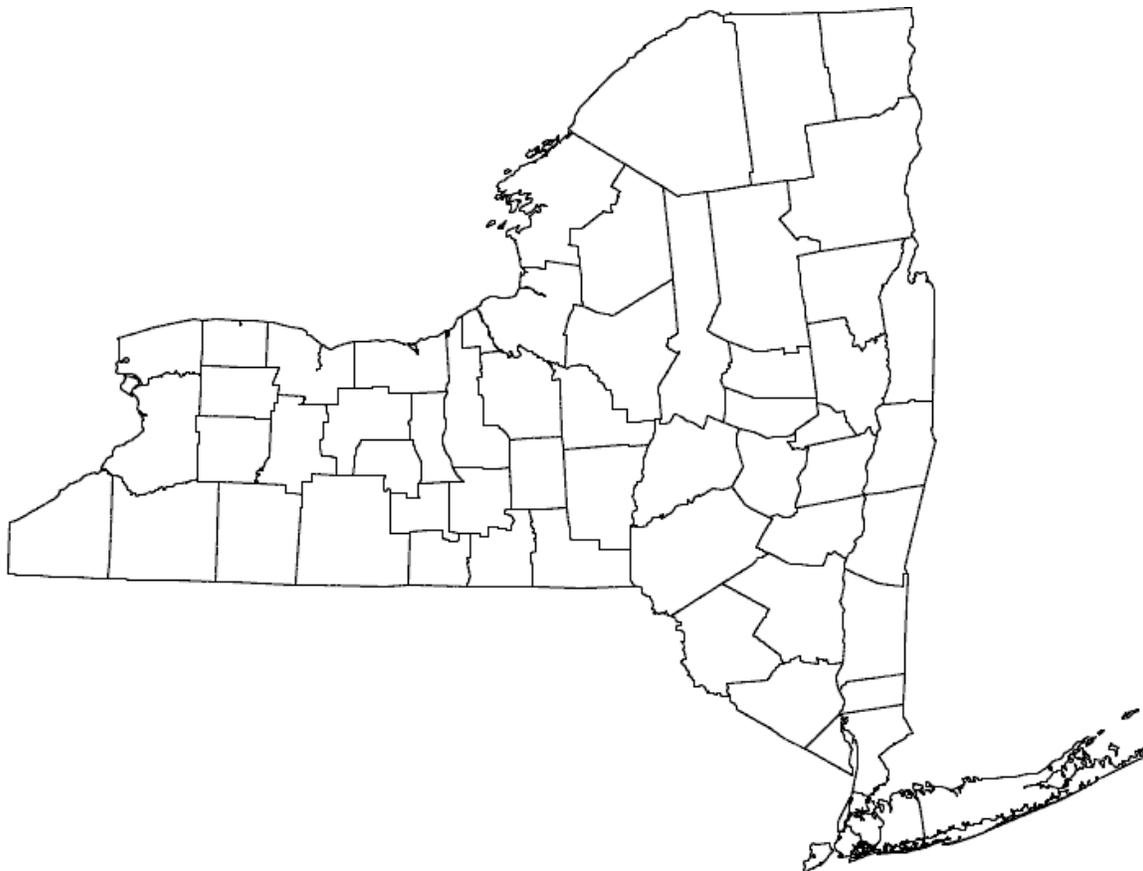


2013 Monitoring and Analysis Profiles With Selected Trend Data: 2009-2013

**Child Protective Services
Foster Care
Adoption**

New York State



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INTRODUCTION

The Monitoring and Analysis Profiles (MAPS) are data packages that provide information on the major child welfare services provided by local Departments of Social Services (DSS). MAPS was developed in 1985 to support the program monitoring role of the Regional Office staff and New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS). Since then, the MAPS packages, which are produced annually, have also been disseminated to assist in child welfare planning and decision-making.

This MAPS package provides data on Child Protective Services (CPS), Foster Care, and Adoption for New York City, Upstate (combines all counties except New York City), and Statewide. It contains detailed information for 2013 and charts of selected trend information for the five-year period, 2009-2013. Data for all counties other than New York City are contained in separate packages.

A significant change was made to MAPS starting with MAPS 2007:

- 1- **Change in source file.** The source file changed from a CCRS extract (Monthly Status Master) to the OCFS Data Warehouse.

Program data on Child Protective Services are taken from the CONNECTIONS database, while the program data on Foster Care and Adoption are taken from the Child Care Review Service (CCRS) database. Both of these are statewide, computerized child welfare databases.

The current MAPS package was developed based on the data contained in OCFS Data Warehouse on April 2, 2014, and from the CONNECTIONS database as of April 2, 2014. The numbers in the MAPS package may differ from those that appear on routine reports that are distributed by OCFS either because they are taken from the databases on different dates or because the definition of a term differs. Additionally, lag reporting by some Social Services districts affects all Foster Care and Adoption data.

In most instances, numbers are converted into rates or percentages to highlight important aspects of the child welfare service programs. The use of rates and percentages is a critical component of MAPS as it allows for comparisons by controlling for differences in population. The population figures used to calculate rates for 2009 through 2013 are taken from the 2007 Complete New York and New Jersey Demographic Database Files, copyright May 2007, Woods and Poole Economics, Inc. For Child Protective Services data, rates are calculated based on the number of children ages 0 through 17 because very few reports are taken on youth aged 18 and over. However, since OCFS does have children in foster care 18 years old and above, the rates for Foster Care and Adoption are based on the number of children ages 0 through 21.

