CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES (CPS)
 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)
Child Abuse and Neglect Substantiations Founded or indicated reports of child abuse and/or neglect.

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

| 2018 |  |  | 2019 |  |  | 2020 |  |  | 2021 |  |  | 2022* |  |  | County \% Change 2018 to 2022* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State |  |
| 255 | 4,454 | 44,063 | 278 | 4,403 | 42,252 | 205 | 3,705 | 32,919 | 174 | 4,195 | 38,013 | 179 | 2,133 | 39,093 |  |
| 30.6 | 40.9 | 16.6 | 33.4 | 40.4 | 15.9 | 24.6 | 34.0 | 12.4 | 20.9 | 38.5 | 14.3 | 21.5 | 19.6 | 14.8 | -29.8\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16.9\% | 14.1\% | 11.6\% | 22.3\% | 14.3\% | 11.5\% | 21.5\% | 15.8\% | 14.0\% | 20.7\% | 15.4\% | 13.2\% | 18.4\% | 17.0\% | 12.8\% | 9.3\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9.3\% | 7.8\% | 5.2\% | 12.9\% | 8.7\% | 5.7\% | 11.4\% | 6.8\% | 6.2\% | 11.1\% | 7.9\% | 6.5\% | 6.1\% | 6.1\% | 6.4\% |  |
| 1 in 11 | 1 in 13 | 1 in 19 | 1 in 8 | 1 in 11 | 1 in 18 | 1 in 9 | 1 in 15 | 1 in 16 | 1 in 9 | 1 in 13 | 1 in 15 | 1 in 17 | 1 in 16 | 1 in 16 | -34.8\% |




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 | 2018 |  |  | 2019 |  |  | 2020 |  |  | 2021 |  |  | 2022* |  |  | County \% Change 2018 to 2022* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State |  |
| GPS Reports <br> Total reported concerns of general neglect, not alleging child abuse. | 855 | 18,611 | 169,723 | 929 | 19,862 | 178,124 | 728 | 17,537 | 152,478 | 783 | 18,161 | 161,709 | 800 | 8,845 | 165,295 | -6.4\% |
| Valid GPS Reports <br> 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. <br> Children with Valid Allegations <br> 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. | 42.8\% | 27.3\% | 23.6\% | 45.5\% | 29.2\% | 23.5\% | 47.9\% | 31.6\% | 25.6\% | 42.9\% | 32.9\% | 27.1\% | 45.1\% | 38.4\% | 24.2\% | 5.4\% |
|  | 612 | 7,480 | 58,982 | 697 | 8,601 | 60,755 | 543 | 8,259 | 56,999 | 524 | 8,711 | 63,801 | 565 | 4,980 | 57,876 | -7.7\% |
| Unduplicated Number of Children Served Children who received in-home services along with parents to address concerns related to child safety and well-being. | 2018 |  |  | 2019 |  |  | 2020 |  |  | 2021 |  |  | 2022* |  |  | County \% Change |
|  | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | 2018 to 2022* |
|  | 1,127 | 28,544 | 194,761 | 1,027 | 24,606 | 187,280 | 1,083 | 25,330 | >181,435 | 872 | 26,164 | 192,594 | 871 | 16,139 | 211,150 | -22.7\% |

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FOSTER CARE - SERVED

 fiscal year.
Indicator
Unduplicated Number of Children Served
All Children in Foster Care During the Year (Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)

| 2018 |  |  | 2019 |  |  |  |  |  | 2021 |  |  | 2022* |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 112 | 1,973 | 25,441 | NA | 2,074 | 24,665 | 99 | 1,918 | 21,689 | 121 | 1,788 | 20,490 | 128 | 1,070 | 19,287 |
| 11.1 | 15.2 | 8.0 | 10.1 | 16.0 | 7.7 | 9.8 | 14.8 | 6.8 | 11.9 | 13.8 | 6.4 | 12.6 | 8.3 | 6.0 |


| County \% Change <br> 2018 to 2022* |
| :---: |
| $14.3 \%$ |


| By Age |  |
| :--- | ---: |
|  | $0-2$ |
|  | $3-5$ |
| $6-8$ |  |
| $9-11$ |  |
| $12-14$ |  |
| $15-17$ |  |
| $18-20$ |  |
|  | Infants (age 0-1) |
| Youth (age 13+) |  |


