

## CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES (CPS)

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 and Neglect Reports

Total reported incidents of suspected child abuse and neglect through the ChildLine Registry. (Number and rate per 1,000 children age 0-17)

Indicator	2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports	218	5,824	26,664	218	6,017	26,944	237	6,632	29,273	360	8,771	40,590	380	9,593	44,359	74.3%
	8.9	10.4	9.5	8.9	10.8	9.6	9.7	11.9	10.5	14.7	15.7	14.5	15.5	17.2	15.9	

#### Child Abuse and Neglect Substantiations

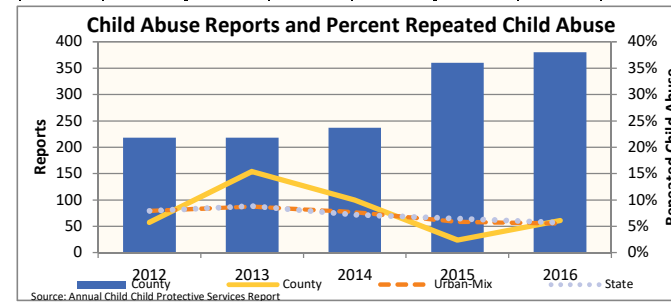
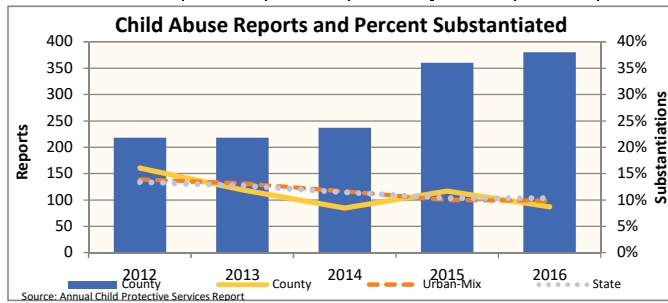
Founded or indicated reports of child abuse and/or neglect.

Child Abuse and Neglect Substantiations	16.1%	13.9%	13.4%	11.9%	13.1%	12.7%	8.4%	11.6%	11.4%	11.7%	10.0%	10.4%	8.7%	9.8%	10.4%	-45.9%
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#### Repeated Child Abuse and Neglect

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

Repeated Child Abuse and Neglect	5.7%	7.9%	7.9%	15.4%	8.7%	8.8%	10.0%	7.7%	7.2%	2.4%	5.8%	6.5%	6.1%	5.5%	5.7%	6.1%
	1 in 18	1 in 13	1 in 13	1 in 7	1 in 11	1 in 11	1 in 10	1 in 13	1 in 14	1 in 42	1 in 17	1 in 15	1 in 17	1 in 18	1 in 18	



## GENERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICES (GPS)

Reports not alleging abuse of a child are categorized as general protective services (GPS) reports. Addressing concerns related to child safety and well-being before allegations of child abuse or severe neglect are made enables children to remain safely in their own homes while services are provided to the family to mitigate the risk of potential maltreatment.

### Indicator

#### GPS Reports

Total reported concerns of general neglect, not alleging child abuse.

Indicator	2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	
GPS Reports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,059	30,179	131,953	1,237	34,422	151,087	-

#### Valid GPS Reports

Reports in which the allegations were found to have merit. Includes reports accepted for in-home services and reports referred out to community agencies for services.

Valid GPS Reports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.7%	15.9%	18.4%	32.4%	20.1%	20.9%	-
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#### Children with Valid Allegations

Number of children with a valid GPS allegation by valid report. Children may be counted more than once if more than one report was found to have merit.

Children with Valid Allegations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	350	6,479	32,364	530	9,551	43,702	-
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#### Unduplicated Number of Children Served

Children who received in-home services along with parents to address concerns related to child safety and well-being.

Indicator	2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	
Unduplicated Number of Children Served	4,416	35,484	172,807	6,467	37,531	167,582	2,110	35,135	181,371	2,479	38,771	190,413	3,123	38,791	186,855	-29.3%

## 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 federal fiscal year.

### Indicator

#### Unduplicated Number of Children Served

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

Indicator	2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	
Unduplicated Number of Children Served	109	3,800	21,416	111	3,983	22,510	115	4,024	22,980	111	4,141	24,543	104	4,312	25,381	-4.6%
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	2.4	5.5	6.4	2.5	5.8	6.7	2.6	5.8	6.8	2.5	6.0	7.3	2.3	6.3	7.5	

### By Age

Age Group	2013 County	2013 Urban-Mix	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	County % Change 2013 to 2017
0-2	15.6%	21.0%	19.2%	16.2%	21.0%	19.4%	19.1%	20.9%	19.9%	25.2%	21.9%	20.2%	23.1%	22.3%	20.3%	48.0%
3-5	21.1%	17.7%	15.9%	12.6%	16.9%	16.8%	14.8%	17.4%	17.1%	18.0%	17.2%	17.0%	18.3%	17.2%	17.4%	-13.4%
6-8	12.8%	11.2%	11.5%	18.9%	12.6%	12.3%	15.7%	13.4%	12.9%	11.7%	13.1%	13.0%	13.5%	13.1%	13.3%	4.8%
9-11	15.6%	8.6%	8.9%	11.7%	9.1%	9.5%	5.2%	9.7%	10.0%	9.9%	10.7%	11.0%	11.5%	11.5%	11.4%	-26.0%
12-14	9.2%	10.8%	11.4%	16.2%	10.5%	10.9%	18.3%	11.0%	11.4%	13.5%	10.9%	11.2%	8.7%	10.1%	11.6%	-5.7%
15-17	17.4%	21.6%	22.3%	20.7%	21.7%	21.4%	20.0%	20.5%	20.4%	15.3%	18.9%	19.6%	21.2%	18.5%	18.6%	21.4%
18-20	8.3%	9.1%	10.7%	3.6%	8.2%	9.8%	7.0%	7.0%	8.3%	6.3%	7.2%	7.9%	3.8%	7.3%	7.4%	-53.4%
Infants (age 0-1)	11.9%	13.5%	11.9%	13.5%	13.7%	12.5%	17.4%	13.5%	12.8%	17.1%	14.4%	12.8%	9.6%	14.4%	12.7%	-19.4%
Youth (age 13+)	32.1%	38.8%	41.5%	36.0%	37.5%	38.9%	40.9%	35.2%	36.7%	32.4%	34.1%	35.5%	31.7%	33.0%	34.0%	-1.2%

