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CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

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		2008			2009			2010			2011			2012		County % Change
ilidicator		Rural-Mix	State		Rural-Mix	State		Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State		Rural-Mix	State	2008 to 2012
Child Abuse Reports Reported incidents of suspected child abuse through the ChildLine and Abuse Registry. Does not include General Protective Services reports, which include less severe general neglect reports. (Number and rate per 1,000 children age 0-17)	76 7.1	3,840 9.4	25,655 9.2	88	3,831 9.4	9.1	95 8.8	3,733 9.2	24,615 8.8	69 6.4	3,700 9.1	24,378 8.7	93 8.7	4,170 10.2	9.5	22.4%
Child Abuse Substantiations Founded or indicated reports of child abuse. Does not include the number of children determined to need General Protective Services.	13.2%	16.4%	9.1%	16.1%	15.6%	8.4%	17.0%	14.9%	17.4%	16.6%	14.0%	11.8%	14.6%	13.4%	-10.1%	
Repeated Child Abuse Children with another substantiated incident of abuse following the first reported incident. (Data may be overstated.)	0.0%	9.0% 1 in 11	8.6% 1 in 12	0.0%	9.9% 1 in 10	8.9% 1 in 11	0.0%	8.8% 1 in 11	9.0% 1 in 11	16.7% 1 in 6	6.8% 1 in 15	7.9% 1 in 13	0.0%	8.7% 1 in 11	7.9% 1 in 13	-
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IN-HOME SERVICES

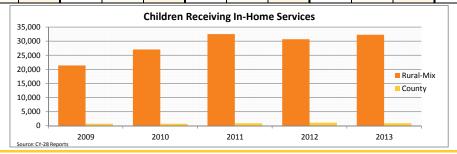
In-home services are designed to strengthen families by addressing the root causes of abuse and neglect. The provision of in-home services helps a child to remain safely in his or her home.

Indicator

Unduplicated Number of Children Served

Children whose families received services in their homes to address concerns related to child safety and well-being during the year.

	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013	
County	Rural-Mix	State												
757	21,376	155,264	743	27,031	164,099	908	32,494	168,821	1,050	30,712	164,842	917	32,285	172,807



County % Change

2009 to 2013

21.1%

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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 year.

