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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Annual Report Card (ARC) is distributed to agency managers and to the legislative committees dealing with children and youth. The ARC for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2013 consists of three parts:

1. **Performance Indicators**, which provide information on service outcomes, such as:
  - a. *Percentage of Children with True Allegations of Child Maltreatment Three Months, Six Months and One Year After a Previous True Report*
  - b. *Percentage of Siblings in Placement who are Placed Together*
  - c. *Percentage of Children Adopted within 12 Months of Having Their Goal Changed to Adoption*
  
2. **Compliance Index**, which reports on the Division's compliance with requirements set by DCFS with guidance from the Arkansas legislative children and youth committees, such as:
  - a. *Timely Completion of Child Maltreatment Assessments*
  - b. *24- and 72-Hour Initial Health Screenings for Children Entering Foster Care*
  - c. *Foster Home Recruitment*
  
3. **Description of Population and Services**, which describes the children who were the subjects of maltreatment reports, served in foster care and/or provided adoption services, such as:
  - a. *Types of Allegations in Child Maltreatment Reports*
  - b. *Permanency Goals of Children in Foster Care*
  - c. *Characteristics of Children Placed in Adoptive Homes*

The ARC provides this information on a yearly basis, showing trends over time. Descriptions of the client population at the various service stages are provided as well, so that the agency has information on populations to target to improve performance as well as issues important to the safety, permanency and well-being of those served.

## ***Part I: Performance Indicators***

The Division of Children and Family Services (DCFS) has established nine performance indicators to measure progress with regard to its major goals of child safety, permanency and well-being.

There were no noteworthy areas in this section during the fiscal year.

## ***Part II: Compliance Index***

DCFS has set compliance measures with guidance from the House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs and the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth. An index is compiled by reporting the level of compliance with these measures.

The Division improved in three areas regarding compliance requirements this fiscal year.

- **24-Hour and 72-Hour Initial Health Screenings**

Of the children who required an initial health screening within 24 hours of entering foster care, **79 percent** received their screenings in a timely manner. The compliance rate for SFY 2013 is 12 percentage points higher from SFY 2012 (67 percent).

Of the children who required an initial health screening within 72 hours of entering foster care, **86 percent** received their screenings in a timely manner during SFY 2013. The compliance rate is an increase of eight percentage points from SFY 2012 (78 percent).

- **Foster Home Recruitment**

Five-hundred eighty-seven (587) new foster homes were recruited during SFY 2013, 18 percent higher than the number of homes recruited during SFY 2012 (500).

- **Required Visits Made by Worker**

Caseworkers statewide made **64 percent** of their required monthly visits to see children in foster care during SFY 2013, an improvement of four percentage points over the rate reported for SFY 2012 (60 percent).

On the other hand, the Division's performance dropped with respect to the following two compliance requirements.

- **Timely Completion of Child Maltreatment Assessments**

Of the investigations assigned to DCFS during SFY 2013, **58 percent** were completed within the required 30-day period, a decrease of six percentage points from SFY 2012 (64 percent). The timely completion of investigations was at least 61 percent in three of the four quarters during SFY 2013.

- **Comprehensive Health Assessments**

The percentage of comprehensive health assessments completed on time was **80 percent**, which was two percentage points lower than SFY 2012 (82 percent).

### ***Part III: Description of Population and Services***

This section describes the number and status of maltreatment assessments, children who were subjects of maltreatment reports, children who were served in foster care and children who received adoption services.

- **Children in Foster Care**

The total number of children in foster care between the ages of zero and five increased by **90 percent** from SFY 2001 (1,748 children) to SFY 2013 (3,315 children). In comparison, the total number of children in foster care, regardless of age, increased 35 percent from SFY 2001 (5,704 children) to SFY 2013 (7,700 children).

The total number of children in foster care decreased slightly between SFY 2012 and SFY 2013. Specifically, the number of children decreased by **half of one percent** from SFY 2012 (7,739) to SFY 2013 (7,700).

## **PART I: PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

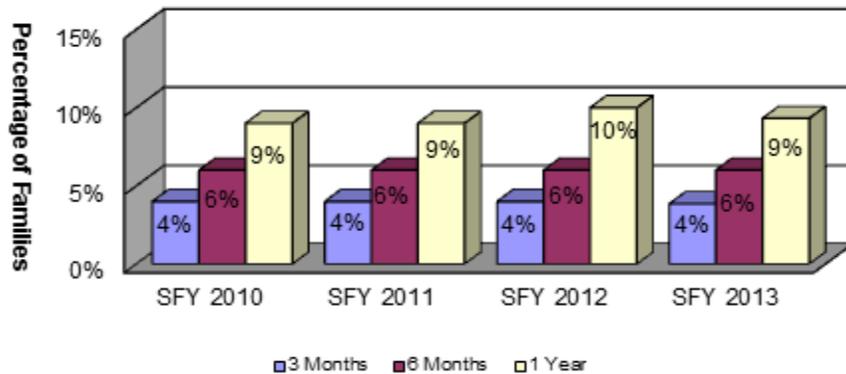
The Division has established nine performance measures to indicate achievement levels related to its major goals of child safety, family preservation and permanency:

- Percentage of children with true allegations of child maltreatment three months, six months and one year after a previous true report;
- Percentage of foster families with true reports of maltreatment;
- Percentage of children receiving Supportive Services or Protective Services who were abused or neglected within one year of the initiation of services;
- Percentage of children receiving Supportive Services or Protective Services who entered foster care within one year of the initiation of services;
- Percentage of children in foster care who returned home within 18 months;
- Percentage of children in foster care who have experienced two or fewer placements;
- Percentage of siblings in foster care who are placed together;
- Percentage of children who were adopted within one year of having their goal changed to adoption; and
- Number of children placed in pre-adoptive homes whose adoption were finalized within 12 months of entering a pre-adoptive placement.

**Percentage of Children with True Allegations of Child Maltreatment Three Months, Six Months and One Year after a Previous True Report**

Of the 8,565 children who were involved in a true report of maltreatment between July 2011 and June 2012, 798 (nine percent) were involved in a repeat true report within 12 months of the initial report.

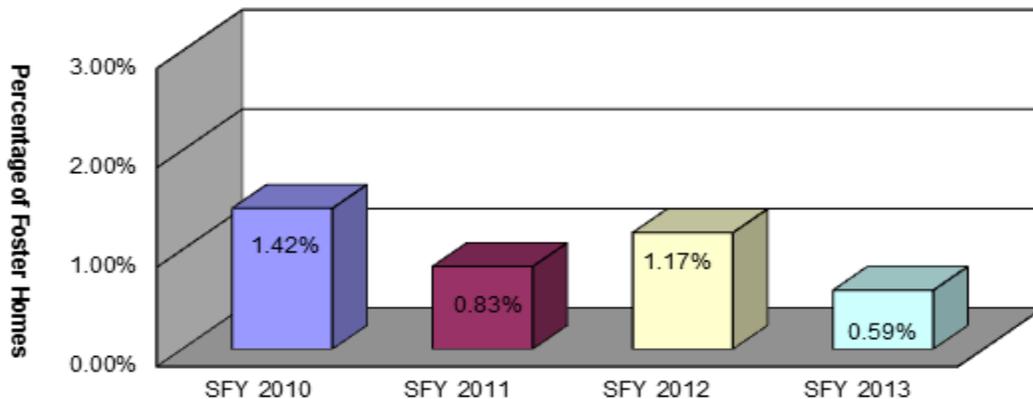
**Chart 1: Percentage of Children with True Allegations of Child Maltreatment within 3 Months, 6 Months and One Year after a Previous True Report**



**Percentage of Foster Families with True Reports of Maltreatment**

Of the 149 maltreatment reports received during SFY 2013 in which foster parents were the alleged offenders, 12 were determined to be true. Based on the 2,027 DCFS foster homes<sup>1</sup> active during the year, the percentage of foster families with a true report of maltreatment was 0.79 percent.

**Chart 2: Percentage of Foster Families with True Reports of Maltreatment**

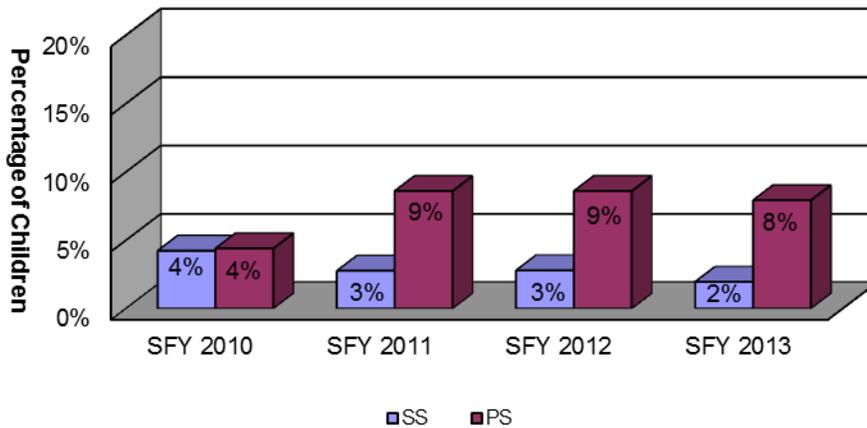


<sup>1</sup> This includes family and therapeutic foster homes.

**Percentage of Children Receiving Supportive Services or Protective Services who were Abused or Neglected within One Year of the Initiation of Services**

Of the 920 children who began receiving supportive services (SS) between July 2011 and June 2012, 18 (two percent) experienced a true report of maltreatment within one year of the initiation of services. Of the 11,462 children who began receiving protective services (PS) during that same time period, 908 (eight percent) experienced a true report of maltreatment within one year.<sup>2</sup>

**Chart 3: Percentage of Children Receiving PS or SS who were Abused or Neglected within One Year of Initiation of Services**

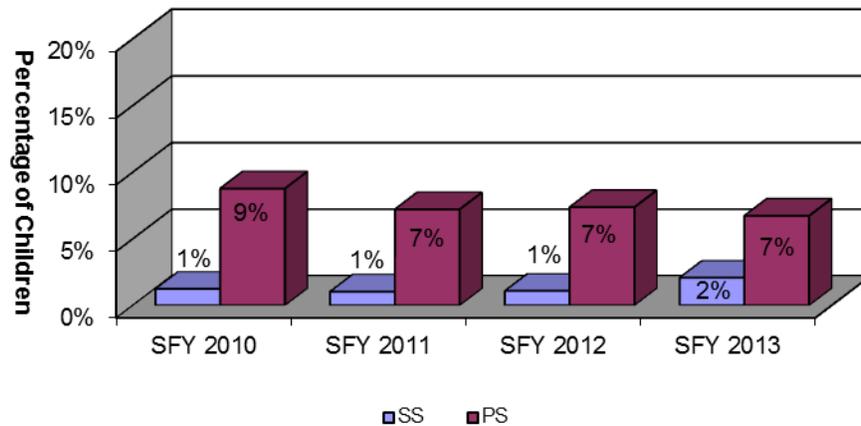


<sup>2</sup> Beginning with the first quarter of SFY 2011, a new methodology was utilized to measure this percentage. The population is now limited to in-home cases only.

***Percentage of Children Receiving Supportive Services or Protective Services who Entered Care within One Year of Initiation of Services***

Of the 920 children who began receiving supportive services (SS) between July 2011 and June 2012, only 19 (two percent) entered foster care within one year of the initiation of those services. Meanwhile, 770 of the 11,462 (seven percent) children who began receiving protective services (PS) during that same timeframe entered care within one year.

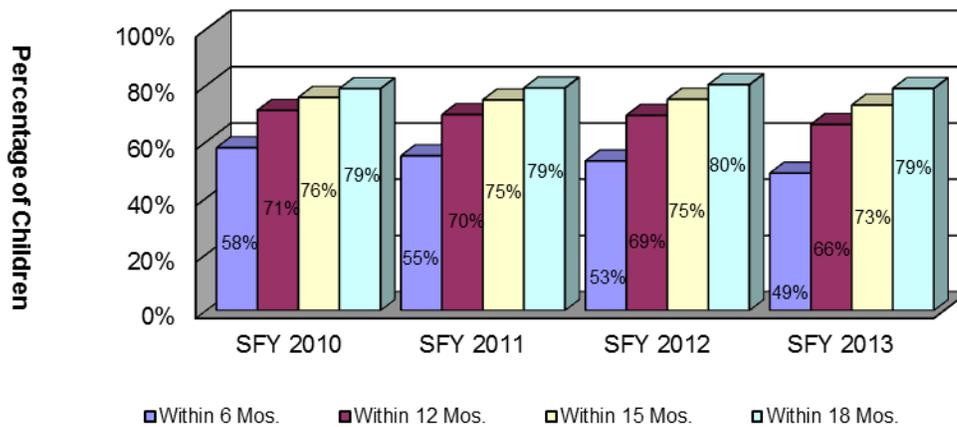
**Chart 4: Percentage of Children Receiving PS or SS who Entered Foster Care within One Year of Initiation of Services**



**Percentage of Children Entering Foster Care who Returned Home within Eighteen Months**

There were 3,718 children who entered foster care between January 2011 and December 2011.<sup>3</sup> Of those, 2,933 children (79 percent) returned home within 18 months of entering foster care. The percentage of children returning home within 12 months stood at 66 percent, exceeding the national median of 48.4 percent.

**Chart 5: Percentage of Children Entering Foster Care who were Returned Home within Eighteen Months**

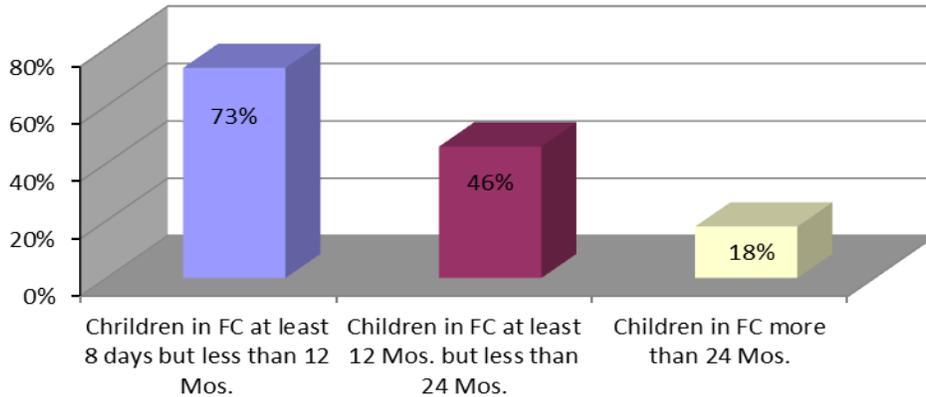


<sup>3</sup> The 2011 calendar year was used for this analysis to provide up to 18 months to measure time to reunification.

**Percentage of Children in Foster Care who have Experienced Two or Fewer Placements**

Placement stability of children in foster care is measured by the percentage of children with two or fewer placements who are in care for varying lengths of time. Of the children in foster care at the end of SFY 2013 who were in care for less than 12 months, 73 percent experienced two or fewer placements. Of the children in foster care between 12 and 24 months, 46 percent had two or fewer placements. Finally, of the children who were in foster care for over two years, only 18 percent experienced two or fewer placements during their stay in foster care.

**Chart 6: Children in Foster Care who have Experienced Two or Fewer Placements**

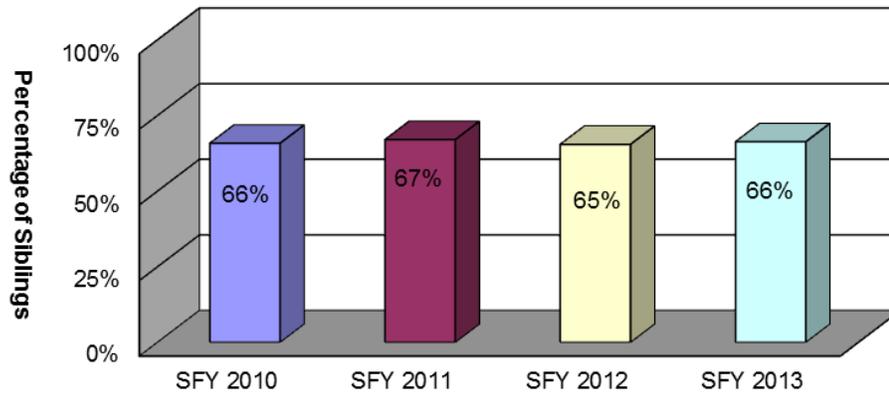


Children in Foster Care	SFY 2012		SFY 2013	
	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
At least 8 days but less than 12 months	1,556	74%	1,572	73%
			National Standard: 86%	
At least 12 months but less than 24 months	401	43%	375	46%
			National Standard: 65.4%	
More than 24 months	172	18%	173	18%
			National Standard: 41.8%	

***Percentage of Siblings in Foster Care who are Placed Together***

At the end of SFY 2013, there were 1,962 children in foster care who had siblings who were also in care. Of those children, 66 percent (1,301) were placed with at least one of their siblings. Of those same children, 47 percent were placed with all of their siblings. These figures do not exclude children who have been placed separately for valid reasons such as safety issues or court orders.

