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Minnesota's Child Welfare Report for 2002

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Executive Summary

Minnesota's Child Welfare Report for 2002

describes the state of children in Minnesota's child protection, out-of-home care and adoption systems. This report provides an overview of how children in these systems are faring and presents information about Minnesota's performance on key child welfare indicators requested by the state and federal governments.

The key findings in this report are as follows:

Maltreatment

■ Minnesota assessed 17,805 reports of maltreatment involving 26,388 children in 2002. Of these reports, 3,873 received an Alternative Response assessment, a strengths-based and family focused alternative to working with families in the child protection system where no determination of maltreatment is made. In 6,609 of the 13,932 traditionally assessed reports, maltreatment was determined to have occurred (with 10,000 associated victims). Neglect accounted for 60 percent of the traditionally assessed reports and 64 percent of the determined reports. More than half of the reports were made to child protection by school personnel and law enforcement. The need for ongoing protective services was identified in half of all determined reports.

■ African American/Black and American Indian children were around seven times more likely to be determined victims of maltreatment than were White children.

■ Families who neglected children were more likely to experience multiple family issues including substance abuse.

■ Just under 10 percent of all determined victims had at least one subsequent determined report of maltreatment within one year. American Indian children had the highest recurrence rate, 11.4 percent, followed closely by African American/Black children and children of two or more races.

Out-of-Home Care

■ In 2002, 17,202 children spent some time in out-of-home care. More were boys than girls. The majority were adolescents and were White. African American/Black and American Indian children were represented in out-of-home care at a rate of four and seven times their representation in the Minnesota child population.

■ Most children experienced no moves while in care in 2002. Most of the children were placed in a family type setting. About 28 percent were in care for one week or less. Children under 8 spent an average of 12 fewer days in care than the average for all children.

■ About 27 percent of the children who entered care in 2002 had experienced care within the previous 12 months. Over 80 percent of the children left care to return home to a parent or other relative.

Out-of-Home Care by Reasons for Entry

Different outcomes were observed for children when reasons for entering care were grouped into four categories: parent reasons, child reasons, child disabilities or two or more of these reasons.

■ Approximately 50 percent of children entered care for reasons related to their parents. African American/Black children and children belonging to two or more racial groups entered care more frequently for parent-related reasons. They also had a longer out-of-home placement duration and were less likely to re-enter care. Over one-third of children in care entered care because of their own behavior or substance abuse. These children were predominantly adolescents, had shorter placement duration and re-entered care more frequently.

■ Relatively few children entered care for reasons of disability (less than 2 percent), but they stayed in care the longest, an average of more than 2 1/2 years.

■ Average number of days in care for placements ending in 2002 was 248 days.

Adoptions

■ In 2002, 613 children under state guardianship were adopted. The largest group of children (53 percent) were under age 6. Of the children adopted under state guardianship slightly more were boys than girls.

■ The average number of days in care, from the time they were available for adoption to the date of adoption is 633 days, a decline of 143 days since 1998.

■ African American/Black children and children of two or more races were over six times more likely than a White child to be adopted in 2002.

■ Most siblings were adopted together.

Introduction

The report has five major sections and an appendix. Each section begins with **At a Glance** that highlights key information. Tables, charts and graphs that support the report's findings complete each section. More detailed data are available in the Appendix of the report.

The first section, "Child Maltreatment Reports," covers information about alleged and determined reports of maltreatment.

The second section, "Out-of-Home Care," gives overall statistics on children in out-of-home care.

The third section, "Out-of-Home Care: Category of Reasons for Entry," groups the reasons that children entered out-of-home care into four categories: parent reasons, child reasons, child disabilities and situations involving two or more of these reasons.

The fourth section, "Adoptions," provides information from the Adoption Data System about children under state guardianship. It looks at the race of children awaiting adoption and of those adopted, the number of children adopted, the adoption of sibling groups, and the length

of time from when the children become eligible for adoption to finalized adoption.

The fifth section, "Performance Measures: Outcomes and Indicators," reports on how the state and counties are performing on established child welfare outcomes and indicators both at the federal and state level.

The last section of the report displays data by county.

This report is written in response to a legislative directive. Minnesota Statutes, section 257.0725 states: "The commissioner of human services shall publish an annual report on children in out-of-home placement. The report shall include information by county and statewide on the legal status, living arrangement, age, sex, race, accumulated length of time in placement, reason for most recent placement, race of family with whom placed, and other information deemed appropriate on all children in out-of-home placement. Out-of-home placement includes placement in any facility by an authorized child placement agency."

Child Maltreatment Reports

The data in this section describe alleged and determined incidents of child maltreatment assessed in Minnesota in 2002. Specifically, the data show the number of maltreatment reports; the number of child victims; the types and severity of maltreatment; what services were recommended and what actions were taken. It also looks at other information such as the age and race/ethnicity of victims and their relationship to offenders.

Unless otherwise specified, a child was counted as a “subject of a report” each time they were in an assessment in the year 2002. In other words, an individual child could have been counted as a subject of a report multiple times. However, if the counts were specified as “unique,” a child was only counted once in the specified category no matter how many times they were assessed in the year.

Race and ethnicity is reported in a method similar to the U.S. Census. Individuals may indicate they belong to more than one race. They may also be “Hispanic.”

Anyone can and should report a suspected incident of child maltreatment. Some professionals, such as those working directly with children, are **mandated reporters** and must report to local child protective services if they observe or receive information about an abuse and/or neglect incident. **Non-mandated**

reporters voluntarily provide information of known or suspected child maltreatment to the local child protective services. Reports typically include information about the source of the report and the nature of the alleged maltreatment.

Once a report of maltreatment is made, a screener reviews the initial information about a case and decides whether or not the report meets the statutory criteria for further assessment. If it does, the agency decides whether to conduct an assessment in the traditional way or as an Alternative Response.

In a **traditional assessment**, a county child protection worker interviews persons involved with the report, including family members. If there is a preponderance of evidence that a child has been a victim of maltreatment and the harm was caused by an act, or failure to act, by a person responsible for the child’s care, the county child protection worker makes a **determination** that maltreatment has occurred. In some cases, statutory authority is given to counties to use an **Alternative Response assessment**. In these situations, a county worker meets with all family members together to discuss and assess child safety concerns and review the family’s strengths and needs. In an Alternative Response assessment no determination of maltreatment is made.

Child Maltreatment: Reports and Children Assessed

At a Glance

- *Minnesota counties assessed 17,805 reports of child maltreatment. Of these, 3,873 received an Alternative Response assessment.*
- *The majority of reports had an allegation of neglect (66 percent of traditional and 67 percent of Alternative Response assessments). Allegations of physical abuse were assessed in 38 percent of traditional and 40 percent of Alternative Response assessments. A report may contain allegations of different types of maltreatment.*
- *Minnesota counties determined that child maltreatment occurred in 6,609 assessments of maltreatment in 2002 with 10,000 associated victims. The unique number of Minnesota children who were victimized was 9,416. Some children were determined victims of maltreatment more than once in the calendar year.*
- *Assessed reports of maltreatment have been increasing steadily since 1998.*

Figure 1 – Child Maltreatment Reports and Children By Assessment Type

	Reports		Child Subjects of Reports		Unique Child Subjects of Reports*	
	Alleged	Determined	Alleged	Determined	Alleged	Determined
Total Traditional Assessments/Investigations	13,932	6,609	21,059	10,000	18,998	9,416
Traditional Family Assessment	13,542	6,496	20,418	9,773	18,452	9,204
Facility Investigation	390	113	641	227	623	227
Alternative Response Family Assessments	3,873	NA	5,329	NA	5,136	NA
Total Assessments - Traditional and Alternative Response	17,805	6,609	26,388	10,000	23,757	9,416

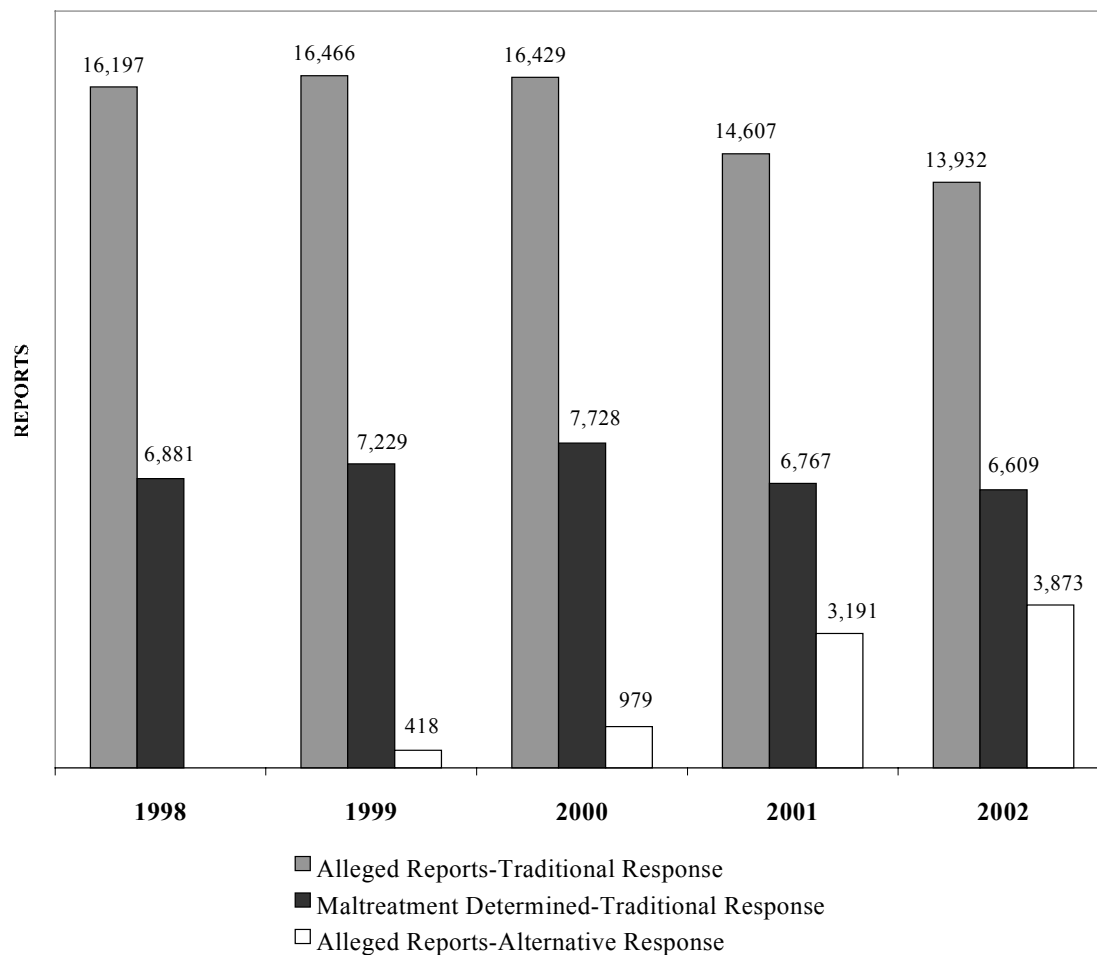
**Total unique child count does not equal the sum of those in the assessment types, as some children were in multiple assessments: traditional child protective services, Alternative Response and/or facility investigations.*

Figure 1 shows the counts of alleged and determined child maltreatment reports and subject children by the type of assessment. Some children were assessed more than one time in the year. The “Unique Child Subjects of Reports” column counts them only once within the stated category. Maltreatment was determined to have occurred in 48 percent of traditional family assessments. In 2002, the Alternative Response program was used in 36 counties for the entire year, with an additional 21 counties implementing during the year. Approximately 22 percent of all reports were assessed through Alternative Response, up from 18 percent in 2001. No determination of maltreatment is made as part of the Alternative Response assessment. Counties also investigate alleged maltreatment in foster family homes and day care homes that are county licensed. Allegations of maltreatment in these facilities cannot be investigated using Alternative Response. About 29 percent of county facility investigations resulted in a determination that maltreatment had occurred. The Minnesota Department of Human Services investigates maltreatment in residential facilities, institutions and day care centers and it is not included in these counts.

Child Maltreatment: Reports and Children Assessed (continued)

Figure 2 shows a dramatic decrease in the number of traditionally assessed reports as the number of those reports diverted to Alternative Response increases. The rate of maltreatment determination grew from 42 percent in 1998 to 47 percent in 2002. This increased rate is likely the result of the implementation of Alternative Response, which does not make a determination of maltreatment. Cases that are diverted to Alternative Response tend to be for less severe and obvious allegations of maltreatment and are less likely to receive a determination of maltreatment if traditionally assessed.

Figure 2 - Reports of Alleged and Determined Child Maltreatment 1998-2002



Child Maltreatment: Reports and Children Assessed (continued)

Figure 3. For cases receiving response in 2002, neglect accounted for the majority of allegations (around 60 percent). Physical abuse accounted for about 37 percent, sexual abuse for 14 percent and mental injury for less than 1 percent of the allegations. Of the four maltreatment types, neglect had the highest determination rate (52 percent) followed by sexual abuse (42 percent), physical abuse (36 percent) and mental injury (35 percent).

Allegations of maltreatment in Alternative Response reports reflected similar distributions with neglect allegations appearing in 64 percent and physical abuse allegations in 39 percent. Mental injury represented less than one percent of Alternative Response allegations. Sexual abuse allegations are not referred to Alternative Response. The eight Alternative Response sexual abuse reports are either data errors or were undetermined allegations of a traditional response, which were subsequently switched to an Alternative Response track.

Figure 4 identifies the sources of maltreatment reports. Law enforcement/courts (24 percent) and schools (24 percent) were the largest reporters of maltreatment assessed. Over 75 percent of the reports were from those mandated by law to report suspected child maltreatment. Mandated reporters include people in law enforcement, health care, mental health, social services, education and childcare, among others.

Figure 3 - Alleged and Determined Reports by Maltreatment Type

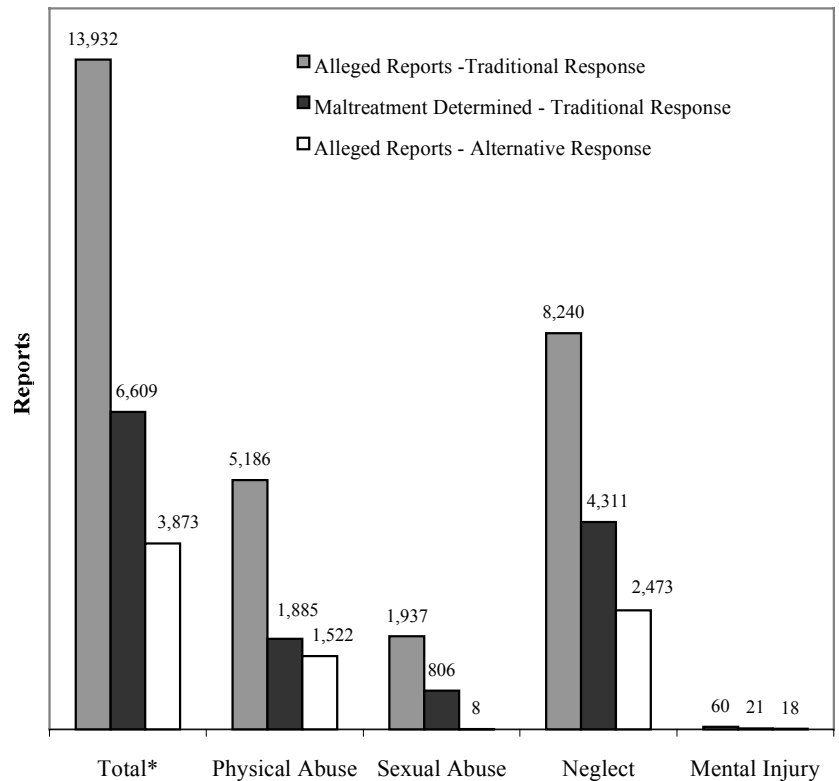
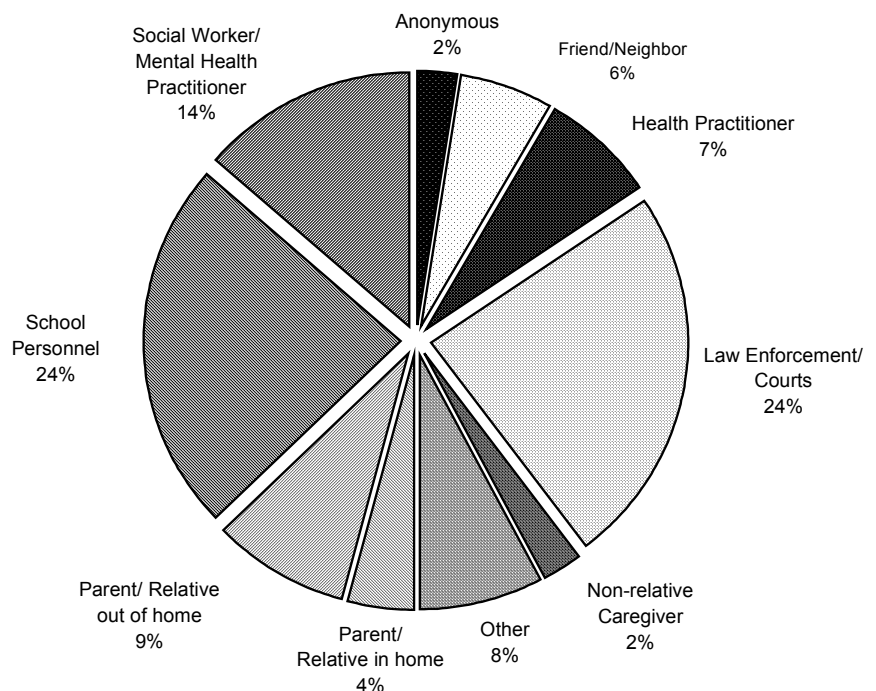


Figure 4 - Sources of Alleged Maltreatment Reports Alternative Response and Traditional



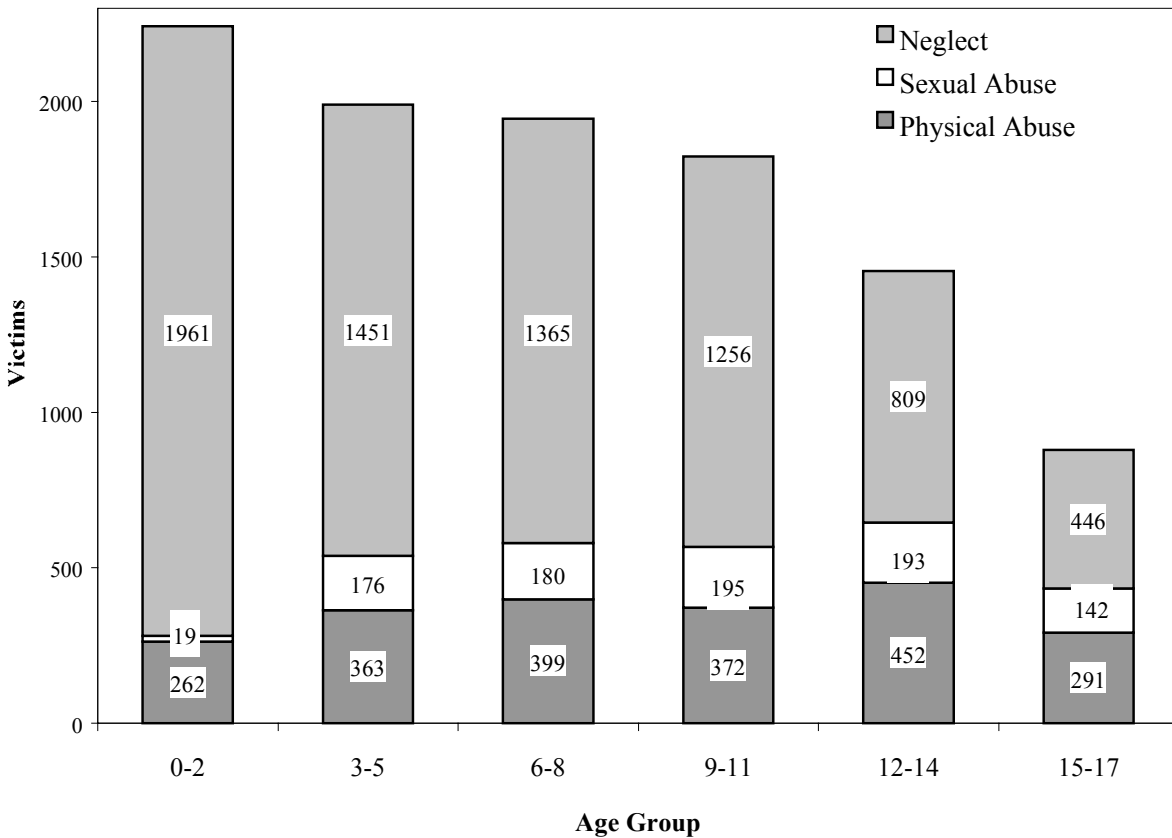
Demographics of Child Subjects

At a Glance

- *Younger children were more likely to be victims of neglect and older children were more likely to be victims of physical abuse.*
- *African American/Black and American Indian children continued to be significantly over-represented in the child protection system.*
- *The majority (74 percent) of determined offenders were the victims' birth parents.*

Figure 5 graphs the prevalence of each type of maltreatment by age of the determined victims. The data show that the risk of neglect significantly decreases with age. Determinations of sexual abuse were few for children under 3 but increased with age. Physical abuse was most commonly found in children between 12 and 14.

