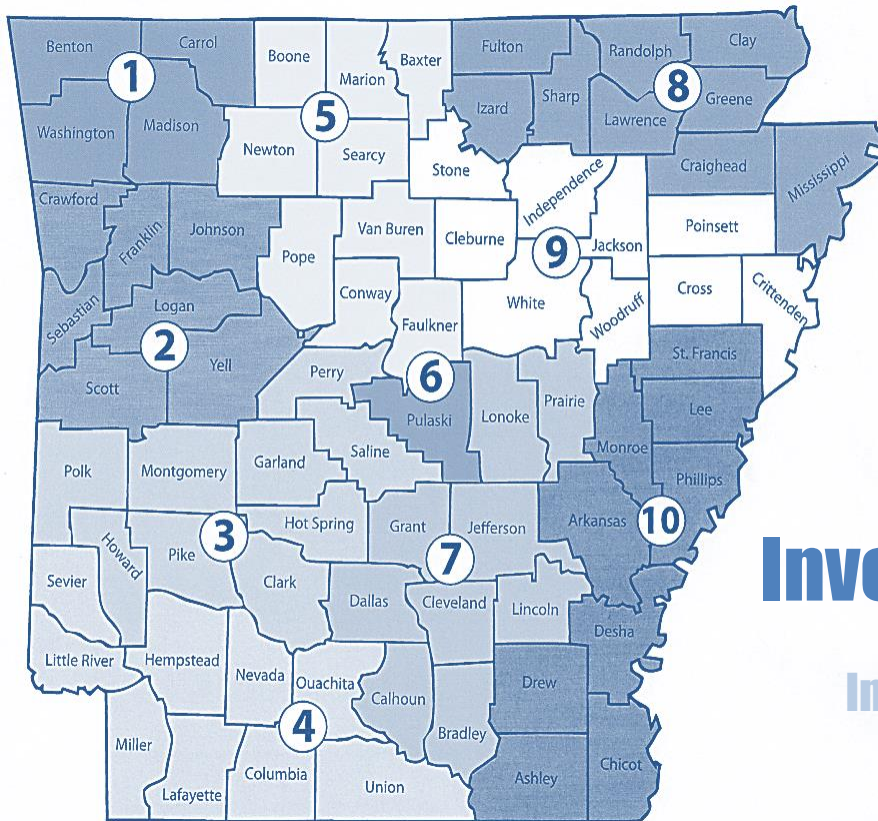


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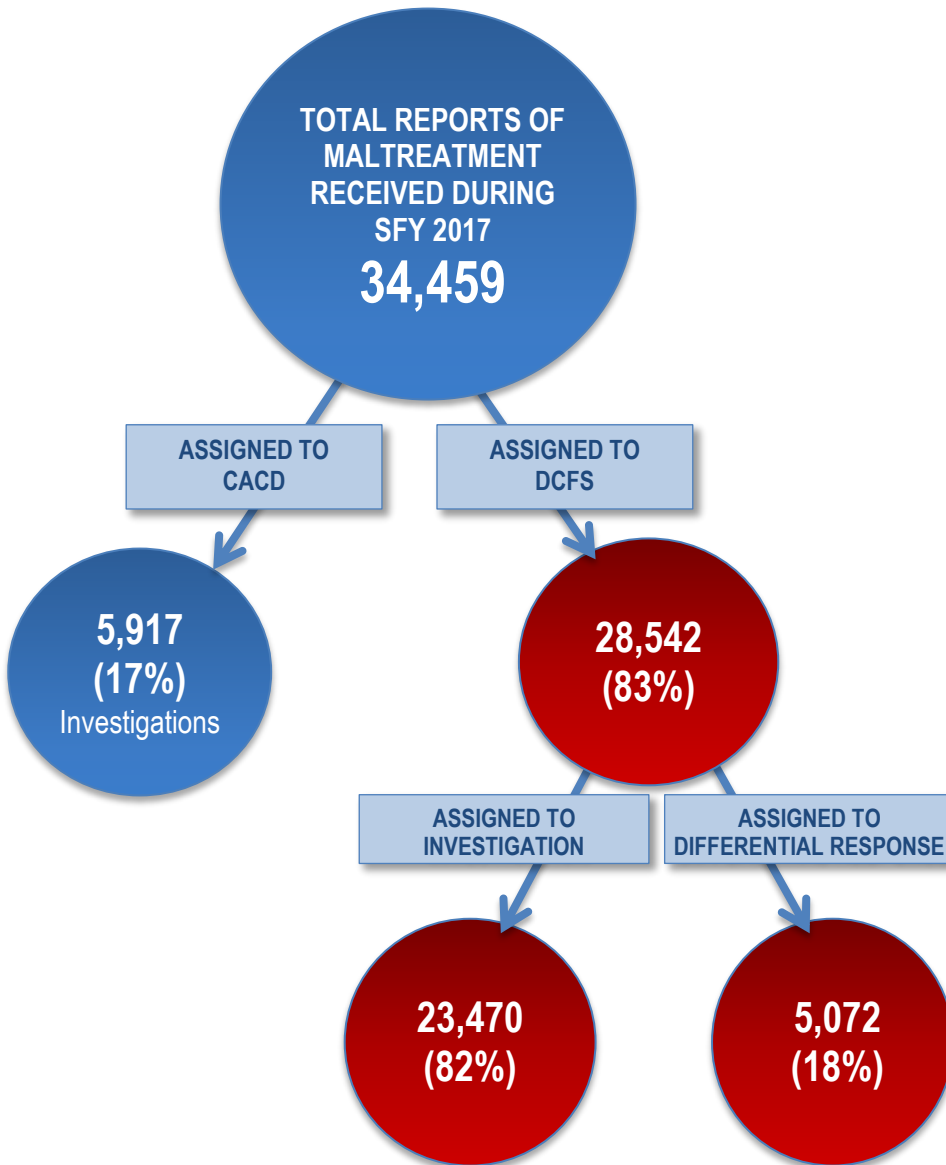
Reports of Child Maltreatment

Quick Facts

Volume and Description of Child Maltreatment Reports

Volume of Incoming Reports

Maltreatment Reports Received During SFY 2017



Of the 34,459 reports of child maltreatment accepted by the Arkansas Child Abuse Hotline during State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2017, 83 percent were assigned to DCFS and 17 percent were assigned to the Crimes Against Children Division (CACD) of the Arkansas State Police, which is responsible for investigating the most serious allegations of maltreatment.

Of the reports assigned to DCFS, 82 percent were assigned for an investigation and 18 percent were handled through Differential Response (DR).

DR, which was implemented statewide in August 2013, allows the Division to respond to specific, low-risk maltreatment reports through a family assessment and provision of services rather than a traditional investigation.

The following types of allegations can qualify for DR:

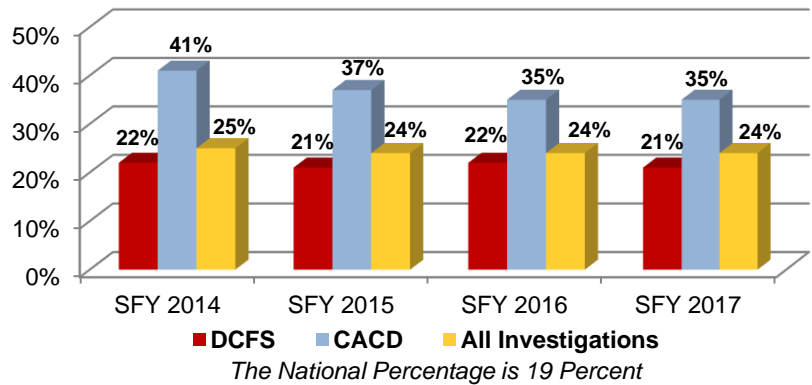
- Inadequate Supervision if children are at least five
- Environmental Neglect if children are at least three
- Medical Neglect if children are at least thirteen
- Lock Out if children are at least ten
- Inadequate Food, Inadequate Shelter, Inadequate Clothing, and Educational Neglect with no age restrictions.
- Certain allegations of abuse where the incident occurred at least one year prior to the report date.

Quick Facts

Findings of Child Maltreatment Investigations

Twenty-one percent of the investigations assigned to DCFS during SFY 2017 were found true, compared to 35 percent for CACD. The overall substantiation rate stood at 24 percent.

Percentage Of Investigations Found True



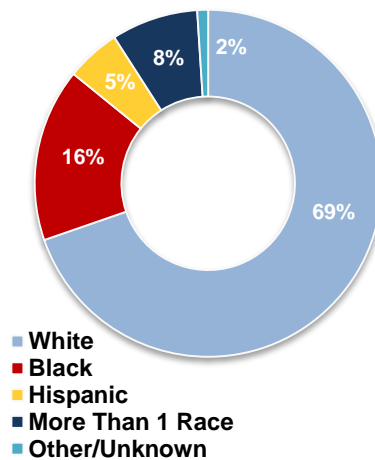
Characteristics of Children Involved in True Investigations

There were 9,364 victim children involved in the maltreatment investigations found true.

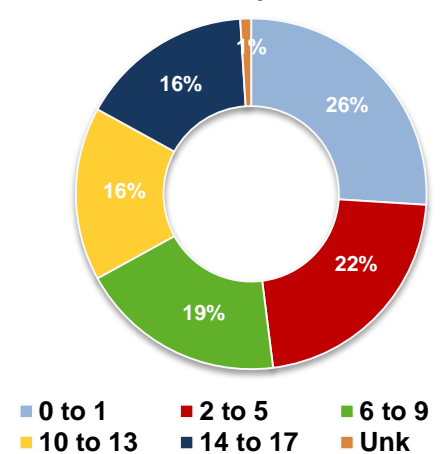
Of those children, 69 percent were white and 16 percent were black. Children five years of age or younger represented nearly half of the victim children.

A little over half of the victim children during SFY 2017 (54 percent) were female.

Race/Ethnicity of Children in True Reports



Ages of Children in True Reports



Types of Allegations in True Investigations

The majority of the 9,364 victim children in true investigations were involved in allegations of neglect, followed by allegations of abuse and sexual abuse.

Percentage of Children in True Allegations of Maltreatment

	Number of Children Cited in True Allegation	Percentage of Children Cited in True Allegation
Neglect	6,349	68%
Abuse	1,918	21%
Sexual Abuse	1,831	20%

A child may have more than one allegation.

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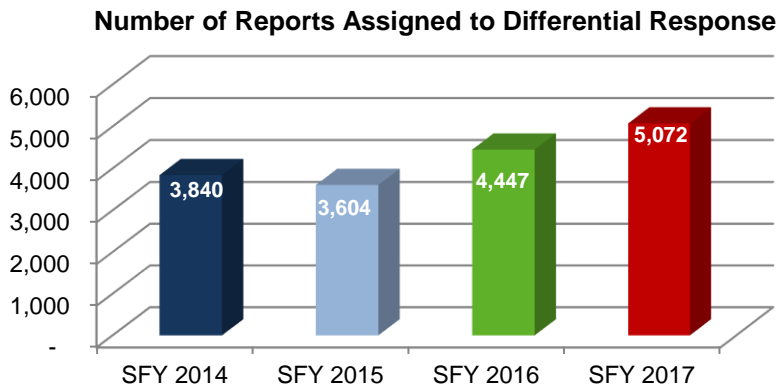
Reports Involving Fatalities or Near Fatalities

Findings of Maltreatment Reports Involving Fatalities or Near Fatalities		
Finding	Child Fatality	Near Child Fatality
True	30	0
Unsubstantiated	13	0
Pending	12	0

During SFY 2017, there were 55 maltreatment investigations involving a child fatality. Of the 55 child fatality investigations, 30 were found true, 13 were unsubstantiated, and 12 were still pending. There were no near child fatality investigations during SFY 2017.

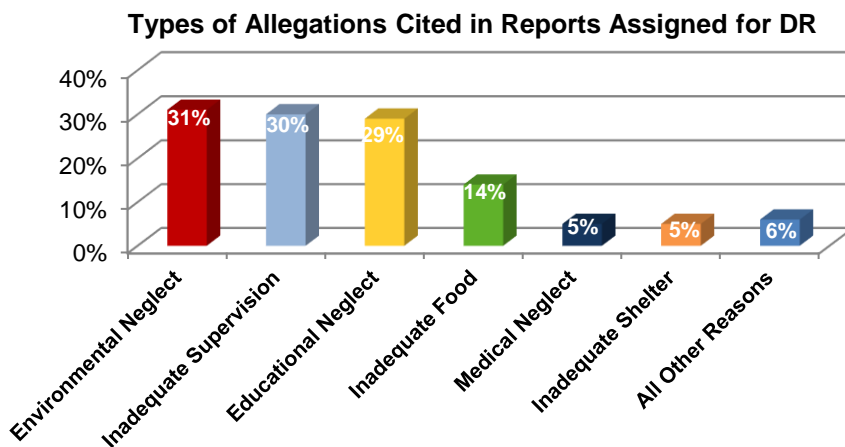
Appendices G and H include more details regarding these fatality and near fatality cases.

Reports Assigned for Differential Response (DR)



The number of reports assigned to DR during SFY 2017 (5,072) increased by 14 percent from SFY 2016.

Allegations Cited in DR Reports



Environmental Neglect and Inadequate Supervision were the most commonly cited allegations in reports assigned to DR.

Quick Facts

Meeting Agency Policies

Timeliness of Initiating Investigations

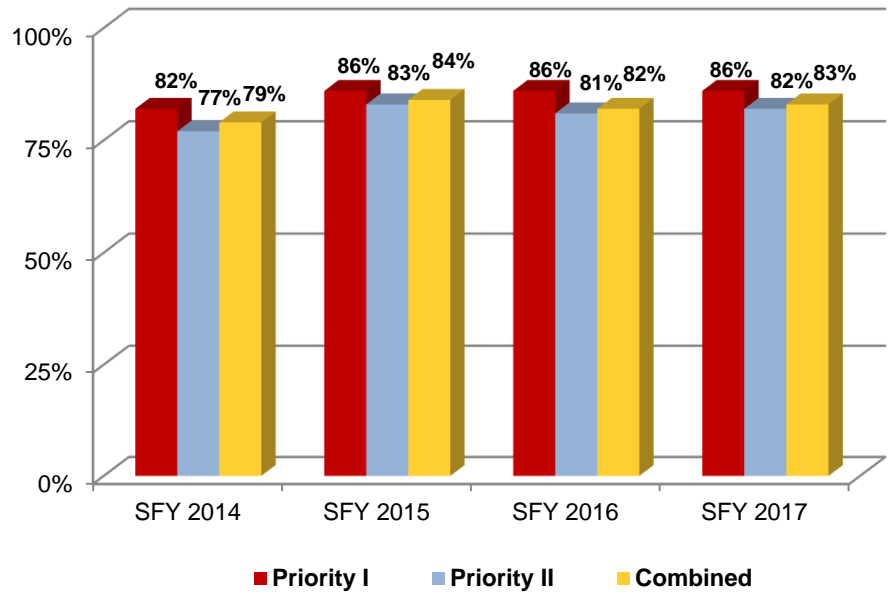
The law requires reports of maltreatment to be initiated within 24 hours of a Priority I report or within 72 hours of a Priority II report.

Priority I reports cite more severe allegations while Priority II reports cite comparatively less serious allegations.

Initiation occurs when all victim children are interviewed or observed (if too young for an interview) within the designated timeframes.

DCFS initiated 83 percent of its investigations on time during SFY 2017, performing better in its Priority I investigations than Priority II.

