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Fast Facts for FFY 2024

Child Protective Services

- The Oregon Child Abuse Hotline (ORCAH)'s total contacts (calls and cross-reported police reports) answered during Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2024 (October 2023-September 2024) was 169,623.
- Of those contacts, a total of 94,906 screening reports were documented.¹
- A total of 45,918 reports received during FFY 2024 were assigned for CPS assessment.² A total of 38,387 CPS assessments were completed, which includes reports that were assigned in the previous year.³
- Of all completed CPS assessments, 8,242 were founded for abuse and involved 11,669 victims. Of those victims, 1,892 (16.2%) were removed from their homes.
- Of all victims, 35.9 percent were 5 years old and younger.
- Of all types of abuse incidences, the threat of harm was the most frequently identified type of abuse (50.9 percent), followed by neglect (24.8 percent).
- At 39.6 percent, parent/caregiver substance use represented the most common family stress factor when child abuse was present.
- The next most common stressors were domestic violence (30.3 percent) and parent history of abuse (16.7 percent).

In-Home Family Services

- During FFY 2024, a total of 5,047 children received case management and safety services while being served in their homes.
- Of the total served in-home, 53.7 percent received additional services.

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

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

³ 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 6,799 children spent at least one day in foster care such as family foster care, professional treatment programs, psychiatric residential treatment, placements in pre-adoptive homes, placements through developmental disability services, or independent living.
- Of the total children served in foster care, 63.7% were White, 18.4% were Hispanic, 7.6% were Black or African American, 5.2% were American Indian or Alaska Native, 3.4% did not have race/ethnicity recorded, and 1.7% were Asian or Pacific Islander.⁴
- A total of 1,346 youth received contracted independent living program skill building services.
- Of all children leaving foster care, 52.8% were reunited with their families.

Average Daily Population

- An average of 4,577 children were in foster care daily. Of these:
 - An average of 3,261 children were in family foster care. Of those, 54.1 percent (about 1,764 children) were placed with relatives.
 - An average of 467 children were on trial home visit.
 - An average of 173 children and young adults were served in specialized care or treatment placements in Proctor Care (certified family) or Residential Care settings licensed as Child Caring Agencies. Examples include Behavior Rehabilitation Services (BRS) programs or Oregon Health Authority psychiatric treatment (PRTF) settings.
 - The remaining average of 727 children were in other types of foster care placements such as placements through developmental disability services, placements in pre-adoptive homes, and independent living.

Point in Time

- Of the 4,458 children in care on September 30, 2024, 61.3 percent (2,734) had two or fewer placements.

Adoption and Guardianship Program

⁴ 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).

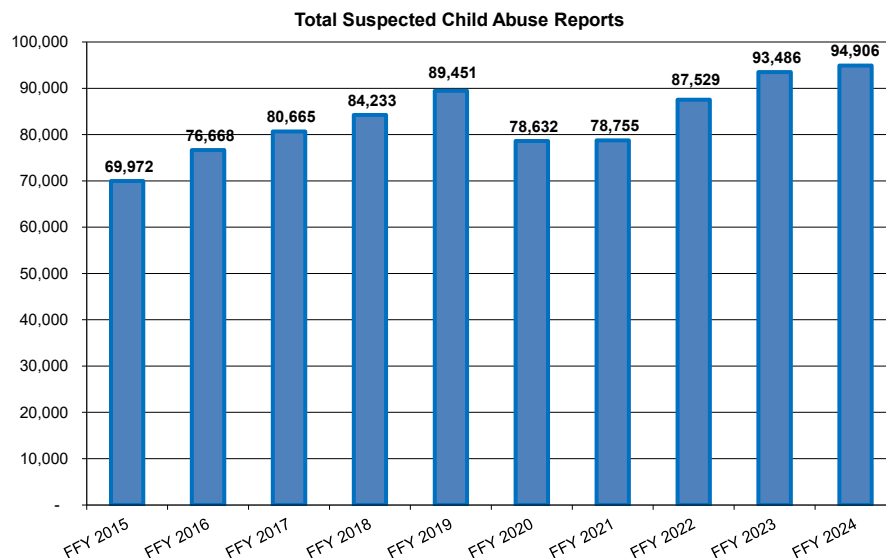
- A total of 391 children had adoptions finalized. Of these, 71.1% were White, 17.4% were Hispanic, 5.9% were Black or African American, 2.8% were American Indian or Alaska Native, 1.5% were Asian or Pacific Islander and 1.3% had no race/ethnicity recorded.
- Of those adopted, 145 had siblings and of those, 136 (93.8%) were adopted by the same family as one or more of their siblings.
- A total of 493 children exited foster care to guardianship. Of these children, 67.0% were White, 17.0% were Hispanic, 4.5% were American Indian or Alaska Native, 8.3% were Black or African American, 1.6% were Asian or Pacific Islander, and 1.6% had no race/ethnicity recorded.

Child Protective Services

Screening Reports and Reporters of Suspected Child Abuse

Oregon Child Abuse Hotline (ORCAH) serves as one of the primary points of contact for children in Oregon at risk for or experiencing abuse. The 24-hour hotline receives, and screens reports of child abuse statewide, and provides guidance and subject matter expertise to callers and partners to ensure child safety. The hotline also assigns reports for Child Protective Services (CPS) assessments when allegations of abuse meet the criteria for assignment and to ensure child safety. Additionally, the hotline serves Oregonians through cross-reporting to local law enforcement, completes required notifications with multiple community partners and refers to services when appropriate.

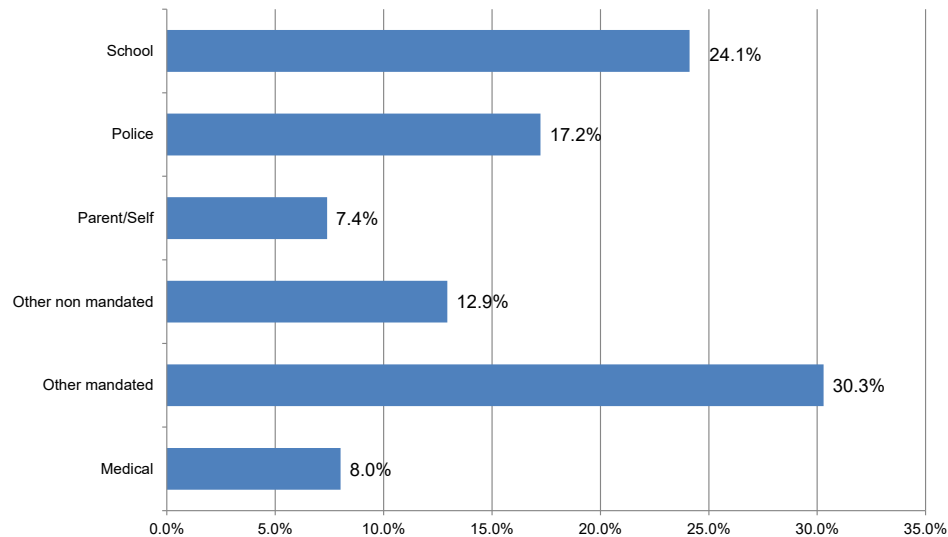
ORCAH receives calls, cross-reported police reports, and as of March of 2021, electronic reports from Child Welfare caseworkers and the Office of Training, Investigations and Safety (OTIS) staff when a new allegation on an open case or assessment needs to be screened. These are collectively referred to as “contacts.” A portion of these contacts resulted in a documented screening report (either assigned or closed at screening), or a case note on an open case. The remaining contacts are generally callers seeking information or providing information that is not related to concerns for alleged abuse or open cases. ORCAH’s total contacts answered during FFY 2024 was 169,623. Of those contacts received, 94,906 resulted in a screening report being documented, an increase of 1.5 percent from the prior year.



During FFY 2024:

- Public and private officials required by law to report suspected child abuse made up 79.7 percent of the screening reports received by Child Welfare.
- Of all reports, 41.4 percent came from schools and law enforcement agencies.

Source of Suspected Child Abuse Reports during FFY 2024



Response Time for CPS Assessments

Oregon Child Welfare has three response times: within 24 hours, within 72 hours, and within 10 business days. Response time refers to the time required for CPS staff to make direct face-to-face contact with the child who is the alleged victim of a report of abuse. Once the screening decision is made, determining the urgency of a CPS Assessment response is the second fundamental safety decision of the screening assessment. The criteria for determining when CPS must respond to an assigned CPS Assessment is based on the application of criteria in the Structured Decision Making® tool to the information in the abuse report. Of the total assigned reports, 47.7 percent were assigned a response time of *within 24 hours*.

