

## 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)

County	2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State		
149	4,238	26,944	148	4,641	29,273	170	6,853	40,590	232	7,327	44,359	254	7,873	47,485	70.5%	
11.0	10.4	9.6	10.9	11.4	10.5	12.6	16.8	14.5	17.1	18.0	15.9	18.8	19.3	17.0		

#### Child Abuse and Neglect Substantiations

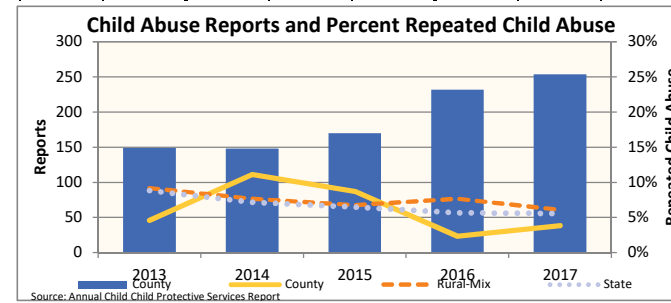
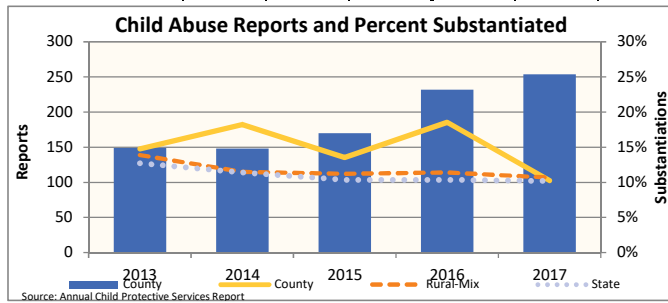
Founded or indicated reports of child abuse and/or neglect.

14.8%	13.9%	12.7%	18.2%	11.5%	11.4%	13.5%	11.2%	10.4%	18.5%	11.4%	10.4%	10.2%	10.7%	10.2%	-30.7%
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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.)

4.5%	9.2%	8.8%	11.1%	7.7%	7.2%	8.7%	6.8%	6.5%	2.3%	7.7%	5.7%	3.8%	6.1%	5.6%	-15.4%
1 in 22	1 in 11	1 in 11	1 in 9	1 in 13	1 in 14	1 in 12	1 in 15	1 in 15	1 in 43	1 in 13	1 in 18	1 in 26	1 in 16	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.

County	2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			County % Change 2013 to 2017
	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State		
-	-	-	-	-	-	934	23,487	131,953	1,259	26,826	151,087	1,227	28,044	163,852	-	

#### 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.

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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.

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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.

County	2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			County % Change 2014 to 2018
	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State		
1,012	30,494	167,582	1,441	35,387	181,371	1,326	36,232	190,413	1,426	38,573	186,855	2,105	38,955	194,761	108.0%	

## 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	2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			County % Change 2014 to 2018
	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	
Unduplicated Number of Children Served	53	2,743	22,510	58	2,805	22,980	60	3,123	24,543	63	3,258	25,381	83	3,492	25,441	56.6%
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	3.4	5.7	6.7	3.7	5.8	6.8	3.9	6.5	7.3	4.1	6.7	7.5	5.4	7.2	7.5	

### By Age

Age Group	2014 County	2014 Rural-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Rural-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Rural-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Rural-Mix	2017 State	2018 County	2018 Rural-Mix	2018 State	County % Change 2014 to 2018
0-2	7.5%	20.1%	19.4%	17.2%	21.1%	19.9%	15.0%	23.8%	20.2%	17.5%	23.6%	20.3%	15.7%	22.1%	20.2%	107.5%
3-5	13.2%	16.6%	16.8%	8.6%	16.8%	17.1%	10.0%	16.5%	17.0%	9.5%	18.3%	17.4%	13.3%	19.6%	17.9%	0.3%
6-8	9.4%	12.7%	12.3%	6.9%	12.5%	12.9%	8.3%	12.2%	13.0%	7.9%	12.6%	13.3%	7.2%	14.1%	13.4%	-23.4%
9-11	5.7%	9.8%	9.5%	3.4%	9.7%	10.0%	8.3%	9.9%	11.0%	9.5%	9.8%	11.4%	10.8%	10.8%	11.8%	91.6%
12-14	11.3%	11.4%	10.9%	12.1%	12.2%	11.4%	13.3%	11.6%	11.2%	19.0%	11.5%	11.6%	13.3%	10.9%	11.8%	17.1%
15-17	39.6%	22.7%	21.4%	37.9%	21.6%	20.4%	28.3%	21.0%	19.6%	28.6%	18.9%	18.6%	27.7%	17.7%	18.7%	-30.1%
18-20	13.2%	6.8%	9.8%	13.8%	6.1%	8.3%	16.7%	5.0%	7.9%	7.9%	5.2%	7.4%	12.0%	5.0%	6.3%	-8.8%
Infants (age 0-1)	5.7%	12.8%	12.5%	8.6%	14.4%	12.8%	11.7%	16.0%	12.8%	7.9%	14.6%	12.7%	9.6%	13.9%	12.7%	70.3%
Youth (age 13+)	62.3%	38.0%	38.9%	60.3%	36.3%	36.7%	55.0%	34.6%	35.5%	50.8%	32.3%	34.0%	53.0%	30.0%	33.1%	-14.9%

