

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

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)

County	2008			2009			2010			2011			2012			County % Change 2008 to 2012
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
1,038	13,836	25,655	1,064	14,089	25,342	940	13,513	24,615	926	13,167	24,378	960	14,080	26,664	-7.5%	
8.0	8.6	9.2	8.2	8.7	9.1	7.2	8.4	8.8	7.1	8.2	8.7	7.4	8.7	9.5		

Child Abuse Substantiations

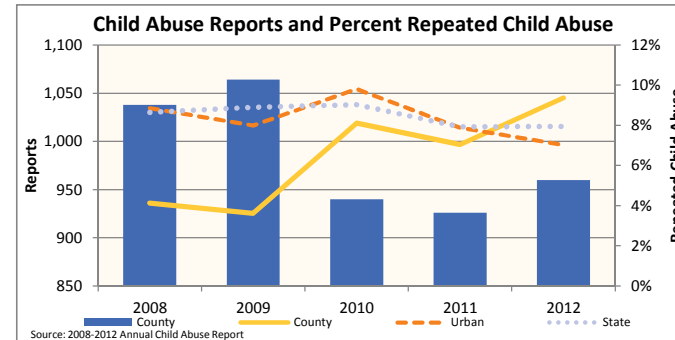
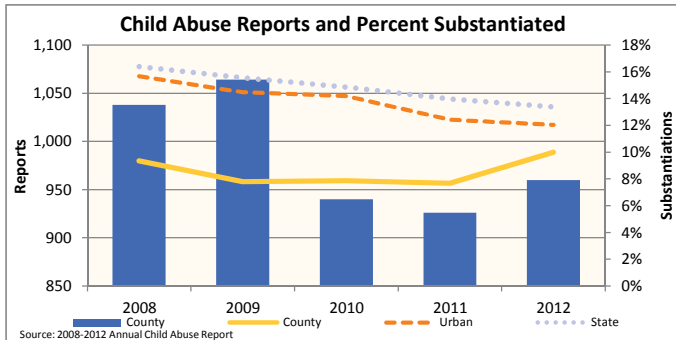
Founded or indicated reports of child abuse. Does not include the number of children determined to need General Protective Services.

County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County % Change 2008 to 2012
9.3%	15.7%	16.4%	7.8%	14.5%	15.6%	7.9%	14.2%	14.9%	7.7%	12.4%	14.0%	10.0%	12.0%	13.4%	7.0%

Repeated Child Abuse

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

County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County % Change 2008 to 2012
4.1%	8.9%	8.6%	3.6%	8.0%	8.9%	8.1%	9.8%	9.0%	7.0%	7.9%	7.9%	9.4%	7.0%	7.9%	127.3%
1 in 24	1 in 11	1 in 12	1 in 28	1 in 13	1 in 11	1 in 12	1 in 10	1 in 11	1 in 14	1 in 13	1 in 13	1 in 11	1 in 14	1 in 13	



IN-HOME SERVICES

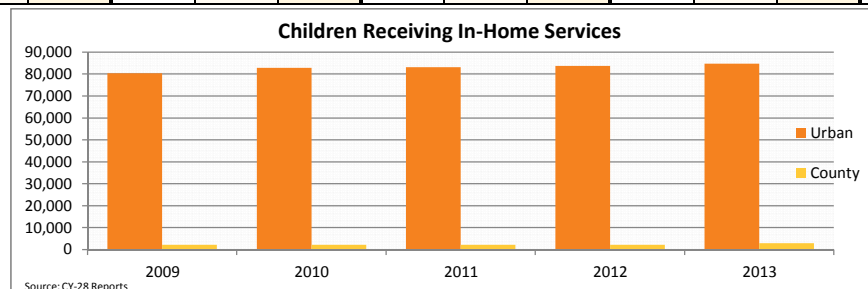
In-home services are designed to strengthen families by addressing the root causes of abuse and neglect. The provision of in-home services helps a child to remain safely in his or her home.

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.

County	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
2,123	80,289	155,264	2,215	82,860	164,099	2,147	83,198	168,821	2,158	83,662	164,842	2,935	84,755	172,807	38.2%	



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 homelessness as an adult. The following shows the past five years of data regarding children served in foster care during each year.

Indicator

Unduplicated Number of Children Served

All Children in Foster Care During the Year
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)

Indicator	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Unduplicated Number of Children Served	897	18,615	29,024	801	16,868	25,894	713	14,624	22,750	718	13,647	22,000	760	13,441	21,416	-15.3%
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	5.6	9.6	8.6	5.0	8.7	7.7	4.5	7.6	6.7	4.5	7.0	6.5	4.8	6.9	6.4	