Figure 5 - Prevalence of Maltreatment by Victim Age



Demographics of Child Subjects (continued)

In Figure 6, “per thousand” counts were calculated by dividing the number of children for each race by the 2000 census child population for that race in Minnesota, then multiplying by 1,000. Figure 7 displays the raw data used in Figure 6. The data reveal that in the total Minnesota child population, 7.3 children per 1,000 were victims of child maltreatment in 2002. African American/Black and American Indian children were significantly over-represented as victims of child maltreatment: 35.9 per 1,000 and 30.6 per 1,000, respectively.

Figure 6 - Race or Ethnicity of Child Subjects of Maltreatment Reports in Relation to the 2000 Minnesota Population of that Race or Ethnicity

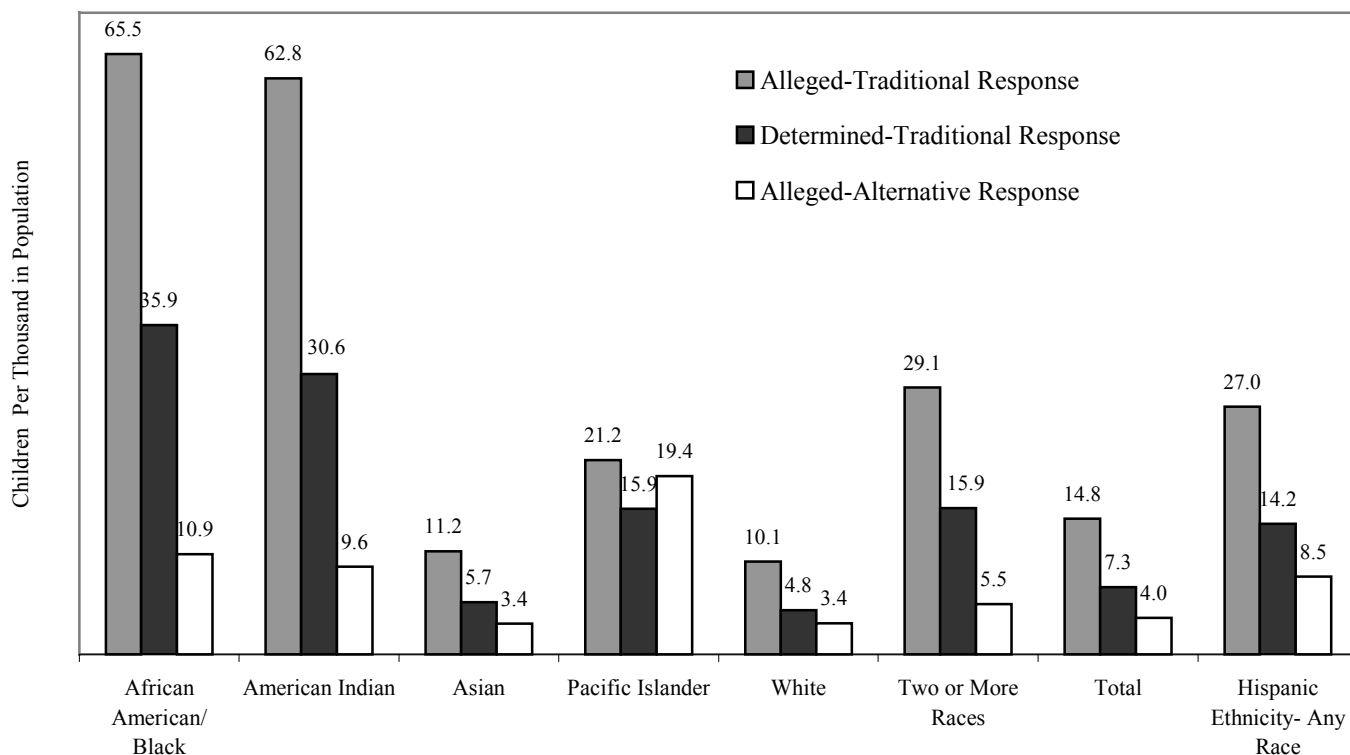


Figure 7 – Race or Ethnicity of Child Subjects of Reports in Relation to the 2000 Minnesota Population

	African American/Black	American Indian	Asian	Pacific Islander	White	Two or More Races	Unknown Race/Other	Missing Data	Total	Hispanic Ethnicity-Any Race
Unique Child Subjects										
Alleged-Traditional Response	4,211	1,295	605	12	10,942	1,277	540	116	18,998	1,504
Alleged-Traditional Response per 1,000	65.5	62.8	11.2	21.2	10.1	29.1	-	-	14.8	27.0
Determined - Traditional Response	2,310	630	307	9	5,186	699	269	6	9,416	792
Determined-Traditional Response per 1,000	35.9	30.6	5.7	15.9	4.8	15.9	-	-	7.3	14.2
Alternative Response	702	197	181	11	3,668	241	133	3	5,136	472
Alternative Response per 1,000	10.9	9.6	3.4	19.4	3.4	5.5	-	-	4.0	8.5

Demographics of Child Subjects *(continued)*

Figure 8 shows the relationship between the victims and the offenders of determined maltreatment. Birth parents accounted for 71 percent of all offenders. They were responsible in 80 percent of neglect and 66 percent of physical abuse determinations. The offender was recorded as unknown or undetermined in one percent of the determined reports. Most neglect offenders were women and most sexual abuse offenders were men. About the same percent of men and women were physical abuse offenders.

Figure 8 – Offender Relationship by Determined Maltreatment Type

	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Neglect	Mental Injury	Total
Birth Parent	1,521	310	4,756	18	6,149
Stepparent	194	77	210	4	423
Adoptive Parent	26	12	22	2	58
Grandparent	31	43	98	0	161
Sibling	30	166	59	0	226
Aunt/Uncle	48	69	55	0	157
Parent Companion	208	93	313	4	429
Child Day Care Provider	31	3	47	0	76
Foster Parent/Facility Staff	25	8	20	0	49
Other Relative	18	129	45	0	178
Other Non-relative	80	87	158	1	386
Unknown/Undetermined	56	21	36	0	110
Missing Data	46	24	137	0	204
Total*	2,314	1,042	5,956	29	8,606

**The sum of the offenders of each maltreatment type exceeds the total count because an offender may be counted in more than one maltreatment type.*

Child Protection Assessment

At a Glance

- *In determined reports, the severity of the maltreatment largely depended on the maltreatment type. The severity of most determined neglect allegations was indicated as “exposed to threatening or dangerous conditions.” Most physical abuse determinations indicated “moderate injury.”*
- *Families who neglected children were the most likely to experience multiple family issues including substance abuse and poverty. Domestic violence and parenting issues were indicated most frequently in physical abuse assessments.*
- *Individual and family counseling, child protection case management, parenting education, chemical dependency services and out-of-home placement were the most frequently recommended services to these families.*

Figure 9 describes the severity of determined allegations by type of maltreatment in traditional assessments. Most neglect victims were determined to have been exposed to threatening or dangerous conditions while victims of physical abuse most often suffered moderate injury. There were 15 child deaths as a result of maltreatment in 2002.

Figure 9 - Severity by Maltreatment Type for Determined Victims

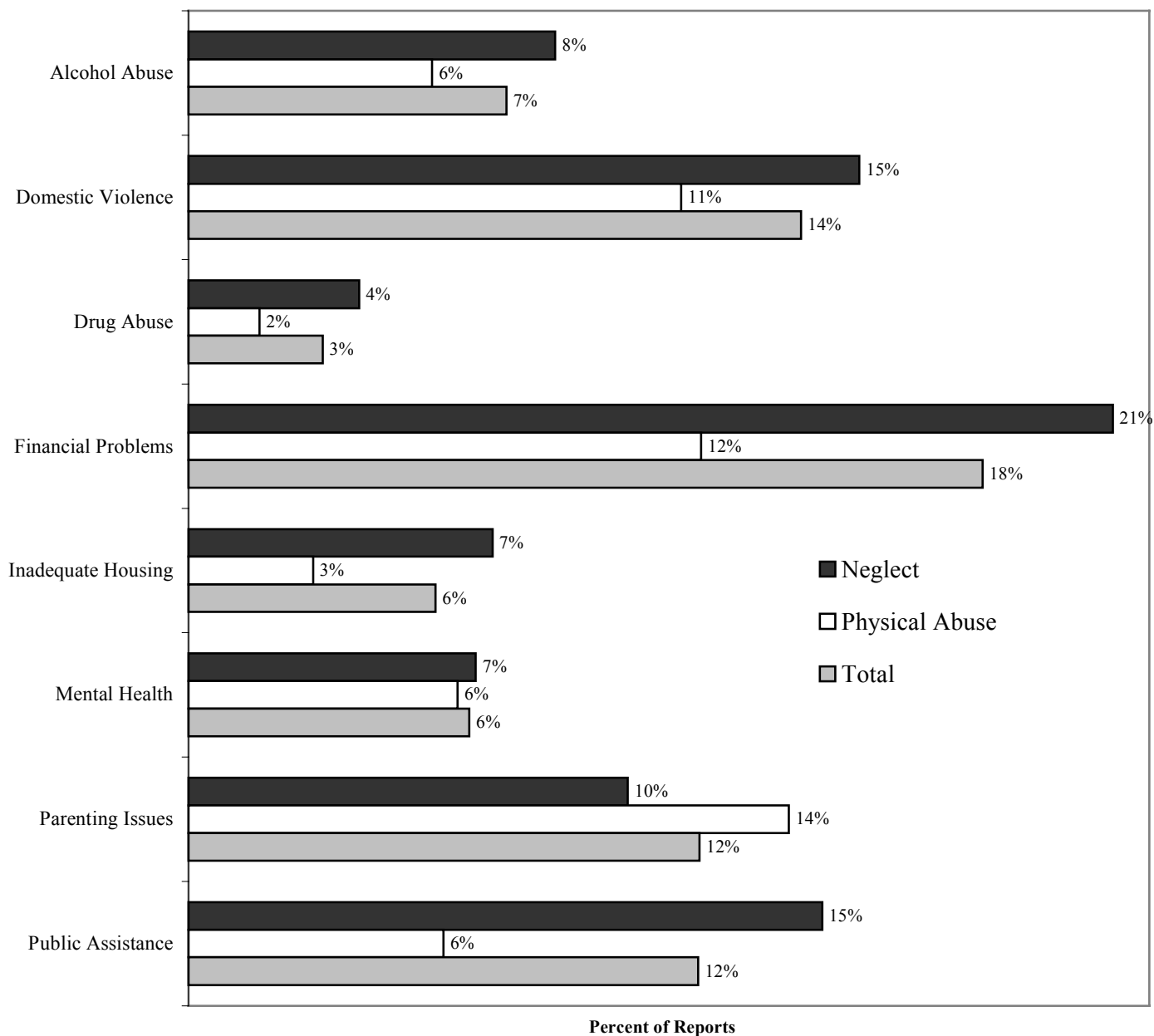
Severity	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Neglect	Mental Injury	Total Determined Victims
Death	10	-	7	-	15
Life Threatening Injury	24	-	29	-	51
Serious Injury	115	27	51	3	178
Moderate Injury	1,051	35	104	3	1,159
Possible Injury	400	88	453	2	923
Apparent Health Impairment	11	9	104	-	124
Exposed to Threatening or Dangerous Conditions	249	247	4,534	9	4,942
Other	207	458	1,696	9	2,334
No Discernible Injury or Impairment	85	58	399	2	538
Total Determined Victims*	2,152	922	7,377	28	10,000

**Note that children may have allegations of more than one maltreatment type, as well as more than one level of severity.*

Child Protection Assessment (continued)

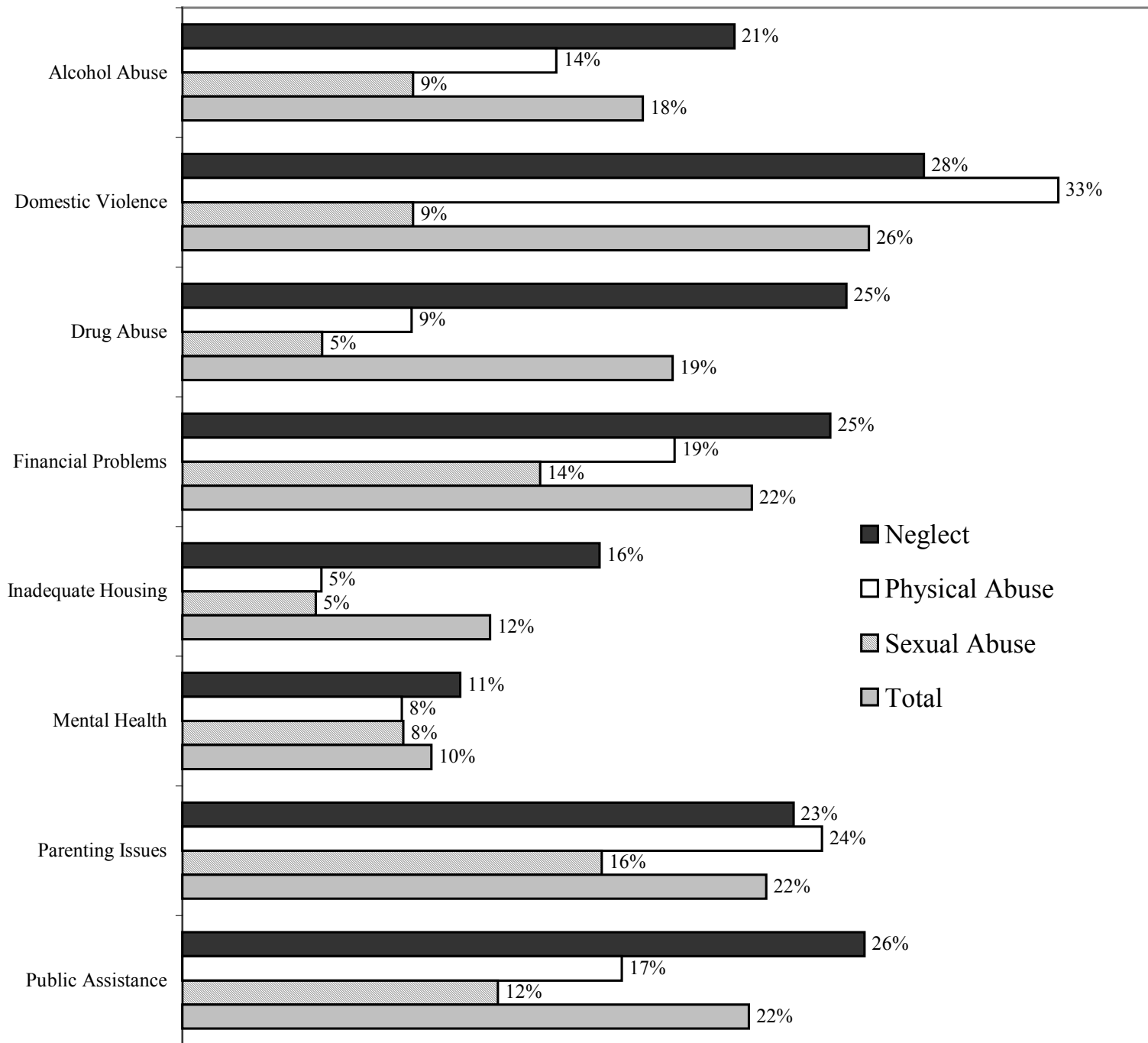
Figures 10 and 11 graph the prevalence of family conditions identified by social workers during assessment. In traditional assessments, with the exception of domestic violence and parenting issues, the identification of all other family problems was greatest in neglecting families. Physically abusing families had a slightly higher incidence of domestic violence than did neglecting families. It is noteworthy that during the assessments, none of the family conditions were observed in 59 percent of sexually abusing families and in 35 percent of physically abusing families. The prevalence of the family conditions in Alternative Response assessed families is significantly lower. The most common problems indicated were financial problems (18 percent) and domestic violence (14 percent). Over half of the Alternative Response assessments found no observable family conditions (53 percent). It is likely that some of these numbers are an under count as the assessment worker has a time-limited involvement with the family and, as a result, may not learn about the family's underlying problems.

Figure 10 - Prevalence of Family Conditions By Alleged Maltreatment Type - Alternative Response



Child Protection Assessment (continued)

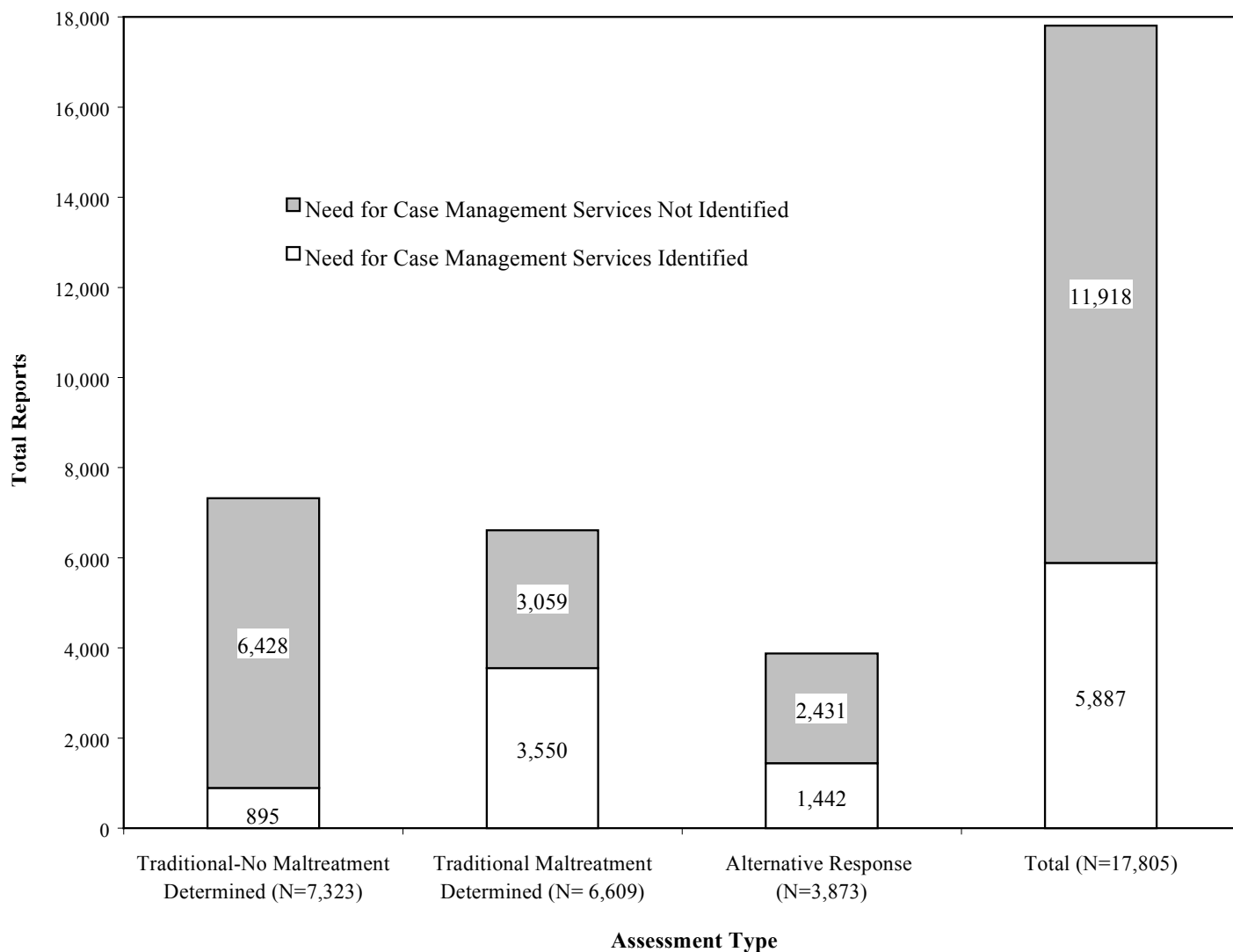
Figure 11 - Prevalence of Family Conditions by Determined Maltreatment Type - Traditional Response



Child Protection Assessment *(continued)*

Figure 12 - The majority of alleged maltreatment reports were closed after the assessment. The need for protective services was identified in 3,550 of the 6,609 (54 percent) of determined reports. About 12 percent of reports that did not receive a determination were identified nonetheless as needing protective services. Case management services were recommended/offered to 37 percent of Alternative Response assessed families.

