

## 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)

2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			County % Change 2010 to 2014
County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
563	13,513	24,615	571	13,167	24,378	629	14,080	26,664	684	14,114	26,944	783	15,108	29,273	39.1%
9.0	8.4	8.8	9.2	8.2	8.7	10.1	8.7	9.5	11.0	8.7	9.6	12.6	9.4	10.5	

#### Child Abuse Substantiations

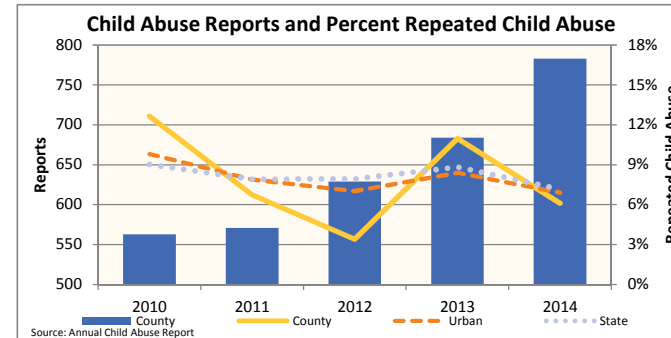
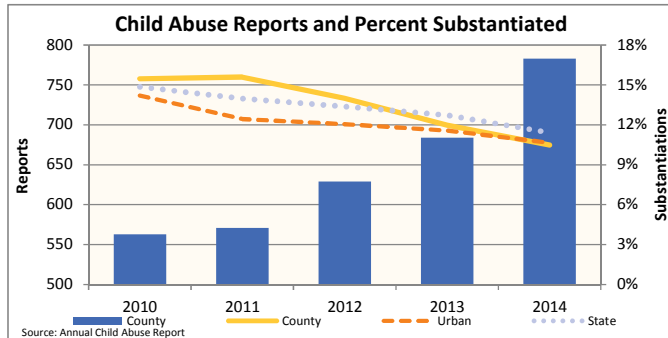
Founded or indicated reports of child abuse. Does not include the number of children determined to need General Protective Services.

15.5%	14.2%	14.9%	15.6%	12.4%	14.0%	14.0%	12.0%	13.4%	12.0%	11.6%	12.7%	10.5%	10.6%	11.4%	-32.2%
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#### Repeated Child Abuse

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

12.6%	9.8%	9.0%	6.7%	7.9%	7.9%	3.4%	7.0%	7.9%	11.0%	8.4%	8.8%	6.1%	6.9%	7.2%	-51.8%
1 in 8	1 in 10	1 in 11	1 in 15	1 in 13	1 in 13	1 in 29	1 in 14	1 in 13	1 in 9	1 in 12	1 in 11	1 in 16	1 in 14	1 in 14	



## IN-HOME SERVICES

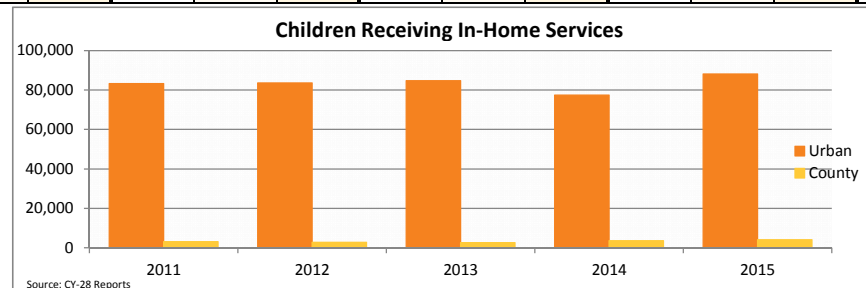
In-home services are designed to strengthen families by addressing the root causes of abuse and neglect. The provision of in-home services helps a child to remain safely in his or her home or return.

### Indicator

#### Unduplicated Number of Children Served

Children who received services provided to both parents and children to address concerns related to child safety and well-being to enable the children to remain safely in their own home. This includes children whose families were screened-in and/or accepted for services.

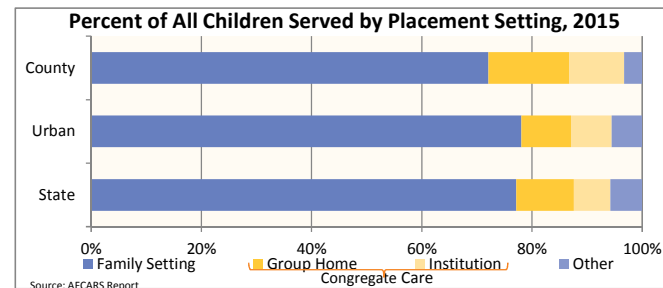
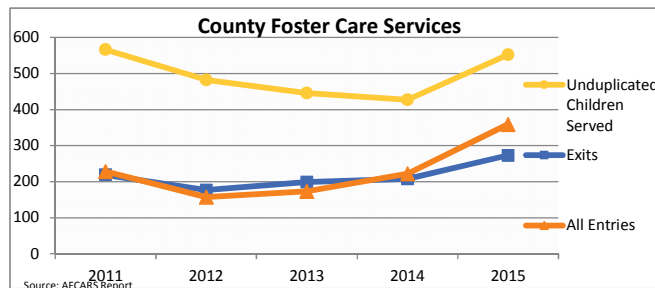
2011			2012			2013			2014			2015			County % Change 2011 to 2015
County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
3,039	83,198	168,821	2,792	83,662	164,842	2,632	84,755	172,807	3,605	77,509	167,582	4,076	88,106	181,371	34.1%



