

## 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	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports	9,593	44,359	9,982	47,485	9,598	44,063	9,199	42,252	7,511	32,919	-21.7%	-25.8%
	17.2	15.9	17.9	17.0	17.2	15.8	16.5	15.1	13.5	11.8		

#### Child Abuse and Neglect Substantiations

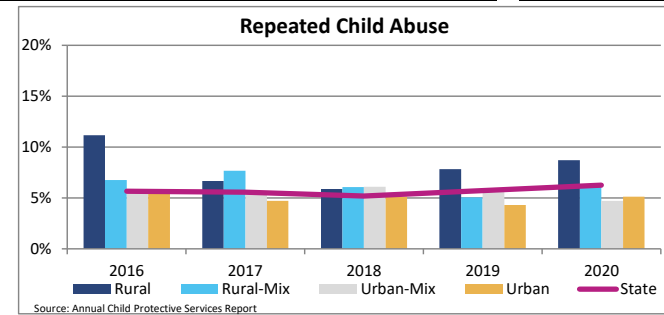
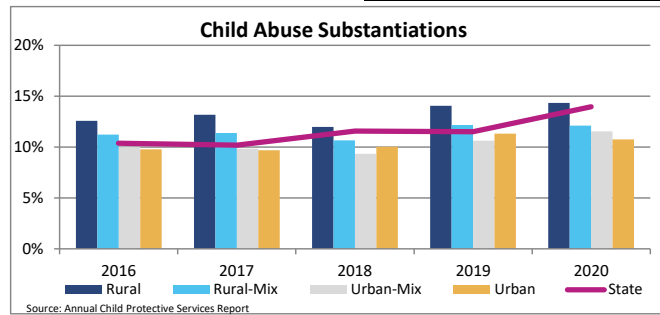
Founded or indicated reports of child abuse and/or neglect.

Child Abuse and Neglect Substantiations	9.8%	10.4%	9.3%	10.2%	10.6%	11.6%	11.5%	11.5%	12.8%	14.0%	29.6%	34.6%
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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	5.5%	5.7%	6.1%	5.6%	5.9%	5.2%	4.7%	5.7%	5.1%	6.2%	-7.1%	10.1%
	1 in 18	1 in 18	1 in 16	1 in 18	1 in 17	1 in 19	1 in 21	1 in 18	1 in 20	1 in 16		



## 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	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
GPS Reports	34,422	151,087	36,280	163,852	38,204	169,723	40,293	178,124	34,966	152,478	1.6%	17.9%

#### 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	20.1%	20.9%	23.0%	22.8%	22.5%	23.6%	21.4%	23.5%	21.8%	25.6%	8.8%	12.4%
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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	9,551	43,702	12,092	53,319	13,466	58,982	13,129	60,755	11,823	56,999	23.8%	39.0%
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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	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		% Change 2015 to 2019	% Change 2015 to 2019
	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
Unduplicated Number of Children Served	38,771	190,413	38,791	186,855	42,267	194,761	38,717	187,280	38,581	>181,435	-0.5%	<-57.2%

## 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	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
<b>Unduplicated Number of Children Served</b>												
All Children in Foster Care During the Year	4,141	24,543	4,312	25,381	4,264	25,441	3,986	24,665	3,571	21,689	-13.8%	-11.6%
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	6.0	7.3	6.3	7.5	6.2	7.5	5.8	7.3	5.2	6.4		

### By Age

Age Group	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	Urban-Mix % Change	State % Change
0-2	21.9%	20.2%	22.3%	20.3%	22.1%	20.2%	21.3%	20.2%	22.2%	20.9%	1.0%	3.5%
3-5	17.2%	17.0%	17.2%	17.4%	18.0%	17.9%	18.4%	17.8%	18.5%	17.8%	7.0%	4.8%
6-8	13.1%	13.0%	13.1%	13.3%	12.7%	13.4%	13.2%	13.8%	13.7%	13.5%	4.4%	3.8%
9-11	10.7%	11.0%	11.5%	11.4%	11.5%	11.8%	10.6%	11.7%	11.0%	11.7%	3.1%	6.0%
12-14	10.9%	11.2%	10.1%	11.6%	10.8%	11.8%	11.9%	12.3%	12.3%	12.6%	12.6%	12.2%
15-17	18.9%	19.6%	18.5%	18.6%	18.0%	18.7%	18.2%	18.5%	17.4%	17.9%	-8.0%	-8.9%
18-20	7.2%	7.9%	7.3%	7.4%	6.8%	6.3%	6.4%	5.6%	5.0%	5.6%	-30.6%	-28.9%
Infants (age 0-1)	14.4%	12.8%	14.4%	12.7%	14.3%	12.7%	13.9%	12.9%	14.0%	13.2%	-2.9%	3.1%
Youth (age 13+)	34.1%	35.5%	33.0%	34.0%	31.9%	33.1%	32.6%	32.6%	30.9%	32.3%	-9.2%	-9.2%

