

## 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)

2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		Urban % Change 2013 to 2017	State % Change 2013 to 2017
Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
14,114	26,944	15,108	29,273	20,971	40,590	22,768	44,359	24,938	47,485	76.7%	76.2%
8.7	9.6	9.4	10.5	13.0	14.5	14.1	15.9	15.4	17.0		

#### Child Abuse and Neglect Substantiations

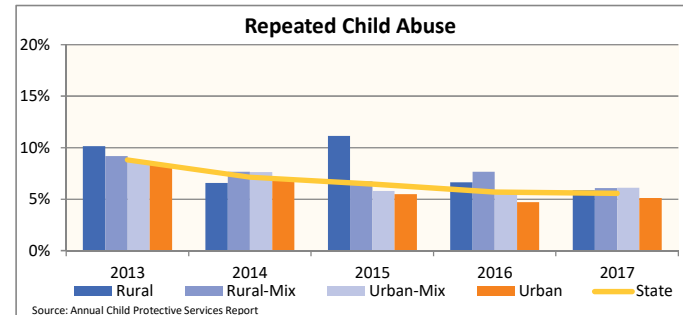
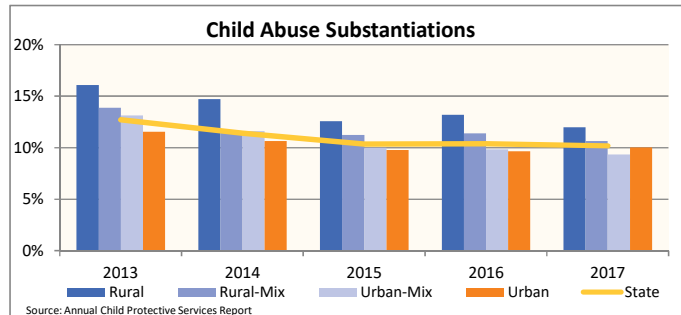
Founded or indicated reports of child abuse and/or neglect.

2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		Urban % Change 2013 to 2017	State % Change 2013 to 2017
Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
11.6%	12.7%	10.6%	11.4%	9.8%	10.4%	9.7%	10.4%	10.0%	10.2%	-13.3%	-19.9%

#### Repeated Child Abuse and Neglect

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

2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		Urban % Change 2013 to 2017	State % Change 2013 to 2017
Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
8.4%	8.8%	6.9%	7.2%	5.5%	6.5%	4.7%	5.7%	5.1%	5.6%	-39.0%	-36.9%
1 in 12	1 in 11	1 in 14	1 in 14	1 in 18	1 in 15	1 in 21	1 in 18	1 in 20	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.

2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		Urban % Change 2013 to 2017	State % Change 2013 to 2017
Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
-	-	-	-	-	131,953	19,147	151,087	73,444	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.

2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		Urban % Change 2013 to 2017	State % Change 2013 to 2017
Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
-	-	-	-	63,101	9.8%	18.9%	20.9%	20.0%	22.8%	-	-

#### 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.

2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		Urban % Change 2013 to 2017	State % Change 2013 to 2017
Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
-	-	-	-	63,101	0	19,147	43,702	23,056	53,319	-	-

#### Unduplicated Number of Children Served

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

2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		% Change 2014 to 2018	% Change 2014 to 2018
Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
77,509	167,582	88,106	181,371	90,893	190,413	81,260	186,855	84,995	194,761	9.7%	16.2%

## 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		Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
Unduplicated Number of Children Served	14,249	22,510	14,577	22,980	15,584	24,543	15,999	25,381	15,712	25,441	10.3%	13.0%
	7.4	6.7	7.5	6.8	8.0	7.3	8.3	7.5	8.1	7.5		

#### By Age

Age Group	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	Urban % Change	State % Change
0-2	18.7%	19.4%	19.1%	19.9%	18.8%	20.2%	19.1%	20.3%	19.2%	20.2%	2.5%	3.7%
3-5	16.9%	16.8%	17.2%	17.1%	17.1%	17.0%	17.4%	17.4%	17.6%	17.9%	4.1%	6.6%
6-8	12.0%	12.3%	12.9%	12.9%	13.3%	13.0%	13.6%	13.3%	13.5%	13.4%	12.1%	9.1%
9-11	9.6%	9.5%	10.3%	10.0%	11.3%	11.0%	11.7%	11.4%	12.1%	11.8%	27.0%	24.6%
12-14	10.8%	10.9%	11.2%	11.4%	11.2%	11.2%	11.9%	11.6%	12.0%	11.8%	10.9%	7.6%
15-17	20.7%	21.4%	19.9%	20.4%	19.2%	19.6%	18.3%	18.6%	18.7%	18.7%	-9.7%	-12.4%
18-20	11.1%	9.8%	9.3%	8.3%	9.1%	7.9%	8.0%	7.4%	6.8%	6.3%	-39.2%	-35.2%
Infants (age 0-1)	11.9%	12.5%	12.0%	12.8%	11.5%	12.8%	11.8%	12.7%	11.9%	12.7%	0.5%	1.7%
Youth (age 13+)	39.5%	38.9%	37.1%	36.7%	36.2%	35.5%	34.6%	34.0%	33.8%	33.1%	-14.4%	-15.0%