## 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	2011			2012			2013			2014			2015			County % Change 2011 to 2015
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
<b>Unduplicated Number of Children Served</b> All Children in Foster Care During the Year (Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	566	14,624	22,750	482	13,647	22,000	446	13,441	21,416	427	14,249	22,510	552	14,577	22,980	-2.5%
<b>By Age</b>																
0-2	17.3%	17.7%	18.2%	14.9%	18.5%	18.9%	12.6%	18.6%	19.2%	17.3%	18.7%	19.4%	20.1%	19.1%	19.9%	16.1%
3-5	13.3%	14.8%	15.1%	13.1%	15.3%	15.6%	13.0%	15.4%	15.9%	12.4%	16.9%	16.8%	14.5%	17.2%	17.1%	9.4%
6-8	10.4%	10.6%	10.5%	13.3%	10.8%	10.8%	12.6%	11.5%	11.5%	12.6%	12.0%	12.3%	11.6%	12.9%	12.9%	11.2%
9-11	8.5%	9.1%	8.9%	7.9%	9.0%	8.9%	8.7%	9.2%	8.9%	8.0%	9.6%	9.5%	7.8%	10.3%	10.0%	-8.1%
12-14	13.8%	11.8%	12.1%	13.1%	11.8%	12.0%	12.6%	11.4%	11.4%	12.6%	10.8%	10.9%	11.2%	11.2%	11.4%	-18.5%
15-17	28.3%	23.9%	24.8%	29.5%	22.7%	23.3%	31.6%	22.0%	22.3%	26.9%	20.7%	21.4%	25.7%	19.9%	20.4%	-9.0%
18-20	8.5%	12.1%	10.4%	8.3%	12.0%	10.5%	9.0%	12.0%	10.7%	10.1%	11.1%	9.8%	9.1%	9.3%	8.3%	6.8%
Infants (age 0-1)	11.0%	11.1%	11.7%	8.5%	11.6%	12.2%	7.4%	11.3%	11.9%	11.5%	11.9%	12.5%	14.5%	12.0%	12.8%	32.3%
Youth (age 13+)	46.3%	44.8%	44.2%	48.5%	43.5%	42.7%	50.0%	42.3%	41.5%	45.4%	39.5%	38.9%	43.7%	37.1%	36.7%	-5.7%
<b>By Race and Ethnicity</b>																
Non-Hispanic White	26.9%	25.1%	40.8%	28.4%	27.3%	43.3%	26.2%	25.7%	41.8%	29.7%	26.8%	42.3%	29.9%	25.5%	40.9%	11.3%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	49.5%	39.4%	30.8%	47.3%	47.8%	34.9%	47.3%	47.9%	34.8%	41.5%	48.7%	35.2%	42.9%	47.6%	34.6%	-13.2%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	0.5%	22.1%	14.9%	0.6%	9.4%	6.5%	0.7%	10.1%	7.0%	0.9%	5.9%	4.4%	1.3%	8.0%	5.9%	139.3%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	6.0%	1.4%	1.9%	7.3%	2.9%	3.2%	9.2%	3.2%	3.9%	7.7%	4.7%	4.9%	6.2%	4.3%	5.3%	2.5%
Hispanic or Latino	17.1%	12.0%	11.6%	16.4%	12.7%	12.0%	16.6%	13.0%	12.5%	20.1%	13.8%	13.1%	19.7%	14.7%	13.4%	15.2%
<b>By Gender</b>																
Male	55.7%	50.1%	50.7%	57.7%	50.0%	50.5%	53.6%	50.1%	50.8%	48.5%	50.2%	50.8%	49.8%	50.4%	51.0%	-10.5%
Female	44.3%	49.9%	49.3%	42.3%	50.0%	49.5%	46.4%	49.9%	49.2%	51.5%	49.8%	49.2%	50.2%	49.6%	49.0%	13.2%
<b>By First Placement Setting</b>																
<b>Family Setting</b>	64.5%	71.7%	72.0%	65.6%	72.4%	72.8%	68.2%	72.9%	73.4%	68.9%	76.1%	75.8%	72.1%	78.1%	77.1%	11.8%
Pre-adoptive Home	4.2%	4.2%	3.9%	4.4%	3.3%	3.2%	11.4%	3.9%	3.4%	3.5%	4.1%	3.5%	0.7%	3.6%	3.1%	-82.9%
Foster Family Home – Relative	12.4%	25.9%	23.5%	13.1%	26.3%	24.4%	14.1%	26.5%	24.8%	22.0%	32.9%	29.6%	25.7%	35.8%	31.5%	108.0%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	47.9%	41.5%	44.5%	48.1%	42.8%	45.2%	42.6%	42.5%	45.2%	43.3%	39.1%	42.7%	45.7%	38.7%	42.5%	-4.7%
<b>Congregate Care</b>	25.6%	20.5%	20.6%	23.7%	21.1%	20.6%	24.7%	20.2%	19.6%	26.5%	18.2%	18.3%	24.6%	16.4%	17.1%	-3.8%
Group Home	14.8%	10.4%	11.7%	14.3%	11.8%	12.5%	12.6%	11.4%	12.1%	12.6%	10.5%	11.6%	14.7%	9.1%	10.5%	-1.1%
Institution	10.8%	10.1%	8.9%	9.3%	9.3%	8.0%	12.1%	8.8%	7.5%	13.8%	7.7%	6.8%	10.0%	7.4%	6.6%	-7.5%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	0.0%	3.0%	2.2%	0.2%	2.3%	1.8%	0.0%	2.6%	2.0%	0.2%	2.4%	1.9%	1.1%	2.0%	1.7%	-
Runaway	1.6%	2.8%	2.0%	1.5%	1.9%	1.4%	1.1%	2.4%	1.8%	1.2%	1.4%	1.2%	0.4%	1.7%	1.3%	-77.2%
Trial Home Visit	8.3%	2.0%	3.1%	9.1%	2.3%	3.4%	6.1%	1.9%	3.2%	3.3%	1.9%	2.8%	1.8%	1.9%	2.9%	-78.2%
<b>Children Entering Foster Care</b>																
All Entries into Foster Care During the Year	228	5,910	9,849	157	5,756	9,793	173	5,577	9,306	222	6,295	10,364	359	6,327	10,387	57.5%



## 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	2011			2012			2013			2014			2015			County % Change 2011 to 2015
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
First Time Entries During the Year	183	4,015	6,979	121	3,953	7,018	138	3,887	6,698	181	4,465	7,592	261	4,638	7,843	42.6%
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	2.6	2.1	2.1	1.7	2.0	2.1	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.3	2.3	3.6	2.4	2.3	
First Time Entries as Percent of All Entries	80.3%	67.9%	70.9%	77.1%	68.7%	71.7%	79.8%	69.7%	72.0%	81.5%	70.9%	73.3%	72.7%	73.3%	75.5%	