### By Race and Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	2013 County	2013 Urban-Mix	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	County % Change 2013 to 2017
Non-Hispanic White	66.1%	56.4%	41.8%	64.0%	57.4%	42.3%	73.0%	56.0%	40.9%	74.8%	57.5%	42.5%	71.2%	57.1%	42.9%	7.7%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	20.2%	15.8%	34.8%	18.9%	14.7%	35.2%	12.2%	15.1%	34.6%	9.9%	12.8%	35.3%	13.5%	12.8%	34.9%	-33.3%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	7.3%	2.6%	7.0%	7.2%	2.5%	4.4%	3.5%	3.0%	5.9%	2.7%	2.8%	3.3%	2.9%	2.4%	2.9%	-60.7%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	5.5%	6.3%	3.9%	4.5%	6.5%	4.9%	7.8%	7.9%	5.3%	7.2%	8.4%	5.4%	6.9%	8.8%	6.2%	22.3%
Hispanic or Latino	0.9%	18.8%	12.5%	5.4%	18.9%	13.1%	3.5%	18.0%	13.4%	5.4%	18.4%	13.4%	5.8%	18.9%	13.2%	528.8%

### By Gender

Gender	2013 County	2013 Urban-Mix	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	County % Change 2013 to 2017
Male	54.1%	50.7%	50.8%	51.4%	50.4%	50.8%	60.0%	50.8%	51.0%	64.0%	51.6%	51.2%	62.5%	51.7%	51.0%	15.5%
Female	45.9%	49.3%	49.2%	48.6%	49.6%	49.2%	40.0%	49.2%	49.0%	36.0%	48.4%	48.8%	37.5%	48.3%	49.0%	-18.3%

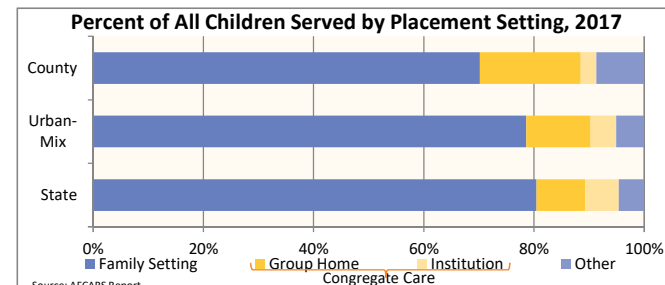
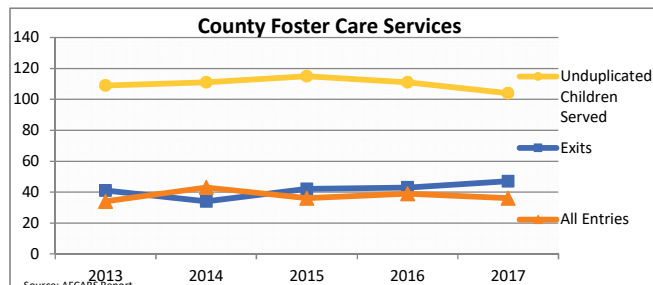
### By First Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2013 County	2013 Urban-Mix	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	County % Change 2013 to 2017
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>70.6%</b>	<b>76.3%</b>	<b>73.4%</b>	<b>64.9%</b>	<b>76.6%</b>	<b>75.8%</b>	<b>60.9%</b>	<b>77.1%</b>	<b>77.1%</b>	<b>73.9%</b>	<b>78.0%</b>	<b>79.0%</b>	<b>70.2%</b>	<b>78.6%</b>	<b>80.5%</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	2.0%	3.4%	10.8%	1.8%	3.5%	9.6%	1.8%	3.1%	16.2%	1.1%	4.5%	11.5%	0.8%	4.0%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	19.3%	25.2%	24.8%	16.2%	26.6%	29.6%	13.0%	25.0%	31.5%	14.4%	29.4%	34.1%	10.6%	32.7%	36.4%	-45.1%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	51.4%	49.1%	45.2%	37.8%	48.3%	42.7%	38.3%	50.3%	42.5%	43.2%	47.5%	40.5%	48.1%	45.1%	40.1%	-6.4%
<b>Congregate Care Setting</b>	<b>26.6%</b>	<b>17.2%</b>	<b>19.6%</b>	<b>28.8%</b>	<b>18.4%</b>	<b>18.3%</b>	<b>26.1%</b>	<b>18.5%</b>	<b>17.1%</b>	<b>19.8%</b>	<b>17.0%</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>21.2%</b>	<b>16.3%</b>	<b>14.9%</b>	<b>-20.5%</b>
Group Home	20.2%	12.6%	12.1%	19.8%	13.6%	11.6%	19.1%	13.4%	10.5%	14.4%	11.9%	9.1%	18.3%	11.7%	18.9%	-9.5%
Institution	6.4%	4.6%	7.5%	9.0%	4.8%	6.8%	7.0%	5.1%	6.6%	5.4%	5.1%	6.8%	2.9%	4.6%	6.1%	-55.1%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>-</b>
Runaway	0.0%	1.1%	1.8%	0.0%	1.0%	1.2%	0.0%	0.8%	1.3%	0.0%	0.7%	1.4%	0.0%	0.4%	1.4%	-
Trial Home Visit	2.8%	4.0%	3.2%	4.5%	2.8%	2.8%	7.8%	2.3%	2.9%	2.7%	3.0%	2.2%	7.7%	2.8%	1.7%	179.5%

