CPS
Child Protective Services Overview

Total Average Filled Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Staff

Caseworkers:	
Investigation	1,804.4
Family-Based Safety Services	844.9
Conservatorship	1,614.2
FAD	192.1
Kinship	107.2
Other Workers	170.6
Supervisors	733.9
Program Directors/Administrators	172.2
Admin/Clerical	972.9
Case Aides	475.9
Other Staff	810.6
CPS Program Support	335.6
Total CPS Staff	8,234.5

Worker Demographics

Turnover Rate	25.5%
Agency Tenure:	
Less Than 1 Year	24.1%
1 - 3 Years	28.5%
Greater than 3 Years	47.4%
Entry Salary (INV)	$36,728.96
Entry Salary (Non INV)	$31,728.96
Average Age	36.6
Race/Ethnicity:	
African-American	31.2%
Anglo	39.1%
Hispanic	28.2%
Other	1.5%

Supervisor Demographics

Turnover Rate	6.6%
Tenure as Supervisor:	
Less Than 1 Year	14.1%
1 - 3 Years	18.5%
Greater than 3 Years	67.4%
Entry Salary	$38,145.96
Average Age	41.8
Race/Ethnicity:	
African-American	26.8%
Anglo	47.0%
Hispanic	24.0%
Other	2.1%

CPS Expenditures

CPS Staff	$468,990,287
Purchased Client Services	$97,853,338
Foster Care Payments	$366,435,555
Adoption Subsidy Payments	$204,998,209
Permanency Care Assistance	$4,734,429
Relative/Other Designated Caregiver Reimbursement Program	$9,455,500
Other Client Services	$4,690,855
Total CPS Expenditures	$1,157,158,173

Report Assigned for Investigation

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Investigation / Risk Assessment — No Risk → **Case Closed**

Risk Indicated ↓

Child Safe at Home? — Yes → **Family Provided Services/Referrals**

No ↓

Seek Safe Emergency Placement — Relative Available → **Child Placed with Relative**

Relative Not Available ↓

DFPS Petitions Court for Custody of Child — Denied →

Granted ↓

Child Placed in Substitute Care (Out of home care)

Services Provided to Family ↓

Court Approves Permanency for Child → **Permanent Custody to DFPS**

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Child Reunified with Parents   **Permanent Custody to Relative**   **Adoption**

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

Statistics FY 2013

Texas State Child Population	7,159,172
Children, Alleged Victims	258,996
Children in Confirmed Investigations	100,861
Children Removed	17,022

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 Child Protective Service 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 for completed investigations**
    Medical Personnel (17.6%)
- **Allegation confirmed**
    Neglectful Supervision (66.5%)
- **Confirmed perpetrator of abuse/neglect**
    Relationship: Parent (78.3%)

    Gender: Female (56.6%)

    Age: Age 26-35 (40.3%)
- **Characteristic of confirmed victim**
    Age: Age 1 to 3 (23.2%)

    Gender: Female (51.6%)

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

The federal Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008, requires DFPS to:

- Provide written notification to maternal and paternal grandparents and other adult relatives regarding a child's removal and placement in state custody and support options

- Ensure youth aging out of state care have a Transition Plan developed within 90 days of turning 18 or the date leaving CPS extended foster care

- Seek to have education stability for children in DFPS custody

- Have a health oversight and coordination plan

- Keep siblings in custody placed together. If this is not possible, the state must provide for frequent visitation or other ongoing interaction between the siblings, unless the state shows frequent visits or other interaction would be contrary to the safety or well-being of any of the siblings

- Make eligibility changes for the Title IV-E adoption assistance program to promote adoption of children with special needs

- Provide information about Adoption Tax Credits during training for adoptive parents

The federal Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act allows and the Texas Legislature supported:

- Establishing a relative guardianship subsidy program. For Texas, this is a subsidy program called the Permanency Care Assistance program for relatives taking permanent managing conservatorship of a child. This program is intended to provide an additional option for children and youth who might otherwise remain in kinship foster care. It is not intended to be a long term foster care program.

- Allowing youth aging out of care to stay in extended foster care for a variety of reasons until they turn 21.

- Extending adoption assistance benefits and Permanency Care Assistance benefits until the youth turns 21 if the adoption assistance agreement or Permanency Care Assistance agreement was signed after the youth turns 16.

- Authorizing federally recognized tribes to apply for IV-E funding directly.

Concepts Guiding Risk Determination

Child Vulnerability
Child fragility

Child behavior

Home & Social Environment
Stressors

Dangerous exposure

Social Climate

Social Violence

Caregiver Capability
Knowledge

Skills

Capacity

Quality of Care
Quality of connection

Emotional care

Physical care

Maltreatment Pattern
Chronicity

Current Severity

Trends

Response to CPS
Attitude

Deception

Protective Capacities
Protective Capacities

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.

Notes About CPS Data
Caseloads
Average daily caseloads are calculated using the methodology set forth by the Legislative Budget Board (LBB). For each type of caseworker, (Investigation, Family-Based Safety Services, Substitute Care, Foster/Adoptive Home Development and Kinship), the LBB methodology counts the number of open stages.   Caseworkers may have more than one type of stage on their workload.

Intake and Investigation

An intake or investigation represents a report of abuse or neglect and can involve multiple children.
- The data on completed investigations does not include investigative stages that were administratively closed or merged into another investigation.
- All completed investigations have a case disposition and a risk finding.
- A case disposition reflects the finding on the allegations of abuse or neglect and can include any of the following:
    - **Confirmed Investigations**
        - Reason to believe – Based on preponderance of evidence, staff concluded that abuse or neglect occurred.

Unconfirmed Investigations
- • Ruled out - Staff determined, based on available information, that it is reasonable to conclude that abuse or 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.
- • A risk finding reflects whether there is a reasonable likelihood of abuse or neglect in the immediate or foreseeable future. Only those investigations that are identified as risk indicated are eligible to be opened for family preservation or conservatorship services.

Children in DFPS Custody, Substitute Care and Foster Care
- • DFPS custody includes all children under the age of 18 over whom DFPS has legal custody, regardless of their placement. This includes children living with relatives, in foster care or on a trial home visit with their parents.
- • Substitute care includes all children who are living in a DFPS out of home placement. It does not include children in DFPS custody who are living with their parents on a trial home visit. But unless specifically noted, it does include youth over 18 who are in extended foster care but are not in DFPS custody (because they are legal adults).
- • Foster care is a subset of substitute care and includes all children living in a verified foster care placement. It includes children living with relatives who are verified foster parents but does not include children living with relative caregivers who have not been verified as foster parents.
- • Paid foster care is a subset of foster care and includes all children living in a verified foster care placement where the state is making foster care payments.

Race and Ethnicity
As recommended by the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to ensure consistency across all HHSC agencies, in 2012 DFPS adopted the HHSC methodology on how to categorize race and ethnicity. As a result, data broken down by race and ethnicity in 2012 and after is not directly comparable to race and ethnicity data in 2011 and before.

Page References for Data Related to Child Protective Services

Texas Child Population
Ages Birth through 17 Years
Fiscal Year 2013

State Total: 7,159,172

Region 1
227,979

Region 2
130,855

Region 3
1,948,238

Region 4
275,757

Region 9
156,463

Region 5
187,281

Region 10
252,265

Region 8
722,369

Region 7
797,593

Region 6
1,768,464

Region 11
691,908

DALLAM SHERMAN HANSFORD OCHILTREE LIPSCOMB
HARTLEY MOORE HUTCHINSON ROBERTS HEMPHILL
OLDHAM POTTER CARSON GRAY WHEELER
DEAF SMITH RANDALL ARMSTRONG DONLEY COLLINGSWORTH
PARMER CASTRO SWISHER BRISCOE HALL CHILDRESS
BAILEY LAMB HALE FLOYD MOTLEY COTTLE HARDEMAN
FOARD WILBARGER WICHITA CLAY MONTAGUE COOKE GRAYSON FANNIN LAMAR RED RIVER BOWIE
COCHRAN HOCKLEY Lubbock LUBBOCK CROSBY DICKENS KING KNOX BAYLOR ARCHER WISE DENTON COLLIN HUNT HOPKINS DELTA FRANKLIN TITUS MORRIS CAMP CASS
YOAKUM TERRY LYNN GARZA KENT STONEWALL HASKELL THROCKMORTON YOUNG JACK PALO PINTO PARKER TARRANT Arlington DALLAS ROCKWALL RAINS WOOD UPSHUR MARION
GAINES DAWSON BORDEN SCURRY FISHER JONES SHACKELFORD STEPHENS HOOD KAUFMAN VAN ZANDT Tyler SMITH GREGG HARRISON
ANDREWS MARTIN HOWARD MITCHELL NOLAN TAYLOR Abilene CALLAHAN EASTLAND ERATH SOMERVELL JOHNSON ELLIS NAVARRO HENDERSON CHEROKEE RUSK PANOLA
El Paso EL PASO ECTOR MIDLAND Midland GLASSCOCK STERLING COKE RUNNELS COLEMAN BROWN COMANCHE HILL ANDERSON FREESTONE NACOGDOCHES SHELBY
HUDSPETH CULBERSON LOVING WINKLER BOSQUE MCLENNAN LIMESTONE HOUSTON SAN AUGUSTINE SABINE
WARD CRANE UPTON REAGAN IRION TOM GREEN CONCHO MCCULLOCH SAN SABA LAMPASAS CORYELL FALLS LEON TRINITY ANGELINA JASPER NEWTON
REEVES SCHLEICHER MENARD MASON LLANO BURNET BELL MILAM ROBERTSON MADISON POLK TYLER
JEFF DAVIS PECOS CROCKETT SUTTON KIMBLE GILLESPIE BLANCO TRAVIS WILLIAMSON Austin LEE BRAZOS WALKER SAN JACINTO HARDIN
TERRELL BURLESON GRIMES MONTGOMERY LIBERTY Beaumont ORANGE
PRESIDIO BREWSTER VAL VERDE EDWARDS KERR KENDALL HAYS BASTROP CALDWELL FAYETTE WASHINGTON AUSTIN WALLER Harris HARRIS Houston CHAMBERS JEFFERSON
REAL BANDERA COMAL GUADALUPE COLORADO FORT BEND GALVESTON
KINNEY UVALDE MEDINA BEXAR San Antonio WILSON GONZALES LAVACA WHARTON BRAZORIA
MAVERICK ZAVALA FRIO ATASCOSA KARNES DEWITT JACKSON MATAGORDA
DIMMIT LASALLE MCMULLEN LIVE OAK BEE GOLIAD VICTORIA CALHOUN
WEBB DUVAL JIM WELLS NUECES REFUGIO ARANSAS
SAN PATRICIO
ZAPATA JIM HOGG BROOKS KLEBERG KENEDY
STARR HIDALGO Edinburg WILLACY CAMERON

Children Population through 17 Years

	7 - 20,000
	20,001 - 100,000
	100,001 - 300,000
	300,001 - 700,000
	700,001 - 1,185,780

Population Data Source: Texas State Data Center, University of Texas (San Antonio). Based on Census 2010 data.

Child Protective Services
Completed Investigations
Fiscal Year 2013

State Total: 160,240

Region 1
7,085

DALLAM	SHERMAN	HANSFORD	OCHILTREE	LIPSCOMB
HARTLEY	MOORE	HUTCHINSON	ROBERTS	HEMPHILL
OLDHAM	POTTER	CARSON	GRAY	WHEELER
DEAF SMITH	RANDALL	ARMSTRONG	DONLEY	COLLINGSWORTH

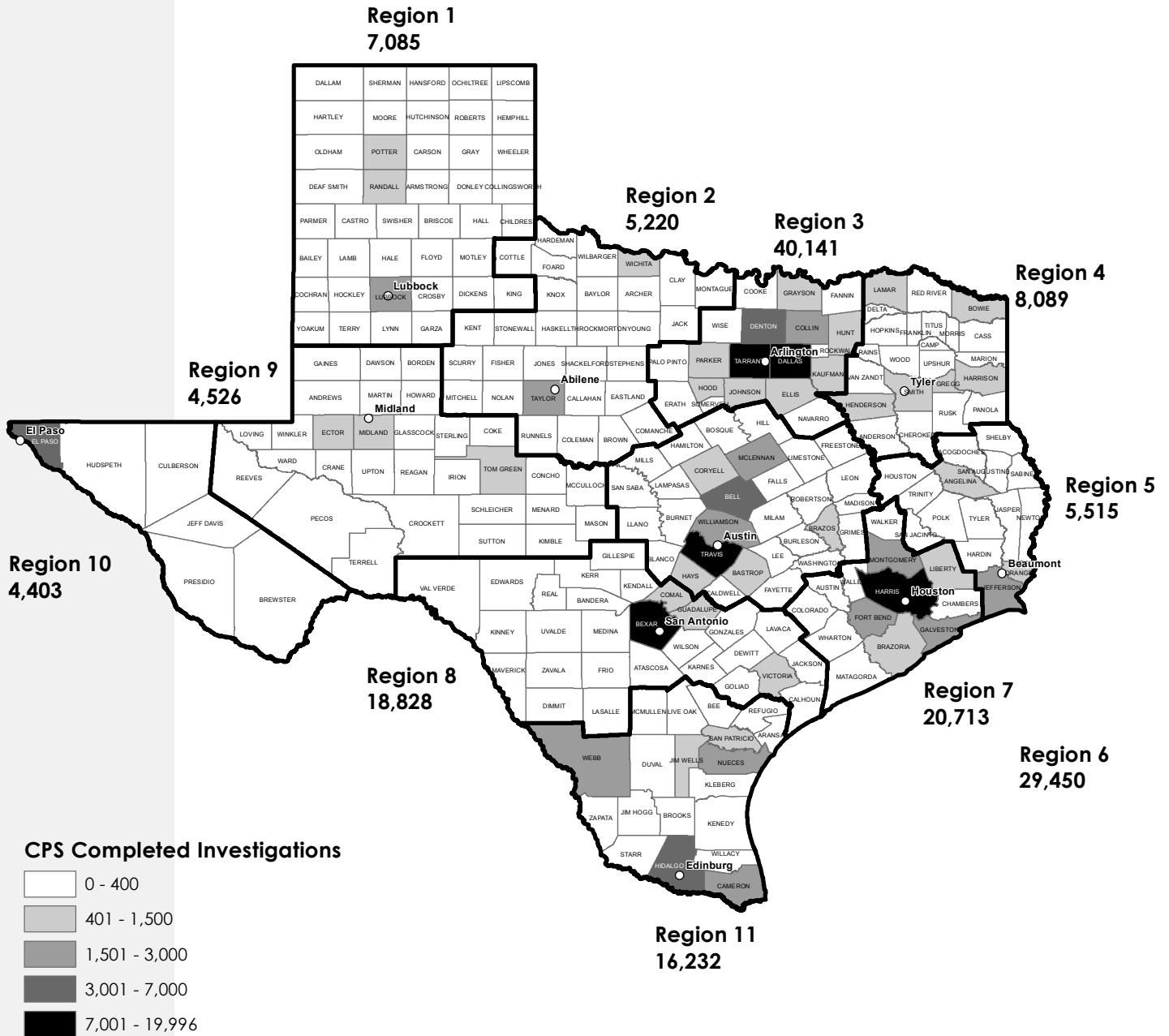**Region 2**
5,220

Region 3
40,141

Region 4
8,089

Region 9
4,526

Region 10
4,403

El Paso

Region 5
5,515

Beaumont

Region 8
18,828

Austin

San Antonio

Houston

Region 7
20,713

Region 6
29,450

Edinburg

Region 11
16,232

CPS Completed Investigations

☐	0 - 400
▢	401 - 1,500
▢	1,501 - 3,000
▢	3,001 - 7,000
■	7,001 - 19,996

Note: 38 investigations did not have a Texas county designated.