		2009			2010		i i	2011			2012			2013		County % Change
Indicator	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	2009 to 2013
Unduplicated Number of Children Served													,			
All Children in Foster Care During the Year	87	3,595	29,024	83	3,301	25,894	87	3,002	22,750	98	2,969	22,000	58	2,713	21,416	-33.3%
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	7.1	7.4	8.6	6.8	6.8	7.7	7.1	6.2	6.7	8.0	6.1	6.5	4.7	5.6	6.4	
By Age																
0-2	19.5%	17.0%	16.5%	16.9%	17.1%	16.8%	18.4%	17.9%	18.2%	14.3%	19.3%	18.9%	17.2%	20.2%	19.2%	-11.8%
3-5	16.1%	13.3%	13.5%	13.3%	14.1%	13.9%	14.9%	16.0%	15.1%	15.3%	16.2%	15.6%	8.6%	15.6%	15.9%	-46.4%
6-8	6.9%	10.6%	10.4%	8.4%	10.8%	10.3%	13.8%	10.8%	10.5%	10.2%	11.1%	10.8%	1.7%	12.2%	11.5%	-75.0%
9-11 12-14	11.5%	9.4% 13.3%	9.0% 12.5%	18.1% 9.6%	9.2% 13.6%	8.9% 11.9%	11.5% 6.9%	8.8%	8.9%	8.2% 12.2%	8.4% 13.2%	8.9% 12.0%	5.2%	8.2% 11.6%	8.9% 11.4%	-55.0%
12-14	12.6% 26.4%	29.7%	28.1%	31.3%	28.4%	27.6%	28.7%	13.2% 27.0%	12.1% 24.8%	29.6%	24.7%	23.3%	12.1% 41.4%	24.5%	22.3%	-4.5% 56.5%
18-20	6.9%	6.7%	9.9%	2.4%	6.9%	10.5%	5.7%	6.3%	10.4%	10.2%	7.0%	10.5%	13.8%	7.7%	10.7%	100.0%
Infants (age 0-1)	12.6%	11.1%	10.3%	9.6%	11.1%	10.5%	8.0%	11.2%	11.7%	9.2%	13.3%	12.2%	12.1%	12.6%	11.9%	-4.5%
Youth (age 13+)	46.0%	46.8%	47.4%	42.2%	45.3%	46.9%	41.4%	43.5%	44.2%	50.0%	41.7%	42.7%	63.8%	41.2%	41.5%	38.8%
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By Race and Ethnicity																
White	95.4%	81.1%	48.9%	95.2%	81.1%	49.3%	89.7%	81.7%	52.8%	83.7%	82.9%	56.4%	87.9%	84.7%	57.1%	-7.8%
Black or African American	4.6%	18.4%	45.6%	4.8%	18.5%	47.5%	10.3%	19.1%	46.5%	15.3%	18.7%	44.1%	10.3%	18.2%	45.0%	125.0%
Other	0.0%	1.4%	6.2%	0.0%	1.3%	4.4%	0.0%	0.8%	2.6%	1.0%	0.8%	2.9%	1.7%	0.8%	2.0%	-
Hispanic or Latino	0.0%	5.9%	10.2%	0.0%	7.1%	11.3%	0.0%	6.6%	11.6%	8.2%	6.1%	12.0%	0.0%	5.9%	12.5%	-
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By Gender																
_ Male	52.9%	52.1%	53.6%	50.6%	51.9%	53.1%	51.7%	50.4%	50.7%	55.1%	51.1%	50.5%	62.1%	53.0%	50.8%	17.4%
Female	47.1%	47.9%	46.4%	49.4%	48.1%	46.9%	48.3%	49.6%	49.3%	44.9%	48.9%	49.5%	37.9%	47.0%	49.2%	-19.5%
By First Placement Setting							i									
Family Setting	73.6%	63.6%	68.5%	71.1%	66.6%	69.2%	67.8%	68.9%	72.0%	65.3%	71.7%	72.8%	48.3%	71.5%	73.4%	-34.4%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	3.3%	4.4%	1.2%	4.2%	4.3%	4.6%	4.3%	3.9%	0.0%	3.6%	3.2%	1.7%	2.3%	3.4%	-34.4/6
Foster Family Home – Relative	8.0%	10.7%	21.5%	13.3%	12.6%	22.2%	17.2%	14.1%	23.5%	11.2%	16.9%	24.4%	19.0%	17.4%	24.8%	135.7%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	65.5%	49.7%	42.6%	56.6%	49.8%	42.7%	46.0%	50.6%	44.5%	54.1%	51.3%	45.2%	27.6%	51.8%	45.2%	-57.9%
Congregate Care	25.3%	24.6%	25.9%	28.9%	22.8%	24.0%	25.3%	22.0%	20.6%	25.5%	19.9%	20.6%	34.5%	19.3%	19.6%	36.4%
Group Home	19.5%	17.2%	12.7%	25.3%	15.5%	12.2%	23.0%	15.5%	11.7%	18.4%	13.9%	12.5%	24.1%	13.5%	12.1%	23.5%
Institution	5.7%	7.4%	13.2%	3.6%	7.4%	11.9%	2.3%	6.5%	8.9%	7.1%	6.0%	8.0%	10.3%	5.9%	7.5%	80.0%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	0.5%	1.8%	0.0%	0.6%	2.0%	1.1%	0.6%	2.2%	1.0%	0.6%	1.8%	0.0%	0.8%	2.0%	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.8%	0.7%	0.0%	0.8%	2.1%	0.0%	0.8%	2.0%	0.0%	0.8%	1.4%	0.0%	0.8%	1.8%	-
Trial Home Visit	1.1%	10.5%	3.1%	0.0%	9.1%	2.7%	5.7%	7.6%	3.1%	8.2%	6.9%	3.4%	17.2%	7.6%	3.2%	1400.0%
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Children Entering Foster Care	40	1.004	11 000	34	4 577	10,898	46	1 400	0.040	50	1,451	9,793	00	1.014	0.000	00.00/
All Entries into Foster Care During the Year	43	1,664	11,630	34	1,577	10,898	46	1,480	9,849	56	1,451	9,793	30	1,314	9,306	-30.2%
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2009 Source: AFCAR'S Report	2010	2011	2012	201	3		l	Source: AFCARS	Report		Cong	regate Care	!			

