

# CPS

## Child Protective Services Overview

### Paid Expenditures and Total Average Filled FTE Staff

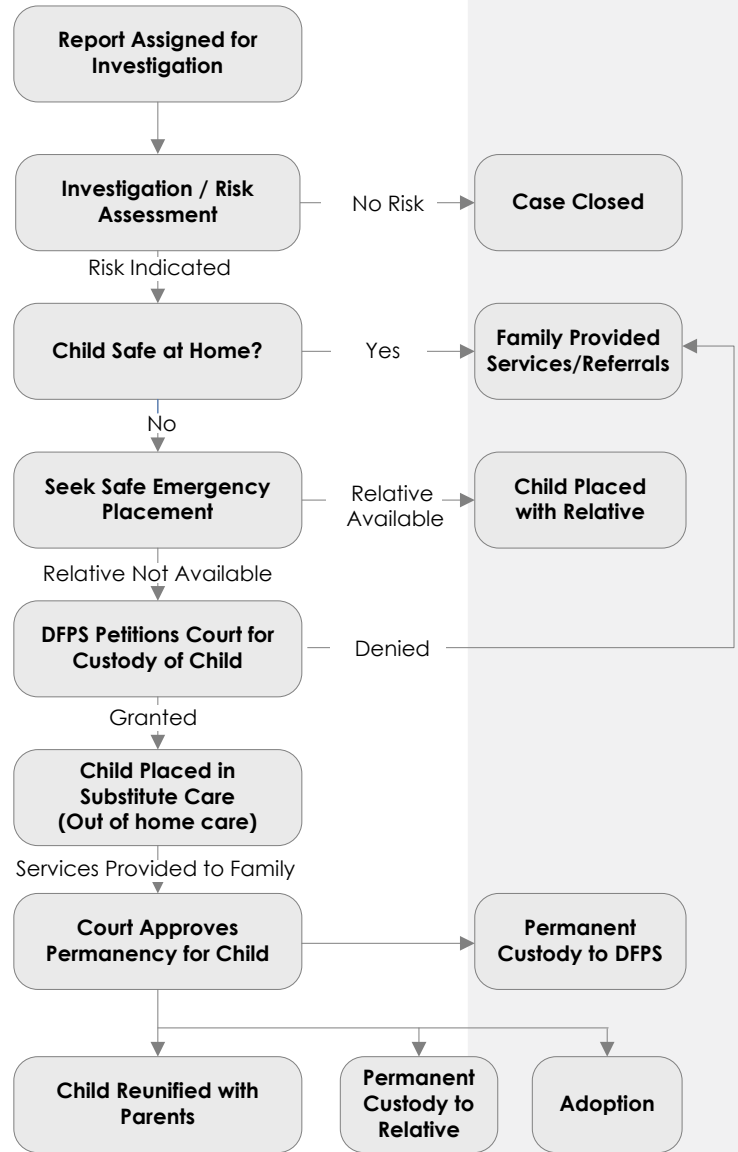
Total Staff	8,343.5
Direct Delivery Total Staff	8,077.5
Caseworkers	
Investigation	1,863.4
Family-Based Safety Services	785.3
Conservatorship	1,496.0
Other Workers	515.5
Supervisors	827.9
Program Directors/Administrators	160.6
Clerical	914.3
Case Aides	651.3
Other Direct Delivery Staff	863.1
CPS Staff Costs	\$462,545,961.88

### Worker Demographics

Turnover Rate	25.4%
Tenure:	
Less Than 1 Year	31.4%
1 - 3 Years	33.3%
Greater than 3 Years	35.3%
Entry Salary (INV)	\$36,729.00
Entry Salary (Non INV)	\$32,273.16
Average Age	35.4
Race/Ethnicity:	
African-American	29.6%
Anglo	42.4%
Hispanic	26.3%
Other	1.7%

### Supervisor Demographics

Turnover Rate	6.0%
Tenure:	
Less Than 1 Year	0.6%
1 - 3 Years	5.1%
Greater than 3 Years	94.3%
Entry Salary	\$39,117.96
Average Age	41.0
Race/Ethnicity:	
African-American	27.5%
Anglo	47.8%
Hispanic	23.0%
Other	1.6%



*Note: This chart is for reference only and does not necessarily represent the flow of a case.*

### Statistics FY 2010

Texas State Child Population	6,584,709
Children, Alleged Victims	288,080
Children in Confirmed Investigations	97,890
Children Removed	16,347

**The Child Protective Services Vision is “Children First: Protected and Connected”.**

**The Mission of Child Protective Services** is to protect children and to act in the children’s best interest. To seek active involvement of the children’s parents and other family members to solve problems that lead to abuse and neglect.

**The Values are**

- Respect for culture
- Inclusiveness of families, youth and community
- Integrity in decision making
- Compassion for all
- Commitment to reducing disproportionality

**Most Common...**

- Person reporting abuse/neglect  
School Professional (18.9%)
- Allegation confirmed  
Neglectful Supervision (63.2%)
- Confirmed perpetrator of abuse/neglect  
Relationship: Parent (77.9%)  
Gender: Female (55.9%)  
Age: Age 26-35 (38.5%)
- Characteristic of confirmed victim  
Age: Age 1 to 3 (24.9%)  
Gender: Female (51.9%)

## Legal Responsibility for Child Protective Services

### Statutory References

Social Security Act  
 Texas Family Code  
 Human Resources Code  
 Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act  
 Indian Child Welfare Act  
 Adam Walsh Act

### Major Provisions

- Definitions of abuse and neglect of children
- Mandatory reporting of suspected abuse or neglect of children
- Prepare and disseminate statistics by county relating to CPS in an annual report made available to the legislature and general public
- Responsibility for receiving reports of suspected abuse or neglect of children
- Responsibility for thorough investigation of a report of child abuse or neglect allegedly committed by a person responsible for a child's care, custody or welfare
- Responsibility to assign priorities and prescribe investigative procedures for investigations based on the severity and immediacy of the alleged harm to the child
- Take action to protect abused and neglected children from further harm
- Establish review teams to evaluate department casework and decision-making related to investigations of child abuse or neglect
- Employ Child Safety Specialists to conduct staff reviews and evaluations of cases determined to involve high risk, monitor cases with multiple referrals, and approve decisions and assessments related to investigations that involve a high risk to the health or safety of a child
- Work with children and their families, providing services to prevent further abuse, help alleviate the effects of the abuse suffered, prevent removal of the child from the home, and provide reunification services when appropriate for the return of the child to the home
- When necessary, secure appropriate court orders and take possession of a child if there is an immediate danger to the physical health or safety of the child or the child has been a victim of neglect or sexual abuse and that continuation in the home would be contrary to the child's welfare
- Make reasonable efforts to secure the return of the child
- Develop a service plan in conference with the child's parents to determine return of the child to the child's parents, termination of parental rights and placement of the child for adoption, or because of the child's special needs or exceptional circumstances continue the child's care out of the child's home
- Provide substitute care for children until the problems have been sufficiently resolved
- Provide permanent placement for children who cannot safely return to their home
- Establish a database of all verified foster homes willing to accept foster care placement of a child in care
- Recruit potential adoptive parents for children whose parents have had their parental rights terminated
- Requirements for frequency and location of contact with children in substitute care
- Requirements for conducting criminal background and central registry checks of foster and adoptive parents

### Concepts Guiding Risk Determination

Child Vulnerability	Home Environment	Caregiver Capability	Quality of Care
Child fragility	Stressors	Knowledge	Quality of connection
Child behavior	Dangerous exposure	Skills	Emotional care
		Capacity	Physical care

Social Environment	Response to CPS	Maltreatment Pattern
Social climate	Attitude	Chronicity
Social violence	Deception	Current severity
		Trends

### Federal Outcomes Used to Assess Child Welfare Services

#### Safety Outcomes

- Safety Outcome 1: Children are, first and foremost, protected from abuse and neglect.
- Safety Outcome 2: Children are safely maintained in their homes whenever possible and appropriate.

#### Permanency Outcomes

- Permanency Outcome 1: Children have permanency and stability in their living situations.
- Permanency Outcome 2: The continuity of family relationships and connections is preserved for children.

#### Well-Being Outcomes

- Well-Being Outcome 1: Families have enhanced capacity to provide for their children's needs.
- Well-Being Outcome 2: Children receive appropriate services to meet their educational needs.
- Well-Being Outcome 3: Children receive adequate services to meet their physical and mental health needs.

# Fiscal Year 2004 and 2010 Pre- and Post-Reform Statistics by Region (CPS)

2004	Region 1 - Lubbock	2010
168.1	Caseworkers	258.9
22.0%	Turnover	24.1%
\$32,459	Average Base Salary	\$34,516
6,406	Completed Investigations	7,925
733	Removals	711
143	Adoptions Consummated	296

2004	Region 2 - Abilene	2010
86.4	Caseworkers	152.1
13.9%	Turnover	19.5%
\$33,678	Average Base Salary	\$34,807
4,325	Completed Investigations	5,036
351	Removals	521
80	Adoptions Consummated	100

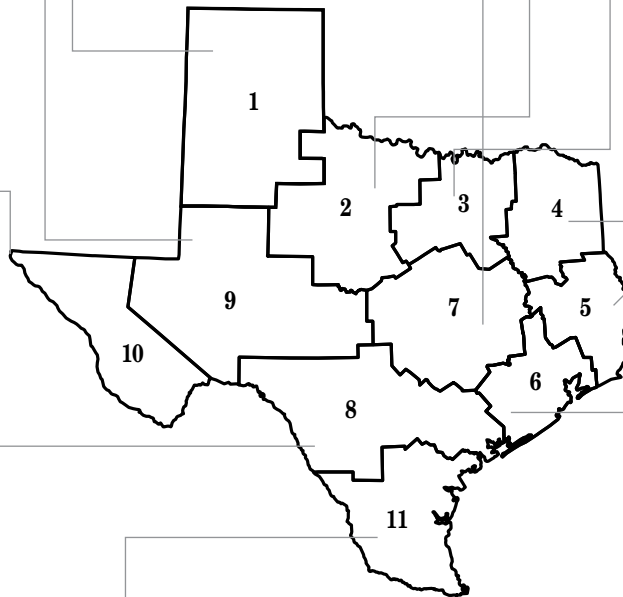
2004	Region 3 - Arlington	2010
687.8	Caseworkers	1,044.7
26.3%	Turnover	21.1%
\$32,943	Average Base Salary	\$35,201
33,509	Completed Investigations	41,322
3,270	Removals	3,445
516	Adoptions Consummated	919

2004	Region 9 - Midland	2010
65.0	Caseworkers	139.2
15.5%	Turnover	24.8%
\$33,375	Average Base Salary	\$34,278
3,666	Completed Investigations	4,803
255	Removals	603
32	Adoptions Consummated	139

2004	Region 7 - Austin	2010
366.3	Caseworkers	511.5
20.9%	Turnover	30.1%
\$32,398	Average Base Salary	\$34,962
18,147	Completed Investigations	19,247
1,645	Removals	1,805
351	Adoptions Consummated	692

2004	Region 4 - Tyler	2010
160.8	Caseworkers	247.5
29.3%	Turnover	22.6%
\$32,436	Average Base Salary	\$34,389
8,561	Completed Investigations	8,869
728	Removals	1,074
124	Adoptions Consummated	230

2004	Region 10 - El Paso	2010
75.7	Caseworkers	120.8
13.6%	Turnover	25.6%
\$34,227	Average Base Salary	\$34,517
3,397	Completed Investigations	4,540
183	Removals	385
66	Adoptions Consummated	98



2004	Region 5 - Beaumont	2010
89.8	Caseworkers	150.7
11.2%	Turnover	16.8%
\$34,251	Average Base Salary	\$35,647
5,717	Completed Investigations	6,615
392	Removals	495
55	Adoptions Consummated	120

2004	Region 8 - San Antonio	2010
355.3	Caseworkers	625.6
20.7%	Turnover	29.1%
\$33,124	Average Base Salary	\$34,505
13,382	Completed Investigations	20,847
1,993	Removals	2,185
390	Adoptions Consummated	976

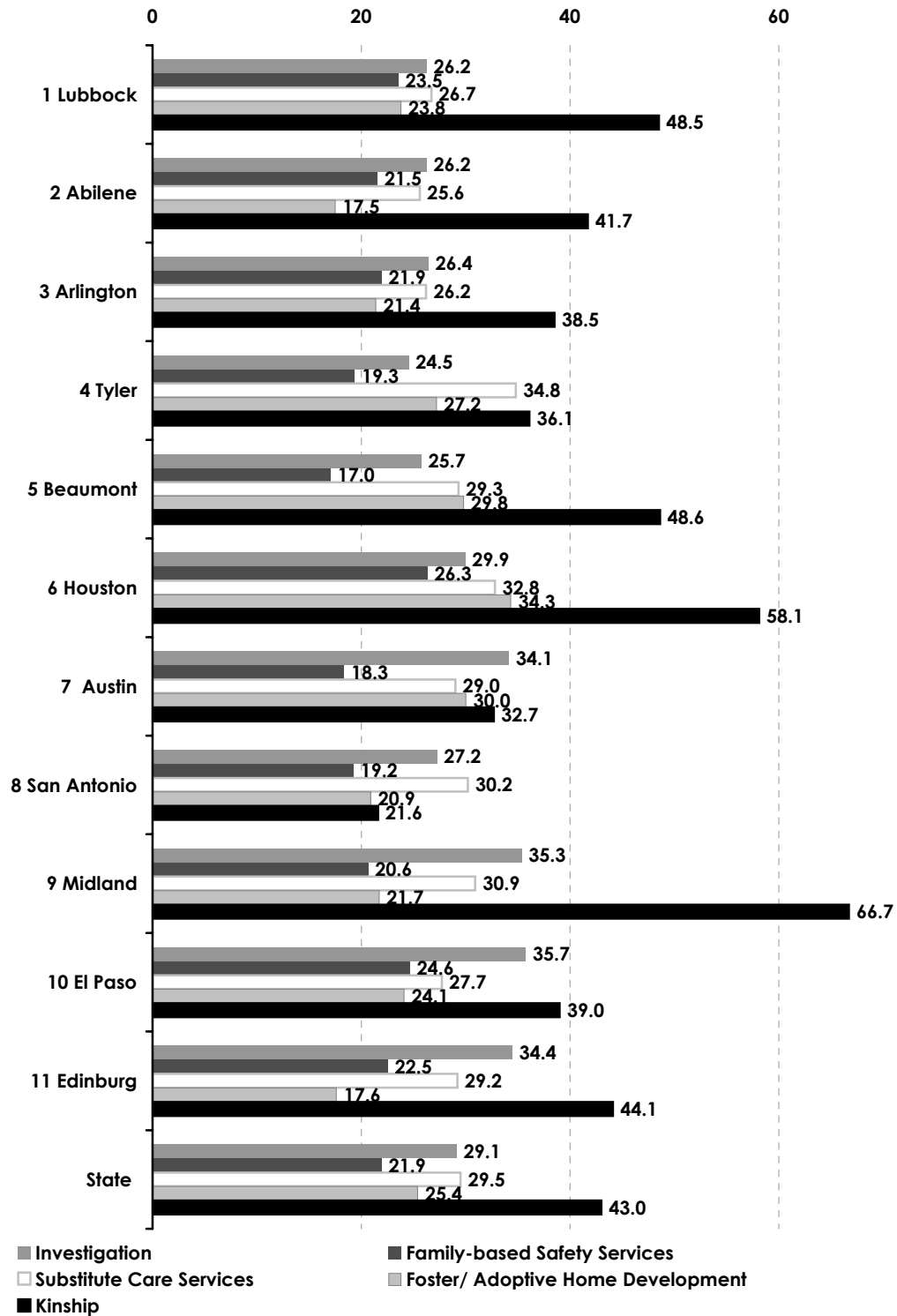
2004	Region 6 - Houston	2010
653.1	Caseworkers	928.7
25.8%	Turnover	24.6%
\$32,737	Average Base Salary	\$34,550
27,543	Completed Investigations	31,792
2,773	Removals	3,763
651	Adoptions Consummated	1,046

2004	Region 11 - Edinburg	2010
238.8	Caseworkers	480.6
22.1%	Turnover	32.4%
\$32,828	Average Base Salary	\$33,822
13,871	Completed Investigations	18,563
1,108	Removals	1,360
104	Adoptions Consummated	187

