

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
	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State		
	52	2,570	25,655	60	2,231	25,342	59	2,198	24,615	62	2,246	24,378	94	2,590	26,664	80.8%
	5.6	12.1	9.2	6.5	10.5	9.1	6.4	10.4	8.8	6.7	10.6	8.7	10.2	12.2	9.5	

Child Abuse Substantiations

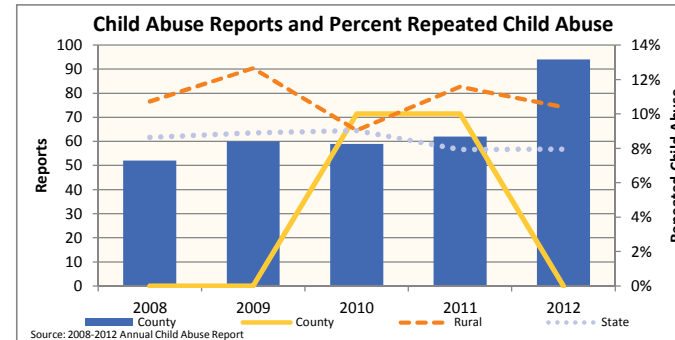
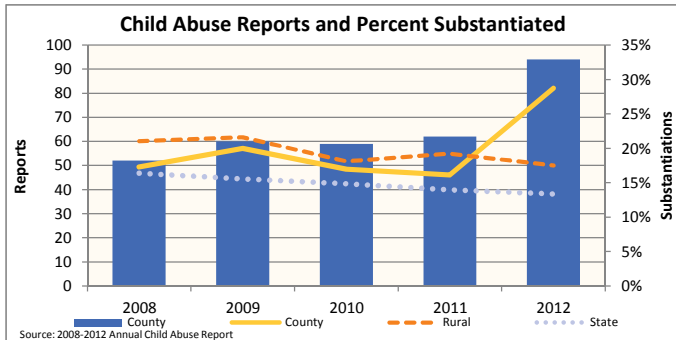
Founded or indicated reports of child abuse. Does not include the number of children determined to need General Protective Services.

County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County % Change 2008 to 2012
17.3%	21.1%	16.4%	20.0%	21.6%	15.6%	16.9%	18.1%	14.9%	16.1%	19.2%	14.0%	28.7%	17.5%	13.4%	66.0%

Repeated Child Abuse

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

County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County % Change 2008 to 2012
0.0%	10.7%	8.6%	0.0%	12.7%	8.9%	10.0%	9.0%	9.0%	10.0%	11.6%	7.9%	0.0%	10.4%	7.9%	-
0	1 in 9	1 in 12	0	1 in 8	1 in 11	1 in 10	1 in 11	1 in 11	1 in 10	1 in 9	1 in 13	0	1 in 10	1 in 13	



IN-HOME SERVICES

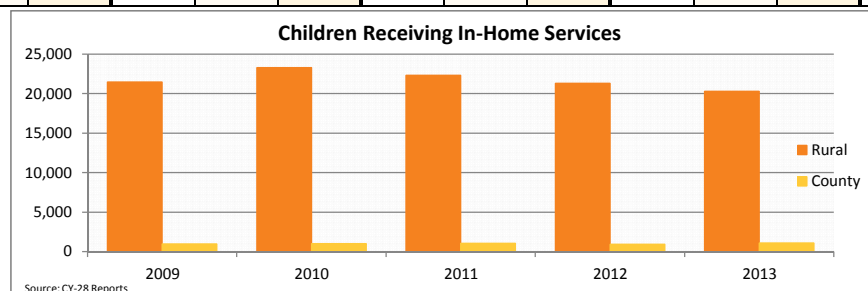
In-home services are designed to strengthen families by addressing the root causes of abuse and neglect. The provision of in-home services helps a child to remain safely in his or her home.

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
	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State		
954	21,491	155,264	1,027	23,312	164,099	1,060	22,325	168,821	935	21,306	164,842	1,092	20,283	172,807	14.5%	



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.

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	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
Unduplicated Number of Children Served	79	1,951	29,024	80	1,709	25,894	82	1,692	22,750	69	1,615	22,000	60	1,462	21,416	-24.1%
(Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	6.9	7.4	8.6	7.0	6.5	7.7	7.2	6.4	6.7	6.0	6.1	6.5	5.2	5.6	6.4	

