

# 2019 Child Welfare Data Book

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# Fast Facts for FFY 2019

## Child Protective Services

- During Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2019 (October 2018-September 2019), a total of 89,451 screening reports were received.<sup>1</sup>
- A total of 46,587 of received reports were assigned for CPS assessment.<sup>2</sup> A total of 41,854 CPS assessments were completed, which includes reports that were assigned in the previous year.<sup>3</sup>
- Of all completed CPS assessments, 9,048 were founded for abuse and involved 13,674 victims. Of those victims, 2,820 (20.6%) were removed from their homes.
- Of all victims, 42.1 percent were 5 years old and younger.
- Of all types of abuse incidences, neglect was the most frequently identified type of abuse (42.3 percent), followed by threat of harm (39.9 percent).
- At 39.7 percent, substance use represented the most common family stress factor when child abuse was present.
- The next most common stressors were domestic violence (30.7 percent) and parent/caregiver involvement with law enforcement agencies (19.4 percent).

## In-Home Family Services

- During FFY 2019, a total of 7,271 children received case management and safety services while being served in their homes.
- Of the total served in-home, 34.8 percent received additional services.

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<sup>1</sup> This number reflects all potential reports of child abuse that are screened by DHS (Child Welfare and the Office of Training, Investigation and Safety) and includes a variety of notifications.

<sup>2</sup> All references to assigned CPS assessments also include child abuse reports assigned by Office of Training, Investigation and Safety (OTIS) for investigation.

<sup>3</sup> Reports assigned for CPS assessment can be combined with a currently open CPS assessment, changing the count of CPS assessments. Further, when this combination happens, it can impact the time period in which the now-linked report shows up in.

## Foster Care

### Total Served

- A total of 10,887 children spent at least one day in some kind of foster care such as family foster care, professional treatment programs, psychiatric residential treatment, pre-adoptive placements, developmental disability placements, and independent living.
- Of the total children served in foster care, 66.8% were White, 17.6% were Hispanic, 5.7% were Black or African American, 4.5% were American Indian or Alaska Native, 3.7% did not have race recorded, and 1.6 were Asian or Pacific Islander.<sup>4</sup>
- A total of 1,322 youth received independent living program services.
- Of all children leaving foster care, 57.8% percent were reunited with their families.

### Average Daily Population

- An average of 7,435 children were in foster care on a daily basis. Of these:
  - An average of 5,314 children were in family foster care. Of those, 47.2 percent (about 2,511 children) were placed with relatives.
  - An average of 764 children were on trial home visit.
  - An average of 223 children and young adults were served in treatment foster care through Child Welfare Behavioral Rehabilitation Services programs or Oregon Health Authority psychiatric treatment settings.
  - The remaining 1,134 children were in other types of foster care placements such as developmental disability placements, pre-adoptive placements, and independent living.

### Point in Time

- Of the 7,181 children in care on September 30, 2019, 59.5 percent (4,275) had two or fewer placements.

## Adoption & Guardianship Program

- A total of 780 children had adoptions finalized, with 25.6 percent (200 children) representing racial/ethnic groups.
- A total of 391 out of 434 children (90.1 percent) who were adopted, and had siblings, were adopted by the same family as one or more of their siblings.
- A total of 421 children exited foster care to a guardianship.

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<sup>4</sup> Race categories are defined in compliance with REAL-D (OAR 943-070-0010) and U.S. Census Bureau standards and are gathered through self-identification. Children may have multiple races. The primary race is the first one identified. If a child self-identifies as Hispanic in addition to other races, their race category will be Hispanic (any race).

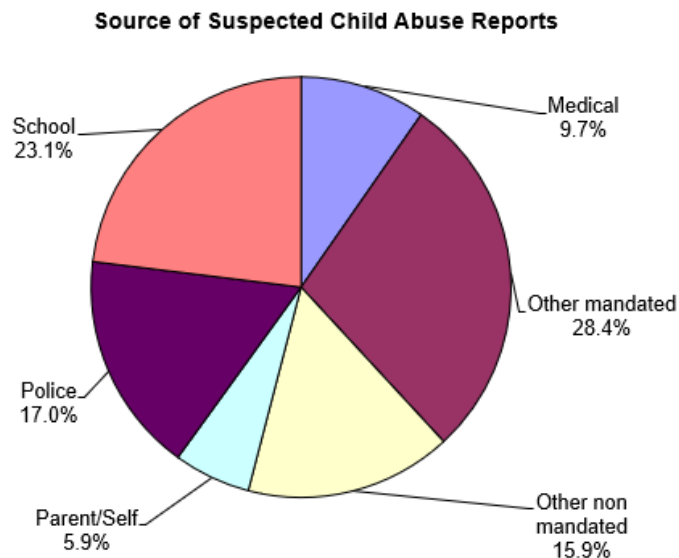
# Child Protective Services

## Screening Reports and Reporters of Suspected Child Abuse

During FFY 2019, Child Welfare received 89,451 calls to its hotlines that resulted in a screening report being documented, an increase of 6.2 percent from the prior year. During this time, Oregon Child Welfare consolidated fifteen regional hotlines into one operation over a period of eight months. The new centralized hotline, known as the Oregon Child Abuse Hotline, began serving the entire state on April 4, 2019. Prior to that, call volume data was not captured consistently throughout the state. Therefore, data is unavailable for FFY 2019. Since full centralization, available call volume data states that approximately 55% of the calls made to the hotline do not result in a screening report.

During FFY 2019:

- Public and private officials required by law to report suspected child abuse made up 78.1 percent of the screening reports received by Child Welfare.
- Of all reports, 40 percent came from schools and law enforcement agencies.

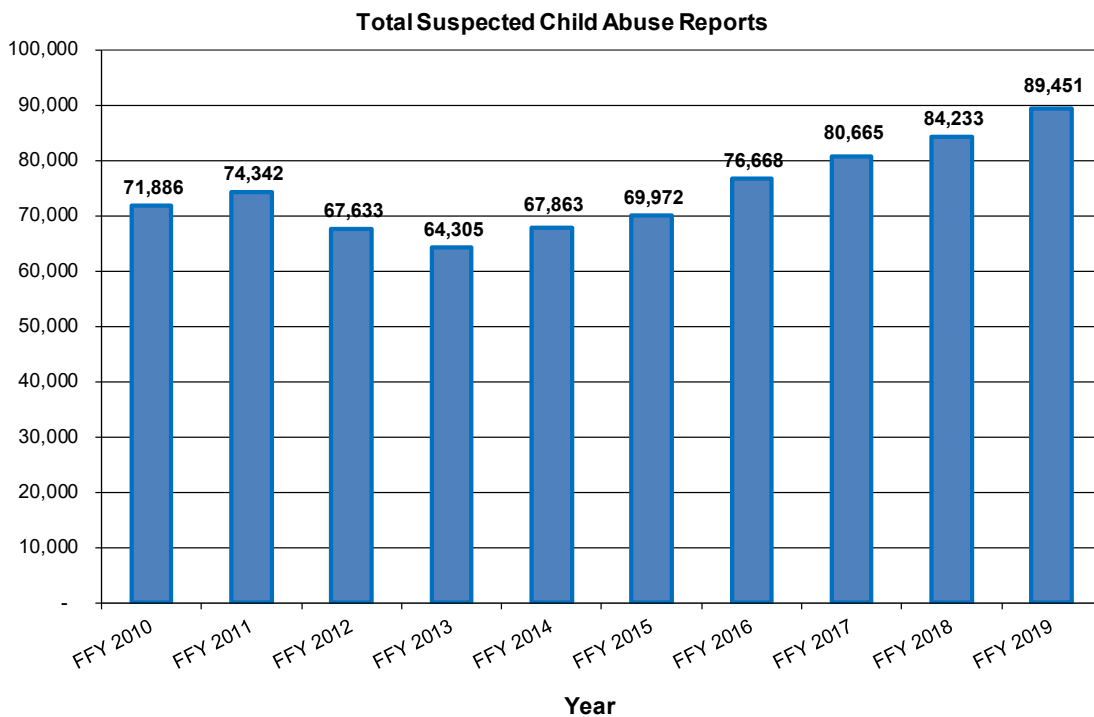


## Response Time for CPS Assessments

The response time for a CPS worker to make contact is determined by the information collected from the reporter, a review of child welfare history and information gathered from relevant search engines. Prior to April 8, 2019, there were two types of response times; *within 24 hours* and *within 5 days*. Oregon Administrative Rules were updated and went into effect on April 8 resulting in three types of timelines: Within 24 hours, within 72 hours, and within 10 days (when there is no danger posed to the child). The “Within 5 Days” option was discontinued at this time. This means that for FFY there were four types of response times: *within 24 hrs*, *within 5 days*, *within 72 hrs*, and *within 10 business days*. Over 76 percent (76.5) were assigned a response time of *within 24 hours*.

## Reports Assigned for CPS Assessments

Of the 89,451 screening reports received, 46,587 were assigned for CPS assessment.



During the year, 41,854 CPS assessments were completed. Of this total, 9,048 (21.6 percent) resulted in a founded disposition. The 9,048 CPS assessments with founded dispositions represent 10.1 percent of the total abuse reports. Once there is a founded disposition, the children for whom there is reasonable cause to believe they were abused are considered victims of child abuse.