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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 year. How the child welfare system is serving them may say something about current system practice and decision making.

current system practice and decision making.		2009			2010			2011			2012			2013		County % Change
Indicator	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	2009 to 2013
Children Entering for the First Time																
First Time Entries During the Year	34	1,171	7,699	31	1,160	7,083	33	1,091	6,979	46	1,064	7,018	22	957	6,698	-35.3%
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.4	2.1	2.7	2.3	2.1	3.7	2.2	2.1	1.8	2.0	2.0	-55.576
First Time Entries as Percent of All Entries	79.1%	70.4%	66.2%	91.2%	73.6%	65.0%	71.7%	73.7%	70.9%	82.1%	73.3%	71.7%	73.3%	72.8%	72.0%	-7.3%
By Age				Ĭ			1						ĺ			
0-2	29.4%	26.5%	30.8%	12.9%	24.8%	30.9%	27.3%	27.2%	31.7%	17.4%	31.1%	32.2%	27.3%	31.1%	32.8%	-7.3%
3-5	14.7%	11.2%	11.6%	9.7%	12.5%	12.6%	6.1%	13.9%	14.1%	13.0%	13.9%	14.2%	0.0%	13.7%	14.6%	-100.0%
6-8	5.9%	9.2%	8.7%	6.5%	8.3%	8.6%	9.1%	8.6%	9.3%	6.5%	9.1%	10.1%	4.5%	9.3%	10.0%	-22.7%
9-11	8.8%	8.1%	7.9%	16.1%	7.5%	7.8%	6.1%	6.2%	7.9%	8.7%	8.4%	8.6%	4.5%	8.2%	8.2%	-48.5%
12-14	8.8%	18.2%	15.2%	9.7%	18.3%	15.3%	15.2%	18.1%	14.7%	21.7%	16.1%	14.4%	9.1%	13.6%	13.5%	3.0%
15-17	32.4%	26.6%	25.5%	45.2%	28.6%	24.8%	36.4%	25.9%	22.2%	32.6%	21.4%	20.4%	54.5%	24.1%	20.8%	68.6%
18-20	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	20.6%	20.7%	25.1%	12.9%	20.3%	25.1%	18.2%	21.5%	25.7%	13.0%	25.8%	26.2%	27.3%	24.2%	26.4%	32.5%
Youth (age 13+)	38.2%	40.9%	38.0%	51.6%	42.9%	36.8%	48.5%	40.1%	33.8%	54.3%	33.1%	31.2%	63.6%	35.1%	31.4%	66.4%
By Race and Ethnicity																
White	94.1%	81.6%	54.4%	93.5%	80.4%	56.2%	81.8%	80.9%	59.2%	78.3%	82.1%	62.0%	95.5%	85.3%	62.1%	1.4%
Black or African American	5.9%	17.3%	37.9%	6.5%	18.4%	41.3%	18.2%	19.3%	40.4%	19.6%	18.6%	37.7%	4.5%	18.0%	39.2%	-22.7%
Other	0.0%	1.7%	8.5%	0.0%	1.6%	4.0%	0.0%	1.2%	2.3%	2.2%	1.0%	3.4%	0.0%	0.7%	2.6%	-
Hispanic or Latino	0.0%	8.7%	11.2%	0.0%	8.8%	12.8%	0.0%	7.0%	12.4%	17.4%	5.5%	11.7%	0.0%	6.1%	13.0%	-
By Gender																
Male	58.8%	53.5%	52.8%	32.3%	50.3%	51.4%	54.5%	49.1%	49.6%	58.7%	51.8%	49.9%	77.3%	52.4%	50.1%	31.4%
Female	41.2%	46.5%	47.2%	67.7%	49.7%	48.6%	45.5%	50.9%	50.4%	41.3%	48.2%	50.1%	22.7%	47.6%	49.9%	-44.8%
By First Placement Setting																
Family Setting	70.6%	65.0%	69.9%	54.8%	68.5%	71.6%	54.5%	68.9%	74.8%	65.2%	74.8%	76.4%	54.5%	70.8%	76.7%	-22.7%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	8.8%	12.7% 52.3%	23.7%	22.6%	15.3%	24.1% 47.3%	12.1% 42.4%	16.0%	25.0%	10.9%	17.2%	25.8%	31.8% 22.7%	16.6%	27.2%	260.6%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative Congregate Care	61.8% 29.4%	29.8%	46.0% 28.2%	32.3% 45.2%	53.2% 28.9%	26.2%	45.5%	52.9% 27.9%	49.5% 22.4%	54.3% 32.6%	57.6% 21.5%	50.4% 21.1%	40.9%	54.0% 25.4%	49.3% 21.0%	-63.2% 39.1%
Group Home	26.5%	23.3%	16.1%	45.2%	21.9%	16.3%	45.5%	22.9%	14.8%	32.6%	16.4%	14.7%	27.3%	20.0%	15.0%	3.0%
Institution	2.9%	6.5%	12.0%	0.0%	7.0%	9.9%	0.0%	4.9%	7.6%	0.0%	5.1%	6.4%	13.6%	5.4%	6.0%	363.6%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.1%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.3%	0.4%	0.0%	0.2%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	0.0%	0.3%	0.4%	0.0%	0.5%	0.6%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	4.8%	1.3%	0.0%	2.2%	1.1%	0.0%	3.1%	1.9%	2.2%	3.4%	1.9%	4.5%	3.0%	1.5%	-
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Source: AFCARS Report								Source: AFCARS	Report							

