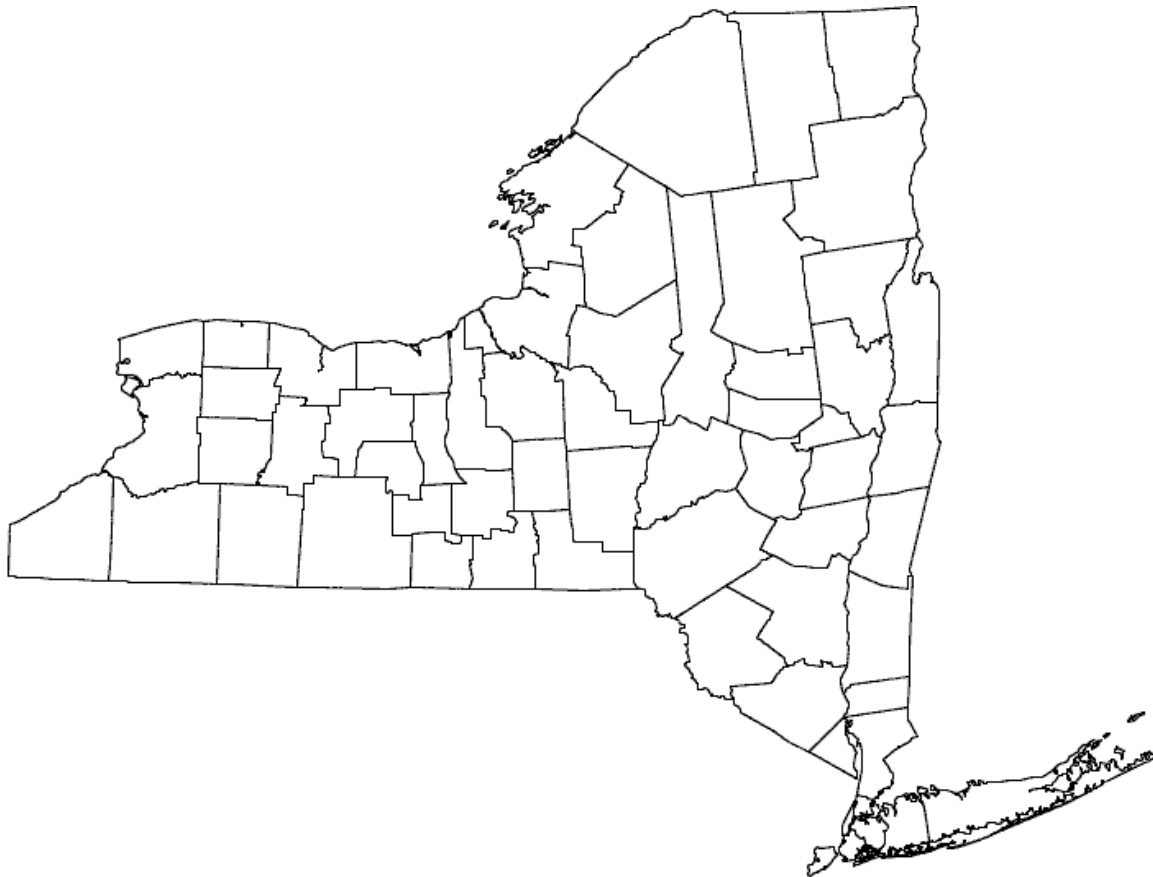


2013 Monitoring and Analysis Profiles With Selected Trend Data: 2009-2013

**Child Protective Services
Foster Care
Adoption**

Upstate



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INTRODUCTION

The Monitoring and Analysis Profiles (MAPS) are data packages that provide information on the major child welfare services provided by local Departments of Social Services (DSS). MAPS was developed in 1985 to support the program monitoring role of the Regional Office staff and New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS). Since then, the MAPS packages, which are produced annually, have also been disseminated to assist in child welfare planning and decision-making.

This MAPS package provides data on Child Protective Services (CPS), Foster Care, and Adoption for New York City, Upstate (combines all counties except New York City), and Statewide. It contains detailed information for 2013 and charts of selected trend information for the five-year period, 2009-2013. Data for all counties other than New York City are contained in separate packages.

A significant change was made to MAPS starting with MAPS 2007:

- 1- **Change in source file.** The source file changed from a CCRS extract (Monthly Status Master) to the OCFS Data Warehouse.

Program data on Child Protective Services are taken from the CONNECTIONS database, while the program data on Foster Care and Adoption are taken from the Child Care Review Service (CCRS) database. Both of these are statewide, computerized child welfare databases.

The current MAPS package was developed based on the data contained in OCFS Data Warehouse on April 2, 2014, and from the CONNECTIONS database as of April 2, 2014. The numbers in the MAPS package may differ from those that appear on routine reports that are distributed by OCFS either because they are taken from the databases on different dates or because the definition of a term differs. Additionally, lag reporting by some Social Services districts affects all Foster Care and Adoption data.