## Victims of Abuse

During FFY 2019, there were 13,674 unduplicated child abuse victims. Most child victims remained in their own homes (79.4 percent), while 20.6 percent of child victims were removed from their homes. This is an increase of 3.3% over FFY 2018 for those remaining in their homes.

Of the total victims, 12 percent remained home with an in-home safety plan and 67.4 percent remained in their homes, but Child Welfare determined that it was not necessary to open a case to keep the child(ren) safe.

The following data show the key demographics of children who were victims of child abuse during FFY 2019.

**FFY 2019 Victims by Age and Gender**

Age	Boys	Girls	Total	Percent of Total
<1	761	636	<b>1,397</b>	10.2%
1	466	446	<b>912</b>	6.7%
2	453	425	<b>878</b>	6.4%
3	447	423	<b>870</b>	6.4%
4	432	387	<b>819</b>	6.0%
5	416	464	<b>880</b>	6.4%
6	419	381	<b>800</b>	5.9%
7	385	385	<b>770</b>	5.6%
8	398	350	<b>748</b>	5.5%
9	393	373	<b>766</b>	5.6%
10	371	401	<b>772</b>	5.6%
11	341	361	<b>702</b>	5.1%
12	302	378	<b>680</b>	5.0%
13	275	362	<b>637</b>	4.7%
14	225	357	<b>582</b>	4.3%
15	216	349	<b>565</b>	4.1%
16	183	341	<b>524</b>	3.8%
17	143	229	<b>372</b>	2.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,626</b>	<b>7,048</b>	<b>13,674</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

During FFY 2019, a total of 3.9 percent of victims were of more than one race. However, the following data for Oregon displays the child's first recorded race/ethnicity. It also displays the disproportionality index.

**Victims of Child Abuse FFY 2017 - FFY 2019**

Race/Ethnicity	FFY 2017	FFY 2018	FFY 2019
Black or African American	4.5%	4.8%	4.5%
Asian/Pac Islander	1.4%	1.4%	1.6%
White	62.9%	60.3%	64.2%
Hispanic (any race)	13.2%	12.1%	12.7%
American Indian or Alaska Native	3.6%	3.2%	3.2%
Unable to Determine	14.4%	18.3%	13.8%

**Disproportionality Index (DI) and Representation by Race for Victims of Child Abuse  
for FFY 2019 Compared to Oregon's Child Population**

Race	# of Oregon's Children*	% of Oregon's Children	# of Victims of Child Abuse	% of Victims of Child Abuse	DI** 1=Proportionate
Black or African American	33,091	3.8%	613	4.5%	1.2
Asian/Pac Islander	49,263	5.6%	213	1.6%	0.3
White	582,957	66.7%	7,933	58.0%	0.9
Hispanic (any race)	194,550	22.3%	1,901	13.9%	0.6
American Indian or Alaskan Native	13,706	1.6%	398	2.9%	1.9
Unable to Determine	n/a	0.0%	2,616	19.1%	n/a
<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>873,567</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>13,674</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	

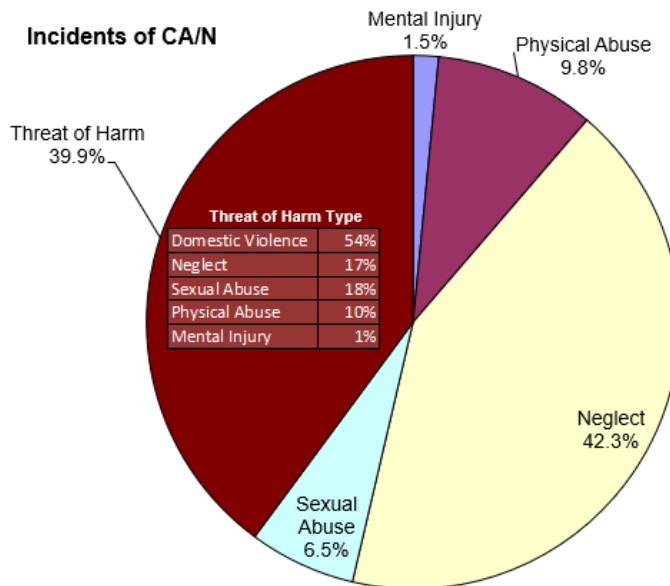
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\*\*Disproportionality Index (DI) is calculated by taking the percent by race of victims of child abuse and neglect and dividing it by the percent by race in Oregon's child population. Values less than 1 mean underrepresentation. Disproportionality statement example if the DI is 1.3: The percent of black children that were victims of child abuse or neglect is 1.3 times higher than the percent of black children in Oregon's child population.

## Types of Abuse Incidents

Each type of abuse experienced by a victim in a founded CPS assessment counts as an incident of child abuse. The number of incidents is larger than the number of victims because victims may have suffered more than one type of abuse or may have been involved in more than one founded CPS assessment. Between FFY 2018 and FFY 2019, the total number of incidents of child abuse increased by 8.4 percent.

Neglect is the largest category of child abuse at 42.3 percent, followed by threat of harm, at 39.9 percent of all incidents of abuse.





While most types of abuse increased from the previous year, sexual abuse and physical abuse increased the most with sexual abuse increasing by 17.8% and physical abuse increasing by 16.2%.

**FFY 2019 Incidents of Child Abuse**

<b>Abuse Type</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent Change From Last Year</b>
Mental Injury	272	2.6%
Physical Abuse	1,728	16.2%
Neglect	7,483	5.9%
Sexual Abuse	1,144	17.8%
Threat of Harm	7,046	8.2%
<b>Total Incidents</b>	<b>17,673</b>	<b>8.4%</b>

## People Identified as Responsible for Abuse

People identified as responsible for child abuse, commonly referred to as perpetrators, are most often family members, making up 93 percent. Of family members, mothers and fathers represent 74.8 percent.

**FFY 2019 Number of Founded Child Abuse Victims by Perpetrator Type**

<b>Perpetrator Relationship to Victim</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
<b>Familial</b>		
Mother	7,000	37.5%
Father	6,981	37.4%
Live-in Companion	1,812	9.7%
Relative	1,340	7.2%
Foster Parent/Home	186	1.0%
Guardian	58	0.3%
<b>Total Familial</b>	<b>17,377</b>	<b>93.0%</b>
<b>Nonfamilial</b>		
Other	412	2.2%
Neighbor/Friend	487	2.6%
Unknown	318	1.7%
Daycare Provider	90	0.5%
<b>Total Nonfamilial</b>	<b>1,307</b>	<b>7.0%</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>18,684</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## Family Stress Factors

Leading family stress factors of abused children are substance use, domestic violence, and parental involvement with law enforcement. Many families also have significant financial stress or unemployment issues. Some parents may have mental illness or were

abused as children. There usually are several stress factors in families of child abuse victims.

**Family Stress Factors as a Percent of Founded Abuse**

<b>Stress Factor</b>	<b>FFY 2018</b>	<b>FFY 2019</b>
Parent/caregiver substance use	42.5%	39.7%
Domestic violence	29.7%	30.7%
Parent/caregiver involvement with LEA	19.9%	19.4%
Child mental/physical/behavior disability	9.6%	11.9%
Parent/caregiver mental illness	13.6%	11.7%
Parent/caregiver history of abuse as child	11.4%	11.6%
Family financial distress	11.8%	11.3%
Inadequate housing	8.5%	6.9%
New baby/pregnancy	6.6%	5.6%
Head of household unemployed	6.6%	5.5%
Child developmental disability	2.1%	2.4%
Parent developmental disability	2.1%	1.6%
Heavy child care responsibility	2.0%	1.6%

## Fatalities Related to Child Abuse

There were 23 children who died from causes related to abuse during FFY 2019.

- There were 19 fatalities with at least one parent as the identified person responsible. The relationships of the person responsible to the child in all 23 fatalities were:
  - The mother alone in 8 fatalities.
  - The father alone in 6 fatalities.
  - The mother and father in 4 fatalities.
  - The mother’s significant other in 2 fatalities.
  - The mother and the mother’s live-in significant other in 1 fatality.
  - A relative in 2 fatalities.
- There were 17 victims (73.9 percent) that were age 5 and younger, demonstrating the vulnerability of this age group. Twelve victims were younger than one year old.
- No children had an open Child Welfare case at the time of the fatality.<sup>5</sup>
- Nine children had an open CPS assessment at the time of the fatality.

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<sup>5</sup> An open case refers to a family’s case assigned to a caseworker after completion of a CPS assessment to manage child safety and provide services.

- No children were in DHS custody at the time of death.
- Five children’s families received family preservation services in the five years preceding the fatality.
- Seventeen fatalities were the result of neglect. Six fatalities were caused by physical abuse.