### By Race and Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	2014 County	2014 Rural-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Rural-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Rural-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Rural-Mix	2017 State	2018 County	2018 Rural-Mix	2018 State	County % Change 2014 to 2018
Non-Hispanic White	73.6%	74.3%	42.3%	70.7%	73.5%	40.9%	78.3%	74.4%	42.5%	77.8%	73.0%	42.9%	71.1%	73.8%	43.7%	-3.4%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	1.9%	12.9%	35.2%	5.2%	12.2%	34.6%	5.0%	10.7%	35.3%	4.8%	11.0%	34.9%	6.0%	9.6%	33.9%	219.3%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	0.0%	1.4%	4.4%	1.7%	1.4%	5.9%	1.7%	1.1%	3.3%	0.0%	1.5%	2.9%	1.2%	1.6%	2.3%	-
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	13.2%	4.7%	4.9%	10.3%	6.7%	5.3%	6.7%	7.0%	5.4%	6.3%	6.2%	10.8%	8.2%	7.1%	7.1%	-17.9%
Hispanic or Latino	11.3%	6.7%	13.1%	12.1%	6.1%	13.4%	8.3%	6.7%	13.4%	11.1%	7.1%	13.2%	10.8%	6.7%	13.0%	-4.2%

### By Gender

Gender	2014 County	2014 Rural-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Rural-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Rural-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Rural-Mix	2017 State	2018 County	2018 Rural-Mix	2018 State	County % Change 2014 to 2018
Male	35.8%	52.8%	50.8%	46.6%	53.7%	51.0%	50.0%	53.5%	51.2%	49.2%	54.2%	51.0%	50.6%	52.9%	50.8%	41.2%
Female	64.2%	47.2%	49.2%	53.4%	46.3%	49.0%	50.0%	46.5%	48.8%	50.8%	45.8%	49.0%	49.4%	47.1%	49.2%	-23.0%

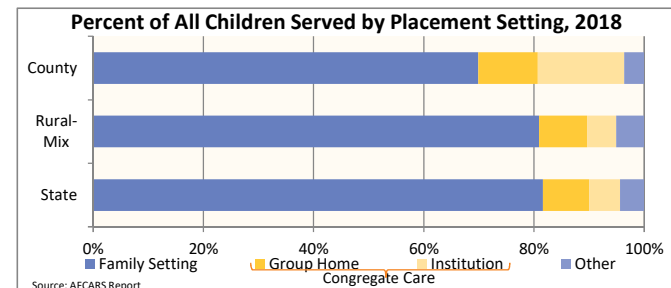
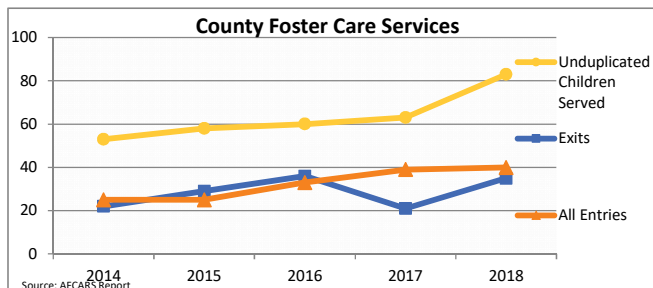
### By First Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2014 County	2014 Rural-Mix	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Rural-Mix	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Rural-Mix	2016 State	2017 County	2017 Rural-Mix	2017 State	2018 County	2018 Rural-Mix	2018 State	County % Change 2014 to 2018
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>60.4%</b>	<b>73.8%</b>	<b>75.8%</b>	<b>65.5%</b>	<b>73.6%</b>	<b>77.1%</b>	<b>71.7%</b>	<b>77.7%</b>	<b>79.0%</b>	<b>66.7%</b>	<b>78.7%</b>	<b>80.5%</b>	<b>69.9%</b>	<b>80.9%</b>	<b>81.6%</b>	<b>15.7%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	2.4%	3.5%	0.0%	1.9%	3.1%	0.0%	1.8%	4.5%	0.0%	1.6%	4.0%	0.0%	1.0%	4.5%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	11.3%	19.2%	29.6%	15.5%	21.4%	31.5%	20.0%	25.3%	34.1%	30.2%	27.3%	36.4%	24.1%	28.6%	37.1%	112.9%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	49.1%	52.2%	42.7%	50.0%	50.3%	42.5%	51.7%	50.7%	40.5%	36.5%	49.8%	40.1%	45.8%	51.3%	40.1%	-6.7%
<b>Congregate Care Setting</b>	<b>34.0%</b>	<b>18.7%</b>	<b>18.3%</b>	<b>29.3%</b>	<b>17.9%</b>	<b>17.1%</b>	<b>25.0%</b>	<b>16.0%</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>30.2%</b>	<b>15.5%</b>	<b>14.9%</b>	<b>26.5%</b>	<b>14.0%</b>	<b>14.0%</b>	<b>-22.0%</b>
Group Home	5.7%	12.6%	11.6%	10.3%	11.2%	10.5%	11.7%	10.0%	9.1%	15.9%	9.6%	8.8%	10.8%	8.8%	8.5%	91.6%
Institution	28.3%	6.1%	6.8%	19.0%	6.7%	6.6%	13.3%	6.1%	6.8%	14.3%	5.9%	6.1%	15.7%	5.2%	5.6%	-44.7%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>3.3%</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>-4.2%</b>
Runaway	0.0%	0.7%	1.2%	0.0%	0.4%	1.3%	0.0%	0.2%	1.4%	0.0%	0.4%	1.4%	0.0%	0.5%	1.4%	-
Trial Home Visit	1.9%	6.1%	2.8%	0.0%	7.2%	2.9%	0.0%	5.2%	2.2%	0.0%	4.8%	1.7%	0.0%	3.8%	1.4%	-100.0%

