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Child Protective Services Overview

The Mission of Child Protective Services is to protect children and to act in the children's best interest. CPS seeks active involvement of the children's parents and other family members to solve problems that lead to abuse or neglect.

Expenditures and Total Average Filled Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Staff*

Total Staff	5,894.7
Direct Delivery Total Staff	5,572.7
Caseworkers	
Investigation	1,418.2
Family-Based Safety Services	499.5
Conservatorship	1,070.9
Other Workers *	350.2
Supervisors	615.0
Program Directors/Administrators	87.2
Clerical	632.5
Other Direct Delivery Staff	899.2
CPS Staff Costs	\$303,837,559

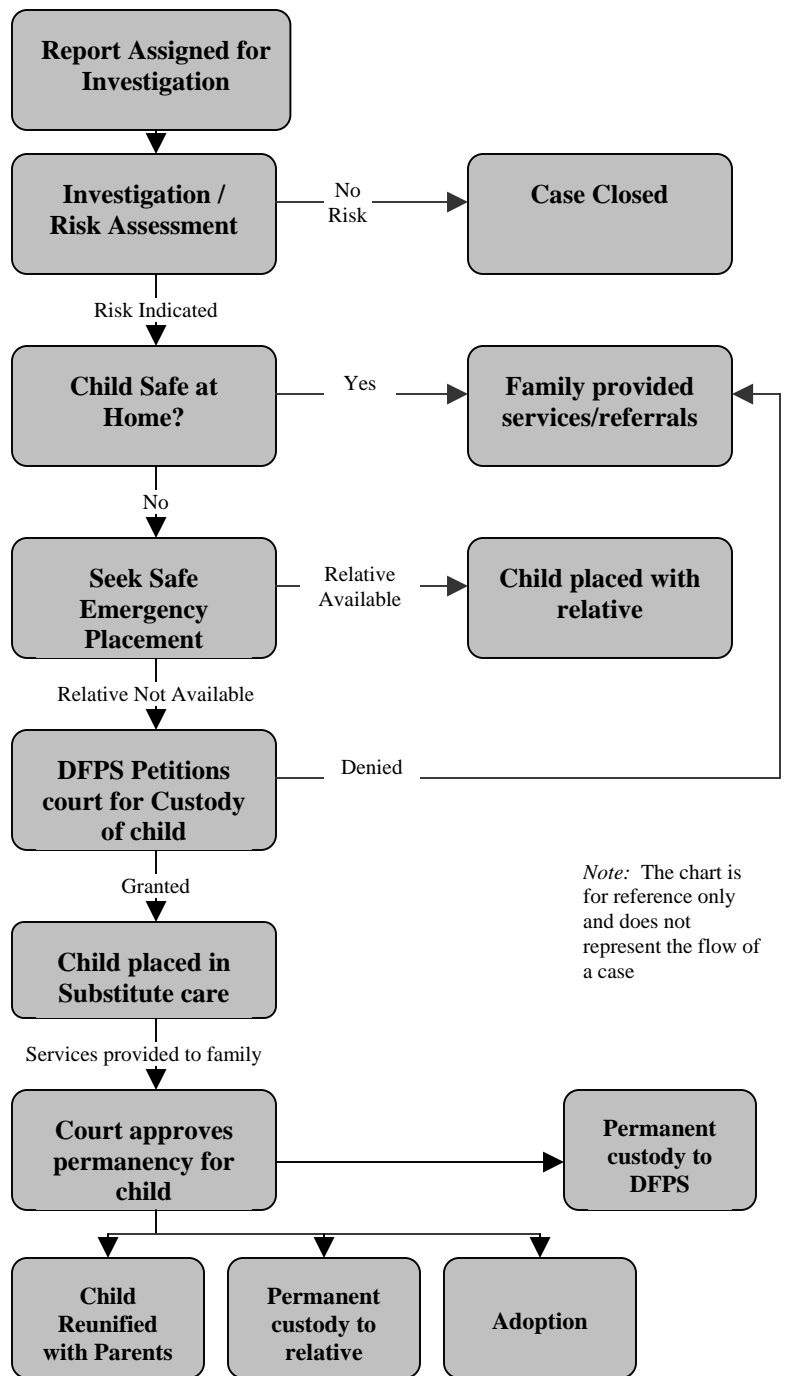
Worker Demographics

Turnover Rate	29.8%
Tenure	
Less than 1 Year	40.3%
1 - 3 Years	30.9%
Greater than 3 Years	28.8%
Entry Salary	\$28,740.00
Average Age	35.5
Race/Ethnicity	
African-American	30.2%
Anglo	43.9%
Hispanic	23.1%
Other	2.8%

Supervisor Demographics

Turnover Rate	6.9%
Tenure	
Less than 1 Year	2.2%
1 - 3 Years	8.5%
Greater than 3 Years	89.3%
Entry Salary	\$36,504.00
Average Age	40.6
Race/Ethnicity	
African-American	25.9%
Anglo	52.6%
Hispanic	20.4%
Other	1.1%

*FTE is the year-to-date average FTE which is calculated by the hours paid each month



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

Statistics FY 2006

Texas State Child Population	6,300,598
Children, Alleged Victims	275,539
Children in Confirmed Investigations	97,995
Children Removed	17,536

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Child Protective Services Overview (continuation...)

The Vision of CPS is :

Children First : Protected and Connected

The Values are :

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

Fiscal Year 2006 Other Expenditures

Purchased Services	\$72,036,726
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Foster Care Payments	\$383,620,630
Adoption Subsidy Payments	\$115,396,519
Federally Funded Special Projects, Purchased Services	\$2,482,778
Total Staff 27.4	

Most Common...

- **Person reporting abuse/neglect**
School Professional (19.3%)
- **Allegation confirmed**
Neglectful Supervision (55.6%)
- **Confirmed perpetrator of abuse/neglect**
Relationship: Parent (78.4%), Gender: Female (58.1%),
Age: Age 26-35 (37.0%), Marital Status: Married (32.5%)
- **Characteristic of confirmed victim**
Age: Age 1 to 3 (23.4%), Gender: Female (52.1%)

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

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.

Other Programmatic Information

Concepts Guiding Risk Determination

Child Vulnerability	Home Environment	Caregiver Capability	Quality of Care
Child Fragility	Stressors	Knowledge	Quality of connection
Child Behavior	Dangerous Exposure	Skills	Emotional care
		Capacity	Physical care

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

Federal Outcomes Used to Assess Child Welfare Services

Safety Outcomes

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

Permanency Outcomes

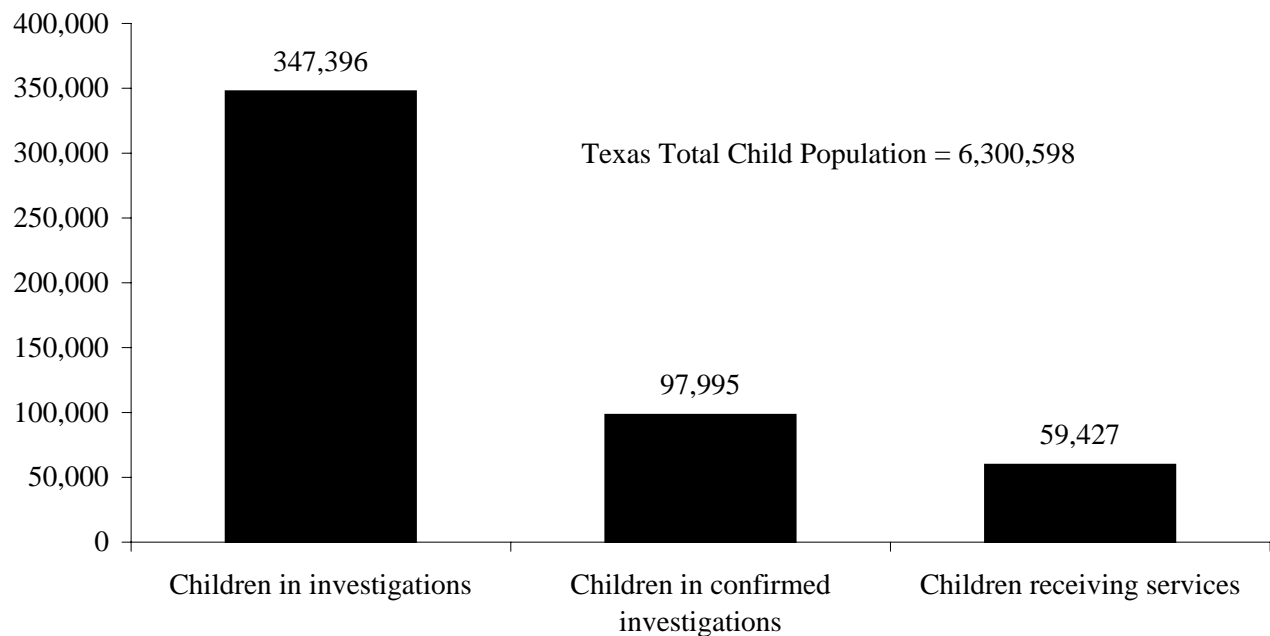
- Permanency Outcome 1: Children have permanency and stability in their living situations.
- Permanency Outcome 2: The continuity of family relationships and connections is preserved for children.

Well-Being Outcomes

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

Children in Investigations of Child Abuse/Neglect Fiscal Year 2006

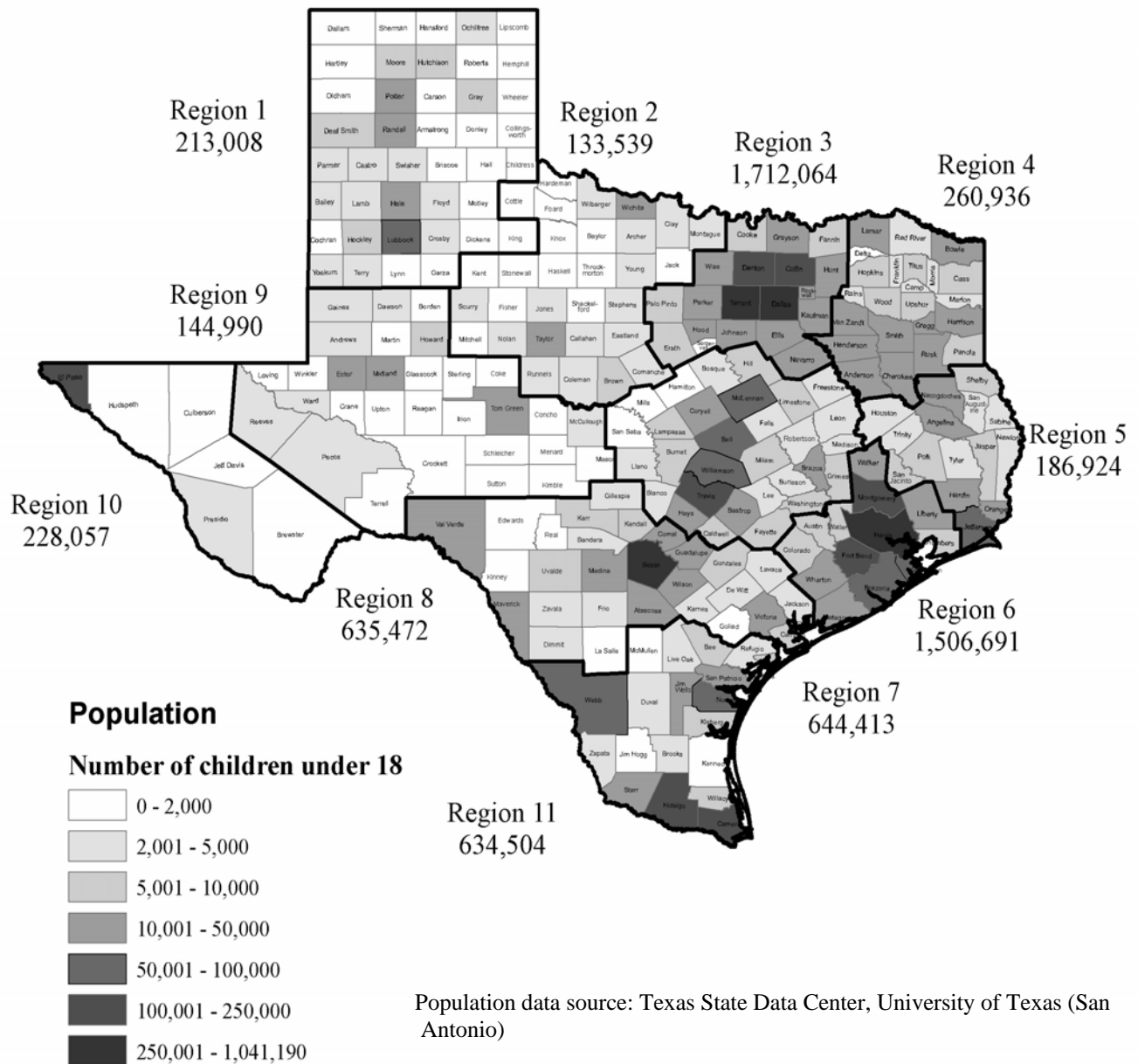
Region	Child Population	Children in Investigations*	Children in Confirmed Investigations*	Children Receiving Services
Lubbock (1)	213,008	15,555	5,165	2,289
Abilene (2)	133,539	10,432	3,743	2,117
Arlington (3)	1,712,064	76,528	21,921	13,122
Tyler (4)	260,936	19,180	5,596	3,219
Beaumont (5)	186,924	12,421	2,771	1,398
Houston (6)	1,506,691	67,935	16,741	11,744
Austin (7)	644,413	43,375	11,812	5,195
San Antonio (8)	635,472	43,007	11,789	8,178
Midland (9)	144,990	8,603	2,903	2,186
El Paso (10)	228,057	10,686	2,785	1,334
Edinburg (11)	634,504	39,535	12,705	8,613
Other	0	139	64	32
Total	6,300,598	347,396	97,995	59,427



* Includes child victims as well as other children in home who are not victims of abuse or neglect

Texas Child Population Ages Birth to 17 Years Fiscal Year 2006

State Total 6,300,598



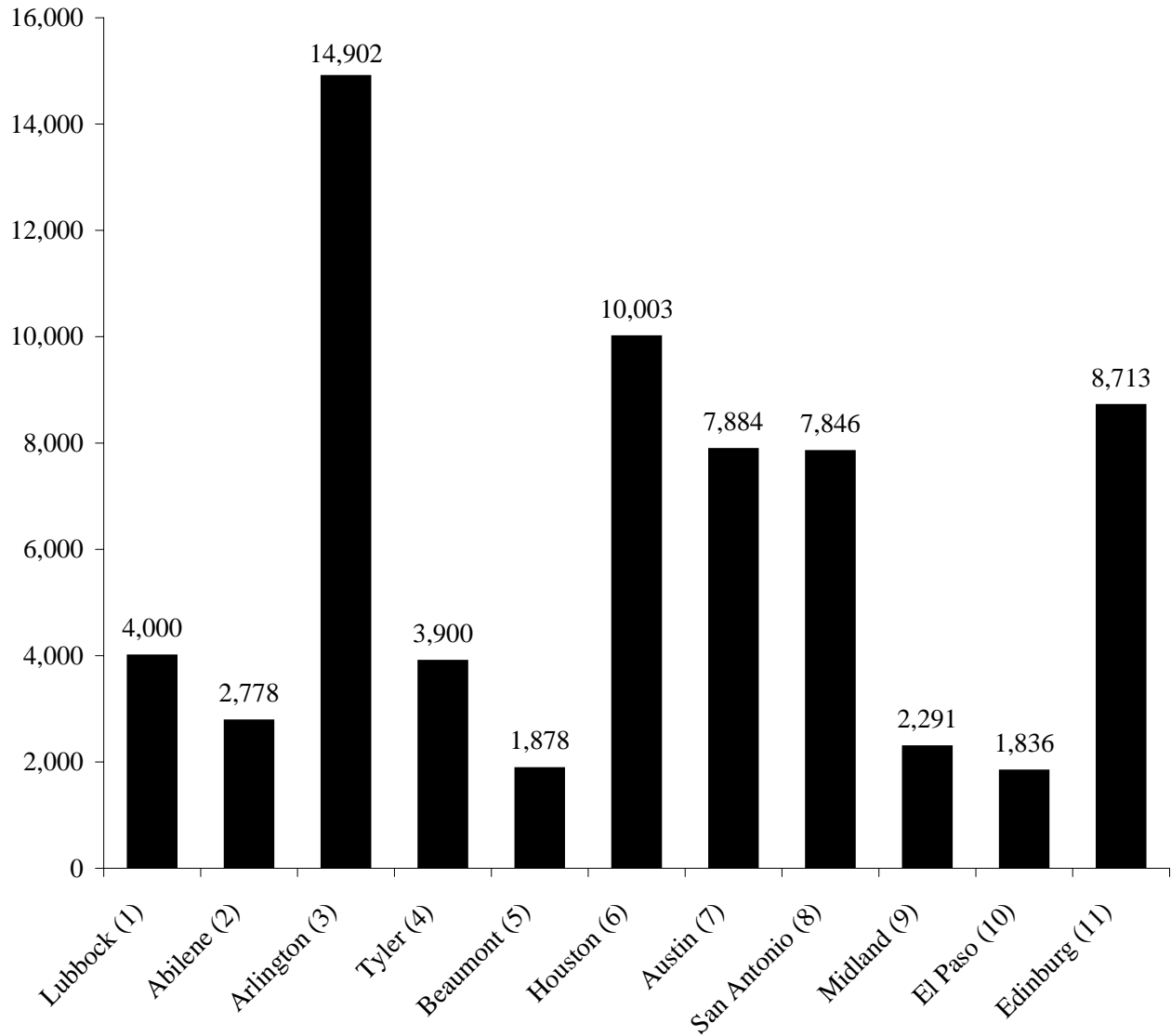
Average Daily Number CPS Direct Delivery Services (All Stages)* Fiscal Year 2006

