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**November 2015**



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# Children in Out-of-Home Placement

1. Children\* in Out-of-Home Placement

**10,000**



8,545 8,531 8,624

8,773 8,756 8,760 8,681

8,791

8,937 8,999

9,084

8,943

8,559 8,542

8,190

8,415

7,700

7,337 7,396

7,492

7,610

7,656

7,919

8,031

**9,000**

**8,000**

**7,000**

**6,000**

**5,000**

**4,000**

**3,000**

**2,000**

**1,000**

**0**

FY'14 FY'15

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

\*Consumers under 18 years of age only

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 401 (4.7%) more children were in out-of-home placement in June 2015. Comparing June 2015 to June 2013, there has been a 21.4% (1,577) increase in out-of-home placement utilization for consumers under 18 years-of-age.

On average, 7,904 children were in out-of-home placement each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 8,785 children per month (11.2% increase over FY'14). Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, an upward trend was evident in FY'15.

1a. Children\* in Residential Placement

**1,000**

**900**

**800**

**700**

**600**

**500**

**400**

**300**

**200**

**100**

**0**



**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

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| 443 | 434 | 416 | 427 | 435 | 436 | 432 | 451 | 449 | 456 | 457 | 449 |
|  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 437 | 416 |  | 409 | 420 | 411 | 409 | 420 | 424 | 438 | 435 | 432 |
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FY'14 FY'15

\*Consumers under 18 years of age only

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 17 (3.9%) more children were in Residential Placement in June 2015. Comparing June 2015 to June 2013, there has been a 1.1% (5) reduction in Residential Placement utilization for consumers under 18 years-of-age.

On average, 424 children were in Residential Placement each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 438 children per month (3.3% increase over FY'14). Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, a modest upward trend was evident in FY'15.



1b. Children\* in Group Care Placement

**2,000**

**1,800**

**1,600**

**1,400**

**1,200**

**1,000**

**800**

**600**

**400**

**200**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

FY'14 FY'15



1,139 1,148

1,138

1,174 1,183 1,177 1,183

1,176

1,219 1,229 1,241 1,218

1,108

1,131

1,164

1,124

1,026

1,020

1,079 1,084

948

960

982

1,009

\*Consumers under 18 years of age only

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 94 (8.4%) more children were in Group Care in June 2015. Comparing June 2015 to June 2013, there has been a 28.1% (267) increase in Group Care utilization for consumers under 18 years-of-age.

On average, 1,053 children were in Group Care each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 1,185 children per month (12.6% increase over FY'14). Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, an upward trend was evident in FY'15.

1c. Children\* in Foster Care

**6,000**



5,342

5,383

5,449 5,540 5,521 5,497

5,417

5,485

5,587 5,636 5,663 5,589

5,306 5,316

5,015

5,207

4,618

4,585

4,776

4,887

4,321

4,425

4,505

4,535

**5,500**

**5,000**

**4,500**

**4,000**

**3,500**

**3,000**

**2,500**

**2,000**

**1,500**

**1,000**

**500**

**0**

FY'14 FY'15

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

\*Consumers under 18 years of age only

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 273 (5.1%) more children were in Foster Care placement in June 2015. Comparing June 2015 to June 2013, there has been a 30.7% (1,314) increase in Foster Care utilization for consumers under 18 years-of-age.

On average, 4,791 children were in Foster Care placement each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 5,509 children per month (15.0% increase over FY'14). Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, an upward trend was evident in FY'15.



1d. Children\* in Intensive Foster Care

**2,000**

**1,800**

**1,600**

**1,400**

**1,200**

**1,000**

**800**

**600**

**400**

**200**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

FY'14 FY'15



1,420

1,393

1,424 1,439 1,431 1,423 1,435

1,450

1,463

1,447

1,482

1,446

1,375

1,428

1,442

1,440 1,450

1,355

1,358

1,416

1,411 1,425

1,441

\*Consumers under 18 years of age only

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, more children were in Intensive Foster Care in June 2015. Comparing June 2015 to June 2013, there has been a 1.5% (21) increase in Intensive Foster Care utilization.

On average, 1,419 children were in Intensive Foster Care each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 1,436 children per month (1.2% increase over FY'14). Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, a modest upward trend was evident throughout most of FY'15.

2a. Adoption Subsidies\* Paid Each Month

**10,000**

**9,000**

**8,000**

**7,000**

**6,000**

**5,000**

**4,000**

**3,000**

**2,000**

**1,000**

**0**



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FY'14 FY'15

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 8,488 | 8,498 | 8,515 | 8,472 | 8,412 | 8,454 | 8,476 | 8,464 | 8,398 | 8,403 | 8,375 | 8,356 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8,297 | 8,312 | 8,312 | 8,259 | 8,194 | 8,242 | 8,256 | 8,245 | 8,242 | 8,213 | 8,203 | 8,187 |
|  | | | | | | | | | | | |

\* = counts of full time (i.e., month) equivalents

On average, 8,443 Adoption Subsidies\* were paid each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 8,247 (2.3% decrease over FY'14).

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 169 (2.0%) fewer Adoption Subsidies were paid in June 2015. Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, a modest downward trend was evident in FY'15.