**Child Fatalities Due to Physical Abuse/Neglect**

<b>Period</b>	<b>Abuse</b>	<b>Neglect</b>	<b>Abuse &amp; Neglect</b>	<b>Total</b>
FFY 2019	6	17	0	<b>23</b>
FFY 2018	4	30	3	<b>26</b>
FFY 2017	10	20	0	<b>30</b>
FFY 2016	3	15	1	<b>19</b>
FFY 2015	7	17	3	<b>27</b>
FFY 2014	5	7	1	<b>13</b>
FFY 2013	4	5	1	<b>10</b>
FFY 2012	8	6	3	<b>17</b>

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# In-Home Family Services

## Preserving Families

In situations when a child is determined to be unsafe and the parent/caregiver is not able to manage the child's safety without the assistance of Child Welfare, then safety plans are developed. If it is possible to manage the child's safety in the home, an in-home safety plan is developed with the child's family. This is referred to as an in-home case.

A total of 1,234 children were being served in their homes on September 30, 2019. The following data show the key demographics of children being served at home on September 30, 2019 as well as the disproportionality index.

**Disproportionality Index and Representation by Race for Children with an In Home Case Compared to Oregon's Child Population (Excluding when on Trial Home Visits) on 9/30/2019**

Race/Ethnicity	# of Oregon's Children	% of Oregon's children*	# of Children Served In Home	% of Children Served in Home	DI** 1=Proportionate
Black or African American	33,091	3.8%	86	7.0%	2.0
Asian/Pac Islander	49,263	5.6%	19	1.5%	0.3
White	582,957	66.7%	743	60.2%	0.9
Hispanic (any race)	194,550	22.3%	206	16.7%	0.8
American Indian or Alaska Na	13,706	1.6%	56	4.5%	2.8
Unable to Determine	n/a	0.0%	124	10.0%	n/a
<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>873,567</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,234</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	

\*Population data is always a year behind. Population data is from Puzanchera, C., Sladky, A. and Kang, W. (2019). "Easy Access to Juvenile Populations: 1990-2018." Online. Available: <http://www.ojjdp.gov/ojstatbb/ezapop/>.

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**9/30/2019 Point in Time Children With an In Home Case, by Age**

Age Group	Number	Percent
Age 0-5	526	42.6%
Age 6-12	417	33.8%
Age 13-17	166	13.5%
Age 18+	125	10.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,234</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**9/30/2019 Point in Time Children With an In Home  
Case, by ICWA Status**

ICWA	Number	Percent
ICWA Eligible	57	4.6%
ICWA Not Eligible	1,177	95.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,234</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Over the course of the year (FFY 2019), a total of 7,271 children were served in their homes. All children served in-home receive case management and safety services. Over 2,800 children (2,836 or 34.8 percent) also received additional services.

Services offered primarily fall within two categories: In-Home Safety and Reunification Services (ISRS) and Strengthening, Preserving and Reunifying Families (SPRF) Program Services.

In-Home Safety and Reunification Services (ISRS) are services designed to provide for the immediate safety of children at risk of abuse by managing the safety threats within the family to prevent removal; or when children have been placed in protective custody, to help them return home with in-home safety services.

ISRS provides a combination of concrete safety and change services that lead to improved parent protective capacity. Services are designed to protect children, stabilize the family, and assist parents in establishing linkages to formal, informal, and natural supports and resources so that a child can remain safely with their family without more intrusive intervention of Child Welfare.

SPRF services were created by the Oregon legislature in June 2011 (ORS 418.575-418.598). This was to specifically address the needs of children and families who come to the attention of Child Welfare through a report of abuse. These services are designed to support a comprehensive service array in local communities.

The overall goals of the SPRF Program are to maintain children safely at home with their parents or caregivers, safely and equitably reduce the number of children in the foster care system, reduce child trauma, reduce the length of stay in foster care, and to reduce reentry rates of children into the Child Welfare system. Services provided are culturally-competent, trauma informed, client-centered, and family-focused.

Each county in the state has implemented the SPRF program and has developed their individualized service array through a process to identify the services gaps and needs in their community. Some of the themes in the gaps and needs identified across the state are: Navigators, Parent Training, Parent Mentoring, Relief Nursery services, Alcohol and Drug Treatment, Housing, Front End Intervention, Reconnecting Families, Trauma and Therapeutic Services, Family Visitation, Transportation Services and Employment Related Services.

If a child's safety cannot be managed safely at home, they are placed in foster care and the family receives services (including ISRS, SPRF, and other services) to assist them in making changes that will allow their child to safely return home.

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# Foster Care

Children in foster care range in age from birth to 21 years old. They come from various types of racial/ethnic backgrounds, different cultures, and family types. They have their own unique personalities, abilities, interests and potential.

Children are placed in foster care for different reasons. Sometimes their families cannot provide them with the basic safety and protection they need. Many have also faced difficult experiences including parental substance abuse, sexual or physical abuse, and abandonment.

## Entering Foster Care

Children who cannot remain safely at home enter foster care for various reasons. These children most often enter foster care as a result of their parents' actions and not as a result of the child's behavior. Of all children who entered foster care during FFY 2019, fifteen percent had four or more reasons for removal from their homes.

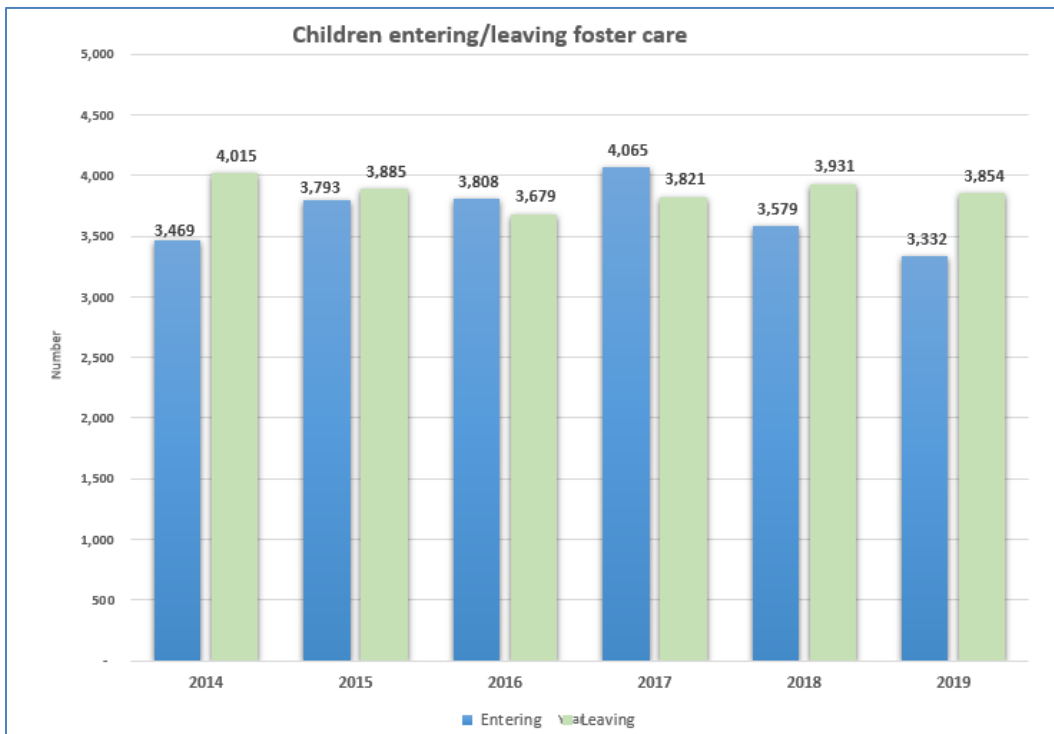
**Reasons Children Enter Foster Care FFY 2017 to FFY 2019**

*(includes all types of foster care)*

Removal Reason	FFY 2017		FFY 2018		FFY 2019	
	Number	% of Entrants	Number	% of Entrants	Number	% of Entrants
Neglect Abuse	2,856	70.3%	2,373	66.3%	2,403	72.1%
Parent Drug Abuse	2,113	52.0%	1,671	46.7%	1,656	49.7%
Inadequate Housing	698	17.2%	706	19.7%	628	18.8%
Inability To Cope	566	13.9%	512	14.3%	588	17.6%
Physical Abuse	557	13.7%	571	16.0%	551	16.5%
Domestic Violence	622	15.3%	671	18.7%	547	16.4%
Parent Alcohol Abuse	535	13.2%	422	11.8%	388	11.6%
Incarceration Of Parent	413	10.2%	331	9.2%	308	9.2%
Child Behavior	282	6.9%	262	7.3%	221	6.6%
Sex Abuse	210	5.2%	195	5.4%	173	5.2%
Abandonment	125	3.1%	156	4.4%	146	4.4%
Child Drug Abuse	62	1.5%	55	1.5%	62	1.9%
Death Of Parent	42	1.0%	19	0.5%	28	0.8%
Child Alcohol Abuse	23	0.6%	28	0.8%	28	0.8%
Relinquishment	13	0.3%	13	0.4%	20	0.6%
Child Disability	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	0.0%
<b>Total Foster Care Entrants</b>	<b>3,808</b>		<b>4,065</b>		<b>3,332</b>	

The number of children entering foster care during FFY 2019 decreased by 6.9 percent from the FFY 2018 level. The number of children leaving foster care decreased by

2 percent in the same time frame. The number of children in foster care on September 30, 2019 (7,181) decreased by 6.4 percent from the number of children in foster care on September 30, 2018.



