



## 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	2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Unduplicated Number of Children Served	348	13,647	22,000	339	13,441	21,416	388	14,249	22,510	440	14,577	22,980	434	15,584	24,543	24.7%
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	4.4	7.0	6.5	4.3	6.9	6.4	4.9	7.4	6.7	5.5	7.5	6.8	5.5	8.0	7.3	

### By Age

Age Group	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
0-2	16.4%	18.5%	18.9%	18.0%	18.6%	19.2%	18.6%	18.7%	19.4%	17.0%	19.1%	19.9%	16.1%	18.8%	20.2%	-1.5%
3-5	13.5%	15.3%	15.6%	12.1%	15.4%	15.9%	16.0%	16.9%	16.8%	16.4%	17.2%	17.1%	20.5%	17.1%	17.0%	51.8%
6-8	12.4%	10.8%	10.8%	9.7%	11.5%	11.5%	11.6%	12.0%	12.3%	14.8%	12.9%	12.9%	14.1%	13.3%	13.0%	13.7%
9-11	12.4%	9.0%	8.9%	13.9%	9.2%	8.9%	11.1%	9.6%	9.5%	13.2%	10.3%	10.0%	12.2%	11.3%	11.0%	-1.2%
12-14	14.9%	11.8%	12.0%	12.4%	11.4%	11.4%	12.6%	10.8%	10.9%	11.6%	11.2%	11.4%	13.6%	11.2%	11.2%	-9.0%
15-17	23.0%	22.7%	23.3%	22.4%	22.0%	22.3%	21.9%	20.7%	21.4%	18.6%	19.9%	20.4%	15.0%	19.2%	19.6%	-34.9%
18-20	7.5%	12.0%	10.5%	11.5%	12.0%	10.7%	8.2%	11.1%	9.8%	8.4%	9.3%	8.3%	8.5%	9.1%	7.9%	14.1%
Infants (age 0-1)	11.2%	11.6%	12.2%	10.3%	11.3%	11.9%	10.6%	11.9%	12.5%	8.9%	12.0%	12.8%	9.0%	11.5%	12.8%	-19.8%
Youth (age 13+)	42.2%	43.5%	42.4%	42.8%	42.3%	41.5%	37.9%	39.5%	38.9%	35.0%	37.1%	36.7%	32.5%	36.2%	35.5%	-23.1%

### By Race and Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
Non-Hispanic White	52.3%	27.3%	43.3%	51.0%	25.7%	41.8%	48.2%	26.8%	42.3%	50.5%	25.5%	40.9%	47.5%	27.1%	42.5%	-9.2%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	20.7%	47.8%	34.9%	20.1%	47.9%	34.8%	18.8%	48.7%	35.2%	16.1%	47.6%	34.6%	14.5%	49.8%	35.3%	-29.8%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	0.6%	9.4%	6.5%	0.3%	10.1%	7.0%	0.8%	5.9%	4.4%	1.6%	8.0%	5.9%	5.5%	4.2%	3.3%	862.2%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	1.7%	2.9%	3.2%	1.8%	3.2%	3.9%	5.7%	4.7%	4.9%	4.5%	4.3%	5.3%	4.4%	4.3%	5.4%	153.9%
Hispanic or Latino	24.7%	12.7%	12.0%	26.8%	13.0%	12.5%	26.5%	13.8%	13.1%	27.3%	14.7%	13.4%	28.1%	14.6%	13.4%	13.7%

### By Gender

Gender	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
Male	52.0%	50.0%	50.5%	54.0%	50.1%	50.8%	54.4%	50.2%	50.8%	58.4%	50.4%	51.0%	52.8%	50.3%	51.2%	1.4%
Female	48.0%	50.0%	49.5%	46.0%	49.9%	49.2%	45.6%	49.8%	49.2%	41.6%	49.6%	49.0%	47.2%	49.7%	48.8%	-1.6%

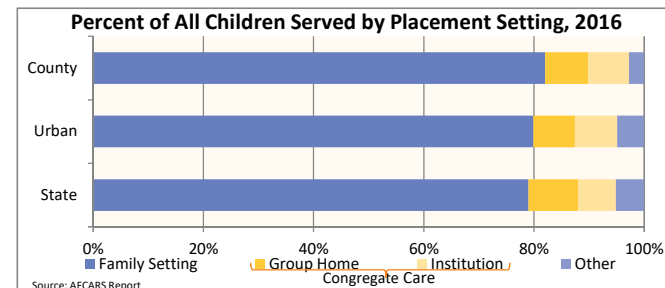
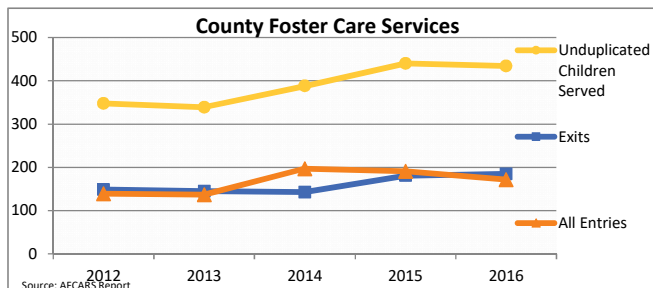
### By First Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>76.4%</b>	<b>72.4%</b>	<b>72.8%</b>	<b>74.3%</b>	<b>72.9%</b>	<b>73.4%</b>	<b>80.2%</b>	<b>76.1%</b>	<b>75.8%</b>	<b>80.9%</b>	<b>78.1%</b>	<b>77.1%</b>	<b>82.0%</b>	<b>79.9%</b>	<b>79.0%</b>	<b>7.3%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	3.2%	3.3%	3.2%	0.9%	3.9%	3.4%	1.0%	4.1%	3.5%	0.5%	3.6%	3.1%	0.0%	6.0%	4.5%	-100.0%
Foster Family Home – Relative	17.5%	26.3%	24.4%	19.8%	26.5%	24.8%	29.1%	32.9%	29.6%	30.5%	35.8%	31.5%	32.3%	37.7%	34.1%	84.0%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	55.7%	42.8%	45.2%	53.7%	42.5%	45.2%	50.0%	39.1%	42.7%	50.0%	38.7%	42.5%	49.8%	36.2%	40.5%	-10.7%
<b>Congregate Care Setting</b>	<b>20.4%</b>	<b>21.1%</b>	<b>20.6%</b>	<b>21.2%</b>	<b>20.2%</b>	<b>19.6%</b>	<b>15.7%</b>	<b>18.2%</b>	<b>18.3%</b>	<b>15.5%</b>	<b>16.4%</b>	<b>17.1%</b>	<b>15.2%</b>	<b>15.2%</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>-25.5%</b>
Group Home	8.0%	11.8%	12.5%	11.2%	11.4%	12.1%	8.8%	10.5%	11.6%	8.0%	9.1%	10.5%	7.8%	7.5%	9.1%	-2.6%
Institution	12.4%	9.3%	8.0%	10.0%	8.8%	7.5%	7.0%	7.7%	6.8%	7.5%	7.4%	6.6%	7.4%	7.7%	6.8%	-40.3%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>2.9%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>2.6%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>-27.8%</b>
Runaway	0.0%	1.9%	1.4%	0.0%	2.4%	1.8%	0.0%	1.4%	1.2%	0.0%	1.7%	1.3%	0.2%	1.9%	1.4%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.3%	2.3%	3.4%	0.9%	1.9%	3.2%	1.8%	1.9%	2.8%	1.6%	1.9%	2.9%	0.5%	1.1%	2.2%	60.4%

