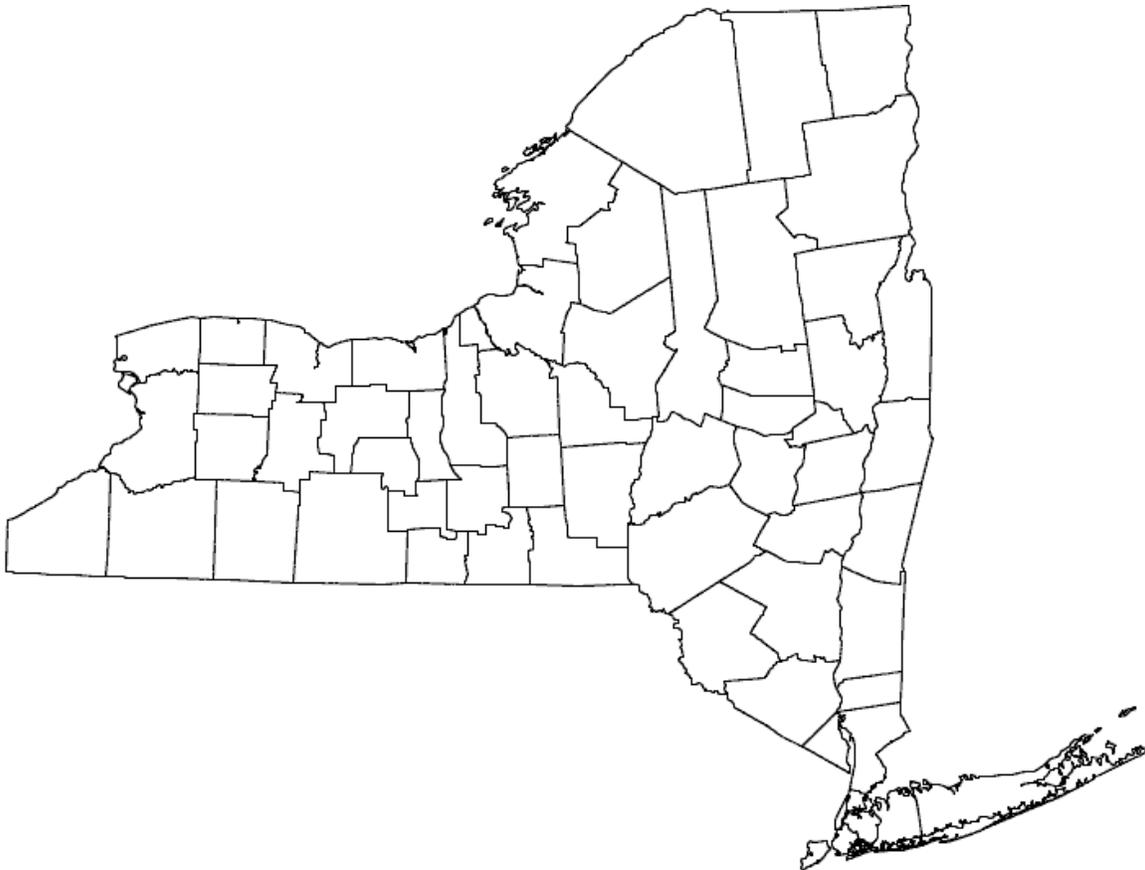


# 2008 Monitoring and Analysis Profiles With Selected Trend Data: 2004 - 2008

**Child Protective Services  
Preventive Services  
Foster Care  
Adoption**

**Upstate**



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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), Preventive and/or Protective Services, Foster Care, and Adoption for New York City, Upstate (combines all counties except New York City), and Statewide. It contains detailed information for 2008 and charts of selected trend information for the five-year period, 2004-2008. Data for all counties other than New York City are contained in separate packages.

Two significant changes were 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.
- 2- **Changes to the Preventive Services pages.** Starting in 2005, Service Program Choices are entered into Connections by the workers during completion of the Family Assessment Service Plan (FASP). The change in how and where Service Program Choices are entered has resulted in changes to how Preventive Services is being reported in MAPS.

(See Appendix A for additional details.)

Program data on Child Protective Services are taken from the CONNECTIONS database, while the program data on Preventive and/or Protective Services, 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 31, 2009, and from the CONNECTIONS database as of March 1, 2009. 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, Preventive and/or Protective Services and Adoption data. The report, "Final Annual Summary Characteristics of Children in Foster Care," produced by OCFS and due to be released in September 2009 contains data reported at a later date, thus accounting for late reporting into CCRS.

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 2004 through 2008 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, Adoption and Preventive and/or Protective Services are based on the number of children ages 0 through 21.

Data on the ethnic composition of children receiving Preventive and/or Protective Services or 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 Nancy Martinez, Director, Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Development, 52 Washington St., 3rd floor, Rensselaer, New York 12144-2796, or (518) 473-1776. E-mail requests for copies can be sent to Carol Cimino, via Microsoft Exchange or the Internet at Carol.Cimino@OCFS.state.ny.us.*

# MONITORING AND ANALYSIS PROFILES

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**CHILD  
PROTECTIVE  
SERVICES**

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES  
WORKLOAD DATA  
2008**

	N	UPSTATE Rate
<b>REPORTS RECEIVED</b>	102,831	39.4
	N	%
<b>REPORTS BY MANDATED REPORTER</b>	62,852	61.1
<b>OF REPORTS DETERMINED:</b>		
<b>Reports Indicated</b>	26,997	27.8
<b>Reports Unfounded</b>	70,181	72.2
<b>OF REPORTS REGISTERED:</b>		
<b>Determinations Overdue</b>	5,653	5.5

Reports Received

N: Number of reports received during the calendar year.