#### 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	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	% Change
0-2	25.7%	33.1%	31.7%	19.0%	32.8%	32.2%	23.2%	33.3%	32.8%	27.6%	33.6%	32.7%	30.3%	33.2%	32.7%	17.9%
3-5	12.0%	14.1%	14.1%	11.6%	14.4%	14.2%	13.8%	14.8%	14.6%	13.8%	15.9%	15.7%	16.1%	14.3%	14.6%	33.9%
6-8	8.2%	9.8%	9.3%	7.4%	10.2%	10.1%	10.9%	10.1%	10.0%	11.6%	11.6%	11.5%	10.7%	12.0%	11.9%	30.9%
9-11	9.8%	8.1%	7.9%	7.4%	8.5%	8.6%	8.7%	8.5%	8.2%	7.7%	9.4%	9.2%	9.6%	10.2%	9.8%	-2.6%
12-14	15.8%	14.0%	14.7%	16.5%	14.4%	14.4%	14.5%	12.9%	13.5%	15.5%	12.3%	12.7%	13.0%	12.7%	13.4%	-17.8%
15-17	28.4%	20.8%	22.2%	38.0%	19.7%	20.4%	27.5%	20.3%	20.8%	23.8%	17.0%	18.0%	19.9%	17.4%	17.4%	-29.9%
18-20	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	1.4%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.4%	0.2%	0.1%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	23.5%	27.3%	25.7%	17.4%	27.1%	26.2%	18.1%	27.1%	26.4%	22.1%	27.1%	26.3%	23.0%	26.5%	26.2%	-2.2%
Youth (age 13+)	41.0%	31.6%	33.8%	53.7%	30.4%	31.2%	39.9%	30.2%	31.4%	34.8%	26.2%	27.6%	29.9%	26.8%	27.5%	-27.1%

#### By Race and Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic White  
Non-Hispanic Black or African American  
Non-Hispanic Other Race  
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races  
Hispanic or Latino

Race/Ethnicity	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	% Change
Non-Hispanic White	25.1%	28.4%	46.1%	28.9%	32.5%	49.3%	31.9%	28.2%	45.7%	31.5%	29.9%	46.9%	29.1%	25.6%	42.7%	15.8%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	49.2%	37.1%	27.4%	51.2%	46.9%	31.9%	44.9%	42.5%	29.6%	40.9%	42.5%	29.2%	42.9%	41.5%	29.1%	-12.7%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	1.1%	19.1%	12.2%	0.8%	5.3%	4.1%	1.4%	11.9%	7.9%	1.1%	7.1%	5.1%	2.3%	12.8%	8.7%	110.3%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	4.9%	1.8%	1.9%	6.6%	2.8%	3.0%	9.4%	3.1%	3.9%	7.2%	4.9%	4.9%	5.4%	3.8%	5.6%	9.1%
Hispanic or Latino	19.7%	13.6%	12.4%	12.4%	12.5%	11.7%	12.3%	14.3%	13.0%	19.3%	15.7%	13.9%	20.3%	16.3%	14.0%	3.2%

#### By Gender

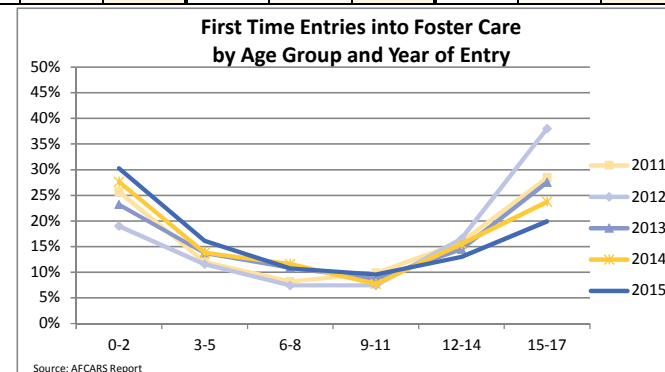
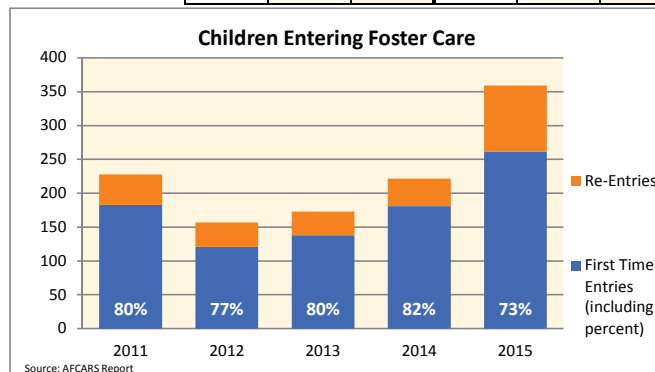
Male  
Female

Gender	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	% Change
Male	53.6%	48.6%	49.6%	63.6%	49.2%	49.9%	41.3%	49.5%	50.1%	50.8%	50.2%	50.9%	50.6%	49.9%	50.9%	-5.6%
Female	46.4%	51.4%	50.4%	36.4%	50.8%	50.1%	58.7%	50.5%	49.9%	49.2%	49.8%	49.1%	49.4%	50.1%	49.1%	6.4%

