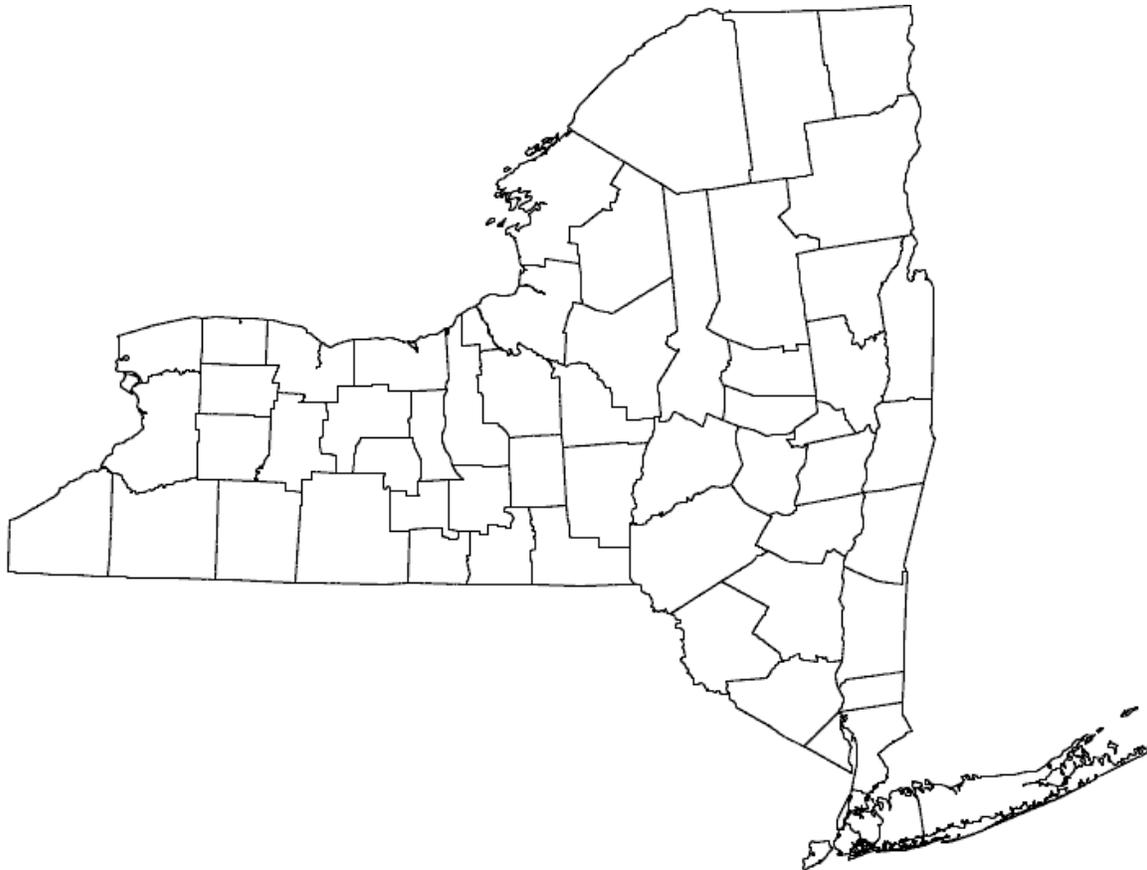


2009 Monitoring and Analysis Profiles With Selected Trend Data: 2005 - 2009

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

Upstate



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MONITORING AND ANALYSIS PROFILES

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Please note: Preventive Pages 5-9 will be posted at a later date.

The 2009 Monitoring and Analysis Profiles (MAPS) data packages are being released for Child Protective Services, Foster Care, and Adoption Services. At this time the Preventive package is going through revisions. Once the revisions are completed, the Preventive package will be posted to the Public folder.

Also starting with 2009 MAPS, the Child Protective Services pages will reflect Family Assessment Response (FAR) data.

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 2009 and charts of selected trend information for the five-year period, 2005-2009. 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, 2010, and from the CONNECTIONS database as of March 1, 2010. 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

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 2005 through 2009 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.

**CHILD
PROTECTIVE
SERVICES**

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES
WORKLOAD DATA
2009**

	N	UPSTATE Rate
REPORTS RECEIVED	107,089	41.3
	N	%
REPORTS BY MANDATED REPORTER	65,263	60.9
OF REPORTS DETERMINED:		
Reports Indicated	26,972	27.7
Reports Unfounded	70,493	72.3
OF REPORTS REGISTERED:		
Determinations Overdue	6,120	5.9
OF REPORTS ASSESSED:		
Family Assessment Response	3,504	

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 2009 and indicated/unfounded by 3/11/10.

