

CPS

Child Protective Services Overview

Expenditures and Total Average Filled FTE Staff

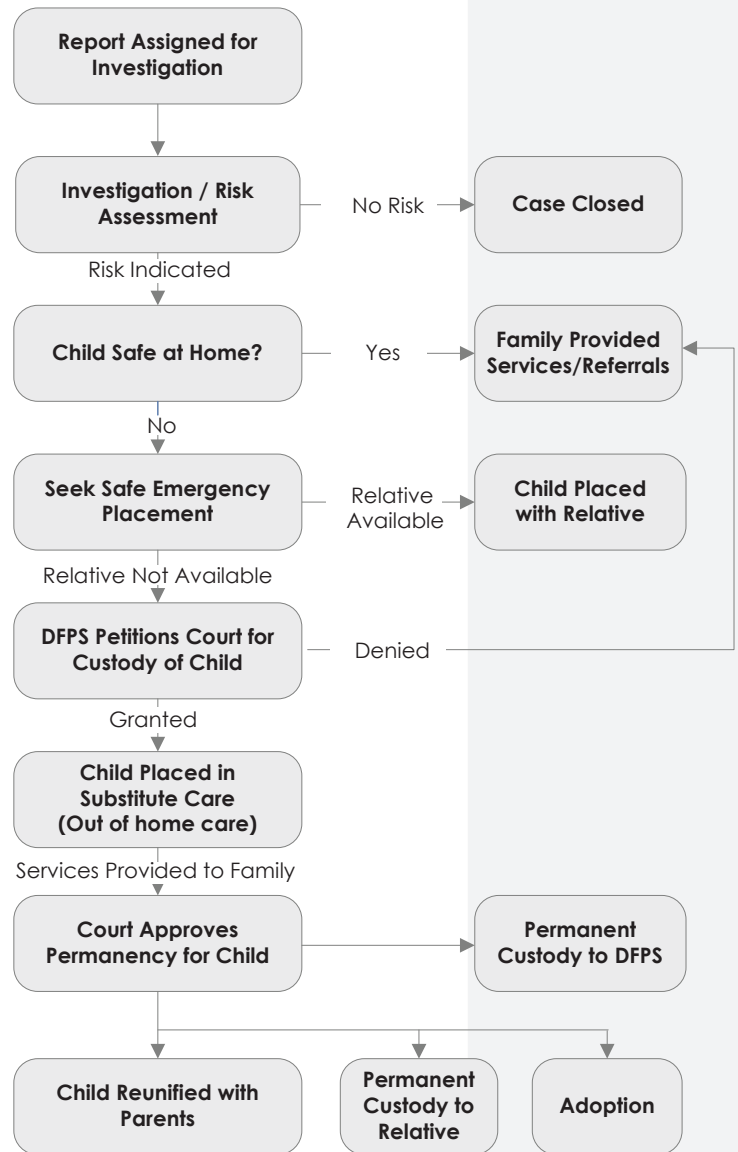
Total Staff	8037.0
Direct Delivery Total Staff	7,589.6
Caseworkers	
Investigation	1,620.3
Family-Based Safety Services	624.7
Conservatorship	1,361.6
Other Workers	454.4
Supervisors	850.6
Program Directors/Administrators	154.0
Clerical	981.9
Case Aides	761.7
Other Direct Delivery Staff	1,227.8
CPS Staff Costs	\$422,939,948.41

Worker Demographics

Turnover Rate	30.5%
Tenure:	
Less Than 1 Year	38.1%
1 - 3 Years	41.3%
Greater than 3 Years	20.6%
Entry Salary (INV)	\$35,201.96
Entry Salary (Non INV)	\$31,640.40
Average Age	34.6
Race/Ethnicity:	
African-American	30.3%
Anglo	43.1%
Hispanic	24.8%
Other	1.8%

Supervisor Demographics

Turnover Rate	8.5%
Tenure:	
Less Than 1 Year	2.2%
1 - 3 Years	12.4%
Greater than 3 Years	85.0%
Entry Salary	\$38,351.00
Average Age	40.1
Race/Ethnicity:	
African-American	25.5%
Anglo	49.3%
Hispanic	23.3%
Other	1.8%



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

Statistics FY 2008

Texas State Child Population	6,442,738
Children, Alleged Victims	280,557
Children in Confirmed Investigations	102,515
Children Removed	14,295

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

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

The Values are

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

Most Common...

- **Person reporting abuse/neglect**
School Professional (19.5%)
- **Allegation confirmed**
Neglectful Supervision (60.5%)
- **Confirmed perpetrator of abuse/neglect**
Relationship: Parent (78.7%)
Gender: Female (58.0%)
Age: Age 26-35 (37.1%)
Marital Status: Married (30.1%)
- **Characteristic of confirmed victim**
Age: Age 1 to 3 (24.1%)
Gender: Female (51.3%)

Fiscal Year 2008 Other Expenditures

Purchased Services	\$86,490,779.512
• Counseling/Evaluation/Testing	
• Homemaker Services	
• Parent/Community Groups	
• Post Adoption Services Program	
• Day Care Services	
Foster Care Payments	\$386,423,816.31
Adoption Subsidy Payments	\$137,619,228.00
Federally Funded Special Projects	\$2,964,739.147
Total Staff	31.3