Type of Stage	Count
Investigation	36,380
Family Based Services	8,334
Substitute Care**	41,497
Foster/Adoptive Home Development	3,751
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Total Cases	89,963

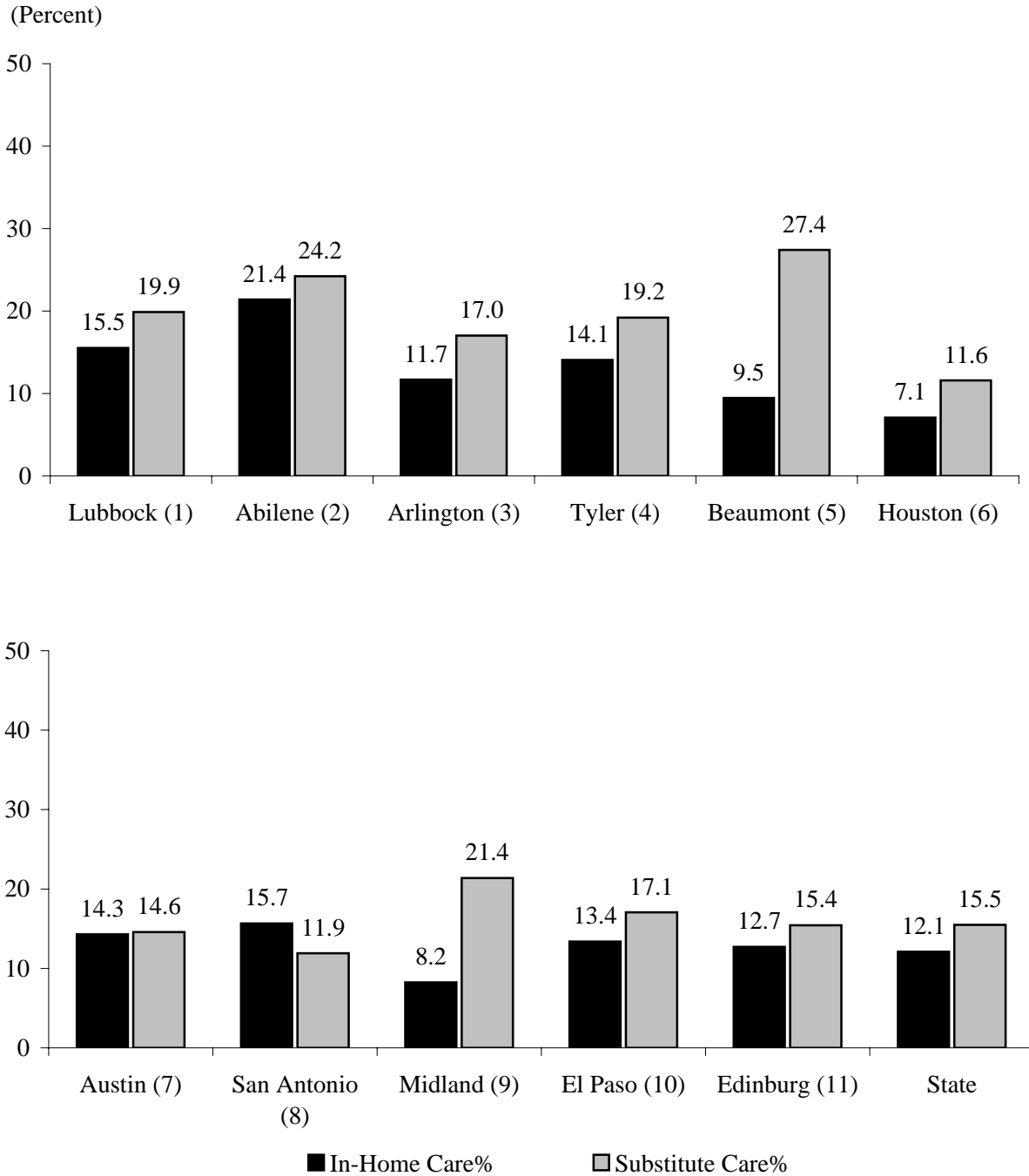
* Stages where the primary assignment is to CPS direct delivery staff.

** Includes Children Reunified and Adoption

CPS Victims of Family Violence in Confirmed Investigations Fiscal Year 2006 State Total: 66,031

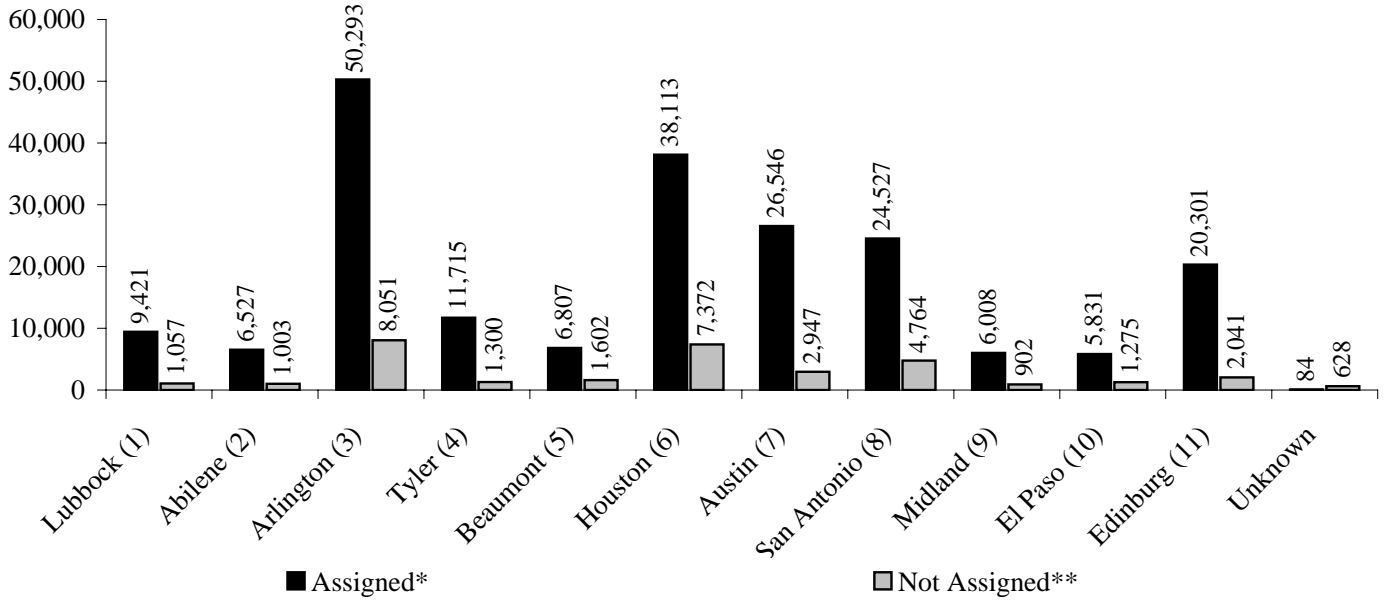


Average Monthly Percent of Children Receiving CPS Purchased Services by Region Fiscal Year 2006

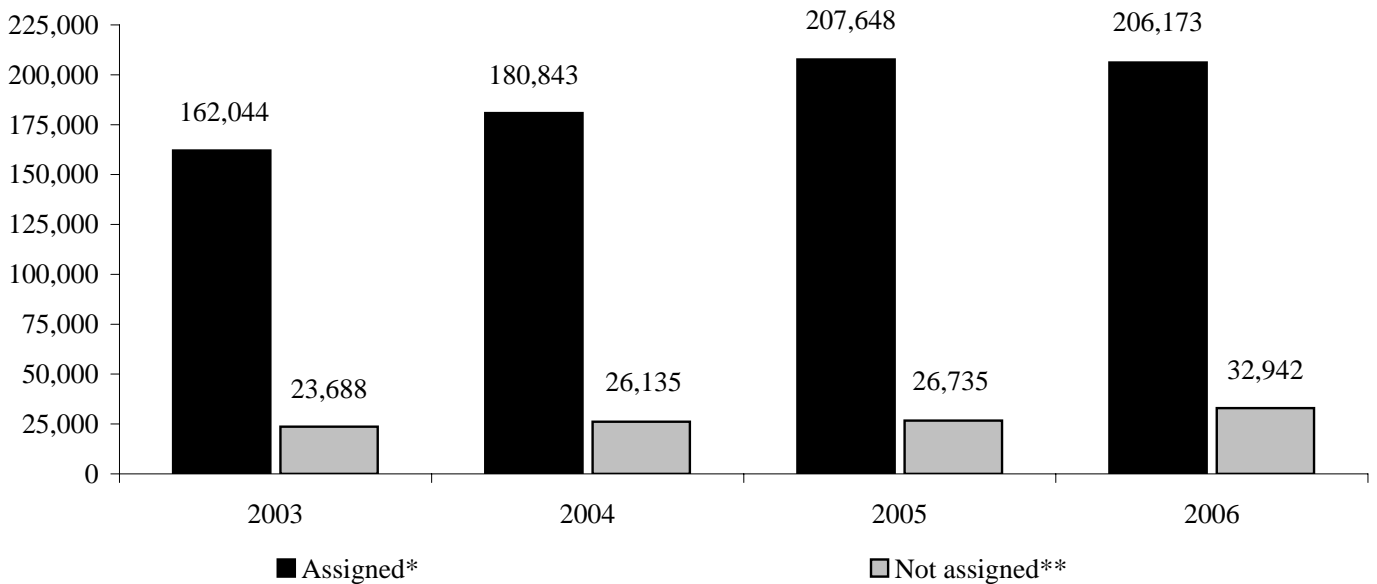


Reports of Child Abuse/Neglect by Region Fiscal Year 2006

Total Reports: 239,115



Reports of Child Abuse/Neglect by Fiscal Year



Note: Information and referral requests, written or verbal are not included in the data in these charts and graphs.

Note: Reports included by date Intake closed.

* Assigned reports meet the statutory definition of child abuse/neglect with sufficient identifying information.

** Not Assigned reports do not meet the statutory definition or do not have sufficient identifying information to locate the family.

Child Abuse/Neglect Allegation Dispositions

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

Confirmed Investigations

Reason to believe -- Based on a 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 and 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 Investigations Fiscal Year 2006

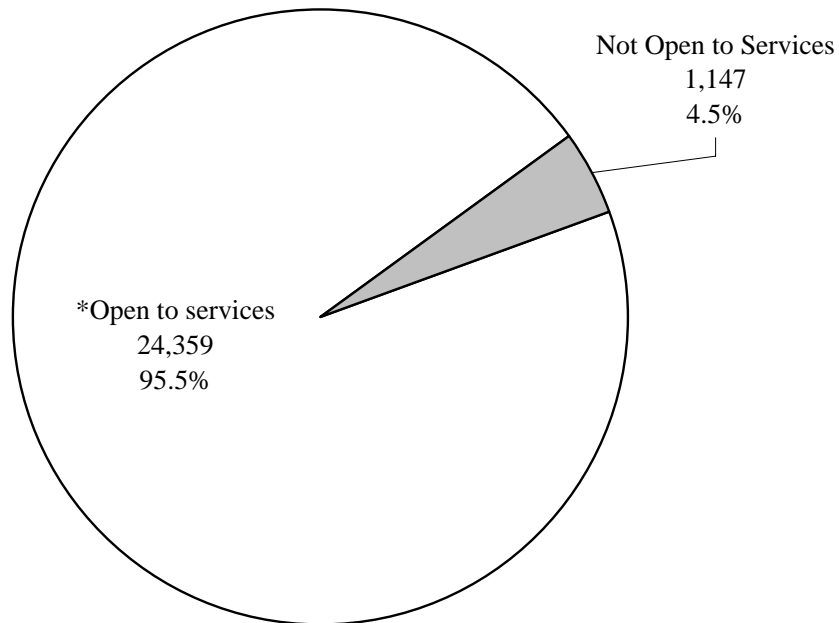
Region	Total	Confirmed	Percent Confirmed	Unconfirmed
Lubbock (1)	7,649	2,296	30.0%	5,353
Abilene (2)	5,354	1,713	32.0%	3,641
Arlington (3)	36,745	9,563	26.0%	27,182
Tyler (4)	9,781	2,506	25.6%	7,275
Beaumont (5)	6,302	1,269	20.1%	5,033
Houston (6)	31,417	6,873	21.9%	24,544
Austin (7)	20,377	5,000	24.5%	15,377
San Antonio (8)	19,323	4,718	24.4%	14,605
Midland (9)	4,217	1,316	31.2%	2,901
El Paso (10)	4,785	1,145	23.9%	3,640
Edinburg (11)	17,783	4,982	28.0%	12,801
Unknown	62	25	40.3%	37
State Total	163,795	41,406	25.3%	122,389

Note: For information regarding child abuse/neglect investigations in child care facilities see "Complaint Investigations in Child-Care Facilities" on page 93.

Risk Assessment Finding of Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations Fiscal Year 2006

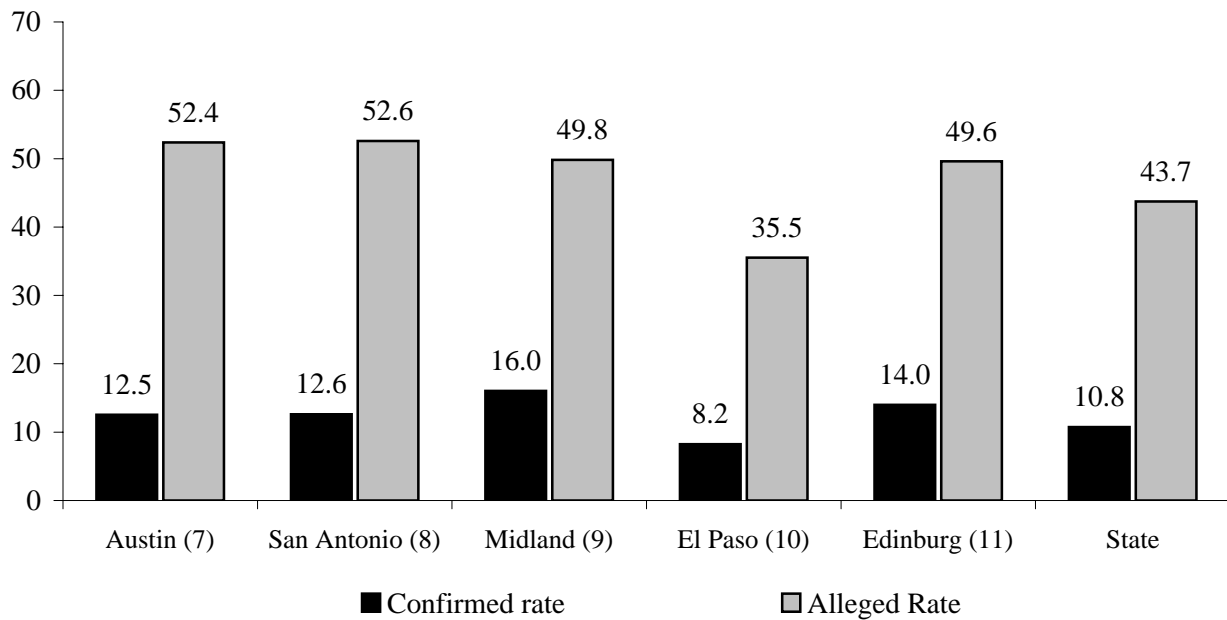
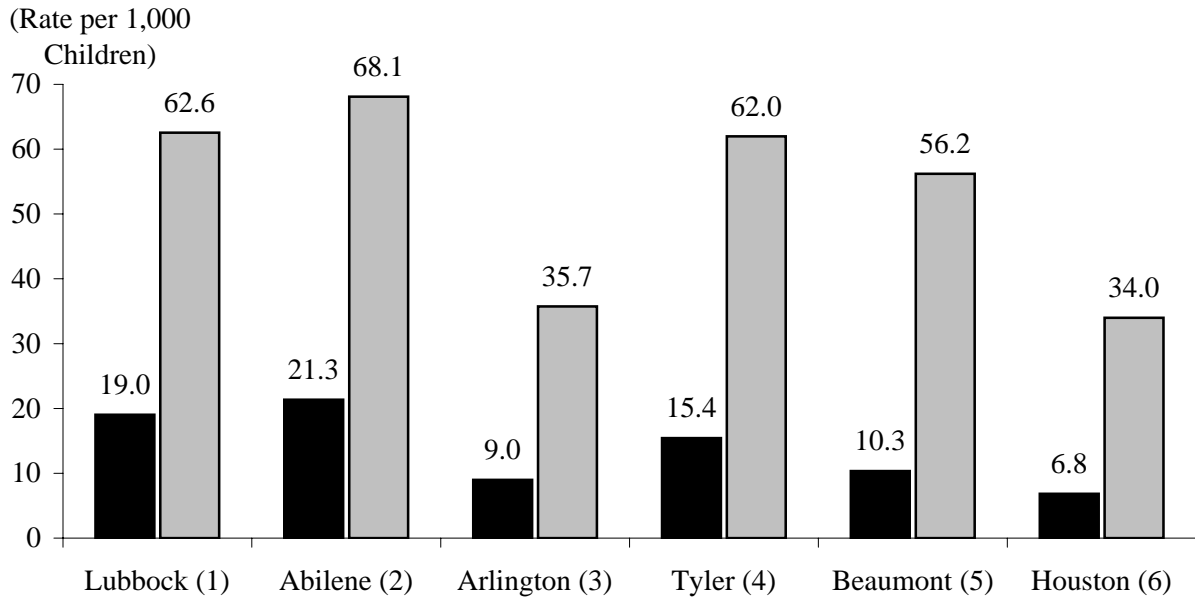
Disposition of Investigation	No Significant Risk Identified	Risk Controlled	Risk Indicated	Risk Not Applicable Blank/ Invalid	Total
Confirmed	260	21,501	19,444	201	41,406
Percent of Total	0.9%	21.1%	76.2%	2.3%	25.3%
Unconfirmed	27,221	80,577	6,062	8,529	122,389
Percent of Total	99.1%	78.9%	23.8%	97.7%	74.7%
State Total	27,481	102,078	25,506	8,730	163,795

Case Action for Risk Indicated Investigations



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.