### By Race and Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	Urban-Mix % Change	State % Change
Non-Hispanic White	57.5%	42.5%	57.1%	42.9%	56.2%	43.7%	55.6%	43.7%	54.9%	44.2%	-4.7%	3.9%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	12.8%	35.3%	12.8%	34.9%	12.5%	33.9%	12.4%	33.0%	12.5%	32.0%	-2.0%	-9.4%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	2.8%	3.3%	2.4%	2.9%	2.2%	2.3%	2.1%	2.6%	3.3%	3.6%	19.0%	7.5%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	8.4%	5.4%	8.8%	6.2%	11.2%	7.1%	13.1%	7.7%	13.0%	8.0%	54.3%	48.0%
Hispanic or Latino	18.4%	13.4%	18.9%	13.2%	18.0%	13.0%	16.8%	12.9%	16.3%	12.3%	-11.7%	-8.8%

### By Gender

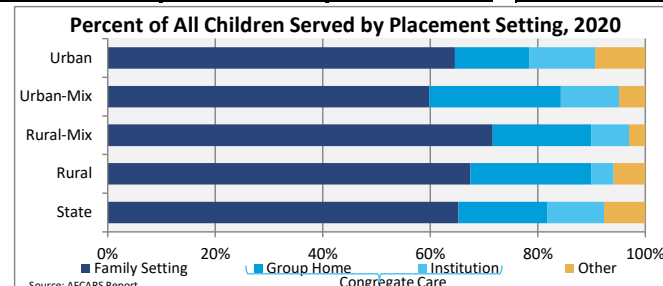
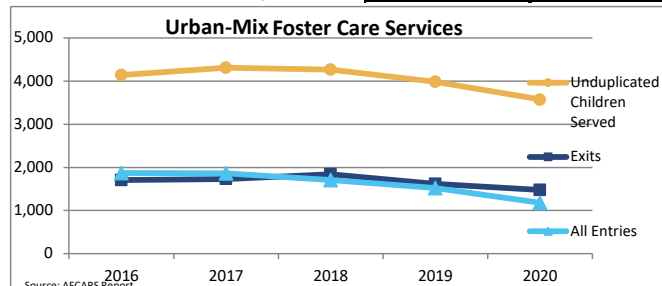
Gender	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	Urban-Mix % Change	State % Change
Male	51.6%	51.2%	51.7%	51.0%	50.6%	50.8%	51.4%	50.8%	52.4%	50.6%	1.5%	-1.2%
Female	48.4%	48.8%	48.3%	49.0%	49.4%	49.2%	48.6%	49.2%	47.6%	49.4%	-1.6%	1.2%

### By Latest Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	Urban-Mix % Change	State % Change
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>78.0%</b>	<b>79.0%</b>	<b>78.6%</b>	<b>80.5%</b>	<b>79.8%</b>	<b>81.6%</b>	<b>80.0%</b>	<b>82.7%</b>	<b>82.5%</b>	<b>83.8%</b>	<b>5.8%</b>	<b>6.0%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	1.1%	4.5%	0.8%	4.0%	0.9%	4.5%	0.9%	3.8%	0.9%	2.9%	-16.8%	-36.0%
Foster Family Home – Relative	29.4%	34.1%	32.7%	36.4%	33.3%	37.1%	31.6%	38.7%	33.6%	40.8%	14.3%	19.8%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	47.5%	40.5%	45.1%	40.1%	45.7%	40.1%	47.4%	40.3%	48.0%	40.1%	1.1%	-0.9%
<b>Congregate Care Setting</b>	<b>17.0%</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>16.3%</b>	<b>14.9%</b>	<b>15.2%</b>	<b>14.0%</b>	<b>14.9%</b>	<b>12.7%</b>	<b>13.4%</b>	<b>11.5%</b>	<b>-20.9%</b>	<b>-27.5%</b>
Group Home	11.9%	9.1%	11.7%	8.8%	11.4%	8.5%	10.9%	7.7%	9.0%	6.7%	-23.7%	-26.1%
Institution	5.1%	6.8%	4.6%	6.1%	3.8%	5.6%	3.9%	5.0%	4.4%	4.8%	-14.3%	-29.3%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>2.6%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>&lt;2.1%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>&lt;52.6%</b>	<b>-20.4%</b>
Runaway	0.7%	1.4%	0.4%	1.4%	0.4%	1.4%	0.4%	1.4%	S	1.9%	-	38.7%
Trial Home Visit	3.0%	2.2%	2.8%	1.7%	2.4%	1.4%	2.2%	1.5%	1.9%	1.6%	-37.8%	-27.8%

### Children Entering Foster Care

All Entries into Foster Care During the Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Urban-Mix % Change	State % Change
	1,867	10,567	1,860	10,781	1,704	-36.7%	-31.0%



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## 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	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
Children Entering for the First Time	1,514	8,082	1,530	8,438	1,394	7,626	1,243	7,266	977	5,540	-35.5%	-31.5%
First Time Entries During the Year (Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	2.2	2.4	2.2	2.5	2.0	2.3	1.8	2.2	1.4	1.6		
First Time Entries as Percent of All Entries	81.1%	76.5%	82.3%	78.3%	81.8%	75.5%	81.7%	76.9%	82.7%	76.0%	2.0%	-0.6%