Data on the ethnic composition of children receiving Foster Care are from the CCRS database (See Appendix A for changes to race/ethnicity). Data for their foster/adoptive parents are from CONNECTIONS.

The MAPS package focuses on developing a profile of the child welfare services programs in each local Social Services district. The data describe what are believed to be key, measurable characteristics of county child welfare services. The package is designed to provide a framework within which to examine the relationships among variables, raise questions, and initiate discussions about child welfare programs. Unlike indicators, it is not intended to judge performance or to focus attention on a single variable.

Definitions necessary to understand the data are printed at the bottom of the appropriate page. These definitions also apply to the multi-year data pages. Appendix A contains additional clarifying information to facilitate an accurate interpretation of complex variables. Careful review and use of the MAPS package are required to understand the data.

In summary, MAPS is not intended to be a package of indicators by which performance may be judged. Rather, it is intended to provide a framework within which reasoned questions can be asked by those who have been trained to its uses and limitations and who have substantive knowledge of the child welfare system in New York State. Questions about this data and suggestions and/or comments related to the design of this package may be directed to Vajeera Dorabawila, Research Scientist/Assistant Director, Bureau of Research, Evaluation and Performance Analytics, 52 Washington St., 3rd floor, Rensselaer, New York 12144-2796, or (518) 402-7386. E-mail requests for copies can be sent to Vajeera Dorabawila, via Microsoft Exchange or the Internet at Vajeera.Dorabawila@ocfs.ny.gov

MONITORING AND ANALYSIS PROFILES

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**CHILD
PROTECTIVE
SERVICES**

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES
WORKLOAD DATA
2013**

NEW YORK STATE

	N	Rate
REPORTS RECEIVED	156,303	35.7
	N	%
REPORTS BY MANDATED REPORTER	99,313	63.5
OF REPORTS DETERMINED:		
Reports Indicated	44,370	31.6
Reports Unfounded	95,897	68.4
OF REPORTS REGISTERED:		
Determinations Overdue	4,066	2.8
OF REPORTS ASSESSED:		
Family Assessment Response	11,970	7.7

Reports Received

N: Number of reports received during the calendar year, whether determined or assessed.

Rate: Number of reports received during the calendar year for every 1000 children in the district.

Reports by Mandated Reporter

N: Number of reports received during the calendar year with a mandated reporter as the source of the report.

%: Number of reports received during the calendar year with a mandated reporter as the source of the report, as a percentage of all reports received during the calendar year.

Reports Determined

N: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2013 and indicated/unfounded by 04/02/14.

%: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2013 and indicated/unfounded by 04/02/14, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2013 and determined by 04/02/14.

Determinations Overdue

N: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2013 and had no determination by 04/02/14

%: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2013 and had no determination by 04/02/14, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2013, excluding those reports selected for assessment rather than investigation.

Reports Assessed

N: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2013 and assigned to the Family Assessment Response track by 04/02/14. See the Appendix A for detailed definitions of CONNECTIONS data.

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES
REPORT DETERMINATIONS -- TIMELINESS
2013**

NEW YORK STATE

	N	%
REPORT DETERMINATION TIMELINESS:	100,338	71.5

**DAYS TO REPORT
DETERMINATION:**

NEW YORK STATE

	N	%
All Reports Determined		
0-30 Days	20,468	14.6
31-60	79,870	56.9
61-90	29,305	20.9
>90	10,624	7.6

Indicated

0-30 Days	4,601	10.4
31-60	26,092	58.8
61-90	9,776	22.0
>90	3,901	8.8

Unfounded

0-30 Days	15,867	16.5
31-60	53,778	56.1
61-90	19,529	20.4
>90	6,723	7.0

Report Determination Timeliness

N: Number of reports that were registered in the calendar year and determined within 60 days.

%: Number of reports that were determined within 60 days, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in the calendar year 2013, excluding those reports selected for assessment rather than investigation.

Days to Report Determination: Number of reports registered in calendar year 2013, that received a determination by 4/02/14, and were determined within each respective range of days for each of the three determination categories.

See the Appendix A for detailed definitions of CONNECTIONS data.

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES
TREND DATA
2009-2013**

REPORTS RECEIVED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	164,815	37.9	
2010	167,912	38.8	2.3
2011	164,321	38.2	-1.5
2012	160,046	37.4	-2.1
2013	156,000	35.6	-4.8

REPORTS INDICATED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	51,177	31.8	
2010	50,429	31.3	-1.4
2011	47,704	30.8	-1.7
2012	45,998	31.1	1.1
2013	44,370	31.6	1.6

FAR REPORTS ASSESSED:

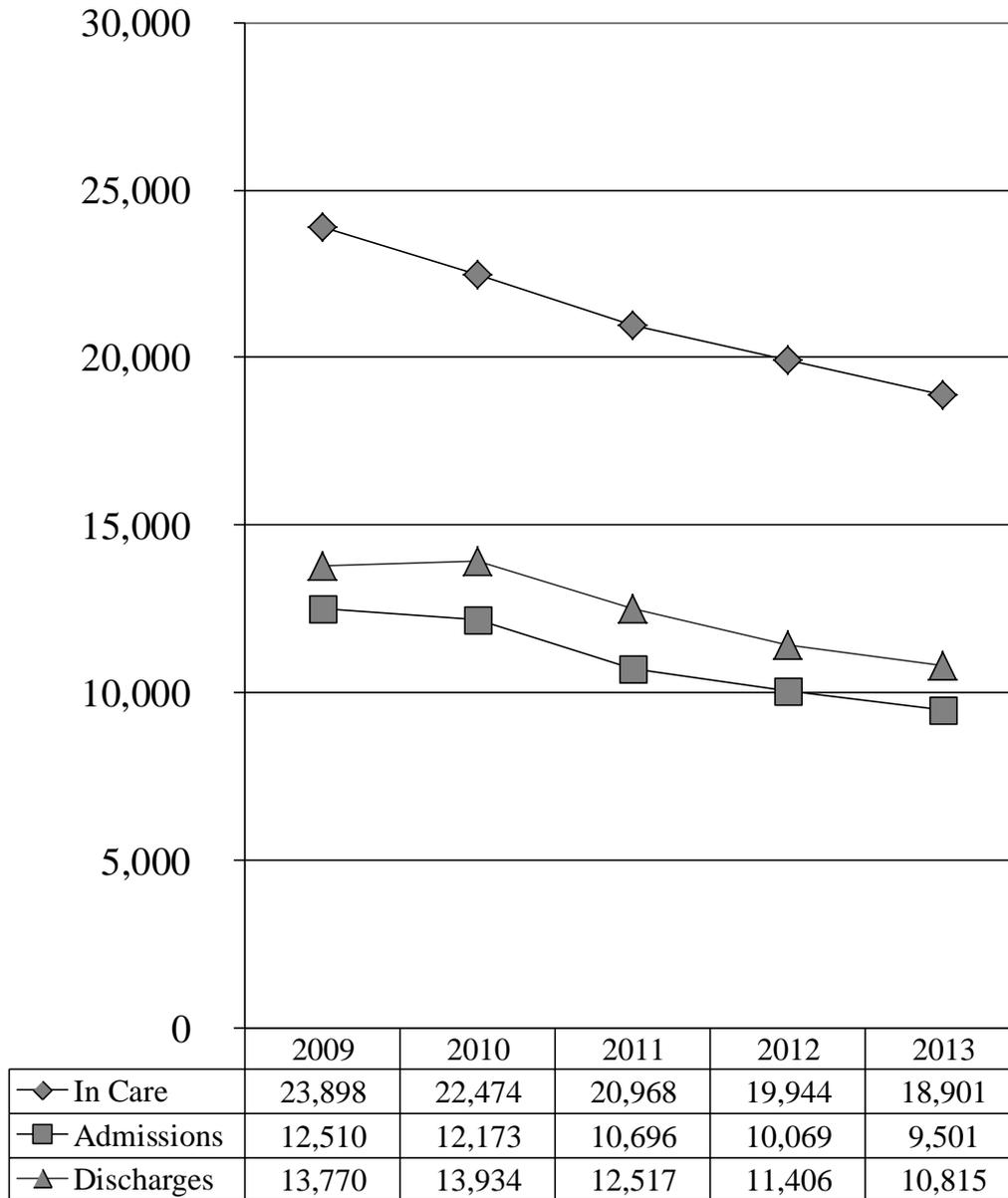
	N	Annual Rate
2009	3,710	2.3
2010	6,890	4.1
2011	9,401	5.7
2012	12,305	7.7
2013	11,667	7.5

For detailed description of variables see page 2, "Child Protective Services Workload Data".

See Appendix A for details on CONNECTIONS CPS data.

**FOSTER
CARE**

**FOSTER CARE
IN CARE, ADMISSIONS, and DISCHARGES
New York State
2009-2013**



**FOSTER CARE ADMISSIONS/DISCHARGES/INCARE
BY AGE, RACE AND ETHNICITY
2013**

	N	Rate/%
ADMISSIONS	9,501	1.8
DISCHARGES	10,815	36.4
IN CARE	18,901	3.6

AGE:	Admissions		Discharges		In Care	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
< 2	2,172	22.9	967	8.9	2,146	11.4
2-5	1,801	19.0	2,426	22.4	4,396	23.3
6-9	1,256	13.2	1,662	15.4	3,012	15.9
10-13	1,306	13.7	1,387	12.8	2,545	13.5
14-17	2,880	30.3	2,584	23.9	4,672	24.7
18+	86	0.9	1,789	16.5	2,130	11.3

RACE/ETHNICITY:	Admissions		Discharges		In Care	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
White	2,469	26.0	2,597	24.0	3,990	21.1
African American	2,338	24.6	3,791	35.1	6,087	32.2
Latino	848	8.9	1,444	13.4	2,482	13.1
Native American/ Alaska Native	28	0.3	45	0.4	49	0.3
Asian	35	0.4	56	0.5	65	0.3
Unknown	3,783	39.8	2,882	26.6	6,228	33.0

PERCENTAGE OF DISCHARGES BY DESTINATION:	Home		Independent Living		Other State Agency		Other	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
NEW YORK STATE	62.4	19.1	12.6	2.4	3.6			

Admissions: N: Number of children admitted to foster care during the calendar year.

Rate: The number of children admitted to foster care during the calendar year for every 1000 children in the district.

Discharges: N: Number of children discharged during the calendar year. The number does not include trial discharges.

%: Children discharged during the calendar year, as a percentage of all children who were in foster care at any time during the calendar year.