2b. Guardianship Subsidies\* Paid Each Month

**10,000**

**9,000**

**8,000**

**7,000**

**6,000**

**5,000**

**4,000**

**3,000**

**2,000**

**1,000**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**



2,651 2,653 2,660 2,636 2,606 2,624 2,642 2,643 2,648 2,622 2,630 2,651

2,648

2,647 2,635 2,605 2,620 2,628 2,641 2,626 2,672 2,675 2,646

FY'14 FY'15

\* = counts of full time (i.e., month) equivalents

On average, 2,635 Guardianship Subsidies\* were paid each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 2,645 (0.4% increase over FY'14).

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 5 (0.2%) fewer Guardianship Subsidies were paid in June 2015. Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, guardianship subsidies have not varied significantly in FY'15.

2c. Kinship Guardianship Subsidies (child counts)

Total Guardianship Subsidies



**2,738**

**2,254**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **2,709** | **2,720** | **2,723** | **2,709** | **2,666** | **2,702** | **2,696** | **2,681** | **2,711** | **2,716** | **2,729** |
| **2,201** | **2,210** | **2,221** | **2,216** | **2,189** | **2,217** | **2,213** | **2,196** | **2,220** | **2,230** | **2,237** |

Kinship Guardianship Subsidies

**Jul-14 Aug-14 Sep-14 Oct-14 Nov-14 Dec-14 Jan-15 Feb-15 Mar-15 Apr-15 May-15 Jun-15**

Consumers under 18 years of age only

Kinship Guardianships accounted for 82.3% of all Guardianship Subsidies in June 2015 (12-month range = 81.2 to 82.3%). Comparing June 2015 to June 2013, there has been a 2.5% (55) increase in kinship guardianship subsidies.

On average, 2,217 Kinship Guardianship Subsidies were open during each of the past 12 months.

2d. Kinship Guardianship Subsidy Title IV-E Claiming

## CLAIM QUARTER

**NUMBER OF CHILDREN\***

**GROSS EXPENDITURES CLAIMED TO DATE\*\***

**FEDERAL SHARE**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **FY'13, Q1** | **180** | **$311,829** | **$156,023** |
| **FY'13, Q2** | **185** | **$323,009** | **$160,924** |
| **FY'13, Q3** | **296** | **$1,272,442** | **$636,646** |
| **FY'13, Q4** | **281** | **$208,670** | **$103,892** |
| **FY'14, Q1** | **328** | **$477,636** | **$238,818** |
| **FY'14, Q2** | **328** | **$705,184** | **$350,665** |
| **FY'14, Q3** | **406** | **$1,497,612** | **$802,583** |
| **FY'14, Q4** | **453** | **$1,215,712** | **$607,814** |
| **FY'15, Q1** | **481** | **$2,272,406** | **$1,136,203** |
| **FY'15, Q2** | **461** | **$1,115,297** | **$557,649** |
| **FY'15, Q3** | **461** | **$1,483,152** | **$741,576** |
| **FY'15, Q4** | **513** | **$1,044,255** | **$522,128** |

\* Unduplicated count of children claimed on each quarter's claim submission

\*\* Amounts may be adjusted during subsequent claim submission quarters

3a. 51A Reports

**10,000**

**9,000**

**8,000**

**7,000**

**6,000**

**5,000**

**4,000**

**3,000**

**2,000**

**1,000**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**



8,660

8,838

9,072

7,939

7,920

8,233

8,063

8,176

6,771

6,558

~~7,180~~

7,905

7,098

7,948

8,181

7,846

7,382

6,642

6,844

6,818 6,850

6,208

6,485

6,366

FY'14 FY'15

Significant monthly variation is observed in the number of 51A reports filed with the Department. On average, 7,433 reports were filed each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 7,566 reports per month (1.8% increase over FY'14).

Since the start of FY'13, these reports have varied from a low of 5,939 (February 2013) to a high of 9,072 (May 2014); a difference of 3,133 (52.8%) reports.

3b. Substantiated\* Investigations of Abuse or Neglect

**10,000**

**9,000**

**8,000**

**7,000**

**6,000**

**5,000**

**4,000**

**3,000**

**2,000**

**1,000**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

FY'14 FY'15



2,147

1,822

1,911

2,232

2,059

2,199 2,193 2,279 2,311

1,729

1,993

1,685

2,015

1,635

1,635

1,891

1,765

2,048

1,236 1,238 1,207 1,300 1,213 1,312

\*Number of supported investigations **DCF adopted an Integrated Case Practice Model (ICPM) in FY'10. In this model, reports of abuse or neglect follow either an Initial Assessment or an Investigation track.**

Beginning with the 3rd quarter of FY'14, the screen-in rate for the Investigation (INV) track vs. the Initial Assessment (IA) track, shifted from 62% INV vs. 38% IA, to 80% INV vs. 20% IA.

On average, 1,686 investigations were substantiated each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 1,902 substantiated reports per month (12.8% increase over FY'14).

In the past 24 months, substantiated investigations varied from a low of 1,207 to a high of 2,311; a difference of 1,104 (91.5%) investigations.

1. **Children who Die while in the Care and Custody of DCF**

**Manner of Death: While the circumstances surrounding the death of a child are described below, manner of death is pending medical examiner determination.**

**Care and Custody: This report is limited to those children who die while in the care and custody of the Department. These fatalities may or may not be maltreatment-related.**

FY'15, Q1–Q4: Four children died while in the care and custody of DCF.

Sep-14: 15-year-old youth in DCF temporary custody, placed in a pediatric nursing home with multiple medical complications, died in the hospital following a seizure. A 51A was not filed.