By Age

Age Group	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	County % Change
0-2	22.8%	16.8%	16.5%	22.5%	17.0%	16.8%	14.6%	17.0%	18.2%	23.2%	16.9%	18.9%	38.3%	18.5%	19.2%	68.2%
3-5	15.2%	12.4%	13.5%	18.8%	14.0%	13.9%	23.2%	15.6%	15.1%	20.3%	16.6%	15.6%	15.0%	15.7%	15.9%	-1.3%
6-8	3.8%	10.1%	10.4%	7.5%	10.1%	10.3%	12.2%	10.8%	10.5%	10.1%	10.5%	10.8%	15.0%	11.7%	11.5%	295.0%
9-11	6.3%	9.0%	9.0%	8.8%	9.9%	8.9%	9.8%	9.1%	8.9%	4.3%	9.7%	8.9%	3.3%	8.8%	8.9%	-47.3%
12-14	10.1%	14.8%	12.5%	10.0%	13.1%	11.9%	14.6%	14.3%	12.1%	13.0%	13.9%	12.0%	10.0%	13.2%	11.4%	-1.2%
15-17	29.1%	29.1%	28.1%	21.3%	29.0%	27.6%	23.2%	26.7%	24.8%	23.2%	24.8%	23.3%	13.3%	23.6%	22.3%	-54.2%
18-20	12.7%	8.0%	9.9%	11.3%	6.8%	10.5%	2.4%	6.6%	10.4%	5.8%	7.6%	10.5%	5.0%	8.5%	10.7%	-60.5%
Infants (age 0-1)	15.2%	10.5%	10.3%	7.5%	9.8%	10.5%	7.3%	11.5%	11.7%	17.4%	11.4%	12.2%	25.0%	12.4%	11.9%	64.6%
Youth (age 13+)	51.9%	48.6%	47.4%	38.8%	45.0%	46.9%	35.4%	43.7%	44.2%	36.2%	42.5%	42.7%	26.7%	42.2%	41.5%	-48.6%

By Race and Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	County % Change
White	91.1%	92.3%	48.9%	97.5%	93.4%	49.3%	96.3%	93.0%	52.8%	91.3%	94.1%	56.4%	93.3%	95.5%	57.1%	2.4%
Black or African American	1.3%	7.2%	45.6%	2.5%	6.7%	47.5%	3.7%	6.4%	46.5%	8.7%	6.3%	44.1%	11.7%	6.9%	45.0%	821.7%
Other	7.6%	1.5%	6.2%	0.0%	1.2%	4.4%	0.0%	1.7%	2.6%	0.0%	1.3%	2.9%	0.0%	0.5%	2.0%	-100.0%
Hispanic or Latino	3.8%	2.7%	10.2%	2.5%	2.8%	11.3%	1.2%	3.4%	11.6%	1.4%	2.8%	12.0%	0.0%	2.8%	12.5%	-100.0%

By Gender

Gender	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	County % Change
Male	54.4%	54.9%	53.6%	56.3%	54.8%	53.1%	59.8%	54.4%	50.7%	60.9%	53.4%	50.5%	63.3%	52.9%	50.8%	16.4%
Female	45.6%	45.1%	46.4%	43.8%	45.2%	46.9%	40.2%	45.6%	49.3%	39.1%	46.6%	49.5%	36.7%	47.1%	49.2%	-19.5%

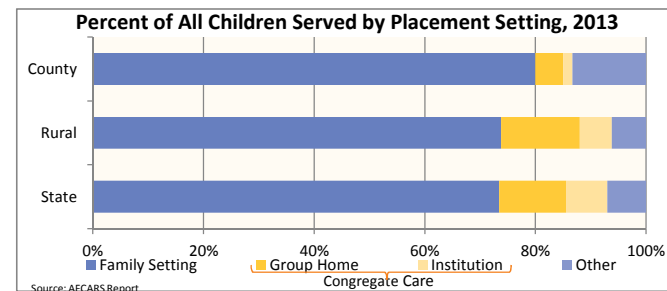
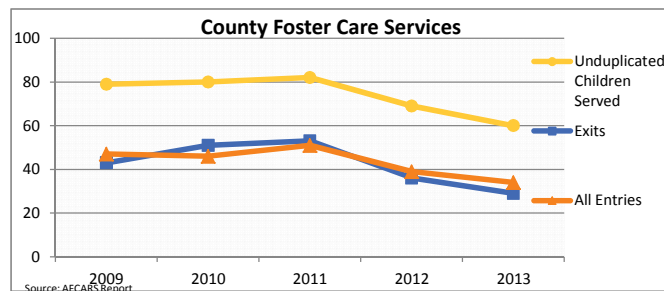
By First Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	County % Change
Family Setting	79.7%	69.9%	68.5%	90.0%	70.7%	69.2%	91.5%	73.8%	72.0%	92.8%	75.7%	72.8%	80.0%	73.8%	73.4%	0.3%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	4.0%	4.4%	0.0%	3.7%	4.3%	1.2%	3.1%	3.9%	0.0%	3.0%	3.2%	0.0%	4.2%	3.4%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	17.7%	16.5%	21.5%	40.0%	19.1%	22.2%	41.5%	20.2%	23.5%	56.5%	23.1%	24.4%	43.3%	22.0%	24.8%	144.5%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	62.0%	49.4%	42.6%	50.0%	47.9%	42.7%	48.8%	50.5%	44.5%	36.2%	49.7%	45.2%	36.7%	47.6%	45.2%	-40.9%
Congregate Care	19.0%	25.3%	25.9%	10.0%	25.6%	24.0%	8.5%	22.6%	20.6%	7.2%	19.9%	20.6%	6.7%	20.0%	19.6%	-64.9%
Group Home	12.7%	17.5%	12.7%	7.5%	18.7%	12.2%	4.9%	16.1%	11.7%	5.8%	14.7%	12.5%	5.0%	14.2%	12.1%	-60.5%
Institution	6.3%	7.8%	13.2%	2.5%	6.8%	11.9%	3.7%	6.4%	8.9%	1.4%	5.2%	8.0%	1.7%	5.7%	7.5%	-73.7%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	0.3%	1.8%	0.0%	0.5%	2.0%	0.0%	0.5%	2.2%	0.0%	1.1%	1.8%	3.3%	1.4%	2.0%	-
Runaway	1.3%	0.3%	0.7%	0.0%	0.1%	2.1%	0.0%	0.1%	2.0%	0.0%	0.1%	1.4%	0.0%	0.2%	1.8%	-100.0%
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	4.3%	3.1%	0.0%	3.2%	2.7%	0.0%	3.0%	3.1%	0.0%	3.2%	3.4%	10.0%	4.6%	3.2%	-