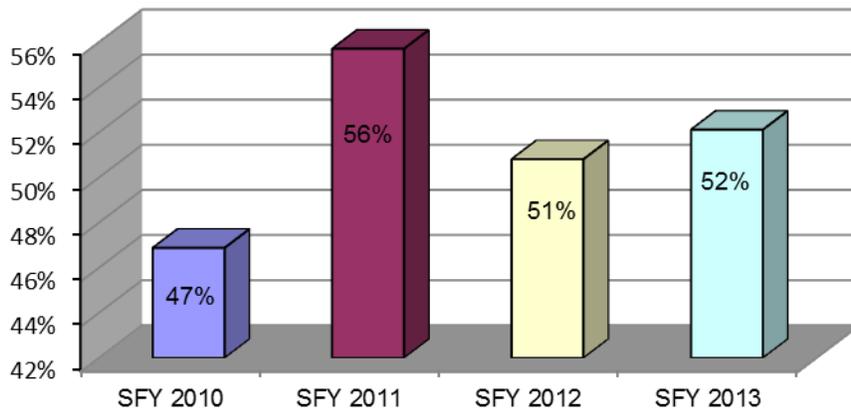
**Chart 7: Percentage of Siblings in Foster Care who are Placed Together**



***Percentage of Children Who Were Adopted Within One Year of Having Their Goal Changed to Adoption***

Of the 850 children whose goals were changed to adoption during the previous fiscal year, 443 children (52 percent) were adopted within one year of the goal change.

**Chart 8: Percentage of Children Who Were Adopted Within One Year of Having Their Goal changed to Adoption**



***Number of Children Placed in Pre-adoptive Homes whose Adoptions were Finalized within Twelve Months of Entering Placement***

Between July 2011 and June 2012, 560 children were placed in pre-adoptive homes. Of those children, 523 (93 percent) had their adoptions finalized within 12 months of the placement.

Twenty-nine (five percent) children experienced a disruption, which occurs when a child has been placed in a pre-adoptive home and the family or child subsequently decides not to proceed with the adoption, resulting in the child leaving the home.<sup>4</sup> Finalization of the adoption was still pending 12 months after the placement for 21 children (four percent).

**Table 1: Children Placed in Pre-adoptive Homes during SFY 2013 whose Adoptions were Finalized within 12 Months of Entering Placement**

<b>Adoption Status</b>	<b>Number of Children</b>
Children Placed in Pre-adoptive Homes	560
Finalized Adoption within 12 Months	523
Disrupted Adoptive Placements	29
Children with a Disruption who were Re-placed in Pre-adoptive Homes	14
Still Pending after 12 Months	21

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<sup>4</sup> Many of the children who experience a disruption were later placed in a different pre-adoptive home.

## PART II: COMPLIANCE INDEX

The Division has set compliance measures with guidance from the Joint Interim Committee on Children and Youth. An index is compiled by reporting the level of compliance with these measures.

### **Goal   Compliance Measure**

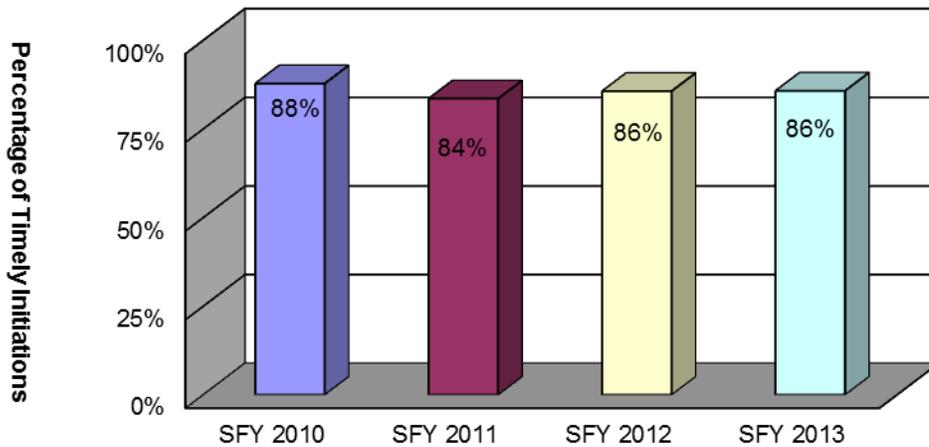
- 95%**   ***Timely Initiation of Child Maltreatment Assessments.*** The investigator interviews or observes the victim child outside the presence of the alleged offender within 24 hours of any alleged severe maltreatment or within 72 hours otherwise.
- 90%**   ***Timely Completion of Child Maltreatment Assessments.*** A determination must be made regarding an allegation of child maltreatment within 30 days of receipt of the allegation.
- 95%**   ***24-Hour Initial Health Screenings.*** The screening is conducted within 24 hours after removal from the home on children who enter foster care due to an allegation of severe maltreatment, or if there is evidence of acute illness or injury.
- 95%**   ***72-Hour Initial Health Screenings.*** This screening is conducted within 72 hours after removal from the home on all children who enter foster care who are not subject to the 24 hour screening.
- 95%**   ***Comprehensive Health Assessments.*** Within 60 days of a child's entering foster care, an evaluation of their physical and mental health status must be completed.
- 320 Homes**   ***Foster Home Recruitment.*** DCFS must ensure a sufficient number and variety of foster homes are available which meet minimal standards and match the needs and characteristics of foster children.
- 95%**   ***Foster Home Re-evaluations.*** DCFS must re-evaluate, at least annually, each foster home's ability to care for children.
- 85%**   ***Required Visits Made by Worker.*** DCFS must provide data on the percentages of required weekly visits made by DCFS workers to children in foster care.

***Timely Initiation of Child Maltreatment Assessments***

There were 33,353 referrals for child maltreatment assessments during SFY 2013. Of that number, 27,804 (83 percent) referrals were assigned to DCFS for investigation, 23,841 of which were initiated on time.<sup>5</sup> The resulting compliance rate was 86 percent.

The Crimes Against Children Division (CACD) of the Arkansas State Police was responsible for handling the remaining 5,549 child abuse referrals (17 percent of the total incoming investigations) during SFY 2013. Of those, 5,207 referrals (94 percent) were initiated in a timely manner.

**Chart 9: Timely Initiation of Child Maltreatment Assessments (DCFS Only)**

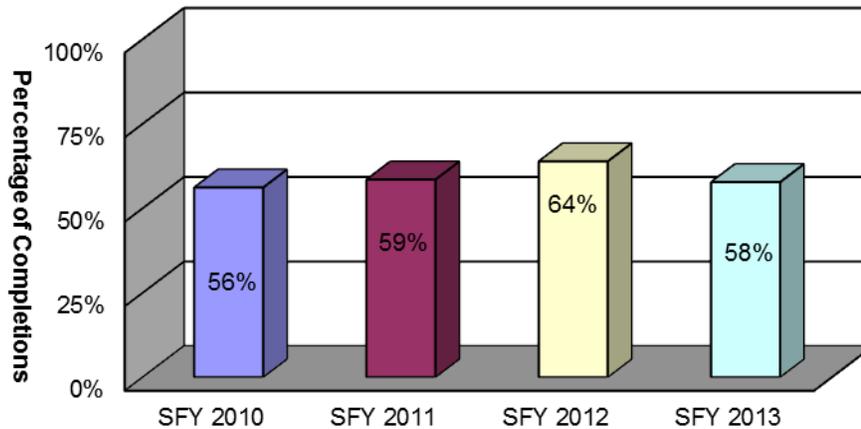


<sup>5</sup> Investigations must be initiated within 24 hours for a Priority I report and 72 hours for a Priority II report.

**Timely Completion of Child Maltreatment Assessments**

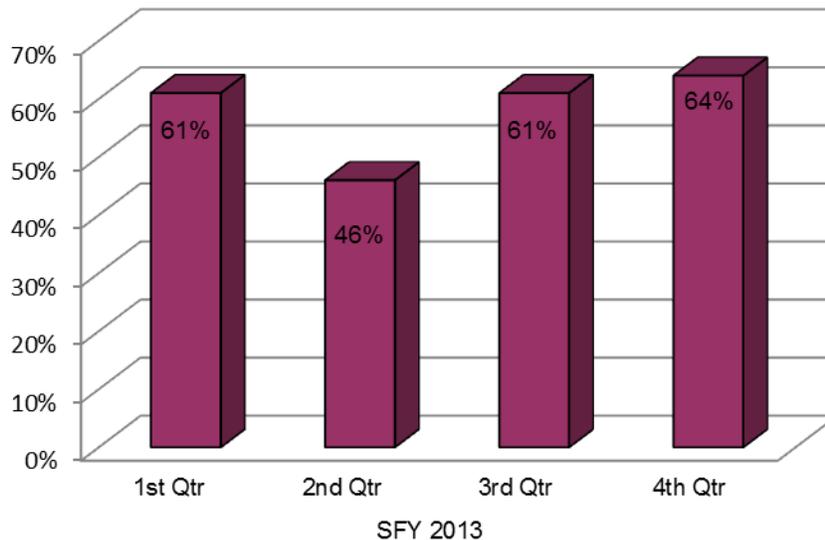
Of the 27,804 reports received by DCFS during SFY 2013, 58 percent (16,051) were completed within the required 30-day period.

**Chart 10: Timely Completion of Child Maltreatment Assessments**



During SFY 2013, DCFS completed over 60 percent of its investigations for three of the four quarters.

**Timely Completion of Child Maltreatment Assessments**

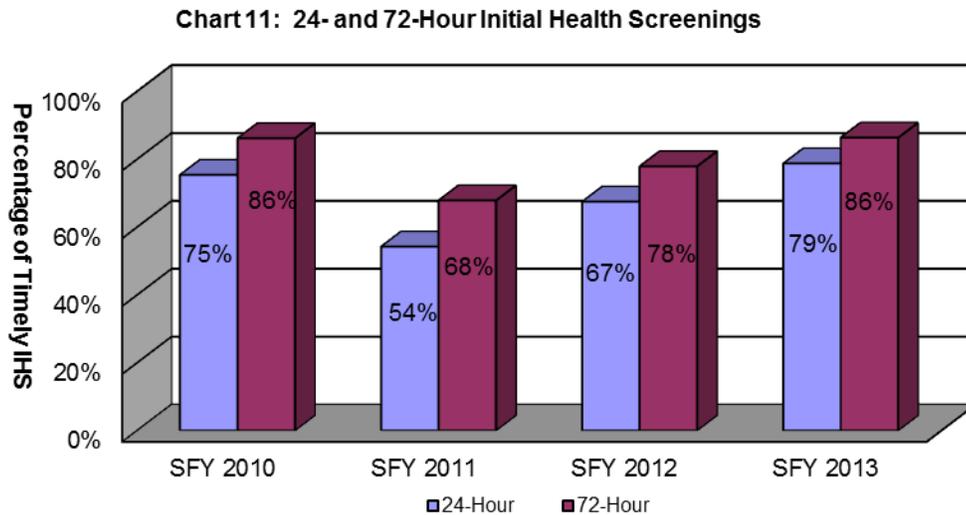


CACD completed 69 percent (3,852) of the 5,549 child abuse assessments it was assigned within 30 days.

### ***24- and 72-Hour Initial Health Screenings***

When a child enters foster care due to an allegation of severe maltreatment or if there is evidence of acute illness or injury, the child must receive an initial health screening within 24 hours of his or her removal from the home. Of the 1,179 children who required the 24-hour health screening during SFY 2013, 928 (79 percent) received the screening in a timely manner. The compliance rate was 12 percentage points higher than the rate reported for SFY 2012.

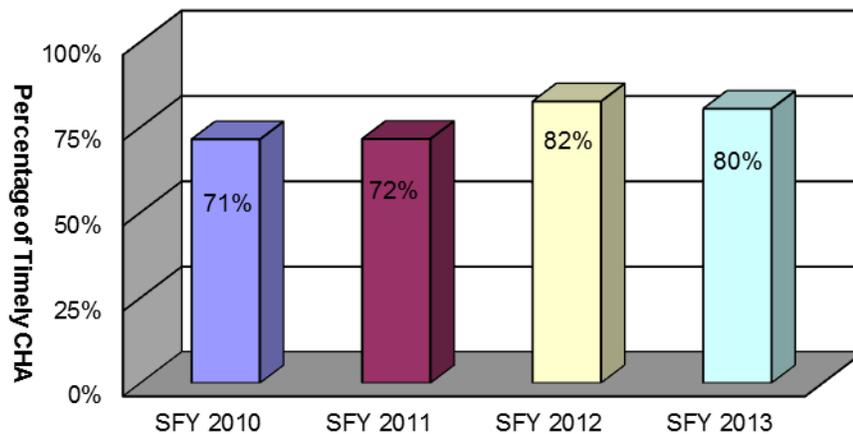
All children entering foster care who do not require the initial 24-hour health screening must undergo an initial health screening within 72 hours of their removal. Of the 2,586 children who required the 72-hour screening, 2,233 (86 percent) received their screenings on time. The resulting compliance rate signified an improvement over that of SFY 2012.



**Comprehensive Health Assessments**

All children entering foster care must receive a comprehensive health assessment to evaluate their physical and mental health status; the assessment is to be completed within 60 days of entering care. Between May 2012 and May 2013, 2,333 children entered foster care who then remained in care for at least 60 days. Eighty percent (1,874) of those children received their comprehensive health assessment within 60 days of entering care, a decrease from the compliance reported for SFY 2012.

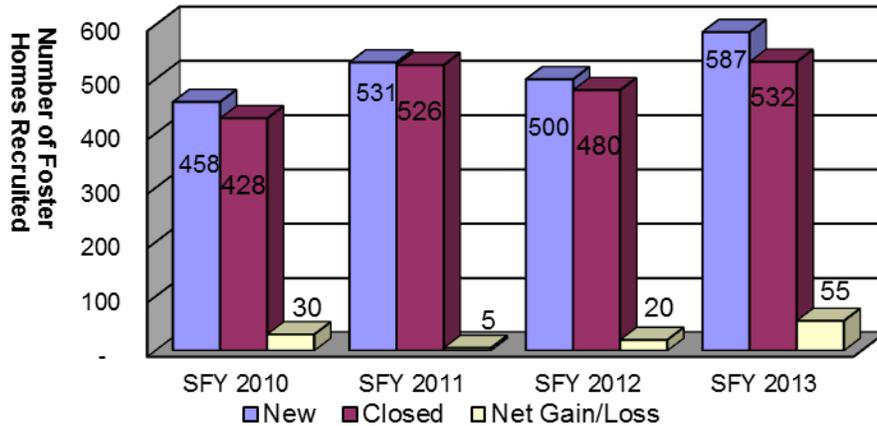
**Chart 12: Comprehensive Health Assessments**



**Foster Home Recruitment**

DCFS recruited 587 new foster homes during SFY 2013, 18 percent higher than the number of homes recruited during SFY 2012 (500). Over the same period, 532 foster homes were closed, resulting in a net gain of 55 homes for the year.

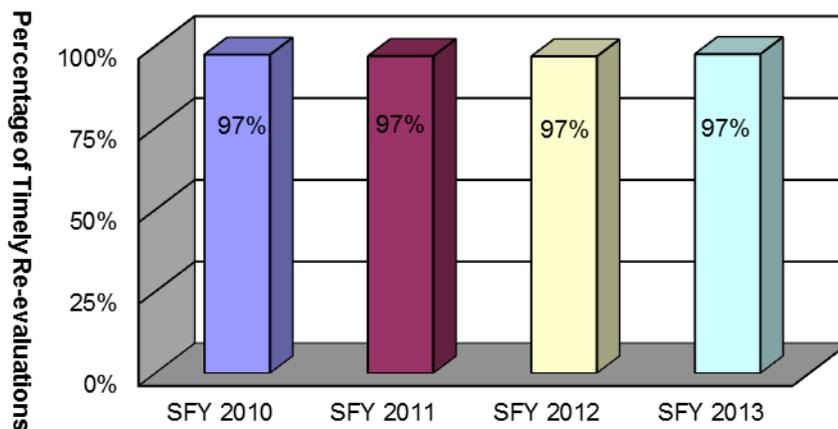
**Chart 13: Foster Home Recruitment**



**Foster Home Re-evaluations**

On an annual basis, at a minimum, DCFS is required to re-evaluate each foster home’s ability to care for children. Of the 1,193 DCFS foster homes that were active at the end of the year, 1,163 had a recently completed re-evaluation. The resulting compliance rate was 97 percent, identical to SFY 2012.

**Chart 14: Foster Home Re-evaluations**

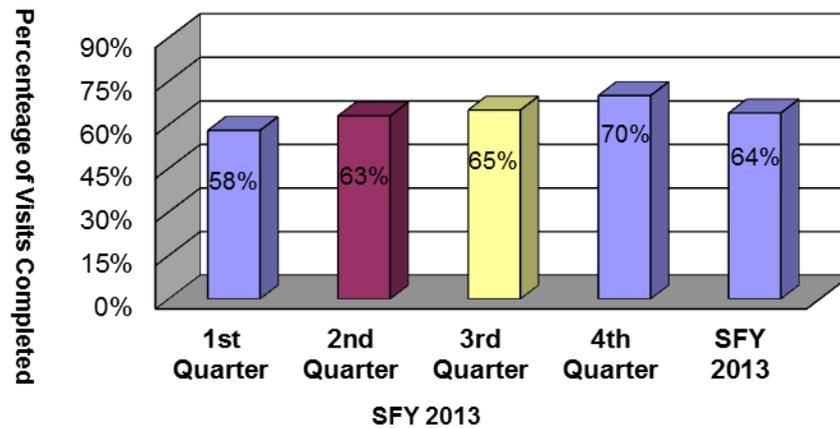


***Required Visits Made by Worker***

DCFS acknowledges the importance of worker contact with children in foster care and believes that these visits should be conducted face-to-face in the children’s placement setting, at least once per month.

