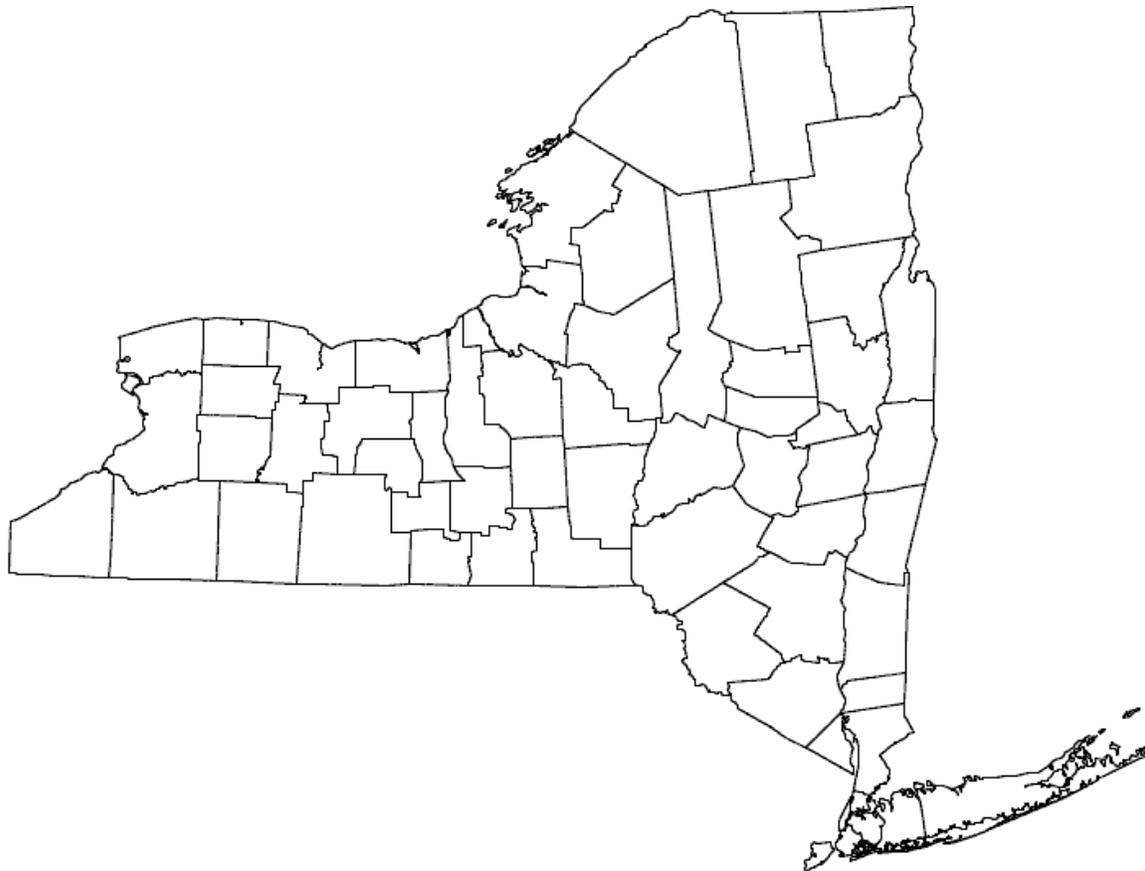


2014 Monitoring and Analysis Profiles With Selected Trend Data: 2010-2014

**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 2014 and charts of selected trend information for the five-year period, 2010-2014. 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 March 20, 2015, and from the CONNECTIONS database as of March 20, 2015. 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 2010 through 2014 are taken from the 2012 Complete New York and New Jersey Demographic Database Files, 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
2014**

NEW YORK STATE

	N	Rate
REPORTS RECEIVED	155,808	35.6
	N	%
REPORTS BY MANDATED REPORTER	100,035	64.2
OF REPORTS DETERMINED:		
Reports Indicated	45,927	32.2
Reports Unfounded	96,689	67.8
OF REPORTS REGISTERED:		
Determinations Overdue	2,069	1.4
OF REPORTS ASSESSED:		
Family Assessment Response	11,123	7.1

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 2014 and indicated/unfounded by 03/20/15

%: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2014 and indicated/unfounded by 03/20/15, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2014 and determined by 03/20/15.

Determinations Overdue

N: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2014 and had no determination by 03/20/15.

%: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2014 and had no determination by 03/20/15, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2014, excluding those reports selected for assessment rather than investigation.