Children Entering Foster Care

All Entries into Foster Care During the Year

Year	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	County % Change
All Entries into Foster Care During the Year	47	865	11,630	46	774	10,898	51	857	9,849	39	757	9,793	34	700	9,306	-27.7%



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 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	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
Children Entering for the First Time	35	615	7,699	33	553	7,083	38	637	6,979	34	568	7,018	27	546	6,698	-22.9%
First Time Entries During the Year (Rate per 1,000 children age 0-20)	3.1	2.3	2.3	2.9	2.1	2.1	3.3	2.4	2.1	3.0	2.2	2.1	2.4	2.1	2.0	6.6%
First Time Entries as Percent of All Entries	74.5%	71.1%	66.2%	71.7%	71.4%	65.0%	74.5%	74.3%	70.9%	87.2%	75.0%	71.7%	79.4%	78.0%	72.0%	

By Age

Age Group	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	% Change
0-2	31.4%	29.9%	30.8%	36.4%	28.2%	30.9%	21.1%	27.3%	31.7%	44.1%	28.0%	32.2%	51.9%	30.2%	32.8%	65.0%
3-5	14.3%	8.3%	11.6%	24.2%	13.4%	12.6%	7.9%	12.1%	14.1%	8.8%	14.3%	14.2%	7.4%	13.9%	14.6%	-48.1%
6-8	5.7%	10.1%	8.7%	9.1%	9.9%	8.6%	7.9%	8.0%	9.3%	8.8%	9.7%	10.1%	7.4%	10.8%	10.0%	29.6%
9-11	2.9%	7.5%	7.9%	3.0%	6.5%	7.8%	21.1%	8.8%	7.9%	8.8%	9.3%	8.6%	7.4%	8.8%	8.2%	159.3%
12-14	14.3%	17.4%	15.2%	6.1%	12.8%	15.3%	23.7%	17.9%	14.7%	14.7%	15.1%	14.4%	7.4%	15.6%	13.5%	-48.1%
15-17	31.4%	26.7%	25.5%	21.2%	29.1%	24.8%	18.4%	25.9%	22.2%	14.7%	23.6%	20.4%	14.8%	20.5%	20.8%	-52.9%
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%	3.7%	0.2%	0.1%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	20.0%	23.1%	25.1%	12.1%	21.5%	25.1%	13.2%	21.7%	25.7%	35.3%	21.5%	26.2%	40.7%	24.5%	26.4%	103.7%
Youth (age 13+)	42.9%	40.8%	38.0%	24.2%	37.6%	36.8%	36.8%	39.7%	33.8%	23.5%	35.4%	31.2%	25.9%	32.2%	31.4%	-39.5%

By Race and Ethnicity

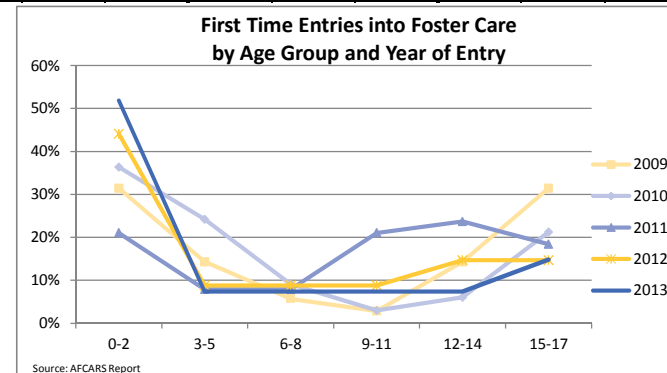
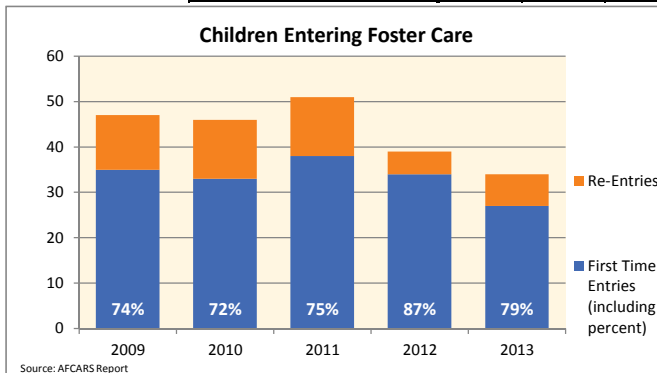
Race/Ethnicity	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	% Change
White	85.7%	93.2%	54.4%	97.0%	94.8%	56.2%	94.7%	92.3%	59.2%	85.3%	93.0%	62.0%	100.0%	94.9%	62.1%	16.7%
Black or African American	0.0%	5.2%	37.9%	3.0%	4.9%	41.3%	5.3%	6.4%	40.4%	14.7%	6.7%	37.7%	7.4%	7.5%	39.2%	-
Other	14.3%	2.4%	8.5%	0.0%	1.4%	4.0%	0.0%	1.9%	2.3%	0.0%	1.6%	3.4%	0.0%	1.8%	2.6%	-100.0%
Hispanic or Latino	2.9%	2.1%	11.2%	0.0%	3.6%	12.8%	0.0%	3.6%	12.4%	0.0%	1.8%	11.7%	0.0%	2.9%	13.0%	-100.0%