### Children Entering Foster Care

All Entries into Foster Care During the Year

Year	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	% Change
2012	139	5,756	9,793	137	5,577	9,306	197	6,295	10,364	191	6,327	10,387	172	6,153	10,567	23.7%



## 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	2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Children Entering for the First Time	107	3,953	7,018	101	3,887	6,698	150	4,465	7,592	155	4,638	7,843	144	4,556	8,082	34.6%
First Time Entries During the Year (Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	1.3	2.0	2.1	1.3	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.3	2.3	2.0	2.4	2.3	1.8	2.4	2.4	
First Time Entries as Percent of All Entries	77.0%	68.7%	71.7%	73.7%	69.7%	72.0%	76.1%	70.9%	73.3%	81.2%	73.3%	75.5%	83.7%	74.0%	76.5%	8.8%

#### 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	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
0-2	29.9%	32.8%	32.2%	28.7%	33.3%	32.8%	27.3%	33.6%	32.7%	28.4%	33.2%	32.7%	29.2%	32.5%	33.3%	-2.5%
3-5	9.3%	14.4%	14.2%	13.9%	14.8%	14.6%	17.3%	15.9%	15.7%	16.8%	14.3%	14.6%	20.8%	14.6%	14.7%	122.9%
6-8	13.1%	10.2%	10.1%	7.9%	10.1%	10.0%	14.0%	11.6%	11.5%	15.5%	12.0%	11.9%	12.5%	12.8%	12.5%	-4.5%
9-11	7.5%	8.5%	8.6%	13.9%	8.5%	8.2%	12.7%	9.4%	9.2%	13.5%	10.2%	9.8%	13.2%	10.1%	9.6%	76.5%
12-14	23.4%	14.4%	14.4%	14.9%	12.9%	13.5%	10.7%	12.3%	12.7%	11.0%	12.7%	13.4%	16.0%	12.7%	12.6%	-31.6%
15-17	16.8%	19.7%	20.4%	20.8%	20.3%	20.8%	18.0%	17.0%	18.0%	14.8%	17.4%	17.4%	8.3%	17.1%	17.2%	-50.5%
18-20	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	25.2%	27.1%	26.2%	22.8%	27.1%	26.4%	22.0%	27.1%	26.3%	20.0%	26.5%	26.2%	21.5%	25.5%	26.3%	-14.7%
Youth (age 13+)	32.7%	30.4%	31.2%	33.7%	30.2%	31.4%	26.7%	26.2%	27.6%	20.0%	26.8%	27.5%	16.7%	26.4%	26.6%	-49.0%

#### 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	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
Non-Hispanic White	54.2%	32.5%	49.3%	50.5%	28.2%	45.7%	45.3%	29.9%	46.9%	48.4%	25.6%	42.7%	45.1%	32.0%	49.4%	-16.7%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	13.1%	46.9%	31.9%	18.8%	42.5%	29.6%	16.7%	42.5%	29.2%	17.4%	41.5%	29.1%	9.7%	44.2%	28.6%	-25.7%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	1.9%	5.3%	4.1%	1.0%	11.9%	7.9%	1.3%	7.1%	5.1%	4.5%	12.8%	8.7%	11.1%	5.5%	4.1%	494.4%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	1.9%	2.8%	3.0%	1.0%	3.1%	3.9%	8.7%	4.9%	4.9%	1.3%	3.8%	5.6%	5.6%	4.2%	5.4%	197.2%
Hispanic or Latino	29.0%	12.5%	11.7%	28.7%	14.3%	13.0%	28.0%	15.7%	13.9%	28.4%	16.3%	14.0%	28.5%	14.1%	12.6%	-1.7%