Reports Assessed

N: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2014 and assigned to the Family Assessment Response track by 03/20/15.

Rate is the total number of FAR reports divided by the total number of reports received.

See the Appendix A for detailed definitions of CONNECTIONS data.

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES
REPORT DETERMINATIONS -- TIMELINESS
2014**

NEW YORK STATE

REPORT DETERMINATION TIMELINESS:	N	%
	92,667	65.0

**DAYS TO REPORT
DETERMINATION:**

NEW YORK STATE

All Reports Determined	N	%
0-30 Days	16,912	11.9
31-60	75,755	53.1
61-90	32,752	23.0
>90	17,197	12.1

Indicated

0-30 Days	3,814	8.3
31-60	24,624	53.6
61-90	11,269	24.5
>90	6,220	13.5

Unfounded

0-30 Days	13,098	13.5
31-60	51,131	52.9
61-90	21,483	22.2
>90	10,977	11.4

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 determined in the calendar year 2014, excluding those reports selected for assessment rather than investigation.

Days to Report Determination: Number of reports determined in calendar year 2014, that received a determination by 3/20/15, 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
2010-2014**

REPORTS RECEIVED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2010	167,926	38.6	
2011	164,332	38.0	-1.7
2012	160,052	37.2	-2.0
2013	156,002	36.4	-2.0
2014	155,614	35.5	-2.5

REPORTS INDICATED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2010	50,313	31.2	
2011	47,593	30.7	-1.7
2012	45,838	31.0	1.0
2013	44,802	31.1	0.3
2014	45,927	32.2	3.5

FAR REPORTS ASSESSED:

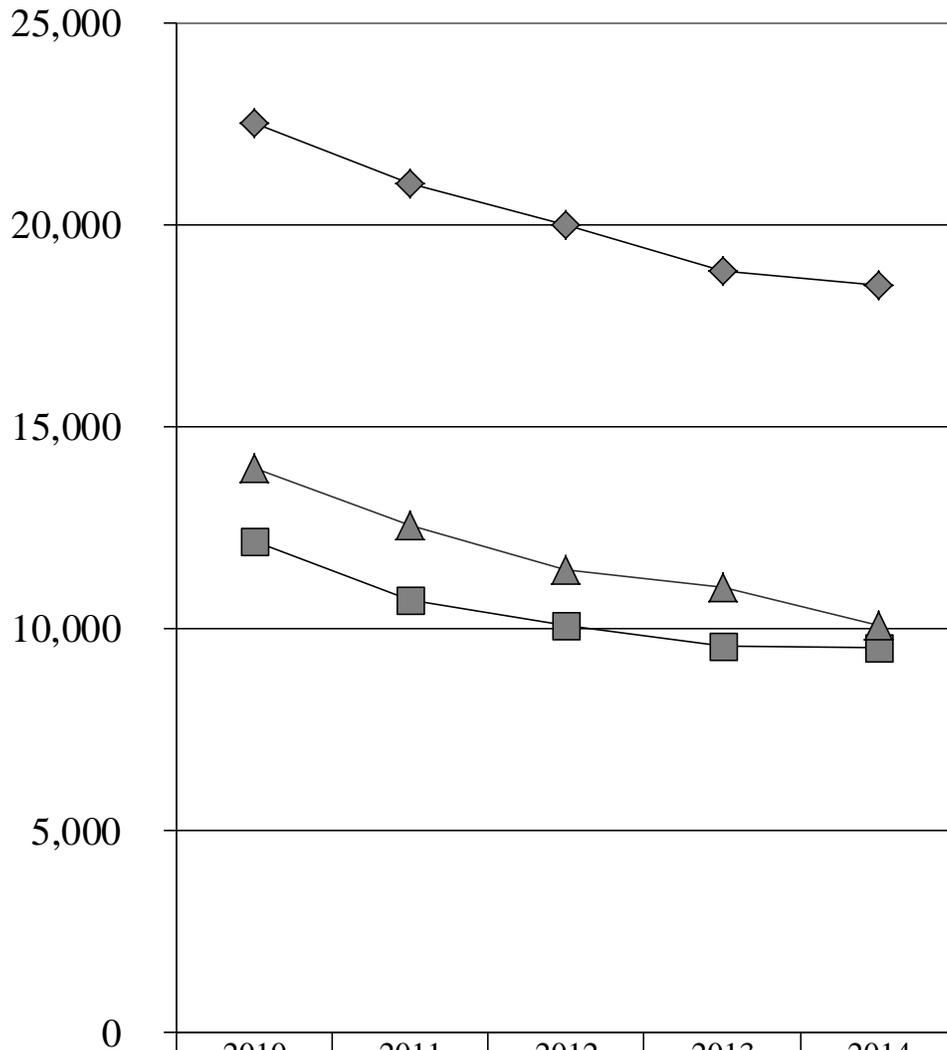
	N	Annual Rate
2010	6,912	4.1
2011	9,413	5.7
2012	12,319	7.7
2013	12,297	7.9
2014	11,130	7.2