By Age

Age Group	2009 County	2009 Urban	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Urban	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	% Change
0-2	16.3%	15.7%	16.5%	15.0%	16.0%	16.8%	19.2%	17.7%	18.2%	20.2%	18.5%	18.9%	18.2%	18.6%	19.2%	11.6%
3-5	17.8%	13.6%	13.5%	17.0%	13.8%	13.9%	17.5%	14.8%	15.1%	15.3%	15.3%	15.6%	15.1%	15.4%	15.9%	-15.2%
6-8	12.0%	10.4%	10.4%	13.1%	10.4%	10.3%	14.2%	10.6%	10.5%	13.5%	10.8%	10.8%	11.8%	11.5%	11.5%	-1.6%
9-11	10.4%	9.1%	9.0%	10.4%	8.9%	8.9%	11.8%	9.1%	8.9%	11.0%	9.0%	8.9%	13.2%	9.2%	8.9%	26.9%
12-14	11.9%	12.2%	12.5%	14.4%	11.7%	11.9%	12.2%	11.8%	12.1%	12.5%	11.8%	12.0%	13.0%	11.4%	11.4%	9.2%
15-17	24.5%	27.9%	28.1%	22.5%	27.2%	27.6%	16.5%	23.9%	24.8%	18.5%	22.7%	23.3%	19.1%	22.0%	22.3%	-22.2%
18-20	7.0%	11.1%	9.9%	7.7%	12.0%	10.5%	8.6%	12.1%	10.4%	8.9%	12.0%	10.5%	9.6%	12.0%	10.7%	36.8%
Infants (age 0-1)	9.0%	9.6%	10.3%	8.5%	9.8%	10.5%	11.9%	11.1%	11.7%	12.3%	11.6%	12.2%	11.1%	11.3%	11.9%	22.4%
Youth (age 13+)	39.9%	47.9%	47.4%	40.1%	47.7%	46.9%	33.4%	44.8%	44.2%	36.5%	43.5%	42.7%	38.6%	42.3%	41.5%	-3.4%

By Race and Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	2009 County	2009 Urban	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Urban	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	% Change
White	37.8%	32.3%	48.9%	36.3%	33.3%	49.3%	37.0%	36.6%	52.8%	36.9%	39.8%	56.4%	39.6%	40.8%	57.1%	4.8%
Black or African American	60.6%	60.0%	45.6%	61.7%	61.8%	47.5%	61.2%	61.4%	46.5%	60.9%	59.5%	44.1%	58.9%	60.2%	45.0%	-2.8%
Other	1.6%	8.7%	6.2%	2.0%	6.0%	4.4%	1.8%	3.4%	2.6%	2.2%	3.9%	2.9%	1.4%	2.6%	2.0%	-7.3%
Hispanic or Latino	4.6%	9.9%	10.2%	5.7%	11.2%	11.3%	5.8%	12.0%	11.6%	5.2%	12.7%	12.0%	5.8%	13.0%	12.5%	26.7%

By Gender

Gender	2009 County	2009 Urban	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Urban	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	% Change
Male	55.9%	53.7%	53.6%	56.1%	52.9%	53.1%	50.1%	50.1%	50.7%	52.4%	50.0%	50.5%	51.4%	50.1%	50.8%	-7.9%
Female	44.1%	46.3%	46.4%	43.9%	47.1%	46.9%	49.9%	49.9%	49.3%	47.6%	50.0%	49.5%	48.6%	49.9%	49.2%	10.0%

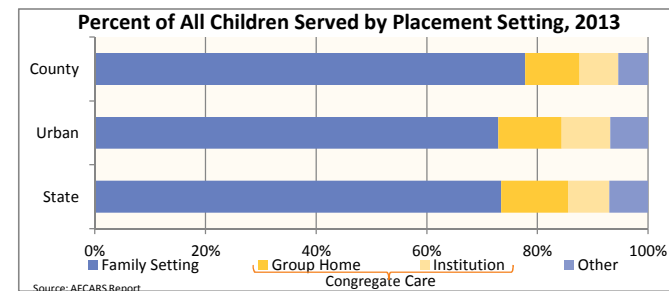
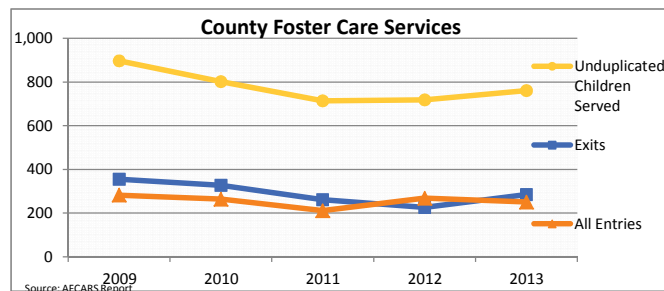
By First Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2009 County	2009 Urban	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Urban	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	% Change
Family Setting	75.5%	68.7%	68.5%	75.9%	69.0%	69.2%	83.0%	71.7%	72.0%	79.4%	72.4%	72.8%	77.8%	72.9%	73.4%	3.0%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.1%	3.9%	4.4%	0.4%	3.9%	4.3%	0.8%	4.2%	3.9%	0.1%	3.3%	3.2%	0.5%	3.9%	3.4%	372.1%
Foster Family Home – Relative	24.3%	24.9%	21.5%	19.7%	24.8%	22.2%	19.8%	25.9%	23.5%	15.3%	26.3%	24.4%	18.0%	26.5%	24.8%	-25.8%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	51.1%	39.9%	42.6%	55.8%	40.2%	42.7%	62.4%	41.5%	44.5%	63.9%	42.8%	45.2%	59.2%	42.5%	45.2%	16.0%
Congregate Care	22.6%	26.7%	25.9%	21.8%	24.2%	24.0%	14.4%	20.5%	20.6%	18.1%	21.1%	20.6%	16.8%	20.2%	19.6%	-25.6%
Group Home	4.3%	11.1%	12.7%	5.2%	10.5%	12.2%	6.5%	10.4%	11.7%	8.9%	11.8%	12.5%	9.9%	11.4%	12.1%	127.0%
Institution	18.3%	15.6%	13.2%	16.6%	13.7%	11.9%	8.0%	10.1%	8.9%	9.2%	9.3%	8.0%	7.0%	8.8%	7.5%	-61.9%
Supervised Independent Living	0.6%	2.4%	1.8%	0.4%	2.6%	2.0%	0.4%	3.0%	2.2%	0.7%	2.3%	1.8%	0.9%	2.6%	2.0%	65.2%
Runaway	0.8%	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%	2.8%	2.1%	1.4%	2.8%	2.0%	1.3%	1.9%	1.4%	1.1%	2.4%	1.8%	34.9%
Trial Home Visit	0.6%	1.6%	3.1%	1.1%	1.4%	2.7%	0.7%	2.0%	3.1%	0.6%	2.3%	3.4%	3.4%	1.9%	3.2%	513.7%