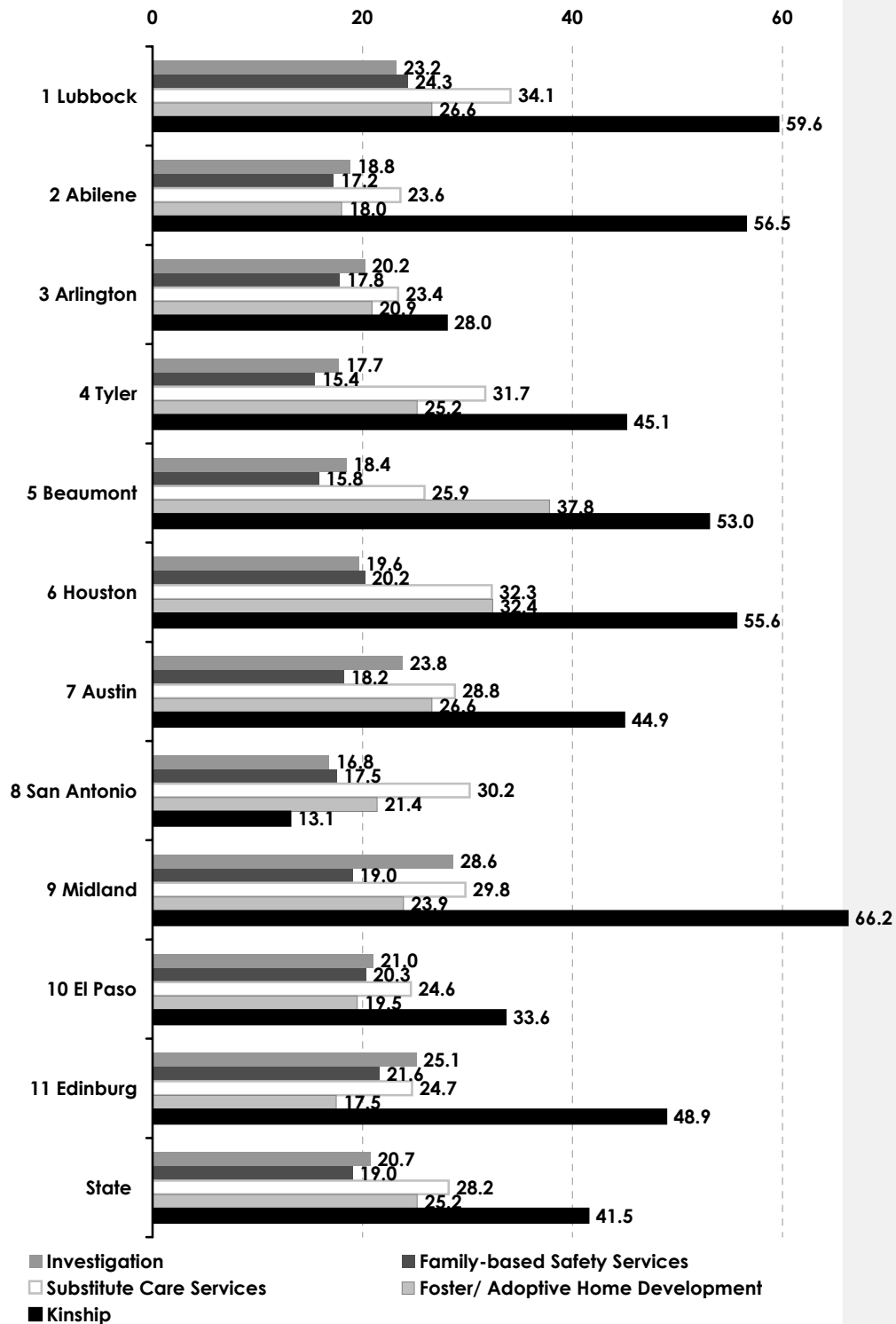
2004	Statewide Totals	2010
2,947.2	Caseworkers	4,660.2
23.0%	Turnover	25.4%
\$32,892	Average Base Salary	\$34,683
138,587	Completed Investigations	169,583
13,431	Removals	16,347
2,512	Adoptions Consummated	4,803

• The State Total for Completed Investigations includes those where the Region was Unknown and/or Out of State.

### CPS Daily Caseload Fiscal Year 2010

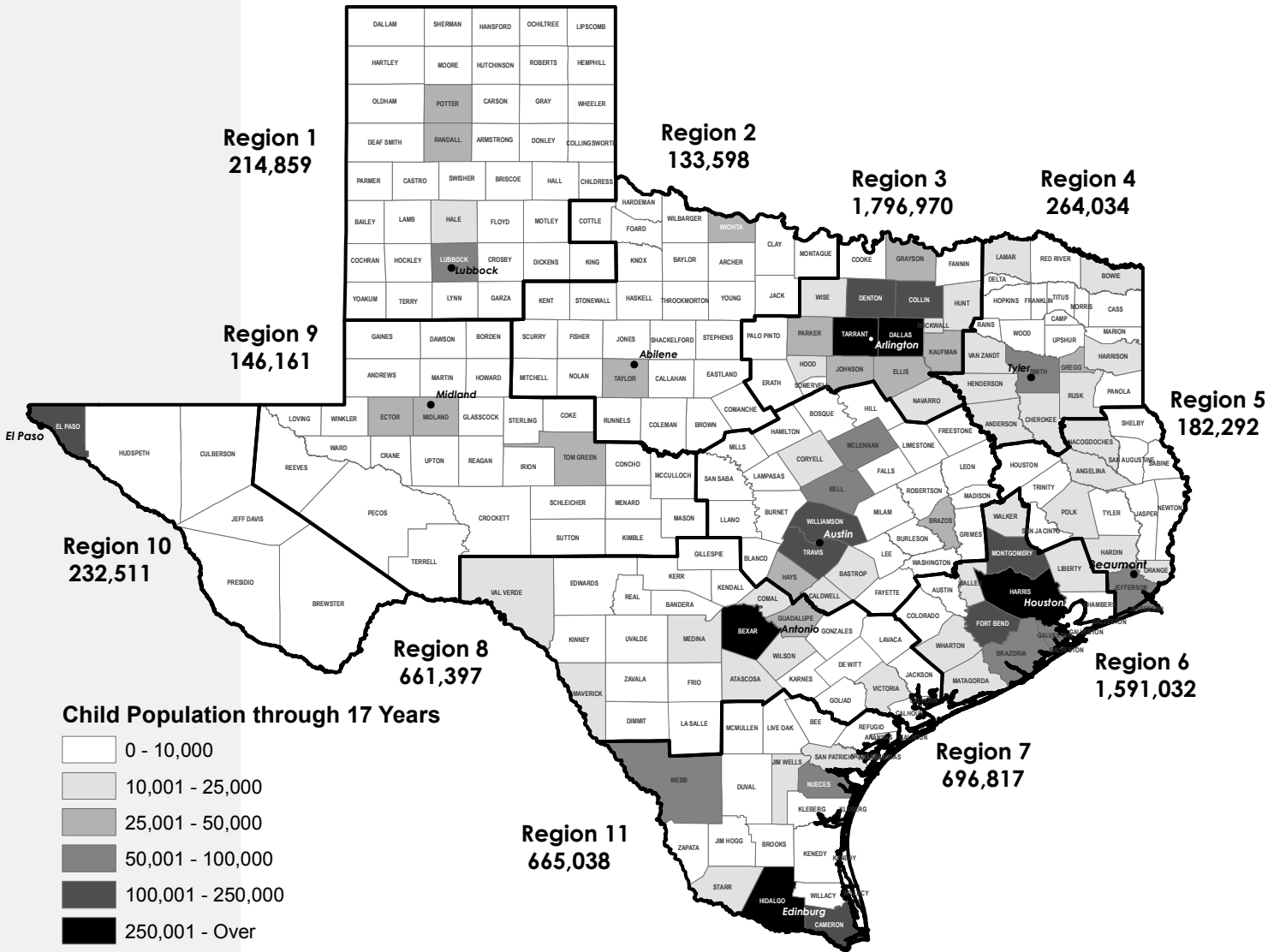


### CPS Daily Caseload Fiscal Year 2009



### Texas Child Population Ages Birth through 17 Years Fiscal Year 2010

State Total: 6,584,709

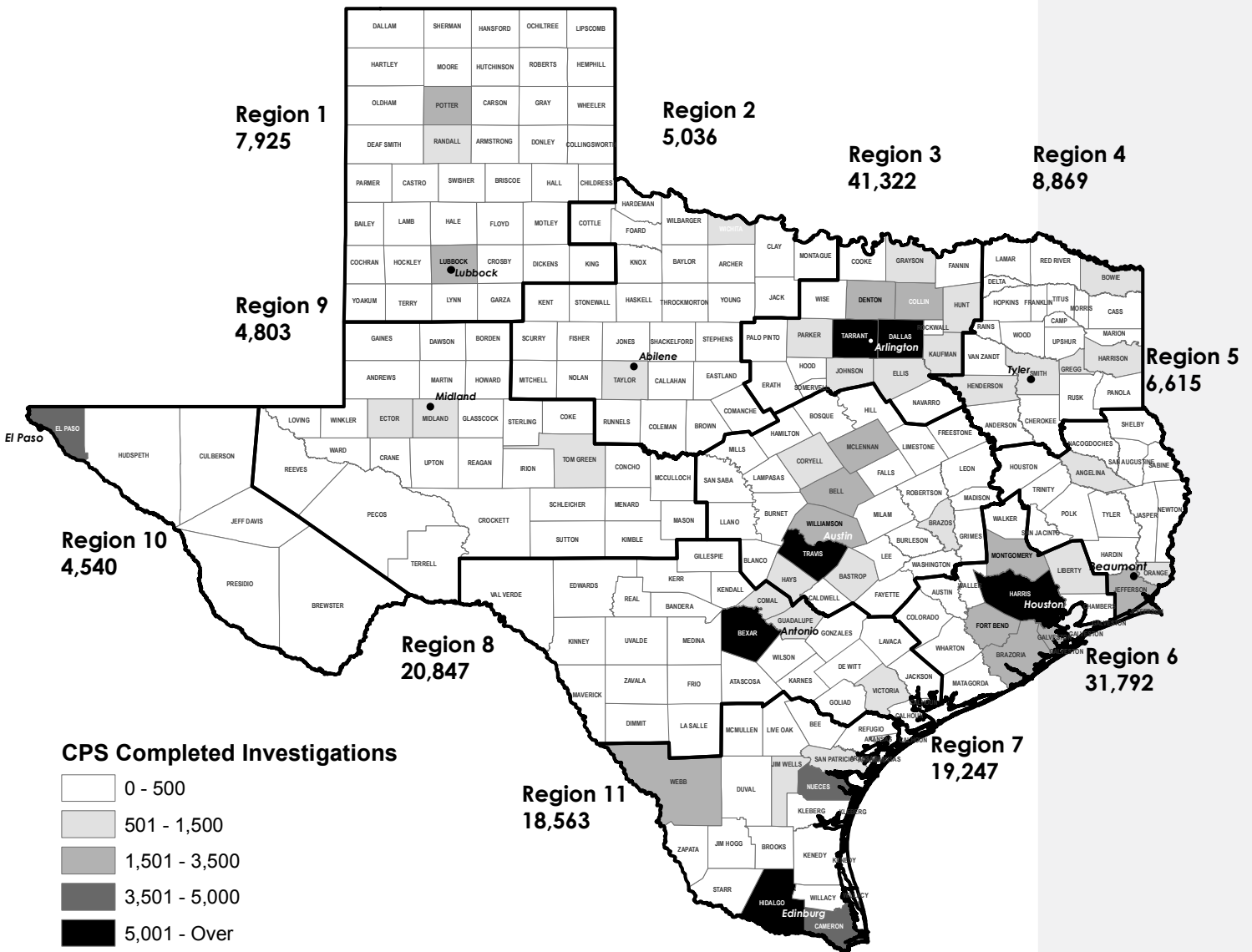


Population Data Source: Texas State Data Center, University of Texas (San Antonio)



**Child Protective Services  
Completed Investigations  
Fiscal Year 2010**

State Total: 169,583



*Note: 24 investigations did not have the county designated.*

**CPS Total Initial Intakes and Screened Out Cases  
Fiscal Year 2010**

**Total Initial Intakes**

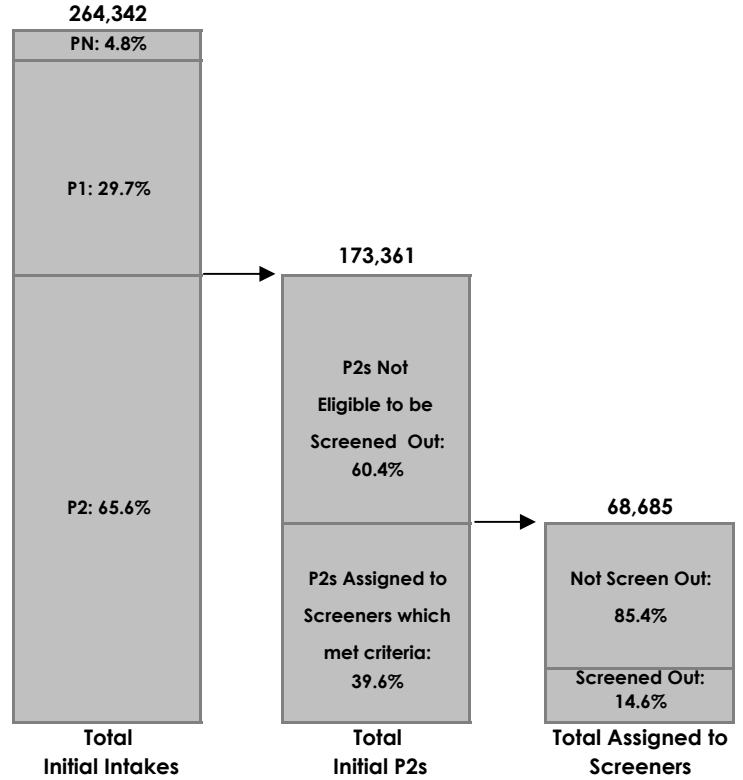
	Number	Percent
PN	12,578	4.8%
P1	78,403	29.7%
P2	173,361	65.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>264,342</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Initially Assigned P2s eligible for screening**

	Number	Percent
Not Assigned to Screeners	104,676	60.4%
Assigned to Screeners	68,685	39.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>173,361</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Assigned to Screeners**

	Number	Percent
Not Screened Out	58,633	85.4%
Screened Out (P2 to PN)	10,052	14.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>68,685</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



*Note: When a case is a P2, all alleged victims are age 6 or older, and there is not currently an open case, a formal screening occurs. The purpose of the formal screening is to determine if CPS intervention is warranted. There may be eligible P2s not assigned to screeners.*

**Risk Assessment Finding of Completed Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations  
Fiscal Year 2010**

Disposition of Investigation	No Significant Risk Identified		Risk Controlled		Risk Indicated		Risk Not Applicable Blank/Invalid		Total	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>Confirmed</b>	61	0.5%	16,693	14.3%	22,403	73.6%	180	1.7%	39,337	23.2%
<b>Unconfirmed</b>	11,852	99.5%	99,711	85.7%	8,040	26.4%	10,643	98.3%	130,246	76.8%
<b>State Total</b>	11,913	100.0%	116,404	100.0%	30,443	100.0%	10,823	100.0%	169,583	100.0%

**Case Action for Risk Indicated Completed Investigations  
Fiscal Year 2010**

<b>Open to Services</b>	29,458	96.8%
<b>Not Open to Services</b>	985	3.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>30,443</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

*Note: Only investigations with a risk finding of "Risk Indicated" can be opened for further services. Opened for services is defined as services provided after the investigation was completed.*

### Child Abuse/Neglect Allegation Dispositions

The categories used to record the findings of initial assessment/investigation of child abuse neglect are defined as:

#### Confirmed Investigations

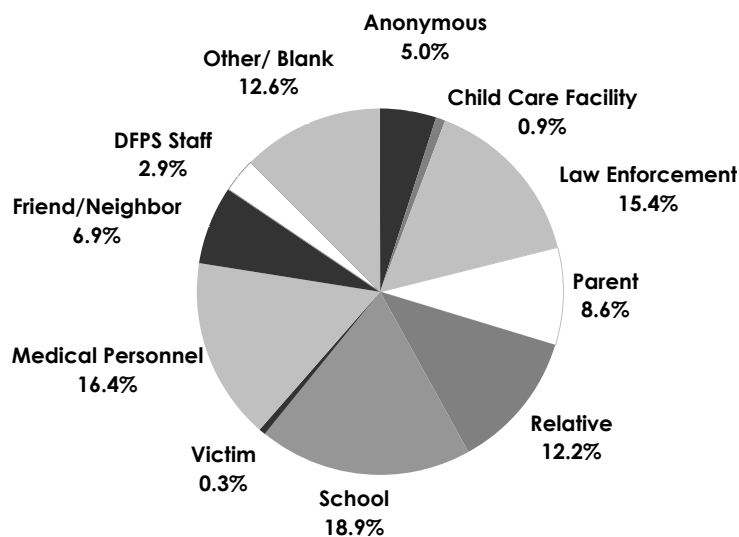
- **Reason to believe** – Based on preponderance of evidence, staff concluded that abuse or neglect occurred.