By Gender

Gender	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	% Change
Male	62.9%	55.9%	52.8%	51.5%	52.6%	51.4%	65.8%	52.9%	49.6%	52.9%	49.8%	49.9%	55.6%	49.5%	50.1%	-11.6%
Female	37.1%	44.1%	47.2%	48.5%	47.4%	48.6%	34.2%	47.1%	50.4%	47.1%	50.2%	50.1%	44.4%	50.5%	49.9%	19.7%

By First Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	% Change
Family Setting	80.0%	71.4%	69.9%	90.9%	69.4%	71.6%	89.5%	72.1%	74.8%	91.2%	77.8%	76.4%	85.2%	77.5%	76.7%	6.5%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.4%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	8.6%	17.2%	23.7%	42.4%	20.4%	24.1%	44.7%	25.0%	25.0%	44.1%	27.8%	25.8%	33.3%	25.8%	27.2%	288.9%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	71.4%	54.1%	46.0%	48.5%	48.6%	47.3%	44.7%	47.1%	49.5%	47.1%	49.8%	50.4%	51.9%	51.5%	49.3%	-27.4%
Congregate Care	20.0%	27.5%	28.2%	9.1%	29.5%	26.2%	10.5%	26.5%	22.4%	8.8%	21.1%	21.1%	7.4%	21.2%	21.0%	-63.0%
Group Home	11.4%	21.6%	16.1%	6.1%	22.8%	16.3%	10.5%	22.0%	14.8%	8.8%	18.3%	14.7%	7.4%	16.1%	15.0%	-35.2%
Institution	8.6%	5.9%	12.0%	3.0%	6.7%	9.9%	0.0%	4.6%	7.6%	0.0%	2.8%	6.4%	0.0%	5.1%	6.0%	-100.0%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	3.7%	0.2%	0.1%	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%	0.0%	0.2%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.4%	0.6%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	1.1%	1.3%	0.0%	1.1%	1.1%	0.0%	1.3%	1.9%	0.0%	0.9%	1.9%	3.7%	0.7%	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	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
Re-Entries During the Year	12	250	3,931	13	221	3,815	13	220	2,870	5	189	2,775	7	154	2,608	-41.7%
Re-Entries as Percent of All Entries	25.5%	28.9%	33.8%	28.3%	28.6%	35.0%	25.5%	25.7%	29.1%	12.8%	25.0%	28.3%	20.6%	22.0%	28.0%	-19.4%

By Age

Age Group	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
0-2	25.0%	11.6%	8.1%	23.1%	12.7%	8.4%	7.7%	13.2%	8.8%	0.0%	11.1%	8.5%	0.0%	5.2%	6.6%	-100.0%
3-5	8.3%	8.0%	7.1%	0.0%	12.2%	6.9%	15.4%	13.2%	7.9%	20.0%	16.4%	9.5%	0.0%	9.1%	7.8%	-100.0%
6-8	8.3%	7.6%	6.2%	7.7%	7.7%	6.4%	7.7%	7.5%	0.0%	6.9%	6.5%	14.3%	7.8%	7.4%	7.4%	71.4%
9-11	8.3%	7.6%	6.1%	23.1%	9.5%	6.9%	15.4%	7.7%	6.5%	0.0%	5.8%	7.4%	28.6%	5.8%	6.3%	242.9%
12-14	25.0%	20.8%	18.8%	23.1%	17.6%	18.3%	23.1%	18.2%	19.7%	40.0%	17.5%	21.7%	14.3%	20.1%	18.4%	-42.9%
15-17	25.0%	44.0%	50.6%	23.1%	39.8%	49.6%	30.8%	41.8%	46.9%	40.0%	41.8%	44.1%	28.6%	45.5%	46.3%	14.3%
18-20	0.0%	0.4%	3.1%	0.0%	0.5%	3.3%	0.0%	0.0%	2.6%	0.0%	0.5%	2.5%	14.3%	6.5%	7.1%	-
Infants (age 0-1)	16.7%	6.0%	5.4%	15.4%	5.9%	5.1%	0.0%	9.1%	5.6%	0.0%	4.8%	4.9%	0.0%	2.6%	3.8%	-100.0%
Youth (age 13+)	41.7%	60.4%	69.2%	46.2%	54.8%	68.3%	46.2%	55.9%	65.2%	40.0%	55.6%	64.3%	57.1%	68.2%	68.6%	37.1%