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
2009	282	7,164	11,630	264	6,852	10,898	211	5,910	9,849	268	5,756	9,793	250	5,577	9,306	-11.3%



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.

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	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Children Entering for the First Time	215	4,489	7,699	187	4,161	7,083	184	4,015	6,979	222	3,953	7,018	212	3,887	6,698	-1.4%
First Time Entries During the Year (Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	1.4	2.3	2.3	1.2	2.1	2.1	1.2	2.1	2.1	1.4	2.0	2.1	1.3	2.0	2.0	11.2%
First Time Entries as Percent of All Entries	76.2%	62.7%	66.2%	70.8%	60.7%	65.0%	87.2%	67.9%	70.9%	82.8%	68.7%	71.7%	84.8%	69.7%	72.0%	

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	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
0-2	33.0%	31.7%	30.8%	33.7%	32.5%	30.9%	40.2%	33.1%	31.7%	34.2%	32.8%	32.2%	32.5%	33.3%	32.8%	-1.4%
3-5	11.2%	12.1%	11.6%	6.4%	12.3%	12.6%	12.0%	14.1%	14.1%	12.2%	14.4%	14.2%	11.8%	14.8%	14.6%	5.6%
6-8	3.3%	8.9%	8.7%	8.0%	8.9%	8.6%	10.3%	9.8%	9.3%	13.1%	10.2%	10.1%	8.0%	10.1%	10.0%	146.3%
9-11	6.0%	8.2%	7.9%	10.7%	8.3%	7.8%	8.7%	8.1%	7.9%	9.9%	8.5%	8.6%	10.8%	8.5%	8.2%	79.4%
12-14	12.1%	14.0%	15.2%	19.8%	14.9%	15.3%	9.2%	14.0%	14.7%	12.2%	14.4%	14.4%	16.0%	12.9%	13.5%	32.6%
15-17	34.4%	24.8%	25.5%	21.4%	22.8%	24.8%	19.6%	20.8%	22.2%	18.5%	19.7%	20.4%	20.8%	20.3%	20.8%	-39.7%
18-20	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	26.0%	26.1%	25.1%	27.8%	26.5%	25.1%	33.7%	27.3%	25.7%	28.8%	27.1%	26.2%	25.9%	27.1%	26.4%	-0.4%
Youth (age 13+)	43.7%	36.4%	38.0%	36.4%	34.6%	36.8%	26.1%	31.6%	33.8%	27.9%	30.4%	31.2%	31.6%	30.2%	31.4%	-27.7%

By Race and Ethnicity

White
Black or African American
Other
Hispanic or Latino

Race/Ethnicity	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
White	28.4%	36.8%	54.4%	38.0%	39.5%	56.2%	40.2%	42.3%	59.2%	46.4%	44.7%	62.0%	43.9%	45.5%	62.1%	54.6%
Black or African American	66.0%	51.8%	37.9%	58.8%	56.5%	41.3%	58.2%	56.6%	40.4%	52.7%	53.6%	37.7%	56.1%	54.1%	39.2%	-15.0%
Other	5.6%	12.6%	8.5%	3.2%	5.7%	4.0%	1.6%	2.9%	2.3%	0.9%	4.6%	3.4%	0.0%	3.7%	2.6%	-100.0%
Hispanic or Latino	3.3%	11.9%	11.2%	8.0%	13.1%	12.8%	4.3%	13.6%	12.4%	7.2%	12.5%	11.7%	9.9%	14.3%	13.0%	204.2%