Nov-14: 2-year-old child in DCF temporary custody, placed in a pediatric nursing home with multiple medical complications, died while under hospice care. A 51A was not filed.

Apr-15: 16-year-old youth in DCF permanent custody, placed in kinship foster care, died from an apparent OD within 24 hours of being reported to local police as missing from care. A 51A was filed.

May-15: 10-month-old child in DCF temporary custody, placed in intensive foster care with a congenital heart condition requiring multiple surgeries, died from apparent medical complications. A 51A was not filed.

1. **Children\* in Approved Foster Care Placements**

**5,663**



**29**

**34**

**35**

**29**

**21**

**3**

**3**

**2**

**2**

**2**

**5**

**5**

**5,313 5,349 5,414**

**5,511 5,500 5,494 5,414**

**5,483 5,585 5,634 5,658 5,584**

Alternate Caretaker Homes



Approved Foster Care Placements



**0**

**Jul-14 Aug-14 Sep-14 Oct-14 Nov-14 Dec-14 Jan-15 Feb-15 Mar-15 Apr-15 May-15 Jun-15**

\*Consumers under 18 years of age only

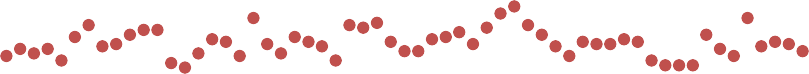
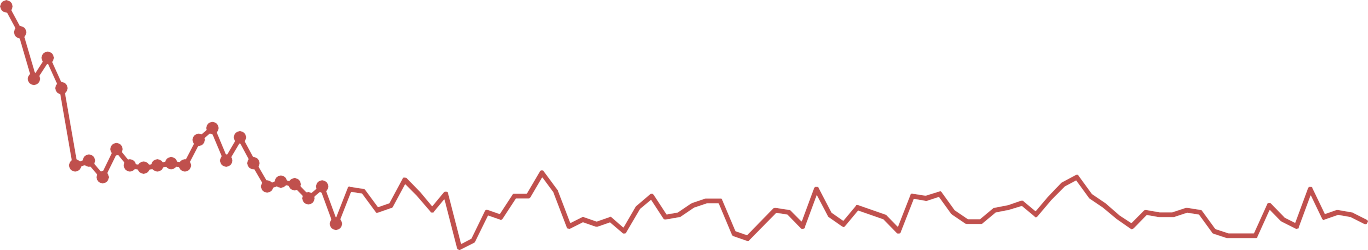
On average, 99.7% of children in foster care in the past 12 months were in Approved Foster Care placements.

Though most DCF children are placed in Approved Foster Care placements, some are placed in alternate caretaker homes through court orders, or funded by other state agencies such as DYS.

# Children in Acute Psychiatric Settings

6a. DCF Children Awaiting Placement from an Acute Psychiatric Hospital or Community Based Acute Treatment Program

**150**



132

121

110

97

101

80

75 76

71

66

6465

57

58

55 54

52

61

5151

56

50

59

64 6463

64

66

65

55

51

46

474949

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44

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454648

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444343

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4442

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34 34

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**125**

**100**

**75**

**50**

**25**

**0**

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Data Source: MBHP Monthly CARD List

There has been substantial progress between March 2007 and March 2015 in reducing the number of DCF children who have remained hospitalized beyond medical necessity criteria. Accordingly, the upward trend of children awaiting placement from an Acute Psychiatric Hospital or Community Based Acute Treatment Program was turned decidedly downward, beginning in the Spring of 2007 (70% decrease since March 2007).

6b. Average Number of Days\* Each Case Remains Beyond that which is Medically Necessary

**50**



32.7

31.6

32.9

30.7

30.9

28.9

27.5

27.6

28.9

23.0

22.9

24.4

29.7

22.2

22.9

23.7

24.0

22.8

20.9

20.5

21.7

22.5

17.8

18.2

**45**

**40**

**35**

**30**

**25**

**20**

**15**

**10**

**5**

**0**

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FY'14 FY'15

*\*DATA SOURCE: MBHP Monthly CARD Report* **In June of 2014, 230 children left a hospital or Community Based Acute Treatment (CBAT) program (Note: some of these children were hospitalized for medical conditions only). Of these 230 children, 22**

remained in placement beyond that which was medically necessary. The average length of stay of

non-medically necessary days (AND) for children remaining in a hospital or CBAT at the end of March was 30.9 days (range = 12 to 109).

On average, AND stays for children remaining in a hospital or CBAT at the end of each month in FY'14 was 23.5 days. The average for FY'15 was 27.3 days (16.2% increase over FY'14).

6c. Children\* under DCF Care and Custody who are Being Served in Medical or Psychiatric Care Provided Through Other Publicly-Funded Sources

**200**

**180**

**160**

**140**

**120**

**100**

**80**

**60**

**40**

**20**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

FY'14 FY'15



158

162

160

151 148 149

141

141

143

138

142

160

131

154

145

141

140

141

146

127

126

132

130

115

\*Consumers under 18 years of age only

Significant monthly variation is noted in the number of children in DCF care and custody who are served in medical or psychiatric facilities. On average, 140 children in DCF care and custody were served in medical or psychiatric facilities each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 146 children per month (4.2% increase over FY'14).