Reports Assigned for CPS Assessments

Of the 94,906 screening reports received, 45,918 were assigned for CPS assessment. During the year, 38,387 CPS assessments were completed. Of this total, 8,242 (21.5 percent) resulted in a founded disposition. The 8,242 CPS assessments with founded dispositions represent 8.7 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 2024, there were 11,669 unduplicated child abuse victims. Most child victims remained in their own homes (83.8 percent), while 16.2 percent of child victims were removed from their homes. For those remaining in their homes, this is an increase of 1.9% from FFY 2023.

Of the total victims, 11.9 percent remained home with an in-home safety plan and 71.8 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 2024.

FFY 2024 Victims by Age and Gender

Age	Boys	Girls	Unknown/ Unreported	Total	Percent of Total
<1	526	470	4	1,000	8.6%
1	327	296	2	625	5.4%
2	334	316	2	652	5.6%
3	323	309	3	635	5.4%
4	348	295	1	644	5.5%
5	330	308	1	639	5.5%
6	335	320	0	655	5.6%
7	357	310	0	667	5.7%
8	328	336	1	665	5.7%
9	278	316	1	595	5.1%
10	296	295	3	594	5.1%
11	288	319	0	607	5.2%
12	272	353	1	626	5.4%
13	237	366	1	604	5.2%
14	213	385	0	598	5.1%
15	245	462	0	707	6.1%
16	174	438	3	615	5.3%
17	170	369	2	541	4.6%
Total	5,381	6,263	25	11,669	100.0%

During FFY 2024, a total of 5.6 percent of victims were of more than one race/ethnicity. However, the following data for Oregon displays the child's first recorded race/ethnicity. The Disproportionality Index (DI) is also shown.

Disproportionality Index (DI) and Representation by Race for Victims of Child Abuse for FFY 2024 Compared to Oregon's Child Population

Race	# of Oregon's Children	Oregon's Children*	of Child Abuse	of Child Abuse	DI** 1=Proportionate
Black or African American	32,649	3.9%	568	4.9%	1.2
Asian/Pac Islander	51,503	6.2%	180	1.5%	0.3
White	543,459	64.9%	5,813	49.8%	0.8
Hispanic (any race)	197,706	23.6%	1,575	13.5%	0.6
American Indian or Alaskan Native	11,671	1.4%	414	3.5%	2.5
Unable to Determine	n/a	0.0%	3,119	26.7%	n/a
Statewide Total	836,988	100.0%	11,669	100.0%	

* Population data is two years behind. Population data is from Puzzanchera, C., Sladky, A. and Kang, W. (2024). "Easy Access to Juvenile Populations: 1990-2022." Online. Available: <http://www.ojjdp.gov/ojstatbb/ezapop/>.

**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 and values over 1 mean overrepresentation.

The following table displays the disproportionality index (DI) three-year trend. The DI outcomes remain stable for each race/ethnicity category over the three-year period with the most fluctuation for victims in the American Indian or Alaska Native category.

Victims of Child Abuse FFY 2022 - FFY 2024 by Race/Ethnicity and Disproportionality Index (DI)

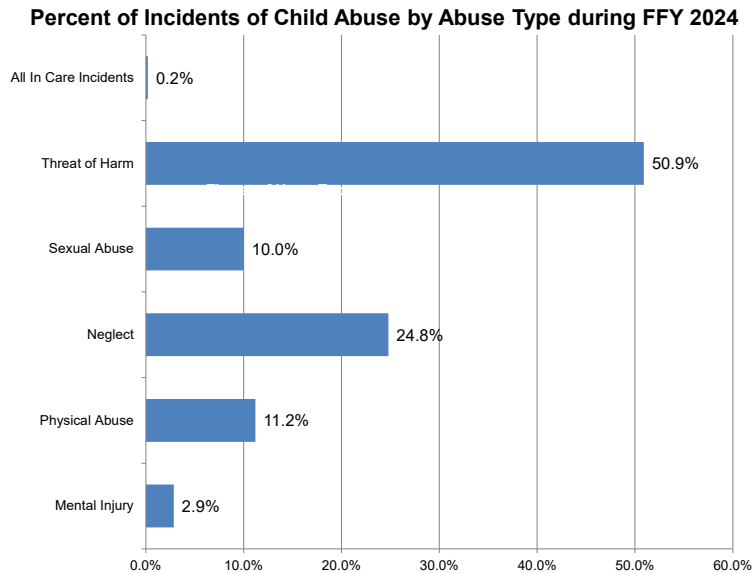
Race/Ethnicity	FFY 2022		FFY 2023		FFY 2024	
	%	DI	%	DI	%	DI
Black or African American	4.7%	1.3	4.6%	1.2	4.9%	1.2
Asian/Pac Islander	1.6%	0.3	1.6%	0.3	1.5%	0.3
White	58.3%	0.9	53.4%	0.8	49.8%	0.8
Hispanic (any race)	13.1%	0.6	12.6%	0.5	13.5%	0.6
American Indian or Alaska Native	3.9%	2.7	2.8%	2.0	3.5%	2.5
Unable to Determine	18.4%	n/a	24.9%	n/a	26.7%	n/a

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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 2023 and FFY 2024, the total number of incidents of child abuse increased by 1.8 percent.

Threat of Harm is the largest category of child abuse at 50.9 percent, followed by neglect, at 24.8 percent of all incidents of abuse.



As of January 1, 2020, the following abuse types were added: Abandonment in Care, Financial Exploitation in Care, Involuntary Seclusion in Care, Neglect in Care, Physical Abuse in Care, Sexual Abuse in Care, Verbal Abuse in Care, and Wrongful Restraint in Care and are included in the All in Care Abuse Types category on the chart.

FFY2024 Incidents of Child Abuse

Abuse Type	FFY 2023	FFY 2024	Percent Change From Last Year
Mental Injury	322	421	30.7%
Physical Abuse	1,513	1,648	8.9%
Neglect	4,024	3,648	-9.3%
Sexual Abuse	1,511	1,473	-2.5%
Threat of Harm	7,040	7,489	6.4%
Abandonment in Care	0	0	n/a
Financial Exploitation In Care	1	0	-100.0%
Involuntary Seclusion In Care	2	0	-100.0%
Neglect in Care	28	14	-50.0%
Physical Abuse In Care	9	11	22.2%
Sexual Abuse in Care	0	0	n/a
Verbal Abuse in care	3	4	33.3%
Wrongful Restraint in care	2	2	0.0%
Total Incidents	14,455	14,710	1.8%

People Identified as Responsible for Abuse

People identified as responsible for child abuse are most often family members, making up 89.2 percent. Of family members, mothers and fathers represent 70.0 percent.

**FFY 2024 Number of Founded Child Abuse Victims
by Responsible Person's Relationship to Victim**

Responsible Person's Relationship to Victim		
Familial	Number	Percent
Father	5,801	37.5%
Mother	5,012	32.5%
Unmarried partner of parent	1,814	11.7%
Other Relative (non foster parent)	1,006	6.5%
Legal guardian	58	0.4%
Nonrelative foster parent	69	0.4%
Relative foster parent	12	0.1%
Foster Parent, relationship unknown or unspecified	11	0.1%
Total Familial	13,783	89.2%
Nonfamilial		
Other	1,093	7.1%
Unknown or missing	405	2.6%
Child daycare provider	50	0.3%
Friends or neighbors	29	0.2%
Group home or residential facility staff	33	0.2%
Other professionals	58	0.4%
Total Nonfamilial	1,668	10.8%
Grand Total	15,451	100.0%

Family Stress Factors

Leading family stress factors of abused children are substance use, domestic violence, and parent history of abuse. Many families also have significant financial stress or unemployment issues. Some parents may have a diagnosis of mental illness or parental involvement with law enforcement. There usually are several stress factors in families of child abuse victims.

Family Stress Factors as a Percent of Founded Abuse

Stress Factor	FFY 2023	FFY 2024
Parent Alcohol Drug Abuse	40.7%	39.6%
Domestic Violence	31.3%	30.3%
Parent History Of Abuse	14.1%	16.7%
Parent Involvement LEA	14.1%	15.7%
Parent Mental Illness	12.8%	13.2%
Child's challenging behaviors	0.0%	11.7%
Fmly Finacial Stress	9.5%	11.2%
Custodial conflict	0.0%	7.4%
Inadequate Housing	6.4%	6.4%
New Baby Preg	5.4%	6.1%
Ch Develop Disability	4.9%	5.9%
Head Of House Unemployed	4.5%	5.7%
Ch Mental Illness	3.8%	4.5%
Heavy Ch Care Responsibility	2.8%	4.0%
Social Isolation	2.3%	3.2%
Parent Develop Disability	1.9%	2.6%
Disparity, inequity or oppression	0.0%	2.1%
Human trafficking	0.0%	0.8%
Ch Emotional Behav Disabl	0.4%	0.0%

Fatalities Related to Child Abuse

There were 16⁵ children who died from causes related to familial abuse during FFY 2024.