During SFY 2013, DCFS completed 64 percent of its monthly visits to see children in foster care. This signified a four percentage point increase in the percent of monthly visits completed during SFY 2012 (60 percent).

**Chart 15: Required Foster Care Monthly Visits Made by Worker**



### **PART III: DESCRIPTION OF POPULATION AND SERVICES**

This section describes the number and status of maltreatment assessments, children who were served in foster care and children who were provided adoption services.

Section I outlines the characteristics of children, such as age, gender and ethnicity, in true maltreatment reports. Additionally, this section describes the types of allegations in maltreatment reports.

Section II describes the foster care population, specifically the characteristics of children in foster care, entries and exits of children in foster care, reasons children came into care, lengths of stay for children in foster care and relative care, placements of children in foster care and the number of placements children experience while in care.

Section III focuses on adoption data such as the characteristics of children available for adoption, current placements of those children, characteristics of children placed in adoptive homes, children whose parents have had their parental rights terminated but have not been placed in an adoptive home, finalized adoptions and adoption subsidies.

Appendix F provides an area and county breakdown for Foster Care, Protective Service and Supportive Service cases.

**Part III: Description of Population and Services**  
**Section I: True Child Maltreatment Reports**

***Child Maltreatment Assessments***

During SFY 2013, 33,353 maltreatment reports were received and assigned for investigation, a seven percent decrease from SFY 2012 (35,743). In addition, 1,302 report of maltreatment were assigned for Differential Response (DR) during SFY 2013.<sup>6</sup>

Of the 33,353 reports assigned for investigation, 7,467 reports (22 percent) were found to be true. There were 9,969 victim children involved in the reports determined to be true during the year, a decrease of nine percent from the number of victim children cited in true reports during the previous year (10,927). (See Appendix A for an area and county breakdown.)

**Table 2: Child Maltreatment Assessments**

	<b>Total Assessments Assigned for DR</b>	<b>Total Assessments Assigned for Investigation</b>	<b>True Investigations</b>	<b>Percent True</b>
SFY 2013	1,302	33,353	7,467	22%
SFY 2012	0	35,743	8,030	23%
SFY 2011	0	33,849	8,573	25%
SFY 2010	0	32,915	7,831	24%

	<b>DCFS</b>				<b>CACD</b>		
	<b>Total Assessments Assigned for DR</b>	<b>Total Assessments Assigned for Investigation</b>	<b>True Investigations</b>	<b>Percent True</b>	<b>Total Assessments Assigned for Investigation</b>	<b>True Investigations</b>	<b>Percent True</b>
SFY 2013	1,302	27,804	5,534	20%	5,549	1,933	35%
SFY 2012	0	29,954	5,925	20%	5,789	2,105	36%
SFY 2011	0	27,471	5,984	22%	6,378	2,589	41%
SFY 2010	0	26,215	5,164	20%	6,700	2,667	40%

<sup>6</sup> Reports accepted for DR must still meet legal criteria for child maltreatment, but this mechanism allows the Division to respond to specific, low risk maltreatment reports through a family assessment rather than a traditional investigation. All DR reports are assigned to DCFS.

**Characteristics of Children in True Maltreatment Reports**

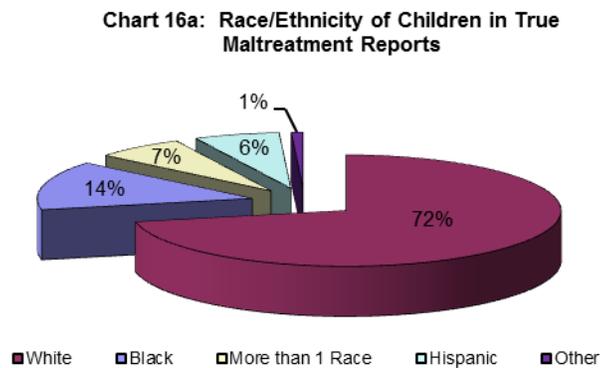
The table below outlines the demographic information for the 9,969 victim children cited in true reports of maltreatment during SFY 2013.<sup>7</sup>

**Table 3: Characteristics of Children in True Maltreatment Reports SFY 2013**

Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	317	82	1	2	0	31	32	465
	Male	394	88	0	0	3	33	37	555
2 to 5	Female	863	173	2	1	3	75	90	1,207
	Male	910	224	6	0	7	94	99	1,340
6 to 11	Female	1,268	203	2	3	12	103	124	1,715
	Male	1,171	221	3	3	20	107	109	1,634
12 to 15	Female	889	172	1	0	4	90	74	1,230
	Male	520	104	0	4	3	41	47	719
16 to 18	Female	476	92	1	1	1	34	33	638
	Male	245	44	0	0	2	23	15	329
18+	Female	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Male	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Total*</b>		<b>7,054</b>	<b>1,404</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>9,834</b>

\*Demographic information was not entered into CHRIS for 135 children.

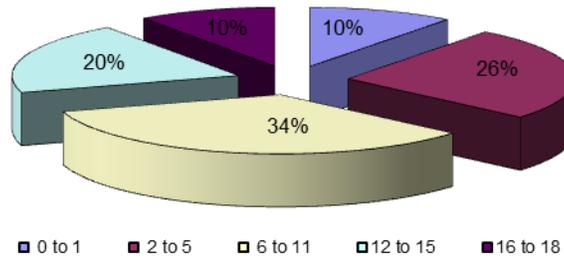
Overall, 72 percent of the children involved in true maltreatment reports were white, 14 percent were black, and six percent were Hispanic.



<sup>7</sup> The table above, and each subsequent demographic table, divides counts of children by race and ethnicity, into the following categories: “Hispanic,” “More than One Race,” “Asian” (includes Indonesian, Cambodian, Hmong and Vietnamese), “AIAN” (includes Native American, Alaskan Native and American Indian) and “NAPI” (includes Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islanders).

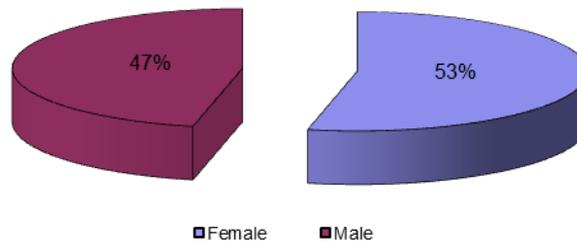
Children between the ages of six and 11 represented the highest percentage of children involved in true reports received during SFY 2013 (34 percent).

**Chart 16b: Ages of Children Involved in True Maltreatment Reports**



Fifty-three percent of the children involved in true reports were female, while 47 percent were male.

**Chart 16c: Gender of Children In True Maltreatment Reports**



***Children Involved in Allegations of True Maltreatment Reports***

During SFY 2013, the majority of the children cited in true maltreatment reports were involved in allegations of neglect (88 percent), followed by reports involving allegations of physical abuse (46 percent) and sexual abuse (28 percent).<sup>8</sup>

**Table 4: Percentage of Children Involved in True Allegations of Maltreatment  
SFY 2012 – SFY 2013**

	SFY 2012		SFY 2013	
	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
<b>Neglect</b>	9,832	90%	8,791	88%
<b>Physical Abuse</b>	5,025	46%	4,604	46%
<b>Sexual Abuse</b>	3,076	28%	2,768	28%

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<sup>8</sup> The total number represented will outnumber the total children involved in true maltreatment reports because children can be involved in more than one allegation.

**Part III: Description of Population and Services**  
**Section II: Foster Care**

***Characteristics of Children in Foster Care***

During SFY 2013, 7,700 children spent time in foster care, a subtle decrease from SFY 2012 (7,739 children). This count includes children who remained in care from the previous year as well as children who came into care during SFY 2013. The following table outlines the characteristics of the children who were in care during the year. (See Appendices B, C and D for an area and county breakdown of demographic information.)

**Table 5: Characteristics of Children in Foster Care During the Year SFY 2013**

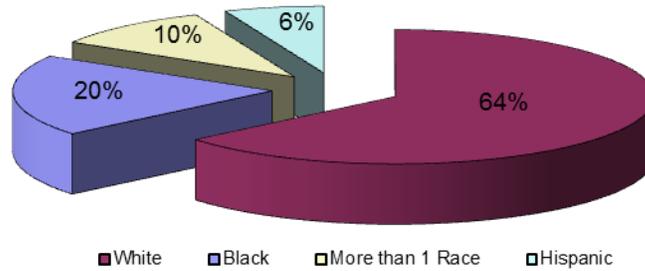
Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	375	115	2	1	1	25	62	581
	Male	441	137	0	1	2	33	59	673
2 to 5	Female	635	184	0	1	0	70	112	1,002
	Male	681	198	2	0	0	67	108	1,056
6 to 11	Female	696	172	0	0	0	68	100	1,036
	Male	683	187	1	2	5	75	122	1,075
12 to 15	Female	371	117	0	1	1	40	63	593
	Male	378	115	0	4	1	31	55	584
16 to 18	Female	300	98	0	0	0	27	45	470
	Male	258	107	0	1	2	27	34	429
18+	Female	26	33	1	0	0	8	9	77
	Male	49	43	1	0	0	4	7	104
<b>Total*</b>		<b>4,893</b>	<b>1,506</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>776</b>	<b>7,680</b>

\*Demographic information had not been entered into CHRIS for 20 children.

The following chart shows that 64 percent of the children in foster care during the year were white and 20 percent were black. National data reveal that only 44 percent of the children in the national foster care system were white, while 23 percent of the children were black.<sup>9</sup>

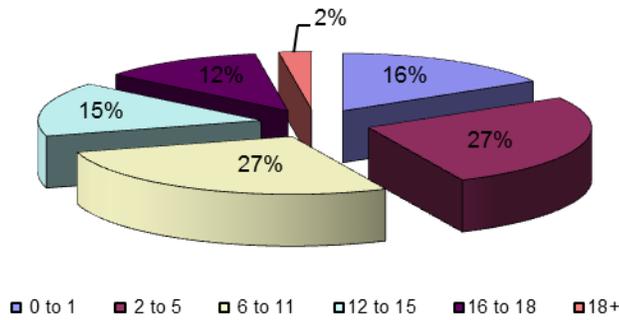
<sup>9</sup> Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) preliminary data submitted for children in foster care between 10/1/2010 and 9/30/2011 as of July 2012.

**17a: Race/Ethnicity of Children in Care During the Year**



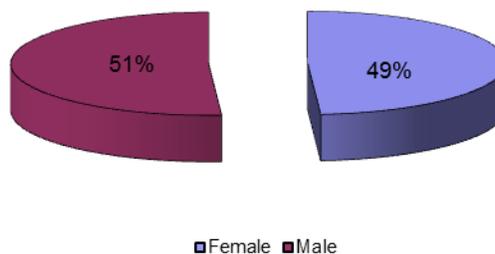
Over half of the children who were in care during the year were between the ages of two and 11 years old.

**17b: Ages of Children in Care During the Year**



More male children (51 percent) were in care during the year than female children (49 percent).

**17c: Gender of Children in Care During the Year**



At the end of SFY 2013, 3,930 children were in foster care, a decrease of nearly two percent from the number of children in care at the end of SFY 2012 (3,997). The following table outlines the characteristics of the children in foster care at the end of the latest state fiscal year.

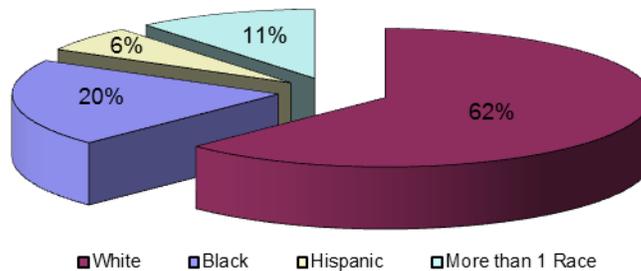
**Table 6: Characteristics of Children in Foster Care at the End of the Year SFY 2013**

Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	197	65	0	1	0	10	35	308
	Male	242	76	0	0	0	17	28	363
2 to 5	Female	284	82	0	1	0	29	57	453
	Male	320	93	0	0	0	40	51	504
6 to 11	Female	314	79	0	0	0	29	55	477
	Male	355	97	0	2	3	37	73	567
12 to 15	Female	185	61	0	0	0	20	27	293
	Male	215	67	0	1	1	18	37	339
16 to 18	Female	145	59	0	0	0	14	29	247
	Male	150	68	0	0	1	13	26	258
18+	Female	13	24	1	0	0	5	5	48
	Male	26	29	1	0	0	3	5	64
<b>Total*</b>		<b>2,446</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>3,921</b>

\*Demographic information had not been entered into CHRIS for nine children.

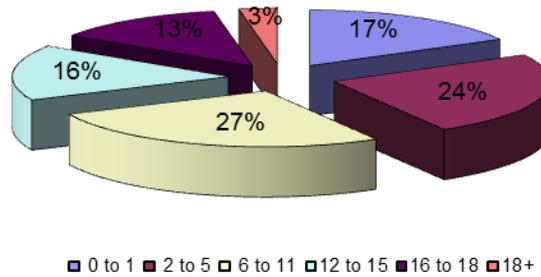
Sixty-two percent of the children in foster care at the end of the SFY 2013 were white, while 20 percent were black.

**18a: Race/Ethnicity of Children in Care at the End of the Year**



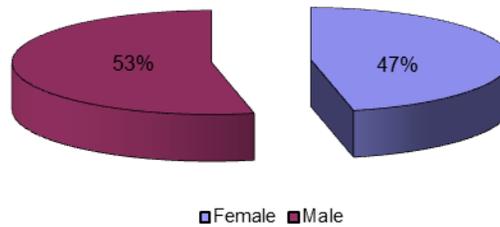
Children between the ages of six and 11 represent the highest percentage of children in foster care at the end of the year (27 percent), followed by those between the ages of two to five years (24 percent).

**18b: Ages of Children in Care at the End of the Year**



More male (53 percent) than female (47 percent) children were in foster care at the end of SFY 2013.

**Chart 18c: Gender of Children in Care at the End of the Year**



**Entries into Foster Care**

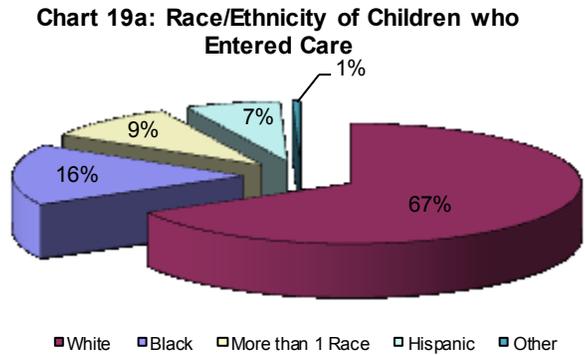
During SFY 2013, 3,901 children entered foster care, a slight increase over the number of children who had entered care during the previous fiscal year (3,873). The following table outlines those children’s characteristics.

**Table 7: Characteristics of Children who Entered Foster Care During the Year SFY 2013**

Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	292	85	0	1	1	24	48	451
	Male	341	101	0	1	1	27	41	512
2 to 5	Female	337	84	0	1	0	36	51	509
	Male	354	86	1	0	0	33	50	524
6 to 11	Female	333	63	0	0	0	36	48	480
	Male	381	86	0	1	5	54	56	583
12 to 15	Female	217	53	0	1	1	22	32	326
	Male	166	41	0	3	1	12	25	248
16 to 18	Female	101	22	0	0	0	7	10	140
	Male	84	16	0	0	2	7	5	114
18+	Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total*</b>		<b>2,606</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>3,887</b>

\*Demographic information had not been entered into CHRIS for 14 children.

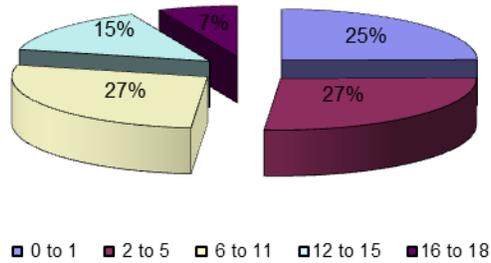
As shown in the following chart, 67 percent of the children who entered foster care during the year were white, 16 percent were black, and seven percent were Hispanic. National data indicate that 44 percent of the children who entered care were white, 23 percent were black, and 21 percent were Hispanic.<sup>10</sup>



<sup>10</sup> Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) preliminary data submitted for children in foster care between 10/1/2010 and 9/30/2011 as of July 2012.

Seventy-nine percent of the children who entered foster care during SFY 2013 were under the age of 12.

**Chart 19b: Ages of Children who Entered Care**



Fifty-one percent of the children coming into care were male and 49 percent were female.