#### Unconfirmed Investigations

- **Ruled out** - Staff determined, based upon on available information, that it is reasonable to conclude that abuse neglect has not occurred.
- **Unable to complete** – Before staff could reach a conclusion, the persons involved in the report moved, could not be located or refused to cooperate.
- **Unable to determine** – Staff concluded that none of the other dispositions were appropriate.

### Investigations of Child Abuse/Neglect by Source of Report for Completed Investigations

Sources	Fiscal Year 2008		Fiscal Year 2009		Fiscal Year 2010	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Anonymous	8,912	4.6%	9,212	4.8%	10,002	5.0%
Child Care Facility	1,992	1.0%	1,794	0.9%	1,717	0.9%
Law Enforcement	28,907	15.0%	30,351	15.7%	30,761	15.4%
Parent	15,799	8.2%	16,004	8.3%	17,245	8.6%
Relative	23,714	12.3%	23,392	12.1%	24,523	12.2%
School	37,711	19.5%	36,494	18.9%	37,816	18.9%
Victim	548	0.3%	633	0.3%	626	0.3%
Medical Personnel	32,626	16.9%	31,811	16.5%	32,786	16.4%
Friend/Neighbor	13,130	6.8%	13,386	6.9%	13,750	6.9%
DFPS Staff	5,305	2.7%	5,686	2.9%	5,791	2.9%
Other	24,411	12.6%	24,290	12.6%	25,170	12.6%
Blank	199	0.1%	90	0.0%	75	0.0%
<b>State Total</b>	<b>193,254</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>193,143</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>200,262</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



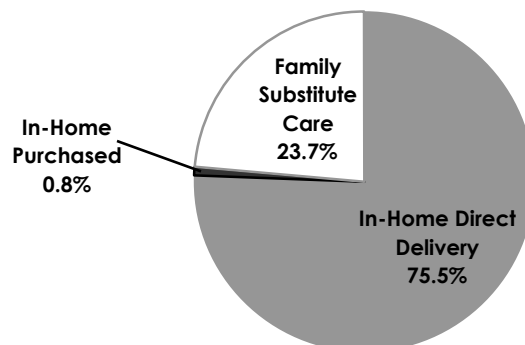
Note: A report of abuse/neglect may come from multiple sources.

## Number of Child Abuse/Neglect Completed Investigations Fiscal Year 2010

Region	Total	Confirmed	% Confirmed Investigations	Unconfirmed Investigations
1 Lubbock	7,925	2,270	28.6%	5,655
2 Abilene	5,036	1,401	27.8%	3,635
3 Arlington	41,322	10,092	24.4%	31,230
4 Tyler	8,869	2,141	24.1%	6,728
5 Beaumont	6,615	1,397	21.1%	5,218
6 Houston	31,792	6,372	20.0%	25,420
7 Austin	19,247	3,921	20.4%	15,326
8 San Antonio	20,847	4,704	22.6%	16,143
9 Midland	4,803	1,307	27.2%	3,496
10 El Paso	4,540	1,307	28.8%	3,233
11 Edinburg	18,563	4,420	23.8%	14,143
Unknown	24	5	20.8%	19
<b>State</b>	<b>169,583</b>	<b>39,337</b>	<b>23.2%</b>	<b>130,246</b>

## Family Cases Opened for Services as a Result of a Completed Investigation Fiscal Year 2010

Region	In-Home Direct Delivery	In-Home Purchased	Family Substitute Care	Total
1 Lubbock	1,120	0	310	1,430
2 Abilene	845	0	248	1,093
3 Arlington	5,144	188	1,537	6,869
4 Tyler	841	0	482	1,323
5 Beaumont	441	0	232	673
6 Houston	4,051	1	1,724	5,776
7 Austin	1,442	1	789	2,232
8 San Antonio	3,511	32	790	4,333
9 Midland	770	0	260	1,030
10 El Paso	810	0	104	914
11 Edinburg	3,265	2	518	3,785
Other	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,240</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>6,994</b>	<b>29,458</b>



**Confirmed Allegations of Child Abuse/Neglect by Type of Abuse  
Fiscal Year 2010**

Region	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Abandonment	Medical Neglect	Physical Neglect
1 Lubbock	848	300	57	1	111	382
2 Abilene	398	234	47	3	79	279
3 Arlington	4,299	1,394	91	36	391	1,217
4 Tyler	684	325	43	10	98	463
5 Beaumont	430	237	12	3	66	197
6 Houston	2,266	1,160	104	27	351	1,052
7 Austin	1,178	620	41	10	122	452
8 San Antonio	1,333	609	60	34	195	626
9 Midland	425	223	20	2	74	204
10 El Paso	425	124	44	7	79	287
11 Edinburg	1,329	766	109	24	312	838
Unknown	1	0	0	0	0	3
<b>State Total</b>	<b>13,616</b>	<b>5,992</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>1,878</b>	<b>6,000</b>

Region	Neglectful Supervision	Refusal to Accept Parental Responsibility	Total Confirmed Allegations of Child Abuse/Neglect	Percent of Child Abuse/Neglect	*Unduplicated Confirmed Victims
1 Lubbock	3,245	42	4,986	6.3%	4,177
2 Abilene	1,914	22	2,976	3.8%	2,451
3 Arlington	12,607	158	20,193	25.7%	16,912
4 Tyler	2,619	45	4,287	5.4%	3,557
5 Beaumont	1,638	18	2,601	3.3%	2,246
6 Houston	6,692	135	11,787	15.0%	10,035
7 Austin	4,774	85	7,282	9.3%	6,377
8 San Antonio	6,447	50	9,354	11.9%	8,277
9 Midland	1,648	25	2,621	3.3%	2,197
10 El Paso	1,759	26	2,751	3.5%	2,337
11 Edinburg	6,381	113	9,872	12.5%	8,323
Unknown	4	0	8	0.0%	8
<b>State Total</b>	<b>49,728</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>78,718</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>66,897</b>

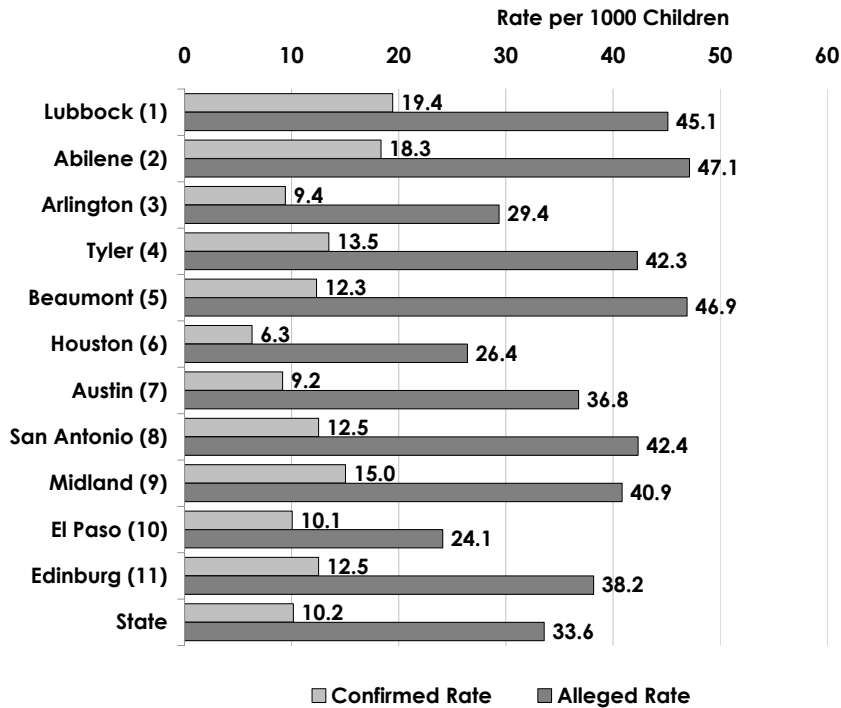
\* Victims have been unduplicated by investigation stage.

**Children in Cases Opened for Services as a Result of a Completed Investigation  
Fiscal Year 2010**

Region	In-home Direct Delivery	In-Home Purchased	% Opened In-Home	Family Substitute Care*	Total
1 Lubbock	3,067	0	80.4%	749	3,816
2 Abilene	2,047	0	77.1%	607	2,654
3 Arlington	13,308	493	77.8%	3,934	17,735
4 Tyler	2,118	0	66.0%	1,090	3,208
5 Beaumont	1,106	0	66.9%	547	1,653
6 Houston	10,927	2	71.5%	4,362	15,291
7 Austin	3,828	3	64.4%	2,114	5,945
8 San Antonio	9,700	71	81.8%	2,170	11,941
9 Midland	1,962	0	75.6%	633	2,595
10 El Paso	2,303	0	89.0%	286	2,589
11 Edinburg	9,942	5	86.8%	1,511	11,458
<b>Total</b>	<b>60,308</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>77.2%</b>	<b>18,003</b>	<b>78,885</b>

\*Includes all children in the case regardless of victimization.

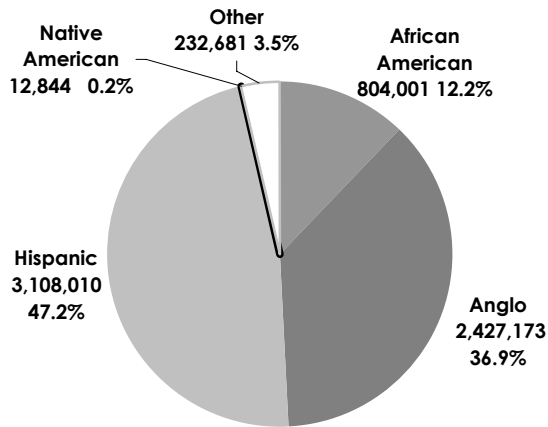
**Point Prevalence\* Rate of Child Abuse/Neglect  
per 1,000 Children in Texas Population per Region  
Fiscal Year 2010**



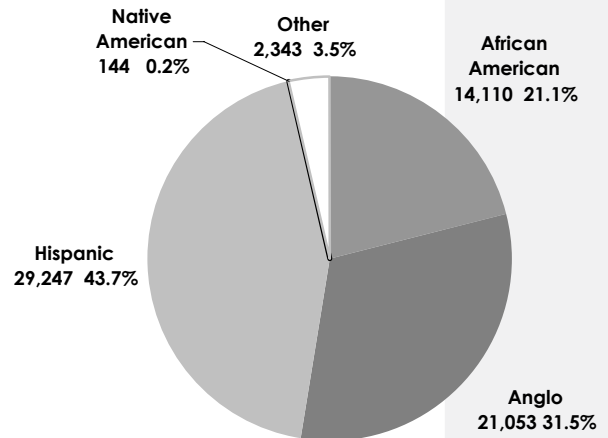
\* Point prevalence is the number of children who are alleged/confirmed victims per 1,000 children in the region.

### Race/Ethnicity of Selected CPS Statistics Compared to Texas Child Population Fiscal year 2010

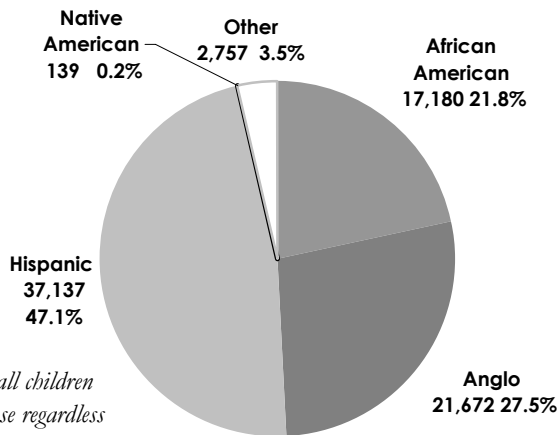
Texas Child Population - 6,584,709



CPS Confirmed Victims - 66,897

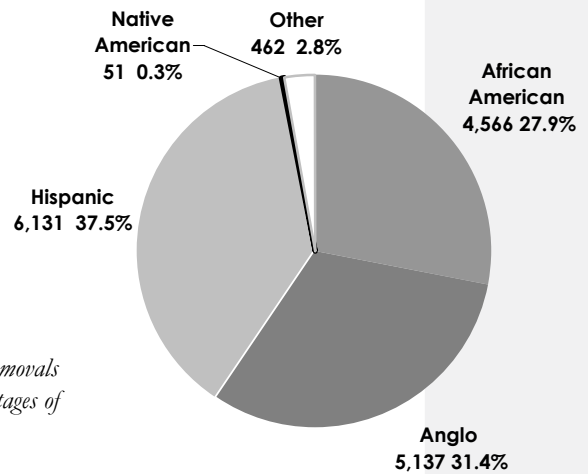


Children in Cases Opened for Services - 78,885



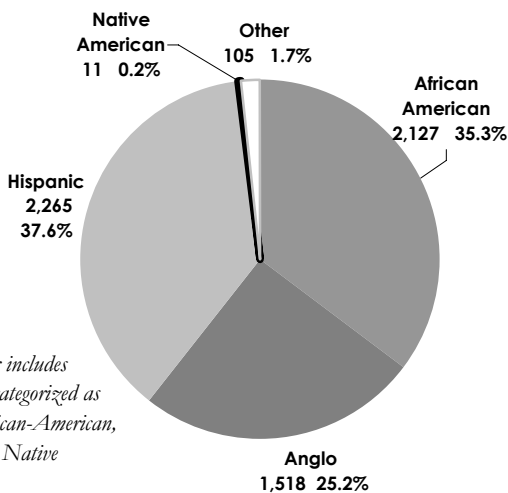
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Number of Removals - 16,347



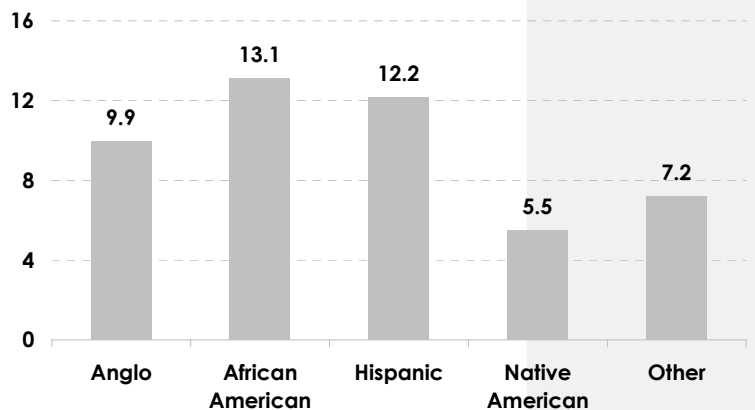
*Includes removals from all stages of service.*

Number of Children Awaiting Adoption - 6,026



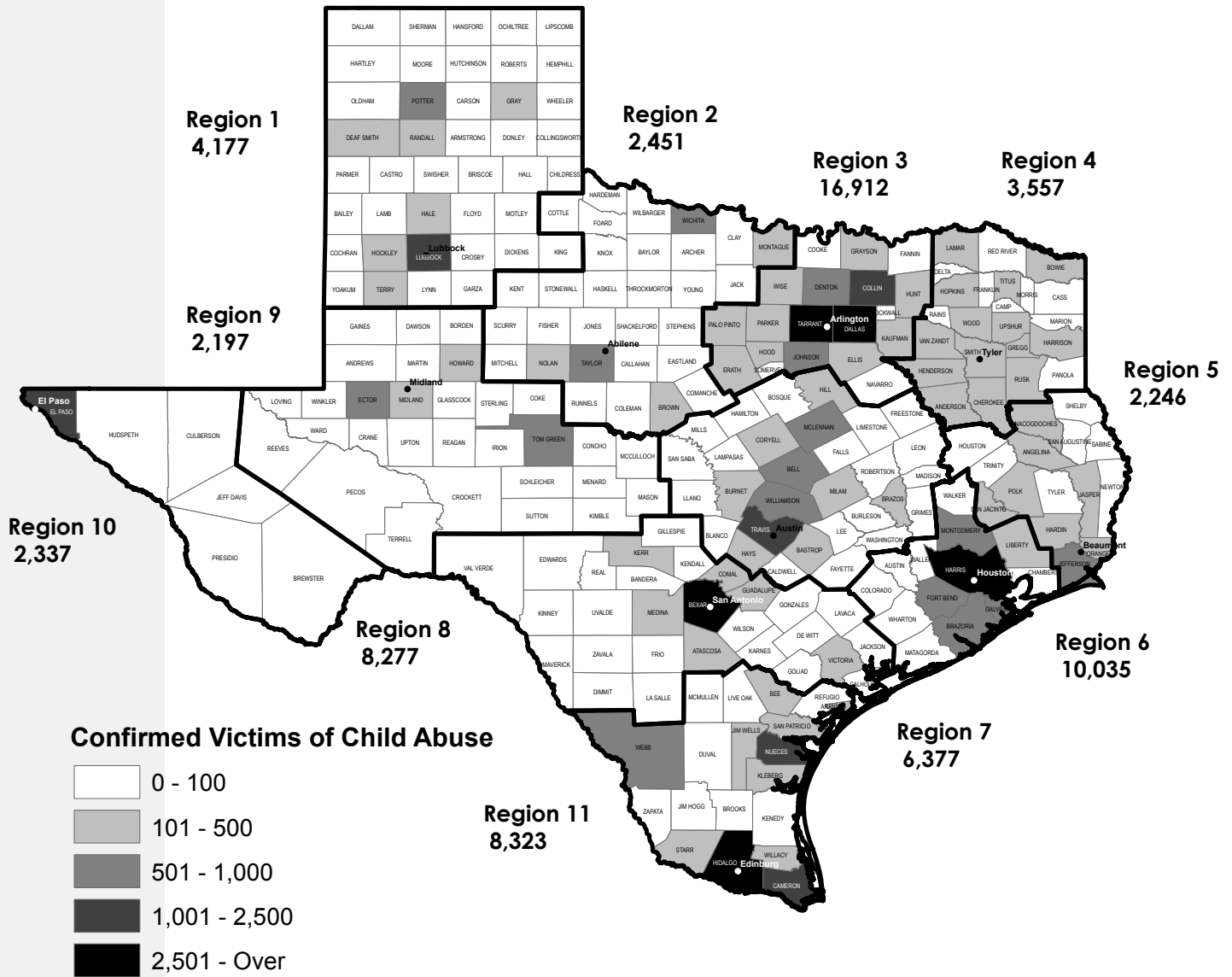
*Note: Other includes anyone not categorized as Anglo, African-American, Hispanic or Native American*

Median Time Waiting for Adoption in Months - 11.7



### Confirmed Victims of Child Abuse/Neglect Fiscal Year 2010

State Total: 66,897



\* 8 confirmed victims did not have a county designated.