In most instances, numbers are converted into rates or percentages to highlight important aspects of the child welfare service programs. The use of rates and percentages is a critical component of MAPS as it allows for comparisons by controlling for differences in population. The population figures used to calculate rates for 2009 through 2013 are taken from the 2007 Complete New York and New Jersey Demographic Database Files, copyright May 2007, Woods and Poole Economics, Inc. For Child Protective Services data, rates are calculated based on the number of children ages 0 through 17 because very few reports are taken on youth aged 18 and over. However, since OCFS does have children in foster care 18 years old and above, the rates for Foster Care and Adoption are based on the number of children ages 0 through 21.

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

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

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

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

MONITORING AND ANALYSIS PROFILES

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**CHILD
PROTECTIVE
SERVICES**

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES
WORKLOAD DATA
2013**

UPSTATE		
	N	Rate
REPORTS RECEIVED	102,650	39.0
	N	%
REPORTS BY MANDATED REPORTER	63,422	61.8
OF REPORTS DETERMINED:		
Reports Indicated	23,887	27.5
Reports Unfounded	63,038	72.5
OF REPORTS REGISTERED:		
Determinations Overdue	4,058	4.5
OF REPORTS ASSESSED:		
Family Assessment Response	11,667	11.4

Reports Received

N: Number of reports received during the calendar year, whether determined or assessed.

Rate: Number of reports received during the calendar year for every 1000 children in the district.

Reports by Mandated Reporter

N: Number of reports received during the calendar year with a mandated reporter as the source of the report.

%: Number of reports received during the calendar year with a mandated reporter as the source of the report, as a percentage of all reports received during the calendar year.

Reports Determined

N: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2013 and indicated/unfounded by 04/02/14.

%: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2013 and indicated/unfounded by 04/02/14, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2013 and determined by 04/02/14.

Determinations Overdue

N: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2013 and had no determination by 04/02/14

%: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2013 and had no determination by 04/02/14, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in 2013, excluding those reports selected for assessment rather than investigation.

Reports Assessed

N: Number of reports that were registered in calendar year 2013 and assigned to the Family Assessment Response track by 04/02/14. See the Appendix A for detailed definitions of CONNECTIONS data.

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES
REPORT DETERMINATIONS -- TIMELINESS
2013**

	UPSTATE	
	N	%
REPORT DETERMINATION TIMELINESS:	51,679	59.5
	UPSTATE	
	N	%
All Reports Determined		
0-30 Days	15,754	18.1
31-60	35,925	41.3
61-90	24,721	28.4
>90	10,525	12.1
Indicated		
0-30 Days	3,281	13.7
31-60	9,198	38.5
61-90	7,575	31.7
>90	3,833	16.0
Unfounded		
0-30 Days	12,473	19.8
31-60	26,727	42.4
61-90	17,146	27.2
>90	6,692	10.6

Report Determination Timeliness

N: Number of reports that were registered in the calendar year and determined within 60 days.

%: Number of reports that were determined within 60 days, as a percentage of all reports that were registered in the calendar year 2013, excluding those reports selected for assessment rather than investigation.

Days to Report Determination: Number of reports registered in calendar year 2013, that received a determination by 4/02/14, and were determined within each respective range of days for each of the three determination categories.

See the Appendix A for detailed definitions of CONNECTIONS data.

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES
TREND DATA
2009-2013**

REPORTS RECEIVED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	107,080	40.8	
2010	109,701	42.0	3.0
2011	107,175	41.4	-1.6
2012	106,004	41.1	-0.6
2013	102,650	39.0	-5.0

REPORTS INDICATED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	27,723	26.8	
2010	27,671	26.9	0.4
2011	25,872	26.5	-1.7
2012	25,019	26.7	0.9
2013	23,887	27.5	2.9

FAR REPORTS ASSESSED:

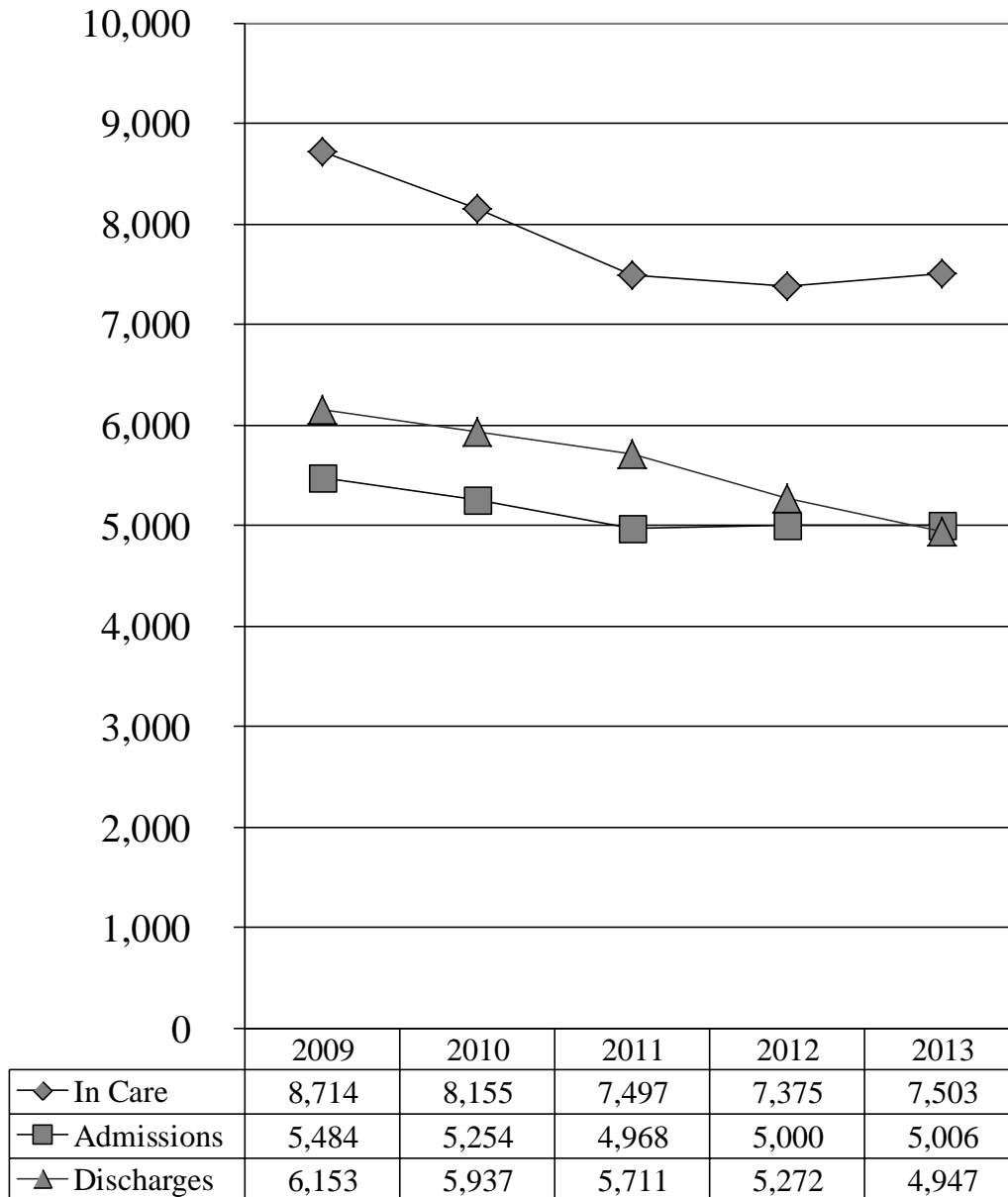
	N	Annual Rate
2009	3,710	3.5
2010	6,890	6.3
2011	9,401	8.8
2012	12,305	11.6
2013	11,667	11.4

For detailed description of variables see page 2, "Child Protective Services Workload Data".

See Appendix A for details on CONNECTIONS CPS data.

**FOSTER
CARE**

**FOSTER CARE
IN CARE, ADMISSIONS, and DISCHARGES
Upstate
2009-2013**



**FOSTER CARE ADMISSIONS/DISCHARGES/INCARE
BY AGE, RACE AND ETHNICITY
2013**

	N	Rate/%
ADMISSIONS	5,006	1.6
DISCHARGES	4,947	39.7
IN CARE	7,503	2.4

AGE:	Admissions		Discharges		In Care	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
< 2	1,059	21.2	563	11.4	901	12.0
2-5	949	19.0	1,063	21.5	1,560	20.8
6-9	633	12.6	625	12.6	1,089	14.5
10-13	717	14.3	566	11.4	1,035	13.8
14-17	1,623	32.4	1,515	30.6	2,344	31.2
18+	25	0.5	615	12.4	574	7.7

RACE/ETHNICITY:	Admissions		Discharges		In Care	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
White	2,433	48.6	2,438	49.3	3,750	50.0
African American	1,695	33.9	1,678	33.9	2,504	33.4
Latino	534	10.7	479	9.7	744	9.9
Native American/ Alaska Native	28	0.6	41	0.8	41	0.5
Asian	30	0.6	34	0.7	36	0.5
Unknown	286	5.7	277	5.6	428	5.7

PERCENTAGE OF DISCHARGES BY DESTINATION:	Home		Independent	Other State	Other
	%	Adoption %	Living %	Agency %	%
UPSTATE	67.0	17.3	9.7	3.4	2.6

Admissions: N: Number of children admitted to foster care during the calendar year.

Rate: The number of children admitted to foster care during the calendar year for every 1000 children in the district.

Discharges: N: Number of children discharged during the calendar year. The number does not include trial discharges.