By Race and Ethnicity

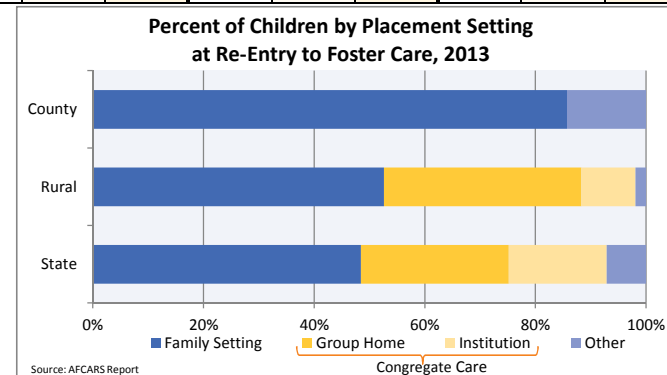
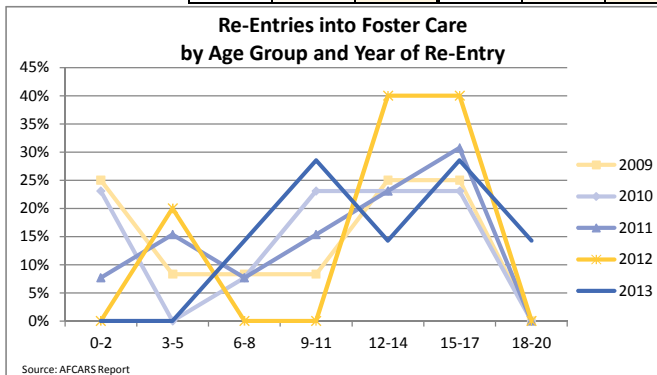
Race/Ethnicity	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
White	91.7%	91.6%	39.4%	100.0%	95.9%	37.6%	100.0%	93.6%	45.3%	100.0%	97.4%	47.4%	100.0%	96.8%	47.3%	9.1%
Black or African American	0.0%	6.4%	55.1%	0.0%	5.0%	58.3%	0.0%	4.1%	54.0%	0.0%	3.7%	53.7%	14.3%	7.8%	54.7%	-
Other	8.3%	2.4%	6.3%	0.0%	0.0%	5.1%	0.0%	2.7%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%	-100.0%
Hispanic or Latino	16.7%	2.8%	9.0%	0.0%	0.5%	11.4%	0.0%	1.4%	10.7%	0.0%	3.2%	11.3%	0.0%	1.9%	11.4%	-100.0%

By Gender

Gender	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
Male	58.3%	54.8%	55.1%	76.9%	60.2%	53.8%	53.8%	52.7%	47.0%	80.0%	55.6%	47.6%	57.1%	50.0%	48.1%	-2.0%
Female	41.7%	45.2%	44.9%	23.1%	39.8%	46.2%	46.2%	47.3%	53.0%	20.0%	44.4%	52.4%	42.9%	50.0%	51.9%	2.9%

By Placement Setting at Re-Entry

Placement Setting	2009			2010			2011			2012			2013			County % Change 2009 to 2013
	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
Family Setting	83.3%	57.6%	45.2%	100.0%	57.5%	45.6%	92.3%	61.8%	50.9%	80.0%	58.7%	50.5%	85.7%	52.6%	48.5%	2.9%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	8.3%	12.4%	15.1%	30.8%	12.2%	16.6%	0.0%	11.8%	17.2%	40.0%	18.0%	16.5%	28.6%	11.0%	14.9%	242.9%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	75.0%	45.2%	29.9%	69.2%	45.2%	28.8%	92.3%	50.0%	33.3%	40.0%	40.7%	33.5%	57.1%	41.6%	33.3%	-23.8%
Congregate Care	16.7%	42.0%	52.4%	0.0%	41.6%	47.9%	7.7%	37.3%	42.7%	20.0%	40.7%	45.3%	0.0%	45.5%	44.4%	-100.0%
Group Home	8.3%	32.4%	25.1%	0.0%	31.7%	24.0%	0.0%	30.9%	23.8%	20.0%	34.4%	26.0%	0.0%	35.7%	26.7%	-100.0%
Institution	8.3%	9.6%	27.3%	0.0%	10.0%	23.9%	7.7%	6.4%	18.9%	0.0%	6.3%	19.2%	0.0%	9.7%	17.7%	-100.0%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%	0.0%	0.5%	0.8%	14.3%	1.3%	1.6%	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	4.4%	0.0%	0.5%	4.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	0.0%	0.0%	4.3%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	0.4%	0.9%	0.0%	0.9%	0.9%	0.0%	0.5%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.6%	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