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
2010-2014**



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
◆ In Care	22,524	21,017	19,975	18,857	18,488
■ Admissions	12,173	10,695	10,063	9,549	9,516
▲ Discharges	13,948	12,534	11,440	11,018	10,081

**BY AGE, RACE AND ETHNICITY
2014**

TOTAL:

	N	Rate	%
ADMISSIONS	9,516	1.8	
DISCHARGES	10,081	35.3	10.3
IN CARE	18,488	3.5	

AGE:

	Admissions			Discharges			In Care		
	N	%	Comp.	N	%	Comp.	N	%	Comp.
<2	2,300	24.2		980	9.7	3.8	2,220	12.0	
2-5	1,825	19.2		2,240	22.2	6.9	4,280	23.2	
6-9	1,288	13.5		1,577	15.6	8.1	3,005	16.3	
10-13	1,386	14.6		1,215	12.1	4.4	2,569	13.9	
14-17	2,622	27.6		2,516	25.0	6.2	4,401	23.8	
18+	95	1.0		1,553	15.4	3.9	2,013	10.9	

RACE/ETHNICITY:

	Admissions		Discharges		In Care	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
White	2,554	26.8	2,513	24.9	3,990	21.6
African American	3,504	36.8	4,062	40.3	7,810	42.2
Latino	2,229	23.4	2,316	23.0	4,591	24.8
Native American/ Alaska Native	36	0.4	27	0.3	66	0.4
Asian	114	1.2	96	1.0	203	1.1
Unknown	1,079	11.3	1,067	10.6	1,828	9.9

PERCENTAGE OF DISCHARGES BY DESTINATION:

	Home	Independent Adoption	Other State Living	Agency	Other
	%	%	%	%	%
NEW YORK STATE	61.3	19.8	12.3	2.1	4.5

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.

This discharge number may not exactly match discharge numbers reported on other MAPS pages due to definitional differences.

%: 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 12/31/14.

Rate: The number of children in foster care on 12/31/14 for every 1000 children in the district.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for details. Race/ethnicity is classified into mutually exclusive categories. In the process, children identified as White/Hispanic or Black /Hispanic are counted under Latino and not in White or African American.

Destination: For children discharged during 2014, 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 2014

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	9,774	6,555	67.1
White	2,485	2,055	82.7
African American	4,387	3,206	73.1
Latino	2,737	1,267	46.3
Native American/Alaska Native	36	14	38.9
Asian	129	13	10.1
	N		%
Unknown/Missing	548		5.3

SIBLINGS IN FOSTER CARE:

Group Size:	Separated		Partly Separated		Intact	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Two	1040	27.1	-	-	2800	72.9
Three	213	9.3	783	34.0	1305	56.7
Four or more	131	5.4	1612	66.8	670	27.8

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

	N	%
Total (0-24 months)	1294	13.6
0-3 months	347	3.6
4-12 months	617	6.5
13-24 months	330	3.5

Total With Race/Ethnic Code: N: Number of children in foster boarding or adoptive homes on 12/31/14 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 12/31/14 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 12/31/14 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 12/31/14 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 2014 who had been discharged from foster care within the specified number of months prior to the last 2014 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 2014 as a percentage of the total number of children admitted to foster care in 2014.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for definitions.

SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2014 FOSTER CARE ADMISSION

	NEW YORK STATE	
	N	%
Preventive Services Only	628	6.6
Child Protective Services Only	2,190	23.0
Both Preventive And CPS	2,842	29.9
Neither Preventive Nor CPS	3,856	40.5

SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2013 ADMISSION BY AGE:

AGE	PREVENTIVE ONLY		CHILD PROTECTIVE ONLY	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	39	1.7	672	29.2
2-5	49	2.7	425	23.3
6-9	46	3.6	356	27.6
10-13	102	7.4	306	22.1
14-17	392	15.0	410	15.6
18+	0	0.0	21	22.1

AGE	BOTH PREVENTIVE AND PROTECTIVE		NEITHER PREVENTIVE NOR PROTECTIVE	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	538	23.4	1,051	45.7
2-5	817	44.8	534	29.3
6-9	503	39.1	383	29.7
10-13	469	33.8	509	36.7
14-17	510	19.5	1,310	50.0
18+	5	5.3	69	72.6

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 2014 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 2014 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 2014 Admission by Age %: Number of children in each age group within each category admitted to foster care in 2014 as a percentage of all children in that same age group who were admitted to foster care in 2014.

