

Facts About Children in Foster Care in New York 2008

Total Foster Care

Population: 25,878 children were in Foster Care on December 31st, 2008

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Rest of State:	9,662	37.3%
New York City:	16,216	62.7%
Statewide:	25,878	100%
Who are the children:		
Gender:		
Male:	13,766	53.2%
Female:	12,112	46.8%
Age:		
0-2	4,105	15.9%
3-5	3,652	14.1%
6-9	4,055	15.7%
10-13	3,759	14.5%
14-17	7,452	28.8%
18+	2,855	11.0%
Race/Ethnicity:		
African American:	12,219	47.2%
Latino:	5,318	20.5%
White:	4,773	18.5%
Asian:	136	.5%
Native American:	58	.2%
Unknown:	3,374	13.1%
Where are the Children in Care:		
Foster Boarding Home:	13,763	53.2%
Approved Relative Home:	6,292	24.3%
Institution:	3,412	13.2%
Group Residence:	322	1.2%
Group Home:	1,000	3.9%
Other:	1089	4.2%
Where Do Children Go When Discharged:		
Return to Parent:	7,379	53.1%
Released to Relative:	1,682	12.1%
Released to Responsibility:	1,626	12.0%
Adoption:	2,324	16.7%
Other:	933	6.1%

Foster Care Population Trends 2004-2008