Legal Responsibility for Child Protective Services

Statutory References

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

Major Provisions

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

Concepts Guiding Risk Determination

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

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

Federal Outcomes Used to Assess Child Welfare Services

Safety Outcomes

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

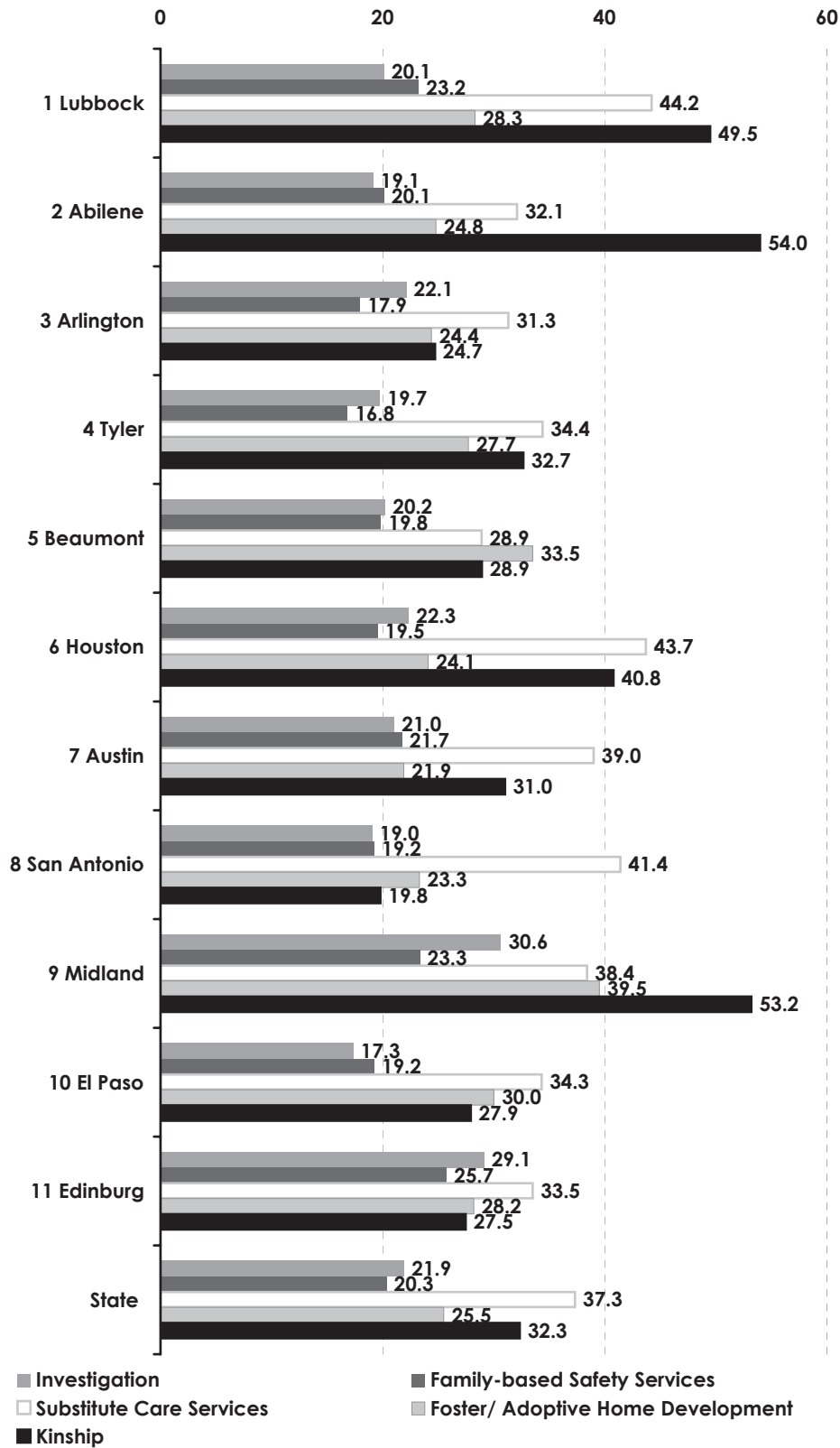
Permanency Outcomes

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

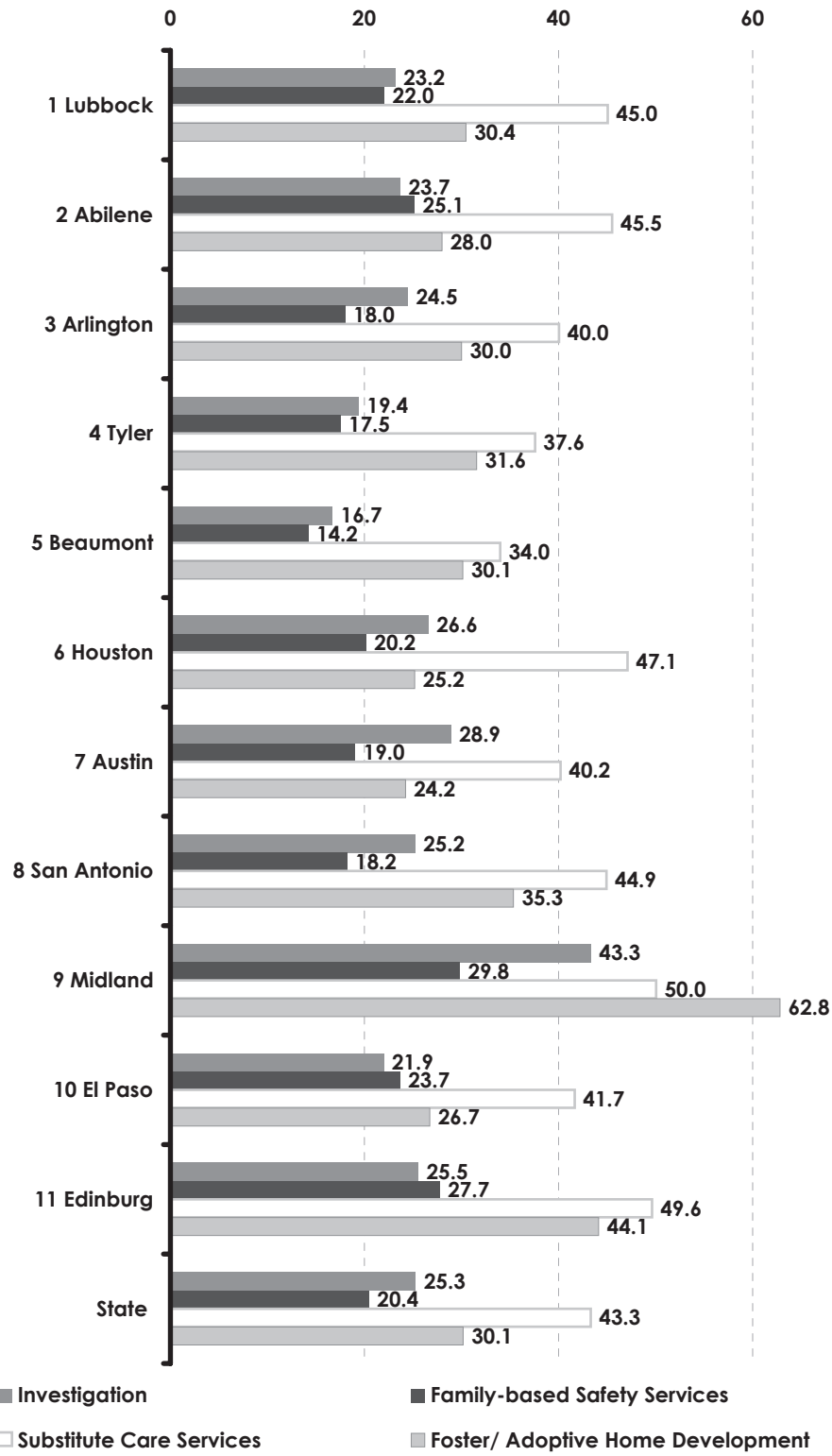
Well-Being Outcomes

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

**CPS Daily Caseload
Fiscal Year 2008**



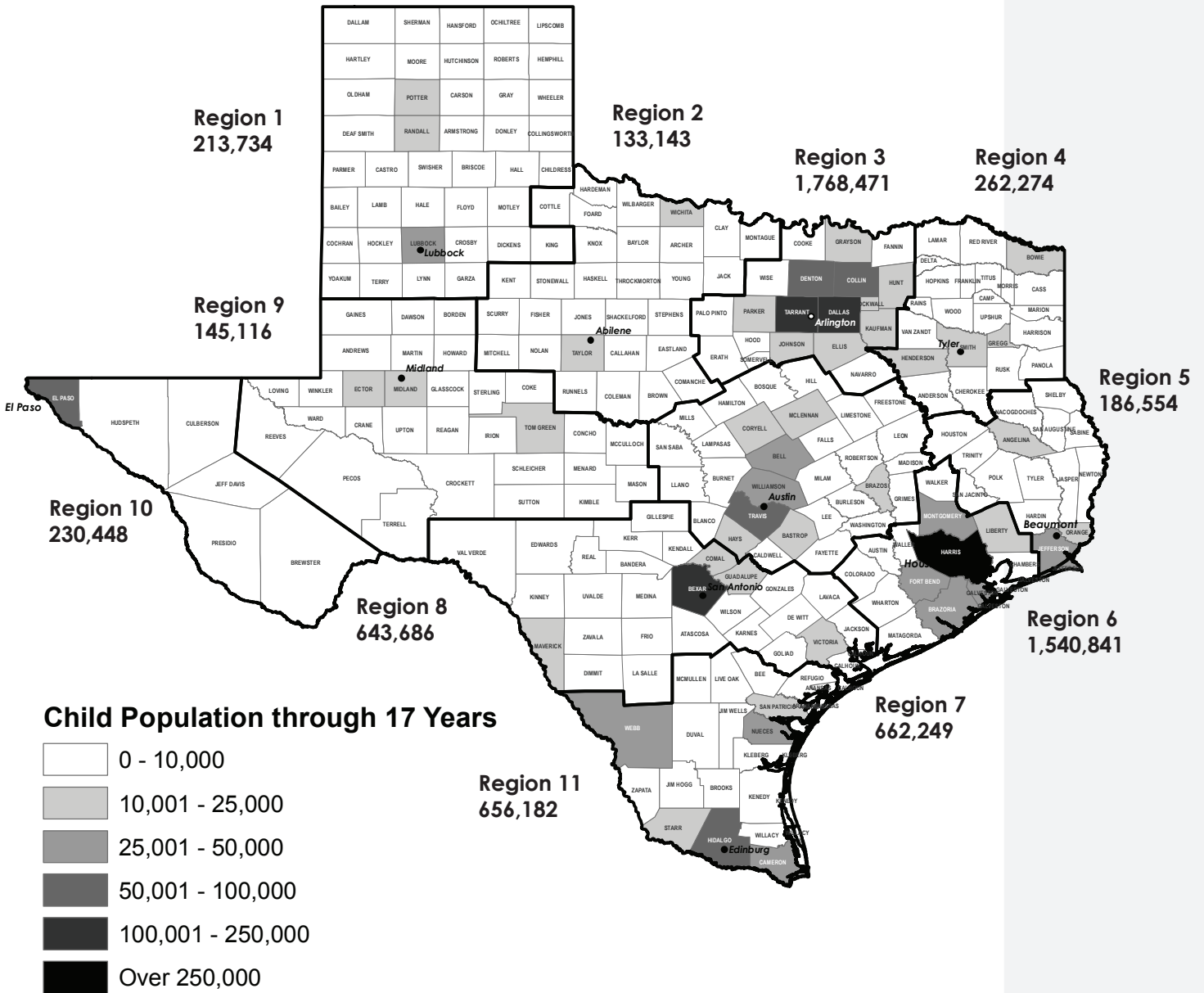
**CPS Daily Caseload
Fiscal Year 2007**



Note: Kinship Stage of Service was implemented in FY 2008.