| 17.9\% | 20.1\% | 20.2\% | 17.0\% | 19.8\% | 20.2\% | 16.2\% | 20.6\% | 20.9\% | 20.7\% | 20.1\% | 21.5\% | 19.5\% | 20.4\% | 21.1\% | 9.4\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 19.6\% | 16.1\% | 17.9\% | 18.8\% | 16.8\% | 17.8\% | 17.2\% | 17.3\% | 17.8\% | 19.0\% | 17.6\% | 18.2\% | 15.6\% | 19.0\% | 18.2\% | -20.5\% |
| <17.1\% | 12.7\% | 13.4\% | 12.5\% | 13.1\% | 13.8\% | 11.1\% | 14.1\% | 13.5\% | 10.7\% | 12.5\% | 13.7\% | 11.7\% | 13.3\% | 13.7\% | >-31.5\% |
| 9.8\% | 11.4\% | 11.8\% | 17.0\% | 12.3\% | 11.7\% | <18.3\% | 12.3\% | 11.7\% | 14.9\% | 10.6\% | 11.3\% | 13.3\% | 9.8\% | 11.2\% | 35.2\% |
| 17.9\% | 13.5\% | 11.8\% | 13.4\% | 13.5\% | 12.3\% | 14.1\% | 13.7\% | 12.6\% | <15.0\% | 14.5\% | 12.6\% | <14.2\% | 12.2\% | 12.8\% | <-20.5\% |
| 14.3\% | 22.0\% | 18.7\% | 15.2\% | 20.9\% | 18.5\% | 19.2\% | 19.1\% | 17.9\% | 15.7\% | 20.5\% | 16.4\% | 24.2\% | 22.0\% | 18.1\% | 69.5\% |
| S | 4.2\% | 6.3\% | 6.3\% | 3.6\% | 5.6\% | S | 3.0\% | 5.6\% | S | 4.1\% | 6.4\% | S | 3.4\% | 4.9\% | - |
| 12.5\% | 12.9\% | 12.7\% | 12.5\% | 13.0\% | 12.9\% | S | 12.7\% | 13.2\% | 12.4\% | 13.4\% | 13.7\% | 14.8\% | 13.7\% | 13.3\% | 18.8\% |
| 29.5\% | 35.3\% | 33.1\% | 32.1\% | 34.4\% | 32.6\% | 33.3\% | 31.9\% | 32.3\% | 29.8\% | 34.5\% | 31.3\% | 37.5\% | 34.5\% | 32.0\% | 27.3\% |

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 $\begin{array}{r}\text { Male } \\ \text { By Sex } \\ \text { Female }\end{array}$

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $90.2 \%$ | $87.1 \%$ | $43.7 \%$ | $92.0 \%$ | $88.5 \%$ | $43.7 \%$ | $91.9 \%$ | $88.0 \%$ | $44.2 \%$ | $94.2 \%$ | $85.2 \%$ | $44.3 \%$ | $<93.1 \%$ | $85.4 \%$ | $45.0 \%$ |
| S | $3.8 \%$ | $33.9 \%$ | $3.6 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ | $33.0 \%$ | S | $3.1 \%$ | $32.0 \%$ | S | $2.5 \%$ | $30.7 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ | $29.8 \%$ |
| $0.0 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $2.6 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ | $3.6 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $2.7 \%$ | $4.2 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $2.9 \%$ | $4.8 \%$ |
| $0.0 \%$ | $4.1 \%$ | $7.1 \%$ | $2.7 \%$ | $4.0 \%$ | $7.7 \%$ | S | $4.3 \%$ | $8.0 \%$ | S | $5.6 \%$ | $8.4 \%$ | S | $5.5 \%$ | $8.2 \%$ |
| S | $3.6 \%$ | $13.0 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $3.6 \%$ | $12.9 \%$ | S | $2.7 \%$ | $12.3 \%$ | S | $3.9 \%$ | $12.3 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $4.3 \%$ | $12.2 \%$ |

Female
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 Indendent Living
Runaway
Trial Home Visit

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $52.7 \%$ | $52.2 \%$ | $50.8 \%$ | $58.0 \%$ | $52.4 \%$ | $50.8 \%$ | $56.6 \%$ | $52.1 \%$ | $50.6 \%$ | $57.0 \%$ | $53.5 \%$ | $50.5 \%$ | $53.1 \%$ | $52.4 \%$ | $50.3 \%$ |
| $47.3 \%$ | $47.8 \%$ | $49.2 \%$ | $42.0 \%$ | $47.6 \%$ | $49.2 \%$ | $43.4 \%$ | $47.9 \%$ | $49.4 \%$ | $43.0 \%$ | $46.5 \%$ | $49.5 \%$ | $46.9 \%$ | $47.6 \%$ | $49.7 \%$ |