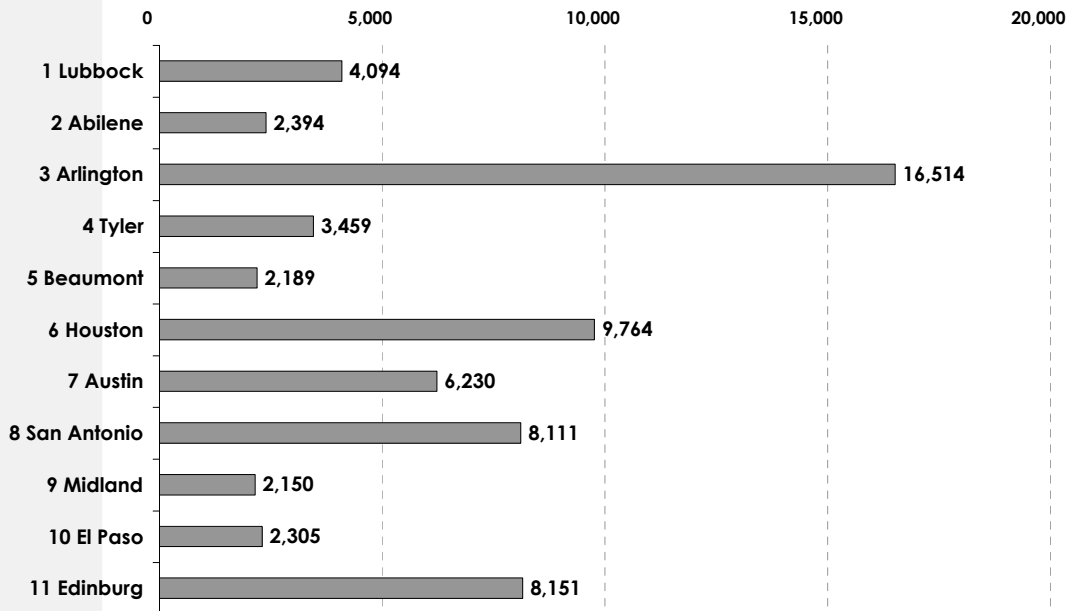
## Profile of Confirmed Child Abuse/Neglect Victims Fiscal Year 2010

Age	Gender	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
<b>Under 1</b>								
	Female	1,407	1,150	1,811	7	15	199	4,589
	Male	1,467	1,232	1,843	5	12	228	4,787
	Unknown	5	9	8	0	1	0	23
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,879</b>	<b>2,391</b>	<b>3,662</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>9,399</b>
<b>1-3 Years</b>								
	Female	2,420	1,757	3,529	14	36	293	8,049
	Male	2,683	1,886	3,647	12	42	317	8,587
	Unknown	9	6	15	0	0	9	39
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5,112</b>	<b>3,649</b>	<b>7,191</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>16,675</b>
<b>4-6 Years</b>								
	Female	2,084	1,330	3,075	13	32	171	6,705
	Male	2,075	1,358	3,027	8	40	189	6,697
	Unknown	0	8	7	0	0	2	17
	<b>Total</b>	<b>4,159</b>	<b>2,696</b>	<b>6,109</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>13,419</b>
<b>7-9 Years</b>								
	Female	1,717	1,020	2,411	19	28	125	5,320
	Male	1,643	982	2,226	10	23	110	4,994
	Unknown	2	2	9	0	0	1	14
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3,362</b>	<b>2,004</b>	<b>4,646</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>10,328</b>
<b>10-12 Years</b>								
	Female	1,322	766	1,970	12	18	87	4,175
	Male	1,227	713	1,578	11	21	72	3,622
	Unknown	4	2	3	0	2	0	11
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,553</b>	<b>1,481</b>	<b>3,551</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>7,808</b>
<b>13-17 Years</b>								
	Female	1,789	1,136	2,670	19	49	121	5,784
	Male	1,127	688	1,336	14	12	68	3,245
	Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,916</b>	<b>1,824</b>	<b>4,006</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>9,030</b>
<b>Age Unknown</b>								
	Female	29	34	35	0	0	8	106
	Male	42	30	47	0	0	8	127
	Unknown	1	1	0	0	0	3	5
	<b>Total</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>238</b>
<b>Total Victims</b>								
	Female	10,768	7,193	15,501	84	178	1,004	34,728
	Male	10,264	6,889	13,704	60	150	992	32,059
	Unknown	21	28	42	0	3	16	110
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>21,053</b>	<b>14,110</b>	<b>29,247</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>2,012</b>	<b>66,897</b>

**Alleged and Confirmed Victims of Child Abuse/Neglect  
Fiscal Year 2010**

Region	Alleged Victims	Confirmed Victims	Unconfirmed Victims	Percent Confirmed
1 Lubbock	13,875	4,177	9,698	30.1%
2 Abilene	8,749	2,451	6,298	28.0%
3 Arlington	69,696	16,912	52,783	24.3%
4 Tyler	14,721	3,557	11,164	24.2%
5 Beaumont	10,801	2,246	8,555	20.8%
6 Houston	52,058	10,035	42,023	19.3%
7 Austin	32,013	6,377	25,636	19.9%
8 San Antonio	36,292	8,277	28,015	22.8%
9 Midland	8,169	2,197	5,972	26.9%
10 El Paso	7,942	2,337	5,605	29.4%
11 Edinburg	33,725	8,323	25,402	24.7%
Out of State	39	8	31	20.5%
<b>State</b>	<b>288,080</b>	<b>66,897</b>	<b>221,182</b>	<b>23.2%</b>

**CPS Confirmed Victims Where the Confirmed Perpetrator was a Parent  
Fiscal Year 2010  
Total 65,361**



**Characteristics Of Perpetrators In Confirmed Investigations  
of Child Abuse/Neglect  
Fiscal Year 2010**

Characteristic	Female		Male		Unknown		Total	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total
<b>Age</b>								
Under 18	847	1.6%	1,492	2.8%	1	0.0%	2,340	4.4%
18-25	10,304	19.2%	5,687	10.6%	7	0.0%	15,998	29.9%
26-35	11,981	22.4%	8,617	16.1%	14	0.0%	20,612	38.5%
36-45	4,764	8.9%	4,914	9.2%	6	0.0%	9,684	18.1%
Over 45	2,064	3.9%	2,843	5.3%	3	0.0%	4,910	9.2%
Invalid	3	0.0%	19	0.0%	19	0.0%	41	0.1%
<b>Marital Status</b>								
Married	7,496	14.0%	7,928	14.8%	2	0.0%	15,426	28.8%
Widowed	311	0.6%	146	0.3%	0	0.0%	457	0.9%
Separated	1,876	3.5%	1,296	2.4%	0	0.0%	3,172	5.9%
Divorced	2,224	4.2%	1,323	2.5%	1	0.0%	3,548	6.6%
Single	8,606	16.1%	4,709	8.8%	1	0.0%	13,316	24.9%
Unknown	8,728	16.3%	6,663	12.4%	46	0.1%	15,437	28.8%
Not Applicable (Under 18)	722	1.3%	1,507	2.8%	0	0.0%	2,229	4.2%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>								
Anglo	12,284	22.9%	8,532	15.9%	3	0.0%	20,819	38.9%
African American	5,656	10.6%	4,057	7.6%	2	0.0%	9,715	18.1%
Hispanic	11,048	20.6%	9,629	18.0%	5	0.0%	20,682	38.6%
Native American	73	0.1%	50	0.1%	0	0.0%	123	0.2%
Asian	186	0.3%	151	0.3%	0	0.0%	337	0.6%
Other	716	1.3%	1,153	2.2%	40	0.1%	1,909	3.6%
<b>Relation to Oldest Victim</b>								
Parent	26,588	49.5%	15,149	28.3%	4	0.0%	41,741	77.9%
Grandparent	1,537	2.9%	865	1.6%	0	0.0%	2,402	4.5%
Sibling/Other Relative	370	0.7%	1,856	3.5%	1	0.0%	2,227	4.2%
Aunt/Uncle	633	1.2%	1,146	2.1%	1	0.0%	1,780	3.3%
Parent's Paramour	333	0.6%	3,335	6.2%	1	0.0%	3,669	6.8%
Other	502	0.9%	1,221	2.3%	43	0.1%	1,766	3.3%
<b>Total Perpetrators</b>	<b>29,963</b>	<b>55.9%</b>	<b>23,572</b>	<b>44.0%</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>53,585</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### Monthly Average Number of Families Receiving Preservation Services per Month Fiscal Year 2010

Region	Strengthening Families Initiative				Contracted Regular	Contracted Intensive	Contracted Moderate	Total
	Regular	Intensive	Moderate	Initiative				
1 Lubbock	758	1	118	37	0	0	0	914
2 Abilene	185	42	210	17	0	0	0	454
3 Arlington	1,956	11	1,231	65	284	0	16	3,563
4 Tyler	680	1	27	11	0	0	0	719
5 Beaumont	275	0	27	15	1	0	0	318
6 Houston	3,171	3	429	80	0	0	0	3,683
7 Austin	833	5	296	29	0	0	0	1,163
8 San Antonio	2,089	5	75	115	37	0	0	2,321
9 Midland	376	2	89	13	0	0	0	480
10 El Paso	586	1	34	9	1	0	0	631
11 Edinburg	2,206	3	199	32	0	0	0	2,440
Out of State	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,116</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>2,736</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16,687</b>

### Annual Number of Families Receiving Preservation Services Fiscal Year 2010

Region	Strengthening Families Initiative				Contracted Regular	Contracted Intensive	Contracted Moderate	Total
	Regular	Intensive	Moderate	Initiative				
1 Lubbock	1,643	13	327	71	0	0	0	2,054
2 Abilene	542	138	719	39	0	0	0	1,438
3 Arlington	4,683	53	2,711	166	588	0	34	8,235
4 Tyler	1,361	6	89	24	1	0	0	1,481
5 Beaumont	620	3	74	32	1	0	0	730
6 Houston	6,041	19	1,022	181	0	0	0	7,263
7 Austin	1,672	29	668	70	0	0	0	2,439
8 San Antonio	4,699	38	200	226	95	0	1	5,259
9 Midland	918	11	363	30	0	0	0	1,322
10 El Paso	1,214	4	85	22	1	0	0	1,326
11 Edinburg	4,711	17	571	70	3	0	0	5,372
Out of State	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,106</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>6,831</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>689</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>36,923</b>

Family Preservation Services is under the umbrella of Family Based Safety Services (FBSS).

Family Preservation Services are services provided to the child and the family without removing the child from the home.

Note: Families may receive more than one type of service.

### Monthly Average Number of Families Receiving Reunification Services per Month Fiscal Year 2010

Region	Regular	Intensive	Moderate	Strengthening Families Initiative	Contracted Regular	Contracted Moderate	Total
1 Lubbock	91	0	0	3	0	0	94
2 Abilene	52	0	0	1	0	0	53
3 Arlington	246	0	4	5	1	1	257
4 Tyler	92	0	0	0	0	0	92
5 Beaumont	40	0	0	1	0	0	41
6 Houston	202	0	20	3	0	0	225
7 Austin	247	0	1	0	0	0	248
8 San Antonio	147	0	1	10	0	0	158
9 Midland	48	0	0	0	0	0	48
10 El Paso	25	1	0	0	0	0	26
11 Edinburg	153	1	11	3	0	0	168
Out of State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,343</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1,410</b>

### Annual Number of Families Receiving Reunification Services Fiscal Year 2010

Region	Regular	Intensive	Moderate	Strengthening Families Initiative	Contracted Regular	Contracted Moderate	Total
1 Lubbock	229	0	2	8	0	0	239
2 Abilene	133	0	1	1	0	0	135
3 Arlington	698	0	11	14	2	1	726
4 Tyler	261	0	0	0	0	0	261
5 Beaumont	119	0	0	2	0	0	121
6 Houston	581	1	54	8	0	0	644
7 Austin	619	0	5	0	0	0	624
8 San Antonio	395	1	4	22	0	0	422
9 Midland	110	0	0	0	0	0	110
10 El Paso	78	1	0	0	0	0	79
11 Edinburg	406	6	36	8	0	0	456
Out of State	1	0	0	63	0	0	64
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,630</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3,881</b>

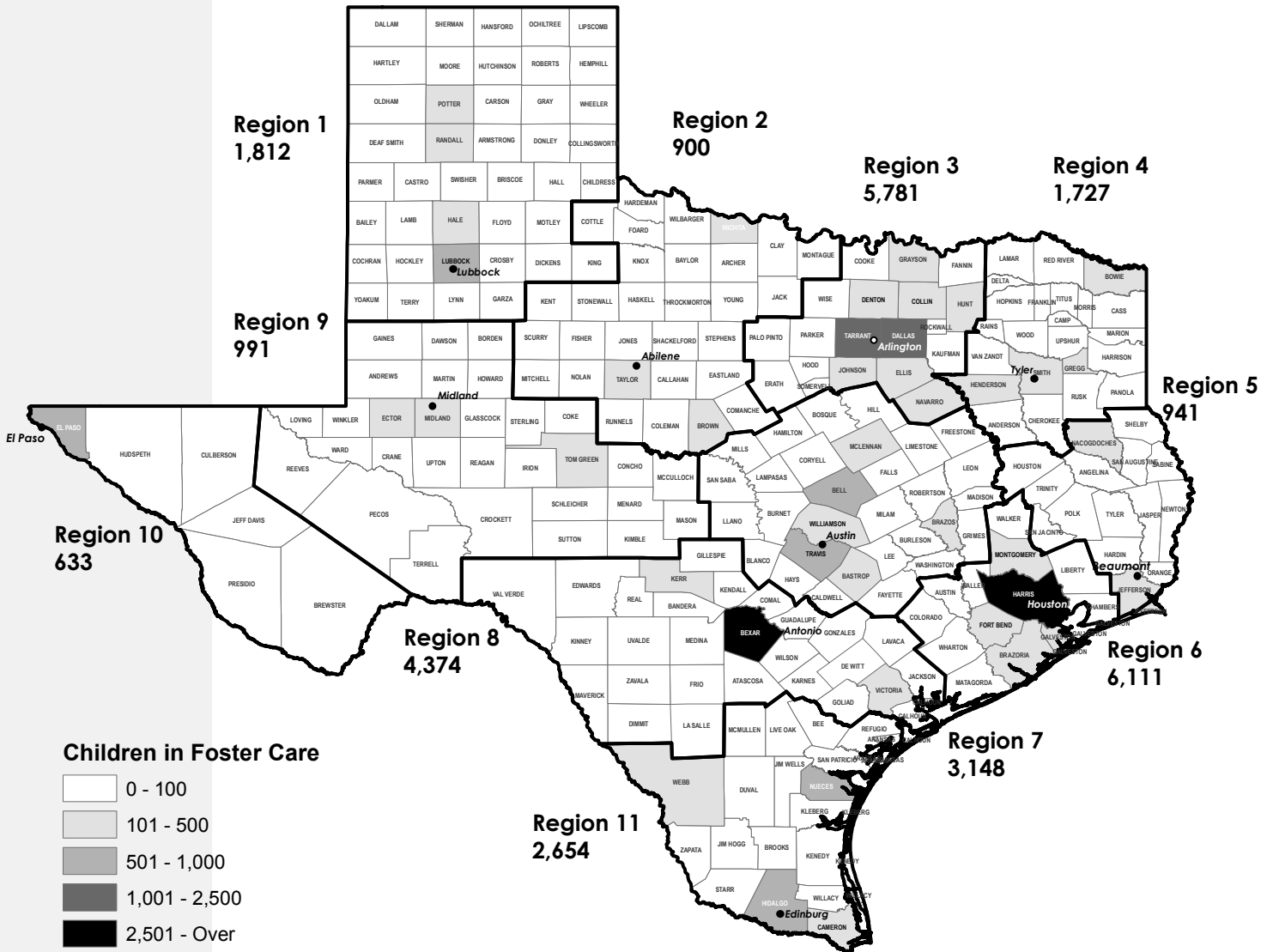
*Family Reunification Services are under the umbrella of Family Based Safety Services (FBSS).*