**Texas Child Population
Ages Birth through 17 Years
Fiscal Year 2008**

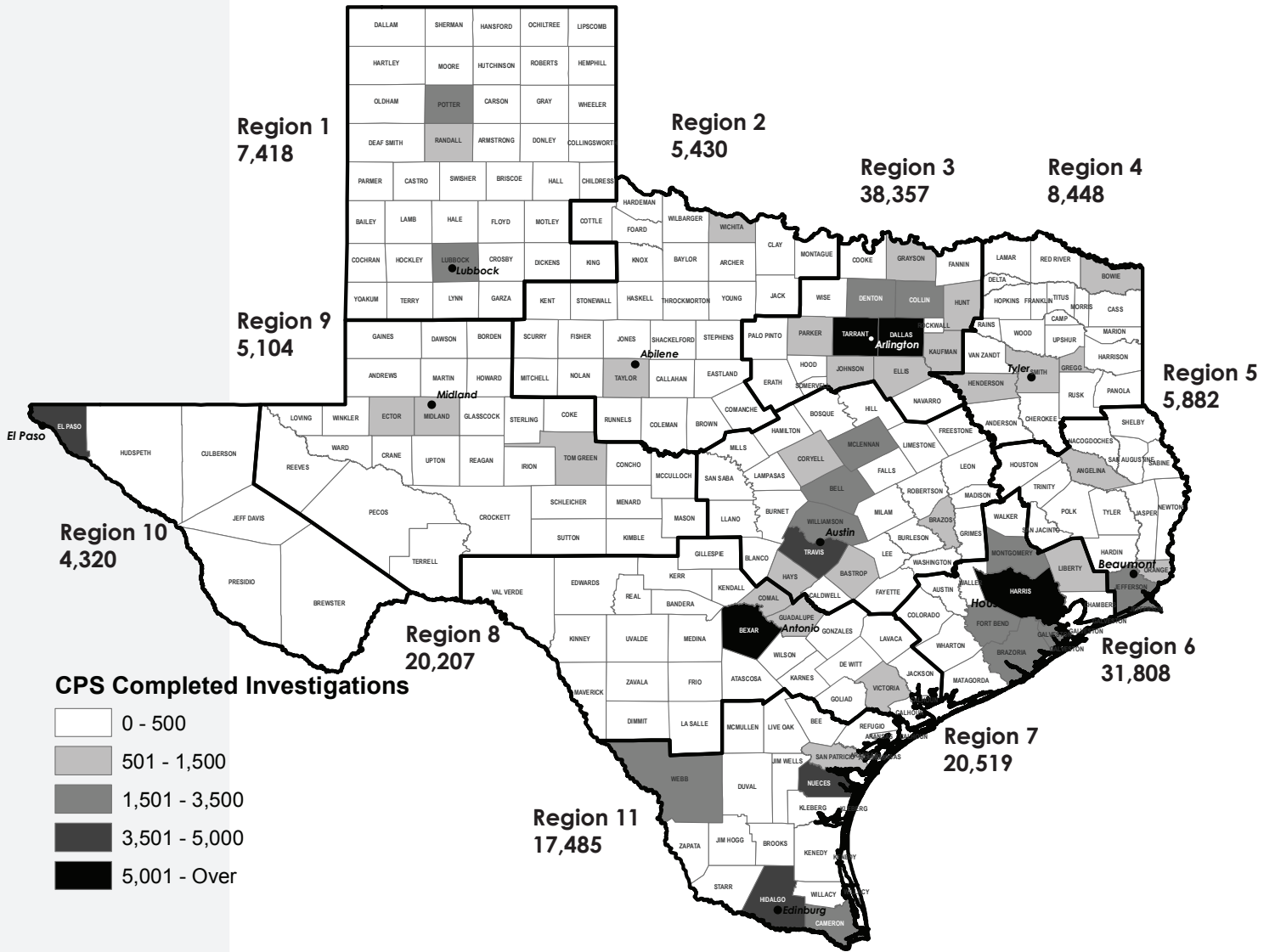
State Total: 6,442,738



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

Child Protective Services Completed Investigations Fiscal Year 2008

State Total: 165,010



Note: 32 investigations did not have the county designated.

**CPS Total Initial Intakes and Screened Out Cases
Fiscal Year 2008**

Total Initial Intakes

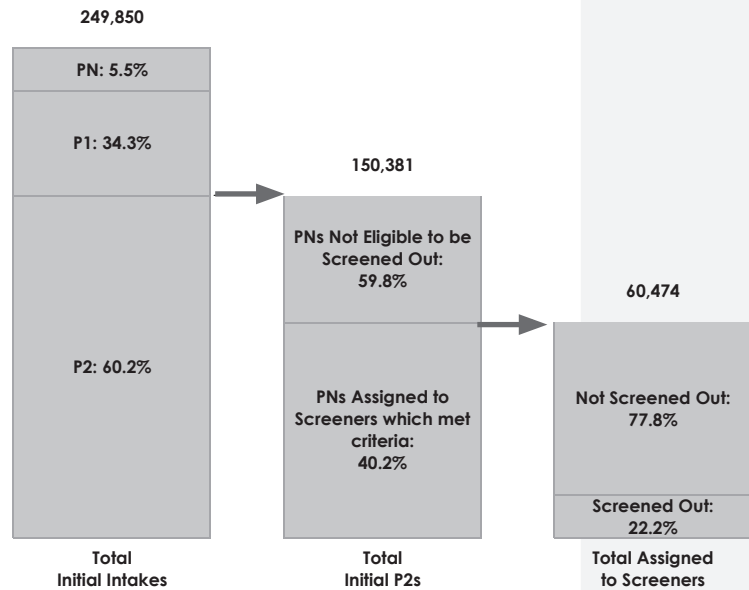
	Number	Percent
PN	13,829	5.5%
P1	85,640	34.3%
P2	150,381	60.2%
Total	249,850	100.0%

Initially Assigned P2s eligible for screening

	Number	Percent
Not Assigned to Screeners	89,907	59.8%
Assigned to Screeners	60,474	40.2%
Total	150,381	100.0%

Assigned to Screeners

	Number	Percent
Not Screened Out	47,042	77.8%
Screened Out (P2 to PN)	13,432	22.2%
Total	60,474	100.0%



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

**Risk Assessment Finding of Completed Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations
Fiscal Year 2008**

Disposition of Investigation	No Significant Risk Identified		Risk Controlled		Risk Indicated		Risk Not Applicable Blank/Invalid		Total	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Confirmed	138	0.7%	19,298	17.4%	21,960	76.0%	195	3.8%	41,591	25.2%
Unconfirmed	20,001	99.3%	91,587	82.6%	6,929	24.0%	4,902	96.2%	123,419	74.8%
State Total	20,139	100.0%	110,885	100.0%	28,889	100.0%	5,097	100.0%	165,010	100.0%

**Case Action for Risk Indicated Completed Investigations
Fiscal Year 2008**

Open to Services	27,861	96.4%
Not Open to Services	1,028	3.6%
Total	28,889	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.

Child Abuse/Neglect Allegation Dispositions

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

Confirmed Investigations

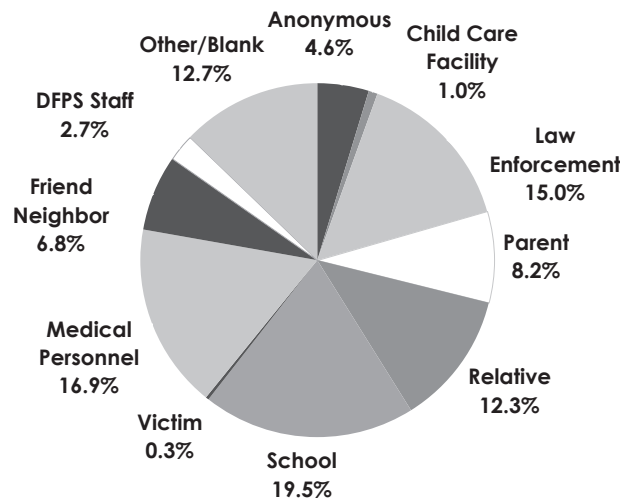
- **Reason to believe** – Based on preponderance of evidence, staff concluded that abuse or neglect occurred.