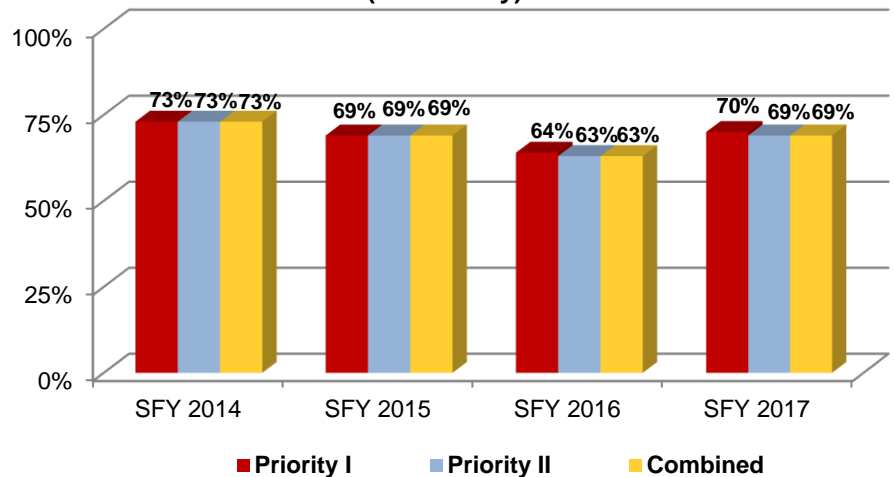
Timely Initiations of Child Maltreatment Assessments (DCFS Only)



Timeliness of Completing Investigations

DCFS completed 69 percent of its investigations on time (within 45 days of receipt of the report) during SFY 2017.

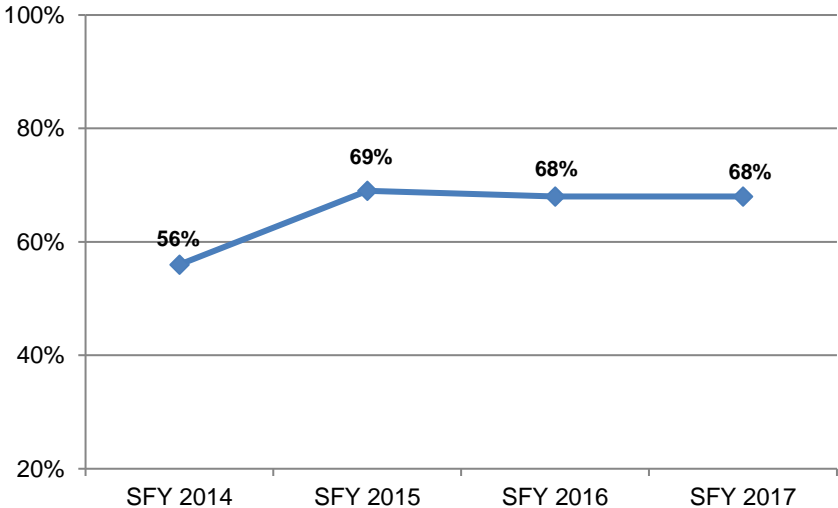
Timely Completion of DCFS Assessments (DCFS Only)



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Timeliness of Initiating Reports Assigned to DR

Timeliness of DR Initiations

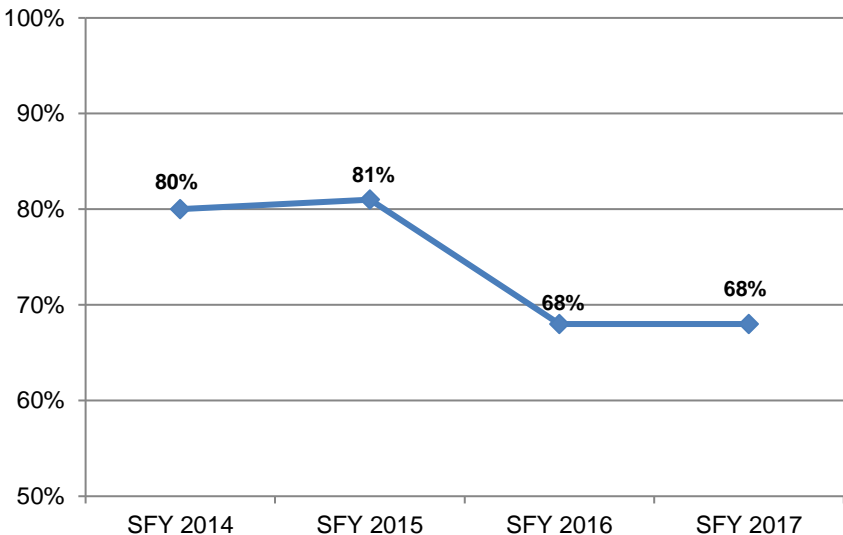


DR referrals must be initiated within 72 hours of receipt of the report.

DCFS initiated 68 percent of its DR reports on time during the year.

Timeliness of Completing Reports Assigned to DR

Timeliness of DR Closures (Within 30 Days)



Reports assigned to DR are to close within 30 days of receipt of the report. In certain instances when the families' needs necessitate longer involvement, two 15-day extensions can be granted, for a total of 60 days.

The agency closed 68 percent of its DR reports on time during SFY 2017, taking into account reports in which extensions were granted.

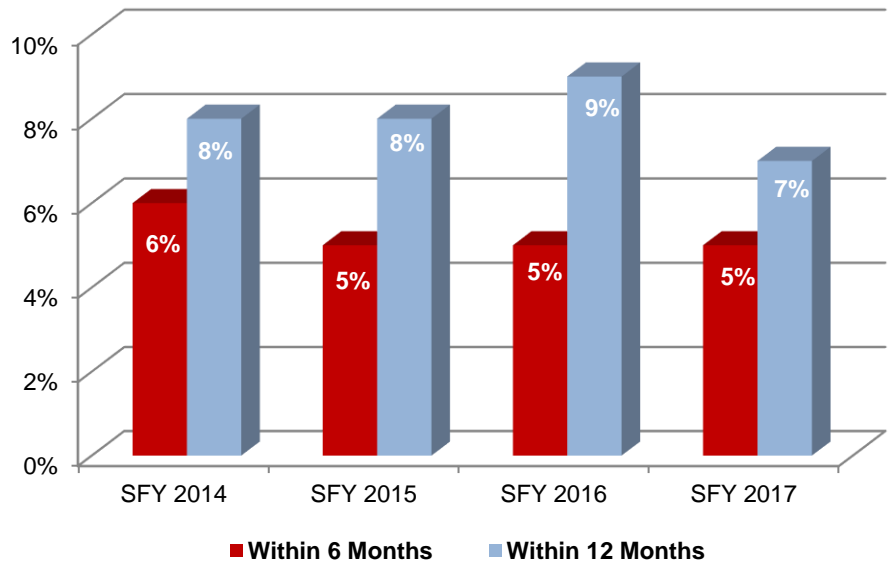
Quick Facts

Benefits to Children and Families

Preventing the Recurrence of Maltreatment

Seven percent of the victim children involved in true investigations experienced a recurrence of maltreatment within 12 months. Five percent experienced a recurrence of maltreatment within six months.

Recurrence of Maltreatment within 6 and 12 Months

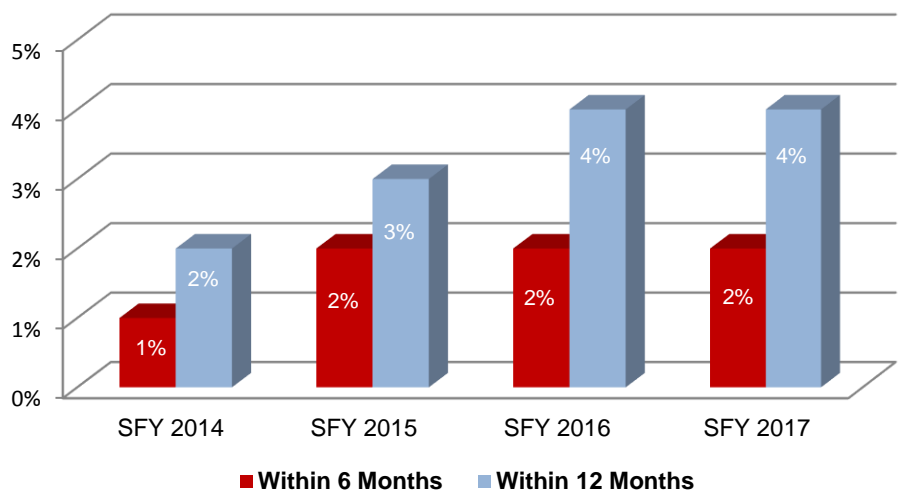


The National Standard for absence of recurrence within six months is 5.4 percent or less

Absence of Recurrence Among Families who Received DR

Only two percent of the children who began receiving DR services were involved in a true investigation of child maltreatment within six months and only four percent were involved within 12 months.

Percentage of Children Involved in True Maltreatment Reports Within 6 and 12 Months of Receiving DR



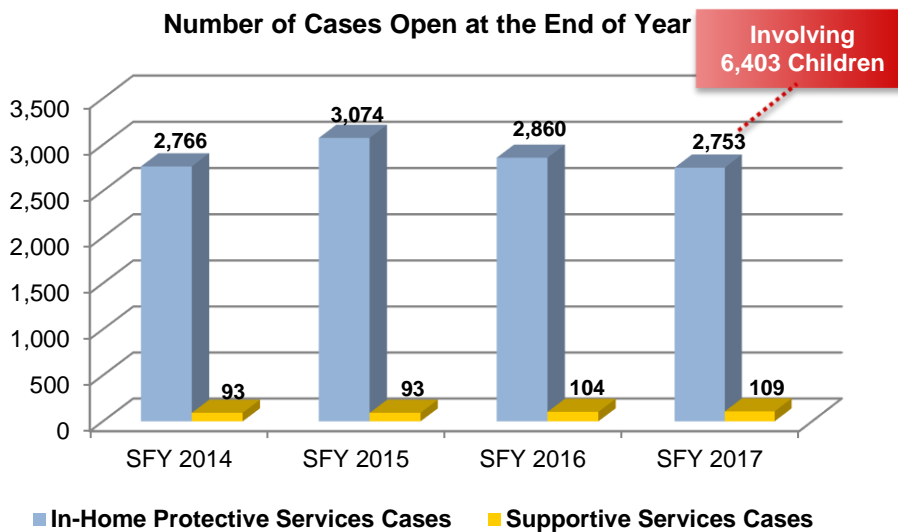
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In-Home Services

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Volume and Description of Cases

Volume of Cases

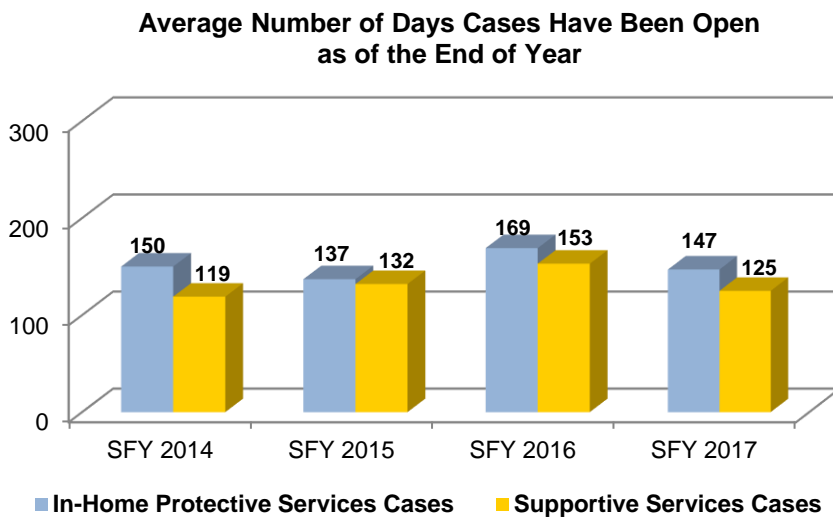


In most instances DCFS offers in-home services through a protective services case, which is opened when a true maltreatment report or court order necessitates DCFS' involvement with a family but there is not an immediate threat to any child's safety in the home.

The number of in-home protective services cases open at the end of SFY 2017 decreased by four percent compared to one year ago. At the end of the year, there were 2,753 in-home cases open across the state, involving 6,403 children.

The Division also offers some in-home supportive services to families on a voluntary basis. DCFS was responsible for 109 supportive services cases at the end of the year.

Length of Time Cases Have Been Open



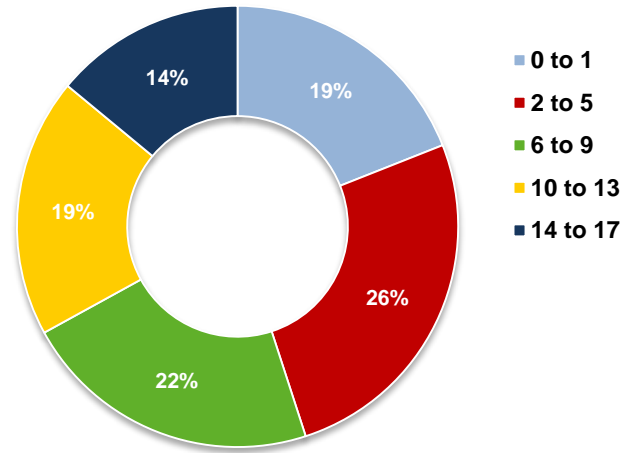
The average length of time in-home cases were open as of the end of the year was just under five months (147 days). Supportive services cases were open, on average, just over four months (125 days).

Quick Facts

Ages of Children in In-Home Cases

Children ages two to five make up the largest group of children involved in in-home cases at the end of SFY 2017, followed closely by children in the six to nine age group.

Ages of Children in In-Home Cases

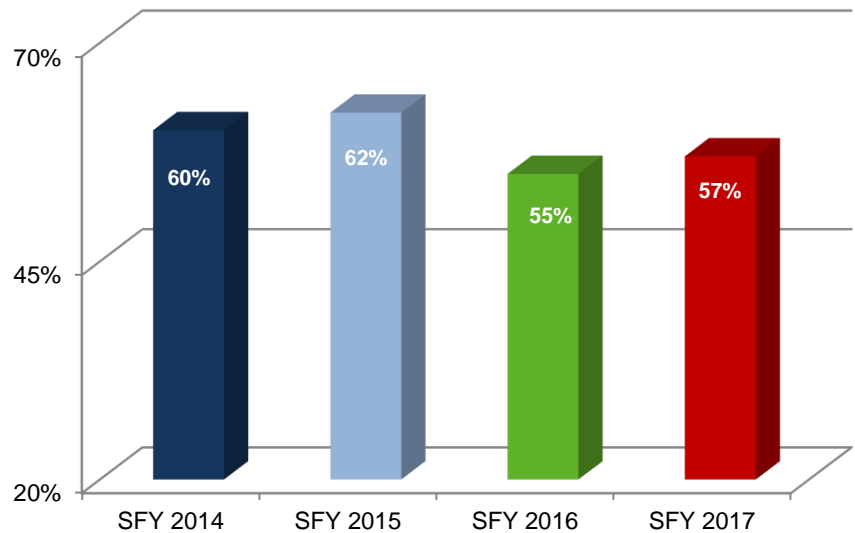


Meeting Agency Policies

Monthly Visits to In-Home Cases

On average, 57 percent of the in-home cases received a face-to-face monthly visit from a caseworker during SFY 2017.