### Children Entering Foster Care

All Entries into Foster Care During the Year

Year	County	Urban-Mix	State	Year	County	Urban-Mix	State	Year	County	Urban-Mix	State	Year	County	Urban-Mix	State	County % Change 2013 to 2017				
2013	34	1,715	9,306	2014	43	1,879	10,364	2015	36	1,858	10,387	2016	39	1,867	10,567	2017	36	1,860	10,781	5.9%



## 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	2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	
Children Entering for the First Time	31	1,308	6,698	36	1,438	7,592	32	1,462	7,843	36	1,514	8,082	29	1,530	8,438	-6.5%
First Time Entries During the Year (Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	0.7	1.9	2.0	0.8	2.1	2.3	0.7	2.1	2.3	0.8	2.2	2.4	0.6	2.2	2.5	-11.6%
First Time Entries as Percent of All Entries	91.2%	76.3%	72.0%	83.7%	76.5%	73.3%	88.9%	78.7%	75.5%	92.3%	81.1%	76.5%	80.6%	82.3%	78.3%	-11.6%

#### 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	2013 County	2013 Urban-Mix	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	% Change
0-2	32.3%	33.4%	32.8%	30.6%	32.7%	32.7%	37.5%	31.1%	32.7%	38.9%	35.0%	33.3%	27.6%	34.0%	33.2%	-14.5%
3-5	16.1%	15.1%	14.6%	11.1%	15.4%	15.7%	15.6%	15.7%	14.6%	22.2%	14.9%	14.7%	17.2%	16.3%	15.3%	6.9%
6-8	12.9%	10.0%	10.0%	8.3%	10.9%	11.5%	15.6%	13.6%	11.9%	11.1%	11.8%	12.5%	20.7%	12.4%	11.9%	60.3%
9-11	22.6%	7.3%	8.2%	5.6%	7.9%	9.2%	3.1%	9.8%	9.8%	8.3%	8.7%	9.6%	10.3%	10.9%	10.1%	-54.2%
12-14	6.5%	14.2%	13.5%	22.2%	13.1%	12.7%	18.8%	13.1%	13.4%	11.1%	13.5%	12.6%	0.0%	10.8%	13.1%	-100.0%
15-17	9.7%	20.0%	20.8%	22.2%	20.0%	18.0%	9.4%	16.6%	17.4%	8.3%	16.1%	17.2%	24.1%	15.6%	16.3%	149.4%
18-20	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	22.6%	26.5%	26.4%	27.8%	26.8%	26.3%	34.4%	24.6%	26.2%	33.3%	28.0%	26.3%	20.7%	27.3%	26.5%	-8.4%
Youth (age 13+)	16.1%	32.3%	31.4%	38.9%	29.8%	27.6%	18.8%	26.1%	27.5%	19.4%	26.5%	26.6%	24.1%	23.3%	26.0%	49.7%

#### 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	2013 County	2013 Urban-Mix	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	% Change
Non-Hispanic White	51.6%	57.7%	45.7%	69.4%	60.8%	46.9%	84.4%	55.7%	42.7%	88.9%	61.7%	49.4%	72.4%	57.7%	47.6%	40.3%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	25.8%	14.1%	29.6%	11.1%	13.2%	29.2%	3.1%	13.6%	29.1%	0.0%	10.2%	28.6%	20.7%	13.1%	29.7%	-19.8%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	12.9%	3.2%	7.9%	11.1%	3.4%	5.1%	3.1%	3.9%	8.7%	2.8%	3.2%	4.1%	0.0%	2.1%	3.4%	-100.0%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	9.7%	6.6%	3.9%	2.8%	5.8%	4.9%	9.4%	9.6%	5.6%	2.8%	8.1%	5.4%	3.4%	8.6%	6.3%	-64.4%
Hispanic or Latino	0.0%	18.4%	13.0%	5.6%	16.8%	13.9%	0.0%	17.1%	14.0%	5.6%	16.8%	12.6%	3.4%	18.6%	13.0%	-

#### By Gender

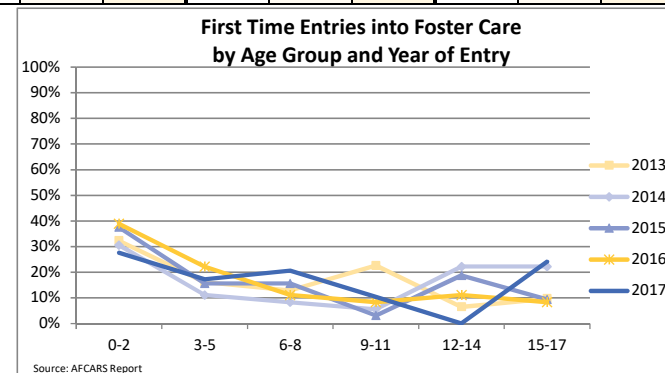
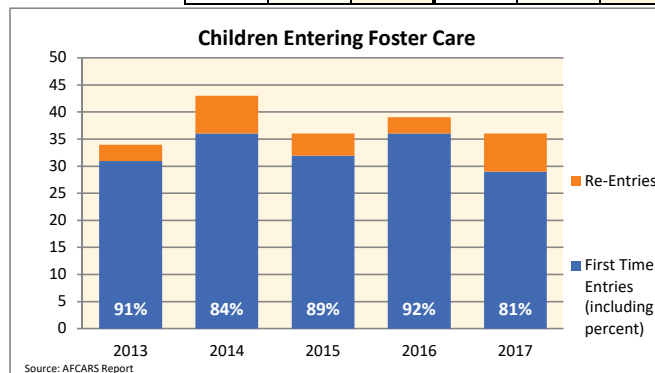
Male  
Female