#### By Race and Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	Urban % Change	State % Change
Non-Hispanic White	26.8%	42.3%	25.5%	40.9%	27.1%	42.5%	28.0%	42.9%	28.2%	43.7%	5.3%	3.4%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	48.7%	35.2%	47.6%	34.6%	49.8%	35.3%	49.2%	34.9%	48.9%	33.9%	0.3%	-3.7%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	5.9%	4.4%	8.0%	5.9%	4.2%	3.3%	3.5%	2.9%	2.6%	2.3%	-55.7%	-47.3%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	4.7%	4.9%	4.3%	5.3%	4.3%	5.4%	5.5%	6.2%	6.1%	7.1%	29.9%	42.6%
Hispanic or Latino	13.8%	13.1%	14.7%	13.4%	14.6%	13.4%	13.9%	13.2%	14.2%	13.0%	2.3%	-1.2%

#### By Gender

Gender	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	Urban % Change	State % Change
Male	50.2%	50.8%	50.4%	51.0%	50.3%	51.2%	50.1%	51.0%	50.3%	50.8%	0.2%	0.1%
Female	49.8%	49.2%	49.6%	49.0%	49.7%	48.8%	49.9%	49.0%	49.7%	49.2%	-0.2%	-0.1%

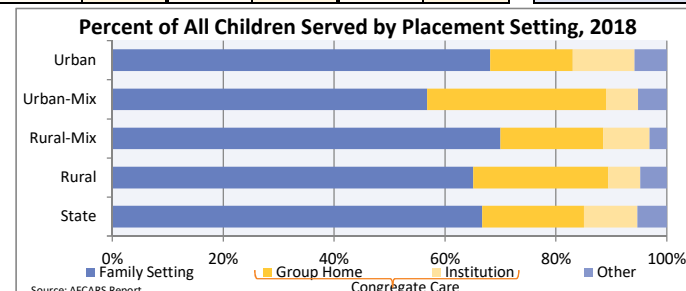
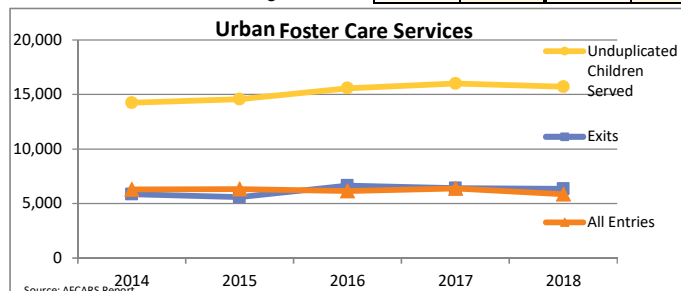
#### By First Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	Urban % Change	State % Change
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>76.1%</b>	<b>75.8%</b>	<b>78.1%</b>	<b>77.1%</b>	<b>79.9%</b>	<b>79.0%</b>	<b>81.7%</b>	<b>80.5%</b>	<b>82.6%</b>	<b>81.6%</b>	<b>8.6%</b>	<b>7.6%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	4.1%	3.5%	3.6%	3.1%	6.0%	4.5%	5.5%	4.0%	6.4%	4.5%	54.3%	28.4%
Foster Family Home – Relative	32.9%	29.6%	35.8%	31.5%	37.7%	34.1%	40.0%	36.4%	40.9%	37.1%	24.4%	25.0%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	39.1%	42.7%	38.7%	42.5%	36.2%	40.5%	36.2%	40.1%	35.3%	40.1%	-9.5%	-6.2%
<b>Congregate Care Setting</b>	<b>18.2%</b>	<b>18.3%</b>	<b>16.4%</b>	<b>17.1%</b>	<b>15.2%</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>14.0%</b>	<b>14.9%</b>	<b>13.2%</b>	<b>14.0%</b>	<b>-27.7%</b>	<b>-23.5%</b>
Group Home	10.5%	11.6%	9.1%	10.5%	7.5%	9.1%	7.2%	8.8%	7.0%	8.5%	-33.8%	-26.9%
Institution	7.7%	6.8%	7.4%	6.6%	7.7%	6.8%	6.8%	6.1%	6.2%	5.6%	-19.3%	-17.7%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>-31.4%</b>	<b>-17.2%</b>
Runaway	1.4%	1.2%	1.7%	1.3%	1.9%	1.4%	1.9%	1.4%	2.0%	1.4%	43.2%	18.3%
Trial Home Visit	1.9%	2.8%	1.9%	2.9%	1.1%	2.2%	0.7%	1.7%	0.5%	1.4%	-73.2%	-49.5%

#### Children Entering Foster Care

All Entries into Foster Care During the Year

Year	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban % Change	State % Change
2014	6,295	10,364	6,327	10,387	6,153	10,567	6,387	10,781	5,854	10,095	-7.0%	-2.6%



## 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

	2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
First Time Entries During the Year	4,465	7,592	4,638	7,843	4,556	8,082	4,874	8,438	4,227	7,626	-5.3%	0.4%
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.2	2.3	1.8%	3.1%
First Time Entries as Percent of All Entries	70.9%	73.3%	73.3%	75.5%	74.0%	76.5%	76.3%	78.3%	72.2%	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+)

	2014	State	2015	State	2016	State	2017	State	2018	State	Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
0-2	33.6%	32.7%	33.2%	32.7%	32.5%	33.3%	33.4%	33.2%	35.2%	34.4%	4.5%	5.4%
3-5	15.9%	15.7%	14.3%	14.6%	14.6%	14.7%	14.6%	15.3%	14.3%	15.4%	-10.0%	-1.9%
6-8	11.6%	11.5%	12.0%	11.9%	12.8%	12.5%	12.1%	11.9%	11.4%	11.5%	-2.1%	-0.4%
9-11	9.4%	9.2%	10.2%	9.8%	10.1%	9.6%	10.0%	10.1%	10.8%	10.3%	15.2%	12.5%
12-14	12.3%	12.7%	12.7%	13.4%	12.7%	12.6%	13.4%	13.1%	12.9%	12.8%	4.5%	0.2%
15-17	17.0%	18.0%	17.4%	17.4%	17.1%	17.2%	16.3%	16.3%	15.5%	15.6%	-9.0%	-13.7%
18-20	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	-84.9%	-90.0%
Infants (age 0-1)	27.1%	26.3%	26.5%	26.2%	25.5%	26.3%	26.9%	26.5%	29.1%	28.0%	7.5%	6.6%
Youth (age 13+)	26.2%	27.6%	26.8%	27.5%	26.4%	26.6%	26.1%	26.0%	24.6%	24.7%	-5.9%	-10.6%