*Family Reunification Services are provided to the family as a child is returning home from court-ordered substitute care.*

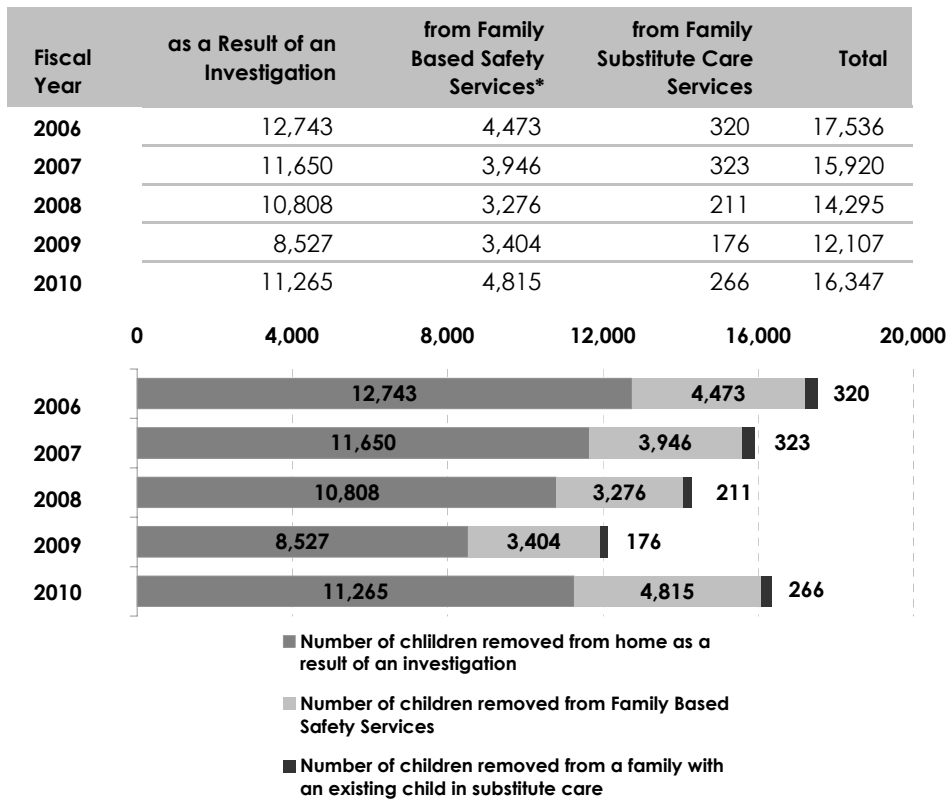
*Note: Families may receive more than one type of service.*

### Children in Foster Care by County During Fiscal Year 2010

State Total: 29,072

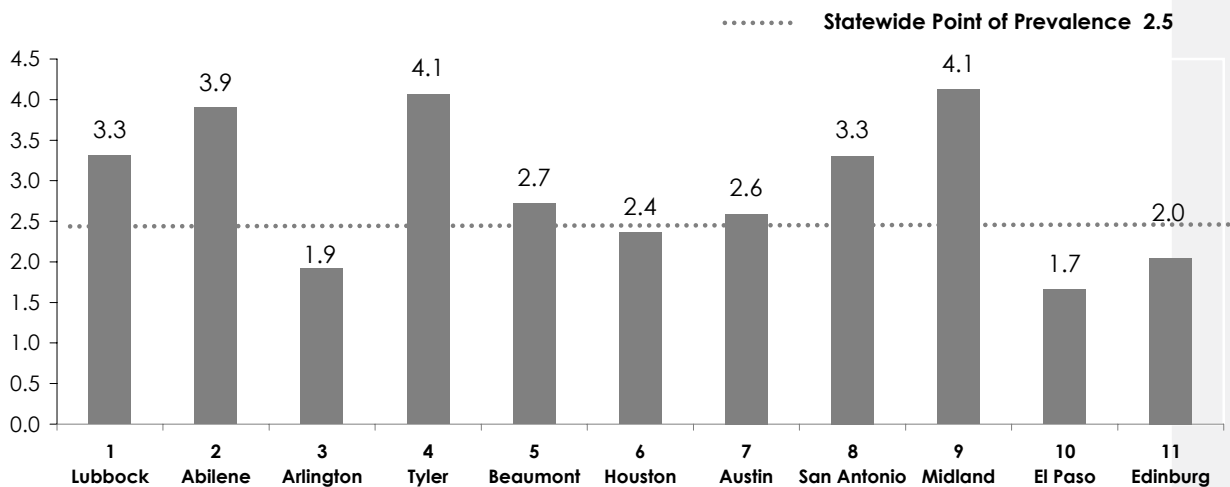


### Number of Children Removed from Home as a Result of a CPS Abuse/Neglect Investigation



*\*Removals from Family Based Safety Services includes Family Preservation and Family Reunification.  
 Note: The data presented in this chart have been modified to more accurately report where a removal occurred and therefore will not match prior data books.*

### Point of Prevalence\* for Children Entering Substitute Care Fiscal Year 2010



*\*Point of prevalence is the number of children entering substitute care per 1,000 children in the region.*

**Where are children in DFPS care?**

....of the 27,304 children in DFPS substitute care on August 31, 2010...

**17,027 children were in Foster Care****11,645**

children were placed in  
**Child Placing Agency  
(CPA) Foster Homes**

Foster homes are families who accept foster children into their homes. These foster homes are recruited, trained, verified and managed by private CPAs.

DFPS has contracts with  
over 100 CPAs.

The majority of CPA foster homes are verified to provide *therapeutic* foster care services.

**718**

children were placed in  
**Basic Child Care**

These are typically cottage and campus type settings meeting basic child needs

**1,559**

children were placed in  
**Residential Treatment  
Centers**

An RTC is a very structured setting for children with serious emotional disturbance or mental health issues.

**595**

children were placed in  
**Emergency Shelters**

These are intended for stays of less than 30 days.

**2,109**

children were placed in  
**DFPS Foster Homes**

These are families who accept foster children into their homes and are recruited, trained, verified and managed by DFPS. The majority provide *basic* foster care services.

**401**

children were placed in  
**Other types of foster care**

such as camps, maternity homes, hospitals, juvenile detention, ICF-MR, HCS homes, state schools & hospitals.

**10,277 children were in other types of Substitute Care****8,914**

children were placed in  
**Kinship Care**

DFPS supports relative caregivers by assisting with initial costs of accepting a child and through ongoing case management.

**331**

children were in pending adoptions in  
**DFPS Adoptive Homes**

**548**

children were placed in  
**Other Substitute Care**

which includes independent living programs, unauthorized absences and court ordered placements.

**484**

children were in pending adoptions in  
**CPA Adoptive Homes**

**Notes:**

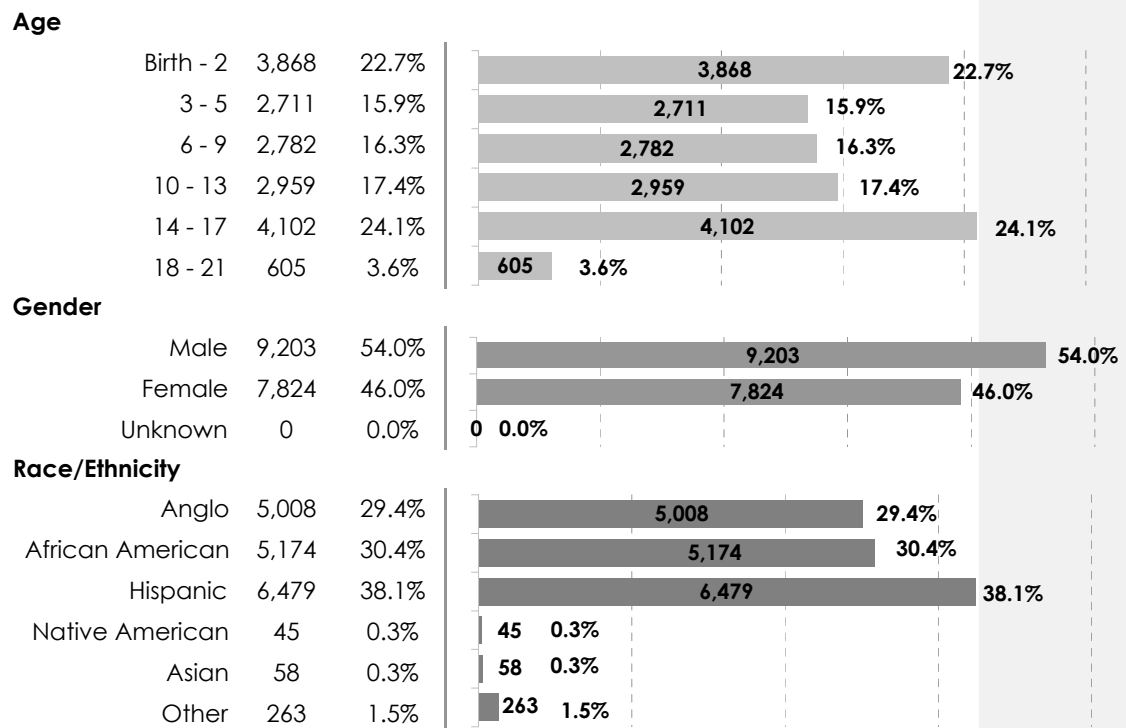
A. The 27,304 children includes 605 youth over the age of 18 in foster care, but who have "aged-out" of the legal conservatorship of DFPS.

B. There are a total of 28,893 children in DFPS legal responsibility. 2,194 are in the legal conservatorship of DFPS but **not** in substitute care; the majority of these children are in a reunification stage and are living with their families of origin.

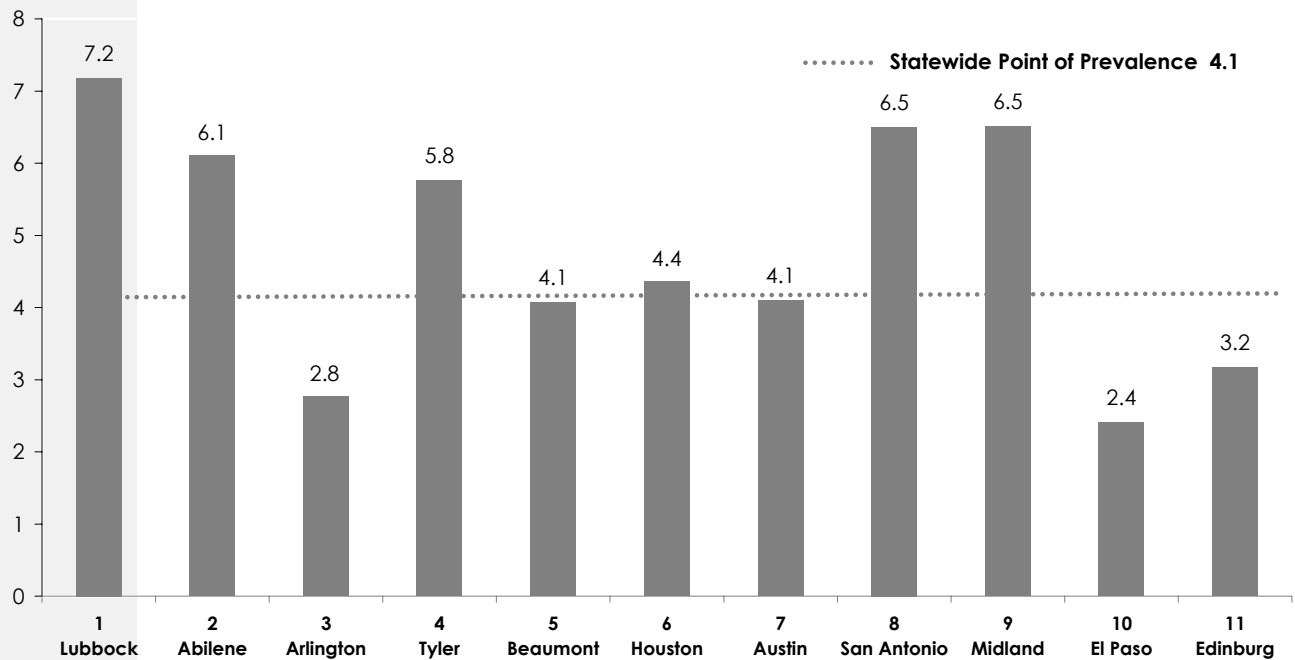


### Demographics of Children in Foster Care at the End of the Year By Fiscal Year

Characteristic	August 2007		August 2008		August 2009		August 2010	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
<b>Age</b>								
Birth - 2	3,934	21.3%	3,623	21.1%	3,319	20.8%	3,868	22.7%
3 - 5	2,873	15.6%	2,497	14.5%	2,249	14.1%	2,711	15.9%
6 - 9	3,264	17.7%	3,068	17.9%	2,679	16.8%	2,782	16.3%
10 - 13	3,304	17.9%	3,090	18.0%	2,930	18.4%	2,959	17.4%
14 - 17	4,668	25.3%	4,395	25.6%	4,225	26.5%	4,102	24.1%
18 - 21	419	2.3%	513	3.0%	530	3.3%	605	3.6%
<b>Gender</b>								
Male	9,804	53.1%	9,245	53.8%	8,689	54.5%	9,203	54.0%
Female	8,654	46.9%	7,940	46.2%	7,243	45.5%	7,824	46.0%
Unknown	4	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>								
Anglo	5,762	31.2%	5,094	29.6%	4,522	28.4%	5,008	29.4%
African American	5,342	28.9%	5,104	29.7%	4,903	30.8%	5,174	30.4%
Hispanic	6,938	37.6%	6,587	38.3%	6,169	38.7%	6,479	38.1%
Native American	46	0.2%	41	0.2%	49	0.3%	45	0.3%
Asian	59	0.3%	61	0.4%	52	0.3%	58	0.3%
Other	315	1.7%	299	1.7%	237	1.5%	263	1.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,462</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>17,186</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>15,932</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>17,027</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



### Point of Prevalence for Children in Substitute Care at the End of Fiscal Year 2010



Note: Point of prevalence is the number of children in substitute care per 1,000 children in the region.

### Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility, in Substitute Care or in Foster Care Placements at the End of Fiscal Year 2010

Region	DFPS Legal Responsibility	Substitute Care	Foster Care
<b>1 Lubbock</b>	1,665	1,543	1,135
<b>2 Abilene</b>	877	815	566
<b>3 Arlington</b>	5,259	4,964	3,124
<b>4 Tyler</b>	1,666	1,521	956
<b>5 Beaumont</b>	785	741	564
<b>6 Houston</b>	7,287	6,946	3,810
<b>7 Austin</b>	3,075	2,855	1,744
<b>8 San Antonio</b>	4,448	4,300	2,666
<b>9 Midland</b>	1,022	951	631
<b>10 El Paso</b>	584	559	363
<b>11 Edinburg</b>	2,225	2,109	1,468
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,893</b>	<b>27,304</b>	<b>17,027</b>

Note: Includes youth who have aged out of DFPS legal responsibility but remain in substitute care.