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 2008 and indicated/unfounded by 3/11/09.

%: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2008 and indicated/unfounded by 3/11/09, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2008 and determined by 3/11/09.

Determinations Overdue

N: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2008 and had no determination by 3/11/09.

%: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2008 and had no determination by 3/11/09, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2008.

See the Appendix A for detailed definitions of CONNECTIONS data.

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES  
REPORT DETERMINATIONS -- TIMELINESS  
2008**

	UPSTATE	
REPORT DETERMINATION TIMELINESS:	N	%
	52,131	50.7
	UPSTATE	
DAYS TO REPORT DETERMINATION:	N	%
<b>All Reports Determined</b>		
<b>0-30 Days</b>	17,254	17.8
<b>31-60</b>	34,877	35.9
<b>61-90</b>	26,959	27.7
<b>&gt;90</b>	18,088	18.6
<b>Indicated</b>		
<b>0-30 Days</b>	3,476	12.9
<b>31-60</b>	9,263	34.3
<b>61-90</b>	8,195	30.4
<b>&gt;90</b>	6,063	22.5
<b>Unfounded</b>		
<b>0-30 Days</b>	13,778	19.6
<b>31-60</b>	25,614	36.5
<b>61-90</b>	18,764	26.7
<b>&gt;90</b>	12,025	17.1

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 2008.

**Days to Report Determination:** Number of reports registered in calendar year 2008, that received a determination by 3/11/09, 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  
2004-2008**

**REPORTS RECEIVED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	91,781	33.9	
2005	89,957	33.6	-0.9
2006	95,027	35.8	6.7
2007	95,764	36.5	1.8
2008	102,831	39.4	8.0

**REPORTS INDICATED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	26,583	29.0	
2005	26,181	29.1	0.5
2006	26,943	28.4	-2.6
2007	27,026	28.3	-0.3
2008	26,997	27.8	-1.7

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

See Appendix A for details on CONNECTIONS CPS data.

**PREVENTIVE AND/OR PROTECTIVE  
SERVICES**

**MANDATED PREVENTIVE OPENINGS  
BY AGE, RACE AND ETHNICITY  
2008**

**CHILDREN:**

	N	%	Rate
Total	11,261	100.0	3.4
In Care	737	6.5	0.2
Not In Care	10,524	93.5	3.3

**AGE:**

	N	%
<2	1,818	16.1
2-5	2,478	22.0
6-9	2,188	19.4
10-13	2,050	18.2
14-17	2,707	24.0
18+	20	0.2

**RACE/ETHNICITY:**

	N	%
White	5,753	51.1
African American	2,901	25.8
Latino	757	6.7
Native American/Alaska Native	73	0.6
Asian	29	0.3
Unknown	1,748	15.5

**Total: N:** Number of children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in the calendar year; children with more than one case opened during the year are only counted once.

**Rate:** Children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in the calendar year for every 1000 children in the district.

**In-Care: N:** Number of children who had a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in the calendar year and were in Foster Care at the time the Mandated Preventive Services case was opened.

**%:** Children who had a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in the calendar year and were in Foster Care at the time the Mandated Preventive Services case was opened, as a percentage of all children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in the calendar year.

**Rate:** Children who had a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in the calendar year and were in Foster Care at the time the Mandated Preventive Services case was opened, for every 1000 children in the district.

**Not In-Care: N:** Number of children who had a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in the calendar year and were not in Foster Care at the time the Mandated Preventive Services case was opened.

**%:** Children who had a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in the calendar year and were not in Foster Care at the time the Mandated Preventive Services case was opened, as a percentage of all children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in the calendar year.

**Rate:** Children who had a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in the calendar year and were not in Foster Care at the time the Mandated Preventive Services case was opened, for every 1000 children in the district.

**Race/Ethnicity-** See Appendix A for definitions.

## CHARACTERISTICS OF MANDATED PREVENTIVE OPENINGS

	UPSTATE	
	N	%
<b>2008 PREVENTIVE OPENING WITH PRIOR FOSTER CARE</b>	1,042	9.3
<b>2008 PREVENTIVE OPENING WITH CONCURRENT CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES</b>	7,146	63.5
<b>SUBSEQUENT FOSTER CARE AFTER 2007 PREVENTIVE OPENING</b>		
Within 3 Months	287	2.0
Within 15 Months	1,043	7.2
<b>2007 MANDATED PREVENTIVE OPENINGS BY LENGTH OF SERVICE</b>		
<b>CASE CLOSINGS:</b>		
Within 3 Months	2,323	16.0
Within 15 Months	9,293	64.2

### Prior Foster Care

**N:** Number of children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in 2008 who were in Foster Care sometime in the 12 months prior to the Preventive opening. **%:** Children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in 2008 who were in Foster Care sometime in the 12 months prior to the Preventive opening, as a percentage of all children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in 2008.

### Concurrent Child Protective Services

**N:** Number of children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in 2008 who were receiving Child Protective Services at the time of the Preventive opening. Concurrent also includes children who began receiving Child Protective Services at the same time as the Preventive opening.

**%:** Children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in 2008 who were receiving Child Protective Services at the time of the Preventive opening, as a percentage of all children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in the calendar year.

