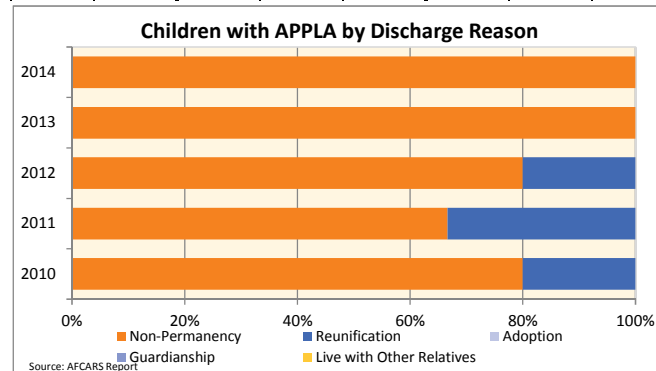
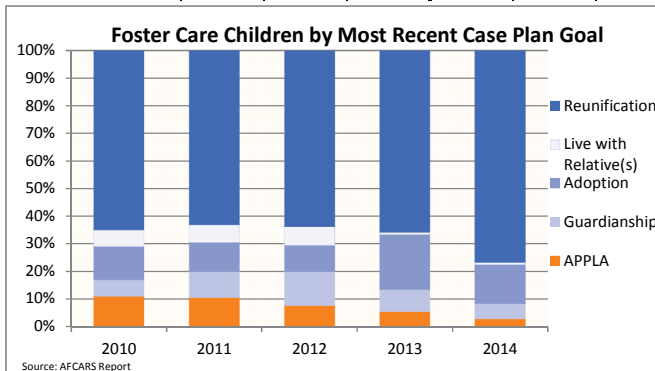
Indicator	2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			County % Change 2010 to 2014
	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
<b>Percent of Children by Case Plan Goal</b>																
<b>Permanency Goals</b>	<b>89.0%</b>	<b>91.8%</b>	<b>90.9%</b>	<b>89.5%</b>	<b>93.3%</b>	<b>91.0%</b>	<b>92.4%</b>	<b>91.2%</b>	<b>90.9%</b>	<b>94.6%</b>	<b>91.7%</b>	<b>92.8%</b>	<b>97.2%</b>	<b>94.9%</b>	<b>93.6%</b>	<b>9.2%</b>
Reunify With Parent(s) or Principal Caretaker(s)	65.0%	66.1%	66.6%	63.2%	69.0%	68.0%	63.8%	65.9%	69.6%	65.8%	64.0%	70.5%	76.6%	69.5%	72.6%	17.9%
Adoption	12.0%	17.5%	18.5%	10.5%	17.3%	17.6%	9.5%	17.1%	16.6%	19.8%	18.6%	16.7%	14.0%	17.0%	16.1%	16.8%
Guardianship	6.0%	3.5%	3.1%	9.5%	3.7%	2.8%	12.4%	5.6%	3.1%	8.1%	7.1%	3.6%	5.6%	6.0%	3.1%	-6.5%
Live with Relative(s)	6.0%	4.7%	2.7%	6.3%	3.3%	2.7%	6.7%	2.6%	1.6%	0.9%	1.9%	2.1%	0.9%	2.4%	1.8%	-84.4%
<b>Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA)</b>	<b>11.0%</b>	<b>8.2%</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>10.5%</b>	<b>6.7%</b>	<b>9.0%</b>	<b>7.6%</b>	<b>8.8%</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	<b>7.2%</b>	<b>2.8%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>-74.5%</b>
Long Term Foster Care	7.0%	3.8%	3.2%	6.3%	3.3%	3.4%	4.8%	4.8%	3.2%	0.9%	3.3%	2.1%	0.0%	1.3%	1.8%	-100.0%
Emancipation	4.0%	4.3%	5.9%	4.2%	3.4%	5.5%	2.9%	4.0%	5.9%	4.5%	5.0%	5.1%	2.8%	3.8%	4.6%	-29.9%

### APPLA By Age

Age Group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	County % Change 2010 to 2014
0-15	1.7%	1.6%	0.0%	2.1%	0.0%	-100.0%
16-20	24.4%	27.0%	22.2%	25.8%	23.1%	-59.0%