Point Prevalence Rate of Child Abuse/Neglect per 1,000 Children in Texas Child Population by Region Fiscal Year 2006



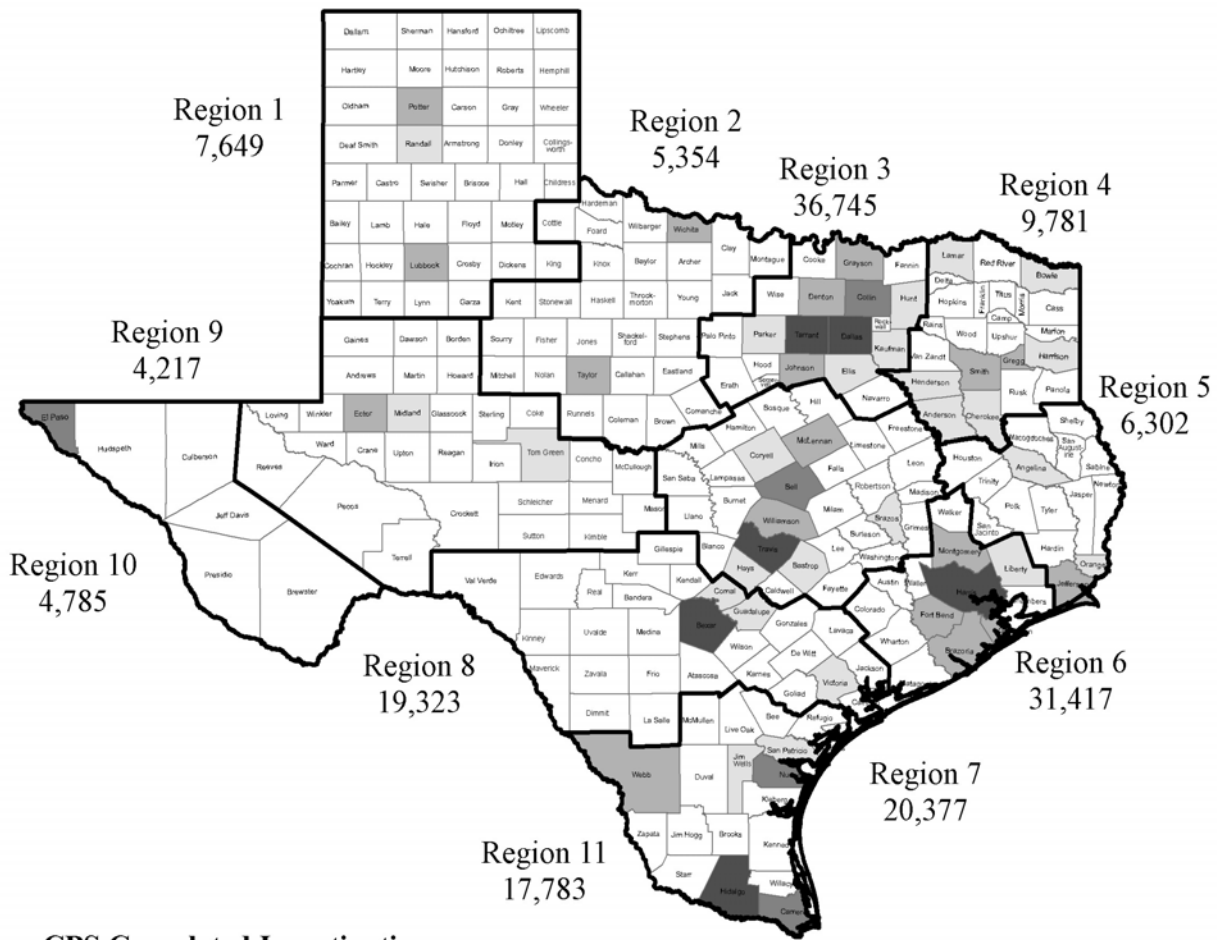
Alleged and Confirmed Victims of Child Abuse/Neglect by Region Fiscal Year 2006

Region	Alleged Victims	Confirmed Victims	Unconfirmed Victims	Percent Confirmed
Lubbock (1)	13,325	4,055	9,270	30.4%
Abilene (2)	9,093	2,851	6,242	31.4%
Arlington (3)	61,191	15,368	45,823	25.1%
Tyler (4)	16,174	4,023	12,151	24.9%
Beaumont (5)	10,504	1,934	8,570	18.4%
Houston (6)	51,191	10,283	40,908	20.1%
Austin (7)	33,747	8,084	25,663	24.0%
San Antonio (8)	33,413	8,023	25,390	24.0%
Midland (9)	7,225	2,325	4,900	32.2%
El Paso (10)	8,102	1,878	6,224	23.2%
Edinburg (11)	31,480	8,877	22,603	28.2%
Other	94	36	58	38.3%
State Total	275,539	67,737	207,802	24.6%

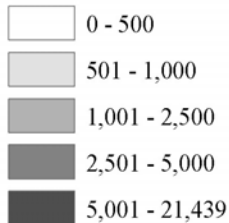
Note: Victims in more than one investigation are counted in each investigation.

Child Protective Services Completed Investigations

State Total 163,795



CPS Completed Investigations

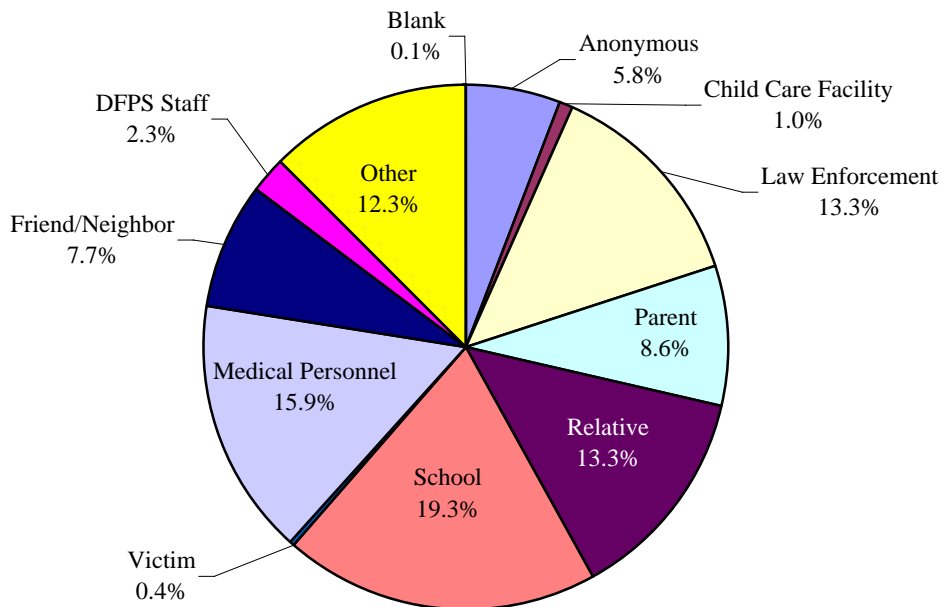


Note: 62 investigations did not have the county designated.

Investigations of Child Abuse/Neglect by Source of Report

Sources	Fiscal Year 2004		Fiscal Year 2005		Fiscal Year 2006	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Anonymous	12,239	7.4%	15,498	8.0%	11,364	5.8%
Child Care Facility	1,688	1.0%	1,886	1.0%	1,887	1.0%
Law Enforcement	21,187	12.9%	23,614	12.2%	25,965	13.3%
Parent	14,083	8.5%	17,005	8.8%	16,830	8.6%
Relative	20,222	12.3%	25,221	13.2%	25,992	13.3%
School	32,663	19.8%	37,303	19.4%	37,727	19.3%
Victim	982	0.6%	903	0.5%	783	0.4%
Medical Personnel	23,756	14.5%	29,241	15.2%	31,127	15.9%
Friend/Neighbor	11,582	7.0%	14,711	7.6%	14,957	7.7%
DFPS Staff	432	0.3%	4,141	2.1%	4,404	2.3%
Other	18,819	11.4%	23,020	11.9%	24,068	12.3%
Blank	7,077	4.3%	228	0.1%	198	0.1%
State Total	164,730	100.0%	192,771	100.0%	195,302	100.0%

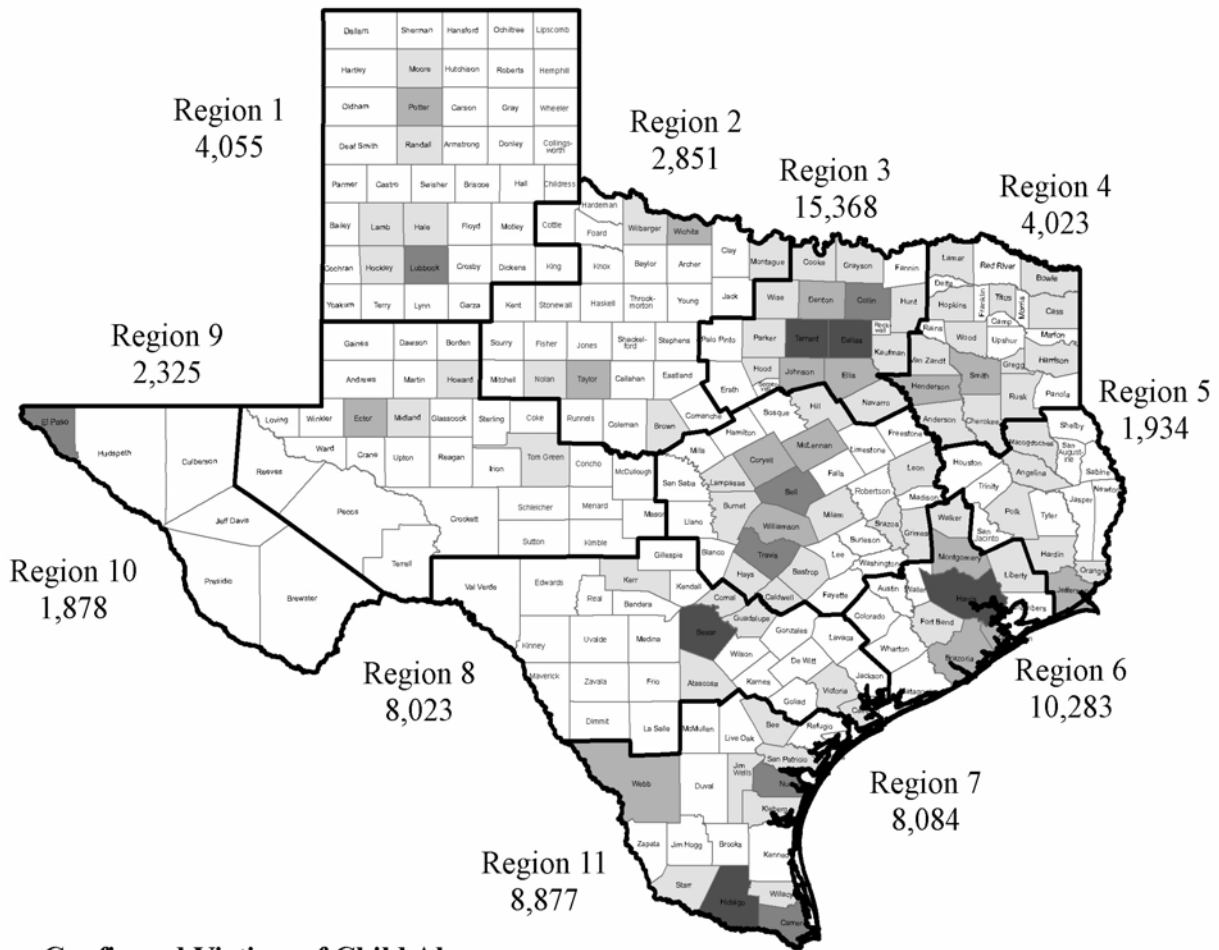
Investigations of Child Abuse/Neglect by Source of Report Fiscal Year 2006



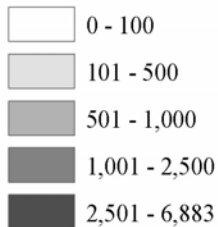
Note: Reports of Abuse/Neglect situations may come from multiple sources.

Confirmed Victims of Child Abuse Fiscal Year 2006

State Total 67,737



Confirmed Victims of Child Abuse



*36 confirmed victims did not have a region designated.

Profile of Confirmed Child Abuse/Neglect Victims Fiscal Year 2006

Age	Sex	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
Under 1								
	Female	1,395	1,036	1,686	10	18	193	4,338
	Male	1,580	1,177	1,809	5	10	203	4,784
	Unknown	8	11	17	0	0	6	42
	Total	2,983	2,224	3,512	15	28	402	9,164
1-3 Years								
	Female	2,638	1,461	3,201	10	27	231	7,568
	Male	2,877	1,587	3,489	11	45	242	8,251
	Unknown	10	11	18	0	0	5	44
	Total	5,525	3,059	6,708	21	72	478	15,863
4-6 Years								
	Female	2,424	1,355	3,082	8	30	143	7,042
	Male	2,314	1,423	2,994	9	45	166	6,951
	Unknown	6	5	7	0	0	4	22
	Total	4,744	2,783	6,083	17	75	313	14,015
7-9 Years								
	Female	1,853	1,034	2,408	10	22	89	5,416
	Male	1,826	1,016	2,228	10	35	106	5,221
	Unknown	1	3	6	0	0	3	13
	Total	3,680	2,053	4,642	20	57	198	10,650
10-12 Years								
	Female	1,529	785	1,974	11	25	73	4,397
	Male	1,347	702	1,469	2	26	68	3,614
	Unknown	4	1	5	0	0	0	10
	Total	2,880	1,488	3,448	13	51	141	8,021
13-17 Years								
	Female	2,316	1,137	2,738	12	37	132	6,372
	Male	1,358	641	1,247	11	13	68	3,338
	Unknown	2	2	4	0	0	1	9
	Total	3,676	1,780	3,989	23	50	201	9,719
Age Unknown								
	Female	36	43	54	0	0	7	140
	Male	39	40	67	0	1	3	150
	Unknown	2	2	3	0	0	8	15
	Total	77	85	124	0	1	18	305
Total Victims								
	Female	12,191	6,851	15,143	61	159	868	35,273
	Male	11,341	6,586	13,303	48	175	856	32,309
	Unknown	33	35	60	0	0	27	155
	Grand Total	23,565	13,472	28,506	109	334	1,751	67,737

Confirmed Allegations of Child Abuse/Neglect by Type Fiscal Year 2006

Region	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Abandonment	Medical Neglect
Lubbock (1)	854	358	93	14	134
Abilene (2)	563	255	52	6	139
Arlington (3)	3,930	1,725	161	131	558
Tyler (4)	862	449	77	14	184
Beaumont (5)	443	239	26	9	97
Houston (6)	2,803	1,445	161	71	372
Austin (7)	1,731	707	73	26	276
San Antonio (8)	1,538	780	76	61	355
Midland (9)	405	179	47	11	105
El Paso (10)	404	186	36	16	113
Edinburg (11)	1,670	851	202	21	330
Blank or Invalid	3	2	1	2	1
State Total	15,206	7,176	1,005	382	2,664

Region	Physical Neglect	Neglectful Supervision	Refusal to Accept Parental Responsibility	Unduplicated Confirmed Victims*
Lubbock (1)	568	2,882	55	4,055
Abilene (2)	511	1,938	26	2,851
Arlington (3)	1,768	10,068	172	15,368
Tyler (4)	676	2,559	57	4,023
Beaumont (5)	212	1,276	35	1,934
Houston (6)	1,129	5,822	188	10,283
Austin (7)	885	5,546	133	8,084
San Antonio (8)	862	5,581	65	8,023
Midland (9)	350	1,703	19	2,325
El Paso (10)	295	1,226	26	1,878
Edinburg (11)	1,230	6,127	90	8,877
Blank or Invalid	8	26	6	36
State Total	8,494	44,754	872	67,737

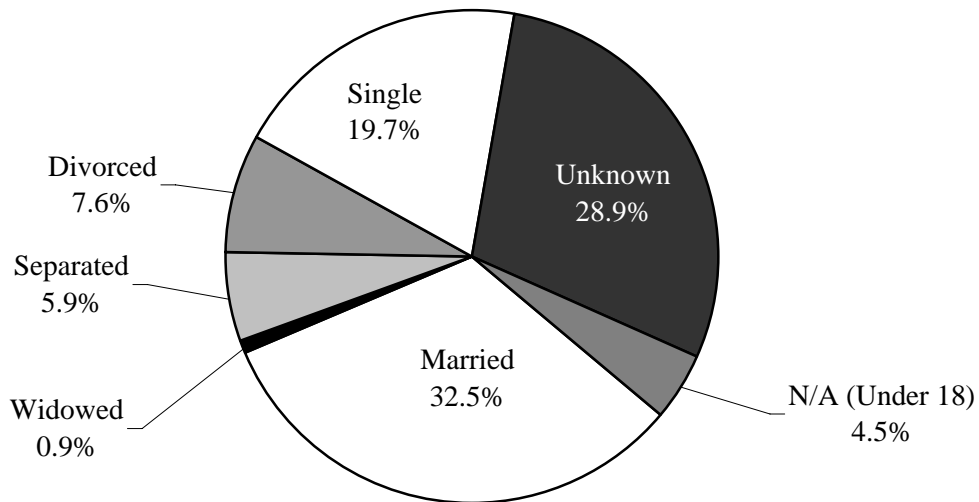
* Victims have been unduplicated by investigation stage.