Gender	2013 County	2013 Urban-Mix	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	% Change
Male	54.8%	50.4%	50.2%	50.0%	50.9%	51.0%	65.6%	51.2%	50.8%	63.9%	52.2%	50.8%	58.6%	51.7%	51.0%	6.9%
Female	45.2%	49.6%	49.8%	50.0%	49.1%	49.0%	34.4%	48.8%	49.2%	36.1%	47.8%	49.2%	41.4%	48.3%	49.0%	-8.4%

#### By First Placement Setting

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

Placement Setting	2013 County	2013 Urban-Mix	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	% Change
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>90.3%</b>	<b>77.4%</b>	<b>76.7%</b>	<b>61.1%</b>	<b>78.6%</b>	<b>80.7%</b>	<b>75.0%</b>	<b>81.8%</b>	<b>80.9%</b>	<b>77.8%</b>	<b>81.1%</b>	<b>82.3%</b>	<b>75.9%</b>	<b>84.2%</b>	<b>83.6%</b>	<b>-16.0%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.7%	0.3%	2.8%	0.3%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	2.8%	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	0.3%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	9.7%	25.2%	27.2%	5.6%	28.4%	33.1%	12.5%	26.8%	33.6%	19.4%	34.5%	37.5%	6.9%	36.5%	39.1%	-28.7%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	80.6%	51.5%	49.3%	52.8%	49.9%	47.5%	62.5%	55.0%	47.2%	55.6%	46.5%	44.6%	69.0%	47.6%	44.2%	-14.5%
<b>Congregate Care Setting</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>20.9%</b>	<b>21.0%</b>	<b>36.1%</b>	<b>20.7%</b>	<b>17.5%</b>	<b>25.0%</b>	<b>17.3%</b>	<b>17.0%</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>17.1%</b>	<b>15.9%</b>	<b>24.1%</b>	<b>14.9%</b>	<b>15.0%</b>	<b>149.4%</b>
Group Home	9.7%	17.1%	15.0%	30.6%	16.6%	12.1%	21.9%	13.3%	10.7%	19.4%	11.9%	9.7%	24.1%	10.7%	9.1%	149.4%
Institution	0.0%	3.7%	6.0%	5.6%	4.1%	5.4%	3.1%	4.0%	6.3%	0.0%	5.2%	6.2%	0.0%	4.2%	5.9%	-
<b>Supervised Independent Living</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>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>-</b>
Runaway	0.0%	0.1%	0.6%	0.0%	0.2%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.3%	0.6%	0.0%	0.1%	0.5%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	1.6%	1.5%	2.8%	0.6%	1.2%	0.0%	0.9%	1.5%	2.8%	1.4%	1.0%	0.0%	0.8%	0.8%	-



## 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 and out of the system. Others can experience large spans of time between foster care episodes, which is why the age of children who re-enter is typically older.

### Indicator

#### Children Re-Entering Foster Care

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

County	2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State		
	3	407	2,608	7	441	2,772	4	396	2,544	3	353	2,485	7	330	2,343	133.3%
	8.8%	23.7%	28.0%	16.3%	23.5%	26.7%	11.1%	21.3%	24.5%	7.7%	18.9%	23.5%	19.4%	17.7%	21.7%	120.4%

### By Age

Age Group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	County % Change 2013 to 2017
0-2	0.0%	8.4%	0.0%	11.9%	42.9%	-
3-5	0.0%	12.0%	0.0%	13.9%	0.0%	-
6-8	0.0%	10.0%	0.0%	9.1%	28.6%	-
9-11	0.0%	8.4%	25.0%	8.8%	14.3%	-
12-14	0.0%	17.1%	50.0%	11.9%	0.0%	-
15-17	33.3%	43.7%	25.0%	36.1%	14.3%	-57.1%
18-20	66.7%	5.7%	0.0%	8.3%	0.0%	-100.0%
Infants (age 0-1)	0.0%	5.2%	0.0%	7.6%	14.3%	-
Youth (age 13+)	100.0%	63.5%	50.0%	53.5%	51.1%	-85.7%

### By Race and Ethnicity

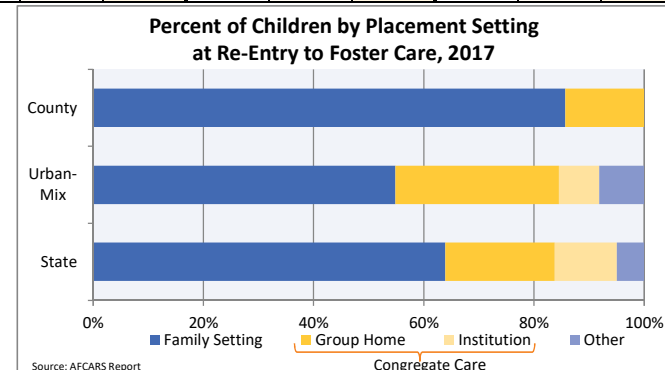
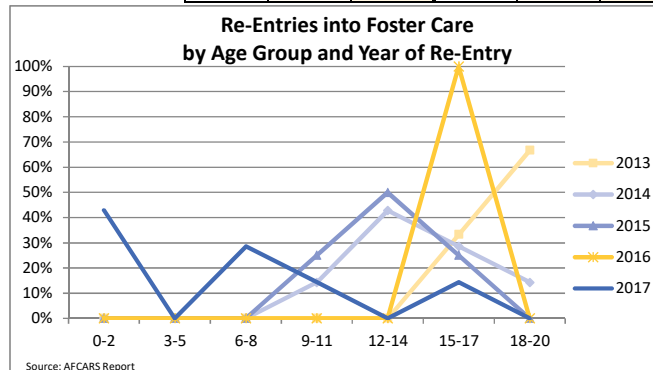
Race/Ethnicity	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	County % Change 2013 to 2017
Non-Hispanic White	66.7%	53.1%	100.0%	54.3%	71.4%	7.1%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	33.3%	17.2%	0.0%	18.7%	15.2%	-14.3%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	0.0%	2.3%	0.0%	1.8%	0.9%	-
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	0.0%	7.0%	0.0%	7.3%	10.3%	-
Hispanic or Latino	0.0%	20.4%	0.0%	17.9%	11.9%	-