A total of 375 children (or 10.2 percent of all exits) left foster care and custody within three months of entry. The median length of time in care for a child who exits is 19.7 months, which is higher than the median of 17.9 months in FFY 2018. For children who reunify with parents, this includes up to six months on a trial home visit.

## Children Served in Foster Care – Total Served

During FFY 2019, a total of 10,887 children spent at least one day in some kind of foster care. Of those, 91.6 percent (9,975 children) were served in a family foster care setting. The following data show the key demographics of children served in foster care during FFY 2019.

FFY 2019 Age of Children Served in Foster Care		
Age Group	Number	Percent
Age 0-5	4,295	39.5%
Age 6-12	3,541	32.5%
Age 13-17	2,245	20.6%
Age 18+	806	7.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,887</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



FFY 2019 Gender of Children Served in Foster Care		
Gender	Number	Percent
Boys	5,521	50.7%
Girls	5,366	49.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,887</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

During FFY 2019, a total of 889 children (8.2 percent) served in foster care were of more than one race. However, the following data for Oregon displays the child's first recorded race/ethnicity. Disproportionality Index (DI) is also shown.

**Disproportionality Index and Representation by Race for Children in Foster Care in FFY 2019 Compared to Oregon's Child Population**

Race	# of Oregon's Children*	% of Oregon's Children	# of Children Served in Foster Care	% of Children Served in Foster Care	DI** 1=Proportionate
Black or African American	33,091	3.8%	621	5.7%	1.5
Asian/Pac Islander	49,263	5.6%	178	1.6%	0.3
White	582,957	66.7%	7,276	66.8%	1.0
Hispanic (any race)	194,550	22.3%	1,918	17.6%	0.8
American Indian or Alaska Native	13,706	1.6%	492	4.5%	2.9
Unable to Determine	n/a	n/a	402	3.7%	n/a
Statewide Total	873,567	100.0%	10,887	100.0%	

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\*\*Disproportionality Index (DI) is calculated by taking the percent by race for children served in foster care and dividing it by the percent by race in Oregon's child population. Values less than 1 mean underrepresentation. Disproportionality statement example if DI is 1.8 for Black or African American Children: The percent of black children that were served in foster care during FFY 2016 is 1.8 times higher than the percent of black children in Oregon's child population.

**Children Served in Foster Care, by Race  
FFY 2017, FFY 2018 and FFY 2019**

Race	FFY 2017	FFY 2018	FFY 2019
Black or African American	6.0%	5.8%	5.7%
Asian/Pac Islander	1.2%	1.4%	1.6%
White	68.9%	67.3%	66.8%
Hispanic (any race)	16.2%	16.2%	17.6%
American Indian or Alaska Native	5.2%	4.8%	4.5%
Unable to Determine	2.6%	4.5%	3.7%

In 1978, Congress enacted the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) in response to a national crisis in which an alarmingly high percentage of Native American children were being removed from their families and tribal communities. ICWA requires that states make Active Efforts to prevent removal of tribal children from their families. Oregon works closely with the federally recognized tribes to ensure ICWA works closely with the federally recognized tribes to ensure ICWA compliance and tribes are actively involved in the decision-making process for their children. A total of 571 children served in foster care were ICWA eligible in FFY 2019.

**FFY 2019 Total Children Served in Foster Care, by Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) Status**

<b>ICWA Status</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
ICWA Eligible	571	5.2%
ICWA Not Eligible	10,316	94.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,887</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## Children in Foster Care—Point-In-Time

### Family and Sibling Connections

DHS helps maintain connections for children placed in foster care by working to place them in their home communities, with relatives, and by placing siblings together in out-of-home care.

There were 7,181 children in foster care as of September 30, 2019. At that time, 5,117 were in family foster care (a family-home setting). Of those in family foster care, 43.8% (2,241 children) were with relatives. The other settings for children in foster care include those in residential treatment, trial home visits and pre-adoptive settings.

As of the last day of FFY 2019, there were 3,512 children in out-of-home foster care who were part of a sibling group. Of these children, 2,886 (82.2 percent) were placed with the same family as one or more of their siblings. The percent of children with siblings being placed with siblings is slightly lower than those in care a year earlier, when 82.4 percent of children were placed with siblings.

## Stability While in Foster Care

For children in care as of September 30, 2019, a total of 59.5 percent had two or fewer placements. This is a slight decrease from 2018 where 60 percent of children had two or fewer placements.

**Number of Placements for Children in Foster Care on Last Day of Federal Fiscal Year**

<b>Number of Placements</b>	<b>9/30/2017</b>		<b>9/30/2018</b>		<b>9/30/2019</b>	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
1	2,963	37.3%	2,808	36.6%	2,593	36.1%
2	1,989	25.0%	1,797	23.4%	1,682	23.4%
3	1,053	13.3%	994	12.9%	918	12.8%
4	603	7.6%	614	8.0%	551	7.7%
5	375	4.7%	406	5.3%	363	5.1%
6 or more	960	12.1%	1,053	13.7%	1,074	15.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,943</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>7,672</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>7,181</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## Behavioral Rehabilitation Services

Behavioral Rehabilitation Services (BRS) is a higher level of care that provides the skill development necessary for children with debilitating emotional and behavioral challenges to return home or move to a less intensive level of care and to ultimately achieve permanence.

More than 223 children in care per day receive these important services, including behavioral intervention, counseling and skill-building services in professional assessment and stabilization facilities, therapeutic foster care, and residential placement models. These service programs are administered through contracts with licensed, private child-caring agencies.

On any given day during FFY 2019, BRS served the following:

- 74 children in professional treatment foster homes, and
- 149 children in residential treatment facilities.

## Psychiatric Residential Treatment

Children in the state's custody whose mental health needs exceed or differ from the level or type of services provided by the BRS system may be served within the mental health services system in psychiatric residential placements or other mental health supported placements which are contracted through the Oregon Health Authority and authorized and paid for through Oregon's Coordinated Care Organizations.

On any given day, 51 children in care are served in psychiatric residential treatment settings.

## Youth in Foster Care

Oregon Revised Statutes allow for children to remain in out-of-home care placement beyond the age of 18, and with a court order up to age 21.

During FFY 2019:

- Teens (13 years and older) comprised 28 percent of the foster care population.
- A total of 3,051 teens spent at least one day in foster care.
- Teens exiting foster care were reunited with their families 44 percent of the time.
- A total of 182 current and former foster care youth received scholarships for higher education for the 2018-2019 school year through a federal grant awarded to DHS and implemented with the assistance of the Office of Student Access and Completion.

## Independent Living Programs

Youth in foster care are eligible for Independent Living Program (ILP) services. ILP services are provided by 16 contracted community-based partners throughout the state. The number of youths receiving paid ILP services decreased by just over two percent (2.2) from 1,351 in FFY 2018 to 1,322 in FFY 2019.

ILP services help youths in foster care:

- Make the transition to self-sufficiency as adults;
- Receive the education, training and services necessary to obtain employment;
- Attain academic and/or vocational education and prepare for post-secondary training and education; and
- Obtain personal and emotional support and promote healthy interactions with dedicated adults.

## Exiting foster care

Most children leaving foster care are reunified with their parents. But for other children, a plan to reunify them with their parents does not occur for many reasons. These children who exit foster care may move on to various other living arrangements and permanent plans, such as adoption, guardianship or permanent relative care.

During FFY 2019, a total of 57.8 percent of children who left foster care were reunified with their families. If a child cannot safely return home, the law requires that an alternative permanency plan quickly be put into place.

The following data show the child's first recorded race/ethnicity as well as the disproportionality index for children exiting foster care during FFY 2019.

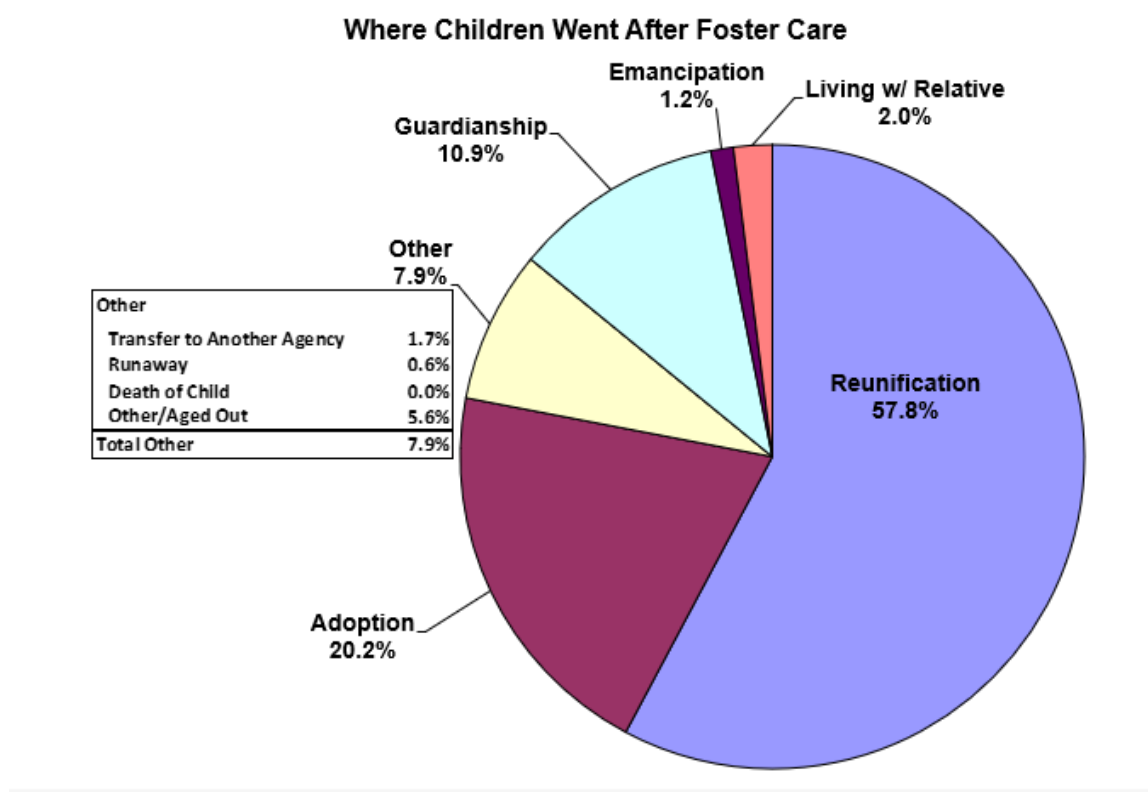
**Disproportionality Index and Representation by Race for Children Exiting Foster Care in FFY 2019 Compared to Oregon's Child Population**