CPS Average Daily Caseload
Fiscal Year 2013

	0	20	40	60	80

1 Lubbock
- Investigation: 18.7
- Family-Based Safety Services: 14.7
- Substitute Care Services: 34.3
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 21.8
- Kinship: 64.3

2 Abilene
- Investigation: 23.8
- Family-Based Safety Services: 16.2
- Substitute Care Services: 28.9
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 20.1
- Kinship: 44.8

3 Arlington
- Investigation: 18.5
- Family-Based Safety Services: 13.9
- Substitute Care Services: 31.8
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 19.2
- Kinship: 51.4

4 Tyler
- Investigation: 18.1
- Family-Based Safety Services: 12.1
- Substitute Care Services: 32.8
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 19.1
- Kinship: 82.2

5 Beaumont
- Investigation: 19.4
- Family-Based Safety Services: 14.8
- Substitute Care Services: 32.2
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 32.4
- Kinship: 80.5

6 Houston
- Investigation: 21.5
- Family-Based Safety Services: 15.1
- Substitute Care Services: 27.8
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 17.2
- Kinship: 48.8

7 Austin
- Investigation: 21.2
- Family-Based Safety Services: 18.6
- Substitute Care Services: 33.5
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 20.7
- Kinship: 48.2

8 San Antonio
- Investigation: 17.9
- Family-Based Safety Services: 17.1
- Substitute Care Services: 34.6
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 22.5
- Kinship: 34.0

9 Midland
- Investigation: 24.4
- Family-Based Safety Services: 17.0
- Substitute Care Services: 39.1
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 23.4
- Kinship: 62.8

10 El Paso
- Investigation: 19.9
- Family-Based Safety Services: 13.7
- Substitute Care Services: 25.4
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 22.8
- Kinship: 45.7

11 Edinburg
- Investigation: 21.1
- Family-Based Safety Services: 14.7
- Substitute Care Services: 32.7
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 16.4
- Kinship: 20.8

State
- Investigation: 19.9
- Family-Based Safety Services: 15.1
- Substitute Care Services: 31.8
- Foster/Adoptive Home Development: 20.5
- Kinship: 48.6

- ■ Investigation
- ■ Family-Based Safety Services
- □ Substitute Care Services
- ■ Foster/Adoptive Home Development
- ■ Kinship

CPS Average Daily Caseload
Fiscal Year 2012

	0	20	40	60	80

1 Lubbock
- 25.9
- 15.2
- 37.0
- 22.5
- 78.9

2 Abilene
- 24.7
- 17.3
- 30.2
- 20.1
- 33.4

3 Arlington
- 23.0
- 13.1
- 32.1
- 22.5
- 48.9

4 Tyler
- 23.2
- 11.5
- 32.1
- 17.5
- 67.8

5 Beaumont
- 20.4
- 13.3
- 32.5
- 30.6
- 85.6

6 Houston
- 26.3
- 11.3
- 29.6
- 21.7
- 56.0

7 Austin
- 31.4
- 19.6
- 36.5
- 24.5
- 40.4

8 San Antonio
- 21.2
- 17.3
- 40.5
- 16.6
- 31.0

9 Midland
- 28.0
- 18.0
- 36.9
- 24.3
- 61.8

10 El Paso
- 24.3
- 13.6
- 25.4
- 23.7
- 42.8

11 Edinburg
- 23.6
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State
- 24.7
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- ■ Family-based Safety Services
- □ Substitute Care Services
- ■ Foster/Adoptive Home Development
- ■ Kinship

CPS Total Initial Intakes and Screened Out Cases
Fiscal Year 2013

Total Initial Intakes

	Number	Percent
PN	6,078	2.7%
P1	62,033	27.1%
P2	161,027	70.3%
Total	**229,138**	**100.0%**

Total P2 Intakes

	Number	Percent
Not Eligible for Formal Screening	94,310	58.6%
Eligible and Assigned to Screeners	66,717	41.4%
Total	**161,027**	**100.0%**

Eligible and Assigned to Screeners

	Number	Percent
Advanced to Investigation Stage	49,075	73.6%
Screened Out (P2 to PN)	17,642	26.4%
Total	**66,717**	**100.0%**

229,138
PN: 2.7%
P1: 27.1%
P2: 70.3%

161,027
P2s Not Eligible for Formal Screening: 58.6%
P2s Assigned to Screeners: 41.4%

66,717
Advanced to Investigation Stage: 73.6%
Screened Out: 26.4%

Total Initial Intakes

Total Initial P2s

Total Assigned to Screeners
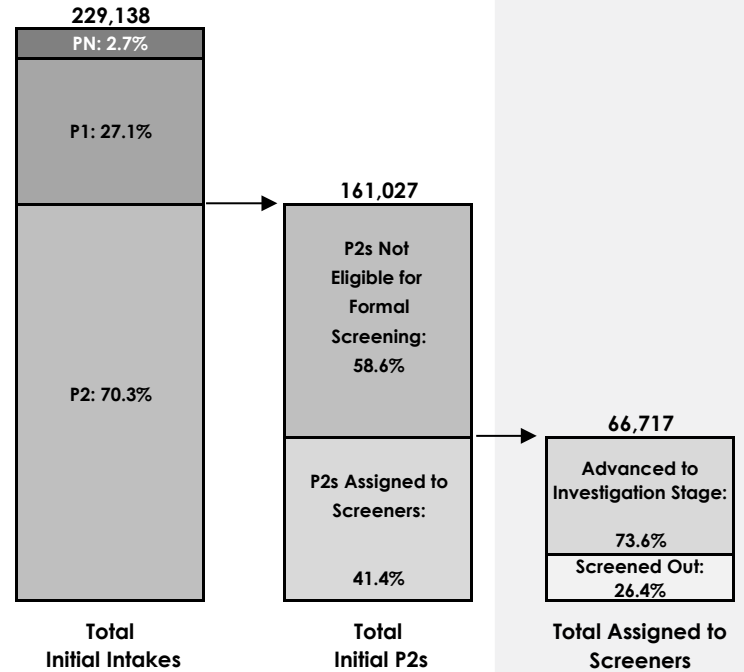
Note: When a case is a P2, a formal screening occurs when all alleged victims are age 6 or older and there is not currently an open case. The purpose of the formal screening is to determine if CPS intervention is warranted. There may be P2s that are eligible for formal screening but were not assigned to screeners. A PN is assessed when abuse or neglect is suspected and a key piece of information is needed in order to determine if an assignable allegation exists, or when a situation involves past abuse/neglect. As of Feb. 1 2013, all PNs are being formally screened.

Risk Assessment Finding of Completed Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations
Fiscal Year 2013

Disposition of Investigation	No Significant Risk Identified		Risk Controlled		Risk Indicated		Risk Not Applicable Blank/Invalid		Total	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
Confirmed	71	0.9%	17,457	17.4%	22,542	76.6%	179	0.8%	40,249	25.1%
Unconfirmed	8,116	99.1%	82,615	82.6%	6,872	23.4%	22,388	99.2%	119,991	74.9%
State Total	8,187	100.0%	100,072	100.0%	29,414	100.0%	22,567	100.0%	160,240	100.0%

Number of Completed Investigations During Fiscal Year Where
Family Violence* Was Indicated in the Risk Assessment

Fiscal Year	Completed Investigations	Family Violence Indicated	Family Violence Not Indicated
2010	169,583	54,842	114,741
2011	175,421	56,068	119,353
2012	166,211	53,705	112,505
2013	160,240	55,754	104,486

* Family violence risk is determined by a positive response to one of two questions on the risk assessment: (1) Has any person in the home ever been a victim of family violence, and (2) Has any person in the home ever been a perpetrator of family violence

Case Action for Risk Indicated Completed Investigations
Fiscal Year 2013

Open to Services	27,885	94.8%
Not Open to Services	1,529	5.2%
Total	**29,414**	**100.0%**

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. Reasons for an investigation to be risk indicated but not opened for ongoing services include the family was unwilling to participate in family preservation services and formal legal intervention was not an option, or the family moved and, despite CPS' best efforts, CPS could not locate them to provide services.

Source of Report for Completed Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations by Fiscal Year

Sources	Fiscal Year 2011		Fiscal Year 2012		Fiscal Year 2013	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
Medical Personnel	34,999	16.5%	33,787	16.9%	33,464	17.6%
School	37,540	17.7%	35,100	17.6%	33,146	17.5%
Law Enforcement	32,234	15.2%	31,949	16.0%	30,853	16.3%
Relative	25,557	12.1%	23,386	11.7%	21,408	11.3%
Parent	17,959	8.5%	16,267	8.2%	15,329	8.1%
Other	15,165	7.2%	14,577	7.3%	13,482	7.1%
Friend-Neighbor	14,602	6.9%	12,638	6.3%	11,601	6.1%
Anonymous	11,277	5.3%	10,751	5.4%	10,214	5.4%
Community Agency	7,359	3.5%	6,647	3.3%	6,237	3.3%
DFPS Staff	5,799	2.7%	5,804	2.9%	5,688	3.0%
Legal/Court	2,691	1.3%	2,500	1.3%	2,323	1.2%
Day Care Provider	1,949	0.9%	1,804	0.9%	1,769	0.9%
Parent's Paramour	925	0.4%	960	0.5%	902	0.5%
State Agency	928	0.4%	789	0.4%	809	0.4%
Provider	813	0.4%	706	0.4%	771	0.4%
Victim	648	0.3%	560	0.3%	507	0.3%
Unrelated Home Member	411	0.2%	451	0.2%	434	0.2%
Religious Entity	361	0.2%	338	0.2%	390	0.2%
24 Hour Care Provider	229	0.1%	280	0.1%	277	0.1%
Institutional Personnel	171	0.1%	148	0.1%	121	0.1%
Blank/Unknown	18	0.0%	18	0.0%	10	0.0%
Financial Institution	14	0.0%	14	0.0%	13	0.0%
State Total	**211,649**	**100.0%**	**199,474**	**100.0%**	**189,748**	**100.0%**

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

Child Abuse/Neglect Allegation Dispositions

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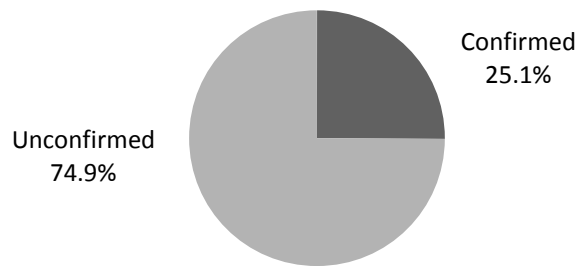
Confirmed Investigations

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

Unconfirmed Investigations

·   ***Ruled out*** - *Staff determined, based on available information, that it is reasonable to conclude that abuse or 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.*

Number of Child Abuse/Neglect Completed Investigations
Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Total Completed	Confirmed Investigations			Unconfirmed Investigations				
		Total Confirmed	%	Ruled Out	Unable To Determine	Unable To Complete	Total Unconfirmed	%
1 Lubbock	7,085	2,019	28.5%	4,193	680	193	5,066	71.5%
2 Abilene	5,220	1,553	29.8%	3,073	543	51	3,667	70.2%
3 Arlington	40,141	10,580	26.4%	22,897	5,824	840	29,561	73.6%
4 Tyler	8,089	2,115	26.1%	5,114	744	116	5,974	73.9%
5 Beaumont	5,515	1,279	23.2%	3,695	470	71	4,236	76.8%
6 Houston	29,450	5,970	20.3%	18,705	3,547	1,228	23,480	79.7%
7 Austin	20,713	4,888	23.6%	14,405	1,173	247	15,825	76.4%
8 San Antonio	18,828	4,864	25.8%	12,581	1,221	162	13,964	74.2%
9 Midland	4,526	1,291	28.5%	2,821	305	109	3,235	71.5%
10 El Paso	4,403	1,272	28.9%	2,711	366	54	3,131	71.1%
11 Edinburg	16,232	4,405	27.1%	10,185	1,356	286	11,827	72.9%
Out of State	38	13	34.2%	10	4	11	25	65.8%
State	160,240	40,249	25.1%	100,390	16,233	3,368	119,991	74.9%

Confirmed 25.1%

Unconfirmed 74.9%

Case Action for Families in Completed Investigations
Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Not Opened To Services	Family Preservation	Family Substitute Care*	Total
1 Lubbock	5,695	1,044	346	7,085
2 Abilene	4,239	742	239	5,220
3 Arlington	34,046	4,287	1,808	40,141
4 Tyler	6,865	708	516	8,089
5 Beaumont	4,927	334	254	5,515
6 Houston	24,600	3,464	1,386	29,450
7 Austin	17,975	1,577	1,161	20,713
8 San Antonio	14,491	3,200	1,137	18,828
9 Midland	3,727	506	293	4,526
10 El Paso	3,624	674	105	4,403
11 Edinburg	12,132	3,463	637	16,232
Other	34	0	4	38
Total	132,355	19,999	7,886	160,240

Investigations that resulted in at least one child (not necessarily all children in the home) being removed. Does not equal number of children removed.

Children in Cases Opened for Services as a Result of a Completed Investigation
Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Family Preservation	% Family Preservation	Family Substitute Care*	Total
1 Lubbock	2,720	75.2%	899	3,619
2 Abilene	1,850	76.4%	572	2,422
3 Arlington	11,079	70.9%	4,543	15,622
4 Tyler	1,728	56.6%	1,327	3,055
5 Beaumont	881	60.0%	588	1,469
6 Houston	9,795	73.1%	3,598	13,393
7 Austin	4,356	58.3%	3,117	7,473
8 San Antonio	8,773	73.9%	3,093	11,866
9 Midland	1,356	66.4%	685	2,041
10 El Paso	1,872	86.7%	286	2,158
11 Edinburg	10,811	85.1%	1,893	12,704
Other	0	0.0%	7	7
Total	55,221	72.8%	20,608	75,829

Includes all children in the case regardless of victimization. Does not equal the number of children removed.