- There were 16 fatalities with at least one parent as the identified person responsible. The relationships of the person responsible to the child in all 16 fatalities were:
 - The mother alone in nine fatalities.
 - The father alone in two fatalities.
 - The mother and father in four fatalities.
 - The mother and the mother's live-in significant other in one fatality.
- There were 11 victims (68.8 percent) that were age 5 and younger, demonstrating the vulnerability of this age group. Six victims were younger than one year old.
- No children had an open Child Welfare case at the time of the fatality.⁶
- Two children had an open CPS assessment at the time of the fatality.
- No children were in ODHS custody at the time of death.
- Six children's families received family preservation services in the five years preceding the fatality.
- Fourteen fatalities were the result of neglect. Two fatalities were caused by physical abuse.

⁵ The number of child fatalities does not correlate to the number of CIRT assigned within the same time frame.

- A CIRT can occur at any time during the CPS assessment when determined likely due to abuse and not necessarily at the time of the fatality.
- Not all abuse related fatalities are CIRT. For example, when a child dies from abuse and the family has no Child Welfare history within the prior 12 months.

⁶ 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.

Child Fatalities Due to Child Abuse

Period	Abuse	Neglect	Abuse & Neglect	Total
FFY 2024	2	14	0	16
FFY 2023	2	14	3	19
FFY 2022	4	14	1	19
FFY 2021	4	13	1	18
FFY 2020	1	14	1	16
FFY 2019	6	17	0	23
FFY 2018	4	20	20	26
FFY 2017	10	20	0	30
FFY 2016	3	15	1	19
FFY 2015	7	17	3	27
FFY 2014	5	7	1	13
FFY 2013	4	5	1	10
FFY 2012	8	6	3	17

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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. When 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 978 children were being served in their homes on September 30, 2024. The following data show the key demographics of children being served at home on September 30, 2024, 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 9/30/2024**

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	32,649	3.9%	63	6.4%	1.7
Asian/Pac Islander	51,503	6.2%	10	1.0%	0.2
White	543,459	64.9%	559	57.2%	0.9
Hispanic (any race)	197,706	23.6%	179	18.3%	0.8
American Indian or Alaska Native	11,671	1.4%	68	7.0%	5.0
Unable to Determine	n/a	0.0%	99	10.1%	n/a
Statewide Total	836,988	100.0%	978	100.0%	

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**9/30/2024 Point in Time Children With an In Home Case
(Excluding when on Trial Home Visits), by Age**

Age Group	Number	Percent
Age 0-5	470	48.1%
Age 6-12	343	35.1%
Age 13-17	141	14.4%
Age 18+	24	2.4%
Total	978	100.0%

**9/30/2024 Point in Time Children With an In Home Case
(Excluding when on Trial Home Visits), by ICWA Status**

ICWA	Number	Percent
ICWA Eligible	38	3.9%
ICWA Enrolled	22	2.2%
ICWA Not Eligible	918	93.9%
Total	978	100.0%

For the year (FFY 2024), a total of 5,047 children were served in their homes. All children served in-home received case management and safety services. Over 2,700 children (2,709 or 53.7 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 with the family in their home to prevent separation; 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 manage safety, stabilize the family, and support parents in strengthening or establishing connections to formal, informal, and natural supports and resources so that a child can remain safely with their family without the more intrusive intervention of separation and foster care placement.

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 specific to the needs of 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 reduce reentry rates of children into the Child Welfare system. Services provided are culturally responsive, trauma-informed, strengths-based, and family-focused.

Each county in the state has implemented the SPRF program and has developed its individualized service array through a process that identifies the services gaps and needs in their community. Some of the themes in the gaps and needs identified across the state are Service Navigation, Parent Training and Support, Peer Parent Mentoring, Relief Nursery services, Substance Use Disorder Treatment, Economic Supports, Housing, Reconnecting Families, Trauma and Therapeutic Services, Family Time (visitation), Transportation Services and Employment Related Services.

If a child's safety cannot be managed at home, they are placed in foster care and the family receives support and services (including ISRS, SPRF, and other services) to assist them in establishing an in-home safety plan so their child can safely return home as soon as possible.

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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 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, even with additional services and supports to serve them in-home. Many have also faced difficult experiences including parental substance abuse, sexual or physical abuse, and abandonment.

Entering Foster Care

Children most often enter foster care because of their parents' actions and not because of the child's behavior. Of all children who entered foster care during FFY 2024, 13.8 percent had four or more reasons for removal from their homes.

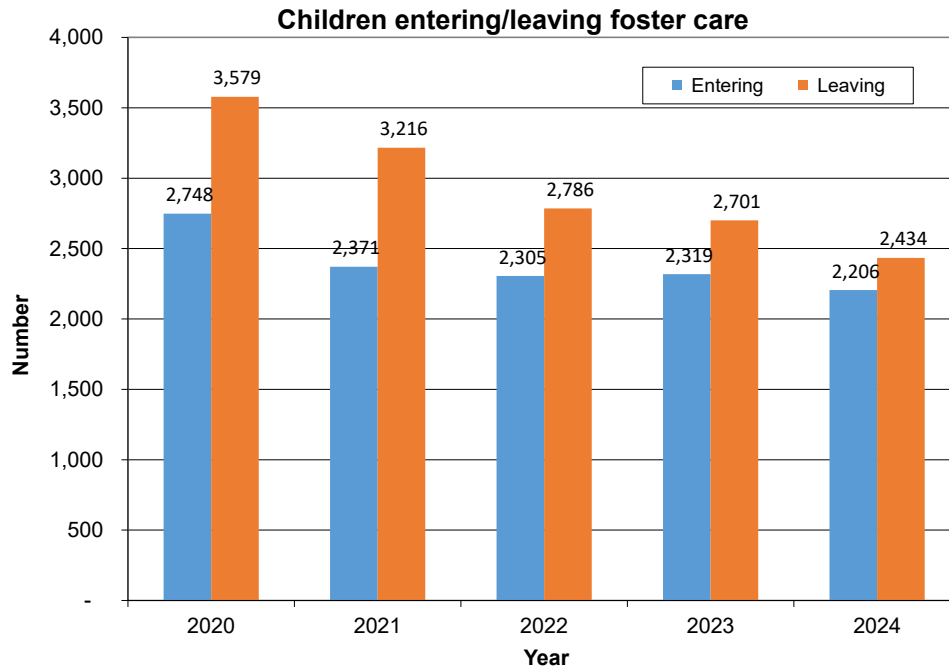
Nineteen new removal reasons were added to the data collection during FFY 2022, and several existing removal reasons had label changes. Both labels are provided in the table below for identification purposes.

Reasons Children Enter Foster Care by Federal Fiscal Year (includes all types of foster care)