Race	# of Oregon's Children*	% of Oregon's Children	# of Children Exiting Foster Care	% of Children Exiting Foster Care	DI**
Black or African American	33,091	3.8%	175	4.5%	1.2
Asian/Pac Islander	49,263	5.6%	62	1.6%	0.3
White	582,957	66.7%	2,630	68.2%	1.0
Hispanic (any race)	194,550	22.3%	666	17.3%	0.8
American Indian or Alaska Native	13,706	1.6%	170	4.4%	2.8
Unable to Determine	n/a	n/a	151	3.9%	n/a
<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>873,567</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>3,854</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	

\*Population data is always a year behind. Population data is from Puzanachera, C., Sladky, A. and Kang, W. (2018). "Easy Access to Juvenile Populations: 1990-2019." Online. Available: <http://www.ojjdp.gov/ojstatbb/ezapop/>.

\*\*Disproportionality Index (DI) is calculated by taking the percent by race for children exiting foster care and dividing it by the percent by race in Oregon's child population. Values less than 1 mean underrepresentation. Disproportionality statement example if DI is 1.73 for Black or African American Children: The percent of black children that exited foster care during FFY 2019 is 1.20 times higher than the percent of black children in Oregon's child population.

The following chart shows where children went after exiting foster care during FFY 2019.



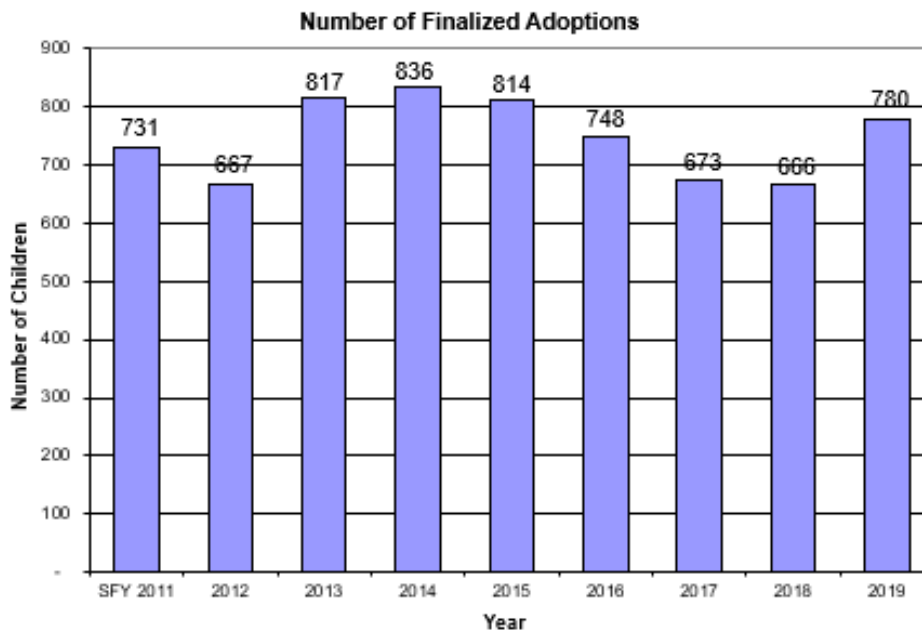
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# Adoption and Guardianship Program

The DHS Permanency Program facilitates selection and finalization of adoption and guardianship as permanency options for children in foster care when it is no longer in their best interest to return to the care of their biological parents. DHS also provides regulatory oversight and processing of all adoptions filed in the State of Oregon for children who are not in DHS custody.

## Adoptions

### Adoption Finalizations



**FFY 2019 Children with Finalized Adoptions, by District**

DHS DISTRICT	Children came from	Children went to
District 01	45	36
District 02	146	73
District 03	76	71
District 04	36	42
District 05	122	87
District 06	52	40
District 07	35	28
District 08	117	86
District 09	--	--
District 10	34	51
District 11	27	19
District 12	8	11
District 13	--	--
District 14	21	11
District 15	13	54
District 16	39	49

Children Placed By Agencies Other Than DHS	111
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## Demographics

Of the 780 children adopted, 174 were younger than age 3 when their adoption became final.

**FFY 2019 Children with Finalized Adoptions, by Age**

Age	Number	Percent
less than 3	174	22.3%
3-4 years	194	24.9%
5-8 years	220	28.2%
9-10 years	75	9.6%
11-13 years	80	10.3%
14 and older	37	4.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>100%</b>

Finalized adoptions in FFY 2019 shows slightly more girls than boys adopted.

**FFY 2019 Children with Finalized Adoptions,  
by Gender**

Gender	Number	Percent
Female	391	50.1%
Male	389	49.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>100%</b>

Of the children adopted during the year, 25.6 percent represent racial/ethnic groups, up from 21.5 percent in the previous year. Adoptive homes for older children, children of color and sibling groups continue to be in high demand.

**FFY 2019 Children with Finalized Adoptions, by Race**

Race/Ethnicity	Number	Percent
Black or African American	35	4.5%
Asian/Pac Islander	11	1.4%
White	572	73.3%
Hispanic (any race)	128	16.4%
American Indian or Alaska Native	26	3.3%
Unable to Determine	8	1.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## Special Needs and Adoption Assistance

All children adopted during FFY 2019 had one or more primary basis for special needs and received some type of adoption assistance.

The Adoption Assistance Program in Oregon provides financial and/or medical assistance to adoptive parents to help support the adoptive parents in meeting their adoptive child's special needs. Adoption Assistance supports the adoption of children with special needs who cannot be placed in an adoptive home without some form of medical coverage and/or financial assistance.

Adoption assistance can include subsidy and medical agreement, a subsidy only agreement, a medical only agreement or an agreement only which keeps the child's eligibility for assistance intact if needed in the future.

## Preserving Connections

DHS places a high value on preserving and promoting relationships between siblings and placing them together in the same adoptive family whenever it is safe and possible to do so. In FFY 2019, a total of 434 children who were adopted had siblings also adopted during the year. Of these children, 391 (90.1 percent) were adopted by the same family as one or more of their siblings.

## Timeliness of Finalization

A primary goal of federal and state governments is to establish permanency for a child as soon as possible. The federal government has established parameters that guide states in this effort, which includes establishing a national standard for the median length of time to achieve adoption. Achieving timely adoptions continues to present challenges for Oregon. While the length of time to achieve adoption varies, the median time to adoption was 36.8 months for children whose adoptions were finalized in FFY 2019. This is slightly longer than the median months to adoption from FFY 2018 of 36.2.

Careful processes help ensure adoptions will be successful. Statistics show 97.7 percent of Oregon's adoptive placements continued to finalization without disruption in FFY 2019.



# Guardianship

When a child cannot be returned home, and adoption is not in the child's best interests, guardianship is considered to be a more permanent plan for a child than long-term foster care since guardians have legal custody of the child.

## Guardianship Completion

During FFY 2019, a total of 421 children exited to a guardianship, down 7.3 percent from 454 children in FFY 2018. The majority of children go to guardianship with relatives.

Period	Number	% Change
2008	316	-5.4%
2009	294	-7.0%
2010	201	-31.6%
SFY 2011	217	8.0%
2012	273	25.8%
2013	313	14.7%
2014	293	-6.4%
2015	328	11.9%
2016	282	-14.0%
2017	447	58.5%
2018	454	1.6%
2019	421	-7.3%

## Demographics

The following data shows the key demographics of children who exited to guardianship during FFY 2019. The majority of guardianships (78.9 percent) are for children ages 6 and older.

Age Group	Number	Percent
Age 0-5	89	21.1%
Age 6-12	184	43.7%
Age 13-17	147	34.9%
Age 18+	1	0.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Slightly more girls than boys left foster care to guardianship in FFY 2019.