### By Gender

Gender	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	County % Change 2013 to 2017
Male	66.7%	54.2%	50.0%	51.3%	42.9%	-35.7%
Female	33.3%	45.8%	50.0%	48.7%	57.1%	71.4%

### By Placement Setting at Re-Entry

Placement Setting	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	County % Change 2013 to 2017
Family Setting	33.3%	54.6%	50.0%	60.4%	85.7%	157.1%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.6%	0.0%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	24.3%	0.0%	-
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	33.3%	37.2%	50.0%	33.1%	30.3%	157.1%
Congregate Care Setting	66.7%	40.6%	50.0%	37.1%	14.3%	-78.6%
Group Home	66.7%	31.5%	50.0%	27.8%	14.3%	-78.6%
Institution	0.0%	11.1%	0.0%	14.8%	0.0%	-
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	0.7%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	-
Runaway	0.0%	3.3%	0.0%	2.4%	0.0%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.8%	0.9%	-



## 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. In addition to the court-ordered 'primary' goal, a 'concurrent' goal is put in place to ensure permanency is achieved if for some reason the primary goal cannot be met. This data provides information on the most recent primary goal for every child served in foster care during the federal fiscal year.

### Indicator

#### Percent of Children by Case Plan Goal

Indicator	2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	
<b>Family-Based Permanency Goals</b>	<b>66.7%</b>	<b>89.0%</b>	<b>92.8%</b>	<b>76.4%</b>	<b>90.5%</b>	<b>93.6%</b>	<b>77.4%</b>	<b>92.7%</b>	<b>95.2%</b>	<b>89.2%</b>	<b>94.1%</b>	<b>95.0%</b>	<b>97.1%</b>	<b>95.2%</b>	<b>94.0%</b>	<b>45.6%</b>
Reunify With Parent(s) or Principal Caretaker(s)	38.1%	63.2%	70.5%	45.5%	64.6%	72.6%	45.2%	68.6%	73.1%	43.2%	67.4%	69.8%	57.3%	67.3%	66.7%	50.4%
Adoption	17.1%	19.9%	16.7%	22.7%	20.2%	16.1%	20.0%	17.4%	27.9%	21.5%	19.5%	21.5%	21.2%	21.2%	21.2%	47.2%
Guardianship	1.0%	2.5%	3.6%	4.5%	3.8%	3.1%	11.3%	2.8%	3.0%	16.2%	3.5%	4.3%	13.6%	3.5%	4.8%	1327.2%
Live with Relative(s)	10.5%	3.5%	2.1%	3.6%	1.9%	1.8%	0.9%	1.8%	1.7%	1.8%	1.7%	1.5%	1.0%	2.6%	1.3%	-90.7%
<b>Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA)</b>	<b>33.3%</b>	<b>11.0%</b>	<b>7.2%</b>	<b>23.6%</b>	<b>9.5%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>22.6%</b>	<b>7.3%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>10.8%</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>2.9%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>-91.3%</b>
Long Term Foster Care	21.0%	5.6%	2.1%	12.7%	4.5%	1.8%	7.0%	3.7%	1.2%	0.9%	3.5%	1.0%	0.0%	2.7%	0.7%	-100.0%
Emancipation	12.4%	5.4%	5.1%	10.9%	4.9%	4.6%	15.7%	3.6%	3.6%	9.9%	2.4%	4.0%	2.9%	2.1%	5.3%	-76.5%

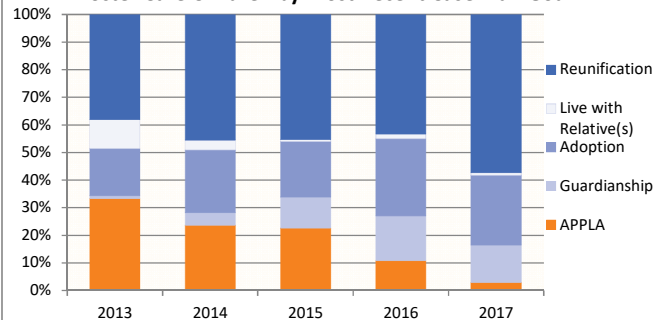
#### APPLA By Age as % of Age Group Served

Age Group	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County % Change 2013 to 2017
0-15	21.8%	2.1%	1.1%	12.4%	2.0%	0.8%	7.9%	1.2%	0.4%	1.1%	0.8%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	1.0%	-100.0%
16-20	72.7%	39.2%	23.6%	68.2%	37.7%	23.1%	73.1%	35.4%	19.4%	57.9%	29.6%	21.6%	17.6%	22.8%	25.1%	-75.7%