| 74.1\% | 78.7\% | 81.6\% | 71.4\% | 79.8\% | 82.7\% | >63.5\% | 81.0\% | 83.8\% | >76.0\% | 79.6\% | 84.8\% | >71.9\% | 80.0\% | 84.9\% | >-3.0\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 15.2\% | 3.2\% | 4.5\% | 5.4\% | 2.7\% | 3.8\% | S | 2.7\% | 2.9\% | S | 2.2\% | 2.3\% | S | 1.9\% | 3.5\% | - |
| 19.6\% | 29.9\% | 37.1\% | 24.1\% | 32.4\% | 38.7\% | >24.1\% | 33.5\% | 40.8\% | 45.5\% | 35.4\% | 42.0\% | 44.5\% | 37.8\% | 42.1\% | 126.7\% |
| 39.3\% | 45.6\% | 40.1\% | 42.0\% | 44.6\% | 40.3\% | 39.4\% | 44.8\% | 40.1\% | 30.6\% | 42.1\% | 40.5\% | 27.3\% | 40.4\% | 39.3\% | -30.4\% |
| >8.8\% | 18.6\% | 14.0\% | 9.8\% | 15.9\% | 12.7\% | 11.1\% | 13.6\% | 11.5\% | 7.4\% | 16.6\% | 10.5\% | 6.3\% | 14.1\% | 10.4\% | <-29.0\% |
| S | 13.4\% | 8.5\% | 8.9\% | 11.5\% | 7.7\% | S | 10.3\% | 6.7\% | S | 11.9\% | 6.4\% | S | 8.3\% | 6.3\% | - |
| S | 5.2\% | 5.6\% | 0.9\% | 4.3\% | 5.0\% | S | 3.3\% | 4.8\% | S | 4.7\% | 4.2\% | S | 5.8\% | 4.1\% | - |
| S | S | 1.5\% | 0.9\% | S | 1.6\% | 0.0\% | S | 1.3\% | 0.0\% | S | 1.2\% | 0.0\% | <1.1\% | 1.4\% | - |
| 0.0\% | S | 1.4\% | 0.0\% | S | 1.4\% | 0.0\% | S | 1.9\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 1.7\% | 0.0\% | S | 1.5\% | - |
| 16.1\% | 2.2\% | 1.4\% | 17.9\% | 3.6\% | 1.5\% | 21.2\% | 4.9\% | 1.6\% | <12.5\% | <3.7\% | 1.8\% | <20.4\% | 4.8\% | 1.7\% | <26.9\% |

Children Entering Foster Care
All Entries into Foster Care During the Year


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.