Gender	Number	Percent
Girls	212	50.4%
Boys	209	49.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>100%</b>

Children of all different racial and ethnic backgrounds exit to guardianship; the following data for Oregon displays the child’s first recorded race/ethnicity.

**FFY 2019 Race of Children Exiting to Guardianship**

<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Black or African American	14	3.3%
Asian/Pac Islander	1	0.2%
White	275	65.3%
Hispanic (any race)	82	19.5%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	46	10.9%
Unable to Determine	3	0.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## Special Needs and Guardianship Assistance

Children who go to guardianship have the same assistance available to them as adopted children to help the legal guardian meet their child’s needs. With respect to their background of child abuse/neglect and special emotional, medical, and physical needs, these children are statistically the same as adopted children.

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# Appendix: County Data

## FFY 2019 Screening Reports of Suspected Child Abuse by Screening Decision & County of Origin

County of Origin*	Closed At Screening	Referred	Total Reports	% Closed at Screening
Baker	204	326	530	38.5%
Benton	791	689	1,480	53.4%
Clackamas	2,936	2,982	5,918	49.6%
Clatsop	366	449	815	44.9%
Columbia	525	604	1,129	46.5%
Coos	787	1,066	1,853	42.5%
Crook	231	342	573	40.3%
Curry	209	224	433	48.3%
Deschutes	1,518	1,793	3,311	45.8%
Douglas	1,249	1,758	3,007	41.5%
Gilliam	--	--	--	46.9%
Grant	73	80	153	47.7%
Harney	59	94	153	38.6%
Hood River	137	146	283	48.4%
Jackson	2,453	2,815	5,268	46.6%
Jefferson	325	355	680	47.8%
Josephine	950	1,195	2,145	44.3%
Klamath	806	1,304	2,110	38.2%
Lake	81	113	194	41.8%
Lane	4,321	4,456	8,777	49.2%
Lincoln	619	698	1,317	47.0%
Linn	1,503	1,841	3,344	44.9%
Malheur	372	481	853	43.6%
Marion	4,641	5,146	9,787	47.4%
Morrow	128	169	297	43.1%
Multnomah	8,770	8,466	17,236	50.9%
Polk	570	655	1,225	46.5%
Sherman	17	25	42	40.5%
Tillamook	288	353	641	44.9%
Umatilla	652	911	1,563	41.7%
Union	217	333	550	39.5%
Wallowa	50	70	120	41.7%
Wasco	270	329	599	45.1%
Washington	4,121	4,026	8,147	50.6%
Wheeler	--	--	--	33.3%
Yamhill	652	780	1,432	45.5%
Out of Country	45	14	59	76.3%
Out of State	870	426	1,296	67.1%
Other**	1,038	1,046	2,084	49.8%
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>42,864</b>	<b>46,587</b>	<b>89,451</b>	<b>47.9%</b>

\*County of Origin is the county where the child resides at the time of the report of suspected abuse.

\*\*Other includes reports on children coded with a non-county value.

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**FFY 2019 Souce of Screening Reports of Suspected Child Abuse by County**

<b>County of Origin*</b>	<b>Medical</b>	<b>Other mandated</b>	<b>Other non mandated</b>	<b>Parent/ Self</b>	<b>Police</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Total</b>
Baker	25	167	86	31	72	149	530
Benton	160	518	194	97	213	298	1,480
Clackamas	535	1,599	872	398	959	1,555	5,918
Clatsop	62	183	104	43	184	239	815
Columbia	85	351	187	87	150	269	1,129
Coos	193	618	309	123	187	423	1,853
Crook	50	169	87	26	162	79	573
Curry	19	152	60	22	60	120	433
Deschutes	331	1,067	509	226	503	675	3,311
Douglas	228	1,046	691	186	355	501	3,007
Gilliam	--	--	--	--	--	11	32
Grant	13	45	27	11	34	23	153
Harney	13	82	20	8	10	20	153
Hood River	28	85	40	12	38	80	283
Jackson	580	1,522	943	340	880	1,003	5,268
Jefferson	77	160	71	35	178	159	680
Josephine	154	705	367	136	345	438	2,145
Klamath	191	656	420	154	361	328	2,110
Lake	18	58	37	11	29	41	194
Lane	770	2,641	1,557	609	1,351	1,849	8,777
Lincoln	130	307	210	69	211	390	1,317
Linn	349	855	536	188	487	929	3,344
Malheur	61	303	107	43	129	210	853
Marion	1,176	2,299	1,619	515	1,352	2,826	9,787
Morrow	20	60	46	11	58	102	297
Multnomah	1,952	4,804	2,496	880	3,342	3,762	17,236
Polk	92	348	191	58	278	258	1,225
Sherman	--	14	7	--	--	12	42
Tillamook	34	164	102	47	172	122	641
Umatilla	150	482	263	65	288	315	1,563
Union	41	165	136	45	49	114	550
Wallowa	6	26	33	13	10	32	120
Wasco	59	177	108	30	87	138	599
Washington	681	1,886	949	436	2,052	2,143	8,147
Wheeler	--	--	0	0	--	--	15
Yamhill	112	403	260	87	230	340	1,432
Out of Country	--	41	--	--	--	--	59
Out of State	93	679	230	153	80	61	1,296
Other**	173	580	366	105	258	602	2,084
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>8,670</b>	<b>25,429</b>	<b>14,251</b>	<b>5,309</b>	<b>15,168</b>	<b>20,624</b>	<b>89,451</b>

\*County of Origin is the county where the child resides at the time of the report of suspected abuse.

\*\*Other includes reports on children coded with a non-county value.

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**FFY 2019 Assessments by Disposition and County**

<b>County</b>	<b>Founded</b>	<b>Unfounded</b>	<b>Unable to Determine</b>	<b>No Allegation of CA/N</b>	<b>Unable to Locate</b>	<b>Total</b>
Baker	58	162	25	--	--	252
Benton	105	402	48	13	6	574
Central Office	954	3,701	592	36	122	5,405
Clackamas	543	1,797	315	87	23	2,765
Clatsop	58	313	56	--	--	437
Columbia	105	307	57	14	13	496
Coos	189	398	125	--	--	758
Crook	78	141	43	--	--	286
Curry	50	185	17	--	--	262
Deschutes	436	988	170	39	22	1,655
Douglas	447	1,109	119	26	13	1,714
Gilliam	20	--	--	0	0	41
Grant	18	52	8	0	0	78
Harney	34	44	8	0	0	86
Hood River	33	54	--	--	--	99
Jackson	453	1,091	164	26	21	1,755
Jefferson	107	161	12	21	0	301
Josephine	194	739	69	11	13	1,026
Klamath	215	681	276	--	--	1,187
Lake	12	--	--	--	0	88
Lane	812	2,433	298	180	36	3,759
Lincoln	115	274	55	21	23	488
Linn	355	1,118	176	150	28	1,827
Malheur	201	321	43	6	8	579
Marion	800	1,933	331	224	119	3,407
Morrow	32	92	8	--	--	138
Multnomah	1,160	3,499	811	154	185	5,809
Polk	125	524	85	24	9	767
Sherman	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tillamook	65	241	54	15	8	383
Umatilla	207	551	69	16	42	885
Union	64	147	38	9	0	258
Wallowa	17	37	--	--	0	61
Wasco	81	250	13	--	--	352
Washington	763	1,923	429	46	40	3,201
Wheeler	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yamhill	142	466	36	19	12	675
<b>Statewide*</b>	<b>9,048</b>	<b>26,225</b>	<b>4,564</b>	<b>1,225</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>41,854</b>

\*State total includes investigations of child abuse in or by a Children's Care Provider, conducted by the Office of Training, Investigations and Safety (OTIS), formerly the Office of Adult Abuse Prevention and Investigations (OAAPI).

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### FFY 2019 Incidents of Abuse

County	Mental Injury	Neglect	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Threat of Harm
Baker	1	66	11	10	40
Benton	1	84	14	13	90
Central Office	21	538	170	116	736
Clackamas	20	398	90	71	433
Clatsop	5	52	14	10	47
Columbia	5	90	26	12	93
Coos	7	191	36	32	138
Crook	1	65	9	10	35
Curry	3	43	9	6	24
Deschutes	10	337	72	39	311
Douglas	8	386	70	38	355
Gilliam	2	22	4	0	21
Grant	0	8	4	3	13
Harney	1	45	8	2	28
Hood River	3	37	6	3	26
Jackson	11	516	69	55	292
Jefferson	2	94	19	3	84
Josephine	5	217	32	16	134
Klamath	6	199	42	22	167
Lake	2	18	4	0	6
Lane	5	701	136	67	640
Lincoln	5	86	32	19	94
Linn	20	395	83	40	267
Malheur	1	243	46	21	136
Marion	20	634	209	148	592
Morrow	1	28	6	8	9
Multnomah	38	840	176	135	1,089
Polk	1	92	19	22	99
Sherman	0	0	0	0	0
Tillamook	1	48	12	7	57
Umatilla	4	220	54	39	124
Union	1	61	16	4	16
Wallowa	0	21	0	1	14
Wasco	4	69	15	10	64
Washington	53	521	199	134	662
Wheeler	0	0	0	0	0
Yamhill	4	118	16	28	110
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>7,483</b>	<b>1,728</b>	<b>1,144</b>	<b>7,046</b>