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 1 (0.8%) fewer children in DCF care and custody were served in a medical or psychiatric facility in March 2015.

7. Children Served by Supervised Visitation Centers\*

**1,000**

**900**

**800**

**700**

**600**

**500**

**400**

**300**

**200**

**100**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

FY'14 FY'15



624

629

637

658

689

652

645

655

646

599

586

611

667

569

572

577

597

540

535

552

546

561

539

542

\*Represents the number of child program participants in Domestic Violence Community Based Supervised Visitation Programs

Monthly variation is noted in the number of child program participants in Domestic Violence Community Based Supervised Visitation Programs. On average, 568 children were served in these programs each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 634 (11.6% increase over FY'14).

In the past 24 months, child participants have varied from a low of 535 to a high of 689 a difference of 154 (28.8%) children.

8a. Adults and Children Served in Domestic Violence Emergency Shelter Programs

**1,000**

**900**

**800**

**700**

**600**

**500**

**400**

**300**

**200**

**100**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

FY'14 FY'15



642

480

512

453

452

450

456

445

409

416

439

427

430

413

435

408

432

386

401

417

406

373

393

391

**Monthly variation in the number of adults and children served in DV Emergency Shelter Programs *(i.e., residential programs for survivors of domestic violence)* is driven by within-month occupancy turnover rather than underutilization of these programs.**

**FY'15 Budget: $7,643,378.41**

**162 rooms**

**Annually: $47,181.35 per room Daily: $129.26 per room**

**Locations: Attleboro, Boston (2), Brockton, Cambridge, Chelsea, Framingham, Haverhill, Holyoke, Jamaica Plain (2), Leominster, Lowell, New Bedford (2), Northampton, North Falmouth, Pittsfield, Quincy, Roxbury, Salem, Somerville, Springfield, Waltham, Webster, and Worcester.**

8b. Adults and Children Served in Domestic Violence Substance Abuse and Mental Health Residential Programs

**100**

**90**

**80**

**70**

**60**

**50**

**40**

**30**

**20**

**10**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

FY'14 FY'15



40

40

39

41

40

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36

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34

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26

26

26

**Monthly variation in the number of adults and children served in DV Substance Abuse and Mental Health Residential Programs** *(i.e., long-term residential programs for survivors -and their children- who, in addition to DV, struggle with serious SA issues)* **is driven by within-month occupancy turnover rather than underutilization of these programs.**

**FY'15 Budget: $1,061,214.35**

**22 rooms**

**Annually: $48,237.02 per room Daily: $132.16 per room**

**Locations: Amesbury, New Bedford, Springfield, and Tewksbury.**

8c. Adults and Children Served in Domestic Violence Housing Stabilization Programs

**500**

**450**

**400**

**350**

**300**

**250**

**200**

**150**

**100**

**50**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

FY'14 FY'15



240

249

251

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229

234

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210

209

213

189

183

188

193

**Monthly variation in the number of adults and children served in Domestic Violence Housing Stabilization Programs** *(i.e., long-term -12 to 18 month- transitional housing for survivors of chronic domestic violence)* **is driven by within-month occupancy turnover rather than underutilization of these programs.**

**FY'15 Budget: $2,040,974.68**

**97 rooms**

**Annually: $21,040.98 per room Daily: $57.65 per room**

**Locations: Boston (2), Chelsea, Gardner, Hyannis, Kingston, Lowell, New Bedford, Newton, and Springfield.**

1. **Families Served at New Chardon Street for Women and Children**

**50**



14

13

14

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**45**

**40**

**35**

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Monthly variation in the number of families served in New Chardon Street is driven by within- month occupancy turnover rather than underutilization of this temporary home for women and children.

**FY'15 Budget: $873,259.00**

**37 beds (+ 7 cribs)**

**Monthly Cost: $1,966.80 per bed Daily Cost: $64.66 per bed**

1. **Total Number of Children\* Served**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **60,000** |  | |
| **55,000** | 50,179 | 49,366 50,964 51,594 51,948 51,782 52,032 |
| **50,000** |  |  |
| **45,000** |  |  |
| **40,000** |  | 46,243  42,746 |
| **35,000** | 38,859 | 38,838 40,165 40,956 41,370 |
| **30,000** |  |  |

# Number and Ages of Children Served

**25,000**

**20,000**

**15,000**

**10,000**

**5,000**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**



52,246

53,222 53,297 53,343

52,615

49,982

51,504 51,454

47,586

49,327

FY'14 FY'15

\*Consumers under 18 years of age only

In the past 24 months, the number of children served has varied from a low of 38,838 to a high of 53,343; a difference of 14,505 (37.3%) children. June 2015 showed a 2.3% increase (1,161) in the number of children served relative to the same time period in FY'14. Stabilization of the growth has been observed in the past six months.