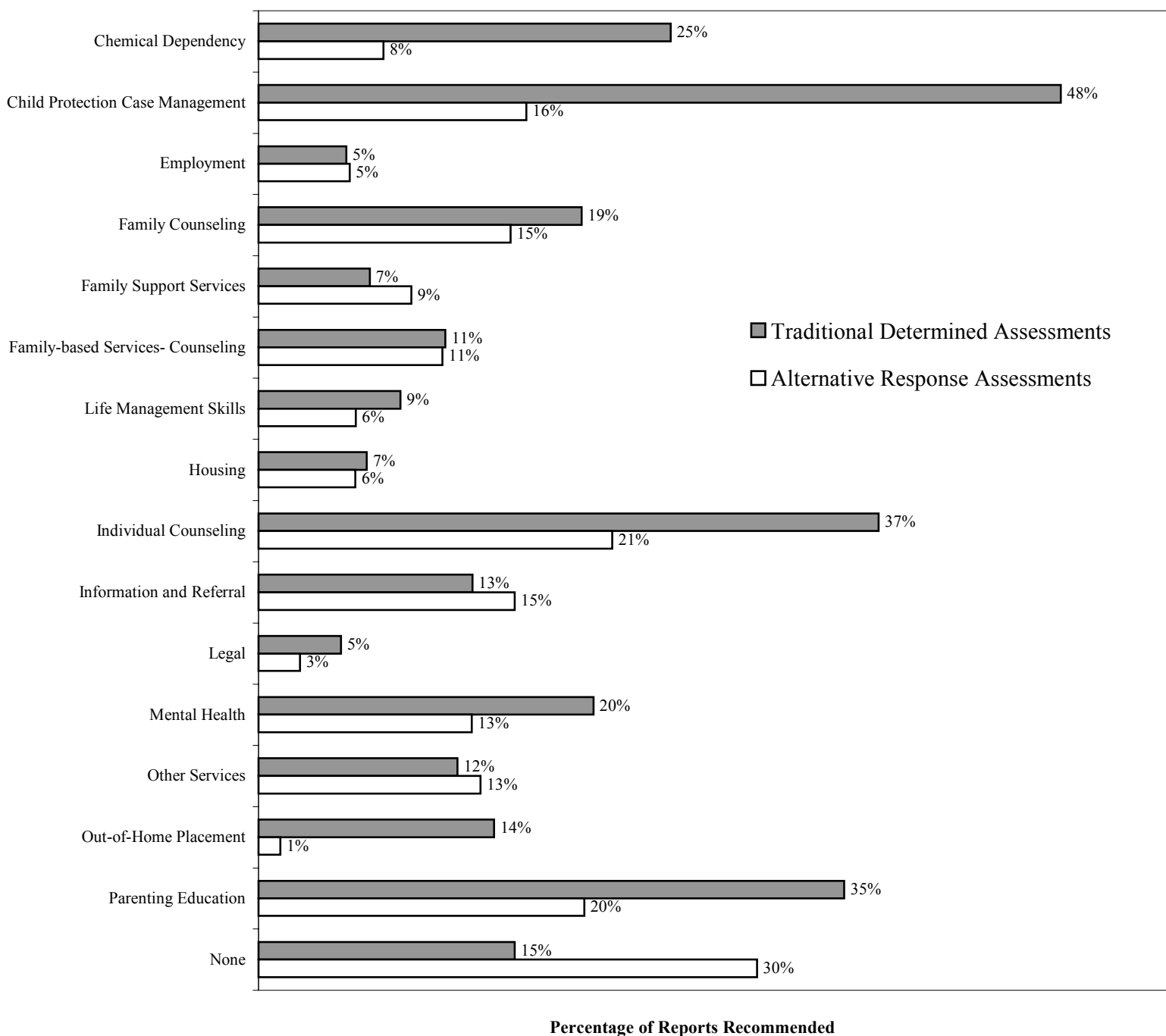
Figure 12 - Child Protective Services or Alternative Response Case Management Needed



Child Protection Assessment (continued)

Figure 13 lists the services most frequently recommended by the assessment worker. The number of recommended services was significantly higher in traditional assessments where maltreatment was determined than Alternative Response. Child protective services case management, individual counseling and parenting education are most frequently recommended. Chemical dependency services were recommended over three times more frequently in traditional assessments than Alternative Response assessments.

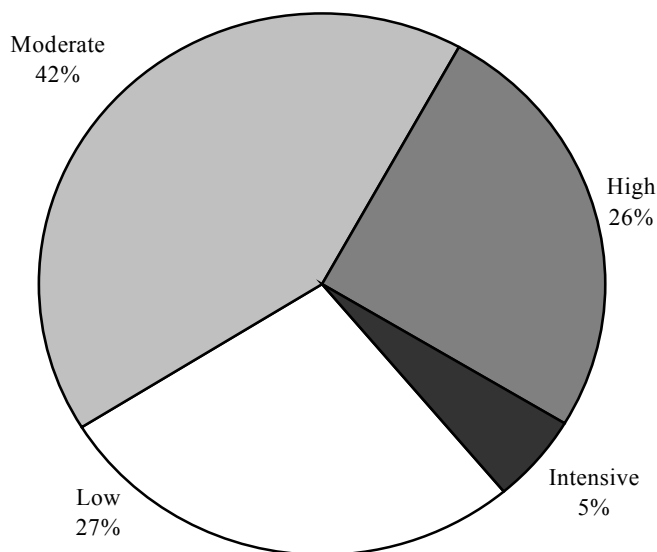
Figure 13 - Recommended Services - Alternative Response and Traditional Determined Assessments



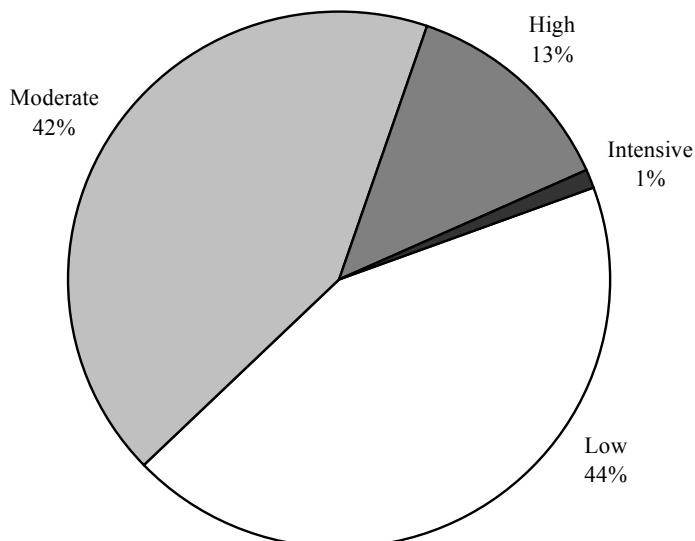
Child Protection Assessment (continued)

Figures 14 and 15: Part of the assessment process includes using a tool to assess the risk of maltreatment in the family. This risk is determined based on quantifying and weighting observations of family conditions such as poverty, past child protection involvement, age of the parent and vulnerability of the child. Beginning in 1999, the Structured Decision Making risk assessment has been gradually implemented statewide, replacing an older tool. Structured Decision Making will be used exclusively statewide in 2004. The vast majority of Alternative Response families were in the low and medium risk categories (86 percent).

**Figure 14 - Structured Decision Making
Overall Risk - Traditional Assessment**



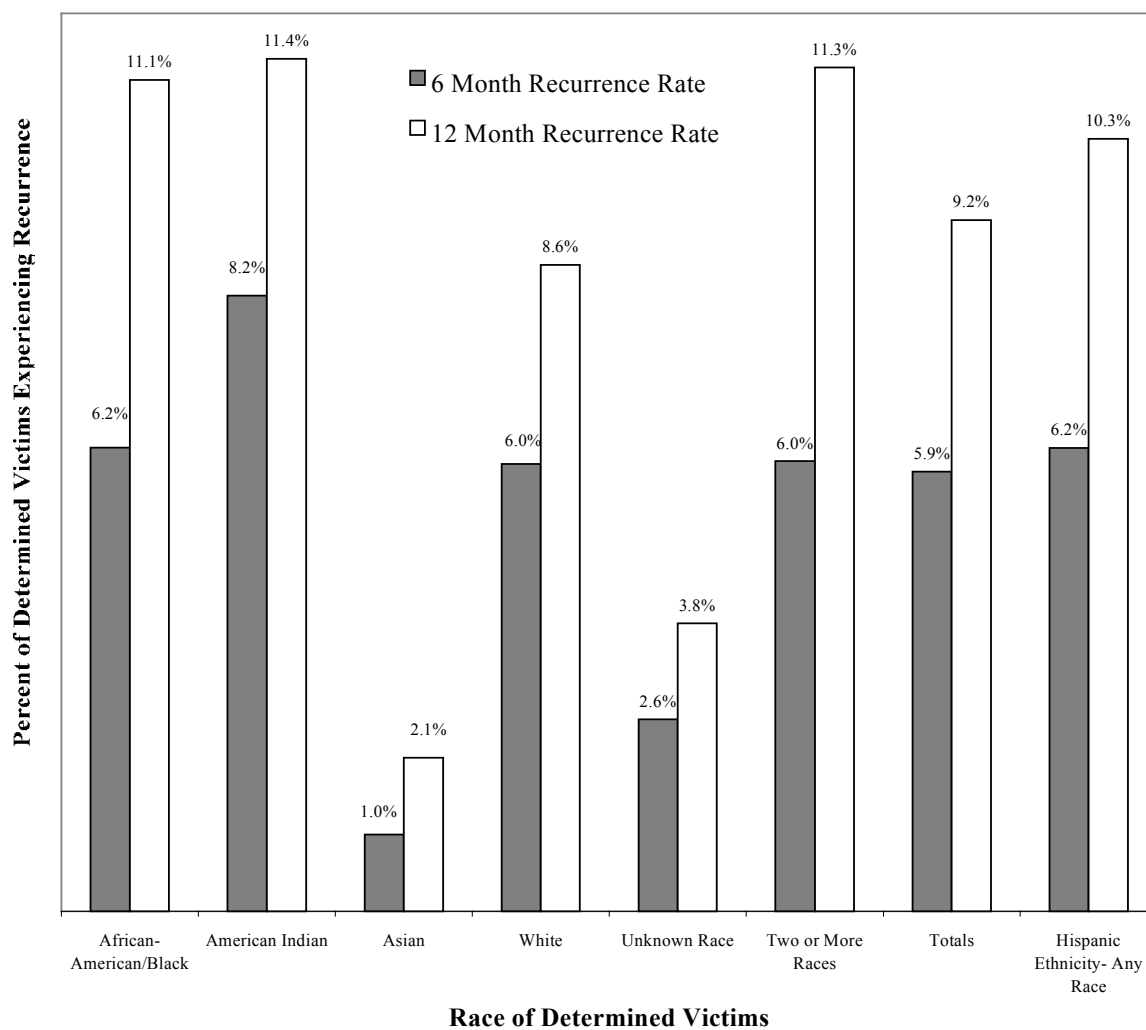
**Figure 15 - Structured Decision Making Overall Risk -
Alternative Response Assessment**



Child Protection Assessment (continued)

Figure 16: Of all determined victims between January 1, 2002 and June 30, 2002, 5.9 percent had a subsequent determined report of maltreatment within six months or 9.2 percent within 12 months. African American/Black, American Indian and children of two or more races had similar rates of recurrence over a 12-month period, just over 11 percent. A child is more likely to be re-reported within six months, due to child protection monitoring the family, unresolved family conditions and a heightened awareness of ongoing maltreatment by mandated reporters.

Figure 16 - Six and 12 Month Recurrence Rate by Race



Children in Out-of-Home Placement

The following section on children in out-of-home placement describes children who experienced one or more days in a placement setting outside of their original home during the 2002 calendar year. Various tables feature age, racial and ethnic identity, number of placements, number of placement settings, length of time in care, reasons for entry, reasons for discharge, and re-entries into care. Comparisons are made to the child population by race in Minnesota to understand if there are racial disparities in numbers of children in placement, as well as to racial differences in reasons for entry and pattern of re-entries.

In this report a placement is defined as an entry into and an ultimate discharge from out-of-home care. The location of the placement is called a placement setting. A child may experience one or more settings in a given placement. On occasion, a child may leave one setting to go to another type of placement setting and then returns to the first placement. Each of these times is counted as an additional placement. If there is a change from one placement setting to another, then a move has taken place. A discharge from care occurs when a child is no longer in out-of-home care.

Totals in the tables reflect the fact that 17,202 unique children had 19,916 placements in out-of-home care and experienced 29,474 placement settings.

Children in Out-of-Home Placement *(continued)*

At a Glance

- *In 2002, about 17,200 children experienced out-of-home care. This is a unique count of children. This is the third year in which a decline has been observed.*
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Figure 17 reports that in 2002, 17,202 children experienced 19,916 placements in out-of-home care. This is a unique count of children. About 300 fewer children were in care at the end of the year than at the beginning of the year. The total number of children experiencing out-of-home care is 2.2 percent lower than the previous year.

Figure 17 - Flow of Children in Out-of-Home Care

	Children*	Placements
Entered Care	9,791	11,803
Continued in Care	8,112	8,113
Left Care	10,495	12,194
Remained in Care	7,722	7,722
Unique Counts	17,202	19,916

**Children may be counted in more than one category.*

Children in Out-of-Home Placement: Demographics

At a Glance

- *More boys than girls spent time in out-of-home placement.*
- *The majority of the children were adolescents.*
- *The majority of children in out-of-home care were White.*
- *Relative to their proportions in the child populations, African American/Black and American Indian children continued to be over-represented in out-of-home placement.*

Figure 18 indicates that more boys (56 percent) experienced out-of-home care in 2002 than did girls (44 percent). This trend has remained about the same since 1997.

Figure 18 - Gender of Children in Out-of-Home Placements

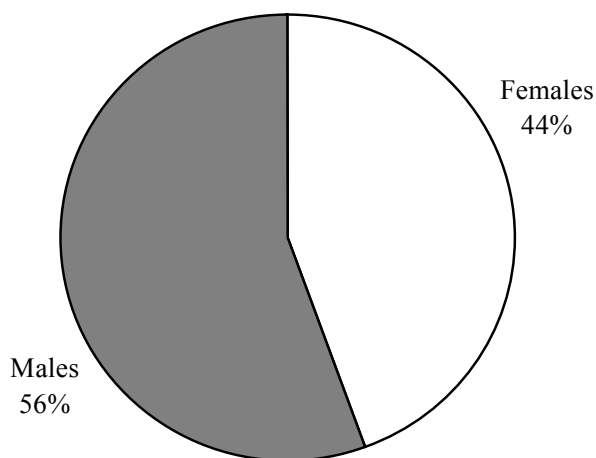


Figure 19 lists the age distribution of children in out-of-home placement.

Figure 19 - Age of Children in Out-of-Home Placement

Age	Total Children	Percent
<1	435	2.5
1	638	3.7
2	605	3.5
3	587	3.4
4	543	3.2
5	481	2.8
6	454	2.6
7	452	2.6
8	499	2.9
9	510	3.0
10	611	3.6
11	667	3.9
12	751	4.4
13	1,028	6.0
14	1,315	7.6
15	1,647	9.6
16	2,060	12.0
17	2,049	11.9
18	1,397	8.1
19	366	2.1
20	69	0.4
21	24	0.1
Missing data	14	0.1
Total	17,202	100

Children in Out-of-Home Placement: Demographics *(continued)*

Figure 20 - Age Groups of Children in Out-of-Home Placement

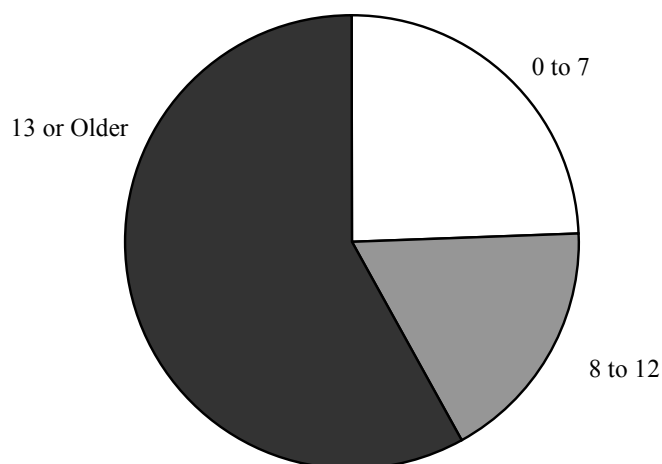


Figure 20 shows the percent of children in three age groups (0-7, 8-12 and 13 years and older). Over half (58 percent) of the children in out-of-home placement were teenagers. The median age continued to be between 13 and 14 years in 2002.

Figure 21 - Race/Ethnicity of Children in Care

Race	Total Children in Care	Percent of Total Children in Care	Percent of Children in 2000 Minnesota Population
African American/Black	3,366	19.6	5.0
American Indian	1,933	11.2	1.6
Asian	440	2.6	4.2
Pacific Islander	10	0.1	-
White	9,881	57.4	83.9
Unknown/Other	276	1.6	1.9
Two or More Races	1,247	7.2	3.4
Missing Data	49	0.3	-
Total	17,202	100	100
Hispanic*	1,123	6.5	5.5

*Hispanic person can be of any race.

Figure 21 shows the number of children in out-of-home placement by race. Although White children made up the largest number of children in care, the proportion of African American/Black and American Indian children in care was about four and seven times their representation in the Minnesota child population. White and Asian children were under-represented in out-of-home placements compared to their proportion in the child population. Children with Hispanic ethnicity can be of any race and have appeared in out-of-home placement in a slightly higher number than their proportion in the Minnesota child population. This rise may be due in part to the growth in the Hispanic child population in recent years.