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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 | 2018 |  |  | 2019 |  |  | 2020 |  |  | 2021 |  |  | 2022* |  |  | County \% Change 2018 to 2022* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State |  |
| Children Re-Entering Foster Care Re-Entries During the Year Re-Entries as Percent of All Entries | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{S} \\ & \mathrm{~S} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 209 \\ 21.7 \% \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,469 \\ 24.5 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NA } \\ 16.1 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 220 \\ 21.8 \% \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,182 \\ 23.1 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{S} \\ & \mathrm{~S} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 169 \\ 20.3 \% \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,746 \\ 24.0 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{S} \\ & \mathrm{~S} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 186 \\ 21.9 \% \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,681 \\ 23.0 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{S} \\ & \mathrm{~S} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 92 \\ 19.9 \% \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,913 \\ 26.2 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |
| By Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-2 | S | 10.5\% | 10.8\% | 0.0\% | 11.4\% | 11.9\% | 0.0\% | 14.8\% | 10.5\% | S | 11.3\% | 12.3\% | 0.0\% | S | 11.9\% | - |
| 3-5 | S | 17.2\% | 12.6\% | 0.0\% | 12.7\% | 12.7\% | S | 17.2\% | 10.9\% | 0.0\% | 13.4\% | 12.8\% | S | 12.0\% | 12.3\% | - |
| 6-8 | S | 12.4\% | 12.1\% | 44.4\% | 14.1\% | 11.9\% | S | 10.1\% | 11.0\% | 0.0\% | 10.2\% | 10.9\% | 0.0\% | 22.8\% | 12.2\% | - |
| 9-11 | S | 9.6\% | 11.5\% | 11.1\% | 13.2\% | 10.4\% | S | 8.9\% | 12.0\% | S | 8.6\% | 11.0\% | 0.0\% | S | 11.0\% | - |
| 12-14 | S | 12.0\% | 17.7\% | 22.2\% | 20.9\% | 18.7\% | S | 21.9\% | 17.7\% | 0.0\% | 28.5\% | 20.2\% | 0.0\% | 14.1\% | 19.9\% | - |
| 15-20 | S | 38.3\% | 35.4\% | 22.2\% | 27.7\% | 34.4\% | S | 27.2\% | 37.9\% | S | 28.0\% | 32.7\% | S | 32.6\% | 32.6\% | - |
| Infants (age 0-1) | S | 7.7\% | 6.4\% | 0.0\% | S | 6.9\% | 0.0\% | 10.7\% | 7.3\% | 0.0\% | S | 9.2\% | 0.0\% | S | 8.3\% | - |
| Youth (age 13+) | S | 47.8\% | 48.6\% | 44.4\% | 45.5\% | 48.7\% | S | 45.0\% | 51.1\% | S | 55.9\% | 47.7\% | S | 43.5\% | 47.4\% | - |
| By Race and Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non-Hispanic White | S | 89.0\% | 39.6\% | 100.0\% | 87.7\% | 52.7\% | S | 88.2\% | 31.3\% | S | 86.0\% | 42.8\% | S | 84.8\% | 35.7\% | - |
| Non-Hispanic Black or African American | 0.0\% | S | 40.5\% | 0.0\% | S | 49.0\% | S | S | 31.0\% | 0.0\% | S | 35.2\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 42.6\% | - |
| Non-Hispanic Other Race | 0.0\% | S | 1.8\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 2.0\% | 0.0\% | S | 2.7\% | 0.0\% | S | 3.9\% | 0.0\% | S | 3.9\% | - |
| Non-Hispanic Two or More Races | 0.0\% | S | 7.1\% | 0.0\% | S | 11.2\% | S | S | 5.4\% | 0.0\% | S | 6.5\% | 0.0\% | S | 7.8\% | - |
| Hispanic or Latino | 0.0\% | S | 11.1\% | 0.0\% | S | 15.0\% | 0.0\% | S | 9.6\% | 0.0\% | S | 11.6\% | 0.0\% | S | 10.1\% | - |



FOSTER CARE - PLACEMENT REASONS
County child welfare agencies are required to report the reasons in which a child experiences a placement episode. There are 15 factors defined by the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) technical bulletin issued by the Administration for Children and Families which are federally required data elements that the state must track and report.
A child can have more than one placement reason.
Top Five Placement Reasons Of All Children in Foster Care During the Year

| 2022 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| County | Rural |  | State |  |
| 27.3\% Neglect | 38.8\% | Parent Drug Abuse | 34.9\% | Parent Drug Abuse |
| 26.6\% Parent Drug Abuse | 25.0\% | Neglect | 25.6\% | Neglect |
| 13.3\% Child's Behavior Problem | 21.6\% | Caretaker Inability to Cope | 22.5\% | Caretaker Inability to Cope |
| 11.7\% Caretaker Inability to Cope | 17.6\% | Inadequate Housing | 16.2\% | Inadequate Housing |
| 10.2\% Sexual Abuse | 17.3\% | Child's Behavior Problem | 13.6\% | Child's Behavior Problem |


| Top 5 Placement Reasons of All Children in Foster Care in County |  |  |  |  | Top 5 Placement Reasons of All Children in Foster Care in Rural Counties |  |  |  |  | Top 5 Placement Reasons of All Children in Foster Care in Pennsylvania |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Neglect | Parent Drug Abuse | Child's Behavior Problem | Caretaker Inability to Cope | Sexual Abuse | Parent Drug Abuse | Neglect | Caretaker Inability to Cope | Inadequ.. Housing | Child's <br> Behavior Problen | Parent Drug Abuse | Neglect | Caretaker Inability to Cope | Inadequat <br> e Housing | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Child's } \\ & \text { Behavio } \\ & \text { r } \\ & \text { Problem } \end{aligned}$ |

Of First-Time Entries into Foster Care

|  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $36.8 \%$ | Neglect | $40.5 \%$ | Parent Drug Abuse |
| S | (remaining values suppressed) | $23.8 \%$ | Neglect |
| S | (remaining values suppressed) | $20.0 \%$ | Caretaker Inability to Cope |
| S | (remaining values suppressed) | $15.9 \%$ | Child's Behavior Problem |
| S | (remaining values suppressed) | $14.9 \%$ | Inadequate Housing |

35.9% Parent Drug Abuse
35.9% Parent Drug Abuse
25.7% Neglect
25.7% Neglect
22.0% Caretaker Inability to Cope
22.0% Caretaker Inability to Cope
17.2% Inadequate Housing
17.2% Inadequate Housing
12.6% Child's Behavior Problem
12.6% Child's Behavior Problem

 parent(s), inadequate housing, neglect, parent alcohol abuse, parent drug abuse, physical abuse, relinquishment, sexual abuse.