#### 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	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	% Change
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>58.5%</b>	<b>75.6%</b>	<b>74.8%</b>	<b>49.6%</b>	<b>75.7%</b>	<b>76.4%</b>	<b>72.5%</b>	<b>77.9%</b>	<b>76.7%</b>	<b>69.6%</b>	<b>82.5%</b>	<b>80.7%</b>	<b>78.5%</b>	<b>82.1%</b>	<b>80.9%</b>	<b>34.3%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	0.3%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.4%	0.2%	0.1%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	11.5%	27.9%	25.0%	13.2%	27.9%	25.8%	30.4%	30.7%	27.2%	17.7%	37.5%	33.1%	28.4%	38.6%	33.6%	147.1%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	47.0%	47.6%	49.5%	36.4%	47.6%	50.4%	42.0%	47.1%	49.3%	51.9%	44.8%	47.5%	49.8%	43.4%	47.2%	6.0%
<b>Congregate Care</b>	<b>36.6%</b>	<b>21.4%</b>	<b>22.4%</b>	<b>42.1%</b>	<b>21.7%</b>	<b>21.1%</b>	<b>26.8%</b>	<b>20.0%</b>	<b>21.0%</b>	<b>29.8%</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>17.5%</b>	<b>19.2%</b>	<b>16.0%</b>	<b>17.0%</b>	<b>-47.7%</b>
Group Home	19.1%	12.2%	14.8%	24.8%	14.0%	14.7%	18.8%	13.0%	15.0%	13.3%	9.6%	12.1%	13.0%	8.7%	10.7%	-31.9%
Institution	17.5%	9.2%	7.6%	17.4%	7.7%	6.4%	8.0%	7.0%	6.0%	16.6%	6.2%	5.4%	6.1%	7.3%	6.3%	-64.9%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>0.3%</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>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>-</b>
Runaway	0.5%	1.1%	0.7%	0.0%	0.6%	0.4%	0.0%	0.8%	0.6%	0.0%	0.5%	0.4%	0.0%	0.7%	0.4%	-100.0%
Trial Home Visit	4.4%	1.4%	1.9%	8.3%	1.7%	1.9%	0.7%	1.2%	1.5%	0.6%	0.9%	1.2%	1.9%	0.9%	1.5%	-56.2%



## 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

Indicator	2011			2012			2013			2014			2015			County % Change 2011 to 2015
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Children Re-Entering Foster Care	45	1,895	2,870	36	1,803	2,775	35	1,690	2,608	41	1,830	2,772	98	1,689	2,544	117.8%
Re-Entries as Percent of All Entries	19.7%	32.1%	29.1%	22.9%	31.3%	28.3%	20.2%	30.3%	28.0%	18.5%	29.1%	26.7%	27.3%	26.7%	24.5%	38.3%

### By Age

Age Group	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	% Change
0-2	11.1%	7.1%	8.8%	0.0%	8.0%	8.5%	0.0%	6.4%	6.6%	19.5%	7.9%	8.2%	9.2%	10.7%	10.8%	-17.3%
3-5	17.8%	6.8%	7.9%	8.3%	7.2%	9.5%	2.9%	7.0%	7.8%	9.8%	8.4%	9.2%	10.2%	10.2%	11.4%	-42.6%
6-8	4.4%	6.9%	7.5%	8.3%	5.5%	6.5%	2.9%	7.2%	7.4%	2.4%	8.3%	8.8%	6.1%	9.0%	9.0%	37.8%
9-11	2.2%	6.0%	6.5%	5.6%	7.2%	7.4%	8.6%	6.6%	6.3%	4.9%	6.8%	7.5%	4.1%	7.7%	7.9%	83.7%
12-14	15.6%	20.5%	19.7%	16.7%	22.4%	21.7%	22.9%	18.3%	18.4%	12.2%	17.5%	17.1%	19.4%	17.1%	16.5%	24.6%
15-17	48.9%	49.1%	46.9%	58.3%	46.5%	44.1%	57.1%	47.8%	46.3%	43.9%	45.1%	43.7%	43.9%	39.0%	38.2%	-10.3%
18-20	0.0%	3.7%	2.6%	2.8%	3.3%	2.5%	5.7%	6.7%	7.1%	7.3%	6.1%	5.7%	7.1%	6.4%	6.3%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	6.7%	4.6%	5.6%	0.0%	4.8%	4.9%	0.0%	3.6%	3.8%	17.1%	5.2%	5.2%	6.1%	6.5%	6.5%	-8.2%
Youth (age 13+)	62.2%	68.9%	65.2%	77.8%	68.1%	64.3%	82.9%	69.5%	68.6%	63.4%	65.6%	63.5%	68.4%	59.6%	57.9%	9.9%

### By Race and Ethnicity

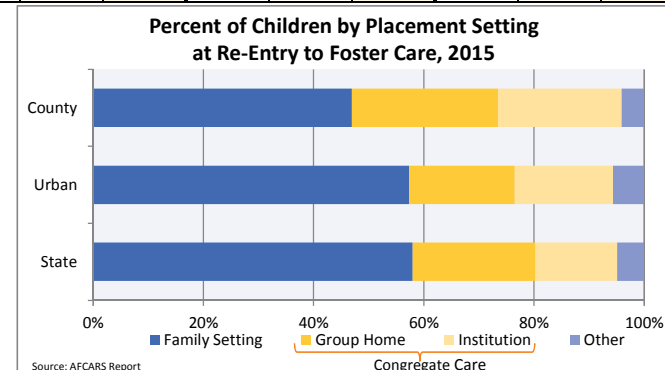
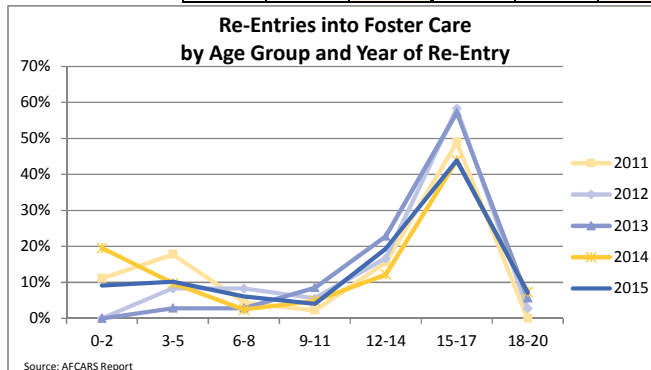
Race/Ethnicity	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	% Change
Non-Hispanic White	20.0%	17.0%	34.5%	19.4%	18.1%	35.7%	22.9%	16.9%	34.3%	22.0%	19.6%	35.8%	18.4%	17.8%	34.7%	-8.2%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	53.3%	43.6%	34.9%	63.9%	60.7%	45.5%	57.1%	59.4%	44.2%	53.7%	58.4%	43.3%	57.1%	54.0%	40.4%	7.1%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	0.0%	27.2%	18.5%	0.0%	6.0%	4.1%	0.0%	9.3%	6.7%	4.9%	5.4%	4.1%	0.0%	10.8%	7.8%	-
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	11.1%	1.2%	1.4%	8.3%	2.9%	3.3%	11.4%	2.7%	3.4%	2.4%	3.9%	4.5%	6.1%	4.1%	4.9%	-44.9%
Hispanic or Latino	15.6%	11.0%	10.7%	8.3%	12.3%	11.3%	8.6%	11.7%	11.4%	17.1%	12.8%	12.2%	18.4%	13.2%	12.2%	18.1%