Unconfirmed Investigations

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

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

Sources	Fiscal Year 2006		Fiscal Year 2007		Fiscal Year 2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Anonymous	11,364	5.8%	9,802	5.1%	8,912	4.6%
Child Care Facility	1,887	1.0%	1,994	1.0%	1,992	1.0%
Law Enforcement	25,965	13.3%	28,177	14.5%	28,907	15.0%
Parent	16,830	8.6%	15,881	8.2%	15,799	8.2%
Relative	25,992	13.3%	24,259	12.5%	23,714	12.3%
School	37,727	19.3%	38,265	19.7%	37,711	19.5%
Victim	783	0.4%	620	0.3%	548	0.3%
Medical Personnel	31,127	15.9%	32,615	16.8%	32,626	16.9%
Friend/Neighbor	14,957	7.7%	13,203	6.8%	13,130	6.8%
DFPS Staff	4,404	2.3%	4,878	2.5%	5,305	2.7%
Other	24,068	12.3%	24,139	12.4%	24,411	12.6%
Blank	198	0.1%	261	0.1%	199	0.1%
State Total	195,302	100.0%	194,094	100.0%	193,254	100.0%



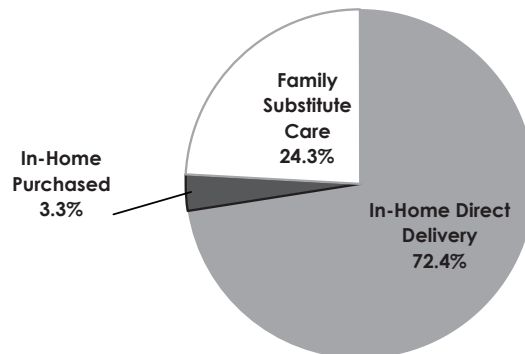
Note: A report of abuse/neglect may come from multiple sources.

**Number of Child Abuse/Neglect Completed Investigations
Fiscal Year 2008**

Region	Total	Confirmed	% Confirmed Investigations	Unconfirmed Investigations
1 Lubbock	7,418	2,304	31.1%	5,114
2 Abilene	5,430	1,644	30.3%	3,786
3 Arlington	38,357	9,889	25.8%	28,468
4 Tyler	8,448	2,275	26.9%	6,173
5 Beaumont	5,882	1,355	23.0%	4,527
6 Houston	31,808	6,356	20.0%	25,452
7 Austin	20,519	4,738	23.1%	15,781
8 San Antonio	20,207	5,242	25.9%	14,965
9 Midland	5,104	1,511	29.6%	3,593
10 El Paso	4,320	1,331	30.8%	2,989
11 Edinburg	17,485	4,938	28.2%	12,547
Unknown	32	8	25.0%	24
State	165,010	41,591	25.2%	123,419

**Family Cases Opened for Services as a Result of a Completed Investigation
Fiscal Year 2008**

Region	In-home Direct Delivery	In-Home Purchased	Family Substitute Care	Total
1 Lubbock	1,008	0	364	1,372
2 Abilene	1,078	0	218	1,296
3 Arlington	3,817	590	1,522	5,929
4 Tyler	789	42	433	1,264
5 Beaumont	352	0	202	554
6 Houston	3,293	5	1,427	4,725
7 Austin	1,825	2	861	2,688
8 San Antonio	3,450	158	858	4,466
9 Midland	891	0	245	1,136
10 El Paso	696	0	95	791
11 Edinburg	2,985	115	538	3,638
Other	1	0	1	2
Total	20,185	912	6,764	27,861



Confirmed Allegations of Child Abuse/Neglect by Type of Abuse Fiscal Year 2008

Region	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Abandonment	Medical Neglect	Physical Neglect
1 Lubbock	893	365	68	9	129	461
2 Abilene	463	234	35	4	100	473
3 Arlington	4,102	1,513	135	54	460	1,369
4 Tyler	740	353	44	9	131	523
5 Beaumont	458	232	24	3	65	193
6 Houston	2,565	1,162	100	41	339	1,173
7 Austin	1,550	669	50	31	196	728
8 San Antonio	1,538	736	71	46	297	877
9 Midland	497	248	31	1	103	403
10 El Paso	519	156	39	8	84	336
11 Edinburg	1,530	799	146	35	331	1,178
Unknown	3	1	0	0	0	0
State Total	14,858	6,468	743	241	2,235	7,714

Region	Neglectful Supervision	Refusal to Accept Parental Responsibility	Total Confirmed Allegations of Child Abuse/Neglect	Percent of Child Abuse/Neglect	*Unduplicated Confirmed Victims
1 Lubbock	3,056	41	5,022	6.0%	4,156
2 Abilene	2,089	14	3,412	4.1%	2,834
3 Arlington	11,902	176	19,711	23.7%	16,562
4 Tyler	2,638	52	4,490	5.4%	3,800
5 Beaumont	1,374	23	2,372	2.9%	2,048
6 Houston	6,137	92	11,609	14.0%	9,843
7 Austin	5,689	77	8,990	10.8%	7,759
8 San Antonio	6,948	53	10,566	12.7%	9,304
9 Midland	2,048	15	3,346	4.0%	2,753
10 El Paso	1,676	24	2,842	3.4%	2,355
11 Edinburg	6,746	69	10,834	13.0%	9,164
Unknown	7	0	11	0.0%	11
State Total	50,310	636	83,205	100.0%	70,589

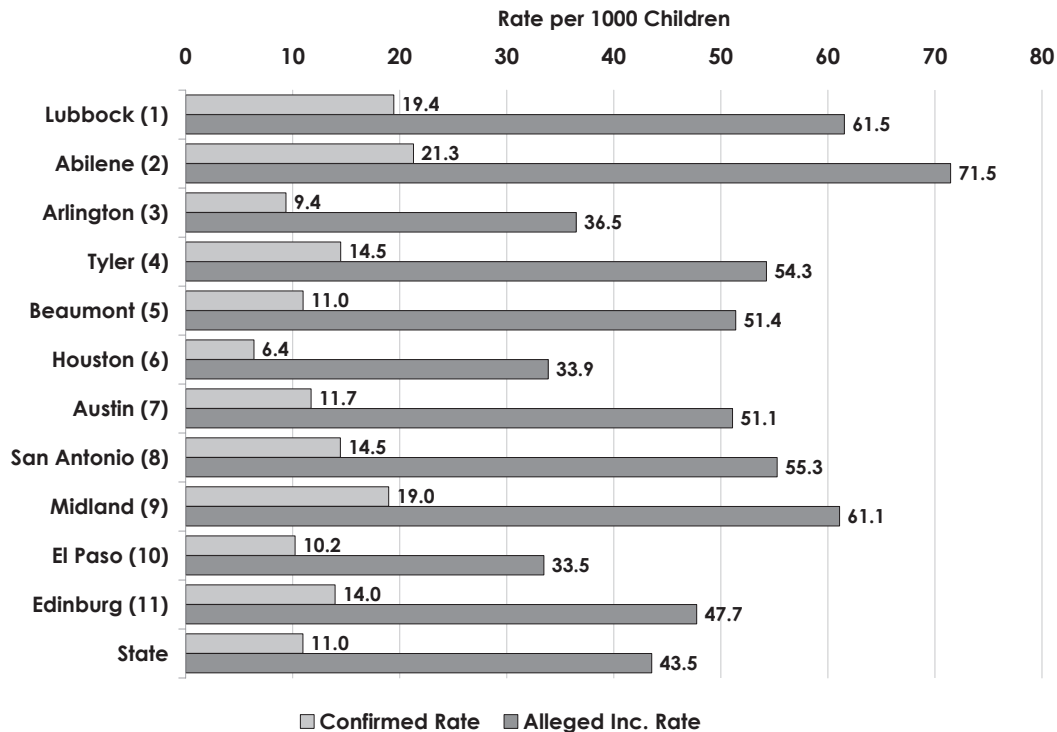
* Victims have been unduplicated by investigation stage.