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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 an out of the system. Others can experience large spans of time between foster care episodes, which is why the age of children who typically re-enter is older.

	2009 20										2012			2013		County % Change
Indicator	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	2011 Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	2009 to 2013
Children Re-Entering Foster Care	County	114141111111	Otato	County		Otato	County		Otato	County		Otato	County		Otato	
Re-Entries During the Year	9	493	3,931	3	417	3,815	13	389	2.870	10	387	2.775	8	357	2,608	-11.1%
Re-Entries as Percent of All Entries	20.9%	29.6%	33.8%	8.8%	26.4%	35.0%	28.3%	26.3%	29.1%	17.9%	26.7%	28.3%	26.7%	27.2%	28.0%	27.4%
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By Age																
0-2	0.0%	8.7%	8.1%	0.0%	11.8%	8.4%	7.7%	10.5%	8.8%	10.0%	9.3%	8.5%	0.0%	7.6%	6.6%	-
3-5	0.0%	7.1%	7.1%	0.0%	8.2%	6.9%	7.7%	9.8%	7.9%	10.0%	12.4%	9.5%	12.5%	10.9%	7.8%	-
6-8	33.3%	8.3%	6.2%	0.0%	7.4%	6.4%	30.8%	9.8%	7.5%	0.0%	7.2%	6.5%	0.0%	10.1%	7.4%	-100.0%
9-11	0.0%	6.3%	6.1%	33.3%	7.0%	6.9%	0.0%	6.4%	6.5%	0.0%	6.5%	7.4%	12.5%	6.7%	6.3%	
12-14	22.2%	21.1%	18.8%	0.0%	21.1%	18.3%	23.1%	19.5%	19.7%	30.0%	24.3%	21.7%	12.5%	17.6%	18.4%	-43.8%
15-17	44.4%	47.7%	50.6%	66.7%	42.0%	49.6%	30.8%	43.4%	46.9%	50.0%	39.5%	44.1%	62.5%	41.7%	46.3%	40.6%
18-20	0.0%	0.8%	3.1%	0.0%	2.6%	3.3%	0.0%	0.5%	2.6%	0.0%	0.8%	2.5%	0.0%	5.3%	7.1%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	0.0% 66.7%	5.7% 64.9%	5.4% 69.2%	0.0% 66.7%	6.7% 62.8%	5.1% 68.3%	0.0% 53.8%	5.4% 60.9%	5.6% 65.2%	0.0% 70.0%	5.9% 61.2%	4.9% 64.3%	0.0% 75.0%	4.8% 62.5%	3.8%	- 12.5%
Youth (age 13+)	00.7%	64.9%	69.2%	00.7%	02.0%	00.3%	33.6%	60.9%	03.2%	70.0%	01.2%	64.3%	75.0%	02.5%	68.6%	12.5%
By Race and Ethnicity										1						
White	88.9%	77.5%	39.4%	100.0%	77.2%	37.6%	92.3%	81.5%	45.3%	60.0%	81.7%	47.4%	75.0%	82.6%	47.3%	-15.6%
Black or African American	11.1%	21.7%	55.1%	0.0%	20.9%	58.3%	7.7%	20.1%	54.0%	30.0%	20.7%	53.7%	12.5%	19.9%	54.7%	12.5%