Point Prevalence* Rate of Child Abuse/Neglect
per 1,000 Children in Texas Population per Region
Fiscal Year 2013

Rate per 1,000 Children

Lubbock (1): 15.8 / 52.5
Abilene (2): 19.7 / 65.8
Arlington (3): 8.7 / 32.7
Tyler (4): 12.4 / 47.2
Beaumont (5): 11.0 / 47.3
Houston (6): 5.2 / 26.1
Austin (7): 9.6 / 41.1
San Antonio (8): 11.6 / 43.2
Midland (9): 13.7 / 47.0
El Paso (10): 9.0 / 28.8
Edinburg (11): 11.8 / 40.6
State: 9.3 / 36.2

■ Confirmed Rate ■ Alleged Rate
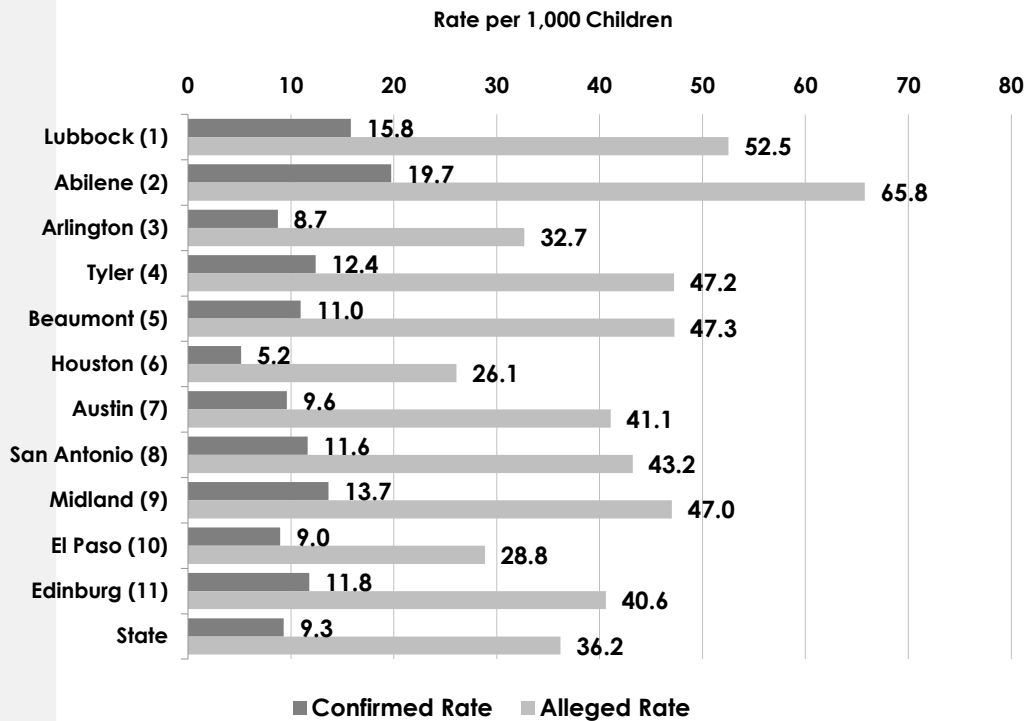
* Point Prevalence is the number of children who are alleged/confirmed victims per 1,000 children in the region.

Confirmed Allegations of Child Abuse/Neglect by Type of Abuse
Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Abandonment	Medical Neglect	Physical Neglect
1 Lubbock	635	244	21	9	88	299
2 Abilene	425	207	33	11	81	220
3 Arlington	3,375	1,558	86	45	367	1,088
4 Tyler	614	307	33	12	83	248
5 Beaumont	371	146	13	8	40	214
6 Houston	1,788	1,000	58	40	239	709
7 Austin	1,300	671	45	10	142	393
8 San Antonio	1,254	734	70	15	261	489
9 Midland	451	203	25	10	67	217
10 El Paso	371	171	24	9	82	193
11 Edinburg	1,148	765	84	17	287	624
Unknown	2	3	0	1	0	3
State Total	11,734	6,009	492	187	1,737	4,697

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	2,883	33	4,212	5.5%	3,610
2 Abilene	1,997	18	2,992	3.9%	2,583
3 Arlington	12,888	157	19,564	25.7%	17,006
4 Tyler	2,662	37	3,996	5.2%	3,419
5 Beaumont	1,588	20	2,400	3.1%	2,051
6 Houston	6,431	112	10,377	13.6%	9,116
7 Austin	5,936	93	8,590	11.3%	7,663
8 San Antonio	6,530	69	9,422	12.4%	8,397
9 Midland	1,614	15	2,602	3.4%	2,137
10 El Paso	1,752	21	2,623	3.4%	2,259
11 Edinburg	6,431	83	9,439	12.4%	8,141
Unknown	12	1	22	0.0%	16
State Total	50,724	659	76,239	100.0%	66,398

Victims have been unduplicated by investigation stage.

**Race/Ethnicity * of Selected CPS Statistics Compared to Texas Child Population
Fiscal Year 2013**

Texas Child Population - 7,159,172

Other
440,746 6.2%

Native
American
20,495 0.3%

African
American
827,289 11.6%

Hispanic
3,533,665
49.4%

Anglo
2,336,977
32.6%
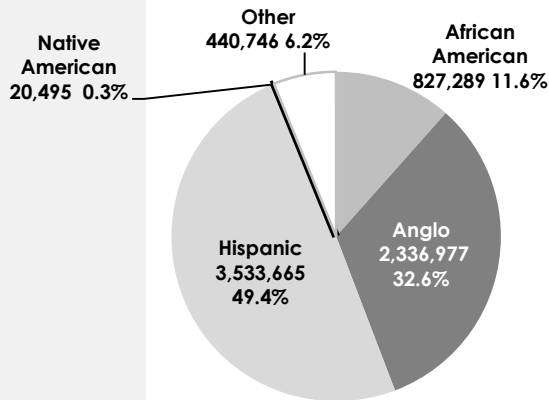
CPS Confirmed Victims - 66,398
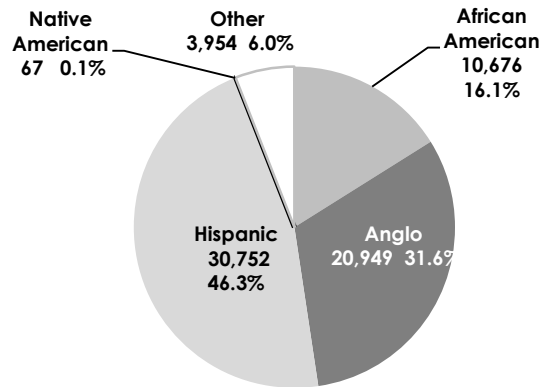
Native
American
67 0.1%

Other
3,954 6.0%

African
American
10,676
16.1%

Hispanic
30,752
46.3%

Anglo
20,949 31.6%

Children in Cases Opened for Services - 75,829

Native
American
65 0.1%

Other
4,503 5.9%

African
American
12,465 16.4%

Hispanic
38,730
51.1%

Anglo
20,066
26.5%
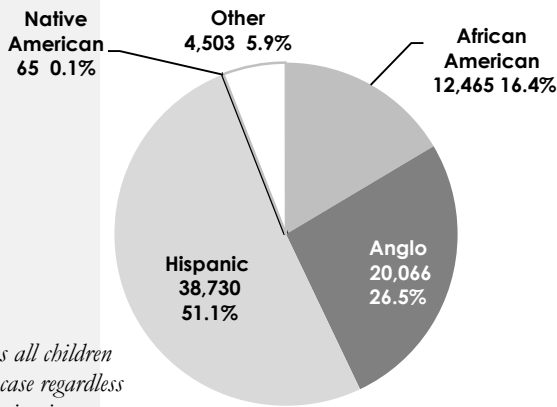
*Includes all children
in the case regardless
of victimization.*

Number of Removals - 17,022

Native
American
10 0.1%

Other
999 5.9%

African
American
3,297 19.4%

Hispanic
7,306
42.9%
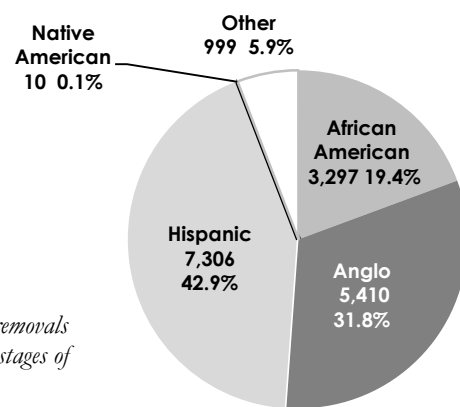
Anglo
5,410
31.8%

*Includes removals
from all stages of
service.*

Number of Children Awaiting Adoption
on August 31, 2013 - 6,581

Native
American
7 0.1%

Other
388 5.9%

African
American
1,644 25.0%

Hispanic
2,837
43.1%
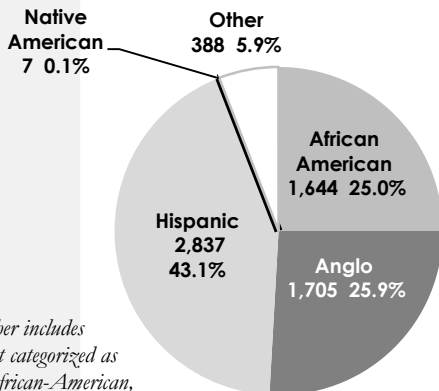
Anglo
1,705 25.9%

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

Median Time Children Have Been Awaiting Adoption on
August 31, 2013 in Months - 10.4
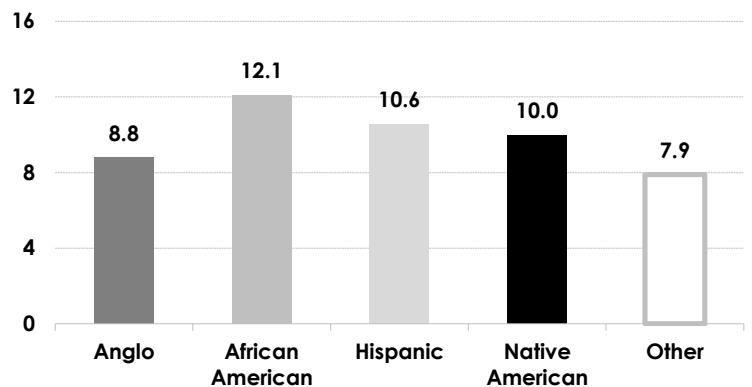
Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Other
8.8	12.1	10.6	10.0	7.9

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broken down by race/ethnicity in 2012 and after is not directly comparable to race/ethnicity data in 2011 and before.*

Confirmed Victims of Child Abuse/Neglect
Fiscal Year 2013

State Total: 66,398

Region 1
3,610

Region 2
2,583

Region 3
17,006

Region 4
3,419

Region 9
2,137

Region 5
2,051

Region 10
2,259

Region 8
8,397

Region 7
7,663

Region 6
9,116

Region 11
8,141

Confirmed Victims of Child Abuse

	0 - 200
	201 - 700
	701 - 1,600
	1,601 - 3,100
	3,101 - 5,929
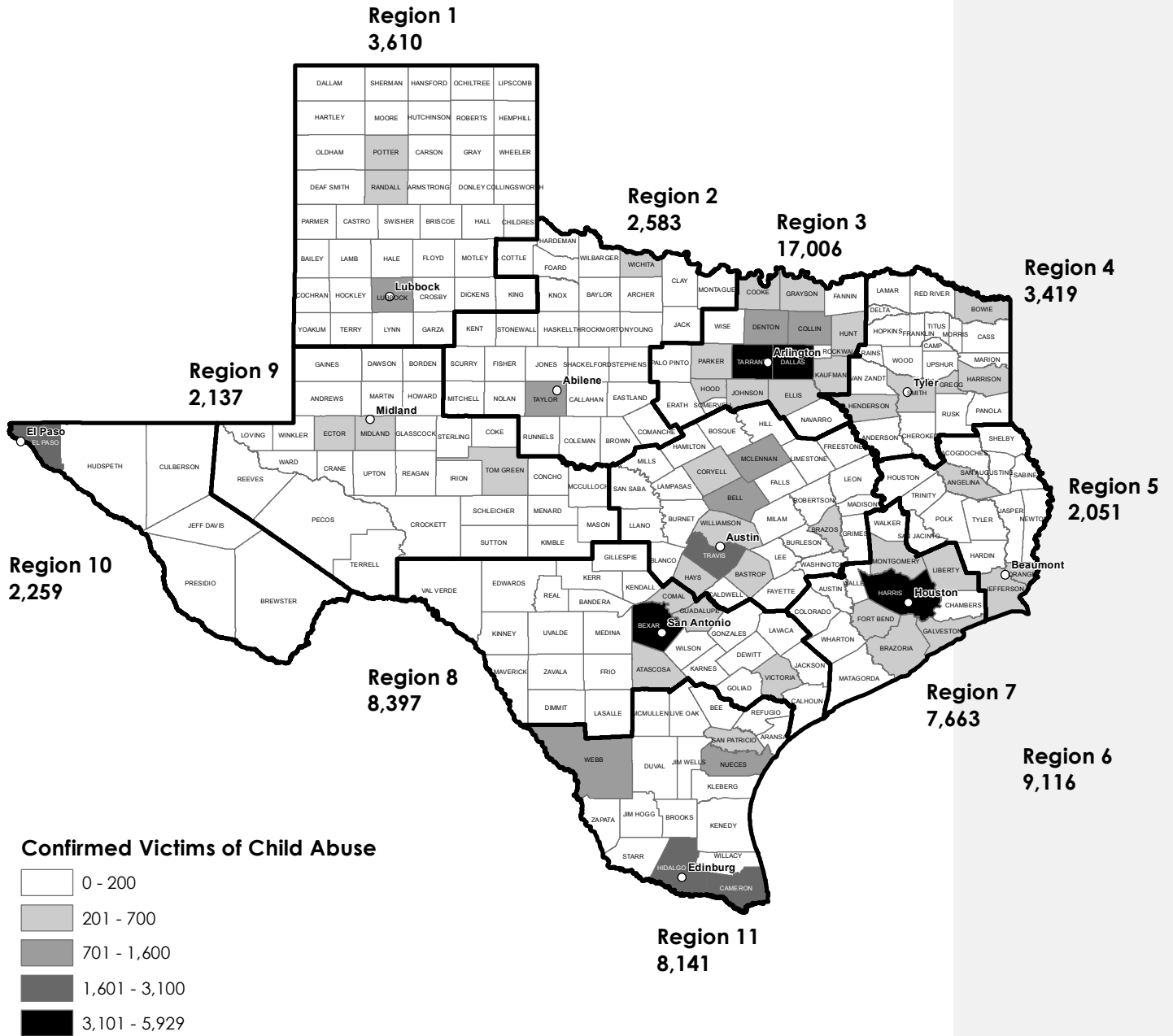
Note: 16 Confirmed victims did not have a county designated.