### APPLA By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	County % Change 2010 to 2014										
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>20.0%</b>	<b>23.6%</b>	<b>28.2%</b>	<b>33.3%</b>	<b>18.9%</b>	<b>28.8%</b>	<b>20.0%</b>	<b>28.6%</b>	<b>34.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>25.4%</b>	<b>28.9%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>15.0%</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>-100.0%</b>
Reunification	20.0%	12.7%	21.3%	33.3%	16.2%	23.9%	20.0%	20.6%	29.6%	0.0%	6.8%	22.8%	0.0%	10.0%	14.5%	-100.0%
(number of months until reunification)	13.9	15.3	32.5	9.0	28.7	36.2	8.1	54.0	37.2	0.0	16.5	27.8	0.0	33.4	36.2	-100.0%
Adoption	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	-
(number of months until adoption)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	76.0	0.0	0.0	41.1	0.0	0.0	149.3	-
Guardianship	0.0%	10.9%	3.2%	0.0%	2.7%	2.1%	0.0%	6.3%	1.7%	0.0%	16.9%	3.4%	0.0%	5.0%	2.5%	-
(number of month until guardianship)	0.0	46.0	41.0	0.0	27.1	38.7	0.0	21.7	35.3	0.0	23.6	32.0	0.0	17.8	27.8	-
Live with Other Relatives	0.0%	0.0%	3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%	0.0%	1.6%	2.6%	0.0%	1.7%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%	-
(number of months until living with relatives)	0.0	0.0	47.7	0.0	0.0	30.8	0.0	19.8	25.8	0.0	11.3	30.6	0.0	0.0	15.9	-
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>80.0%</b>	<b>76.4%</b>	<b>71.4%</b>	<b>66.7%</b>	<b>81.1%</b>	<b>71.0%</b>	<b>80.0%</b>	<b>71.4%</b>	<b>65.8%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>74.6%</b>	<b>70.8%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>85.0%</b>	<b>80.4%</b>	<b>25.0%</b>
Emancipation	80.0%	74.5%	63.9%	66.7%	78.4%	63.8%	80.0%	69.8%	60.5%	100.0%	71.2%	64.2%	100.0%	82.5%	73.0%	25.0%
(number of months until emancipation)	11.6	35.5	37.5	17.3	35.7	40.4	59.0	35.1	40.6	21.6	43.5	33.1	0.2	44.3	33.5	-98.3%
Transfer to Another Agency	0.0%	1.8%	4.6%	0.0%	2.7%	4.4%	0.0%	1.6%	3.6%	0.0%	3.4%	3.6%	0.0%	2.5%	5.5%	-
(number of months until transfer)	0.0	0.3	20.5	0.0	17.9	80.7	0.0	98.6	51.5	0.0	41.6	46.4	0.0	20.2	13.0	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.0%	2.9%	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%	0.0%	0.0%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	-
(number of months until running away)	0.0	0.0	27.2	0.0	0.0	37.9	0.0	0.0	8.9	0.0	0.0	26.5	0.0	0.0	16.3	-
<b>Death of Child</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>-</b>
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	0.0	29.7	0.0	0.0	142.5	0.0	0.0	42.8	0.0	0.0	92.4	0.0	0.0	129.8	-



## FOSTER CARE - EXITS

Data on foster care exits provides information on children who left foster care during the federal fiscal year, where they went when they left and how long their most recent episode of foster care was. A paramount goal of the foster care system is to assure every child has the lifelong support of a permanent family.