Other	0.0%	2.0%	6.3%	0.0%	3.1%	5.1%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%	10.0%	0.8%	2.2%	12.5%	1.4%	1.6%	-
Hispanic or Latino	0.0%	4.1%	9.0%	0.0%	4.8%	11.4%	0.0%	5.1%	10.7%	0.0%	4.7%	11.3%	0.0%	4.5%	11.4%	_
By Gender																
Male	44.4%	53.5%	55.1%	33.3%	54.4%	53.8%	69.2%	51.4%	47.0%	60.0%	54.5%	47.6%	62.5%	53.2%	48.1%	40.6%
Female	55.6%	46.5%	44.9%	66.7%	45.6%	46.2%	30.8%	48.6%	53.0%	40.0%	45.5%	52.4%	37.5%	46.8%	51.9%	-32.5%
By Placement Setting at Re-Entry																
Family Setting	44.4%	47.9%	45.2%	33.3%	49.9%	45.6%	53.8%	55.3%	50.9%	40.0%	48.8%	50.5%	37.5%	53.2%	48.5%	-15.6%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.4%	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	0.0%	6.1%	15.1%	33.3%	9.1%	16.6%	7.7%	8.7%	17.2%	0.0%	7.5%	16.5%	12.5%	9.5%	14.9%	-
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	44.4%	41.4%	29.9%	0.0%	40.5%	28.8%	46.2%	46.3%	33.3%	40.0%	41.3%	33.5%	25.0%	43.7%	33.3%	-43.8%
Congregate Care	55.6%	45.4% 35.3%	52.4%	66.7%	47.5%	47.9%	38.5%	41.4%	42.7%	60.0% 40.0%	47.5%	45.3%	62.5% 37.5%	41.7%	44.4%	12.5%
Group Home Institution	44.4% 11.1%	10.1%	25.1% 27.3%	33.3% 33.3%	36.5% 11.0%	24.0% 23.9%	38.5% 0.0%	31.6% 9.8%	23.8% 18.9%	20.0%	35.4% 12.1%	26.0% 19.2%	25.0%	31.4% 10.4%	26.7% 17.7%	-15.6% 125.0%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	1.0%	0.9%	0.0%	0.5%	1.3%	7.7%	1.3%	1.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%	0.0%	0.6%	1.6%	123.0 /6
Runaway	0.0%	0.2%	0.5%	0.0%	0.2%	4.4%	0.0%	0.3%	4.2%	0.0%	1.3%	2.5%	0.0%	0.8%	4.3%	_
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	5.5%	0.9%	0.0%	1.9%	0.9%	0.0%	1.8%	0.7%	0.0%	2.3%	1.0%	0.0%	3.6%	1.2%	_
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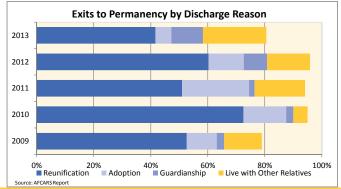
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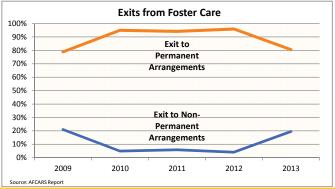
FOSTER CARE - EXITS

Data on foster care exits provides information on children who left foster care during the 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 assure every child has the lifelong support of a permanent family.