#### By Age

Age Group	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
0-2	35.0%	33.3%	34.0%	33.2%	35.9%	34.4%	34.4%	35.1%	38.5%	38.2%	9.9%	14.8%
3-5	14.9%	14.7%	16.3%	15.3%	17.1%	15.4%	15.8%	14.8%	14.6%	14.5%	-1.5%	-1.1%
6-8	11.8%	12.5%	12.4%	11.9%	11.1%	11.5%	12.1%	11.8%	13.3%	11.4%	13.2%	-9.1%
9-11	8.7%	9.6%	10.9%	10.1%	9.3%	10.3%	9.8%	10.7%	10.5%	9.7%	20.9%	1.3%
12-14	13.5%	12.6%	10.8%	13.1%	11.1%	12.8%	13.5%	12.9%	10.5%	12.5%	-22.1%	-0.4%
15-20	16.1%	17.4%	15.6%	16.5%	15.5%	15.6%	14.3%	14.6%	12.5%	13.7%	-22.5%	-21.2%
Infants (age 0-1)	28.0%	26.3%	27.3%	26.5%	29.5%	28.0%	28.3%	29.1%	30.8%	31.7%	10.0%	20.5%
Youth (age 13+)	26.5%	26.6%	23.3%	26.0%	23.2%	24.7%	19.0%	19.5%	20.9%	22.6%	-21.2%	-14.9%

#### By Race and Ethnicity

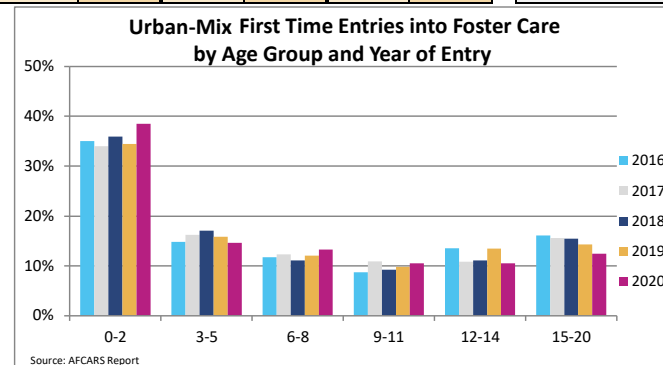
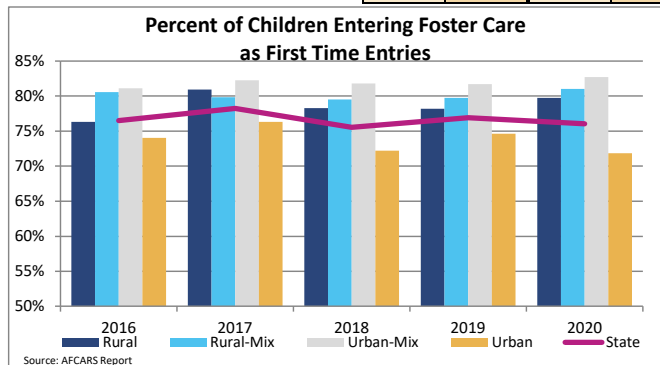
Race/Ethnicity	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
Non-Hispanic White	61.7%	49.4%	57.7%	47.6%	57.3%	48.3%	56.3%	47.6%	57.3%	49.7%	-7.1%	0.5%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	10.2%	28.6%	13.1%	29.7%	13.0%	29.3%	11.9%	28.4%	13.2%	25.2%	29.8%	-11.9%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	3.2%	4.1%	2.1%	3.4%	3.3%	2.7%	3.1%	3.7%	4.7%	5.3%	45.5%	29.9%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	8.1%	5.4%	8.6%	6.3%	11.9%	7.7%	13.0%	7.7%	11.4%	8.2%	39.8%	54.0%
Hispanic or Latino	16.8%	12.6%	18.6%	13.0%	14.5%	12.0%	15.8%	12.6%	13.4%	11.6%	-20.1%	-7.6%

#### By Gender

Gender	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
Male	52.2%	50.8%	51.7%	51.0%	48.9%	50.7%	50.8%	50.8%	51.5%	50.5%	-1.5%	-0.6%
Female	47.8%	49.2%	48.3%	49.0%	51.1%	49.3%	49.2%	49.2%	48.5%	49.5%	1.6%	0.6%

#### By First Reported Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>&gt;81.0%</b>	<b>82.3%</b>	<b>&gt;84.1%</b>	<b>83.6%</b>	<b>&gt;83.9%</b>	<b>83.8%</b>	<b>&gt;85.2%</b>	<b>85.7%</b>	<b>&gt;88.3%</b>	<b>&gt;87.5%</b>	-	<b>&gt;6.3%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	S	0.2%	S	0.3%	S	0.2%	S	0.4%	S	S	-	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	34.5%	37.5%	36.5%	39.1%	36.5%	39.9%	34.8%	41.6%	41.2%	44.3%	19.6%	18.2%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	46.5%	44.6%	47.6%	44.2%	47.4%	43.7%	50.4%	43.7%	47.1%	43.1%	1.3%	-3.2%
<b>Congregate Care Setting</b>	<b>17.1%</b>	<b>15.9%</b>	<b>14.9%</b>	<b>15.0%</b>	<b>14.6%</b>	<b>14.3%</b>	<b>13.5%</b>	<b>12.7%</b>	<b>11.0%</b>	<b>10.6%</b>	<b>-36.0%</b>	<b>-33.6%</b>
Group Home	11.9%	9.7%	10.7%	9.1%	12.3%	9.4%	11.5%	8.5%	8.9%	7.2%	-25.1%	-25.7%
Institution	5.2%	6.2%	4.2%	5.9%	2.3%	4.9%	2.0%	4.2%	2.0%	3.4%	-60.8%	-45.8%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>S</b>	-	-
Runaway	S	0.6%	S	0.5%	0.0%	0.7%	S	0.8%	S	0.8%	-	44.7%
Trial Home Visit	1.4%	1.0%	0.8%	0.8%	<1.5%	1.1%	S	0.6%	S	0.9%	-	-14.6%