Number of Placements, Duration and Moves

At a Glance

- *The greatest percentage of children in out-of-home care (88 percent) experienced only one placement in 2002.*
- *Over half of the children in placement experienced only one placement setting while in placement.*
- *Over half of the children in care spent some time in a non-relative foster care setting.*
- *Over 70 percent of the days that children spent in care were in some type of family setting.*
- *About one-third of the children who left care in 2002 spent one week or less in placement.*
- *About 16 percent of all the children in care in 2002 spent one week or less in placement.*
- *Children under age 8 who entered care in 2002 averaged less time in placement than older children.*

Figure 22 - Placement Frequency for Children in Care in 2002

Number of Placements	Unique Children	Percent
1	15,070	87.6
2	1,709	9.9
3	316	1.8
4	80	0.5
5	16	0.1
6	6	0.0
7 or More	5	0.0
Total	19,916	17,202
		100

Figure 22 lists the distribution of the number of placements for all children in care. Nearly 90 percent experienced only one placement within the year 2002. The children with seven or more placements entered care for reasons related to the child's own behavior.

Figure 23 lists the frequency of moves for children in care within the calendar year. Approximately 60 percent of the children experienced no moves while in placement. Another 22 percent experienced one move while in placement.

Figure 23 - Frequency of Moves Within a Placement for Children in Care

Moves	Unique Children	Percent
0 (no moves)	10,601	61.6
1	3,784	22.0
2 or More	2,815	16.4
Missing Data	2	0
Total	17,202	100

Number of Placements, Duration and Moves (continued)

Figure 24 reports on the types and frequency of placement settings that children experienced. About half of the 17,202 children spent some time in non-relative foster family homes and about one-third spent some time in a residential/institutional setting.

**Figure 24 - Children in Out-of-Home Care
By Placement Setting**

Placement Setting	Placement Setting Occurrences	Children*
Pre-adoptive Home - Relative	227	221
Pre-adoptive Home - Non-relative	818	761
Foster Family Home - Relative	3,450	3,043
Foster Family Home - Non-relative	11,548	8,621
Group Home	4,060	2,999
Residential Treatment/Institution	9,247	6,100
Supervised Independent Living	56	49
Runaway (from placement)	68	60
Total	29,474	21,854

*Each child is counted only once under each placement setting but may be counted in more than one setting.

**Figure 25 - Days in Living Arrangements by
Placement Setting**

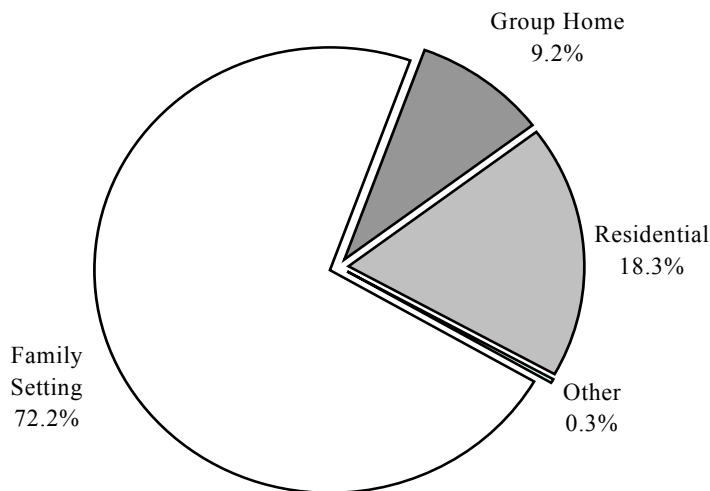


Figure 25 shows the number of days that children spent in care by placement setting during calendar year 2002. Over 70 percent of the days that children spent in care were in family settings. “Family Setting” includes foster family and pre-adoptive homes with relatives or non-relatives. “Other” includes supervised independent living, runaway from placement and unknown settings.

Comparing Figures 24 and 25 it is interesting to note that while 31 percent of the 29,474 placement settings and 35 percent of the 17,202 unique children were in residential/institutional settings at some time during the year, only 18 percent of the days were in those settings.

Number of Placements, Duration and Moves (continued)

Figure 26 describes the duration of placements that ended in 2002. Note that some of these placements began prior to 2002, thus the length of time of some placements exceeded 365 days. About one-third of these placements were one week or less and 17 percent were more than one year. The average number of days per placement that ended was 248.

Figure 26 - Length of Placement Ending in 2002

Days in Care	Number of Placements	Percent of Placements
0 to 7	3,462	28.4
8 to 30	1,762	14.4
31 to 90	1,768	14.5
91 to 180	1,460	12.0
181 to 365	1,646	13.5
366+	2,096	17.2
Episodes Ending in 2002	12,194	100

Figure 27 - Days in Care in 2002

Days in Care	Number of Children	Percent of Children
0-7	2,447	14.2
8-30	1,807	10.5
31-90	2,520	14.6
91-180	2,854	16.6
181-365	7,574	44.0
Total	17,202	100

Figure 27 describes the number of days children spent in care *within* the calendar year. About 25 percent of the children spent 30 days or less in care while 44 percent spent more than one half of the year in care. The average number of days in care in the calendar year was 172.

Figure 28 shows the number of days in care for children under age 8. Consistent with Figure 27, about a quarter of the children spent 30 days or less in care and about 40 percent spent more than one half of the year in care. The average number of days in care for these children was 160, slightly less than the average of 172 days for children of all ages.

Figure 28 - Days in Care in 2002 for Children Under Age 8

Days in Care	Number of Children	Percent of Children
0-7	666	15.9
8-30	381	9.1
31-90	659	15.7
91-180	770	18.4
181-365	1,719	41.0
Total	4,195	100

Re-entry into Placement and Reasons for Placements and Reasons for Discharge

At A Glance

- *About 27 percent of children who entered care in 2002 (9,791) re-entered care one or more times within the previous 12 months.*
- *American Indian children were the most likely to re-enter care in 2002, followed by White children.*
- *The most frequent reason that was cited for children entering care was child behavior, followed by parental neglect.*
- *Most children, about 80 percent, left care to be reunified with parent or primary caretaker.*

Figure 29 presents the out-of-home placement re-entry rate for all children who entered care by race and ethnicity. Re-entry means that a child was in placement in 2002 as well as a prior placement within 12 months of the 2002 placement. This is in compliance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) guidelines. American Indian children have the highest re-entry rate, 31.6 percent.

Figure 29 - Re-entry Rate Within 12 Months of a Prior Placement for All Children Who Entered Care in 2002

Race	Entered Care	Re-entered Care Within 12 Months**	Percent
African American/Black	1,857	432	23.3
American Indian	988	312	31.6
Asian	307	66	21.5
Pacific Islander	6	1	16.7
White	5,760	1,672	29.0
Two or More Races	614	161	26.2
Unknown/Other	213	28	13.1
Missing Data	46	4	8.7
Total Children	9,791	2,676	27.3
Hispanic*	695	171	24.6

*May be of any race.

**This is the first year that children re-entering on the same day they exit are excluded, therefore, the data are not comparable with previous years.

Re-entry into Placement and Reasons for Placements and Reasons for Discharge *(continued)*

Figure 30 reports the reasons why children entered care. For this figure children were counted only once within each reason. However, because children may have entered care for multiple reasons or may have entered multiple times for different reasons, they may be counted in more than one reason. The figure shows that child behavior was the most common reason cited for placement, followed by alleged neglect.

Figure 30 - Reasons for Entering Out-of-Home Care

Reasons	Number of Children	Number of Reasons
Abandonment	1,201	1,221
Alleged Neglect	4,734	4,904
Alleged Physical Abuse	1,968	2,040
Alleged Sexual Abuse	855	892
Caretaker Inability to Cope	3,423	3,677
Child Alcohol Abuse	427	486
Child Behavior	7,680	9,439
Child Disability	1,114	1,165
Child Drug Abuse	729	831
Inadequate Housing	977	1,000
Parent Alcohol Abuse	1,423	1,467
Parent Death	139	143
Parent Drug Abuse	2,133	2,219
Parent Incarceration	1,082	1,121
Relinquishment of Parental Rights	411	424

Figure 31 reports that 78 percent of the children left care to return home to a parent, primary caretaker or other relative.

Figure 31 - Reasons for Discharge from Care

Reasons for Discharge	Placements	Percent
Reunification with Parents/Primary Caretakers	8,944	73.3
Living with Other Relatives	596	4.9
Transfer to Another Agency	497	4.1
Runaway from Placement (placement no longer planned)	572	4.7
Reached Age of Majority or Emancipated	568	4.7
Adoption Finalized	625	5.1
Guardianship	69	0.6
Death of Child	9	0.1
Permanent Transfer of Legal and Physical Custody to a Relative	291	2.4
Missing Data	23	0.2
Total*	12,194	100

**Some children were in care more than once during the year.*

Out-of-Home Care: Categories of Reasons for Entry

At a Glance

- *Reasons for entry are grouped into four categories: parent, child, child disability or two or more of these categories. About 50 percent of children entered care for parent reasons.*
 - *White children were more likely to enter care for parent reasons and reasons related to their own behavior, while African American/Black and American Indian children were more likely to enter care for reasons related to their parents' behavior.*
 - *Children who entered care for parent reasons or their own disability were most often placed in non-relative family foster homes.*
 - *Children who entered care for reasons related to parents' behavior stayed in care an average of nearly one year. (Average days in care declined from 355 in 2000 to 337 in 2002.)*
 - *Children who entered care for behavior reasons were most often placed in residential treatment facilities or institutions.*
 - *Children who entered care for reasons related to their own behavior were twice as likely to re-enter care than children who entered care for reasons related to their parents' behavior.*
 - *Children who entered care for reasons related to their disability stayed in care the longest, averaging a little less than three years.*
 - *The percentage of children entering care for disability reasons decreased between 2001 and 2002.*
 - *Regardless of the reasons for entry, most children left care to live with their parents or primary caretakers.*
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The reasons why children enter care influence their paths while in care, as well as what happens to them when they leave care. This section examines where children were placed when they entered care, how long they spent in placement, their reunification rate and their re-entry rate within the year.

For the purposes of this section, the 15 reasons for entry have been divided into four categories:

- Reasons related to parents include alleged physical abuse, alleged sexual abuse, alleged neglect, parental substance abuse, death or abandonment by a parent, parental inability to cope, incarceration, relinquishment of parental rights, and inadequate housing.
- Reasons related to children include a child's behavior, delinquency, status offenses and their own substance abuse.
- Reasons related to a child's disability include children who are developmentally disabled or who have a diagnosis of serious emotional disturbance.
- Two or more of the above categories.

Out-of-Home Care: Categories of Reasons for Entry *(continued)*

Figure 32 - Reasons for Entry by Category for Children in Out-of-Home Placement

Figure 32 reports on the four reasons why children entered care: parent behavior, child behavior, child disability and two or more of these reasons. When reasons for entry were grouped together, most children entered care for parent-related reasons, as compared to Figure 30 where child behavior is the single reason most often cited for children's entry into care.

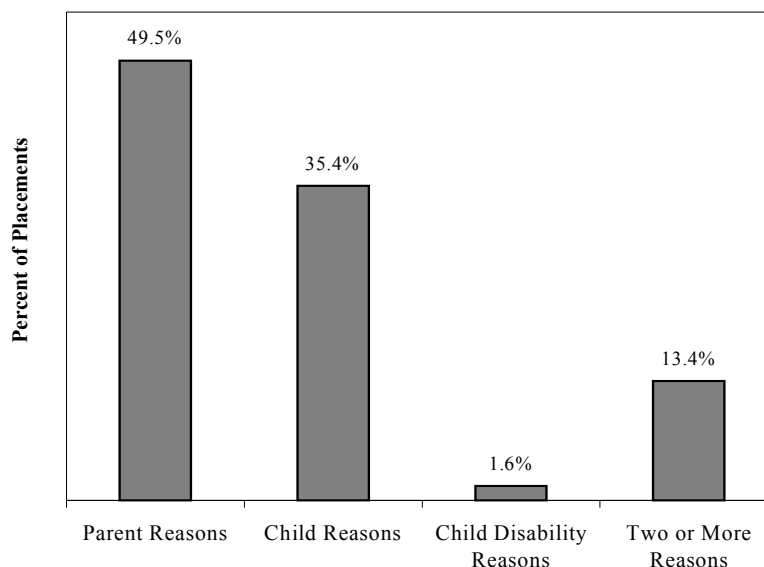


Figure 33 illustrates the distribution of children who entered care by race, according to the four categories of reasons for entry. White children entered care for parent reasons and reasons related to child behavior equally, while the majority of African American/Black and American Indian children entered care for reasons related to parents. African American/Black children are three times more likely to enter care for parent reasons than child reasons. More than twice as many American Indian children entered care for reasons related to parent behavior than for reasons related to child behavior.

Figure 33 - Categories of Reasons for Entry by Race and Ethnicity of Children in Out-of-Home Placement

Race	Parent	Child	Child Disability	Two or More Reasons	Unique Children
African American/Black	2,372	691	36	373	3,366
American Indian	1,179	529	15	286	1,933
Asian	192	205	8	45	440
Pacific Islander	7	3	0	0	10
White	4,474	3,897	240	1,580	9,881
Two or More Races	857	240	10	185	276
Unknown/Other	149	108	2	23	1,247
Missing Data	11	25	2	11	49
Total	9,241	5,698	313	2,503	17,202
Hispanic*	692	306	8	144	1,123

*Hispanic persons may be of any race.

Out-of-Home Care: Categories of Reasons for Entry *(continued)*

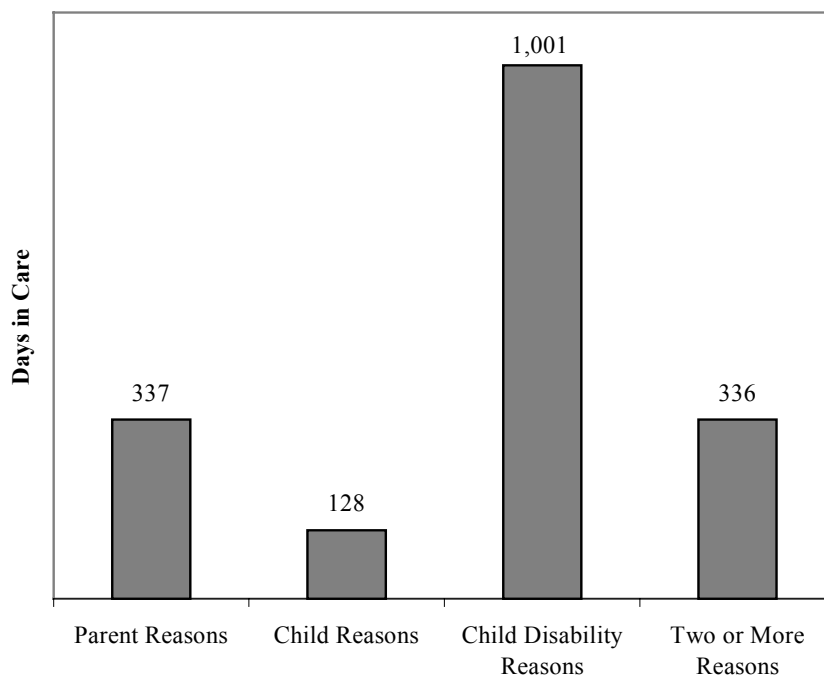
Figure 34 illustrates that children who entered care for parent or child disability reasons were most often placed in non-relative family foster homes. Children who entered for child behavior reasons were most often placed in residential treatment facilities or institutions.

Figure 34 - Placement Setting by Category of Reasons for Entry

Placement Setting	Parent Reasons	Child Reasons	Child Disability	Two or More Reasons	Total
Foster Family Home - Non-relative	5,857	1,451	153	1,298	8,759
Foster Family Home - Relative	2,654	123	12	268	3,057
Group Home	523	1,806	74	668	3,071
Pre-adoptive Home - Non-relative	684	11	1	65	761
Pre-adoptive Home - Relative	208	7		6	221
Residential Treatment/Institution	1,699	3,460	103	1,028	6,290
Runaway (from placement)	8	36		17	61
Supervised Independent Living	13	13	5	18	49
Missing Data	1	1	0	0	2
Total	11,647	6,908	348	3,368	22,271

Figure 35 displays the duration of placements for all children who left care by category of reasons for entry. Some placements began prior to 2002, thus the length of time in care for some children exceeded 365 days. Children who entered care for child disability reasons averaged the longest stays, a little less than three years. Overall the average number of days in care for placements ending in 2002 was 248 days. Children who entered care for reasons related to parents or two or more reasons stayed in care, on an average, less than a year.

Figure 35 - Average Length of Stay Per Placement by Category of Reason



Out-of-Home Care: Categories of Reasons for Entry *(continued)*

Figure 36 reports where children went when they were discharged from care by the four categories of reasons for entry. Regardless of the reason for entry, reunification was the most common outcome. Children who entered care for child behavior reasons were most likely to be reunified with parents/primary caretakers. Children with disabilities were the least likely to be reunified with parents/primary caretakers. Children who were discharged to adoption or permanent transfer of legal and physical custody to a relative entered care due to parent related reasons.

Figure 36 – Reasons for Discharge by Reasons for Entry Category

Reason for Discharge	Parent Reasons	Child Reasons	Child Disability	Two or More Reasons	Total Placements
Reunification with Parents/Primary Caretakers	3,393	4,550	62	939	8,944
Living with Other Relatives	423	109	0	64	596
Adoption Finalized	591	3	1	30	625
Permanent Transfer of Legal and Physical Custody to a Relative	252	8	0	31	291
Others*	522	825	41	327	1,715
Missing Data	6	5	3	9	23
Total	5,187	5,500	107	1,400	12,194

*Reached age of majority or emancipated, guardianship transferred to another agency, runaway from placement, death.

Figure 37 reports the re-entry rate for children in care by the four categories of reasons for entry. Re-entry means that a child who was in placement in 2002 was in a prior placement within 12 months. Children who entered care for reasons related to parent behavior were the least likely to re-enter care. Children who entered care for reasons related to child behavior or for multiple reasons were more than two times as likely to have had a prior placement than children who entered for parent related reasons.

Figure 37 - Re-entry by Category of Reasons in 2002

	Parent Reasons	Child Reasons	Child Disability	Two or More Reasons	Total
Entered Care*	4,622	3,995	88	1,086	9,791
Re-entered Within 12 Months	746	1,500	23	407	2,676
Re-entry Rate (Percent)	16.1	37.5	26.1	37.5	27.3

*Only last placement is counted.

Adoptions

In 2002, 613 children under state guardianship were adopted. This section describes these children and their age, race and ethnic identity and gender. It also reports on:

- The length of time from the date when a child became available for adoption, as defined by a court order, to the time of actual adoption
- The percent of sibling groups adopted
- The race and ethnicity of children under state guardianship who were adopted in 2002.

This section features data from the Minnesota Department of Human Services' Adoption Information System, which includes data from court and county documents. At the time of their adoption, all children described in this section were under state guardianship. A child is under state guardianship when a court orders termination of parental rights and the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Human Services assumes legal guardianship for the child's placement, health and welfare.

Note: The number of adoptions reported in this section differs from the number of discharges as a result of adoption finalization reported in Figure 31. The number of discharges includes data entry errors, which were corrected after the data were collected for this report.

Adoptions (continued)

At a Glance

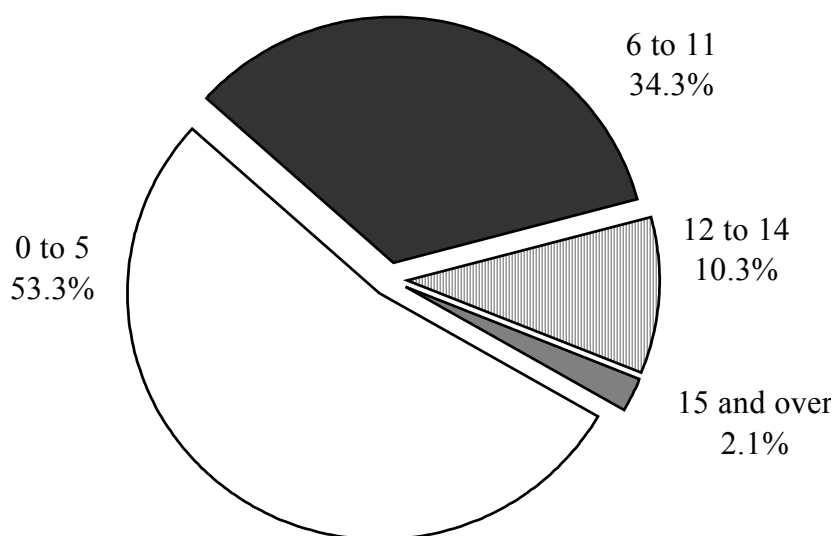
- *Over 50 percent of the children under state guardianship were under the age of 6 and 87 percent were under the age of 12.*
- *Of the children adopted under state guardianship slightly more were boys than girls.*
- *African American/Black children and children of two or more races were over six times more likely than a White child to be adopted in 2002.*
- *The average number of days in care, from the date available for adoption to the date of adoption, has decreased by 143 days since 1998.*
- *Most siblings (96 percent) were adopted together.*

In 2002, 613 children under state guardianship were adopted. Figures 38 and 39 report the age group of these children at the time they were adopted. Fifty-three percent of the children adopted were under age 6 and over 87 percent were 11 and younger.