#### By Gender

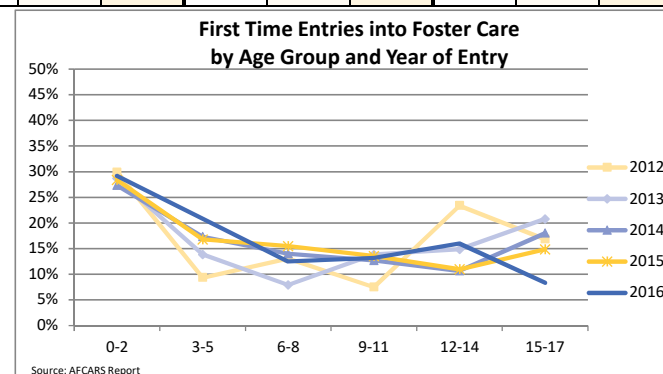
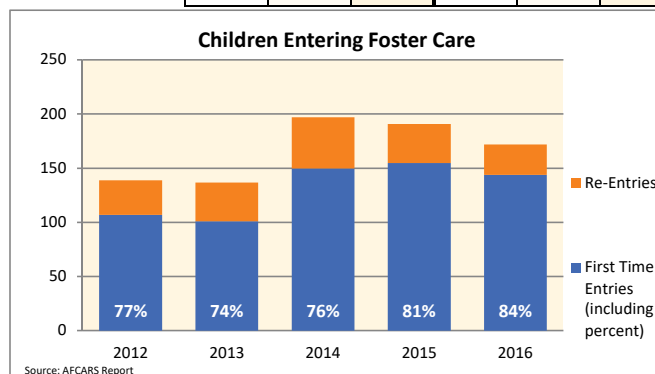
Male  
Female

Gender	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
Male	51.4%	49.2%	49.9%	55.4%	49.5%	50.2%	53.3%	50.2%	51.0%	57.4%	49.9%	50.8%	48.6%	49.3%	50.8%	-5.4%
Female	48.6%	50.8%	50.1%	44.6%	50.5%	49.8%	46.7%	49.8%	49.0%	42.6%	50.1%	49.2%	51.4%	50.7%	49.2%	5.7%

#### By First Placement Setting

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

Placement Setting	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
<b>Family Setting</b>	<b>82.2%</b>	<b>75.7%</b>	<b>76.4%</b>	<b>74.3%</b>	<b>77.9%</b>	<b>76.7%</b>	<b>84.7%</b>	<b>82.5%</b>	<b>80.7%</b>	<b>82.6%</b>	<b>82.1%</b>	<b>80.9%</b>	<b>90.3%</b>	<b>82.8%</b>	<b>82.3%</b>	<b>9.8%</b>
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	0.3%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	15.0%	27.9%	25.8%	20.8%	30.7%	27.2%	32.0%	37.5%	33.1%	29.0%	38.6%	33.6%	36.1%	41.8%	37.5%	141.5%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	67.3%	47.6%	50.4%	53.5%	47.1%	49.3%	52.7%	44.8%	47.5%	53.5%	43.4%	47.2%	54.2%	40.7%	44.6%	-19.5%
<b>Congregate Care Setting</b>	<b>16.8%</b>	<b>21.7%</b>	<b>21.1%</b>	<b>24.8%</b>	<b>20.0%</b>	<b>21.0%</b>	<b>13.3%</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>17.5%</b>	<b>16.8%</b>	<b>16.0%</b>	<b>17.0%</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>15.6%</b>	<b>15.9%</b>	<b>-42.2%</b>
Group Home	8.4%	14.0%	14.7%	16.8%	13.0%	15.0%	8.7%	9.6%	12.1%	8.4%	8.7%	10.7%	6.3%	8.3%	9.7%	-25.7%
Institution	8.4%	7.7%	6.4%	7.9%	7.0%	6.0%	4.7%	6.2%	5.4%	8.4%	7.3%	6.3%	3.5%	7.3%	6.2%	-58.7%
<b>Supervised Independent Living</b>	<b>0.9%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>-100.0%</b>
Runaway	0.0%	0.6%	0.4%	0.0%	0.8%	0.6%	0.0%	0.5%	0.4%	0.0%	0.7%	0.4%	0.0%	0.8%	0.6%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	1.7%	1.9%	1.0%	1.2%	1.5%	1.3%	0.9%	1.2%	0.6%	0.9%	1.5%	0.0%	0.5%	1.0%	-



## 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	2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Children Re-Entering Foster Care	32	1,803	2,775	36	1,690	2,608	47	1,830	2,772	36	1,689	2,544	28	1,597	2,485	-12.5%
Re-Entries as Percent of All Entries	23.0%	31.3%	28.3%	26.3%	30.3%	28.0%	23.9%	29.1%	26.7%	18.8%	26.7%	24.5%	16.3%	26.0%	23.5%	-29.3%

### By Age

Age Group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	County % Change 2012 to 2016										
0-2	6.3%	8.0%	8.5%	22.2%	6.4%	6.6%	12.8%	7.9%	8.2%	25.0%	10.7%	10.8%	10.7%	12.0%	11.2%	71.4%
3-5	6.3%	7.2%	9.5%	8.3%	7.0%	7.8%	14.9%	8.4%	9.2%	27.8%	10.2%	11.4%	21.4%	9.4%	9.7%	242.9%
6-8	9.4%	5.5%	6.5%	2.8%	7.2%	7.4%	4.3%	8.3%	8.8%	5.6%	9.0%	9.0%	7.1%	9.8%	10.1%	-23.8%
9-11	12.5%	7.2%	7.4%	0.0%	6.6%	6.3%	14.9%	6.8%	7.5%	5.6%	7.7%	7.9%	7.1%	9.1%	9.6%	-42.9%
12-14	12.5%	22.4%	21.7%	16.7%	18.3%	18.4%	17.0%	17.5%	17.1%	8.3%	17.1%	16.5%	14.3%	18.8%	18.5%	14.3%
15-17	53.1%	46.5%	44.1%	36.1%	47.8%	46.3%	29.8%	45.1%	43.7%	22.2%	39.0%	38.2%	28.6%	36.7%	36.4%	-46.2%
18-20	0.0%	3.3%	2.5%	13.9%	6.7%	7.1%	6.4%	6.1%	5.7%	5.6%	6.4%	6.3%	10.7%	4.2%	4.5%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	3.1%	4.8%	4.9%	11.1%	3.6%	3.8%	10.6%	5.2%	5.2%	13.9%	6.5%	6.5%	7.1%	8.0%	7.4%	128.6%
Youth (age 13+)	62.5%	68.1%	64.3%	66.7%	69.5%	68.6%	48.9%	65.6%	63.5%	33.3%	59.6%	57.9%	46.4%	55.5%	55.3%	-25.7%

