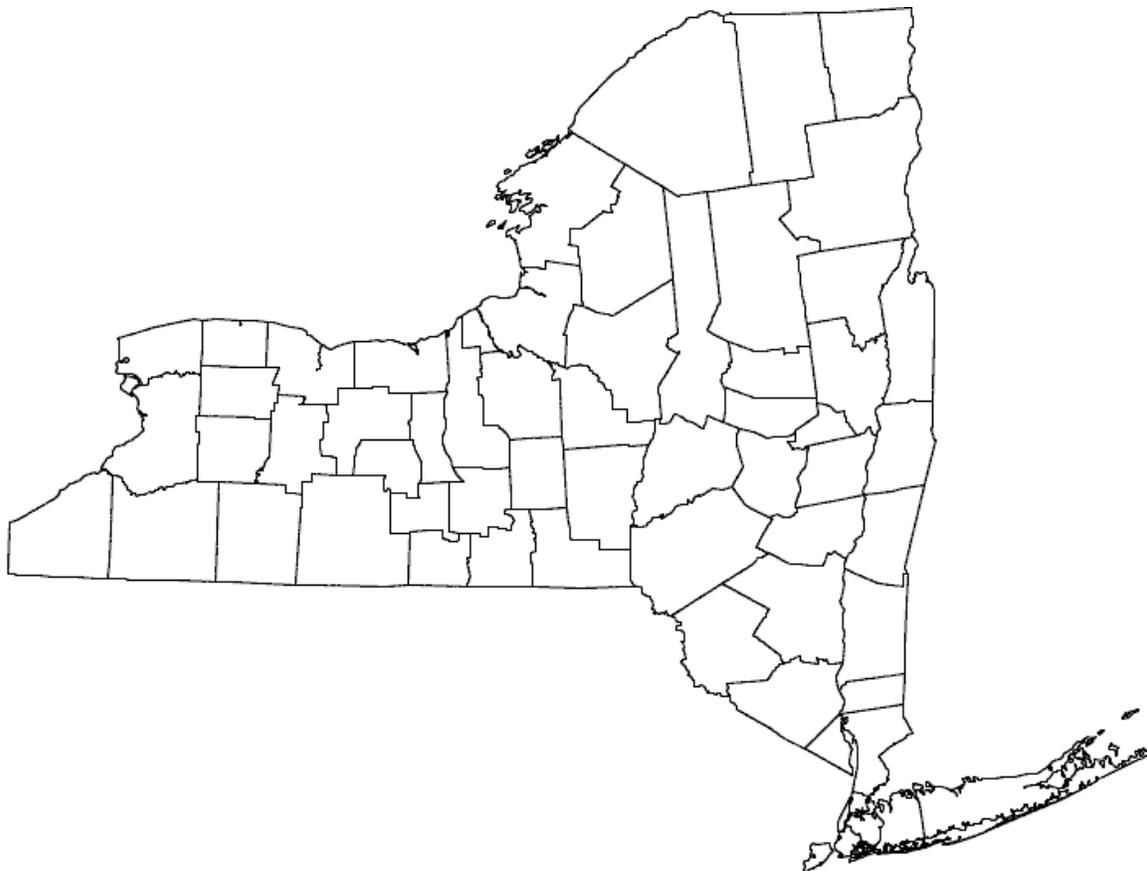


# **2011 Monitoring and Analysis Profiles With Selected Trend Data: 2007-2011**

**Child Protective Services  
Foster Care  
Adoption**

**Upstate**



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# MONITORING AND ANALYSIS PROFILES

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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 2011 and charts of selected trend information for the five-year period, 2007-2011. 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 31, 2012, and from the CONNECTIONS database as of March 31, 2012. 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 2007 through 2011 are taken from the 2007 Complete New York and New Jersey Demographic Database Files, copyright May 2007, Woods and Poole Economics, Inc. For Child Protective Services data, rates are calculated based on the number of children ages 0 through 17 because very few reports are taken on youth aged 18 and over. However, since OCFS does have children in foster care 18 years old and above, the rates for Foster Care and Adoption are based on the number of children ages 0 through 21.