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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.


FOSTER CARE - EXITS
 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)

| 2018 |  |  | 2019 |  |  | 2020 |  |  |  |  |  | 2022 $^{*}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 59 | 924 | 10,694 | NA | 998 | 10,801 | 28 | 970 | 8,712 | 33 | 839 | 8,439 | 65 | 522 |
| $52.7 \%$ | $46.8 \%$ | $42.0 \%$ | $37.5 \%$ | $55.8 \%$ | $43.8 \%$ | $28.3 \%$ | $50.6 \%$ | $40.2 \%$ | $27.3 \%$ | $46.9 \%$ | $41.2 \%$ | $50.8 \%$ | $48.8 \%$ |
| 10.9 | 10.6 | 13.0 | 17.0 | 11.1 | 15.9 | 13.8 | 11.4 | 15.4 | 21.8 | 13.4 | 33.2 | 12.4 | 12.1 |


| County \% Change <br> 2018 to 2022* |
| :---: |
|  |
| $10.2 \%$ |
| $-3.6 \%$ |
| $13.6 \%$ |


| By Discharge Reason |
| ---: |
| Exit to Permanent ArrangementsReunification <br> (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) |


| 96.6\% | 93.9\% | 88.6\% | 88.1\% | 90.9\% | 86.6\% | 96.4\% | 93.5\% | 86.2\% | >90.9\% | 93.6\% | 87.1\% | >83.1\% | 92.5\% | 86.3\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 54.2\% | 60.7\% | 52.5\% | 47.6\% | 56.7\% | 49.8\% | 75.0\% | 55.9\% | 50.8\% | 36.4\% | 54.6\% | 49.8\% | 36.9\% | 53.3\% | 50.8\% |
| 6.2 | 5.7 | 6.4 | 10.7 | 7.0 | 7.4 | 16.1 | 7.0 | 8.4 | 13.7 | 5.5 | 9.0 | 12.9 | 8.2 | 8.3 |
| 30.5\% | 19.5\% | 23.9\% | 21.4\% | 20.6\% | 25.2\% | 0.0\% | 22.8\% | 23.5\% | 54.5\% | 24.0\% | 25.4\% | 18.5\% | 20.9\% | 23.0\% |
| 25.3 | 25.1 | 30.5 | 21.1 | 25.8 | 31.0 | 0.0 | 30.2 | 29.8 | 28.7 | 28.5 | 32.2 | 28.6 | 26.0 | 32.7 |
| S | 9.6\% | 7.5\% | 11.9\% | 9.8\% | 7.6\% | S | 8.6\% | 7.7\% | 0.0\% | 11.7\% | 7.6\% | S | 10.2\% | 7.8\% |
| 9.4 | 15.9 | 19.4 | 18.0 | 18.1 | 22.8 | 36.8 | 15.3 | 22.3 | 0.0 | 16.8 | 23.5 | 24.0 | 21.5 | 23.7 |
| S | 4.1\% | 4.6\% | 7.1\% | 3.7\% | 4.1\% | S | 6.3\% | 4.1\% | S | 3.3\% | 4.3\% | 27.7\% | 8.2\% | 4.6\% |
| 9.4 | 6.8 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 2.1 | 2.5 | 8.9 | 4.4 | 2.4 | 8.5 | 8.1 | 2.0 | 3.8 | 5.6 | 4.0 |
| 3.4\% | 6.1\% | 11.4\% | 11.9\% | >8.2\% | 13.2\% | 0.0\% | >6.1\% | 13.7\% | >0.0\% | >5.4\% | 12.8\% | >0.0\% | >5.7\% | 13.5\% |
| S | 4.5\% | 7.3\% | 11.9\% | 8.2\% | 9.3\% | 0.0\% | 6.1\% | 9.5\% | S | 5.4\% | 7.9\% | S | 5.7\% | 7.6\% |
| 70.6 | 37.8 | 23.7 | 29.4 | 29.9 | 26.2 | 0.0 | 12.3 | 22.9 | 23.2 | 26.4 | 24.3 | 16.7 | 25.6 | 24.1 |
| S | 1.5\% | 3.5\% | 0.0\% | S | 3.5\% | 0.0\% | S | 3.7\% | 0.0\% | S | 4.1\% | 0.0\% | S | 5.3\% |
| 4.5 | 25.5 | 7.9 | 0.0 | 12.2 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 6.6 | 0.0 | 10.6 | 8.0 | 0.0 | 10.2 | 4.2 |
| 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.6\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.5\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.8\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.6\% |
| 0.0 | 0.0 | 14.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 14.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 11.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 17.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.4 |
| 0.0\% | 0.0\% | S | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 3.6\% | S | 0.2\% | 0.0\% | S | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | S | 0.2\% |
| 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 12.6 | 90.0 | 90.0 | 6.1 | 0.0 | 10.0 | 5.9 | 0.0 | 13.4 | 15.3 |