### By Race and Ethnicity

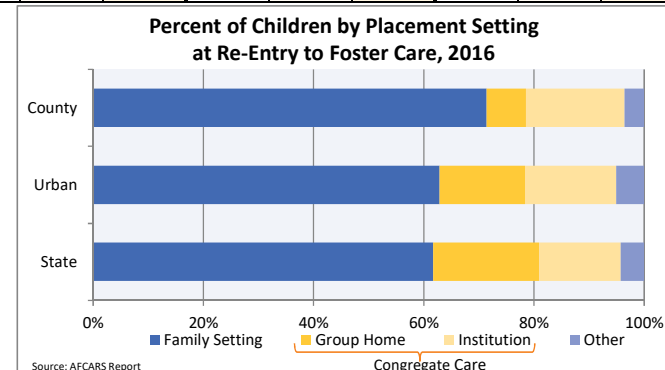
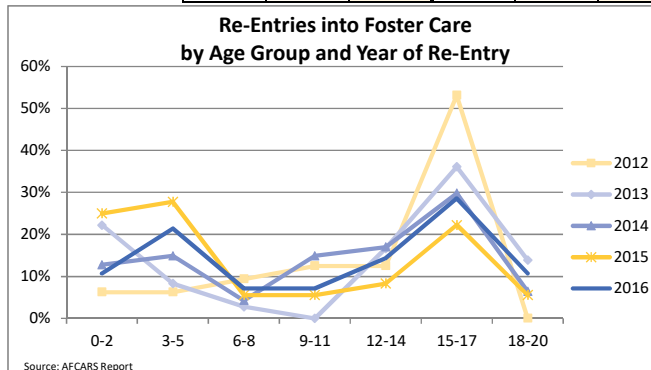
Race and Ethnicity	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	County % Change 2012 to 2016										
Non-Hispanic White	59.4%	18.1%	35.7%	41.7%	16.9%	34.3%	51.1%	19.6%	35.8%	66.7%	17.8%	34.7%	67.9%	23.0%	39.5%	14.3%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	21.9%	60.7%	45.5%	8.3%	59.4%	44.2%	8.5%	58.4%	43.3%	5.6%	54.0%	40.4%	10.7%	54.9%	40.1%	-51.0%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	0.0%	6.0%	4.1%	0.0%	9.3%	6.7%	0.0%	5.4%	4.1%	0.0%	10.8%	7.8%	0.0%	4.4%	3.1%	-
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	0.0%	2.9%	3.3%	5.6%	2.7%	3.4%	10.6%	3.9%	4.5%	0.0%	4.1%	4.9%	7.1%	4.7%	5.8%	-
Hispanic or Latino	18.8%	12.3%	11.3%	44.4%	11.7%	11.4%	29.8%	12.8%	12.2%	27.8%	13.2%	12.2%	14.3%	13.0%	11.6%	-23.8%

### By Gender

Gender	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	County % Change 2012 to 2016										
Male	56.3%	44.3%	47.6%	47.2%	45.7%	48.1%	55.3%	49.0%	50.6%	55.6%	49.3%	50.5%	42.9%	48.8%	50.3%	-23.8%
Female	43.8%	55.7%	52.4%	52.8%	54.3%	51.9%	44.7%	51.0%	49.4%	44.4%	50.7%	49.5%	57.1%	51.2%	49.7%	30.6%

### By Placement Setting at Re-Entry

Placement Setting	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	County % Change 2012 to 2016										
Family Setting	65.6%	48.0%	50.5%	47.2%	46.9%	48.5%	66.0%	53.1%	53.7%	69.4%	57.3%	58.0%	71.4%	62.9%	61.7%	8.8%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.6%	0.4%	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.9%	0.6%	0.0%	1.1%	0.7%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	9.4%	17.7%	16.5%	13.9%	17.9%	14.9%	23.4%	22.6%	20.2%	27.8%	28.7%	24.3%	28.6%	31.1%	26.3%	204.8%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	56.3%	29.7%	33.5%	33.3%	28.7%	33.3%	42.6%	30.3%	33.3%	41.7%	27.7%	33.1%	42.9%	30.7%	34.6%	-23.8%
Congregate Care Setting	31.3%	46.9%	45.3%	47.2%	45.0%	44.4%	29.8%	39.9%	40.6%	30.6%	37.0%	37.1%	25.0%	32.0%	34.0%	-20.0%
Group Home	0.0%	23.5%	26.0%	16.7%	23.9%	26.7%	8.5%	20.8%	24.8%	13.9%	19.2%	22.3%	7.1%	15.5%	19.3%	-
Institution	31.3%	23.5%	19.2%	30.6%	21.1%	17.7%	21.3%	19.1%	15.9%	16.7%	17.8%	14.8%	17.9%	16.5%	14.8%	-42.9%
Supervised Independent Living	3.1%	1.1%	0.8%	5.6%	1.5%	1.6%	2.1%	2.1%	1.6%	0.0%	2.0%	1.7%	0.0%	1.3%	1.3%	-100.0%
Runaway	0.0%	3.4%	2.5%	0.0%	6.2%	4.3%	2.1%	4.7%	3.3%	0.0%	3.4%	2.4%	3.6%	3.5%	2.5%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	0.6%	1.0%	0.0%	0.4%	1.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.8%	0.0%	0.3%	0.8%	0.0%	0.3%	0.5%	-