%: Children discharged during the calendar year, as a percentage of all children who were in foster care at any time during the calendar year.

In Care: N: Number of children in foster care on 12/31/13

Rate: The number of children in foster care on 12/31/13 for every 1000 children in the district.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for definitions.

Destination: For children discharged during 2013, the stated discharge reason: return to a homelike setting (Home); discharge to adoption (Adoption); assuming responsibility for self, e.g. independent living, military service, etc. (Independent Living); discharge to another state service system (Other State Agency); or one of several other reasons, e.g., moved out of district, etc. (Other).

FOSTER CARE CHARACTERISTICS 2013

PLACEMENT IN FOSTER BOARDING AND ADOPTIVE HOMES:

Child's Race

	Total With Race/ Ethnic Code	# Same as Foster/ Adoptive Parent	% Same as Foster / Adoptive Parent
Total	4,223	2,708	64.1
White	2,349	1,852	78.8
African American	1,372	749	54.6
Latino	453	99	21.9
Native American/Alaska Native	24	8	33.3
Asian	25	0	0.0
	N		%
Unknown/Missing	292		6.5

SIBLINGS IN FOSTER CARE:

Group Size:	Separated		Partly Separated		Intact	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Two	374	29.6	-	-	890	70.4
Three	78	9.0	273	31.5	516	59.5
Four or more	46	5.9	486	62.1	250	32.0

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

	N	%
Total (0-24 months)	701	14.0
0-3 months	183	3.7
4-12 months	324	6.5
13-24 months	194	3.9

Total With Race/Ethnic Code: N: Number of children in foster boarding or adoptive homes on 12/31/13 who have a race/ethnic code in CCRS.

Number With Same Race/Ethnic Code: N: Number of children in foster boarding or adoptive homes on 12/31/13 whose race/ethnic code in CCRS is the same as at least one of his or her foster parent's race/ethnic code in the Connections database. Congregate care and approved relative homes are excluded.

%: Children with a race/ethnic code in CCRS whose code is the same as at least one foster parent's race/ethnic code in the Connections database as a percentage of children in foster care on 12/31/13 with a race/ethnic code for a specified race/ethnic group. There are a small number of foster parents with no race/ethnic code in the Connections database; these are counted as not matched.

Siblings in Foster Care: N: Number of children in foster care on 12/31/13 who have a sibling in foster care.

Separated: All of the siblings in a sibling group of the specified size are in separate facilities.

Partly Separated: Some of the siblings in a sibling group of the specified size are in separate facilities.

Intact: All of the siblings in a sibling group of the specified size are in the same facility.

%: Number of siblings who are separated, partly separated, or intact as a percentage of all siblings in a sibling group of the same size.

Children Returning to Care By Length of Time Since Last Discharge: N: Number of children who were readmitted to foster care in 2013 who had been discharged from foster care within the specified number of months prior to the last 2013 admission. Children returning to foster care from a trial discharge are not considered to have been readmitted.

%: The number of children readmitted to foster care in 2013 as a percentage of the total number of children admitted to foster care in 2013.

Race /Ethnicity – see Appendix A for definitions.

SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2013 FOSTER CARE ADMISSION

	UPSTATE	
	N	%
Preventive Services Only	525	10.5
Child Protective Services Only	888	17.7
Both Preventive And CPS	1,463	29.2
Neither Preventive Nor CPS	2,130	42.5

SERVICES PRIOR TO/AT 2013 ADMISSION BY AGE:

AGE	PREVENTIVE ONLY		CHILD PROTECTIVE ONLY	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	13	1.2	283	26.7
2-5	42	4.4	209	22.0
6-9	25	3.9	130	20.5
10-13	69	9.6	115	16.0
14-17	373	23.0	147	9.1
18+	3	12.0	4	16.0

AGE	BOTH PREVENTIVE AND PROTECTIVE		NEITHER PREVENTIVE NOR PROTECTIVE	
	N	%	N	%
< 2	291	27.5	472	44.6
2-5	423	44.6	275	29.0
6-9	279	44.1	199	31.4
10-13	234	32.6	299	41.7
14-17	235	14.5	868	53.5
18+	1	4.0	17	68.0

Please Note: All four categories are mutually exclusive.

Preventive Services Prior to or at the time of Foster Care Admission: N: Number of children admitted to foster care in 2013 who were opened to Preventive Services on the date of the foster care admission or who had a Service Program Choice of Preventive during the 12 months preceding admission.

Child Protective Services Prior to or at the time of Foster Care Admission: N: Number of children admitted to foster care in 2013 who were opened to Child Protective Services on the date of the foster care admission or who had a Service Program Choice of Protective during the 12 months preceding admission

Services Prior To/At 2013 Admission by Age %: Number of children in each age group within each category admitted to foster care in 2013 as a percentage of all children in that same age group who were admitted to foster care in 2013.