$\mathrm{NA}=\mathrm{Data}$
available
avaiable
$S=$ rate suppressed due
to count less than 11
persons

* County
County classifications changed with the 2022
data


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

| 2018 |  |  | 2020 |  |  |  |  |  | 2021 |  |  | 2022* |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 58 | 1,142 | 16,074 | NA | 1,153 | 15,082 | 71 | 1,005 | 13,949 | 88 | 1,017 | 13,033 | 63 | 576 | 11,866 |
| 13.7 | 10.4 | 14.2 | 10.0 | 11.4 | 14.0 | 14.6 | 10.2 | 16.4 | 9.7 | 10.2 | 16.8 | 14.6 | 11.1 | 15.2 |


| County \% Change |
| :---: |
| 2018 to 2022* |
|  |
| $8.6 \%$ |
| $6.3 \%$ |


| By Age |  |
| ---: | ---: |
|  | $0-2$ |
| $3-5$ |  |
| $6-8$ |  |
| $9-11$ |  |
| $12-14$ |  |
| $15-20$ |  |


|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| S | $18.7 \%$ | $21.0 \%$ | $19.4 \%$ | $22.1 \%$ | $21.6 \%$ | $18.3 \%$ | $22.4 \%$ | $22.2 \%$ | $23.9 \%$ | $21.9 \%$ | $23.0 \%$ | $20.6 \%$ | $21.9 \%$ | $22.8 \%$ |
| $19.0 \%$ | $16.6 \%$ | $17.5 \%$ | $16.7 \%$ | $16.7 \%$ | $17.7 \%$ | $21.1 \%$ | $17.5 \%$ | $18.0 \%$ | $13.6 \%$ | $17.8 \%$ | $17.9 \%$ | S | $18.4 \%$ | $17.8 \%$ |
| S | $13.0 \%$ | $13.6 \%$ | $12.5 \%$ | $13.9 \%$ | $13.8 \%$ | S | $12.6 \%$ | $13.9 \%$ | S | $12.0 \%$ | $13.6 \%$ | S | $13.4 \%$ | $13.4 \%$ |
| S | $12.1 \%$ | $12.2 \%$ | $16.7 \%$ | $12.8 \%$ | $12.1 \%$ | $15.5 \%$ | $12.1 \%$ | $12.1 \%$ | $13.6 \%$ | $9.7 \%$ | $11.5 \%$ | S | $9.7 \%$ | $11.4 \%$ |
| $24.1 \%$ | $13.9 \%$ | $12.3 \%$ | $16.7 \%$ | $14.4 \%$ | $13.3 \%$ | $<15.6 \%$ | $15.3 \%$ | $13.1 \%$ | $<20.6 \%$ | $17.4 \%$ | $13.0 \%$ | S | $13.7 \%$ | $13.4 \%$ |
| $24.1 \%$ | $25.7 \%$ | $18.3 \%$ | $18.1 \%$ | $20.0 \%$ | $17.7 \%$ | $18.3 \%$ | $20.0 \%$ | $17.2 \%$ | $20.5 \%$ | $21.1 \%$ | $16.7 \%$ | $28.6 \%$ | $22.9 \%$ | $17.9 \%$ |
| S | $12.3 \%$ | $13.7 \%$ | $15.3 \%$ | $15.4 \%$ | $14.4 \%$ | S | $14.3 \%$ | $14.5 \%$ | $15.9 \%$ | $15.1 \%$ | $15.0 \%$ | S | $15.1 \%$ | $14.8 \%$ |
| $41.4 \%$ | $34.7 \%$ | $31.9 \%$ | $34.7 \%$ | $34.4 \%$ | $34.8 \%$ | $28.2 \%$ | $31.0 \%$ | $29.9 \%$ | $34.1 \%$ | $32.7 \%$ | $29.7 \%$ | $41.3 \%$ | $33.0 \%$ | $30.8 \%$ |