10a. Ages of Children Served

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jul-14** | **Aug-14** | **Sep-14** | **Oct-14** | **Nov-14** | **Dec-14** | **Jan-15** | **Feb-15** | **Mar-15** | **Apr-15** | **May-15** | **Jun-15** |
| **<1** | 3,537 | 3,557 | 3,651 | 3,630 | 3,599 | 3,547 | 3,478 | 3,516 | 3,581 | 3,608 | 3,591 | 3,516 |
| **1** | 3,486 | 3,406 | 3,514 | 3,522 | 3,508 | 3,463 | 3,506 | 3,534 | 3,539 | 3,511 | 3,525 | 3,493 |
| **2** | 3,331 | 3,342 | 3,435 | 3,443 | 3,478 | 3,491 | 3,522 | 3,451 | 3,514 | 3,491 | 3,428 | 3,366 |
| **3** | 3,123 | 3,104 | 3,216 | 3,215 | 3,240 | 3,169 | 3,213 | 3,206 | 3,241 | 3,297 | 3,288 | 3,272 |
| **4** | 2,948 | 2,884 | 2,979 | 3,000 | 3,042 | 3,072 | 3,120 | 3,152 | 3,180 | 3,187 | 3,169 | 3,117 |
| **5** | 2,995 | 2,959 | 3,052 | 3,015 | 3,052 | 3,017 | 2,975 | 3,005 | 3,058 | 3,057 | 3,005 | 3,018 |
| **6** | 2,958 | 2,923 | 3,076 | 3,164 | 3,172 | 3,136 | 3,152 | 3,140 | 3,185 | 3,155 | 3,168 | 3,104 |
| **7** | 2,930 | 2,932 | 3,046 | 3,076 | 3,114 | 3,096 | 3,136 | 3,151 | 3,238 | 3,229 | 3,261 | 3,156 |
| **8** | 2,778 | 2,686 | 2,733 | 2,792 | 2,831 | 2,853 | 2,911 | 2,886 | 2,946 | 2,959 | 2,963 | 2,951 |
| **9** | 2,514 | 2,466 | 2,582 | 2,624 | 2,629 | 2,631 | 2,640 | 2,707 | 2,810 | 2,786 | 2,810 | 2,812 |
| **10** | 2,398 | 2,335 | 2,410 | 2,459 | 2,466 | 2,465 | 2,472 | 2,501 | 2,543 | 2,609 | 2,623 | 2,590 |
| **11** | 2,236 | 2,223 | 2,330 | 2,391 | 2,430 | 2,471 | 2,471 | 2,479 | 2,492 | 2,489 | 2,462 | 2,420 |
| **12** | 2,264 | 2,198 | 2,291 | 2,349 | 2,382 | 2,332 | 2,346 | 2,353 | 2,429 | 2,441 | 2,487 | 2,438 |
| **13** | 2,359 | 2,330 | 2,373 | 2,404 | 2,448 | 2,466 | 2,453 | 2,462 | 2,548 | 2,557 | 2,569 | 2,517 |
| **14** | 2,514 | 2,418 | 2,451 | 2,529 | 2,531 | 2,538 | 2,556 | 2,578 | 2,595 | 2,656 | 2,660 | 2,599 |
| **15** | 2,620 | 2,535 | 2,619 | 2,686 | 2,710 | 2,714 | 2,760 | 2,744 | 2,819 | 2,807 | 2,852 | 2,838 |
| **16** | 2,692 | 2,597 | 2,713 | 2,769 | 2,789 | 2,793 | 2,797 | 2,818 | 2,889 | 2,849 | 2,864 | 2,807 |
| **17** | 2,412 | 2,399 | 2,415 | 2,427 | 2,447 | 2,453 | 2,444 | 2,493 | 2,544 | 2,535 | 2,554 | 2,519 |
| **DOB N/A** | 84 | 72 | 78 | 99 | 80 | 75 | 80 | 70 | 71 | 74 | 64 | 82 |
|  | **50,179** | **49,366** | **50,964** | **51,594** | **51,948** | **51,782** | **52,032** | **52,246** | **53,222** | **53,297** | **53,343** | **52,615** |

10a-1. Age Ranges of Children Served: Jun-15

12 to 15

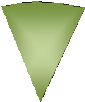
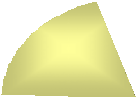
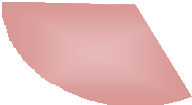
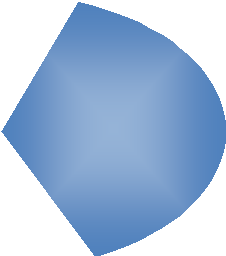
19.8%

16 to 17

10.1%

DOB

N/A 0.2%



6 to 11

32.4%

0 to 5

37.6%

# Number of Children Served in Each Service Plan

10b. Children Served in Each Service Plan

**Children with =**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jul-14** | **Aug-14** | **Sep-14** | **Oct-14** | **Nov-14** | **Dec-14** | **Jan-15** | **Feb-15** | **Mar-15** | **Apr-15** | **May-15** | **Jun-15** |
| **1** | 8,745 | 8,904 | 9,053 | 9,155 | 9,188 | 9,245 | 9,342 | 9,375 | 9,412 | 9,288 | 9,260 | 9,254 |
| **2** | 5,226 | 5,252 | 5,427 | 5,407 | 5,423 | 5,518 | 5,609 | 5,641 | 5,730 | 5,771 | 5,725 | 5,746 |
| **3** | 2,667 | 2,681 | 2,760 | 2,787 | 2,769 | 2,807 | 2,818 | 2,831 | 2,874 | 2,919 | 2,931 | 2,911 |
| **4** | 1,103 | 1,121 | 1,160 | 1,165 | 1,180 | 1,194 | 1,214 | 1,209 | 1,234 | 1,241 | 1,227 | 1,220 |
| **5** | 353 | 355 | 374 | 377 | 385 | 393 | 385 | 394 | 404 | 410 | 406 | 406 |
| **6** | 127 | 126 | 129 | 129 | 125 | 122 | 118 | 123 | 121 | 115 | 115 | 117 |
| **7** | 42 | 41 | 40 | 40 | 42 | 48 | 51 | 51 | 56 | 54 | 53 | 55 |
| **8** | 9 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 10 |
| **9** | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| **10** | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| **>10** | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| **37,710 37,803 37,628 37,603** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | **4**  Children 6.2% |  | **>4**  Children 3.0% |