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## 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	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
Children Re-Entering Foster Care	353	2,485	330	2,343	310	2,469	278	2,182	204	1,746	-42.2%	-29.7%
	18.9%	23.5%	17.7%	21.7%	18.2%	24.5%	18.3%	23.1%	17.3%	24.0%	-8.6%	1.9%

#### By Age

Age Group	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	% Change 2016 to 2020
0-2	10.5%	11.2%	8.2%	11.4%	10.0%	10.8%	17.6%	11.9%	11.3%	10.5%	7.6%
3-5	9.6%	9.7%	10.0%	11.1%	10.6%	12.6%	13.3%	12.7%	12.3%	10.9%	27.2%
6-8	11.0%	10.1%	9.4%	11.7%	8.1%	12.1%	13.7%	11.9%	11.3%	11.0%	2.0%
9-11	8.8%	9.6%	10.6%	10.6%	10.0%	11.5%	9.0%	10.4%	12.3%	12.0%	39.5%
12-14	15.6%	18.5%	14.8%	17.2%	17.7%	17.7%	14.4%	18.7%	15.2%	17.7%	-2.5%
15-20	44.5%	40.9%	47.0%	38.2%	43.5%	35.4%	32.0%	34.4%	37.7%	37.9%	-15.1%
Infants (age 0-1)	5.9%	7.4%	4.5%	6.6%	5.8%	6.4%	10.4%	6.9%	6.9%	7.3%	15.4%
Youth (age 13+)	57.5%	55.3%	59.7%	51.1%	57.7%	48.6%	42.8%	48.7%	50.5%	51.1%	-12.2%

#### By Race and Ethnicity

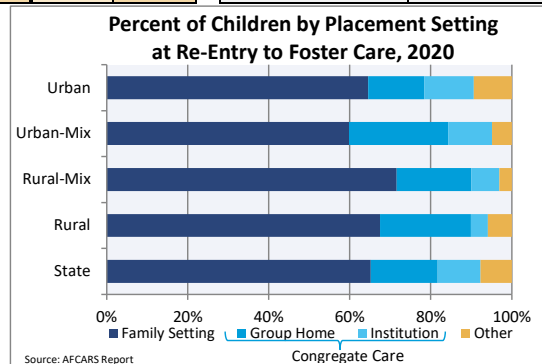
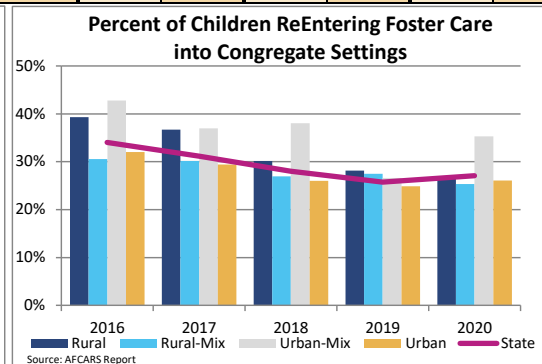
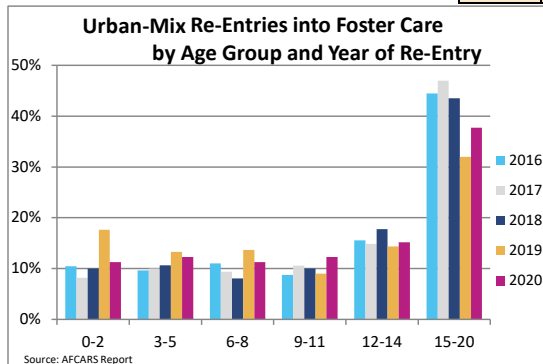
Race/Ethnicity	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	% Change 2016 to 2020
Non-Hispanic White	56.7%	39.5%	58.5%	40.6%	51.6%	39.6%	49.6%	40.6%	56.9%	39.1%	0.4%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	19.5%	40.1%	15.2%	39.4%	17.1%	40.5%	16.9%	37.7%	13.7%	38.8%	-29.8%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	S	3.1%	S	1.7%	S	1.8%	S	1.5%	S	3.4%	-
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	<9.0%	5.8%	<10.5%	6.3%	<14.7%	7.1%	<20.0%	8.6%	<11.5%	6.8%	-
Hispanic or Latino	13.9%	11.6%	15.2%	11.9%	13.9%	11.1%	12.2%	11.5%	13.2%	12.0%	-4.7%