**Chart 19c: Gender of Children who Entered Care**

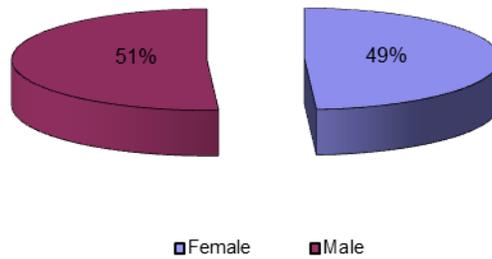


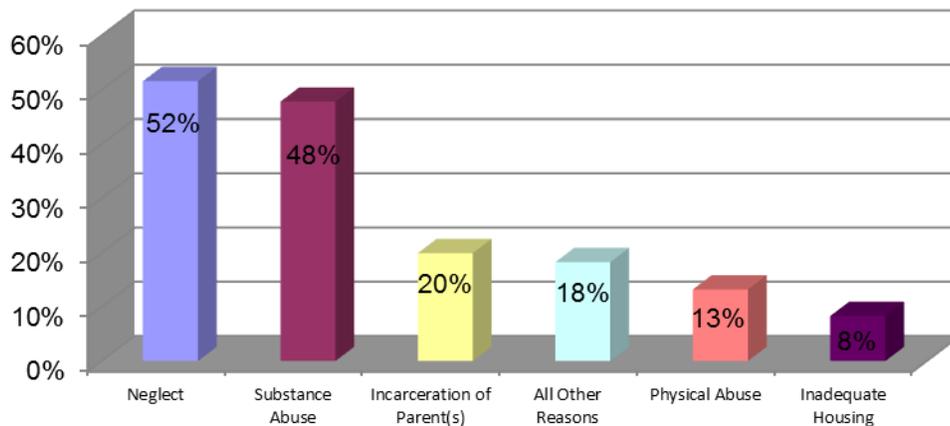
Table 8 displays the reasons for the entry into foster care for the 3,901 children who entered care during SFY 2013. Neglect and substance abuse<sup>11</sup> were the most prevalent reasons children entered care.

**Table 8: Reasons Children Placed in Foster Care by Age During the Year SFY 2013**

Placement Reason	0 to 1	2 to 5	6 to 11	12 to 15	16 to 18	18+	Total
Neglect	472	570	599	273	98	0	2,012
Substance Abuse	508	504	549	221	83	0	1,865
Parent Incarceration	169	218	245	107	37	0	776
Physical Abuse	124	135	145	84	27	0	515
Child’s Behavior	0	0	14	50	54	0	118
Abandonment	15	20	19	31	29	0	114
Inadequate Housing	69	109	94	42	10	0	324
Caretaker Illness	43	38	57	36	19	0	193
Sexual Abuse	10	32	46	45	19	0	152
Truancy	0	0	20	21	8	0	49
Child’s Disability	4	1	7	2	1	0	15
Parent Death	3	6	8	9	7	0	33
Sex Offender	0	0	6	6	1	0	13
Relinquishment	3	0	2	1	1	0	7
Teen Parent in Care	13	3	0	0	0	0	16
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total*</b>	<b>1,433</b>	<b>1,636</b>	<b>1,811</b>	<b>928</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6,202</b>

\*A child may have multiple reasons for being placed into care.

**Chart 20: Most Prevalent Reasons Children Entered Care**



<sup>11</sup> Of the 1,865 instances where entry was attributed to substance abuse, substance abuse by parents (1,823 instances) accounted for the largest percentage (98%) as compared to substance abuse by children (2%).

**Exits from Foster Care**

During SFY 2013, 3,913 children exited foster care, a slight increase from SFY 2012 (3,894 children). The table below outlines the characteristics of these children.

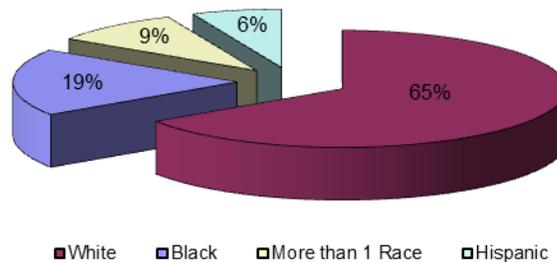
**Table 9: Characteristics of Children Exiting Foster Care During the Year SFY 2013**

Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	185	53	2	0	1	15	27	283
	Male	209	63	0	1	2	18	33	326
2 to 5	Female	367	103	0	0	0	43	59	572
	Male	371	105	2	0	0	29	59	566
6 to 11	Female	399	94	0	0	0	40	45	578
	Male	339	90	1	1	2	38	51	522
12 to 15	Female	189	57	0	1	1	23	37	308
	Male	172	49	0	3	0	13	19	256
16 to 18	Female	162	42	0	0	0	14	16	234
	Male	116	43	0	1	1	14	9	184
18+	Female	14	9	0	0	0	4	5	32
	Male	24	14	0	0	0	1	2	41
<b>Total*</b>		<b>2,547</b>	<b>722</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>3,902</b>

\*Demographic data had not been entered into CHRIS for 11 children.

Of the 3,913 children who left foster care, 65 percent were white and 19 percent were black. National data indicate that 44 percent of the children who leave foster care are white and 26 percent are black.<sup>12</sup>

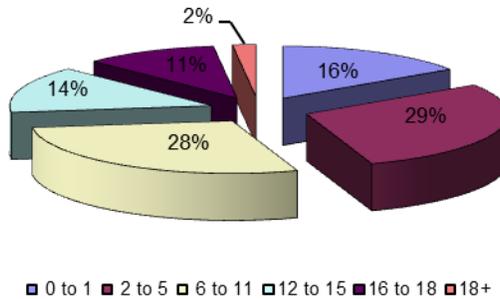
**Chart 21a: Race/Ethnicity of Children who Exited Care**



<sup>12</sup> Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) preliminary data submitted for children in foster care between 10/1/2010 and 9/30/2011 as of July 2012.

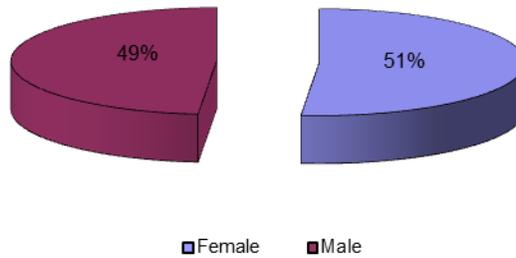
Children ages 11 and younger make up almost three-quarters (73 percent) of the children who exited foster care during the year.

**Chart 21b: Ages of Children who Exited Care**



Fifty-one percent of the children who left care during the year were female and 49 percent were male.

**Chart 21c: Gender of Children who Exited Care**



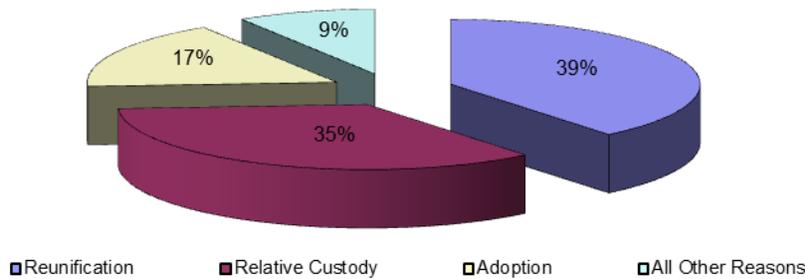
**Table 10: Reasons Children Exited Foster Care by Age  
SFY 2013**

Reason	Age						Total
	0 to 1	2 to 5	6 to 11	12 to 15	16 to 18	Over 18	
Reunification	241	438	450	256	141	0	<b>1,526</b>
Relative Custody	230	382	445	219	85	0	<b>1,361</b>
Adoption	121	289	172	57	25	1	<b>665</b>
Child Aged Out	0	0	0	0	147	70	<b>217</b>
Non-Relative Custody	12	25	25	28	14	1	<b>105</b>
Emancipation	0	0	0	0	2	1	<b>3</b>
Death of Child	4	0	3	0	1	0	<b>8</b>
Custody Transfer	1	4	3	1	3	0	<b>12</b>
Guardianship	0	0	2	3	0	0	<b>5</b>
<b>Total*</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>1,138</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>3,902</b>

\*Demographic data had not been entered into CHRIS for 11 children.

The most prevalent reason children left foster care during SFY 2013 was reunification (39 percent), followed by relative custody (35 percent). Seventeen percent of the children left foster care to adoption. National data indicate that the three most prevalent reasons children exit care are reunification (52 percent), adoption (20 percent) and relative care (eight percent).<sup>14</sup>

**Chart 22: Most Prevalent Reasons for Children Exiting Care**



<sup>14</sup> Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) preliminary data submitted for children in foster care between 10/1/2010 and 9/30/2011 as of July 2012.

***Permanency Goals of Children in Foster Care***

The Division maintains two primary goals for children in foster care: safety and permanency. The second of these concerns is expressed by setting a permanency goal for each child in foster care within 30 days of the child entering care. Of the 3,930 children in foster care at the end of the fiscal year, 3,685 children had been in care for at least 30 days. Reunification (i.e., return home) remained the most prevalent goal (54 percent) among the children in foster care.

**Table 11: Permanency Goals of Children in Foster Care  
SFY 2013**

<b>Goal</b>	<b>SFY 2013</b>		<b>National<sup>15</sup></b>
<b>Return Home</b>	1,986	54%	52%
<b>Adoption</b>	915	25%	25%
<b>APPLA</b>	485	13%	N/A
<b>Relative Care</b>	98	3%	3%
<b>Guardianship</b>	34	1%	4%
<b>Emancipation</b>	0	0%	5%
<b>Long Term Care</b>	0	0%	6%
<b>Not Yet Established</b>	167	5%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,685</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*Sum of individual percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding.

<sup>15</sup> Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) preliminary data submitted for children in foster care between 10/1/2010 and 9/30/2011 as of July 2012.

***Length of Stay of Children in Foster Care***

Of those children who were in foster care at any point during SFY 2013, 60 percent resided in care for less than one year. The percentage of children in care for less than a year is slightly lower for those placed in relative care (57 percent). Compared to national data, children in the Arkansas foster care system stay in care a substantially shorter amount of time.<sup>16</sup> (See Appendix E for an area and county breakdown.)

**Table 12: Length of Stay of Children in Foster Care  
SFY 2013**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage*</b>	<b>National*</b>
<b>Less than 30 days</b>	1,202	16%	5%
<b>30-90 Days</b>	1,009	13%	21%
<b>3-6 Months</b>	950	12%	
<b>6-12 Months</b>	1,436	19%	19%
<b>12-24 Months</b>	1,570	20%	23%
<b>24-36 Months</b>	710	9%	11%
<b>36+ Months</b>	823	11%	20%
<b>Total*</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*Sum of individual percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding.

**Table 13: Length of Stay of Children in Relative Care  
SFY 2013**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Less than 30 days</b>	48	4%
<b>30-90 Days</b>	170	13%
<b>3-6 Months</b>	205	15%
<b>6-12 Months</b>	343	25%
<b>12-24 Months</b>	398	29%
<b>24-36 Months</b>	124	9%
<b>36+ Months</b>	65	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,353</b>	<b>100%</b>

<sup>16</sup> Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) preliminary data submitted for children in foster care between 10/1/2010 and 9/30/2011 as of October 2012.

**Number of Placements of Children in Foster Care**

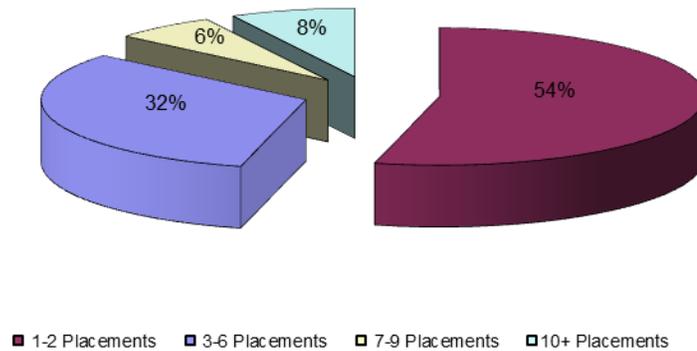
Overall, 54 percent of the children in care at the end of SFY 2013 experienced two or fewer placements, similar to SFY 2012.

**Table 14: Number of Placements of Children in Foster Care  
SFY 2013**

	Children in FC Less Than 12 Months		Children in FC 12 and 24 Months		Children in FC More Than 24 Months		Total	
<b>1-2 Placements</b>	1,572	73%	375	46%	173	18%	2,120	54%
<b>3-6 Placements</b>	546	25%	363	44%	356	37%	1,265	32%
<b>7-9 Placements</b>	22	1%	58	7%	165	17%	245	6%
<b>10+ Placements</b>	6	0%	22	3%	272	28%	300	8%
<b>Total*</b>	<b>2,146</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>818</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>966</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3,930</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*Sum of individual percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding.

**Chart 23: Number of Placements**



**Characteristics of Children who Experienced Three or More Placements**

As noted previously, there were 3,930 children in care at the end of SFY 2013. Of those, 1,810 children (46 percent) experienced three or more placements while in foster care.

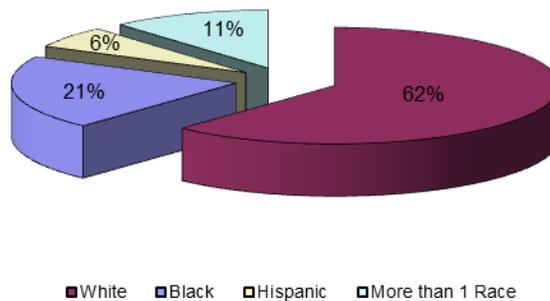
**Table 15: Characteristics of Children who Experienced Three or More Placements  
SFY 2013**

Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	53	9	0	0	0	3	10	<b>75</b>
	Male	52	14	0	0	0	5	5	<b>76</b>
2 to 5	Female	102	25	0	0	0	10	23	<b>160</b>
	Male	135	25	0	0	0	15	14	<b>189</b>
6 to 11	Female	135	40	0	0	0	11	26	<b>212</b>
	Male	186	43	0	1	0	17	44	<b>291</b>
12 to 15	Female	106	37	0	0	0	10	16	<b>169</b>
	Male	139	52	0	1	0	15	23	<b>230</b>
16 to 18	Female	77	39	0	0	0	6	21	<b>143</b>
	Male	104	57	0	0	0	12	19	<b>192</b>
18+	Female	8	14	0	0	0	4	3	<b>29</b>
	Male	18	16	1	0	0	1	3	<b>39</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,115</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>1,805</b>

\*Demographic data had not been entered into CHRIS for five children.

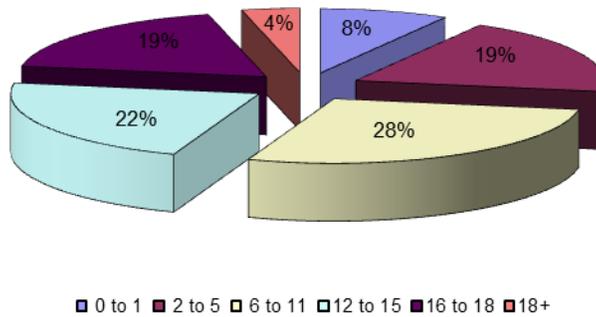
Of the children who experienced three or more placements, 62 percent were white and 21 percent were black.

**Chart 24a: Race/Ethnicity of Children Who Experienced Three or More Placements**



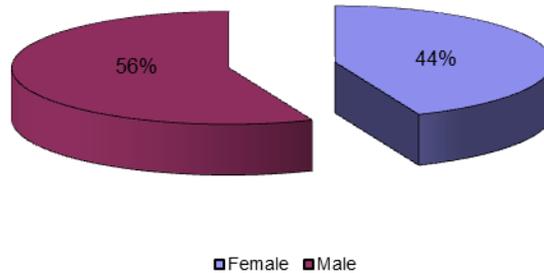
Children between the ages of six and 11 (28 percent) represented the largest group of children who had experienced three or more placements, followed by children ages 12 to 15 (22 percent).

**Chart 24b: Ages of Children who Experienced Three or More Placements**



More male children (56 percent) than female children (44 percent) experienced three or more placements.

**Chart 24c: Gender of Children Who Experienced Three or More Placements**



***Current Placement of Children in Foster Care***

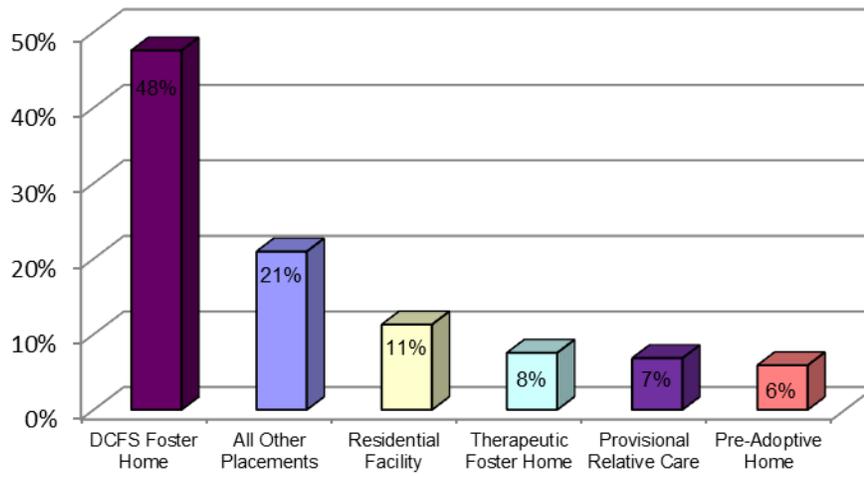
Nearly half (48 percent) of the children in foster care at the end of SFY 2013 were placed in either a non-relative or relative DCFS foster home.