Required Monthly Visits to In-Home Cases

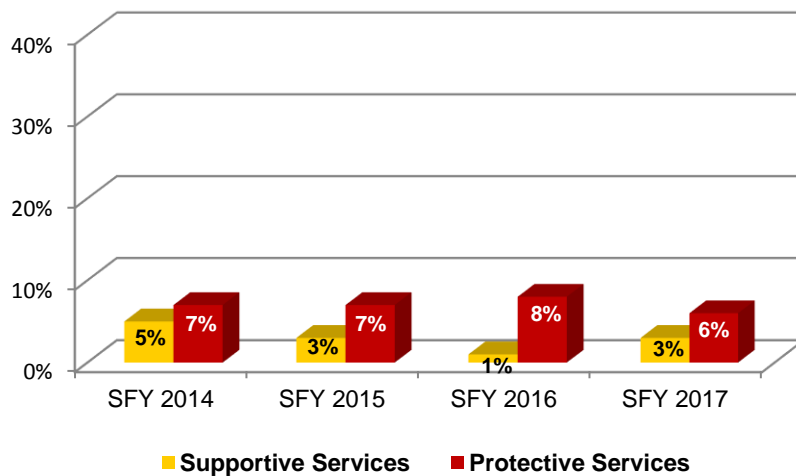


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Benefits to Children and Families

Victimization Rate Among Children Who Received Protective and Supportive Services

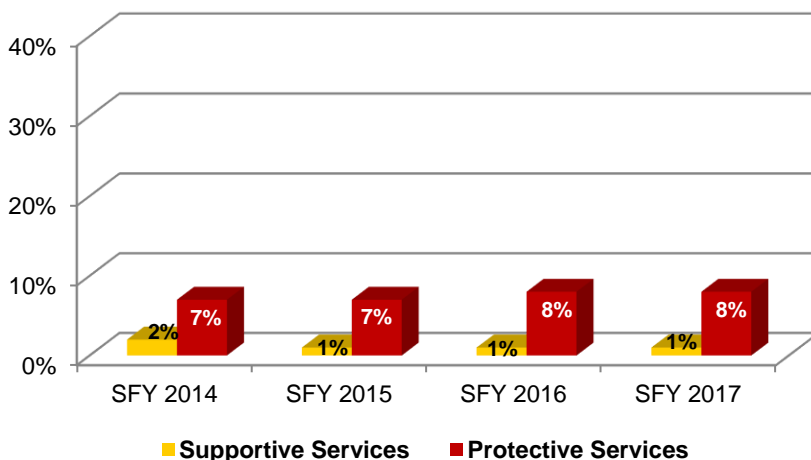
Percentage of Children Receiving Supportive and Protective Services who were Abused or Neglected within One Year of the Initiation of Service



Of the children who began receiving supportive services one year prior to SFY 2017, three percent experienced a true report of maltreatment within one year. Of the children who began receiving in-home protective services one year prior to SFY 2017, six percent were involved in a true report within one year.

Rate of Entry Into Foster Care Among Children Who Received Protective and Supportive Services

Percentage of Children Receiving Supportive or Protective Services who Entered Foster Care within One Year of the Initiation of Service



Of the children who began receiving supportive services one year prior to SFY 2017, one percent entered foster care within one year of the initiation of those services. Meanwhile, eight percent of the children who began receiving protective services during the same timeframe entered care within one year.

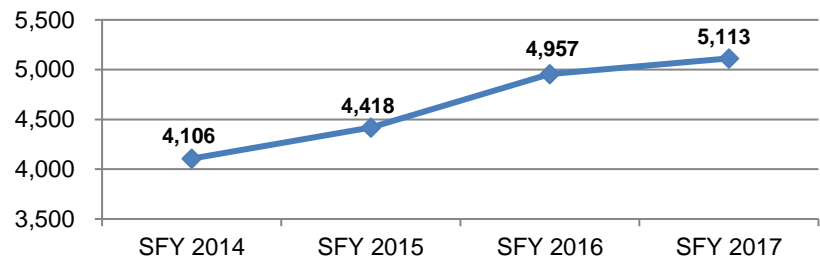
In-home services prevented the vast majority of the children from being re-victimized or entering foster care within one year of initiation.

Volume and Description of Cases

Number of Children in Foster Care

There were 5,113 children in foster care at the end of SFY 2017. This signified a three percent increase from SFY 2016 (4,957).

Number of Children in Foster Care at End of SFY 2017

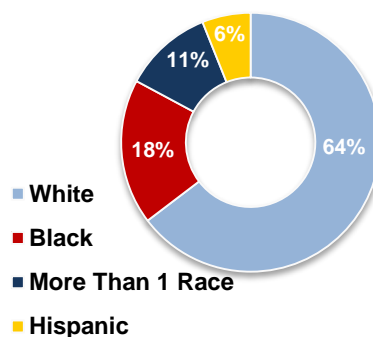


Characteristics of Children in Foster Care

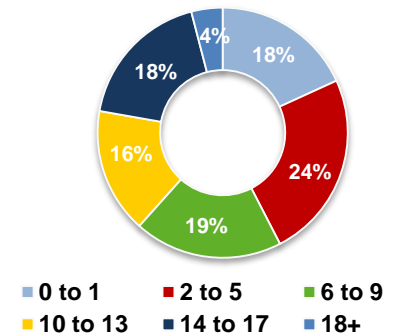
Children two to five years of age (24 percent) represent the largest group of children in foster care. Sixty-four percent were white and 18 percent were black.

Of the children in foster care at the end of SFY 2017, 52 percent were male and 48 percent were female.

Race/Ethnicity of Children in Care at the End of SFY 2017



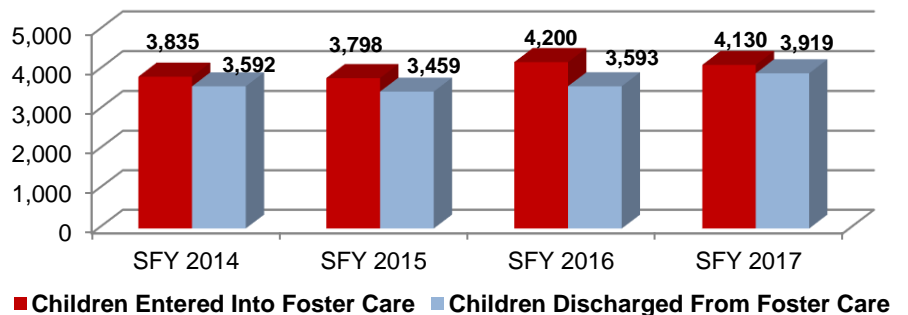
Ages of Children in Foster Care at the End of SFY 2016



Admissions Into and Discharges From Foster Care

During SFY 2017, more children entered foster care than were discharged.

Number of Admissions Into and Discharges From Foster Care During SFY 2017



Quick Facts

Reasons for Children's Entry Into Foster Care

Reasons for Children's Entry Into Foster Care SFY 2017

Placement Reason	Number of Entries	Total
Substance Abuse	2,225 ¹	54%
Neglect	2,114	51%
Parent Incarceration	925	22%
Physical Abuse	512	12%
Inadequate Housing	379	9%
Sexual Abuse	195	5%
Caretaker Illness	170	4%
Child's Behavior	129	3%
Abandonment	82	2%
Truancy	54	1%
Other	106	3%

A child may have more than one reason for entry.

Substance abuse and neglect were the most prevalent reasons for children entering foster care.

Reasons for Children's Discharge From Foster Care

Reasons for Children's Discharge From Foster Care SFY 2017

Discharge Reason	Number of Discharges	Total
Reunification	1,616	41%
Relative Custody	1,060	27%
Adoption	916	23%
Child Aged Out	222	6%
Non-Relative Custody	58	1%
Custody Transfer	23	1%
Guardianship	14	<1%
Death of Child	8	<1%
Tribal Jurisdiction	2	<1%

National data indicate that the three most prevalent reasons children leave care are reunification (52%), adoption (20%), and relative care (8%).

Sixty-eight percent of the children who left foster care during SFY 2017 were reunified either with their own family or that of a relative. Arkansas (91 percent) exceeds the national average of 80 percent of children either going home, to a relative, or to an adoptive home.

¹ These 2,225 cases of substance abuse include 1,943 instances of parental drug abuse, 210 instances of parental alcohol abuse, 57 cases of drug abuse by children, and 15 cases of alcohol abuse by children.

Quick Facts

Length of Stay in Foster Care

Of the children in foster care at the end of SFY 2017, 47 percent had been in care longer than 12 months.

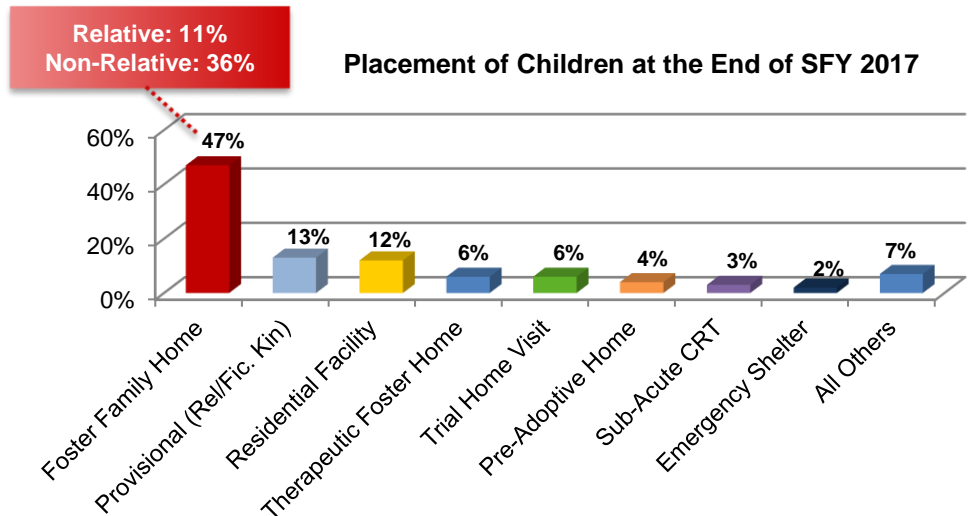
Length of Stay in Foster Care for Children in Care
SFY 2017

	Number	Percentage	National ²
Less than 30 days	295	6%	6%
30-90 Days	496	10%	22%
3-6 Months	742	15%	
6-12 Months	1,189	23%	20%
12-24 Months	1,323	26%	25%
24-36 Months	480	9%	11%
36+ Months	588	12%	15%
Total	5,113	100%	100%

Placement of Children in Care

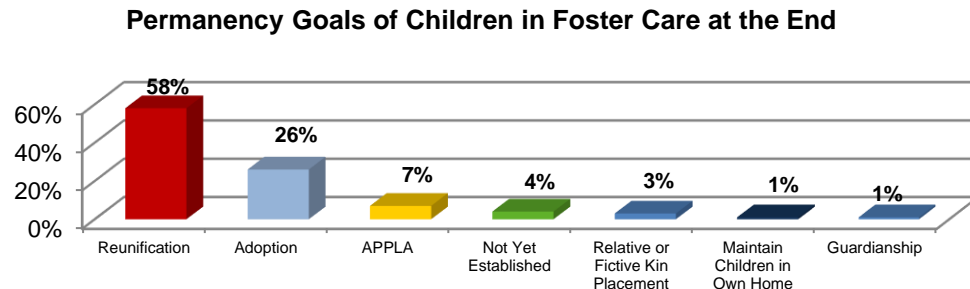
Forty-seven percent of the children in foster care at the end of SFY 2017 resided in foster family homes.

Overall, 76 percent of the children resided in a family-like setting (foster family home, therapeutic foster home, relative care, pre-adoptive home, trial home visit) at the end of SFY 2017.



Permanency Goal of Children in Care

Fifty-eight percent of the children in care at the end of SFY 2017 had a permanency goal of reunification (return home) and over a quarter had a goal of adoption.



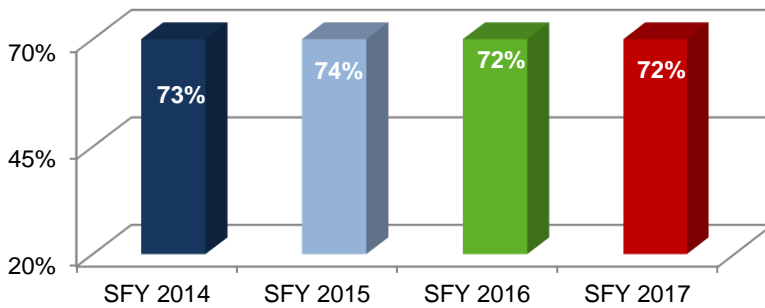
² Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) preliminary data submitted for children in foster care between 10/1/2014 and 9/30/2015 as of June 2016.

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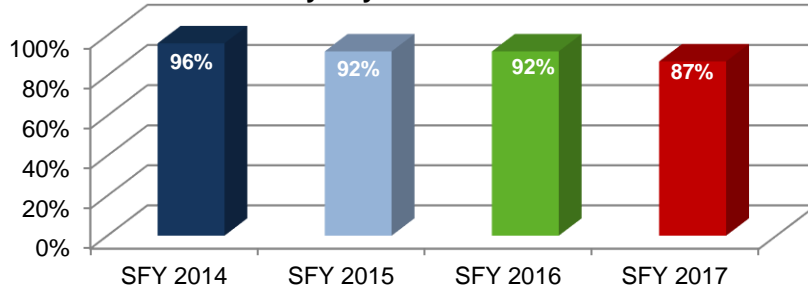
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Monthly Visits to Foster Children

Foster Children who Received Monthly Face-to-Face Visits by Caseworkers



Foster Children who Received Monthly Face-to-Face Visits by Any DCFS Staff

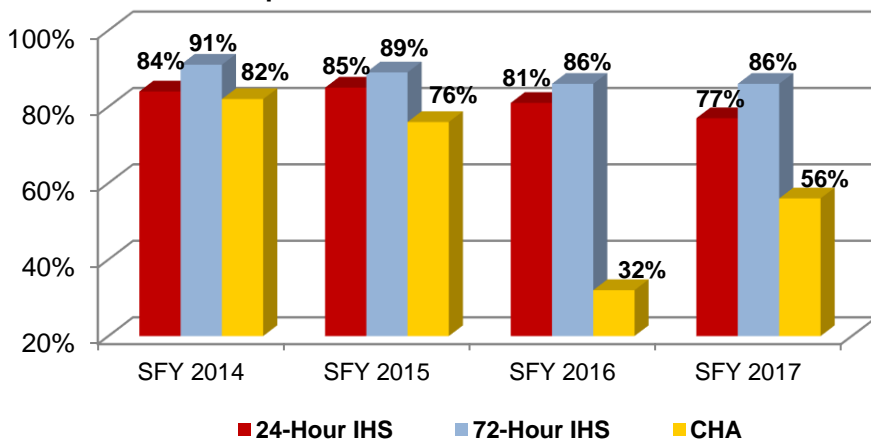


Seventy-two percent of the foster children statewide received a face-to-face monthly visit from a DCFS caseworker, on average, during SFY 2017. To ensure safety and well-being, best practice requires foster children to be visited at their placements by their caseworkers monthly.

On average, 87 percent of the foster children received a face-to-face monthly contact from *any* DCFS staff member, regardless of the staff member's position, location of the visit, or the purpose.

Initial Health Screenings and Comprehensive Health Assessments

24-hour and 72-Hour Initial Health Screening and Comprehensive Health Assessments



When a child enters foster care due to an allegation of severe maltreatment, DCFS must conduct an Initial Health Screening (IHS) within 24 hours. All other incoming foster children require health screenings within 72 hours. These children must also receive a Comprehensive Health Assessment (CHA) within 60 days of entering foster care.

DCFS completed 77 percent of its required 24-hour IHSs, 86 percent of its 72-hour IHSs, and 56 percent of its CHAs on time.

Quick Facts

Percentage of Siblings in Placement Who Are Placed Together

At the end of SFY 2017, 78 percent of the children with siblings in foster care were placed with at least one of their siblings. Of those, 60 percent were placed with all of their siblings.

These figures do not exclude children who were placed separately for valid reasons such as safety issues or court orders.

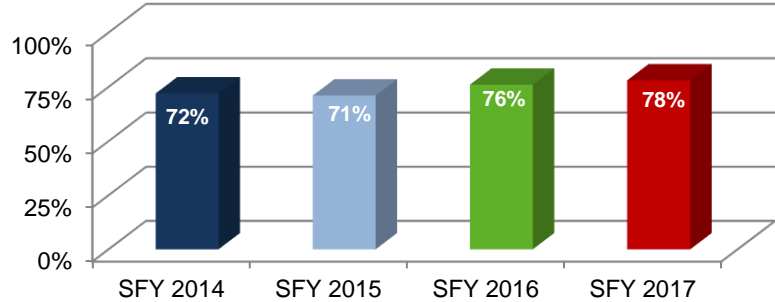
Placement Stability of Children in Foster Care

Placement stability is measured by the percentage of children with two or fewer placements who are in care for varying lengths of time.