**TIME IN CARE BY AGE
12/31/13**

AGE OF CHILDREN

	< 2 YEARS %	2-5 YEARS %	6-9 YEARS %	10-13 YEARS %	14-17 YEARS %	18+ YEARS %	PERCENT OF TOTAL
< 1 YEAR							
UPSTATE	72.5	39.6	41.3	42.5	51.0	6.6	45.2
1-2 YEARS							
UPSTATE	27.5	27.8	25.2	23.8	19.9	14.5	23.3
2-3 YEARS							
UPSTATE		22.3	15.3	13.5	10.5	14.3	13.1
> 3 YEARS							
UPSTATE		10.4	18.2	20.2	18.5	64.6	18.3
TOTAL							
UPSTATE	N= 901	N=1,560	N=1,089	N=1,035	N=2,344	N= 574	N=7,503

For children in foster care on 12/31/13, the chart shows the percentage of each age group (column) by the length of time indicated in the rows.

**ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND IN CARE
FACILITY TYPE BY PLACEMENT, LOCATION AND AGE**

TYPE OF PLACEMENT:	AGE OF CHILDREN		TOTAL N	PERCENT	PLACEMENT	LOCATION
	< 11 YEARS N	11+ YEARS N			Out Of County N	Out Of State N
Congregate Care						
Admissions	255	1,419	1,674	33.4		
In Care	127	1,912	2,039	27.2	1,268	45
Discharges	120	1,503	1,623	32.8		
Foster Boarding Homes						
Admissions	2,197	624	2,821	56.4		
In Care	3,075	1,436	4,511	60.1	881	16
Discharges	1,925	796	2,721	55.0		
Approved Relative Homes						
Admissions	307	70	377	7.5		
In Care	543	178	721	9.6	186	39
Discharges	334	118	452	9.1		
Other						
Admissions	16	118	134	2.7		
In Care	44	188	232	3.1	92	8
Discharges	10	141	151	3.1		
Total						
Admissions	2,775	2,231	5,006	100.0		
In Care	3,789	3,714	7,503	100.0	2,427	108
Discharges	2,389	2,558	4,947	100.0		

Admissions & Discharges: N: The number of children admitted to/discharged from each type of placement during 2013

In Care: N: The number of children in each type of placement on 12/31/13

%: Children in each facility type as a percentage of all children admitted, discharged or in care

Congregate Care: Includes AOBH, Group Home, Group Residence and Institution.

Other: Includes SILP (Supervised Independent Living Program) and all other categories.

Placement Location: N: The number of children in a placement outside the county on 12/31/13. Out of county does not include out of state placements.

FOSTER CARE DISCHARGES BY TIME IN CARE

AGE OF CHILDREN AT DISCHARGE

	< 2 YEARS %	2-5 YEARS %	6-9 YEARS %	10-13 YEARS %	14-17 YEARS %	18+ YEARS %	PERCENT OF TOTAL
< 1 YEAR							
UPSTATE	75.3	43.2	41.7	50.5	60.8	14.7	49.4
1-2 YEARS							
UPSTATE	24.7	20.4	22.8	20.1	24.4	16.5	21.9
2-3 YEARS							
UPSTATE		22.6	15.5	12.2	8.2	11.9	12.2
> 3 YEARS							
UPSTATE		13.7	20.0	17.1	6.5	56.9	16.5
TOTAL							
UPSTATE	N= 562	N=1,062	N= 624	N= 566	N=1,514	N= 612	N=4,940

For children discharged from foster care during 2013, the chart shows the percentage of each age group (column) by the length of time indicated in the rows.

**GOAL BY AGE
12/31/13**

	< 2 YEARS %	2-5 YEARS %	6-9 YEARS %	10-13 YEARS %	14-17 YEARS %	18+ YEARS %	PERCENT OF TOTAL
ADULT CUSTODIAL CARE							
UPSTATE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.4	4.5	0.5
ADOPTION							
UPSTATE	15.9	34.5	34.6	32.3	9.8	4.0	22.0
PARENT/GUARDIAN							
UPSTATE	81.0	61.7	59.9	60.7	61.5	12.0	59.4
ANOTHER PLANNED LIVING ARRANGEMENT (APLA)							
UPSTATE	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.7	17.6	71.7	11.3
OTHER GOALS							
UPSTATE	3.1	3.9	5.4	6.1	10.7	7.7	6.8
TOTAL IN CARE							
UPSTATE	N= 805	N=1,518	N=1,069	N=1,006	N=2,267	N= 573	N=7,238

For children in foster care on 12/31/13 with a reported goal, the chart shows the percentage of each age group (column) with the goal indicated in the row. Children with waivers are included in the Adoption percentages.