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

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

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

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

**CHILD  
PROTECTIVE  
SERVICES**

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES  
WORKLOAD DATA  
2011**

<b>UPSTATE</b>		
	<b>N</b>	<b>Rate</b>
<b>REPORTS RECEIVED</b>	107,191	40.8
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>REPORTS BY MANDATED REPORTER</b>	65,287	60.9
<b>OF REPORTS DETERMINED:</b>		
<b>Reports Indicated</b>	25,899	26.9
<b>Reports Unfounded</b>	70,238	73.1
<b>OF REPORTS REGISTERED:</b>		
<b>Determinations     Overdue</b>	2,037	2.1
<b>OF REPORTS ASSESSED:</b>		
<b>Family Assessment Response</b>	9,017	8.4

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 2011 and indicated/unfounded by 3/31/12.

**%:** Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2011 and indicated/unfounded by 3/31/12, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2011 and determined by 3/31/12.

Determinations Overdue

**N:** Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2011 and had no determination by 3/31/12.

**%:** Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2011 and had no determination by 3/31/12, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2011, excluding those reports selected for assessment rather than investigation.

Reports Assessed

**N:** Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2010 and assigned to the Family Assessment Response track by 3/31/2012. See the Appendix A for detailed definitions of CONNECTIONS data.

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES  
REPORT DETERMINATIONS -- TIMELINESS  
2011**

	UPSTATE	
REPORT DETERMINATION TIMELINESS:	N	%
	56,750	59.0
	UPSTATE	
DAYS TO REPORT DETERMINATION:	N	%
<b>All Reports Determined</b>		
<b>0-30 Days</b>	19,331	20.1
<b>31-60</b>	37,419	38.9
<b>61-90</b>	25,809	26.8
<b>&gt;90</b>	13,578	14.1
<b>Indicated</b>		
<b>0-30 Days</b>	3,953	15.3
<b>31-60</b>	9,548	36.9
<b>61-90</b>	7,903	30.5
<b>&gt;90</b>	4,495	17.4
<b>Unfounded</b>		
<b>0-30 Days</b>	15,378	21.9
<b>31-60</b>	27,871	39.7
<b>61-90</b>	17,906	25.5
<b>&gt;90</b>	9,083	12.9

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 2011, excluding those reports selected for assessment rather than investigation.

**Days to Report Determination:** Number of reports registered in calendar year 2011, that received a determination by 3/31/12, 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  
2007-2011**

**REPORTS RECEIVED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2007	95,756	36.5	
2008	102,834	39.4	8.0
2009	107,085	41.3	4.9
2010	109,708	42.5	2.9
2011	107,191	40.8	-4.1

**REPORTS INDICATED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2007	26,752	27.9	
2008	27,926	27.2	-2.8
2009	27,854	26.9	-0.8
2010	27,858	27.1	0.6
2011	25,899	26.9	-0.6