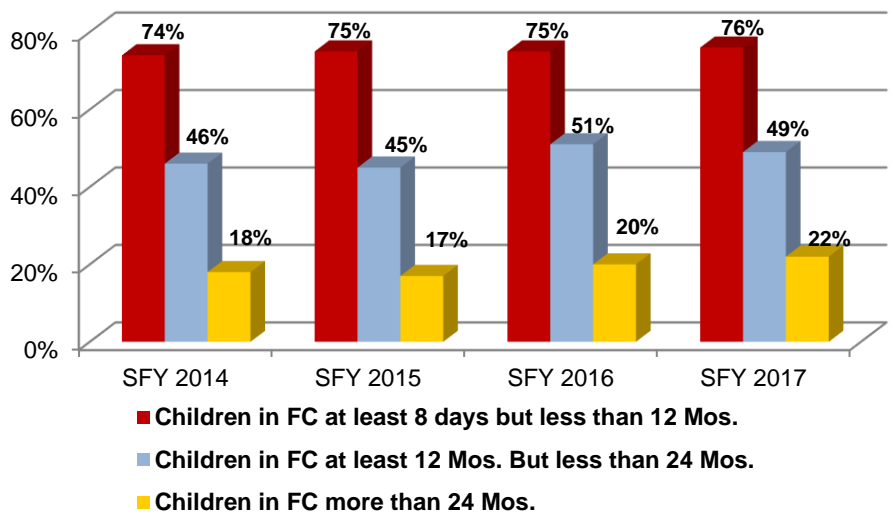
Of children in care for less than 12 months, 76 percent experienced two or fewer placements; the national standard is 86 percent. Of the children in foster care between 12 and 24 months, 49 percent had two or fewer placements; the national standard for this group is 65.4 percent. Finally, of the children in care for over two years, only 22 percent experienced two or fewer placements, with the national standard being 41.8 percent.

Regardless of the length of time in foster care, 2,170 of the children in care at the end of the quarter had experienced three or more placements during their time in foster care. Children six to 11 represent the largest group of children who experienced such placement changes.

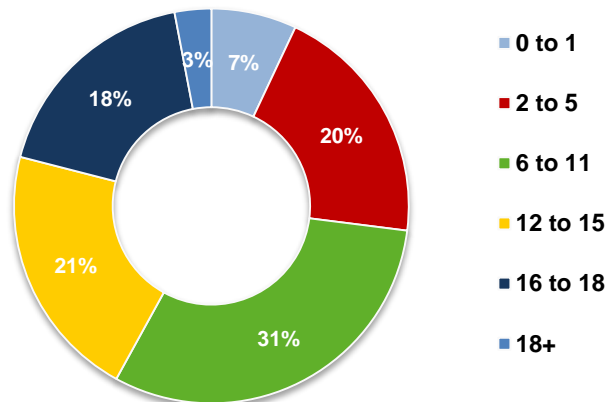
Siblings in Care who are placed Together



Children in Foster Care who have Experienced Two or Fewer Placements



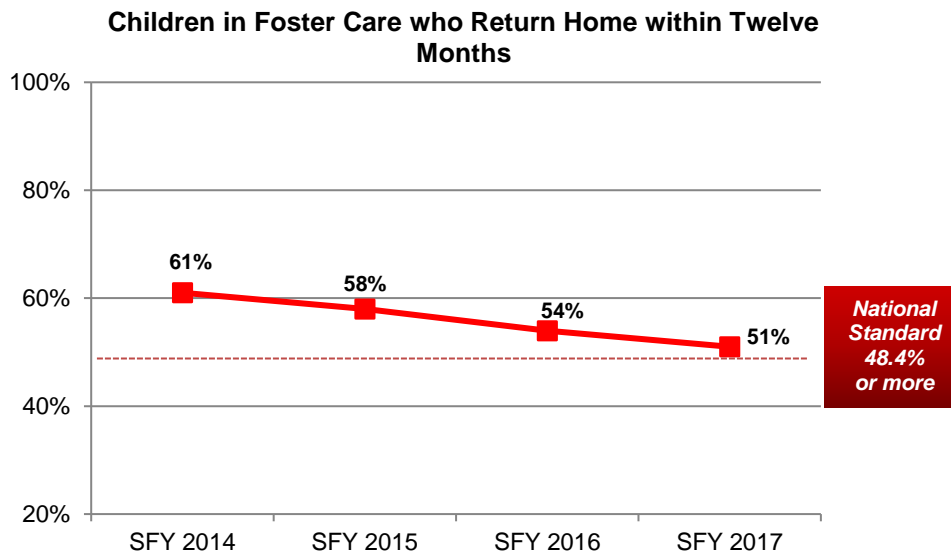
Ages of Children who Experienced Three or More Placements



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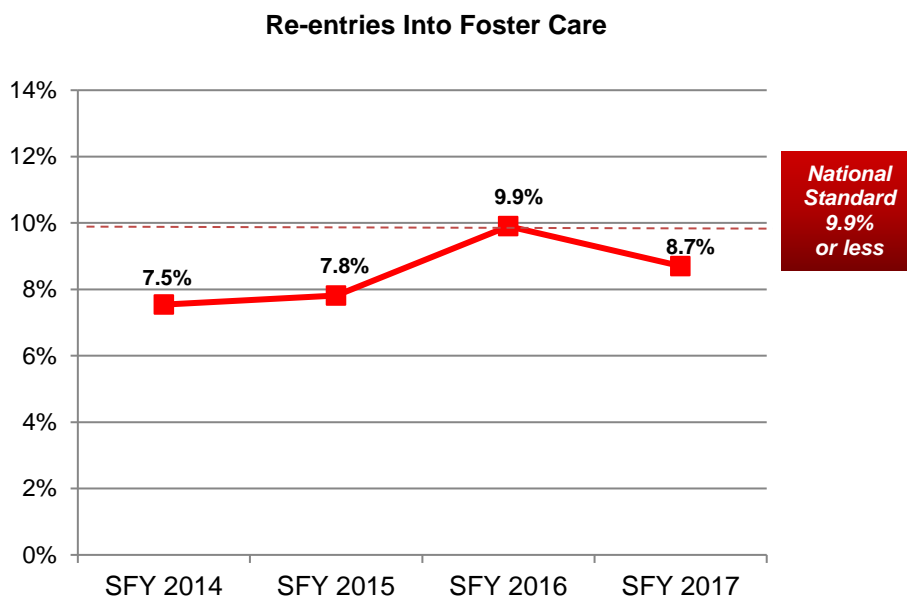
Benefits to Children and Families

Children in Foster Care Who Return Home Within Twelve Months



Fifty-one percent of the children who entered foster care during the year prior to SFY 2017 returned to their families within 12 months, exceeding the national standard of 48.4 percent.

Preventing Children's Re-entry Into Foster Care



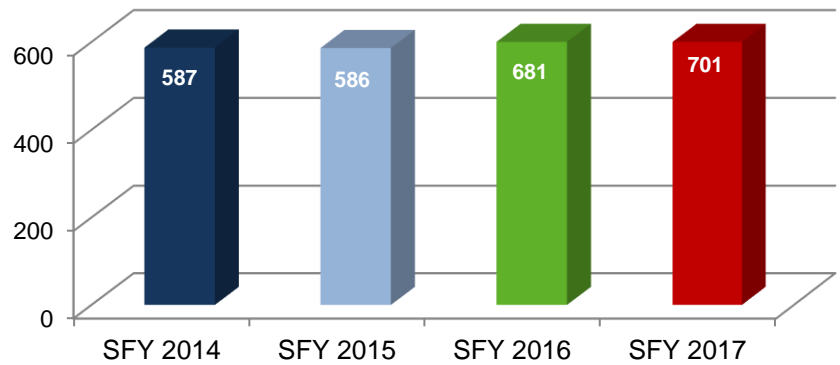
Less than nine percent of the children who were discharged to their families re-entered foster care within 12 months. The Division meets the national standard of 9.9 percent or less.

Volume and Description of Cases

Children Available for Adoption ³

At the end of SFY 2017, 701 children were available for adoption.

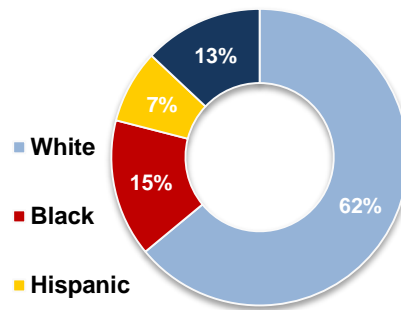
Number of Children Available for Adoption at the End of SFY 2017



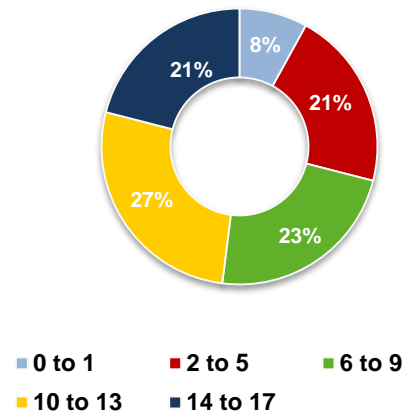
Characteristics of Children Available for Adoption

Of the available children, 62 percent were white and 15 percent were black. The largest group ranged in age from ten to 13 years old.

Race/Ethnicity of Children Available for Adoption



Ages of Children Available for Adoption



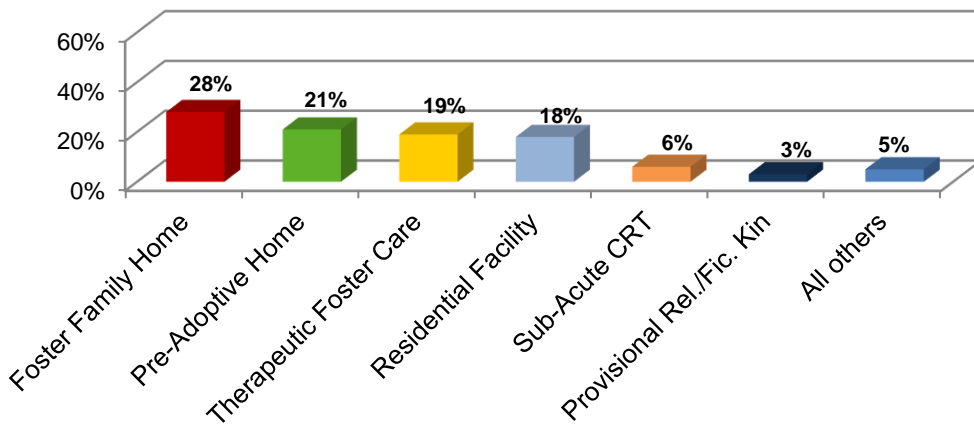
³ Children available for adoption are defined as those who have a termination of parental rights on both parents and a goal of adoption.

Quick Facts

Placement of Children Available for Adoption

The majority of the children available for adoption at the end of SFY 2017 resided in either a foster family home or a pre-adoptive home. Another three percent resided in provisional relative or provisional fictive kin settings.

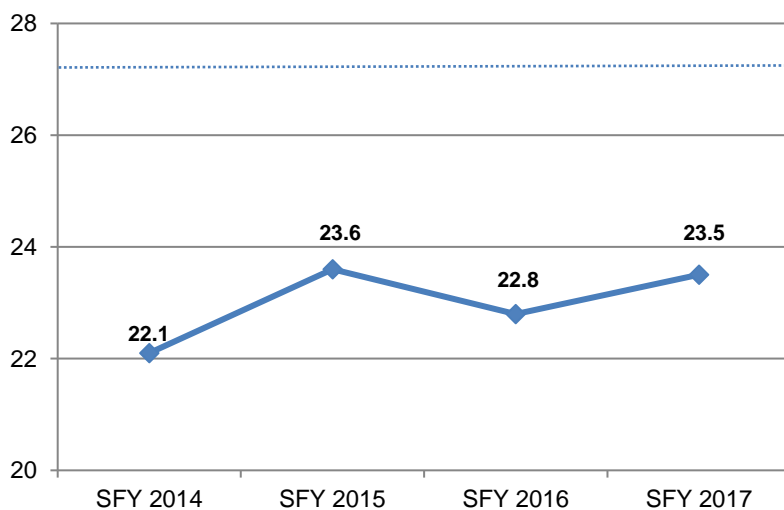
Placement of Children Available for Adoption at the End of SFY 2017



Meeting Agency Policies

Length of Time to Adoption

Length of Time From Entry into Foster Care to Finalization of Adoption (Months)



National standard of 27.3 months or less

The median length of time from entry into foster care until finalization of adoption for children whose adoptions were finalized during SFY 2017 was 23.5 months, just under four months sooner than the national standard of 27.3 months.

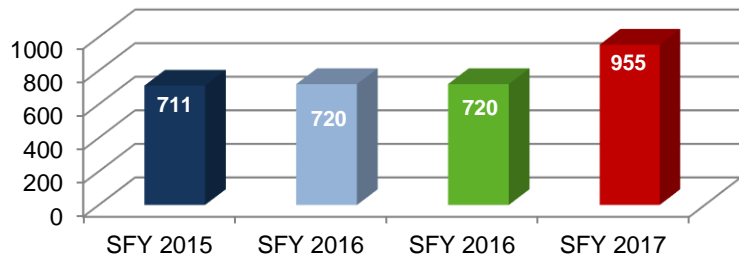
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Finalized Adoptions

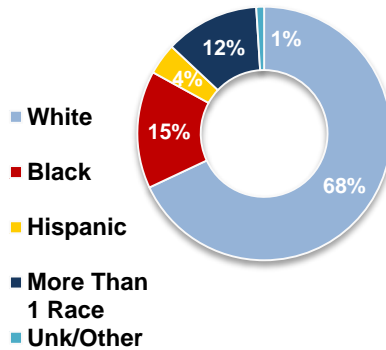
Nine hundred and fifty-five adoptions were finalized during SFY 2017.

Number of Adoptions Finalized During SFY 2017

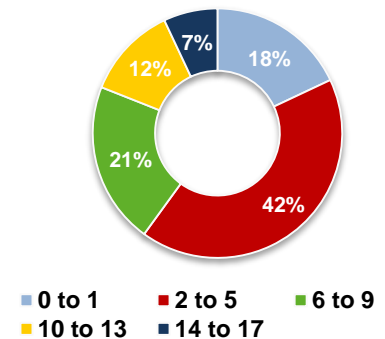


Children ages 2 to 5 were the largest group of children who were adopted during SFY 2016.

Race/Ethnicity of Children with Finalized Adoptions



Ages of Children with Finalized Adoption



Subsidized Adoptions

Subsidies are given to children with special needs, defined as:

- Caucasian and over nine
- African-American and at least two
- At least two members of a sibling group
- Children who have severe medical or psychological needs that require ongoing treatment
- Children at high risk for the development of serious physical, mental, or emotional conditions documented by a medical professional.

During SFY 2017, 880 children began receiving adoption subsidies. Of those, 852 were federally-funded subsidies and 28 were state-funded.

During SFY 2017, a total of 6,308 children received adoption subsidies.