### Children Entering Foster Care

All Entries into Foster Care During the Year

Year	County	Rural-Mix	State	Year	County	Rural-Mix	State	Year	County	Rural-Mix	State	Year	County	Rural-Mix	State	County % Change 2014 to 2018
2014	25	1,379	10,364	2015	25	1,381	10,387	2016	33	1,602	10,567	2017	39	1,547	10,781	60.0%
2018	40	1,575	10,095													



## 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	2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			County % Change 2014 to 2018
	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	
Children Entering for the First Time	20	1,031	7,592	19	1,097	7,843	23	1,291	8,082	32	1,235	8,438	30	1,252	7,626	50.0%
First Time Entries During the Year (Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	1.3	2.1	2.3	1.2	2.3	2.3	1.5	2.7	2.4	2.1	2.6	2.5	1.9	2.6	2.3	
First Time Entries as Percent of All Entries	80.0%	74.8%	73.3%	76.0%	79.4%	75.5%	69.7%	80.6%	76.5%	82.1%	79.8%	78.3%	75.0%	79.5%	75.5%	-6.3%

#### 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	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	County % Change 2014 to 2018
0-2	20.0%	31.6%	31.3%	25.0%	30.0%	50.0%
3-5	10.0%	0.0%	14.6%	9.4%	13.3%	33.3%
6-8	5.0%	0.0%	11.9%	6.3%	12.1%	233.3%
9-11	10.0%	7.9%	9.8%	9.4%	10.7%	-66.7%
12-14	25.0%	15.9%	13.4%	37.5%	12.1%	-33.3%
15-17	30.0%	17.4%	17.2%	12.5%	15.6%	-33.3%
18-20	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	20.0%	26.3%	26.2%	15.6%	23.3%	16.7%
Youth (age 13+)	50.0%	31.4%	27.5%	46.9%	24.7%	-26.7%

#### 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	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	County % Change 2014 to 2018
Non-Hispanic White	70.0%	63.2%	42.7%	71.9%	80.0%	14.3%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	5.0%	15.8%	4.3%	6.3%	6.7%	33.3%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	0.0%	5.3%	8.7%	0.0%	3.3%	-
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	15.0%	5.3%	0.0%	12.5%	6.7%	-55.6%
Hispanic or Latino	10.0%	8.1%	13.4%	9.4%	5.4%	-66.7%

#### By Gender

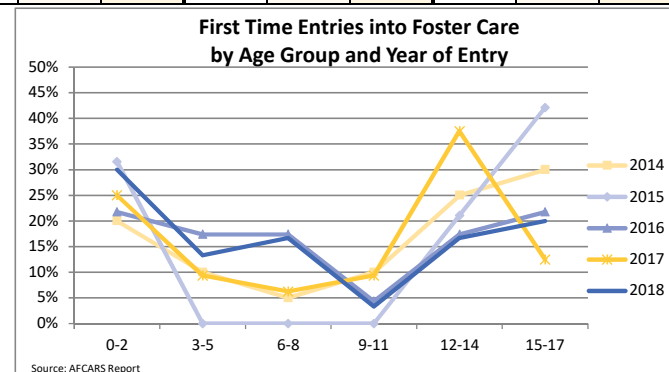
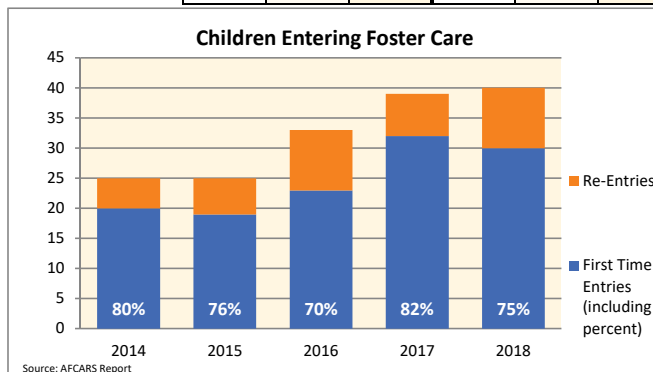
Male  
Female

Gender	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	County % Change 2014 to 2018
Male	40.0%	36.8%	50.8%	50.0%	53.3%	33.3%
Female	60.0%	63.2%	49.2%	50.0%	46.7%	-22.2%

#### 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	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	County % Change 2014 to 2018
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>55.0%</b>	<b>57.9%</b>	<b>80.9%</b>	<b>82.7%</b>	<b>83.6%</b>	<b>39.4%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	15.0%	15.8%	33.6%	37.5%	23.3%	55.6%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	40.0%	42.1%	43.5%	44.6%	51.0%	33.3%
<b>Congregate Care Setting</b>	<b>40.0%</b>	<b>20.3%</b>	<b>17.0%</b>	<b>15.9%</b>	<b>23.3%</b>	<b>-41.7%</b>
Group Home	5.0%	13.3%	17.4%	9.7%	10.0%	100.0%
Institution	35.0%	7.0%	6.3%	6.2%	13.3%	-61.9%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>-</b>
Runaway	5.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%	0.3%	-100.0%
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	3.9%	1.5%	1.0%	2.2%	-