Removal Reason	FFY 2022		FFY 2023		FFY 2024	
	Number	% of Entrants	Number	% of Entrants	Number	% of Entrants
Neglect <i>(Formerly Neglect Abuse)</i>	1,490	64.6%	1,449	62.5%	1,222	55.4%
Caregiver's Drug Use <i>(Formerly Parent Drug Abuse)</i>	1,112	48.2%	1,191	51.4%	1,072	48.6%
Domestic Violence <i>(Formerly Domestic Violence)</i>	366	15.9%	401	17.3%	354	16.0%
Physical Abuse <i>(Formerly Physical Abuse)</i>	307	13.3%	331	14.3%	286	13.0%
Caregiver's Alcohol use <i>(Formerly Parent Alcohol Abuse)</i>	253	11.0%	247	10.7%	207	9.4%
Inadequate Housing <i>(Formerly Inadequate Housing)</i>	318	13.8%	222	9.6%	184	8.3%
Caregiver's Significant Impairment - Physical/Emotional	149	6.5%	143	6.2%	177	8.0%
Houselessness	112	4.9%	205	8.8%	173	7.8%
Child Behavior Problem <i>(Formerly Child Behavior)</i>	167	7.2%	144	6.2%	154	7.0%
Prenatal Drug Exposure	91	3.9%	132	5.7%	116	5.3%
Abandonment <i>(Formerly Abandonment)</i>	114	4.9%	112	4.8%	113	5.1%
Caregiver's Significant Impairment - Cognitive	68	3.0%	90	3.9%	105	4.8%
Medical Neglect	71	3.1%	78	3.4%	93	4.2%
Psychological Or Emotional Abuse	30	1.3%	75	3.2%	92	4.2%
Sex Abuse <i>(Formerly Sex Abuse)</i>	78	3.4%	75	3.2%	75	3.4%
Inadequate Access To Medical Services	33	1.4%	56	2.4%	58	2.6%
Inadequate Access To Mental Health Services	22	1.0%	46	2.0%	58	2.6%
Educational Neglect	0	0.0%	16	0.7%	29	1.3%
Whereabouts Unknown	35	1.5%	30	1.3%	28	1.3%
Death Of A Caregiver	44	1.9%	26	1.1%	27	1.2%
Child's Drug use <i>(Formerly Child Drug Abuse)</i>	23	1.0%	29	1.3%	24	1.1%
Runaway	8	0.3%	20	0.9%	23	1.0%
Child Requested Placement	14	0.6%	24	1.0%	20	0.9%
Sex Trafficking	5	0.2%	9	0.4%	18	0.8%
Diagnosed Condition <i>(Formerly Child Disability)</i> **	17	0.7%	22	0.9%	15	0.7%
Prenatal Alcohol Exposure	10	0.4%	9	0.4%	10	0.5%
Child's Alcohol use <i>(Formerly Child Alcohol Abuse)</i>	13	0.6%	15	0.6%	7	0.3%
Failure To Return	5	0.2%	22	0.9%	7	0.3%
Family Conflict Related To Child's Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, Or Gender Expression	5	0.2%	10	0.4%	4	0.2%
Tribal Title IV-E Agreement	7	0.3%	4	0.2%	3	0.1%
Parental Immigration, Detainment Or Deportation	6	0.3%	6	0.3%	2	0.1%
Incarceration Of Parent/Caregiver <i>(Formerly Incarceration Of Parent)</i>	37	1.6%	1		0	0.0%
Inability to Cope(All) <i>(Formerly Inability To Cope)</i>	95	4.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Voluntary Relinquishment For Adoption <i>(Formerly Relinquishment)</i>	3	0.1%	3	0.1%	0	0.0%
Total Number of Foster Care Entrants	2,305		2,319		2,206	

** For Removal Reason of Diagnosed Condition (Formerly Child Disability) there was an error published in prior years where this was reported as 0. The FFY 2022 Data Book is updated with corrected data.

The number of children entering foster care during FFY 2024 decreased by 4.9 percent from the FFY 2023 level. The number of children leaving foster care decreased by 9.9 percent in the same time frame. The number of children in foster care on September 30, 2024 (4,458) decreased by 4.7 percent from the number of children in foster care on September 30, 2023.



A total of 225 children (or 9.2 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 23.4 months, which is the same as the median of 23.4 months in FFY 2023. 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 2024, a total of 6,799 children spent at least one day in some kind of foster care. Of those, 89.2 percent (6,064 children) were served in a family foster care setting. The following data show the key demographics of children served in foster care during FFY 2024.

FFY 2024 Age of Children Served in Foster Care		
Age Group	Number	Percent
Age 0-5	2,642	38.8%
Age 6-12	2,098	30.9%
Age 13-17	1,448	21.3%
Age 18+	611	9.0%
Total	6,799	100.0%

FFY 2024 Gender of Children Served in Foster Care

Gender	Number	Percent
Boys	3,514	51.7%
Girls	3,285	48.3%
Total	6,799	100.0%

During FFY 2024, a total of 786 children (11.6 percent) served in foster care were of more than one race/ethnicity. 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 2024 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	32,649	3.9%	516	7.6%	1.9
Asian/Pac Islander	51,503	6.2%	118	1.7%	0.3
White	543,459	64.9%	4,334	63.7%	1.0
Hispanic (any race)	197,706	23.6%	1,250	18.4%	0.8
American Indian or Alaska Native	11,671	1.4%	350	5.2%	3.7
Unable to Determine	n/a	0.0%	231	3.4%	n/a
Statewide Total	836,988	100.0%	6,799	100.0%	

* Population data is two years behind. Population data is from Puzzanchera, C., Sladky, A. and Kang, W. (2024). "Easy Access to Juvenile Populations: 1990-2022." Online. Available: <http://www.ojjdp.gov/ojstatbb/ezapop/>.

**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 and values over 1 mean overrepresentation.

The following table displays the disproportionality index (DI) three-year trend. The DI outcomes remain stable for most race/ethnicity categories over the three-year period, with an increase in the American Indian or Alaskan Native DI category for FFY 2024.

Percent of Total Children Served in Foster Care, by Race, Disproportionality Index and Federal Fiscal Year

Race	FFY 2022		FFY 2023		FFY 2024	
	%	DI	%	DI	%	DI
Black or African American	7.4%	2.0	7.6%	2.0	7.6%	1.9
Asian/Pac Islander	1.7%	0.3	1.7%	0.3	1.7%	0.3
White	63.9%	1.0	64.1%	1.0	63.7%	1.0
Hispanic (any race)	19.0%	0.8	18.0%	0.8	18.4%	0.8
American Indian or Alaska Native	4.7%	3.2	4.6%	3.3	5.2%	3.7
Unable to Determine	3.2%	n/a	4.0%	n/a	3.4%	n/a

* Population data is two years behind. Population data is from Puzzanchera, C., Sladky, A. and Kang, W. (2024). "Easy Access to Juvenile Populations: 1990-2022." Online. Available: <http://www.ojjdp.gov/ojstatbb/ezapop/>. Easy Access updated their methodology in July 2024. Versions published before FFY 2024 Child Welfare Data Book will not reflect the new population data.

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 compliance and tribes are actively involved in the decision-

making process for their children. A total of 344 children served in foster care were ICWA eligible (enrolled/not enrolled) in FFY 2024.

FFY2024 Total Children Served in Foster Care, by Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) Status

ICWA Status	Number	Percent
ICWA Eligible	257	3.8%
ICWA Enrolled	87	1.3%
ICWA Not Eligible	6,455	94.9%
Total	6,799	100.0%

Children in Foster Care – Point-In-Time

Family and Sibling Connections

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

There were 4,458 children in foster care as of September 30, 2024. At that time, 3,220 were in family foster care (a family-home setting). Of those in family foster care, 52.2% (1,678 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 2024, there were 2,260 children in out-of-home foster care who were part of a sibling group. Of these children, 1,884 (83.4 percent) were placed with the same family as one or more of their siblings. The percent of children with siblings being placed with siblings increased from those in care a year earlier when 83.2 percent of children with siblings were placed with the same family as one or more of their siblings.

Stability While in Foster Care

For children in care as of September 30, 2024, a total of 61.3 percent had two or fewer placements. This is an increase over 2023 where 58.2 percent of children had two or fewer placements.

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

Number of Placements	9/30/2022		9/30/2023		9/30/2024	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
1	1,737	34.5%	1,515	32.4%	1,659	37.2%
2	1,223	24.3%	1,206	25.8%	1,075	24.1%
3	676	13.4%	655	14.0%	540	12.1%
4	390	7.8%	350	7.5%	326	7.3%
5	262	5.2%	244	5.2%	209	4.7%
6 or more	741	14.7%	706	15.1%	649	14.6%
Total	5,029	100.0%	4,676	100.0%	4,458	100.0%

Behavior Rehabilitation Services

Behavior Rehabilitation Services (BRS) is a Medicaid service aimed at remediating medically eligible children and adolescents' debilitating psychosocial, emotional, and behavioral disorders by providing services such as behavioral intervention, counseling, and skills-training.

Approximately 122 children in care per day receive these services in proctor care (certified family) or residential care settings. These service programs are administered through contracts with licensed child-caring agencies.

On any given day during FFY 2024, BRS served the following:

- 92 children in professional treatment foster homes, and
- 30 children in residential treatment facilities.

Psychiatric Residential Treatment

Psychiatric Residential Treatment includes 24-hour in-patient treatment for medically eligible children and adolescents who have serious psychiatric, emotional, or acute mental health conditions that require intensive therapeutic counseling and activity and intensive staff supervision, support, and assistance. The Oregon Health Authority and Coordinated Care Organizations are responsible for psychiatric residential treatment.

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 2024:

- Teens (13 years and older) comprised 30.3 percent of the foster care population.
- A total of 2,059 teens spent at least one day in foster care.
- Teens exiting foster care were reunited with their families 39.8 percent of the time.
- A total of 306 youth who are currently or have experienced foster care received scholarships for higher education for the Summer 2024 to Spring 2025 school year through federal grants awarded to ODHS and implemented with the assistance of the Office of Student Access and Completion.