Caseworkers and Caseloads

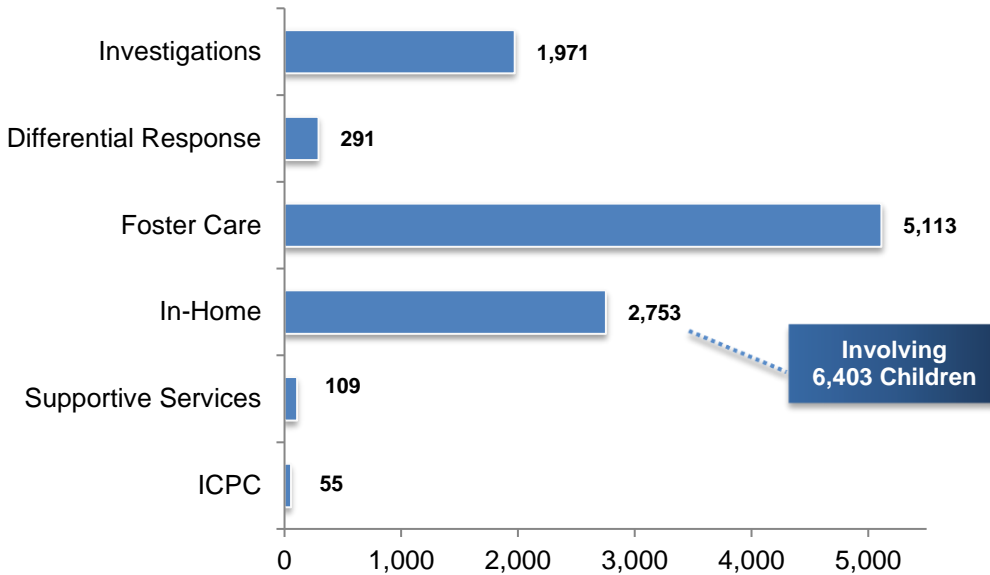
Caseloads at the End of SFY 2017

As of the end of SFY 2017, the Division was responsible for:

- 1,971 investigations of child maltreatment and 291 DR cases,
- 5,113 foster care cases (4,708 excluding adoption cases),
- 2,753 in-home cases, involving 6,403 children,
- 109 supportive services cases and 55 ICPC cases.

This is while the Division was staffed with 436 family service workers, who were responsible for handling these cases.

Types of Cases at the End of SFY 2017



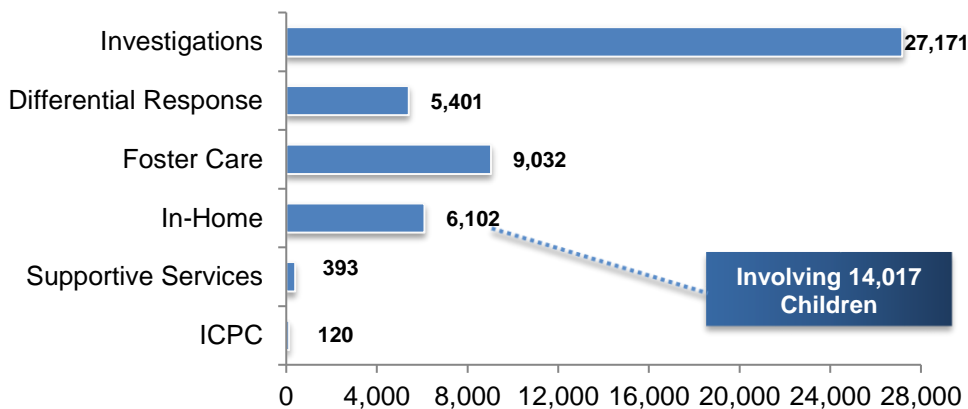
One foster care case is equal to one child in care; one in-home or supportive services case constitutes an entire family, many of which have multiple children.

Caseloads Handled During the Year

This graph shows the number of cases that cycled through the system during SFY 2017, i.e., the number of families or children served during the year (as opposed to those active at the end of the year, described above).

The Division oversaw 27,171 investigations; 9,032 children in foster care; 6,102 in-home protective services cases; 5,401 DR cases; 393 supportive services cases; and 120 interstate compact for the placement of children (ICPC) cases.

Types of Cases Served During SFY 2016

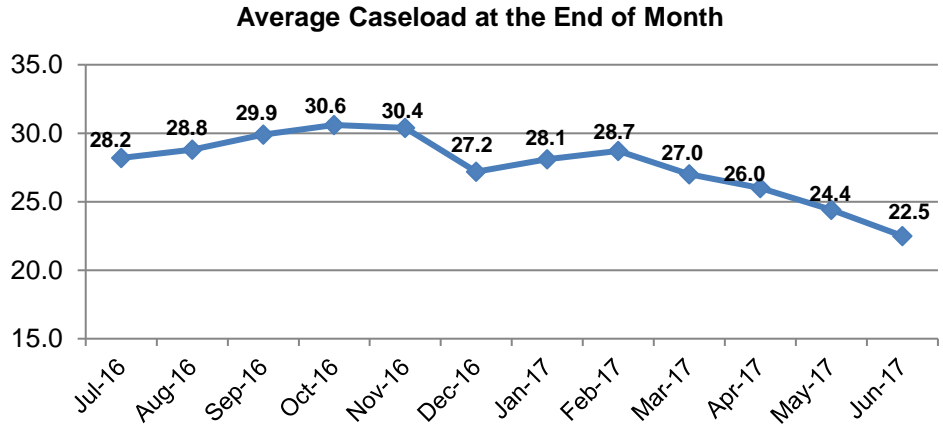


Quick Facts

Average Caseload

The average caseload statewide stood at 22.5 cases per worker at the end of the year. While the average caseload has seen a steady decline in recent months, it still exceeds the standard of about 15 cases per worker set by the Child Welfare League of America.

The average caseload for each county as of June 30, 2017 is presented in Appendix J.



Foster Homes

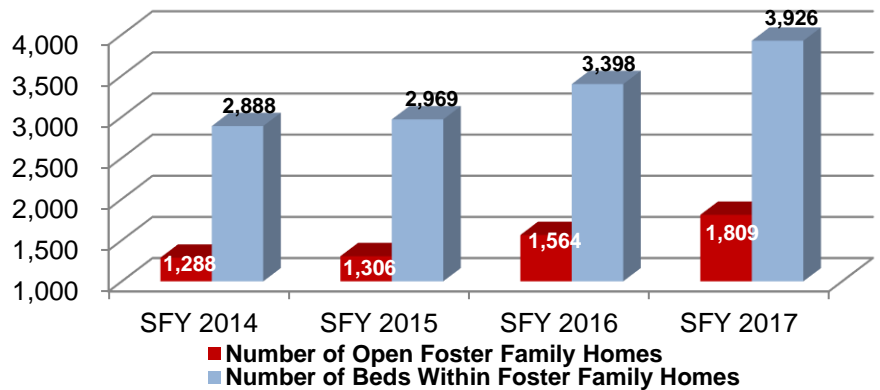
Foster Homes and Beds

There were 1,809 licensed foster family homes open at the end of SFY 2017 statewide, higher than the previous year.

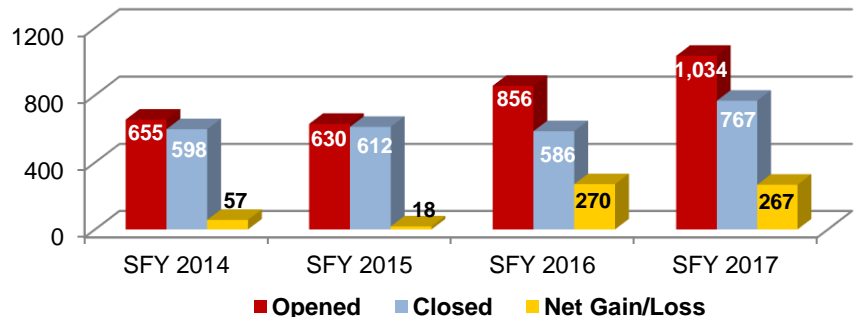
During SFY 2017, 1,034 new foster homes were opened and 767 were closed for a net gain of 267 homes.

Appendix K displays the closure reasons for the 767 foster homes that closed during SFY 2017.

Number of Foster Homes and Beds at the End of SFY 2017



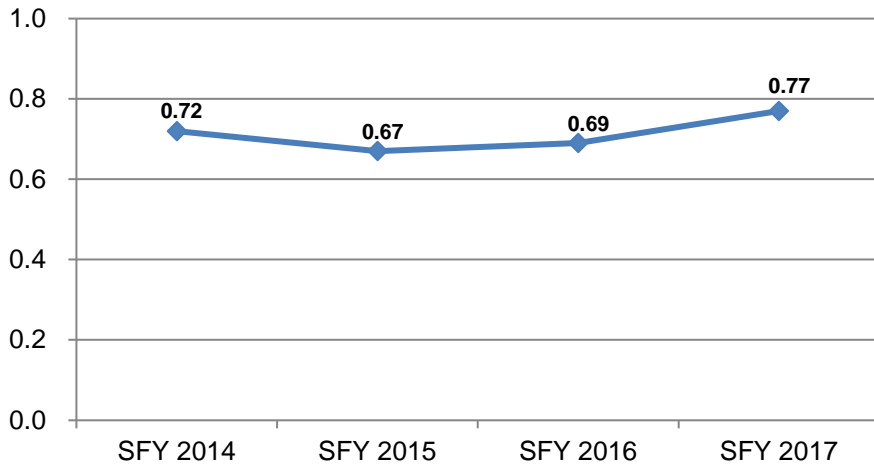
Number of Foster Family Homes Opened and Closed During SFY 2017



Quick Facts

Ratio of Foster Home Beds to Foster Children

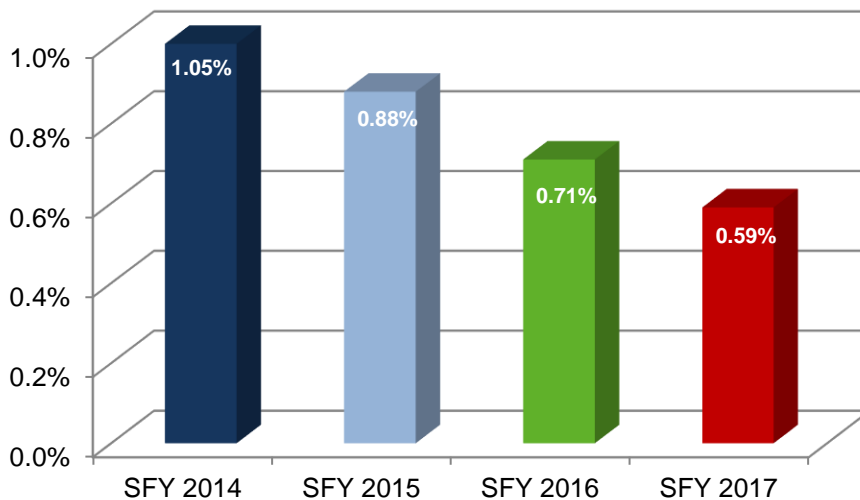
Foster Bed to Foster Child Ratio



Despite improvements, the ratio of licensed foster home beds to children in foster care was less than one (0.77) at the end of the year, giving workers limited choices of where to place children.

Percentage of Foster Families with True Reports of Maltreatment

Percentage of Foster Families with True Reports of Maltreatment



Fifteen reports in which foster parents were identified as alleged offenders were determined to be true during the year. Based on the 2,538 foster homes active during that period, the percentage of foster families with a true report of maltreatment was 0.59 percent.

Appendix L provides more detail on maltreatment reports concerning foster homes.

Appendix A: Child Maltreatment Investigations by Area and County

Area	County/Office	Total	True	Unsub	Exempt Prenatal	Exempt Religious	Exempt UJO	Exempted Age 13-15	UTL	Unknown
1	Benton (Bentonville)	2384	349	1806	50	0	23	0	129	27
1	Carroll (Berryville)	289	57	206	7	0	4	0	12	3
1	Madison (Huntsville)	215	45	143	8	0	2	0	12	5
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	2424	444	1806	63	0	16	0	65	30
	Area 1 Total	5312	895	3961	128	0	45	0	218	65
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	748	152	505	34	0	5	0	46	6
2	Franklin (Ozark)	212	43	151	4	0	2	0	10	2
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	315	85	207	6	0	3	0	9	5
2	Logan (Booneville)	139	43	79	4	0	0	0	9	4
2	Logan (Paris)	109	35	65	3	0	1	0	1	4
2	Scott (Waldron)	113	28	69	4	0	4	0	6	2
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	1485	330	1022	74	0	12	0	36	11
2	Yell (Danville)	213	48	141	10	0	3	0	5	6
	Area 2 Total	3334	764	2239	139	0	30	0	122	40
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	195	25	154	11	0	1	0	3	1
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	1149	163	843	104	0	9	0	27	3
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	350	62	250	21	0	2	0	11	4
3	Howard (Nashville)	121	15	93	6	0	3	0	2	2
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	73	12	56	2	0	1	0	1	1
3	Perry (Perryville)	97	18	72	4	0	2	0	1	0
3	Pike (Murfreesboro)	103	24	74	3	0	0	0	2	0
3	Polk (Mena)	203	54	128	12	0	0	0	2	7
3	Saline (Benton)	940	167	730	23	0	7	0	11	2
	Area 3 Total	3231	540	2400	186	0	25	0	60	20
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	160	35	110	6	0	2	0	3	4
4	Hempstead (Hope)	177	39	124	6	0	2	0	4	2
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	52	11	38	0	0	0	0	3	0
4	Little River (Ashdown)	110	23	71	5	0	0	0	7	4
4	Miller (Texarkana)	435	78	307	14	0	7	0	24	5
4	Nevada (Prescott)	86	18	60	4	0	1	0	1	2
4	Ouachita (Camden)	198	45	138	10	0	1	0	4	0
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	98	30	58	6	0	0	0	2	2
4	Union (El Dorado)	304	69	214	11	0	1	0	9	0
	Area 4 Total	1620	348	1120	62	0	14	0	57	19
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	377	67	274	23	0	0	0	12	1
5	Boone (Harrison)	513	109	361	9	0	6	0	28	0
5	Conway (Morrilton)	230	64	146	9	0	7	0	3	1
5	Faulkner (Conway)	958	186	668	22	0	12	0	69	1
5	Marion (Yellville)	180	32	124	11	0	1	0	11	1
5	Newton (Jasper)	82	16	55	1	0	0	0	8	2
5	Pope (Russellville)	550	116	388	17	0	13	0	12	4
5	Searcy (Marshall)	85	16	51	4	0	1	0	13	0
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	169	31	119	7	0	0	0	10	2
	Area 5 Total	3144	637	2186	103	0	40	0	166	12
6	Pulaski (East)	619	72	468	36	0	7	0	35	1
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	630	75	489	24	0	5	0	37	0
6	Pulaski (North)	892	122	643	53	2	6	0	64	2
6	Pulaski (South)	568	65	439	30	0	5	0	28	1
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	606	80	443	34	1	8	0	39	1
	Area 6 Total	3315	414	2482	177	3	31	0	203	5
7	Bradley (Warren)	83	25	54	2	0	1	0	1	0
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	25	11	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Cleveland (Rison)	42	15	24	0	0	1	0	2	0
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	85	17	66	1	0	0	0	0	1
7	Grant (Sheridan)	157	33	110	3	0	2	0	8	1
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	497	99	351	20	1	6	0	18	2
7	Lincoln (Star City)	89	12	75	1	0	0	0	1	0
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	804	136	632	11	0	7	0	16	2
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	62	9	48	0	0	3	0	2	0
	Area 7 Total	1844	357	1374	38	1	20	0	48	6