### 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

	2014	State	2015	State	2016	State	2017	State	2018	State	Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
Non-Hispanic White	29.9%	46.9%	25.6%	42.7%	32.0%	49.4%	32.2%	47.6%	30.8%	48.3%	3.0%	3.1%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	42.5%	29.2%	41.5%	29.1%	44.2%	28.6%	43.3%	29.7%	44.9%	29.3%	5.7%	0.1%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	7.1%	5.1%	12.8%	8.7%	5.5%	4.1%	4.3%	3.4%	2.9%	2.7%	-58.9%	-47.7%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	4.9%	4.9%	3.8%	5.6%	4.2%	5.4%	5.8%	6.3%	6.7%	7.7%	37.3%	57.2%
Hispanic or Latino	15.7%	13.9%	15.1%	13.4%	14.1%	12.6%	14.4%	13.0%	14.7%	12.0%	-6.3%	-13.4%

### By Gender

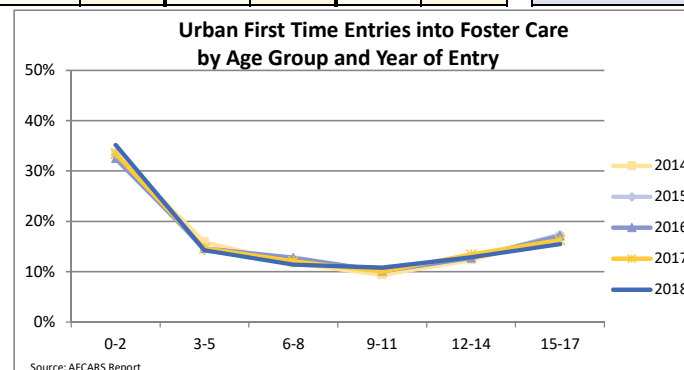
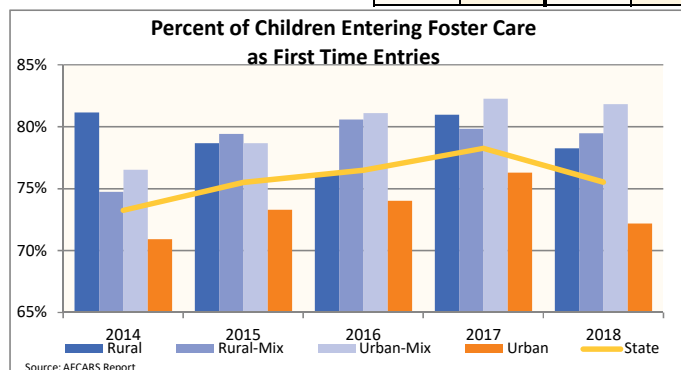
Male  
Female

	2014	State	2015	State	2016	State	2017	State	2018	State	Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
Male	50.2%	51.0%	49.9%	50.8%	49.3%	50.8%	50.1%	51.0%	51.0%	50.7%	1.5%	-0.6%
Female	49.8%	49.0%	50.1%	49.2%	50.7%	49.2%	49.9%	49.0%	49.0%	49.3%	-1.5%	0.6%

### 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

	2014	State	2015	State	2016	State	2017	State	2018	State	Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>82.5%</b>	<b>80.7%</b>	<b>82.1%</b>	<b>80.9%</b>	<b>82.8%</b>	<b>82.3%</b>	<b>83.7%</b>	<b>83.6%</b>	<b>84.4%</b>	<b>83.8%</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	38.1%	-7.7%
Foster Family Home – Relative	37.5%	33.1%	38.6%	33.6%	41.8%	37.5%	42.8%	39.1%	44.1%	39.9%	17.7%	20.5%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	44.8%	47.5%	43.4%	47.2%	40.7%	44.6%	40.6%	44.2%	40.0%	43.7%	-10.6%	-7.9%
<b>Congregate Care Setting</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>17.5%</b>	<b>16.0%</b>	<b>17.0%</b>	<b>15.6%</b>	<b>15.9%</b>	<b>14.6%</b>	<b>15.0%</b>	<b>13.5%</b>	<b>14.3%</b>	<b>-14.5%</b>	<b>-18.4%</b>
Group Home	9.6%	12.1%	8.7%	10.7%	8.3%	9.7%	7.7%	9.1%	7.6%	9.4%	-21.1%	-22.4%
Institution	6.2%	5.4%	7.3%	6.3%	7.3%	6.2%	6.9%	5.9%	6.0%	4.9%	-4.4%	-9.5%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>24.3%</b>	<b>7.4%</b>
Runaway	0.5%	0.4%	0.7%	0.4%	0.8%	0.6%	0.8%	0.5%	1.1%	0.7%	98.5%	53.8%
Trial Home Visit	0.9%	1.2%	0.9%	1.5%	0.5%	1.0%	0.5%	0.8%	0.7%	1.1%	-27.5%	-2.7%