Youth Transitions Programs

Youth in foster care are eligible for Independent Living Program (ILP) skill-building services. Youth Transitions contracts with 15 community-based partners to provide ILP services throughout the state. The number of youth receiving paid contracted ILP services increased by 4.0 percent from 1,294 in FFY 2023 to 1,346 in FFY 2024. The number of youth receiving an “independent living type” service during FFY 2024 increased by 3.5 percent from 2,456 in FFY 2023 to 2,542 in FFY 2024 (as reported through the National Youth in Transition Database Data Snapshot). Youth Transitions Program services help youth in foster care and eligible young people who have experienced foster care:

- Make the transition to self-sufficiency as adults;
- Access financial assistance in support of a young person’s transition goals;
- 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 2024, a total of 52.8 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 2024.

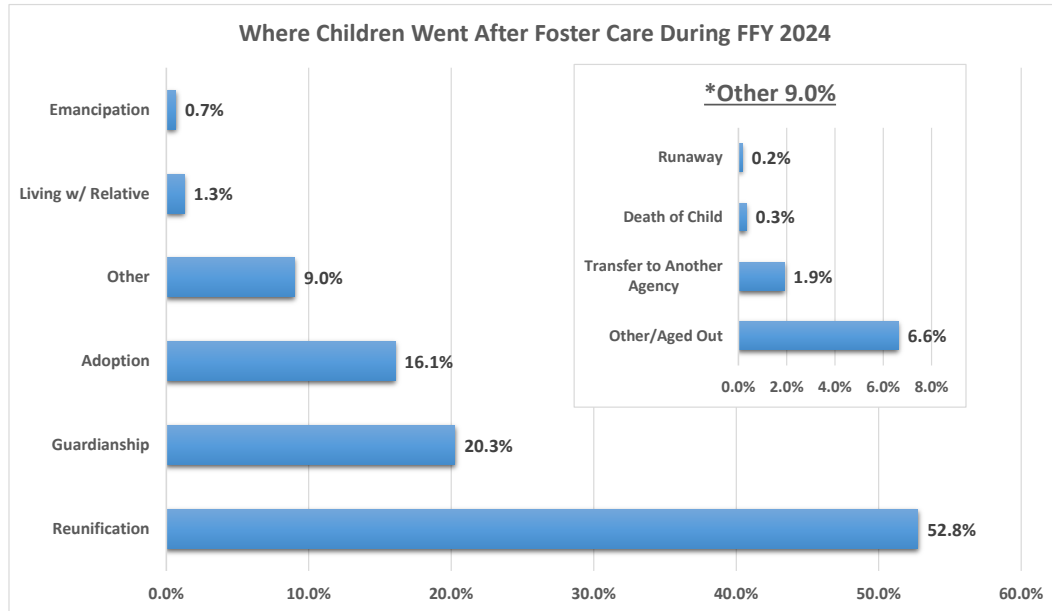
**Disproportionality Index and Representation by Race for Children Exiting Foster Care in FFY 2024
Compared to Oregon's Child Population**

Race	# of Oregon's Children*	% of Oregon's Children	# of Children Exiting Foster Care	% of Children Exiting Foster Care	DI** 1=Proportionate
Black or African American	32,649	3.9%	184	7.6%	1.9
Asian/Pac Islander	51,503	6.2%	37	1.5%	0.2
White	543,459	64.9%	1,535	63.1%	1.0
Hispanic (any race)	197,706	23.6%	444	18.2%	0.8
American Indian or Alaska Native	11,671	1.4%	119	4.9%	3.5
Unable to Determine	n/a	0.0%	115	4.7%	n/a
Statewide Total	836,988	100.0%	2,434	100.0%	

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**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.

The following chart shows where children went after exiting foster care during FFY 2024.



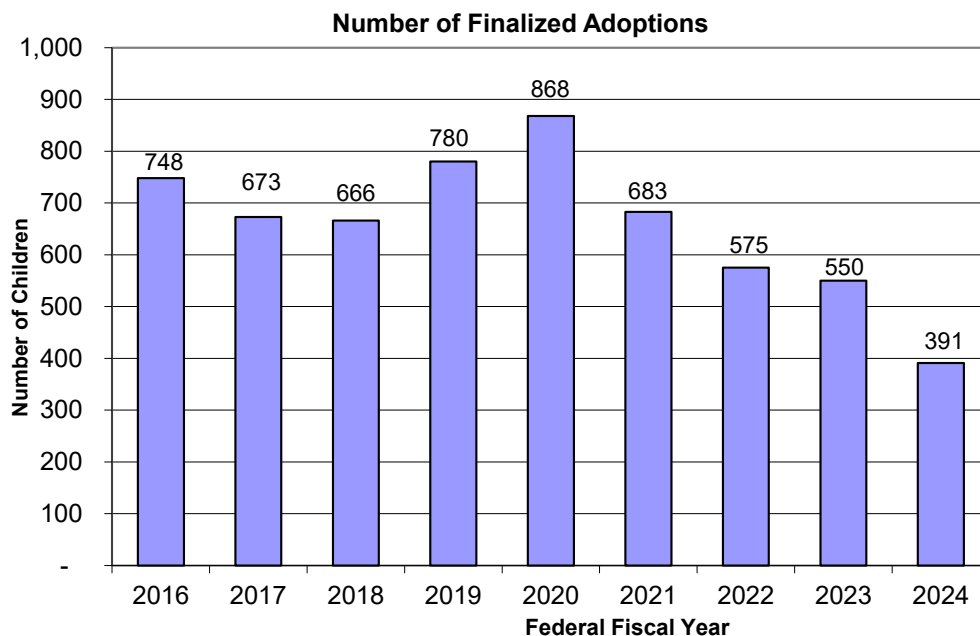
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Adoption and Guardianship Program

The ODHS Permanency Program works closely with local branch staff to accomplish adoptions and guardianships for children and youth in foster care when it is no longer in their best interest to return to the care of their parents. ODHS also provides regulatory oversight and processing of all adoptions filed in the State of Oregon for children who are not in ODHS custody.

Adoptions

Adoption Finalizations



FFY 2024 Children with Finalized Adoptions, by District

DHS DISTRICT	Children came from	Children went to
District 01	5	14
District 02	67	37
District 03	43	35
District 04	24	17
District 05	57	49
District 06	19	22
District 07	17	15
District 08	64	54
District 09	3	3
District 10	10	11
District 11	14	7
District 12	19	20
District 13	6	2
District 14	22	14
District 15	5	18
District 16	16	18
Children Placed By Agencies Other Than DHS		55

Demographics

Of the 391 children adopted, 146 were younger than age 3 when their adoption became final.

FFY 2024 Children with Finalized Adoptions, by Age

Age	Number	Percent
less than 3	146	37.3%
3-4 years	79	20.2%
5-8 years	77	19.7%
9-10 years	19	4.9%
11-13 years	39	10.0%
14 and older	31	7.9%
Total	391	100%

Finalized adoptions in FFY 2024 show more boys than girls with finalized adoptions.

**FFY 2024 Children with Finalized Adoptions,
by Gender**

Gender	Number	Percent
Female	187	47.8%
Male	204	52.2%
Total	391	100%

Of the children adopted during the year, 27.6 percent represent racial/ethnic groups other than White, down from 29.5 percent in the previous year.

FFY 2024 Children with Finalized Adoptions, by Race

Race/Ethnicity	Number	Percent
Black or African American	23	5.9%
Asian/Pac Islander	6	1.5%
White	278	71.1%
Hispanic (any race)	68	17.4%
American Indian or Alaska Native	11	2.8%
Unable to Determine	5	1.3%
Total	391	100.0%

Adoption Assistance

The Title IV-E Adoption Assistance Program is a mandatory federal program authorized under the Social Security Act to help facilitate timely placement of children whose needs or circumstances would otherwise make it difficult for a family to meet those needs without medical and/or financial support. The Adoption Assistance Program provides medical and/or financial support to eligible children to assist the adoptive parents in meeting their child's needs. Oregon also has a state-funded Adoption Assistance Program for those children who do not meet the eligibility requirements for the Title IV-E Adoption Assistance Program. Adoption assistance can include a subsidy and medical agreement, a subsidy-only agreement, a medical-only agreement, or an agreement only that keeps the child's eligibility for assistance intact if needed in the future.

Preserving Connections

ODHS 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 2024, a total of 145 children who were adopted had siblings also adopted during the year. Of these children, 136 (93.8 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 include establishing a national standard for the median length of time to achieve adoption. While the length of time to achieve adoption varies, the median time to

adoption was 32.9 months for children whose adoptions were finalized in FFY 2024. This is a decrease over the median months to adoption from FFY 2023 of 34.6 months.

Statistics show 99.2 percent of Oregon’s adoptive placements continued to finalization without disruption in FFY 2024.

Guardianship

When a child cannot be returned home guardianship may be determined to be the most appropriate permanent plan.

Guardianship Completion

During FFY 2024, a total of 493 children exited to guardianship, an increase of 22.3 percent from 403 children in FFY 2023. The majority of children go to guardianship with relatives.