**Victim Rate per 1,000 Children, by County - FFY 2017-FFY 2019**

County	Population under 18**			Victims			Rate per 1,000		
	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019
Baker	3,160	3,140	3,135	105	129	92	33.2	41.1	29.3
Benton	14,753	15,044	14,968	130	149	159	8.8	9.9	10.6
Clackamas	88,959	89,732	89,515	511	767	791	5.7	8.5	8.8
Clatsop	7,487	7,495	7,594	85	123	97	11.4	16.4	12.8
Columbia	10,902	11,110	11,067	174	168	169	16.0	15.1	15.3
Coos	11,873	11,863	11,850	319	437	265	26.9	36.8	22.4
Crook	4,391	4,537	4,716	104	69	102	23.7	15.2	21.6
Curry	3,344	3,316	3,304	71	70	71	21.2	21.1	21.5
Deschutes	37,543	38,285	38,645	430	688	613	11.5	18.0	15.9
Douglas	20,995	21,206	21,335	591	505	643	28.1	23.8	30.1
Gilliam	364	364	368	--	10	38	--	27.5	103.3
Grant	1,322	1,293	1,271	29	53	25	21.9	41.0	19.7
Harney	1,531	1,544	1,502	70	86	53	45.7	55.7	35.3
Hood River	5,738	5,711	5,629	61	41	55	10.6	7.2	9.8
Jackson	44,669	45,040	45,245	850	737	719	19.0	16.4	15.9
Jefferson	5,475	5,603	5,680	140	104	157	25.6	18.6	27.6
Josephine	16,821	16,927	17,118	263	300	319	15.6	17.7	18.6
Klamath	14,404	14,458	14,706	338	317	336	23.5	21.9	22.8
Lake	1,451	1,545	1,513	54	40	23	37.2	25.9	15.2
Lane	69,498	70,090	69,868	1,125	1,119	1,221	16.2	16.0	17.5
Lincoln	8,233	8,399	8,358	203	151	169	24.7	18.0	20.2
Linn	28,031	28,529	28,679	401	583	533	14.3	20.4	18.6
Malheur	7,733	7,810	8,004	237	226	328	30.6	28.9	41.0
Marion	84,032	84,787	85,432	1,047	1,327	1,238	12.5	15.7	14.5
Morrow	3,168	3,041	3,134	38	53	44	12.0	17.4	14.0
Multnomah	154,598	154,317	152,901	1,741	1,841	1,790	11.3	11.9	11.7
Polk	18,839	19,258	19,424	300	288	201	15.9	15.0	10.3
Sherman	322	336	307	--	0	0	--	0	0
Tillamook	5,017	5,077	5,062	62	118	98	12.4	23.2	19.4
Umatilla	19,666	19,573	19,551	109	236	336	5.5	12.1	17.2
Union	5,796	5,914	5,955	92	145	88	15.9	24.5	14.8
Wallowa	1,301	1,314	1,319	36	19	28	27.7	14.5	21.2
Wasco	5,845	5,933	5,871	95	119	121	16.3	20.1	20.6
Washington	137,549	137,047	136,614	913	1,098	1,178	6.6	8.0	8.6
Wheeler	197	204	211	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yamhill	23,720	23,777	23,716	242	317	216	10.2	13.3	9.1
<b>Statewide*</b>	<b>868,727</b>	<b>873,619</b>	<b>873,567</b>	<b>11,077</b>	<b>12,585</b>	<b>13,674</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>15.7</b>

\*State total includes investigations of child abuse in or by a Children's Care Provider, conducted by the Office of Training, Investigations, and Safety (OTIS), formerly the Office of Adult Abuse Prevention & Investigations (OAAPI).

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**Children Served In Home Rate per 1,000 Children, by County (point-in-time on 9/30)**

County	Population under 18**			Number Served In Home			Rate Per 1,000 Children		
	2017	2018	2019	2,017	2,018	2,019	2017	2018	2019
Baker	3,160	3,140	3,135	--	--	--	--	--	--
Benton	14,753	15,044	14,968	14	12	13	0.9	0.8	0.9
Clackamas	88,959	89,732	89,515	54	39	42	0.6	0.4	0.5
Clatsop	7,487	7,495	7,594	--	15	6	--	2.0	0.8
Columbia	10,902	11,110	11,067	40	39	50	3.7	3.5	4.5
Coos	11,873	11,863	11,850	54	40	33	4.5	3.4	2.8
Crook	4,391	4,537	4,716	--	--	6	--	--	1.3
Curry	3,344	3,316	3,304	12	--	7	3.6	--	2.1
Deschutes	37,543	38,285	38,645	26	18	20	0.7	0.5	0.5
Douglas	20,995	21,206	21,335	76	99	74	3.6	4.7	3.5
Gilliam	364	364	368	0	--	0	0	--	0
Grant	1,322	1,293	1,271	6	8	--	4.5	6.2	--
Harney	1,531	1,544	1,502	13	21	11	8.5	13.6	7.3
Hood River	5,738	5,711	5,629	--	--	8	--	--	1.4
Jackson	44,669	45,040	45,245	150	156	116	3.4	3.5	2.6
Jefferson	5,475	5,603	5,680	6	15	--	1.1	2.7	--
Josephine	16,821	16,927	17,118	36	33	26	2.1	1.9	1.5
Klamath	14,404	14,458	14,706	46	25	40	3.2	1.7	2.7
Lake	1,451	1,545	1,513	--	0	0	--	0	0
Lane	69,498	70,090	69,868	276	189	139	4.0	2.7	2.0
Lincoln	8,233	8,399	8,358	34	18	--	4.1	2.1	--
Linn	28,031	28,529	28,679	31	33	29	1.1	1.2	1.0
Malheur	7,733	7,810	8,004	31	29	39	4.0	3.7	4.9
Marion	84,032	84,787	85,432	123	100	76	1.5	1.2	0.9
Morrow	3,168	3,041	3,134	0	--	0	0	--	0
Multnomah	154,598	154,317	152,901	248	290	278	1.6	1.9	1.8
Polk	18,839	19,258	19,424	22	14	--	1.2	0.7	--
Sherman	322	336	307	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tillamook	5,017	5,077	5,062	--	--	--	--	--	--
Umatilla	19,666	19,573	19,551	9	9	18	0.5	0.5	0.9
Union	5,796	5,914	5,955	--	--	--	--	--	--
Wallowa	1,301	1,314	1,319	--	--	0	--	--	0
Wasco	5,845	5,933	5,871	--	--	11	--	--	1.9
Washington	137,549	137,047	136,614	113	95	83	0.8	0.7	0.6
Wheeler	197	204	211	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yamhill	23,720	23,777	23,716	15	16	21	0.6	0.7	0.9
<b>Statewide*</b>	<b>868,727</b>	<b>873,619</b>	<b>873,567</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>1,387</b>	<b>1,234</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.4</b>

\*State total includes some children served out of the Central Office.

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**Children in Foster Care per 1,000 Children, by County (Point-in-time on 9/30)**

County	Population under 18**			Number in Foster Care			Rate per 1,000		
	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019
Baker	3,160	3,140	3,135	37	39	47	11.7	12.3	15.0
Benton	14,753	15,044	14,968	71	71	55	4.8	4.8	3.7
Clackamas	88,959	89,732	89,515	360	342	328	4.0	3.8	3.7
Clatsop	7,487	7,495	7,594	95	75	74	12.7	10.0	9.7
Columbia	10,902	11,110	11,067	172	141	113	15.8	12.9	10.2
Coos	11,873	11,863	11,850	260	253	221	21.9	21.3	18.6
Crook	4,391	4,537	4,716	46	35	44	10.5	8.0	9.3
Curry	3,344	3,316	3,304	57	54	50	17.0	16.1	15.1
Deschutes	37,543	38,285	38,645	206	176	147	5.5	4.7	3.8
Douglas	20,995	21,206	21,335	497	495	417	23.7	23.6	19.5
Gilliam	364	364	368	--	10	--	--	27.5	--
Grant	1,322	1,293	1,271	19	15	13	14.4	11.3	10.2
Harney	1,531	1,544	1,502	47	40	32	30.7	26.1	21.3
Hood River	5,738	5,711	5,629	39	34	37	6.8	5.9	6.6
Jackson	44,669	45,040	45,245	636	569	516	14.2	12.7	11.4
Jefferson	5,475	5,603	5,680	62	61	64	11.3	11.1	11.3
Josephine	16,821	16,927	17,118	279	284	229	16.6	16.9	13.4
Klamath	14,404	14,458	14,706	258	229	199	17.9	15.9	13.5
Lake	1,451	1,545	1,513	28	10	18	19.3	6.9	11.9
Lane	69,498	70,090	69,868	1,132	1,021	894	16.3	14.7	12.8
Lincoln	8,233	8,399	8,358	156	155	138	18.9	18.8	16.5
Linn	28,031	28,529	28,679	203	221	189	7.2	7.9	6.6
Malheur	7,733	7,810	8,004	177	195	190	22.9	25.2	23.7
Marion	84,032	84,787	85,432	595	599	599	7.1	7.1	7.0
Morrow	3,168	3,041	3,134	12	16	19	3.8	5.1	6.1
Multnomah	154,598	154,317	152,901	1,537	1,525	1,439	9.9	9.9	9.4
Polk	18,839	19,258	19,424	106	93	87	5.6	4.9	4.5
Sherman	322	336	307	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tillamook	5,017	5,077	5,062	36	34	36	7.2	6.8	7.1
Umatilla	19,666	19,573	19,551	115	151	225	5.8	7.7	11.5
Union	5,796	5,914	5,955	24	25	38	4.1	4.3	6.4
Wallowa	1,301	1,314	1,319	--	14	--	--	10.8	--
Wasco	5,845	5,933	5,871	94	71	77	16.1	12.1	13.1
Washington	137,549	137,047	136,614	485	510	522	3.5	3.7	3.8
Wheeler	197	204	211	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yamhill	23,720	23,777	23,716	102	109	115	4.3	4.6	4.8
<b>Statewide*</b>	<b>868,727</b>	<b>873,619</b>	<b>873,567</b>	<b>7,956</b>	<b>7,672</b>	<b>7,181</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>8.2</b>

\*State total does not include Title IV-E eligible children served by Tribes.