### Indicator

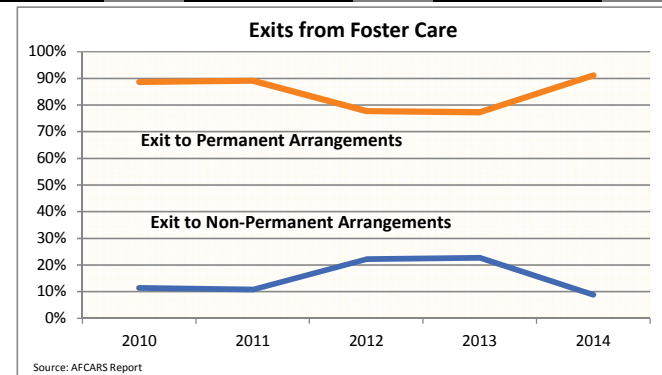
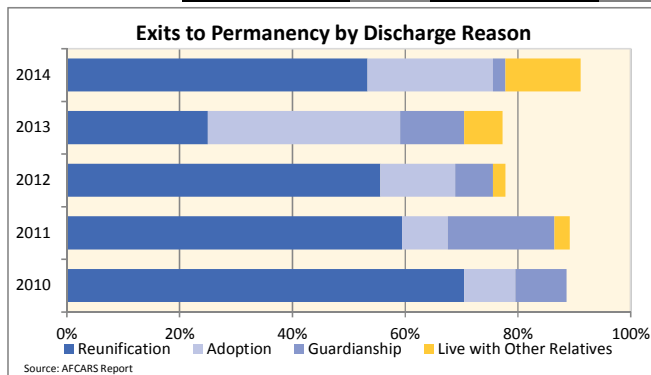
#### Children Exiting Foster Care

Total Children Leaving Foster Care  
Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care  
(number of months until leaving)

Indicator	2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			County % Change 2010 to 2014
	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
Total Children Leaving Foster Care	44	851	13,119	37	881	10,630	45	893	10,098	44	751	9,123	45	752	9,769	2.3%
Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care	44.0%	49.8%	50.6%	38.9%	52.1%	46.7%	42.9%	55.3%	45.9%	39.3%	51.4%	42.6%	42.1%	49.0%	43.4%	-4.4%
(number of months until leaving)	6.5	10.1	11.5	9.0	7.9	11.7	11.6	11.0	11.9	18.6	10.6	11.9	13.4	9.1	10.7	106.6%

#### By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	County % Change 2010 to 2014										
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>88.6%</b>	<b>91.0%</b>	<b>88.0%</b>	<b>89.2%</b>	<b>90.5%</b>	<b>89.5%</b>	<b>77.8%</b>	<b>90.5%</b>	<b>87.9%</b>	<b>77.3%</b>	<b>89.6%</b>	<b>89.3%</b>	<b>91.1%</b>	<b>91.1%</b>	<b>86.9%</b>	<b>2.8%</b>
Reunification	70.5%	61.1%	56.9%	59.5%	66.4%	59.3%	55.6%	60.4%	60.1%	25.0%	52.9%	57.3%	53.3%	61.3%	57.2%	-24.3%
(number of months until reunification)	4.9	4.7	6.1	3.8	3.0	5.9	3.7	5.8	6.1	6.6	4.8	6.0	10.3	5.6	5.5	108.7%
Adoption	9.1%	14.6%	17.9%	8.1%	12.7%	18.8%	13.3%	17.4%	18.0%	34.1%	20.0%	20.2%	22.2%	13.0%	18.6%	144.4%
(number of months until adoption)	48.5	20.9	31.1	19.0	29.6	29.6	27.4	31.5	27.6	21.8	28.2	26.7	18.4	27.3	27.4	-62.2%
Guardianship	9.1%	8.2%	7.4%	18.9%	6.4%	6.0%	6.7%	7.3%	5.4%	11.4%	9.3%	6.4%	2.2%	9.4%	6.1%	-75.6%
(number of month until guardianship)	6.5	21.2	23.3	23.7	19.6	22.2	19.1	17.8	20.4	19.6	18.7	21.2	16.6	21.4	20.8	156.3%
Live with Other Relatives	0.0%	7.1%	5.8%	2.7%	5.0%	5.4%	2.2%	5.5%	4.4%	6.8%	7.5%	5.5%	13.3%	7.3%	5.0%	-
(number of months until living with relatives)	0.0	8.3	3.6	11.2	5.1	2.7	0.7	4.3	2.7	9.2	4.7	2.6	7.0	10.7	1.0	-
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>9.0%</b>	<b>11.9%</b>	<b>10.8%</b>	<b>9.4%</b>	<b>10.4%</b>	<b>22.2%</b>	<b>9.5%</b>	<b>12.0%</b>	<b>22.7%</b>	<b>10.1%</b>	<b>10.5%</b>	<b>8.9%</b>	<b>8.8%</b>	<b>13.0%</b>	<b>-21.8%</b>
Emancipation	9.1%	8.0%	6.7%	8.1%	7.6%	7.8%	22.2%	8.5%	8.0%	22.7%	7.7%	8.1%	6.7%	7.3%	7.7%	-26.7%
(number of months until emancipation)	11.6	28.7	33.6	14.5	25.8	36.8	44.7	32.3	37.4	19.8	36.2	31.4	5.5	31.4	29.6	-52.9%
Transfer to Another Agency	2.3%	1.1%	4.1%	2.7%	1.8%	2.2%	0.0%	1.0%	1.6%	0.0%	2.1%	2.0%	0.0%	1.2%	4.3%	-100.0%
(number of months until transfer)	0.9	0.6	4.4	5.7	6.6	5.9	0.0	11.0	5.3	0.0	10.4	6.0	0.0	10.3	5.0	-100.0%
Runaway	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	0.0%	0.3%	0.5%	2.2%	0.3%	1.1%	-
(number of months until running away)	0.0	0.0	9.6	0.0	0.0	18.6	0.0	0.0	4.8	0.0	41.6	14.9	13.4	25.2	13.2	-
<b>Death of Child</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>-</b>
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	0.0	4.7	0.0	19.9	12.7	0.0	0.0	4.7	0.0	5.1	11.9	0.0	13.7	30.9	-