Profile of Confirmed Child Abuse/Neglect Victims *
Fiscal Year 2013

Age	Gender	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
Under 1								
	Female	1,536	1,013	1,972	4	13	377	4,915
	Male	1,684	1,104	2,213	3	18	419	5,441
	Unknown	5	6	6	0	0	3	20
	Total	3,225	2,123	4,191	7	31	799	10,376
1-3 Years								
	Female	2,348	1,145	3,367	11	30	477	7,378
	Male	2,432	1,340	3,700	9	39	491	8,011
	Unknown	8	5	17	0	0	7	37
	Total	4,788	2,490	7,084	20	69	975	15,426
4-6 Years								
	Female	2,247	1,040	3,455	7	32	369	7,150
	Male	2,213	1,126	3,248	9	40	360	6,996
	Unknown	9	4	14	0	0	0	27
	Total	4,469	2,170	6,717	16	72	729	14,173
7-9 Years								
	Female	1,563	728	2,474	2	17	223	5,007
	Male	1,573	801	2,348	7	19	241	4,989
	Unknown	2	1	10	0	0	2	15
	Total	3,138	1,530	4,832	9	36	466	10,011
10-12 Years								
	Female	1,291	595	2,145	4	23	173	4,231
	Male	1,174	514	1,582	2	19	161	3,452
	Unknown	3	1	2	0	0	2	8
	Total	2,468	1,110	3,729	6	42	336	7,691
13-17 Years								
	Female	1,750	795	2,760	7	36	214	5,562
	Male	1,106	458	1,430	2	16	129	3,141
	Unknown	1	0	1	0	0	1	3
	Total	2,857	1,253	4,191	9	52	344	8,706
Age Unknown								
	Female	3	0	4	0	0	0	7
	Male	1	0	4	0	0	1	6
	Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
	Total	4	0	8	0	0	3	15
Total Victims								
	Female	10,738	5,316	16,177	35	151	1,833	34,250
	Male	10,183	5,343	14,525	32	151	1,802	32,036
	Unknown	28	17	50	0	0	17	112
Grand Total		**20,949**	**10,676**	**30,752**	**67**	**302**	**3,652**	**66,398**

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Alleged and Confirmed Victims of Child Abuse/Neglect
Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Alleged Victims	Unconfirmed Victims	Confirmed Victims	Percent Confirmed
1 Lubbock	11,975	8,365	3,610	30.1%
2 Abilene	8,607	6,024	2,583	30.0%
3 Arlington	63,677	46,671	17,006	26.7%
4 Tyler	13,025	9,606	3,419	26.2%
5 Beaumont	8,851	6,800	2,051	23.2%
6 Houston	46,112	36,995	9,116	19.8%
7 Austin	32,757	25,094	7,663	23.4%
8 San Antonio	31,211	22,814	8,397	26.9%
9 Midland	7,358	5,221	2,137	29.0%
10 El Paso	7,275	5,016	2,259	31.1%
11 Edinburg	28,096	19,955	8,141	29.0%
Out of State	52	36	16	30.8%
State	258,996	192,597	66,398	25.6%

Annual Number of Families and Children Receiving Family Preservation Services
Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Number of Families	Number of Children	Children* Removed From Home	Percent of Children Removed
1 Lubbock	1,551	4,202	167	4.0%
2 Abilene	998	2,550	105	4.1%
3 Arlington	6,273	16,512	799	4.8%
4 Tyler	1,076	2,796	210	7.5%
5 Beaumont	584	1,539	101	6.6%
6 Houston	5,343	15,692	610	3.9%
7 Austin	2,334	6,102	318	5.2%
8 San Antonio	4,575	12,968	906	7.0%
9 Midland	775	2,053	176	8.6%
10 El Paso	991	2,689	143	5.3%
11 Edinburg	4,828	14,894	473	3.2%
Out of State	4	20	0	0.0%
Total	29,332	82,017	4,008	4.9%

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 but the caregiver retains legal custody.
*Children removed from home during Family Preservation. Does not equal total children removed during fiscal year.

**Characteristics of Perpetrators in Confirmed Investigations
of Child Abuse/Neglect
Fiscal Year 2013**

Characteristic	Female		Male		Unknown		Total	
	Count	% of Total	Count	% of Total	Count	% of Total	Count	% of Total
Age								
Under 18	678	1.3%	1,478	2.8%	1	0.0%	2,157	4.0%
18-25	10,317	19.2%	5,376	10.0%	7	0.0%	15,700	29.2%
26-35	12,809	23.9%	8,788	16.4%	17	0.0%	21,614	40.3%
36-45	4,500	8.4%	4,796	8.9%	7	0.0%	9,303	17.3%
Over 45	2,077	3.9%	2,797	5.2%	2	0.0%	4,876	9.1%
Invalid	6	0.0%	17	0.0%	17	0.0%	40	0.1%
Marital Status								
Married	6,920	12.9%	7,274	13.5%	1	0.0%	14,195	26.4%
Widowed	289	0.5%	119	0.2%	0	0.0%	408	0.8%
Separated	1,768	3.3%	1,184	2.2%	1	0.0%	2,953	5.5%
Divorced	2,150	4.0%	1,284	2.4%	2	0.0%	3,436	6.4%
Single	10,469	19.5%	5,419	10.1%	3	0.0%	15,891	29.6%
Unknown	8,075	15.0%	6,391	11.9%	42	0.1%	14,508	27.0%
Not Applicable (Under 18)	716	1.3%	1,581	2.9%	2	0.0%	2,299	4.3%
Race/Ethnicity *								
Anglo	12,502	23.3%	8,424	15.7%	5	0.0%	20,931	39.0%
African American	5,391	10.0%	3,776	7.0%	2	0.0%	9,169	17.1%
Hispanic	11,470	21.4%	9,689	18.0%	9	0.0%	21,168	39.4%
Native American	63	0.1%	29	0.1%	0	0.0%	92	0.2%
Asian	165	0.3%	156	0.3%	0	0.0%	321	0.6%
Other	796	1.5%	1,178	2.2%	35	0.1%	2,009	3.7%
Relation to Oldest Victim								
Parent	27,085	50.4%	14,970	27.9%	9	0.0%	42,064	78.3%
Grandparent	1,437	2.7%	830	1.5%	2	0.0%	2,269	4.2%
Sibling/Other Relative	401	0.7%	1,920	3.6%	3	0.0%	2,324	4.3%
Aunt/Uncle	588	1.1%	1,058	2.0%	0	0.0%	1,646	3.1%
Parent's Paramour	353	0.7%	3,347	6.2%	3	0.0%	3,703	6.9%
Other	523	1.0%	1,127	2.1%	34	0.1%	1,684	3.1%
Total Perpetrators	**30,387**	**56.6%**	**23,252**	**43.3%**	**51**	**0.1%**	**53,690**	**100.0%**

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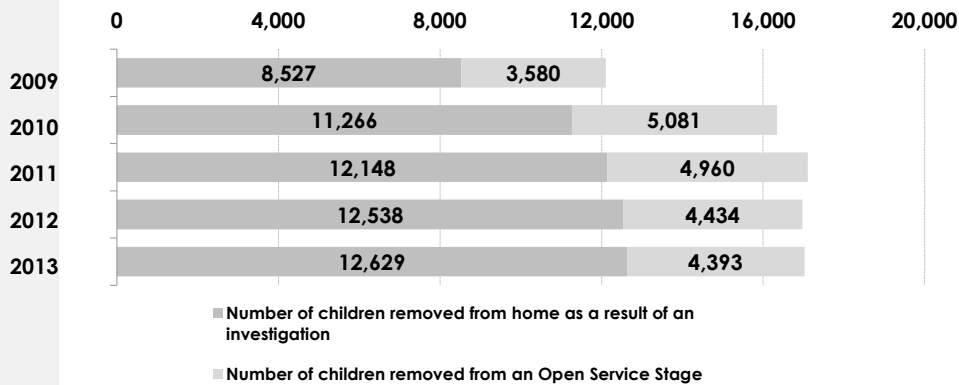
Children in Foster Care by County
## Fiscal Year 2013

State Total: 30,740

Region 1
1,746

Region 2
952

Region 3
6,609

Region 4
1,775

Region 9
1,137

Region 5
1,122

Region 10
598

Region 8
4,887

Region 7
3,404

Region 6
5,670

Region 11
2,840

Children in Foster Care

	0 - 50
	51 - 300
	301 - 500
	501 - 2,000
	2,001 - 4,286
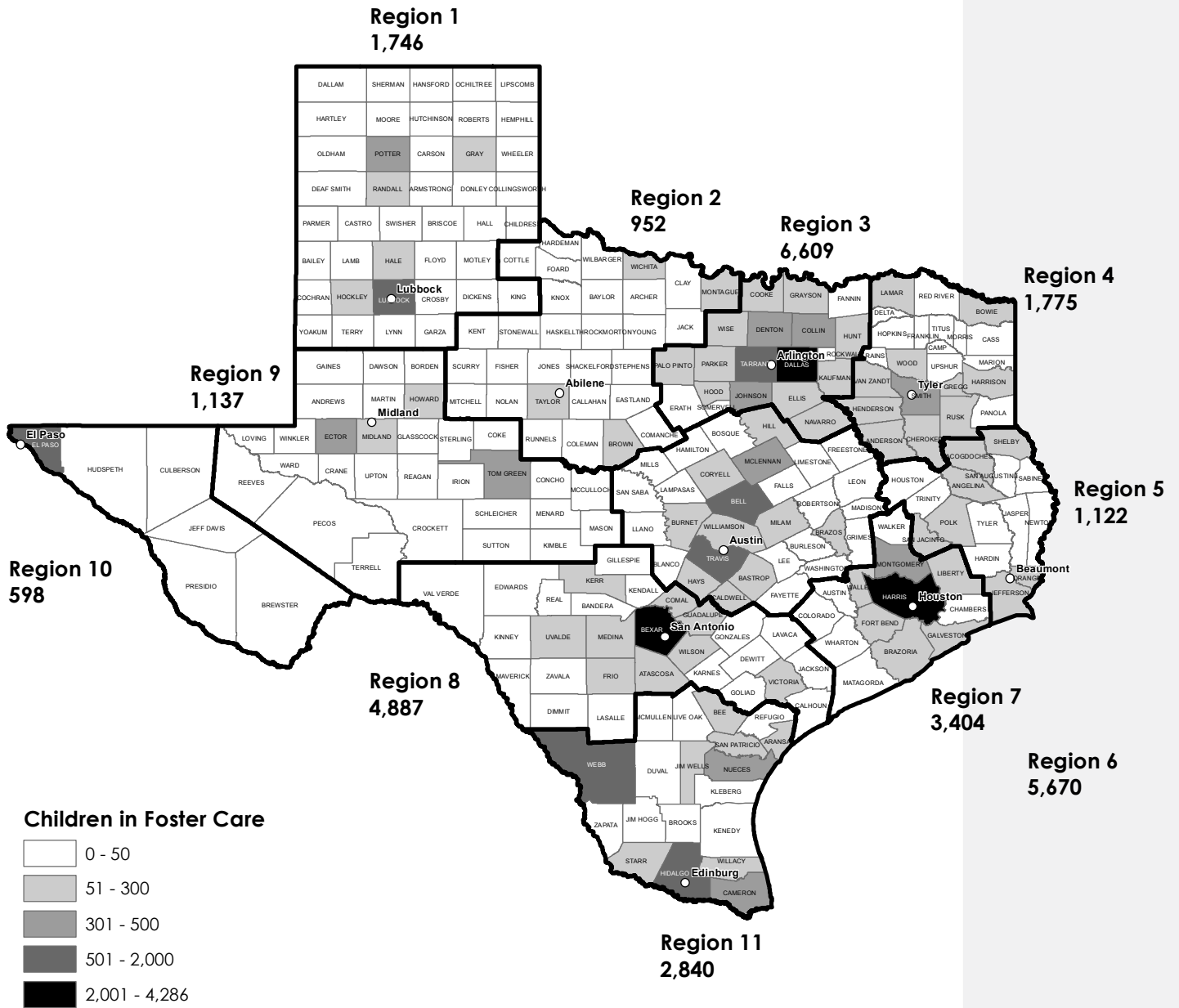
**Number of Children Removed from Home
by Fiscal Year**

Fiscal Year	As a Result of an Abuse/Neglect Investigation	From an Open Service Stage*	Total
2009	8,527	3,580	12,107
2010	11,266	5,081	16,347
2011	12,148	4,960	17,108
2012	12,538	4,434	16,972
2013	12,629	4,393	17,022

■ Number of children removed from home as a result of an investigation

■ Number of children removed from an Open Service Stage

Removals from open service stages include Family Preservation, Family Substitute Care 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 Prevalence* for Children Entering Substitute Care
per 1,000 Children in Texas Population by Region
Fiscal Year 2013**

Statewide Point Prevalence 2.4
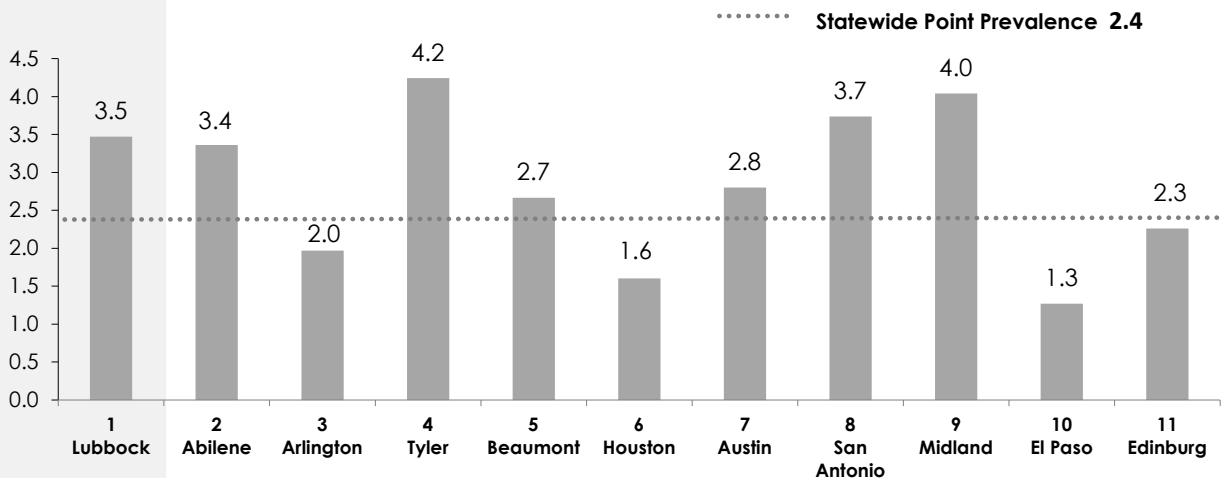
* Point prevalence is the number of children entering substitute care per 1,000 children in the region.

Where are children in DFPS care?

Of the 27,924 children in DFPS substitute care on August 31, 2013:

16,676 children were in Foster Care

11,782
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.

598 of these children were place in Kinship Verified Foster Homes

786
children were placed in
Basic Child Care
These are typically cottage and campus type settings meeting basic child needs

1,508
children were placed in
Residential Treatment Centers
An RTC is a very structured setting for children with serious emotional disturbance or mental health issues.

1,640
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.

451 of these children were place in Kinship Verified Foster Homes

567
children were placed in
Emergency Shelters
These are intended for stays of less than 30 days.

393
children were placed in
Other types of foster care
such as camps, maternity homes hospitals, juvenile detention, ICF-IID, HCS homes, state schools & hospitals.

11,248 children were in other types of Substitute Care

10,059
children were placed in
Kinship Care
DFPS supports eligible relative caregivers by assisting with initial costs of accepting a child and through ongoing case management.

225
children were in pending adoptions in
DFPS Adoptive Homes

497
children were in pending adoptions in
CPA Adoptive Homes

467
children were placed in
Other Substitute Care
which includes independent living programs, unauthorized absences and court ordered placements.