### By Gender

Gender	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	% Change
Male	60.0%	45.8%	47.0%	50.0%	44.3%	47.6%	45.7%	45.7%	48.1%	56.1%	49.0%	50.6%	62.2%	49.3%	50.5%	3.7%
Female	40.0%	54.2%	53.0%	50.0%	55.7%	52.4%	54.3%	54.3%	51.9%	43.9%	51.0%	49.4%	37.8%	50.7%	49.5%	-5.6%

### By Placement Setting at Re-Entry

Placement Setting	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	% Change
Family Setting	51.1%	47.2%	50.9%	30.6%	48.0%	50.5%	34.3%	46.9%	48.5%	58.5%	53.1%	53.7%	46.9%	57.3%	58.0%	-8.2%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.6%	0.4%	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.9%	0.6%	-
Foster Family Home - Relative	17.8%	19.2%	17.2%	8.3%	17.7%	16.5%	5.7%	17.9%	14.9%	29.3%	22.6%	20.2%	17.3%	28.7%	24.3%	-2.4%
Foster Family Home - Non-Relative	33.3%	27.7%	33.3%	22.2%	29.7%	33.5%	28.6%	28.7%	33.3%	29.3%	30.3%	33.3%	29.6%	27.7%	33.1%	-11.2%
Congregate Care	46.7%	44.3%	42.7%	61.1%	46.9%	45.3%	62.9%	45.0%	44.4%	34.1%	39.9%	40.6%	49.0%	37.0%	37.1%	5.0%
Group Home	26.7%	21.1%	23.8%	38.9%	23.5%	26.0%	42.9%	23.9%	26.7%	12.2%	20.8%	24.8%	26.5%	19.2%	22.3%	-0.5%
Institution	20.0%	23.2%	18.9%	22.2%	23.5%	19.2%	20.0%	21.1%	17.7%	22.0%	19.1%	15.9%	22.4%	17.8%	14.8%	12.2%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	2.1%	1.6%	0.0%	1.1%	0.8%	0.0%	1.5%	1.6%	2.4%	2.1%	1.6%	1.0%	2.0%	1.7%	-
Runaway	2.2%	6.1%	4.2%	5.6%	3.4%	2.5%	0.0%	6.2%	4.3%	0.0%	4.7%	3.3%	1.0%	3.4%	2.4%	-54.1%
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	0.4%	0.7%	2.8%	0.6%	1.0%	2.9%	0.4%	1.2%	4.9%	0.2%	0.8%	2.0%	0.3%	0.8%	-



## 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.

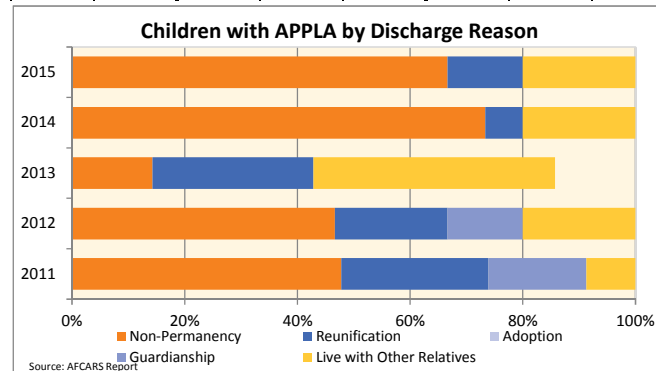
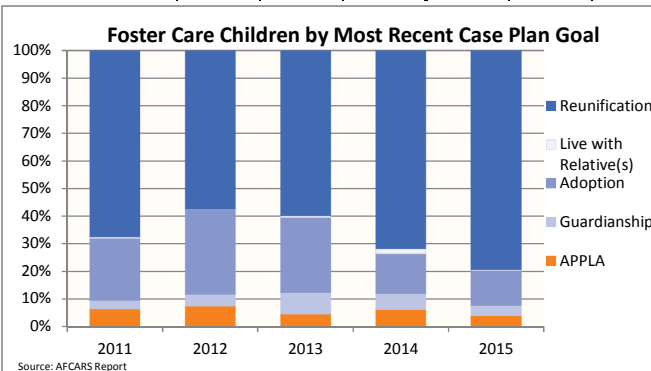
Indicator	2011			2012			2013			2014			2015			County % Change 2011 to 2015
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
<b>Percent of Children by Case Plan Goal</b>																
<b>Permanency Goals</b>	<b>93.6%</b>	<b>91.4%</b>	<b>91.0%</b>	<b>92.6%</b>	<b>91.0%</b>	<b>90.9%</b>	<b>95.5%</b>	<b>93.8%</b>	<b>92.8%</b>	<b>93.9%</b>	<b>94.1%</b>	<b>93.6%</b>	<b>96.0%</b>	<b>95.6%</b>	<b>95.2%</b>	<b>2.6%</b>
Reunify With Parent(s) or Principal Caretaker(s)	67.5%	69.4%	68.0%	57.4%	71.7%	69.6%	59.9%	73.5%	70.5%	71.8%	75.3%	72.6%	79.3%	74.8%	73.1%	17.5%
Adoption	22.4%	17.2%	17.6%	30.6%	15.8%	16.6%	27.2%	15.4%	16.7%	14.4%	14.8%	16.1%	12.7%	16.5%	17.4%	-43.4%
Guardianship	3.1%	2.4%	2.8%	4.3%	2.5%	3.1%	7.7%	3.1%	3.6%	5.9%	2.4%	3.1%	3.6%	2.8%	3.0%	17.0%
Live with Relative(s)	0.5%	2.3%	2.7%	0.2%	0.9%	1.6%	0.7%	1.8%	2.1%	1.9%	1.7%	1.8%	0.4%	1.6%	1.7%	-33.7%
<b>Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA)</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>8.6%</b>	<b>9.0%</b>	<b>7.4%</b>	<b>9.0%</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>6.2%</b>	<b>7.2%</b>	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>-37.5%</b>
Long Term Foster Care	0.0%	2.5%	3.4%	0.0%	2.1%	3.2%	0.0%	0.8%	2.1%	0.0%	1.0%	1.8%	0.2%	0.5%	1.2%	-
Emancipation	6.4%	6.2%	5.5%	7.4%	6.8%	5.9%	4.5%	5.4%	5.1%	6.1%	4.9%	4.6%	3.8%	3.9%	3.6%	-40.3%