## 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 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	2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			County % Change 2014 to 2018
	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State		
	5	348	2,772	6	284	2,544	10	311	2,485	7	312	2,343	10	323	2,469	100.0%
	20.0%	25.2%	26.7%	24.0%	20.6%	24.5%	30.3%	19.4%	23.5%	17.9%	20.2%	21.7%	25.0%	20.5%	24.5%	25.0%

### By Age

Age Group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	% Change
0-2	0.0%	10.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-
3-5	0.0%	11.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-
6-8	0.0%	9.0%	20.0%	15.7%	10.0%	-
9-11	0.0%	7.9%	10.0%	8.7%	10.6%	-
12-14	40.0%	18.7%	30.0%	12.8%	30.0%	-25.0%
15-17	60.0%	38.2%	30.0%	29.5%	40.0%	-33.3%
18-20	0.0%	6.3%	10.0%	4.2%	0.0%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	0.0%	6.0%	0.0%	9.0%	0.0%	-
Youth (age 13+)	100.0%	57.9%	60.0%	42.9%	48.6%	-40.0%

### By Race and Ethnicity

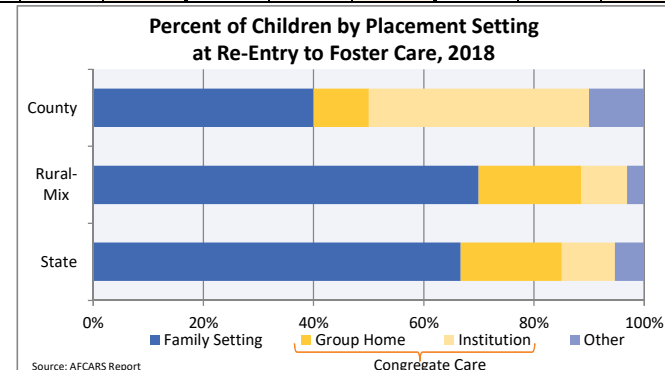
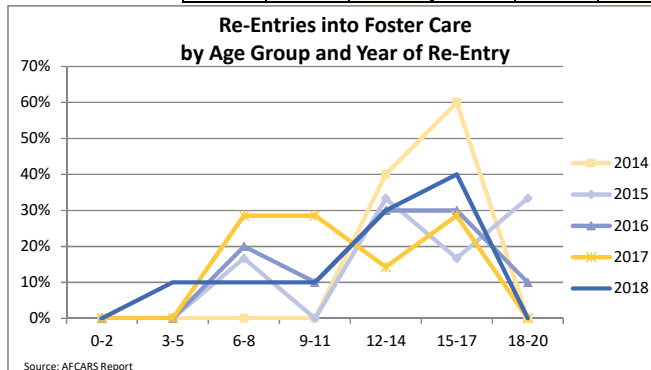
Race/Ethnicity	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	% Change
Non-Hispanic White	60.0%	69.1%	90.0%	67.2%	60.0%	0.0%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	0.0%	11.6%	0.0%	10.5%	0.0%	-
Non-Hispanic Other Race	0.0%	1.3%	0.0%	2.2%	0.0%	-
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	0.0%	5.1%	0.0%	6.2%	30.0%	-
Hispanic or Latino	40.0%	4.2%	10.0%	14.3%	10.0%	-75.0%

### By Gender

Gender	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	% Change
Male	40.0%	52.1%	30.0%	55.8%	60.0%	50.0%
Female	60.0%	47.9%	70.0%	44.2%	40.0%	-33.3%

### By Placement Setting at Re-Entry

Placement Setting	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	% Change
Family Setting	20.0%	53.7%	70.0%	42.9%	40.0%	100.0%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	20.0%	12.9%	10.0%	27.8%	29.0%	-50.0%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	0.0%	40.8%	60.0%	42.9%	30.0%	-
Congregate Care Setting	80.0%	33.8%	30.0%	57.1%	29.4%	-37.5%
Group Home	0.0%	24.4%	0.0%	20.3%	18.8%	-
Institution	80.0%	15.0%	30.0%	7.7%	10.7%	-50.0%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	-
Runaway	0.0%	2.4%	0.0%	0.3%	2.4%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	0.9%	0.0%	0.6%	1.2%	-



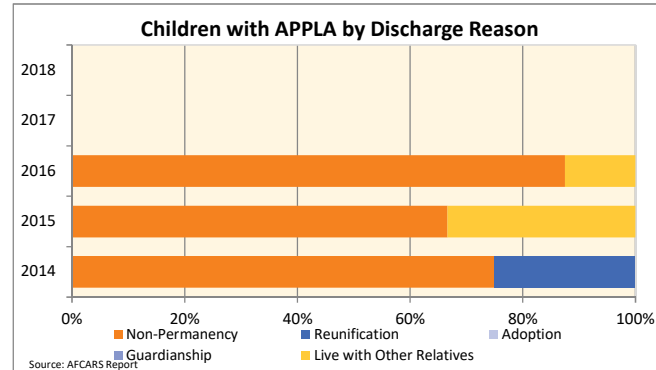
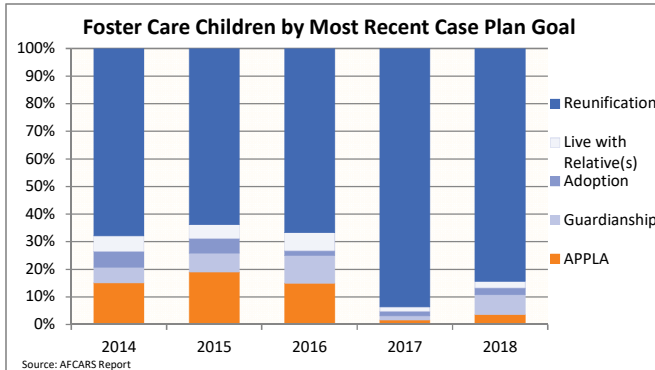
## FOSTER CARE - GOALS