**FAR REPORTS ASSESSED:**

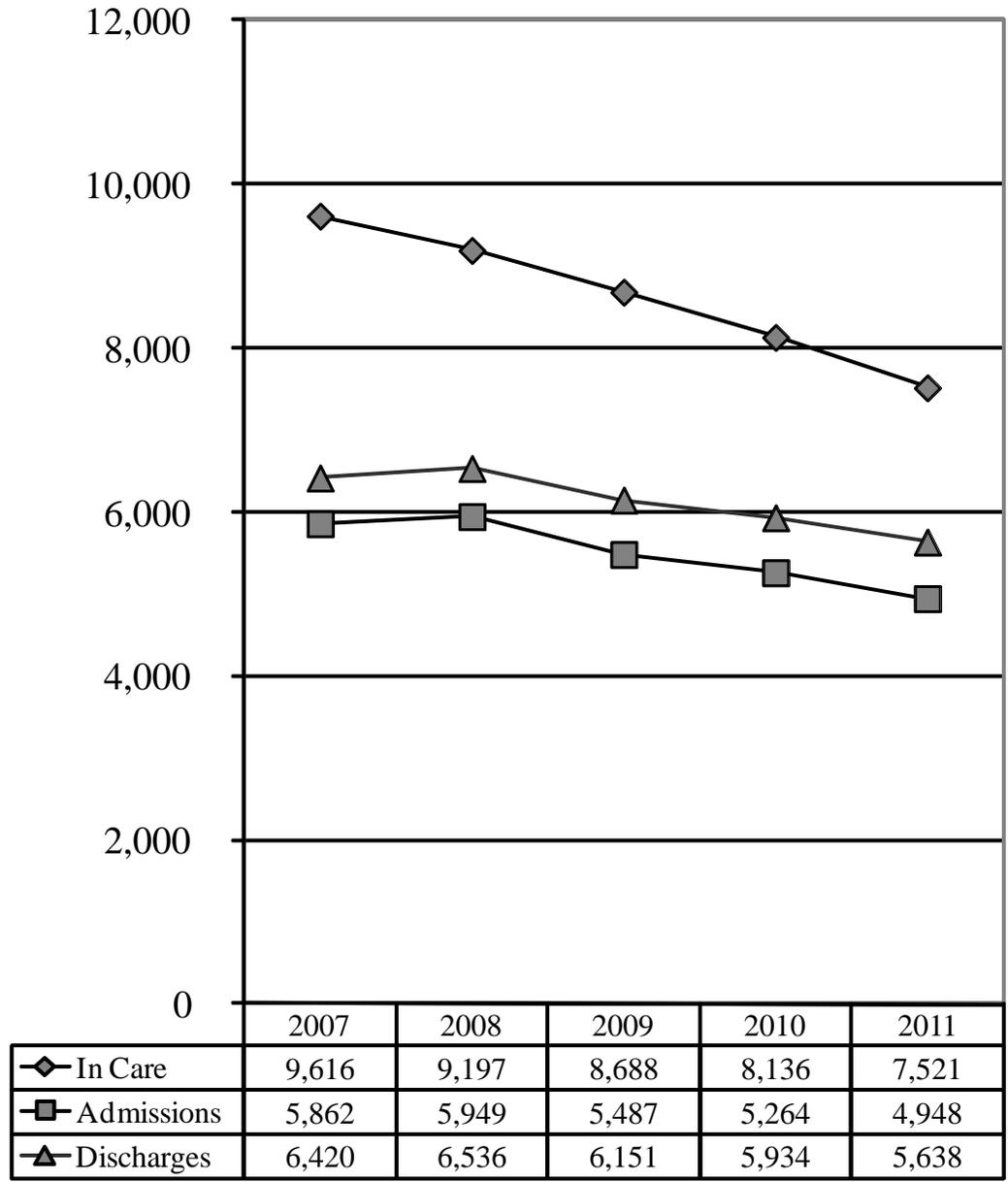
	N	Annual Rate
2009	3709	3.5
2010	6883	6.3
2011	9017	8.4

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  
2007-2011**



**FOSTER CARE ADMISSIONS/DISCHARGES/INCARE  
BY AGE, RACE AND ETHNICITY  
2011**

	N	Rate/%
ADMISSIONS	4,948	1.6
DISCHARGES	5,638	42.8
IN CARE	7,521	2.4

AGE:	Admissions		Discharges		In Care	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
< 2	1,089	22.0	572	10.1	869	11.6
2-5	889	18.0	1,160	20.6	1,506	20.0
6-9	615	12.4	722	12.8	960	12.8
10-13	703	14.2	634	11.2	1,104	14.7
14-17	1,603	32.4	1,939	34.4	2,391	31.8
18+	49	1.0	611	10.8	691	9.2