Indicator		2009			2010			2011			2012			2013		County % Change
indicator	County	Rural-Mix	State	County	Rural-Mix	State	2009 to 2013									
Children Exiting Foster Care																
Total Children Leaving Foster Care	38	1,892	14,297	40	1,802	13,119	51	1,565	10,630	73	1,598	10,098	36	1,360	9,123	-5.3%
Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care	43.7%	52.6%	49.3%	48.2%	54.6%	50.7%	58.6%	52.1%	46.7%	74.5%	53.8%	45.9%	62.1%	50.1%	42.6%	42.1%
(number of months until leaving)	5.7	8.3	11.0	5.6	7.9	11.5	8.7	8.7	11.7	6.4	9.5	11.9	5.7	8.9	11.9	-0.9%

By Discharge Reason																
Exit to Permanent Arrangements	78.9%	92.0%	85.9%	95.0%	91.1%	88.0%	94.1%	91.3%	89.5%	95.9%	92.5%	87.9%	80.6%	90.4%	89.3%	2.0%
Reunification	52.6%	69.5%	57.4%	72.5%	65.9%	56.9%	51.0%	63.1%	59.3%	60.3%	64.5%	60.1%	41.7%	59.3%	57.3%	-20.8%
(number of months until reunification)	2.1	4.7	6.3	4.7	3.2	6.1	0.9	3.8	5.9	5.4	5.1	6.1	4.7	5.7	6.0	130.4%
Adoption	10.5%	11.4%	15.4%	15.0%	13.4%	17.9%	23.5%	15.7%	18.8%	12.3%	13.7%	18.0%	5.6%	16.3%	20.2%	-47.2%
(number of months until adoption)	20.6	33.5	31.6	49.7	30.4	31.1	25.1	33.2	29.6	40.4	31.7	27.6	27.3	28.5	26.7	32.4%
Guardianship	2.6%	4.1%	7.3%	2.5%	5.7%	7.4%	2.0%	4.9%	6.0%	8.2%	6.0%	5.4%	11.1%	5.8%	6.4%	322.2%
(number of month until guardianship)	17.5	24.1	23.5	39.2	23.0	23.3	27.8	21.1	22.2	13.8	22.0	20.4	5.8	20.6	21.2	-66.9%
Live with Other Relatives	13.2%	7.1%	5.8%	5.0%	6.2%	5.8%	17.6%	7.7%	5.4%	15.1%	8.3%	4.4%	22.2%	8.9%	5.5%	68.9%
(number of months until living with relatives)	14.5	14.8	3.3	11.2	8.3	3.6	16.1	10.1	2.7	0.1	3.4	2.7	0.6	6.5	2.6	-95.6%
Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements	21.1%	8.0%	14.1%	5.0%	8.8%	11.9%	5.9%	8.7%	10.4%	4.1%	7.2%	12.0%	19.4%	9.6%	10.5%	-7.6%
Emancipation	21.1%	6.7%	6.5%	5.0%	6.4%	6.7%	5.9%	7.2%	7.8%	4.1%	5.9%	8.0%	16.7%	7.6%	8.1%	-20.8%
(number of months until emancipation)	15.6	30.9	36.8	11.6	33.9	33.6	17.5	39.3	36.8	13.6	40.6	37.4	25.8	26.4	31.4	65.8%
Transfer to Another Agency	0.0%	1.0%	3.7%	0.0%	1.9%	4.1%	0.0%	1.1%	2.2%	0.0%	1.1%	1.6%	2.8%	1.3%	2.0%	-
(number of months until transfer)	0.0	8.9	5.2	0.0	5.8	4.4	0.0	7.0	5.9	0.0	1.9	5.3	0.2	31.4	6.0	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.4%	3.9%	0.0%	0.4%	1.1%	0.0%	0.4%	0.5%	0.0%	0.3%	2.4%	0.0%	0.7%	0.5%	-
(number of months until running away)	0.0	25.3	6.8	0.0	18.2	9.6	0.0	34.8	18.6	0.0	26.1	4.8	0.0	19.7	14.9	-
Death of Child	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.3%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	-
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	0.0	9.5	0.0	79.1	4.7	0.0	0.0	12.7	0.0	7.0	4.7	0.0	11.5	11.9	-