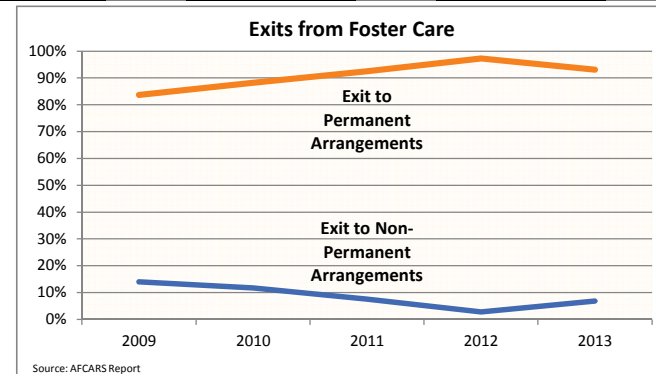
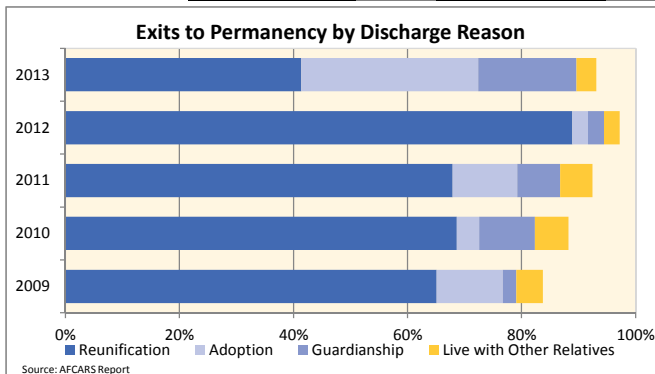
Children Exiting Foster Care

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	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
Total Children Leaving Foster Care	43	1,067	14,297	51	851	13,119	53	881	10,630	36	893	10,098	29	751	9,123	-32.6%
Percent of Children Leaving Foster Care	54.4%	54.7%	49.3%	63.8%	49.8%	50.7%	64.6%	52.1%	46.7%	52.2%	55.3%	45.9%	48.3%	51.4%	42.6%	-11.2%
(number of months until leaving)	7.4	10.5	11.0	4.3	10.1	11.5	5.0	7.9	11.7	7.9	11.0	11.9	15.0	10.6	11.9	102.7%

By Discharge Reason

Discharge Reason	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	% Change
Exit to Permanent Arrangements	83.7%	89.3%	85.9%	88.2%	91.0%	88.0%	92.5%	90.5%	89.5%	97.2%	90.5%	87.9%	93.1%	89.6%	89.3%	11.2%
Reunification	65.1%	62.0%	57.4%	68.6%	61.1%	56.9%	67.9%	66.4%	59.3%	88.9%	60.4%	60.1%	41.4%	52.9%	57.3%	-36.5%
(number of months until reunification)	6.7	5.1	6.3	2.6	4.7	6.1	1.2	3.0	5.9	8.3	5.8	6.1	6.0	4.8	6.0	-11.5%
Adoption	11.6%	15.8%	15.4%	3.9%	14.6%	17.9%	11.3%	12.7%	18.8%	2.8%	17.4%	18.0%	31.0%	20.0%	20.2%	166.9%
(number of months until adoption)	22.2	39.0	31.6	37.5	20.9	31.1	28.4	29.6	29.6	27.1	31.5	27.6	28.2	28.2	26.7	26.8%
Guardianship	2.3%	6.1%	7.3%	9.8%	8.2%	7.4%	7.5%	6.4%	6.0%	2.8%	7.3%	5.4%	17.2%	9.3%	6.4%	641.4%
(number of month until guardianship)	25.0	20.7	23.5	15.8	21.2	23.3	13.8	19.6	22.2	7.4	17.8	20.4	23.3	18.7	21.2	-6.8%
Live with Other Relatives	4.7%	5.3%	5.8%	5.9%	7.1%	5.8%	5.7%	5.0%	5.4%	2.8%	5.5%	4.4%	3.4%	7.5%	5.5%	-25.9%
(number of months until living with relatives)	0.4	9.9	3.3	5.5	8.3	3.6	0.7	5.1	2.7	0.3	4.3	2.7	7.8	4.7	2.6	1715.4%
Exit to Non-Permanent Arrangements	14.0%	10.4%	14.1%	11.8%	9.0%	11.9%	7.5%	9.4%	10.4%	2.8%	9.5%	12.0%	6.9%	10.1%	10.5%	-50.6%
Emancipation	4.7%	8.2%	6.5%	11.8%	8.0%	6.7%	7.5%	7.6%	7.8%	2.8%	8.5%	8.0%	3.4%	7.7%	8.1%	-25.9%
(number of months until emancipation)	9.6	24.9	36.8	21.4	28.7	33.6	17.9	25.8	36.8	4.8	32.3	37.4	5.2	36.2	31.4	-45.5%
Transfer to Another Agency	9.3%	2.0%	3.7%	0.0%	1.1%	4.1%	0.0%	1.8%	2.2%	0.0%	1.0%	1.6%	3.4%	2.1%	2.0%	-62.9%
(number of months until transfer)	1.4	10.3	5.2	0.0	0.6	4.4	0.0	6.6	5.9	0.0	11.0	5.3	0.5	10.4	6.0	-62.4%
Runaway	0.0%	0.2%	3.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	0.0%	0.3%	0.5%	-
(number of months until running away)	0.0	48.6	6.8	0.0	0.0	9.6	0.0	0.0	18.6	0.0	0.0	4.8	0.0	41.6	14.9	-
Death of Child	2.3%	0.3%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%	-100.0%
(number of months until death of a child)	8.3	7.4	9.5	0.0	0.0	4.7	0.0	19.9	12.7	0.0	0.0	4.7	0.0	5.1	11.9	-100.0%