Area	County/Office	Total	True	Unsub	Exempt Prenatal	Exempt Religious	Exempt UJO	Exempted Age 13-15	UTL	Unknown
8	Clay (Piggott & Corning)	196	29	158	3	0	2	0	2	2
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	1056	198	761	37	1	7	0	47	5
8	Fulton (Salem)	136	53	74	2	0	1	0	6	0
8	Greene (Paragould)	786	173	567	18	0	8	0	9	11
8	Izard (Melbourne)	142	41	100	1	0	0	0	0	0
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	198	34	157	5	0	0	0	2	0
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	406	59	303	21	0	3	0	16	4
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	163	26	116	16	0	1	0	3	1
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	217	43	158	7	0	6	0	3	0
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	212	64	134	3	0	4	0	7	0
	Area 8 Total	3512	720	2528	113	1	32	0	95	23
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	228	68	151	3	0	4	0	1	1
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	471	87	355	17	0	7	0	4	1
9	Cross (Wynne)	162	31	113	7	0	4	0	4	3
9	Independence (Batesville)	396	72	298	13	0	6	0	7	0
9	Jackson (Newport)	172	40	120	11	0	1	0	0	0
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	392	82	280	12	0	2	0	7	9
9	Stone (Mountain View)	109	24	78	1	0	2	0	4	0
9	White (Searcy)	850	180	615	15	0	10	0	29	1
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	80	27	48	3	0	1	0	1	0
	Area 9 Total	2860	611	2058	82	0	37	0	57	15
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	60	7	52	0	0	0	0	1	0
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	94	15	77	1	0	1	0	0	0
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	170	32	123	11	0	3	0	1	0
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	105	22	80	3	0	0	0	0	0
10	Desha (McGehee)	96	20	72	2	0	2	0	0	0
10	Drew (Monticello)	155	30	119	6	0	0	0	0	0
10	Lee (Marianna)	63	8	48	7	0	0	0	0	0
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	35	9	21	4	0	0	0	1	0
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	24	9	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Phillips (Helena)	210	43	136	22	0	0	0	8	1
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	200	56	120	19	0	0	0	2	3
	Area 10 Total	1212	251	863	75	0	6	0	13	4
99	Unknown County	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Statewide	29387	5538	21213	1103	5	280	0	1039	209

Appendix B: Children in Foster Care by Race/Ethnicity

Area	County	Total	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Unknown
1	Benton (Bentonville)	335	262	7	0	1	0	40	24	1
1	Carroll (Berryville)	108	90	1	0	0	0	17	0	0
1	Madison (Huntsville)	91	75	1	0	1	2	2	10	0
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	467	313	23	0	1	13	47	61	9
	Area 1 Total	1001	740	32	0	3	15	106	95	10
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	268	223	1	0	3	0	7	32	2
2	Franklin (Ozark)	99	86	0	0	0	0	6	7	0
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	105	82	5	1	0	0	12	3	2
2	Logan (Booneville)	81	69	0	0	1	0	3	8	0
2	Logan (Paris)	52	43	4	0	0	0	0	5	0
2	Scott (Waldron)	68	61	0	0	0	0	5	1	1
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	1093	697	86	6	13	0	83	204	4
2	Yell (Danville)	86	72	4	0	1	0	5	4	0
	Area 2 Total	1852	1333	100	7	18	0	121	264	9
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	37	19	12	0	0	0	1	5	0
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	218	143	26	0	0	0	13	36	0
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	127	98	3	0	0	0	11	13	2
3	Howard (Nashville)	15	8	4	0	1	0	1	1	0
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
3	Perry (Perryville)	15	13	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
3	Pike (Murfreesboro)	22	21	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
3	Polk (Mena)	47	40	0	0	0	0	1	6	0
3	Saline (Benton)	122	105	3	0	0	0	5	9	0
	Area 3 Total	608	451	48	0	1	0	32	74	2
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	59	17	33	0	0	0	4	5	0
4	Hempstead (Hope)	44	20	15	0	0	0	6	3	0
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	24	15	5	0	0	0	0	4	0
4	Little River (Ashdown)	34	26	1	0	0	0	1	6	0
4	Miller (Texarkana)	189	113	49	0	0	0	9	18	0
4	Ouachita (Camden)	52	23	21	0	0	0	0	8	0
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	32	23	4	0	0	0	3	2	0
4	Union (El Dorado)	132	57	54	0	0	0	8	12	1
	Area 4 Total	566	294	182	0	0	0	31	58	1
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	90	73	0	0	0	0	6	10	1
5	Boone (Harrison)	158	145	0	0	1	0	3	9	0
5	Conway (Morrilton)	141	102	12	0	0	0	1	24	2
5	Faulkner (Conway)	284	165	49	0	0	0	9	50	11
5	Marion (Yellville)	33	31	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
5	Newton (Jasper)	18	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
5	Pope (Russellville)	119	97	3	0	0	0	8	11	0
5	Searcy (Marshall)	17	15	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	46	45	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
	Area 5 Total	906	689	64	0	1	0	29	107	16
6	Pulaski (East)	87	22	48	0	0	0	3	14	0
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	173	97	45	2	0	0	12	16	1
6	Pulaski (North)	269	64	149	0	0	0	17	39	0
6	Pulaski (South)	201	34	128	0	0	0	15	23	1
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	150	39	89	0	0	0	15	6	1
	Area 6 Total	880	256	459	2	0	0	62	98	3
7	Bradley (Warren)	29	13	12	0	0	0	1	3	0
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	19	16	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
7	Cleveland (Rison)	25	19	2	0	0	0	1	3	0
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	18	11	2	0	0	0	1	4	0
7	Grant (Sheridan)	64	56	0	0	1	0	5	2	0
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	223	53	149	0	0	0	4	16	1
7	Lincoln (Star City)	21	9	9	0	0	0	0	3	0
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	162	126	13	0	0	0	4	18	1
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	8	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Area 7 Total	569	309	190	0	1	0	16	51	2

Area	County	Total	White	Black	Asian	AIAN	NAPI	Hispanic	More Than 1 Race	Unknown
8	Clay (Piggott & Corning)	62	57	0	0	0	0	2	3	0
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	291	162	75	2	0	0	13	38	1
8	Fulton (Salem)	77	67	0	0	0	0	5	3	2
8	Greene (Paragould)	340	286	2	0	0	1	26	24	1
8	Izard (Melbourne)	69	63	1	0	0	0	0	5	0
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	80	72	3	0	0	0	1	3	1
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	106	61	27	1	0	0	0	17	0
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	34	10	17	0	0	0	1	6	0
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	66	63	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	104	97	0	0	0	0	4	2	1
	Area 8 Total	1229	938	126	3	0	1	52	103	6
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	89	85	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	186	42	119	0	0	0	11	14	0
9	Cross (Wynne)	70	30	29	0	0	0	0	11	0
9	Independence (Batesville)	126	104	8	0	0	0	6	6	2
9	Jackson (Newport)	85	54	11	0	0	0	3	17	0
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	206	177	10	0	0	0	3	15	1
9	Stone (Mountain View)	49	43	0	0	0	0	3	3	0
9	White (Searcy)	218	174	7	0	0	0	9	28	0
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	24	20	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
	Area 9 Total	1053	729	187	0	0	0	35	99	3
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	14	11	1	0	0	0	2	0	0
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	14	8	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	32	14	10	0	0	0	0	8	0
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	42	7	33	0	0	0	2	0	0
10	Desha (McGehee)	29	13	11	0	0	0	0	5	0
10	Drew (Monticello)	57	29	18	0	0	0	3	7	0
10	Lee (Marianna)	16	0	11	0	0	0	3	2	0
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	14	10	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	11	6	4	0	0	0	0	1	0
10	Phillips (Helena)	65	10	46	0	0	0	0	9	0
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	74	14	43	0	0	0	11	6	0
	Area 10 Total	368	122	185	0	0	0	21	40	0
	Statewide	9032	5861	1573	12	24	16	505	989	52

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)	335	162	96	31	45	1
1	Carroll (Berryville)	108	50	33	14	11	0
1	Madison (Huntsville)	91	53	16	8	14	0
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	467	189	105	59	105	9
	Area 1 Total	1001	454	250	112	175	10
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	268	110	87	35	35	1
2	Franklin (Ozark)	99	53	23	6	17	0
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	105	57	26	16	6	0
2	Logan (Booneville)	81	30	20	16	15	0
2	Logan (Paris)	52	28	15	4	5	0
2	Scott (Waldron)	68	26	25	7	9	1
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	1093	463	348	124	158	0
2	Yell (Danville)	86	32	22	20	12	0
	Area 2 Total	1852	799	566	228	257	2
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	37	17	12	2	6	0
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	218	112	52	25	29	0
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	127	54	40	9	24	0
3	Howard (Nashville)	15	7	3	1	4	0
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	5	1	2	0	2	0
3	Perry (Perryville)	15	8	2	3	2	0
3	Pike (Murfreestboro)	22	10	8	4	0	0
3	Polk (Mena)	47	19	14	6	8	0
3	Saline (Benton)	122	54	28	15	25	0
	Area 3 Total	608	282	161	65	100	0
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	59	28	13	7	11	0
4	Hempstead (Hope)	44	16	16	6	6	0
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	24	10	11	2	1	0
4	Little River (Ashdown)	34	20	8	3	3	0
4	Miller (Texarkana)	189	87	51	19	32	0
4	Ouachita (Camden)	52	19	18	8	7	0
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	32	19	7	3	3	0
4	Union (El Dorado)	132	59	38	17	18	0
	Area 4 Total	566	258	162	65	81	0
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	90	46	12	9	23	0
5	Boone (Harrison)	158	67	50	18	23	0
5	Conway (Morrilton)	141	51	53	15	22	0
5	Faulkner (Conway)	284	165	60	23	34	2
5	Marion (Yellville)	33	10	17	5	1	0
5	Newton (Jasper)	18	7	6	2	3	0
5	Pope (Russellville)	119	53	32	10	24	0
5	Searcy (Marshall)	17	11	4	0	2	0
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	46	25	9	7	5	0
	Area 5 Total	906	435	243	89	137	2
6	Pulaski (East)	87	48	15	7	17	0
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	173	87	43	14	29	0
6	Pulaski (North)	269	112	77	32	48	0
6	Pulaski (South)	201	82	49	20	50	0
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	150	63	41	19	27	0
	Area 6 Total	880	392	225	92	171	0
7	Bradley (Warren)	29	11	6	4	8	0
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	19	8	9	0	2	0
7	Cleveland (Rison)	25	11	10	1	3	0
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	18	9	6	2	1	0
7	Grant (Sheridan)	64	35	17	5	7	0
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	223	72	52	27	71	1
7	Lincoln (Star City)	21	6	7	2	6	0
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	162	75	53	16	18	0
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	8	5	2	0	1	0
	Area 7 Total	569	232	162	57	117	1

Area	County	Total	0-5 years	6-11 years	12-14 years	15+ years	Unknown
8	Clay (Piggott & Corning)	62	23	21	6	12	0
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	291	137	73	29	52	0
8	Fulton (Salem)	77	39	14	8	16	0
8	Greene (Paragould)	340	157	93	37	53	0
8	Izard (Melbourne)	69	20	24	13	12	0
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	80	41	21	11	7	0
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	106	51	25	12	18	0
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	34	12	10	5	7	0
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	66	28	13	8	17	0
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	104	35	33	20	16	0
	Area 8 Total	1229	543	327	149	210	0
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	89	34	27	13	15	0
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	186	95	51	13	27	0
9	Cross (Wynne)	70	36	12	7	15	0
9	Independence (Batesville)	126	68	29	15	14	0
9	Jackson (Newport)	85	43	25	6	11	0
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	206	85	57	33	31	0
9	Stone (Mountain View)	49	24	12	6	7	0
9	White (Searcy)	218	108	54	29	27	0
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	24	4	13	2	5	0
	Area 9 Total	1053	497	280	124	152	0
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	14	3	3	2	6	0
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	14	7	5	1	1	0
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	32	15	9	1	7	0
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	42	18	12	3	9	0
10	Desha (McGehee)	29	11	7	5	6	0
10	Drew (Monticello)	57	16	17	9	15	0
10	Lee (Marianna)	16	4	2	2	8	0
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	14	7	2	3	2	0
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	11	1	3	5	2	0
10	Phillips (Helena)	65	26	11	6	22	0
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	74	45	14	8	7	0
	Area 10 Total	368	153	85	45	85	0
	Statewide	9032	4045	2461	1026	1485	15

Appendix D: Children in Foster Care by Gender

Area	County	Total	Male	Female	Unknown
1	Benton (Bentonville)	335	185	149	1
1	Carroll (Berryville)	108	52	56	0
1	Madison (Huntsville)	91	43	48	0
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	467	238	220	9
	Area 1 Total	1001	518	473	10
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	268	117	150	1
2	Franklin (Ozark)	99	46	53	0
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	105	47	58	0
2	Logan (Booneville)	81	43	38	0
2	Logan (Paris)	52	26	26	0
2	Scott (Waldron)	68	38	29	1
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	1093	564	529	0
2	Yell (Danville)	86	41	45	0
	Area 2 Total	1852	922	928	2
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	37	14	23	0
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	218	108	110	0
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	127	63	64	0
3	Howard (Nashville)	15	7	8	0
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	5	3	2	0
3	Perry (Perryville)	15	7	8	0
3	Pike (Murfreesboro)	22	11	11	0
3	Polk (Mena)	47	27	20	0
3	Saline (Benton)	122	56	66	0
	Area 3 Total	608	296	312	0
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	59	29	30	0
4	Hempstead (Hope)	44	27	17	0
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	24	15	9	0
4	Little River (Ashdown)	34	21	13	0
4	Miller (Texarkana)	189	91	98	0
4	Ouachita (Camden)	52	30	22	0
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	32	16	16	0
4	Union (El Dorado)	132	74	58	0
	Area 4 Total	566	303	263	0
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	90	44	46	0
5	Boone (Harrison)	158	84	74	0
5	Conway (Morrilton)	141	67	74	0
5	Faulkner (Conway)	284	141	141	2
5	Marion (Yellville)	33	19	14	0
5	Newton (Jasper)	18	8	10	0
5	Pope (Russellville)	119	70	49	0
5	Searcy (Marshall)	17	7	10	0
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	46	24	22	0
	Area 5 Total	906	464	440	2
6	Pulaski (East)	87	50	37	0
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	173	88	85	0
6	Pulaski (North)	269	130	139	1
6	Pulaski (South)	201	96	104	0
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	150	83	67	0
	Area 6 Total	880	447	432	1
7	Bradley (Warren)	29	13	16	0
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	19	12	7	0
7	Cleveland (Rison)	25	11	14	0
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	18	8	10	0
7	Grant (Sheridan)	64	27	37	0
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	223	100	122	1
7	Lincoln (Star City)	21	8	13	0
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	162	82	80	0
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	8	6	2	0
	Area 7 Total	569	267	301	1

Area	County	Total	Male	Female	Unknown
8	Clay (Piggott & Corning)	62	33	29	0
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	291	164	127	0
8	Fulton (Salem)	77	37	40	0
8	Greene (Paragould)	340	158	182	0
8	Izard (Melbourne)	69	34	35	0
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	80	44	36	0
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	106	57	49	0
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	34	19	15	0
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	66	28	38	0
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	104	59	45	0
	Area 8 Total	1229	633	596	0
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	89	54	35	0
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	186	97	89	0
9	Cross (Wynne)	70	32	38	0
9	Independence (Batesville)	126	74	52	0
9	Jackson (Newport)	85	44	41	0
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	206	97	109	0
9	Stone (Mountain View)	49	30	19	0
9	White (Searcy)	218	118	100	0
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	24	11	13	0
	Area 9 Total	1053	557	496	0
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	14	4	10	0
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	14	4	10	0
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	32	16	16	0
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	42	25	17	0
10	Desha (McGehee)	29	14	15	0
10	Drew (Monticello)	57	28	29	0
10	Lee (Marianna)	16	5	11	0
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	14	7	7	0
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	11	4	7	0
10	Phillips (Helena)	65	30	35	0
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	74	32	42	0
	Area 10 Total	368	169	199	0
	Statewide	9032	4576	4440	16