Figure 38 - Children Under State Guardianship Adopted in 2002 by Age Group

Age Group	Children Adopted	Percent
0 to 5	327	53.3
6 to 11	210	34.3
12 to 14	63	10.3
15 and over	13	2.1
Total	613	100

Figure 39 - Children Under State Guardianship Adopted in 2002 by Age Group



Adoptions (continued)

Figure 40 - Children Under State Guardianship Adopted in 2002 by Gender

Figure 40 shows that slightly more boys were adopted than girls.

Gender	Children
Female	301
Male	312
Total	613

Figure 41 shows the number of children under state guardianship who were adopted in 2002 by race and Hispanic ethnicity, the incidence of adoption per 1,000 children in the Minnesota child population, and a comparison by race. For example, in 2002, 24 American Indian children were adopted. According to the 2000 census, there were 20,607 American Indians under 18 in Minnesota. The incidence of adoption equals 1.16 per 1,000 American Indian children in the Minnesota population. In comparison, .32 White children per 1,000 were adopted. Therefore, the ratio of adoption of American Indian to White children was 3.6. In other words, American Indian children were over three and one half times more likely to be adopted than White children, relative to the population.

Figure 41 - Incidence of Adoptions by Race for Children Under State Guardianship

Race	Children Adopted	Children Adopted per 1,000 in Minnesota Population*	Ratio to White Children in Minnesota Population
African American/Black	128	1.99	6.2
American Indian	24	1.16	3.6
Asian	0	-	-
White	343	0.32	1.0
Two or More Races	116	2.65	8.3
Missing data	2	0	0
Hispanic**	51	.92	2.9

*This calculation uses two decimal places because the actual numbers are very small.

** Hispanic persons may be of any race.

Adoptions (continued)

Figure 42 presents the average days in care for the years 1998 through 2002 for children under state guardianship from the date they were available for adoption to the date they were adopted. The average days in care has decreased by 143 days since 1998.

Figure 42 - Average Days from Date of Authority for Placement to Adoption

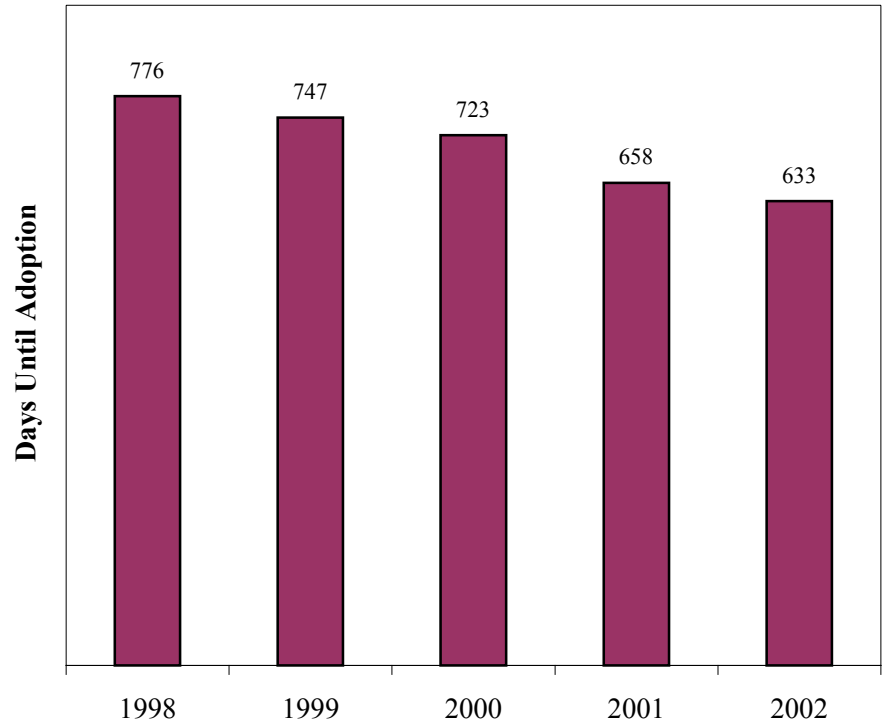


Figure 43 - Sibling Group Preservation

	Siblings Adopted	Percent
Sibling Group Preserved in Entirety in Adoption	312	95
Siblings Adopted With at Least One Other Sibling	4	1
Children in a Sibling Group Not Adopted With Another Sibling	14	4
Total	330	100

Figure 43 displays the percent of sibling groups available for adoption that remained together in their entirety in their adoptive homes. It also shows the percent of children in sibling groups who were adopted with at least one of their siblings but not with the entire sibling group.

Of the 613 children adopted, 330 (54 percent) were part of a sibling group. Of the 330 children in sibling groups, 312 (95 percent) had their sibling group preserved in its entirety when they were adopted. Of the remaining 18 children in sibling groups, four were adopted with at least one brother or sister.

Performance Measures: Outcomes and Indicators

In 1998, Minnesota counties began to use performance indicators to measure how well the state's child welfare system was protecting children at risk of abuse and neglect and how well the system was providing permanent homes for children. This section of the report provides statewide performance on six key federal indicators. The national standards for these measures were established by the federal Department of Health and Human Services in 2001.

Performance of each Minnesota county on these and two state indicators (the percent of cases in which child protective services are needed and the 12-month recurrence rate) is provided in the Appendices.

Performance Indicators	National Standards	2002 Results
Federal Safety Indicator 1.1 Of all children who were victims of substantiated child abuse or neglect during the first six months of the reporting period, what percent had another substantiated report within six months?	6.1 or less	5.9
Federal Safety Indicator 2.1 Of all children who were in foster care during the reporting period, what percent was the subject of determined maltreatment by a foster parent or facility staff?	.57 or less	0.28
Federal Permanency Indicator 4.1 Of all the children who were reunified with their parents or caretakers at the time of discharge from foster care, what percent were reunified within 12 months from the time of the latest removal from home?	76.2 or more	91.2
Federal Permanency Indicator 4.2 Of all the children who entered out-of-home placement during the year, what percent re-entered placement within 12 months of a prior placement?	8.6 or less	27.3
Federal Permanency Indicator 5.1 Of all the children who exited placement to a finalized adoption, what percent exited placement within 24 months?	32.0 or more	38.7
Federal Permanency Indicator 6.1 Of all children who have been in out-of-home placement less than 12 months from the time of the last removal from home, what percentage have had no more than two placement settings during that time period?	86.7 or more	87.9

Appendix

Child Subjects of Child Protection Reports by Maltreatment Type and Track

Note: A child may be a victim of more than one type of maltreatment, therefore "Totals" do not equal the sum of the victims in each maltreatment type.

County	Totals			Physical Abuse			Sexual Abuse			Neglect			Mental Injury		
	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response
	Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined	
Aitkin	99	59		19	10		6	3		36	47		3	3	
Anoka	803	450	345	221	104	124	142	68		472	284	225			
Becker	318	66		127	18		16	1		103	52				
Beltrami	248	132		55	22		32	13		101	104				
Benton	110	60	55	54	22	19	21	10		60	31	36	5	3	
Big Stone	31	13	7	11	7	1	3			12	8	5			1
Blue Earth	270	87	72	115	18	23	29	9		119	63	52	3		
Brown	111	43	17	40	12	9	17	6		44	25	7	4	3	1
Carlton	65	52	58	14	8	23	4	2		50	45	35	1		
Carver	183	104	158	55	23	36	25	14	2	174	79	132	1	1	
Cass	255	69	39	72	10	20	31	11	1	109	48	22			1
Chippewa	12	9	17	4	1	6	1	1		14	7	11			
Chisago	256	111	93	72	19	19	46	15		158	80	75	2		
Clay	243	127	37	71	27	4	14	1		118	101	33			
Clearwater	5	2	11	2	1	7	1		1	5	1	3			
Cook	23	15	7	1		3				12	15	3	3		1
Cottonwood	77	25	92	30	4	16	8	2		71	19	76	1		1
Crow Wing	174	90	58	28	10	9	16	10		94	71	51			
Dakota	1036	481	669	338	121	157	133	44		743	326	520			
Dodge	110	62		49	22		6	4		37	36		4	1	
Douglas	249	93		84	24		14	5		108	65		10	3	
Fillmore	35	15	44	18	10	13	11	1	1	28	6	34			
Freeborn	67	18	78	26	5	33	15	5	1	66	8	47	1		
Goodhue	43	20	47	21	12	25	17	4		24	7	24			
Grant	19	6		3	2		2			9	3		2	2	
Hennepin	7,593	3,574	498	1,878	667	197	598	239		3,473	2,893	313	1	1	
Houston	61	25	54	16	8	19	27	9		39	14	40	2		3
Hubbard	39	23	14	8	1	9	5	1	1	15	21	6			

Child Subjects of Child Protection Reports by Maltreatment Type and Track (continued)

County	Totals			Physical Abuse			Sexual Abuse			Neglect			Mental Injury		
	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response
	Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined	
Isanti	109	76		33	14		16	11		43	52		1		
Itasca	99	56	17	32	10	4	24	12		33	35	13	2		
Jackson	14	6	29	3		15	4	2		17	4	14			
Kanabec	44	23	46	14	7	12	3	2		16		34			
Kandiyohi	178	65	122	76	15	30	21	6		114	46	98	4	1	
Kittson	9	3		3	1					4	2				
Koochiching	54	22		14	1		11	8		18	10		3	3	
Lac qui Parle	11	5	9	4	3	4	2			6	3	5			
Lake	14	10	2	4	1	1	5	3		6	7	1			
Lake of the Woods	7	2		3						4	2		2		
Le Sueur	132	71		31	12		15	6		49	54		4		
McLeod	142	52	110	51	18	27	12	5		99	30	85	4	1	
Mahnomen	108	44		40	15		14	6		34	26				
Marshall	37	18		12	4		5	1		14	15				
Meeker	14	12	6	4	4	2	3	2		7	6	4			
Mille Lacs	154	49	63	74	12	14	37	12		58	25	56	3	1	
Morrison	122	60		55	22		14	6		32	32		1	1	
Mower	214	91		64	15		20	9		87	69				
Nicollet	93	32	52	41	8	14	21	7		51	18	39	1		
Nobles	10	4	22	8	3	11	1			8	1	11			
Norman	57	35	9	12	3	2	7			22	33	7	1		
Olmsted	490	235	696	79	19	157	71	31		537	189	557	2	1	
Otter Tail	253	109	57	110	36	3	14	5		114	70	55			
Pennington	16	9	-	11	6		2	1		3	2				
Pine	74	36	50	22	11	28	20	7		37	18	22			
Pipestone	63	19	38	21	4	9	5	1		35	14	29			
Polk	182	74	91	92	21	21	11	2		104	56	73	1	1	
Pope	24	11	65	8	1	31	5			31	10	40		2	

Child Subjects of Child Protection Reports by Maltreatment Type and Track (continued)

County	Totals			Physical Abuse			Sexual Abuse			Neglect			Mental Injury		
	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response	Traditional		Alternative Response
	Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined		Alleged	Determined	
Ramsey	1,698	1,153	542	451	266	212	190	93	1	958	872	340			2
Red Lake	10	6	1	5	1		2	2		3	3	1			
Redwood	42	8	-	21	2		4	1		16	5		1		
St. Louis	670	328	286	174	53	111	104	47		347	233	174	1	1	1
Renville	28	11	-	10	1		6	2		6	9				
Rice	215	86	-	48	17		19	6		92	63				
Rock	18	5	-	13	4		4			1	1		1		
Roseau	24	12	-	10	3		3			10	9				
Scott	362	148	129	81	24	43	32	11		221	116	90	1		
Sherburne	33	20	19	10	5	10	11	7		16	9	9			
Sibley	43	13	14	14	3	3	12	3		27	8	12			
Stearns	201	110	-	64	33		63	31		45	47				
Steele	215	63	-	81	18		21	4		80	41		1		
Stevens	11	6	-	4	3		1	1		4	2				
Swift	112	65	25	26	20	5	7	2		48	47	20			
Todd	134	66	5	55	30		27	7		38	38	5			
Traverse	47	13	2	17	8	1	2	2		13	4	1			
Wabasha	75	30	34	27	8	13	16	3		36	20	21			
Wadena	77	45	6	26	5	1	5	5		32	36	6			
Waseca	82	30	50	40	14	15	7	3		50	12	37	1	1	
Washington	720	352	-	213	82		49	29		278	259		4	3	
Watsonwan	70	23	-	26	9		8	2		20	12		1		
Wilkin	34	16	-	16	4		3			11	12				
Winona	96	43	57	30	10	27	15	4		62	30	30			3
Wright	124	45	175	49	18	43	16	5		135	24	141	3		1
Yellow Medicine	67	36	30	31	11	9	5	2		35	26	22			
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	218	48	-	59	20		20	7		102	21				
Faribault-Martin	374	159	-	91	26		33	20		132	114				
Minnesota	21,059	10,000	5,329	6,045	2,152	1,650	2,288	922	8	10,713	7,377	3,802	86	28	21

State Safety Indicator

What was the number and percent of cases in Minnesota in which child protective services were needed?

County	Total Traditional Reports	Reports Needing Child Protective Services	Percent of Reports Needing Child Protective Services
Aitkin	55	22	40.0
Anoka	621	183	29.5
Becker	202	59	29.2
Beltrami	177	67	37.9
Benton	80	42	52.5
Big Stone	15	5	33.3
Blue Earth	178	46	25.8
Brown	85	25	29.4
Carlton	37	23	62.2
Carver	117	37	31.6
Cass	169	41	24.3
Chippewa	8	-	0.0
Chisago	177	69	39.0
Clay	171	74	43.3
Clearwater	5	2	40.0
Cook	10	3	30.0
Cottonwood	53	26	49.1
Crow Wing	106	37	34.9
Dakota	751	181	24.1
Dodge	77	23	29.9
Douglas	168	67	39.9
Fillmore	28	11	39.3
Freeborn	63	14	22.2
Goodhue	37	9	24.3
Grant	14	5	35.7
Hennepin	4,745	1,218	25.7
Houston	43	16	37.2
Hubbard	23	9	39.1
Isanti	84	38	45.2
Itasca	69	23	33.3
Jackson	11	6	54.5
Kanabec	29	7	24.1
Kandiyohi	106	59	55.7
Kittson	7	3	42.9
Koochiching	38	5	13.2
Lac qui Parle	7	3	42.9
Lake	11	8	72.7
Lake of the Woods	6	1	16.7
Le Sueur	83	51	61.4
McLeod	96	34	35.4
Mahnomen	60	22	36.7
Marshall	26	1	3.8
Meeker	11	5	45.5
Mille Lacs	107	21	19.6

State Safety Indicator *(continued)*

County	Total Traditional Reports	Reports Needing Child Protective Services	Percent of Reports Needing Child Protective Services
Morrison	85	49	57.6
Mower	153	38	24.8
Nicollet	79	23	29.1
Nobles	10	3	30.0
Norman	32	12	37.5
Olmsted	323	160	49.5
Otter Tail	161	82	50.9
Pennington	16	6	37.5
Pine	55	25	45.5
Pipestone	38	16	42.1
Polk	121	35	28.9
Pope	13	6	46.2
Ramsey	1,126	536	47.6
Red Lake	8	1	12.5
Redwood	31	4	12.9
Renville	16	6	37.5
Rice	154	31	20.1
Rock	17	6	35.3
Roseau	23	8	34.8
St. Louis	487	145	29.8
Scott	240	54	22.5
Sherburne	30	13	43.3
Sibley	35	14	40.0
Stearns	146	47	32.2
Steele	163	46	28.2
Stevens	9	4	44.4
Swift	60	35	58.3
Todd	88	46	52.3
Traverse	22	11	50.-
Wabasha	46	18	39.1
Wadena	47	14	29.8
Waseca	71	17	23.9
Washington	458	146	31.9
Watonwan	49	11	22.4
Wilkin	26	12	46.2
Winona	71	16	22.5
Wright	97	33	34.0
Yellow Medicine	38	12	31.6
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	104	45	43.3
Faribault-Martin	218	58	26.6
Minnesota	13,932	4,445	31.9

Flow of Children In Out-of-Home Placement During 2002

County	Continued in Placement from Previous Year	Entered Placement in 2002	Left Placement in 2002	Remained in Placement After End of Year
Aitkin	48	52	65	46
Anoka	364	408	416	374
Becker	125	73	94	105
Beltrami	154	78	87	147
Benton	68	57	80	47
Big Stone	7	8	9	6
Blue Earth	82	106	120	66
Brown	30	49	50	31
Carlton	77	59	41	94
Carver	66	147	139	82
Cass	100	220	231	86
Chippewa	9	25	12	21
Chisago	77	170	161	95
Clay	94	108	110	97
Clearwater	18	19	21	17
Cook	4	9	11	2
Cottonwood	43	22	24	43
Crow Wing	114	146	148	112
Dakota	286	357	395	252
Dodge	16	48	45	20
Douglas	46	62	69	34
Fillmore	32	25	40	17
Freeborn	67	65	68	64
Goodhue	63	118	121	57
Grant	6	7	9	5
Hennepin	2,169	2,272	2,474	2,044
Houston	37	43	53	28
Hubbard	27	71	76	24
Isanti	55	61	52	65
Itasca	143	220	240	133
Jackson	31	32	35	29
Kanabec	25	60	63	20
Kandiyohi	50	75	66	66
Kittson	7	9	14	2
Koochiching	39	34	53	23
Lac qui Parle	4	20	19	6
Lake	23	31	29	26
Lake of the Woods	4	3	4	4
Le Sueur	58	48	52	59
McLeod	36	48	48	37
Mahnomen	29	41	38	29
Marshall	14	21	25	9
Meeker	34	40	45	27

Flow of Children In Out-of-Home Placement During 2002 *(continued)*

County	Continued in Placement from Previous Year	Entered Placement in 2002	Left Placement in 2002	Remained in Placement After End of Year
Mille Lacs	49	76	79	49
Morrison	43	68	70	47
Mower	70	98	109	66
Nicollet	20	38	42	19
Nobles	19	23	28	17
Norman	10	19	20	9
Olmsted	113	212	219	115
Otter Tail	70	94	107	70
Pennington	31	27	25	32
Pine	78	80	97	63
Pipestone	16	17	23	10
Polk	48	123	128	45
Pope	16	11	15	12
Ramsey	1,211	1,145	1,205	1,189
Red Lake	4	11	13	2
Redwood	34	28	33	29
Renville	32	20	33	18
Rice	68	27	45	53
Rock	12	16	17	14
Roseau	13	22	19	17
St. Louis	410	530	562	401
Scott	76	104	118	64
Sherburne	60	72	92	44
Sibley	16	22	25	12
Stearns	133	177	183	136
Steele	40	55	66	28
Stevens	10	14	15	8
Swift	24	25	33	18
Todd	51	55	61	49
Traverse	7	4	7	4
Wabasha	23	67	62	26
Wadena	42	43	62	24
Waseca	29	55	57	30
Washington	130	327	336	125
Watonwan	21	26	31	18
Wilkin	20	35	42	20
Winona	56	90	106	39
Wright	98	162	173	101
Yellow Medicine	25	42	40	21
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	61	81	77	66
Faribault-Martin	42	83	68	61
Minnesota	8,112	9,791	10,495	7,722