**TIME IN CARE BY AGE
12/31/14**

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	66.5	32.5	31.3	35.5	42.9	6.1	36.4
1-2 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE	33.5	22.3	22.2	19.3	19.3	12.7	21.5
2-3 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE		22.9	14.8	14.3	11.8	16.7	14.3
> 3 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE		22.2	31.8	30.9	25.9	64.6	27.8
TOTAL							
NEW YORK STATE	N=2,220	N=4,280	N=3,005	N=2,569	N=4,401	N=2,013	N=18,488

For children in foster care on 12/31/14, 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	565	2,200	2,765	29.1		
In Care	206	2,826	3,032	16.4	1,674	82
Discharges	150	2,164	2,314	23.0		
Foster Boarding Homes						
Admissions	3,952	1,189	5,141	54.0		
In Care	7,010	3,930	10,940	59.2	1,340	35
Discharges	3,650	1,951	5,601	55.6		
Approved Relative Homes						
Admissions	1,137	306	1,443	15.2		
In Care	2,794	1,278	4,072	22.0	379	162
Discharges	1,318	675	1,993	19.8		
Other						
Admissions	38	129	167	1.8		
In Care	121	323	444	2.4	147	13
Discharges	4	169	173	1.7		
Total						
Admissions	5,692	3,824	9,516	100.0		
In Care	10,131	8,357	18,488	100.0	3,540	292
Discharges	5,122	4,959	10,081	100.0		

Admissions & Discharges: N: The number of children admitted to/discharged from each type of placement during 2014

In Care: N: The number of children in each type of placement on 12/31/14

%: 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 12/31/14. 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	78.2	36.8	35.0	38.1	50.9	9.0	39.9
1-2 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE	21.8	15.4	16.2	14.8	25.9	11.1	18.0
2-3 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE		22.5	12.4	14.0	9.3	10.7	12.6
> 3 YEARS							
NEW YORK STATE		25.3	36.5	33.2	13.9	69.3	29.5
TOTAL							
NEW YORK STATE	N= 979	N=2,239	N=1,576	N=1,211	N=2,513	N=1,552	N=10,070

For children discharged from foster care during 2014, the chart shows the percentage of each age group (column) by the length of time indicated in the rows.
Discharges: The total discharge number may not exactly match discharge numbers reported on other MAPS pages due to definitional differences.

**GOAL BY AGE
12/31/14**

		< 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	0.2	0.9	5.4	0.9
ADOPTION								
G	NEW YORK STATE	17.7	40.2	39.4	34.6	14.4	2.9	26.5
O PARENT/GUARDIAN								
A	NEW YORK STATE	79.3	56.3	56.0	58.0	58.5	11.0	54.4
L ANOTHER PLANNED LIVING ARRANGEMENT (APLA)								
S	NEW YORK STATE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	17.5	76.7	12.8
OTHER GOALS								
	NEW YORK STATE	3.0	3.5	4.7	6.8	8.6	4.0	5.4
TOTAL IN CARE								
	NEW YORK STATE	N=1,953	N=4,184	N=2,950	N=2,511	N=4,278	N=2,008	N=17,884

For children in foster care on 12/31/14 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.

Note: the totals on this page do not count children where a goal is not set.

DAYS IN CARE**Total Days in Care**

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Institution	1,043,914	902,028	840,651	793,990	758,548
Foster Boarding Home	4,764,291	4,569,759	4,381,392	4,182,405	4,100,619
Agency Operated Boarding Home	107,431	81,798	70,513	65,896	69,614
Group Residence	104,616	85,764	81,501	82,258	74,119
Group Home	296,756	223,806	213,110	236,267	230,737
Adoptive Home	6,651	4,349	2,333	1,769	578
Approved Relative Home	2,096,162	1,969,283	1,861,146	1,665,599	1,534,239
Supervised Independent Living Program	62,681	45,677	45,854	46,290	42,132
Other	181,816	164,038	150,131	132,091	124,322
<i>Total</i>	8,664,318	8,046,502	7,646,631	7,206,565	6,934,908