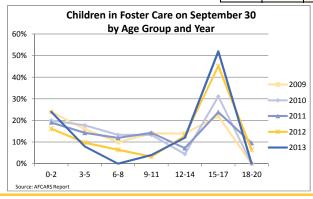


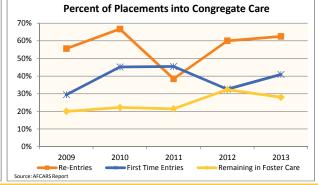
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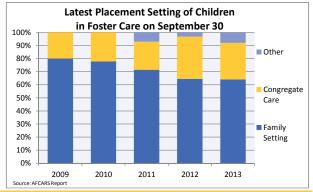
FOSTER CARE - REMAINING IN CARE

Data on 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.

dicator		2009			2010			2011			2012			2013		County % Change
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hildren Remaining in Foster Care																
Children in Foster Care on Last Day	50	1,902	16,605	45	1,683	14,826	42	1,617	13,701	31	1,542	13,566	25	1,498	13,697	-50.0%
(number of months children have been in care)	11.8	14.5	15.6	15.7	14.9	14.2	8.3	12.1	13.6	8.0	11.4	13.0	11.4	12.3	13.1	-3.5%
By Age																
0-2	24.0%	19.1%	17.5%	20.0%	19.2%	17.9%	19.0%	19.5%	18.9%	16.1%	21.1%	19.5%	24.0%	22.8%	19.9%	0.0%
3-5	16.0%	14.1%	13.7%	17.8%	15.5%	13.7%	14.3%	17.3%	14.6%	9.7%	16.5%	15.3%	8.0%	16.6%	15.6%	-50.0%
6-8	10.0%	11.6%	10.7%	13.3%	11.3%	10.5%	11.9%	10.9%	10.3%	6.5%	11.5%	10.9%	0.0%	13.1%	11.6%	-100.0%
9-11	14.0%	10.1%	9.6%	13.3%	10.5%	9.1%	14.3%	8.1%	8.7%	3.2%	8.9%	9.2%	4.0%	8.0%	9.1%	-71.4%
12-14	14.0%	13.5%	13.0%	4.4%	12.7%	12.5%	7.1%	13.3%	12.7%	12.9%	12.6%	12.4%	12.0%	11.3%	11.7%	-14.3%
15-17	22.0%	28.0%	27.4%	31.1%	26.1%	27.1%	23.8%	26.0%	25.2%	45.2%	24.0%	23.4%	52.0%	23.1%	22.6%	136.4%
18-20	0.0%	3.6%	8.1%	0.0%	4.8%	9.1%	9.5%	4.9%	9.7%	6.5%	5.4%	9.4%	0.0%	5.0%	9.5%	130.476
Infants (age 0-1)	16.0%	12.8%	11.4%	11.1%	12.5%	11.7%	9.5%	12.9%	12.6%	12.9%	14.7%	13.2%	12.0%	14.4%	12.7%	-25.0%
Youth (age 13+)	36.0%	41.9%	45.1%	33.3%	40.2%	45.3%	40.5%	40.7%	44.4%	58.1%	38.7%	41.9%	60.0%	36.6%	40.7%	66.7%
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By Race and Ethnicity																
White														-4.2%		
Black or African American	4.0%	18.8%	47.2%	6.7%	18.7%	48.9%	7.1%	18.1%	48.0%	9.7%	17.8%	46.6%	4.0%	19.0%	47.9%	0.0%
Other	0.0%	1.0%	6.7%	0.0%	1.1%	4.2%	0.0%	0.7%	2.3%	3.2%	1.0%	2.7%	4.0%	0.9%	1.9%	-
Hispanic or Latino	0.0%	6.2%	10.1%	0.0%	6.3%	11.2%	0.0%	6.2%	11.7%	0.0%	5.9%	12.2%	0.0%	5.7%	12.7%	-
By Gender																
Male	60.0%	53.2%	52.9%	42.2%	51.2%	52.0%	57.1%	50.2%	50.7%	51.6%	53.1%	50.8%	64.0%	52.7%	50.7%	6.7%
Female	40.0%	46.8%	47.1%	57.8%	48.8%	48.0%	42.9%	49.8%	49.3%	48.4%	46.9%	49.2%	36.0%	47.3%	49.3%	-10.0%
By Latest Placement Setting																
Family Setting	80.0%	74.0%	74.3%	77.8%	77.8%	74.2%	71.4%	77.0%	74.4%	64.5%	78.5%	76.1%	64.0%	80.6%	76.8%	-20.0%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	1.4%	4.0%	0.0%	2.3%	3.9%	0.0%	1.9%	3.5%	0.0%	1.4%	3.0%	0.0%	1.5%	3.2%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	4.0%	12.8%	23.0%	17.8%	14.1%	23.0%	16.7%	16.6%	23.6%	3.2%	19.1%	25.2%	28.0%	19.4%	25.7%	600.0%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	76.0%	59.8%	47.3%	60.0%	61.4%	47.4%	54.8%	58.4%	47.3%	61.3%	58.0%	47.9%	36.0%	59.7%	47.9%	-52.6%
Congregate Care	20.0%	19.9%	22.4%	22.2%	17.5%	21.0%	21.4%	19.4%	20.3%	32.3%	17.0%	19.2%	28.0%	15.0%	18.7%	40.0%
Group Home	16.0%	12.2%	10.5%	17.8%	11.0%	10.6%	16.7%	12.2%	10.7%	19.4%	11.0%	11.0%	20.0%	9.2%	10.8%	25.0%
Institution	4.0%	7.7%	11.9%	4.4%	6.5%	10.5%	4.8%	7.2%	9.5%	12.9%	6.0%	8.2%	8.0%	5.7%	7.8%	100.0%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	0.5%	1.8%	0.0%	0.7%	2.0%	2.4%	0.6%	2.2%	0.0%	0.5%	1.9%	0.0%	0.8%	2.1%	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.4%	0.3%	0.0%	0.2%	1.9%	0.0%	0.1%	1.8%	0.0%	0.5%	1.8%	0.0%	0.4%	1.4%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	5.2%	1.2%	0.0%	3.7%	0.9%	4.8%	3.0%	1.2%	3.2%	3.6%	1.1%	8.0%	3.2%	1.0%	-
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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 faces 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.