DAYS IN CARE**Total Days in Care**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Institution	713,949	661,442	573,075	528,126	523,307
Foster Boarding Home	1,965,166	1,871,023	1,769,385	1,689,258	1,692,996
Agency Operated Boarding Home	54,062	48,510	41,267	33,202	29,422
Group Residence	49,687	45,543	37,060	34,611	44,003
Group Home	189,839	177,531	162,643	157,135	155,642
Adoptive Home	4,026	3,938	2,701	1,877	1,577
Approved Relative Home	244,563	258,614	255,783	257,628	254,809
Supervised Independent Living Program	33,769	40,801	45,092	45,640	46,476
Other	59,772	50,774	44,303	41,199	39,132
<i>Total</i>	3,314,833	3,158,176	2,931,309	2,788,676	2,787,364

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Congregate Care	1,101,078	1,024,601	903,440	839,913	837,982
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	1,969,192	1,874,961	1,772,086	1,691,135	1,694,573
Approved Relative Home	244,563	258,614	255,783	257,628	254,809
<i>Total</i>	3,314,833	3,158,176	2,931,309	2,788,676	2,787,364

Percent of Days in Care

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Institution	21.5%	20.9%	19.6%	18.9%	18.8%
Foster Boarding Home	59.3%	59.2%	60.4%	60.6%	60.7%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	1.6%	1.5%	1.4%	1.2%	1.1%
Group Residence	1.5%	1.4%	1.3%	1.2%	1.6%
Group Home	5.7%	5.6%	5.5%	5.6%	5.6%
Adoptive Home	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Approved Relative Home	7.4%	8.2%	8.7%	9.2%	9.1%
Supervised Independent Living Program	1.0%	1.3%	1.5%	1.6%	1.7%
Other	1.8%	1.6%	1.5%	1.5%	1.4%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Congregate Care	33.2%	32.4%	30.8%	30.1%	30.1%
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	59.4%	59.4%	60.5%	60.6%	60.8%
Approved Relative Home	7.4%	8.2%	8.7%	9.2%	9.1%
<i>Total</i>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Percent Change Over Previous Year

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2009-2013
Institution	-7.4%	-13.4%	-7.8%	-0.9%	-26.7%
Foster Boarding Home	-4.8%	-5.4%	-4.5%	0.2%	-13.8%
Agency Operated Boarding Home	-10.3%	-14.9%	-19.5%	-11.4%	-45.6%
Group Residence	-8.3%	-18.6%	-6.6%	27.1%	-11.4%
Group Home	-6.5%	-8.4%	-3.4%	-1.0%	-18.0%
Adoptive Home	-2.2%	-31.4%	-30.5%	-16.0%	-60.8%
Approved Relative Home	5.7%	-1.1%	0.7%	-1.1%	4.2%
Supervised Independent Living Program	20.8%	10.5%	1.2%	1.8%	37.6%
Other	-15.1%	-12.7%	-7.0%	-5.0%	-34.5%
<i>Total</i>	-4.7%	-7.2%	-4.9%	0.0%	-15.9%

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2009-2013
Congregate Care	-6.9%	-11.8%	-7.0%	-0.2%	-23.9%
Foster Boarding Home/Adoptive Home	-4.8%	-5.5%	-4.6%	0.2%	-13.9%
Approved Relative Home	5.7%	-1.1%	0.7%	-1.1%	4.2%
<i>Total</i>	-4.7%	-7.2%	-4.9%	0.0%	-15.9%

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

Congregate Care: Includes Institutions, AOBH, Group Home, Group Residence, SILP's and Other.

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

**FOSTER CARE
TREND DATA
2009-2013**

CHILDREN IN CARE:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	8,714	2.7	
2010	8,155	2.5	-6.1
2011	7,497	2.3	-7.8
2012	7,375	2.3	-1.2
2013	7,503	2.3	1.4

CHILDREN ADMITTED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	5,484	1.7	
2010	5,254	1.6	-2.6
2011	4,968	1.5	-4.3
2012	5,000	1.6	1.0
2013	5,006	1.6	0.4

CHILDREN DISCHARGED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	6,153	41.4	
2010	5,937	42.1	1.8
2011	5,711	43.2	2.6
2012	5,272	41.7	-3.6
2013	4,947	39.7	-4.7

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

ADOPTION

**ADOPTION MILESTONES
2013**

**CHILDREN WHO HAD A MILESTONE
OCCUR DURING 2013:**

	N	%
Goal Set during 2013	1,089	8.6
Freed during 2013	871	6.9
Placed during 2013	664	25.5
Discharged to Adoption during 2013	859	47.8

CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE ON 12/31/13 WITH A GOAL OF ADOPTION: 1,591

Goal Set

N: Number of children with a goal set to Adoption during the calendar year.

%: Children who had a "goal set," as a percentage of all children in foster care at any time during the calendar year.

Freed

N: Number of children freed during the calendar year.

%: Children "freed," as a percentage of all children in foster care at any time during the calendar year.

Placed

N: Number of children placed for Adoption during the calendar year.