## FOSTER CARE - REMAINING IN CARE

Data on children remaining in foster care provides information on children who did not leave foster care during the year but are still in foster care on the last day of the federal fiscal year. This data includes all children in foster care on September 30. Some of these children may have just entered foster care days prior to the end of the fiscal year and others may have been in foster care for many

### Indicator

#### Children Remaining in Foster Care

Children in Foster Care on Last Day  
(number of months children have been in care)

County	2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			County % Change 2010 to 2014
	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State		
	59	929	14,826	61	917	13,701	71	816	13,566	70	774	13,697	66	840	14,162	11.9%
	12.1	14.4	14.2	15.3	14.6	13.6	11.4	12.7	13.0	8.9	12.6	13.1	13.3	12.4	12.6	9.8%

#### By Age

Age Group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	County % Change 2010 to 2014										
0-2	5.1%	18.4%	17.9%	8.2%	16.9%	18.9%	15.5%	17.6%	19.5%	14.3%	20.0%	19.9%	13.6%	22.5%	20.0%	168.2%
3-5	13.6%	15.2%	13.7%	13.1%	15.6%	14.6%	15.5%	16.7%	15.3%	10.0%	13.8%	15.6%	13.6%	14.9%	16.7%	0.6%
6-8	11.9%	11.8%	10.5%	14.8%	11.8%	10.3%	9.9%	10.4%	10.9%	14.3%	10.2%	11.6%	13.6%	12.6%	12.4%	14.9%
9-11	6.8%	10.5%	9.1%	8.2%	9.5%	8.7%	8.5%	10.5%	9.2%	11.4%	9.7%	9.1%	9.1%	9.6%	9.6%	34.1%
12-14	16.9%	12.9%	12.5%	18.0%	15.0%	12.7%	15.5%	14.2%	12.4%	25.7%	15.6%	11.7%	9.1%	12.3%	11.5%	-46.4%
15-17	39.0%	26.7%	27.1%	27.9%	24.8%	25.2%	26.8%	24.9%	23.4%	18.6%	23.6%	22.6%	36.4%	24.3%	21.1%	-6.7%
18-20	6.8%	4.4%	9.1%	9.8%	6.4%	9.7%	8.5%	5.6%	9.4%	5.7%	7.0%	9.5%	4.5%	3.8%	8.4%	-33.0%
Infants (age 0-1)	5.1%	11.3%	11.7%	6.6%	11.3%	12.6%	14.1%	11.9%	13.2%	7.1%	14.3%	12.7%	9.1%	15.5%	13.2%	78.8%
Youth (age 13+)	52.5%	40.2%	45.3%	49.2%	41.9%	44.4%	45.1%	41.1%	41.9%	42.9%	41.7%	40.7%	50.0%	37.0%	37.8%	-4.8%