## Legal Status of Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility

Legal Status	August 2008		August 2009		August 2010	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Care, Custody & Control*	174	0.6%	62	0.2%	36	0.1%
Temporary Managing Conservatorship**	14,019	48.7%	12,843	48.5%	16,612	57.5%
<b>Permanent Managing Conservatorship***</b>						
Parental Rights Not Terminated	3,811	13.2%	3,367	12.7%	2,929	10.1%
Parental Rights Terminated (All)	10,120	35.2%	9,624	36.4%	8,885	30.8%
Parental Rights Terminated (One Parent)	611	2.1%	526	2.0%	397	1.4%
Possessory Conservatorship****	41	0.1%	41	0.2%	34	0.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,776</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>26,463</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>28,893</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\* *Care, Custody and Control* - In some counties in Texas, this type of custody is given at an Ex Parte Hearing rather than appointing a temporary managing conservator. This provides legal authority for DFPS to ensure a child's safety and meet a child's basic needs for shelter, food, education.

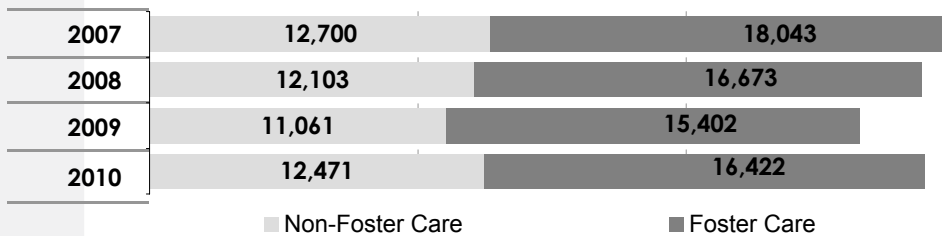
\*\* *Temporary Managing Conservatorship* - TMC is awarded to DFPS as a result of a court hearing and written order and continues until a judge issues another order changing the legal status. It authorizes DFPS to act in the child's best interest and has exclusive rights including the following and others: designating the primary residence of a child, make decisions concerning the child's education, consent to marriage or enlistment in the armed forces.

\*\*\* *Permanent Managing Conservatorship* - PMC is awarded to DFPS as a result of a court hearing and written order. PMC authorizes DFPS to act in the child's best interest and have the rights of a Managing Conservator on a permanent basis.

\*\*\*\* *Possessory Conservatorship* - The court appoints a parent as Possessory Conservator who is not appointed as a sole or joint managing conservator, unless this appointment is not in the best interest of the child. Possessory Conservators are provided with visitation orders, unless access would endanger the child physically or emotionally.

### Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility by Living Arrangement at End of Each Fiscal Year

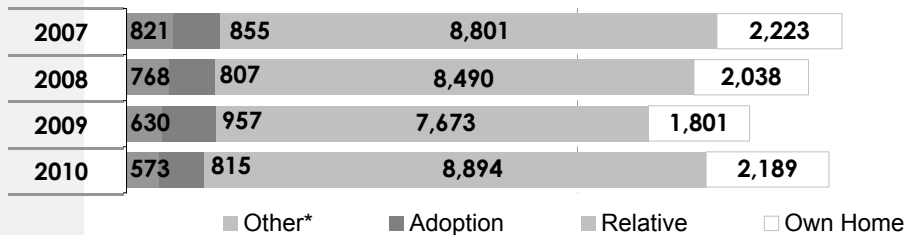
	Non-Foster Care	Foster Care	Total	% Change
2007	12,700	18,043	30,743	-2.1%
2008	12,103	16,673	28,776	-6.4%
2009	11,061	15,402	26,463	-8.0%
2010	12,471	16,422	28,893	9.2%



Note: Foster care totals exclude youth over 18 who remain in foster care but have aged out of DFPS legal responsibility. Non-foster care placements include adoption, relative, own home and other.

### Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility in Non-Foster Care Placements

	Total Non-Foster Care	Other*	Adoption	Relative	Own Home
2007	12,700	821	855	8,801	2,223
2008	12,103	768	807	8,490	2,038
2009	11,061	630	957	7,673	1,801
2010	12,471	573	815	8,894	2,189



\* Other includes independent living, hospitals, nursing homes, correctional facilities and unauthorized absences.

**Children\* in Substitute Care Placements by Living Arrangement Categories  
As of August 31, 2010**

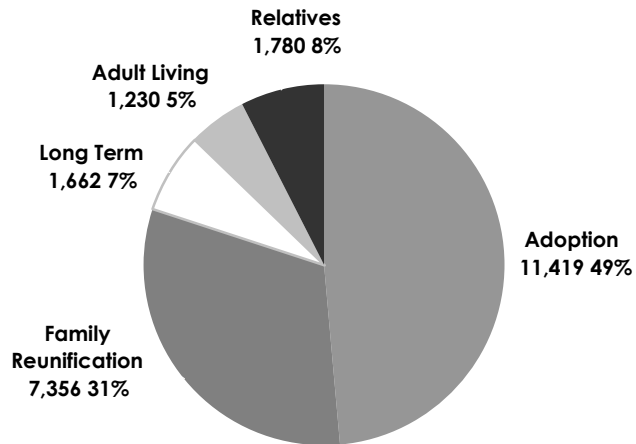
Region	CPA Foster - Group Homes & Independent Homes	DFPS Foster & Foster Group Homes	DFPS Adoptive Homes	Private Adoptive Homes	Kinship
1 Lubbock	567	193	21	12	338
2 Abilene	356	103	1	9	232
3 Arlington	2,226	330	31	92	1,617
4 Tyler	566	165	26	27	488
5 Beaumont	309	147	6	1	160
6 Houston	2,676	457	155	158	2,664
7 Austin	1,162	155	30	47	994
8 San Antonio	1,663	267	33	77	1,423
9 Midland	397	95	7	9	292
10 El Paso	261	52	3	9	168
11 Edinburg	1,061	120	18	43	538
Out of State	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,244</b>	<b>2,084</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>8,914</b>

Region	General Residential Operation	Emergency Shelters	Residential Treatment	Other	Total
1 Lubbock	113	76	136	50	1,506
2 Abilene	4	19	57	13	794
3 Arlington	70	50	251	165	4,832
4 Tyler	24	41	110	47	1,494
5 Beaumont	14	17	55	19	728
6 Houston	93	86	307	232	6,828
7 Austin	23	72	216	82	2,781
8 San Antonio	233	132	219	162	4,209
9 Midland	9	44	63	23	939
10 El Paso	1	4	16	23	537
11 Edinburg	80	35	98	58	2,051
Out of State	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>664</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>1,528</b>	<b>874</b>	<b>26,699</b>

*\*Excludes 605 young adults over the 18 who have aged out of DFPS conservatorship but remain in DFPS care.*

**Permanency Goal of Children in Substitute Care for Whom DFPS had Legal Responsibility  
Fiscal Year End 2010  
Total Children: 23,447**

Goal	Count	Percent
Adoption	11,419	48.7%
Reunification	7,356	31.4%
Alternative Long Term Living	1,662	7.1%
Adult Living	1,230	5.2%
Permanent Placement with Relatives and Other Caregivers	1,780	7.6%
<b>Total Children</b>	<b>23,447</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



**Number of DFPS Foster, Foster/Adoptive and Adoptive Homes as of August 31, 2010**

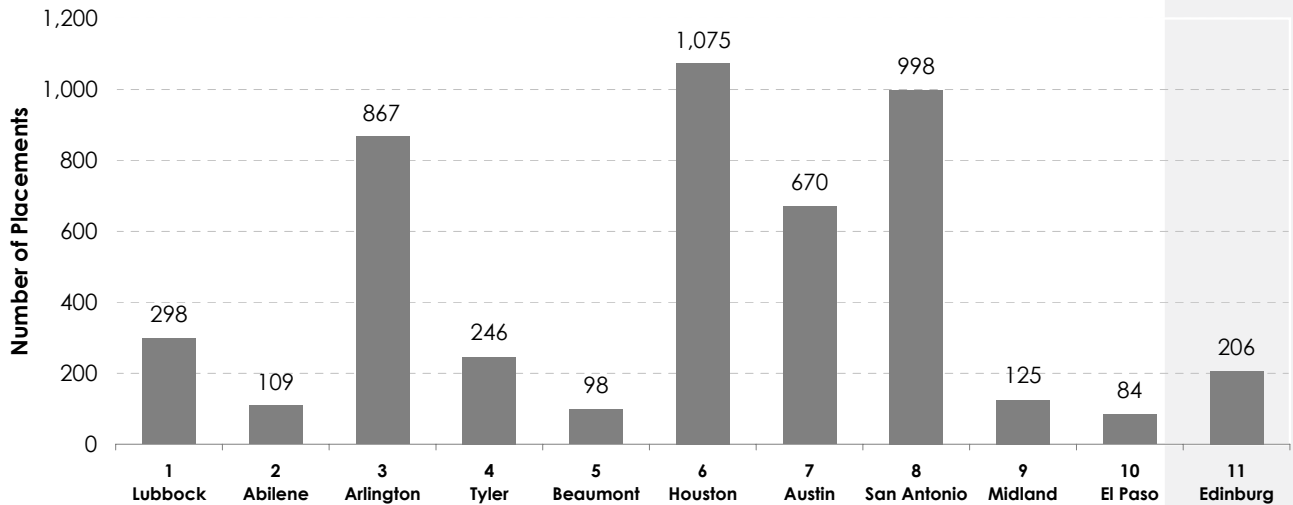
Region	Foster Homes	Foster/Adoptive Homes*	Adoptive Homes**
1 Lubbock	11	142	25
2 Abilene	5	85	15
3 Arlington	38	339	109
4 Tyler	18	94	69
5 Beaumont	19	106	33
6 Houston	52	299	262
7 Austin	19	149	136
8 San Antonio	20	157	77
9 Midland	2	55	5
10 El Paso	8	34	25
11 Edinburg	19	50	36
Out of State	8	25	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>1,535</b>	<b>800</b>

\*Includes 40 legal risk homes and 155 kinship homes.

\*\* This number does not include homes open only for receipt of adoption subsidy.

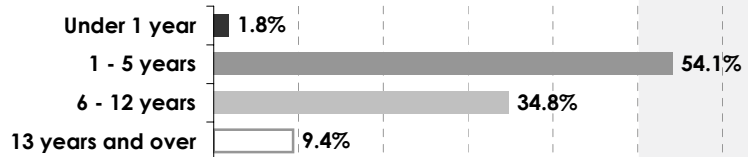
**Children Placed in Adoptive Homes by Region  
Fiscal Year 2010**

Total Adoptive Placements 4,776  
Total Unique Children 4,756

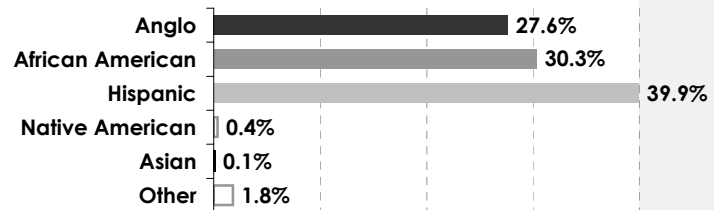


**Demographics of 4,756 Children in Adoptive Homes  
Fiscal Year 2010**

Age	Count
Under 1 year	85
1 - 5 years	2,573
6 - 12 years	1,653
13 years and over	445
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,756</b>



Race/Ethnicity	Count
Anglo	1,312
African American	1,441
Hispanic	1,896
Native American	17
Asian	4
Other	86
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,756</b>



Child Characteristics	Count
Disabling Condition	1,648
No Special Characteristics	3,108
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,756</b>



Sex	Count
Female	2,351
Male	2,405
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,756</b>



### Children with Disabling Conditions Placed in Adoptive Homes Fiscal Year 2010

Total number of children placed in adoptive homes

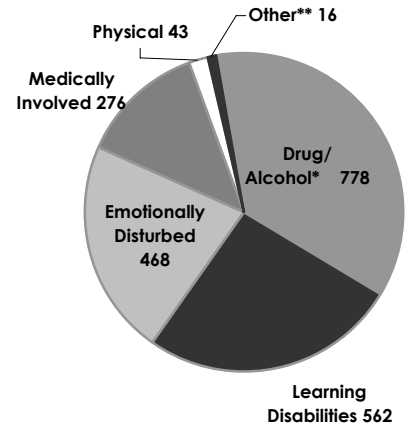
4,756

Number of unique children with disabling conditions placed in adoptive homes

1,648

Disabling Condition	Percentage of all Children Placed in Adoptive Homes	Number of Children with Disabling Condition
Drug/Alcohol*	16.4%	778
Learning Disabilities	11.8%	562
Emotionally Disturbed	9.8%	468
Medically Involved	5.8%	276
Physical	0.9%	43
Other**	0.3%	16

### Children with Disabling Condition



\* Drug/Alcohol disabling condition can either be due to self abuse or exposure to an individual with the condition.

\*\* Other includes teen parent or pregnant.

Note: Children may be duplicated across categories because some may have more than one disabling condition.

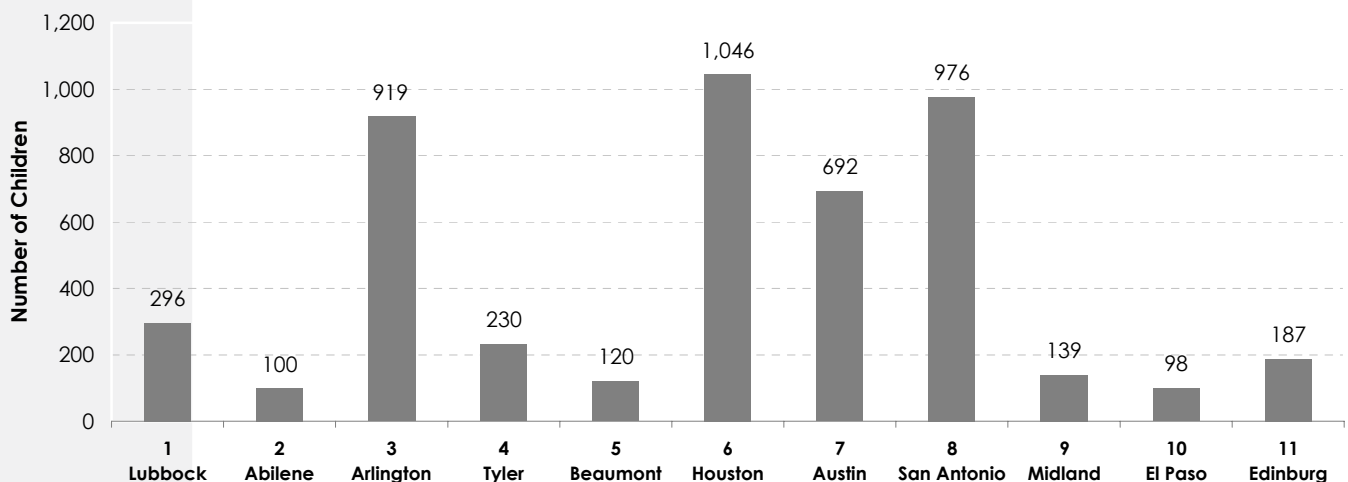
### Children in Consummated Adoptions by Type of Agency by Fiscal Year

	2007		2008		2009		2010	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
DFPS	2,267	56.4%	2,426	53.7%	2,804	57.7%	2,841	59.2%
Non DFPS*	1,756	43.6%	2,091	46.3%	2,055	42.3%	1,962	40.8%
<b>Total Consummations</b>	<b>4,023</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>4,517</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>4,859</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>4,803</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\* Non DFPS includes private agency adoptions, relative adoptions and out of state adoptions.