## 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

Indicator	2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
Children Re-Entering Foster Care	1,830	2,772	1,689	2,544	1,597	2,485	1,513	2,343	1,627	2,469	-11.1%	-10.9%
	29.1%	26.7%	26.7%	24.5%	26.0%	23.5%	23.7%	21.7%	27.8%	24.5%	-4.4%	-8.6%

### 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	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	Urban % Change	State % Change
0-2	7.9%	8.2%	10.7%	10.8%	12.0%	11.2%	11.3%	11.4%	11.2%	10.8%	42.2%	32.1%
3-5	8.4%	9.2%	10.2%	11.4%	9.4%	9.7%	10.4%	11.1%	12.2%	12.6%	46.3%	37.0%
6-8	8.3%	8.8%	9.0%	9.0%	9.8%	10.1%	11.6%	11.7%	12.3%	12.1%	48.0%	38.1%
9-11	6.8%	7.5%	7.7%	7.9%	9.1%	9.6%	10.8%	10.6%	11.9%	11.5%	75.1%	53.3%
12-14	17.5%	17.1%	17.1%	16.5%	18.8%	18.5%	18.4%	17.2%	18.3%	17.7%	4.4%	3.3%
15-17	45.1%	43.7%	39.0%	38.2%	36.7%	36.4%	33.6%	33.4%	30.4%	31.2%	-32.7%	-28.5%
18-20	6.1%	5.7%	6.4%	6.3%	4.2%	4.5%	3.8%	4.7%	3.8%	4.2%	-37.2%	-26.3%
Infants (age 0-1)	5.2%	5.2%	6.5%	6.5%	8.0%	7.4%	6.5%	6.6%	6.6%	6.4%	27.9%	23.2%
Youth (age 13+)	65.6%	63.5%	59.6%	57.9%	55.5%	55.3%	51.4%	51.1%	47.9%	48.6%	-27.0%	-23.4%

### 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 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	Urban % Change	State % Change
Non-Hispanic White	21.2%	39.0%	18.8%	35.5%	24.3%	41.9%	22.7%	38.6%	23.9%	39.6%	12.8%	1.6%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	63.2%	47.2%	57.1%	41.4%	58.0%	42.5%	51.4%	37.4%	56.1%	40.5%	-11.3%	-14.2%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	5.8%	4.5%	11.5%	8.0%	4.6%	3.3%	1.9%	1.7%	1.7%	1.8%	-71.4%	-60.6%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	4.2%	5.0%	4.4%	5.0%	5.0%	6.1%	5.3%	6.0%	5.8%	7.1%	38.9%	43.1%
Hispanic or Latino	13.9%	13.3%	14.0%	12.5%	13.7%	12.3%	11.7%	11.3%	12.5%	11.1%	-10.3%	-17.0%

### By Gender

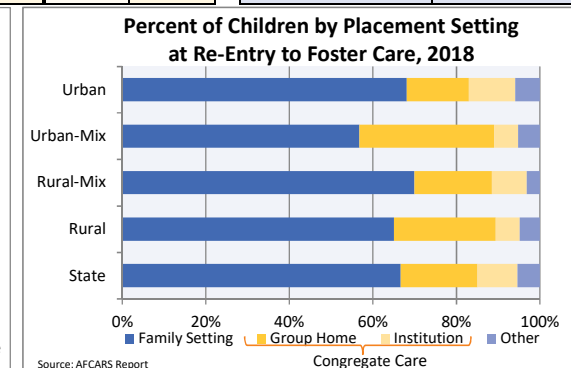
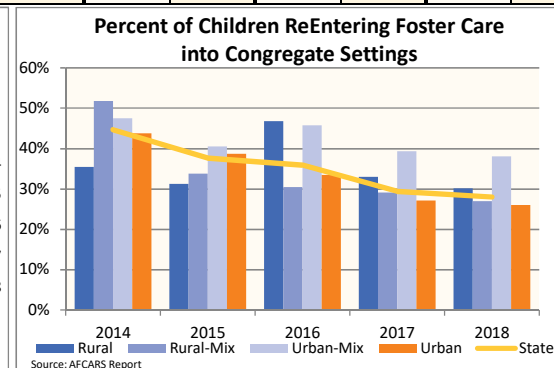
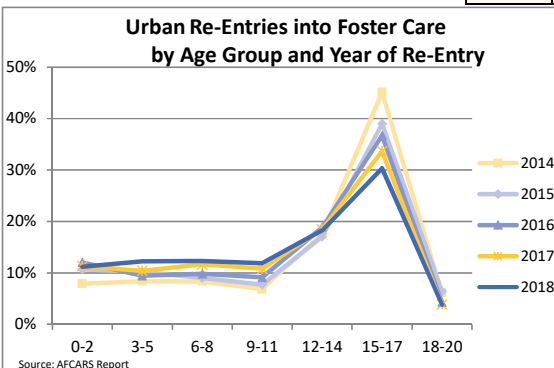
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Female

Gender	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	Urban % Change	State % Change
Male	49.0%	50.6%	49.3%	50.5%	48.8%	50.3%	46.8%	49.6%	48.4%	49.1%	-1.3%	-3.0%
Female	51.0%	49.4%	50.7%	49.5%	51.2%	49.7%	53.2%	50.4%	51.6%	50.9%	1.3%	3.1%