### Subsequent Foster Care

**N:** Number of children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in 2007 who entered Foster Care within the specified time period following the Mandated Preventive Services case opening. (Within 15 months includes children who went into foster care within 3 months.) **%:** Number of children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in 2007 who entered Foster Care within the specified time period following the Mandated Preventive Services case opening, as a percentage of all children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in 2007.

### Length of Time:

**N:** Number of children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in 2007 whose case was closed within the specified time periods; children with more than one case closed during the year are only counted once. (Within 15 months includes cases closed within 3 months.) **%:** Children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in 2007 whose case was closed within the specified time periods, as a percentage of all children with a Mandated Preventive Services case opened in 2007.

**MANDATED PREVENTIVE POPULATION  
BY AGE, RACE AND ETHNICITY  
12/31/08**

**TOTAL MANDATED:**

	N	%	Rate
Total	17,625	100.0	5.5
In Care	1,646	9.3	0.5
Not In Care	15,979	90.7	5.0

**AGE:**

	N	%
<2	1,438	8.2
2-5	4,186	23.8
6-9	3,843	21.8
10-13	3,374	19.1
14-17	4,013	22.8
18+	771	4.4

**RACE/ETHNICITY:**

	N	%
White	8,410	47.7
African-American	4,750	27.0
Latino	1,341	7.6
Native American/Alaska Native	87	0.5
Asian	60	0.3
Unknown	2,977	16.9

Total: N: Number of children receiving Mandated Preventive Services on 12/31/08.

Rate: Children receiving Mandated Preventive Services on 12/31/08 for every 1000 children in the district.

In-Care: N: Number of children who were receiving both Foster Care and Mandated Preventive Services on 12/31/08.

%: Children who were receiving both Foster Care and Mandated Preventive Services on 12/31/08, as a percentage of all children receiving Mandated Preventive Services.

Rate: Children who were receiving both Foster Care and Mandated Preventive Services on 12/31/08 for every 1000 children in the district.

Not In-Care: N: Number of children who were receiving Mandated Preventive Services on 12/31/08, but were not in Foster Care.

%: Children who were receiving Mandated Preventive Services on 12/31/08, but were not in Foster Care, as a percentage of all children receiving Mandated Preventive Services.

Rate: Children who were receiving Mandated Preventive Services on 12/31/08, but were not in Foster Care, for every 1000 children in the district.

Race/Ethnicity – See Appendix A for definitions.

**PREVENTIVE ONLY  
TREND DATA  
2004-2008**

**PREVENTIVE ONLY**

**PREVENTIVE  
OPENINGS:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	14,116	4.2	
2005	13,295	4.0	-4.3
2006	11,675	3.6	-10.7
2007	7,941	2.5	-31.1
2008	4,900	1.5	-38.1

**POPULATION ON THE LAST  
DAY OF THE YEAR:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	13,555	3.9	
2005	13,461	3.9	0.9
2006	12,766	3.8	-3.5
2007	7,758	2.3	-38.3
2008	6,409	2.0	-16.0

For detailed description of Preventive Openings variables see page 6, "Mandated Preventive Openings by Age, Race and Ethnicity".

For detailed description of Population variables see page 8, "Mandated Preventive Population By Age, Race and Ethnicity".

**PREVENTIVE AND/OR PROTECTIVE  
TREND DATA  
2004-2008**

**PROTECTIVE ONLY**

**PROTECTIVE  
OPENINGS:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	4,672	1.4	
2005	4,676	1.4	1.7
2006	4,425	1.4	-3.8
2007	8,077	2.5	84.8
2008	4,383	1.4	-45.6

**POPULATION ON THE LAST  
DAY OF THE YEAR:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	8,253	2.4	
2005	7,646	2.2	-5.8
2006	7,630	2.3	1.6
2007	8,934	2.7	19.0
2008	8,859	2.7	0.8

**PREVENTIVE AND PROTECTIVE**

**PREVENTIVE AND PROTECTIVE  
OPENINGS:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	5,033	1.5	
2005	4,744	1.4	-4.2
2006	4,813	1.5	3.1
2007	6,537	2.0	37.5
2008	6,361	2.0	-2.4