**Table 16: Current Placement of Children in Foster Care at the End of SFY 2013**

Placement	Age						Total
	0 to 1	2 to 5	6 to 11	12 to 15	16 to 18	Over 19	
DCFS Foster Home (Non-Relative)	426	524	344	138	110	10	1,552
DCFS Foster Home (Relative)	58	99	105	37	15	3	317
Therapeutic Foster Home	2	44	151	63	34	2	296
Pre-Adoptive Home (Non-Relative)	50	76	65	18	4	0	213
Pre-Adoptive Home (Relative)	3	5	9	1	0	0	18
Emergency Shelter	1	19	71	54	25	0	170
Residential Facility	9	33	88	135	151	27	443
Youth Services	0	0	0	5	10	2	17
Runaway	0	0	0	2	16	1	19
Trial Home Visit	24	34	63	31	5	0	157
Hospital/Medical	3	1	6	3	3	0	16
SRP Residential Treatment	0	0	0	5	15	0	20
Incarceration	0	0	0	3	8	0	11
SRP CRT	0	0	1	13	2	0	16
Acute CRT	0	0	7	10	4	1	22
Sub-Acute CRT	0	0	34	55	33	0	122
Independent Living	0	0	0	0	26	63	89
Temporary Placement	6	21	14	17	9	0	67
SRP Therapeutic Foster Care	0	0	0	6	6	1	13
Private Agency FFH	25	16	4	0	0	0	45
DDS Placement	0	0	2	2	13	2	19
DDS Service	0	0	3	3	2	0	8
Provisional Relative	64	87	78	29	10	0	268
DYS After Care	0	0	0	1	3	0	4
Unknown*	3	0	1	3	1	0	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>1,046</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>3,930</b>

\*Unknown due to data entry after report completion.

**Chart 25: Current Placement of Children in Care**

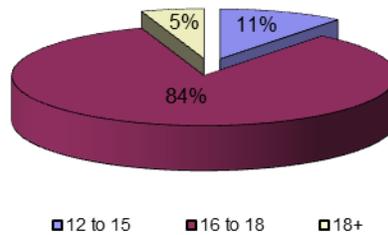


***Characteristics of Children on Runaway Status at the End of the Year***

Nineteen children were on runaway status at the end of SFY 2013, a decrease of three children from the number reported for the end of SFY 2012 (22).

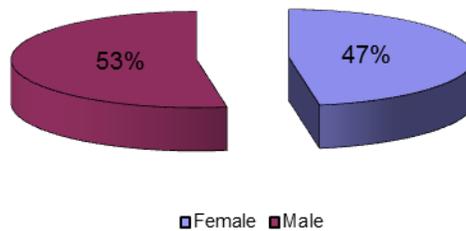
The vast majority (84 percent) of the children on runaway status were between the ages of 16 and 18.

**Chart 26a: Ages of Children on Runaway Status at the End of the Quarter**



More male children (53 percent) than female children (47 percent) were on runaway status at the end of the year.

**Chart 26b: Gender of Children on Runaway Status at the End of the Quarter**



**Characteristics of Children in Relative Care**

There were 1,353 children who were in relative care at any point during SFY 2013. The table below outlines the demographics of those children.

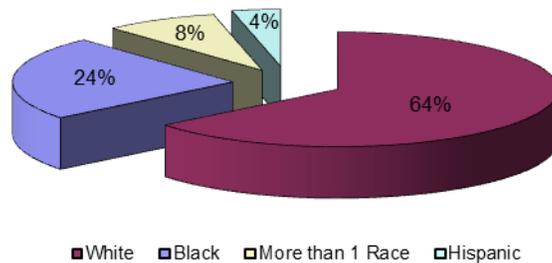
**Table 17: Characteristics of Children in Relative Care  
SFY 2013**

Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	72	26	0	0	0	4	11	113
	Male	84	29	0	1	0	2	10	126
2 to 5	Female	139	51	0	0	0	9	23	222
	Male	142	52	1	0	0	7	13	215
6 to 11	Female	144	58	0	0	0	5	16	223
	Male	127	48	0	0	0	10	15	200
12 to 15	Female	68	19	0	0	0	3	11	101
	Male	51	17	0	0	0	2	8	78
16 to 18	Female	20	10	0	0	0	3	2	35
	Male	17	6	0	0	0	2	3	28
18 +	Female	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	5
	Male	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	5
<b>Total</b>		<b>867</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>1,351</b>

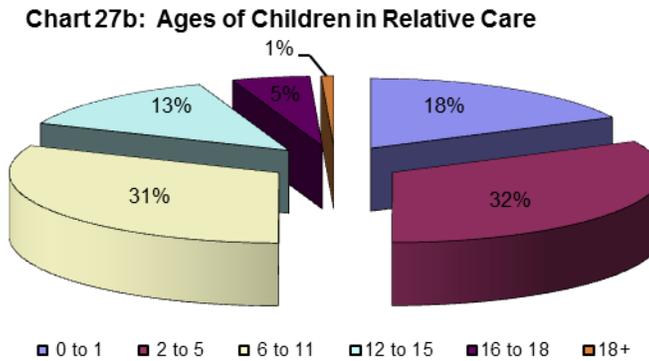
\*Demographic data had not been entered into CHRIS for two children.

White children represented the highest percentage of children in relative care during the year (64 percent), while black children made up 24 percent.

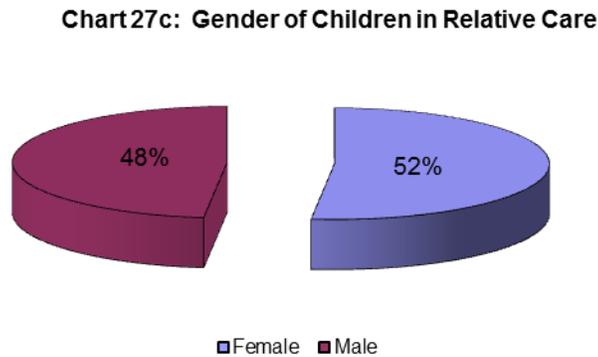
**Chart 27a: Race/Ethnicity of Children in Relative Care**



Sixty-three percent of the children who were in relative care were between the ages of two and 11 years.



Fifty-two percent of the children who were in relative care were female and 48 percent were male.



**Part III: Description of Population and Services**  
**Section III: Adoption**

***Characteristics of Children with the Permanency Goal of Adoption at the End of the Year***

There were 915 children in care at the end of SFY 2013 with a permanency goal of adoption. The following table outlines those children’s characteristics.

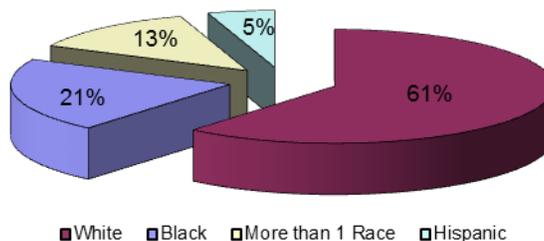
**Table 18: Characteristics of Children with the Permanency Goal of Adoption at the End of the Year SFY 2013**

Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	27	13	0	0	0	2	7	49
	Male	28	12	0	0	0	3	4	47
2 to 5	Female	64	13	0	1	0	5	17	100
	Male	74	32	0	0	0	9	13	128
6 to 11	Female	84	23	0	0	0	8	21	136
	Male	118	28	0	0	0	6	28	180
12 to 15	Female	53	24	0	0	0	4	8	89
	Male	79	28	0	0	0	6	12	125
16 to 18	Female	13	9	0	0	0	2	3	27
	Male	16	10	0	0	0	0	4	30
18 +	Female	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>557</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>912</b>

\*Demographic data had not been entered into CHRIS for three children.

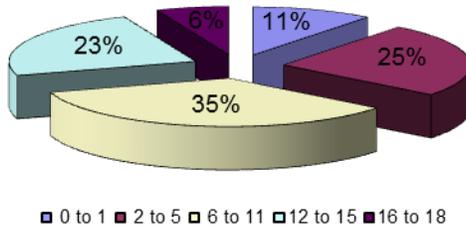
Approximately 61 percent of the children with the permanency goal of adoption were white, 21 percent were black, and 13 percent were multiracial.

**Chart 28a: Race/Ethnicity of Children with Permanency Goal of Adoption at the End of the Year**



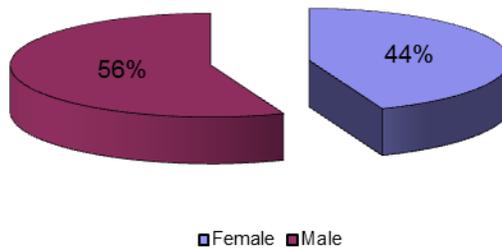
Children between the ages of six and 11 represent the largest group of children with a permanency goal of adoption (35 percent), followed by children ages two to five (25 percent).

**Chart 28b: Ages of Children with Permanency Goal of Adoption at the End of the Year**



More male children (56 percent) than female children (44 percent) had a permanency goal of adoption at the end of the state fiscal year.

**28c: Gender of Children with Permanency Goal of Adoption at the End of the Year**



**Characteristics of Children whose Parents had their Parental Rights Terminated as of the End of the Year**

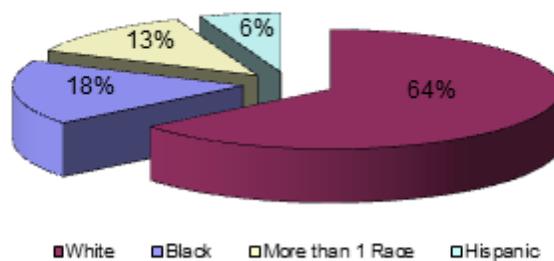
There were 615 children whose parents had their parental rights terminated<sup>17</sup> as of the end of SFY 2013. The table below outlines the characteristics of those children.

**Table 19: Characteristics of Children whose Parents have had Parental Rights Terminated as of the End of the Year  
SFY 2013**

Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	14	3	0	0	0	0	2	19
	Male	18	4	0	0	0	3	2	27
2 to 5	Female	35	6	0	0	0	2	10	53
	Male	44	10	0	0	0	8	12	74
6 to 11	Female	49	7	0	0	0	8	11	75
	Male	86	15	0	0	0	5	13	119
12 to 15	Female	38	12	0	0	0	2	4	56
	Male	58	24	0	0	0	4	9	95
16 to 18	Female	23	12	0	0	0	2	6	43
	Male	30	15	0	0	0	1	8	54
18+	Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>395</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>615</b>

Sixty-four percent of the children whose parents had their parental rights terminated during SFY 2013 were white, 18 percent were black, 13 percent were multiracial, and six percent were Hispanic.

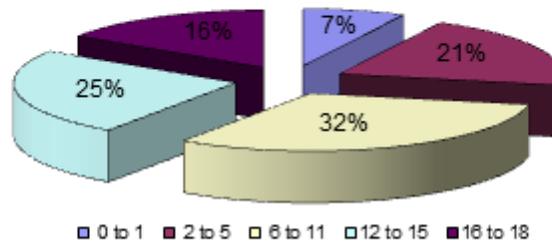
**Chart 29a: Race/Ethnicity of Children whose Parents have had Parental Rights Terminated at the End of the Year**



<sup>17</sup> Both parents' parental rights must be terminated for the child to be counted.

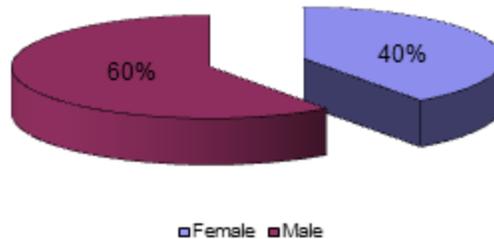
Children between the ages of six and 11 (32 percent) represent the largest group of children whose parents' parental rights had been terminated.

**Chart 29b: Ages of Children whose Parents have had Parental Rights Terminated at the End of the Year**



Of the children whose parents' rights had been terminated, 60 percent were male and 40 percent were female.

**Chart 29c: Gender of Children whose Parents have had Parental Rights Terminated at the End of the Year**



**Characteristics of Children Available for Adoption at the End of the Year**

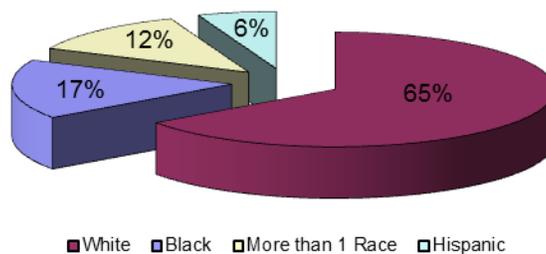
There were 517 children available for adoption<sup>18</sup> at the end of SFY 2013.

**Table 20: Characteristics of Children Available for Adoption at the End of the Year  
SFY 2013**

Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	11	3	0	0	0	0	2	16
	Male	15	4	0	0	0	3	2	24
2 to 5	Female	33	5	0	0	0	2	9	49
	Male	39	10	0	0	0	7	11	67
6 to 11	Female	43	7	0	0	0	7	10	67
	Male	85	14	0	0	0	5	13	117
12 to 15	Female	35	11	0	0	0	2	4	52
	Male	55	22	0	0	0	3	8	88
16 to 18	Female	9	6	0	0	0	1	2	18
	Male	11	5	0	0	0	0	3	19
<b>Total</b>		336	87	0	0	0	30	64	517

Of the children available for adoption, 65 percent were white and 17 percent were black.

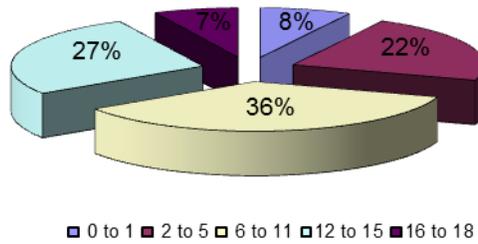
**Chart 30a: Race/Ethnicity of Children Available for Adoption at the End of the Year**



<sup>18</sup> Children must have two TPRs and a goal of adoption to be considered as available for adoption.

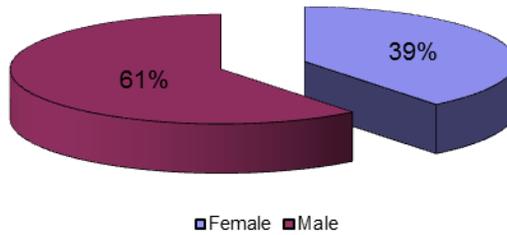
Children ages six to 11 (36 percent) and 12 to 15 (27 percent) represent the largest groups of children available for adoption as of the end of SFY 2013.

**Chart 30b: Age of Children Available for Adoption at the End of the Year**



More male children (61 percent) than female children (39 percent) were available for adoption.

**Chart 30c: Gender of Children Available for Adoption at the End of the Year**



***Current Placement of Children Available for Adoption***

The most common placement setting for children available for adoption at the end of SFY 2013 was a DCFS foster home (31 percent).

**Table 21: Current Placement of Children Available for Adoption  
SFY 2013**

Placement	Number of Children	Percentage
DCFS Foster Home	161	31%
Pre-Adoptive Home	129	25%
Therapeutic Foster Home	110	21%
Residential Facility	64	12%
Sub-Acute CRT	21	4%
Acute CRT	6	1%
Emergency Shelter	5	1%
SRP CRT	5	1%
DDS Service	4	1%
Temporary Placement	3	0.6%
SRP Therapeutic Foster Care	2	0.4%
Incarceration	2	0.4%
Youth Services	2	0.4%
SRP Residential Treatment	1	0.2%
DDS Supportive Living	1	0.2%
DYS After Care	1	0.2%
Hospital/Medical	0	0.0%
ILP Sponsor	0	0.0%
<b>Total*</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*Sum of individual percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding.

**Characteristics of Children Placed in Pre-adoptive Homes**

There were 907 children placed into pre-adoptive homes at some point during SFY 2013.<sup>19</sup> The characteristics of the children placed during the latest state fiscal year are outlined in the table below.

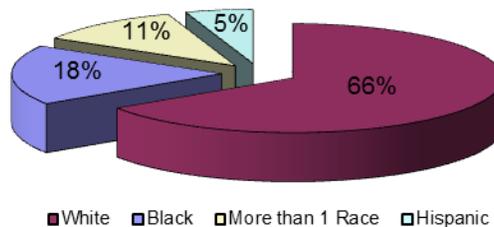
**Table 22: Characteristics of Children Placed in Pre-adoptive Homes  
SFY 2013**

Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	53	26	0	0	0	2	14	95
	Male	65	21	0	0	0	3	16	105
2 to 5	Female	108	28	0	1	0	7	23	167
	Male	107	30	0	0	0	13	21	171
6 to 11	Female	107	20	0	0	0	6	11	144
	Male	76	20	0	1	0	6	13	116
12 to 15	Female	26	6	0	0	0	5	1	38
	Male	34	5	0	0	0	2	2	43
16 to 18	Female	11	4	0	0	0	3	0	18
	Male	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	6
<b>Total</b>		<b>592</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>903</b>

\*Demographic data had not been entered into CHRIS for four children.