In Care: N: Number of children in foster care on 12/31/13

Rate: The number of children in foster care on 12/31/13 for every 1000 children in the district.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for definitions.

Destination: For children discharged during 2013, the stated discharge reason: return to a homelike setting (Home); discharge to adoption (Adoption); assuming responsibility for self, e.g. independent living, military service, etc. (Independent Living); discharge to another state service system (Other State Agency); or one of several other reasons, e.g., moved out of district, etc. (Other).

FOSTER CARE CHARACTERISTICS 2013

PLACEMENT IN FOSTER BOARDING AND ADOPTIVE HOMES:

Child's Race

	Total With Race/ Ethnic Code	# Same as Foster/ Adoptive Parent	% Same as Foster / Adoptive Parent
Total	7,505	4,857	64.7
White	2,488	1,887	75.8
African American	3,478	2,330	67.0
Latino	1,467	631	43.0
Native American/Alaska Native	31	8	25.8
Asian	41	1	2.4
	N		%
Unknown/Missing	3,515		31.9

SIBLINGS IN FOSTER CARE:

Group Size:	Separated		Partly Separated		Intact	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Two	1072	28.6	-	-	2672	71.4
Three	207	8.8	765	32.4	1389	58.8
Four or more	125	5.2	1583	66.2	685	28.6

CHILDREN RETURNING TO CARE BY LENGTH OF TIME SINCE LAST DISCHARGE:

	N	%
Total (0-24 months)	1286	13.5
0-3 months	314	3.3
4-12 months	632	6.7
13-24 months	340	3.6

Total With Race/Ethnic Code: N: Number of children in foster boarding or adoptive homes on 12/31/13 who have a race/ethnic code in CCRS.

Number With Same Race/Ethnic Code: N: Number of children in foster boarding or adoptive homes on 12/31/13 whose race/ethnic code in CCRS is the same as at least one of his or her foster parent's race/ethnic code in the Connections database. Congregate care and approved relative homes are excluded.

%: Children with a race/ethnic code in CCRS whose code is the same as at least one foster parent's race/ethnic code in the Connections database as a percentage of children in foster care on 12/31/13 with a race/ethnic code for a specified race/ethnic group. There are a small number of foster parents with no race/ethnic code in the Connections database; these are counted as not matched.

Siblings in Foster Care: N: Number of children in foster care on 12/31/13 who have a sibling in foster care.

Separated: All of the siblings in a sibling group of the specified size are in separate facilities.

Partly Separated: Some of the siblings in a sibling group of the specified size are in separate facilities.

Intact: All of the siblings in a sibling group of the specified size are in the same facility.

%: Number of siblings who are separated, partly separated, or intact as a percentage of all siblings in a sibling group of the same size.

Children Returning to Care By Length of Time Since Last Discharge: N: Number of children who were readmitted to foster care in 2013 who had been discharged from foster care within the specified number of months prior to the last 2013 admission. Children returning to foster care from a trial discharge are not considered to have been readmitted.

%: The number of children readmitted to foster care in 2013 as a percentage of the total number of children admitted to foster care in 2013.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for definitions.

SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2013 FOSTER CARE ADMISSION

	NEW YORK STATE	
	N	%
Preventive Services Only	678	7.1
Child Protective Services Only	2,498	26.3
Both Preventive And CPS	2,880	30.3
Neither Preventive Nor CPS	3,445	36.3

SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2013 ADMISSION BY AGE:

AGE	PREVENTIVE ONLY		CHILD PROTECTIVE ONLY	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	23	1.1	764	35.2
2-5	54	3.0	550	30.5
6-9	36	2.9	355	28.3
10-13	84	6.4	322	24.7
14-17	476	16.5	492	17.1
18+	5	5.8	15	17.4

AGE	BOTH PREVENTIVE AND PROTECTIVE		NEITHER PREVENTIVE NOR PROTECTIVE	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	517	23.8	868	40.0
2-5	766	42.5	431	23.9
6-9	551	43.9	314	25.0
10-13	458	35.1	442	33.8
14-17	585	20.3	1,327	46.1
18+	3	3.5	63	73.3

Please Note: All four categories are mutually exclusive.

Preventive Services Prior to or at the time of Foster Care Admission: N: Number of children admitted to foster care in 2013 who were opened to Preventive Services on the date of the foster care admission or who had a Service Program Choice of Preventive during the 12 months preceding admission.

Child Protective Services Prior to or at the time of Foster Care Admission: N: Number of children admitted to foster care in 2013 who were opened to Child Protective Services on the date of the foster care admission or who had a Service Program Choice of Protective during the 12 months preceding admission

Services Prior To/At 2013 Admission by Age %: Number of children in each age group within each category admitted to foster care in 2013 as a percentage of all children in that same age group who were admitted to foster care in 2013.

**TIME IN CARE BY AGE
12/31/13**

AGE OF CHILDREN

	< 2 YEARS %	2-5 YEARS %	6-9 YEARS %	10-13 YEARS %	14-17 YEARS %	18+ YEARS %	PERCENT OF TOTAL
< 1 YEAR							
NEW YORK STATE	67.2	28.6	30.6	31.5	42.3	6.4	34.6
1-2 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE	32.8	22.5	21.6	21.4	19.4	13.1	21.6
2-3 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE		26.5	15.8	14.6	12.1	13.8	15.2
> 3 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE		22.3	32.0	32.5	26.2	66.7	28.7
TOTAL							
NEW YORK STATE	N=2,146	N=4,396	N=3,012	N=2,545	N=4,672	N=2,130	N=18,901

For children in foster care on 12/31/13, the chart shows the percentage of each age group (column) by the length of time indicated in the rows.

**ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND IN CARE
FACILITY TYPE BY PLACEMENT, LOCATION AND AGE**

TYPE OF PLACEMENT:	AGE OF CHILDREN		TOTAL N	PERCENT	PLACEMENT	LOCATION
	< 11 YEARS N	11+ YEARS N			Out Of County N	Out Of State N
Congregate Care						
Admissions	468	2,338	2,806	29.5		
In Care	156	2,896	3,052	16.1	1,727	71
Discharges	154	2,294	2,448	22.6		
Foster Boarding Homes						
Admissions	3,748	1,232	4,980	52.4		
In Care	6,942	4,073	11,015	58.3	1,313	42
Discharges	3,668	2,115	5,783	53.5		
Approved Relative Homes						
Admissions	1,241	330	1,571	16.5		
In Care	2,935	1,421	4,356	23.0	417	191
Discharges	1,568	818	2,386	22.1		
Other						
Admissions	20	124	144	1.5		
In Care	134	344	478	2.5	165	26
Discharges	12	186	198	1.8		
Total						
Admissions	5,477	4,024	9,501	100.0		
In Care	10,167	8,734	18,901	100.0	3,622	330
Discharges	5,402	5,413	10,815	100.0		

Admissions & Discharges: N: The number of children admitted to/discharged from each type of placement during 2013

In Care: N: The number of children in each type of placement on 12/31/13

%: Children in each facility type as a percentage of all children admitted, discharged or in care

Congregate Care: Includes AOBH, Group Home, Group Residence and Institution.

Other: Includes SILP (Supervised Independent Living Program) and all other categories.

Placement Location: N: The number of children in a placement outside the county on 12/31/13. Out of county does not include out of state placements.

FOSTER CARE DISCHARGES BY TIME IN CARE

AGE OF CHILDREN AT DISCHARGE

	< 2 YEARS %	2-5 YEARS %	6-9 YEARS %	10-13 YEARS %	14-17 YEARS %	18+ YEARS %	PERCENT OF TOTAL
< 1 YEAR							
NEW YORK STATE	76.6	34.3	32.6	38.8	55.4	10.1	39.4
1-2 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE	23.4	16.6	17.2	16.0	22.8	12.5	18.0
2-3 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE		22.4	13.7	11.7	8.5	10.7	12.4
> 3 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE		26.7	36.5	33.5	13.4	66.6	30.1
TOTAL							
NEW YORK STATE	N= 965	N=2,420	N=1,659	N=1,387	N=2,583	N=1,786	N=10,800

For children discharged from foster care during 2013, the chart shows the percentage of each age group (column) by the length of time indicated in the rows.

**GOAL BY AGE
12/31/13**

		< 2 YEARS %	2-5 YEARS %	6-9 YEARS %	10-13 YEARS %	14-17 YEARS %	18+ YEARS %	PERCENT OF TOTAL
ADULT CUSTODIAL CARE								
	NEW YORK STATE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.9	4.9	0.8
ADOPTION								
G	NEW YORK STATE	18.6	42.6	41.4	38.1	14.6	3.0	27.8
O PARENT/GUARDIAN								
A	NEW YORK STATE	78.6	54.0	54.5	55.7	57.7	10.5	52.8
L ANOTHER PLANNED LIVING ARRANGEMENT (APLA)								
S	NEW YORK STATE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	18.0	77.5	13.4
OTHER GOALS								
	NEW YORK STATE	2.8	3.3	4.1	5.4	8.9	4.1	5.1
TOTAL IN CARE								
	NEW YORK STATE	N=1,953	N=4,325	N=2,975	N=2,505	N=4,560	N=2,128	N=18,446

For children in foster care on 12/31/13 with a reported goal, the chart shows the percentage of each age group (column) with the goal indicated in the row. Children with waivers are included in the Adoption percentages.

DAYS IN CARE**Total Days in Care**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Institution	1,142,265	1,045,262	903,662	843,735	800,071
Foster Boarding Home	4,914,506	4,754,804	4,560,230	4,373,619	4,182,244
Agency Operated Boarding Home	113,535	107,431	81,798	70,034	65,541
Group Residence	125,415	104,251	85,399	81,260	82,732
Group Home	342,421	296,391	223,441	212,458	235,786
Adoptive Home	6,887	6,651	4,349	2,333	1,942
Approved Relative Home	2,140,241	2,087,767	1,960,888	1,852,818	1,657,025
Supervised Independent Living Program	69,182	62,681	45,677	45,894	46,498
Other	200,932	180,721	163,172	149,316	132,207
<i>Total</i>	9,055,384	8,645,959	8,028,616	7,631,467	7,204,046

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Congregate Care	1,993,750	1,796,737	1,503,149	1,402,697	1,362,835
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	4,921,393	4,761,455	4,564,579	4,375,952	4,184,186
Approved Relative Home	2,140,241	2,087,767	1,960,888	1,852,818	1,657,025
<i>Total</i>	9,055,384	8,645,959	8,028,616	7,631,467	7,204,046