RACE/ETHNICITY:	Admissions		Discharges		In Care	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
White	2,394	48.4	2,632	46.7	3,713	49.4
African American	1,753	35.4	2,131	37.8	2,738	36.4
Latino	481	9.7	573	10.2	675	9.0
Native American/ Alaska Native	42	0.8	37	0.7	65	0.9
Asian	17	0.3	20	0.4	41	0.5
Unknown	261	5.3	245	4.3	289	3.8

PERCENTAGE OF DISCHARGES BY DESTINATION:	Home		Independent Living		Other State Agency		Other	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
UPSTATE	66.2	19.4	9.0	3.7	1.7			

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 12/31/11.

Rate: The number of children in foster care on 12/31/11 for every 1000 children in the district.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for definitions.

Destination: For children discharged during 2011, 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 2011

### 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	4,347	3,093	71.2
White	2,327	2,050	88.1
African American	1,569	917	58.4
Latino	384	108	28.1
Native American/Alaska Native	40	18	45.0
Asian	27	0	0.0
	N		%
Unknown/Missing	174		3.8

### SIBLINGS IN FOSTER CARE:

Group Size:	Separated		Partly Separated		Intact	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Two	332	28.9	-	-	816	71.1
Three	57	6.8	228	27.1	555	66.1
Four or more	38	5.1	439	59.1	266	35.8

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

	N	%
Total (0-24 months)	770	15.6
0-3 months	225	4.5
4-12 months	370	7.5
13-24 months	175	3.5

Total With Race/Ethnic Code: N: Number of children in foster boarding or adoptive homes on 12/31/11 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 12/31/11 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 12/31/11 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 12/31/11 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 2011 who had been discharged from foster care within the specified number of months prior to the last 2011 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 2011 as a percentage of the total number of children admitted to foster care in 2011.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for definitions.

## SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2011 FOSTER CARE ADMISSION

	UPSTATE	
	N	%
Preventive Services Only	480	9.7
Child Protective Services Only	901	18.2
Both Preventive And CPS	1,325	26.8
Neither Preventive Nor CPS	2,242	45.3

### SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2011 ADMISSION BY AGE:

AGE	PREVENTIVE ONLY		CHILD PROTECTIVE ONLY	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	24	2.2	313	28.7
2-5	24	2.7	207	23.3
6-9	21	3.4	131	21.3
10-13	71	10.1	125	17.8
14-17	339	21.1	116	7.2
18+	1	2.0	9	18.4

AGE	BOTH PREVENTIVE AND PROTECTIVE		NEITHER PREVENTIVE NOR PROTECTIVE	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	288	26.4	464	42.6
2-5	384	43.2	274	30.8
6-9	252	41.0	211	34.3
10-13	199	28.3	308	43.8
14-17	201	12.5	947	59.1
18+	1	2.0	38	77.6

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 2011 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 2011 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 2011 Admission by Age %: Number of children in each age group within each category admitted to foster care in 2011 as a percentage of all children in that same age group who were admitted to foster care in 2011.

**TIME IN CARE BY AGE  
12/31/11**

**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>	72.8	40.2	39.0	42.1	47.1	9.0	43.4
<b>1-2 YEARS</b>							
<b>UPSTATE</b>	27.2	27.6	24.7	21.2	21.6	13.0	23.0
<b>2-3 YEARS</b>							
<b>UPSTATE</b>		21.5	16.8	10.6	10.7	13.7	12.7
<b>&gt; 3 YEARS</b>							
<b>UPSTATE</b>		10.7	19.6	26.1	20.5	64.3	20.9
<b>TOTAL</b>							
<b>UPSTATE</b>	N= 869	N=1,506	N= 960	N=1,104	N=2,391	N= 691	N=7,521