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	2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			County % Change 2014 to 2018
	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	
<b>Percent of Children by Case Plan Goal</b>																
<b>Family-Based Permanency Goals</b>	<b>84.9%</b>	<b>94.3%</b>	<b>93.6%</b>	<b>81.0%</b>	<b>95.5%</b>	<b>95.2%</b>	<b>85.0%</b>	<b>97.0%</b>	<b>95.0%</b>	<b>98.4%</b>	<b>97.7%</b>	<b>94.0%</b>	<b>96.4%</b>	<b>98.2%</b>	<b>95.1%</b>	<b>13.5%</b>
Reunify With Parent(s) or Principal Caretaker(s)	67.9%	72.0%	72.6%	63.8%	71.6%	73.1%	66.7%	75.0%	69.8%	93.7%	74.5%	66.7%	84.3%	73.0%	65.3%	24.2%
Adoption	5.7%	16.0%	16.1%	5.2%	17.6%	17.4%	1.7%	15.8%	19.5%	1.6%	16.8%	21.2%	2.4%	18.2%	23.6%	-57.4%
Guardianship	5.7%	2.3%	3.1%	6.9%	3.9%	3.0%	10.0%	4.4%	4.3%	1.6%	5.0%	4.8%	7.2%	5.5%	5.1%	27.7%
Live with Relative(s)	5.7%	3.9%	1.8%	5.2%	2.3%	1.7%	6.7%	1.8%	1.5%	1.6%	1.4%	1.3%	2.4%	1.6%	1.2%	-57.4%
<b>Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA)</b>	<b>15.1%</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>19.0%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>15.0%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>-76.1%</b>
Long Term Foster Care	5.7%	2.4%	1.8%	15.5%	1.7%	1.2%	10.0%	0.9%	1.0%	1.6%	0.5%	0.7%	3.6%	0.2%	0.6%	-36.1%
Emancipation	9.4%	3.3%	4.6%	3.4%	2.8%	3.6%	5.0%	2.1%	4.0%	0.0%	1.8%	5.3%	0.0%	1.6%	4.3%	-100.0%

APPLA By Age as % of Age Group Served	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County % Change 2014 to 2018
0-15	0.0%	0.6%	0.8%	0.0%	0.6%	0.4%	0.0%	0.4%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	-
16-20	36.4%	22.7%	23.1%	55.0%	22.5%	19.4%	37.5%	20.3%	21.6%	5.9%	12.2%	25.1%	5.9%	12.2%	25.1%	-83.8%

APPLA By Discharge Reason	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County % Change 2014 to 2018
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>25.0%</b>	<b>10.5%</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>33.3%</b>	<b>23.8%</b>	<b>23.0%</b>	<b>12.5%</b>	<b>20.3%</b>	<b>32.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>9.8%</b>	<b>22.7%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>19.5%</b>	<b>-100.0%</b>
Reunification	25.0%	6.6%	14.5%	0.0%	15.9%	17.6%	0.0%	16.9%	27.0%	0.0%	9.8%	17.3%	0.0%	0.0%	16.9%	-100.0%
(number of months until reunification)	38.2	19.4	36.2	0.0	10.1	27.5	0.0	39.9	30.4	0.0	12.8	11.8	0.0	0.0	18.6	-100.0%
Adoption	0.0%	1.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-
(number of months until adoption)	0.0	104.2	149.3	0.0	0.0	31.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-
Guardianship	0.0%	1.3%	2.5%	0.0%	4.8%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	4.2%	0.0%	0.0%	4.9%	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	-
(number of month until guardianship)	0.0	12.7	27.8	0.0	19.5	18.0	0.0	0.0	32.0	0.0	0.0	23.6	0.0	0.0	25.6	-
Live with Other Relatives	0.0%	1.3%	2.1%	33.3%	3.2%	3.7%	12.5%	3.4%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	-
(number of months until living with relatives)	0.0	17.1	15.9	76.6	40.4	37.1	36.4	39.8	39.8	0.0	0.0	21.4	0.0	0.0	32.9	-
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>75.0%</b>	<b>88.2%</b>	<b>80.4%</b>	<b>66.7%</b>	<b>73.0%</b>	<b>76.4%</b>	<b>87.5%</b>	<b>79.7%</b>	<b>68.6%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>88.2%</b>	<b>76.8%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>80.5%</b>	<b>-100.0%</b>
Emancipation	75.0%	85.5%	73.0%	66.7%	69.8%	71.7%	75.0%	76.3%	62.2%	0.0%	88.2%	66.7%	0.0%	97.7%	72.1%	-100.0%
(number of months until emancipation)	46.8	29.9	33.5	1.9	37.7	34.3	31.5	36.0	30.6	0.0	31.5	26.2	0.0	35.3	27.6	-100.0%
Transfer to Another Agency	0.0%	1.3%	5.5%	0.0%	1.6%	2.7%	12.5%	3.4%	5.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8.2%	0.0%	2.3%	5.3%	-
(number of months until transfer)	0.0	1.1	13.0	0.0	28.2	40.7	52.7	52.4	27.6	0.0	0.0	3.7	0.0	33.4	19.4	-
Runaway	0.0%	1.3%	1.9%	0.0%	1.6%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	3.0%	-
(number of months until running away)	0.0	13.2	16.3	0.0	7.4	23.4	0.0	0.0	14.1	0.0	0.0	32.0	0.0	0.0	22.4	-
<b>Death of Child</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>-</b>
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	129.8	129.8	0.0	18.9	9.0	0.0	0.0	143.7	0.0	199.5	62.6	0.0	0.0	62.6	-