Percent of Days in Care

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Institution	12.6%	12.1%	11.3%	11.1%	11.1%
Foster Boarding Home	54.3%	55.0%	56.8%	57.3%	58.1%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	1.3%	1.2%	1.0%	0.9%	0.9%
Group Residence	1.4%	1.2%	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%
Group Home	3.8%	3.4%	2.8%	2.8%	3.3%
Adoptive Home	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Approved Relative Home	23.6%	24.1%	24.4%	24.3%	23.0%
Supervised Independent Living Program	0.8%	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Other	2.2%	2.1%	2.0%	2.0%	1.8%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Congregate Care	22.0%	20.8%	18.7%	18.4%	18.9%
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	54.3%	55.1%	56.9%	57.3%	58.1%
Approved Relative Home	23.6%	24.1%	24.4%	24.3%	23.0%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Percent Change Over Previous Year

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2009-2013
Institution	-8.5%	-13.5%	-6.6%	-5.2%	-30.0%
Foster Boarding Home	-3.2%	-4.1%	-4.1%	-4.4%	-14.9%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	-5.4%	-23.9%	-14.4%	-6.4%	-42.3%
Group Residence	-16.9%	-18.1%	-4.8%	1.8%	-34.0%
Group Home	-13.4%	-24.6%	-4.9%	11.0%	-31.1%
Adoptive Home	-3.4%	-34.6%	-46.4%	-16.8%	-71.8%
Approved Relative Home	-2.5%	-6.1%	-5.5%	-10.6%	-22.6%
Supervised Independent Living Program	-9.4%	-27.1%	0.5%	1.3%	-32.8%
Other	-10.1%	-9.7%	-8.5%	-11.5%	-34.2%
<i>Total</i>	-4.5%	-7.1%	-4.9%	-5.6%	-20.4%

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2009-2013
Congregate Care	-9.9%	-16.3%	-6.7%	-2.8%	-31.6%
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	-3.2%	-4.1%	-4.1%	-4.4%	-15.0%
Approved Relative Home	-2.5%	-6.1%	-5.5%	-10.6%	-22.6%
<i>Total</i>	-4.5%	-7.1%	-4.9%	-5.6%	-20.4%

Other: Includes residential treatment facilities, skilled nursing facilities, specialized schools, etc.

Congregate Care: Includes Institutions, AOBH, Group Home, Group Residence, SILP's and Other.

Adoptive Home: Includes Adoptive and/or Adoption Subsidy Home.

**FOSTER CARE
TREND DATA
2009-2013**

CHILDREN IN CARE:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	23,898	4.5	
2010	22,474	4.2	-5.7
2011	20,968	3.9	-6.5
2012	19,944	3.8	-4.5
2013	18,901	3.5	-6.0

CHILDREN ADMITTED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	12,510	2.3	
2010	12,173	2.2	-1.6
2011	10,696	2.0	-11.4
2012	10,069	1.9	-5.6
2013	9,501	1.8	-5.4

CHILDREN DISCHARGED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	13,770	36.6	
2010	13,934	38.3	4.7
2011	12,517	37.4	-2.3
2012	11,406	36.4	-2.7
2013	10,815	36.4	0.0

For detailed description of variables see page 12, "Foster Care Admissions/Discharges/In Care by Age, Race and Ethnicity."

ADOPTION

**ADOPTION MILESTONES
2013**

**CHILDREN WHO HAD A MILESTONE
OCCUR DURING 2013:**

	N	%
Goal Set during 2013	2,320	7.4
Freed during 2013	2,024	6.5
Placed during 2013	1,802	24.2
Discharged to Adoption during 2013	2,067	48.1

CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE ON 12/31/13 WITH A GOAL OF ADOPTION: 5,127

Goal Set

N: Number of children with a goal set to Adoption during the calendar year.

%: Children who had a "goal set," as a percentage of all children in foster care at any time during the calendar year.

Freed

N: Number of children freed during the calendar year.

%: Children "freed," as a percentage of all children in foster care at any time during the calendar year.

Placed

N: Number of children placed for Adoption during the calendar year.

%: Children "placed," as a percentage of all children in foster care who had a goal of Adoption on 12/31/13 or had a goal set to Adoption, were freed, placed or discharged to Adoption at any time during the calendar year.

Discharged to Adoption

N: Number of children discharged to Adoption during the calendar year.

%: Children "discharged," as a percentage of children in foster care at any time during the calendar year, who had a goal of Adoption and had a status of free for Adoption.

Children with waivers are excluded from all "N"s and Percentages.

WAITING POPULATION ON 12/31/13

CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE FOR 2 OR MORE YEARS WITH A GOAL OF:						
	RETURN HOME		ADOPTION		OTHER	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Less than 8 years old:	786	26.9	2,072	70.8	68	2.3
8 years old or older:	1,115	20.8	1,930	36.0	2,318	43.2

CHILDREN WAITING TO ACHIEVE AN ADOPTION MILESTONE					
	TOTAL N	WAITING LESS THAN 1 YEAR		WAITING 1 YEAR OR MORE	
		N	%	N	%
Goal and not Free:	2,955	1,520	51.4	1,435	48.6
Less than 8 years old:	1,839	1,019	55.4	820	44.6
8 years old or older:	1,116	501	44.9	615	55.1
Free and not Placed:	686	371	54.1	315	45.9
Less than 8 years old:	262	207	79.0	55	21.0
8 years old or older:	424	164	38.7	260	61.3
Free, Placed and not Discharged:	1,486	1,082	72.8	404	27.2
Less than 8 years old:	776	624	80.4	152	19.6
8 years old or older:	710	458	64.5	252	35.5

In Foster Care for 2 or more years with a Goal of: Return Home/Adoption/Other Goal **N:** As of 12/31/13, the number of children who had been in care for 2 years or longer, who were in the specified age group, and who had the specified goal. **%:** As of 12/31/13, children who had been in care for 2 years or longer, who were in the specified age group, and who had the specified goal, as a percentage of all children in foster care who were in the specified age group.