### APPLA By Age as % of Age Group Served

Age Group	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County % Change 2011 to 2015
0-15	0.3%	1.6%	1.6%	1.2%	1.7%	1.7%	1.3%	0.8%	1.1%	0.3%	0.7%	0.8%	0.5%	0.3%	0.4%	99.5%
16-20	20.5%	25.2%	27.0%	20.3%	27.2%	28.4%	11.7%	20.1%	23.6%	20.3%	20.5%	23.1%	13.2%	17.1%	19.4%	-35.3%

### APPLA By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County % Change 2011 to 2015
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>52.2%</b>	<b>37.0%</b>	<b>28.8%</b>	<b>53.3%</b>	<b>38.7%</b>	<b>34.1%</b>	<b>71.4%</b>	<b>37.6%</b>	<b>28.9%</b>	<b>26.7%</b>	<b>22.2%</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>33.3%</b>	<b>22.8%</b>	<b>23.0%</b>	<b>-36.1%</b>
Reunification	26.1%	30.7%	23.9%	20.0%	35.1%	29.6%	28.6%	33.2%	22.8%	6.7%	17.1%	14.5%	13.3%	16.6%	17.6%	-48.9%
(number of months until reunification)	25.6	34.4	36.2	123.0	46.2	37.2	25.6	26.0	27.8	49.2	63.7	36.2	7.7	23.3	27.5	-69.9%
Adoption	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	1.1%	0.5%	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.4%	0.2%	-
(number of months until adoption)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	76.0	76.0	0.0	44.3	41.1	0.0	194.3	149.3	0.0	31.2	31.2	-
Guardianship	17.4%	2.6%	2.1%	13.3%	1.0%	1.7%	0.0%	1.5%	3.4%	0.0%	2.3%	2.5%	0.0%	1.2%	1.4%	-100.0%
(number of month until guardianship)	93.6	50.0	38.7	48.4	32.0	35.3	0.0	37.8	32.0	0.0	35.1	27.8	0.0	34.9	18.0	-100.0%
Live with Other Relatives	8.7%	3.8%	2.8%	20.0%	2.3%	2.6%	42.9%	1.8%	2.2%	20.0%	2.6%	2.1%	20.0%	4.6%	3.7%	130.0%
(number of months until living with relatives)	26.9	34.4	30.8	80.2	58.7	25.8	69.1	61.4	30.6	13.8	20.8	15.9	10.7	47.0	37.1	-60.2%
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>47.8%</b>	<b>63.0%</b>	<b>71.0%</b>	<b>46.7%</b>	<b>61.1%</b>	<b>65.8%</b>	<b>14.3%</b>	<b>61.6%</b>	<b>70.8%</b>	<b>73.3%</b>	<b>77.8%</b>	<b>80.4%</b>	<b>66.7%</b>	<b>77.2%</b>	<b>76.4%</b>	<b>39.4%</b>
Emancipation	34.8%	56.1%	63.8%	26.7%	55.3%	60.5%	0.0%	55.4%	64.2%	53.3%	69.2%	73.0%	60.0%	69.9%	71.7%	72.5%
(number of months until emancipation)	55.3	47.5	40.4	36.9	50.7	40.6	0.0	36.6	33.1	32.0	40.7	33.5	38.1	32.4	34.3	-31.1%
Transfer to Another Agency	0.0%	4.0%	4.4%	13.3%	4.2%	3.6%	0.0%	3.3%	3.6%	13.3%	7.1%	5.5%	6.7%	3.9%	2.7%	-
(number of months until transfer)	0.0	70.1	80.7	25.5	48.0	51.5	0.0	83.8	46.4	46.1	61.1	13.0	140.4	71.2	40.7	-
Runaway	13.0%	2.8%	2.8%	6.7%	1.7%	1.6%	14.3%	3.0%	3.1%	6.7%	1.4%	1.9%	0.0%	3.5%	2.0%	-100.0%
(number of months until running away)	54.6	37.0	37.9	49.4	21.6	8.9	9.4	16.7	26.5	95.6	39.7	16.3	0.0	28.8	23.4	-100.0%
<b>Death of Child</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>14.3%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>-</b>
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	0.0	142.5	0.0	42.8	42.8	61.6	92.4	92.4	0.0	0.0	129.8	0.0	0.0	9.0	-



## 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

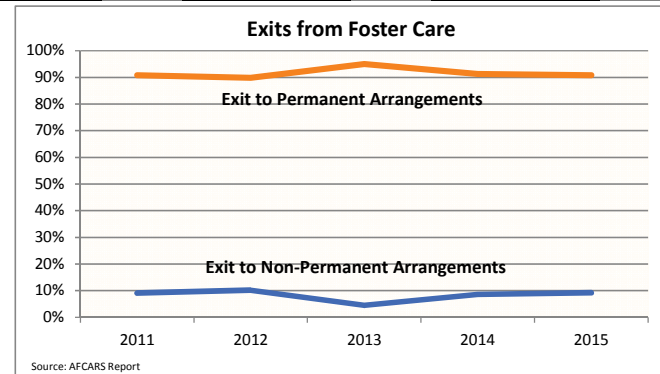
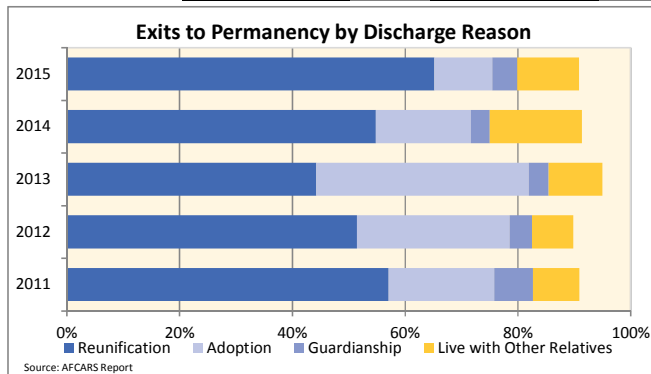
#### Children Exiting Foster Care