#### By Gender

Gender	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	% Change 2016 to 2020
Male	48.7%	50.3%	52.4%	49.6%	47.7%	49.1%	57.9%	51.2%	55.4%	49.0%	13.7%
Female	51.3%	49.7%	47.6%	50.4%	52.3%	50.9%	42.1%	48.8%	44.6%	51.0%	-13.0%

#### By Placement Setting at Re-Entry

Placement Setting	2016 Urban-Mix	2016 State	2017 Urban-Mix	2017 State	2018 Urban-Mix	2018 State	2019 Urban-Mix	2019 State	2020 Urban-Mix	2020 State	% Change 2016 to 2020
Family Setting	53.5%	61.7%	54.8%	63.9%	56.8%	66.7%	67.6%	68.5%	59.8%	>65.0%	11.7%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.7%	0.0%	0.6%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.6%	0.0%	S	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	19.3%	26.3%	24.5%	30.7%	20.0%	28.3%	21.2%	32.5%	24.5%	34.8%	27.2%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	34.3%	34.6%	30.3%	32.6%	36.8%	37.9%	46.4%	35.3%	35.3%	30.1%	3.0%
Congregate Care Setting	42.8%	34.0%	37.0%	31.2%	38.1%	28.0%	>23.0%	25.8%	35.3%	27.1%	-17.5%
Group Home	32.3%	19.3%	29.7%	19.9%	32.3%	18.4%	23.0%	16.6%	24.5%	16.5%	-24.1%
Institution	10.5%	14.8%	7.3%	11.3%	5.8%	9.6%	S	9.2%	10.8%	10.6%	2.9%
Supervised Independent Living	S	1.3%	5.8%	1.8%	3.9%	1.8%	4.7%	1.6%	S	1.4%	-
Runaway	S	2.5%	S	2.5%	S	2.7%	S	3.6%	0.0%	5.4%	-
Trial Home Visit	S	0.5%	S	0.7%	S	0.8%	S	0.6%	S	<1.0%	-



## 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

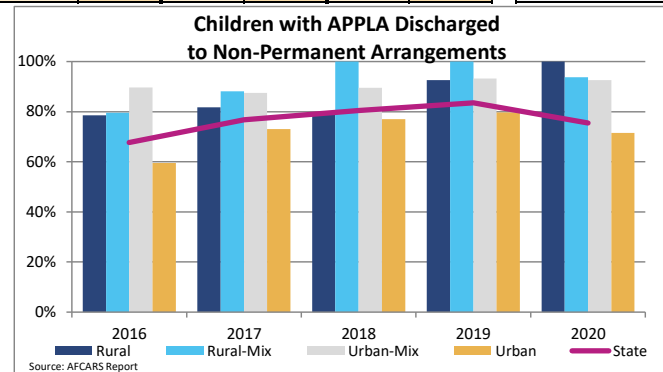
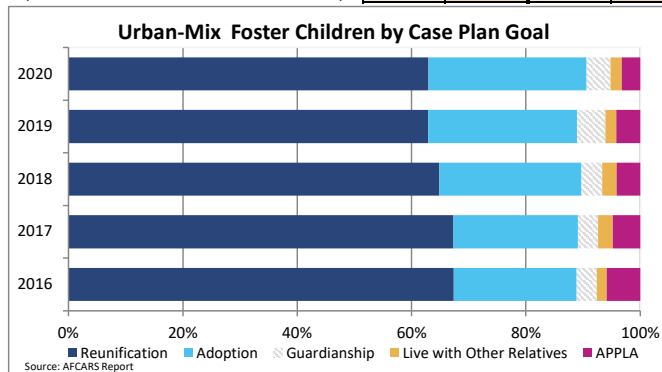
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	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
<b>Family-Based Permanency Goals</b>	<b>94.1%</b>	<b>95.0%</b>	<b>95.2%</b>	<b>94.0%</b>	<b>95.9%</b>	<b>95.1%</b>	<b>95.8%</b>	<b>95.5%</b>	<b>96.8%</b>	<b>96.4%</b>	<b>2.8%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>
Reunify With Parent(s) or Principal Caretaker(s)	67.4%	69.8%	67.3%	66.7%	64.9%	65.3%	62.9%	63.7%	63.0%	65.8%	-6.5%	-5.7%
Adoption	21.5%	19.5%	21.8%	21.2%	24.9%	23.6%	26.0%	24.5%	27.6%	23.7%	28.2%	21.4%
Guardianship	3.5%	4.3%	3.5%	4.8%	3.6%	5.1%	5.0%	5.9%	4.2%	5.4%	20.1%	27.3%
Live with Relative(s)	1.7%	1.5%	2.6%	1.3%	2.5%	1.2%	1.9%	1.5%	2.0%	1.4%	15.3%	-3.4%
<b>Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA)</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>-45.2%</b>	<b>-26.9%</b>
Long Term Foster Care	3.5%	1.0%	2.7%	0.7%	2.0%	0.6%	0.3%	0.1%	0.0%	0.5%	-100.0%	-50.4%
Emancipation	2.4%	4.0%	2.1%	5.3%	2.1%	4.3%	3.9%	4.4%	3.2%	3.1%	33.9%	-21.1%