Characteristics of Perpetrators in Confirmed Investigations of Child Abuse/Neglect Fiscal Year 2006

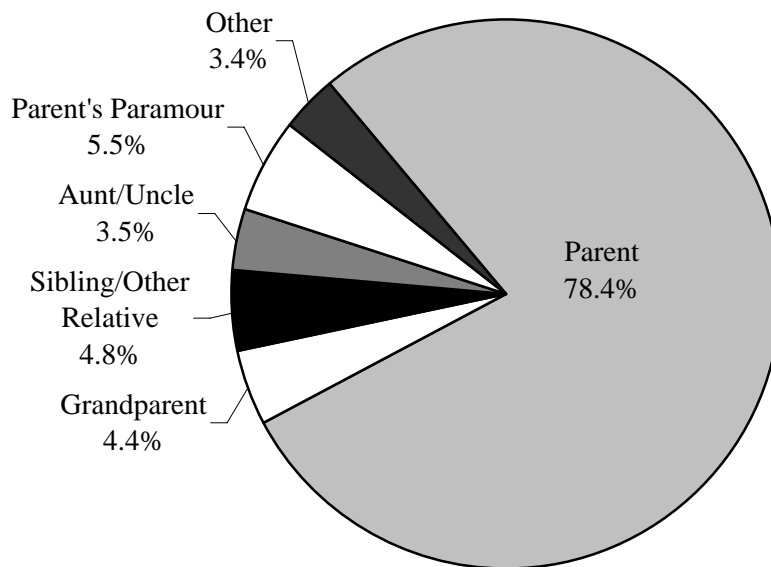
Characteristic	Female		Male		Unknown		Total		
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
Age									
Under 18	1,026	1.9%	1,814	3.3%	3	0.0%	2,843	5.2%	
18-25	10,946	20.1%	4,969	9.1%	5	0.0%	15,920	29.2%	
26-35	12,325	22.6%	7,819	14.4%	16	0.0%	20,160	37.0%	
36-45	5,256	9.6%	5,465	10.0%	5	0.0%	10,726	19.6%	
Over 45	2,101	3.9%	2,702	5.0%	3	0.0%	4,806	8.9%	
Unknown	12	0.0%	36	0.1%	17	0.0%	65	0.1%	
Marital Status									
Married	8,802	16.2%	8,879	16.3%	2	0.0%	17,683	32.5%	
Widowed	346	0.6%	158	0.3%	0	0.0%	504	0.9%	
Separated	2,061	3.8%	1,156	2.1%	0	0.0%	3,217	5.9%	
Divorced	2,681	4.9%	1,499	2.7%	0	0.0%	4,180	7.6%	
Single	7,351	13.5%	3,371	6.2%	3	0.0%	10,725	19.7%	
Unknown	9,691	17.8%	5,993	11.0%	42	0.1%	15,726	28.9%	
N/A (Under 18)	734	1.3%	1,749	3.2%	2	0.0%	2,485	4.5%	
Ethnicity									
Anglo	13,535	24.8%	9,052	16.6%	9	0.0%	22,596	41.4%	
African American	5,717	10.5%	3,704	6.8%	1	0.0%	9,422	17.3%	
Hispanic	11,516	21.1%	8,946	16.4%	3	0.0%	20,465	37.5%	
Native American	62	0.1%	37	0.1%	0	0.0%	99	0.2%	
Asian	172	0.3%	129	0.3%	0	0.0%	301	0.6%	
Other	664	1.2%	937	1.7%	36	0.1%	1,637	3.0%	
Relationship to Oldest Victim									
Parent	28,168	51.6%	14,630	26.8%	5	0.0%	42,803	78.4%	
Grandparent	1,547	2.8%	870	1.6%	1	0.0%	2,418	4.4%	
Sibling/Other Relative	423	0.8%	2,155	4.0%	2	0.0%	2,580	4.8%	
Aunt/Uncle	655	1.2%	1,228	2.3%	0	0.0%	1,883	3.5%	
Parent's Paramour	262	0.5%	2,729	5.0%	3	0.0%	2,994	5.5%	
Other Sub Care Giver	611	1.1%	1,193	2.2%	38	0.1%	1,842	3.4%	
Total Perpetrators	31,666	58.1%	22,805	41.8%	49	0.1%	54,520	100.0%	

Characteristics of Perpetrators in Confirmed Investigations of Child Abuse/Neglect Fiscal Year 2006

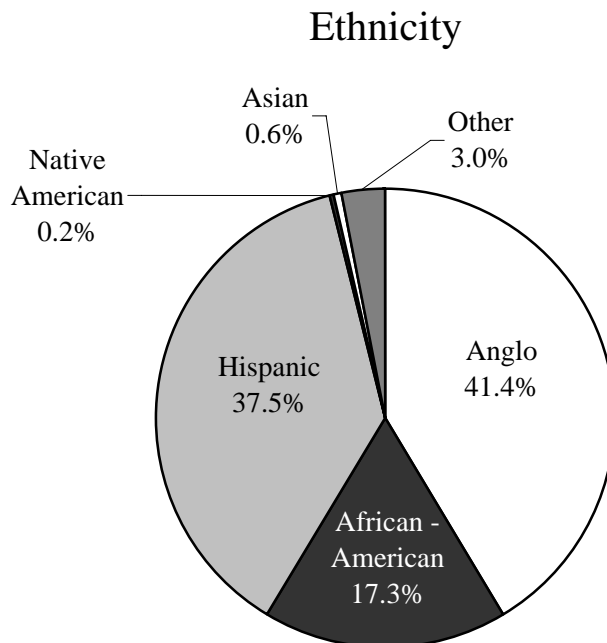
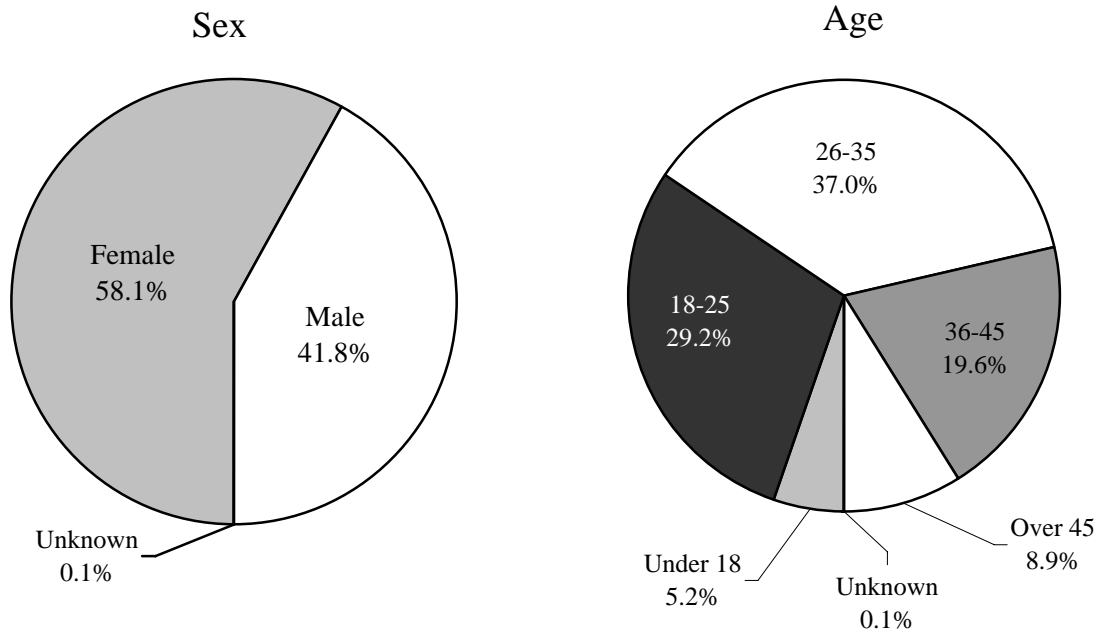
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Relationship to Oldest Victim

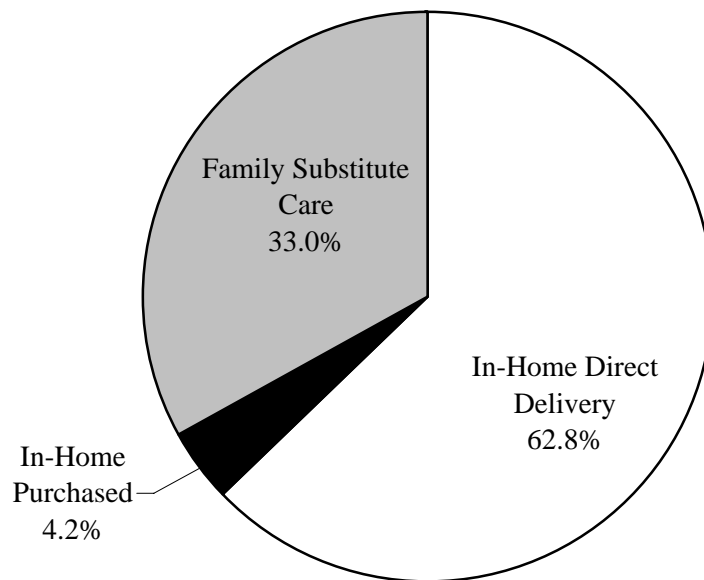


Characteristics of Perpetrators in Confirmed Investigations of Child Abuse/Neglect Fiscal Year 2006



Family Cases Opened for Services as a Result of a Completed Investigation Fiscal Year 2006

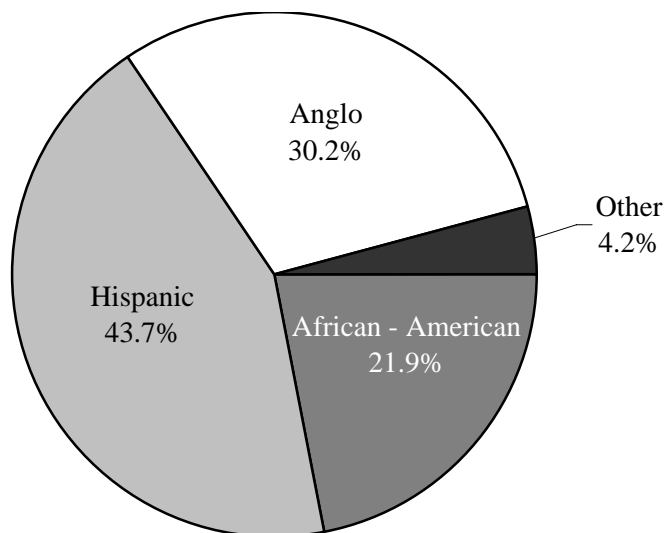
Region	In-Home Direct Delivery	In-Home Purchased	Family Substitute Care	Total
Lubbock (1)	550	0	446	996
Abilene (2)	668	4	299	971
Arlington (3)	2,658	726	2,199	5,583
Tyler (4)	874	56	437	1,367
Beaumont (5)	344	1	257	602
Houston (6)	3,149	5	1,601	4,755
Austin (7)	1,131	6	1,012	2,149
San Antonio (8)	2,288	141	773	3,202
Midland (9)	791	2	226	1,019
El Paso (10)	417	0	105	522
Edinburg (11)	2,416	91	673	3,180
Other	1	0	12	13
State Total	15,287	1,032	8,040	24,359



Children in Cases Opened for Services as a Result of a Completed Investigation Fiscal Year 2006

Region	In-Home Direct Delivery	In-Home Purchased	% Opened In-Home	Family Substitute Care*	Total
Lubbock (1)	1,412	0	58.4%	1,004	2,416
Abilene (2)	1,639	14	71.2%	670	2,323
Arlington (3)	6,825	1,847	63.4%	5,016	13,688
Tyler (4)	2,174	127	69.0%	1,036	3,337
Beaumont (5)	876	7	60.7%	572	1,455
Houston (6)	8,435	11	69.8%	3,649	12,095
Austin (7)	2,912	12	54.0%	2,493	5,417
San Antonio (8)	6,307	402	76.7%	2,041	8,750
Midland (9)	1,977	2	80.0%	494	2,473
El Paso (10)	1,122	0	83.0%	229	1,351
Edinburg (11)	6,963	243	80.0%	1,803	9,009
Other	2	0	6.3%	30	32
State Total	40,644	2,665	69.5%	19,037	62,346

Children in Cases Opened for Services by Race/Ethnicity



* Includes all children in the case regardless of victimization.

Average Number of Families Receiving Preservation/Reunification Services per Month Fiscal Year 2006

Family Preservation Services

Region	Regular	Intensive	Moderate	Contracted Regular	Contracted Intensive	Contracted Moderate	Total
Lubbock (1)	260	4	140	0	0	0	404
Abilene (2)	135	1	150	0	0	0	286
Arlington (3)	735	40	760	467	3	35	2,040
Tyler (4)	283	5	214	132	0	1	635
Beaumont (5)	119	2	95	0	0	0	216
Houston (6)	1,961	6	695	2	0	0	2,664
Austin (7)	359	1	479	0	0	4	843
San Antonio (8)	1,677	3	102	95	0	0	1,877
Midland (9)	212	0	238	0	0	0	450
El Paso (10)	247	0	39	0	0	0	286
Edinburg (11)	1,364	12	230	73	0	1	1,680
Out of State	2	0	1	0	0	0	3
State Average	7,354	74	3,143	769	3	41	11,384

Family Reunification Services

Region	Regular	Intensive	Moderate	Contracted Regular	Contracted Intensive	Contracted Moderate	Total
Lubbock (1)	108	6	3	0	0	0	117
Abilene (2)	64	0	0	0	0	0	64
Arlington (3)	221	2	36	4	0	2	265
Tyler (4)	61	0	1	1	0	0	63
Beaumont (5)	37	0	0	0	0	0	37
Houston (6)	171	0	44	0	0	0	215
Austin (7)	251	5	11	0	0	0	267
San Antonio (8)	168	0	2	0	0	0	170
Midland (9)	38	0	0	0	0	0	38
El Paso (10)	28	1	0	0	0	0	29
Edinburg (11)	154	0	24	0	0	0	178
Out of State	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
State Average	1,302	14	121	5	0	2	1,444

Note: All averages rounded to the nearest whole number.