**Children in Cases Opened for Services as a Result of a Completed Investigation
Fiscal Year 2008**

Region	In-home Direct Delivery	In-Home Purchased	% Opened In-Home	Family Substitute Care*	Total
1 Lubbock	2,720	0	74.3%	940	3,660
2 Abilene	2,773	0	84.2%	521	3,294
3 Arlington	9,809	1,613	76.3%	3,544	14,966
4 Tyler	1,999	116	68.2%	988	3,103
5 Beaumont	910	0	65.1%	488	1,398
6 Houston	8,900	12	72.0%	3,465	12,377
7 Austin	4,909	9	68.8%	2,232	7,150
8 San Antonio	9,838	410	81.7%	2,297	12,545
9 Midland	2,329	0	79.6%	596	2,925
10 El Paso	2,008	0	89.7%	231	2,239
11 Edinburg	8,848	334	85.8%	1,516	10,698
Other	3	0	30.0%	7	10
Total	55,046	2,494	77.4%	16,825	74,365

Note: Includes all children in the case regardless of victimization.

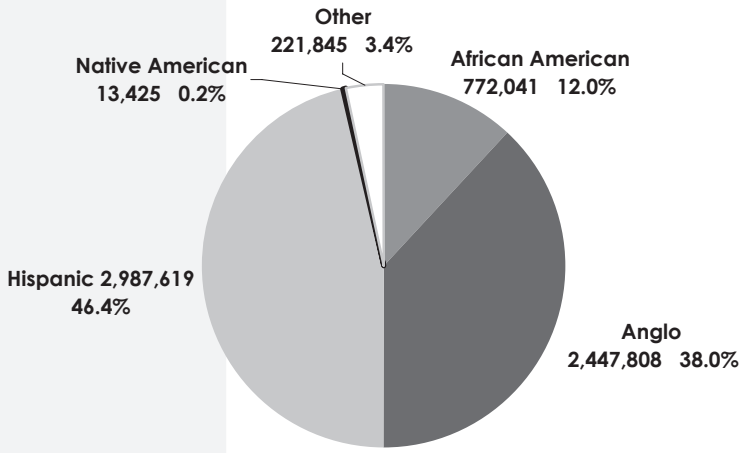
**Point Prevalence* Rate of Child Abuse/Neglect
per 1,000 Children in Texas Population per Region
Fiscal Year 2008**



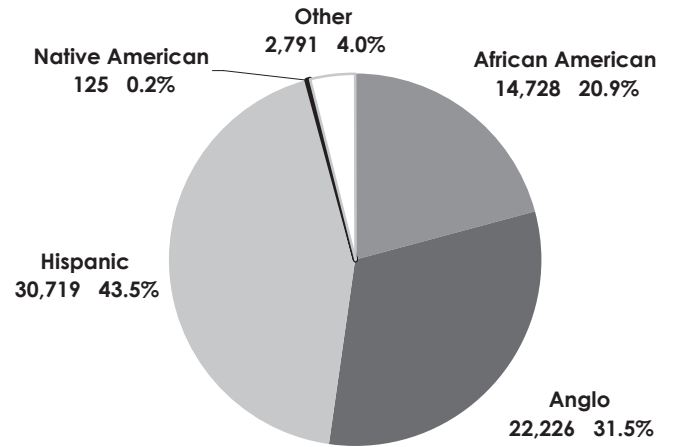
* Point prevalence is the number of alleged victims per 1,000 children in the region and the number of confirmed victims per 1,000 children in the region.

**Race/Ethnicity of Selected CPS Statistics Compared to Texas Child Population
Fiscal Year 2008**

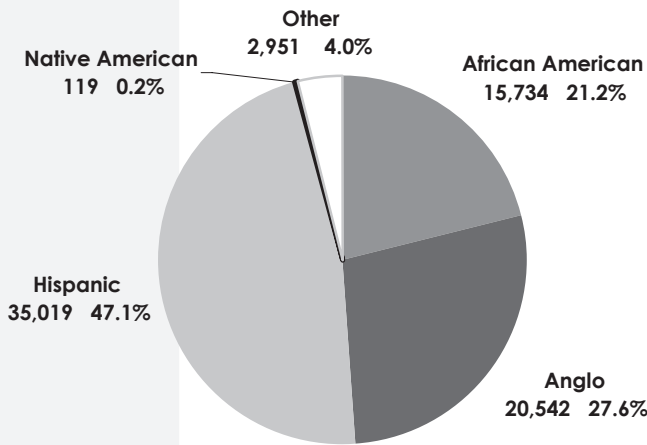
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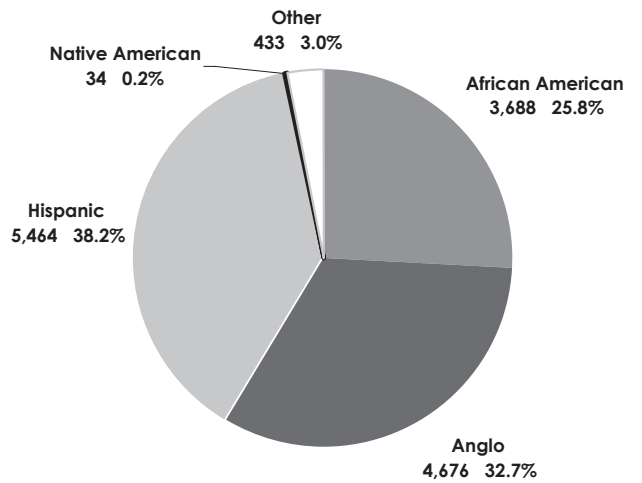
CPS Confirmed Victims - 70,589



Children in Cases Opened for Services - 74,365

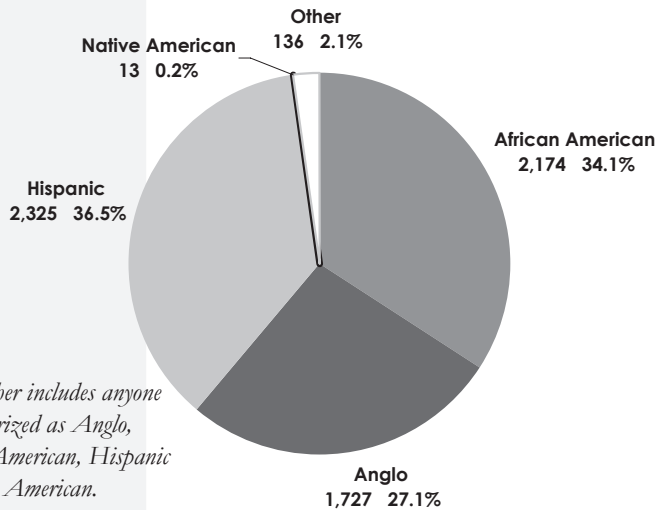


Number of Removals - 14,295



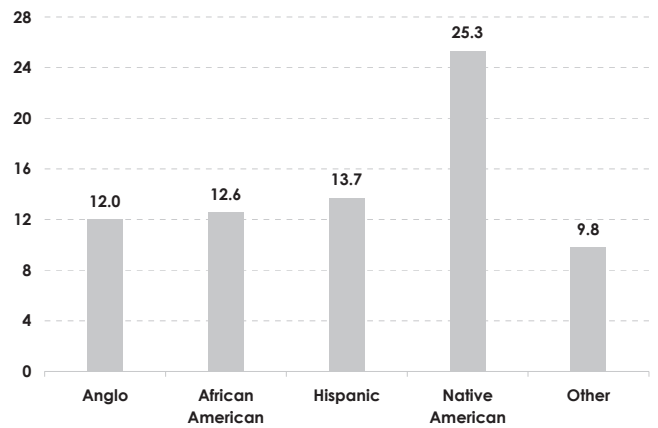
Includes all children in the case regardless of victimization.