	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013	
County	Rural-Mix	State												
37.5%	38.4%	37.1%	23.7%	45.7%	37.4%	20.0%	37.4%	36.1%	30.4%	37.2%	36.9%	21.7%	38.4%	34.1%

County % Change 2009 to 2013
-42.0%

FOSTER CARE - TIMELY REUNIFICATION

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

Indicator

Timely Reunification with Parents or Relatives

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

	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013	
County	Rural-Mix	State												
55.6%	57.9%	47.9%	57.6%	55.0%	46.8%	45.2%	57.3%	48.2%	60.6%	53.7%	44.6%	64.7%	50.9%	41.3%

County % Change 2009 to 2013

County % Change

2009 to 2013

-14.9%

FOSTER CARE - FAILED REUNIFICATION

A child re-entering foster care following a return to his or her family signals a breakdown in the family and a potential failure on the part of the child welfare system to appropriately address family needs.

Indicator

Failed 1-Year Reunification (Re-entry)

Children who re-entered foster care in fewer than 12 months following reunification with parents or relatives. (Data may be overstated.)

	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013	
County	Rural-Mix	State												
12.5%	22.6%	27.2%	4.0%	19.8%	25.8%	9.7%	19.3%	27.7%	16.7%	23.1%	26.3%	10.6%	20.4%	26.4%

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