Count of Children, Placements and Placement Settings

County	Unique Children	Placements	Placement Settings
Aitkin	95	120	211
Anoka	745	822	1,201
Becker	195	204	314
Beltrami	230	238	389
Benton	118	135	197
Big Stone	14	15	31
Blue Earth	172	219	299
Brown	79	115	151
Carlton	133	138	195
Carver	204	260	360
Cass	298	397	567
Chippewa	32	34	39
Chisago	240	297	437
Clay	196	216	298
Clearwater	36	40	59
Cook	13	14	17
Cottonwood	63	67	108
Crow Wing	246	285	418
Dakota	631	696	1,106
Dodge	60	79	106
Douglas	101	129	191
Fillmore	55	60	72
Freeborn	126	142	196
Goodhue	170	204	298
Grant	13	14	17
Hennepin	4,252	4,753	7,906
Houston	78	98	144
Hubbard	95	118	150
Isanti	114	123	180
Itasca	342	427	627
Jackson	63	68	103
Kanabec	80	97	141
Kandiyohi	125	139	186
Kittson	16	17	26
Koochiching	71	82	107
Lac qui Parle	24	27	34
Lake	52	61	82
Lake of the Woods	7	8	15
Le Sueur	102	113	191
McLeod	81	89	138
Mahnomen	62	82	108
Marshall	32	37	52
Meeker	70	79	104
Mille Lacs	122	136	224
Morrison	109	125	185

County	Unique Children	Placements	Placement Settings
Mower	160	204	294
Nicollet	57	64	88
Nobles	38	49	67
Norman	28	37	51
Olmsted	315	381	586
Otter Tail	163	189	243
Pennington	55	61	88
Pine	152	181	270
Pipestone	33	38	46
Polk	166	203	293
Pope	25	32	43
Ramsey	2,269	2,534	3,549
Red Lake	14	21	25
Redwood	57	70	100
Renville	51	52	84
Rice	92	101	136
Rock	26	34	47
Roseau	33	37	56
St. Louis	909	1,094	1,443
Scott	177	197	259
Sherburne	127	140	183
Sibley	34	44	59
Stearns	298	345	504
Steele	90	109	147
Stevens	23	24	28
Swift	47	55	76
Todd	104	117	151
Traverse	10	11	20
Wabasha	85	111	186
Wadena	83	96	133
Waseca	82	101	144
Washington	444	570	707
Watsonwan	46	49	59
Wilkin	51	78	93
Winona	136	188	270
Wright	248	318	398
Yellow Medicine	61	70	109
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	129	157	220
Faribault-Martin	122	135	239
Minnesota	17,202	19,916	29,474

Gender of Children in Out-of-Home Placement by County

County	Female	Male	Total	Percent Male
Aitkin	40	55	95	57.9
Anoka	358	387	745	51.9
Becker	89	106	195	54.4
Beltrami	107	123	230	53.5
Benton	51	67	118	56.8
Big Stone	6	8	14	57.1
Blue Earth	70	102	172	59.3
Brown	31	48	79	60.8
Carlton	70	63	133	47.4
Carver	85	119	204	58.3
Cass	122	176	298	59.1
Chippewa	10	22	32	68.8
Chisago	100	140	240	58.3
Clay	82	114	196	58.2
Clearwater	17	19	36	52.8
Cook	5	8	13	61.5
Cottonwood	25	38	63	60.3
Crow Wing	110	136	246	55.3
Dakota	306	325	631	51.5
Dodge	21	39	60	65.-
Douglas	44	57	101	56.4
Fillmore	11	44	55	80.-
Freeborn	59	67	126	53.2
Goodhue	73	97	170	57.1
Grant	3	10	13	76.9
Hennepin	1,927	2,325	4,252	54.7
Houston	32	46	78	59.-
Hubbard	40	55	95	57.9
Isanti	56	58	114	50.9
Itasca	154	188	342	55.-
Jackson	20	43	63	68.3
Kanabec	31	49	80	61.3
Kandiyohi	47	78	125	62.4
Kittson	9	7	16	43.8
Koochiching	30	41	71	57.7
Lac qui Parle	10	14	24	58.3
Lake	31	21	52	40.4
Lake of the Woods	5	2	7	28.6
Le Sueur	38	64	102	62.7
Mahnomen	32	30	62	48.4
Marshall	10	22	32	68.8
McLeod	42	39	81	48.1
Meeker	24	46	70	65.7

County	Female	Male	Total	Percent Male
Mille Lacs	49	73	122	59.8
Morrison	55	54	109	49.5
Mower	61	99	160	61.9
Nicollet	30	27	57	47.4
Nobles	12	26	38	68.4
Norman	15	13	28	46.4
Olmsted	130	185	315	58.7
Otter Tail	62	101	163	62.-
Pennington	25	30	55	54.5
Pine	63	89	152	58.6
Pipestone	19	14	33	42.4
Polk	84	82	166	49.4
Pope	9	16	25	64.-
Ramsey	1,019	1,250	2,269	55.1
Red Lake	3	11	14	78.6
Redwood	23	34	57	59.6
Renville	25	26	51	51.-
Rice	43	49	92	53.3
Rock	13	13	26	50.-
Roseau	13	20	33	60.6
Scott	87	90	177	50.8
Sherburne	43	84	127	66.1
Sibley	8	26	34	76.5
St. Louis	443	466	909	51.3
Stearns	124	174	298	58.4
Steele	54	36	90	40.-
Stevens	4	19	23	82.6
Swift	11	36	47	76.6
Todd	33	71	104	68.3
Traverse	6	4	10	40.-
Wabasha	37	48	85	56.5
Wadena	35	48	83	57.8
Waseca	36	46	82	56.1
Washington	226	218	444	49.1
Watsonwan	22	24	46	52.2
Wilkin	25	26	51	51.-
Winona	39	97	136	71.3
Wright	105	143	248	57.7
Yellow Medicine	21	40	61	65.6
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	59	70	129	54.3
Faribault-Martin	40	82	122	67.2
Minnesota	7,644	9,558	17,202	55.6

Children in Out-of-Home Placement by Age Group

County	0-7 years	8 - 12 years	13+ years	Age Unknown	Total
Aitkin	25	22	48		95
Anoka	222	144	379		745
Becker	43	31	121		195
Beltrami	62	52	116		230
Benton	28	16	74		118
Big Stone	4		10		14
Blue Earth	45	35	92		172
Brown	11	13	55		79
Carlton	30	27	76		133
Carver	44	26	134		204
Cass	42	43	213		298
Chippewa	7	4	21		32
Chisago	55	41	144		240
Clay	57	26	113		196
Clearwater	3	7	25	1	36
Cook	4	4	5		13
Cottonwood	13	7	43		63
Crow Wing	67	37	142		246
Dakota	181	120	330		631
Dodge	7	2	51		60
Douglas	15	9	77		101
Fillmore	6	5	44		55
Freeborn	21	12	93		126
Goodhue	36	12	122		170
Grant	5		8		13
Hennepin	1,270	874	2,100	8	4,252
Houston	7	17	54		78
Hubbard	14	14	67		95
Isanti	36	31	47		114
Itasca	35	52	255		342
Jackson	4	9	50		63
Kanabec	8	11	61		80
Kandiyohi	34	21	70		125
Kittson	4	4	8		16
Koochiching	8	16	47		71
Lac qui Parle		1	23		24
Lake	9	11	32		52
Lake of the Woods			7		7
Le Sueur	26	17	59		102
McLeod	38	13	30		81
Mahnomen	17	17	28		62
Marshall	5	6	21		32
Meeker	8	13	49		70
Mille Lacs	15	20	87		122

Children in Out-of-Home Placement by Age Group *(continued)*

County	0-7 years	8 - 12 years	13+ years	Age Unknown	Total
Morrison	23	14	72		109
Mower	15	24	121		160
Nicollet	14	4	39		57
Nobles	3	2	33		38
Norman	8	3	17		28
Olmsted	96	43	176		315
Otter Tail	40	29	94		163
Pennington	10	6	39		55
Pine	33	32	87		152
Pipestone	7	3	23		33
Polk	24	22	120		166
Pope	3	4	18		25
Ramsey	625	450	1,193	1	2,269
Red Lake	4	5	5		14
Redwood	6	6	45		57
Renville	10	6	35		51
Rice	23	18	51		92
Rock	7	4	15		26
Roseau	3	2	28		33
St. Louis	219	172	517	1	909
Scott	49	28	99	1	177
Sherburne	25	13	89		127
Sibley	2	4	28		34
Stearns	76	48	174		298
Steele	17	8	64	1	90
Stevens	2	3	18		23
Swift	13	12	22		47
Todd	24	20	60		104
Traverse			10		10
Wabasha	10	4	71		85
Wadena	12	12	59		83
Waseca	11	6	65		82
Washington	95	75	273	1	444
Watonwan	9	8	29		46
Wilkin	8	8	35		51
Winona	12	18	106		136
Wright	37	27	184		248
Yellow Medicine	7	12	42		61
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	24	24	81		129
Faribault-Martin	18	17	87		122
Minnesota	4,195	3,038	9,955	14	17,202

Placement Frequency by County

Count of children by the number of placements a child experienced in 2002.

County	1	2	3	4	5	6	7+	Unique Children	Total Placements
Aitkin	73	19	3					95	120
Anoka	675	64	5	1				745	822
Becker	187	7	1					195	204
Beltrami	224	4	2					230	238
Benton	105	9	4					118	135
Big Stone	13	1						14	15
Blue Earth	135	28	8	1				172	219
Brown	67	7	1	1			3	79	115
Carlton	128	5						133	138
Carver	161	32	9	2				204	260
Cass	224	59	8	4	3			298	397
Chippewa	30	2						32	34
Chisago	206	21	6	5	1	1		240	297
Clay	180	13	2	1				196	216
Clearwater	32	4						36	40
Cook	12	1						13	14
Cottonwood	59	4						63	67
Crow Wing	215	25	4	2				246	285
Dakota	581	39	8	2	1			631	696
Dodge	46	10	3	1				60	79
Douglas	82	11	7	1				101	129
Fillmore	50	5						55	60
Freeborn	112	12	2					126	142
Goodhue	142	23	4	1				170	204
Grant	12	1						13	14
Hennepin	3,821	371	51	8	1			4,252	4,753
Houston	62	13	2	1				78	98
Hubbard	80	9	4	2				95	118
Isanti	108	4	1	1				114	123
Itasca	282	43	11	5		1		342	427
Jackson	58	5						63	68
Kanabec	66	11	3					80	97
Kandiyohi	112	12	1					125	139
Kittson	15	1						16	17
Koochiching	62	8		1				71	82
Lac qui Parle	21	3						24	27
Lake	45	6		1				52	61
Lake of the Woods	6	1						7	8
Le Sueur	93	7	2					102	113
McLeod	75	4	2					81	89
Mahnomen	48	11	1	1	1			62	82
Marshall	28	3	1					32	37
Meeker	62	7	1					70	79

Placement Frequency by County (continued)

County	1	2	3	4	5	6	7+	Unique Children	Total Placements
Mille Lacs	109	12	1					122	136
Morrison	94	14	1					109	125
Mower	125	26	9					160	204
Nicollet	52	4		1				57	64
Nobles	29	7	2					38	49
Norman	20	7	1					28	37
Olmsted	272	33	6	1		2	1	315	381
Otter Tail	142	16	5					163	189
Pennington	49	6						55	61
Pine	130	17	4		1			152	181
Pipestone	28	5						33	38
Polk	136	23	7					166	203
Pope	20	3	2					25	32
Ramsey	2,043	190	33	3				2,269	2,534
Red Lake	11	2				1		14	21
Redwood	48	6	2	1				57	70
Renville	50	1						51	52
Rice	84	7	1					92	101
Rock	20	5		1				26	34
Roseau	29	4						33	37
St. Louis	775	103	18	9	3		1	909	1,094
Scott	161	13	2	1				177	197
Sherburne	114	13						127	140
Sibley	26	6	2					34	44
Stearns	259	34	3	1	1			298	345
Steele	75	11	4					90	109
Stevens	22	1						23	24
Swift	41	4	2					47	55
Todd	92	11	1					104	117
Traverse	9	1						10	11
Wabasha	66	12	7					85	111
Wadena	73	7	3					83	96
Waseca	70	7	3	2				82	101
Washington	349	74	12	8	1			444	570
Watonwan	43	3						46	49
Wilkin	35	11	2	1	1	1		51	78
Winona	104	17	10	5				136	188
Wright	200	31	13	3	1			248	318
Yellow Medicine	53	7	1					61	70
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	105	21	2	1				129	157
Faribault-Martin	112	9				1		122	135
Minnesota	15,070	1,709	316	80	16	6	5	17,202	19,916

Children's Moves While in Out-of-Home Placement

County	No Moves (1 setting)	One Move (2 settings)	Two or More Moves (3+ settings)	Total Children*	Percent With 0 or 1 Moves	Percent With Two or More Moves
Aitkin	55	16	24	95	74.7	25.3
Anoka	459	197	89	745	88.1	11.9
Becker	131	33	31	195	84.1	15.9
Beltrami	139	53	37	229	83.8	16.2
Benton	72	26	20	118	83.1	16.9
Big Stone	7	3	4	14	71.4	28.6
Blue Earth	102	39	31	172	82.0	18.0
Brown	51	13	15	79	81.0	19.0
Carlton	92	29	12	133	91.0	9.0
Carver	121	46	37	204	81.9	18.1
Cass	169	63	66	298	77.9	22.1
Chippewa	25	7		32	100.0	
Chisago	146	49	45	240	81.3	18.8
Clay	127	46	23	196	88.3	11.7
Clearwater	23	7	6	36	83.3	16.7
Cook	10	2	1	13	92.3	7.7
Cottonwood	38	16	9	63	85.7	14.3
Crow Wing	158	47	41	246	83.3	16.7
Dakota	411	113	107	631	83.0	17.0
Dodge	31	19	10	60	83.3	16.7
Douglas	59	17	25	101	75.2	24.8
Fillmore	45	5	5	55	90.9	9.1
Freeborn	83	25	18	126	85.7	14.3
Goodhue	103	40	27	170	84.1	15.9
Grant	9	4		13	100.0	
Hennepin	2,368	1,028	855	4,251	79.9	20.1
Houston	40	22	16	78	79.5	20.5
Hubbard	66	18	11	95	88.4	11.6
Isanti	71	28	15	114	86.8	13.2
Itasca	208	60	74	342	78.4	21.6
Jackson	42	11	10	63	84.1	15.9
Kanabec	51	17	12	80	85.0	15.0
Kandiyohi	90	23	12	125	90.4	9.6
Kittson	10	4	2	16	87.5	12.5
Koochiching	50	14	7	71	90.1	9.9
Lac qui Parle	17	5	2	24	91.7	8.3
Lake	34	9	9	52	82.7	17.3
Lake of the Woods	3	3	1	7	85.7	14.3
Le Sueur	53	28	21	102	79.4	20.6
McLeod	42	27	12	81	85.2	14.8
Mahnomen	36	15	11	62	82.3	17.7
Marshall	22	5	5	32	84.4	15.6
Meeker	48	13	9	70	87.1	12.9

Children's Moves While in Out-of-Home Placement *(continued)*

County	No Moves (1 setting)	One Move (2 settings)	Two or More Moves (3+ settings)	Total Children*	Percent With 0 or 1 Moves	Percent With Two or More Moves
Mille Lacs	79	22	21	122	82.8	17.2
Morrison	70	21	18	109	83.5	16.5
Mower	86	41	33	160	79.4	20.6
Nicollet	45	5	7	57	87.7	12.3
Nobles	22	7	9	38	76.3	23.7
Norman	16	6	6	28	78.6	21.4
Olmsted	187	73	55	315	82.5	17.5
Otter Tail	104	42	17	163	89.6	10.4
Pennington	41	8	6	55	89.1	10.9
Pine	99	24	29	152	80.9	19.1
Pipestone	21	11	1	33	97.0	3.0
Polk	102	38	26	166	84.3	15.7
Pope	15	3	7	25	72.0	28.0
Ramsey	1,521	455	293	2,269	87.1	12.9
Red Lake	10	1	3	14	78.6	21.4
Redwood	29	21	7	57	87.7	12.3
Renville	29	15	7	51	86.3	13.7
Rice	67	16	9	92	90.2	9.8
Rock	14	8	4	26	84.6	15.4
Roseau	20	7	6	33	81.8	18.2
St. Louis	602	183	124	909	86.4	13.6
Scott	131	26	20	177	88.7	11.3
Sherburne	81	40	6	127	95.3	4.7
Sibley	17	11	6	34	82.4	17.6
Stearns	195	60	43	298	85.6	14.4
Steele	59	17	14	90	84.4	15.6
Stevens	19	3	1	23	95.7	4.3
Swift	29	12	6	47	87.2	12.8
Todd	64	33	7	104	93.3	6.7
Traverse	5	1	4	10	60.0	40.0
Wabasha	43	17	25	85	70.6	29.4
Wadena	55	15	13	83	84.3	15.7
Waseca	50	15	17	82	79.3	20.7
Washington	280	107	57	444	87.2	12.8
Watonwan	36	8	2	46	95.7	4.3
Wilkin	32	9	10	51	80.4	19.6
Winona	68	33	35	136	74.3	25.7
Wright	168	46	34	248	86.3	13.7
Yellow Medicine	26	25	10	61	83.6	16.4
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	82	25	22	129	82.9	17.1
Faribault-Martin	65	29	28	122	77.0	23.0
Minnesota	10,601	3,784	2,815	17,200	83.6	16.4

* No placement setting data is available for two children.