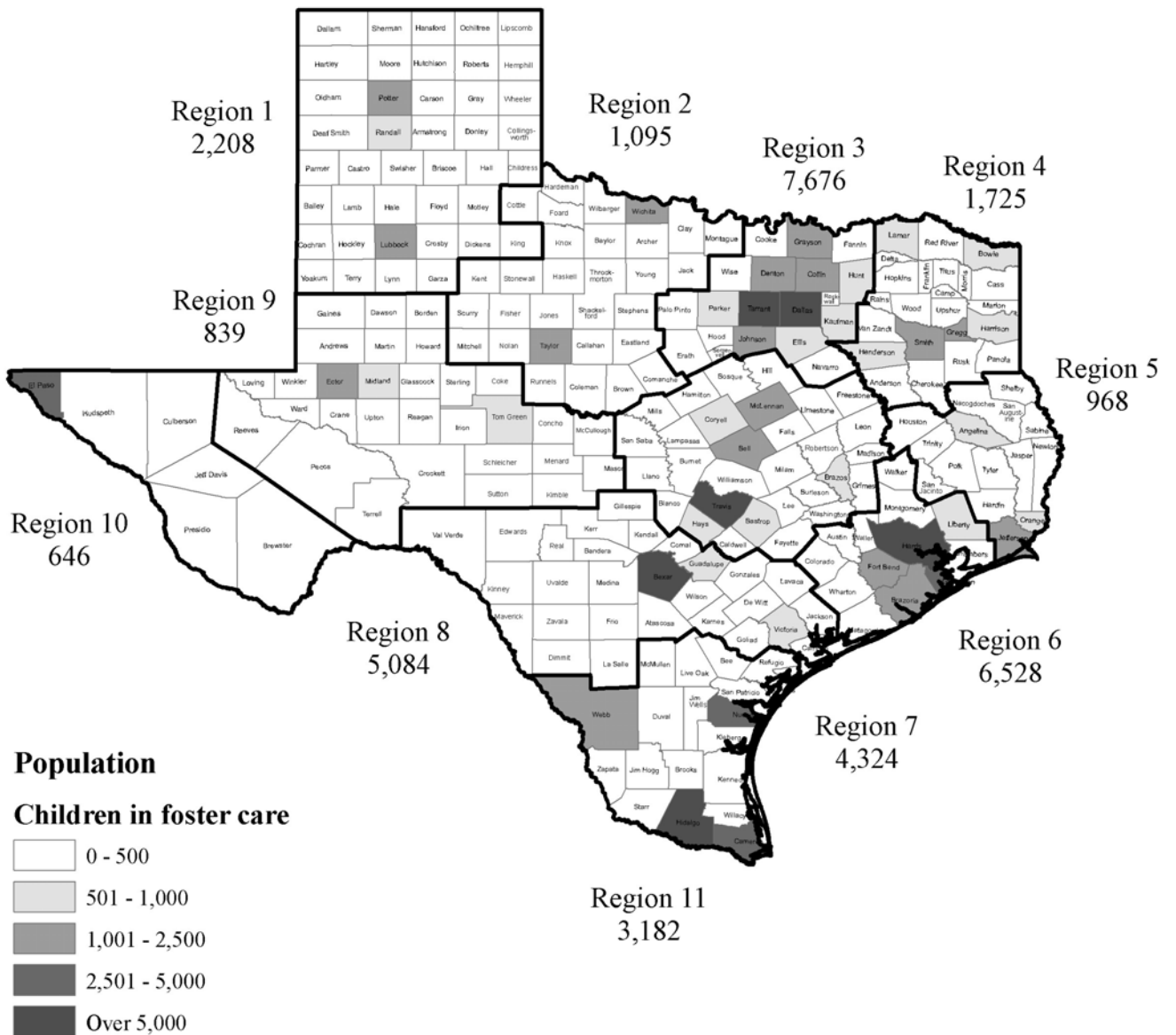
Average Number of Children Receiving Purchased Services per Month Fiscal Year 2006

Region	Living At Home	Living Out of Home	Post Adoption	Total Children	Total Adults	Total Clients
Lubbock (1)	212	388	2	602	760	1,362
Abilene (2)	190	207	118	516	466	982
Arlington (3)	706	1,073	133	1,912	1,937	3,849
Tyler (4)	252	263	15	529	749	1,278
Beaumont (5)	59	207	117	383	267	650
Houston (6)	565	749	146	1,460	1,548	3,008
Austin (7)	420	540	55	1,015	1,193	2,208
San Antonio (8)	957	549	76	1,582	2,305	3,887
Midland (9)	103	169	71	343	481	824
El Paso (10)	120	84	56	259	320	579
Edinburg (11)	693	376	6	1,076	1,760	2,836
State Average	4,276	4,606	795	9,677	11,786	21,463

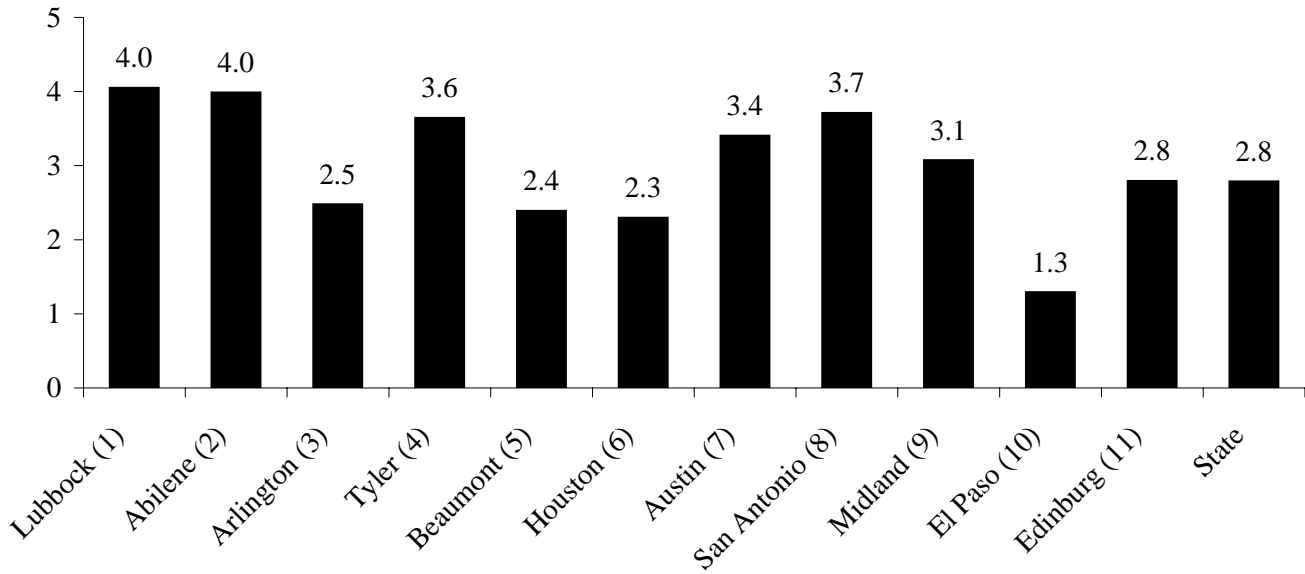
Note: All averages rounded to the nearest whole number.

Children in Foster Care by County Fiscal Year 2006

State Total 34,275

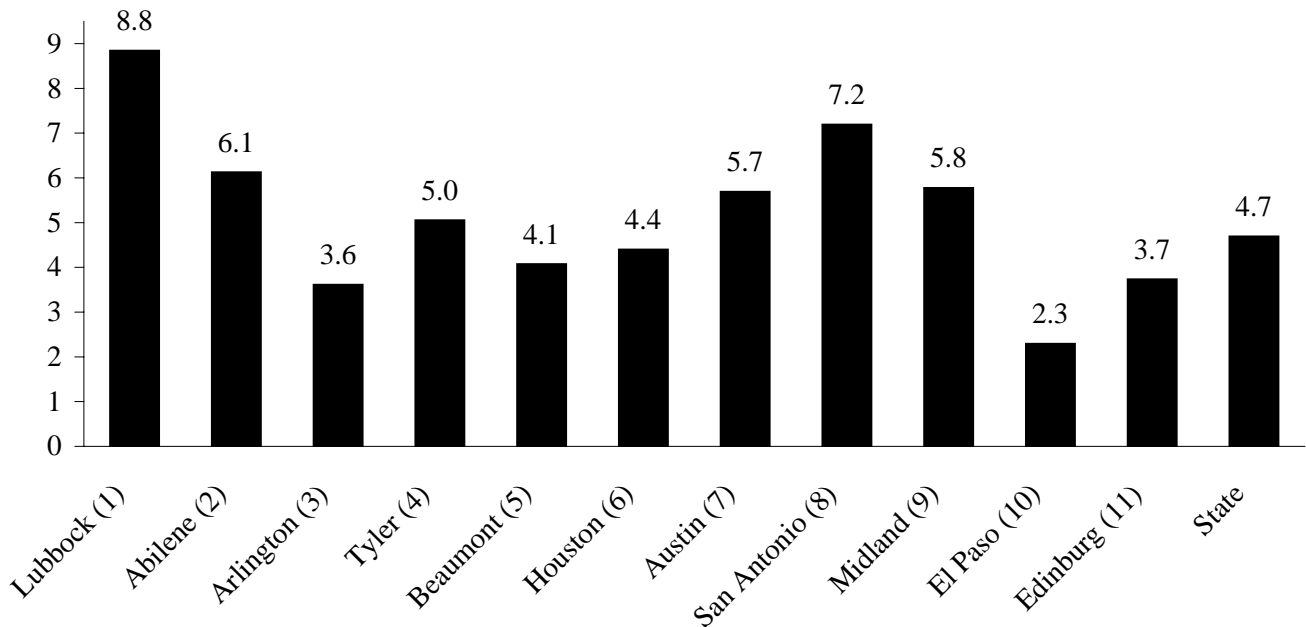


Point Prevalence Rate* for Children Entering Substitute Care Fiscal Year 2006



Note: A total of 17,536 children entered substitute care.

Point Prevalence Rate* for Children in Substitute Care at the End of Fiscal Year 2006



* Rate per 1,000 children

Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility, in Substitute Care, and in Foster Care Placements at the End of Fiscal Year 2006

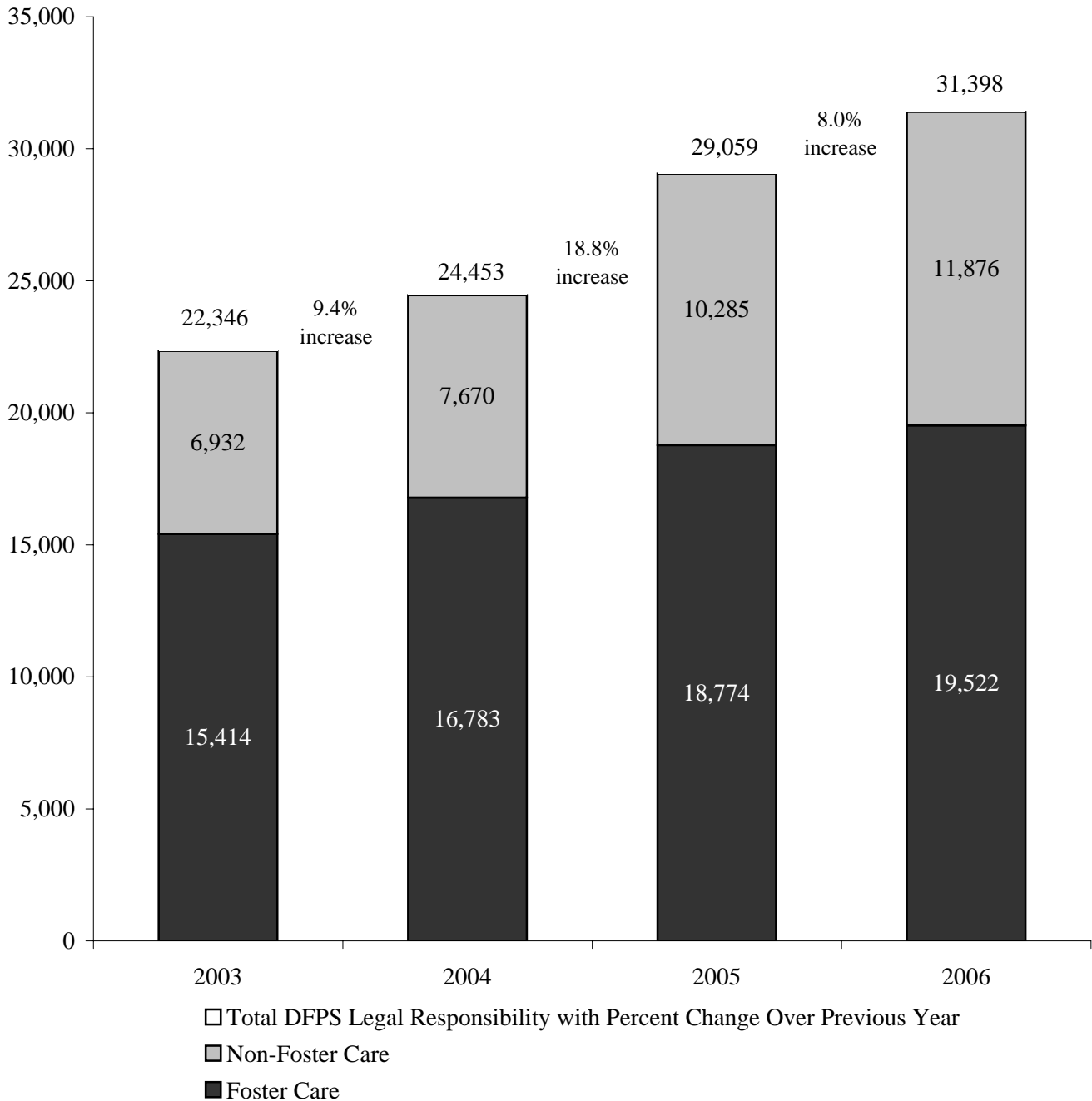
Region	DFPS Legal Responsibility	Substitute Care	Foster Care
Lubbock (1)	2,099	1,882	1,415
Abilene (2)	897	817	595
Arlington (3)	6,422	6,168	4,131
Tyler (4)	1,427	1,316	996
Beaumont (5)	808	760	578
Houston (6)	6,963	6,613	3,965
Austin (7)	3,941	3,661	2,390
San Antonio (8)	4,796	4,565	3,174
Midland (9)	893	836	552
El Paso (10)	545	521	430
Edinburg (11)	2,607	2,365	1,716
Total	31,398	29,504	19,942

Note: Foster Care is a sub-set of Substitute Care, and includes youth who have aged out of DFPS legal responsibility but remain in foster care.

Legal Status of Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility

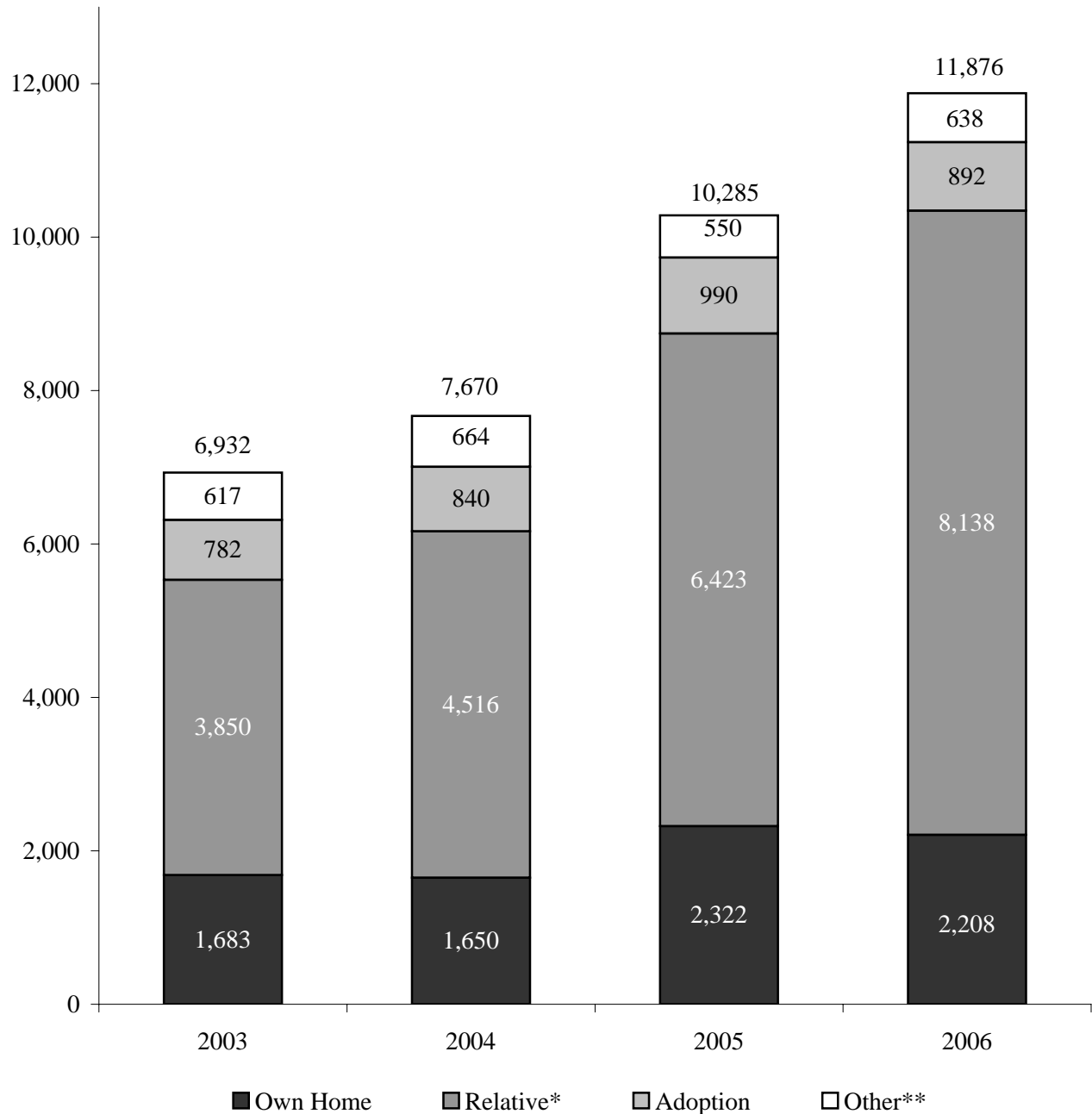
Legal Status	August 2004		August 2005		August 2006	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Care, Custody & Control	121	0.5%	302	1.0%	361	1.1%
Temporary Managing Conservatorship	12,555	51.3%	16,403	56.5%	17,011	54.2%
Permanent Managing Conservatorship						
Parental Rights Not Terminated	3,660	15.0%	3,806	13.1%	4,232	13.5%
Parental Rights Terminated (All)	7,421	30.4%	7,933	27.3%	9,070	28.9%
Parental Rights Terminated (One Parent)	636	2.6%	575	2.0%	682	2.2%
Possessory Conservatorship	60	0.2%	40	0.1%	42	0.1%
Total	24,453	100.0%	29,059	100.0%	31,398	100.0%