Goal and not Free **N:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption and who were "waiting" to be freed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption and who were "waiting" to be freed for the specified time, as a percentage of all children who were "waiting" to be freed.

Free and not Placed **N:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, and were "waiting" to be placed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, and were "waiting" to be placed for the specified time, as a percentage of all children who were "waiting" to be placed.

Free, Placed and not Discharged (to Adoption) **N:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, were in an adoptive placement, and were "waiting" to be discharged for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, were in an adoptive placement, and were "waiting" to be discharged for the specified time, as a percentage of all children who were "waiting" to be discharged.

Less than 8 years old and 8 years old or older **N:** For the three waiting populations described above, the number of children in the specified age group and time period. **%:** For the children in each age group who are in the three waiting populations described above, the % that were waiting, as of 12/31/13, less than one year or one year or more.

Children with waivers from photo listing are excluded from all "N"s and Percentages in the Children Waiting to Achieve an Adoption Milestone section.

**TIME TO ACHIEVE MILESTONES
DURING 2013**

Admission to Goal Set:	LESS THAN 2 YEARS		2 TO 3 YEARS		GREATER THAN 3 YEARS	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Less than 8 years:	1,047	67.7	294	19.0	205
8 years or older:	388	51.8	183	24.4	178	23.8

	LESS THAN 6 MONTHS		6 MONTHS TO 1 YEAR		GREATER THAN 1 YEAR	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Goal to Free:					
Less than 8 years:	201	19.8	256	25.2	560	55.1
8 years or older:	81	14.8	99	18.1	368	67.2
Petition Date to Free Date:						
Less than 8 years:	196	21.4	268	29.2	454	49.5
8 years or older:	78	14.5	122	22.6	339	62.9
Free to Place:						
Less than 8 years:	1,025	89.4	78	6.8	43	3.8
8 years or older:	495	75.6	48	7.3	112	17.1
Placed with Foster Parent:						
Less than 8 years:	1,021	89.6	77	6.8	41	3.6
8 years or older:	480	75.2	48	7.5	110	17.2
Not Placed with Foster Parent:						
Less than 8 years:	4	57.1	1	14.3	2	28.6
8 years or older:	15	88.2	0	0.0	2	11.8

Admission to Goal Set: N: For children of the specified age group who had their goal set to Adoption in 2013, the time from admission to foster care to having their goal set to Adoption.

Goal to Free: N: For children of the specified age group who were freed for Adoption in 2013, the time from having the goal set until they were freed.

Petition Date to Free Date: N: For children of the specified age group who were freed for Adoption in 2013, the time from the date their petition to be freed was filed until they were freed.

Free to Place: N: For children of the specified age group who were placed in an Adoptive home in 2013, the time from when they were freed until the placement.

Placed with Foster Parent: N: Children who were placed for Adoption with the foster parent(s) they were living with.

Not Placed with Foster Parent: N: Children who were placed for Adoption with adoptive parents different than the foster parent(s) they had been living with.

%: The number of children of the specified age group who took the specified time to get from the first specified milestone to the next specified milestone as a percentage of all children in that age group who reached that next milestone during 2013.

Please note: Only children who have both of the specified dates (in a category) in CCRS are included in that category. Children with negative values are excluded. Therefore, children who are freed before the goal of adoption is set are excluded from the goal to free category.

Children with waivers from photo listing are excluded from all "N"s and Percentages.

**ADOPTION CHARACTERISTICS
2013**

TIME FROM GOAL TO DISCHARGE	Less than 2 Years		2 to 3 Years		More than 3 Years	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Less than eight years old:	754	59.1	287	22.5	235	18.4
Eight years old or older:	281	35.5	172	21.7	338	42.7

SEQUENCE OF MILESTONES	Goal First		Simultaneous (Within 30 days)		Free First	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	1,957	80.3	191	7.8	290	11.9

SUBSIDIES AT TIME OF DISCHARGE	N of Children	%
	2,035	98.5

Time From Goal to Discharge (to Adoption) N: Children of the specified age group who were discharged to Adoption in 2013 whose time from goal set to Adoption to discharge to Adoption was in the specified time period. **%:** The number of children of each age group who took the specified time to get from goal set to Adoption to be discharged to adoption as a percentage of all children in that age group who were discharged to Adoption during 2013.

Sequence of Milestones: For children who had both a goal of adoption and were free in 2013, percentages for whom sequence of these milestones was: Goal [set] First, or [goal set] Within 30 Days [of freeing], or Free(d) First.

Subsidies at Time of Discharge

N: Number of children discharged to adoption in 2013 with a subsidy designation.

%: Discharges with a designated subsidized adoption as a percentage of all discharges to adoption.

Children with waivers from photo listing are excluded from all "N"s and Percentages.