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| :---: |
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| - |
| - |
| - |
| $18.4 \%$ |
| - |
| $-0.3 \%$ |

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

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| $<91.5 \%$ | $89.2 \%$ | $42.2 \%$ | $95.8 \%$ | $88.8 \%$ | $42.3 \%$ | 90.1 |
| S | $3.0 \%$ | $35.4 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $2.8 \%$ | $34.4 \%$ | S |
| $0.0 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | S | $2.6 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| $0.0 \%$ | $3.5 \%$ | $7.1 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $<4.4 \%$ | $7.8 \%$ | S |
| $0.0 \%$ | $2.9 \%$ | $13.0 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $3.5 \%$ | $13.0 \%$ | S |


|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $55.2 \%$ | $52.5 \%$ | $50.9 \%$ | $61.1 \%$ | $52.4 \%$ | $50.6 \%$ | $52.1 \%$ | $53.3 \%$ | $50.8 \%$ | $56.8 \%$ | $54.3 \%$ | $50.2 \%$ | $52.4 \%$ | $54.2 \%$ | $50.7 \%$ |
| $44.8 \%$ | $47.5 \%$ | $49.1 \%$ | $38.9 \%$ | $47.6 \%$ | $49.4 \%$ | $47.9 \%$ | $46.7 \%$ | $49.2 \%$ | $43.2 \%$ | $45.7 \%$ | $49.8 \%$ | $47.6 \%$ | $45.8 \%$ | $49.3 \%$ | $\square$



| 81.5\% | 84.0\% | 76.4\% | 82.3\% | 85. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2.1\% | 4.0\% | 0.0\% | 1.4\% | 3.2 |
| 29.1\% | 37.8\% | 23.6\% | 31.0\% | 39. |
| 50.4\% | 42.2\% | 52.8\% | 50.0\% | 42. |
| 17.4\% | 13.2\% | 12.5\% | 15.6\% | 11. |
| 11.8\% | 7.9\% | 11.1\% | 11.4\% | 7.0\% |
| 5.6\% | 5.3\% | 1.4\% | 4.2\% | 4.9 |
| S | 1.5\% | 0.0\% | S | 1.3 |
| 0.0\% | 0.9\% | 0.0\% | S | 1.2 |
| S | 0.4\% | 11.1\% | 1.6\% | 0. |


| 5.1\% | >70.4\% | 82.6\% | 86 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3.2\% | S | 2.7\% |  |
| 9.4\% | 22.5\% | 30.9\% | 4 |
| 2.5\% | 47.9\% | 49.0\% | 42 |
| 1.9\% | 14.1\% | 15.3\% | 10 |
| 7.0\% | S | 11.1\% |  |
| 4.9\% | S | 4.2\% |  |
| 1.3\% | 0.0\% | S |  |
| 1.2\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |  |
| 0.5\% | S | <1.9\% | 0 |


|  | $\mathbf{8 6 . 3 \%}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| $2.7 \%$ | $>85.2 \%$ |
| $41.5 \%$ | $54.5 \%$ |
| $42.2 \%$ | $30.7 \%$ |
| $10.7 \%$ | $8.0 \%$ |
| $5.9 \%$ | $S$ |
| $4.8 \%$ | $S$ |
| $1.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| $1.5 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| $0.4 \%$ | $S$ |


|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $>80.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{8 6 . 6 \%}$ |
| S | $1.3 \%$ |  |
| $\%$ | $33.3 \%$ | $43.0 \%$ |
| $\%$ | $46.9 \%$ | $42.4 \%$ |
|  | $\mathbf{1 7 . 3 \%}$ | $10.4 \%$ |
|  | $12.6 \%$ | $6.4 \%$ |
|  | $4.7 \%$ | $4.1 \%$ |
| S | $1.2 \%$ |  |
|  | $\mathbf{0 . 0 \%}$ | $1.1 \%$ |
|  | $1.8 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ |


| .6\% | >71.4\% | >81.8\% | 86.4\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3\% | S | S | 3.5\% |
| .0\% | 47.6\% | 36.1\% | 40.7\% |
| 4\% | 23.8\% | 45.7\% | 42.1\% |
| .4\% | 9.5\% | 13.7\% | 10.8\% |
| 4\% | S | 8.2\% | 6.4\% |
| \% | S | 5.6\% | 4.4\% |
| \% | 0.0\% | S | 1.1\% |
| \% | 0.0\% | S | 1.1\% |
| 7\% | S | 2.1\% | 0.6\% |




Latest Placement Setting of Children


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DISPROPORTIONALITY
Disproportionality shows the level at which groups of children are present in the child welfare system at higher or lower rates than in the general population. The index is calculated by taking the proportion of children in foster care for a given race and dividing it by the proportion of the same race group in the child population (age 0-20).