Notes:

A. The 27,924 children includes 634 youth over the age of 18 in foster care and 2 youth over the age of 18 in substitute care, but who have "aged-out" of the legal conservatorship of DFPS.

*B. There are a total of 29,523 children in DFPS legal responsibility. 2,235 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 on August 31
by Fiscal Year

Characteristic	2010 Count	2010 %	2011 Count	2011 %	2012 Count	2012 %	2013 Count	2013 %
Age								
Birth - 2	3,868	22.7%	3,797	22.1%	3,614	21.6%	3,634	21.8%
3 - 5	2,711	15.9%	2,903	16.9%	2,766	16.6%	2,837	17.0%
6 - 9	2,782	16.3%	2,948	17.2%	2,948	17.7%	3,050	18.3%
10 - 13	2,959	17.4%	2,972	17.3%	2,820	16.9%	2,774	16.6%
14 - 17	4,102	24.1%	3,976	23.1%	3,947	23.6%	3,747	22.5%
18 - 21	605	3.6%	587	3.4%	602	3.6%	634	3.8%
Gender								
Male	9,203	54.0%	9,308	54.2%	9,030	54.1%	8,886	53.3%
Female	7,824	46.0%	7,874	45.8%	7,667	45.9%	7,790	46.7%
Unknown	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Race/Ethnicity *								
Anglo	5,008	29.4%	5,044	29.4%	5,048	30.2%	4,970	29.8%
African American	4,107	24.1%	4,126	24.0%	3,825	22.9%	3,858	23.1%
Hispanic	6,946	40.8%	6,995	40.7%	6,813	40.8%	6,882	41.3%
Native American	29	0.2%	31	0.2%	22	0.1%	17	0.1%
Asian	44	0.3%	44	0.3%	38	0.2%	47	0.3%
Other	893	5.2%	943	5.5%	951	5.7%	902	5.4%
Total	17,027	100.0%	17,183	100.0%	16,697	100.0%	16,676	100.0%
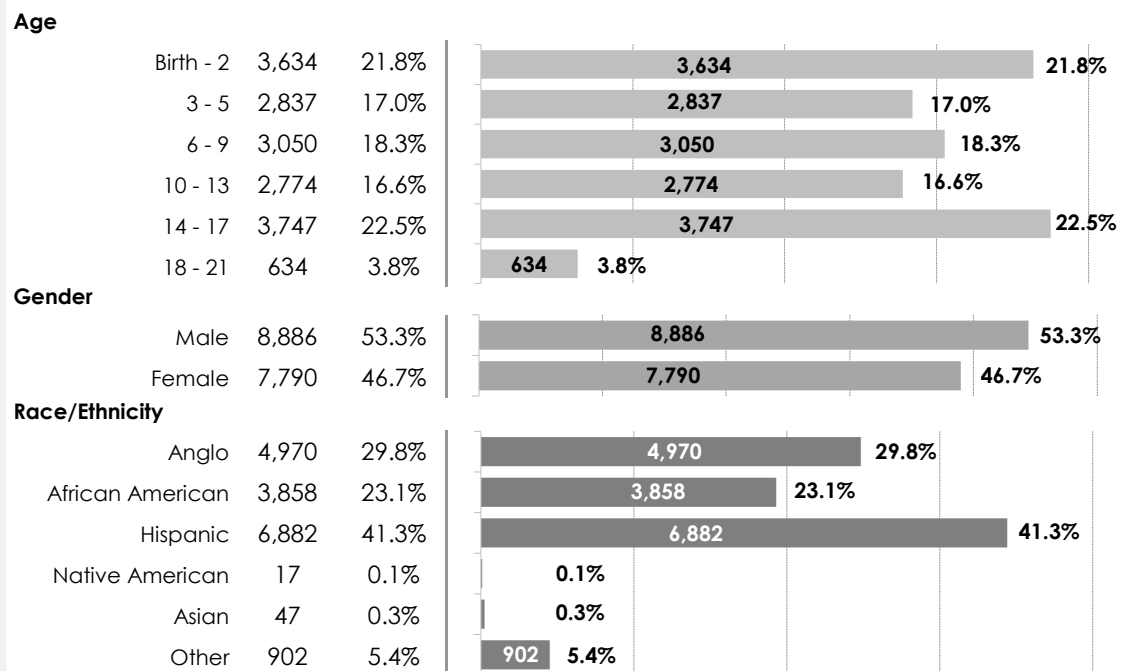
Age

Birth - 2	3,634	21.8%
3 - 5	2,837	17.0%
6 - 9	3,050	18.3%
10 - 13	2,774	16.6%
14 - 17	3,747	22.5%
18 - 21	634	3.8%

Gender

Male	8,886	53.3%
Female	7,790	46.7%

Race/Ethnicity

Anglo	4,970	29.8%
African American	3,858	23.1%
Hispanic	6,882	41.3%
Native American	17	0.1%
Asian	47	0.3%
Other	902	5.4%

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Point Prevalence for Children in Substitute Care per 1,000 Children in Texas Population by Region on August 31, 2013
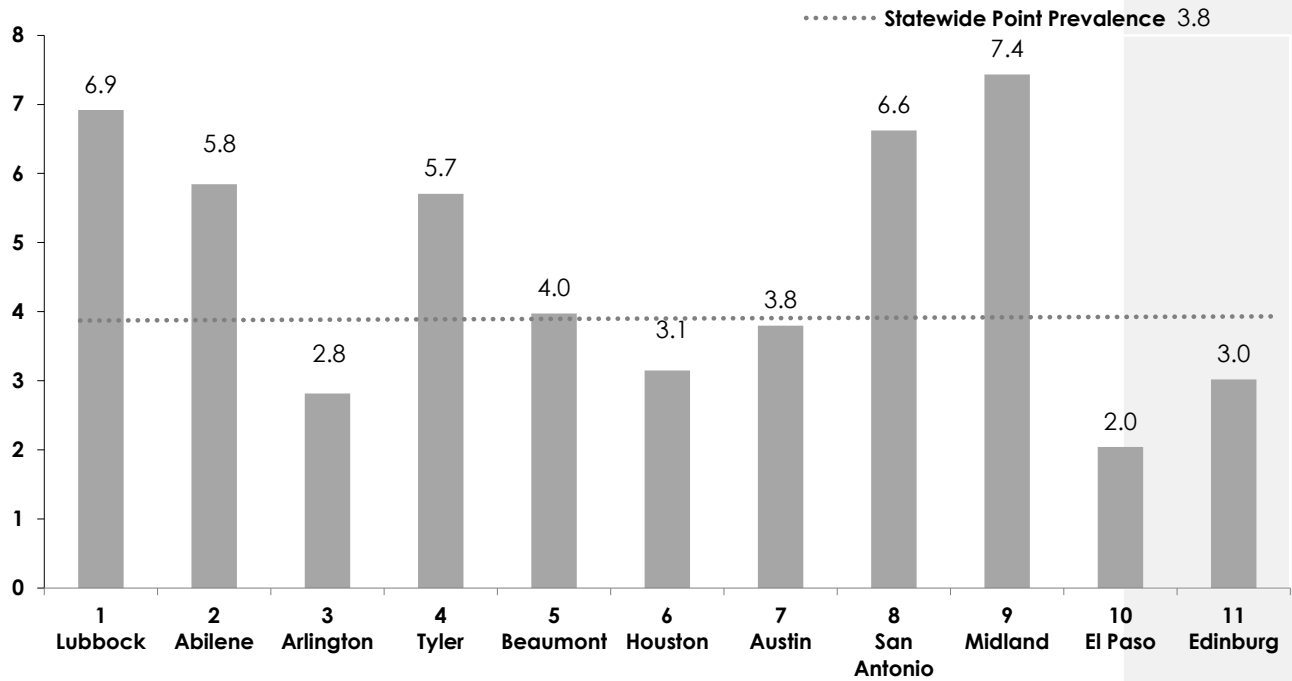
Note: Point prevalence is the number of children (ages 0-17) in substitute care per 1,000 children in the region.

Legal Status of Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility on August 31, 2013

Legal Status	August 2011		August 2012		August 2013	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
Care, Custody & Control*	25	0.1%	49	0.2%	65	0.2%
Temporary Managing Conservatorship**	17,489	57.9%	17,332	58.2%	17,572	59.5%
Permanent Managing Conservatorship***						
Parental Rights Not Terminated	3,110	10.3%	2,863	9.6%	2,732	9.3%
Parental Rights Terminated (All)	9,147	30.3%	9,105	30.6%	8,772	29.7%
Parental Rights Terminated (One Parent)	396	1.3%	400	1.3%	366	1.2%
Possessory Conservatorship*****	37	0.1%	26	0.1%	16	0.1%
Total	30,204	100.0%	29,775	100.0%	29,523	100.0%

* *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, and education.*

** *Temporary Managing Conservatorship (TMC) - is a court ordered legal relationship between a child and a parent or nonparent. If a judge appoints DFPS as Temporary Managing Conservator, the court will order DFPS to exercise specific rights and duties, which include but are not limited to the right to have physical possession of the child, the duty of care, control, and protection of the child, the right to designate the primary residence of the child, and the right to make decisions concerning the child's health-care and education. Generally, TMC continues for up to 12 to 18 months at which time the judge issues a final order returning the child home, appointing an individual or DFPS as a Permanent Managing Conservator, and/or terminating parental rights thereby making the child eligible for adoption.*

*** *Permanent Managing Conservatorship (PMC) - is the status a court awards to DFPS in a final order. DFPS can be awarded PMC with or without termination of the rights of the child's parents. The rights and duties of a PMC are typically the same as those of the TMC; however, as the PMC, DFPS continues to exercise those rights until the child is adopted, until PMC is transferred to a suitable individual, or the child becomes a legal adult at age 18.*

**** *Possessory Conservatorship - Although uncommon, DFPS may be appointed Possessory Conservator (PC) in certain situations. As PC, DFPS has more limited rights and duties with respect to the child, as enumerated in the court's order naming DFPS as PC.*

**Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility, in Substitute Care
or in Foster Care Placements on August 31, 2013**

Region	DFPS Legal Responsibility	Substitute Care	Foster Care*
1 Lubbock	1,711	1,617	1,074
2 Abilene	829	779	524
3 Arlington	5,957	5,591	3,398
4 Tyler	1,733	1,600	917
5 Beaumont	810	756	522
6 Houston	5,929	5,715	3,383
7 Austin	3,379	3,119	1,635
8 San Antonio	5,115	4,890	2,706
9 Midland	1,241	1,178	692
10 El Paso	566	532	360
11 Edinburg	2,253	2,147	1,465
Statewide	29,523	27,924	16,676

Note: Includes youth who have aged out of DFPS legal responsibility but remain in substitute care.
* Foster Care is a subset of Substitute Care

**Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility, in Substitute Care
or in Foster Care Placements during Fiscal Year**

Region	DFPS Legal Responsibility	Substitute Care	Foster Care*
1 Lubbock	2,521	2,426	1,746
2 Abilene	1,333	1,243	952
3 Arlington	9,411	9,110	6,609
4 Tyler	2,754	2,664	1,775
5 Beaumont	1,480	1,415	1,122
6 Houston	9,143	8,924	5,670
7 Austin	5,663	5,443	3,404
8 San Antonio	7,846	7,692	4,887
9 Midland	1,753	1,692	1,137
10 El Paso	849	825	598
11 Edinburg	3,896	3,725	2,840
Total	46,649	45,159	30,740

Note: Includes youth who have aged out of DFPS legal responsibility but remain in substitute care.
* Foster Care is a subset of Substitute Care

**Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility by Living Arrangement
on August 31, by Fiscal Year**

	Non-Foster Care	Foster Care	Total	% Change
2010	12,471	16,422	28,893	9.2%
2011	13,608	16,596	30,204	4.5%
2012	13,680	16,095	29,775	-1.4%
2013	13,481	16,042	29,523	-0.8%
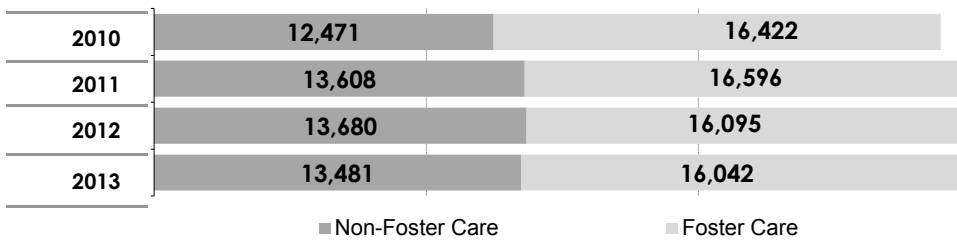
Note: Foster care totals exclude youth over 18 who remain in foster care but have aged out of DFPS legal responsibility. Non-foster care placements include adoption, relative, own home and other.

**Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility in Non-Foster Care Placements
on August 31, by Fiscal Year**

Fiscal Year	Total Non-Foster Care	Other*	Adoption	Relative	Own Home
2010	12,471	573	815	8,894	2,189
2011	13,608	543	868	9,858	2,339
2012	13,680	484	756	9,982	2,458
2013	13,481	465	722	10,059	2,235
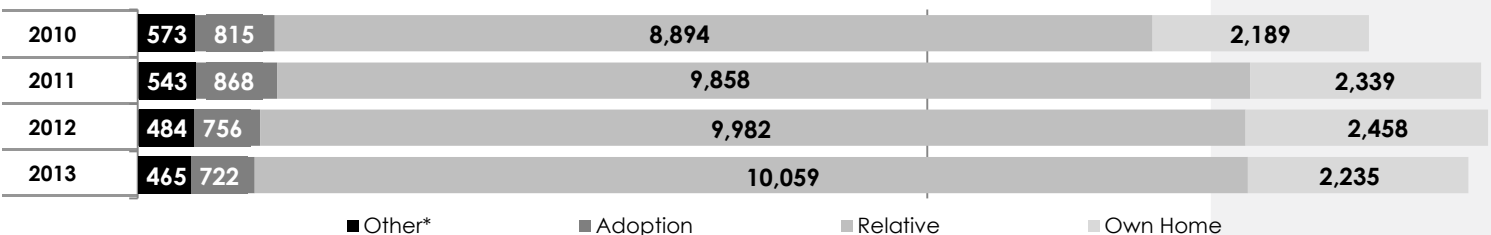
* Other includes independent living, hospitals, nursing homes, correctional facilities and unauthorized absences.

Children* in Substitute Care Placements by Living Arrangement Categories on August 31, 2013

Region	CPA Foster - Group Homes & Independent Homes	DFPS Foster & Foster Group Homes	DFPS Adoptive Homes	Private Adoptive Homes	Kinship
1 Lubbock	554	167	14	24	467
2 Abilene	363	63	4	7	233
3 Arlington	2,550	338	19	109	1,985
4 Tyler	552	146	25	37	592
5 Beaumont	269	139	8	14	203
6 Houston	2,496	242	90	183	1,966
7 Austin	1,101	164	20	34	1,392
8 San Antonio	1,749	171	31	44	1,994
9 Midland	490	45	2	20	445
10 El Paso	209	76	1	1	165
11 Edinburg	1,076	80	11	24	617
Out of State	0	0	0	0	0
Total	11,409	1,631	225	497	10,059

Region	General Residential Operation	Emergency Shelters	Residential Treatment	Other**	Total
1 Lubbock	149	40	114	48	1,577
2 Abilene	9	24	46	16	765
3 Arlington	70	38	236	138	5,483
4 Tyler	62	34	78	48	1,574
5 Beaumont	31	22	39	19	744
6 Houston	63	58	314	154	5,566
7 Austin	31	33	190	64	3,029
8 San Antonio	209	175	237	173	4,783
9 Midland	24	38	68	31	1,163
10 El Paso	4	13	31	15	515
11 Edinburg	50	63	123	45	2,089
Out of State	0	0	0	0	0
Total	702	538	1,476	751	27,288

Excludes 634 young adults over 18 who have aged out of DFPS conservatorship but remain in DFPS care.