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Congregate Care	1,797,214	1,503,111	1,401,760	1,356,792	1,299,472
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	4,770,942	4,574,108	4,383,725	4,184,174	4,101,197
Approved Relative Home	2,096,162	1,969,283	1,861,146	1,665,599	1,534,239
<i>Total</i>	8,664,318	8,046,502	7,646,631	7,206,565	6,934,908

Percent of Days in Care

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Institution	12.0%	11.2%	11.0%	11.0%	10.9%
Foster Boarding Home	55.0%	56.8%	57.3%	58.0%	59.1%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	1.2%	1.0%	0.9%	0.9%	1.0%
Group Residence	1.2%	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%
Group Home	3.4%	2.8%	2.8%	3.3%	3.3%
Adoptive Home	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Approved Relative Home	24.2%	24.5%	24.3%	23.1%	22.1%
Supervised Independent Living Program	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Other	2.1%	2.0%	2.0%	1.8%	1.8%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Congregate Care	20.7%	18.7%	18.3%	18.8%	18.7%
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	55.1%	56.8%	57.3%	58.1%	59.1%
Approved Relative Home	24.2%	24.5%	24.3%	23.1%	22.1%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Percent Change Over Previous Year

	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2010-2014
Institution	-13.6%	-6.8%	-5.6%	-4.5%	-27.3%
Foster Boarding Home	-4.1%	-4.1%	-4.5%	-2.0%	-13.9%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	-23.9%	-13.8%	-6.5%	5.6%	-35.2%
Group Residence	-18.0%	-5.0%	0.9%	-9.9%	-29.2%
Group Home	-24.6%	-4.8%	10.9%	-2.3%	-22.2%
Adoptive Home	-34.6%	-46.4%	-24.2%	-67.3%	-91.3%
Approved Relative Home	-6.1%	-5.5%	-10.5%	-7.9%	-26.8%
Supervised Independent Living Program	-27.1%	0.4%	1.0%	-9.0%	-32.8%
Other	-9.8%	-8.5%	-12.0%	-5.9%	-31.6%
<i>Total</i>	-7.1%	-5.0%	-5.8%	-3.8%	-20.0%

	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2010-2014
Congregate Care	-16.4%	-6.7%	-3.2%	-4.2%	-27.7%
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	-4.1%	-4.2%	-4.6%	-2.0%	-14.0%
Approved Relative Home	-6.1%	-5.5%	-10.5%	-7.9%	-26.8%
<i>Total</i>	-7.1%	-5.0%	-5.8%	-3.8%	-20.0%

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
2010-2014**

CHILDREN IN CARE:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2010	22,524	4.2	
2011	21,017	3.9	-6.5
2012	19,975	3.7	-4.7
2013	18,857	3.5	-5.2
2014	18,488	3.4	-2.8

CHILDREN ADMITTED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2010	12,173	2.2	
2011	10,695	2.0	-11.2
2012	10,063	1.9	-5.1
2013	9,549	1.8	-4.9
2014	9,516	1.8	-0.1

CHILDREN DISCHARGED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2010	13,948	38.2	
2011	12,534	37.4	-2.3
2012	11,440	36.4	-2.5
2013	11,018	36.9	1.3
2014	10,081	35.3	-4.3

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

ADOPTION

**ADOPTION MILESTONES
2014**

**CHILDREN WHO HAD A MILESTONE
OCCUR DURING 2014**

	N	%
Goal Set during 2014	2,059	7.2
Freed during 2014	1,879	6.6
Placed during 2014	1,594	23.0
Discharged to Adoption during 2014	2,008	47.7

CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE ON 12/31/14 WITH A GOAL OF ADOPTION: 4,735

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 12/31/14 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 12/31/14

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:	758	28.3	1,865	69.6	56	2.1
8 years old or older:	1,140	22.3	1,787	35.0	2,184	42.7

CHILDREN WAITING TO ACHIEVE AN ADOPTION MILESTONE					
	TOTAL	WAITING LESS THAN 1 YEAR		WAITING 1 YEAR OR MORE	
		N	N	%	N
Goal and not Free:	2,588	1,301	50.3	1,287	49.7
Less than 8 years old:	1,589	890	56.0	699	44.0
8 years old or older:	999	411	41.1	588	58.9
Free and not Placed:	783	421	53.8	362	46.2
Less than 8 years old:	317	240	75.7	77	24.3
8 years old or older:	466	181	38.8	285	61.2
Free, Placed and not Discharged:	1,364	918	67.3	446	32.7
Less than 8 years old:	747	570	76.3	177	23.7
8 years old or older:	617	348	56.4	269	43.6