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	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
Children in Foster Care on Last Day	40	992	16,605	35	929	14,826	33	917	13,701	34	816	13,566	36	774	13,697	-10.0%
(number of months children have been in care)	9.4	13.0	15.6	2.7	14.4	14.2	8.5	14.6	13.6	10.1	12.7	13.0	5.2	12.6	13.1	-44.0%

By Age

Age Group	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	% Change
0-2	20.0%	17.1%	17.5%	31.4%	18.4%	17.9%	12.1%	16.9%	18.9%	29.4%	17.6%	19.5%	47.2%	20.0%	19.9%	136.1%
3-5	15.0%	12.9%	13.7%	22.9%	15.2%	13.7%	27.3%	15.6%	14.6%	23.5%	16.7%	15.3%	5.6%	13.8%	15.6%	-63.0%
6-8	7.5%	10.2%	10.7%	11.4%	11.8%	10.5%	6.1%	11.8%	10.3%	17.6%	10.4%	10.9%	8.3%	10.2%	11.6%	11.1%
9-11	7.5%	11.0%	9.6%	5.7%	10.5%	9.1%	3.0%	9.5%	8.7%	2.9%	10.5%	9.2%	5.6%	9.7%	9.1%	-25.9%
12-14	7.5%	16.3%	13.0%	11.4%	12.9%	12.5%	18.2%	15.0%	12.7%	11.8%	14.2%	12.4%	13.9%	15.6%	11.7%	85.2%
15-17	30.0%	27.9%	27.4%	14.3%	26.7%	27.1%	33.3%	24.8%	25.2%	11.8%	24.9%	23.4%	13.9%	23.6%	22.6%	-53.7%
18-20	12.5%	4.5%	8.1%	2.9%	4.4%	9.1%	0.0%	6.4%	9.7%	2.9%	5.6%	9.4%	5.6%	7.0%	9.5%	-55.6%
Infants (age 0-1)	12.5%	10.1%	11.4%	11.4%	11.3%	11.7%	6.1%	11.3%	12.6%	20.6%	11.9%	13.2%	33.3%	14.3%	12.7%	166.7%
Youth (age 13+)	50.0%	44.7%	45.1%	22.9%	40.2%	45.3%	42.4%	41.9%	44.4%	26.5%	41.1%	41.9%	30.6%	41.7%	40.7%	-38.9%

By Race and Ethnicity

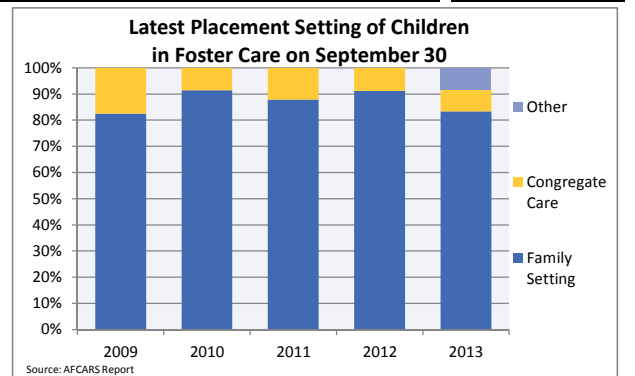
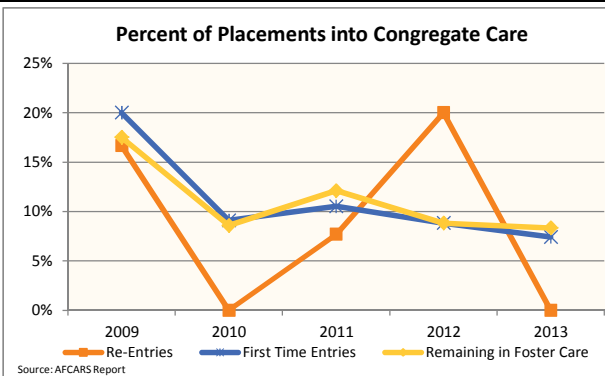
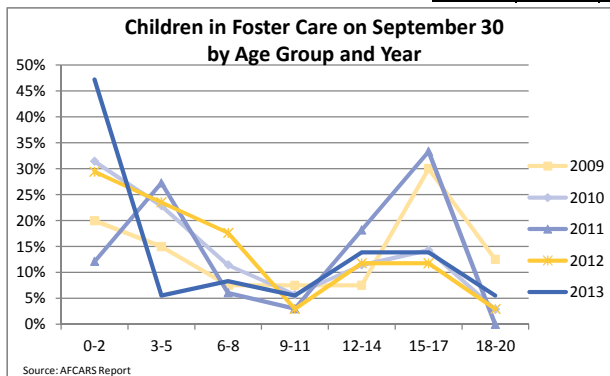
Race/Ethnicity	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	% Change
White	90.0%	92.3%	46.9%	97.1%	93.9%	48.3%	97.0%	93.8%	51.8%	85.3%	94.7%	54.2%	88.9%	95.9%	54.2%	-1.2%
Black or African American	2.5%	7.2%	47.2%	2.9%	6.6%	48.9%	3.0%	6.5%	48.0%	14.7%	6.4%	46.6%	16.7%	6.7%	47.9%	566.7%
Other	7.5%	1.5%	6.7%	0.0%	1.2%	4.2%	0.0%	1.3%	2.3%	0.0%	0.9%	2.7%	0.0%	0.5%	1.9%	-100.0%
Hispanic or Latino	5.0%	2.4%	10.1%	2.9%	3.4%	11.2%	3.0%	3.7%	11.7%	0.0%	2.3%	12.2%	0.0%	2.6%	12.7%	-100.0%