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



Note: Foster care totals exclude youth age 18 or 19 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 by Fiscal Year

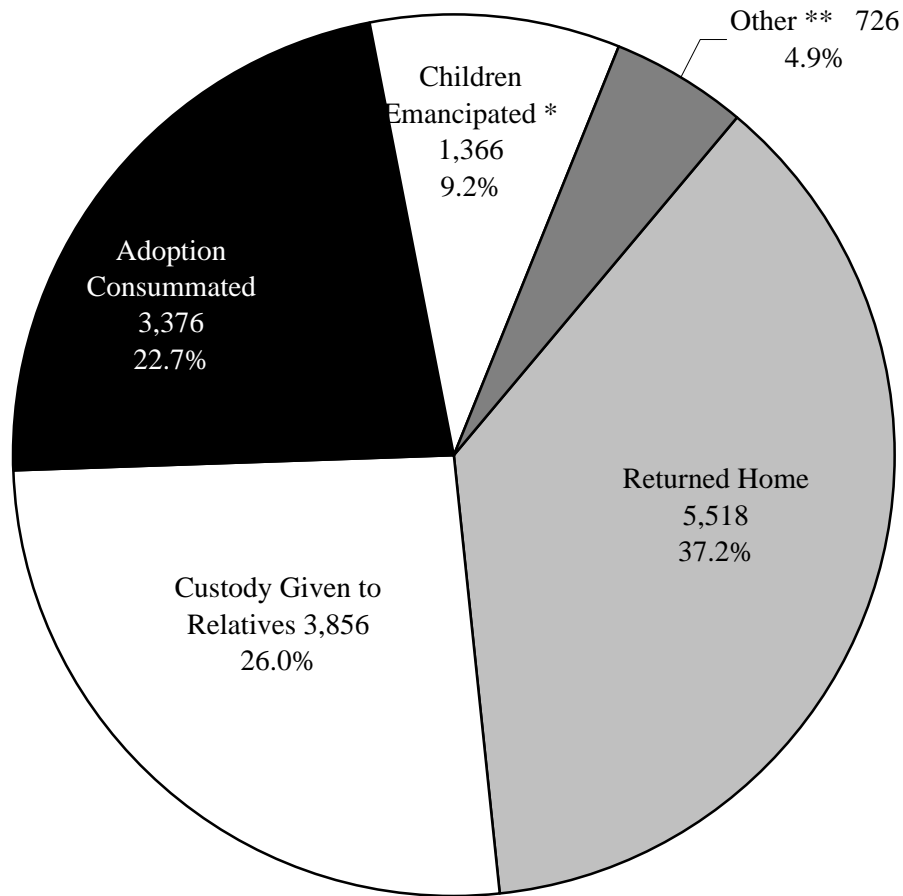


* Relative includes children placed with a non-custodial parent.

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

Status of Children No Longer in DFPS Legal Responsibility Fiscal Year 2006

Total Children: 14,842

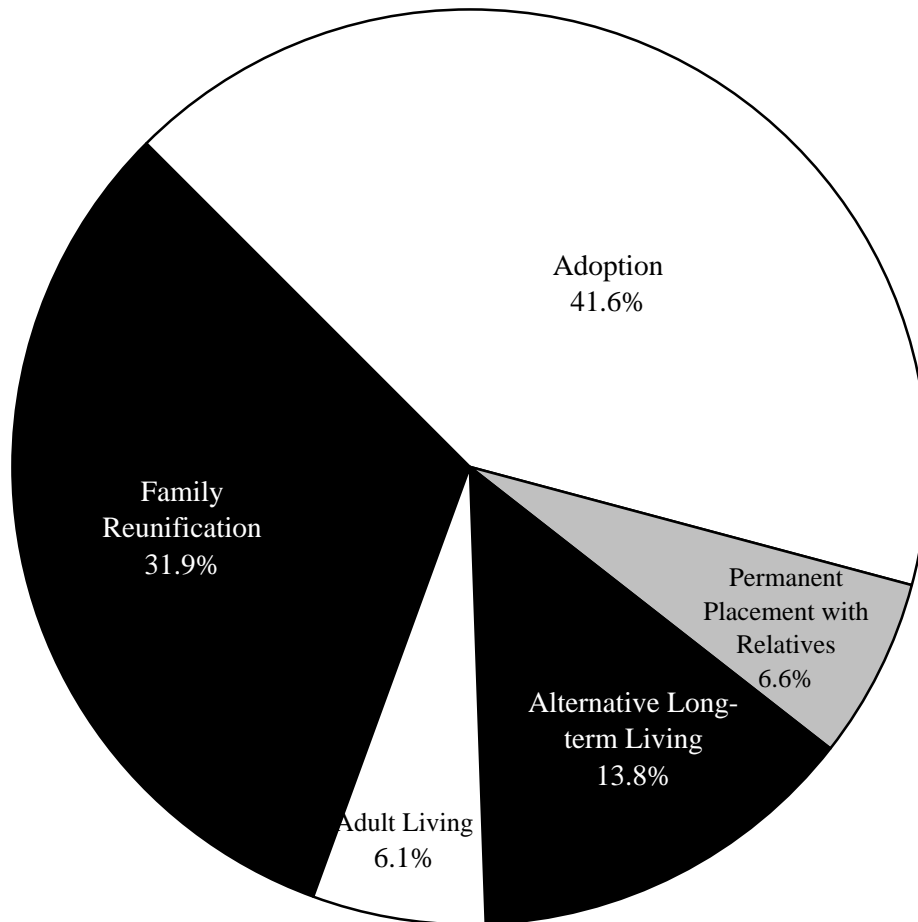


Note: Averages have been rounded to the nearest whole number.

*Of the 1366 youth emancipated in FY06, 1090 were emancipated from paid foster care.

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

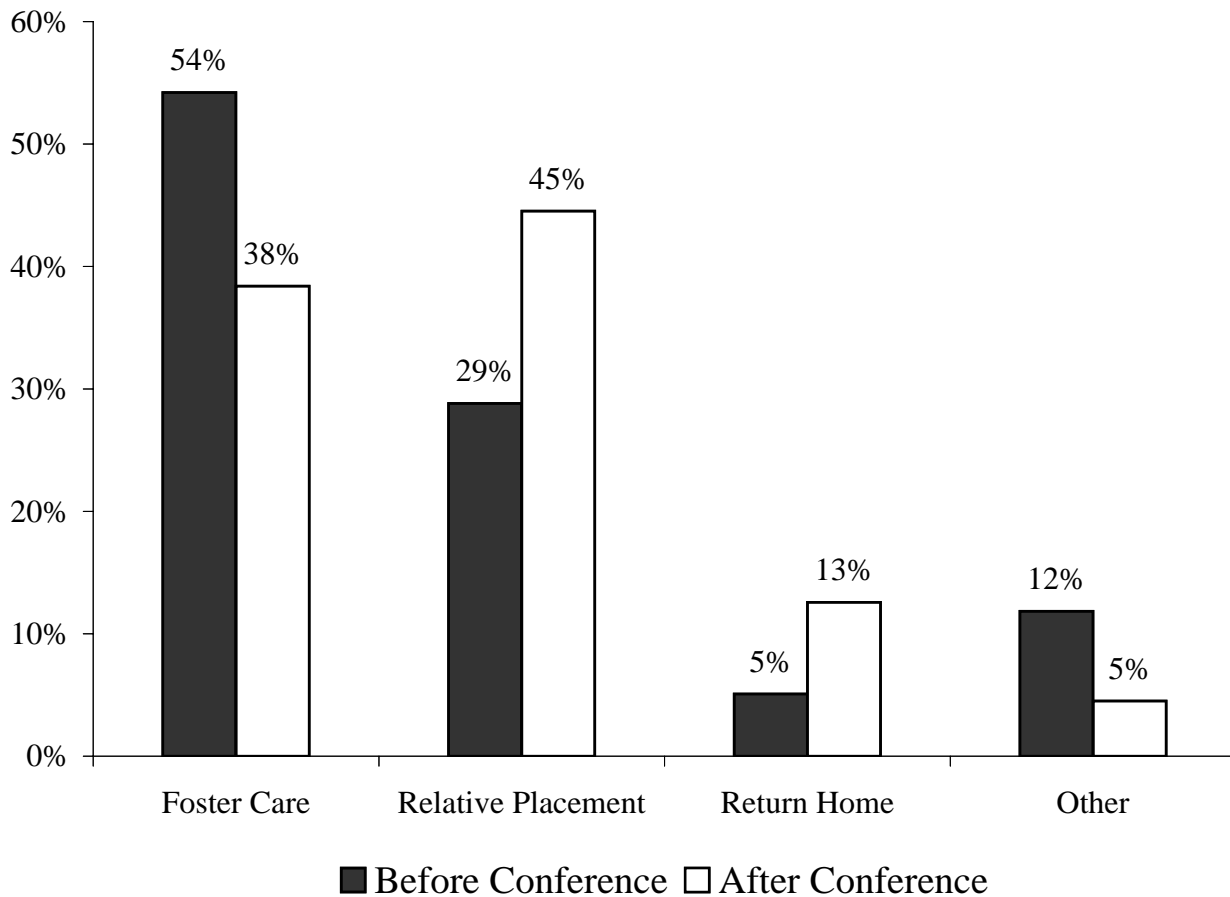
Permanency Goal of Children in Substitute Care for Whom DFPS Had Legal Responsibility on August 31, 2006



Note: Children counted had an approved permanency goal recorded.
Policy allows up to 45 days from entry into care to record the permanency goal.

Living Arrangements of Children Before and After the Family Group Decision Making (FGDM) Conferences Fiscal Year 2006

The Family Group Decision Making (FGDM) Conference provides a vehicle for solution-based intervention with families whose children are at risk of abuse and neglect. The parents, extended family, the community and Child Protective Services partner to create a plan that will offer safety, permanency, and well-being to their children. The chart below represents the placement patterns of 1908 children followed for the agency's evaluation of FGDM. The families of these children experienced a conference within the first 30 to 45 days of being in foster care within the 37 counties where FGDM was offered at the time. The leftmost bars indicate the percentage of the 1908 children in each type of placement prior to the conference. The rightmost bars indicate the percentage of the 1908 children in each type of placement after the conference, indicating that after the conference, more children had moved from a foster care placement to a relative placement or had returned home.



Note: The FGDM complete report can be found at:
http://www.dfps.state.tx.us/Documents/about/pdf/2006-10-09_FGDM_Evaluation.pdf

The Kinship Caregiver Program provides support to kinship caregivers who accept placement of related children in the legal custody of DFPS due to abuse and neglect. Kinship caregivers not only include relative, but also close family friends and others who have a long-standing relationship with the children. Families are provided with a \$1,000 integration payment and up \$500 per year per child for non-routine child rearing expenses.

Families and Children Receiving Kinship Caregiver Monetary Assistance March 2006 through August 2006

Region	Families Served	Children Served	Total Integration Payments*	Total Flexible Support Payments*	Total Relative Caregiver Support*
Lubbock (1)	51	94	\$29,000	\$46,250	\$75,250
Abilene (2)	99	169	\$46,000	\$62,228	\$108,228
Arlington (3)	263	499	\$115,000	\$219,500	\$334,500
Tyler (4)	80	127	\$38,000	\$56,000	\$94,000
Beaumont (5)	2	3	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$3,000
Houston (6)	154	296	\$47,000	\$134,500	\$181,500
Austin (7)	174	336	\$70,000	\$139,498	\$209,498
San Antonio (8)	180	356	\$55,000	\$173,881	\$228,881
Midland (9)	56	110	\$21,000	\$55,000	\$76,000
El Paso (10)	7	15	\$7,000	\$2,000	\$9,000
Edinburg (11)	100	200	\$72,000	\$58,396	\$130,396
State Total	1,166	2,205	\$502,000	\$948,253	\$1,450,253

* Amounts have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Note: The Kinship Caregiver Monetary Assistance program began in March 2006.

Average Monthly Number of Children and FTEs in Paid Foster Care by Service Level Fiscal Year 2006

Service Level	Number of Children	Number of FTEs*	Avg. Daily Rate
Basic	12,264	10,980	\$31.65
Moderate	4,532	4,195	\$68.60
Specialized	2,857	2,598	\$100.75
Intense	243	218	\$205.15
Emergency Shelter	1,267	734	\$96.46
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All levels	21,163**	18,725	
Total Unduplicated Children	20,495		

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

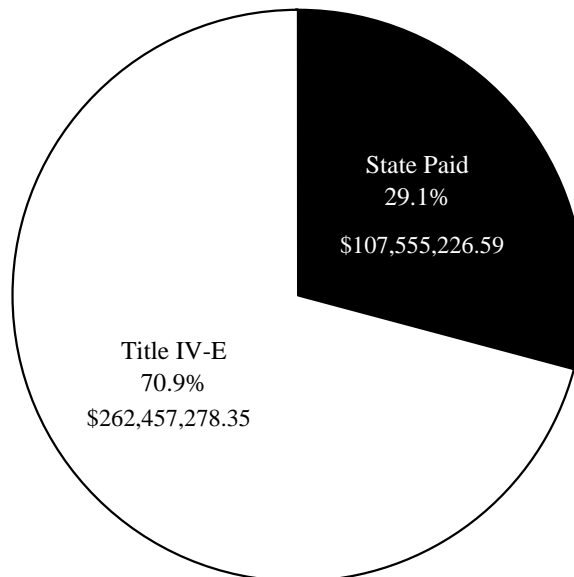
DFPS changed from a level of care system to a service level system in FY 2004.

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

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

Foster Care Expenditures by Source Fiscal Year 2006

Total Expenditures: \$370,012,504.94



Expenditures are actual expenditures as of November 7, 2006

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

Children in Paid Foster Care Monthly Average by Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year	State Paid Foster Care**	Title IV-E Foster Care	Other Care*	Total Children in Foster Care	Percent Change from Previous Fiscal Year
2002	6,304	8,884	87	15,275	8.0%
2003	6,420	9,794	53	16,267	6.5%
2004	5,734	11,505	0	17,239	6.0%
2005	5,578	13,775	0	19,353	12.3%
2006	5,604	14,911	0	20,515	6.0%

Children in Paid Foster Care Monthly Average by Region Fiscal Year 2006

Region	State Paid Foster Care**	Title IV-E Foster Care
Lubbock (1)	385	1,089
Abilene (2)	193	435
Arlington (3)	1,235	3,025
Tyler (4)	384	655
Beaumont (5)	177	425
Houston (6)	1,174	2,773
Austin (7)	861	1,689
San Antonio (8)	631	2,591
Midland (9)	95	431
El Paso (10)	81	344
Edinburg (11)	390	1,455
Blank Region	0	0
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Total Unduplicated***	5,604	14,911

Total Unduplicated Children: 20,495

* Cost of care not covered by Title IV-E or State Paid Foster Care

** 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.

Note: All averages rounded to the nearest whole number.