## 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

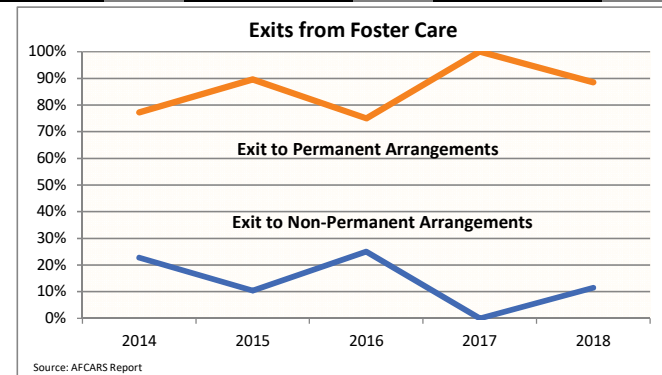
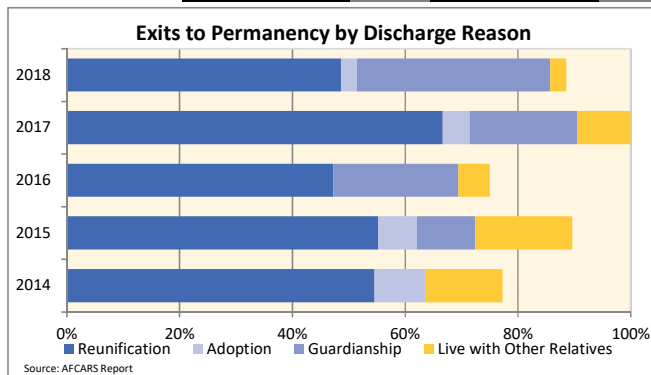
#### Children Exiting Foster Care

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

Indicator	2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			County % Change 2014 to 2018
	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	
Total Children Leaving Foster Care	22	1,316	9,769	29	1,323	9,471	36	1,405	10,635	21	1,328	10,276	35	1,585	10,694	59.1%
Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care (number of months until leaving)	41.5%	48.0%	43.4%	50.0%	47.2%	41.2%	60.0%	45.0%	43.3%	33.3%	40.8%	40.5%	42.2%	45.4%	42.0%	1.6%
	7.9	8.0	10.7	11.7	9.0	11.4	9.0	7.8	11.7	6.9	10.0	11.9	10.1	9.3	13.0	28.6%

#### By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	County % Change 2014 to 2018										
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>77.3%</b>	<b>90.1%</b>	<b>86.9%</b>	<b>89.7%</b>	<b>91.2%</b>	<b>85.0%</b>	<b>75.0%</b>	<b>92.7%</b>	<b>84.5%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>91.7%</b>	<b>87.2%</b>	<b>88.6%</b>	<b>92.6%</b>	<b>88.6%</b>	<b>14.6%</b>
Reunification	54.5%	60.6%	57.2%	55.2%	57.2%	54.5%	47.2%	60.1%	54.5%	66.7%	54.7%	55.1%	48.6%	56.0%	52.5%	-11.0%
(number of months until reunification)	4.6	4.8	5.5	6.7	5.3	5.7	3.2	4.0	6.7	5.1	6.0	6.6	6.9	6.2	6.4	49.3%
Adoption	9.1%	15.1%	18.6%	6.9%	17.8%	18.7%	0.0%	15.6%	18.7%	4.8%	18.2%	20.2%	2.9%	16.5%	23.9%	-68.6%
(number of months until adoption)	53.1	31.5	27.4	28.3	29.9	28.3	0.0	27.5	28.7	27.6	27.5	29.2	33.1	27.1	30.5	-37.7%
Guardianship	0.0%	5.5%	6.1%	10.3%	6.4%	6.5%	22.2%	8.0%	6.6%	19.0%	10.8%	6.7%	34.3%	10.2%	7.5%	-
(number of month until guardianship)	0.0	22.0	20.8	8.8	18.4	21.1	17.5	17.0	19.4	14.6	16.2	20.1	10.1	16.1	19.4	-
Live with Other Relatives	13.6%	8.8%	5.0%	17.2%	9.7%	5.4%	5.6%	9.0%	4.7%	9.5%	7.9%	5.1%	2.9%	9.9%	4.6%	-79.0%
(number of months until living with relatives)	1.7	3.5	1.0	29.6	4.1	3.0	18.8	5.5	2.2	9.9	3.4	2.2	2.7	3.1	2.1	60.8%
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>22.7%</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>13.0%</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>8.6%</b>	<b>14.8%</b>	<b>25.0%</b>	<b>7.3%</b>	<b>15.4%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>8.1%</b>	<b>12.7%</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>7.3%</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>-49.7%</b>
Emancipation	18.2%	7.8%	7.7%	10.3%	7.0%	7.8%	22.2%	5.8%	6.8%	0.0%	6.3%	7.9%	11.4%	5.8%	7.3%	-37.1%
(number of months until emancipation)	30.5	23.4	29.6	3.3	27.2	28.1	31.5	25.8	23.4	0.0	31.2	22.0	22.8	25.2	23.7	-25.0%
Transfer to Another Agency	4.5%	1.7%	4.3%	0.0%	1.4%	5.8%	2.8%	1.3%	7.9%	0.0%	1.8%	4.3%	0.0%	1.3%	3.5%	-100.0%
(number of months until transfer)	10.3	4.9	5.0	0.0	18.4	6.7	52.7	14.8	7.6	0.0	8.2	6.9	0.0	13.3	7.9	-100.0%
Runaway	0.0%	0.2%	1.1%	0.0%	0.2%	1.3%	0.0%	0.2%	0.7%	0.0%	0.1%	0.5%	0.0%	0.2%	0.6%	-
(number of months until running away)	0.0	39.9	13.2	0.0	3.7	15.5	0.0	6.6	11.2	0.0	10.0	19.4	0.0	9.7	14.0	-
Death of Child	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	-
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	45.6	30.9	0.0	42.2	4.9	0.0	0.0	13.2	0.0	106.4	18.8	0.0	3.8	5.5	-