**Service Plans**

**34,542**

**34,881**

**35,880**

**36,049**

**36,149**

**36,631**

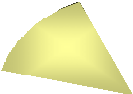
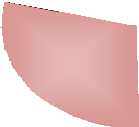
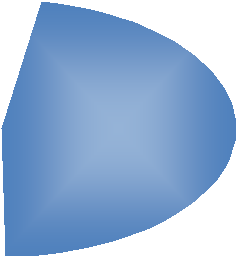
**36,988**

**37,187**

10b-1. Number of Children in a Service Plan as a Percent of Service Plans: Jun-15

**3**

Children 14.8%



**2**

Children 29.1%

**1**

Child 46.9%

# Multiple 51A Reports

1. **Families (Count of Children) Receiving Multiple 51A Reports within a 10-Month Period**

**30,000**



22,998

22,580

23,279

23,997

23,395

23,649

23,067

22,442 22,251 22,127

22,514

22,985

22,426

22,918

20,135 19,920

19,964

20,611

20,200

20,331

20,685 20,678

20,866

21,487

**25,000**

**20,000**

**15,000**

**10,000**

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**5,000**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

There can be multiple 51As for one incident; therefore, some of these children only had one incident of reported abuse/neglect for which multiple 51As were filed.

June 2015: The number of children with multiple 51As within a 10-Month Period (9/1/14 through 6/30/15) was 22,918 (0.3% reduction over the same time period in FY'14). Of these 22,918 children with multiple 51As: 3,034 children had 51As that were all screened-out, 2,780 children were in more than one supported investigation, and 60 children were in more than one initial assessment with a finding of concern.



# Case Reopening

1. **Cases Reopened within Six Months of Being Closed**

**200**

**175**

**150**

**125**

**100**

**75**

**50**

**25**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

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155

156

138

142

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131

132

124

120

108

129

132

133

129

120 119

126

118

109

101

100

92

Significant monthly variation is noted in the number of cases reopened within six months of being closed. On average, 133 (re-opening rate = 1.81%) cases were reopened within six months of being closed in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 119 (re-opening rate = 1.41%) cases per month (10.1% decrease over FY'14).

In the past 24 months, the number of cases reopened within six months of being closed varied from a low of 92 to a high of 156; a difference of 64 (69.6%) cases.

12a. Cases Reopened within Six Months as a Percent of Cases that Closed

**8,851 100%**



Cases that Closed



%

Reopened Cases

**0 0%**

**Jul- Aug- Sep- Oct- Nov- Dec- Jan- Feb- Mar- Apr- May- Jun- Jul- Aug- Sep- Oct- Nov- Dec- Jan- Feb- Mar- Apr- May- Jun-**

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When the number of cases reopened within six months (Measure 12) is plotted as a percent of the cases that closed during the equivalent six month period, we observe that the reopening rate has remained relatively consistent throughout the past 24 months:

Reopened Case Rate Average = 1.61% Reopened Case Rate Range = 1.15 to 2.34%



# Children Re-Entering Out-of-Home Placement

1. **Children Who Return Home and then Re-Enter an Out-of-Home Placement within Six Months**

**200**

**175**

**150**

**125**

**100**

**75**

**50**

**25**

**0**

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

FY'14 FY'15



99

101

98

98

85

85

91

96

95

84

77

66

96

100

93

82

88

84

74

74

80

74

63

64

Significant monthly variation is noted in the number of children who return home and then re- enter an out-of-home placement within six months. On average, 83 (re-entry rate = 4.83%) children re-entered out-of-home placement within six months of returning home in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 88 (re-entry rate = 4.65%) children per month (6.4% increase over FY'14).

In the past 24 months, the number of children who re-entered out-of-home placement within six months of returning home varied from a low of 63 to a high of 101; a difference of 38 (60.3%) children.

13a. Children Who Return Home and then Re-Enter Out-of-Home Placement within 6 Mos. as a % of Children Who Reunified

**2,023 100%**



Children Who Reunified



Percent Who Re- Enter Out- of-Home Placement

**0 0%**

**Jul- Aug- Sep- Oct- Nov- Dec- Jan- Feb- Mar- Apr- May- Jun- Jul- Aug- Sep- Oct- Nov- Dec- Jan- Feb- Mar- Apr- May- Jun-**

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**15 15 15**

When the number of children who re-enter an out-of-home placement within six months of returning home (Measure 13) is plotted as a percent of all children who returned home during the equivalent six month period, we observe that the re-entry rate has remained relatively consistent throughout the past 24 months:

Re-entry Rate Average = 4.74%

Re-entry Rate Range = 3.73 to 5.85%

# Spending\* on Services Other Than Case Management

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Region/Area** | **4th Quarter Spending** | **Family Network Support and Stabilization**  **FY'15 YTD Families YTD**  **Spending (Unduplicated)** | | **Family Based Services1**  **YTD AVG $$ 4th Quarter FY'15 YTD**  **per Family Spending Spending** | | | **TOTAL SPENDING FNSS & FBS**  **4th Quarter FY'15 YTD**  **Spending Spending** | |
| **Adoption Contracts** | **$40,427.04** | **$141,999.52** | **32** | **$4,437** |  |  | **$40,427.04** | **$141,999.52** |
|  | | | | | | |  | |
| **Boston** | **$1,226,985.38** | **$5,250,357.87** | **784** | **$6,697** | **$114,590.90** | **$618,380.15** | **$1,341,576.28** | **$5,868,738.02** |
| **Dimock St.** | 261,055.39 | 1,131,878.20 | 164 | 6,902 |  |  | 261,055.39 | 1,131,878.20 |
| **Harbor** | 322,831.94 | 1,253,818.77 | 227 | 5,523 |  |  | 322,831.94 | 1,253,818.77 |
| **Hyde Park** | 255,140.90 | 1,294,417.58 | 161 | 8,040 |  |  | 255,140.90 | 1,294,417.58 |
| **Park St.** | 387,957.15 | 1,558,403.11 | 230 | 6,776 |  |  | 387,957.15 | 1,558,403.11 |
| **Boston ADLU** | - | - | - | - |  |  | - | - |
| **PAS Boston** | - | 11,840.21 | 2 | 5,920 |  |  | - | 11,840.21 |
| **Northern** | **$3,156,160.98** | **$12,984,492.65** | **1,942** | **$6,686** | **$71,301.99** | **$214,583.77** | **$3,227,462.97** | **$13,199,076.42** |
| **Cambridge** | 322,802.68 | 1,597,572.18 | 200 | 7,988 |  |  | 322,802.68 | 1,597,572.18 |
| **Cape Ann** | 477,954.75 | 1,626,112.21 | 234 | 6,949 |  |  | 477,954.75 | 1,626,112.21 |
| **Framingham** | 220,275.92 | 1,438,249.34 | 174 | 8,266 |  |  | 220,275.92 | 1,438,249.34 |
| **Haverhill** | 285,083.64 | 1,236,184.78 | 227 | 5,446 |  |  | 285,083.64 | 1,236,184.78 |
| **Lawrence** | 453,836.26 | 2,031,503.92 | 261 | 7,784 |  |  | 453,836.26 | 2,031,503.92 |
| **Lowell** | 600,888.25 | 2,249,286.28 | 329 | 6,837 |  |  | 600,888.25 | 2,249,286.28 |
| **Lynn** | 594,317.52 | 1,931,339.77 | 350 | 5,518 |  |  | 594,317.52 | 1,931,339.77 |
| **Malden** | 192,650.61 | 853,570.46 | 163 | 5,237 |  |  | 192,650.61 | 853,570.46 |
| **PAS Northern** | 8,351.35 | 20,673.71 | 4 | 5,168 |  |  | 8,351.35 | 20,673.71 |
| **Southern** | **$4,331,296.05** | **$17,637,100.93** | **2,741** | **$6,435** | **$68,308.67** | **$444,077.05** | **$4,399,604.72** | **$18,081,177.98** |
| **Arlington** | 435,881.88 | 1,569,385.44 | 237 | 6,622 |  |  | 435,881.88 | 1,569,385.44 |
| **Brockton** | 567,989.95 | 2,336,596.58 | 365 | 6,402 |  |  | 567,989.95 | 2,336,596.58 |
| **Cape & Islands** | 566,084.19 | 2,535,425.68 | 453 | 5,597 |  |  | 566,084.19 | 2,535,425.68 |
| **Coastal** | 396,032.45 | 1,740,215.24 | 309 | 5,632 |  |  | 396,032.45 | 1,740,215.24 |
| **Fall River** | 514,794.78 | 2,047,461.57 | 289 | 7,085 |  |  | 514,794.78 | 2,047,461.57 |
| **New Bedford** | 850,187.06 | 3,150,125.86 | 379 | 8,312 |  |  | 850,187.06 | 3,150,125.86 |
| **Plymouth** | 538,612.24 | 2,185,175.38 | 391 | 5,589 |  |  | 538,612.24 | 2,185,175.38 |
| **Taunton/Attlebor** | 459,711.10 | 2,065,131.24 | 316 | 6,535 |  |  | 459,711.10 | 2,065,131.24 |
| **PAS Southern** | 2,002.40 | 7,583.94 | 2 | 3,792 |  |  | 2,002.40 | 7,583.94 |
| **Western** | **$4,724,968.90** | **$18,078,612.42** | **3,840** | **$4,708** | **$72,359.40** | **$424,132.30** | **$4,797,328.30** | **$18,502,744.72** |
| **Greenfield** | 348,126.43 | 1,474,077.62 | 349 | 4,224 |  |  | 348,126.43 | 1,474,077.62 |
| **Holyoke** | 532,752.22 | 2,029,773.45 | 435 | 4,666 |  |  | 532,752.22 | 2,029,773.45 |
| **North Central** | 740,908.01 | 2,436,192.80 | 516 | 4,721 |  |  | 740,908.01 | 2,436,192.80 |
| **Pittsfield** | 275,358.90 | 1,144,144.67 | 218 | 5,248 |  |  | 275,358.90 | 1,144,144.67 |
| **Robert Van Wart** | 614,342.76 | 2,560,407.90 | 610 | 4,197 |  |  | 614,342.76 | 2,560,407.90 |
| **South Central** | 722,807.75 | 2,654,122.87 | 476 | 5,576 |  |  | 722,807.75 | 2,654,122.87 |
| **Springfield** | 543,497.79 | 1,979,442.40 | 448 | 4,418 |  |  | 543,497.79 | 1,979,442.40 |
| **Worcester East** | 539,794.21 | 2,026,894.89 | 375 | 5,405 |  |  | 539,794.21 | 2,026,894.89 |
| **Worcester West** | 406,254.48 | 1,750,763.76 | 408 | 4,291 |  |  | 406,254.48 | 1,750,763.76 |
| **PAS Western** | 1,126.35 | 22,792.06 | 5 | 4,558 |  |  | 1,126.35 | 22,792.06 |
|  | | | | | | |  | |
| **Central Office** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **$596,276.78** | **$2,434,623.38** | **$596,276.78** | **$2,434,623.38** |
|  | | | | | | |  | |
| **TOTAL** | **$13,479,838.35** | **$54,092,563.39** | **9,339** | **$5,792** | **$922,837.74** | **$4,135,796.65** | **14,402,676.09** | **$58,228,360.04** |