### Children in Consummated Adoptions by Region Fiscal Year 2010

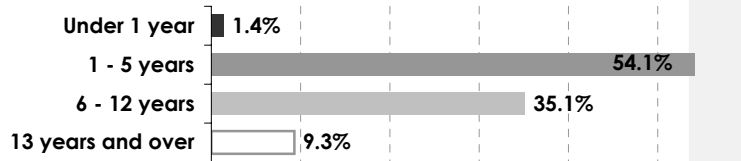
Total: 4,803





**Demographics of 4,803 Children in Consummated Adoptions  
Fiscal Year 2010**

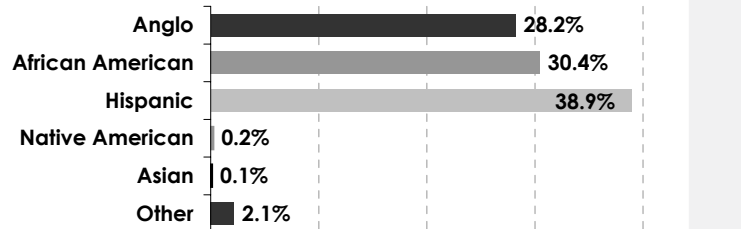
Age	Count
Under 1 year	68
1 - 5 years	2,600
6 - 12 years	1,688
13 years and over	447
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,803</b>



Gender	Count
Male	2,427
Female	2,376
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,803</b>



Race/Ethnicity	Count
Anglo	1,354
African American	1,462
Hispanic	1,868
Native American	11
Asian	5
Other	103
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,803</b>



**Race/Ethnicity of Children and Adoptive Parents by Fiscal Year**

	2007		2008		2009		2010	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
<b>Race/Ethnicity of parent(s) is same as child</b>	2,535	63.0%	2,789	61.7%	3,109	64.0%	3,085	64.2%
<b>Race/Ethnicity of one or both parents differs from child's (Multiracial)*</b>	1,488	37.0%	1,728	38.3%	1,750	36.0%	1,718	35.8%
<b>Total Adoptions</b>	4,023	100.0%	4,517	100.0%	4,859	100.0%	4,803	100.0%

\* Includes when Race/Ethnicity was not determined.  
 Note: Change in methodology in FY08 applied to all FYs to include all adoptions.

## CPS Outcomes Based on Data from Fiscal Year 2010

### Child Safety Outcomes

Percent of children who remained safe in substitute care  
(children in care during FY10 who did not experience a confirmed incident of maltreatment) 99.9%

Absence of Repeat Maltreatment  
(child victims without a subsequent confirmed allegation within 6 months of the prior confirmed allegation) 96.7%

### Permanency Services

Percentage of children with 2 or fewer placements that have been in care 12 months or less 84.9%

### Family Preservation Outcomes

(measured from start of services to end of services)

Average length of Service 8.1 months

### Family Reunification Outcomes

(measured from removal to placement in own home and termination of DFPS conservatorship)

Percent of children returned to own home 29.0%

Average number of placements per child 2.1 placements

Average length of service 13.8 months

Median length of service 12.0 months

Children reunified with family, with DFPS conservatorship terminated, within 12 months of removal 61.9%

### Adoption Services Outcomes

(measured from removal to adoption consummation)

Percent of children who left DFPS legal responsibility with an adoption consummation 33.9%

Average number of placements per child 3.5 placements

Average length of service 31.6 months

From removal to final order 14.1 months

From final order to adoptive placement 15.7 months

From placement to adoption consummated 1.8 months

Median length of service 26.9 months

Children adopted within 24 months of removal 38.5%

### Permanent Relative Care Outcomes

(measured from removal to date DFPS legal responsibility ended)

Percent of children who left DFPS legal responsibility to a relative placement 24.5%

Average number of placements 2.1 placements

Average length of service 13.5 months

Median length of service 11.3 months

Children re-entering foster care within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode of foster care 4.6%

## CPS Outcomes Based on Data from Fiscal Year 2010

### Long-term Substitute Care Outcomes

#### Emancipation (includes children who left DFPS legal responsibility by emancipation or turning 18)

(measured from removal to date DFPS legal responsibility ended or date child turns 18 years of age)

Percent of children who left DFPS legal responsibility	10.8%
Average number of placements	9.0 placements
Average length of service	60.2 months
Median length of service	50.4 months

#### Other Long-term Substitute Care

(measured from removal to date DFPS legal responsibility ended)

Percent of children who left DFPS legal responsibility	1.8%
Average number of placements	3.4 placements
Average length of service	16.2 months
Median length of service	8.5 months

### Fiscal Year 2010 Recidivism Outcomes

#### For All Stages:

(measured as a new confirmed reason to believe allegation within 12 months of the end of services or a return to substitute care or new Family Preservation services provided)

9.2%

#### For Family Preservation:

(measured as a new confirmed reason to believe allegation within 12 months of the end of Family Preservation services or new Family Preservation services provided)

9.3%

#### For Family Reunification:

(measured as a new confirmed reason to believe allegation or a return to substitute care within 12 months of the end of Family Reunification services or new Family Preservation services provided)

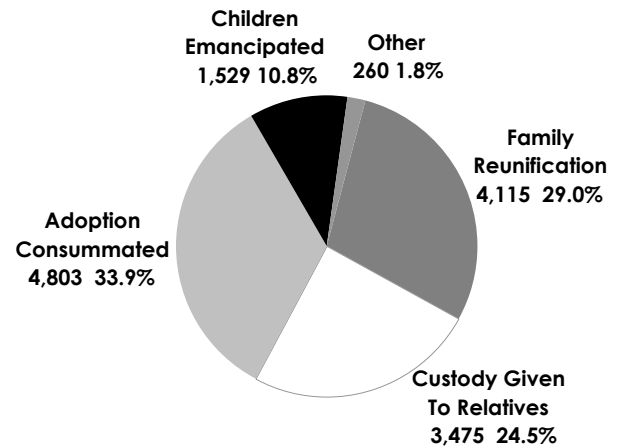
17.5%

### Substitute Care Outcomes for Cases Open at the End of Fiscal Year 2010

Average length of service for children in temporary managing conservatorship	6.9 months
Median length of service for children in temporary managing conservatorship	5.9 months
Average length of service for children in permanent managing conservatorship	42.5 months
Median length of service for children in permanent managing conservatorship	31.8 months

### Status of Children No Longer in DFPS Legal Responsibility Fiscal Year 2010 Total Children: 14,182

Outcome	Count	Percent
Family Reunification	4,115	29.0%
Custody Given To Relatives	3,475	24.5%
Adoption Consummated	4,803	33.9%
Children Emancipated*	1,529	10.8%
Other**	260	1.8%
<b>Total Children</b>	<b>14,182</b>	<b>100%</b>



\* Of the 1,529 youth emancipated in FY10, 1,152 were emancipated from paid foster care.

\*\* Other includes children absent without permission, children in court ordered or independent living placements; children for whom conservatorship was never obtained and children with a missing discharge reason.

### Average Length of Time in Months for Children Leaving DFPS Responsibility by Type of Exit and Region Fiscal Year 2010

Region	Family Reunification	Relative Care	Adoption	Long Term Care - Emancipation	Long Term Care - Other
1 Lubbock	18.6	17.7	34.7	72.2	7.5
2 Abilene	14.0	14.5	34.8	79.5	1.8
3 Arlington	11.7	11.8	31.2	58.5	11.5
4 Tyler	13.3	10.7	31.3	48.7	27.0
5 Beaumont	13.9	11.2	30.2	45.4	26.9
6 Houston	16.0	16.1	33.1	63.0	20.3
7 Austin	12.0	11.9	27.6	62.1	14.1
8 San Antonio	13.8	15.4	29.2	61.3	10.7
9 Midland	13.7	14.7	33.9	56.9	19.7
10 El Paso	11.6	13.6	35.3	61.6	6.9
11 Edinburg	13.8	13.8	37.3	49.2	17.8
State	13.8	13.5	31.6	60.2	16.2

### Average Length of Time in Months for Children Leaving DFPS Responsibility by Type of Exit and Race/Ethnicity Fiscal Year 2010

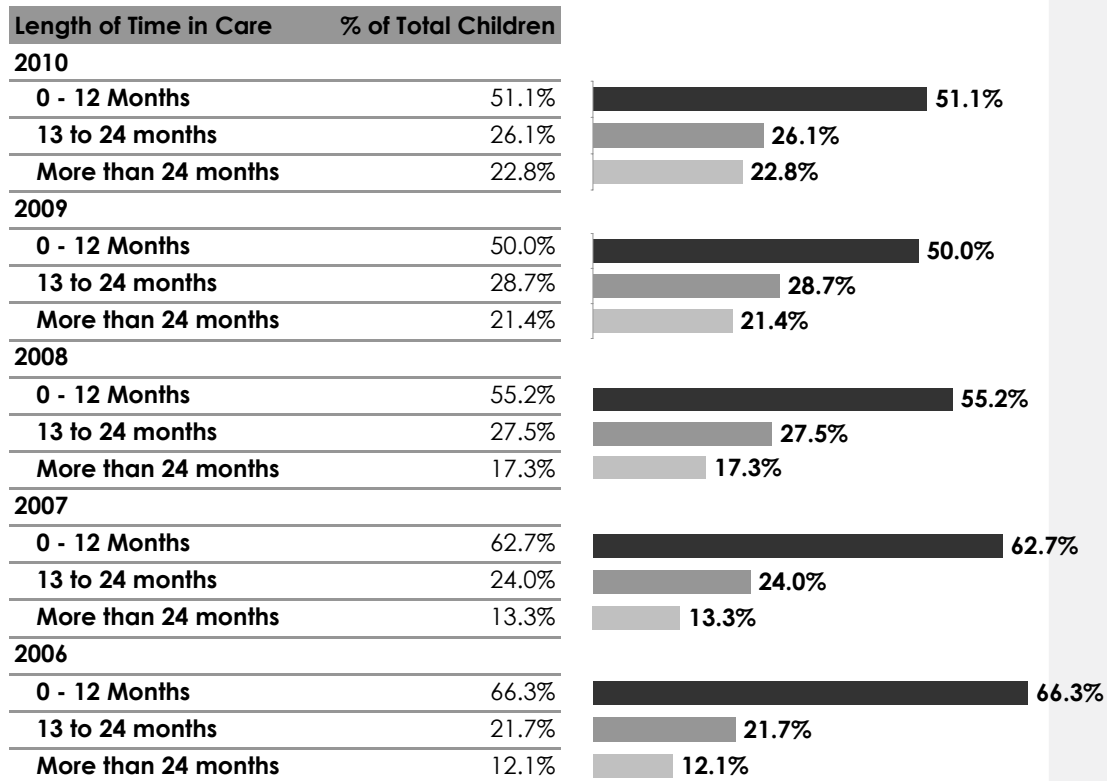
Race/Ethnicity	Family Reunification	Relative Care	Adoption	Long Term Care - Emancipation	Long Term Care - Other
Anglo	13.5	12.5	30.5	56.6	19.7
African American	14.7	13.7	33.2	66.4	14.7
Hispanic	13.8	14.5	31.3	57.8	15.8
Native American	8.0	13.6	38.4	68.3	2.6
Asian	4.4	14.2	43.0	59.7	19.5
Other	10.7	10.2	27.8	68.5	10.2
State	13.8	13.5	31.6	60.2	16.2

### Average Number of Out-of-Home Placements for Children Who Attained Permanency Fiscal Year 2010

Region	Family Reunification	Relative Care	Adoption	Long Term Care - Emancipation	Long Term Care - Other
1 Lubbock	2.5	2.1	3.6	9.6	4.5
2 Abilene	2.5	2.2	3.8	8.5	3.5
3 Arlington	1.9	2.1	3.5	8.9	2.6
4 Tyler	1.8	1.9	3.3	7.5	3.9
5 Beaumont	2.0	2.2	3.5	7.2	4.0
6 Houston	2.2	2.0	3.2	9.0	3.4
7 Austin	2.0	1.9	3.5	8.5	3.3
8 San Antonio	2.3	2.3	3.8	10.8	2.7
9 Midland	2.0	2.4	3.6	8.5	2.0
10 El Paso	2.1	2.0	3.9	9.5	3.1
11 Edinburg	2.1	2.7	3.5	7.6	4.7
<b>State Total</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>3.4</b>

Note: The average number of placements per child in substitute care for all children who attained permanency is 3.4 placements.

### Length of Time in Care for Children Who Achieved Permanency Status\* Fiscal Year 2010



\* Children who left substitute care via an own home, permanent relative placement or adoption consummation and DFPS legal responsibility was ended.

**Average Monthly Number of Children and Young Adults, FTEs\*  
in Paid Foster Care by Service Levels  
Fiscal Year 2010**

Service Level	Number of Children & Young Adults	Number of FTEs
Basic	10,506	9,389
Child Specific**	43	39
Emergency Shelter	892	558
Intense	301	270
Moderate	3,554	3,255
Psychiatric Transition	27	19
Specialized	2,706	2,474
	18,029***	16,004
<b>Unduplicated Count</b>	17,562	

*Note: Calculations exclude children where cost of care was not covered by Title IV-E or state paid foster care.*

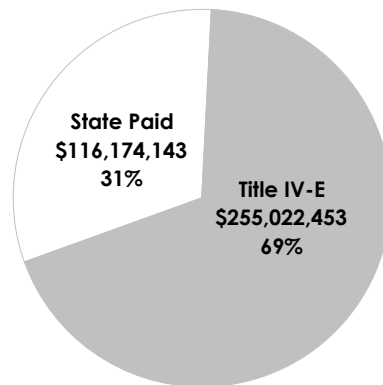
*\* An FTE is calculated by dividing the number of paid foster care days in the month by the number of days in a month.*

*\*\* Child Specific contracts do not have an actual level of care.*

*\*\*\* Duplicated count due to changes in service levels during the month.*

*Note: For HHSC 24-Hour Residential Child Care Facilities Rates go to [http://www.dfps.state.tx.us/PCS/rates\\_childcare\\_reimbursement.asp](http://www.dfps.state.tx.us/PCS/rates_childcare_reimbursement.asp)*

**Foster Care Expenditures by Source  
Fiscal Year 2010  
Total Expenditures: \$371,196,595**



**Title IV-E Foster Care Program Description**

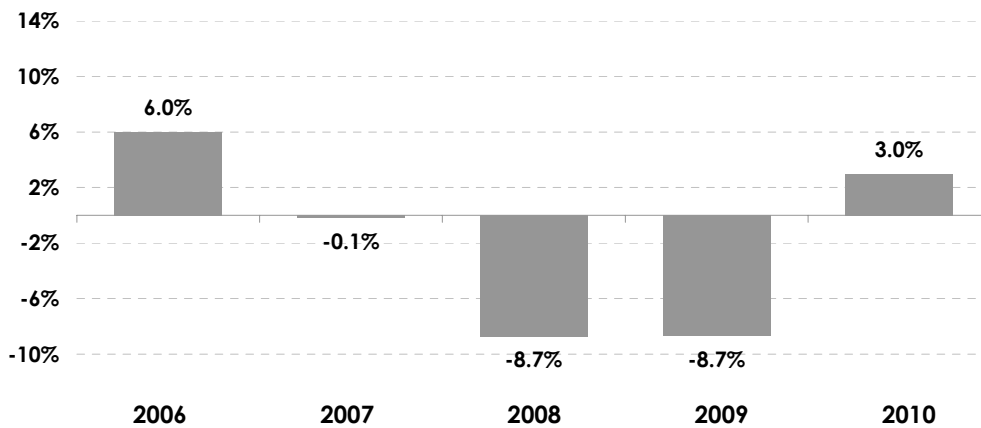
*The Foster Care Program helps States to provide safe and stable out-of-home care for children until the children are safely returned home, placed permanently with adoptive families or placed in other planned arrangements for permanency. Funds are available for: monthly maintenance payments to eligible foster care providers; administrative costs to manage the program; training staff and foster parents; foster parent recruitment; and other related expenses.*

*State Paid Foster Care may be funded with Federal Block Grant (TANF)*

### Children and Young Adults\* in Paid Foster Care Monthly Average by Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year	State Paid Children in Foster Care**	State Paid Young Adults* in Foster Care**	Title IV-E Children in Foster Care	Title IV-E Young Adults* in Foster Care	Total Children & Young Adults in Foster Care***	% Change from Previous Fiscal Year
2006	4,965	639	14,394	517	20,515	6.0%
2007	5,002	618	14,335	533	20,488	-0.1%
2008	4,673	651	12,828	546	18,698	-8.7%
2009	4,344	700	11,485	545	17,074	-8.7%
2010	4,308	783	11,936	558	17,585	3.0%

### Percent of Change in the Number of Children and Young Adults in Paid Foster Care by Fiscal Year



### Children and Young Adults\* in Paid Foster Care Monthly Average by Region Fiscal Year 2010

Region	State Paid Children in Foster Care**	State Paid Young Adults* in Foster Care**	Title IV-E Children in Foster Care	Title IV-E Young Adults* in Foster Care	Total Children and Young Adults
1 Lubbock	249	48	884	42	1,223
2 Abilene	101	24	390	19	534
3 Arlington	846	172	2,160	108	3,286
4 Tyler	373	53	550	22	998
5 Beaumont	168	20	354	15	557
6 Houston	893	151	2,688	119	3,851
7 Austin	594	116	1,063	50	1,823
8 San Antonio	605	103	1,991	78	2,777
9 Midland	111	13	461	26	611
10 El Paso	53	16	272	29	370
11 Edinburg	316	68	1,126	50	1,560
Unknown	0	0	1	0	1
<b>Total***</b>	<b>4,309</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>11,940</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>17,591</b>