**POPULATION ON THE LAST  
DAY OF THE YEAR:**

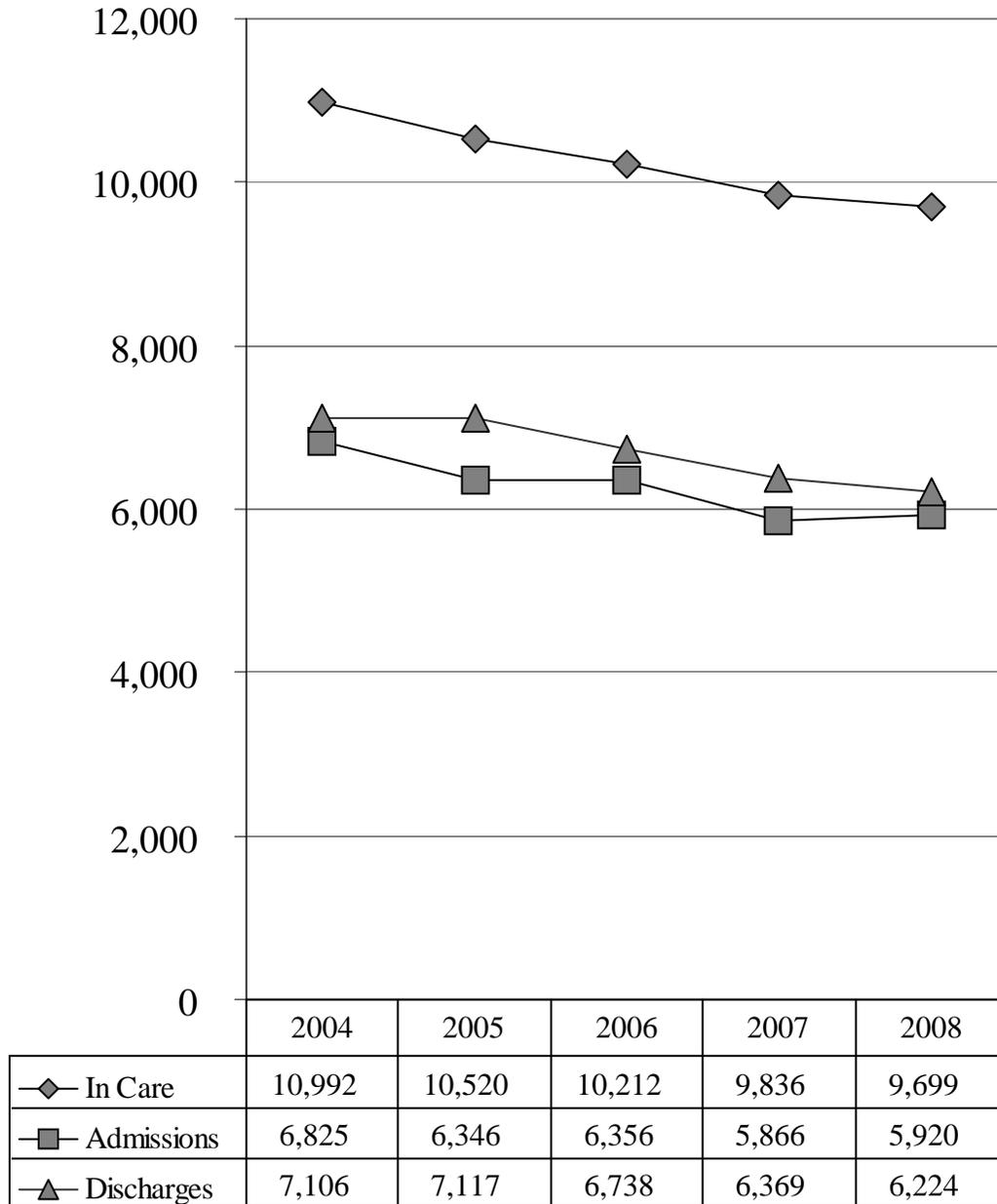
	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	9,859	2.8	
2005	10,275	3.0	5.9
2006	10,196	3.0	1.0
2007	11,346	3.4	13.1
2008	11,216	3.4	0.5

For detailed description of Preventive Openings variables see page 6, "Mandated Preventive Openings by Age, Race and Ethnicity".

For detailed description of Population variables see page 8, "Mandated Preventive Population By Age, Race and Ethnicity".

**FOSTER  
CARE**

**FOSTER CARE  
IN CARE, ADMISSIONS, and DISCHARGES  
Upstate  
2004 – 2008**



**FOSTER CARE ADMISSIONS/DISCHARGES/INCARE  
BY AGE, RACE AND ETHNICITY  
2008**

	N	Rate/%
ADMISSIONS	5,920	1.8
DISCHARGES	6,224	39.1
IN CARE	9,699	3.0

AGE:	Admissions		Discharges		In Care	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
< 2	1,198	20.2	648	10.4	932	9.6
2-5	925	15.6	1,113	17.9	1,618	16.7
6-9	725	12.2	757	12.2	1,285	13.2
10-13	887	15.0	730	11.7	1,371	14.1
14-17	2,179	36.8	2,277	36.6	3,621	37.3
18+	6	0.1	699	11.2	872	9.0

RACE/ETHNICITY:	Admissions		Discharges		In Care	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
White	2,581	43.6	2,678	43.0	4,144	42.7
African American	1,806	30.5	1,804	29.0	3,044	31.4
Latino	487	8.2	446	7.2	670	6.9
Native American/ Alaska Native	22	0.4	23	0.4	42	0.4
Asian	40	0.7	25	0.4	50	0.5
Unknown	984	16.6	1,248	20.1	1,749	18.0

PERCENTAGE OF DISCHARGES BY DESTINATION:	Home		Independent	Other State	
	%	Adoption %	Living %	Agency %	Other %
UPSTATE	68.8	16.6	8.6	4.5	1.4

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 12/31/08.

Rate: The number of children in foster care on 12/31/08 for every 1000 children in the district.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for definitions.

Destination: For children discharged during 2008, 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 2008

### 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	4,641	3,455	74.4
White	2,494	2,232	89.5
African American	1,704	1,118	65.6
Latino	381	96	25.2
Native American/Alaska Native	29	9	31.0
Asian	33	0	0.0
	N		%
Unknown/Missing	977		17.4

### SIBLINGS IN FOSTER CARE:

Group Size:	Separated		Partly Separated		Intact	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Two	556	35.3	-	-	1,018	64.7
Three	117	12.7	336	36.5	468	50.8
Four or more	27	3.1	628	72.6	210	24.3

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

	N	%
Total (0-24 months)	950	16.0
0-3 months	289	4.9
4-12 months	420	7.1
13-24 months	241	4.1

Total With Race/Ethnic Code: N: Number of children in foster boarding or adoptive homes on 12/31/08 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 12/31/08 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 12/31/08 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 12/31/08 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 2008 who had been discharged from foster care within the specified number of months prior to the last 2008 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 2008, as a percentage of the total number of children admitted to foster care in 2008.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for definitions.

### SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2008 FOSTER CARE ADMISSION

	UPSTATE	
	N	%
Preventive Services Only	579	9.8
Child Protective Services Only	1,026	17.3
Both Preventive And CPS	1,421	24.0
Neither Preventive Nor CPS	2,894	48.9

### SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2008 ADMISSION BY AGE:

AGE	PREVENTIVE ONLY		CHILD PROTECTIVE ONLY	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	35	2.9	316	26.4
2-5	39	4.2	204	22.1
6-9	39	5.4	174	24.0
10-13	86	9.7	151	17.0
14-17	380	17.4	181	8.3
18+	0	0.0	0	0.0

AGE	BOTH PREVENTIVE AND PROTECTIVE		NEITHER PREVENTIVE NOR PROTECTIVE	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	280	23.4	567	47.3
2-5	348	37.6	334	36.1
6-9	262	36.1	250	34.5
10-13	253	28.5	397	44.8
14-17	278	12.8	1,340	61.5
18+	0	0.0	6	100.0

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 2008 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 2008 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 2008 Admission by Age %: Number of children in each age group within each category admitted to foster care in 2008 as a percentage of all children in that same age group who were admitted to foster care in 2008.

**TIME IN CARE BY AGE  
12/31/08**

**AGE OF CHILDREN**

	<b>&lt; 2 YEARS %</b>	<b>2-5 YEARS %</b>	<b>6-9 YEARS %</b>	<b>10-13 YEARS %</b>	<b>14-17 YEARS %</b>	<b>18+ YEARS %</b>	<b>PERCENT OF TOTAL</b>
<b>&lt; 1 YEAR</b>							
<b>UPSTATE</b>	70.5	37.9	33.7	39.5	45.0	5.5	40.4
<b>1-2 YEARS</b>							
<b>UPSTATE</b>	29.5	24.8	24.0	19.5	21.0	10.9	21.7
<b>2-3 YEARS</b>							
<b>UPSTATE</b>		23.5	18.5	14.9	10.3	11.2	13.3
<b>&gt; 3 YEARS</b>							
<b>UPSTATE</b>		13.7	23.8	26.2	23.8	72.4	24.5
<b>TOTAL</b>							
<b>UPSTATE</b>	N=932	N=1,618	N=1,285	N=1,371	N=3,621	N=872	N=9,699

For children in foster care on 12/31/08, 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			PERCENT	PLACEMENT LOCATION	
	< 11 YEARS N	11+ YEARS N	TOTAL N		Out Of County N	Out Of State N
<b>Congregate Care</b>						
Admissions	237	1,762	1,999	33.8		
In Care	186	2,893	3,079	31.7	1,882	132
Discharges	126	2,056	2,182	35.1		
<b>Foster Boarding Homes</b>						
Admissions	2,538	890	3,428	57.9		
In Care	3,427	2,175	5,602	57.8	1,110	27
Discharges	2,299	1,222	3,521	56.6		
<b>Approved Relative Homes</b>						
Admissions	199	60	259	4.4		
In Care	479	232	711	7.3	167	32
Discharges	210	109	319	5.1		
<b>Other</b>						
Admissions	35	199	234	4.0		
In Care	64	243	307	3.2	126	12
Discharges	33	169	202	3.2		
<b>Total</b>						
Admissions	3,009	2,911	5,920	100.0		
In Care	4,156	5,543	9,699	100.0	3,285	203
Discharges	2,668	3,556	6,224	100.0		

**Admissions & Discharges: N:** The number of children admitted to/discharged from each type of placement during 2008.

**In Care: N:** The number of children in each type of placement on 12/31/08.

**%:** 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 12/31/08. Out of county does not include out of state placements.

## FOSTER CARE DISCHARGES BY TIME IN CARE

### AGE OF CHILDREN AT DISCHARGE

	<b>&lt; 2 YEARS %</b>	<b>2-5 YEARS %</b>	<b>6-9 YEARS %</b>	<b>10-13 YEARS %</b>	<b>14-17 YEARS %</b>	<b>18+ YEARS %</b>	<b>PERCENT OF TOTAL</b>
<b>&lt; 1 YEAR</b>							
UPSTATE	82.2	43.1	49.5	49.7	52.9	8.2	48.4
<b>1-2 YEARS</b>							
UPSTATE	17.8	17.6	15.1	17.3	29.1	15.6	21.3
<b>2-3 YEARS</b>							
UPSTATE		23.4	11.2	11.1	8.4	13.9	11.5
<b>&gt; 3 YEARS</b>							
UPSTATE		15.8	24.2	21.9	9.6	62.4	18.9
<b>TOTAL</b>							
UPSTATE	N=647	N=1,111	N=757	N=729	N=2,276	N=699	N=6,219

For children discharged from foster care during 2008, the chart shows the percentage of each age group (column) by the length of time indicated in the rows.