By Gender

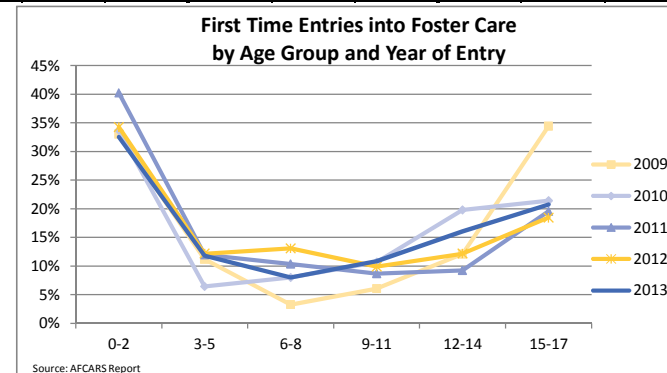
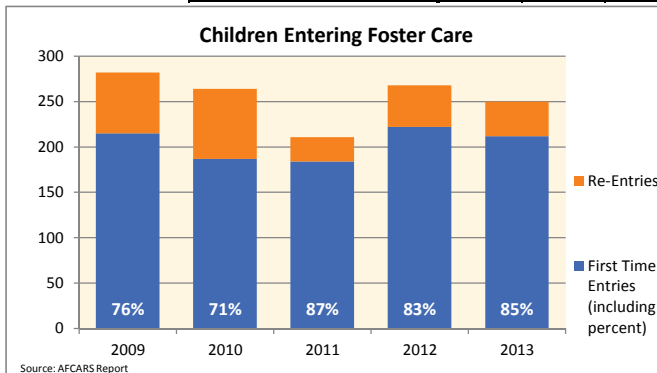
Male
Female

Gender	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Male	54.9%	52.3%	52.8%	55.1%	51.2%	51.4%	45.7%	48.6%	49.6%	55.4%	49.2%	49.9%	51.9%	49.5%	50.1%	-5.5%
Female	45.1%	47.7%	47.2%	44.9%	48.8%	48.6%	54.3%	51.4%	50.4%	44.6%	50.8%	50.1%	48.1%	50.5%	49.9%	6.6%

By First Placement Setting

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

Placement Setting	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Family Setting	62.3%	71.0%	69.9%	72.2%	73.0%	71.6%	81.5%	75.6%	74.8%	82.0%	75.7%	76.4%	83.5%	77.9%	76.7%	34.0%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	0.3%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	15.8%	28.3%	23.7%	12.8%	27.3%	24.1%	11.4%	27.9%	25.0%	8.1%	27.9%	25.8%	20.3%	30.7%	27.2%	28.3%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	46.5%	42.7%	46.0%	59.4%	45.6%	47.3%	70.1%	47.6%	49.5%	73.9%	47.6%	50.4%	63.2%	47.1%	49.3%	35.9%
Congregate Care	36.3%	27.5%	28.2%	27.3%	24.5%	26.2%	18.5%	21.4%	22.4%	17.6%	21.7%	21.1%	15.6%	20.0%	21.0%	-57.1%
Group Home	3.3%	13.0%	16.1%	3.7%	13.6%	16.3%	9.8%	12.2%	14.8%	12.2%	14.0%	14.7%	11.3%	13.0%	15.0%	247.7%
Institution	33.0%	14.5%	12.0%	23.5%	10.9%	9.9%	8.7%	9.2%	7.6%	5.4%	7.7%	6.4%	4.2%	7.0%	6.0%	-87.1%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.5%	0.3%	0.0%	0.4%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%	0.5%	0.1%	0.1%	-
Runaway	1.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.5%	1.2%	0.8%	0.0%	1.1%	0.7%	0.5%	0.6%	0.4%	0.0%	0.8%	0.6%	-100.0%
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	0.7%	1.3%	0.0%	0.8%	1.1%	0.0%	1.4%	1.9%	0.0%	1.7%	1.9%	0.5%	1.2%	1.5%	-



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.

Indicator

Children Re-Entering Foster Care

Indicator	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Re-Entries During the Year	67	2,675	3,931	77	2,691	3,815	27	1,895	2,870	46	1,803	2,775	38	1,690	2,608	-43.3%
Re-Entries as Percent of All Entries	23.8%	37.3%	33.8%	29.2%	39.3%	35.0%	12.8%	32.1%	29.1%	17.2%	31.3%	28.3%	15.2%	30.3%	28.0%	-36.0%

By Age

Age Group	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
0-2	10.4%	7.3%	8.1%	10.4%	7.4%	8.4%	3.7%	7.1%	8.8%	26.1%	8.0%	8.5%	13.2%	6.4%	6.6%	25.9%
3-5	11.9%	6.6%	7.1%	5.2%	6.2%	6.9%	22.2%	6.8%	7.9%	4.3%	7.2%	9.5%	10.5%	7.0%	7.8%	-11.8%
6-8	6.0%	5.7%	6.2%	6.5%	5.9%	6.4%	11.1%	6.9%	7.5%	4.3%	5.5%	6.5%	13.2%	7.2%	7.4%	120.4%
9-11	7.5%	6.4%	6.1%	3.9%	6.8%	6.9%	11.1%	6.0%	6.5%	13.0%	7.2%	7.4%	2.6%	6.6%	6.3%	-64.7%
12-14	14.9%	18.4%	18.8%	16.9%	18.2%	18.3%	14.8%	20.5%	19.7%	15.2%	22.4%	21.7%	21.1%	18.3%	18.4%	41.1%
15-17	49.3%	51.7%	50.6%	57.1%	51.5%	49.6%	37.0%	49.1%	46.9%	37.0%	46.5%	44.1%	36.8%	47.8%	46.3%	-25.2%
18-20	0.0%	4.0%	3.1%	0.0%	3.9%	3.3%	0.0%	3.7%	2.6%	0.0%	3.3%	2.5%	2.6%	6.7%	7.1%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	9.0%	5.1%	5.4%	7.8%	4.6%	5.1%	0.0%	4.6%	5.6%	17.4%	4.8%	4.9%	7.9%	3.6%	3.8%	-11.8%
Youth (age 13+)	56.7%	70.9%	69.2%	70.1%	70.3%	68.3%	51.9%	68.9%	65.2%	50.0%	68.1%	64.3%	52.6%	69.5%	68.6%	-7.2%