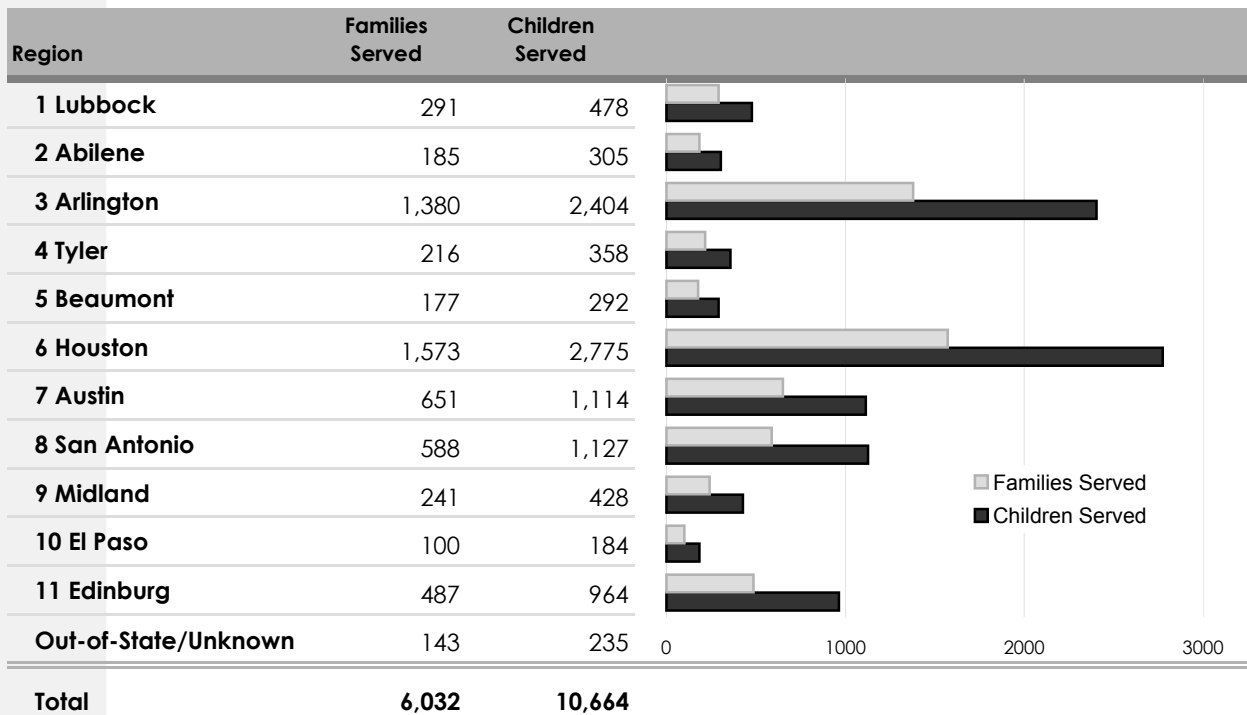
**Unduplicated** 17,562

\* A young adult is any person in foster care who was 18 to 21 years of age at anytime during the fiscal year.

\*\* State Paid Foster Care may be funded with Federal Block Grant (FANF).

\*\*\* Some children are served in more than one region and/or eligibility type in a month.

### Families and Children Receiving Kinship Caregiver Monetary Assistance Fiscal Year 2010



### Families and Children Kinship Caregiver Monetary Assistance Payments Fiscal Year 2010

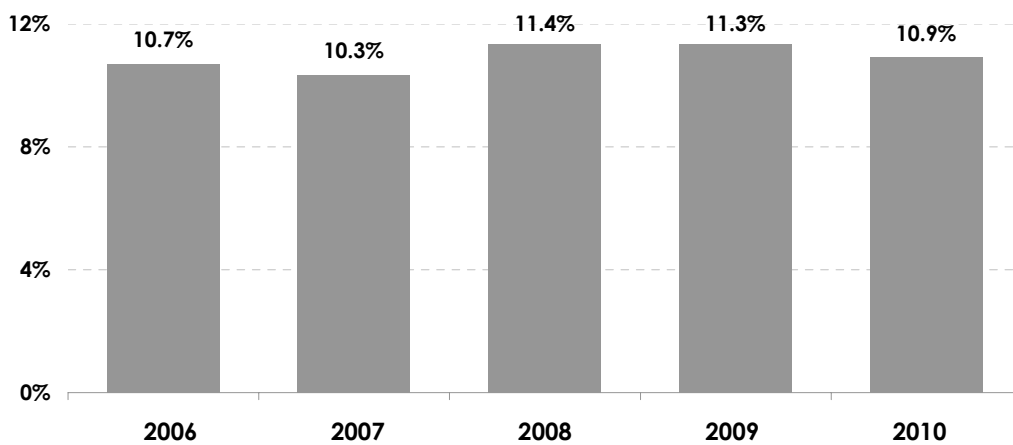
Region	Total Integration Payments	Total Flexible Support Payments	Total Relative Caregiver Support
1 Lubbock	\$136,000.00	\$216,500.00	\$352,500.00
2 Abilene	95,000.00	158,500.00	253,500.00
3 Arlington	791,000.00	1,214,500.00	2,005,500.00
4 Tyler	129,000.00	180,000.00	309,000.00
5 Beaumont	61,000.00	149,000.00	210,000.00
6 Houston	510,000.00	1,454,499.00	1,964,499.00
7 Austin	315,000.00	595,268.23	910,268.23
8 San Antonio	332,000.00	573,500.00	905,500.00
9 Midland	118,000.00	231,500.00	349,500.00
10 El Paso	75,000.00	71,500.00	146,500.00
11 Edinburg	159,000.00	512,150.00	671,150.00
Unknown	48,000.00	119,500.00	167,500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,769,000.00</b>	<b>\$5,476,417.23</b>	<b>\$8,245,417.23</b>



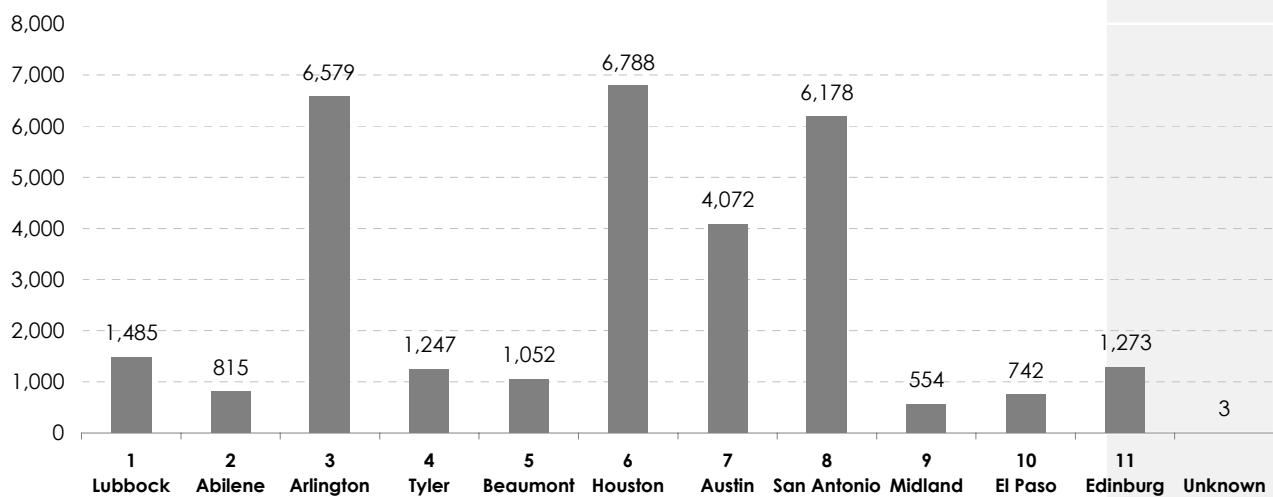
**Average Number of Children Provided Adoption Subsidy\* by Fiscal Year**

Fiscal Year	State Paid Adoption Subsidies	Title IV-E Adoption Subsidies	Total Children Provided Adoption Subsidy	% Change from Previous Fiscal Year
2006	5,207	15,082	20,289	10.7%
2007	5,487	16,900	22,387	10.3%
2008	5,789	19,140	24,929	11.4%
2009	6,149	21,609	27,758	11.3%
2010	6,578	24,210	30,788	10.9%

**Percent Change Children Provided Adoption Subsidy Monthly Average by Fiscal Year**



**Average Number of Children Provided Adoption Subsidy\* per Month by Region Fiscal Year 2010**



\*Subsidy includes financial payments only, not medical and non-recurring subsidies.

### Average Number of Children and Families Receiving Purchased Services per Month Fiscal Year 2010

Region	Living at Home	Living Out of Home	Post Adoption	Total Children	Total Adults	Total Clients
1 Lubbock	498	345	110	953	985	1,938
2 Abilene	139	192	131	462	589	1,051
3 Arlington	1,065	1,102	149	2,316	2,677	4,993
4 Tyler	485	374	48	907	1,379	2,286
5 Beaumont	168	186	102	456	457	913
6 Houston	952	1,008	195	2,155	3,466	5,621
7 Austin	565	486	98	1,149	2,038	3,187
8 San Antonio	1,002	691	88	1,781	2,968	4,749
9 Midland	120	163	56	339	806	1,145
10 El Paso	80	107	96	283	293	576
11 Edinburg	709	436	2	1,147	2,606	3,753
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,783</b>	<b>5,090</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>11,948</b>	<b>18,264</b>	<b>30,212</b>

Note: Averages are rounded to the nearest whole number.

### Average Monthly Percent of Children Receiving CPS Purchased Services by Region Fiscal Year 2010

Region	Number of In-Home Children Receiving Purchased Services	Total Number of In-Home Children	% of In-Home Children Receiving Purchased Services	Number of Children in Substitute Care Receiving Purchased Services	Total Number of Children in Substitute Care	% of Children in Substitute Care Receiving Purchased Services
1 Lubbock	498	2,747	18.1%	345	1,640	21.0%
2 Abilene	139	1,242	11.2%	192	762	25.1%
3 Arlington	1,065	9,964	10.7%	1,102	4,969	22.2%
4 Tyler	485	2,133	22.8%	374	1,643	22.8%
5 Beaumont	168	885	19.0%	186	763	24.4%
6 Houston	952	10,860	8.8%	1,008	7,011	14.4%
7 Austin	565	3,970	14.2%	486	2,941	16.5%
8 San Antonio	1,002	6,840	14.6%	691	4,334	15.9%
9 Midland	120	1,374	8.7%	163	942	17.3%
10 El Paso	80	1,893	4.2%	107	546	19.6%
11 Edinburg	709	8,026	8.8%	436	2,214	19.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,783</b>	<b>49,933</b>	<b>11.6%</b>	<b>5,090</b>	<b>27,767</b>	<b>18.3%</b>

**Family Group Decision Making (FGDM)** is a part of the CPS process to be family-centered. The goal is to enhance safety, permanency, and well-being for children by providing direct services and support services to their caregivers, whether biological or through affinity. FGDM describes a variety of practices to work with and engage families in problem solving, including Family Team Meetings (FTM), Family Group Conferences (FGC), and Circles of Support (COS):

- **Family Team Meeting (FTM)** is designed as a rapid response to child safety and placement concerns and is used to achieve positive outcomes for children in the earliest stages of interaction between CPS and families.
- **Family Group Conference (FGC)** is a process where families join with relatives, friends, and others in the community to develop a plan to ensure children are cared for and protected from future harm. This broader constellation of “family” convenes with information providers/community supports and CPS caseworkers in a unique partnership that empowers the “family group” with a high degree of decision-making authority and responsibility.
- **Circles of Support (COS)** is a youth-focused, youth-driven meeting with the primary purpose of developing a plan for older youth to transition from foster care to adulthood. It may be used for other purposes as well. It includes broader participation of the youth’s support network.

### Family Team Meetings Conducted By Race/Ethnicity

Fiscal Year 2010

Region	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
1 Lubbock	220	113	333	2	8	27	703
2 Abilene	371	94	156	1	0	24	646
3 Arlington	935	613	467	8	6	94	2,123
4 Tyler	629	234	92	1	1	42	999
5 Beaumont	189	118	27	2	0	10	346
6 Houston	612	583	424	4	11	61	1,695
7 Austin	665	453	490	3	5	92	1,708
8 San Antonio	416	135	908	3	4	37	1,503
9 Midland	71	23	79	0	0	9	182
10 El Paso	29	16	138	0	0	2	185
11 Edinburg	71	14	813	1	0	25	924
Other/Unknown	1	0	2	0	0	1	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,209</b>	<b>2,396</b>	<b>3,929</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>11,018</b>

### Family Group Conferences Conducted By Race/Ethnicity

Fiscal Year 2010

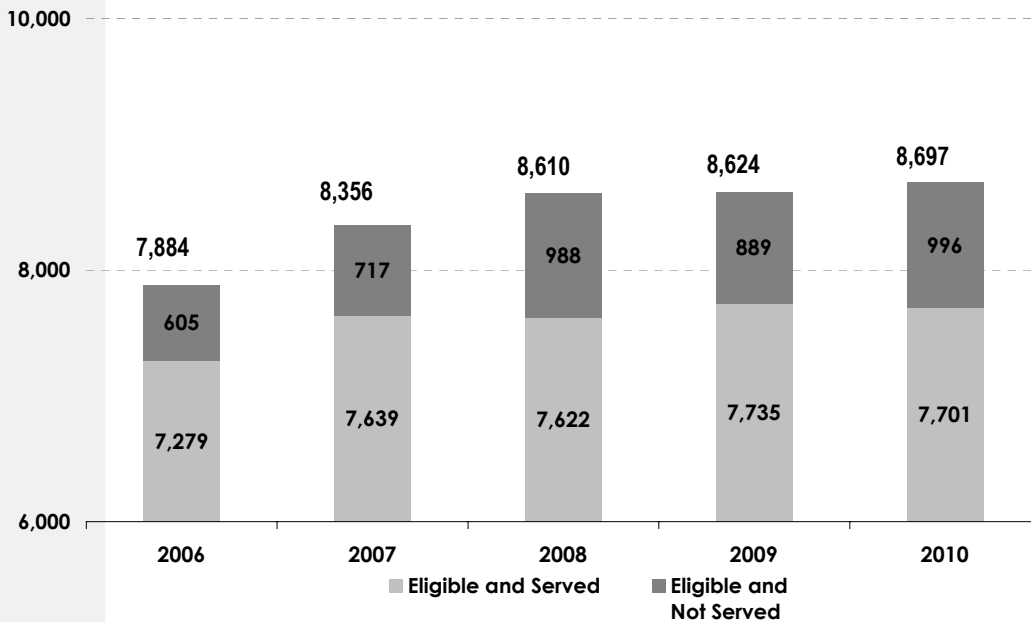
Region	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
1 Lubbock	108	38	133	3	1	15	298
2 Abilene	186	35	66	2	0	16	305
3 Arlington	343	231	159	3	3	71	810
4 Tyler	212	75	37	0	2	23	349
5 Beaumont	84	58	8	0	1	3	154
6 Houston	309	410	180	0	3	49	951
7 Austin	281	191	155	3	1	48	679
8 San Antonio	126	83	363	1	1	24	598
9 Midland	73	39	100	0	0	12	224
10 El Paso	13	8	117	2	0	7	147
11 Edinburg	63	19	663	1	0	19	765
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,798</b>	<b>1,187</b>	<b>1,981</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>5,280</b>

### Circles of Support Conducted by Race/Ethnicity Fiscal Year 2010

Region	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
1 Lubbock	79	54	73	0	0	6	212
2 Abilene	30	11	9	0	0	2	52
3 Arlington	194	237	96	3	3	30	563
4 Tyler	59	41	8	0	1	2	111
5 Beaumont	34	22	2	0	0	2	60
6 Houston	181	428	158	0	6	21	794
7 Austin	94	104	61	0	3	15	277
8 San Antonio	62	59	224	1	0	23	369
9 Midland	31	8	23	0	0	5	67
10 El Paso	3	9	38	0	1	3	54
11 Edinburg	19	6	121	0	0	11	157
<b>Total</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>979</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>2,716</b>

### Preparation for Adult Living (PAL) Services Youth Ages 16 through 20

The Transitional Services Program includes Preparation for Adult Living (PAL) program services to help youth aging out of foster care prepare for adult life, and assist with the initial transition to adult living. PAL services ensure that DFPS foster youth and those aging out of care receive the tools, resources, supports, and personal and community connections they need to become self-sufficient adult. Supportive services and benefits are provided to eligible youth ages 16 to 21, and in some cases up to age 23 for certain educational/vocational needs, to assist when they leave foster care.



*Note: 706 youth who were not served in FY 2010 received services prior to FY 2010.*