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

Age Group	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
0-15	S	0.2%	S	1.0%	S	-	-
16-20	29.6%	21.6%	22.8%	25.1%	22.8%	-38.7%	-9.5%

#### APPLA By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>32.1%</b>	<b>11.6%</b>	<b>22.7%</b>	<b>&gt;0.0%</b>	<b>19.5%</b>	<b>6.7%</b>
Reunification	S	27.0%	S	17.3%	S	16.9%	S
(number of months until reunification)	25.2	30.4	20.4	11.8	25.9	18.6	26.4
Adoption	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
(number of months until adoption)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Guardianship	S	4.2%	S	4.9%	0.0%	2.3%	S
(number of month until guardianship)	30.3	32.0	32.2	23.6	0.0	25.6	18.0
Live with Other Relatives	S	S	S	S	0.0%	S	S
(number of months until living with relatives)	47.0	39.8	24.1	21.4	0.0	32.9	0.0
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>89.7%</b>	<b>67.7%</b>	<b>87.6%</b>	<b>76.8%</b>	<b>89.6%</b>	<b>80.5%</b>	<b>&gt;90.4%</b>
Emancipation	83.6%	61.3%	85.1%	66.7%	86.5%	72.1%	90.4%
(number of months until emancipation)	40.1	30.6	19.8	26.2	36.2	27.6	25.7
Transfer to Another Agency	S	5.0%	S	8.2%	S	5.3%	S
(number of months until transfer)	31.0	27.6	43.7	3.7	33.9	19.4	73.4
Runaway	S	S	S	1.9%	S	3.0%	0.0%
(number of months until running away)	81.3	14.1	57.0	32.0	2.4	22.4	0.0
<b>Death of Child</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	143.7	54.0	62.6	0.0	62.6	0.0



S = rate suppressed due to count less than 11 persons

## 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

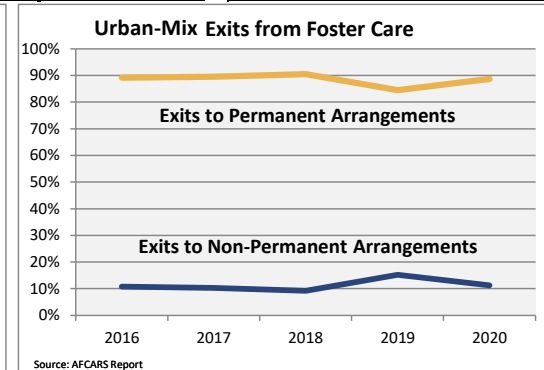
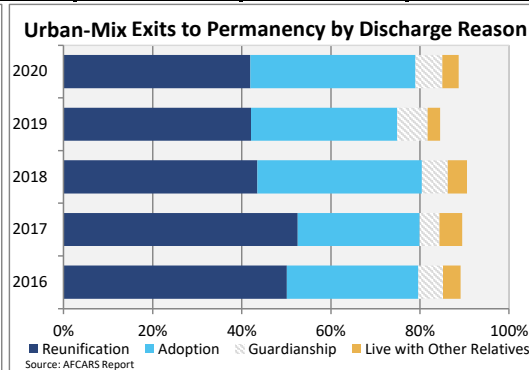
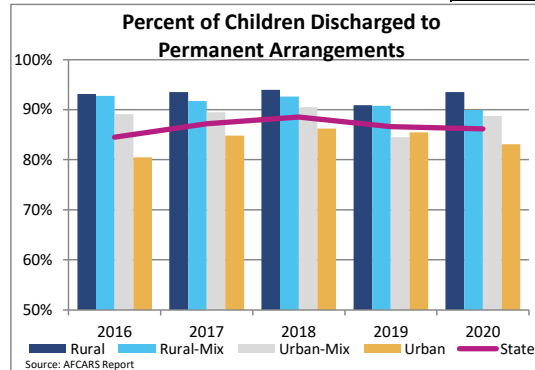
#### Children Exiting Foster Care

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

Indicator	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
Total Children Leaving Foster Care	1,707	10,635	1,733	10,276	1,838	10,694	1,618	10,801	1,478	8,712	-13.4%	-18.1%
Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care	41.2%	43.3%	40.2%	40.5%	43.1%	42.0%	40.6%	43.8%	41.4%	40.2%	0.4%	-7.3%
(number of months until leaving)	13.2	11.7	13.2	11.9	15.9	13.0	16.9	15.9	16.5	15.4	24.8%	31.7%