By Race and Ethnicity

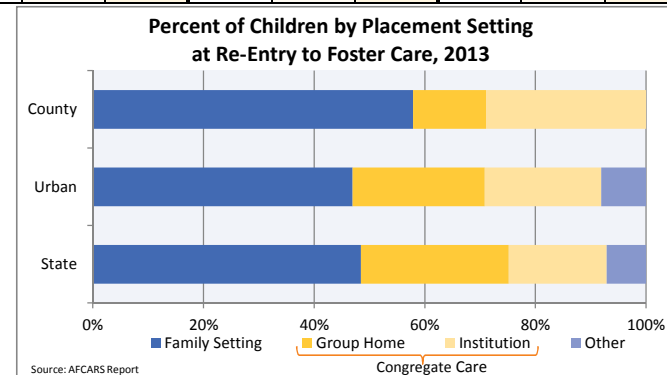
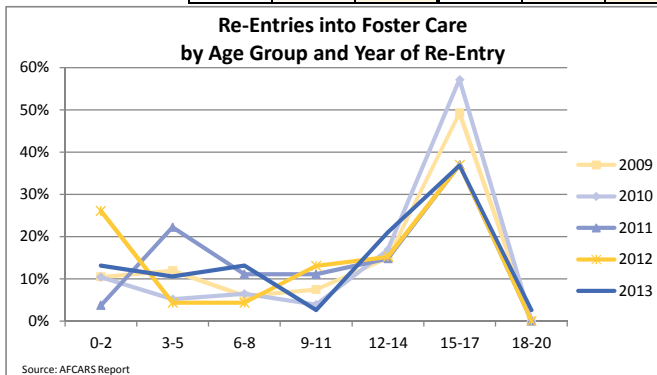
Race/Ethnicity	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
White	23.9%	22.2%	39.4%	26.0%	22.0%	37.6%	33.3%	27.8%	45.3%	17.4%	29.4%	47.4%	39.5%	29.3%	47.3%	65.3%
Black or African American	76.1%	70.2%	55.1%	74.0%	72.4%	58.3%	66.7%	70.7%	54.0%	76.1%	70.7%	53.7%	60.5%	71.8%	54.7%	-20.5%
Other	0.0%	8.4%	6.3%	0.0%	6.7%	5.1%	0.0%	2.6%	2.2%	6.5%	2.9%	2.2%	0.0%	2.0%	1.6%	-
Hispanic or Latino	1.5%	9.2%	9.0%	5.2%	12.1%	11.4%	0.0%	11.0%	10.7%	2.2%	12.3%	11.3%	0.0%	11.7%	11.4%	-100.0%

By Gender

Gender	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Male	62.7%	55.6%	55.1%	71.4%	52.9%	53.8%	40.7%	45.8%	47.0%	50.0%	44.3%	47.6%	50.0%	45.7%	48.1%	-20.2%
Female	37.3%	44.4%	44.9%	28.6%	47.1%	46.2%	59.3%	54.2%	53.0%	50.0%	55.7%	52.4%	50.0%	54.3%	51.9%	34.0%

By Placement Setting at Re-Entry

Placement Setting	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Family Setting	44.8%	43.7%	45.2%	40.3%	43.3%	45.6%	66.7%	47.2%	50.9%	71.7%	48.0%	50.5%	57.9%	46.9%	48.5%	29.3%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.6%	0.4%	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	6.0%	17.6%	15.1%	5.2%	18.8%	16.6%	11.1%	19.2%	17.2%	13.0%	17.7%	16.5%	7.9%	17.9%	14.9%	32.2%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	38.8%	26.0%	29.9%	35.1%	24.2%	28.8%	55.6%	27.7%	33.3%	58.7%	29.7%	33.5%	50.0%	28.7%	33.3%	28.8%
Congregate Care	55.2%	54.5%	52.4%	59.7%	48.5%	47.9%	33.3%	44.3%	42.7%	28.3%	46.9%	45.3%	42.1%	45.0%	44.4%	-23.8%
Group Home	3.0%	20.7%	25.1%	11.7%	20.6%	24.0%	14.8%	21.1%	23.8%	10.9%	23.5%	26.0%	13.2%	23.9%	26.7%	340.8%
Institution	52.2%	33.9%	27.3%	48.1%	27.9%	23.9%	18.5%	23.2%	18.9%	17.4%	23.5%	19.2%	28.9%	21.1%	17.7%	-44.6%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	1.0%	0.9%	0.0%	1.7%	1.3%	0.0%	2.1%	1.6%	0.0%	1.1%	0.8%	0.0%	1.5%	1.6%	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.6%	0.5%	0.0%	5.9%	4.4%	0.0%	6.1%	4.2%	0.0%	3.4%	2.5%	0.0%	6.2%	4.3%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	0.1%	0.9%	0.0%	0.7%	0.9%	0.0%	0.4%	0.7%	0.0%	0.6%	1.0%	0.0%	0.4%	1.2%	-