Of the children placed in a pre-adoptive home during the year, 66 percent were white and 18 percent were black.

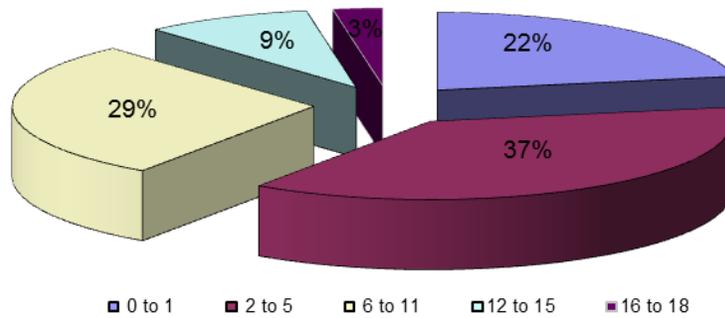
**Chart 31a: Race/Ethnicity of Children Placed in Pre-Adoptive Homes During the Year**



<sup>19</sup> This number includes children who remained in a pre-adoptive home after entering one during a previous year as well as children who were newly placed in a pre-adoptive home during the year.

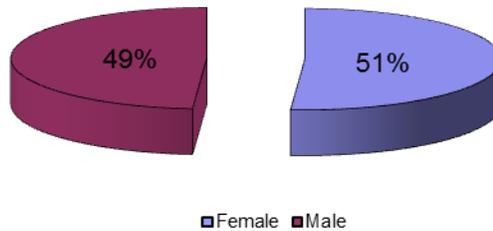
Children between the ages of two and five represent the largest group of children (37 percent) placed into a pre-adoptive home, followed by those ages six to 11 (29 percent).

**31b: Ages of Children Placed in Pre-Adoptive Homes During the Year**



Fifty-one percent of the children placed in a pre-adoptive home were female and 49 percent were male.

**31c: Gender of Children Placed in Pre-Adoptive Homes During the Year**



**Special Needs**

Children with special needs are defined as:

- Caucasian and over the age of nine;
- African-American and two years of age or older;
- Members of a sibling group;
- Children who have severe medical or psychological needs that require ongoing treatment; or
- Children at high risk of the development of serious physical, mental or emotional conditions where documentation is provided by a medical professional specializing in the area of the condition for which the child is considered at risk.

During SFY 2013, 482 children with special needs were placed in a pre-adoptive home.<sup>20</sup>

**Table 23: Children with Special Needs Placed in Pre-adoptive Homes  
SFY 2013**

Special Need Condition <sup>21</sup>	Number of Children
Race/Ethnicity	309
Age	393
Member of Sibling Group	251

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<sup>20</sup> This number does not take into account children with severe medical and psychological needs because this data is not available in CHRIS (AR Children’s Reporting and Information System). As enhancements are made to the data system to capture this information, the data will be provided in future reports.

<sup>21</sup> Data are not available for either (1) children who have severe medical or psychological needs that require ongoing treatment or (2) children at high risk of the development of serious physical, mental or emotional conditions where documentation is provided by an appropriate medical professional.

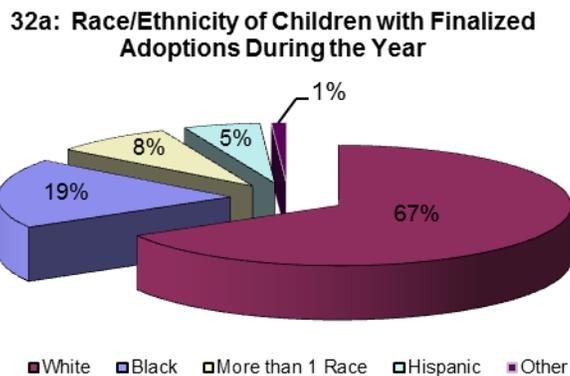
**Characteristics of Children with Finalized Adoptions**

During SFY 2013, 677 children had their adoptions finalized, similar to the number reported for SFY 2012 (674). The characteristics of those children are outlined in the following table.

**Table 24: Characteristics of Children with Finalized Adoptions  
SFY 2013**

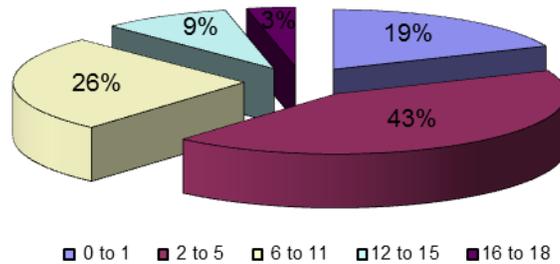
Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	36	14	1	0	0	1	3	55
	Male	46	14	0	0	0	1	10	71
2 to 5	Female	90	31	0	2	0	8	17	148
	Male	93	24	0	2	0	7	16	142
6 to 11	Female	78	15	1	0	0	5	6	105
	Male	48	18	0	0	0	4	2	72
12 to 15	Female	23	3	0	0	0	3	1	30
	Male	22	4	1	0	0	3	1	31
16 to 18	Female	10	3	0	0	0	3	0	16
	Male	5	1	0	0	0	1	0	7
<b>Total</b>		<b>451</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>677</b>

Of the children whose adoptions were finalized during SFY 2013, 67 percent were white, 19 percent were black, eight percent were multiracial, and five percent were Hispanic.



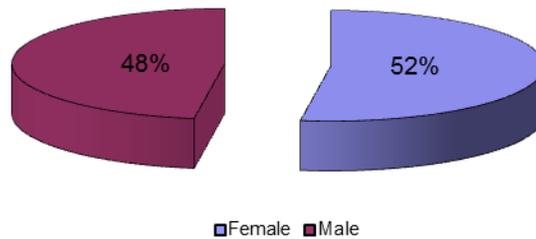
Forty-three percent of the children whose adoptions were finalized during the year were between the ages of two and five.

**Chart 32b: Ages of Children with Finalized Adoptions During the Year**



The gender distribution for children whose adoption was finalized was 52 percent female and 48 percent male.

**Chart 32c: Gender of Children with Finalized Adoptions During the Year**



**Subsidized Adoptions**

Of the 593 children who began receiving adoption subsidies during SFY 2013, 482 children (81 percent) were receiving federally-funded subsidies, while 111 (19 percent) were receiving state-funded subsidies.

**Characteristics of Children who Receive Adoption Subsidies**

In total, 5,416 children received adoption subsidies during SFY 2013, an increase of nine percent from SFY 2012 (4,979). The following table outlines the characteristics of the children receiving subsidy payments during SFY 2013.

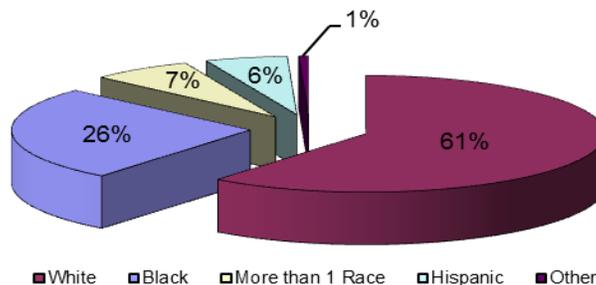
**Table 25: Characteristics of Children Receiving Adoption Subsidies SFY 2013**

Age	Gender	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Total
0 to 1	Female	23	11	1	0	0	1	2	38
	Male	32	11	0	0	0	1	8	52
2 to 5	Female	302	119	0	5	0	31	54	511
	Male	348	114	2	2	1	29	62	558
6 to 11	Female	631	249	4	2	0	58	88	1,032
	Male	618	267	4	3	1	77	63	1,033
12 to 15	Female	384	192	1	2	1	36	41	657
	Male	372	173	1	0	0	41	26	613
16 to 18	Female	244	133	1	2	0	18	16	414
	Male	265	124	0	1	1	8	12	411
18+	Female	25	15	0	0	0	0	1	41
	Male	36	12	0	0	0	0	0	48
<b>Total*</b>		<b>3,280</b>	<b>1,420</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>5,408</b>

\*Demographic data had not been entered into CHRIS for eight children.

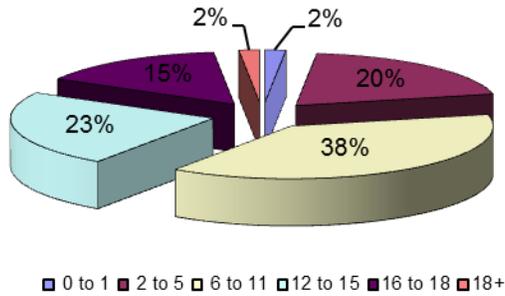
Sixty-one percent of the children who received an adoption subsidy were white and 26 percent were black.

**33a: Race/Ethnicity of Children Receiving Adoption Subsidies During the Year**



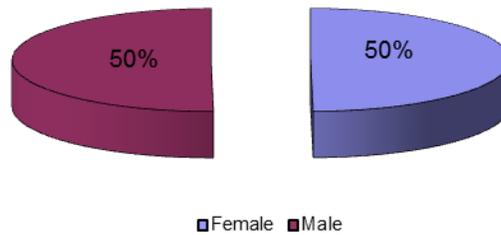
Children between the ages of six and 11 represent the largest group (38 percent) of children receiving an adoption subsidy.

**33b: Ages of Children Receiving Adoption Subsidies During the Year**



Fifty percent of the children receiving an adoption subsidy during the year were male and 50 percent were female.

**33c: Gender of Children Receiving Adoption Subsidies During the Year**



## **APPENDICES**

**APPENDIX A: Child Maltreatment Assessments by Area and County**

Area	County	Total	TRUE	True %	Unsub*	Exempt Prenatal	Exempt Religion	Exempt UJO All	UTL	Unknown
1	Benton (Bentonville)	2240	354	15.80%	1738	22	1	30	63	32
1	Carroll (Berryville)	285	52	18.25%	194	5	0	2	31	1
1	Madison (Huntsville)	185	41	22.16%	115	1	0	5	4	19
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	2503	633	25.29%	1617	24	6	28	143	52
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>5,213</b>	<b>1,080</b>	<b>20.72%</b>	<b>3,664</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>104</b>
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	849	147	17.31%	632	18	0	19	23	10
2	Franklin (Ozark)	259	83	32.05%	161	2	0	2	1	10
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	383	98	25.59%	263	2	0	5	10	5
2	Logan (Booneville)	196	54	27.55%	116	4	0	3	8	11
2	Logan (Paris)	106	17	16.04%	79	2	0	2	2	4
2	Scott (Waldron)	168	61	36.31%	93	2	0	1	5	6
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	1612	327	20.29%	1125	43	0	27	47	43
2	Yell (Danville)	307	44	14.33%	192	5	0	4	3	59
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>3,880</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>21.42%</b>	<b>2,661</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>148</b>
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	289	50	17.30%	210	4	0	4	13	8
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	1194	161	13.48%	872	36	0	27	97	1
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	485	109	22.47%	336	12	1	10	9	8
3	Howard (Nashville)	135	14	10.37%	105	3	0	3	7	3
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	122	27	22.13%	91	0	0	0	3	1
3	Perry (Perryville)	101	30	29.70%	65	1	0	3	2	0
3	Pike (Murfreesboro)	135	25	18.52%	95	3	0	2	8	2
3	Polk (Mena)	294	42	14.29%	220	5	0	2	14	11
3	Saline (Benton)	1074	155	14.43%	853	18	1	10	34	3
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>3,829</b>	<b>613</b>	<b>16.01%</b>	<b>2,847</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>37</b>
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	164	44	26.83%	99	8	0	1	10	2
4	Hempstead (Hope)	254	49	19.29%	171	2	0	4	20	8
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	66	23	34.85%	37	1	0	0	4	1
4	Little River (Ashdown)	140	31	22.14%	93	4	0	0	12	0
4	Miller (Texarkana)	528	81	15.34%	344	8	0	5	83	7
4	Nevada (Prescott)	93	21	22.58%	66	1	0	1	2	2
4	Ouachita (Camden)	307	97	31.60%	197	5	0	2	5	1
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	152	48	31.58%	83	4	0	2	15	0
4	Union (El Dorado)	403	123	30.52%	253	12	0	7	8	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>2,107</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>24.54%</b>	<b>1,343</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>21</b>
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	438	116	26.48%	295	7	0	8	10	2
5	Boone (Harrison)	509	121	23.77%	349	9	0	11	18	1
5	Conway (Morrilton)	302	96	31.79%	182	11	0	8	4	1
5	Faulkner (Conway)	1029	259	25.17%	649	32	2	18	62	7
5	Marion (Yellville)	189	48	25.40%	132	4	0	2	3	0
5	Newton (Jasper)	85	14	16.47%	62	2	0	3	4	0
5	Pope (Russellville)	623	205	32.91%	382	16	1	7	9	3
5	Searcy (Marshall)	81	20	24.69%	59	0	1	0	1	0
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	200	49	24.50%	144	3	0	0	4	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>3,456</b>	<b>928</b>	<b>26.85%</b>	<b>2,254</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>14</b>
6	Pulaski	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Pulaski (East)	414	68	16.43%	308	13	1	15	8	1
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	705	130	18.44%	532	12	0	9	21	1
6	Pulaski (North)	894	146	16.33%	674	25	2	14	32	1
6	Pulaski (South)	825	120	14.55%	614	27	0	20	41	3
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	608	104	17.11%	451	22	0	9	21	1
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>3,446</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>16.48%</b>	<b>2,579</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>7</b>

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Area	County	Total	TRUE	True %	Unsub*	Exempt Prenatal	Exempt Religion	Exempt UJO All	UTL	Unknown
7	Bradley (Warren)	135	22	16.30%	102	5	0	2	4	0
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	30	7	23.33%	20	0	0	2	1	0
7	Cleveland (Rison)	76	16	21.05%	54	2	0	1	2	1
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	81	19	23.46%	59	0	0	2	1	0
7	Grant (Sheridan)	235	35	14.89%	181	1	0	12	6	0
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	634	134	21.14%	439	16	0	13	29	3
7	Lincoln (Star City)	138	16	11.59%	115	1	0	2	3	1
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	822	178	21.65%	546	8	0	23	67	0
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	68	14	20.59%	45	0	0	1	8	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>2,219</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>19.87%</b>	<b>1,561</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>5</b>
8	Clay (Piggott & Coming)	212	50	23.58%	149	1	0	3	6	3
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	1352	238	17.60%	994	32	0	13	68	7
8	Fulton (Salem)	129	30	23.26%	93	1	0	3	2	0
8	Greene (Paragould)	878	150	17.08%	626	21	1	10	25	45
8	Izard (Melbourne)	167	53	31.74%	111	1	0	1	1	0
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	313	60	19.17%	242	3	0	1	2	5
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	470	81	17.23%	355	17	0	8	6	3
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	246	31	12.60%	204	4	0	3	3	1
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	218	46	21.10%	163	3	0	4	1	1
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	217	56	25.81%	152	3	0	1	5	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>4,202</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>18.92%</b>	<b>3,089</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>65</b>
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	329	84	25.53%	207	3	0	3	1	31
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	596	98	16.44%	434	13	0	9	22	20
9	Cross (Wynne)	211	44	20.85%	160	4	0	1	2	0
9	Independence (Batesville)	501	143	28.54%	337	12	0	5	3	1
9	Jackson (Newport)	183	50	27.32%	126	4	0	3	0	0
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	500	92	18.40%	384	7	1	4	9	3
9	Stone (Mountain View)	133	30	22.56%	99	2	0	1	1	0
9	White (Searcy)	975	195	20.00%	739	12	2	7	19	1
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	67	19	28.36%	48	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>3,495</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>21.60%</b>	<b>2,534</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>56</b>
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	79	16	20.25%	63	0	0	0	0	0
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	140	26	18.57%	111	1	0	0	2	0
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	188	37	19.68%	120	3	0	5	3	20
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	106	12	11.32%	89	3	0	1	1	0
10	Desha (McGehee)	120	15	12.50%	100	2	0	2	0	1
10	Drew (Monticello)	218	50	22.94%	160	1	0	3	2	2
10	Lee (Marianna)	71	9	12.68%	59	2	0	1	0	0
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	49	12	24.49%	35	1	0	0	1	0
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	36	7	19.44%	29	0	0	0	0	0
10	Phillips (Helena)	232	43	18.53%	168	7	1	4	8	1
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	260	46	17.69%	187	8	0	11	7	1
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>1,499</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>18.21%</b>	<b>1,121</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
99	Unknown County	7	1	14.29%	5	0	0	0	1	0
	<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>33,353</b>	<b>6,802</b>	<b>20.39%</b>	<b>23,658</b>	<b>644</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>1,246</b>	<b>482</b>

\* "Unsub" = Unsubstantiated; "UTL" = Unable to Locate; "UJO" = Underage Juvenile Offender; "Unknown" = Status of assessment is not identified in CHRIS.

\*\* This total includes both DCFS and CACD assessments.