## 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	2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			County % Change 2014 to 2018
	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State		
	33	1,568	14,162	30	1,617	14,859	26	1,842	15,382	44	2,049	16,381	49	2,038	16,074	48.5%
	13.0	12.0	12.6	12.0	10.5	12.5	8.6	10.2	13.2	9.5	10.3	13.4	9.6	11.0	14.2	-25.8%

### By Age

Age Group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	County % Change 2014 to 2018										
0-2	9.1%	21.7%	20.0%	23.3%	23.4%	21.0%	11.5%	26.7%	21.3%	18.2%	25.4%	21.5%	18.4%	22.6%	21.0%	102.0%
3-5	15.2%	16.8%	16.7%	0.0%	15.8%	16.7%	15.4%	16.6%	17.0%	4.5%	18.1%	17.5%	10.2%	19.5%	17.5%	-32.7%
6-8	9.1%	13.3%	12.4%	3.3%	11.6%	12.9%	7.7%	11.7%	13.2%	4.5%	14.1%	13.7%	4.1%	14.9%	13.6%	-55.1%
9-11	9.1%	11.0%	9.6%	0.0%	10.6%	10.7%	15.4%	10.2%	11.6%	11.4%	9.7%	11.8%	14.3%	11.3%	12.2%	57.1%
12-14	12.1%	11.2%	11.5%	10.0%	13.2%	11.7%	3.8%	11.5%	12.0%	18.2%	11.4%	12.1%	14.3%	11.4%	12.3%	17.9%
15-17	36.4%	21.1%	21.1%	46.7%	20.6%	20.2%	38.5%	19.9%	19.6%	31.8%	17.8%	18.2%	28.6%	17.0%	18.3%	-21.4%
18-20	9.1%	4.9%	8.4%	16.7%	4.7%	6.8%	7.7%	3.5%	5.3%	11.4%	3.6%	5.3%	10.2%	3.3%	5.2%	12.2%
Infants (age 0-1)	9.1%	14.7%	13.2%	13.3%	16.9%	13.9%	7.7%	18.4%	13.8%	6.8%	16.0%	13.8%	14.3%	14.9%	13.7%	57.1%
Youth (age 13+)	57.6%	34.2%	37.8%	70.0%	34.4%	35.2%	50.0%	32.1%	33.5%	56.8%	29.5%	31.9%	53.1%	28.3%	31.9%	-7.8%