**GOAL BY AGE  
12/31/08**

		<b>&lt; 2 YEARS %</b>	<b>2-5 YEARS %</b>	<b>6-9 YEARS %</b>	<b>10-13 YEARS %</b>	<b>14-17 YEARS %</b>	<b>18+ YEARS %</b>	<b>PERCENT OF TOTAL</b>
<b>ADULT CUST.CARE</b>								
	UPSTATE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.4	7.5	1.2
<b>ADOPTION</b>								
<b>G</b>	UPSTATE	15.6	33.9	36.7	34.4	12.6	6.6	22.2
<b>O PARENT/GUARDIAN</b>								
<b>A</b>	UPSTATE	79.7	60.2	55.7	56.1	58.3	15.9	55.9
<b>L ANOTHER PLANNED LIVING ARRANGEMENT (APLA)</b>								
<b>S</b>	UPSTATE	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.0	16.2	65.3	12.3
<b>OTHER GOALS</b>								
	UPSTATE	4.7	5.9	7.5	8.5	11.4	4.8	8.4
<b>TOTAL IN CARE</b>								
	UPSTATE	N=814	N=1,569	N=1,265	N=1,330	N=3,503	N=870	N=9,351

For children in foster care on 12/31/08 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**

	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
Institution	934,439	902,453	886,911	845,951	817,264
Foster Boarding Home	2,500,538	2,379,788	2,290,723	2,194,964	2,139,659
Agency Operated Boarding Home	82,781	87,963	88,719	79,351	67,351
Group Residence	69,684	65,557	52,369	46,858	47,989
Group Home	243,089	240,544	222,042	215,212	215,479
Adoptive Home	8,650	6,881	6,663	8,094	6,690
Approved Relative Home	199,658	205,889	212,742	235,416	252,567
Supervised Independent Living Program	0	0	0	11,104	25,396
Other	86,679	91,528	90,517	82,476	78,212
<i>Total</i>	4,125,518	3,980,603	3,850,686	3,719,426	3,650,607

	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
Congregate Care	1,416,672	1,388,045	1,340,558	1,280,952	1,251,691
Foster Board. Home/Adopt. Home	2,509,188	2,386,669	2,297,386	2,203,058	2,146,349
Approved Relative Home	199,658	205,889	212,742	235,416	252,567
<i>Total</i>	4,125,518	3,980,603	3,850,686	3,719,426	3,650,607

**Percent of Days in Care**

	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
Institution	22.7%	22.7%	23.0%	22.7%	22.4%
Foster Boarding Home	60.6%	59.8%	59.5%	59.0%	58.6%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	2.0%	2.2%	2.3%	2.1%	1.8%
Group Residence	1.7%	1.6%	1.4%	1.3%	1.3%
Group Home	5.9%	6.0%	5.8%	5.8%	5.9%
Adoptive Home	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Approved Relative Home	4.8%	5.2%	5.5%	6.3%	6.9%
Supervised Independent Living Program	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.7%
Other	2.1%	2.3%	2.4%	2.2%	2.1%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
Congregate Care	34.3%	34.9%	34.8%	34.4%	34.3%
Foster Board. Home/Adopt. Home	60.8%	60.0%	59.7%	59.2%	58.8%
Approved Relative Home	4.8%	5.2%	5.5%	6.3%	6.9%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

**Percent Change Over Previous Year**

	<b>2004-05</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2004-08</b>
Institution	-3.4%	-1.7%	-4.6%	-3.4%	-12.5%
Foster Boarding Home	-4.8%	-3.7%	-4.2%	-2.5%	-14.4%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	6.3%	0.9%	-10.6%	-15.1%	-18.6%
Group Residence	-5.9%	-20.1%	-10.5%	2.4%	-31.1%
Group Home	-1.0%	-7.7%	-3.1%	0.1%	-11.4%
Adoptive Home	-20.5%	-3.2%	21.5%	-17.3%	-22.7%
Approved Relative Home	3.1%	3.3%	10.7%	7.3%	26.5%
Supervised Independent Living Program	n/a	n/a	n/a	128.7%	n/a
Other	5.6%	-1.1%	-8.9%	-5.2%	-9.8%
<i>Total</i>	-3.5%	-3.3%	-3.4%	-1.9%	-11.5%

	<b>2004-05</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2004-08</b>
Congregate Care	-2.0%	-3.4%	-4.4%	-2.3%	-11.6%
Foster Board. Home/Adopt. Home	-4.9%	-3.7%	-4.1%	-2.6%	-14.5%
Approved Relative Home	3.1%	3.3%	10.7%	7.3%	26.5%
<i>Total</i>	-3.5%	-3.3%	-3.4%	-1.9%	-11.5%

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  
2004-2008**

**CHILDREN IN CARE:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	10,992	3.3	
2005	10,520	3.2	-2.8
2006	10,212	3.1	-1.3
2007	9,836	3.0	-2.5
2008	9,699	3.0	-1.1

**CHILDREN ADMITTED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	6,825	2.0	
2005	6,346	1.9	-5.5
2006	6,356	1.9	1.8
2007	5,866	1.8	-6.6
2008	5,920	1.8	1.3

**CHILDREN DISCHARGED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	7,106	39.3	
2005	7,117	40.4	2.8
2006	6,738	39.8	-1.5
2007	6,369	39.3	-1.1
2008	6,224	39.1	-0.5

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

## ADOPTION

**ADOPTION MILESTONES  
2008**

**CHILDREN WHO HAD A MILESTONE  
OCCUR DURING 2008:**

	N	%
Goal Set during 2008	1,074	6.7
Freed during 2008	864	5.4
Placed during 2008	748	23.0
Discharged to Adoption during 2008	1,042	42.7

**CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE ON 12/31/08  
WITH A GOAL OF ADOPTION:**

2,078

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 12/31/08 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 12/31/08

<b>CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE FOR 2 OR MORE YEARS WITH A GOAL OF:</b>						
	<b>RETURN HOME</b>		<b>ADOPTION</b>		<b>OTHER</b>	
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Less than 8 years old:	254	29.2	579	66.6	37	4.3
8 years old or older:	626	22.4	1,005	35.9	1,169	41.8

<b>CHILDREN WAITING TO ACHIEVE AN ADOPTION MILESTONE</b>					
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>WAITING LESS THAN 1 YEAR</b>		<b>WAITING 1 YEAR OR MORE</b>	
		<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>
<b>Goal and not Free:</b>	705	465	66.0	240	34.0
Less than 8 years old:	379	274	72.3	105	27.7
8 years old or older:	326	191	58.6	135	41.4
<b>Free and not Placed:</b>	760	284	37.4	476	62.6
Less than 8 years old:	217	150	69.1	67	30.9
8 years old or older:	543	134	24.7	409	75.3
<b>Free, Placed and not Discharged:</b>	613	426	69.5	187	30.5
Less than 8 years old:	300	236	78.7	64	21.3
8 years old or older:	313	190	60.7	123	39.3

In Foster Care for 2 or more years with a Goal of: Return Home/Adoption/Other Goal **N:** As of 12/31/08, 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 12/31/08, 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 12/31/08, all children who had a goal of Adoption and who were "waiting" to be freed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/08, 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 12/31/08, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, and were "waiting" to be placed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/08, 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 12/31/08, 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 12/31/08, 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 12/31/08, 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 2008**

<b>Admission to Goal Set:</b>	<b>LESS THAN 2 YEARS</b>		<b>2 TO 3 YEARS</b>		<b>GREATER THAN 3 YEARS</b>	
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
	Less than 8 years:	468	71.8	129	19.8	55
8 years or older:	219	54.8	100	25.0	81	20.3

	<b>LESS THAN 6 MONTHS</b>		<b>6 MONTHS TO 1 YEAR</b>		<b>GREATER THAN 1 YEAR</b>	
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
	<b>Goal to Free:</b>					
Less than 8 years:	192	54.7	88	25.1	71	20.2
8 years or older:	70	37.4	54	28.9	63	33.7
<b>Petition Date to Free Date:</b>						
Less than 8 years:	182	60.3	68	22.5	52	17.2
8 years or older:	97	56.1	37	21.4	39	22.5
<b>Free to Place:</b>						
Less than 8 years:	341	73.5	65	14.0	58	12.5
8 years or older:	139	48.9	35	12.3	110	38.7
<b>Placed with Foster Parent:</b>						
Less than 8 years:	327	73.6	59	13.3	58	13.1
8 years or older:	128	50.0	34	13.3	94	36.7
<b>Not Placed with Foster Parent:</b>						
Less than 8 years:	14	70.0	6	30.0	0	0.0
8 years or older:	11	39.3	1	3.6	16	57.1

**Admission to Goal Set: N:** For children of the specified age group who had their goal set to Adoption in 2008, 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 2008, the time from having the goal set until they were freed. Children freed before goal set to adoption are not included.

**Petition Date to Free Date: N:** For children of the specified age group who were freed for Adoption in 2008, 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 2008, 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 2008.

**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  
2008**

<b>TIME FROM GOAL TO DISCHARGE</b>	<b>Less than 2 Years</b>		<b>2 to 3 Years</b>		<b>More than 3 Years</b>	
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Less than eight years old:	546	85.4	48	7.5	45	7.0
Eight years old or older:	258	64.0	42	10.4	103	25.6

<b>SEQUENCE OF MILESTONES</b>	<b>Goal First</b>		<b>Simultaneous (Within 30 days)</b>		<b>Free First</b>	
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
	713	49.3	285	19.7	447	30.9

<b>SUBSIDIES AT TIME OF DISCHARGE</b>	<b>N of Children</b>	<b>%</b>
	977	93.8
<b>TYPE OF SUBSIDY AT DISCHARGE</b>	<b>Hard To Place %</b>	<b>Handicapped %</b>
	50.7	49.3

Time From Goal to Discharge (to Adoption) N: Children of the specified age group who were discharged to Adoption in 2008 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 2008.

Sequence of Milestones: For children who had both a goal of adoption and were free in 2008, 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 2008 with a subsidy designation of either "hard-to-place" or handicapped.

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

Type of Subsidy at Discharge

%: Subsidies with a designated type as a percentage of all subsidies.