%: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2009 and indicated/unfounded by 3/11/10, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2009 and determined by 3/11/10.

Determinations Overdue

N: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2009 and had no determination by 3/11/10.

%: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2009 and had no determination by 3/11/10, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2009, excluding those reports selected for assessment rather than investigation.

Reports Assessed

N: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2009 and assigned to the Family Assessment Response track by 3/11/2010. See the Appendix A for detailed definitions of CONNECTIONS data.

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES
REPORT DETERMINATIONS -- TIMELINESS
2009**

	UPSTATE	
REPORT DETERMINATION TIMELINESS:	N	%
	56,170	52.5
	UPSTATE	
DAYS TO REPORT DETERMINATION:	N	%
All Reports Determined		
0-30 Days	19,130	19.6
31-60	37,040	38.0
61-90	26,320	27.0
>90	14,975	15.4
Indicated		
0-30 Days	3,742	13.9
31-60	10,034	37.2
61-90	8,079	30.0
>90	5,117	19.0
Unfounded		
0-30 Days	15,388	21.8
31-60	27,006	38.3
61-90	18,241	25.9
>90	9,858	14.0

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 2009, excluding those reports selected for assessment rather than investigation.

Days to Report Determination: Number of reports registered in calendar year 2009, that received a determination by 3/11/10, 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
2005-2009**

REPORTS RECEIVED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2005	89,956	33.6	
2006	95,022	35.8	6.7
2007	95,759	36.5	1.8
2008	102,834	39.4	8.0
2009	107,089	41.3	4.9

REPORTS INDICATED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2005	26,149	29.1	
2006	26,864	28.3	-2.8
2007	26,870	28.1	-0.7
2008	28,241	27.6	-1.8
2009	26,972	27.7	0.4

REPORTS ASSESSED:

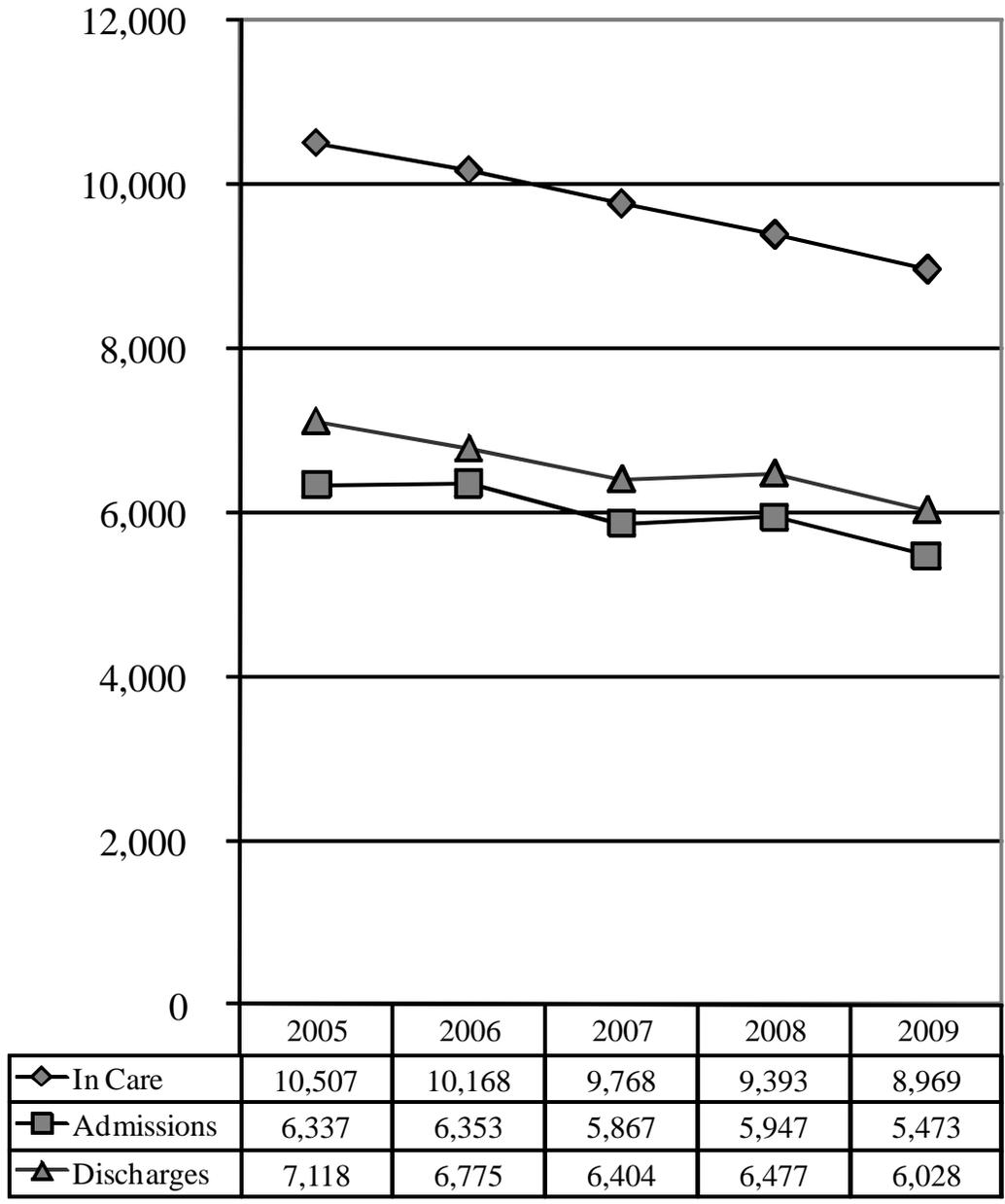
	N
2009	3,504

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
Upstate
2005 – 2009**



**FOSTER CARE ADMISSIONS/DISCHARGES/INCARE
BY AGE, RACE AND ETHNICITY
2009**

	N	Rate/%
ADMISSIONS	5,473	1.7
DISCHARGES	6,028	40.2
IN CARE	8,969	2.8

AGE:	Admissions		Discharges		In Care	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
< 2	1,184	21.6	641	10.6	941	10.5
2-5	819	15.0	1,079	17.9	1,588	17.7
6-9	639	11.7	744	12.3	1,164	13.0
10-13	825	15.1	699	11.6	1,303	14.5
14-17	1,996	36.5	2,176	36.1	3,127	34.9
18+	10	0.2	689	11.4	846	9.4

RACE/ETHNICITY:	Admissions		Discharges		In Care	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
White	2,513	45.9	2,659	44.1	4,309	48.0
African American	1,962	35.8	2,050	34.0	3,411	38.0
Latino	548	10.0	538	8.9	819	9.1
Native American/ Alaska Native	47	0.9	33	0.5	44	0.5
Asian	24	0.4	32	0.5	51	0.6
Unknown	379	6.9	716	11.9	335	3.7

PERCENTAGE OF DISCHARGES BY DESTINATION:	Home		Independent Living		Other State Agency		Other	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
UPSTATE	69.7	16.1	7.9	5.1	1.2			

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 12/31/09.

Rate: The number of children in foster care on 12/31/09 for every 1000 children in the district.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for definitions.

Destination: For children discharged during 2009, 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 2009

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	5,052	3,634	71.9
White	2,585	2,311	89.4
African American	1,912	1,186	62.0
Latino	487	128	26.3
Native American/Alaska Native	30	9	30.0
Asian	38	0	0.0
	N		%
Unknown/Missing	228		4.3

SIBLINGS IN FOSTER CARE:

Group Size:	Separated		Partly Separated		Intact	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Two	488	34.1	-	-	944	65.9
Three	93	10.5	288	32.4	507	57.1
Four or more	20	2.6	503	65.2	248	32.2

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

	N	%
Total (0-24 months)	865	15.8
0-3 months	251	4.6
4-12 months	431	7.9
13-24 months	183	3.3

Total With Race/Ethnic Code: N: Number of children in foster boarding or adoptive homes on 12/31/09 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 12/31/09 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 12/31/09 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 12/31/09 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 2009 who had been discharged from foster care within the specified number of months prior to the last 2009 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 2009, as a percentage of the total number of children admitted to foster care in 2009.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for definitions.

SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2009 FOSTER CARE ADMISSION

	UPSTATE	
	N	%
Preventive Services Only	408	7.5
Child Protective Services Only	1,013	18.5
Both Preventive And CPS	1,279	23.4
Neither Preventive Nor CPS	2,773	50.7

SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2009 ADMISSION BY AGE:

AGE	PREVENTIVE ONLY		CHILD PROTECTIVE ONLY	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	35	3.0	307	25.9
2-5	37	4.5	200	24.4
6-9	25	3.9	146	22.8
10-13	60	7.3	159	19.3
14-17	251	12.6	201	10.1
18+	0	0.0	0	0.0

AGE	BOTH PREVENTIVE AND PROTECTIVE		NEITHER PREVENTIVE NOR PROTECTIVE	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	273	23.1	569	48.1
2-5	304	37.1	278	33.9
6-9	221	34.6	247	38.7
10-13	219	26.5	387	46.9
14-17	261	13.1	1,283	64.3
18+	1	10.0	9	90.0

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 2009 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 2009 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 2009 Admission by Age %: Number of children in each age group within each category admitted to foster care in 2009 as a percentage of all children in that same age group who were admitted to foster care in 2009.

**TIME IN CARE BY AGE
12/31/09**

AGE OF CHILDREN

	< 2 YEARS %	2-5 YEARS %	6-9 YEARS %	10-13 YEARS %	14-17 YEARS %	18+ YEARS %	PERCENT OF TOTAL
< 1 YEAR							
UPSTATE	71.6	35.4	31.4	38.5	45.6	6.1	39.9
1-2 YEARS							
UPSTATE	28.4	28.3	25.3	20.7	19.8	10.0	22.2
2-3 YEARS							
UPSTATE		22.3	17.7	12.8	10.9	12.2	13.1
> 3 YEARS							
UPSTATE		14.0	25.5	27.9	23.6	71.6	24.8
TOTAL							
UPSTATE	N= 941	N=1,588	N=1,164	N=1,303	N=3,127	N= 846	N=8,969

For children in foster care on 12/31/09, 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
Congregate Care						
Admissions	266	1,688	1,954	35.7		
In Care	168	2,560	2,728	30.4	1,655	114
Discharges	129	2,039	2,168	36.0		
Foster Boarding Homes						
Admissions	2,282	795	3,077	56.2		
In Care	3,274	1,992	5,266	58.7	1,047	39
Discharges	2,226	1,103	3,329	55.2		
Approved Relative Homes						
Admissions	212	42	254	4.6		
In Care	501	211	712	7.9	175	48
Discharges	251	80	331	5.5		
Other						
Admissions	33	155	188	3.4		
In Care	54	209	263	2.9	97	11
Discharges	15	185	200	3.3		
Total						
Admissions	2,793	2,680	5,473	100.0		
In Care	3,997	4,972	8,969	100.0	2,974	212
Discharges	2,621	3,407	6,028	100.0		

Admissions & Discharges: N: The number of children admitted to/discharged from each type of placement during 2009.

In Care: N: The number of children in each type of placement on 12/31/09.

%: 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 12/31/09. 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							
UPSTATE	78.3	43.4	47.0	51.1	56.2	10.4	49.3
1-2 YEARS							
UPSTATE	21.7	18.5	16.7	18.5	26.2	16.3	21.1
2-3 YEARS							
UPSTATE		22.0	13.2	11.2	8.8	15.4	11.8
> 3 YEARS							
UPSTATE		16.2	23.1	19.3	8.9	57.9	17.8
TOTAL							
UPSTATE	N= 641	N=1,077	N= 743	N= 699	N=2,176	N= 689	N=6,025

For children discharged from foster care during 2009, the chart shows the percentage of each age group (column) by the length of time indicated in the rows.

**GOAL BY AGE
12/31/09**

		< 2 YEARS %	2-5 YEARS %	6-9 YEARS %	10-13 YEARS %	14-17 YEARS %	18+ YEARS %	PERCENT OF TOTAL
ADULT CUST.CARE								
	UPSTATE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.3	7.3	1.2
ADOPTION								
G	UPSTATE	12.6	32.6	36.7	33.2	12.9	6.1	21.9
O PARENT/GUARDIAN								
A	UPSTATE	83.1	63.8	57.7	58.6	59.7	12.6	57.7
L ANOTHER PLANNED LIVING ARRANGEMENT (APLA)								
S	UPSTATE	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	16.9	67.0	12.5
OTHER GOALS								
	UPSTATE	4.3	3.7	5.7	7.1	9.3	6.9	6.7
TOTAL IN CARE								
	UPSTATE	N= 863	N=1,556	N=1,148	N=1,267	N=2,994	N= 846	N=8,674