Placement Settings Experienced by Children in Out-of-Home Placement

County	Foster Family Home - Non-Relative	Foster Family Home - Relative	Group Home	Pre-Adoptive Home - Non-Relative	Pre-Adoptive Home - Relative	Residential Treatment/ Institution	Runaway (from placement)	Supervised Independent Living	Total Placements
Aitkin	75	32	19	6	1	78			211
Anoka	694	134	60	30	7	276			1,201
Becker	128	51	30	13	4	82	6		314
Beltrami	223	82	39	2		40	2	1	389
Benton	86	24	49	9		28	1		197
Big Stone	17	4	4	1		5			31
Blue Earth	188	17	1	10		82		1	299
Brown	101	7	20	3		18		2	151
Carlton	97	48	15	3	1	31			195
Carver	162	28	125	7	2	36			360
Cass	151	51	62	1	2	295	3	2	567
Chippewa	12	8	5			14			39
Chisago	202	70	5	8		151	1		437
Clay	135	33	12	16	8	94			298
Clearwater	27	2	13			14		3	59
Cook	8	5	4						17
Cottonwood	46	8	11	6		36	1		108
Crow Wing	189	61	78	12	10	68			418
Dakota	510	154	35	21	12	371	1	2	1,106
Dodge	15	5	81	1		4			106
Douglas	70	14	11	7		89			191
Fillmore	21	5	11			34		1	72
Freeborn	70	21	68	3		32	1	1	196
Goodhue	123	8	16	18	1	132			298
Grant	8	3	3	1		2			17
Hennepin	1,895	1,086	597	313	90	3,905	8	12	7,906
Houston	85	3	2	3		48	1	2	144
Hubbard	56	7	19			68			150
Isanti	109	23	6	13	2	27			180
Itasca	162	69	250			144	2		627

Placement Settings Experienced by Children in Out-of-Home Placement *(continued)*

County	Foster Family Home - Non-Relative	Foster Family Home - Relative	Group Home	Pre-Adoptive Home - Non-Relative	Pre-Adoptive Home - Relative	Residential Treatment/ Institution	Runaway (from placement)	Supervised Independent Living	Total Placements
Jackson	34	10	39	2	1	16		1	103
Kanabec	44	17	14			65	1		141
Kandiyohi	75	14	51	5		37	4		186
Kittson	8	3	9			6			26
Koochiching	64	4	7			29		3	107
Lac qui Parle	7					27			34
Lake	41	11	18			12			82
Lake of the Woods	8		1			6			15
Le Sueur	86	22	32	3	1	42	2	3	191
McLeod	81	25	23	3	2	3		1	138
Mahnomen	37	30	27	5		9			108
Marshall	9	5	18			19	1		52
Meeker	33	11	34	3		23			104
Mille Lacs	70	19	40	4		91			224
Morrison	80	9	65	8	1	15	7		185
Mower	99	6	49	10		129	1		294
Nicollet	26	4	14	11		32		1	88
Nobles	17	1	18			31			67
Norman	23	6	4	2		16			51
Olmsted	301	14	211	10	1	48		1	586
Otter Tail	108	26	21	12	3	72	1		243
Pennington	34	3	15			36			88
Pine	124	27	71	6	3	39			270
Pipestone	24	5	13			3		1	46
Polk	101	17	149	4	1	11	5	5	293
Pope	12	5	13			13			43
Ramsey	1,666	586	358	88	32	811	4	4	3,549
Red Lake	7					18			25
Redwood	40	7	20			32	1		100
Renville	32	7	24	2		18		1	84

Placement Settings Experienced by Children in Out-of-Home Placement *(continued)*

County	Foster Family Home - Non-Relative	Foster Family Home - Relative	Group Home	Pre-Adoptive Home - Non-Relative	Pre-Adoptive Home - Relative	Residential Treatment/ Institution	Runaway (from placement)	Supervised Independent Living	Total Placements
Rice	93	10	9	10	2	11		1	136
Rock	23	6	4			14			47
Roseau	10	2	5	3		36			56
St. Louis	820	153	351	29	9	76	5		1,443
Scott	104	34	11	7	10	93			259
Sherburne	81	18	16	2	1	65			183
Sibley	11	4	38			6			59
Stearns	274	27	73	21	5	99	2	3	504
Steele	82	5	33	3		24			147
Stevens	13		11			4			28
Swift	35	4	19	3		13	1	1	76
Todd	48	19	34	12	1	37			151
Traverse	8	1	3			8			20
Wabasha	86	8	21	1		69	1		186
Wadena	50	11	18	2	1	51			133
Waseca	54	7	34	2		47			144
Washington	285	70	97	13	5	237			707
Watonwan	32	1	6		1	19			59
Wilkin	36	10	6		2	39			93
Winona	54	8	24	17		167			270
Wright	186	29	67	8	3	101	2	2	398
Yellow Medicine	42	14	32			21			109
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	76	33	59		2	47	2	1	220
Faribault-Martin	89	19	80			50	1		239
Minnesota	11,548	3,450	4,060	818	227	9,247	68	56	29,474

Days in Out-of-Home Placement by Placement Setting During 2002

County	Foster Family Home - Non-Relative	Foster Family Home - Relative	Group Home	Pre-Adoptive Home - Non-Relative	Pre-Adoptive Home - Relative	Residential Treatment/ Institution	Runaway (from placement)	Supervised Independent Living	Total Days
Aitkin	6,458	4,693	549	1,012	161	3,404			16,277
Anoka	76,175	21,899	10,386	4,987	1,676	22,105			137,228
Becker	18,553	6,310	3,765	3,239	1,282	7,389	172		40,710
Beltrami	34,218	9,545	3,443	565		4,024	110	30	51,935
Benton	8,081	3,608	4,090	1,412		3,461	31		20,683
Big Stone	1,147	361	429	40		524			2,501
Blue Earth	17,055	2,245	356	1,028		6,518		190	27,392
Brown	6,249	1,314	1,518	382		2,431		730	12,624
Carlton	17,411	7,219	1,081	599	79	3,022			29,411
Carver	14,256	4,866	6,318	872	632	1,806			28,750
Cass	11,985	5,090	3,746	365	46	10,607	15	330	32,184
Chippewa	1,971	1,263	884			1,833			5,951
Chisago	15,870	11,739	1,123	1,627		4,716	20		35,095
Clay	18,572	4,711	1,860	3,238	1,703	4,902			34,986
Clearwater	4,811	39	890			1,366		272	7,378
Cook	711	517	38						1,266
Cottonwood	7,783	1,499	720	1,104		3,802	37		14,945
Crow Wing	21,276	6,975	1,551	1,675	3,168	5,658			40,303
Dakota	61,364	20,310	5,568	3,177	3,114	12,867	65	127	106,592
Dodge	1,933	108	3,815	365		580			6,801
Douglas	7,338	2,082	1,636	1,296		4,082			16,434
Fillmore	3,872	1,051	1,137			2,862		365	9,287
Freeborn	13,648	4,146	4,386	887		2,758	29	30	25,884
Goodhue	13,743	1,438	1,021	2,426	110	5,080			23,818
Grant	950	222	268	365		295			2,100
Hennepin	295,546	159,464	64,416	49,467	14,493	179,638	426	2,200	765,650
Houston	8,944	353	222	629		2,006	20	219	12,393
Hubbard	5,126	924	1,099			2,068			9,217
Itasca	19,655	12,419	11,079			12,198	98		55,449

Days in Out-of-Home Placement by Placement Setting During 2002 *(continued)*

County	Foster Family Home - Non-Relative	Foster Family Home - Relative	Group Home	Pre-Adoptive Home - Non-Relative	Pre-Adoptive Home - Relative	Residential Treatment/ Institution	Runaway (from placement)	Supervised Independent Living	Total Days
Jackson	6,686	1,383	2,041	276	192	1,806		50	12,434
Kanabec	4,324	1,478	460			3,802	7		10,071
Kandiyohi	11,382	1,363	3,204	703		4,596	14		21,262
Kittson	320	96	168			478			1,062
Koochiching	7,147	798	298			3,018		157	11,418
Lac Qui Parle	676					1,616			2,292
Lake	7,223	1,461	328			1,195			10,207
Lake Of The Woods	907		15			702			1,624
Le Sueur	9,314	4,771	2,003	588	159	4,123	3	150	21,111
McLeod	6,886	3,192	2,457	168	24	269		365	13,361
Mahnomen	3,473	2,122	1,555	1,468		1,048			9,666
Marshall	2,007	429	549			1,403	2		4,390
Meeker	5,930	1,239	2,582	206		1,916			11,873
Mille Lacs	9,498	2,485	1,912	1,199		5,424			20,518
Morrison	7,792	1,273	3,396	2,114	34	1,843	51		16,503
Mower	13,917	589	1,597	1,739		7,467	23		25,332
Nicollet	2,608	283	702	1,579		1,981		23	7,176
Nobles	1,946	90	599			3,004			5,639
Norman	2,928	703	90	190		359			4,270
Olmsted	24,540	2,288	10,034	1,726	161	4,339		142	43,230
Otter Tail	11,284	2,754	2,433	2,504	136	5,373	226		24,710
Pennington	5,932	729	2,344			2,413			11,418
Pine	13,491	3,136	3,151	1,509	1,095	3,129			25,511
Pipestone	1,958	1,606	687			480		49	4,780
Polk	11,788	1,884	3,144	774	178	429	159	236	18,592
Pope	1,920	1,194	1,547			907			5,568
Ramsey	207,756	112,164	32,048	18,042	5,394	70,576	26	209	446,215
Red Lake	479					607			1,086

Days in Out-of-Home Placement by Placement Setting During 2002 *(continued)*

County	Foster Family Home - Non-Relative	Foster Family Home - Relative	Group Home	Pre-Adoptive Home - Non-Relative	Pre-Adoptive Home - Relative	Residential Treatment/ Institution	Runaway (from placement)	Supervised Independent Living	Total Days
Redwood	5,838	1,038	1,534			2,989	22		11,421
Renville	4,128	544	1,690	11		2,175		365	8,913
Rice	15,279	1,634	699	2,296	514	1,324		170	21,916
Rock	2,265	1,189	438			788			4,680
Roseau	1,046	60	680	384		2,737			4,907
St. Louis	104,850	25,611	6,552	4,749	1,495	8,414	17		151,688
Scott	14,514	3,849	1,720	1,806	2,297	2,060			26,246
Sherburne	8,701	2,302	2,222	120	134	5,590			19,069
Sibley	832	526	2,820			1,067			5,245
Stearns	24,857	3,744	4,214	6,145	1,731	7,687	19	150	48,547
Steele	8,078	529	842	411		2,387			12,247
Stevens	2,309		1,172			296			3,777
Swift	3,913	344	920	960		1,093	6	196	7,432
Todd	9,674	3,037	2,619	2,043	71	2,115			19,559
Traverse	586	150	581			973			2,290
Wabasha	3,241	559	451	16		3,399	1		7,667
Wadena	7,314	1,514	1,277	342	59	2,534			13,040
Waseca	6,089	726	1,519	368		2,346			11,048
Washington	22,850	8,544	5,119	2,524	1,825	9,816			50,678
Watonwan	3,880	13	389		210	1,648			6,140
Wilkin	4,031	1,405	335		321	1,929			8,021
Winona	6,589	1,207	826	531		7,113			16,266
Wright	16,781	5,708	3,692	2,461	737	7,835	55	16	37,285
Yellow Medicine	4,032	1,983	1,837			1,590			9,442
Lincoln/Lyon/Murray	9,114	3,961	4,084		188	4,319	131	365	22,162
Faribault/Martin	9,039	1,699	4,725			4,375			19,838
Minnesota	1,411,588	521,386	269,906	142,907	43,922	537,729	1,785	7,136	2,936,359

Duration of Placements Ending in 2002

Days in Placement

County	0 - 7	8 - 30	31- 90	91 - 180	181 - 365	>366	Total*
Aitkin	12	11	14	13	10	14	74
Anoka	170	20	52	49	57	100	448
Becker	1	5	15	18	32	28	99
Beltrami	2	7	18	10	9	45	91
Benton	9	13	11	8	28	19	88
Big Stone				2	6	1	9
Blue Earth	39	22	27	17	24	24	153
Brown	32	21	11	8	7	5	84
Carlton	2	7	14	7	4	10	44
Carver	45	53	37	20	7	16	178
Cass	151	45	41	23	28	23	311
Chippewa		1	2	1	5	4	13
Chisago	100	31	23	12	17	19	202
Clay	10	21	25	19	21	23	119
Clearwater	1	4	4	6	4	4	23
Cook	3	3		3	1	2	12
Cottonwood	1		4	6	5	8	24
Crow Wing	48	30	14	26	26	29	173
Dakota	122	72	75	47	45	83	444
Dodge	26	13	2	8	7	3	59
Douglas	26	19	13	15	13	9	95
Fillmore	13	3	3	4	8	12	43
Freeborn	5	17	15	16	8	17	78
Goodhue	51	25	21	20	11	19	147
Grant			5	2	1	1	9
Hennepin	585	255	447	413	434	575	2,709
Houston	34	10	6	3	7	10	70
Hubbard	49	15	8	10	5	7	94
Isanti	16	4	4	6	14	14	58
Itasca	99	25	46	35	39	50	294
Jackson	5	12	5	6	3	8	39
Kanabec	20	25	11	11	6	4	77
Kandiyohi	10	12	12	13	11	15	73
Kittson	5	2	6	1	1		15
Koochiching	16	3	8	7	8	17	59
Lac qui Parle	17		3		1		21
Lake	5	7	6	6	6	5	35
Lake of the Woods				1	2	1	4
Le Sueur	4	13	5	3	15	14	54
McLeod	5	8	7	7	18	7	52
Mahnomen	15	10	8	4	10	6	53
Marshall	2	3	5	8	5	5	28
Meeker	4	5	7	16	10	10	52
Mille Lacs	11	22	16	16	11	11	87

Duration of Placements Ending in 2002 *(continued)*

Days in Placement

County	0 - 7	8 - 30	31- 90	91 - 180	181 - 365	>366	Total*
Morrison	25	13	19	5	7	9	78
Mower	50	30	24	4	19	11	138
Nicollet	11	10	5	8	3	8	45
Nobles	5	8	3	3	4	9	32
Norman	11	7	2	6	1	1	28
Olmsted	117	36	22	18	34	39	266
Otter Tail	23	31	14	13	15	23	119
Pennington	5	1	8	5	7	3	29
Pine	23	23	22	7	20	23	118
Pipestone	13	1	5	4	1	4	28
Polk	76	20	25	17	9	11	158
Pope	5	3		5	4	3	20
Ramsey	298	229	206	131	198	283	1,345
Red Lake	9	5	2	2	1		19
Redwood	1	4	11	12	4	9	41
Renville	9	4	3	1	12	5	34
Rice	3	1	8	9	8	19	48
Rock	4	7	1	1	1	6	20
Roseau		3	3	4	4	6	20
Scott	63	6	12	6	27	19	133
Sherburne	10	11	20	14	28	13	96
Sibley	6	4	9	3	6	4	32
St. Louis	323	79	66	57	63	105	693
Stearns	60	45	23	23	24	34	209
Steele	15	17	14	17	7	11	81
Stevens	2	3	2	1	6	2	16
Swift	6	6	9	3	6	7	37
Todd	8	10	11	4	14	21	68
Traverse			1	1	4	1	7
Wabasha	47	9	13	7	7	2	85
Wadena	26	14	4	4	6	18	72
Waseca	30	11	10	11	5	4	71
Washington	202	102	50	39	28	24	445
Watsonwan	7	6	5	6	3	4	31
Wilkin	12	11	12	13	5	5	58
Winona	69	23	6	20	13	18	149
Wright	85	53	17	22	12	28	217
Yellow Medicine	6	11	16	6	6	4	49
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	6	17	18	14	22	14	91
Faribault-Martin	20	14	11	8	12	9	74
Minnesota	3,462	1,762	1,768	1,460	1,646	2,096	12,194

*Total number of placements ending in 2002.

Children in Out-of-Home Placement by Race and Ethnicity

County	African American/ Black	American Indian	Asian	Pacific Islander	Unknown/ Other	White	Two or More Races	Missing Data	Total Children	Hispanic Ethnicity **
Aitkin	*	22	*	*	*	66	*	*	95	*
Anoka	85	30	*	*	*	558	64	*	745	26
Becker	*	94	*	*	*	92	*	*	195	*
Beltrami	*	173	*	*	*	45	7	*	230	*
Benton	*	*	*	*	*	103	7	*	118	*
Big Stone	*	*	*	*	*	13	*	*	14	*
Blue Earth	25	*	*	*	*	138	*	*	172	12
Brown	*	*	*	*	*	78	*	*	79	*
Carlton	*	52	*	*	*	71	8	*	133	*
Carver	9	8	*	*	*	167	14	*	204	19
Cass	*	194	*	*	*	102	*	*	298	8
Chippewa	*	*	*	*	*	29	*	*	32	*
Chisago	*	*	*	*	*	224	7	*	240	*
Clay	7	32	*	*	*	134	22	*	196	43
Clearwater	*	14	*	*	*	22	*	*	36	*
Cook	*	8	*	*	*	*	*	*	13	*
Cottonwood	*	*	*	*	*	58	*	*	63	*
Crow Wing	*	12	*	*	*	222	*	*	246	*
Dakota	109	14	14	*	28	441	16	8	631	25
Dodge	*	*	*	*	*	56	*	*	60	7
Douglas	*	*	*	*	*	92	*	*	101	*
Fillmore	*	*	*	*	*	47	*	*	55	*
Freeborn	*	*	*	*	*	120	*	*	126	40
Goodhue	8	*	*	*	*	157	*	*	170	*
Grant	*	*	*	*	*	11	*	*	13	*
Hennepin	1,752	515	160	*	94	989	733	8	4,252	294
Houston	10	*	*	*	*	63	*	*	78	*
Hubbard	*	31	*	*	*	62	*	*	95	7
Isanti	*	*	*	*	*	104	*	*	114	7
Itasca	*	71	*	*	*	259	11	*	342	*
Jackson	*	*	*	*	*	61	*	*	63	*
Kanabec	*	*	*	*	*	80	*	*	80	*
Kandiyohi	10	*	*	*	*	109	*	*	125	40
Kittson	*	*	*	*	*	16	*	*	16	*
Koochiching	*	*	*	*	*	59	7	*	71	*
Lac qui Parle	*	*	*	*	*	24	*	*	24	*
Lake	*	*	*	*	*	46	*	*	52	7
Lake of the Woods	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	7	*
Le Sueur	*	*	*	*	*	94	*	*	102	*
McLeod	*	*	*	*	*	70	7	*	81	12
Mahnomen	*	48	*	*	*	10	*	*	62	*
Marshall	*	*	*	*	*	27	*	*	32	*
Meeker	*	*	*	*	*	61	*	*	70	10
Mille Lacs	*	45	*	*	*	75	*	*	122	*
Morrison	*	*	*	*	*	101	*	*	109	*

Children in Out-of-Home Placement by Race and Ethnicity (continued)

County	African American/ Black	American Indian	Asian	Pacific Islander	Unknown/ Other	White	Two or More Races	Missing Data	Total Children	Hispanic Ethnicity **
Mower	*	*	*	*	*	145	*	*	160	15
Nicollet	*	*	*	*	*	49	*	*	57	*
Nobles	*	*	*	*	*	29	*	*	38	11
Norman	*	7	*	*	*	20	*	*	28	*
Olmsted	69	*	14	*	*	208	24	*	315	16
Otter Tail	*	14	*	*	*	132	8	*	163	8
Pennington	*	*	*	*	*	47	*	*	55	*
Pine	*	24	*	*	*	120	*	*	152	*
Pipestone	*	*	*	*	*	26	*	*	33	*
Polk	*	23	*	*	*	138	*	*	166	50
Pope	*	*	*	*	*	25	*	*	25	*
Ramsey	1,006	105	175	*	48	825	103	*	2,269	176
Red Lake	*	*	*	*	*	12	*	*	14	*
Redwood	*	17	*	*	*	37	*	*	57	7
Renville	*	11	*	*	*	40	*	*	51	*
Rice	*	*	*	*	*	71	10	*	92	10
Rock	*	*	*	*	*	20	*	*	26	*
Roseau	*	*	*	*	*	27	*	*	33	*
St. Louis	67	228	9	*	40	527	33	*	909	9
Scott	*	8	10	*	*	139	10	*	177	12
Sherburne	9	*	*	*	*	108	*	*	127	*
Sibley	*	*	*	*	*	33	*	*	34	*
Stearns	40	7	*	*	*	218	30	*	298	18
Steele	*	*	*	*	*	84	*	*	90	28
Stevens	*	*	*	*	*	17	*	*	23	*
Swift	*	*	*	*	*	44	*	*	47	*
Todd	*	*	*	*	*	97	*	*	104	*
Traverse	*	*	*	*	*	7	*	*	10	*
Wabasha	*	*	*	*	*	79	*	*	85	*
Wadena	*	*	*	*	*	77	*	*	83	*
Waseca	7	*	*	*	*	74	*	*	82	12
Washington	50	15	9	*	17	336	9	8	444	22
Watonwan	*	*	*	*	*	43	*	*	46	24
Wilkin	*	*	*	*	*	49	*	*	51	*
Winona	*	*	*	*	*	117	*	*	136	*
Wright	*	*	*	*	*	226	9	*	248	9
Yellow Medicine	*	21	*	*	*	36	*	*	61	8
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	*	*	*	*	*	120	*	*	129	13
Faribault-Martin	*	*	*	*	*	113	*	*	122	11
Minnesota	3,366	1,933	440	10	276	9,881	1,247	49	17,202	1,123

* Number of children is six or fewer and is not shown to prevent identification of individuals. Totals include omitted data.