*** Other living arrangement types include: Camps, maternity homes, hospitals, juvenile detention, ICF-IID, HSC homes, state schools, hospitals, independent living programs, unauthorized absences, and court ordered placements.*

Permanency Goal of Children in Substitute Care for Whom DFPS had Legal Responsibility on August 31, 2013
Total Children: 22,243

Goal	Count	Percent
Adoption	11,052	49.7%
Reunification	7,782	35.0%
Permanent Placement with Relatives and Other Caregivers	2,058	9.3%
Alternative Long-Term Living Arrangement	668	3.0%
Adult Living	683	3.1%
Total Children	**22,243**	**100.0%**
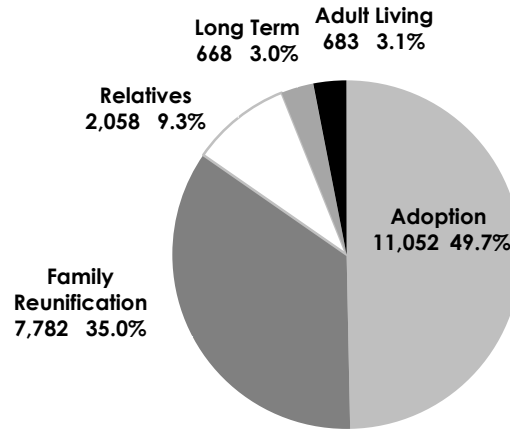
Number of DFPS Foster, Foster/Adoptive and Adoptive Homes on August 31, 2013

Region	Foster Homes*	Foster/Adoptive Homes**	Adoptive Homes***
1 Lubbock	3	125	25
2 Abilene	0	52	13
3 Arlington	43	226	72
4 Tyler	6	93	50
5 Beaumont	16	101	38
6 Houston	32	196	132
7 Austin	11	142	107
8 San Antonio	4	131	241
9 Midland	0	31	3
10 El Paso	1	41	11
11 Edinburg	6	40	24
Out of State	18	54	8
Total	**140**	**1,232**	**724**

Includes 53 verified kinship homes.

**Includes 16 legal risk homes and 411 verified kinship homes.*

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

CPS Outcomes
Based on Data from Fiscal Year 2013

Child Safety
Percentage of children who remained safe in substitute care
(children in care during FY13 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)
                                                                                                          97.1%

Initial Placement Stability

Percentage of children in substitute care 12 months or less with 2 or fewer placements   86.6%

Family Preservation
(measured from start of services to end of services)
Average length of service   7.3 months

Family Reunification
(measured from removal to placement in own home)
Percentage of children returned to own home   32.4%
Average number of placements per child   1.9 placements
Average length of service   13.2 months
Median length of service   12.0 months
Percentage of children reunified with family, with DFPS conservatorship terminated,
within 12 months of removal   63.8%

Adoption Services
(measured from removal to adoption consummation)
Percentage of children who left DFPS legal responsibility with an adoption consummation   30.7%
Average number of placements per child   2.6 placements
Average length of service   28.9 months
  From removal to final order   13.6 months
  From final order to adoption placement   14.0 months
  From placement to adoption consummated   1.3 months
Median length of service   24.0 months
Percentage of children adopted within 24 months of removal   49.7%

Relative As Permanent Managing Conservator
(measured from removal to date Relative takes legal custody as Permanent Managing Conservator)
Percentage of children who left DFPS legal responsibility to a relative placement   28.1%
Average number of placements per child   2.0 placements
Average length of service   14.6 months
Median length of service   11.8 months

CPS Outcomes
Based on Data from Fiscal Year 2013

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)

Percentage of children who left DFPS legal responsibility	7.6%
Average number of placements per child	6.9 placements
Average length of service	55.6 months
Median length of service	43.1 months

Other Long-term Substitute Care

(measured from removal to date DFPS legal responsibility ended. Includes children/youth who left DFPS legal responsibility due to one of the following reasons: runaway, death, an individual taking legal custody that is not included in one of the other exit categories, and transfer to another state agency.)

Percentage of children who left DFPS legal responsibility	1.1%
Average number of placements per child	2.1 placements
Average length of service	17.1 months
Median length of service	7.6 months

Fiscal Year 2013 Recidivism Outcomes

Percentage of children re-entering foster care within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode of foster care.	4.7%

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)	7.8%

For Family Preservation:

(measured as a new confirmed reason to believe allegation within 12 months of the end Family Preservation services or new Family Preservation services provided)	6.9%

For 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)	16.4%

Length of Time in Substitute Care for Children in DFPS Custody
on August 31, 2013

Average length of service for children in temporary managing conservatorship	6.8 months
Median length of service for children in temporary managing conservatorship	5.6 months
Average length of service for children in permanent managing conservatorship	38.3 months
Median length of service for children in permanent managing conservatorship	26.7 months

Children Placed in Adoptive Homes by Region
Fiscal Year 2013

Total Adoptive Placements	5,463
Total Unique Children	5,451
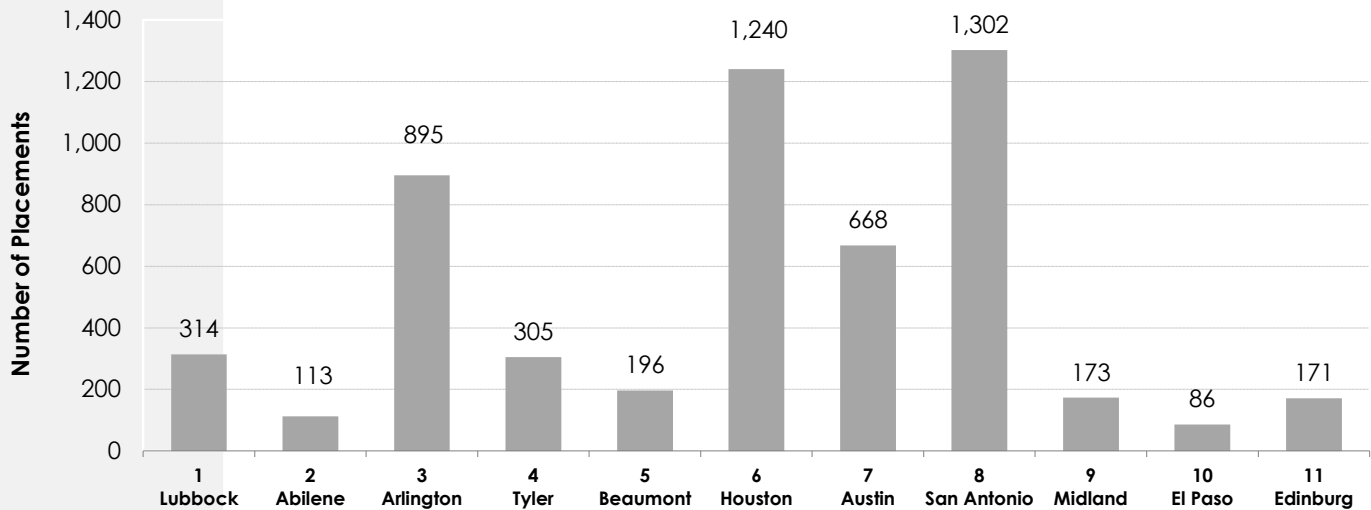
Demographics of 5,451 Children Placed in Adoptive Homes
Fiscal Year 2013

Age	Count
Under 1 year	85
1 - 5 years	3,081
6 - 12 years	1,766
13 years and over	519
Total	5,451

- Under 1 year: 1.6%
- 1 - 5 years: 56.5%
- 6 - 12 years: 32.4%
- 13 years and over: 9.5%
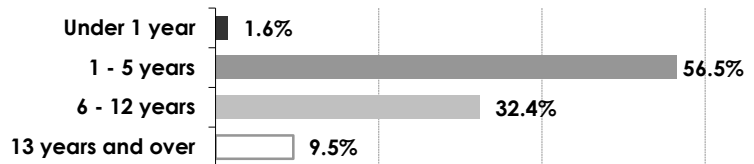
Race/Ethnicity *	Count
Anglo	1,475
African American	1,233
Hispanic	2,411
Native American	8
Asian	19
Other	305
Total	5,451

- Anglo: 27.1%
- African American: 22.6%
- Hispanic: 44.2%
- Native American: 0.1%
- Asian: 0.3%
- Other: 5.6%
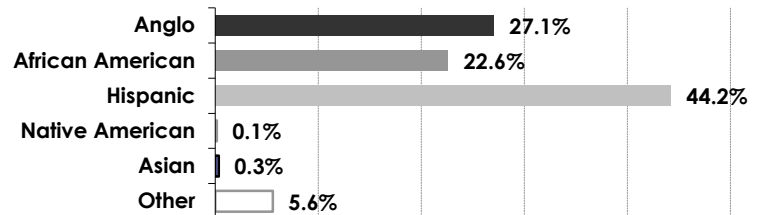
Child Characteristics	Count
Disabling Condition	1,771
No Special Characteristics	3,680
Total	5,451

- Disabling Condition: 32.5%
- No Special Characteristics: 67.5%

Sex	
Female	2,575
Male	2,876
Total	5,451

- Female: 47.2%
- Male: 52.8%

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Children with Disabling Conditions Placed in Adoptive Homes
Fiscal Year 2013

Total number of children placed in adoptive homes	5,451
Number of unique children with disabling conditions placed in adoptive homes	1,771

Children with Disabling Condition

Disabling Condition	% of all Children Placed in Adoptive Homes	Children with Disabling Condition
Drug/Alcohol*	15.0%	820
Learning Disabilities	13.3%	723
Emotionally Disturbed	7.7%	422
Medically Involved	6.1%	330
Physical	1.0%	55
Other**	0.3%	17
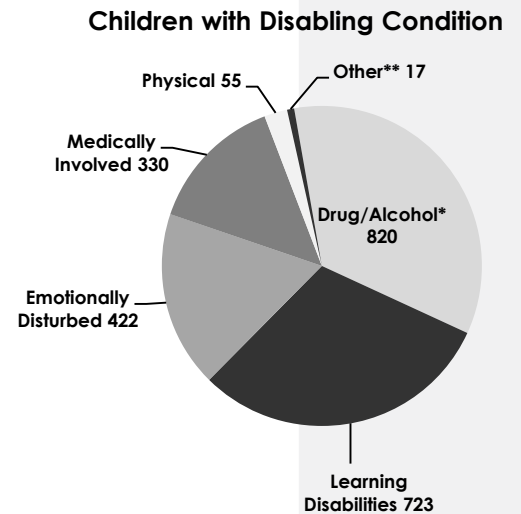
* Drug/ Alcohol disabling condition can either be due to self-abuse or exposure to an individual with the condition.

** Other includes teen parent or pregnant.

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

Children with a Consummated Adoption by Type of Agency by Fiscal Year

	2010		2011		2012		2013	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
DFPS	2,841	59.2%	2,563	55.3%	2,823	56.0%	2,770	51.6%
Non DFPS*	1,962	40.8%	2,072	44.7%	2,217	44.0%	2,594	48.4%
Total Consummations	4,803	100.0%	4,635	100.0%	5,040	100.0%	5,364	100.0%

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

Children with a Consummated Adoption by Region
Fiscal Year 2013
Total: 5,364
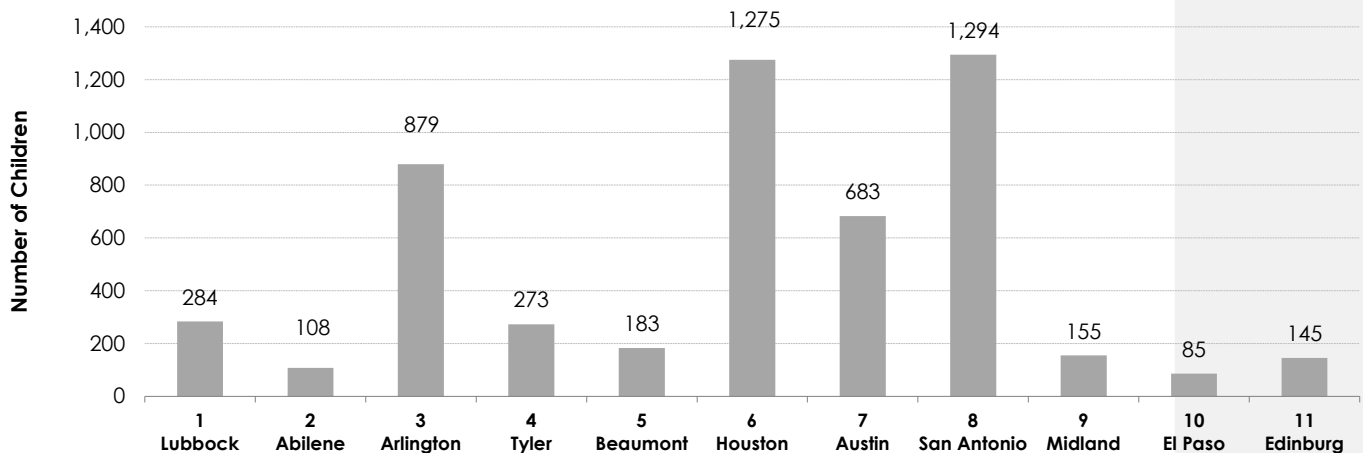
Demographics of 5,364 Children With A Consummated Adoption
Fiscal Year 2013

Age	Count
Under 1 year	75
1 - 5 years	3,085
6 - 12 years	1,708
13 years and over	496
Total	5,364

Under 1 year	1.4%
1 - 5 years	57.5%
6 - 12 years	31.8%
13 years and over	9.2%
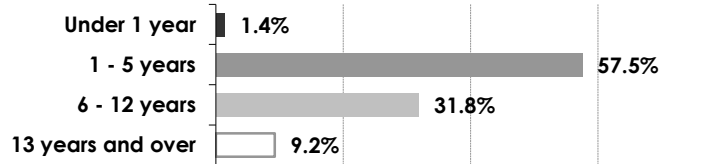
Gender	Count
Male	2,803
Female	2,561
Total	5,364