Exits to Guardianship by Year

Period	Number	% Change
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%
2020	375	-10.9%
2021	356	-5.1%
2022	395	11.0%
2023	403	2.0%
2024	493	22.3%

Demographics

The following data shows the key demographics of children who exited guardianship during FFY 2024. The majority of guardianships (70.6 percent) are for children ages 6 and older.

FFY 2024 Children Exiting to Guardianship, by Age

Age Group	Number	Percent
Age 0-5	145	29.4%
Age 6-12	208	42.2%
Age 13-17	138	28.0%
Age 18+	2	0.4%
Total	493	100.0%

More girls than boys left foster care to guardianship in FFY 2024.

FFY 2024 Children Exiting to Guardianship, by Gender

Gender	Number	Percent
Girls	250	50.7%
Boys	243	49.3%
Total	493	100%

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 2024 Race of Children Exiting to Guardianship

Race/Ethnicity	Number	Percent
Black or African American	41	8.3%
Asian/Pac Islander	8	1.6%
White	330	67.0%
Hispanic (any race)	84	17.0%
American Indian or Alaskan Nativ	22	4.5%
Unable to Determine	8	1.6%
Total	493	100.0%

Guardianship Assistance

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

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Appendix: County Data

FFY 2024 Screening Reports of Suspected Child Abuse by Screening Decision & County of Report Origin

County of Origin*	Closed At Screening	Referred	Total Reports	% Closed at Screening
Baker	180	247	427	42.2%
Benton	703	581	1,284	54.8%
Clackamas	3,223	3,336	6,559	49.1%
Clatsop	532	496	1,028	51.8%
Columbia	658	720	1,378	47.8%
Coos	797	937	1,734	46.0%
Crook	362	435	797	45.4%
Curry	190	194	384	49.5%
Deschutes	1,726	1,904	3,630	47.5%
Douglas	1,186	1,692	2,878	41.2%
Gilliam	28	28	56	50.0%
Grant	74	88	162	45.7%
Harney	87	124	211	41.2%
Hood River	164	158	322	50.9%
Jackson	2,101	2,449	4,550	46.2%
Jefferson	453	343	796	56.9%
Josephine	1,134	1,297	2,431	46.6%
Klamath	895	1,284	2,179	41.1%
Lake	98	113	211	46.4%
Lane	4,392	4,471	8,863	49.6%
Lincoln	553	542	1,095	50.5%
Linn	1,898	1,969	3,867	49.1%
Malheur	402	467	869	46.3%
Marion	4,441	4,263	8,704	51.0%
Morrow	135	195	330	40.9%
Multnomah	6,453	6,921	13,374	48.3%
Polk	1,126	1,068	2,194	51.3%
Sherman	8	16	24	33.3%
Tillamook	283	363	646	43.8%
Umatilla	918	1,158	2,076	44.2%
Union	318	426	744	42.7%
Wallowa	67	55	122	54.9%
Wasco	358	371	729	49.1%
Washington	4,722	4,294	9,016	52.4%
Wheeler	9	8	17	52.9%
Yamhill	1,064	1,097	2,161	49.2%
Central Office	6,133	1,752	7,885	77.8%
Out of Country	--	0	--	100.0%
Out of State	1,107	55	1,162	95.3%
Other**	--	--	8	87.5%
Statewide	48,988	45,918	94,906	51.6%

*County of Origin is the county where the report of child abuse originated.

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

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FFY 2024 Source of Screening Report of Suspected Child Abuse by County

County of Origin*	Medical	Other mandated	Other non mandated	Parent/Self	Police	School	Total
Baker	19	130	69	31	67	111	427
Benton	112	391	133	96	235	317	1,284
Clackamas	505	1,790	839	469	1,184	1,772	6,559
Clatsop	54	199	139	49	243	344	1,028
Columbia	88	383	172	99	249	387	1,378
Coos	173	473	327	133	219	409	1,734
Crook	76	243	90	65	174	149	797
Curry	21	95	69	33	99	67	384
Deschutes	295	1,213	471	316	536	799	3,630
Douglas	221	917	554	272	356	558	2,878
Gilliam	--	12	10	--	12	20	56
Grant	8	60	24	9	31	30	162
Harney	7	88	43	14	23	36	211
Hood River	20	94	36	29	43	100	322
Jackson	351	1,376	753	418	643	1,009	4,550
Jefferson	103	173	87	40	213	180	796
Josephine	151	716	423	213	393	535	2,431
Klamath	239	636	367	229	272	436	2,179
Lake	15	49	35	18	31	63	211
Lane	567	2,811	1,274	682	1,424	2,105	8,863
Lincoln	95	342	144	65	135	314	1,095
Linn	326	1,124	537	320	515	1,045	3,867
Malheur	61	299	120	49	127	213	869
Marion	1,130	2,153	1,076	562	1,289	2,494	8,704
Morrow	26	91	37	22	61	93	330
Multnomah	1,118	3,815	1,740	845	2,625	3,231	13,374
Polk	228	550	226	140	423	627	2,194
Sherman	--	7	--	--	--	--	24
Tillamook	43	128	125	48	118	184	646
Umatilla	147	429	308	142	557	493	2,076
Union	45	221	188	72	81	137	744
Wallowa	9	44	14	8	15	32	122
Wasco	48	195	96	49	145	196	729
Washington	606	2,298	755	549	2,266	2,542	9,016
Wheeler	--	--	--	--	--	--	17
Yamhill	140	711	321	157	277	555	2,161
Central Office	425	3,975	525	636	1,099	1,225	7,885
Out of Country	0	--	0	0	0	0	--
Out of State	126	511	150	133	170	72	1,162
Other**	--	--	0	0	--	--	--
Statewide	7,605	28,753	12,282	7,018	16,360	22,888	94,906

*County of Origin is the county where the report of child abuse originated.

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

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FFY 2024 Assessments by Disposition and County

County	Founded	Unfounded	Unable to Determine	No Allegation of CA/N	Unable to Locate	Total
Baker	38	70	--	--	0	121
Benton	77	412	11	--	--	506
Central Office	605	905	595	39	7	2,151
Clackamas	478	1,743	240	43	34	2,538
Clatsop	41	303	34	--	--	382
Columbia	73	456	42	9	9	589
Coos	210	409	96	--	--	739
Crook	90	218	28	--	--	340
Curry	44	106	19	--	--	175
Deschutes	375	1,140	169	--	--	1,703
Douglas	315	868	86	7	16	1,292
Gilliam	--	25	--	0	0	31
Grant	24	52	--	--	0	86
Harney	36	58	--	0	--	106
Hood River	37	62	--	--	0	116
Jackson	440	1,549	186	20	13	2,208
Jefferson	79	206	10	--	--	297
Josephine	216	849	90	--	--	1,172
Klamath	161	680	240	10	8	1,099
Lake	28	77	8	0	0	113
Lane	764	2,243	340	50	57	3,454
Lincoln	137	251	27	--	--	425
Linn	374	1,029	197	33	14	1,647
Malheur	145	220	39	--	--	413
Marion	814	2,204	358	16	66	3,458
Morrow	59	251	29	--	--	356
Multnomah	980	3,528	927	20	87	5,542
Polk	200	534	117	19	19	889
Sherman	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tillamook	34	243	43	--	--	325
Umatilla	142	359	45	15	7	568
Union	93	262	--	--	0	393
Wallowa	--	18	--	0	0	36
Wasco	58	146	12	11	0	227
Washington	841	2,392	502	15	26	3,776
Wheeler	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yamhill	215	696	161	18	24	1,114
Statewide*	8,242	24,564	4,739	396	446	38,387

*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).