## 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.

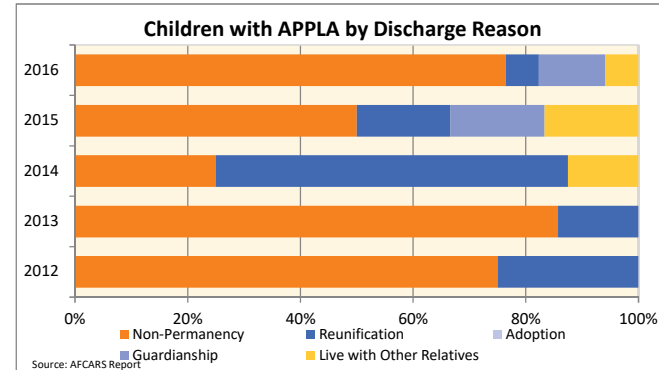
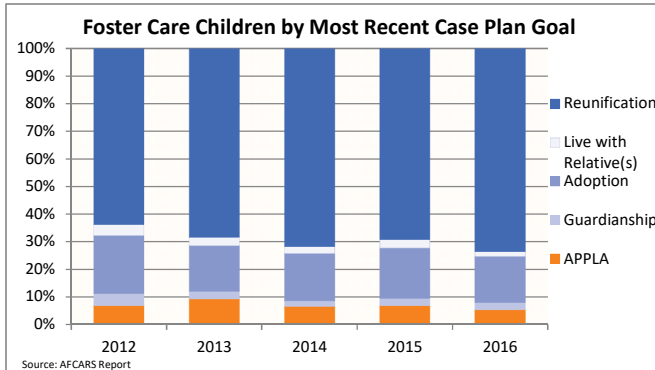
Indicator	2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
<b>Percent of Children by Case Plan Goal</b>																
<b>Family-Based Permanency Goals</b>	<b>93.1%</b>	<b>91.0%</b>	<b>90.9%</b>	<b>90.7%</b>	<b>93.8%</b>	<b>92.8%</b>	<b>93.4%</b>	<b>94.1%</b>	<b>93.6%</b>	<b>93.2%</b>	<b>95.6%</b>	<b>95.2%</b>	<b>94.7%</b>	<b>94.6%</b>	<b>95.0%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>
Reunify With Parent(s) or Principal Caretaker(s)	63.8%	71.7%	69.6%	68.3%	73.5%	70.5%	71.7%	75.3%	72.6%	69.1%	74.8%	73.1%	73.6%	69.1%	69.8%	15.5%
Adoption	20.9%	15.8%	16.6%	16.5%	15.4%	16.7%	17.2%	14.8%	16.1%	18.2%	16.5%	17.4%	17.4%	19.9%	19.5%	-20.2%
Guardianship	4.4%	0.9%	3.1%	2.8%	3.1%	3.6%	1.9%	2.4%	3.1%	2.7%	2.8%	3.0%	2.7%	4.4%	4.3%	-39.1%
Live with Relative(s)	4.1%	2.5%	1.6%	3.1%	1.8%	2.1%	2.5%	1.7%	1.8%	3.2%	1.6%	1.7%	1.7%	1.3%	1.5%	-58.3%
<b>Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA)</b>	<b>6.9%</b>	<b>9.0%</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>9.3%</b>	<b>6.2%</b>	<b>7.2%</b>	<b>6.6%</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>-22.5%</b>
Long Term Foster Care	0.0%	2.1%	3.2%	0.0%	0.8%	2.1%	0.0%	1.0%	1.8%	0.0%	0.5%	1.2%	0.0%	0.4%	1.0%	-
Emancipation	6.9%	6.8%	5.9%	9.3%	5.4%	5.1%	6.6%	4.9%	4.6%	6.8%	3.9%	3.6%	5.3%	5.0%	4.0%	-22.5%

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

Age Group	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County % Change 2012 to 2016
0-15	0.0%	1.7%	1.7%	0.8%	0.8%	1.1%	0.3%	0.7%	0.8%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	-
16-20	26.5%	27.2%	28.4%	32.6%	20.1%	23.6%	24.2%	20.5%	23.1%	27.8%	17.1%	19.4%	26.2%	22.5%	21.6%	-1.2%