**ADOPTION
TREND DATA
2009-2013**

GOAL SET:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	2,723	7.1	
2010	2,585	7.1	0.1
2011	2,671	7.7	7.3
2012	2,780	8.6	12.0
2013	2,320	7.7	-10.3

FREED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	2,204	5.8	
2010	2,349	6.5	12.4
2011	2,252	6.5	-0.4
2012	2,010	6.2	-4.0
2013	2,024	6.7	8.3

PLACED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	1,958	21.7	
2010	2,093	24.0	10.7
2011	2,114	25.2	4.9
2012	1,832	22.5	-10.5
2013	1,802	24.2	7.4

**DISCHARGED
TO ADOPTION:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	2,217	40.2	
2010	2,311	42.3	5.3
2011	2,350	45.0	6.4
2012	2,269	48.2	7.0
2013	2,067	48.1	-0.2

For detailed description of variables see page 22, "Adoption Milestones."

APPENDIX A: CLARIFICATION OF DATA SOURCES AND DEFINITIONS

This appendix clarifies definitions or specifies on what data were used to produce the Child Protective Services (CPS), Foster Care and Adoption components of the MAPS packages. All Child Protective Services program data used come from the State Central Register (SCR) (CONNECTIONS). Foster Care and Adoption data come from the Child Care Review Service (CCRS). Data from 2009-2013 are provided for selected variables. For the definitions of these variables, refer to the MAPS page where the variable appears.

Starting with MAPS 2007, changes were made to the source file, race/ethnicity categories, and the Preventive services pages. Details regarding these changes are found in this appendix.

Population Sources

The population figures used to calculate rates are taken from the 2007 Complete New York and New Jersey Demographic Database Files, Woods and Poole Economics, Inc. The child population includes children under 22 in all program areas except CPS, where only children under 18 are included in rate calculations.

Race and Ethnicity Categories

After a number of years of reporting race and ethnicity as separate variables, a decision has been made to combine these variables. Reporting race/ethnicity as a single variable provides easier comparisons of the child welfare experiences of minority children. The revised race/ethnicity data will be found on pages 7 and 8. As a result of combining race and ethnicity, starting with MAPS 2007, caution should be used when comparing the new race/ethnicity data with MAPS reports from 2002-2006.

New Coding of Race/Ethnicity in MAPS

Note: The Race/Ethnicity categories in the MAPS report are roll ups of the codes that are entered into CCRS.

MAPS Category	included in category
White	White (Not Hispanic)
African American	Black, Interracial Black/White, Interracial Black/Asian Ethiopian, Haitian
Latino	Interracial Puerto Rican/White, Interracial Puerto Rican/Black, Other Hispanic, Interracial Puerto Rican/Asian, Interracial Puerto Rican/ Other Hispanic, Puerto Rican, Cuban
Native American/Alaska Native	American Indian/Alaska Native
Asian	Cambodian, Interracial Asian/White,

Asian, Laotian, Vietnamese

Unknown

Interracial Other, Other, Unknown

CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES (CPS)

On June 29, 1997, the existing State Central Register reporting system and database were replaced with the CONNECTIONS reporting system and database. Since June 29, 1997, all incoming calls have been processed through the CONNECTIONS system.

The standards for case practice did not change with the implementation of CONNECTIONS. Regulations framing casework practice on all aspects of Child Protective Services remain the foundation for assuring the safety of children in New York State. However, the structure and terminology for CONNECTIONS is very different. While the definition of a 'report' is the same, it is now labeled depending on where it is in the process, or what 'stage' it is in (*e.g.* Intake, Investigation, etc.).

The data incorporate information from the Investigation stage. The "date of determination" occurs when the supervisor records an approval of the worker's assessment of the report. This action also closes the Investigation stage. All reports for which a district has primary responsibility for investigating are counted. These include familial, foster care and day care reports. The "Reports Received" and "Reports Indicated" sections on the Trend page have been rerun.

Family Assessment Response (FAR) data

Starting with MAPS 2009, all CPS pages reflect Family Assessment Response (FAR) data for the counties that participate in this approach to CPS investigations. Beginning in late 2008, several counties were approved to use an alternative approach with families for some of their CPS maltreatment reports. This alternative approach known as FAR is considered a CPS response, even though no determination is made as to whether or not there is some credible evidence of maltreatment. The intent of FAR is to promote child safety and family well-being through enriched family engagement.

FOSTER CARE

"Services Prior To/At Foster Care Admission," Page 9

"On the date of the foster care admission" includes the actual date of foster care admission and up to 30 days after the admission date.

Children receiving Child Protective Services (CPS) are those who are in an indicated SCR case that remains open, are in an open CCRS case, and have a Service Program Choice code of "Protective" in CCRS.

"Admissions, Discharges and In Care, Facility Type by Placement, Location and Age," Page 11

The "other" category contains many specialized programs/services that serve very few children. If needed, information on what is included in this category is available upon request.

"Days in Care," Page 14

All facility types (level of care) in the chart are determined from specific movement codes entered into CCRS. The definition of foster boarding home includes emergency foster boarding homes. Some children placed in adoptive homes are counted in the foster boarding home category because that is how the home is coded in CCRS.

Other: Includes residential treatment facilities, skilled nursing facilities, specialized schools, etc.

Congregate Care: Includes Institutions, Agency Operated Boarding Home (AOBH), Group Home, Group Residence, Supervised Independent Living Programs (SILPs) and Other.

Adoptive Home: Includes Adoptive and/or Adoption Subsidy Home.