### By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>89.1%</b>	<b>84.5%</b>	<b>89.5%</b>	<b>87.2%</b>	<b>90.5%</b>	<b>88.6%</b>	<b>84.5%</b>	<b>86.6%</b>	<b>88.7%</b>	<b>86.2%</b>	<b>-0.5%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
Reunification	50.1%	54.5%	52.6%	55.1%	43.5%	52.5%	42.1%	49.8%	41.9%	50.8%	-16.3%	-6.7%
(number of months until reunification)	7.3	6.7	7.5	6.6	8.1	6.4	8.0	7.4	10.4	8.4	41.9%	25.6%
Adoption	29.5%	18.7%	27.4%	20.2%	36.9%	23.9%	32.8%	25.2%	37.1%	23.5%	25.6%	26.1%
(number of months until adoption)	27.2	28.7	23.5	29.2	27.6	30.5	26.0	31.0	24.9	29.8	-8.4%	3.8%
Guardianship	5.5%	6.6%	4.4%	6.7%	5.8%	7.5%	6.8%	7.6%	6.0%	7.7%	9.4%	16.5%
(number of month until guardianship)	19.2	19.4	16.3	20.1	17.9	19.4	26.3	22.8	19.0	22.3	-1.2%	14.7%
Live with Other Relatives	3.9%	4.7%	5.1%	5.1%	4.3%	4.6%	2.8%	4.1%	3.7%	4.1%	-6.9%	-13.5%
(number of months until living with relatives)	9.1	2.2	8.4	2.2	9.0	2.1	4.7	2.5	9.9	2.4	8.9%	11.4%
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>&gt;10.5%</b>	<b>15.4%</b>	<b>&gt;10.2%</b>	<b>12.7%</b>	<b>&gt;9.2%</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>&gt;15.1%</b>	<b>13.2%</b>	<b>11.2%</b>	<b>13.7%</b>	<b>&lt;7.0%</b>	<b>-11.2%</b>
Emancipation	8.5%	6.8%	8.9%	7.9%	7.1%	7.3%	14.1%	9.3%	10.3%	9.5%	21.1%	40.7%
(number of months until emancipation)	26.1	23.4	20.5	22.0	25.3	23.7	21.7	26.2	26.4	22.9	1.4%	-2.5%
Transfer to Another Agency	2.1%	7.9%	1.3%	4.3%	2.1%	3.5%	1.1%	3.5%	0.9%	3.7%	-53.8%	-53.0%
(number of months until transfer)	14.4	7.6	12.0	6.9	10.0	7.9	21.5	5.5	7.8	6.6	-46.1%	-12.7%
Runaway	S	0.7%	S	0.5%	S	0.6%	S	0.5%	0.0%	0.4%	-	-40.6%
(number of months until running away)	51.9	11.2	37.9	19.4	8.2	14.0	11.3	14.1	0.0	11.4	-100.0%	1.9%
Death of Child	S	0.1%	S	0.1%	S	S	S	0.1%	S	0.2%	-	62.8%
(number of months until death of a child)	6.1	13.2	19.3	18.8	14.2	5.5	6.8	12.6	6.2	6.1	2.7%	-53.7%





## 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	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
Children Remaining in Foster Care	2,586	15,382	2,710	16,381	2,574	16,074	2,466	15,082	2,168	13,949	-16.2%	-9.3%
	12.5	13.2	12.2	13.4	12.4	14.2	12.4	14.0	15.1	16.4	21.1%	24.1%

#### By Age

Age Group	2016	State	2017	State	2018	State	2019	State	2020	State	Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
0-2	22.8%	21.3%	22.6%	21.5%	22.8%	21.0%	22.3%	21.6%	22.8%	22.2%	0.0%	4.0%
3-5	17.2%	17.0%	17.5%	17.5%	17.6%	17.5%	18.9%	17.7%	17.3%	18.0%	0.6%	5.6%
6-8	12.7%	13.2%	13.2%	13.7%	11.9%	13.6%	13.3%	13.8%	14.3%	13.9%	12.8%	4.8%
9-11	10.6%	11.6%	12.3%	11.8%	11.4%	12.2%	11.0%	12.1%	11.6%	12.1%	9.7%	4.0%
12-14	11.7%	12.0%	10.4%	12.1%	11.7%	12.3%	13.7%	13.3%	13.1%	13.1%	11.4%	9.8%
15-20	24.9%	24.9%	23.9%	23.5%	24.6%	23.5%	20.8%	21.5%	20.8%	20.8%	-16.4%	-16.4%
Infants (age 0-1)	15.5%	13.8%	14.8%	13.8%	15.3%	13.7%	14.9%	14.4%	15.1%	14.5%	-2.4%	5.3%
Youth (age 13+)	33.8%	33.5%	31.3%	31.9%	32.6%	31.9%	34.5%	34.8%	30.0%	29.9%	-11.2%	-10.7%