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FFY 2024 Incidents of Child Abuse

County	Mental Injury	Neglect	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Threat of Harm	Neglect in Care	Physical Abuse In Care	Verbal Abuse in care	Wrongful Restraint in care
Baker	3	31	10	5	25	0	0	0	0
Benton	2	46	11	12	58	0	0	0	0
Central Office	7	70	95	360	142	6	1	1	1
Clackamas	35	210	92	82	440	0	1	0	0
Clatsop	0	29	6	8	30	0	0	0	0
Columbia	0	45	10	8	80	0	0	0	0
Coos	13	118	59	20	206	0	0	0	0
Crook	5	43	21	16	88	0	0	0	0
Curry	2	18	14	3	44	0	0	0	0
Deschutes	19	156	91	45	367	0	0	0	0
Douglas	10	116	65	44	362	0	0	0	0
Gilliam	1	3	2	0	5	0	0	0	0
Grant	0	12	3	5	21	0	0	0	0
Harney	1	11	12	7	42	0	0	0	0
Hood River	2	23	4	2	30	0	0	0	0
Jackson	21	227	54	53	425	0	2	0	0
Jefferson	8	42	12	9	77	0	0	0	0
Josephine	15	73	35	24	234	3	0	1	1
Klamath	12	92	33	17	199	0	0	0	0
Lake	0	13	9	4	30	0	0	0	0
Lane	38	402	145	125	661	0	2	1	0
Lincoln	3	60	27	11	133	0	0	0	0
Linn	17	197	101	64	331	0	0	0	0
Malheur	5	102	29	13	148	3	3	1	0
Marion	38	338	167	148	834	1	0	0	0
Morrow	0	18	12	10	61	0	0	0	0
Multnomah	49	450	190	134	967	1	0	0	0
Polk	20	87	41	26	170	0	0	0	0
Sherman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tillamook	0	17	4	2	31	0	0	0	0
Umatilla	4	83	33	17	154	0	1	0	0
Union	5	70	16	12	80	0	0	0	0
Wallowa	0	15	3	3	7	0	0	0	0
Wasco	3	43	17	9	50	0	0	0	0
Washington	73	279	186	125	785	0	1	0	0
Wheeler	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yamhill	10	109	39	50	172	0	0	0	0
Statewide	421	3,648	1,648	1,473	7,489	14	11	4	2

*New allegation types of Abandonment in Care, Financial Exploitation in Care, Involuntary Seclusion in Care, Neglect in Care, Physical Abuse in Care, Sexual Abuse in Care, Verbal Abuse in Care, and Wrongful Restraint in Care were added effective 1/1/2020. If none were recorded during the FFY, they are not shown in this table.

Victim Rate per 1,000 Children, by County - FFY 2022-FFY 2024

County	Population under 18**			Victims			Rate per 1,000		
	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024
Baker	3,323	3,333	3,332	74	60	56	22.3	18.0	16.8
Benton	15,094	14,978	14,835	201	161	107	13.3	10.7	7.2
Clackamas	89,336	88,428	87,301	603	642	666	6.7	7.3	7.6
Clatsop	7,645	7,614	7,384	75	96	53	9.8	12.6	7.2
Columbia	10,829	10,756	10,839	224	135	113	20.7	12.6	10.4
Coos	11,739	11,631	11,504	263	403	306	22.4	34.6	26.6
Crook	4,935	5,061	5,167	86	119	138	17.4	23.5	26.7
Curry	3,363	3,369	3,350	66	118	64	19.6	35.0	19.1
Deschutes	39,088	39,295	38,719	571	515	533	14.6	13.1	13.8
Douglas	21,457	21,515	21,547	414	448	464	19.3	20.8	21.5
Gilliam	403	399	398	17	16	7	42.2	40.1	17.6
Grant	1,325	1,330	1,309	32	28	31	24.2	21.1	23.7
Harney	1,481	1,468	1,455	54	62	56	36.5	42.2	38.5
Hood River	5,480	5,418	5,327	28	37	54	5.1	6.8	10.1
Jackson	45,630	45,606	44,922	715	514	627	15.7	11.3	14.0
Jefferson	5,678	5,766	5,735	73	102	119	12.9	17.7	20.7
Josephine	16,880	16,832	16,622	302	334	320	17.9	19.8	19.3
Klamath	15,137	15,317	15,367	320	345	273	21.1	22.5	17.8
Lake	1,554	1,573	1,610	13	47	46	8.4	29.9	28.6
Lane	68,253	67,194	66,030	1,027	980	1045	15.0	14.6	15.8
Lincoln	8,189	8,098	7,802	131	181	193	16.0	22.4	24.7
Linn	28,505	28,568	28,445	461	500	551	16.2	17.5	19.4
Malheur	8,239	8,163	8,197	235	216	227	28.5	26.5	27.7
Marion	83,240	82,150	81,028	1,098	979	1228	13.2	11.9	15.2
Morrow	3,334	3,341	3,278	31	54	94	9.3	16.2	28.7
Multnomah	147,075	142,441	138,094	1,441	1,361	1389	9.8	9.6	10.1
Polk	19,495	19,524	19,271	291	301	277	14.9	15.4	14.4
Sherman	360	378	391	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tillamook	5,118	5,023	4,979	67	59	43	13.1	11.7	8.6
Umatilla	19,923	19,583	19,454	280	261	235	14.1	13.3	12.1
Union	5,809	5,822	5,680	111	127	141	19.1	21.8	24.8
Wallowa	1,432	1,494	1,507	13	16	22	9.1	10.7	14.6
Wasco	5,826	5,765	5,699	67	112	96	11.5	19.4	16.8
Washington	133,450	130,658	127,723	1,042	1,024	1201	7.8	7.8	9.4
Wheeler	208	203	189	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Yamhill	23,251	22,917	22,498	170	257	302	7.3	11.2	13.4
Statewide*	862,084	851,011	836,988	10,711	11,191	11,669	12.4	13.2	13.9

*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).

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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		
	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024
Baker	3,323	3,333	3,332	--	--	--	--	--	--
Benton	15,094	14,978	14,835	13	7	6	0.9	0.5	0.4
Clackamas	89,336	88,428	87,301	44	44	30	0.5	0.5	0.3
Clatsop	7,645	7,614	7,384	6	--	13	0.8	--	1.8
Columbia	10,829	10,756	10,839	28	12	--	2.6	1.1	--
Coos	11,739	11,631	11,504	17	27	15	1.4	2.3	1.3
Crook	4,935	5,061	5,167	8	--	0	1.6	--	0.0
Curry	3,363	3,369	3,350	11	7	--	3.3	2.1	--
Deschutes	39,088	39,295	38,719	37	21	28	0.9	0.5	0.7
Douglas	21,457	21,515	21,547	47	44	56	2.2	2.0	2.6
Gilliam	403	399	398	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Grant	1,325	1,330	1,309	6	--	--	4.5	--	--
Harney	1,481	1,468	1,455	--	--	--	--	--	--
Hood River	5,480	5,418	5,327	--	--	--	--	--	--
Jackson	45,630	45,606	44,922	61	70	101	1.3	1.5	2.2
Jefferson	5,678	5,766	5,735	0	10	--	0.0	1.7	--
Josephine	16,880	16,832	16,622	14	20	27	0.8	1.2	1.6
Klamath	15,137	15,317	15,367	26	26	34	1.7	1.7	2.2
Lake	1,554	1,573	1,610	0	--	--	0.0	--	--
Lane	68,253	67,194	66,030	132	163	166	1.9	2.4	2.5
Lincoln	8,189	8,098	7,802	7	22	8	0.9	2.7	1.0
Linn	28,505	28,568	28,445	37	50	60	1.3	1.8	2.1
Malheur	8,239	8,163	8,197	28	15	23	3.4	1.8	2.8
Marion	83,240	82,150	81,028	40	68	32	0.5	0.8	0.4
Morrow	3,334	3,341	3,278	--	--	--	--	--	--
Multnomah	147,075	142,441	138,094	148	154	205	1.0	1.1	1.5
Polk	19,495	19,524	19,271	24	13	12	1.2	0.7	0.6
Sherman	360	378	391	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tillamook	5,118	5,023	4,979	--	--	0	--	--	0.0
Umatilla	19,923	19,583	19,454	19	15	17	1.0	0.8	0.9
Union	5,809	5,822	5,680	--	--	--	--	--	--
Wallowa	1,432	1,494	1,507	0	--	6	0.0	--	4.0
Wasco	5,826	5,765	5,699	7	7	20	1.2	1.2	3.5
Washington	133,450	130,658	127,723	58	35	66	0.4	0.3	0.5
Wheeler	208	203	189	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Yamhill	23,251	22,917	22,498	12	20	14	0.5	0.9	0.6
Statewide	862,084	851,011	836,988	877	882	978	1.0	1.0	1.2