**Hispanic may be of any race.

American Indian Children in Out-of-Home Placement

County	American Indian Only	American Indian as Part of Two or More Races	Total Children With American Indian Race
Aitkin	22	4	26
Anoka	30	31	61
Becker	94	1	95
Beltrami	173	5	178
Carlton	52	7	59
Carver	8	4	12
Cass	194	1	195
Clay	32	14	46
Clearwater	14		14
Cook	8		8
Crow Wing	12	3	15
Dakota	14	7	21
Hennepin	515	235	750
Hubbard	31		31
Itasca	71	10	81
Koochiching	3	7	10
Mahnomen	48		48
Mille Lacs	45	1	46
Norman	7	1	8
Otter Tail	14	7	21
Pine	24	1	25
Polk	23	2	25
Ramsey	105	39	144
Redwood	17	3	20
Renville	11		11
Rice	6	3	9
St. Louis	228	15	243
Scott	8	7	15
Stearns	7	23	30
Washington	15	3	18
Wright	2	6	8
Yellow Medicine	21	4	25
Total Unique Children*	1,933	479	2,412

**Counties are not included if there were less than seven children total to prevent identification of individuals. Totals include omitted data.*

American Indian Children In Out-of-Home Placement by Tribe

Tribe	American Indian Only	American Indian as Part of Two or More Races	Total
Alaskan Native Band or Tribe	11	5	16
Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa	5		5
Bois Forte (Nett Lake) Band of Chippewa	77	4	81
Canadian Tribe	13	6	19
Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe	15	3	18
Crow Creek Sioux Tribe	5	1	6
Devils Lake Sioux Tribe	23	13	36
Fond du Lac Band of Chippewa	85	9	94
Grand Portage Band of Chippewa	20	3	23
Hannahville Indian Community	4		4
Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Chippewa	5	4	9
Lac du Flambeau Band of Chippewa	2		2
Leech Lake Band of Chippewa	410	57	467
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe	1		1
Lower Sioux Indian Community	30	3	33
Menominee Indian Tribe	9		9
Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa	142	21	163
Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (not band specific)	40	15	55
Oglala Sioux Tribe - Pine Ridge	19	4	23
Omaha Tribe of Nebraska	3		3
Oneida Tribe	8	2	10
Prairie Island Indian Community (Sioux)	1		1
Red Cliff Band of Chippewa	8	1	9
Red Lake Band of Chippewa	201	49	250
Rosebud Sioux Tribe	25	5	30
Santee Sioux Tribe	2	1	3
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa	1		1
Shakopee Mdewakaton Sioux Community		3	3
Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe	48	10	58
Sokaogon Chippewa (Mole Lake) Community	1		1
St. Croix Chippewa		7	7
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe	26	15	41
Stockbridge Munsee Community	4	1	5
Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation	3		3
Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa	44	18	62
Upper Sioux Community	19	1	20
White Earth Band of Chippewa	267	41	308
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska	9	9	18
Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe	1		1
Yankton Sioux Tribe	14	2	16
Unknown Chippewa	41	6	47
Unknown Sioux	13	4	17
Other Foreign Tribe	2		2
Other U.S. Tribe	37	37	74
Unknown Tribe	278	132	410
Missing Data	-	17	17
Total Unique Children*	1,933	479	2,412

**Children are counted once within each tribe, but a child could indicate more than one tribe. "Unique Children" counts the total number of individual children.*

Federal Safety Indicator 1.1 and State Safety Indicator

Of all children who were victims of substantiated child abuse or neglect during the first six months of the reporting period, what percent had another substantiated report within six and 12 months?

County	Total Unique Victims During First Half of 2002	Victims With a Subsequent Determination Within Six Months	Six-Month Recurrence Rate	Victims With a Subsequent Determination Within 12 Months	12-Month Recurrence Rate
Aitkin	31	5	16.1%	5	16.1%
Anoka	226	13	5.8%	18	8.0%
Becker	33		0.0%	3	9.1%
Beltrami	61	3	4.9%	8	13.1%
Benton	45	1	2.2%	1	2.2%
Big Stone	10		0.0%		0.0%
Blue Earth	38		0.0%	2	5.3%
Brown	26	2	7.7%	2	7.7%
Carlton	26		0.0%	1	3.8%
Carver	50	1	2.0%	1	2.0%
Cass	34	2	5.9%	2	5.9%
Chippewa	5		0.0%		0.0%
Chisago	65	2	3.1%	6	9.2%
Clay	82	4	4.9%	5	6.1%
Clearwater	1		0.0%		0.0%
Cook	6	5	83.3%	5	83.3%
Cottonwood	16		0.0%		0.0%
Crow Wing	44	3	6.8%	3	6.8%
Dakota	200	18	9.0%	19	9.5%
Dodge	25	1	4.0%	1	4.0%
Douglas	42		0.0%	1	2.4%
Fillmore	8		0.0%		0.0%
Freeborn	13		0.0%		0.0%
Goodhue	7		0.0%		0.0%
Grant	4		0.0%		0.0%
Hennepin	1,926	126	6.5%	208	10.8%
Houston	20	1	5.0%	1	5.0%
Hubbard	9		0.0%		0.0%
Isanti	46	2	4.3%	6	13.0%
Itasca	27		0.0%		0.0%
Jackson	1		0.0%		0.0%
Kanabec	18		0.0%		0.0%
Kandiyohi	38		0.0%	1	2.6%
Kittson	2		0.0%		0.0%
Koochiching	15		0.0%		0.0%
Lac qui Parle	5		0.0%		0.0%
Lake	5		0.0%		0.0%
Lake of the Woods	2		0.0%		0.0%
Le Sueur	30	6	20.0%	6	20.0%
McLeod	27	7	25.9%	7	25.9%

Federal Safety Indicator 1.1 and State Safety Indicator *(continued)*

County	Total Unique Victims During First Half of 2002	Victims With a Subsequent Determination Within Six Months	Six-Month Recurrence Rate	Victims With a Subsequent Determination Within 12 Months	12-Month Recurrence Rate
Mahnomen	19		0.0%	1	5.3%
Marshall	8		0.0%		0.0%
Meeker	5		0.0%		0.0%
Mille Lacs	25		0.0%	2	8.0%
Morrison	20	1	5.0%	1	5.0%
Mower	37	2	5.4%	3	8.1%
Nicollet	20	1	5.0%	1	5.0%
Nobles	2		0.0%		0.0%
Norman	16	2	12.5%	6	37.5%
Olmsted	106	12	11.3%	19	17.9%
Otter Tail	53	3	5.7%	4	7.5%
Pennington	3		0.0%		0.0%
Pine	12		0.0%		0.0%
Pipestone	7	2	28.6%	2	28.6%
Polk	35	6	17.1%	7	20.0%
Pope	3		0.0%		0.0%
Ramsey	655	16	2.4%	40	6.1%
Red Lake	5		0.0%		0.0%
Redwood	3		0.0%		0.0%
Renville	11		0.0%		0.0%
Rice	40	4	10.0%	6	0.0%
Rock	2		0.0%		0.0%
Roseau	2		0.0%		0.0%
St. Louis	177	9	5.1%	12	6.8%
Scott	70	4	5.7%	5	7.1%
Sherburne	10		0.0%		0.0%
Sibley	12		0.0%		0.0%
Stearns	51	5	9.8%	6	11.8%
Steele	24	5	20.8%	8	33.3%
Stevens	4		0.0%		0.0%
Swift	34	11	32.4%	11	32.4%
Todd	26		0.0%	3	11.5%
Traverse	2		0.0%		0.0%
Wabasha	13		0.0%		0.0%
Wadena	22	3	13.6%	3	13.6%
Waseca	14	1	7.1%	1	7.1%
Washington	171	3	1.8%	4	2.3%
Watonwan	12		0.0%		0.0%
Wilkin	13	1	7.7%	1	7.7%
Winona	16	2	12.5%	3	18.8%
Wright	24		0.0%	1	4.2%
Yellow Medicine	25		0.0%	3	12.0%
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	31	1	3.2%	2	6.5%
Faribault-Martin	66	8	12.1%	11	16.7%
Minnesota	5,175	304	5.9%	478	9.2%

Federal Safety Indicator 2.1

Of all children who were in foster care during the reporting period, what percent was the subject of determined maltreatment by a foster parent or facility staff?

County	Determined Victims	Children in Out-of-Home Placement in 2002	Maltreatment Rate in Foster Care
Anoka	1	745	0.13%
Brown	1	79	1.27%
Carver	7	204	3.43%
Clay	1	196	0.51%
Dakota	3	631	0.48%
Hennepin	12	4,252	0.28%
Isanti	1	114	0.88%
Itasca	2	342	0.58%
Mahnomen	3	62	4.84%
Nobles	1	38	2.63%
Olmsted	3	315	0.95%
Pennington	1	55	1.82%
Ramsey	2	2,269	0.09%
St. Louis	2	909	0.22%
Scott	1	177	0.56%
Sherburne	1	127	0.79%
Todd	1	104	0.96%
Waseca	2	82	2.44%
Washington	4	444	0.90%
Minnesota	49	17,202	0.28%

Note: Counts reflect determinations of maltreatment in facilities licensed by the counties and not those licensed by the Minnesota Department of Human Services. Counties not listed had no out-of-home maltreatment determinations.

Federal Permanency Indicator 4.1

Of all the children who were reunified with their parents or caretakers at the time of discharge from foster care, what percent were reunified within 12 months from the time of the latest removal from home?

County	Total Children Reunified in 2002	Children Reunified Within 12 Months	Percent Reunified Within 12 Months
Aitkin	35	31	88.6
Anoka	264	240	90.9
Becker	58	47	81.0
Beltrami	41	24	58.5
Benton	49	42	85.7
Big Stone	5	4	80.0
Blue Earth	74	70	94.6
Brown	41	40	97.6
Carlton	23	22	95.7
Carver	101	96	95.0
Cass	172	162	94.2
Chippewa	8	6	75.0
Chisago	123	120	97.6
Clay	64	61	95.3
Clearwater	10	10	100.0
Cook	10	8	80.0
Cottonwood	15	12	80.0
Crow Wing	97	94	96.9
Dakota	276	248	89.9
Dodge	35	34	97.1
Douglas	52	50	96.2
Fillmore	26	22	84.6
Freeborn	42	38	90.5
Goodhue	76	72	94.7
Grant	7	7	100.0
Hennepin	1,474	1,331	90.3
Houston	39	35	89.7
Hubbard	61	58	95.1
Isanti	32	25	78.1
Itasca	150	134	89.3
Jackson	21	21	100.0
Kanabec	50	47	94.0
Kandiyohi	45	36	80.0
Kittson	14	14	100.0
Koochiching	43	30	69.8
Lac qui Parle	17	17	100.0
Lake	25	21	84.0
Lake of the Woods	2	2	100.0
Le Sueur	33	29	87.9
McLeod	32	30	93.8
Mahnomen	26	23	88.5
Marshall	17	15	88.2
Meeker	28	26	92.9

Federal Permanency Indicator 4.1 *(continued)*

County	Total Children Reunified in 2002	Children Reunified Within 12 Months	Percent Reunified Within 12 Months
Mille Lacs	60	57	95.0
Morrison	51	49	96.1
Mower	76	75	98.7
Nicollet	26	26	100.0
Nobles	15	13	86.7
Norman	18	17	94.4
Olmsted	136	126	92.6
Otter Tail	61	53	86.9
Pennington	19	19	100.0
Pine	58	47	81.0
Pipestone	18	16	88.9
Polk	101	100	99.0
Pope	7	7	100.0
Ramsey	745	659	88.5
Red Lake	10	10	100.0
Redwood	15	10	66.7
Renville	25	23	92.0
Rice	18	17	94.4
Rock	9	6	66.7
Roseau	8	7	87.5
St. Louis	340	308	90.6
Scott	84	81	96.4
Sherburne	59	54	91.5
Sibley	20	17	85.0
Stearns	120	113	94.2
Steele	49	45	91.8
Stevens	12	12	100.0
Swift	23	22	95.7
Todd	30	26	86.7
Traverse	4	4	100.0
Wabasha	49	49	100.0
Wadena	46	38	82.6
Waseca	43	41	95.3
Washington	272	265	97.4
Watonwan	23	21	91.3
Wilkin	20	20	100.0
Winona	81	70	86.4
Wright	106	102	96.2
Yellow Medicine	25	24	96.0
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	42	42	100.0
Faribault-Martin	48	46	95.8
Minnesota	6,785	6,191	91.2%

Federal Permanency Indicator 4.2

Of all the children who entered out-of-home placement during the year, what percent re-entered placement within 12 months of a prior placement?

County	Entered Placement in 2002	Re-entered Placement Within 12 Months	Percent Re-entering Within 12 Months
Aitkin	52	28	53.9
Anoka	408	85	20.8
Becker	73	15	20.6
Beltrami	78	10	12.8
Benton	57	16	28.1
Big Stone	8	2	25.0
Blue Earth	106	32	30.2
Brown	49	14	28.6
Carlton	59	7	11.9
Carver	147	46	31.3
Cass	220	85	38.6
Chippewa	25	3	12.0
Chisago	170	56	32.9
Clay	108	23	21.3
Clearwater	19	5	26.3
Cook	9	1	11.1
Cottonwood	22	5	22.7
Crow Wing	146	42	28.8
Dakota	357	80	22.4
Dodge	48	19	39.6
Douglas	62	23	37.1
Fillmore	25	5	20.0
Freeborn	65	22	33.9
Goodhue	118	42	35.6
Grant	7	1	14.3
Hennepin	2,272	506	22.3
Houston	43	20	46.5
Hubbard	71	21	29.6
Isanti	61	6	9.8
Itasca	220	76	34.6
Jackson	32	12	37.5
Kanabec	60	21	35.0
Kandiyohi	75	25	33.3
Kittson	9	2	22.2
Koochiching	34	13	38.2
Lac qui Parle	20	3	15.0
Lake	31	9	29.0
Le Sueur	48	10	20.8
McLeod	48	11	22.9
Mahnomen	41	16	39.0
Meeker	40	11	27.5

Federal Permanency Indicator 4.2 (continued)

County	Entered Placement in 2002	Re-entered Placement Within 12 Months	Percent Re-entering Within 12 Months
Mille Lacs	76	20	26.3
Morrison	68	19	27.9
Mower	98	43	43.9
Nicollet	38	8	21.1
Nobles	23	11	47.8
Norman	19	10	52.6
Olmsted	212	79	37.3
Otter Tail	94	28	29.8
Pennington	27	7	25.9
Pine	80	27	33.8
Pipestone	17	5	29.4
Polk	123	44	35.8
Pope	11	6	54.6
Ramsey	1,145	284	24.8
Red Lake	11	4	36.4
Redwood	28	14	50.0
Renville	20	1	5.0
Rice	27	8	29.6
Rock	16	6	37.5
Roseau	22	6	27.3
St. Louis	530	139	26.2
Scott	104	12	11.5
Sherburne	72	18	25.0
Sibley	22	8	36.4
Stearns	177	54	30.5
Steele	55	20	36.4
Stevens	14	2	14.3
Swift	25	10	40.0
Todd	55	18	32.7
Traverse	4	1	25.0
Wabasha	67	22	32.8
Wadena	43	12	27.9
Waseca	55	20	36.4
Washington	327	108	33.0
Watonwan	26	4	15.4
Wilkin	35	17	48.6
Winona	90	30	33.3
Wright	162	60	37.0
Yellow Medicine	42	12	28.6
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	81	30	37.0
Faribault-Martin	83	16	19.3
Minnesota	9,788	2,676	27.3

Federal Permanency Indicator 5.1

Of all the children who exited placement to a finalized adoption, what percent exited placement within 24 months?

County	Children Adopted Within 24 Months	Total Adopted	Percent Adopted Within 24 Months
Aitkin	2	7	28.6
Anoka	9	42	21.4
Becker	1	9	11.1
Beltrami		3	0.0
Benton	1	4	25.0
Blue Earth	3	10	30.0
Brown		2	0.0
Carlton		1	0.0
Carver	1	2	50.0
Cass		1	0.0
Chisago	1	8	12.5
Clay	7	12	58.3
Cottonwood	3	4	75.0
Crow Wing	13	15	86.7
Dakota	8	31	25.8
Douglas		3	0.0
Fillmore	3	3	100
Freeborn	1	6	16.7
Goodhue	3	6	50.0
Hennepin	78	174	44.8
Hubbard		2	0.0
Isanti	2	5	40.0
Itasca	2	8	25.0
Jackson	2	3	66.7
Kandiyohi	3	3	100
Le Sueur		1	0.0
Marshall	2	2	100
McLeod	1	1	100
Meeker	4	5	80.0
Morrison		3	0.0
Mower	2	5	40.0
Nicollet	4	5	80.0

County	Children Adopted Within 24 Months	Total Adopted	Percent Adopted Within 24 Months
Olmsted	10	11	90.9
Otter Tail		12	0.0
Pennington	1	1	100
Pine	2	4	50.0
Pipestone	1	1	100
Polk		4	0.0
Ramsey	23	99	23.0
Rice	6	8	75.0
Rock	1	1	100
Roseau		3	0.0
Scott	2	10	20.0
Sherburne		3	0.0
Sibley	1	1	100
St. Louis	9	21	42.9
Stearns	2	9	22.2
Steele		3	0.0
Swift		2	0.0
Todd	9	13	69.2
Wadena	1	3	33.3
Waseca		1	0.0
Washington	3	3	100
Winona	6	7	85.7
Wright	1	4	25.0
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	3	3	100
Minnesota	237	613	38.7

Note: Counties not listed had no adoptions finalized in 2002.

Federal Permanency Indicator 6.1

Of all children who have been in out-of-home placement less than 12 months from the time of the last removal from home, what percentage have had no more than two placement settings during that time period?

County	Children Placed Less Than 12 Months	Children With no More Than Two Placement Settings During Placement	Percent With Less Than Three Placement Settings During Placement
Aitkin	65	54	83.1
Anoka	443	423	91.9
Becker	103	94	87.4
Beltrami	92	76	82.6
Benton	79	70	84.8
Big Stone	12	8	66.7
Blue Earth	110	116	89.1
Brown	57	54	93.0
Carlton	68	60	85.3
Carver	145	140	93.1
Cass	231	221	88.7
Chippewa	27	27	100.0
Chisago	184	160	87.0
Clay	126	121	92.1
Clearwater	21	21	95.2
Cook	11	10	90.9
Cottonwood	29	29	100.0
Crow Wing	158	151	88.6
Dakota	388	356	87.9
Dodge	47	44	91.5
Douglas	72	63	84.7
Fillmore	33	33	100.0
Freeborn	70	66	92.9
Goodhue	117	107	91.5
Grant	9	9	88.9
Hennepin	2,615	2,243	79.6
Houston	45	45	91.1
Hubbard	78	75	94.9
Isanti	71	65	90.1
Itasca	239	210	86.2
Jackson	35	30	85.7
Kanabec	65	61	93.8
Kandiyohi	82	76	92.7
Kittson	15	14	93.3
Koochiching	43	41	93.0
Lac qui Parle	20	20	100.0
Lake	33	33	97.0
Lake of the Woods	4	4	100.0
Le Sueur	62	49	79.0
McLeod	65	58	83.1
Mahnomen	45	42	91.1
Marshall	26	22	84.6

Federal Permanency Indicator 6.1 *(continued)*

County	Children Placed Less Than 12 Months	Children With no More Than Two Placement Settings During Placement	Percent With Less Than Three Placement Settings During Placement
Meeker	47	41	87.2
Mille Lacs	84	74	88.1
Morrison	75	69	86.7
Mower	112	98	87.5
Nicollet	42	41	97.6
Nobles	27	25	92.6
Norman	19	15	78.9
Olmsted	229	199	85.2
Otter Tail	108	102	92.6
Pennington	30	29	93.3
Pine	93	86	88.2
Pipestone	22	21	95.5
Polk	129	119	91.5
Pope	15	12	73.3
Ramsey	1,263	1,223	92.4
Red Lake	13	12	92.3
Redwood	34	34	97.1
Renville	30	30	90.0
Rice	41	39	95.1
Rock	17	16	94.1
Roseau	26	22	84.6
St. Louis	531	538	92.7
Scott	120	114	94.2
Sherburne	97	95	94.8
Sibley	26	24	92.3
Stearns	193	179	90.2
Steele	62	58	91.9
Stevens	17	16	94.1
Swift	29	27	89.7
Todd	62	61	98.4
Traverse	7	5	71.4
Wabasha	75	68	88.0
Wadena	49	45	89.8
Waseca	63	58	92.1
Washington	341	342	97.1
Watonwan	33	32	97.0
Wilkin	41	39	95.1
Winona	105	92	83.8
Wright	175	166	93.7
Yellow Medicine	48	40	83.3
Lincoln-Lyon-Murray	92	84	90.2
Faribault-Martin	88	73	81.8
Minnesota	10,950	10,064	87.9