Indicator

CPS/GPS 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

Indicator

Foster Care 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

| $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\begin{array}{c}\text { CPS } \\ \text { Referrals }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Valid } \\ \text { CPS }\end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| Referrals |  |  |  |  | \(\left.\begin{array}{c}GPS <br>

Reports\end{array} $$
\begin{array}{c}\text { Valid } \\
\text { GPS } \\
\text { Reports }\end{array}
$$ $$
\begin{array}{c}\text { Children } \\
\text { with Valid } \\
\text { Allegations }\end{array}
$$\right\}\)

| General <br> Population <br> Age 0-17 |
| :---: |
| $90.1 \%$ |
| $0.7 \%$ |
| $0.8 \%$ |
| $5.9 \%$ |
| $2.6 \%$ |


| $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total <br> Served | First <br> Time <br> Entries | Exits | Re- <br> entries | In Care <br> $9 / 30$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| $<93.1 \%$ | $<92.2 \%$ | $95.4 \%$ | S | $<90.6 \%$ |
| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| S | S | S | $0.0 \%$ | S |
| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |$\quad$| General <br> Population <br> Age 0-20 |
| :---: |

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

Children Remaining in Care
By Specific Latest Placement Settings Non-Hispanic White
Non-Hispanic Black or African American Non-Hispanic Other Race Non-Hispanic Two or More Races Hispanic or Latino


| $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Pre- <br> Adoptive <br> Home | Relative <br> Family <br> Home | Non- <br> Relative <br> Family <br> Home | Group <br> Home |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| $100.0 \%$ | $90.0 \%$ | $86.7 \%$ | $75.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| $0.0 \%$ | $10.0 \%$ | $13.3 \%$ | $25.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |

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## DISPARITY

Disparity demonstrates the lack of equality between two racial groups in the child welfare system. The index is expressed as the ratio of one racial group's disproportionality index by another racial group's disproportionality metric. The computed value represents whether children of different racial groups are in the child welfare system at the same rate.

Indicator

Racial Disparity Index
Non-Hispanic Black / Non-Hispanic White
Non-Hispanic Black / Non-Hispanic Other Non-Hispanic Black / Non-Hispanic Two or More Non-Hispanic Black / Hispanic Non-Hispanic Other / Non-Hispanic White Non-Hispanic Other / Non-Hispanic Two or More Non-Hispanic Other / Hispanic Non-Hispanic Two or More / Non-Hispanic White Non-Hispanic Two or More / Hispanic Hispanic / Non-Hispanic White


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FOSTER CARE - STABILITY
 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.

| 2018 |  |  | 2019 |  |  | 2020 |  |  | 2021 |  |  | 2022* |  |  | County \% Change 2018 to 2022* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State |  |
| 31.8\% | 30.8\% | 31.8\% | 34.9\% | 35.2\% | 31.1\% | 31.7\% | 30.5\% | 28.4\% | 49.2\% | 29.9\% | 25.6\% | 27.8\% | 24.5\% | 25.2\% | -12.7\% |

## FOSTER CARE - TIMELY REUNIFICATION



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.

| 2018 |  |  | 2019 |  |  | 2020 |  |  | 2021 |  |  | 2022* |  |  | County \% Change 2018 to 2022* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State |  |
| 31.7\% | 41.1\% | 37.3\% | 41.2\% | 44.4\% | 38.7\% | 38.6\% | 45.9\% | 36.8\% | <50.1\% | 47.8\% | 36.6\% | 34.9\% | 41.1\% | 37.8\% | 10.0\% |

## FOSTER CARE - FAILED REUNIFICATION



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.)

| 2018 |  |  | 2019 |  |  | 2020 |  |  | 2021 |  |  | 2022* |  |  | County \% Change 2018 to 2022* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State | County | Rural | State |  |
| 12.5\% | 22.2\% | 21.4\% | 18.5\% | 21.8\% | 22.3\% | <45.6\% | 16.5\% | 20.2\% | 0.0\% | 13.6\% | 18.1\% | 0.0\% | 19.7\% | 19.1\% | -100.0\% |

$S=$ rate suppressed due to count less than 11 persons * County classifications changed with the 2022 data.

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