Demographics of Children in Foster Care by Fiscal Year

Characteristic	August 2003		August 2004		August 2005		August 2006		
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
Age									
Birth - 2	3,110	19.8%	3,467	20.3%	4,161	21.8%	4,404	22.1%	
3 - 5	2,165	13.8%	2,489	14.5%	2,798	14.6%	3,025	15.2%	
6 - 9	2,503	15.9%	2,777	16.2%	3,267	17.1%	3,534	17.7%	
10 - 13	3,322	21.1%	3,402	19.9%	3,560	18.6%	3,519	17.6%	
14 - 17	4,314	27.5%	4,648	27.2%	4,988	26.1%	5,040	25.3%	
18 - 21	295	1.9%	326	1.9%	339	1.8%	420	2.1%	
Sex									
Male	8,331	53.0%	8,095	47.3%	10,064	52.7%	10,532	52.8%	
Female	7,368	46.9%	9,010	52.7%	9,045	47.3%	9,408	47.2%	
Unknown	10	0.1%	4	0.0%	4	0.0%	2	0.0%	
Ethnicity									
Anglo	5,201	33.1%	5,619	32.9%	6,201	32.4%	6,439	32.3%	
African American	4,707	30.0%	4,958	29.0%	5,484	28.7%	5,581	28.0%	
Hispanic	5,503	35.0%	6,232	36.4%	7,101	37.2%	7,509	37.6%	
Native American	41	0.3%	55	0.3%	45	0.2%	50	0.3%	
Asian	80	0.5%	53	0.3%	55	0.3%	68	0.3%	
Other	177	1.1%	192	1.1%	227	1.2%	295	1.5%	
Total	15,709	100.0%	17,109	100.0%	19,113	100.0%	19,942	100.0%	

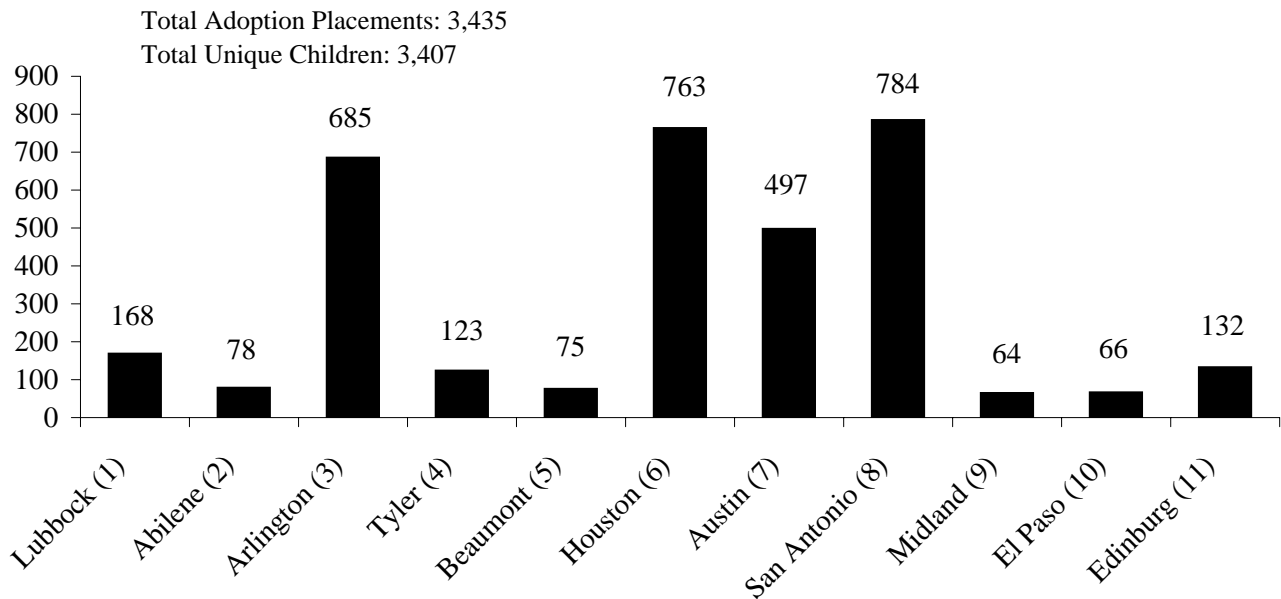
Number of DFPS Foster, Foster/Adoptive, and Adoptive Homes as of August 31, 2006

Region	Foster Homes	Foster/Adoptive Homes*	Adoptive Homes**
Lubbock (1)	15	183	12
Abilene (2)	9	167	66
Arlington (3)	66	532	92
Tyler (4)	21	165	28
Beaumont (5)	32	135	15
Houston (6)	154	372	151
Austin (7)	41	196	61
San Antonio (8)	66	252	93
Midland (9)	13	93	54
El Paso (10)	21	58	24
Edinburg (11)	40	86	40
Out of State	9	35	39
Total	487	2,274	675

* Includes 59 legal risk homes and 180 certified kinship homes.

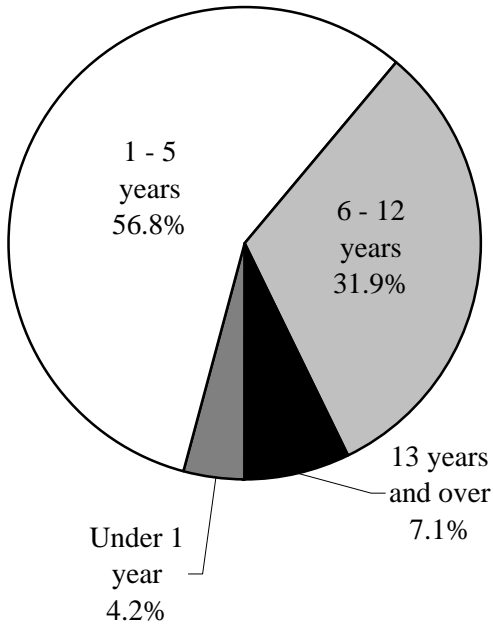
** This number does not include the homes open only for receipt of adoption subsidy.

Children Placed in Adoptive Homes by Region Fiscal Year 2006

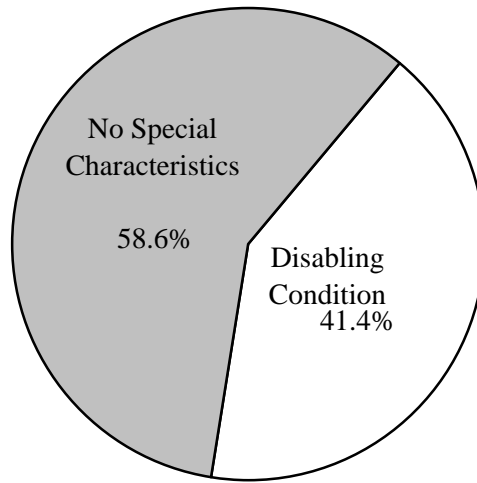


Demographics of 3,407 Children Placed in Adoptive Homes Fiscal Year 2006

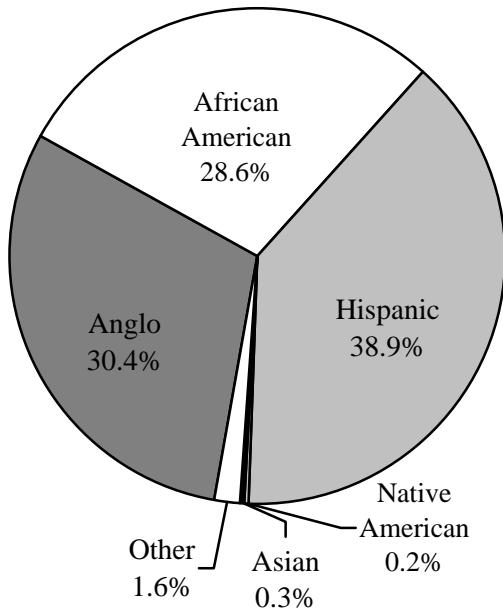
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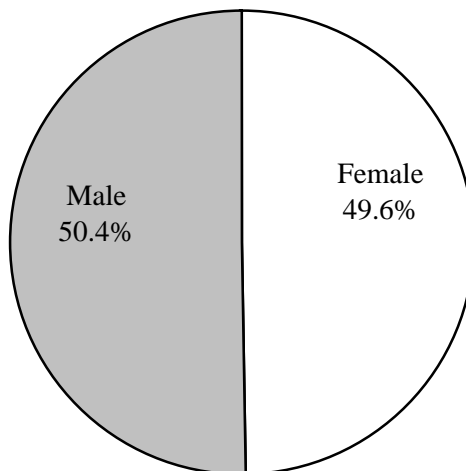
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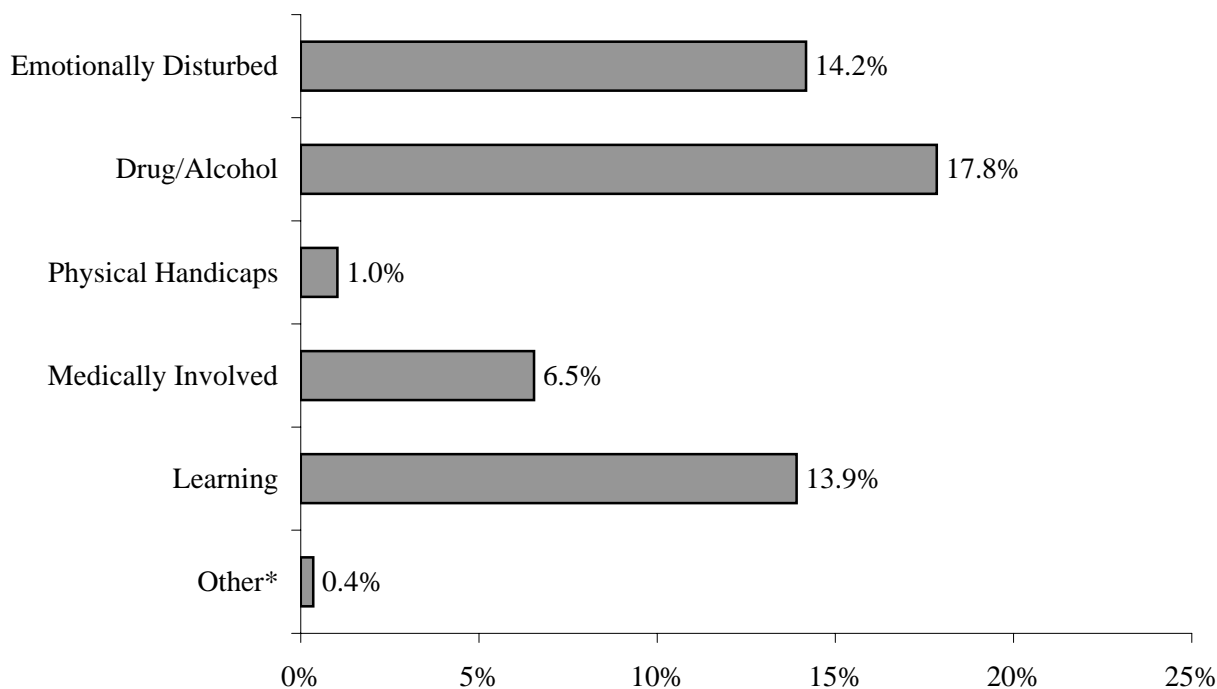


Sex



Children with Disabling Conditions Placed in Adoptive Homes Fiscal Year 2006

Disabling Condition	Percentage	Number
Emotionally Disturbed	14.2%	483
Drug/Alcohol	17.8%	608
Physical Handicaps	1.0%	35
Medically Involved	6.5%	223
Learning	13.9%	474
Other*	0.4%	12



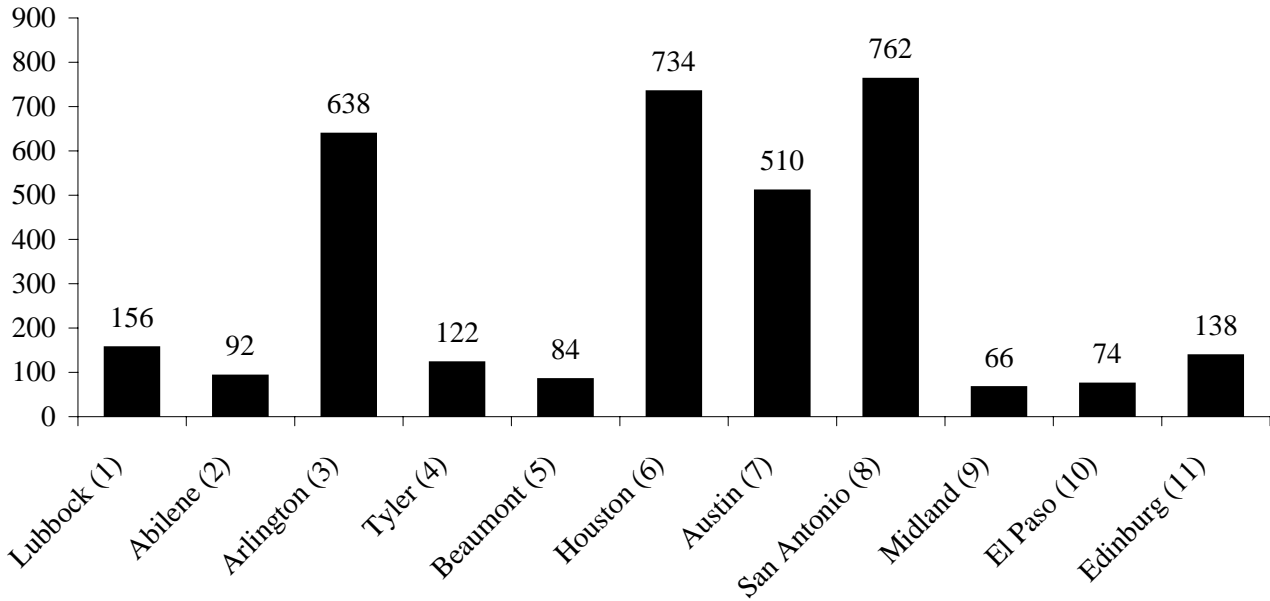
* Other includes teen parent or pregnant.

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

Children in Consummated Adoptions by Region

Fiscal Year 2006

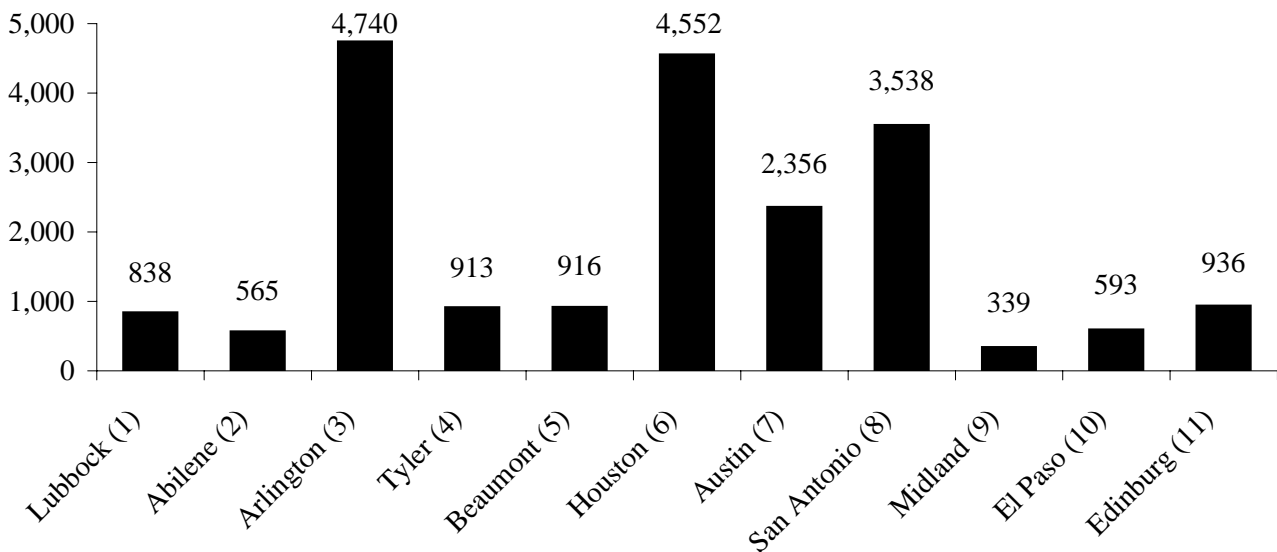
Total: 3,376



Average Number of Children Provided Adoption Subsidy Per Month

Fiscal Year 2006

Total*: 20,289



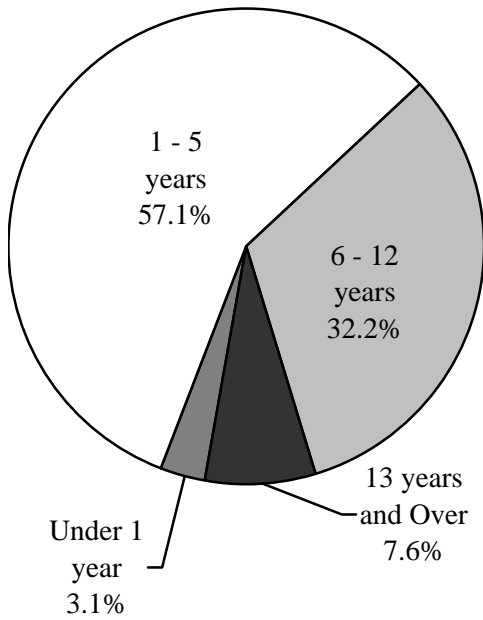
Note: Subsidies include financial payments only, not medical and non-recurring subsidies.

* Total includes 3 out of state.