**APPENDIX B: Children in Foster Care by Ethnicity**

Area	County	Total	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Unknown	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race
1	Benton (Bentonville)	316	227	17	0	1	0	2	52	17
1	Carroll (Berryville)	44	37	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
1	Madison (Huntsville)	40	38	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	417	310	12	0	2	8	1	37	47
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>68</b>
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	164	142	2	0	0	0	2	6	12
2	Franklin (Ozark)	73	65	0	0	0	0	0	6	2
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	95	77	1	0	0	0	0	7	10
2	Logan (Booneville)	58	51	0	0	1	0	0	5	1
2	Logan (Paris)	16	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
2	Scott (Waldron)	53	42	0	0	0	1	0	6	4
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	854	539	70	2	0	1	0	87	155
2	Yell (Danville)	50	38	0	0	1	0	0	8	3
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>1,363</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>188</b>
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	35	20	7	0	0	0	1	1	6
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	247	162	29	0	0	0	0	9	47
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	54	30	7	0	0	0	0	4	13
3	Howard (Nashville)	13	7	4	0	0	0	1	0	1
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	25	21	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
3	Perry (Perryville)	29	26	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
3	Pike (Murfreesboro)	31	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Polk (Mena)	40	39	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
3	Saline (Benton)	94	79	6	0	0	0	0	3	6
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>74</b>
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	33	17	15	0	0	0	0	0	1
4	Hempstead (Hope)	29	17	6	0	0	0	0	1	5
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	8	5	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
4	Little River (Ashdown)	36	26	3	0	0	0	0	2	5
4	Miller (Texarkana)	170	107	44	0	0	0	0	7	12
4	Nevada (Prescott)	17	14	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
4	Ouachita (Camden)	55	24	23	0	0	0	0	1	7
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	79	46	1	0	3	0	0	13	16
4	Union (El Dorado)	140	80	42	0	0	0	0	5	13
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>61</b>
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	50	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
5	Boone (Harrison)	109	92	0	0	1	0	0	4	12
5	Conway (Morrilton)	108	74	17	0	0	0	1	2	14
5	Faulkner (Conway)	178	121	28	0	0	0	1	3	25
5	Marion (Yellville)	41	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
5	Newton (Jasper)	11	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Pope (Russellville)	120	81	7	2	0	0	0	17	13
5	Searcy (Marshall)	32	25	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	43	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>76</b>
6	Pulaski	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Pulaski (East)	115	31	69	0	0	0	1	3	11
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	139	67	48	0	0	0	0	14	10
6	Pulaski (North)	249	60	154	0	0	0	0	7	28
6	Pulaski (South)	209	26	143	1	0	1	2	16	20
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	161	55	91	0	0	0	0	9	6
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>75</b>

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Area	County	Total	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Unknown	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race
7	Bradley (Warren)	23	14	3	0	0	0	0	2	4
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
7	Cleveland (Rison)	11	9	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	14	3	3	0	0	0	0	3	5
7	Grant (Sheridan)	30	29	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	298	49	228	1	0	0	0	2	18
7	Lincoln (Star City)	25	13	5	0	0	0	0	4	3
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	196	144	14	0	0	0	1	10	27
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	12	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	3
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>61</b>
8	Clay (Piggott & Corning)	55	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	257	152	54	0	0	0	1	18	32
8	Fulton (Salem)	60	59	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
8	Greene (Paragould)	180	148	0	0	0	0	0	19	13
8	Izard (Melbourne)	39	35	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	75	67	2	0	0	0	0	2	4
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	47	21	17	0	0	0	0	7	2
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	9	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	49	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	89	82	1	0	0	0	0	2	4
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>58</b>
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	100	90	0	0	0	0	0	8	2
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	108	23	68	0	0	0	0	3	14
9	Cross (Wynne)	83	38	35	0	0	0	0	1	9
9	Independence (Batesville)	224	172	6	1	0	1	0	20	24
9	Jackson (Newport)	85	57	14	0	0	0	0	1	13
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	106	100	0	0	0	0	1	1	4
9	Stone (Mountain View)	31	26	0	0	0	0	0	4	1
9	White (Searcy)	239	183	13	0	0	0	1	9	33
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	34	23	9	0	0	0	0	1	1
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>1,010</b>	<b>712</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>101</b>
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	24	17	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	24	11	11	0	0	0	0	0	2
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	40	22	18	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	27	5	19	0	0	0	1	0	2
10	Desha (McGehee)	20	12	7	0	0	0	0	0	1
10	Drew (Monticello)	56	36	15	0	1	0	0	2	2
10	Lee (Marianna)	14	5	8	0	0	0	0	0	1
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	13	5	6	0	0	0	1	0	1
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Phillips (Helena)	66	21	41	0	0	0	0	0	4
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	53	9	41	0	0	0	0	2	1
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>
	<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>4,893</b>	<b>1,506</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>776</b>

**APPENDIX C: Children in Foster Care by Age**

Area	County	Total	0-5 years	6-11 years	12-14 years	15+ years	Unknown
1	Benton (Bentonville)	316	112	92	47	65	0
1	Carroll (Berryville)	44	17	19	3	5	0
1	Madison (Huntsville)	40	15	6	4	15	0
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	417	168	120	46	83	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>0</b>
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	164	60	53	22	29	0
2	Franklin (Ozark)	73	28	26	10	9	0
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	95	35	35	15	10	0
2	Logan (Booneville)	58	21	25	9	3	0
2	Logan (Paris)	16	8	5	2	1	0
2	Scott (Waldron)	53	29	14	6	4	0
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	854	355	229	104	166	0
2	Yell (Danville)	50	22	13	5	10	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>1,363</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>0</b>
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	35	19	10	2	4	0
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	247	108	61	34	44	0
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	54	28	12	4	10	0
3	Howard (Nashville)	13	7	1	1	4	0
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	25	14	6	1	4	0
3	Perry (Perryville)	29	7	17	3	2	0
3	Pike (Murfreestown)	31	17	11	1	2	0
3	Polk (Mena)	40	16	5	7	12	0
3	Saline (Benton)	94	43	22	8	21	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>0</b>
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	33	15	9	4	5	0
4	Hempstead (Hope)	29	15	6	5	3	0
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	8	5	1	1	1	0
4	Little River (Ashdown)	36	14	9	6	7	0
4	Miller (Texarkana)	170	80	34	20	36	0
4	Nevada (Prescott)	17	5	7	3	2	0
4	Ouachita (Camden)	55	28	16	5	6	0
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	79	42	16	10	11	0
4	Union (El Dorado)	140	78	28	15	19	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>0</b>
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	50	17	16	7	10	0
5	Boone (Harrison)	109	47	32	9	21	0
5	Conway (Morrilton)	108	41	29	12	26	0
5	Faulkner (Conway)	178	78	42	22	36	0
5	Marion (Yellville)	41	11	15	3	12	0
5	Newton (Jasper)	11	7	0	1	3	0
5	Pope (Russellville)	120	72	22	14	12	0
5	Searcy (Marshall)	32	7	9	5	11	0
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	43	13	15	4	11	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>0</b>
6	Pulaski	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Pulaski (East)	115	65	21	14	15	0
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	139	56	44	20	19	0
6	Pulaski (North)	249	106	64	28	51	0
6	Pulaski (South)	209	98	42	25	44	0
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	161	65	56	14	26	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>0</b>

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Area	County	Total	0-5 years	6-11 years	12-14 years	15+ years	Unknown
7	Bradley (Warren)	23	14	2	0	7	0
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	2	1	1	0	0	0
7	Cleveland (Rison)	11	4	5	2	0	0
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	14	3	7	0	4	0
7	Grant (Sheridan)	30	10	12	5	3	0
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	298	119	63	44	72	0
7	Lincoln (Star City)	25	12	6	4	3	0
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	196	98	57	13	28	0
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	12	8	1	1	2	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>0</b>
8	Clay (Piggott & Corning)	55	24	20	2	9	0
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	257	113	73	27	44	0
8	Fulton (Salem)	60	33	11	4	12	0
8	Greene (Paragould)	180	69	65	18	28	0
8	Izard (Melbourne)	39	13	14	3	9	0
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	75	35	26	7	7	0
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	47	16	11	9	11	0
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	9	4	0	1	4	0
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	49	12	16	9	12	0
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	89	35	24	10	20	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>0</b>
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	100	47	30	11	12	0
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	108	44	38	15	11	0
9	Cross (Wynne)	83	46	22	5	10	0
9	Independence (Batesville)	224	94	73	30	27	0
9	Jackson (Newport)	85	35	33	4	13	0
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	106	44	36	12	14	0
9	Stone (Mountain View)	31	14	7	3	7	0
9	White (Searcy)	239	113	73	23	30	0
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	34	18	8	2	6	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>1,010</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>0</b>
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	24	11	5	4	4	0
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	24	14	3	1	6	0
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	40	21	10	5	4	0
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	27	11	2	3	11	0
10	Desha (McGehee)	20	4	6	5	5	0
10	Drew (Monticello)	56	26	7	5	18	0
10	Lee (Marianna)	14	6	3	1	4	0
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	13	6	1	1	4	1
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	2	1	1	0	0	0
10	Phillips (Helena)	66	20	19	11	16	0
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	53	23	6	5	19	0
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>3,315</b>	<b>2,112</b>	<b>886</b>	<b>1,386</b>	<b>1</b>

**APPENDIX D: Children in Foster Care by Gender**

Area	County	Total	Male	Female
1	Benton (Bentonville)	316	164	152
1	Carroll (Berryville)	44	22	22
1	Madison (Huntsville)	40	21	19
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	417	217	200
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>393</b>
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	164	81	83
2	Franklin (Ozark)	73	38	35
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	95	42	53
2	Logan (Booneville)	58	31	27
2	Logan (Paris)	16	9	7
2	Scott (Waldron)	53	31	22
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	854	436	418
2	Yell (Danville)	50	26	24
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>1,363</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>669</b>
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	35	13	22
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	247	124	123
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	54	28	26
3	Howard (Nashville)	13	7	6
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	25	11	14
3	Perry (Perryville)	29	15	14
3	Pike (Murfreesboro)	31	19	12
3	Polk (Mena)	40	20	20
3	Saline (Benton)	94	46	48
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>285</b>
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	33	13	20
4	Hempstead (Hope)	29	18	11
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	8	5	3
4	Little River (Ashdown)	36	17	19
4	Miller (Texarkana)	170	94	76
4	Nevada (Prescott)	17	10	7
4	Ouachita (Camden)	55	34	21
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	79	39	40
4	Union (El Dorado)	140	73	67
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>264</b>
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	50	29	21
5	Boone (Harrison)	109	56	53
5	Conway (Morrilton)	108	59	49
5	Faulkner (Conway)	178	90	88
5	Marion (Yellville)	41	23	18
5	Newton (Jasper)	11	5	6
5	Pope (Russellville)	120	60	60
5	Searcy (Marshall)	32	14	18
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	43	19	24
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>337</b>
6	Pulaski	0	0	0
6	Pulaski (East)	115	63	52
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	139	74	65
6	Pulaski (North)	249	124	125
6	Pulaski (South)	209	109	100
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	161	74	87
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>429</b>

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Area	County	Total	Male	Female
7	Bradley (Warren)	23	10	13
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	2	1	1
7	Cleveland (Rison)	11	7	4
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	14	8	6
7	Grant (Sheridan)	30	16	14
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	298	168	130
7	Lincoln (Star City)	25	16	9
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	196	90	106
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	12	7	5
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>288</b>
8	Clay (Piggott & Corning)	55	22	33
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	257	118	139
8	Fulton (Salem)	60	34	26
8	Greene (Paragould)	180	93	87
8	Izard (Melbourne)	39	30	9
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	75	38	37
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	47	24	23
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	9	4	5
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	49	27	22
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	89	38	51
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>432</b>
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	100	51	49
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	108	48	60
9	Cross (Wynne)	83	39	44
9	Independence (Batesville)	224	111	113
9	Jackson (Newport)	85	44	41
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	106	52	54
9	Stone (Mountain View)	31	18	13
9	White (Searcy)	239	135	104
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	34	14	20
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>1,010</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>498</b>
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	24	8	16
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	24	10	14
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	40	19	21
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	27	9	18
10	Desha (McGehee)	20	9	11
10	Drew (Monticello)	56	27	29
10	Lee (Marianna)	14	6	8
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	13	9	4
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	2	2	0
10	Phillips (Helena)	66	36	30
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	53	30	23
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>174</b>
	<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>3,931</b>	<b>3,769</b>

**APPENDIX E: Children in Foster Care by Lengths of Stay**

Area	County	Total	Less than 30 Days	30 to 90 Days	3 to 6 Months	7 to 12 Months	12 to 24 Months	24 to 36 Months	Over 36 Months
1	Benton (Bentonville)	316	34	47	43	67	72	27	26
1	Carroll (Berryville)	44	2	5	3	5	20	6	3
1	Madison (Huntsville)	40	7	5	0	15	6	1	6
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	417	113	73	51	57	83	24	16
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>51</b>
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	164	24	13	24	35	33	21	14
2	Franklin (Ozark)	73	4	23	15	14	13	2	2
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	95	7	13	17	28	23	5	2
2	Logan (Booneville)	58	18	9	5	7	11	7	1
2	Logan (Paris)	16	7	0	2	3	2	2	0
2	Scott (Waldron)	53	5	9	5	24	9	1	0
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	854	63	82	86	145	182	130	166
2	Yell (Danville)	50	3	11	9	5	13	4	5
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>1363</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>190</b>
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	35	4	7	8	12	0	2	2
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	247	30	57	28	53	45	7	27
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	54	5	3	16	10	18	0	2
3	Howard (Nashville)	13	1	1	2	2	4	0	3
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	25	4	4	1	10	3	2	1
3	Perry (Perryville)	29	3	0	0	5	10	4	7
3	Pike (Murfreesboro)	31	16	5	1	5	2	2	0
3	Polk (Mena)	40	9	0	5	7	6	7	6
3	Saline (Benton)	94	13	9	17	16	24	0	15
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>63</b>
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	33	19	6	5	0	0	2	1
4	Hempstead (Hope)	29	10	4	3	6	3	0	3
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	8	5	1	0	0	2	0	0
4	Little River (Ashdown)	36	20	3	6	1	0	1	5
4	Miller (Texarkana)	170	25	12	16	28	44	19	26
4	Nevada (Prescott)	17	7	0	0	9	1	0	0
4	Ouachita (Camden)	55	22	14	8	1	4	1	5
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	79	21	18	6	8	12	7	7
4	Union (El Dorado)	140	70	20	12	10	12	1	15
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>62</b>
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	50	9	6	3	7	7	8	10
5	Boone (Harrison)	109	11	23	12	16	19	15	13
5	Conway (Morrilton)	108	14	15	13	24	16	14	12
5	Faulkner (Conway)	178	40	16	15	46	41	8	12
5	Marion (Yellville)	41	6	3	1	7	14	1	9
5	Newton (Jasper)	11	8	0	0	0	0	3	0
5	Pope (Russellville)	120	16	27	15	14	29	7	12
5	Searcy (Marshall)	32	4	4	5	14	0	0	5
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	43	3	2	10	12	5	4	7
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>80</b>
6	Pulaski	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Pulaski (East)	115	20	13	10	31	23	3	15
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	139	12	8	15	32	51	11	10
6	Pulaski (North)	249	11	15	32	43	72	23	53
6	Pulaski (South)	209	9	17	15	30	68	24	46
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	161	22	18	9	30	47	13	22
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>146</b>

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Area	County	Total	Less than 30 Days	30 to 90 Days	3 to 6 Months	7 to 12 Months	12 to 24 Months	24 to 36 Months	Over 36 Months
7	Bradley (Warren)	23	7	5	3	1	4	1	2
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Cleveland (Rison)	11	1	3	2	3	2	0	0
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	14	2	3	5	1	3	0	0
7	Grant (Sheridan)	30	8	9	4	4	4	1	0
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	298	52	51	30	29	61	43	32
7	Lincoln (Star City)	25	8	4	8	2	3	0	0
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	196	33	26	15	44	50	25	3
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	12	4	0	1	2	4	0	1
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>38</b>
8	Clay (Piggott & Corning)	55	4	9	12	6	11	9	4
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	257	27	33	31	55	48	32	31
8	Fulton (Salem)	60	5	2	8	18	10	10	7
8	Greene (Paragould)	180	26	13	25	44	44	16	12
8	Izard (Melbourne)	39	2	7	9	5	7	2	7
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	75	4	12	18	12	13	7	9
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	47	10	14	5	10	2	3	3
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	49	9	3	2	13	7	7	8
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	89	8	8	6	19	28	15	5
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>89</b>
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	100	17	14	23	20	14	5	7
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	108	11	36	5	12	15	15	14
9	Cross (Wynne)	83	11	2	12	24	19	15	0
9	Independence (Batesville)	224	42	32	42	51	35	14	8
9	Jackson (Newport)	85	5	11	13	14	17	21	4
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	106	5	4	29	18	28	17	5
9	Stone (Mountain View)	31	4	3	5	10	7	0	2
9	White (Searcy)	239	78	47	33	43	21	10	7
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	34	3	6	11	5	3	2	4
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>1010</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>51</b>
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	24	0	0	1	11	7	4	1
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	24	4	2	2	5	5	3	3
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	40	12	10	4	7	5	0	2
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	27	6	1	0	8	2	3	7
10	Desha (McGehee)	20	3	6	2	3	3	3	0
10	Drew (Monticello)	56	15	2	10	10	6	0	13
10	Lee (Marianna)	14	4	0	2	1	3	1	3
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	13	2	5	0	0	2	2	2
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
10	Phillips (Helena)	66	1	2	8	24	16	2	13
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	53	10	2	12	7	11	2	9
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>53</b>
	<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>1,202</b>	<b>1,009</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>1,436</b>	<b>1,570</b>	<b>710</b>	<b>823</b>