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

**ADOPTION  
TREND DATA  
2004-2008**

**GOAL SET:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	1,292	7.1	
2005	1,172	6.6	-6.9
2006	1,228	7.2	9.0
2007	1,574	9.7	34.1
2008	1,074	6.7	-30.6

**FREED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	1,131	6.2	
2005	1,155	6.5	4.8
2006	1,095	6.5	-1.4
2007	1,035	6.4	-1.1
2008	864	5.4	-15.0

**PLACED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	919	24.7	
2005	956	27.0	9.6
2006	943	26.4	-2.3
2007	846	24.4	-7.4
2008	748	23.0	-5.8

**DISCHARGED  
TO ADOPTION:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2004	1,079	36.8	
2005	1,067	36.8	0.0
2006	1,120	41.0	11.1
2007	993	38.4	-6.2
2008	1,042	42.7	11.3

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

## **APPENDIX A: CLARIFICATION OF DATA SOURCES AND DEFINITIONS**

This appendix clarifies definitions or specifies what data were used to produce the Child Protective Services (CPS), Preventive and/or Protective Services, Foster Care, and Adoption components of the MAPS packages. All Child Protective Services program data used come from the State Central Register (SCR) (CONNECTIONS). Preventive and/or Protective Services, Foster Care, and Adoption data come from the Child Care Review Service (CCRS). Data from 2004-2008 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 6, 8, 12 and 13. 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.

<b>MAPS Category</b>	<b>included in category</b>
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.

## **PREVENTIVE and /or PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

As referenced in the Introduction, the source file for MAPS starting with MAPS 2007 is now the OCFS Data Warehouse. CCRS, the old data extract file had limitations regarding child movements, Service Program Choices, and Permanency Planning Goals. The OCFS Data Warehouse captures all activities for these children.

Service Program Choices are entered into CONNECTIONS by the workers during the FASP. The change in how and where Service Program Choices are entered has resulted in changes to how Preventive Services is being reported in MAPS. Starting in MAPS 2007, the Preventive and/or Protective Services Pages changed and page 9 became pages 9 and 9A. Pages 9 and 9A report on trend data for "Preventive Only", "Protective Only", and "Preventive and Protective" services. Page 9A was added to give more detailed information on the program choices of "Protective Only" and "Preventive and Protective".

### **Case**

In the CCRS database, a preventive case is child specific and each child in a family that is receiving services is a separate case.

### **Data Sources and Definitions**

For all Preventive and/or Protective Services MAPS pages or for those pages specified, the following data sources/definitions were used.

Children receiving Mandated Preventive Services are those who have, in CCRS, a Service Program Choice (SPC) of "B" for "Mandated Preventive."

In CCRS, children receiving foster care services can be identified in one way, - by the presence of a movement code of "M910" for "Child Placement".

Page 6, "Mandated Preventive Openings by Age and Race/Ethnicity," and page 8, "Mandated Preventive Population by Age and Race/Ethnicity 12/31/08" use the movement code to identify the children "In Care" and "Not In Care."

Page 7, "Characteristics of Mandated Preventive Openings" uses the movement code to identify children receiving prior or subsequent foster care services. Concurrent Child Protective Services is based on the Service Program Choice (SPC) of "D" for "Protective."

Children receiving Child Protective Services (CPS), referred to on page 7, are those who are in an indicated SCR case that remains open, are in an open CCRS case, and have a Service Program Choice (SPC) of "D" for "Protective."

### **"Characteristics of Mandated Preventive Openings," Page 7**

The "Prior Foster Care" category counts children who had a Service Program Choice (SPC) code of "Placement" at any time during the 12 months before the Mandated Preventive SPC occurred.

The "Concurrent Child Protective Services" category includes all children receiving Child Protective Services at the time of the Mandated Preventive opening.

### **"Preventive Only Trend Data" Page 9,**

### **"Preventive and/or Protective Trend Data" Page 9A**

Pages 9 and 9A report on trend data for "Preventive Only", "Protective Only" and "Preventive and Protective" Services. Page 9A was added to give more detailed information on the program choices of "Protective Only" and "Preventive and Protective".

To calculate the total number of Preventive Openings it is now necessary to add the Preventive Only total for a given year to the Preventive and Protective total for that year. For example, the total number of Preventive Openings for 2008 is calculated by adding (10,333) Preventive Only Openings (Page 9) to (18,254) Preventive and Protective Openings (Page 9A) for a total of (28,587). Similarly, the total Protective Openings for 2008 is calculated by adding the Protective Only Openings (16,281) to the Protective and Preventive Openings (18,254) for a total of (34,535).

## **FOSTER CARE**

### **"Services Prior To/At Foster Care Admission," Page 14**

"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 16**

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 19**

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.

## APPENDIX B: COMPARABLE GROUPS

Comparable Groups were established to permit meaningful comparison between counties with similar child welfare populations. In 2006, the comparable groups were revised based on an analysis of child welfare data for 2005 and 2006. The county variables analyzed were:

- number of children open for preventive services during calendar year 2006
- total number of CPS reports during calendar year 2006
- number of children admitted to foster care during calendar year 2006
- number of CPS reports indicated during calendar year 2006

Hamilton County is excluded from all calculations of rates and percentages for Group 3 because of its small service population.

The comparable groups are as follows:

<u>Group 1</u>	<u>Group 2</u>
Albany	Broome Orange
Erie	Cattaraugus Oswego
Monroe	Chautauqua Rensselaer
Nassau	Chemung Saratoga
Onondaga	Dutchess Schenectady
Suffolk	Jefferson St Lawrence
Westchester	Niagara Steuben
	Oneida Ulster

<u>Group 3</u>		
Allegany	Hamilton	Schoharie
Cayuga	Herkimer	Schuyler
Chenango	Lewis	Seneca
Clinton	Livingston	Sullivan
Columbia	Madison	Tioga
Cortland	Montgomery	Tompkins
Delaware	Ontario	Warren
Essex	Orleans	Washington
Franklin	Otsego	Wayne
Fulton	Putnam	Wyoming
Genesee	Rockland	Yates
Greene		