By Gender

Gender	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	% Change
Male	57.5%	55.2%	52.9%	57.1%	55.7%	52.0%	66.7%	55.6%	50.7%	70.6%	56.0%	50.8%	52.8%	52.7%	50.7%	-8.2%
Female	42.5%	44.8%	47.1%	42.9%	44.3%	48.0%	33.3%	44.4%	49.3%	29.4%	44.0%	49.2%	47.2%	47.3%	49.3%	11.1%

By Latest Placement Setting

Placement Setting	2009 County	2009 Rural	2009 State	2010 County	2010 Rural	2010 State	2011 County	2011 Rural	2011 State	2012 County	2012 Rural	2012 State	2013 County	2013 Rural	2013 State	% Change
Family Setting	82.5%	76.4%	74.3%	91.4%	75.9%	74.2%	87.9%	76.3%	74.4%	91.2%	79.2%	76.1%	83.3%	77.8%	76.8%	1.0%
Pre-adoptive Home	0.0%	1.6%	4.0%	0.0%	2.6%	3.9%	3.0%	2.3%	3.5%	0.0%	2.3%	3.0%	0.0%	1.9%	3.2%	-
Foster Family Home – Relative	15.0%	18.5%	23.0%	25.7%	17.2%	23.0%	33.3%	18.6%	23.6%	44.1%	22.3%	25.2%	36.1%	22.5%	25.7%	140.7%
Foster Family Home – Non-Relative	67.5%	56.3%	47.3%	65.7%	56.1%	47.4%	51.5%	55.4%	47.3%	47.1%	54.5%	47.9%	47.2%	53.4%	47.9%	-30.0%
Congregate Care	17.5%	21.5%	22.4%	8.6%	22.2%	21.0%	12.1%	20.4%	20.3%	8.8%	18.8%	19.2%	8.3%	19.4%	18.7%	-52.4%
Group Home	12.5%	13.7%	10.5%	5.7%	15.0%	10.6%	9.1%	12.9%	10.7%	8.8%	12.5%	11.0%	5.6%	12.8%	10.8%	-55.6%
Institution	5.0%	7.8%	11.9%	2.9%	7.2%	10.5%	3.0%	7.5%	9.5%	0.0%	6.3%	8.2%	2.8%	6.6%	7.8%	-44.4%
Supervised Independent Living	0.0%	0.3%	1.8%	0.0%	0.5%	2.0%	0.0%	0.7%	2.2%	0.0%	1.2%	1.9%	5.6%	1.4%	2.1%	-
Runaway	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	0.0%	0.1%	1.4%	-
Trial Home Visit	0.0%	1.8%	1.2%	0.0%	1.4%	0.9%	0.0%	2.6%	1.2%	0.0%	0.9%	1.1%	2.8%	1.3%	1.0%	-



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	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
45.5%	40.5%	37.1%	43.8%	32.7%	37.4%	11.8%	35.4%	36.1%	33.3%	36.7%	36.9%	0.0%	37.4%	34.1%	-100.0%

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 % Change 2009 to 2013
County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
57.9%	58.8%	47.9%	60.0%	57.3%	46.8%	71.0%	54.9%	48.2%	41.9%	56.0%	44.6%	48.5%	52.1%	41.3%	-16.3%

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	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	County	Rural	State	
29.6%	22.7%	27.2%	14.3%	23.0%	25.8%	17.6%	19.2%	27.7%	16.2%	19.7%	26.3%	12.5%	20.3%	26.4%	-57.8%

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