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

Indicator	2011			2012			2013			2014			2015			County % Change 2011 to 2015
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Total Children Leaving Foster Care	219	6,654	10,630	177	5,966	10,098	199	5,302	9,123	208	5,863	9,769	273	5,592	9,471	24.7%
Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care	45.4%	48.8%	46.7%	39.7%	44.4%	45.9%	46.6%	37.2%	42.6%	37.7%	40.2%	43.4%	49.5%	38.4%	41.2%	8.8%
(number of months until leaving)	10.3	15.2	11.7	16.9	13.4	11.9	16.8	14.2	11.9	7.3	12.9	10.7	4.0	13.2	11.4	-60.9%

#### By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	County % Change 2011 to 2015
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>90.9%</b>	<b>89.1%</b>	<b>89.3%</b>	<b>91.3%</b>	<b>86.9%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
Reunification	57.1%	58.4%	59.3%	54.8%	57.2%	14.2%
Adoption	18.7%	19.6%	20.2%	17.4%	18.6%	-45.2%
Guardianship	6.8%	6.4%	6.4%	5.9%	6.1%	-35.8%
Live with Other Relatives	8.2%	4.7%	5.5%	3.8%	5.0%	-26.2%
(number of months until living with relatives)	7.1	5.2	2.7	0.5	9.6	33.7%
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>10.8%</b>	<b>10.5%</b>	<b>8.7%</b>	<b>13.0%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>
Emancipation	5.0%	7.9%	8.1%	7.0%	7.7%	16.7%
Transfer to Another Agency	1.8%	2.4%	2.0%	6.0%	4.3%	-69.1%
Runaway	2.3%	0.5%	0.5%	1.6%	1.1%	80.5%
(number of months until running away)	37.1	24.1	18.6	35.2	13.2	-89.6%
<b>Death of Child</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>-</b>
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	1.3	12.7	0.0	4.9	-100.0%



## 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	2011			2012			2013			2014			2015			County % Change 2011 to 2015
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
	362	9,109	13,701	317	8,907	13,566	271	9,121	13,697	246	9,409	14,162	335	9,950	14,859	-7.5%
	13.7	15.2	13.6	17.4	15.8	13.0	12.4	13.9	13.1	11.3	13.2	12.6	8.0	13.7	12.5	-41.4%

### By Age

Age Group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	County % Change 2011 to 2015										
0-2	16.3%	18.4%	18.9%	10.7%	18.7%	19.5%	12.5%	19.0%	19.9%	20.7%	18.9%	20.0%	21.8%	20.1%	21.0%	33.7%
3-5	14.6%	13.9%	14.6%	12.3%	14.5%	15.3%	9.6%	15.1%	15.6%	11.8%	16.7%	16.7%	15.8%	17.0%	16.7%	8.1%
6-8	11.9%	10.2%	10.3%	12.3%	10.7%	10.9%	11.4%	11.4%	11.6%	10.6%	12.4%	12.4%	13.4%	13.0%	12.9%	13.1%
9-11	8.8%	8.8%	8.7%	7.6%	9.0%	9.2%	8.9%	9.2%	9.1%	5.7%	9.6%	9.6%	7.8%	10.9%	10.7%	-12.2%
12-14	15.7%	12.6%	12.7%	17.7%	12.6%	12.4%	11.8%	11.6%	11.7%	15.0%	11.7%	11.5%	11.6%	11.3%	11.7%	-26.1%
15-17	27.6%	24.9%	25.2%	34.1%	23.3%	23.4%	35.4%	22.6%	22.6%	27.6%	20.6%	21.1%	24.5%	20.1%	20.2%	-11.4%
18-20	5.0%	11.3%	9.7%	5.4%	11.3%	9.4%	10.3%	11.1%	9.5%	8.5%	10.2%	8.4%	5.1%	7.8%	6.8%	2.1%
Infants (age 0-1)	10.5%	12.1%	12.6%	7.3%	12.7%	13.2%	8.5%	11.8%	12.7%	13.0%	12.2%	13.2%	16.4%	13.0%	13.9%	56.4%
Youth (age 13+)	44.2%	45.6%	44.4%	53.6%	43.7%	41.9%	55.0%	42.3%	40.7%	46.7%	38.9%	37.8%	39.4%	35.7%	35.2%	-10.9%