### By Placement Setting at Re-Entry

**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 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	Urban % Change	State % Change
Family Setting	58.4%	59.0%	59.9%	58.9%	65.7%	65.0%	60.5%	60.3%	68.1%	66.7%	16.8%	13.0%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.2%	0.2%	0.9%	0.6%	1.1%	0.7%	0.9%	0.6%	0.7%	0.4%	177.4%	85.3%
Foster Family Home – Relative	24.8%	22.2%	30.0%	24.7%	32.5%	27.8%	32.0%	29.0%	32.7%	28.3%	31.6%	27.8%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	33.3%	36.6%	29.0%	33.6%	32.1%	36.5%	27.6%	30.8%	34.8%	37.9%	4.6%	3.6%
Congregate Care Setting	43.8%	44.7%	38.7%	37.7%	33.5%	35.9%	27.1%	29.4%	26.0%	28.0%	-40.6%	-37.3%
Group Home	22.8%	27.2%	20.1%	22.6%	16.2%	20.3%	14.7%	18.8%	14.9%	18.4%	-34.7%	-32.6%
Institution	21.0%	17.5%	18.6%	15.0%	17.3%	15.6%	12.4%	10.7%	11.1%	9.6%	-46.9%	-44.8%
Supervised Independent Living	2.3%	1.8%	2.0%	1.8%	1.3%	1.3%	1.1%	1.7%	1.7%	1.8%	-26.4%	1.1%
Runaway	5.2%	3.6%	3.6%	2.4%	3.7%	2.6%	3.2%	2.4%	3.8%	2.7%	-27.6%	-25.6%
Trial Home Visit	0.2%	0.8%	0.3%	0.9%	0.3%	0.6%	0.4%	0.6%	0.4%	0.8%	76.5%	-3.7%



## 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

##### Family-Based Permanency Goals

Reunify With Parent(s) or Principal Caretaker(s)	75.3%	72.6%	74.8%	73.1%	69.1%	69.8%	64.4%	66.7%	62.9%	65.3%
Adoption	14.8%	16.1%	16.5%	17.4%	19.9%	19.5%	22.1%	21.2%	24.8%	23.6%
Guardianship	2.4%	3.1%	2.8%	3.0%	4.4%	4.3%	5.0%	4.8%	5.4%	5.1%
Live with Relative(s)	1.7%	1.8%	1.6%	1.7%	1.3%	1.5%	1.0%	1.3%	0.8%	1.2%

##### Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA)

Long Term Foster Care	1.0%	1.8%	0.5%	1.2%	0.4%	1.0%	0.3%	0.7%	0.3%	0.6%
Emancipation	4.9%	4.6%	3.9%	3.6%	5.0%	4.0%	7.2%	5.3%	5.9%	4.3%

Indicator	2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
<b>Family-Based Permanency Goals</b>	<b>94.1%</b>	<b>93.6%</b>	<b>95.6%</b>	<b>95.2%</b>	<b>94.6%</b>	<b>95.0%</b>	<b>92.5%</b>	<b>94.0%</b>	<b>93.9%</b>	<b>95.1%</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>
Reunify With Parent(s) or Principal Caretaker(s)	75.3%	72.6%	74.8%	73.1%	69.1%	69.8%	64.4%	66.7%	62.9%	65.3%	-16.5%	-10.1%
Adoption	14.8%	16.1%	16.5%	17.4%	19.9%	19.5%	22.1%	21.2%	24.8%	23.6%	67.7%	46.8%
Guardianship	2.4%	3.1%	2.8%	3.0%	4.4%	4.3%	5.0%	4.8%	5.4%	5.1%	124.3%	65.6%
Live with Relative(s)	1.7%	1.8%	1.6%	1.7%	1.3%	1.5%	1.0%	1.3%	0.8%	1.2%	-53.6%	-33.0%
<b>Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA)</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>7.5%</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>-24.1%</b>
Long Term Foster Care	1.0%	1.8%	0.5%	1.2%	0.4%	1.0%	0.3%	0.7%	0.3%	0.6%	-73.7%	-69.1%
Emancipation	4.9%	4.6%	3.9%	3.6%	5.0%	4.0%	7.2%	5.3%	5.9%	4.3%	20.5%	-6.7%

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

0-15	0.8%	0.8%	0.7%	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%	1.6%	1.0%	1.6%	1.0%	94.0%	38.3%
16-20	20.1%	23.1%	20.5%	19.4%	17.1%	21.6%	29.6%	25.1%	29.6%	25.1%	47.8%	8.6%

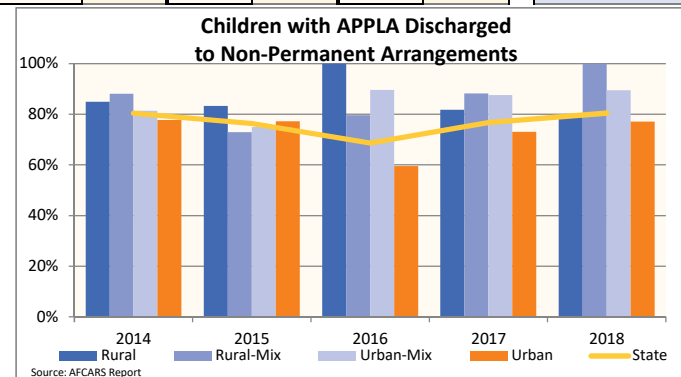
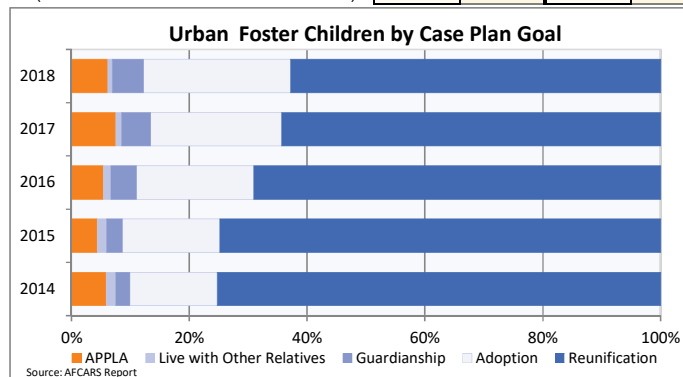
#### APPLA By Discharge Reason