%: Children "placed," as a percentage of all children in foster care who had a goal of Adoption on 12/31/13 or had a goal set to Adoption, were freed, placed or discharged to Adoption at any time during the calendar year.

Discharged to Adoption

N: Number of children discharged to Adoption during the calendar year.

%: Children "discharged," as a percentage of children in foster care at any time during the calendar year, who had a goal of Adoption and had a status of free for Adoption.

Children with waivers are excluded from all "N"s and Percentages.

WAITING POPULATION ON 12/31/13

CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE FOR 2 OR MORE YEARS WITH A GOAL OF:						
	RETURN HOME		ADOPTION		OTHER	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Less than 8 years old:	198	28.0	489	69.2	20	2.8
8 years old or older:	348	21.1	578	35.0	725	43.9

CHILDREN WAITING TO ACHIEVE AN ADOPTION MILESTONE					
	TOTAL N	WAITING LESS THAN 1 YEAR		WAITING 1 YEAR OR MORE	
		N	%	N	%
Goal and not Free:	696	467	67.1	229	32.9
Less than 8 years old:	424	307	72.4	117	27.6
8 years old or older:	272	160	58.8	112	41.2
Free and not Placed:	461	252	54.7	209	45.3
Less than 8 years old:	197	161	81.7	36	18.3
8 years old or older:	264	91	34.5	173	65.5
Free, Placed and not Discharged:	434	320	73.7	114	26.3
Less than 8 years old:	235	194	82.6	41	17.4
8 years old or older:	199	126	63.3	73	36.7

In Foster Care for 2 or more years with a Goal of: Return Home/Adoption/Other Goal **N:** As of 12/31/13, the number of children who had been in care for 2 years or longer, who were in the specified age group, and who had the specified goal. **%:** As of 12/31/13, children who had been in care for 2 years or longer, who were in the specified age group, and who had the specified goal, as a percentage of all children in foster care who were in the specified age group.

Goal and not Free **N:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption and who were "waiting" to be freed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption and who were "waiting" to be freed for the specified time, as a percentage of all children who were "waiting" to be freed.

Free and not Placed **N:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, and were "waiting" to be placed for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, and were "waiting" to be placed for the specified time, as a percentage of all children who were "waiting" to be placed.

Free, Placed and not Discharged (to Adoption) **N:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, were in an adoptive placement, and were "waiting" to be discharged for the specified time. **%:** As of 12/31/13, all children who had a goal of Adoption, were freed for Adoption, were in an adoptive placement, and were "waiting" to be discharged for the specified time, as a percentage of all children who were "waiting" to be discharged.

Less than 8 years old and 8 years old or older **N:** For the three waiting populations described above, the number of children in the specified age group and time period. **%:** For the children in each age group who are in the three waiting populations described above, the % that were waiting, as of 12/31/13, less than one year or one year or more.

Children with waivers from photo listing are excluded from all "N"s and Percentages in the Children Waiting to Achieve an Adoption Milestone section.

**TIME TO ACHIEVE MILESTONES
DURING 2013**

Admission to Goal Set:	LESS THAN 2 YEARS		2 TO 3 YEARS		GREATER THAN 3 YEARS	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Less than 8 years:	507	70.4	141	19.6	72
8 years or older:	201	57.9	84	24.2	62	17.9

	LESS THAN 6 MONTHS		6 MONTHS TO 1 YEAR		GREATER THAN 1 YEAR	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Goal to Free:					
Less than 8 years:	162	47.2	124	36.2	57	16.6
8 years or older:	50	39.4	46	36.2	31	24.4
Petition Date to Free Date:						
Less than 8 years:	149	56.0	67	25.2	50	18.8
8 years or older:	49	44.5	32	29.1	29	26.4
Free to Place:						
Less than 8 years:	369	81.6	62	13.7	21	4.6
8 years or older:	128	60.7	29	13.7	54	25.6
Placed with Foster Parent:						
Less than 8 years:	365	81.7	61	13.6	21	4.7
8 years or older:	114	58.2	29	14.8	53	27.0
Not Placed with Foster Parent:						
Less than 8 years:	4	80.0	1	20.0	0	0.0
8 years or older:	14	93.3	0	0.0	1	6.7

Admission to Goal Set: N: For children of the specified age group who had their goal set to Adoption in 2013, the time from admission to foster care to having their goal set to Adoption.

Goal to Free: N: For children of the specified age group who were freed for Adoption in 2013, the time from having the goal set until they were freed.

Petition Date to Free Date: N: For children of the specified age group who were freed for Adoption in 2013, the time from the date their petition to be freed was filed until they were freed.

Free to Place: N: For children of the specified age group who were placed in an Adoptive home in 2013, the time from when they were freed until the placement.

Placed with Foster Parent: N: Children who were placed for Adoption with the foster parent(s) they were living with.

Not Placed with Foster Parent: N: Children who were placed for Adoption with adoptive parents different than the foster parent(s) they had been living with.