Appendix E: Children in Foster Care by Length 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)	335	51	40	42	87	71	22	22
1	Carroll (Berryville)	108	12	9	17	32	26	6	6
1	Madison (Huntsville)	91	24	5	7	26	23	3	3
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	467	53	46	63	100	122	58	25
	Area 1 Total	1001	140	100	129	245	242	89	56
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	268	30	40	40	40	73	24	21
2	Franklin (Ozark)	99	12	8	17	19	31	12	0
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	105	13	12	17	19	31	1	12
2	Logan (Booneville)	81	3	6	21	23	15	7	6
2	Logan (Paris)	52	4	1	8	25	10	2	2
2	Scott (Waldron)	68	4	6	4	11	28	8	7
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	1093	51	68	132	239	320	147	136
2	Yell (Danville)	86	4	10	9	24	18	11	10
	Area 2 Total	1852	121	151	248	400	526	212	194
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	37	0	4	1	12	9	4	7
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	218	22	33	32	58	35	16	22
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	127	8	12	10	26	47	13	11
3	Howard (Nashville)	15	0	1	2	5	4	0	3
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	5	0	1	0	3	0	0	1
3	Perry (Perryville)	15	3	0	0	0	5	1	6
3	Pike (Murfreesboro)	22	2	7	7	5	1	0	0
3	Polk (Mena)	47	4	4	5	7	14	4	9
3	Saline (Benton)	122	15	1	17	32	48	6	3
	Area 3 Total	608	54	63	74	148	163	44	62
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	59	3	8	11	16	15	2	4
4	Hempstead (Hope)	44	8	10	2	7	11	1	5
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	24	0	1	7	3	8	5	0
4	Little River (Ashdown)	34	10	4	4	6	3	6	1
4	Miller (Texarkana)	189	24	20	8	31	57	34	15
4	Ouachita (Camden)	52	4	18	6	5	17	0	2
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	32	4	2	11	2	6	3	4
4	Union (El Dorado)	132	16	13	16	29	35	8	15
	Area 4 Total	566	69	76	65	99	152	59	46
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	90	5	12	8	21	21	6	17
5	Boone (Harrison)	158	12	21	30	29	38	17	11
5	Conway (Morrilton)	141	18	13	22	24	37	14	13
5	Faulkner (Conway)	284	45	34	35	78	67	18	7
5	Marion (Yellville)	33	6	0	5	3	9	9	1
5	Newton (Jasper)	18	3	3	1	6	3	2	0
5	Pope (Russellville)	119	4	5	22	30	31	12	15
5	Searcy (Marshall)	17	2	1	0	6	4	2	2
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	46	2	1	9	12	17	2	3
	Area 5 Total	906	97	90	132	209	227	82	69
6	Pulaski (East)	87	4	6	6	11	33	11	16
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	173	15	7	18	22	65	32	14
6	Pulaski (North)	269	20	15	26	49	72	40	47
6	Pulaski (South)	201	28	12	17	33	47	31	33
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	150	6	6	10	33	44	28	23
	Area 6 Total	880	73	46	77	148	261	142	133
7	Bradley (Warren)	29	5	1	7	6	7	1	2
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	19	2	2	2	5	6	1	1
7	Cleveland (Rison)	25	2	2	6	7	3	3	2
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	18	0	1	0	4	8	3	2
7	Grant (Sheridan)	64	9	7	10	13	16	5	4
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	223	36	47	14	41	49	10	26
7	Lincoln (Star City)	21	4	1	0	4	11	0	1
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	162	14	23	28	25	37	17	18
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	8	1	0	3	2	0	0	2
	Area 7 Total	569	73	84	70	107	137	40	58

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
8	Clay (Piggott & Corning)	62	3	2	17	24	11	5	0
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	291	18	25	45	72	79	20	32
8	Fulton (Salem)	77	7	7	13	22	18	7	3
8	Greene (Paragould)	340	40	34	57	70	74	38	27
8	Izard (Melbourne)	69	8	8	4	31	14	0	4
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	80	1	8	15	16	21	8	11
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	106	11	19	16	21	28	5	6
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	34	5	3	12	6	0	8	0
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	66	11	6	11	12	19	1	6
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	104	12	9	31	31	12	5	4
	Area 8 Total	1229	116	121	221	305	276	97	93
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	89	12	10	6	30	20	7	4
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	186	18	28	22	46	46	12	14
9	Cross (Wynne)	70	9	1	10	18	9	6	17
9	Independence (Batesville)	126	6	12	20	33	34	9	12
9	Jackson (Newport)	85	5	13	15	22	11	4	15
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	206	14	11	46	51	67	3	14
9	Stone (Mountain View)	49	9	2	10	11	13	1	3
9	White (Searcy)	218	54	21	25	43	45	8	22
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	24	2	3	2	10	2	3	2
	Area 9 Total	1053	129	101	156	264	247	53	103
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	14	1	0	0	1	7	1	4
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	14	1	3	3	2	4	0	1
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	32	0	5	6	4	12	0	5
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	42	0	15	5	5	9	3	5
10	Desha (McGehee)	29	3	3	5	3	8	0	7
10	Drew (Monticello)	57	6	6	11	17	6	4	7
10	Lee (Marianna)	16	3	2	0	2	7	0	2
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	14	6	0	6	2	0	0	0
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	11	0	0	1	8	2	0	0
10	Phillips (Helena)	65	7	12	4	6	21	5	10
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	74	9	5	7	13	25	9	6
	Area 10 Total	368	36	51	48	63	101	22	47
	Statewide	9032	908	883	1220	1988	2332	840	861

Appendix F: Services Provided During the Year

Area	County	FC Cases	PS Cases	PS Children	SS Cases	SS Children
1	Benton (Bentonville)	335	295	657	32	76
1	Carroll (Berryville)	108	34	72	1	4
1	Madison (Huntsville)	91	36	89	0	0
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	467	591	1398	18	50
	Area 1 Total	1001	956	2216	51	130
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	268	147	334	5	11
2	Franklin (Ozark)	99	25	63	0	0
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	105	88	196	7	16
2	Logan (Booneville)	81	38	74	2	10
2	Logan (Paris)	52	28	66	0	0
2	Scott (Waldron)	68	27	70	4	10
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	1093	314	734	2	3
2	Yell (Danville)	86	41	92	3	5
	Area 2 Total	1852	708	1629	23	55
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	37	41	92	0	0
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	218	250	504	17	48
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	127	92	184	12	23
3	Howard (Nashville)	15	16	41	4	10
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	5	17	35	2	7
3	Perry (Perryville)	15	23	59	2	5
3	Pike (Murfreestown)	22	21	53	4	11
3	Polk (Mena)	47	56	115	3	5
3	Saline (Benton)	122	190	410	4	8
	Area 3 Total	608	706	1493	48	117
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	59	20	46	2	3
4	Hempstead (Hope)	44	45	114	0	0
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	24	10	28	1	2
4	Little River (Ashdown)	34	19	44	0	0
4	Miller (Texarkana)	189	131	268	8	23
4	Nevada (Prescott)	0	27	53	2	3
4	Ouachita (Camden)	52	38	84	1	1
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	32	26	65	0	0
4	Union (El Dorado)	132	49	114	0	0
	Area 4 Total	566	365	816	14	32
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	90	89	186	6	12
5	Boone (Harrison)	158	104	223	4	7
5	Conway (Morriston)	141	83	193	3	4
5	Faulkner (Conway)	284	206	432	22	41
5	Marion (Yellville)	33	37	98	1	0
5	Newton (Jasper)	18	4	11	0	0
5	Pope (Russellville)	119	136	292	1	3
5	Searcy (Marshall)	17	15	25	4	8
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	46	44	104	1	0
	Area 5 Total	906	718	1564	42	75
6	Pulaski (East)	87	93	208	1	4
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	173	108	244	5	12
6	Pulaski (North)	269	207	554	9	20
6	Pulaski (South)	201	81	219	4	5
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	150	142	366	5	10
	Area 6 Total	880	631	1591	24	51

Area	County	FC Cases	PS Cases	PS Children	SS Cases	SS Children
7	Bradley (Warren)	29	25	59	0	0
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	19	3	8	0	0
7	Cleveland (Rison)	25	10	26	0	0
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	18	10	27	2	2
7	Grant (Sheridan)	64	36	74	4	10
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	223	112	210	22	63
7	Lincoln (Star City)	21	10	22	1	1
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	162	167	386	4	10
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	8	12	26	2	3
	Area 7 Total	569	385	838	35	89
8	Clay (Piggott & Corning)	62	19	37	9	20
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	291	179	444	4	10
8	Fulton (Salem)	77	44	95	8	9
8	Greene (Paragould)	340	176	458	17	38
8	Izard (Melbourne)	69	23	49	15	30
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	80	31	71	0	0
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	106	60	158	0	0
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	34	33	95	0	0
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	66	34	70	9	20
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	104	48	112	5	15
	Area 8 Total	1229	647	1589	67	142
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	89	73	146	8	13
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	186	114	273	16	39
9	Cross (Wynne)	70	47	103	1	4
9	Independence (Batesville)	126	111	225	19	42
9	Jackson (Newport)	85	55	117	9	20
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	206	88	209	2	2
9	Stone (Mountain View)	49	21	42	2	4
9	White (Searcy)	218	149	377	5	13
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	24	22	50	0	0
	Area 9 Total	1053	680	1542	62	137
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	14	7	20	0	0
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	14	12	26	0	0
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	32	44	95	5	11
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	42	22	52	2	8
10	Desha (McGehee)	29	17	42	4	6
10	Drew (Monticello)	57	35	88	3	7
10	Lee (Marianna)	16	12	24	0	0
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	14	21	45	0	0
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	11	6	16	1	1
10	Phillips (Helena)	65	57	148	4	11
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	74	73	182	1	2
	Area 10 Total	368	306	738	20	46
	Statewide	9032	6102	14016	386	874

Appendix G: Summary of Reports Involving Child 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
Joshua Rains	Baxter	2	White	Male	7/2/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	In-Home
Kayden Thompson	White	1	Black	Male	7/8/2016	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Chance Neighbors, Jr.	Garland	4	White	Male	7/10/2016	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Jeremiah Hunter	Mississippi	<1	Black	Male	7/15/2016	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	FC Case	None
Kimani Buchanan	Pulaski	2	Black	Male	7/22/2016	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Mother's Boyfriend	CACD	None	None	In-Home
Eric Latch	Lonoke	14	White	Male	8/20/2016	Medical Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	In-Home	In-Home
Ta'myah Laboy	Phillips	<1	Black	Female	8/28/2016	Medical Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Hawaii Christman	Independence	<1	Hispanic	Female	9/20/2016	Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	Children Removed	None	FC Case
Bryson Williams	White	1	White	Male	10/5/2016	Neglect / Tying – Close Confinement	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	FC Case
Lucas Sullivan	Benton	<1	White	Male	10/28/2016	Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	PS Case
Josslyn Jones	Craighead	<1	White	Female	11/2/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	FC Case	PS Case

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
Joseph Andrews	Craighead	1	White	Male	11/2/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	FC Case	PS Case
Jonas Platz	Craighead	1	White	Male	11/2/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	PS Case
Juste Lewellen	Saline	<1	White	Male	11/11/2016	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	FC Case
Skyler Shellstrom	Stone	4	White	Female	11/19/2016	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	FC Case
William Duncan	Garland	<1	White	Male	12/15/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
William Weaver	Nevada	<1	UTD	Male	12/18/2016	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Malachi Scott	Pulaski	9	Black	Male	12/22/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	PS Case
Jose Cogan	Pulaski	<1	White	Male	12/30/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	FC Case	FC Case
Aiyana Stuebinger	Marion	<1	White	Female	1/15/2017	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Rali Shelton	Garland	<1	White	Female	1/20/2017	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	FC Case
Kagen Sumler	Grant	<1	White	Male	1/25/2017	Medical Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	FC Case
Braeden Hooker	Hot Spring	<1	White	Male	1/31/2017	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Malachi Brazil	Hot Spring	<1	Multi-Ethnic	Male	2/4/2017	Abuse	In-Home	Unknown	CACD	None	None	FC Case
Damien Dailey	White	<1	White	Male	2/4/2017	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	PS Case

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
Adron Benton	Washington	6	White	Male	3/8/2017	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	School Staff	CACD	None	None	None
Deontay Upshaw, Jr	Sebastian	<1	Black	Male	4/19/2017	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	SS Case
Andrew Woodruff	Sharp	1	White	Male	5/21/2017	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	PS Case
Victoria Bowman	White	<1	Multi-Ethnic	Female	6/9/2017	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	Previous Investigation	FC Case
Christopher Gardner	Crittenden	5	Black	Male	6/12/2017	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Daycare Employee	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
Jayden McGinnis	Greene	4	White	Female	7/21/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Bentley Love	Grant	2	White	Male	8/20/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-home	Unknown	CACD	None	None	None
Jayden Love	Grant	3	White	Male	8/26/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Unknown	CACD	None	None	None
Alexis Jones	Hempstead	<1	White	Female	9/9/2016	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	72 Hour Hold	In-Home Case	FC Case
Jordan Caviness	Marion	<1	White	Male	10/4/2016	Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	PS Case	None
Jordan Hall	Union	9	Black	Male	11/14/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Phillip Cummings, Jr.	Jefferson	6	Black	Male	12/3/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Destin Wallace	Miller	14	White	Male	12/20/2016	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Friend's Mother	CACD	None	None	None
Lila Cohrs	Independence	<1	White	Female	1/2/2017	Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Casey Rowe	Boone	1	White	Male	2/7/2017	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Bentley Vandagriff	Benton	2	White	Male	3/17/2017	Medical Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Loraine Medley	Independence	1	White	Female	3/23/17	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Jacob Chronister	Yell	2	White	Male	6/20/2017	Failure to Protect	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
Eretria Griffey⁴	Benton	<1	White	Female	11/19/2016	Physical Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Tristan Jones	Pulaski	<1	Black	Male	1/19/2017	Abuse	In-Home	Unknown	CACD	None	None	None
Alexis Ashley	Mississippi	8	White	Female	2/22/2017	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	None	None
Jayden Webb	Greene	<1	White	Male	4/12/2017	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	FC Case	FC Case
Aeron Matthews	Jefferson	16	White	Male	4/20/2017	Neglect	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	PS Case	None
Acelynn Wester	Polk	2	White	Female	Unknown	Abuse	In-Home	Mother's Boyfriend	CACD	None	None	None
Reilly Scarbrough	Polk	9	White	Male	Unknown	Abuse	In-Home	Mother's Boyfriend	CACD	None	None	None
Kagun Carter	Sevier	4	White	Male	5/19/17	Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	Previous Investigation	None
Kennedy Bryant	Pulaski	<1	Black	Female	5/27/2017	Abuse	In-Home	Unknown	CACD	None	PS Case	FC Case
Gracie Gipson	Independence	<1	White	Female	5/27/2017	Inadequate Supervision	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	PS Case	None
Zane Wellborn	Saline	<1	White	Male	6/29/2017	Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	Previous Investigation	None
Sophia Wellborn	Saline	2	White	Female	6/29/2017	Abuse	In-Home	Family Member	CACD	None	Previous Investigation	None

⁴ Child was not listed in the 2nd Quarter SFY 2017 QPR due to late notification.

Appendix H: Summary of Reports Involving Near Child Fatality

True Near Fatality Reports

There were no true near child fatality reports during SFY 2017.

Unsubstantiated Near Fatality Reports

There were no unsubstantiated near child fatality reports during SFY 2017.