##### Exit to Permanent Arrangements

Reunification	17.1%	14.5%	16.6%	17.6%	34.7%	27.0%	20.5%	17.3%	19.7%	16.9%	15.1%	16.6%
(number of months until reunification)	63.7	36.2	23.3	27.5	35.8	30.4	22.4	11.8	31.9	18.6	-50.0%	-48.7%
Adoption	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%
(number of months until adoption)	194.3	149.3	31.2	31.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-100.0%	-100.0%
Guardianship	2.3%	2.5%	1.2%	1.4%	5.0%	4.2%	5.9%	4.9%	2.8%	2.3%	23.3%	-9.4%
(number of month until guardianship)	35.1	27.8	34.9	18.0	41.4	32.0	18.6	23.6	25.5	25.6	-27.5%	-7.9%
Live with Other Relatives	2.6%	2.1%	4.6%	3.7%	0.7%	0.9%	0.2%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%	-84.3%	-85.1%
(number of months until living with relatives)	20.8	15.9	47.0	37.1	37.8	39.8	17.3	21.4	32.9	32.9	57.9%	106.9%

##### Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements

Emancipation	69.2%	73.0%	69.9%	71.7%	52.3%	62.2%	60.1%	66.7%	67.3%	72.1%	-2.8%	-1.3%
(number of months until emancipation)	40.7	33.5	32.4	34.3	37.8	30.6	29.7	26.2	34.1	27.6	-16.2%	-17.6%
Transfer to Another Agency	7.1%	5.5%	3.9%	2.7%	5.7%	5.0%	10.8%	8.2%	6.0%	5.3%	-15.4%	-3.4%
(number of months until transfer)	61.1	13.0	71.2	40.7	57.5	27.6	5.5	3.7	25.0	19.4	-59.2%	49.9%
Runaway	1.4%	1.9%	3.5%	2.0%	1.6%	1.4%	2.2%	1.9%	3.8%	3.0%	167.8%	61.1%
(number of months until running away)	39.7	16.3	28.8	23.4	6.5	14.1	32.3	32.0	56.7	22.4	42.8%	37.4%
<b>Death of Child</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-100.0%</b>
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	129.8	0.0	9.0	0.0	143.7	47.1	62.6	0.0	62.6	-	-51.8%



## FOSTER CARE - EXITS

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

### Indicator

#### Children Exiting Foster Care

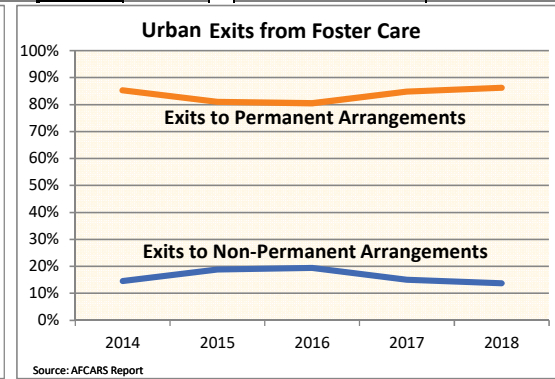
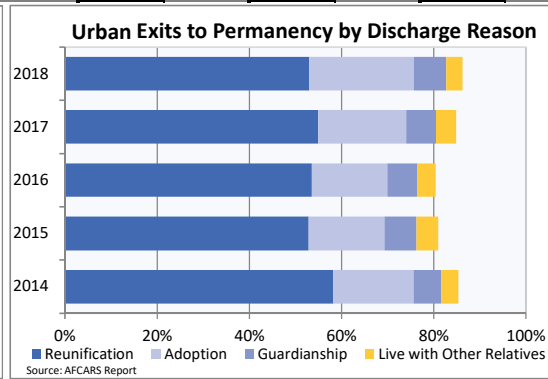
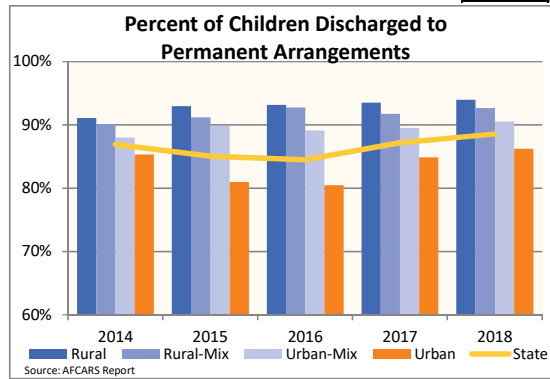
Total Children Leaving Foster Care  
 Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care  
 (number of months until leaving)

	2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
Total Children Leaving Foster Care	5,863	9,769	5,592	9,471	6,649	10,635	6,412	10,276	6,347	10,694	8.3%	9.5%
Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care	41.1%	43.4%	38.4%	41.2%	42.7%	43.3%	40.1%	40.5%	40.4%	42.0%	-1.8%	-3.1%
(number of months until leaving)	12.9	10.7	13.2	11.4	12.8	11.7	11.7	11.9	12.8	13.0	-0.6%	21.5%