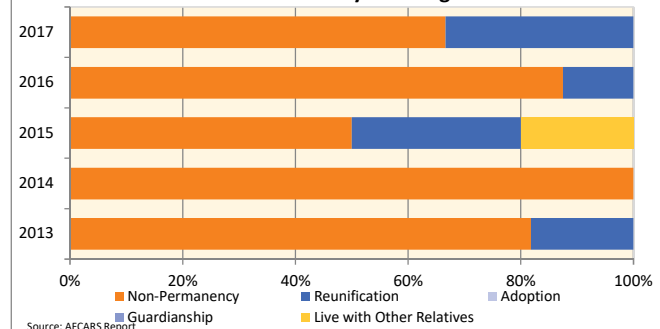
#### APPLA By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County % Change 2013 to 2017
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>18.2%</b>	<b>20.9%</b>	<b>28.9%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>18.6%</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>50.0%</b>	<b>24.3%</b>	<b>23.0%</b>	<b>12.5%</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>32.1%</b>	<b>33.3%</b>	<b>11.6%</b>	<b>22.7%</b>	<b>83.3%</b>
Reunification	18.2%	14.7%	22.8%	0.0%	13.8%	14.5%	30.0%	20.6%	17.6%	12.5%	6.9%	27.0%	33.3%	7.4%	17.3%	83.3%
(number of months until reunification)	30.6	38.4	27.8	0.0	31.3	36.2	59.1	43.5	27.5	62.0	25.2	30.4	39.7	20.4	11.8	29.6%
Adoption	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-
(number of months until adoption)	0.0	0.0	41.1	0.0	0.0	149.3	0.0	0.0	31.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-
Guardianship	0.0%	2.3%	3.4%	0.0%	3.0%	2.5%	0.0%	0.7%	1.4%	0.0%	2.6%	4.2%	0.0%	1.7%	4.9%	-
(number of month until guardianship)	0.0	22.6	32.0	0.0	39.7	27.8	0.0	11.7	18.0	0.0	30.3	32.0	0.0	32.2	23.6	-
Live with Other Relatives	0.0%	4.0%	2.2%	0.0%	1.8%	2.1%	20.0%	2.9%	3.7%	0.0%	0.9%	0.9%	0.0%	2.5%	0.5%	-
(number of months until living with relatives)	0.0	25.5	30.6	0.0	17.8	15.9	46.1	55.1	37.1	0.0	47.0	39.8	0.0	24.1	21.4	-
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>81.8%</b>	<b>79.1%</b>	<b>70.8%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>81.4%</b>	<b>80.4%</b>	<b>50.0%</b>	<b>75.0%</b>	<b>76.4%</b>	<b>87.5%</b>	<b>89.7%</b>	<b>68.6%</b>	<b>66.7%</b>	<b>87.6%</b>	<b>76.8%</b>	<b>-18.5%</b>
Emancipation	81.8%	72.9%	64.2%	100.0%	73.1%	73.0%	50.0%	74.3%	71.7%	75.0%	83.6%	62.2%	66.7%	85.1%	66.7%	-18.5%
(number of months until emancipation)	29.7	34.1	33.1	66.0	31.1	33.5	26.6	35.1	34.3	53.2	40.1	30.6	18.4	19.8	26.2	-38.0%
Transfer to Another Agency	0.0%	2.8%	3.6%	0.0%	4.8%	5.5%	0.0%	0.7%	2.7%	12.5%	4.3%	5.0%	0.0%	1.7%	8.2%	-
(number of months until transfer)	0.0	90.3	46.4	0.0	44.2	13.0	0.0	3.0	40.7	59.4	31.0	27.6	0.0	43.7	3.7	-
Runaway	0.0%	3.4%	3.1%	0.0%	3.6%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	2.0%	0.0%	1.7%	1.4%	0.0%	0.8%	1.9%	-
(number of months until running away)	0.0	39.1	26.5	0.0	16.3	16.3	0.0	0.0	23.4	0.0	81.3	14.1	0.0	57.0	32.0	-
<b>Death of Child</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>0.0%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>-</b>
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	0.0	92.4	0.0	0.0	129.8	0.0	1.1	9.0	0.0	0.0	143.7	0.0	54.0	62.6	-

Foster Care Children by Most Recent Case Plan Goal



Children with APPLA by Discharge Reason



## 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 ensure every child has the lifelong support of a permanent family.

### Indicator

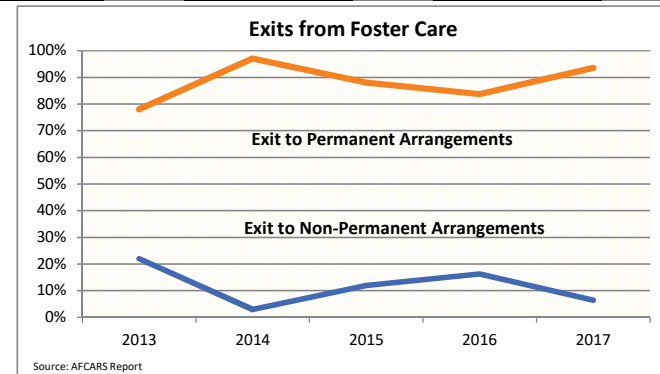
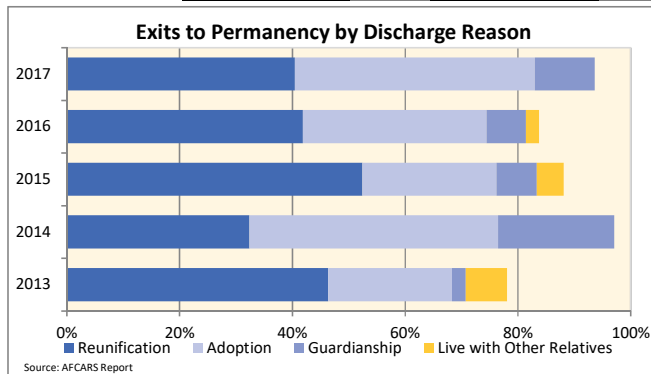
#### Children Exiting Foster Care

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

Indicator	2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	
Total Children Leaving Foster Care	41	1,710	9,123	34	1,838	9,769	42	1,749	9,471	43	1,707	10,635	47	1,733	10,276	14.6%
Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care (number of months until leaving)	36.9%	42.9%	42.6%	29.6%	45.7%	43.4%	37.8%	42.2%	41.2%	41.3%	39.6%	43.3%	45.2%	40.2%	40.5%	22.3%
	18.8	12.4	11.9	20.4	12.6	10.7	17.4	12.4	11.4	17.3	13.2	11.7	21.8	13.2	11.9	15.9%