In Foster Care for 2 or more years with a Goal of: Return Home/Adoption/Other Goal **N:** As of 12/31/14, 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 12/31/14, 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 12/31/14, all children who had a goal of Adoption and who were "waiting" to be freed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/14, 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 12/31/14, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, and were "waiting" to be placed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/14, 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 12/31/14, 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 12/31/14, 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 12/31/14, 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 2014**

Admission to Goal Set:	LESS THAN 2 YEARS		2 TO 3 YEARS		GREATER THAN 3 YEARS	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Less than 8 years:	995	69.7	278	19.5	154
8 years or older:	305	50.5	125	20.7	174	28.8

	LESS THAN 6 MONTHS		6 MONTHS TO 1 YEAR		GREATER THAN 1 YEAR	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Goal to Free:					
Less than 8 years:	211	21.5	212	21.6	559	56.9
8 years or older:	65	14.4	96	21.2	291	64.4
Petition Date to Free Date:						
Less than 8 years:	207	24.0	245	28.4	411	47.6
8 years or older:	82	19.5	108	25.7	231	54.9
Free to Place:						
Less than 8 years:	952	88.1	90	8.3	38	3.5
8 years or older:	379	73.7	52	10.1	83	16.1
Placed with Foster Parent:						
Less than 8 years:	948	88.2	89	8.3	38	3.5
8 years or older:	373	74.0	52	10.3	79	15.7
Not Placed with Foster Parent:						
Less than 8 years:	4	80.0	1	20.0	0	0.0
8 years or older:	6	60.0	0	0.0	4	40.0

Admission to Goal Set: N: For children of the specified age group who had their goal set to Adoption in 2014, 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 2014, 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 2014, 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 2014, 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 2014.

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
2014**

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:	738	59.6	276	22.3	224	18.1
Eight years old or older:	293	38.1	175	22.7	302	39.2

SEQUENCE OF MILESTONES	Goal First		Simultaneous (Within 30 days)		Free First	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	1,851	80.3	189	8.2	265	11.5

SUBSIDIES AT TIME OF DISCHARGE	N of Children	%
	1,963	97.8

Time From Goal to Discharge (to Adoption) N: Children of the specified age group who were discharged to Adoption in 2014 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 2014.

Sequence of Milestones: For children who had both a goal of adoption and were free in 2014, 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 2014 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
2010-2014**

GOAL SET:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2010	2,606	7.1	
2011	2,658	7.9	10.9
2012	2,756	8.8	10.7
2013	2,446	8.2	-6.7
2014	2,059	7.2	-12.0

FREED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2010	2,353	6.5	
2011	2,268	6.8	4.8
2012	2,055	6.5	-3.2
2013	2,155	7.2	10.3
2014	1,879	6.6	-8.8

PLACED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2010	2,095	23.8	
2011	2,113	24.9	4.9
2012	1,859	22.8	-8.7
2013	1,914	25.2	10.7
2014	1,594	23.0	-8.9

**DISCHARGED
TO ADOPTION:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2010	2,311	42.2	
2011	2,350	44.8	6.1
2012	2,269	47.4	6.0
2013	2,074	46.2	-2.6
2014	2,008	47.7	3.1

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 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 CONNECTIONS database. Foster Care and Adoption data come from the formerly Child Care Review Service (CCRS), now part of CONNECTIONS. Data from 2010-2014 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 2012 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

Prior to 2014, race/ethnicity data in MAPs was based on that entered into CCRS. Since CONNECTIONS is the system of record, ability to enter race/ethnicity to CCRS was disabled in 2014. Race/ethnicity categories utilized in these two databases are different and Connections allow collection of multiple race/ethnicity categories. Consequently, ALL race/ethnicity data utilized in 2014 MAPS is based on that entered into CONNECTIONS. Any comparison of race/ethnicity distributions between 2014 tables and MAPS reports from previous years should be made with extreme caution.

Coding of Race/Ethnicity in MAPS

The Race/Ethnicity categories in the MAPS report use the following classifications:

MAPS Category	included in category
White	White (Not Hispanic)
African American	Black, Interracial Black/White, Interracial Black/Asian Ethiopian, Haitian (Non-Hispanic)
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, Multiple, Unknown

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 CONNECTIONS/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 CONNECTIONS/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.