### By Discharge Reason

**Exit to Permanent Arrangements**  
 Reunification  
 (number of months until reunification)  
 Adoption  
 (number of months until adoption)  
 Guardianship  
 (number of month until guardianship)  
 Live with Other Relatives  
 (number of months until living with relatives)  
**Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements**  
 Emancipation  
 (number of months until emancipation)  
 Transfer to Another Agency  
 (number of months until transfer)  
 Runaway  
 (number of months until running away)  
**Death of Child**  
 (number of months until death of a child)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018					
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>85.3%</b>	<b>86.9%</b>	<b>81.0%</b>	<b>85.0%</b>	<b>80.4%</b>	<b>84.5%</b>	<b>84.8%</b>	<b>87.2%</b>	<b>86.2%</b>	<b>88.6%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>
Reunification	58.2%	57.2%	52.8%	54.5%	53.5%	54.5%	55.0%	55.1%	53.0%	52.5%	-8.9%	-8.2%
(number of months until reunification)	5.7	5.5	7.4	5.7	6.4	6.7	6.3	6.6	6.4	6.4	12.9%	16.7%
Adoption	17.4%	18.6%	16.5%	18.7%	16.4%	18.7%	19.1%	20.2%	22.7%	23.9%	30.2%	28.4%
(number of months until adoption)	33.3	27.4	31.6	28.3	31.2	28.7	30.2	29.2	31.8	30.5	-4.6%	11.2%
Guardianship	5.9%	6.1%	6.9%	6.5%	6.5%	6.6%	6.4%	6.7%	7.0%	7.5%	18.1%	22.3%
(number of month until guardianship)	25.7	20.8	27.2	21.1	24.3	19.4	23.7	20.1	26.1	19.4	1.5%	-6.6%
Live with Other Relatives	3.8%	5.0%	4.7%	5.4%	4.0%	4.7%	4.4%	5.1%	3.5%	4.6%	-6.8%	-6.2%
(number of months until living with relatives)	8.3	1.0	9.6	3.0	6.7	2.2	5.4	2.2	6.0	2.1	-28.0%	106.5%
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>14.6%</b>	<b>13.0%</b>	<b>18.9%</b>	<b>14.8%</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>15.4%</b>	<b>15.1%</b>	<b>12.7%</b>	<b>13.7%</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>-6.1%</b>	<b>-12.7%</b>
Emancipation	7.0%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	6.6%	6.8%	8.3%	7.9%	8.1%	7.3%	14.5%	-5.2%
(number of months until emancipation)	35.2	29.6	28.1	28.1	30.0	23.4	26.7	22.0	24.7	23.7	-29.7%	-20.1%
Transfer to Another Agency	6.0%	4.3%	9.0%	5.8%	11.8%	7.9%	6.1%	4.3%	4.7%	3.5%	-21.8%	-18.5%
(number of months until transfer)	22.0	5.0	28.1	6.7	18.3	7.6	12.2	6.9	14.6	7.9	-33.7%	58.6%
Runaway	1.6%	1.1%	2.1%	1.3%	1.0%	0.7%	0.7%	0.5%	1.0%	0.6%	-38.4%	-42.8%
(number of months until running away)	35.2	13.2	14.1	15.5	10.0	11.2	15.3	19.4	22.6	14.0	-35.8%	6.5%
<b>Death of Child</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>23.2%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>
(number of months until death of a child)	59.1	30.9	10.8	4.9	15.0	13.2	30.0	18.8	20.7	5.5	-64.9%	-82.1%





## 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)

Indicator	2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
Children Remaining in Foster Care	9,409	14,162	9,950	14,859	10,036	15,382	10,525	16,381	10,320	16,074	9.7%	13.5%
	13.2	12.6	13.7	12.5	13.6	13.2	13.7	13.4	14.1	14.2	6.4%	13.1%

### 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 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	% Change Urban	% Change State
0-2	18.9%	20.0%	20.1%	21.0%	19.9%	21.3%	20.4%	21.5%	20.5%	21.0%	8.6%	4.8%
3-5	16.7%	16.7%	17.0%	16.7%	17.1%	17.0%	17.5%	17.5%	17.2%	17.5%	2.7%	4.5%
6-8	12.4%	12.4%	13.0%	12.9%	13.7%	13.2%	13.7%	13.7%	13.8%	13.6%	11.3%	9.0%
9-11	9.6%	9.6%	10.9%	10.7%	12.1%	11.6%	12.0%	11.8%	12.5%	12.2%	30.7%	26.1%
12-14	11.7%	11.5%	11.3%	11.7%	12.1%	12.0%	12.5%	12.1%	12.4%	12.3%	6.4%	6.3%
15-17	20.6%	21.1%	20.1%	20.2%	19.1%	19.6%	18.1%	18.2%	18.0%	18.3%	-12.7%	-13.5%
18-20	10.2%	8.4%	7.8%	6.8%	5.9%	5.3%	5.8%	5.3%	5.6%	5.2%	-44.6%	-38.3%
Infants (age 0-1)	12.2%	13.2%	13.0%	13.9%	12.3%	13.8%	13.1%	13.8%	13.2%	13.7%	8.2%	3.5%
Youth (age 13+)	38.9%	37.8%	35.7%	35.2%	33.6%	33.5%	32.6%	31.9%	32.2%	31.9%	-17.3%	-15.5%

### 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 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	% Change Urban	% Change State
Non-Hispanic White	25.5%	40.1%	23.5%	37.9%	26.7%	41.0%	27.5%	42.1%	27.2%	42.2%	6.6%	5.4%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	51.4%	38.3%	49.4%	36.9%	51.3%	37.0%	50.2%	35.8%	50.1%	35.4%	-2.7%	-7.5%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	4.9%	3.9%	7.8%	6.0%	3.4%	2.9%	3.2%	2.7%	2.5%	2.3%	-49.0%	-42.1%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	4.3%	4.7%	3.9%	4.9%	4.5%	5.5%	5.4%	6.1%	6.1%	7.1%	42.0%	52.4%
Hispanic or Latino	13.8%	13.0%	15.4%	14.3%	14.2%	13.6%	13.6%	13.2%	14.1%	13.0%	2.2%	-0.6%