#### By Race and Ethnicity

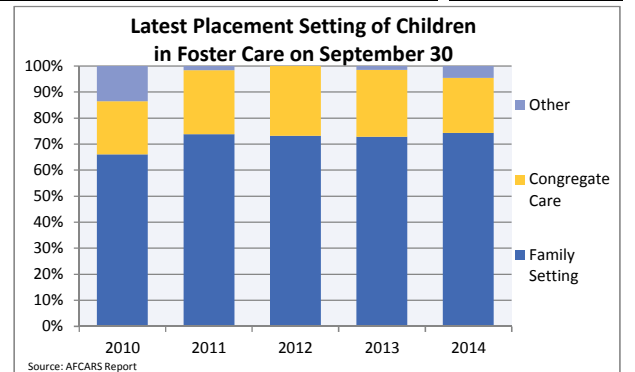
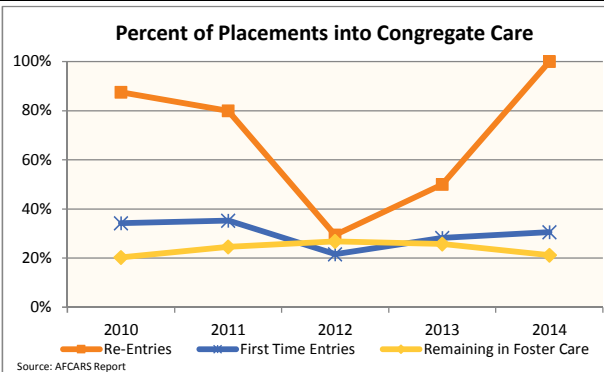
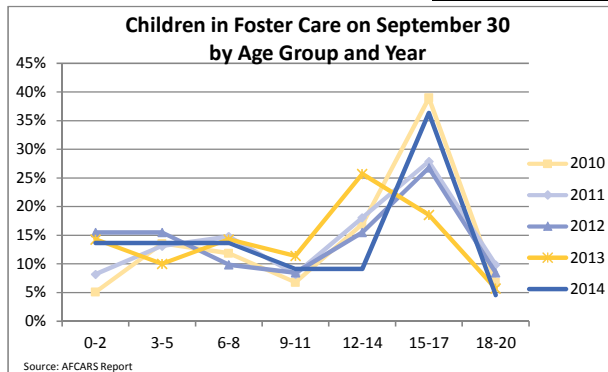
Race/Ethnicity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	County % Change 2010 to 2014										
White	98.3%	93.9%	48.3%	96.7%	93.8%	51.8%	98.6%	94.7%	54.2%	94.3%	95.9%	54.2%	93.9%	96.7%	55.5%	-4.4%
Black or African American	13.6%	6.6%	48.9%	11.5%	6.5%	48.0%	5.6%	6.4%	46.6%	7.1%	6.7%	47.9%	6.1%	8.1%	47.4%	-55.3%
Other	0.0%	1.2%	4.2%	0.0%	1.3%	2.3%	0.0%	0.9%	2.7%	1.4%	0.5%	1.9%	1.5%	0.5%	2.0%	-
Hispanic or Latino	0.0%	3.4%	11.2%	0.0%	3.7%	11.7%	0.0%	2.3%	12.2%	1.4%	2.6%	12.7%	0.0%	2.4%	13.0%	-

#### By Gender

Gender	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	County % Change 2010 to 2014										
Male	52.5%	55.7%	52.0%	60.7%	55.6%	50.7%	69.0%	56.0%	50.8%	64.3%	52.7%	50.7%	65.2%	53.7%	50.9%	24.0%
Female	47.5%	44.3%	48.0%	39.3%	44.4%	49.3%	31.0%	44.0%	49.2%	35.7%	47.3%	49.3%	34.8%	46.3%	49.1%	-26.6%