### By Race and Ethnicity

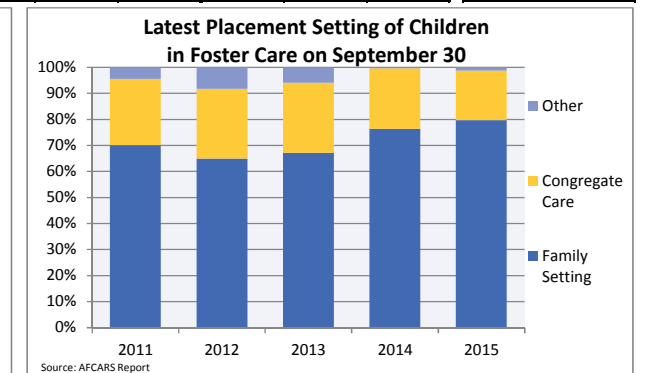
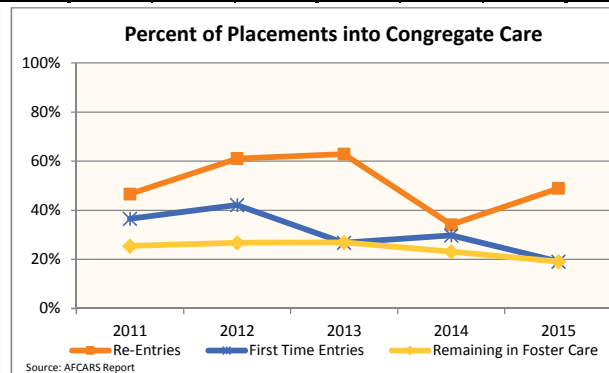
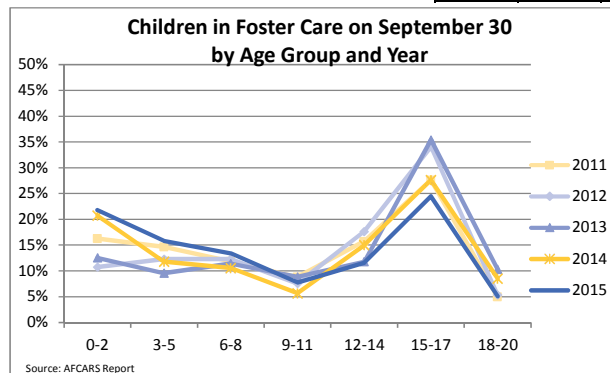
Race/Ethnicity	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	County % Change 2011 to 2015										
Non-Hispanic White	25.7%	24.4%	39.4%	24.9%	26.4%	40.9%	28.0%	24.0%	38.7%	31.7%	25.5%	40.1%	33.1%	23.5%	37.9%	29.0%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	47.2%	39.1%	31.0%	49.2%	49.9%	37.5%	44.6%	49.2%	37.1%	41.1%	51.4%	38.3%	39.4%	49.4%	36.9%	-16.6%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	0.6%	23.1%	15.9%	0.3%	8.0%	6.0%	1.1%	10.8%	7.8%	0.8%	4.9%	3.9%	0.9%	7.8%	6.0%	62.1%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	7.2%	1.4%	2.0%	7.6%	3.0%	3.3%	8.5%	2.9%	3.7%	6.1%	4.3%	4.7%	6.6%	3.9%	4.9%	-8.6%
Hispanic or Latino	19.3%	11.9%	11.7%	18.0%	12.7%	12.2%	17.7%	13.0%	12.7%	20.3%	13.8%	13.0%	20.0%	15.4%	14.3%	3.4%

### By Gender

Gender	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	County % Change 2011 to 2015										
Male	56.4%	50.2%	50.7%	60.6%	50.0%	50.8%	51.3%	50.4%	50.7%	45.9%	50.2%	50.9%	49.3%	50.6%	51.3%	-12.6%
Female	43.6%	49.8%	49.3%	39.4%	50.0%	49.2%	48.7%	49.6%	49.3%	54.1%	49.8%	49.1%	50.7%	49.4%	48.7%	16.3%

### By Latest Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	County % Change 2011 to 2015										
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>70.2%</b>	<b>73.0%</b>	<b>74.4%</b>	<b>65.0%</b>	<b>74.2%</b>	<b>76.1%</b>	<b>67.2%</b>	<b>75.0%</b>	<b>76.8%</b>	<b>76.4%</b>	<b>78.9%</b>	<b>79.0%</b>	<b>79.7%</b>	<b>81.2%</b>	<b>80.6%</b>	<b>13.6%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	4.4%	3.5%	0.0%	3.6%	3.0%	8.1%	4.2%	3.2%	1.2%	4.8%	3.9%	0.6%	4.2%	3.2%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	18.0%	25.4%	23.6%	19.6%	26.3%	25.2%	19.6%	26.9%	25.7%	24.0%	32.7%	30.0%	28.1%	36.7%	32.8%	56.3%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	52.2%	43.3%	47.3%	45.4%	44.3%	47.9%	39.5%	43.9%	47.9%	51.2%	41.4%	45.1%	51.0%	40.4%	44.5%	-2.2%
<b>Congregate Care</b>	<b>25.4%</b>	<b>20.8%</b>	<b>20.3%</b>	<b>26.8%</b>	<b>20.2%</b>	<b>19.2%</b>	<b>26.9%</b>	<b>20.0%</b>	<b>18.7%</b>	<b>23.2%</b>	<b>16.9%</b>	<b>17.3%</b>	<b>19.1%</b>	<b>15.2%</b>	<b>16.0%</b>	<b>-24.8%</b>
Group Home	13.0%	10.1%	10.7%	14.5%	10.8%	11.0%	13.3%	10.9%	10.8%	10.6%	9.7%	10.6%	11.6%	7.6%	9.0%	-10.3%
Institution	12.4%	10.7%	9.5%	12.3%	9.4%	8.2%	13.7%	9.1%	7.8%	12.6%	7.3%	6.7%	7.5%	7.6%	7.0%	-40.0%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>2.7%</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>-</b>
Runaway	0.8%	2.6%	1.8%	0.3%	2.5%	1.8%	1.1%	1.9%	1.4%	0.0%	1.5%	1.1%	0.3%	1.5%	1.1%	-64.0%
Trial Home Visit	3.6%	0.7%	1.2%	7.6%	0.7%	1.1%	4.8%	0.4%	1.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.8%	0.3%	0.5%	1.0%	-91.7%



## 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.

2011			2012			2013			2014			2015			County % Change 2011 to 2015
County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
37.1%	35.5%	36.1%	38.4%	35.9%	36.9%	57.2%	32.0%	34.1%	43.2%	30.8%	32.7%	32.6%	32.0%	32.8%	-12.0%

## 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.

2011			2012			2013			2014			2015			County % Change 2011 to 2015
County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
52.5%	45.3%	48.2%	48.0%	42.5%	44.6%	40.9%	38.7%	41.3%	37.4%	37.8%	39.7%	44.1%	35.9%	39.0%	-16.1%

## 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.

2011			2012			2013			2014			2015			County % Change 2011 to 2015
County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
26.6%	33.2%	27.7%	12.8%	29.1%	26.3%	14.7%	29.8%	26.4%	23.2%	30.1%	26.9%	26.5%	26.6%	24.1%	-0.4%

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