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

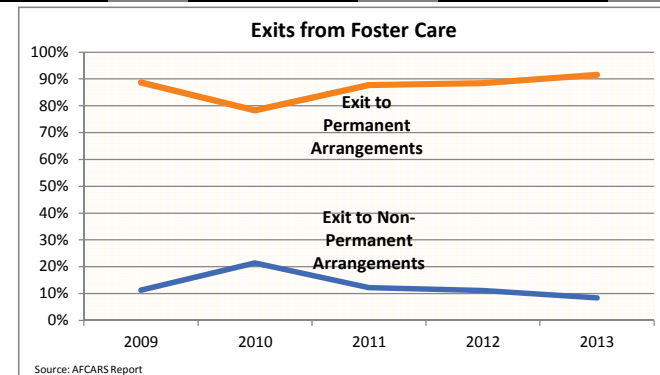
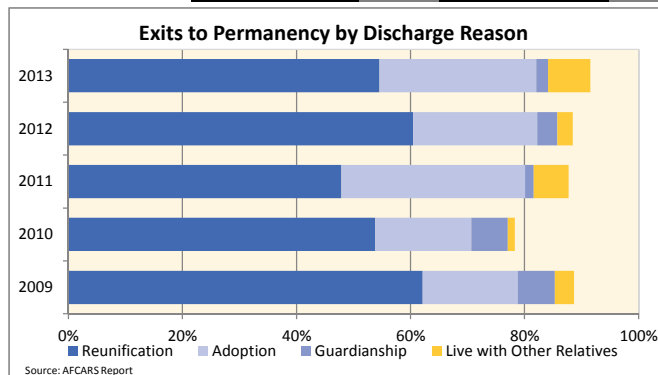
Children Exiting Foster Care

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

Indicator	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Total Children Leaving Foster Care	354	8,767	14,297	327	8,268	13,119	261	6,654	10,630	225	5,966	10,098	284	5,302	9,123	-19.8%
Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care	39.5%	47.1%	49.3%	40.8%	49.0%	50.7%	36.6%	45.5%	46.7%	31.3%	43.7%	45.9%	37.4%	39.4%	42.6%	-5.3%
(number of months until leaving)	13.7	13.2	11.0	10.6	13.4	11.5	30.4	15.2	11.7	12.7	13.4	11.9	16.3	14.2	11.9	19.1%

By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	2009 County	2009 Urban	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Urban	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	% Change
Exit to Permanent Arrangements	88.7%	83.2%	85.9%	78.3%	87.4%	88.0%	87.7%	89.1%	89.5%	88.4%	86.3%	87.9%	91.5%	89.5%	89.3%	3.2%
Reunification	62.1%	54.6%	57.4%	53.8%	56.5%	56.9%	47.9%	58.4%	59.3%	60.4%	59.3%	60.1%	54.6%	58.7%	57.3%	-12.2%
(number of months until reunification)	7.0	7.5	6.3	6.8	6.9	6.1	14.3	8.2	5.9	6.7	7.9	6.1	9.1	6.0	6.0	30.7%
Adoption	16.7%	14.3%	15.4%	16.8%	17.2%	17.9%	32.2%	19.6%	18.8%	21.8%	18.3%	18.0%	27.5%	20.0%	20.2%	64.8%
(number of months until adoption)	44.6	34.0	31.6	48.8	33.2	31.1	47.7	32.0	29.6	35.5	31.5	27.6	44.5	30.8	26.7	-0.1%
Guardianship	6.5%	8.9%	7.3%	6.4%	8.1%	7.4%	1.5%	6.4%	6.0%	3.6%	5.5%	5.4%	2.1%	6.6%	6.4%	-67.5%
(number of month until guardianship)	25.3	30.9	23.5	48.1	27.8	23.3	53.2	31.4	22.2	28.5	29.0	20.4	41.1	29.7	21.2	62.3%
Live with Other Relatives	3.4%	5.3%	5.8%	1.2%	5.6%	5.8%	6.1%	4.7%	5.4%	2.7%	3.2%	4.4%	7.4%	4.1%	5.5%	118.1%
(number of months until living with relatives)	16.4	6.6	3.3	1.4	6.5	3.6	1.0	5.2	2.7	6.7	6.6	2.7	3.6	4.3	2.6	-78.1%
Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements	11.3%	16.8%	14.1%	21.4%	12.5%	11.9%	12.3%	10.8%	10.4%	11.1%	13.6%	12.0%	8.5%	10.3%	10.5%	-25.2%
Emancipation	6.5%	5.8%	6.5%	8.0%	6.5%	6.7%	10.0%	7.9%	7.8%	7.6%	8.0%	8.0%	4.6%	7.7%	8.1%	-29.5%
(number of months until emancipation)	65.2	39.8	36.8	46.5	34.7	33.6	41.6	40.3	36.8	23.9	38.9	37.4	55.4	34.4	31.4	-15.0%
Transfer to Another Agency	3.7%	4.8%	3.7%	13.5%	4.5%	4.1%	1.1%	2.4%	2.2%	2.7%	1.7%	1.6%	2.1%	2.2%	2.0%	-42.5%
(number of months until transfer)	3.8	9.5	5.2	2.8	6.7	4.4	85.4	33.1	5.9	25.6	19.4	5.3	94.2	27.1	6.0	2393.5%
Runaway	1.1%	6.1%	3.9%	0.0%	1.5%	1.1%	1.1%	0.5%	0.5%	0.9%	3.9%	2.4%	1.8%	0.4%	0.5%	55.8%
(number of months until running away)	0.5	23.1	6.8	0.0	13.4	9.6	52.7	24.1	18.6	12.5	16.3	4.8	27.3	14.7	14.9	5630.9%
Death of Child	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.4%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%	-
(number of months until death of a child)	0.0	33.2	9.5	13.6	14.7	4.7	0.0	1.3	12.7	6.9	22.4	4.7	0.0	23.5	11.9	-