Male	52.3%
Female	47.7%

Race/Ethnicity *	Count
Anglo	1,434
African American	1,221
Hispanic	2,368
Native American	10
Asian	20
Other	311
Total	5,364
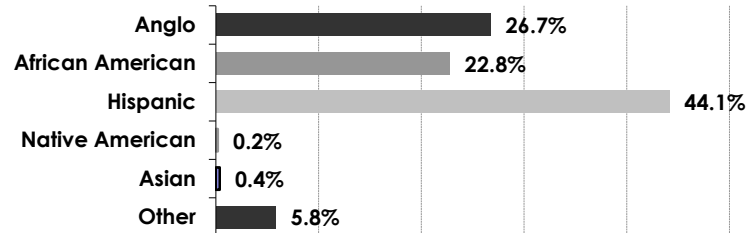
Anglo	26.7%
African American	22.8%
Hispanic	44.1%
Native American	0.2%
Asian	0.4%
Other	5.8%

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

	2010		2011		2012		2013	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
Race/Ethnicity of parent(s) is same as child	2,970	61.8%	2,718	58.6%	3,071	60.9%	3,295	61.4%
Race/Ethnicity of one or both parents differs from child's (Multiracial)**	1,833	38.2%	1,917	41.4%	1,969	39.1%	2,069	38.6%
Total Adoptions	4,803	100.0%	4,635	100.0%	5,040	100.0%	5,364	100.0%

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Status of Children Who Exited DFPS Legal Custody
Fiscal Year 2013

Outcome	Count	Percent
Family Reunification	5,647	32.4%
Custody to Relatives with PCA	582	3.3%
Custody to Relatives without PCA	4,326	24.8%
Relative Adoption Consummated	2,676	15.3%
Non-Relative Adoption Consummated	2,688	15.4%
Children Emancipated*	1,328	7.6%
Other**	198	1.1%
Total Children	**17,445**	**100%**
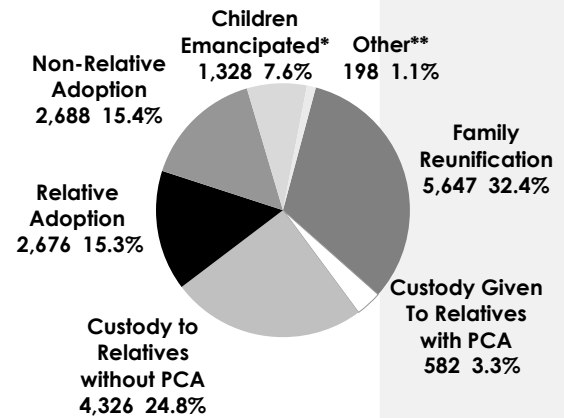
Of the 1,328 youth emancipated in FY13, 1,000 were emancipated emancipated from paid foster care.

**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.*

Children Emancipated* 1,328 7.6%
Other** 198 1.1%
Non-Relative Adoption 2,688 15.4%
Family Reunification 5,647 32.4%
Relative Adoption 2,676 15.3%
Custody Given To Relatives with PCA 582 3.3%
Custody to Relatives without PCA 4,326 24.8%

Average Length of Time in Months for Children Leaving DFPS Responsibility by Type of Exit, Race/Ethnicity***
Fiscal Year 2013

Race/Ethnicity	Family Reunification	Relative Care		Adoption		Long Term Care	
		With PCA	Without PCA	By Relative	By Non-Relative	Emancipation	Other
Anglo	13.3	23.0	12.1	22.6	28.5	50.8	19.3
African American	12.8	25.5	15.5	29.9	37.6	63.9	20.2
Hispanic	13.4	25.4	13.4	25.1	32.3	53.7	14.9
Native American	14.8	0.0	17.7	30.3	36.4	38.1	0.0
Asian	9.8	0.0	11.8	22.0	34.8	26.9	0.0
Other	13.0	29.9	11.6	23.9	30.9	57.5	7.4
Total	13.2	24.9	13.3	25.7	32.1	55.6	17.1

Average Length of Time in Months for Children Who Exited DFPS Custody by Type of Exit and Region
Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Family Reunification	Relative Care		Adoption		Long Term Care	
		With PCA	Without PCA	By Relative	By Non-Relative	Emancipation	Other
1 Lubbock	16.5	32.6	15.6	22.3	34.8	57.6	36.4
2 Abilene	12.9	31.0	15.8	25.1	33.5	58.2	17.4
3 Arlington	12.7	26.4	12.1	24.2	29.8	56.5	12.7
4 Tyler	12.4	20.5	9.9	20.8	31.8	50.0	34.9
5 Beaumont	12.5	22.6	14.3	22.0	28.9	56.1	9.9
6 Houston	14.8	24.1	16.1	31.6	36.5	64.2	14.4
7 Austin	12.2	22.4	11.7	22.7	30.9	54.1	9.6
8 San Antonio	13.5	21.4	13.7	23.8	29.9	53.1	33.2
9 Midland	14.4	30.2	13.8	25.3	30.3	60.1	17.4
10 El Paso	17.8	24.1	13.9	22.3	27.3	58.3	1.5
11 Edinburg	12.0	21.7	12.8	27.7	43.0	39.6	14.3
Statewide	13.2	24.9	13.3	25.7	32.1	55.6	17.1

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Average Number of Out-of-Home Placements for Children Who Exited DFPS Legal Custody Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Family Reunification	Relative Care With PCA	Relative Care Without PCA	Adoption by Relative	Adoption by Non-Relative	Long Term Care - Emancipation	Long Term Care - Other
1 Lubbock	2.0	2.8	1.9	2.2	3.0	7.5	3.2
2 Abilene	2.0	2.9	2.1	2.1	3.6	8.6	1.1
3 Arlington	1.8	1.8	1.8	2.3	3.0	7.1	1.4
4 Tyler	1.8	2.5	1.9	1.9	2.4	6.5	3.6
5 Beaumont	1.7	2.6	2.0	2.7	2.6	6.9	2.2
6 Houston	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.3	2.7	7.1	2.7
7 Austin	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.9	7.5	1.4
8 San Antonio	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.3	3.2	6.8	1.6
9 Midland	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.1	2.8	6.5	3.0
10 El Paso	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.2	3.6	7.8	0.7
11 Edinburg	2.1	1.5	2.3	2.4	4.1	5.1	1.9
State Total	**1.9**	**2.0**	**2.0**	**2.2**	**3.0**	**6.9**	**2.1**

Note: The average number of placements per child in substitute care for all children who attained permanency is 2.5 placements.

Length of Time in Care for Children Who Exited DFPS Legal Custody to a Permanent Home Fiscal Year 2013

Length of Time in Care	% of Total Children
2013	
0 - 12 Months	52.9%
13 to 24 months	29.8%
25+ months	17.3%
2012	
0 - 12 Months	55.1%
13 to 24 months	28.8%
25+ months	16.1%
2011	
0 - 12 Months	57.1%
13 to 24 months	25.6%
25+ months	17.2%
2010	
0 - 12 Months	51.1%
13 to 24 months	26.1%
25+ months	22.8%
2009	
0 - 12 Months	50.0%
13 to 24 months	28.7%
25+ months	21.4%

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

* Permanent home means an exit to reunification, an individual taking custody as a permanent managing conservator, or adoption.

Average Monthly Number of Children and Young Adults, FTEs*
in Paid Foster Care by Service Levels
Fiscal Year 2013

Service Level	Number of Children & Young Adults	Number of FTEs
Basic	11,087	9,821
Child Specific**	30	27
Emergency Shelter	921	582
Intense	321	279
Moderate	3,259	2,966
Psychiatric Transition	27	18
Specialized	2,569	2,317
	18,214***	16,010
Unduplicated Count	17,748	

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

Foster Care Expenditures by Source
Fiscal Year 2013
Total Expenditures: $365,261,654

Title IV-E
$235,109,009
64%

State Paid
$130,152,645
36%
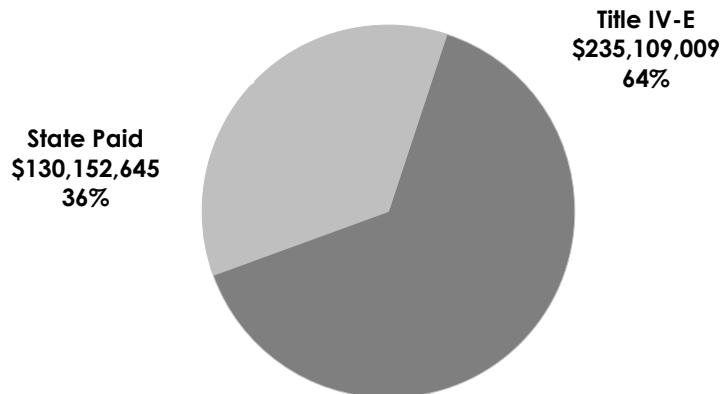
Title IV-E Foster Care Program Description
The Foster Care Program helps States to provide safe and stable out-of-home care for children until the children are safely returned home, placed permanently with adoptive families or placed in other planned arrangements for permanency. Funds are available for: 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)

Monthly Average Number of Children and Young Adults* in Paid Foster Care by Payment Source

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
2009	4,344	700	11,485	545	17,074	-8.7%
2010	4,308	783	11,936	558	17,585	3.0%
2011	4,562	821	12,569	509	18,461	5.0%
2012	4,649	726	12,283	525	18,183	-1.5%
2013	5,357	703	11,192	524	17,776	-2.2%

Percent of Change in the Monthly Average Number of Children and Young Adults in Paid Foster Care by Fiscal Year
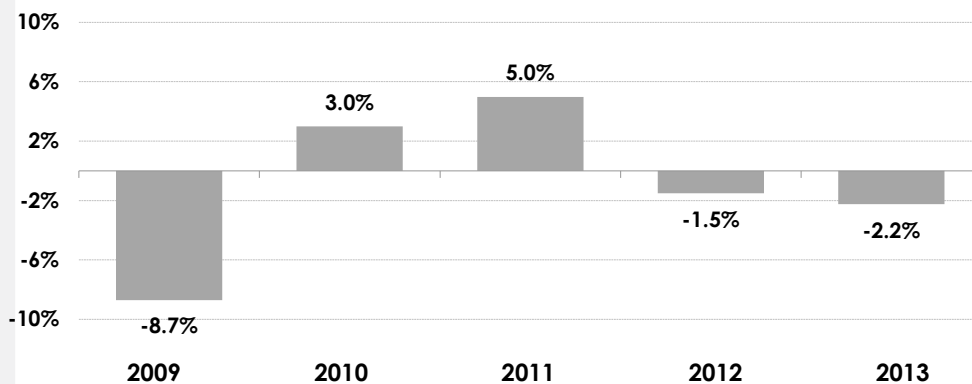
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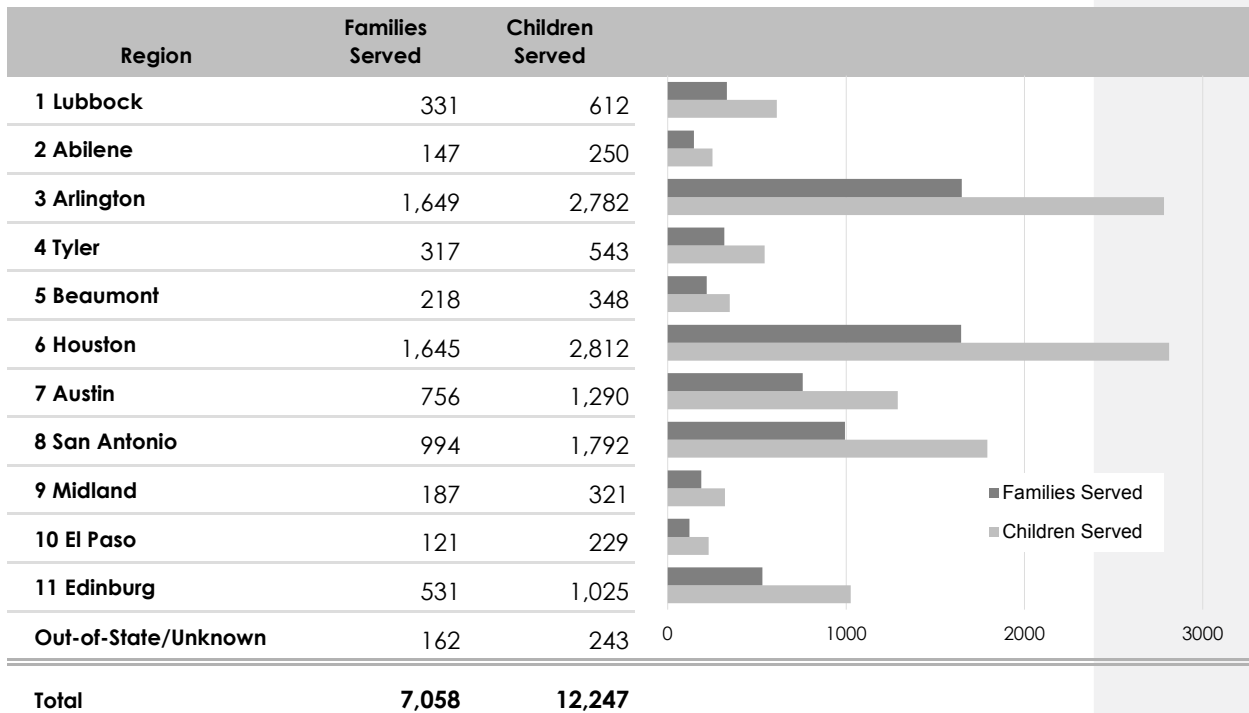
Region	State Paid Children in Foster Care**	State Paid Young Adults* in Foster Care**	Title IV-E Children in Foster Care	Title IV-E Young Adults* in Foster Care	Total Children and Young Adults
1 Lubbock	301	40	720	38	1,099
2 Abilene	135	20	393	22	570
3 Arlington	1,064	130	2,279	114	3,587
4 Tyler	392	33	546	20	991
5 Beaumont	220	19	384	11	634
6 Houston	840	148	2,430	110	3,528
7 Austin	768	122	970	56	1,916
8 San Antonio	934	104	1,741	77	2,856
9 Midland	182	12	486	13	693
10 El Paso	69	10	253	17	349
11 Edinburg	455	65	995	48	1,563
Total***	5,360	703	11,197	526	17,786

Unduplicated	17,748

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

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

*** Some children are served in more than one region and/ or eligibility type in a month.
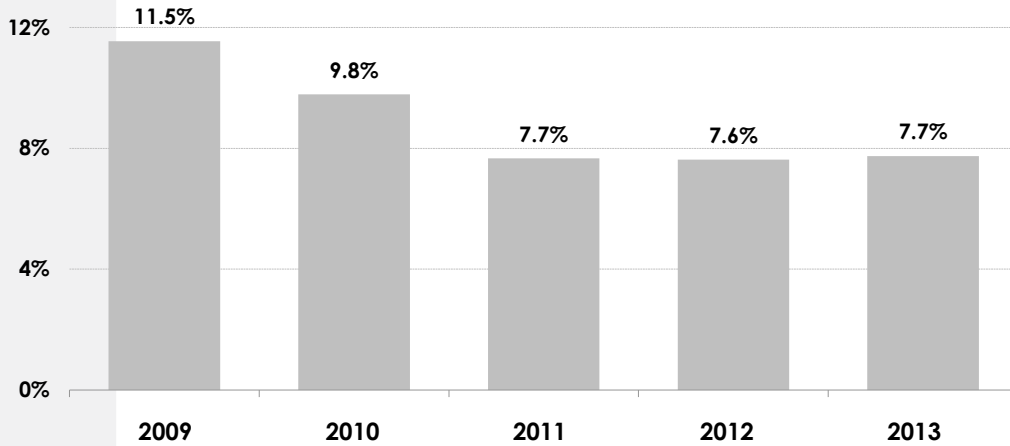
Families and Children Receiving Kinship Caregiver Monetary Assistance Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Families Served	Children Served
1 Lubbock	331	612
2 Abilene	147	250
3 Arlington	1,649	2,782
4 Tyler	317	543
5 Beaumont	218	348
6 Houston	1,645	2,812
7 Austin	756	1,290
8 San Antonio	994	1,792
9 Midland	187	321
10 El Paso	121	229
11 Edinburg	531	1,025
Out-of-State/Unknown	162	243
Total	**7,058**	**12,247**