%: The number of children of the specified age group who took the specified time to get from the first specified milestone to the next specified milestone as a percentage of all children in that age group who reached that next milestone during 2013.

Please note: Only children who have both of the specified dates (in a category) in CCRS are included in that category. Children with negative values are excluded. Therefore, children who are freed before the goal of adoption is set are excluded from the goal to free category.

Children with waivers from photo listing are excluded from all "N"s and Percentages.

**ADOPTION CHARACTERISTICS
2013**

TIME FROM GOAL TO DISCHARGE	Less than 2 Years		2 to 3 Years		More than 3 Years	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Less than eight years old:	491	82.9	38	6.4	63	10.6
Eight years old or older:	179	67.0	32	12.0	56	21.0

SEQUENCE OF MILESTONES	Goal First		Simultaneous (Within 30 days)		Free First	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
	524	55.2	179	18.8	247	26.0

SUBSIDIES AT TIME OF DISCHARGE	N of Children	%
	828	96.4

Time From Goal to Discharge (to Adoption) N: Children of the specified age group who were discharged to Adoption in 2013 whose time from goal set to Adoption to discharge to Adoption was in the specified time period. **%:** The number of children of each age group who took the specified time to get from goal set to Adoption to be discharged to adoption as a percentage of all children in that age group who were discharged to Adoption during 2013.

Sequence of Milestones: For children who had both a goal of adoption and were free in 2013, percentages for whom sequence of these milestones was: Goal [set] First, or [goal set] Within 30 Days [of freeing], or Free(d) First.

Subsidies at Time of Discharge

N: Number of children discharged to adoption in 2013 with a subsidy designation.

%: Discharges with a designated subsidized adoption as a percentage of all discharges to adoption.

Children with waivers from photo listing are excluded from all "N"s and Percentages.

**ADOPTION
TREND DATA
2009-2013**

GOAL SET:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	1,013	6.6	
2010	1,103	7.7	16.2
2011	982	7.3	-5.1
2012	1,223	9.4	28.0
2013	1,089	8.6	-8.3

FREED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	968	6.3	
2010	1,090	7.6	20.1
2011	917	6.8	-10.4
2012	903	6.9	1.2
2013	871	6.9	-0.7

PLACED:

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	708	23.1	
2010	824	27.5	19.2
2011	727	27.2	-1.1
2012	699	26.9	-1.0
2013	664	25.5	-5.4

**DISCHARGED
TO ADOPTION:**

	N	Annual Rate	Percent Change In Rate
2009	1,000	41.7	
2010	1,098	45.6	9.2
2011	1,111	51.5	13.0
2012	907	48.1	-6.5
2013	859	47.8	-0.8

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

APPENDIX A: CLARIFICATION OF DATA SOURCES AND DEFINITIONS

This appendix clarifies definitions or specifies on what data were used to produce the Child Protective Services (CPS), Foster Care and Adoption components of the MAPS packages. All Child Protective Services program data used come from the State Central Register (SCR) (CONNECTIONS). Foster Care and Adoption data come from the Child Care Review Service (CCRS). Data from 2009-2013 are provided for selected variables. For the definitions of these variables, refer to the MAPS page where the variable appears.

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

Population Sources

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

Race and Ethnicity Categories

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

New Coding of Race/Ethnicity in MAPS

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

MAPS Category	included in category
White	White (Not Hispanic)
African American	Black, Interracial Black/White, Interracial Black/Asian Ethiopian, Haitian
Latino	Interracial Puerto Rican/White, Interracial Puerto Rican/Black, Other Hispanic, Interracial Puerto Rican/Asian, Interracial Puerto Rican/ Other Hispanic, Puerto Rican, Cuban
Native American/Alaska Native	American Indian/Alaska Native
Asian	Cambodian, Interracial Asian/White,

Asian, Laotian, Vietnamese

Unknown

Interracial Other, Other, Unknown

CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES (CPS)

On June 29, 1997, the existing State Central Register reporting system and database were replaced with the CONNECTIONS reporting system and database. Since June 29, 1997, all incoming calls have been processed through the CONNECTIONS system.

The standards for case practice did not change with the implementation of CONNECTIONS. Regulations framing casework practice on all aspects of Child Protective Services remain the foundation for assuring the safety of children in New York State. However, the structure and terminology for CONNECTIONS is very different. While the definition of a 'report' is the same, it is now labeled depending on where it is in the process, or what 'stage' it is in (*e.g.* Intake, Investigation, etc.).

The data incorporate information from the Investigation stage. The "date of determination" occurs when the supervisor records an approval of the worker's assessment of the report. This action also closes the Investigation stage. All reports for which a district has primary responsibility for investigating are counted. These include familial, foster care and day care reports. The "Reports Received" and "Reports Indicated" sections on the Trend page have been rerun.

Family Assessment Response (FAR) data

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

FOSTER CARE

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

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

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

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

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

"Days in Care," Page 14

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

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

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

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