For children in foster care on 12/31/11, 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
<b>Congregate Care</b>						
Admissions	193	1,378	1,571	31.8		
In Care	109	1,977	2,086	27.7	1,267	59
Discharges	109	1,795	1,904	33.8		
<b>Foster Boarding Homes</b>						
Admissions	2,243	654	2,897	58.5		
In Care	2,930	1,585	4,515	60.0	930	19
Discharges	2,227	1,011	3,238	57.4		
<b>Approved Relative Homes</b>						
Admissions	251	49	300	6.1		
In Care	494	175	669	8.9	174	42
Discharges	247	94	341	6.0		
<b>Other</b>						
Admissions	27	153	180	3.6		
In Care	47	204	251	3.3	115	11
Discharges	6	149	155	2.7		
<b>Total</b>						
Admissions	2,714	2,234	4,948	100.0		
In Care	3,580	3,941	7,521	100.0	2,486	131
Discharges	2,589	3,049	5,638	100.0		

**Admissions & Discharges: N:** The number of children admitted to/discharged from each type of placement during 2011

**In Care: N:** The number of children in each type of placement on 12/31/11

**%:** 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 12/31/11. 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	74.4	38.8	42.7	43.3	54.0	8.0	45.3
<b>1-2 YEARS</b>							
UPSTATE	25.6	20.5	19.8	19.1	28.1	12.4	22.5
<b>2-3 YEARS</b>							
UPSTATE		24.5	10.8	11.4	8.7	13.9	12.2
<b>&gt; 3 YEARS</b>							
UPSTATE		16.2	26.6	26.2	9.1	65.6	20.0
<b>TOTAL</b>							
UPSTATE	N= 567	N=1,158	N= 721	N= 633	N=1,938	N= 611	N=5,628

For children discharged from foster care during 2011, the chart shows the percentage of each age group (column) by the length of time indicated in the rows.

**GOAL BY AGE  
12/31/11**

	<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 CUSTODIAL CARE</b>							
UPSTATE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.6	7.4	1.0
<b>ADOPTION</b>							
UPSTATE	9.7	27.0	31.1	29.2	11.7	6.8	19.2
<b>PARENT/GUARDIAN</b>							
UPSTATE	85.6	69.4	64.7	63.7	62.2	15.7	61.7
<b>ANOTHER PLANNED LIVING ARRANGEMENT (APLA)</b>							
UPSTATE	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.6	15.5	62.0	11.5
<b>OTHER GOALS</b>							
UPSTATE	4.7	3.6	4.1	6.2	9.9	8.2	6.6
<b>TOTAL IN CARE</b>							
UPSTATE	N= 751	N=1,501	N= 979	N=1,089	N=2,347	N= 785	N=7,452

For children in foster care on 12/31/11 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>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>
Institution	835,180	789,835	715,388	661,624	575,803
Foster Boarding Home	2,151,939	2,083,216	1,958,613	1,867,448	1,768,336
Agency Operated Boarding Home	77,561	66,712	53,697	48,145	41,335
Group Residence	46,353	46,544	50,111	46,000	37,383
Group Home	214,098	207,601	190,995	178,868	163,227
Adoptive Home	8,013	6,388	4,026	3,938	2,846
Approved Relative Home	221,905	236,072	239,605	254,643	253,504
Supervised Independent Living Program	11,399	25,866	33,769	40,801	44,933
Other	79,353	74,707	58,367	49,290	42,369
<i>Total</i>	3,645,801	3,536,941	3,304,571	3,150,757	2,929,736

	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>
Congregate Care	1,263,944	1,211,265	1,102,327	1,024,728	905,050
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	2,159,952	2,089,604	1,962,639	1,871,386	1,771,182
Approved Relative Home	221,905	236,072	239,605	254,643	253,504
<i>Total</i>	3,645,801	3,536,941	3,304,571	3,150,757	2,929,736