#### By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	County % Change 2013 to 2017										
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>78.0%</b>	<b>87.9%</b>	<b>89.3%</b>	<b>97.1%</b>	<b>88.0%</b>	<b>86.9%</b>	<b>88.1%</b>	<b>89.8%</b>	<b>85.0%</b>	<b>83.7%</b>	<b>89.1%</b>	<b>84.5%</b>	<b>93.6%</b>	<b>89.5%</b>	<b>87.2%</b>	<b>19.9%</b>
Reunification	46.3%	53.1%	57.3%	32.4%	49.8%	57.2%	52.4%	54.7%	54.5%	41.9%	50.1%	54.5%	40.4%	52.6%	55.1%	-12.8%
Adoption	11.0	5.8	6.0	0.9	5.2	5.5	11.4	7.1	5.7	7.6	7.3	6.7	10.1	7.5	6.6	-8.6%
Guardianship	22.0%	24.1%	20.2%	44.1%	27.4%	18.6%	23.8%	25.4%	18.7%	32.6%	29.5%	18.7%	42.6%	27.4%	20.2%	93.9%
Live with Other Relatives	34.3	22.6	26.7	20.4	25.2	27.4	36.3	24.4	28.3	22.5	27.2	28.7	25.6	23.5	29.2	-25.5%
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>22.0%</b>	<b>12.0%</b>	<b>10.5%</b>	<b>2.9%</b>	<b>12.0%</b>	<b>13.0%</b>	<b>11.9%</b>	<b>10.0%</b>	<b>14.8%</b>	<b>16.3%</b>	<b>10.8%</b>	<b>15.4%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>12.7%</b>	<b>-70.9%</b>
Emancipation	22.0%	9.8%	8.1%	2.9%	9.6%	7.7%	11.9%	9.0%	7.8%	14.0%	8.5%	6.8%	6.4%	8.9%	7.9%	-70.9%
Transfer to Another Agency	29.7	24.5	31.4	66.0	27.3	29.6	26.6	28.6	28.1	53.2	26.1	23.4	23.8	20.5	22.0	-19.8%
Runaway	0.0%	1.6%	2.0%	0.0%	1.8%	4.3%	0.0%	1.0%	5.8%	2.3%	2.1%	7.9%	0.0%	1.3%	4.3%	-
Death of Child	0.0	25.4	6.0	0.0	9.0	5.0	0.0	6.6	6.7	59.4	14.4	7.6	0.0	12.0	6.9	-
Live with Other Relatives	0.0%	0.6%	0.5%	0.0%	0.5%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%	0.0%	0.2%	0.7%	0.0%	0.1%	0.5%	-
Other	0.0	25.3	14.9	0.0	18.0	13.2	0.0	0.0	15.5	0.0	51.9	11.2	0.0	37.9	19.4	-
Death of Child	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.2%</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>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>-</b>
Other	0.0	12.3	11.9	0.0	0.0	30.9	0.0	2.5	4.9	0.0	6.1	13.2	0.0	19.3	18.8	-



## 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 years.

### Indicator

#### Children Remaining in Foster Care

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

County	2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State		
70	2,304	13,697	79	2,345	14,162	73	2,443	14,859	70	2,586	15,382	59	2,710	16,381	-15.7%	
17.8	12.5	13.1	14.0	10.8	12.6	17.0	11.6	12.5	18.1	12.5	13.2	13.6	12.2	13.4	-23.6%	

### By Age

Age Group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	County % Change 2013 to 2017										
0-2	15.7%	21.7%	19.9%	16.5%	22.7%	20.0%	21.9%	21.9%	21.0%	24.3%	22.8%	21.3%	22.0%	22.6%	21.5%	40.2%
3-5	21.4%	17.5%	15.6%	15.2%	17.5%	16.7%	17.8%	16.8%	16.7%	18.6%	17.2%	17.0%	10.2%	17.5%	17.5%	-52.5%
6-8	14.3%	11.8%	11.6%	15.2%	12.0%	12.4%	16.4%	13.9%	12.9%	11.4%	12.7%	13.2%	13.6%	13.2%	13.7%	-5.1%
9-11	17.1%	9.2%	9.1%	6.3%	9.0%	9.6%	6.8%	10.5%	10.7%	8.6%	10.6%	11.6%	16.9%	12.3%	11.8%	-1.1%
12-14	11.4%	11.3%	11.7%	16.5%	11.0%	11.5%	16.4%	11.9%	11.7%	18.6%	11.7%	12.0%	10.2%	10.4%	12.1%	-11.0%
15-17	18.6%	21.7%	22.6%	26.6%	22.4%	21.1%	13.7%	19.6%	20.2%	17.1%	19.7%	19.6%	25.4%	18.7%	18.2%	36.9%
18-20	1.4%	6.8%	9.5%	3.8%	5.4%	8.4%	6.8%	5.4%	6.8%	1.4%	5.2%	5.3%	1.7%	5.2%	5.3%	18.6%
Infants (age 0-1)	10.0%	14.5%	12.7%	13.9%	15.5%	13.2%	20.5%	14.6%	13.9%	14.3%	15.5%	13.8%	10.2%	14.8%	13.8%	1.7%
Youth (age 13+)	27.1%	36.8%	40.7%	41.8%	35.7%	37.8%	32.9%	33.3%	35.2%	32.9%	33.8%	33.5%	35.6%	31.3%	31.9%	31.1%