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.

Indicator

Children Remaining in Foster Care

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

Indicator	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
Children in Foster Care on Last Day	571	11,208	16,605	508	10,204	14,826	464	9,109	13,701	514	8,907	13,566	486	9,121	13,697	-14.9%
(number of months children have been in care)	23.1	16.4	15.6	25.5	16.3	14.2	19.3	15.2	13.6	17.0	15.8	13.0	17.5	13.9	13.1	-23.9%

By Age

Age Group	2009 County	2009 Urban	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Urban	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	% Change
0-2	17.2%	16.5%	17.5%	18.9%	16.9%	17.9%	20.9%	18.4%	18.9%	17.7%	18.7%	19.5%	18.3%	19.0%	19.9%	6.7%
3-5	20.5%	13.7%	13.7%	17.9%	13.5%	13.7%	15.9%	13.9%	14.6%	15.0%	14.5%	15.3%	15.4%	15.1%	15.6%	-24.7%
6-8	12.6%	10.7%	10.7%	14.8%	10.4%	10.5%	13.6%	10.2%	10.3%	14.4%	10.7%	10.9%	11.5%	11.4%	11.6%	-8.6%
9-11	11.7%	9.5%	9.6%	12.8%	9.0%	9.1%	11.6%	8.8%	8.7%	12.5%	9.0%	9.2%	11.9%	9.2%	9.1%	1.7%
12-14	12.4%	12.7%	13.0%	13.4%	12.6%	12.5%	13.4%	12.6%	12.7%	12.6%	12.6%	12.4%	13.8%	11.6%	11.7%	10.9%
15-17	20.7%	27.2%	27.4%	17.1%	26.8%	27.1%	18.5%	24.9%	25.2%	20.6%	23.3%	23.4%	21.4%	22.6%	22.6%	3.6%
18-20	4.9%	9.7%	8.1%	5.1%	10.8%	9.1%	6.0%	11.3%	9.7%	7.2%	11.3%	9.4%	7.6%	11.1%	9.5%	55.3%
Infants (age 0-1)	9.6%	10.5%	11.4%	11.2%	10.9%	11.7%	12.9%	12.1%	12.6%	11.5%	12.7%	13.2%	11.5%	11.8%	12.7%	19.6%
Youth (age 13+)	34.5%	46.2%	45.1%	30.7%	46.6%	45.3%	33.6%	45.6%	44.4%	36.6%	43.7%	41.9%	39.3%	42.3%	40.7%	13.9%

