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.

			Median Days in Care					
			Current					
Status	Children	% of Total	Legal Status	Entire Legal	Status			
COPS	6,719	31%	110	145				
тс	11,601	53%	124	225				
PC	3,047	14%	337	1,012				
PPLA	646	3%	439	1,047				
Total	22,013	100%						

Exits from Care

Number of children exiting care over the last four quarters.

	Nu	umber o	f Childre	n		
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2		% of
Exits	2016	2016	2017	2017	AVG	Total
Reunification	1,426	1,273	1,365	1,480	1,386	48%
Adoption	335	482	326	369	378	13%
Guardianship	116	141	119	121	124	4%
Relatives	712	669	690	796	717	25%
Emancipations	249	176	205	256	222	8%
Other	45	63	60	61	57	2%
Total	2,883	2,804	2,765	3,083	2,884	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.

	Q3 2016	Q4 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	AVG	
Total Children Removed	3,170	2,709	3,275	3,132	3,072	
Children Removed (by categ	ory)				AVG	% Children
Parental Alcohol/Drug	927	756	1,056	1,035	944	31%
Delinquency/Unruly	311	288	344	333	319	10%
Dependency	1,395	1,132	1,419	1,204	1,288	42%
Neglect	1,276	959	1,291	1,213	1,185	39%
Physical Abuse	516	504	590	564	544	18%
Other	1,028	931	1,214	1,100	1,068	35%
Missing Data	466	351	400	345	391	13%

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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.



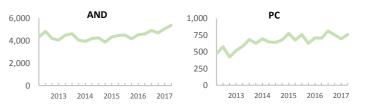
Length of Stay Upon Exiting Care

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

	Median Number of Days					
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2		
Exits	2016	2016	2017	2017	AVG	
Reunification	176	161	215	185	184	
Adoption	938	855	924	927	911	
Guardianship	204	161	265	120	188	
Relatives	253	188	232	203	219	
Emancipations	1,198	813	660	943	903	
Other	163	135	213	170	170	

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 statewide 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), temporary custody (TC), permanent custody (PC), 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 juvenile 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).