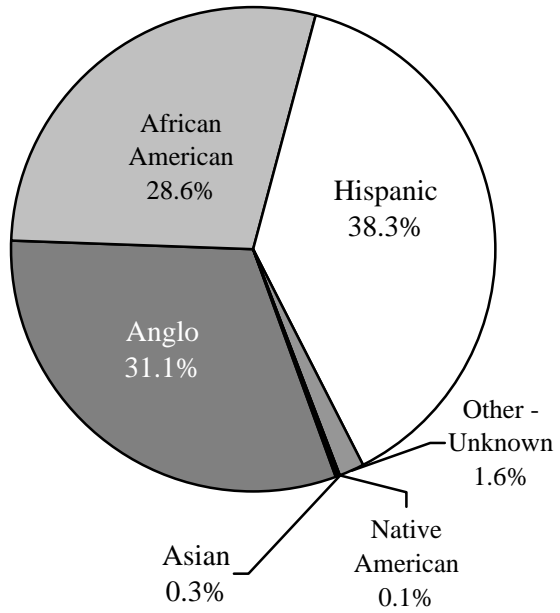
Demographics of Children in Consummated Adoptions Fiscal Year 2006

Total Consummated Adoptions: 3,376

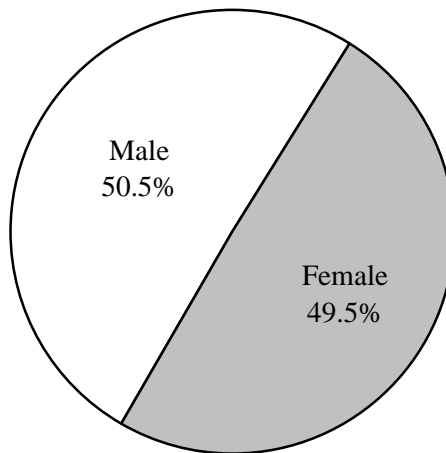
Age



Ethnicity



Sex



Race/Ethnicity of Children and Adoptive Parents by Fiscal Year

	2003		2004		2005		2006	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Race/ethnicity of parent(s) is same as child	1,388	62.7%	1,473	60.5%	1,881	60.5%	1,951	58.3%
Race/ethnicity of one or both parents differs from child's (Transracial)	826	37.3%	961	39.5%	1,227	39.5%	1,397	41.7%
Total adoptions where race/ethnicity can be determined	2,214	100.0%	2,434	100.0%	3,108	100.0%	3,348	100.0%

Adoption Consummations by Type of Agency by Fiscal Year

	2003		2004		2005		2006	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
DFPS	1,716	70.2%	1,715	68.3%	2,148	67.7%	2,149	63.7%
Non DFPS*	728	29.8%	797	31.7%	1,025	32.3%	1,227	36.3%
Total Consummations	2,444	100.0%	2,512	100.0%	3,173	100.0%	3,376	100.0%

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

CPS Outcomes

Based on data from Fiscal Year 2006

Child Safety Outcomes

Percent of children who remained safe in substitute care 99.2 %

(children in care during FY 06 who did not experience a confirmed incident of maltreatment)

Incidence of Repeat Maltreatment 4.4 %

(child victims with a confirmed allegation within the prior 6 months. Applies to children in any stage of care)

Permanency Services

% of Children with 2 or fewer placements that have been in care 12 months or less 76.4 %

Family Preservation Outcomes

(measured from start of services to end of services)

Average length of service 8.1 months

Family Reunification Outcomes

(measured from removal to placement in own home)

Percent of children returned to own home 37.2 %

Average number of placements per child 2.1 placements

Average length of service 8.8 months

Median length of service 8 months

Children reunified with family, with DFPS conservatorship terminated, within 12 months of removal 61.4 %

Adoption Services Outcomes

(measured from removal to adoption consummation)

Percent of children who left DFPS legal responsibility with an adoption consummation 22.7 %

Average number of placements per child 3.4 placements

Average length of service 28.7 months

 From Removal to Final Order 13.2 months

 From Final Order to Adoption Placement 12.8 months

 From Placement to Adoption Consummation 2.7 months

Median length of service 24.1 months

Children adopted within 24 months of removal 53.5 %

Permanent Relative Care Outcomes

(measured from removal to date DFPS legal responsibility ended)

Percent of children who left DFPS legal responsibility to a relative placement 26.0 %

Average number of placements 2.3 placements

Average length of service 12.1 months

Median length of service 11.1 months

Children re-entering foster care within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode of foster care 2.9 %

Long-term Substitute Care Outcomes

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

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

Percent of children who left DFPS legal responsibility	9.2 %
Average number of placements	7.9
Average length of service	60.5 months
Median length of service	49.3 months

Other Long-term Substitute Care

(measured from removal to date DFPS legal responsibility ended)

Percent of children who left DFPS legal responsibility	4.9 %
Average number of placements	2.9
Average length of service	10.3 months
Median length of service	5.6 months

Fiscal Year 2006 Recidivism Outcomes

For All Stages:

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

	9.2 %
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For Family Preservation:

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

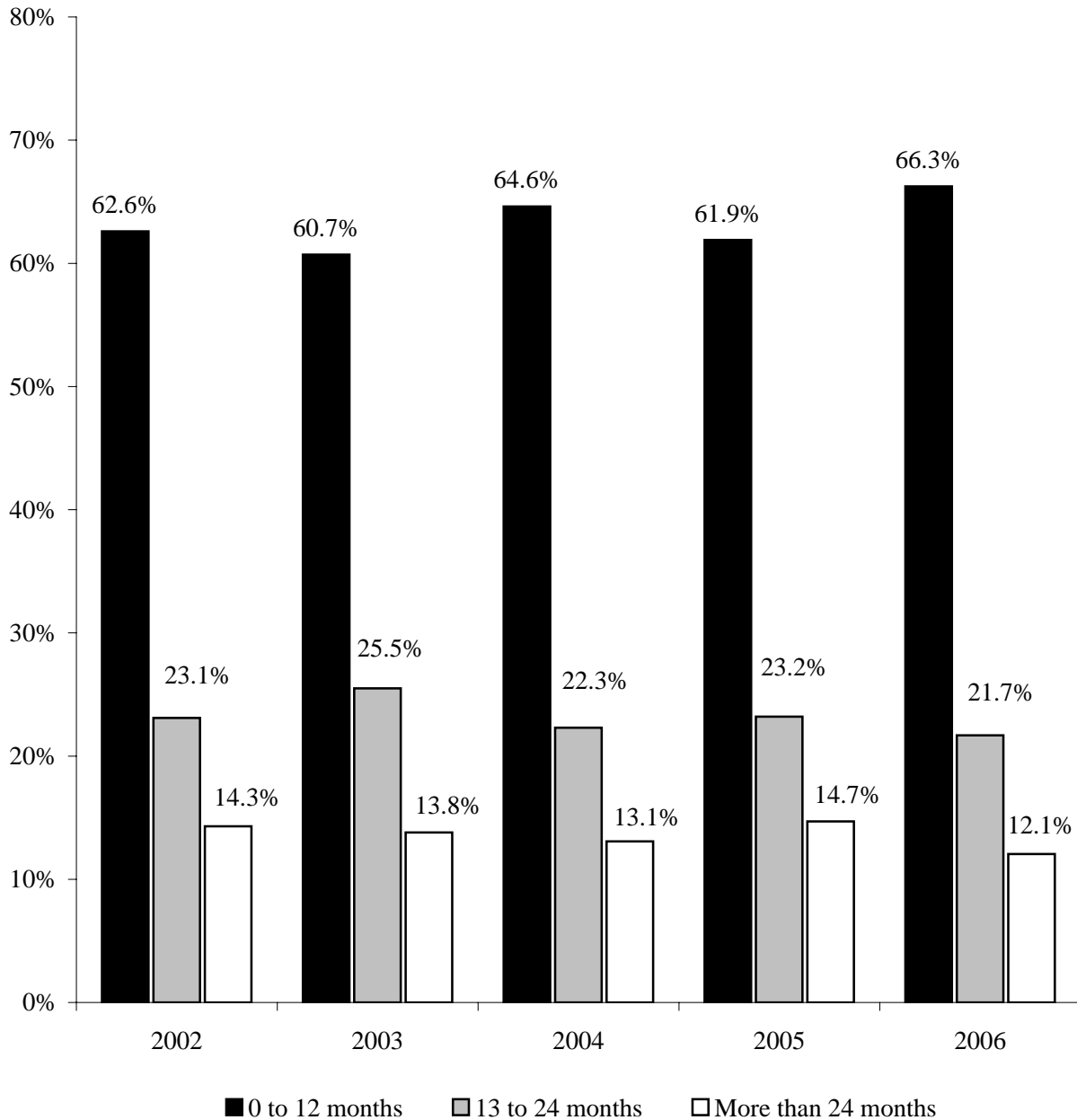
	9.2 %
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For Family Reunification:

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

	18.4 %
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Length of Time in Care for Children Who Achieved Permanency Status* During Fiscal Year



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

**Average Length of Time in Months for Children
Leaving DFPS Responsibility by Type of Exit and Region
Fiscal Year 2006**

Region	Family Reunification	Relative Care	Adoption	Long Term Subcare - Emancipation	Long Term Subcare - Other
Lubbock (1)	10.0	14.6	30.3	55.1	6.0
Abilene (2)	9.0	12.0	30.4	67.8	7.9
Arlington (3)	7.7	11.5	27.6	58.1	6.1
Tyler (4)	7.8	10.0	29.8	51.6	10.1
Beaumont (5)	8.8	13.5	27.2	69.4	19.1
Houston (6)	9.4	14.4	30.4	68.2	15.9
Austin (7)	7.9	12.2	27.9	60.9	9.4
San Antonio (8)	10.4	13.3	23.7	63.6	11.7
Midland (9)	9.3	14.1	28.8	49.6	6.4
El Paso (10)	7.0	9.9	29.7	54.2	11.6
Edinburg (11)	9.5	10.6	33.7	46.3	7.2
State	8.8	12.1	28.7	60.5	10.3

**Leaving DFPS Responsibility by Type of Exit and Race/Ethnicity
Fiscal Year 2006**

Race/Ethnicity	Family Reunification	Relative Care	Adoption	Long Term Subcare - Emancipation	Long Term Subcare - Other
Anglo	8.7	11.7	28.4	57.1	13.3
African-American	8.7	12.8	32.0	67.4	10.7
Hispanic	9.1	11.9	26.8	58.8	8.1
Indian	3.3	12.9	21.5	84.6	17.2
Asian	5.9	16.8	25.6	25.9	0.0
Other	6.9	14.9	23.0	37.1	4.2
STATE	8.8	12.1	28.7	60.5	10.3

Average Number of Out-of-Home Placements for Children Who Attained Permanency Fiscal Year 2006

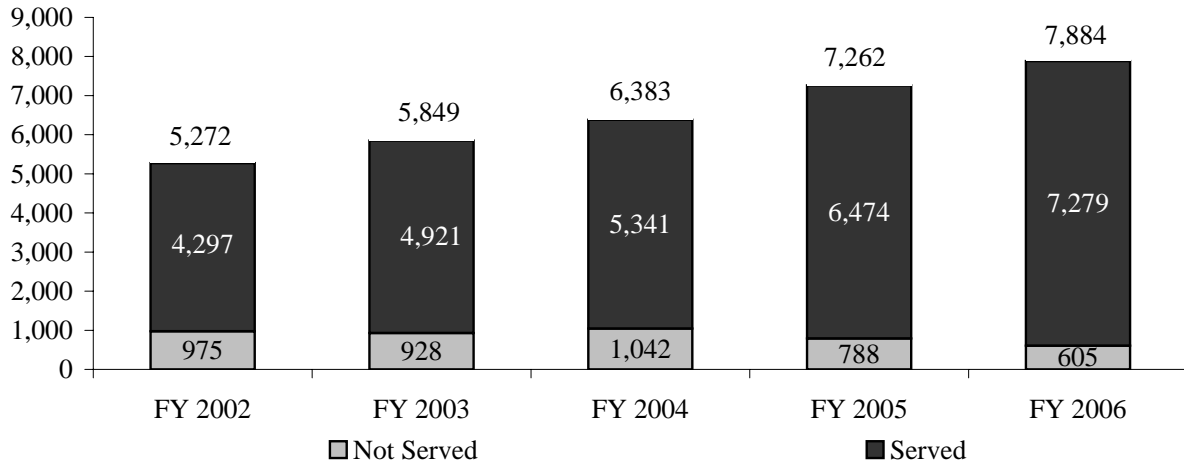
Region	Return Home	Relative Care	Adoption	Long Term Care - Emancipation	Long Term Care - Other
Lubbock (1)	2.4	2.5	3.2	8.1	1.7
Abilene (2)	2.4	2.6	3.3	6.9	3.5
Arlington (3)	2.0	2.2	3.2	8.1	2.0
Tyler (4)	1.9	2.0	3.2	7.4	2.7
Beaumont (5)	2.2	2.4	2.4	4.6	4.9
Houston (6)	2.2	2.3	3.4	8.2	4.1
Austin (7)	2.2	2.6	3.6	8.5	2.7
San Antonio (8)	2.3	2.6	3.5	8.4	2.9
Midland (9)	2.5	2.1	3.8	7.7	1.4
El Paso (10)	1.8	2.2	3.7	6.1	2.6
Edinburg (11)	2.0	2.1	3.6	6.0	3.1
State	2.1	2.3	3.4	7.9	2.9

Note: The average number of placements per child in substitute care for all children who attained permanency is 3.0 placements.

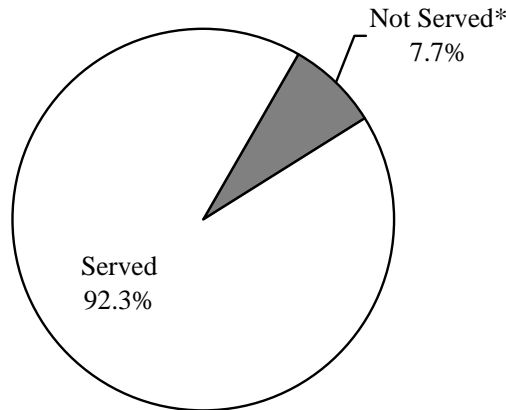
Substitute Care Outcomes for Cases Open at the End of Fiscal Year 2006

Average length of service for children in temporary managing conservatorship.	6.6 months
Median length of service for children in temporary managing conservatorship.	5.6 months
Average length of service for children in permanent managing conservatorship.	39.7 months
Median length of service for children in permanent managing conservatorship.	27.8 months

Preparation for Adult Living (PAL) Services Youth Ages 16 through 20 by Fiscal Year



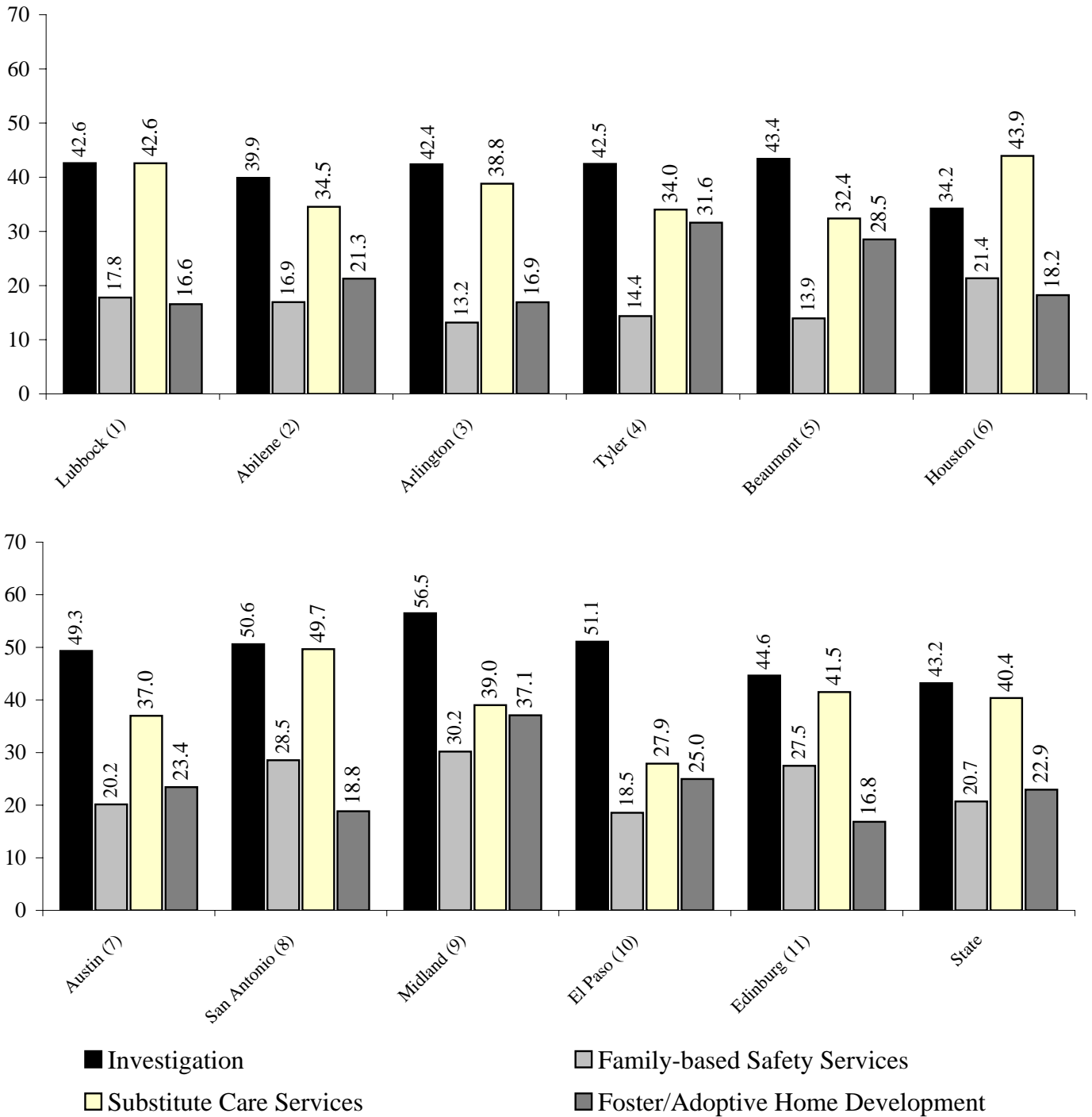
Preparation for Adult Living (PAL) Services Fiscal Year 2006



* 403 youth who were not served in FY 2006 received services prior to FY 2006.

The Transitional Living 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.

CPS Daily Caseloads Fiscal Year 2005



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