### By Race and Ethnicity

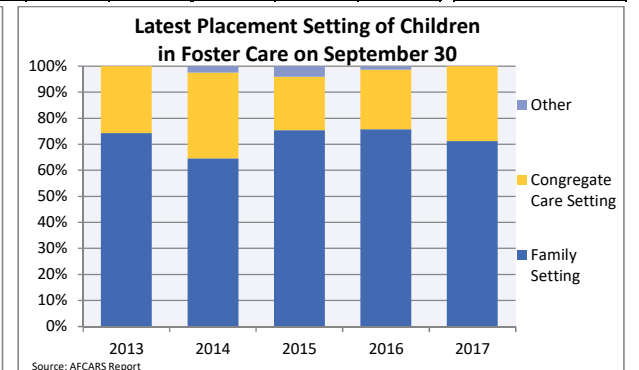
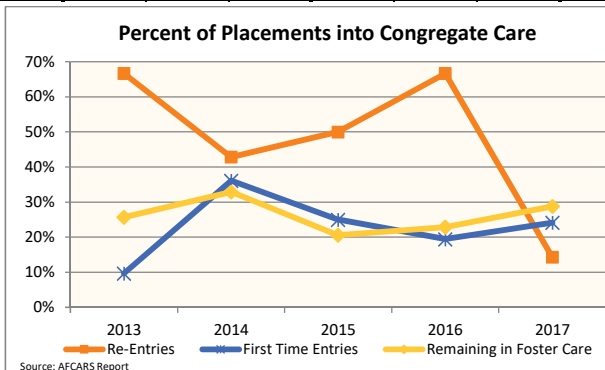
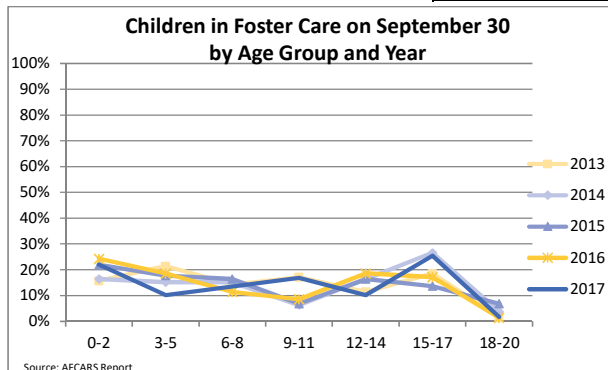
Race/Ethnicity	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	County % Change 2013 to 2017										
Non-Hispanic White	62.9%	56.1%	38.7%	64.6%	57.6%	40.1%	67.1%	54.6%	37.9%	68.6%	56.1%	41.0%	74.6%	56.7%	42.1%	18.6%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	22.9%	15.4%	37.1%	16.5%	15.2%	38.3%	15.1%	14.5%	36.9%	11.4%	13.0%	37.0%	15.3%	13.0%	35.8%	-33.3%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	7.1%	2.3%	7.8%	8.9%	2.8%	3.9%	2.7%	3.2%	6.0%	4.3%	3.3%	2.9%	1.7%	2.3%	2.7%	-76.3%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	5.7%	6.6%	3.7%	5.1%	6.0%	4.7%	9.6%	7.9%	4.9%	8.6%	8.4%	5.5%	5.1%	8.7%	6.1%	-11.0%
Hispanic or Latino	1.4%	19.7%	12.7%	5.1%	18.4%	13.0%	5.5%	19.7%	14.3%	7.1%	19.3%	13.6%	3.4%	19.4%	13.2%	137.3%

### By Gender

Gender	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	County % Change 2013 to 2017										
Male	54.3%	49.9%	50.7%	58.2%	50.4%	50.9%	65.8%	51.2%	51.3%	67.1%	51.9%	51.2%	59.3%	51.9%	51.2%	9.3%
Female	45.7%	50.1%	49.3%	41.8%	49.6%	49.1%	34.2%	48.8%	48.7%	32.9%	48.1%	48.8%	40.7%	48.1%	48.8%	-11.0%

### By Latest Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	County % Change 2013 to 2017										
Family Setting	74.3%	81.1%	76.8%	64.6%	78.8%	79.0%	75.3%	80.4%	80.6%	75.7%	79.9%	82.5%	71.2%	80.8%	83.4%	-4.2%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	1.2%	3.2%	8.9%	2.1%	3.9%	6.8%	1.0%	3.2%	12.9%	0.6%	5.3%	3.4%	0.6%	4.1%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	22.9%	25.9%	25.7%	12.7%	26.1%	30.0%	15.1%	25.5%	32.8%	10.0%	30.1%	35.1%	15.3%	33.8%	37.9%	-33.3%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	51.4%	54.0%	47.9%	43.0%	50.7%	45.1%	53.4%	53.9%	44.5%	52.9%	49.2%	42.1%	52.5%	46.4%	41.4%	2.2%
Congregate Care Setting	25.7%	15.6%	18.7%	32.9%	19.0%	17.3%	20.5%	17.0%	16.0%	22.9%	16.9%	14.7%	28.8%	15.9%	13.7%	12.1%
Group Home	18.6%	11.1%	10.8%	22.8%	13.9%	10.6%	12.3%	11.7%	9.0%	17.1%	11.7%	8.4%	25.4%	12.0%	8.2%	36.9%
Institution	7.1%	4.6%	7.8%	10.1%	5.1%	6.7%	8.2%	5.3%	7.0%	5.7%	5.2%	6.3%	3.4%	3.9%	5.5%	-52.5%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	1.1%	2.1%	2.5%	1.0%	1.7%	4.1%	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%	1.3%	1.3%	0.0%	1.9%	1.5%	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.6%	1.4%	0.0%	0.5%	1.1%	0.0%	0.2%	1.1%	0.0%	0.4%	0.7%	0.0%	0.2%	0.8%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	1.6%	1.0%	0.0%	0.7%	0.8%	0.0%	1.1%	1.0%	0.0%	1.5%	0.7%	0.0%	1.1%	0.6%	-



## 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 confront 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.

2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	
25.5%	37.6%	34.1%	14.0%	36.0%	32.7%	13.2%	33.3%	32.8%	42.0%	30.2%	33.6%	32.0%	30.6%	32.2%	25.5%

## 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.

2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	
23.5%	38.1%	41.3%	28.6%	39.5%	39.7%	31.4%	37.9%	39.0%	25.0%	37.9%	36.0%	29.4%	36.4%	39.2%	25.0%

## 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.

2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	County	Urban-Mix	State	
0.0%	25.0%	26.4%	9.1%	25.3%	26.9%	36.4%	26.2%	24.1%	0.0%	20.7%	24.8%	16.7%	21.8%	23.0%	-

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