### APPLA By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County % Change 2012 to 2016
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>25.0%</b>	<b>38.7%</b>	<b>34.1%</b>	<b>14.3%</b>	<b>37.6%</b>	<b>28.9%</b>	<b>75.0%</b>	<b>22.2%</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>50.0%</b>	<b>22.8%</b>	<b>23.0%</b>	<b>23.5%</b>	<b>40.4%</b>	<b>32.1%</b>	<b>-5.9%</b>
Reunification	25.0%	35.1%	29.6%	14.3%	33.2%	22.8%	62.5%	17.1%	14.5%	16.7%	16.6%	17.6%	5.9%	34.7%	27.0%	-76.5%
(number of months until reunification)	16.7	46.2	37.2	34.3	26.0	27.8	54.4	63.7	36.2	38.0	23.3	27.5	61.2	35.8	30.4	265.7%
Adoption	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	1.1%	0.5%	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.4%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-
(number of months until adoption)	0.0	76.0	76.0	0.0	44.3	41.1	0.0	194.3	149.3	0.0	31.2	31.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	-
Guardianship	0.0%	1.0%	1.7%	0.0%	1.5%	3.4%	0.0%	2.3%	2.5%	16.7%	1.2%	1.4%	11.8%	5.0%	4.2%	-
(number of month until guardianship)	0.0	32.0	35.3	0.0	37.8	32.0	0.0	35.1	27.8	32.4	34.9	18.0	25.5	41.4	32.0	-
Live with Other Relatives	0.0%	2.3%	2.6%	0.0%	1.8%	2.2%	12.5%	2.6%	2.1%	16.7%	4.6%	3.7%	5.9%	0.7%	0.9%	-
(number of months until living with relatives)	0.0	58.7	25.8	0.0	61.4	30.6	43.6	20.8	15.9	85.8	47.0	37.1	33.9	37.8	39.8	-
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>75.0%</b>	<b>61.1%</b>	<b>65.8%</b>	<b>85.7%</b>	<b>61.6%</b>	<b>70.8%</b>	<b>25.0%</b>	<b>77.8%</b>	<b>80.4%</b>	<b>50.0%</b>	<b>77.2%</b>	<b>76.4%</b>	<b>76.5%</b>	<b>59.6%</b>	<b>68.6%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
Emancipation	75.0%	55.3%	60.5%	85.7%	55.4%	64.2%	25.0%	69.2%	73.0%	50.0%	69.9%	71.7%	70.6%	52.3%	62.2%	-5.9%
(number of months until emancipation)	36.0	50.7	40.6	55.1	36.6	33.1	112.1	40.7	33.5	23.7	32.4	34.3	40.0	37.8	30.6	11.3%
Transfer to Another Agency	0.0%	4.2%	3.6%	0.0%	3.3%	3.6%	0.0%	7.1%	5.5%	0.0%	3.9%	2.7%	0.0%	5.7%	5.0%	-
(number of months until transfer)	0.0	48.0	51.5	0.0	83.8	46.4	0.0	61.1	13.0	0.0	71.2	40.7	0.0	57.5	27.6	-
Runaway	0.0%	1.7%	1.6%	0.0%	3.0%	3.1%	0.0%	1.4%	1.9%	0.0%	3.5%	2.0%	5.9%	1.6%	1.4%	-
(number of months until running away)	0.0	21.6	8.9	0.0	16.7	26.5	0.0	39.7	16.3	0.0	28.8	23.4	3.7	6.5	14.1	-
<b>Death of Child</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>-</b>
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	42.8	42.8	0.0	92.4	92.4	0.0	0.0	129.8	0.0	0.0	9.0	0.0	0.0	143.7	-



## 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

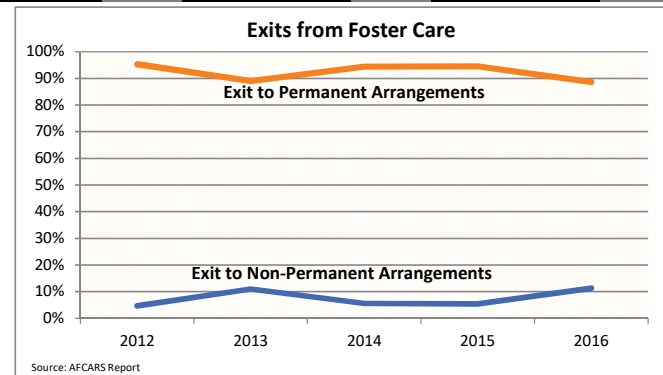
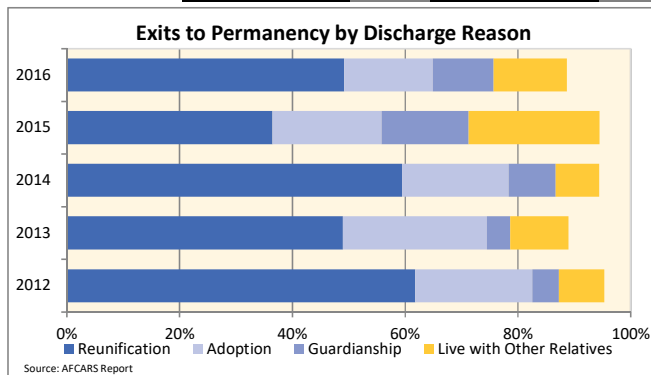
#### Children Exiting Foster Care

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

Indicator	2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Total Children Leaving Foster Care	149	5,966	10,098	145	5,302	9,123	143	5,863	9,769	181	5,592	9,471	185	6,649	10,635	24.2%
Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care	42.8%	43.7%	45.9%	42.8%	39.4%	42.6%	36.9%	41.1%	43.4%	41.1%	38.4%	41.2%	42.6%	42.7%	43.3%	-0.4%
(number of months until leaving)	11.7	13.4	11.9	19.0	14.2	11.9	9.7	12.9	10.7	13.3	13.2	11.4	14.9	12.8	11.7	28.2%