Number of Children Provided Adoption Subsidy* by Payment Source and Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year	State Paid Adoption Subsidies	Title IV-E Adoption Subsidies	Total Children Provided Adoption Subsidy	% Change from Previous Fiscal Year
2009	6,707	23,994	30,701	11.5%
2010	7,146	26,558	33,704	9.8%
2011	7,296	28,994	36,290	7.7%
2012	7,550	31,506	39,056	7.6%
2013	7,795	34,284	42,079	7.7%

Percent Change of Children Provided Adoption Subsidy Monthly Total by Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year	Percent Change
2009	11.5%
2010	9.8%
2011	7.7%
2012	7.6%
2013	7.7%

Number of Children Provided Adoption Subsidy* by Region
Fiscal Year 2013

| Region	Number
1 Lubbock	2,239
2 Abilene	1,036
3 Arlington	8,444
4 Tyler	1,856
5 Beaumont	1,315
6 Houston	9,344
7 Austin	5,652
8 San Antonio	8,927
9 Midland	753
10 El Paso	882
11 Edinburg	1,629
Unknown	2
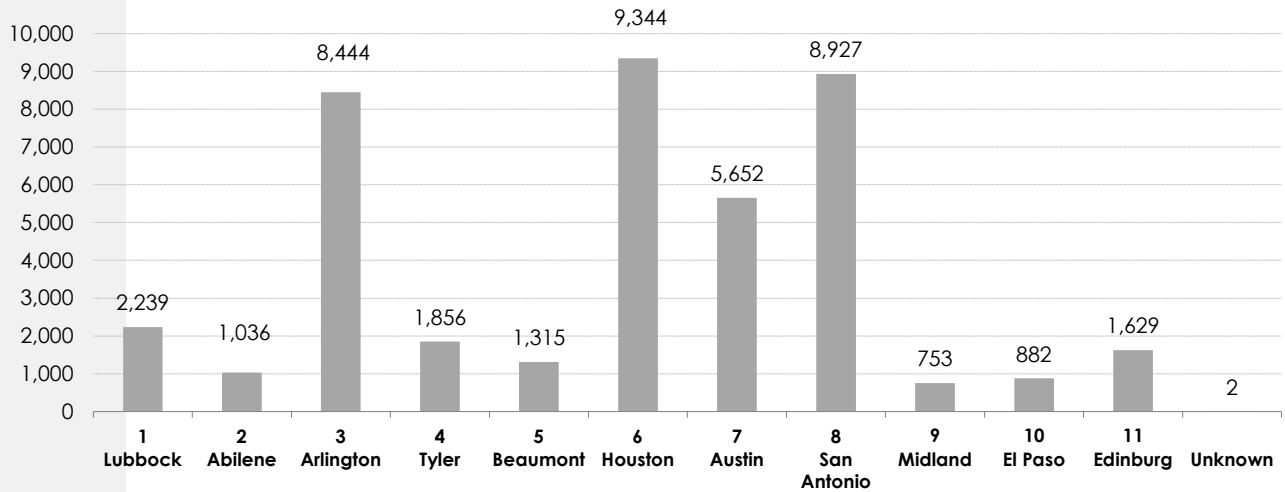
Subsidy includes financial payments only, not medical and non-recurring subsidies.

Number of Children Provided Permanency Care Assistance* by Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year	State Paid	Title IV-E	Total Children	% Change
2011	33	168	201	N/A
2012	118	417	535	166.2%
2013	123	459	582	8.8%

Note: The Permanency Care Assistance program began in Fiscal Year 2011.

Number of Children Provided Permanency Care Assistance* by Region
Fiscal Year 2013
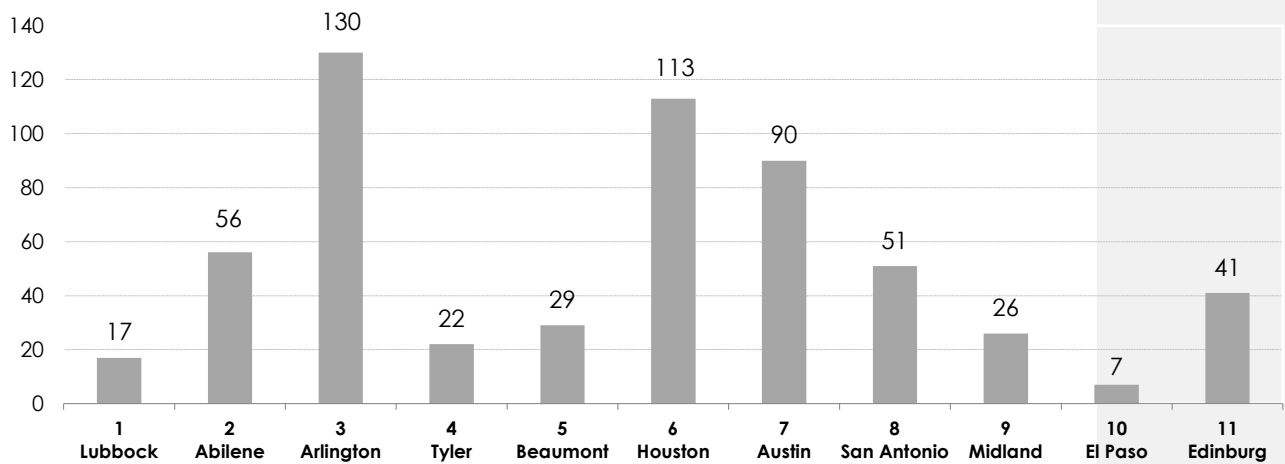
Does not include non-recurring payments.

For children who cannot reunify and for who adoption has been ruled out, the Permanency Care Assistance (PCA) Program provides a monthly subsidy to relatives and fictive kin that take legal custody as a permanent managing conservator and have been a verified foster care provider for the child for at least 6 months. The PCA subsidy is similar to an adoption subsidy.

Average Number of Children and Families Receiving Purchased Services per Month
Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Living at Home	Living Out of Home	Post Adoption	Total Children	Total Adults	Total Clients
1 Lubbock	516	400	0	916	862	1,778
2 Abilene	157	216	71	444	504	948
3 Arlington	769	1,482	59	2,310	1,663	3,973
4 Tyler	353	360	0	713	1,098	1,811
5 Beaumont	156	198	204	558	435	993
6 Houston	803	1,420	27	2,250	3,222	5,472
7 Austin	407	763	0	1,170	1,833	3,003
8 San Antonio	506	792	1	1,299	1,757	3,056
9 Midland	129	176	0	305	594	899
10 El Paso	73	143	0	216	148	364
11 Edinburg	360	311	0	671	2,145	2,816
Total	4,229	6,260	362	10,850	14,261	25,111

Note: Averages are rounded to the nearest whole number.

Average Monthly Number and Percent of Children Receiving CPS Purchased Services by Region
Fiscal Year 2013

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	516	2,362	21.9%	400	1,688	23.7%
2 Abilene	157	1,422	11.1%	216	813	26.5%
3 Arlington	769	7,746	9.9%	1,482	5,685	26.1%
4 Tyler	353	1,498	23.6%	360	1,666	21.6%
5 Beaumont	156	874	17.8%	198	875	22.6%
6 Houston	803	8,198	9.8%	1,420	6,103	23.3%
7 Austin	407	3,420	11.9%	763	3,345	22.8%
8 San Antonio	506	6,519	7.8%	792	5,129	15.4%
9 Midland	129	1,048	12.3%	176	1,142	15.4%
10 El Paso	73	1,320	5.5%	143	530	26.9%
11 Edinburg	360	6,871	5.2%	311	2,253	13.8%
Unknown	0	9	0.0%	0	0	0.0%
Total	4,229	41,286	10.2%	6,260	29,228	21.4%

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 2013

Region	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
1 Lubbock	206	34	288	0	3	51	582
2 Abilene	268	38	161	2	0	30	499
3 Arlington	692	308	326	3	5	91	1,425
4 Tyler	399	96	40	1	1	47	584
5 Beaumont	89	62	8	0	0	14	173
6 Houston	378	294	290	1	11	75	1,049
7 Austin	736	324	684	1	3	181	1,929
8 San Antonio	313	69	826	0	4	52	1,264
9 Midland	81	9	104	0	1	8	203
10 El Paso	24	11	204	4	0	10	253
11 Edinburg	87	15	1,070	0	1	28	1,201
Other/Unknown	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total	3,275	1,260	4,001	12	29	587	9,164

Family Group Conferences Conducted By Race/Ethnicity
Fiscal Year 2013

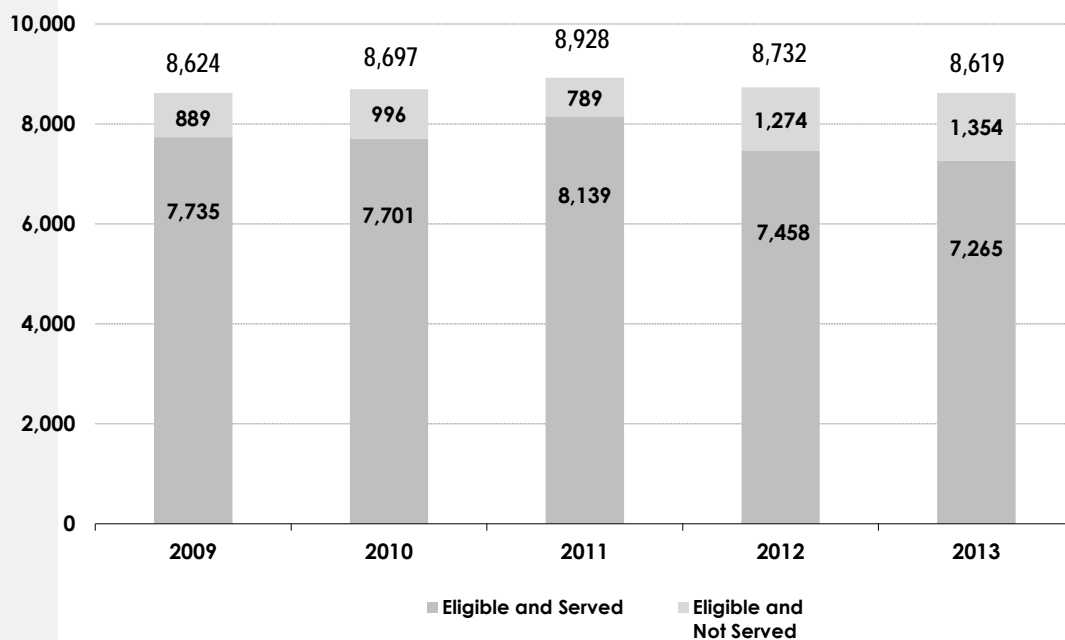| Region	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
1 Lubbock	198	43	247	0	0	27	515
2 Abilene	281	32	139	1	0	21	474
3 Arlington	460	213	232	0	2	76	983
4 Tyler	392	85	77	0	0	77	631
5 Beaumont	125	53	16	0	0	23	217
6 Houston	355	475	328	0	2	115	1,275
7 Austin	291	104	242	0	3	95	735
8 San Antonio	281	83	840	0	1	75	1,280
9 Midland	140	8	166	0	0	19	333
10 El Paso	10	6	103	1	0	7	127
11 Edinburg	169	21	1,499	0	0	66	1,755
Other/Unknown	0	0	3	0	0	2	5
Total	2,702	1,123	3,892	2	8	603	8,330

Circles of Support Conducted by Race/Ethnicity*
Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
1 Lubbock	54	30	35	0	0	13	132
2 Abilene	58	11	22	0	0	16	107
3 Arlington	191	209	119	2	4	50	575
4 Tyler	57	41	23	0	0	6	127
5 Beaumont	40	28	3	0	1	3	75
6 Houston	166	330	175	1	5	59	736
7 Austin	132	98	88	0	2	52	372
8 San Antonio	72	42	233	2	0	25	374
9 Midland	45	10	35	0	0	3	93
10 El Paso	6	6	35	0	0	1	48
11 Edinburg	26	5	217	0	0	12	260
Total	847	810	985	5	12	240	2,899

As recommended by the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to ensure consistency across all HHSC agencies, in 2012, the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) adopted the HHSC methodology on how to categorize race and ethnicity. As a result, data broken down by race/ethnicity in 2012 and after is not directly comparable to race/ethnicity data in 2011 and before.

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 adults. 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.

Chart: Eligible and Served vs. Eligible and Not Served, by year:
- 2009: 8,624 total — 7,735 Eligible and Served, 889 Eligible and Not Served
- 2010: 8,697 total — 7,701 Eligible and Served, 996 Eligible and Not Served
- 2011: 8,928 total — 8,139 Eligible and Served, 789 Eligible and Not Served
- 2012: 8,732 total — 7,458 Eligible and Served, 1,274 Eligible and Not Served
- 2013: 8,619 total — 7,265 Eligible and Served, 1,354 Eligible and Not Served

■ Eligible and Served   ■ Eligible and Not Served

Note: 964 youth who were not served in FY 2013 received services prior to FY 2013.

DFPS Child Abuse/Neglect Related Fatalities

Statewide	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Texas Child Population*	6,510,210	6,584,709	6,663,942	7,054,634	7,159,172
DFPS Child Abuse/Neglect Related Fatalities**	280	227	231	212	156
Confirmed Child Abuse/Neglect Related Fatalities per 100,000 Texas children	4.3	3.4	3.5	3.5	2.2

DFPS Child Abuse/Neglect Related Fatalities by Region
Fiscal Year 2013

Region	Texas Child Population (ages 0-17)*	DFPS Child Abuse/Neglect Related Fatalities**	Confirmed Child Abuse/Neglect Related Fatalities per 100,000 Texas children
1 Lubbock	227,979	7	3.1
2 Abilene	130,855	5	3.8
3 Arlington	1,948,238	48	2.5
4 Tyler	275,757	9	3.3
5 Beaumont	187,281	7	3.7
6 Houston	1,768,464	30	1.7
7 Austin	797,593	19	2.4
8 San Antonio	722,369	14	1.9
9 Midland	156,463	4	2.6
10 El Paso	252,265	4	1.6
11 Edinburg	691,908	9	1.3
Statewide	7,159,172	156	2.2

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

** *Includes child fatalities investigated and confirmed by Child Protective Services (137), Adult Protective Services (0), Child Day Care Licensing (11) and Residential Child Care Licensing (8). Fatality information does not include corrections or updates, if any, that may subsequently be made to DFPS data after fiscal year end.*