*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		
	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024
Baker	3,323	3,333	3,332	34	28	27	10.2	8.4	8.1
Benton	15,094	14,978	14,835	63	71	67	4.2	4.7	4.5
Clackamas	89,336	88,428	87,301	271	252	265	3.0	2.8	3.0
Clatsop	7,645	7,614	7,384	61	61	47	8.0	8.0	6.4
Columbia	10,829	10,756	10,839	93	60	59	8.6	5.6	5.4
Coos	11,739	11,631	11,504	90	93	90	7.7	8.0	7.8
Crook	4,935	5,061	5,167	26	32	38	5.3	6.3	7.4
Curry	3,363	3,369	3,350	26	35	16	7.7	10.4	4.8
Deschutes	39,088	39,295	38,719	203	204	192	5.2	5.2	5.0
Douglas	21,457	21,515	21,547	227	189	171	10.6	8.8	7.9
Gilliam	403	399	398	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Grant	1,325	1,330	1,309	16	24	13	12.1	18.0	9.9
Harney	1,481	1,468	1,455	46	27	--	31.1	18.4	--
Hood River	5,480	5,418	5,327	31	21	25	5.7	3.9	4.7
Jackson	45,630	45,606	44,922	370	346	288	8.1	7.6	6.4
Jefferson	5,678	5,766	5,735	36	36	43	6.3	6.2	7.5
Josephine	16,880	16,832	16,622	140	116	91	8.3	6.9	5.5
Klamath	15,137	15,317	15,367	125	119	137	8.3	7.8	8.9
Lake	1,554	1,573	1,610	10	19	15	6.4	12.1	9.3
Lane	68,253	67,194	66,030	648	662	652	9.5	9.9	9.9
Lincoln	8,189	8,098	7,802	67	72	89	8.2	8.9	11.4
Linn	28,505	28,568	28,445	199	193	179	7.0	6.8	6.3
Malheur	8,239	8,163	8,197	165	160	159	20.0	19.6	19.4
Marion	83,240	82,150	81,028	361	318	289	4.3	3.9	3.6
Morrow	3,334	3,341	3,278	22	25	16	6.6	7.5	4.9
Multnomah	147,075	142,441	138,094	989	817	776	6.7	5.7	5.6
Polk	19,495	19,524	19,271	99	96	101	5.1	4.9	5.2
Sherman	360	378	391	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tillamook	5,118	5,023	4,979	21	--	17	4.1	--	3.4
Umatilla	19,923	19,583	19,454	166	138	145	8.3	7.0	7.5
Union	5,809	5,822	5,680	10	23	43	1.7	4.0	7.6
Wallowa	1,432	1,494	1,507	6	--	--	4.2	--	--
Wasco	5,826	5,765	5,699	38	43	48	6.5	7.5	8.4
Washington	133,450	130,658	127,723	313	297	271	2.3	2.3	2.1
Wheeler	208	203	189	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Yamhill	23,251	22,917	22,498	79	86	77	3.4	3.8	3.4
Statewide	862,084	851,011	836,988	5,051	4,676	4,458	5.9	5.5	5.3

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

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**FFY 2024 Number of Children Experiencing at Least 1 day in Foster Care
(All Types), By County and Age on 9/30**

County	Age 0-5	Age 6-12	Age 13-17	Age 18+	Total
Baker	--	16	11	--	43
Benton	47	29	15	7	98
Clackamas	108	102	80	48	338
Clatsop	28	21	17	6	72
Columbia	32	25	27	13	97
Coos	55	56	31	11	153
Crook	30	22	--	--	57
Curry	14	--	13	--	40
Deschutes	123	101	57	11	292
Douglas	111	74	55	28	268
Gilliam	0	0	0	0	0
Grant	18	11	--	--	32
Harney	--	18	--	0	31
Hood River	8	10	9	8	35
Jackson	205	167	90	27	489
Jefferson	20	25	--	--	62
Josephine	60	59	28	11	158
Klamath	88	57	63	6	214
Lake	17	--	--	0	28
Lane	359	296	186	80	921
Lincoln	48	35	37	12	132
Linn	112	94	60	17	283
Malheur	75	84	47	13	219
Marion	163	134	115	55	467
Morrow	12	--	7	--	28
Multnomah	446	323	222	146	1,137
Polk	50	40	32	19	141
Sherman	0	0	0	0	0
Tillamook	13	--	7	--	--
Umatilla	93	64	43	12	212
Union	18	22	--	--	50
Wallowa	--	--	--	0	--
Wasco	22	21	11	6	60
Washington	205	125	116	43	489
Wheeler	0	0	0	0	0
Yamhill	41	41	31	11	124
Statewide*	2,642	2,098	1,448	611	6,799

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

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FFY 2024 Foster Care Entrants and Exits

County	Entries	Exits
Baker	15	16
Benton	25	31
Clackamas	97	88
Clatsop	12	25
Columbia	40	42
Coos	61	63
Crook	30	19
Curry	6	25
Deschutes	90	102
Douglas	87	106
Gilliam	0	0
Grant	8	19
Harney	--	22
Hood River	15	10
Jackson	148	206
Jefferson	25	19
Josephine	38	67
Klamath	95	78
Lake	10	13
Lane	277	285
Lincoln	59	43
Linn	97	110
Malheur	61	61
Marion	154	183
Morrow	--	12
Multnomah	330	374
Polk	48	43
Sherman	0	0
Tillamook	13	7
Umatilla	77	70
Union	26	--
Wallowa	--	--
Wasco	16	12
Washington	195	223
Wheeler	0	0
Yamhill	39	51
Statewide*	2,206	2,434

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

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Number of Certified Foster Homes on 9/30/2024 by Certification Type

County	Regular Certification	Special Certification	Relative	Total Homes
Baker	--	--	--	10
Benton	--	16	--	36
Central Office	0	--	--	--
Clackamas	94	50	60	204
Clatsop	10	10	8	28
Columbia	24	17	16	57
Coos	22	23	11	56
Crook	9	--	--	14
Curry	--	--	--	10
Deschutes	51	28	50	129
Douglas	47	36	27	110
Gilliam	--	--	--	8
Grant	--	0	--	--
Harney	--	0	--	8
Hood River	0	--	0	--
Jackson	65	27	96	188
Jefferson	9	--	--	20
Josephine	42	19	18	79
Klamath	24	27	17	68
Lake	--	--	--	7
Lane	108	70	147	325
Lincoln	11	18	11	40
Linn	50	45	39	134
Malheur	25	21	26	72
Marion	49	36	36	121
Morrow	0	--	--	--
Multnomah	202	67	136	405
Polk	41	26	18	85
Sherman	--	0	0	--
Tillamook	10	--	--	17
Umatilla	19	33	27	79
Union	--	13	--	25
Unknown	0	--	0	--
Wallowa	--	--	0	--
Wasco	10	9	10	29
Washington	75	47	73	195
Wheeler	--	0	0	--
Yamhill	17	29	17	63
Statewide	1,064	696	883	2,643

* 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 2024 Newly Certified Foster Homes and Foster Home Closed, by County of Certification

County	New Certifications*				County	Closed Homes**			
	Regular	Child Specific	Relative	Total Homes		Regular	Child Specific	Relative	Total Homes
Baker	--	0	--	--	Baker	--	--	8	16
Benton	9	--	--	14	Benton	--	10	--	14
Clackamas	18	8	30	56	Clackamas	27	26	23	76
Clatsop	6	--	--	14	Clatsop	--	--	10	22
Columbia	--	0	--	17	Columbia	--	--	14	27
Coos	15	--	--	25	Coos	10	11	12	33
Crook	0	--	--	--	Crook	0	0	0	0
Curry	--	0	0	--	Curry	0	--	--	10
Deschutes	28	6	38	72	Deschutes	17	42	53	112
Douglas	--	--	23	43	Douglas	12	19	34	65
Gilliam	--	0	--	--	Gilliam	--	--	--	8
Grant	0	0	--	--	Grant	--	--	--	8
Harney	--	--	--	--	Harney	0	--	--	--
Hood River	0	0	--	--	Hood River	0	--	--	--
Jackson	--	--	54	77	Jackson	22	31	63	116
Jefferson	--	0	--	--	Jefferson	0	0	0	0
Josephine	--	--	15	27	Josephine	13	14	23	50
Klamath	28	--	--	43	Klamath	7	23	20	50
Lake	0	0	0	0	Lake	0	0	0	0
Lane	--	--	67	110	Lane	43	48	96	187
Lincoln	13	0	10	23	Lincoln	--	17	--	31
Linn	28	--	--	49	Linn	19	37	17	73
Malheur	17	0	13	30	Malheur	--	23	--	42
Marion	21	8	36	65	Marion	13	36	32	81
Morrow	0	0	0	0	Morrow	0	0	0	0
Multnomah	42	15	82	139	Multnomah	50	59	91	200
Polk	15	9	13	37	Polk	11	22	9	42
Sherman	0	0	0	0	Sherman	0	0	0	0
Tillamook	--	--	--	--	Tillamook	--	--	--	6
Umatilla	--	--	17	33	Umatilla	9	12	22	43
Union	7	--	--	11	Union	--	--	--	9
Wallowa	0	--	0	--	Wallowa	0	0	0	0
Wasco	--	0	--	7	Wasco	--	0	--	--
Washington	31	11	61	103	Washington	33	33	76	142
Wheeler	0	0	0	0	Wheeler	0	0	0	0
Yamhill	--	--	15	28	Yamhill	11	15	15	41
Statewide	408	93	562	1,063	Statewide	323	522	667	1,512

*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 in the Total Homes column, 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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