Number of Children Awaiting Adoption - 6,375



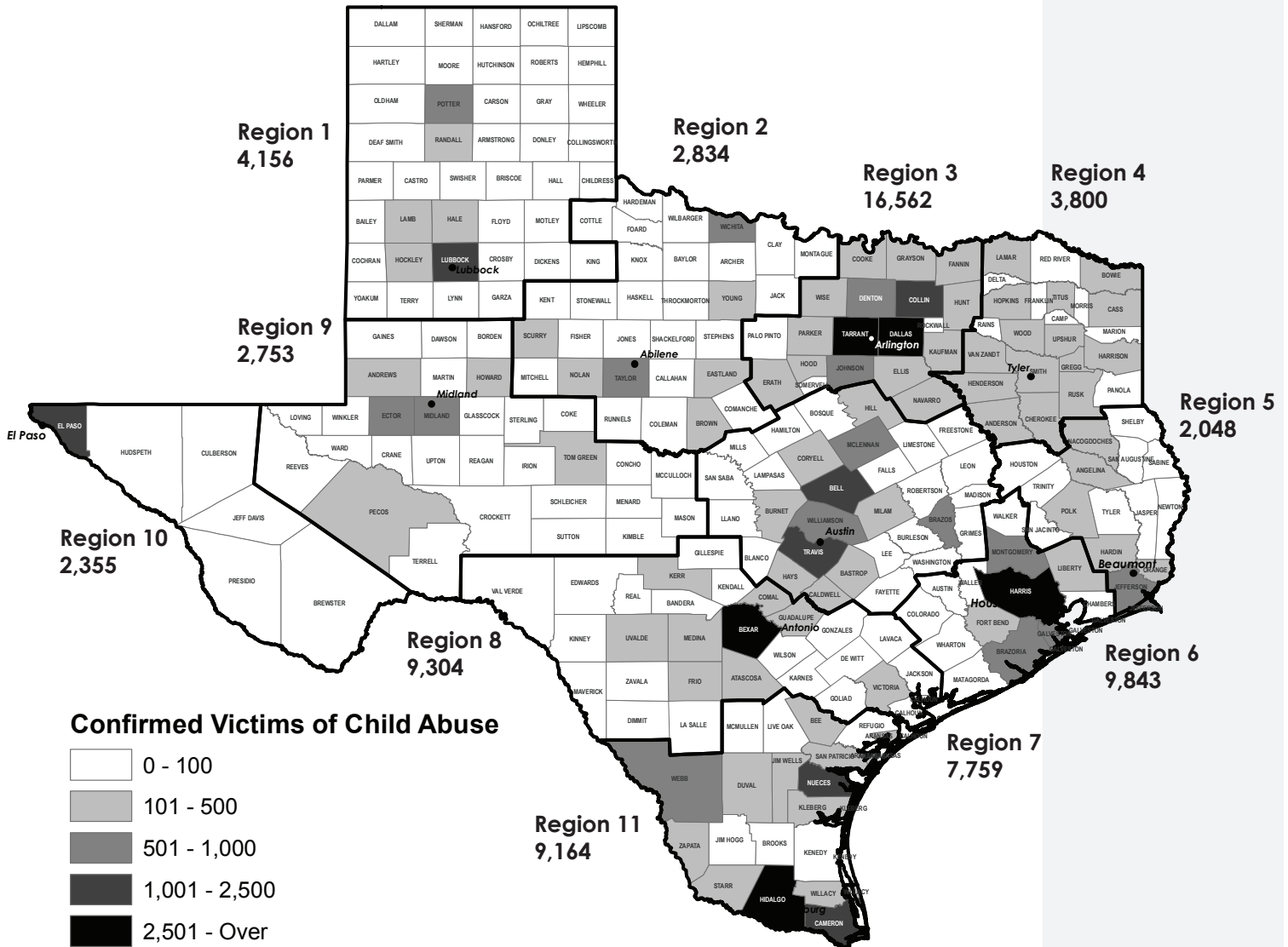
Note: Other includes anyone not categorized as Anglo, African-American, Hispanic or Native American.

Median Time Waiting for Adoption in Months - 12.7



**Confirmed Victims of Child Abuse/Neglect
Fiscal Year 2008**

State Total: 70,589



* 11 confirmed victims did not have a county designated.

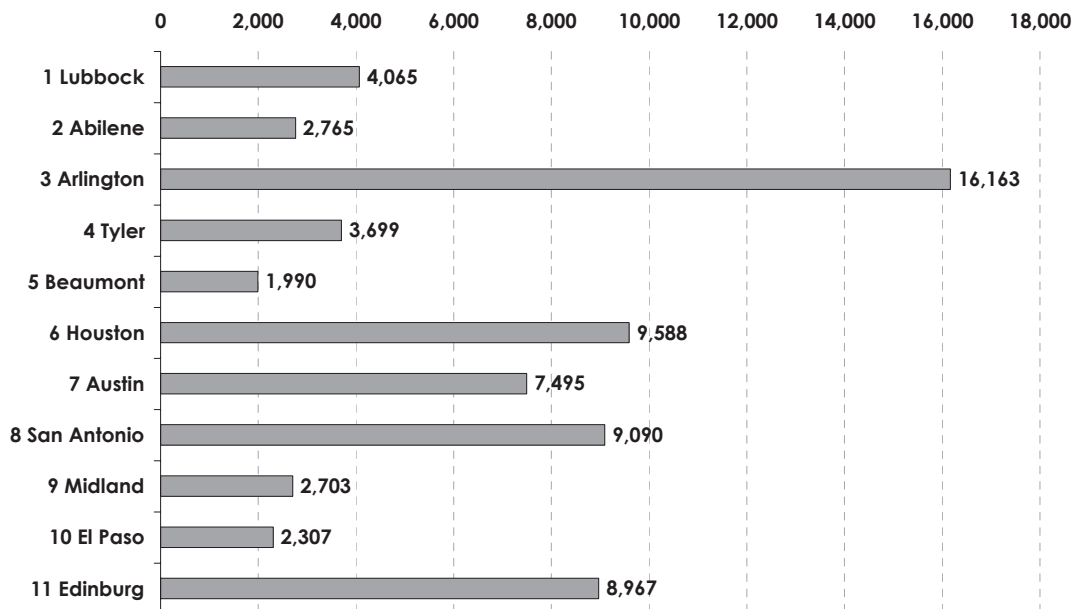
Profile of Confirmed Child Abuse/Neglect Victims Fiscal Year 2008

Age	Gender	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
Under 1	Female	1,441	1,164	1,884	13	11	297	4,810
	Male	1,551	1,211	2,010	6	15	319	5,112
	Unknown	13	10	19	0	0	1	43
	Total	3,005	2,385	3,913	19	26	617	9,965
1-3 Years	Female	2,484	1,729	3,496	12	24	341	8,086
	Male	2,739	1,891	3,864	7	26	370	8,897
	Unknown	17	18	23	0	0	6	64
	Total	5,240	3,638	7,383	19	50	717	17,047
4-6 Years	Female	2,097	1,388	3,213	10	26	212	6,946
	Male	2,190	1,505	3,234	15	24	208	7,176
	Unknown	10	6	6	0	0	4	26
	Total	4,297	2,899	6,453	25	50	424	14,148
7-9 Years	Female	1,707	1,102	2,656	13	14	145	5,637
	Male	1,774	1,233	2,431	13	21	144	5,616
	Unknown	6	7	6	0	0	1	20
	Total	3,487	2,342	5,093	26	35	290	11,273
10-12 Years	Female	1,514	803	1,991	10	29	107	4,454
	Male	1,273	784	1,607	10	14	90	3,778
	Unknown	0	5	3	0	0	2	10
	Total	2,787	1,592	3,601	20	43	199	8,242
13-17 Years	Female	2,118	1,095	2,779	10	43	152	6,197
	Male	1,236	707	1,399	6	24	94	3,466
	Unknown	1	1	2	0	0	1	5
	Total	3,355	1,803	4,180	16	67	247	9,668
Other	Female	26	29	45	0	0	10	110
	Male	26	40	51	0	0	6	123
	Unknown	3	0	0	0	0	10	13
	Total	55	69	96	0	0	26	246
Total Victims	Female	11,387	7,310	16,064	68	147	1,264	36,240
	Male	10,789	7,371	14,596	57	124	1,231	34,168
	Unknown	50	47	59	0	0	25	181
	Grand Total		22,226	14,728	30,719	125	271	2,520

Alleged and Confirmed Victims of Child Abuse/Neglect Fiscal Year 2008

Region	Alleged Victims	Confirmed Victims	Unconfirmed Victims	Percent Confirmed
1 Lubbock	13,152	4,156	8,996	31.6%
2 Abilene	9,515	2,834	6,681	29.8%
3 Arlington	64,530	16,562	47,968	25.7%
4 Tyler	14,232	3,800	10,432	26.7%
5 Beaumont	9,588	2,048	7,540	21.4%
6 Houston	52,180	9,843	42,337	18.9%
7 Austin	33,834	7,759	26,075	22.9%
8 San Antonio	35,573	9,304	26,269	26.2%
9 Midland	8,866	2,753	6,113	31.1%
10 El Paso	7,713	2,355	5,358	30.5%
11 Edinburg	31,326	9,164	22,162	29.3%
Out of State	48	11	37	22.9%
State	280,557	70,589	209,968	25.2%