#### By Race and Ethnicity

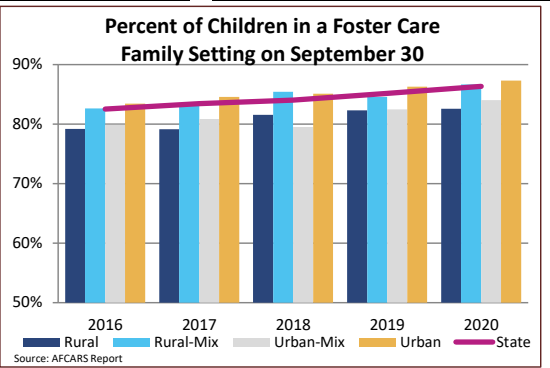
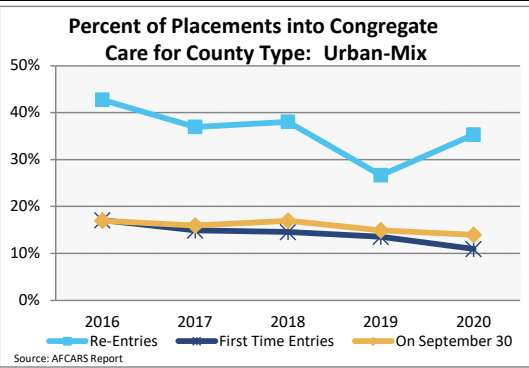
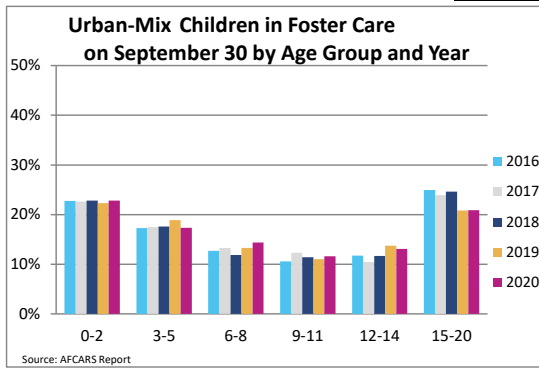
Race/Ethnicity	2016	State	2017	State	2018	State	2019	State	2020	State	Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
Non-Hispanic White	56.1%	41.0%	56.7%	42.1%	56.3%	42.2%	53.8%	42.3%	54.1%	41.8%	-3.6%	2.0%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	13.0%	37.0%	13.0%	35.8%	12.3%	35.4%	12.6%	34.4%	12.9%	33.7%	-0.3%	-9.1%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	3.3%	2.9%	2.3%	2.7%	2.4%	2.3%	2.7%	2.6%	3.3%	3.7%	1.0%	27.7%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	8.4%	5.5%	8.7%	6.1%	11.7%	7.1%	13.3%	7.8%	14.1%	8.3%	69.0%	50.2%
Hispanic or Latino	19.3%	13.6%	19.4%	13.2%	17.3%	13.0%	17.6%	13.0%	15.5%	12.5%	-19.3%	-7.8%

#### By Gender

Gender	2016	State	2017	State	2018	State	2019	State	2020	State	Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
Male	51.9%	51.2%	51.9%	51.2%	51.1%	50.9%	52.6%	50.6%	52.0%	50.8%	0.2%	-0.8%
Female	48.1%	48.8%	48.1%	48.8%	48.9%	49.1%	47.4%	49.4%	48.0%	49.2%	-0.3%	0.8%

#### By Latest Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2016	State	2017	State	2018	State	2019	State	2020	State	Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>79.9%</b>	<b>82.5%</b>	<b>80.8%</b>	<b>83.4%</b>	<b>79.5%</b>	<b>84.0%</b>	<b>82.4%</b>	<b>85.1%</b>	<b>84.0%</b>	<b>86.3%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	0.6%	5.3%	0.6%	4.1%	0.6%	4.0%	0.7%	3.2%	0.5%	2.7%	-12.5%	-49.5%
Foster Family Home – Relative	30.1%	35.1%	33.8%	37.9%	31.5%	37.8%	30.6%	39.4%	33.1%	41.5%	10.1%	18.2%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	49.2%	42.1%	46.4%	41.4%	47.3%	42.2%	51.1%	42.5%	50.4%	42.2%	2.3%	0.2%
<b>Congregate Care Setting</b>	<b>16.9%</b>	<b>14.7%</b>	<b>15.9%</b>	<b>13.7%</b>	<b>16.9%</b>	<b>13.2%</b>	<b>14.9%</b>	<b>11.9%</b>	<b>13.9%</b>	<b>10.7%</b>	<b>-17.8%</b>	<b>-26.8%</b>
Group Home	11.7%	8.4%	12.0%	8.2%	12.8%	7.9%	10.1%	7.0%	8.9%	5.9%	-24.4%	-29.1%
Institution	5.2%	6.3%	3.9%	5.5%	4.2%	5.3%	4.7%	4.9%	5.1%	4.8%	-2.8%	-23.8%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>&lt;2.0%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>&lt;2.4%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>&lt;1.7%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>1.2%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>-2.4%</b>	<b>-25.1%</b>
Runaway	0.4%	0.7%	S	0.8%	S	0.9%	S	1.2%	S	1.5%	-	97.1%
Trial Home Visit	1.5%	0.7%	1.1%	0.6%	1.0%	0.4%	0.8%	0.5%	<0.8%	0.4%	<-45.6%	-42.5%



## 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.

2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
30.2%	33.6%	30.6%	32.2%	29.9%	31.2%	31.9%	31.1%	30.9%	ND	2.5%	-

## 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.

2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
37.9%	36.0%	36.4%	39.2%	32.0%	37.4%	32.6%	38.7%	ND	ND	-	-

## 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.

2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		Urban-Mix % Change 2016 to 2020	State % Change 2016 to 2020
Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State	Urban-Mix	State		
20.7%	24.8%	21.8%	23.0%	16.8%	21.4%	19.3%	22.3%	ND	ND	-	-

ND = PA DHS did not provide data



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