**Percent of Days in Care**

	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>
Institution	22.9%	22.3%	21.6%	21.0%	19.7%
Foster Boarding Home	59.0%	58.9%	59.3%	59.3%	60.4%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	2.1%	1.9%	1.6%	1.5%	1.4%
Group Residence	1.3%	1.3%	1.5%	1.5%	1.3%
Group Home	5.9%	5.9%	5.8%	5.7%	5.6%
Adoptive Home	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Approved Relative Home	6.1%	6.7%	7.3%	8.1%	8.7%
Supervised Independent Living Program	0.3%	0.7%	1.0%	1.3%	1.5%
Other	2.2%	2.1%	1.8%	1.6%	1.4%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>
Congregate Care	34.7%	34.2%	33.4%	32.5%	30.9%
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	59.2%	59.1%	59.4%	59.4%	60.5
Approved Relative Home	6.1%	6.7%	7.3%	8.1%	8.7%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

**Percent Change Over Previous Year**

	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>	<b>2007-2011</b>
Institution	-5.4%	-9.4%	-7.5%	-13.0%	-31.1%
Foster Boarding Home	-3.2%	-6.0%	-4.7%	-5.3%	-17.8%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	-14.0%	-19.5%	-10.3%	-14.1%	-46.7%
Group Residence	0.4%	7.7%	-8.2%	-18.7%	-19.4%
Group Home	-3.0%	-8.0%	-6.4%	-8.7%	-23.8%
Adoptive Home	-20.3%	-37.0%	-2.2%	-27.7%	-64.5%
Approved Relative Home	6.4%	1.5%	6.3%	-0.4%	14.2%
Supervised Independent Living Program	126.9%	30.6%	20.8%	10.1%	294.2%
Other	-5.9%	-21.9%	-15.6%	-14.0%	-46.6%
<i>Total</i>	-3.0%	-6.6%	-4.7%	-7.0%	-19.6%

	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>	<b>2007-2011</b>
Congregate Care	-4.2%	-9.0%	-7.0%	-11.7%	-28.4%
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	-3.3%	-6.1%	-4.6%	-5.4%	-18.0%
Approved Relative Home	6.4%	1.5%	6.3%	-0.4%	14.2%
<i>Total</i>	-3.0%	-6.6%	-4.7%	-7.0%	-19.6%

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  
2007-2011**

**CHILDREN IN CARE:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2007	9,616	3.0	
2008	9,197	2.9	-4.0
2009	8,688	2.7	-5.3
2010	8,136	2.5	-5.9
2011	7,521	2.3	-7.8

**CHILDREN ADMITTED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2007	5,862	1.8	
2008	5,949	1.8	3.1
2009	5,487	1.7	-6.6
2010	5,264	1.6	-3.7
2011	4,948	1.5	-5.7

**CHILDREN DISCHARGED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2007	6,420	40.0	
2008	6,536	41.5	3.8
2009	6,151	41.5	-0.2
2010	5,934	42.2	1.7
2011	5,638	42.8	1.6

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

## ADOPTION

**ADOPTION MILESTONES  
2011**

**CHILDREN WHO HAD A MILESTONE  
OCCUR DURING 2011:**

	N	%
Goal Set during 2011	931	7.1
Freed during 2011	847	6.5
Placed during 2011	684	26.1
Discharged to Adoption during 2011	1,096	52.8

**CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE ON 12/31/11 WITH A GOAL OF ADOPTION: 1,393**

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 12/31/11 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 12/31/11

<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:	274	40.8	391	58.2	7	1.0
8 years old or older:	433	23.4	631	34.1	789	42.6

<b>CHILDREN WAITING TO ACHIEVE AN ADOPTION MILESTONE</b>					
	<b>TOTAL N</b>	<b>WAITING LESS THAN 1 YEAR</b>		<b>WAITING 1 YEAR OR MORE</b>	
		<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Goal and not Free:</b>	455	287	63.1	168	36.9
Less than 8 years old:	263	188	71.5	75	28.5
8 years old or older:	192	99	51.6	93	48.4
<b>Free and not Placed:</b>	556	251	45.1	305	54.9
Less than 8 years old:	191	139	72.8	52	27.2
8 years old or older:	365	112	30.7	253	69.3
<b>Free, Placed and not Discharged:</b>	382	259	67.8	123	32.2
Less than 8 years old:	180	146	81.1	34	18.9
8 years old or older:	202	113	55.9	89	44.1

