Permanency Docket Quarterly

Quarterly report of child welfare and court dependency docket data

Profile of Children in Care

Number of children in care at the end of the current quarter, and the median number of days in care over their current status and over the course of the entire time they've been in any form of court-involved protective status.

				Media	an Days in Care	
			Current			
Status	Children	% of Total	Legal Status	Entire Legal S	Status	
COPS	7,109	31%	121	153		
тс	12,297	53%	123	233		
PC	3,263	14%	360	1,027		
PPLA	635	3%	388	968		
Total	23,304	100%				

Exits from Care

Number of children exiting care over the last four quarters.

	Νι	mber o	f Childre	n		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1		% of
Exits	2017	2017	2017	2018	AVG	Total
Reunification	1,517	1,511	1,392	1,394	1,454	48%
Adoption	374	359	444	307	371	12%
Guardianship	124	131	114	131	125	4%
Relatives	818	694	915	790	804	26%
Emancipations	260	246	202	202	228	7%
Other	63	53	67	53	59	2%
Total	3,156	2,994	3,134	2,877	3,040	100%

Removal Reasons

Number of children removed from their homes over the last four quarters, and the reasons documented for those removals. Note that multiple removal reasons can be documented for a child. Accordingly, the total number of documented reasons (not shown) will be greater than the number of children removed.

	Q2 2017	Q3 2017	Q4 2017	Q1 2018	AVG	
Total Children Removed	3,156	3,230	3,090	3,223	3,175	
Children Removed (by catego	ory)				AVG	% Children
Parental Alcohol/Drug	1,048	1,125	1,004	1,043	1,055	33%
Delinquency/Unruly	343	300	301	283	307	10%
Dependency	1,215	1,363	1,273	1,327	1,295	41%
Neglect	1,217	1,232	1,186	1,288	1,231	39%
Physical Abuse	565	568	499	563	549	17%
Other	1,117	1,215	1,135	1,233	1,175	37%
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0	0%

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Ohio Statewide

New Report Rate

Percentage of children with a new substantiated or indicated report that was received within one year after the closure of a court case, averaged over the last four quarters.



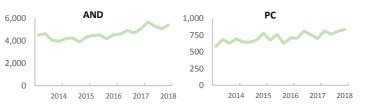
Length of Stay Upon Exiting Care

Median number of days children were in care prior to exit over the last four quarters.

	Med	Median Number of Days				
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1		
Exits	2017	2017	2017	2018	AVG	
Reunification	182	211	171	203	192	
Adoption	927	914	880	947	917	
Guardianship	120	248	266	237	218	
Relatives	202	223	200	226	213	
Emancipations	936	1,076	784	768	891	
Other	170	132	159	156	154	

Incoming Caseloads

New filings and transfers and reactivations, by quarter



Overage Rates

Percent of cases pending over time guideline, by quarter (Target is <10%)



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PURPOSE OF THE REPORT AND DATA SOURCES

The data contained in this report, as well as in the individualized county-specific companion Permanency Docket Quarterly reports, is designed to provide a foundation for initiating conversations between the child welfare agency and the juvenile court in order to improve local practices and better understand those factors which contribute to county-level performance. Courts and child welfare agencies are encouraged to take advantage of the additional resources available on the Children and Families Section's webpage at: <u>www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/JCS/CFC</u>. Child welfare data was obtained from the Statewide Automated Child Welfare System (SACWIS) administered by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. Court caseload and performance data was obtained from the Case Management Section of the Supreme Court of Ohio. The data is considered accurate as of the date of the report.

UNDERSTANDING THE METRICS

PROFILE OF CHILDREN IN CARE: This table displays the number of children in an Abuse, Neglect, or Dependency (AND) dispositional status at the end of the current quarter under the following types of care: court ordered protective supervision (COPS, which includes COPS, TCOPS, and COPS Extension), temporary custody (TC, which includes TC, TCO, TC 1st Extension, TC 2nd Extension, Emergency Custody, and Ex Parte), permanent custody (PC, which includes Permanent Custody and Permanent Surrender), and planned permanent living arrangement (PPLA). Also shown is the median amount of time, in days, that these children have been in that status, as well as the median amount of time, in days, the children have been in any status since they initially became involved with the court (e.g., some children in PC spent time initially TC, thus the entire time spent in both is shown).

NEW REPORT RATE: The figure shown reflects the percentage of children who had a new substantiated or indicated (S/I) report within one year after having a court case closed. Please note that this measure differs from the federal Child and Family Services Review measure of recurrence because it is limited to children who had a new S/I report after the closure of the court case.

EXITS FROM CARE AND LENGTH OF STAY UPON EXITING CARE: Shown in this pair of tables are the number of children leaving foster care across the state by the type of placement upon discharge over each of the last four quarters. The relative proportion of total exits for each discharge type, averaged over the four quarters, is also displayed. The second table displays the median amount of time in days to the identified discharge type.

REMOVAL REASONS: Shown in the table are the total number of children removed from their homes each quarter, along with the number (and percentages) of those children who were documented as having been removed under the various removal reason categories shown. Because a child can have multiple reasons for their removal, the total number of documented reasons exceeds the total number of children removed.

INCOMING CASELOADS AND OVERAGE RATES: The first pair of charts display the number of incoming AND cases and Motions for Permanent Custody (PC) cases filed each quarter in Ohio's juvenile courts. The second pair of charts display the percentage of AND and PC cases pending at the end of each quarter which have been pending (in predispositional status) for longer than the applicable case processing time standard under Sup.R. 39 (three months for AND, and nine months for PC).