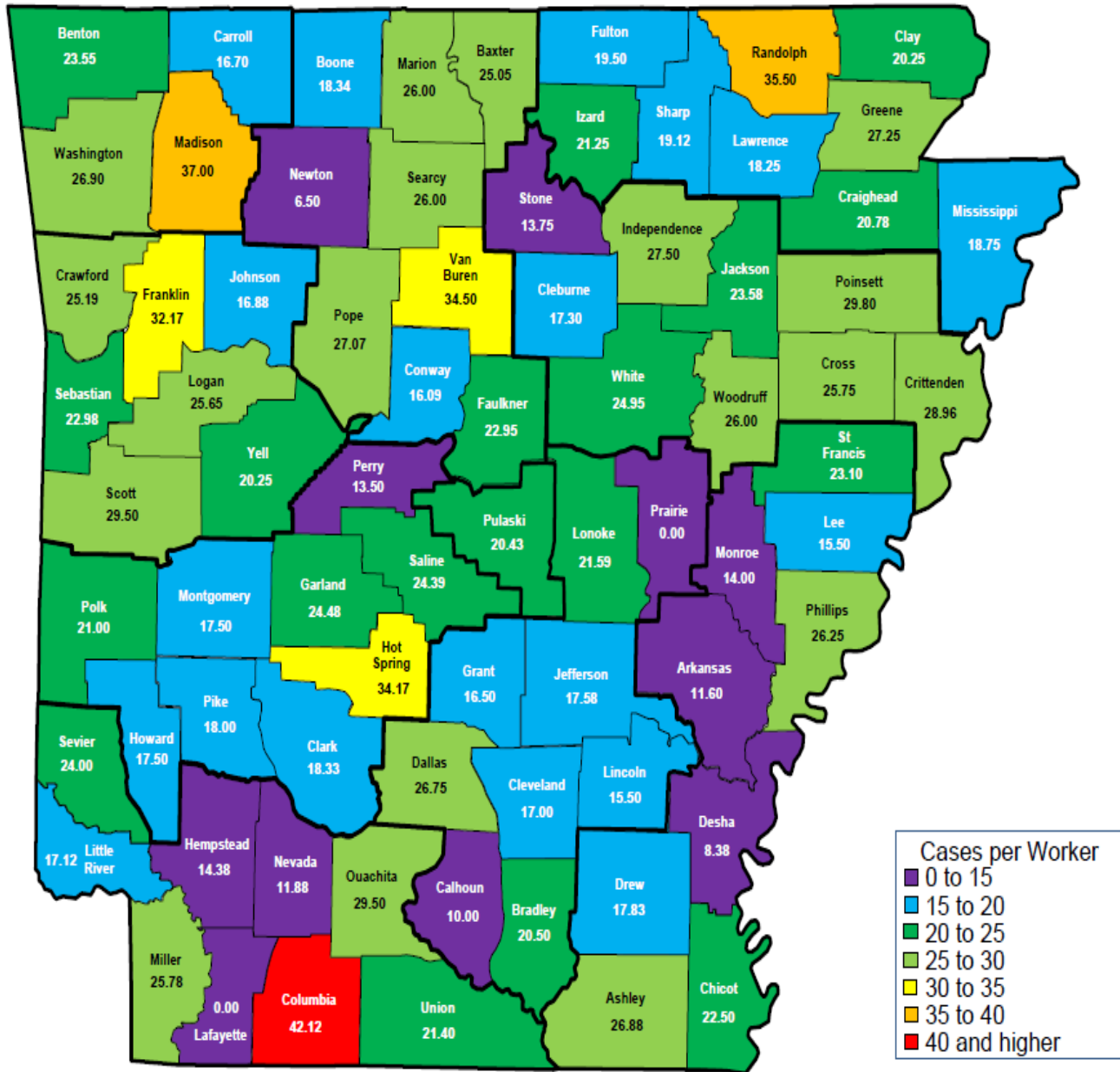
Pending Near Fatality Reports

There were no pending near child fatality reports during SFY 2017.

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	Craighead	13	Asian	Male	8/22/2016	Medical Condition	Foster Care	None	Foster Care	None
Child #2	St. Francis	1	Black	Male	12/14/2016	Medical Condition	Foster Care	None	Foster Care	None
Child #3	Craighead	<1	Black	Male	1/15/2017	Medical Condition	Foster Care	None	Foster Care	None
Child #4	Pulaski	5	Hispanic	Male	3/6/2017	Medical Condition	Foster Care	None	Foster Care	None
Child #5	Benton	<1	White	Female	5/14/2017	SUIDS	Foster Care	None	Foster Care	None

Appendix J: Average Caseload as of the End of SFY 2017, by County



Due to the fact that Lafayette and Prairie counties did not have any family service workers at the end of the SFY, their cases were assigned to workers from other counties.

Appendix K: Foster Home Closure Reasons

Area	County	Total	Change in Family Circumstances	Foster Family's Decision	No Longer Meets Requirements	Adopted/Custody/Guardianship/Relative Only	Other	Founded Abuse/Neglect	Provider/Services No Longer Needed
1	Benton (Bentonville)	69	9	21	8	27	2	0	2
1	Carroll (Berryville)	12	0	6	0	6	0	0	0
1	Madison (Huntsville)	7	0	2	2	1	1	0	1
1	Washington (Fayetteville)	44	1	15	7	17	2	1	1
2	Crawford (Van Buren)	34	0	7	6	17	3	0	1
2	Franklin (Ozark)	14	0	5	2	5	1	0	1
2	Johnson (Clarksville)	5	0	0	1	4	0	0	0
2	Logan (Booneville)	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
2	Logan (Paris)	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
2	Scott (Waldron)	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	2
2	Sebastian (Fort Smith)	40	3	10	4	21	0	1	1
2	Yell (Danville)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Clark (Arkadelphia)	4	0	2	0	1	0	0	1
3	Garland (Hot Springs)	12	0	7	0	3	0	0	2
3	Hot Spring (Malvern)	8	0	3	0	2	0	0	3
3	Howard (Nashville)	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
3	Montgomery (Mount Ida)	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
3	Perry (Perryville)	4	0	0	1	3	0	0	0
3	Pike (Murfreesboro)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Polk (Mena)	4	1	2	0	0	0	1	0
3	Saline (Benton)	26	3	15	2	4	0	2	0
4	Columbia (Magnolia)	4	0	2	1	1	0	0	0
4	Hempstead (Hope)	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	1
4	Lafayette (Lewisville)	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
4	Little River (Ashdown)	4	0	0	3	1	0	0	0
4	Miller (Texarkana)	9	1	3	4	1	0	0	0
4	Nevada (Prescott)	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
4	Ouachita (Camden)	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
4	Sevier (DeQueen)	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
4	Union (El Dorado)	12	2	5	0	5	0	0	0
5	Baxter (Mountain Home)	11	0	4	0	2	0	0	5
5	Boone (Harrison)	13	0	6	0	3	0	0	4
5	Conway (Morrilton)	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
5	Faulkner (Conway)	19	1	8	3	7	0	0	0
5	Marion (Yellville)	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
5	Newton (Jasper)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
5	Pope (Russellville)	10	0	6	1	3	0	0	0
5	Searcy (Marshall)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Van Buren (Clinton)	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
6	Pulaski (East)	13	0	8	3	2	0	0	0
6	Pulaski (Jacksonville)	16	1	8	4	1	2	0	0
6	Pulaski (North)	24	2	11	6	5	0	0	0
6	Pulaski (South)	39	0	17	9	11	1	0	1
6	Pulaski (Southwest)	15	1	6	4	3	1	0	0
7	Bradley (Warren)	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
7	Calhoun (Hampton)	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
7	Cleveland (Rison)	4	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
7	Dallas (Fordyce)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Area	County	Total	Change in Family Circumstances	Foster Family's Decision	No Longer Meets Requirements	Adopted/Custody/Guardianship/Relative Only	Other	Founded Abuse/Neglect	Provider/Services No Longer Needed
7	Grant (Sheridan)	4	0	1	0	3	0	0	0
7	Jefferson (Pine Bluff)	12	0	0	2	3	0	0	7
7	Lincoln (Star City)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Lonoke (Lonoke)	24	2	13	1	6	2	0	0
7	Prairie (DeValls Bluff)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Clay (Piggott & Corning)	4	1	2	0	1	0	0	0
8	Craighead (Jonesboro)	26	4	8	4	7	0	0	3
8	Fulton (Salem)	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
8	Greene (Paragould)	20	1	11	0	8	0	0	0
8	Izard (Melbourne)	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
8	Lawrence (Walnut Ridge)	14	0	6	1	5	1	0	1
8	Mississippi (Blytheville)	4	0	2	0	1	0	1	0
8	Mississippi (Osceola)	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
8	Randolph (Pocahontas)	7	1	2	0	4	0	0	0
8	Sharp (Ash Flat)	4	0	0	0	3	1	0	0
9	Cleburne (Heber Springs)	8	1	2	0	2	2	0	1
9	Crittenden (West Memphis)	15	0	4	4	5	2	0	0
9	Cross (Wynne)	6	1	1	2	2	0	0	0
9	Independence (Batesville)	20	1	6	1	8	4	0	0
9	Jackson (Newport)	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Poinsett (Harrisburg)	13	1	5	0	1	0	0	6
9	Stone (Mountain View)	4	0	1	0	0	2	0	1
9	White (Searcy)	20	1	8	3	3	1	1	3
9	Woodruff (Augusta)	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
10	Arkansas (Dewitt)	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	0
10	Arkansas (Stuttgart)	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	1
10	Ashley (Hamburg)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Chicot (Lake Village)	4	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
10	Desha (McGehee)	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
10	Drew (Monticello)	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	1
10	Lee (Marianna)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Monroe (Brinkley)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
10	Monroe (Clarendon)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Phillips (Helena)	4	0	0	2	1	0	0	1
10	St. Francis (Forrest City)	5	0	1	0	3	0	0	1
99	Out of State	18	1	0	6	6	2	0	3
	Statewide	767	41	272	103	247	34	8	62

Details of Major Categories Above (Statewide)		
Reason	Specific Reason	Number of Homes Closed
Adopted/Custody/Guardianship/Relative Only	Adopted	144
	App. Resides Out of State	1
	Child(ren) Left Care	55
	Custody/Guardianship	47
Change in Family Circumstances	Age of Parent	1
	Death of Parent	1
	Divorce	3
	Health of Parent	2
	Lost Employment	1
	Moved	18
	Personal Issues	13
	Pregnant	1
Provider Moved Out of State	1	

Details of Major Categories Above (Statewide)		
Reason	Specific Reason	Number of Homes Closed
Foster Family's Decision	App. Needs More Time	5
	App. No Longer Interested in Parenting	32
	App. Not Interested	7
	Changed to Adopt Only	31
	Provider Request	192
	Taking a Break	5
Founded Abuse/Neglect	Founded Abuse/Neglect	2
	True Maltreatment	6
No Longer Meets Requirements	App. Doesn't Meet Agcy Recruitment Pref.	1
	Arrested	1
	DHS Request	61
	Failed Re-evaluation/Non-Compliance	4
	Min. Requirements Not met For Approval	1
	Not taking Children when Contacted	3
	Out of Compliance	6
	Provider End Dated	26
Other	Contract Ended	2
	Duplicate	1
	Duplicate Applicant	1
	Other	30
Provider/Services No Longer Needed	Provider/Services No Longer Needed	62
		767

Appendix L: Summary of Foster Care Maltreatment Reports

Characteristics of Children in Foster Care Involved in Allegations of Maltreatment, SFY 2017

Five hundred and sixty four reports of alleged maltreatment, involving 589 children in foster care, were received by the hotline during SFY 2017.

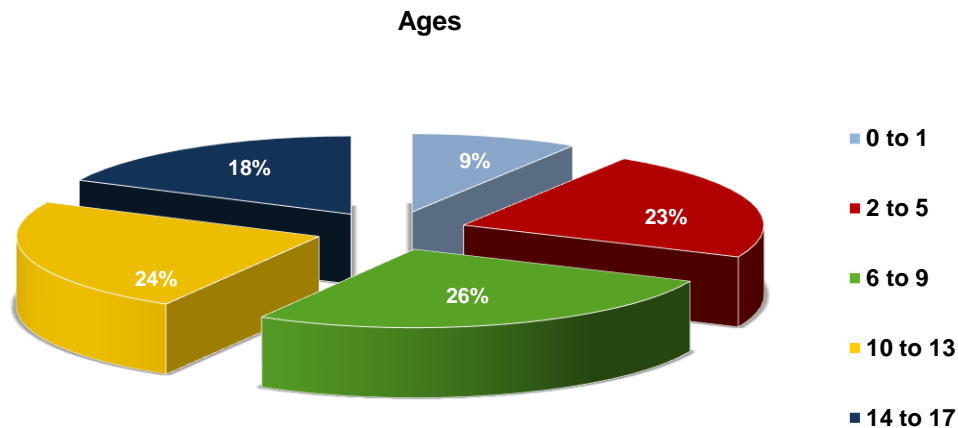
In 151 reports involving 193 children, foster parents⁵ were identified as the alleged offenders. As shown by the following chart, 15 of those reports were found to be true⁶ and all of the homes have been closed.

**Foster Home Maltreatment Reports
SFY 2017**

True	Unsubstantiated	Pending
15	134	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. Allegations of maltreatment regarding foster homes require the agency to assess the safety of all children residing in the home.

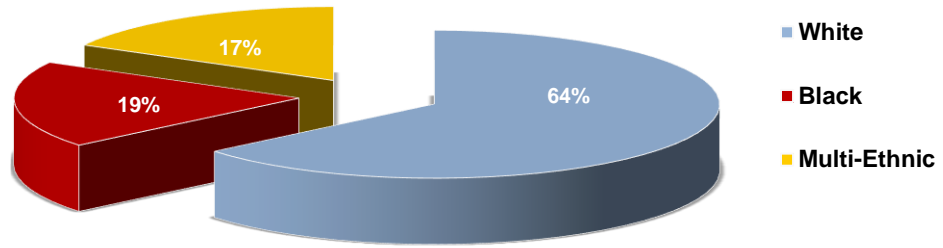
The following charts describe the characteristics of the 193 foster children involved in allegations of maltreatment, with foster parents as the alleged offenders.



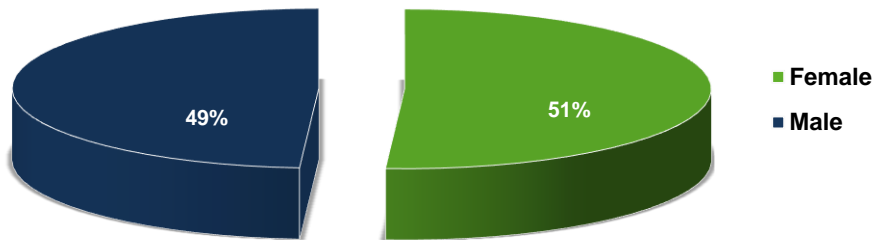
⁵ This includes foster family homes and therapeutic foster homes

⁶ The number of true investigations involving foster families reported in this report may differ from what was reported in individual quarterly reports for the same time period. This is due to the fact that some true findings were later overturned to unsubstantiated and some pending findings now have a final disposition.

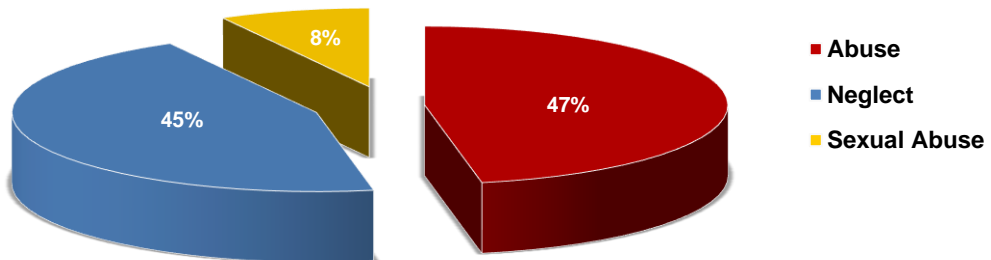
Race/Ethnicity



Gender



Allegation



County of Foster Homes in Which Alleged Maltreatment Occurred

County	Number of Children Involved in Maltreatment Report	County	Number of Children Involved in Maltreatment Report
Pulaski	24	White	3
Sebastian	15	Baxter	2
Mississippi	13	Bradley	2
Benton	13	Polk	2
Washington	10	Union	2
Jefferson	9	Izard	2
Pope	8	Prairie	2
Phillips	7	Miller	2
Craighead	7	Sharp	1
Boone	6	Randolph	1
Saline	6	Carroll	1
Greene	6	Cleburne	1
Crittenden	6	Howard	1
Faulkner	6	Poinsett	1
Garland	6	Hot Spring	1
Sevier	4	Cross	1
St. Francis	4	Lee	1
Lonoke	4	Franklin	1
Crawford	3	Arkansas	1
Van Buren	3	Grant	1
Drew	3	Conway	1