#### By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
<b>Exit to Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>95.3%</b>	<b>86.3%</b>	<b>87.9%</b>	<b>89.0%</b>	<b>89.5%</b>	<b>89.3%</b>	<b>94.4%</b>	<b>85.3%</b>	<b>86.9%</b>	<b>94.5%</b>	<b>81.0%</b>	<b>85.0%</b>	<b>88.6%</b>	<b>80.4%</b>	<b>84.5%</b>	<b>-7.0%</b>
Reunification	61.7%	59.3%	60.1%	49.0%	58.7%	57.3%	59.4%	58.2%	57.2%	36.5%	52.8%	54.5%	49.2%	53.5%	54.5%	-20.3%
(number of months until reunification)	7.5	7.9	6.1	8.3	6.0	6.0	6.6	5.7	5.5	8.1	7.4	5.7	7.4	6.4	6.7	-1.5%
Adoption	20.8%	18.3%	18.0%	25.5%	20.0%	20.2%	18.9%	17.4%	18.6%	19.3%	16.5%	18.7%	15.7%	16.4%	18.7%	-24.7%
(number of months until adoption)	31.3	31.5	27.6	24.4	30.8	26.7	25.2	33.3	27.4	26.8	31.6	28.3	26.9	31.2	28.7	-14.2%
Guardianship	4.7%	5.5%	5.4%	4.1%	6.6%	6.4%	8.4%	5.9%	6.1%	15.5%	6.9%	6.5%	10.8%	6.5%	6.6%	130.1%
(number of month until guardianship)	23.5	29.0	20.4	34.1	29.7	21.2	11.5	25.7	20.8	17.6	27.2	21.1	18.2	24.3	19.4	-22.8%
Live with Other Relatives	8.1%	3.2%	4.4%	10.3%	4.1%	5.5%	7.7%	3.8%	5.0%	23.2%	4.7%	5.4%	13.0%	4.0%	4.7%	61.1%
(number of months until living with relatives)	9.4	6.6	2.7	1.4	4.3	2.6	2.5	8.3	1.0	6.0	9.6	3.0	9.5	6.7	2.2	0.3%
<b>Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>13.6%</b>	<b>12.0%</b>	<b>11.0%</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>10.5%</b>	<b>5.6%</b>	<b>14.6%</b>	<b>13.0%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>18.9%</b>	<b>14.8%</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>15.4%</b>	<b>141.6%</b>
Emancipation	4.7%	8.0%	8.0%	10.3%	7.7%	8.1%	3.5%	7.0%	7.7%	5.0%	7.8%	7.8%	10.3%	6.6%	6.8%	118.6%
(number of months until emancipation)	31.3	38.9	37.4	45.3	34.4	31.4	56.4	35.2	29.6	21.2	28.1	28.1	33.6	30.0	23.4	7.4%
Transfer to Another Agency	0.0%	1.7%	1.6%	0.7%	2.2%	2.0%	2.1%	6.0%	4.3%	0.6%	9.0%	5.8%	0.5%	11.8%	7.9%	-
(number of months until transfer)	0.0	19.4	5.3	3.9	27.1	6.0	0.7	22.0	5.0	32.6	28.1	6.7	19.1	18.3	7.6	-
Runaway	0.0%	3.9%	2.4%	0.0%	0.4%	0.5%	0.0%	1.6%	1.1%	0.0%	2.1%	1.3%	0.5%	1.0%	0.7%	-
(number of months until running away)	0.0	16.3	4.8	0.0	14.7	14.9	0.0	35.2	13.2	0.0	14.1	15.5	3.7	10.0	11.2	-
Death of Child	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>-</b>
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	22.4	4.7	0.0	23.5	11.9	0.0	59.1	30.9	0.0	10.8	4.9	0.0	15.0	13.2	-



## 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	2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Children in Foster Care on Last Day	218	8,907	13,566	214	9,121	13,697	267	9,409	14,162	279	9,950	14,859	262	10,036	15,382	20.2%
(number of months children have been in care)	16.4	15.8	13.0	12.0	13.9	13.1	11.4	13.2	12.6	11.9	13.7	12.5	13.0	13.6	13.2	-21.1%

### By Age

Age Group	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
0-2	15.1%	18.7%	19.5%	22.4%	19.0%	19.9%	16.9%	18.9%	20.0%	19.0%	20.1%	21.0%	17.2%	19.9%	21.3%	13.5%
3-5	10.6%	14.5%	15.3%	12.6%	15.1%	15.6%	16.5%	16.7%	16.7%	15.1%	17.0%	16.7%	21.8%	17.1%	17.0%	106.2%
6-8	13.3%	10.7%	10.9%	6.5%	11.4%	11.6%	13.9%	12.4%	12.4%	14.3%	13.0%	12.9%	13.7%	13.7%	13.2%	3.3%
9-11	15.1%	9.0%	9.2%	11.2%	9.2%	9.1%	11.2%	9.6%	9.6%	12.5%	10.9%	10.7%	12.6%	12.1%	11.6%	-16.8%
12-14	16.5%	12.6%	12.4%	13.1%	11.6%	11.7%	13.9%	11.7%	11.5%	11.8%	11.3%	11.7%	14.1%	12.1%	12.0%	-14.5%
15-17	22.5%	23.3%	23.4%	24.3%	22.6%	22.6%	19.5%	20.6%	21.1%	20.4%	20.1%	20.2%	13.7%	19.1%	19.6%	-38.9%
18-20	6.9%	11.3%	9.4%	9.8%	11.1%	9.5%	8.2%	10.2%	8.4%	6.8%	7.8%	6.8%	6.9%	5.9%	5.3%	-0.2%
Infants (age 0-1)	11.5%	12.7%	13.2%	14.0%	11.8%	12.7%	10.1%	12.2%	13.2%	10.4%	13.0%	13.9%	11.8%	12.3%	13.8%	3.2%
Youth (age 13+)	42.2%	43.7%	41.9%	43.0%	42.3%	40.7%	36.3%	38.9%	37.8%	34.4%	35.7%	35.2%	30.5%	33.6%	33.5%	-27.6%