\*Does not include 3rd party reimbursed services or CBHI or FLEX 1No family count data.

# Consumers 18 Years-of-Age and Older in Out-of-Home Placement

1. **Consumers 18 Years-of-Age and Older in Out-of-Home Placement**

**2,000**



1,768 1,763 1,762 1,781

1,815 1,809 1,801 1,801 1,809 1,810 1,820 1,786

1,737

1,760

1,784 1,798 1,794 1,777

1,763

1,744

1,663

1,692

1,719

1,723

**1,800**

**1,600**

**1,400**

**1,200**

**1,000**

**800**

**600**

**400**

**200**

**0**

FY'14 FY'15

**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 63 (3.5%) fewer consumers 18 years-of-age and older were in out-of-home placement in June 2015. Comparing June 2015 to June 2013, there has been a 2.3% (39) increase in out-of-home placement utilization for consumers 18 years-of-age and older.

On average, 1,765 consumers 18 years-of-age and older were in out-of-home placement each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 1,775 consumers 18 years-of-age and older per month (0.6% increase over FY'14). Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, the modest upward trend evident in the first half of FY'15, reversed itself in the second half of FY'15.

15a.Consumers 18 Years-of-Age and Older in Residential Placement

**1,000**

**900**

**800**

**700**

**600**

**500**

**400**

**300**

**200**

**100**

**0**



**Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun**

FY'14 FY'15

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| 120 | 128 | 130 | 135 | 140 | 144 | 150 | 145 | 149 | 149 | 148 | 145 |

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 8 (5.2%) fewer consumers 18 years-of-age and older were in Residential Placement in June 2015. Comparing June 2015 to June 2013, there has been a 18.9% (23) increase in Residential Placement utilization for consumers 18 years-of-age and older.

On average, 143 consumers 18 years-of-age and older were in Residential Placement each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 148 consumers 18 years-of-age and older per month (3.7% increase over FY'14). Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, the upward trend evident in the first half of FY'15, reversed itself in the second half of FY'15.



15b.Consumers 18 Years-of-Age and Older in Group Care Placement

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| 239 | 251 | 250 | 252 | 244 | 251 | 247 | 259 | 246 | 258 | 266 | 261 |

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 15 (5.7%) more consumers 18 years-of-age and older were in Group Care in June 2015. Comparing June 2015 to June 2013, there has been a 6.2% (16) increase in Group Care utilization for consumers 18 years-of-age and older.

On average, 252 consumers 18 years-of-age and older were in Group Care each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 283 consumers 18 years-of-age and older per month (12.2% increase over FY'14). Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, an upward trend has been evident in FY'15.

15c.Consumers 18 Years-of-Age and Older in Foster Care

**2,000**

**1,800**

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| 1,060 | 1,086 | 1,100 |  | 1,095 | 1,080 | 1,067 1,054 1,048 |
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Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 43 (3.9%) fewer consumers 18 years-of-age and older were in Foster Care placement in June 2015. Comparing June 2015 to June 2013, there has been a 4.2% (42) increase in Foster Care utilization for consumers 18 years-of-age and older.

On average, 1,079 consumers 18 years-of-age and older were in Foster Care placement each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 1,086 consumers 18 years-of-age and older per month (0.6% increase over FY'14). Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, the modest upward trend evident in the first half of FY'15, reversed itself in the second half of FY'15.

15d.Consumers 18 Years-of-Age and Older in Intensive Foster Care

**2,000**

**1,800**

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| 252 | 240 | 226 | 224 | 231 | 226 | 234 | 228 | 232 | 237 | 236 | 226 |

Compared to the same time period in FY'14, 36 (13.7%) fewer consumers 18 years-of-age and older were in Intensive Foster Care in June 2015. Comparing June 2015 to June 2013, there has been a 13.7% (36) decrease in Intensive Foster Care utilization for consumers 18 years-of-age and older.

On average, 265 consumers 18 years-of-age and older were in Intensive Foster Care each month in FY'14. The FY'15 average was 233 consumers 18 years-of-age and older per month (12.3% decrease over FY'14). Relative to equivalent time periods in FY'14, a downward trend was evident in FY'15.