CPS Confirmed Victims Where Confirmed Perpetrator was a Parent Fiscal Year 2008 Total 68,832



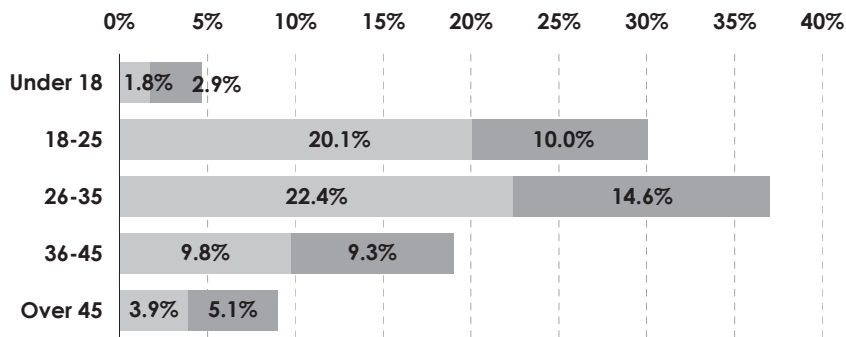
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Characteristics Of Perpetrators In Confirmed Investigations of Child Abuse/Neglect Fiscal Year 2008

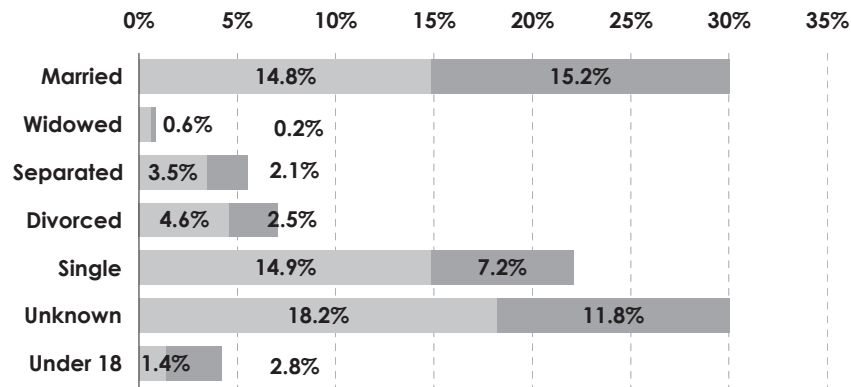
Characteristic	Female		Male		Unknown		Total	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total
Age								
Under 18	983	1.8%	1,623	2.9%	8	0.0%	2,614	4.7%
18-25	11,159	20.1%	5,562	10.0%	6	0.0%	16,727	30.1%
26-35	12,489	22.4%	8,123	14.6%	13	0.0%	20,625	37.1%
36-45	5,434	9.8%	5,156	9.3%	8	0.0%	10,598	19.0%
Over 45	2,187	3.9%	2,838	5.1%	4	0.0%	5,029	9.0%
Unknown	10	0.0%	26	0.0%	23	0.0%	59	0.1%
Marital Status								
Married	8,260	14.8%	8,468	15.2%	0	0.0%	16,728	30.1%
Widowed	351	0.6%	136	0.2%	1	0.0%	488	0.9%
Separated	1,929	3.5%	1,157	2.1%	0	0.0%	3,086	5.5%
Divorced	2,564	4.6%	1,376	2.5%	0	0.0%	3,940	7.1%
Single	8,277	14.9%	4,028	7.2%	0	0.0%	12,305	22.1%
Unknown	10,121	18.2%	6,584	11.8%	57	0.1%	16,762	30.1%
Not Applicable (Under 18)	760	1.4%	1,579	2.8%	4	0.0%	2,343	4.2%
Race/Ethnicity								
Anglo	13,078	23.5%	8,511	15.3%	3	0.0%	21,592	38.8%
African American	6,057	10.9%	3,937	7.1%	5	0.0%	9,999	18.0%
Hispanic	11,997	21.6%	9,674	17.4%	6	0.0%	21,677	39.0%
Native American	74	0.1%	36	0.1%	0	0.0%	110	0.2%
Asian	155	0.3%	121	0.2%	0	0.0%	276	0.5%
Other	901	1.6%	1,049	1.9%	48	0.1%	1,998	3.6%
Relationship to Oldest Victim								
Parent	28,596	51.4%	15,209	27.3%	0	0.0%	43,805	78.7%
Grandparent	1,640	2.9%	856	1.5%	1	0.0%	2,497	4.5%
Sibling/Other Relative	416	0.7%	1,894	3.4%	7	0.0%	2,317	4.2%
Aunt/Uncle	678	1.2%	1,123	2.0%	1	0.0%	1,802	3.2%
Parent's Paramour	286	0.5%	2,999	5.4%	0	0.0%	3,285	5.9%
Other	646	1.2%	1,247	2.2%	53	0.1%	1,946	3.5%
Total Perpetrators	32,262	58.0%	23,328	41.9%	62	0.1%	55,652	100.0%

Characteristics Of Perpetrators In Confirmed Investigations of Child Abuse/Neglect Fiscal Year 2008

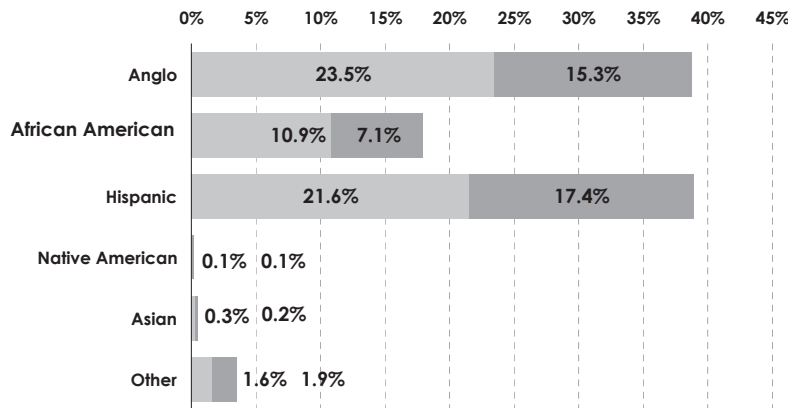
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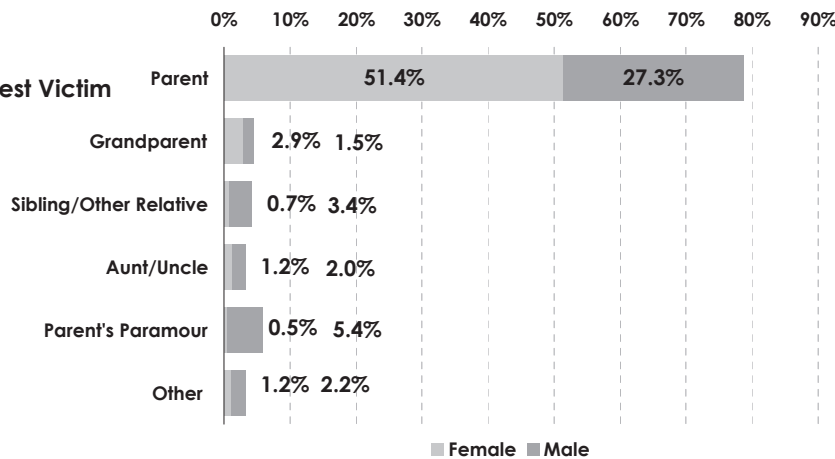
Marital Status of Perpetrator



Race/Ethnicity of Perpetrator



Relationship of Perpetrator to Oldest Victim



■ Female ■ Male

Average Number of Families Receiving Preservation/ Reunification Services per Month Fiscal Year 2008

Family Preservation Services

Region	Regular	Intensive	Moderate	Contracted Regular	Contracted Intensive	Contracted Moderate	Total
1 Lubbock	392	3	268	0	0	0	663
2 Abilene	115	1	316	0	0	0	432
3 Arlington	1,157	16	975	572	1	29	2,750
4 Tyler	450	1	37	104	0	1	593
5 Beaumont	217	0	25	0	0	0	242
6 Houston	1,802	5	344	0	0	0	2,151
7 Austin	619	4	458	3	0	0	1,084
8 San Antonio	1,796	16	108	82	0	0	2,002
9 Midland	264	2	137	0	0	0	403
10 El Paso	355	1	36	0	0	0	392
11 Edinburg	1,771	9	142	121	0	0	2,043
Out of State	3	0	1	0	0	0	4
Total	8,941	58	2,847	882	1	30	12,759