### By Race and Ethnicity

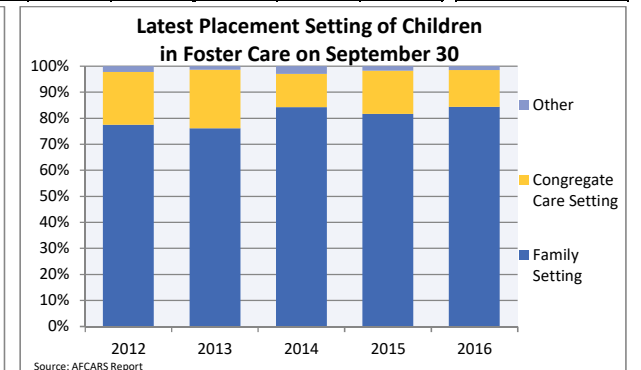
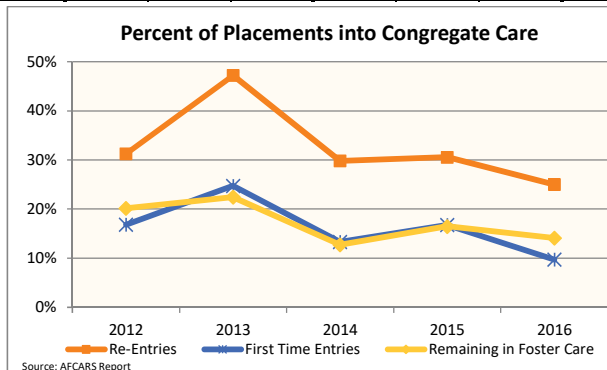
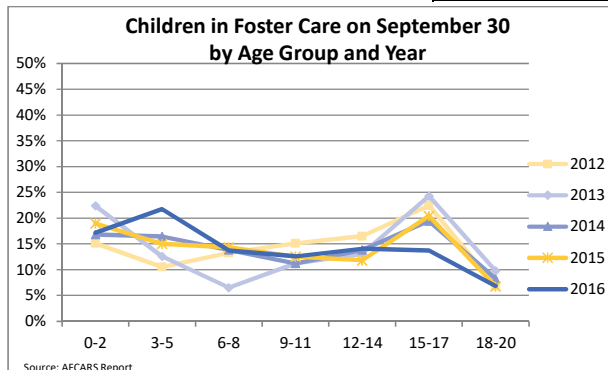
Race/Ethnicity	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
Non-Hispanic White	50.9%	26.4%	40.9%	50.5%	24.0%	38.7%	50.2%	25.5%	40.1%	47.7%	23.5%	37.9%	48.9%	26.7%	41.0%	-4.1%
Non-Hispanic Black or African American	21.6%	49.9%	37.5%	22.0%	49.2%	37.1%	16.5%	51.4%	38.3%	16.8%	49.4%	36.9%	16.4%	51.3%	37.0%	-23.9%
Non-Hispanic Other Race	0.5%	8.0%	6.0%	0.5%	10.8%	7.8%	0.0%	4.9%	3.9%	2.5%	7.8%	6.0%	5.7%	3.4%	2.9%	1148.1%
Non-Hispanic Two or More Races	1.8%	3.0%	3.3%	1.9%	2.9%	3.7%	7.5%	4.3%	4.7%	3.6%	3.9%	4.9%	4.2%	4.5%	5.5%	128.8%
Hispanic or Latino	25.2%	12.7%	12.2%	25.2%	13.0%	12.7%	25.8%	13.8%	13.0%	29.4%	15.4%	14.3%	24.8%	14.2%	13.6%	-1.7%

### By Gender

Gender	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
Male	53.7%	50.0%	50.8%	56.1%	50.4%	50.7%	59.2%	50.2%	50.9%	55.6%	50.6%	51.3%	48.5%	50.2%	51.2%	-9.7%
Female	46.3%	50.0%	49.2%	43.9%	49.6%	49.3%	40.8%	49.8%	49.1%	44.4%	49.4%	48.7%	51.5%	49.8%	48.8%	11.2%

### By Latest Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	2014 County	2014 Urban	2014 State	2015 County	2015 Urban	2015 State	2016 County	2016 Urban	2016 State	% Change
Family Setting	77.5%	74.2%	76.1%	76.2%	75.0%	76.8%	84.3%	78.9%	79.0%	81.7%	81.2%	80.6%	84.4%	83.5%	82.5%	8.8%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.5%	3.6%	3.0%	0.5%	4.2%	3.2%	1.1%	4.8%	3.9%	0.0%	4.2%	3.2%	0.0%	7.5%	5.3%	-100.0%
Foster Family Home – Relative	17.4%	26.3%	25.2%	22.4%	26.9%	25.7%	30.0%	32.7%	30.0%	29.4%	36.7%	32.8%	35.5%	38.9%	35.1%	103.6%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	59.6%	44.3%	47.9%	53.3%	43.9%	47.9%	53.2%	41.4%	45.1%	52.3%	40.4%	44.5%	48.9%	37.1%	42.1%	-18.1%
Congregate Care Setting	20.2%	20.2%	19.2%	22.4%	20.0%	18.7%	12.7%	16.9%	17.3%	16.5%	15.2%	16.0%	14.1%	13.8%	14.7%	-30.0%
Group Home	6.0%	10.8%	11.0%	14.5%	10.9%	10.8%	7.5%	9.7%	10.6%	7.9%	7.6%	9.0%	8.4%	6.8%	8.4%	40.8%
Institution	14.2%	9.4%	8.2%	7.9%	9.1%	7.8%	5.2%	7.3%	6.7%	8.6%	7.6%	7.0%	5.7%	6.9%	6.3%	-59.7%
Supervised Independent Living	2.3%	2.3%	1.9%	1.4%	2.7%	2.1%	3.0%	2.2%	1.7%	1.4%	1.5%	1.4%	1.1%	1.6%	1.3%	-50.1%
Runaway	0.0%	2.5%	1.8%	0.0%	1.9%	1.4%	0.0%	1.5%	1.1%	0.0%	1.5%	1.1%	0.4%	1.0%	0.7%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	0.7%	1.1%	0.0%	0.4%	1.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.8%	0.4%	0.5%	1.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.7%	-



## 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.

2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
42.1%	35.9%	36.9%	33.6%	32.0%	34.1%	30.6%	30.8%	32.7%	22.2%	32.0%	32.8%	26.6%	35.5%	33.6%	-36.9%

## 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.

2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
62.3%	42.5%	44.6%	47.2%	38.7%	41.3%	32.0%	37.8%	39.7%	36.1%	35.9%	39.0%	40.9%	32.1%	36.0%	-34.4%

## 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.

2012			2013			2014			2015			2016			County % Change 2012 to 2016
County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
21.9%	29.1%	26.3%	18.1%	29.8%	26.4%	31.2%	30.1%	26.9%	28.0%	26.6%	24.1%	21.4%	28.5%	24.8%	-2.1%

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