In Foster Care for 2 or more years with a Goal of: Return Home/Adoption/Other Goal **N:** As of 12/31/11, 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 12/31/11, 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 12/31/11, all children who had a goal of Adoption and who were "waiting" to be freed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/11, 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 12/31/11, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, and were "waiting" to be placed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/11, 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 12/31/11, 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 12/31/11, 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 12/31/11, 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 2011**

<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:	418	66.8	151	24.1	57
8 years or older:	137	47.6	59	20.5	92	31.9

	<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:	157	51.6	82	27.0	65	21.4
8 years or older:	57	44.9	40	31.5	30	23.6
<b>Petition Date to Free Date:</b>						
Less than 8 years:	158	51.5	87	28.3	62	20.2
8 years or older:	53	41.1	40	31.0	36	27.9
<b>Free to Place:</b>						
Less than 8 years:	374	80.8	58	12.5	31	6.7
8 years or older:	101	45.7	45	20.4	75	33.9
<b>Placed with Foster Parent:</b>						
Less than 8 years:	365	80.4	58	12.8	31	6.8
8 years or older:	99	46.9	42	19.9	70	33.2
<b>Not Placed with Foster Parent:</b>						
Less than 8 years:	9	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
8 years or older:	2	20.0	3	30.0	5	50.0

**Admission to Goal Set: N:** For children of the specified age group who had their goal set to Adoption in 2011, 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 2011, 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 2011, 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 2011, 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 2011.

**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  
2011**

<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:	550	79.6	70	10.1	71	10.3
Eight years old or older:	211	52.1	86	21.2	108	26.7

<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>
	504	50.7	211	21.2	280	28.1

<b>SUBSIDIES AT TIME OF DISCHARGE</b>	<b>N of Children</b>	<b>%</b>
	1,061	96.8

**Time From Goal to Discharge (to Adoption) N:** Children of the specified age group who were discharged to Adoption in 2011 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 2011.

**Sequence of Milestones:** For children who had both a goal of adoption and were free in 2011, 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 2011 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  
2007-2011**

**GOAL SET:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2007	1,557	9.6	
2008	1,115	7.0	-27.0
2009	1,019	6.8	-3.2
2010	1,106	7.8	14.5
2011	931	7.1	-8.2

**FREED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2007	1,056	6.5	
2008	1,012	6.4	-2.4
2009	964	6.4	0.9
2010	1,067	7.5	16.8
2011	847	6.5	-13.4

**PLACED:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2007	830	24.3	
2008	794	24.3	0.0
2009	712	23.2	-4.2
2010	823	27.5	18.5
2011	684	26.1	-5.2

**DISCHARGED  
TO ADOPTION:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2007	994	38.2	
2008	1,061	41.5	8.6
2009	998	41.8	0.6
2010	1,097	46.0	10.1
2011	1,096	52.8	14.7

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

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

This appendix clarifies definitions or specifies on what data were used to produce the Child Protective Services (CPS), Foster Care and Adoption components of the MAPS packages. All Child Protective Services program data used come from the State Central Register (SCR) (CONNECTIONS). Foster Care and Adoption data come from the Child Care Review Service (CCRS). Data from 2007-2011 are provided for selected variables. For the definitions of these variables, refer to the MAPS page where the variable appears.

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

### **Population Sources**

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

### **Race and Ethnicity Categories**

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

### **New Coding of Race/Ethnicity in MAPS**

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

<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.

### **Family Assessment Response (FAR) data**

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

## **FOSTER CARE**

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

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

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

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

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

## **"Days in Care," Page 14**

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

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

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

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