### By Gender

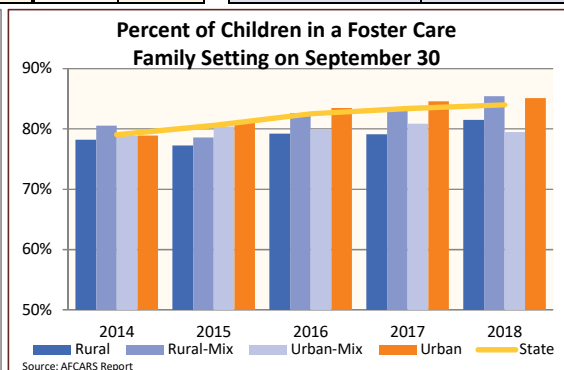
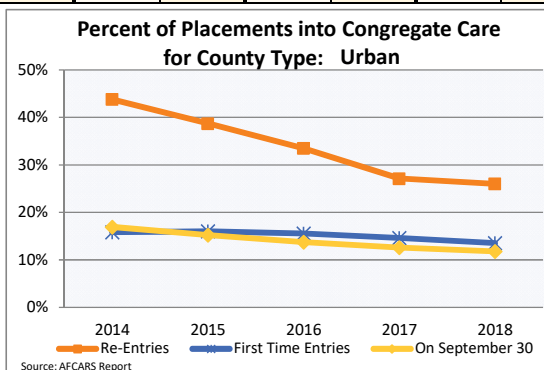
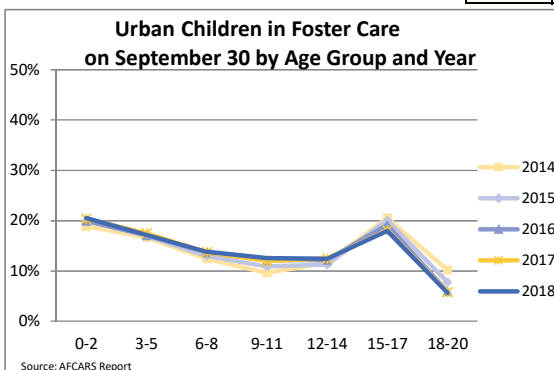
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Gender	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	% Change Urban	% Change State
Male	50.2%	50.9%	50.6%	51.3%	50.2%	51.2%	50.3%	51.2%	50.3%	50.9%	0.2%	0.0%
Female	49.8%	49.1%	49.4%	48.7%	49.8%	48.8%	49.7%	48.8%	49.7%	49.1%	-0.2%	0.0%

### By Latest 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 Urban	2014 State	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 Urban	2016 State	2017 Urban	2017 State	2018 Urban	2018 State	% Change Urban	% Change State
Family Setting	78.9%	79.0%	81.2%	80.6%	83.5%	82.5%	84.6%	83.4%	85.1%	84.0%	7.8%	6.3%
Pre-adoptive Home	4.8%	3.9%	4.2%	3.2%	7.5%	5.3%	6.0%	4.1%	5.7%	4.0%	20.2%	1.1%
Foster Family Home – Relative	32.7%	30.0%	36.7%	32.8%	38.9%	35.1%	41.6%	37.9%	42.1%	37.8%	28.8%	25.9%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	41.4%	45.1%	40.4%	44.5%	37.1%	42.1%	36.9%	41.4%	37.2%	42.2%	-10.1%	-6.4%
Congregate Care Setting	16.9%	17.3%	15.2%	16.0%	13.8%	14.7%	12.6%	13.7%	11.8%	13.2%	-30.3%	-23.9%
Group Home	9.7%	10.6%	7.6%	9.0%	6.8%	8.4%	6.6%	8.2%	6.3%	7.9%	-35.2%	-25.6%
Institution	7.3%	6.7%	7.6%	7.0%	6.9%	6.3%	6.0%	5.5%	5.5%	5.3%	-23.9%	-21.3%
Supervised Independent Living	2.2%	1.7%	1.5%	1.4%	1.6%	1.3%	1.6%	1.5%	1.6%	1.5%	-26.7%	-12.1%
Runaway	1.5%	1.1%	1.5%	1.1%	1.0%	0.7%	1.2%	0.8%	1.3%	0.9%	-12.8%	-19.4%
Trial Home Visit	0.4%	0.8%	0.5%	1.0%	0.3%	0.7%	0.1%	0.6%	0.1%	0.4%	-69.2%	-49.1%



## 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		Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
30.8%	32.7%	32.0%	32.8%	35.5%	33.6%	33.5%	32.2%	31.8%	31.2%	3.2%	-4.6%

## FOSTER CARE - TIMELY REUNIFICATION

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

### Indicator

#### Timely Reunification with Parents or Relatives

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

2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
37.8%	39.7%	35.9%	39.0%	32.1%	36.0%	37.7%	39.2%	37.6%	37.4%	-0.5%	-5.6%

## 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. (Data may be overstated.)

2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		Urban % Change 2014 to 2018	State % Change 2014 to 2018
Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State	Urban	State		
30.1%	26.9%	26.6%	24.1%	28.5%	24.8%	25.7%	23.0%	22.9%	21.4%	-23.8%	-20.4%



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