## APPENDIX F: Services Provided during the Year

Area	County	FC Cases	PS Cases	PS Children	SS Cases	SS Children	Total
1	Benton (Bentonville)	316	435	1040	5	19	756
1	Carroll (Berryville)	44	63	127	0	0	107
1	Madison (Huntsville)	40	68	135	2	2	110
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	417	802	1898	3	11	1222
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>817.00</b>	<b>1,368.00</b>	<b>3,200.00</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>32.00</b>	<b>2195</b>
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	164	260	630	8	19	432
2	Franklin (Ozark)	73	100	256	5	12	178
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	95	153	349	0	0	248
2	Logan (Booneville)	58	75	192	0	0	133
2	Logan (Paris)	16	37	73	0	0	53
2	Scott (Waldron)	53	73	182	5	13	131
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	854	701	1558	9	28	1564
2	Yell (Danville)	50	81	199	2	2	133
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>1,363.00</b>	<b>1,480.00</b>	<b>3,439.00</b>	<b>29.00</b>	<b>74.00</b>	<b>2872</b>
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	35	53	110	1	5	89
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	247	368	750	29	62	644
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	54	162	388	11	19	227
3	Howard (Nashville)	13	23	47	4	8	40
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	25	32	78	2	3	59
3	Perry (Perryville)	29	40	89	7	16	76
3	Pike (Murfreesboro)	31	32	71	5	13	68
3	Polk (Mena)	40	60	120	7	15	107
3	Saline (Benton)	94	210	480	10	25	314
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>2,133</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>1,624</b>
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	33	85	186	8	15	126
4	Hempstead (Hope)	29	97	206	3	8	129
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	8	36	81	1	1	45
4	Little River (Ashdown)	36	59	110	2	5	97
4	Miller (Texarkana)	170	194	424	2	9	366
4	Nevada (Prescott)	17	44	109	0	0	61
4	Ouachita (Camden)	55	133	337	6	17	194
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	79	94	216	0	0	173
4	Union (El Dorado)	140	191	443	2	6	333
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>933</b>	<b>2,112</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>1,524</b>
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	50	147	323	9	17	206
5	Boone (Harrison)	109	199	409	4	8	312
5	Conway (Morrilton)	108	177	417	18	40	303
5	Faulkner (Conway)	178	413	933	16	44	607
5	Marion (Yellville)	41	76	161	3	6	120
5	Newton (Jasper)	11	22	47	2	3	35
5	Pope (Russellville)	120	270	584	18	35	408
5	Searcy (Marshall)	32	46	88	3	4	81
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	43	72	141	6	14	121
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>1,422</b>	<b>3,103</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>2,193</b>
6	Pulaski	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Pulaski (East)	115	118	275	4	4	237
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	139	210	496	6	14	355
6	Pulaski (North)	249	318	732	9	28	576
6	Pulaski (South)	209	204	511	10	16	423
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	161	200	539	10	15	371
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>1,050</b>	<b>2,553</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>1,962</b>

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Area	County	FC Cases	PS Cases	PS Children	SS Cases	SS Children	Total
7	Bradley (Warren)	23	32	74	0	0	55
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	2	9	25	1	1	12
7	Cleveland (Rison)	11	29	70	0	0	40
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	14	25	75	1	2	40
7	Grant (Sheridan)	30	38	87	5	8	73
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	298	323	826	27	67	648
7	Lincoln (Star City)	25	22	55	3	10	50
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	196	308	806	5	16	509
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	12	27	74	0	0	39
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>2,092</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>1,466</b>
8	Clay (Piggott & Coming)	55	80	178	12	24	147
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	257	358	800	7	10	622
8	Fulton (Salem)	60	71	152	9	19	140
8	Greene (Paragould)	180	256	642	12	28	448
8	Izard (Melbourne)	39	78	162	18	42	135
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	75	106	212	0	0	181
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	47	104	298	3	7	154
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	9	44	120	3	6	56
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	49	85	176	1	1	135
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	89	99	210	10	26	198
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>1,281</b>	<b>2,950</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>2,216</b>
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	100	120	258	4	14	224
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	108	179	462	12	27	299
9	Cross (Wynne)	83	89	226	5	19	177
9	Independence (Batesville)	224	245	588	8	14	477
9	Jackson (Newport)	85	117	277	4	11	206
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	106	201	481	4	5	311
9	Stone (Mountain View)	31	48	105	4	14	83
9	White (Searcy)	239	270	601	3	7	512
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	34	48	104	6	12	88
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>1,010</b>	<b>1,317</b>	<b>3,102</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>2,377</b>
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	24	24	57	1	2	49
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	24	37	61	0	0	61
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	40	62	137	5	14	107
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	27	30	65	10	23	67
10	Desha (McGehee)	20	35	72	18	59	73
10	Drew (Monticello)	56	77	168	17	45	150
10	Lee (Marianna)	14	20	40	3	4	37
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	13	25	69	0	0	38
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	2	7	14	0	0	9
10	Phillips (Helena)	66	88	216	3	9	157
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	53	102	269	22	68	177
	<b>Area Total</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>1,168</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>925</b>
	<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>11,151</b>	<b>25,852</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>19,354</b>

**Appendix G: True Fatality**

**True Fatality Reports**

Child	County	Age	Race	Gender	Date of Death	Allegations or Preliminary Cause of Death	Placement at the Time of Incident	Relationship of Alleged Offender to the Child	Agency Conducting the Investigation	Legal Action By the Department	Services Provided Prior to the Incident	Services Provided After the Incident
<b>Shianne Lane</b>	Benton	7	White	Female	7/11/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	SS Case
<b>Breeonna Shirley</b>	Greene	6	White	Female	7/13/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	PS Case	PS Case
<b>Jasmine Miller</b>	Greene	9	Multi-Ethnic	Female	7/18/2012	Medical Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
<b>Justice Overton</b>	Washington	<1	Multi-Ethnic	Male	8/02/2012	Suffocation	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	PS Case	None
<b>Joniah Chronister</b>	Washington	2	White	Male	8/03/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	FC Case	FC Case
<b>Landyn Tickle</b>	Jackson	1	White	Female	8/03/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
<b>Lincoln Brunner</b>	Benton	3	White	Male	8/04/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
<b>Naima Jahamee</b>	St. Francis	1	Asian	Female	8/11/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	FC Case
<b>Christopher Stewart, Jr.</b>	Faulkner	1	Black	Male	8/17/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Out-of-Home Offender	CACD	None	PS Case	FC Case

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<b>Aalyah Jerwan</b>	Washington	11	NAPI	Female	9/01/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	FC Case	PS Case
<b>Jakolby Washington</b>	Pulaski	<1	Black	Male	9/03/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	DCFS	None	PS Case	FC Case
<b>Paola Barrosa</b>	Sebastian	1	White	Female	10/16/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	PS Case
<b>Asher Vallee</b>	Sevier	<1	White	Male	11/29/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	FC Case
<b>Mallory Moore</b>	Randolph	<1	White	Female	12/07/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Out of Home Offender	CACD	None	None	None
<b>Gage Owens</b>	Bradley	<1	White	Male	3/10/2013	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
<b>Benjamin Schutz</b>	Sebastian	<1	White	Male	3/20/2013	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	PS Case
<b>Cory Jones</b>	Jefferson	<1	Multi-Ethnic	Male	5/09/2013	Suffocation Neglect Failure to Protect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	FC Case
<b>Kaitlyn Bedford</b>	Crittenden	<1	Black	Female	5/21/2013	Neglect Failure to Protect/ Thrive	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	PS Case	FC Case

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Gary Hunter, Jr.	Pulaski	<1	Black	Male	6/03/2013	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Joseph Randall-Metheny	Greene	<1	White	Male	6/20/2013	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None

**Unsubstantiated Fatality Reports**

Child	County	Age	Race	Gender	Date of Death	Allegations or Preliminary Cause of Death	Placement at the Time of Incident	Relationship of Alleged Offender to the Child	Agency Conducting the Investigation	Legal Action By the Department	Services Provided Prior to the Incident	Services Provided After the Incident
Rebecca Easley	Craighead	16	White	Female	7/15/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	PS Case	None
Gabriel Mucherson	St. Francis	<1	Black	Male	8/21/2012	Neglect/ Substance Misuse	In-home	Family Member	CACD	None	PS Case	FC Case
Xzavious Hemil	Washington	1	NAPI	Male	9/17/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Chevy Key	Lawrence	<1	White	Male	11/29/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	Investigation	PS Case
Evan Pate	Mississippi	<1	White	Male	12/16/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Icylynn Worthy	Miller	<1	Black	Female	12/16/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Henry Watkins	Cross	<1	White	Male	12/27/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Mitchell Shepherd, Jr.	Mississippi	<1	White	Male	2/11/2013	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Michael Armstrong	Washington	<1	White	Male	2/23/2013	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Unknown	CACD	None	None	None
Andrea Carreno	Madison	15	White	Female	4/28/2013	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	PS Case	None
Johnetta Carter	Saline	7	Black	Female	5/12/2013	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	SS Case
Elisha Vanhoose	Washington	<1	White	Female	5/27/2013	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Unknown	CACD	None	None	None

**Pending Fatality Reports**

Child	County	Age	Race	Gender	Date of Death	Allegations or Preliminary Cause of Death	Placement at the Time of Incident	Relationship of Alleged Offender to the Child	Agency Conducting the Investigation	Legal Action By the Department	Services Provided Prior to the Incident	Services Provided After the Incident
<b>Adielen Crutchfield</b>	Clark	6	White	Female	12/06/2012	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Unknown	CACD	None	None	None
<b>Marley Crutchfield</b>	Clark	4	White	Female	12/06/2012	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Unknown	CACD	None	None	None
<b>Jasean Williams</b>	Washington	<1	Black	Male	6/17/2013	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	SS Case

**Appendix H: Near Fatality**

**True Near Fatality Reports**

Child	County	Age	Race	Gender	Date of Near Fatality	Allegations or Preliminary Cause of Near Fatality	Placement at the Time of Incident	Relationship of Alleged Offender to the Child	Agency Conducting the Investigation	Legal Action By the Department	Services Provided Prior to the Incident	Services Provided After the Incident
Child #1	Logan	1	White	Female	9/16/2012	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	FC Case
Child #2	Craighead	1	Black	Female	12/28/2012	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Unknown	DCFS	None	Prior Investigation	PS Case
Child #3	Washington	<1	White	Male	1/11/2013	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	PS Case	FC Case
Child #4	Pulaski	1	Black	Female	5/30/2013	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	FC Case	FC Case

**Unsubstantiated Near Fatality Reports**

There were no unsubstantiated near child fatality reports during SFY 2013.

**Pending Near Fatality Reports**

There were no pending near child fatality reports during SFY 2013.

**Appendix I: Fatalities of Children in Foster Care Who Did Not Receive a Maltreatment Investigation**

Child	County	Age	Race	Gender	Date of Death	Preliminary Cause of Death	Placement at the Time of Incident	Legal Action By the Department	Services Provided Prior to the Incident	Services Provided After the Incident
Child #1	Crittenden	1	Black	Female	9/30/2012	Severe Medical Problems	FC Case	None	FC Case	None
Child #2	Izard	17	White	Female	11/06/2012	Vehicle Accident	FC Case	None	FC Case	None
Child #3	Searcy	<1	White	Male	1/16/2013	Unknown	FC Case	None	FC Case	None
Child #4	Crawford	6	White	Female	2/14/2013	Severe Medical Problems	FC Case	None	FC Case	None
Child #5	Pulaski	1	Black	Male	3/10/2013	Severe Medical Condition	FC Case	None	FC Case	None
Child #6	Saline	9	Black	Female	3/23/2013	Physical Abuse	FC Case	None	FC Case	None
Child #7	Benton	9	White	Female	5/19/2013	Cardiac Arrest	FC Case	None	FC Case	None

**Appendix J: Foster Care Maltreatment Reports**

**Foster Care Maltreatment Reports**

**Characteristics of Children in Foster Care Involved in Allegations of Maltreatment  
SFY 2013**

Five hundred and thirteen reports of alleged maltreatment, involving 531 children in foster care<sup>22</sup>, were received by the hotline during SYF 2013.

In 149 reports involving 192 children, foster parents were identified as the alleged offenders. As displayed by the following chart, only 12 of these reports were found to be true and all of those homes were subsequently closed.

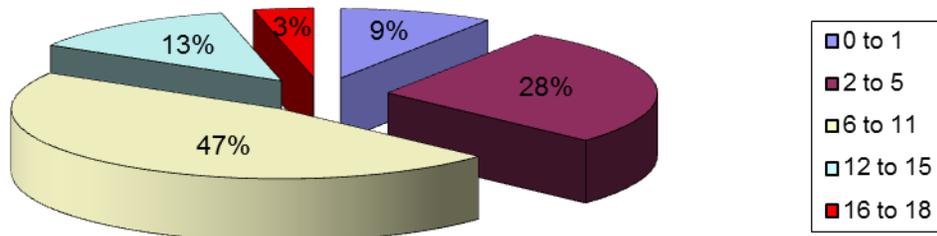
**Foster Home Maltreatment Reports  
SFY 2013**

True	Unsubstantiated	Pending
12	135	2

All allegations of maltreatment concerning foster homes are investigated by the Crimes Against Children Division (CACD) of the Arkansas State Police. DCFS staff do not actively participate in the investigation of these reports. Furthermore, all allegations of maltreatment regarding foster homes require the agency to assess the safety of all children residing in the home.

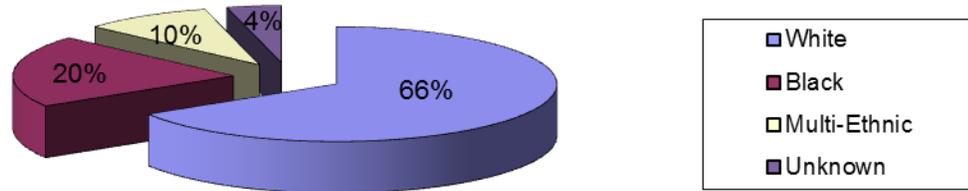
The following charts describe the 192 foster children involved in allegations of maltreatment—with foster parents as alleged offenders—by age, race, gender, allegations, and location.

**Age**

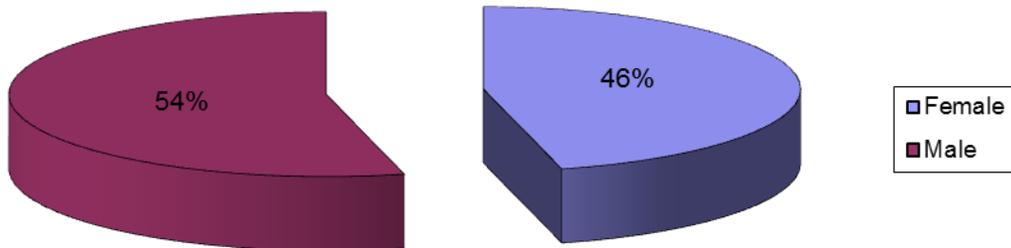


<sup>22</sup> A maltreatment report can include more than one child.

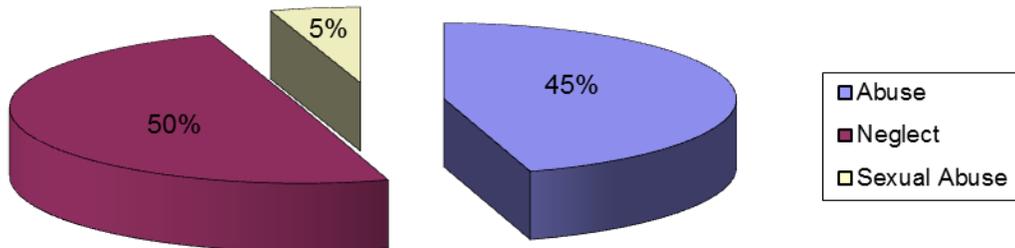
**Race**



**Gender**



**Allegation**



**Reports by Count000y**

<b>County</b>	<b>Number of Children Involved in Maltreatment Report</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Number of Children Involved in Maltreatment Report</b>
Pulaski	23	Phillips	2
Washington	11	St. Francis	2
Sebastian	9	Logan	2
Craighead	8	Mississippi	2
Benton	8	Crawford	1
Lonoke	7	Hot Spring	1
Saline	7	Clay	1
Boone	6	Ashley	1
Arkansas	5	Conway	1
Poinsett	4	Nevada	1
Faulkner	4	Van Buren	1
Garland	4	Stone	1
Crittenden	3	Sevier	1
White	3	Searcy	1
Independence	3	Pope	1
Lawrence	2	Perry	1
Yell	2	Newton	1
Greene	2	Howard	1
Little River	2	Marion	1
Jefferson	2	Lee	1
Grant	2	Johnson	1
Miller	2	Ouachita	1
Drew	2		
Cross	2		