#### By Latest Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	County % Change 2010 to 2014										
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>66.1%</b>	<b>75.9%</b>	<b>74.2%</b>	<b>73.8%</b>	<b>76.3%</b>	<b>74.4%</b>	<b>73.2%</b>	<b>79.2%</b>	<b>76.1%</b>	<b>72.9%</b>	<b>77.8%</b>	<b>76.8%</b>	<b>74.2%</b>	<b>78.2%</b>	<b>79.0%</b>	<b>12.3%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	8.5%	2.6%	3.9%	9.8%	2.3%	3.5%	2.8%	2.3%	3.0%	1.4%	1.9%	3.2%	3.0%	3.7%	3.9%	-64.2%
Foster Family Home – Relative	11.9%	17.2%	23.0%	11.5%	18.6%	23.6%	18.3%	22.3%	20.0%	22.9%	25.7%	27.3%	27.3%	25.8%	30.0%	129.9%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	45.8%	56.1%	47.4%	52.5%	55.4%	47.3%	52.1%	54.5%	47.9%	51.4%	53.4%	47.9%	43.9%	48.7%	45.1%	-4.0%
<b>Congregate Care</b>	<b>20.3%</b>	<b>22.2%</b>	<b>21.0%</b>	<b>24.6%</b>	<b>20.4%</b>	<b>20.3%</b>	<b>26.8%</b>	<b>18.8%</b>	<b>19.2%</b>	<b>25.7%</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>18.7%</b>	<b>21.2%</b>	<b>19.2%</b>	<b>17.3%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>
Group Home	15.3%	15.0%	10.6%	19.7%	12.9%	10.7%	23.9%	12.5%	11.0%	21.4%	12.8%	10.8%	16.7%	13.8%	10.6%	9.3%
Institution	5.1%	7.2%	10.5%	4.9%	7.5%	9.5%	2.8%	6.3%	8.2%	4.3%	6.6%	7.8%	4.5%	5.4%	6.7%	-10.6%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.2%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>-</b>
Runaway	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	0.0%	0.1%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	-
Trial Home Visit	13.6%	1.4%	0.9%	1.6%	2.6%	1.2%	0.0%	0.9%	1.1%	1.4%	1.3%	1.0%	3.0%	1.8%	0.8%	-77.7%



## FOSTER CARE - STABILITY

Every time a child moves, the trauma caused by separation and lack of continuity grows. A child who faces multiple placements struggles to build and maintain healthy relationships and faces academic challenges due to school changes.

### Indicator

#### Foster Care Placement Stability

Children who were in foster care for 12 to 23 months and had three or more placement settings.

2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			County % Change 2010 to 2014
County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
41.3%	32.7%	37.4%	42.9%	35.4%	36.1%	14.3%	36.7%	36.9%	8.9%	37.4%	34.1%	10.9%	33.7%	32.7%	-73.6%

## FOSTER CARE - TIMELY REUNIFICATION

A child's separation from his or her parents or relatives is traumatic for all involved. Minimizing the time a child spends in foster care without compromising safety is key to healthy child development.

### Indicator

#### Timely Reunification with Parents or Relatives

Children who entered foster care for the first time who were reunified with their parents or discharged to relatives within the next 12 months.

2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			County % Change 2010 to 2014
County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
42.9%	57.3%	46.8%	60.4%	54.9%	48.2%	48.5%	56.0%	44.6%	42.5%	52.1%	41.3%	28.2%	44.2%	39.7%	-34.2%

## FOSTER CARE - FAILED REUNIFICATION

A child re-entering foster care following a return to his or her family signals a breakdown in the family and a potential failure on the part of the child welfare system to appropriately address family needs.

### Indicator

#### Failed 1-Year Reunification (Re-entry)

Children who re-entered foster care in fewer than 12 months following reunification with parents or relatives.

2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			County % Change 2010 to 2014
County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
25.0%	23.0%	25.8%	10.0%	19.2%	27.7%	9.1%	19.7%	26.3%	45.5%	20.3%	26.4%	23.1%	20.9%	26.9%	-7.7%



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