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**FFY 2019 Number of Children Experiencing at Least 1 day in Foster Care  
(All Types), By County and Age**

County	Age 0-5	Age 6-12	Age 13-17	Age 18+	Total
Baker	28	--	19	--	69
Benton	48	32	19	7	106
Clackamas	186	150	109	50	495
Clatsop	49	--	28	--	108
Columbia	64	71	41	22	198
Coos	153	99	60	25	337
Crook	35	23	--	--	69
Curry	26	30	--	--	79
Deschutes	99	75	45	10	229
Douglas	298	218	144	27	687
Gilliam	--	--	--	--	6
Grant	--	10	--	-	21
Harney	22	25	--	--	60
Hood River	19	28	--	--	59
Jackson	339	296	143	18	796
Jefferson	36	36	22	-	94
Josephine	161	159	74	14	408
Klamath	151	122	51	22	346
Lake	--	14	--	0	25
Lane	524	458	268	102	1,352
Lincoln	78	63	37	20	198
Linn	122	89	76	31	318
Malheur	110	114	65	11	300
Marion	360	288	192	82	922
Morrow	9	14	--	--	29
Multnomah	737	591	401	237	1,966
Polk	46	25	48	14	133
Sherman	0	0	0	0	0
Tillamook	30	14	12	6	62
Umatilla	125	100	64	8	297
Union	19	15	--	--	50
Wallowa	--	--	--	0	7
Wasco	42	31	26	6	105
Washington	294	255	187	58	794
Wheeler	0	0	0	0	0
Yamhill	65	48	36	13	162
<b>Statewide*</b>	<b>4,295</b>	<b>3,541</b>	<b>2,245</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>10,887</b>

\*State total does not include Title IV-E eligible children served by Tribes.

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### FFY 2019 Foster Care Entrants and Exits

County	Entries	Exits
Baker	22	22
Benton	31	54
Clackamas	158	179
Clatsop	31	34
Columbia	55	86
Coos	87	120
Crook	33	25
Curry	23	32
Deschutes	57	83
Douglas	201	282
Gilliam	--	--
Grant	10	8
Harney	23	31
Hood River	22	22
Jackson	249	298
Jefferson	34	35
Josephine	127	180
Klamath	120	154
Lake	12	7
Lane	348	476
Lincoln	54	65
Linn	108	134
Malheur	107	113
Marion	330	332
Morrow	14	11
Multnomah	463	548
Polk	38	46
Sherman	0	0
Tillamook	29	28
Umatilla	148	79
Union	23	14
Wallowa	--	--
Wasco	34	28
Washington	281	275
Wheeler	0	0
Yamhill	56	49
<b>Statewide*</b>	<b>3,332</b>	<b>3,854</b>

\*State total does not include Title IV-E eligible children served by Tribes.

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### Median Months in Care by FFY, All Exit Types, by County

County	FFY 2018		FFY 2019	
	Median Months	Total Exits	Median Months	Total Exits
Baker	10.5	20	30.4	22
Benton	21.7	41	15.8	54
Clackamas	18.1	178	16.7	179
Clatsop	16.0	64	22.6	34
Columbia	22.6	76	26.1	86
Coos	12.0	174	18.1	120
Crook	8.4	33	13.8	25
Curry	14.7	20	24.7	32
Deschutes	18.9	125	25.7	83
Douglas	18.4	247	19.9	282
Gilliam	0.0	0	46.7	--
Grant	21.7	12	36.1	8
Harney	13.4	29	21.7	31
Hood River	17.9	20	16.7	22
Jackson	17.2	304	23.0	298
Jefferson	15.6	36	17.6	35
Josephine	23.9	124	20.1	180
Klamath	16.0	177	18.3	154
Lake	16.6	6	1.6	7
Lane	20.8	511	24.1	476
Lincoln	16.5	78	22.3	65
Linn	16.3	99	12.9	134
Malheur	13.5	73	18.3	113
Marion	12.3	361	16.3	332
Morrow	24.0	11	9.8	11
Multnomah	26.6	555	27.6	548
Polk	18.6	61	23.8	46
Sherman	0.0	0	0.0	0
Tillamook	16.9	25	9.8	28
Umatilla	12.7	61	7.8	79
Union	10.5	26	13.8	14
Wallowa	13.2	8	63.6	--
Wasco	25.5	50	23.0	28
Washington	15.8	272	14.5	275
Wheeler	0.0	0	0.0	0
Yamhill	13.0	54	18.5	49
<b>Statewide*</b>	<b>17.9</b>	<b>3,931</b>	<b>19.7</b>	<b>3,854</b>

\*State total does not include Title IV-E eligible children served by Tribes.

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**Number of Certified Foster Homes on 9/30/2019  
by Certification Type**

<b>County</b>	<b>Regular Certification</b>	<b>Special Certification</b>	<b>Total Homes</b>
Baker	7	13	20
Benton	26	16	42
Clackamas	118	214	332
Clatsop	11	29	40
Columbia	31	58	89
Coos	75	65	140
Crook	9	22	31
Curry	6	22	28
Deschutes	55	87	142
Douglas	80	146	226
Gilliam	--	--	--
Grant	--	--	15
Harney	--	--	25
Hood River	--	--	20
Jackson	88	177	265
Jefferson	--	--	27
Josephine	68	68	136
Klamath	23	55	78
Lake	--	--	20
Lane	172	243	415
Lincoln	26	55	81
Linn	72	95	167
Malheur	18	46	64
Marion	80	152	232
Morrow	--	--	20
Multnomah	269	313	582
Polk	41	52	93
Sherman	0	--	--
Tillamook	12	9	21
Umatilla	32	68	100
Union	18	20	38
Unknown*	0	0	0
Wallowa	--	--	8
Wasco	21	13	34
Washington	103	210	313
Wheeler	--	--	--
Yamhill	27	61	88
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>1,519</b>	<b>2,423</b>	<b>3,942</b>

\* County is not identified

In the counties where "--" is reported, certified homes may be captured in the data for another county within that same District, as Certified Foster Homes are counted by primary assigned certifier.

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**FFY 2019 Newly Certified Foster Homes and Foster Home Closed,  
by County of Certification**

County	New Certifications*			Closed Homes**		
	Regular	Child Specific	Total Homes	Regular	Child Specific	Total Homes
Baker	--	--	21	--	--	22
Benton	0	0	0	0	0	0
Central Office	19	40	59	38	99	137
Clackamas	11	108	119	22	118	140
Clatsop	0	14	14	9	20	29
Columbia	6	30	36	9	29	38
Coos	11	47	58	13	59	72
Crook	0	0	0	0	0	0
Curry	--	--	13	--	--	11
Deschutes	9	85	94	9	83	92
Douglas	18	92	110	17	107	124
Gilliam	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grant	0	6	6	--	--	7
Harney	0	13	13	0	7	7
Hood River	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jackson	--	--	145	20	121	141
Jefferson	0	0	0	0	0	0
Josephine	9	51	60	11	41	52
Klamath	--	--	61	9	54	63
Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lane	17	245	262	36	253	289
Lincoln	--	--	36	--	--	30
Linn	16	87	103	22	70	92
Malheur	0	29	29	--	--	36
Marion	11	123	134	25	112	137
Morrow	0	0	0	0	0	0
Multnomah	31	159	190	55	207	262
Polk	12	53	65	--	--	56
Sherman	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tillamook	--	--	9	--	--	9
Umatilla	--	--	65	10	30	40
Union	--	--	16	--	--	15
Wallowa	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wasco	--	--	33	9	25	34
Washington	11	98	109	16	99	115
Wheeler	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yamhill	9	32	41	8	31	39
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>1,693</b>	<b>1,901</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>1,728</b>	<b>2,089</b>

\*Unique Count: Only the initial certification is counted.

\*\*Unique Count: Only counts closed and expired providers that did not begin care again.

In the counties where "0" is reported, certified homes may be captured in the data for another county

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