For children in foster care on 12/31/09 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**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Institution	901,151	884,542	841,058	799,056	732,225
Foster Boarding Home	2,378,448	2,284,287	2,186,467	2,120,684	2,003,272
Agency Operated Boarding Home	87,598	87,966	78,291	67,444	54,867
Group Residence	65,286	52,298	46,666	47,098	51,098
Group Home	239,930	221,677	214,350	208,824	194,924
Adoptive Home	6,881	6,663	8,013	6,426	4,434
Approved Relative Home	205,972	210,083	231,836	246,762	251,344
Supervised Independent Living Program	365	365	11,399	25,866	33,694
Other	90,898	90,384	81,967	76,079	59,834
<i>Total</i>	3,976,529	3,838,265	3,700,047	3,598,239	3,385,692

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Congregate Care	1,385,228	1,337,232	1,273,731	1,224,367	1,126,642
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	2,385,329	2,290,950	2,194,480	2,127,110	2,007,706
Approved Relative Home	205,972	210,083	231,836	246,762	251,344
<i>Total</i>	3,976,529	3,838,265	3,700,047	3,598,239	3,385,692

Percent of Days in Care

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Institution	22.7%	23.0%	22.7%	22.2%	21.6%
Foster Boarding Home	59.8%	59.5%	59.1%	58.9%	59.2%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	2.2%	2.3%	2.1%	1.9%	1.6%
Group Residence	1.6%	1.4%	1.3%	1.3%	1.5%
Group Home	6.0%	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%
Adoptive Home	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
Approved Relative Home	5.2%	5.5%	6.3%	6.9%	7.4%
Supervised Independent Living Program	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.7%	1.0%
Other	2.3%	2.4%	2.2%	2.1%	1.8%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Congregate Care	34.8%	34.8%	34.4%	34.0%	33.3%
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	60.0%	59.7%	59.3%	59.1%	59.3
Approved Relative Home	5.2%	5.5%	6.3%	6.9%	7.4%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Percent Change Over Previous Year

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2005-09
Institution	-1.8%	-4.9%	-5.0%	-8.4%	-18.7%
Foster Boarding Home	-4.0%	-4.3%	-3.0%	-5.5%	-15.8%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	0.4%	-11.0%	-13.9%	-18.6%	-37.4%
Group Residence	-19.9%	-10.8%	0.9%	8.5%	-21.7%
Group Home	-7.6%	-3.3%	-2.6%	-6.7%	-18.8%
Adoptive Home	-3.2%	20.3%	-19.8%	-31.0%	-35.6%
Approved Relative Home	2.0%	10.4%	6.4%	1.9%	22.0%
Supervised Independent Living Program	0.0%	3023.0%	126.9%	30.3%	9131.2%
Other	-0.6%	-9.3%	-7.2%	-21.4%	-34.2%
<i>Total</i>	-3.5%	-3.6%	-2.8%	-5.9%	-14.9%

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2005-09
Congregate Care	-3.5%	-4.7%	-3.9%	-8.0%	-18.7%
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	-4.0%	-4.2%	-3.1%	-5.6%	-15.8%
Approved Relative Home	2.0%	10.4%	6.4%	1.9%	22.0%
<i>Total</i>	-3.5%	-3.6%	-2.8%	-5.9%	-14.9%

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
2005-2009**

CHILDREN IN CARE:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2005	10,507	3.2	
2006	10,168	3.1	-1.6
2007	9,768	3.0	-2.8
2008	9,393	2.9	-3.5
2009	8,969	2.8	-4.2

CHILDREN ADMITTED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2005	6,337	1.9	
2006	6,353	1.9	1.9
2007	5,867	1.8	-6.1
2008	5,947	1.8	2.6
2009	5,473	1.7	-7.7

CHILDREN DISCHARGED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2005	7,118	40.4	
2006	6,775	40.0	-1.0
2007	6,404	39.6	-1.0
2008	6,477	40.8	3.1
2009	6,028	40.2	-1.5

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

ADOPTION

**ADOPTION MILESTONES
2009**

**CHILDREN WHO HAD A MILESTONE
OCCUR DURING 2009:**

	N	%
Goal Set during 2009	974	6.5
Freed during 2009	818	5.5
Placed during 2009	665	21.9
Discharged to Adoption during 2009	979	43.6

**CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE ON 12/31/09
WITH A GOAL OF ADOPTION:**

1,896

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 12/31/09 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 12/31/09

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:	279	33.7	533	64.3	17	2.1
8 years old or older:	569	22.1	912	35.5	1,089	42.4

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:	678	402	59.3	276	40.7	
Less than 8 years old:	351	236	67.2	115	32.8	
8 years old or older:	327	166	50.8	161	49.2	
Free and not Placed:	672	262	39.0	410	61.0	
Less than 8 years old:	220	158	71.8	62	28.2	
8 years old or older:	452	104	23.0	348	77.0	
Free, Placed and not Discharged:	546	364	66.7	182	33.3	
Less than 8 years old:	259	201	77.6	58	22.4	
8 years old or older:	287	163	56.8	124	43.2	

In Foster Care for 2 or more years with a Goal of: Return Home/Adoption/Other Goal **N:** As of 12/31/09, 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 12/31/09, 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 12/31/09, all children who had a goal of Adoption and who were "waiting" to be freed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/09, 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 12/31/09, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, and were "waiting" to be placed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/09, 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 12/31/09, 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 12/31/09, 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 12/31/09, 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 2009**

Admission to Goal Set:	LESS THAN 2 YEARS		2 TO 3 YEARS		GREATER THAN 3 YEARS	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Less than 8 years:	433	71.8	108	17.9	62
8 years or older:	198	56.1	89	25.2	66	18.7

	LESS THAN 6 MONTHS		6 MONTHS TO 1 YEAR		GREATER THAN 1 YEAR	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Goal to Free:					
Less than 8 years:	188	59.1	80	25.2	50	15.7
8 years or older:	64	45.7	39	27.9	37	26.4
Petition Date to Free Date:						
Less than 8 years:	202	65.8	68	22.1	37	12.1
8 years or older:	89	53.6	32	19.3	45	27.1
Free to Place:						
Less than 8 years:	303	72.8	65	15.6	48	11.5
8 years or older:	119	47.8	42	16.9	88	35.3
Placed with Foster Parent:						
Less than 8 years:	300	74.1	60	14.8	45	11.1
8 years or older:	116	50.7	34	14.8	79	34.5
Not Placed with Foster Parent:						
Less than 8 years:	3	27.3	5	45.5	3	27.3
8 years or older:	3	15.0	8	40.0	9	45.0

Admission to Goal Set: N: For children of the specified age group who had their goal set to Adoption in 2009, 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 2009, 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 2009, 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 2009, 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 2009.

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
2009**

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:	451	75.9	104	17.5	39	6.6
Eight years old or older:	194	50.4	106	27.5	85	22.1

SEQUENCE OF MILESTONES	Goal First		Simultaneous (Within 30 days)		Free First	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	666	51.4	243	18.8	387	29.9

SUBSIDIES AT TIME OF DISCHARGE	N of Children	%
	922	94.2
TYPE OF SUBSIDY AT DISCHARGE	Hard To Place %	Handicapped %
	51.4	48.6

Time From Goal to Discharge (to Adoption) N: Children of the specified age group who were discharged to Adoption in 2009 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 2009.

Sequence of Milestones: For children who had both a goal of adoption and were free in 2009, 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 2009 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
2005-2009**

GOAL SET:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2005	1,173	6.7	
2006	1,228	7.2	8.9
2007	1,574	9.7	34.3
2008	1,129	7.1	-26.9
2009	974	6.5	-8.7

FREED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2005	1,155	6.6	
2006	1,104	6.5	-0.6
2007	1,056	6.5	0.2
2008	971	6.1	-6.3
2009	818	5.5	-10.9

PLACED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2005	950	26.9	
2006	940	26.3	-2.2
2007	839	24.2	-7.7
2008	792	23.9	-1.4
2009	665	21.9	-8.4

**DISCHARGED
TO ADOPTION:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2005	1,067	36.9	
2006	1,124	41.0	11.1
2007	992	38.1	-7.1
2008	1,056	41.8	9.8
2009	979	43.6	4.3

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

APPENDIX A: CLARIFICATION OF DATA SOURCES AND DEFINITIONS

This appendix clarifies definitions or specifies on 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 2005-2009 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.

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. There are 14 counties reporting FAR data in the 2009 MAPS pages.

PREVENTIVE SERVICES

The Preventive data package is going through revisions at this time. Once the revisions are completed the Preventive pages will be posted to the Public folders.

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.