### By Race and Ethnicity

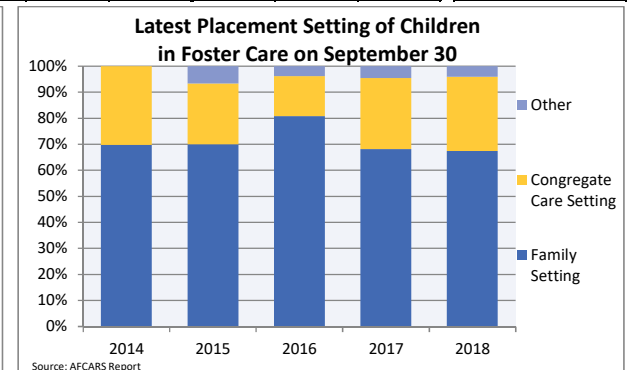
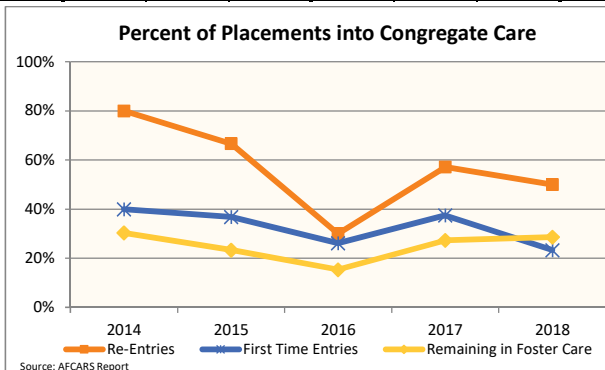
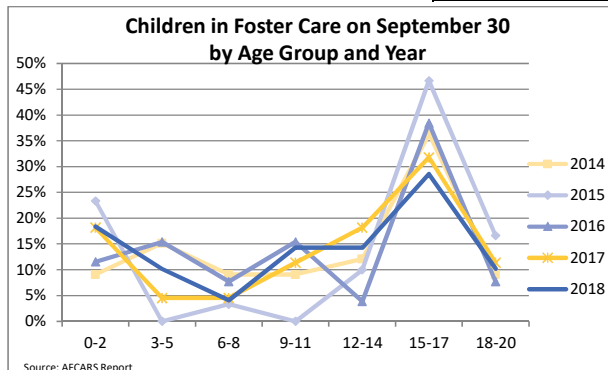
Race/Ethnicity	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	County % Change 2014 to 2018										
Non-Hispanic White	72.7%	74.9%	40.1%	63.3%	75.8%	37.9%	80.8%	75.1%	41.0%	68.2%	73.8%	42.1%	71.4%	74.2%	42.2%	-1.8%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	0.0%	13.0%	38.3%	6.7%	11.2%	36.9%	3.8%	9.9%	37.0%	6.8%	9.9%	35.8%	6.1%	8.6%	35.4%	-
Non-Hispanic Other Race	0.0%	1.2%	3.9%	3.3%	1.2%	6.0%	0.0%	0.8%	2.9%	0.0%	1.5%	2.7%	2.0%	1.4%	2.3%	-
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	15.2%	4.6%	4.7%	13.3%	6.3%	4.9%	0.0%	7.6%	5.5%	9.1%	7.3%	6.1%	8.2%	8.4%	7.1%	-46.1%
Hispanic or Latino	12.1%	6.3%	13.0%	13.3%	5.5%	14.3%	15.4%	6.7%	13.6%	15.9%	7.5%	13.2%	12.2%	7.4%	13.0%	1.0%

### By Gender

Gender	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	County % Change 2014 to 2018										
Male	48.5%	54.0%	50.9%	50.0%	54.1%	51.3%	42.3%	53.9%	51.2%	45.5%	53.9%	51.2%	55.1%	52.7%	50.9%	13.6%
Female	51.5%	46.0%	49.1%	50.0%	45.9%	48.7%	57.7%	46.1%	48.8%	54.5%	46.1%	48.8%	44.9%	47.3%	49.1%	-12.8%

### By Latest Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	County % Change 2014 to 2018										
Family Setting	69.7%	80.5%	79.0%	70.0%	78.6%	80.6%	80.8%	82.6%	82.5%	68.2%	83.3%	83.4%	67.3%	85.4%	84.0%	-3.4%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	1.9%	3.9%	0.0%	1.3%	3.2%	0.0%	1.9%	5.3%	0.0%	0.5%	4.1%	0.0%	0.4%	4.0%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	9.1%	22.1%	30.0%	10.0%	23.9%	32.8%	19.2%	25.2%	35.1%	25.0%	28.1%	37.9%	10.2%	28.4%	37.8%	12.2%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	60.6%	56.6%	45.1%	60.0%	53.4%	44.5%	61.5%	55.5%	42.1%	43.2%	54.8%	41.4%	57.1%	56.6%	42.2%	-5.7%
Congregate Care Setting	30.3%	16.1%	17.3%	23.3%	17.3%	16.0%	15.4%	14.8%	14.7%	27.3%	13.9%	13.7%	28.6%	13.0%	13.2%	-5.7%
Group Home	9.1%	9.8%	10.6%	10.0%	10.3%	9.0%	3.8%	8.7%	8.4%	15.9%	8.3%	8.2%	12.2%	7.9%	7.9%	34.7%
Institution	21.2%	6.3%	6.7%	13.3%	7.0%	7.0%	11.5%	6.1%	6.3%	11.4%	5.6%	5.5%	16.3%	5.1%	5.3%	-23.0%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	0.4%	1.7%	6.7%	0.8%	1.4%	3.8%	0.6%	1.3%	4.5%	0.8%	1.5%	4.1%	0.6%	1.5%	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.3%	1.1%	0.0%	0.1%	1.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.7%	0.0%	0.2%	0.8%	0.0%	0.1%	0.9%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	2.7%	0.8%	0.0%	3.3%	1.0%	0.0%	1.9%	0.7%	0.0%	0.1%	0.6%	0.0%	0.9%	0.4%	-



## 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.

2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			County % Change 2014 to 2018
County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	
16.7%	37.5%	32.7%	13.6%	35.6%	32.8%	18.8%	30.2%	33.6%	13.6%	28.8%	32.2%	44.0%	30.2%	31.2%	164.0%

## 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.

2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			County % Change 2014 to 2018
County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	
50.0%	45.9%	39.7%	42.1%	49.5%	39.0%	55.0%	42.6%	36.0%	63.6%	43.5%	39.2%	35.5%	41.2%	37.4%	-29.0%

## 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.

2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			County % Change 2014 to 2018
County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	
22.2%	21.0%	26.9%	15.4%	17.7%	24.1%	5.0%	20.0%	24.8%	22.2%	17.1%	23.0%	25.0%	20.0%	21.4%	12.5%

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