By Race and Ethnicity

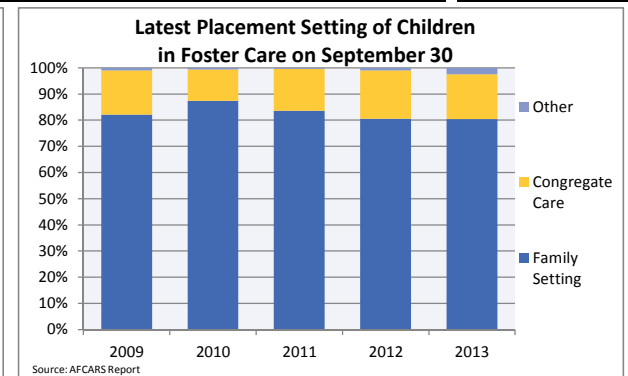
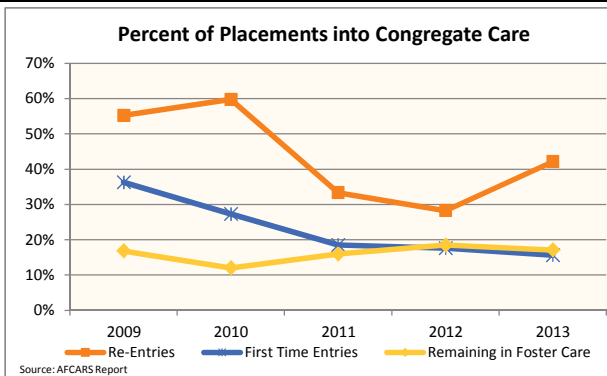
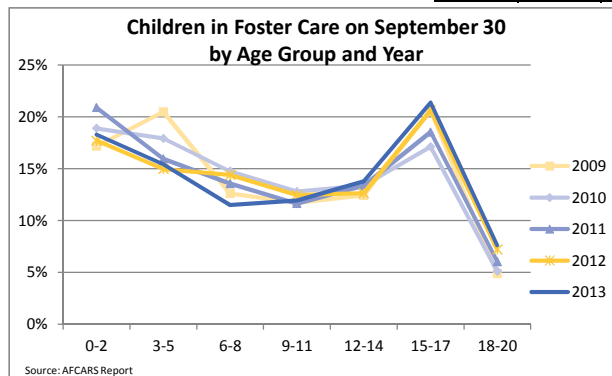
Race/Ethnicity	2009 County	2009 Urban	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Urban	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	% Change
White	36.8%	31.6%	46.9%	37.0%	33.6%	48.3%	33.4%	36.1%	51.8%	38.7%	38.9%	54.2%	39.1%	39.0%	54.2%	6.3%
Black or African American	61.1%	60.2%	47.2%	60.8%	62.0%	48.9%	64.2%	62.4%	48.0%	59.1%	61.0%	46.6%	59.5%	62.0%	47.9%	-2.7%
Other	2.1%	9.0%	6.7%	2.2%	5.6%	4.2%	2.4%	3.0%	2.3%	2.1%	3.4%	2.7%	1.4%	2.3%	1.9%	-31.5%
Hispanic or Latino	5.6%	9.7%	10.1%	6.3%	11.3%	11.2%	4.3%	11.9%	11.7%	3.9%	12.7%	12.2%	5.8%	13.0%	12.7%	2.8%

By Gender

Gender	2009 County	2009 Urban	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Urban	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	% Change
Male	55.0%	52.5%	52.9%	51.8%	51.5%	52.0%	51.3%	50.2%	50.7%	52.1%	50.0%	50.8%	53.3%	50.4%	50.7%	-3.1%
Female	45.0%	47.5%	47.1%	48.2%	48.5%	48.0%	48.7%	49.8%	49.3%	47.9%	50.0%	49.2%	46.7%	49.6%	49.3%	3.8%

By Latest Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2009 County	2009 Urban	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Urban	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Urban	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Urban	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Urban	2013 State	% Change
Family Setting	82.1%	73.4%	74.3%	87.4%	72.8%	74.2%	83.6%	73.0%	74.4%	80.5%	74.2%	76.1%	80.5%	75.0%	76.8%	-2.1%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.2%	4.9%	4.0%	0.4%	4.7%	3.9%	0.2%	4.4%	3.5%	0.0%	3.6%	3.0%	0.0%	4.2%	3.2%	-100.0%
Foster Family Home – Relative	24.3%	25.6%	23.0%	21.3%	25.4%	23.0%	16.8%	25.4%	23.6%	14.0%	26.3%	25.2%	20.0%	26.9%	25.7%	-18.0%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	57.6%	42.9%	47.3%	65.7%	42.7%	47.4%	66.6%	43.3%	47.3%	66.5%	44.3%	47.9%	60.5%	43.9%	47.9%	5.0%
Congregate Care	16.8%	23.5%	22.4%	12.0%	21.7%	21.0%	15.9%	20.8%	20.3%	18.5%	20.2%	19.2%	17.1%	20.0%	18.7%	1.6%
Group Home	4.6%	9.8%	10.5%	5.5%	9.8%	10.6%	7.1%	10.1%	10.7%	9.9%	10.8%	11.0%	9.7%	10.9%	10.8%	112.4%
Institution	12.3%	13.7%	11.9%	6.5%	11.9%	10.5%	8.8%	10.7%	9.5%	8.6%	9.4%	8.2%	7.4%	9.1%	7.8%	-39.6%
Supervised Independent Living	0.7%	2.3%	1.8%	0.0%	2.6%	2.0%	0.4%	3.0%	2.2%	0.6%	2.3%	1.9%	1.0%	2.7%	2.1%	46.9%
Runaway	0.2%	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%	2.6%	1.9%	0.0%	2.6%	1.8%	0.4%	2.5%	1.8%	0.6%	1.9%	1.4%	252.5%
Trial Home Visit	0.2%	0.5%	1.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.9%	0.0%	0.7%	1.2%	0.0%	0.7%	1.1%	0.8%	0.4%	1.0%	370.0%



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 % Change 2009 to 2013
County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
43.6%	36.5%	37.1%	40.9%	36.2%	37.4%	31.7%	35.5%	36.1%	37.2%	35.9%	36.9%	36.1%	32.0%	34.1%	-17.2%

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 % Change 2009 to 2013
County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
42.7%	43.2%	47.9%	47.8%	42.3%	46.8%	33.7%	45.3%	48.2%	33.3%	42.5%	44.6%	36.6%	38.7%	41.3%	-14.3%

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 % Change 2009 to 2013
County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	County	Urban	State	
22.5%	30.6%	27.2%	17.3%	29.8%	25.8%	20.0%	33.2%	27.7%	10.5%	29.1%	26.3%	15.1%	29.8%	26.4%	-33.0%

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