

Profile of Children in Care

Number of children in care at the end of the current quarter, and the median number of days in care over their current status and over the course of the entire time they've been in any form of court-involved protective status.

Status	Children	% of Total	Median Number of Days in Care Over		
			CURRENT	ENTIRE	Entire Legal Status
COPS	6,403	30%	123	162	
TC	11,461	53%	130	221	
PC	3,045	14%	345	1,018	
PPLA	673	3%	522	1,075	
Total	21,582	100%			

Recurrence Rate

Percentage of children with a new substantiated or indicated report that was received within one year after the closure of a previous court case, averaged over the last four quarters.

2.5%

Exits from Care

Number of children exiting care over the last four quarters.

Exits	Number of Children				AVG	% of Total
	Q2 2016	Q3 2016	Q4 2016	Q1 2017		
Reunification	1,500	1,423	1,264	1,299	1,372	49%
Adoption	388	335	478	296	374	13%
Guardianship	119	116	140	112	122	4%
Relatives	665	709	660	648	671	24%
Emancipations	287	249	174	196	227	8%
Other	39	45	63	58	51	2%
Total	2,998	2,877	2,779	2,609	2,816	100%

Length of Stay Upon Exiting Care

Median number of days children were in care prior to exit over the last four quarters.

Exits	Median Number of Days				AVG	
	Q2 2016	Q3 2016	Q4 2016	Q1 2017		
Reunification	208	176	161	217	190	
Adoption	908	938	855	917	904	
Guardianship	184	204	161	266	204	
Relatives	189	254	188	243	218	
Emancipations	901	1,198	813	655	892	
Other	131	163	135	207	159	

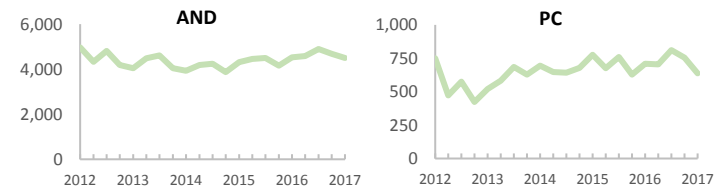
Primary Removal Reason

Number of children removed from home over the last four quarters.

Reason	Number of Children				AVG	% of Total
	Q2 2016	Q3 2016	Q4 2016	Q1 2017		
Parental Alcohol/Drug	454	475	410	559	475	16%
Delinquency/Unruly	269	258	236	275	260	9%
Dependency	750	894	723	899	817	28%
Neglect	651	809	602	691	688	23%
Physical Abuse	331	369	380	394	369	13%
Other	343	294	295	314	312	11%
Missing Data	19	26	21	47	28	1%
Total	2,817	3,125	2,667	3,179	2,947	100%

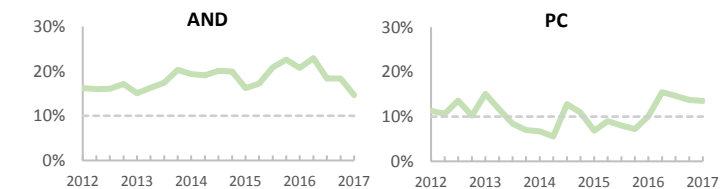
Incoming Caseloads

New filings and transfers and reactivations, by quarter



Overage Rates

Percent of cases pending over time guideline, by quarter (Target is <10%)



PURPOSE OF THE REPORT AND DATA SOURCES

The data contained in this report, as well as in the individualized county-specific companion Permanency Docket Quarterly reports, is designed to provide a foundation for initiating conversations between the child welfare agency and the juvenile court in order to improve local practices and better understand those factors which contribute to county-level performance. Courts and child welfare agencies are encouraged to take advantage of the additional resources available on the Children and Families Section's webpage at: www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/JCS/CFC. Child welfare data was obtained from the Statewide Automated Child Welfare System (SACWIS) administered by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. Court caseload and performance data was obtained from the Case Management Section of the Supreme Court of Ohio. The data is considered accurate as of the date of the report.

UNDERSTANDING THE METRICS

PROFILE OF CHILDREN IN CARE: This table displays the number of children statewide in an Abuse, Neglect, or Dependency (AND) dispositional status at the end of the current quarter under the following types of care: court ordered protective supervision (COPS), temporary custody (TC), permanent custody (PC), and planned permanent living arrangement (PPLA). Also shown is the median amount of time, in days, that these children have been in that status, as well as the median amount of time, in days, the children have been in any status since they initially became involved with the juvenile court (e.g., some children in PC spent time initially TC, thus the entire time spent in both is shown).

RECURRENCE RATE: This figure displays the percentage of children with a new substantiated or indicated (S/I) report who had a previous court case closed within one year from the current report. The percentage reflects the average recurrence rate over the last four quarters. Please note that this measure differs from the federal Child and Family Services Review measure of recurrence because it is limited to children who had a new S/I report after the closure of the court case.

EXITS FROM CARE AND LENGTH OF STAY UPON EXITING CARE: Shown in this pair of tables are the number of children leaving foster care across the state by the type of placement upon discharge over each of the last four quarters. The relative proportion of total exits for each discharge type, averaged over the four quarters, is also displayed. The second table displays the median amount of time in days to the identified discharge type.

PRIMARY REMOVAL REASONS: The number of children removed from their homes in each of the last four quarters, categorized by the identified primary reason for removal.

INCOMING CASELOADS AND OVERAGE RATES: The first pair of charts display the number of incoming AND cases and Motions for Permanent Custody (PC) cases filed each quarter in Ohio's juvenile courts. The second pair of charts display the percentage of AND and PC cases pending at the end of each quarter which have been pending (in pre-dispositional status) for longer than the applicable case processing time standard under Sup.R. 39 (three months for AND, and nine months for PC).