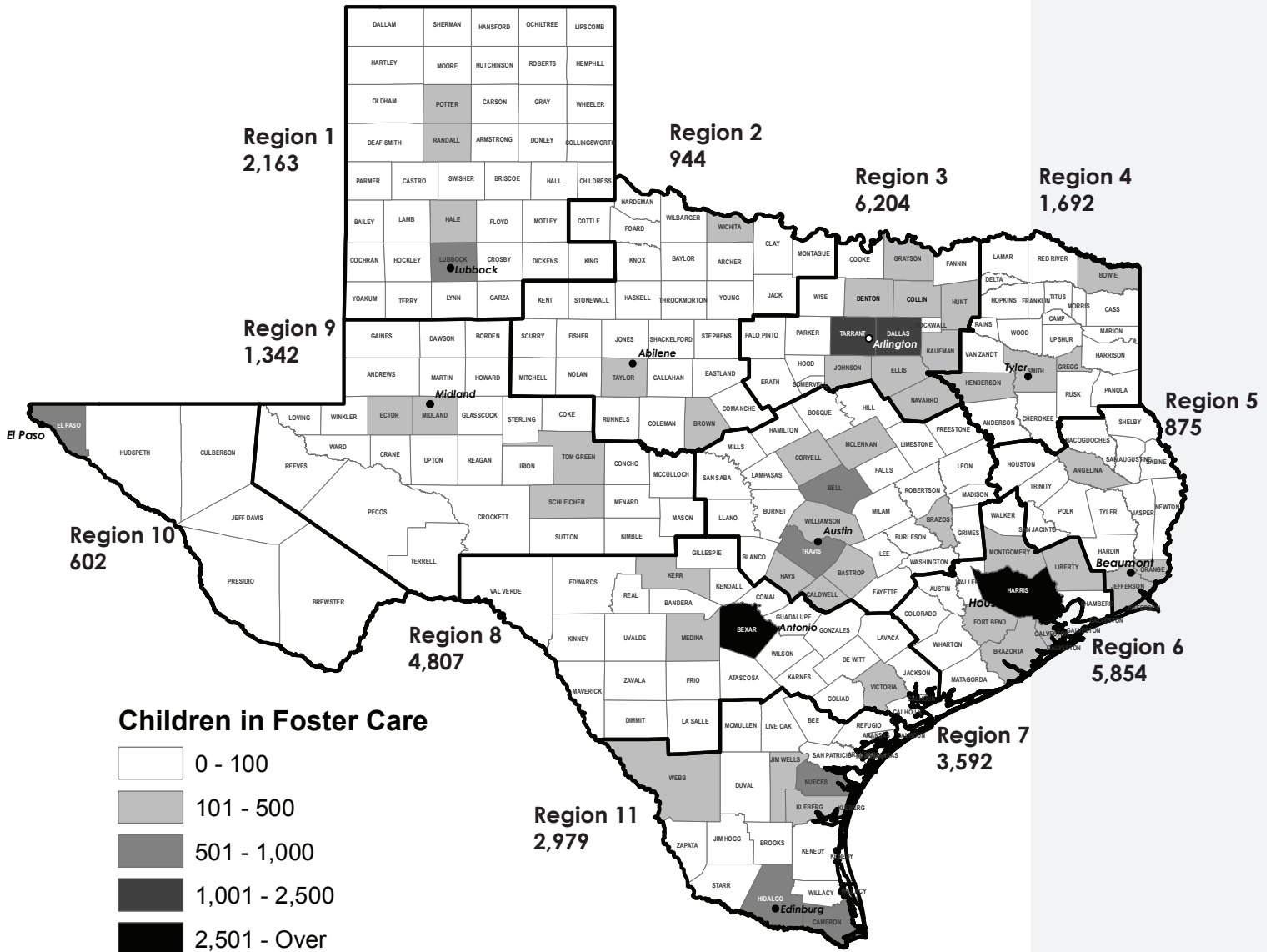
Family Reunification Services

Region	Regular	Intensive	Moderate	Contracted Regular	Contracted Moderate	Total
1 Lubbock	129	0	2	0	0	131
2 Abilene	71	0	2	0	0	73
3 Arlington	319	0	6	4	0	329
4 Tyler	85	0	2	0	0	87
5 Beaumont	34	0	0	0	0	34
6 Houston	222	0	35	0	0	257
7 Austin	262	0	4	0	0	266
8 San Antonio	172	1	3	0	0	176
9 Midland	81	0	0	0	0	81
10 El Paso	26	0	0	0	0	26
11 Edinburg	172	1	15	0	0	188
Out of State	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total	1,574	2	69	4	0	1,649

Both Family Preservation Services and Family Reunification Services are under the umbrella of Family Based Safety Services (FBSS). Family Preservation Services are services provided to the child and the family without removing the child from the home. Family Reunification Services are provided to the family as a child is returning home from court-ordered substitute care.

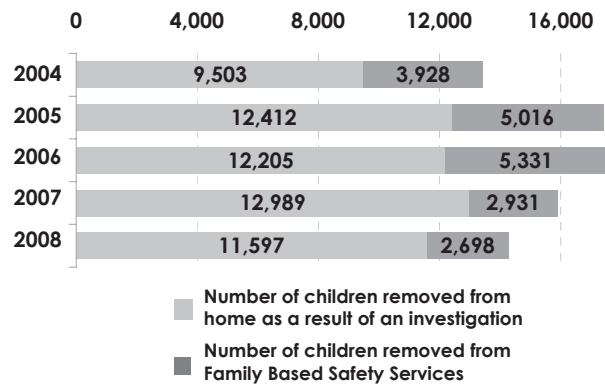
Children in Foster Care by County During Fiscal Year 2008

State Total: 31,058

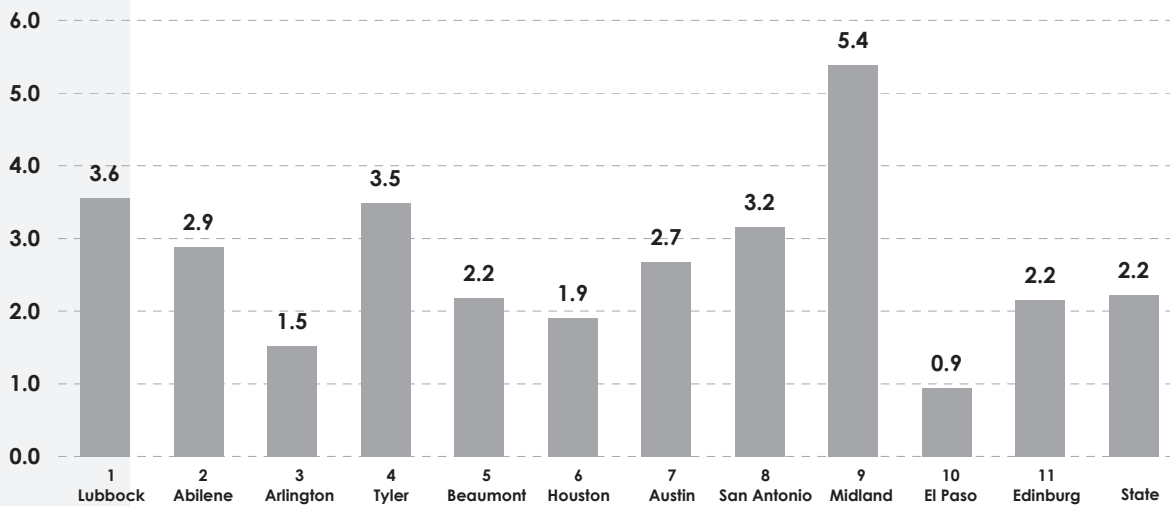


Number of Children Removed from Home as a Result of a CPS Abuse/Neglect Investigation

Fiscal Year	as a Result of an Investigation	from Family Based Safety Services*	Total
2004	9,503	3,928	13,431
2005	12,412	5,016	17,428
2006	12,205	5,331	17,536
2007	12,989	2,931	15,920
2008	11,597	2,698	14,295



Point of Prevalence* for Children Entering Substitute Care Fiscal Year 2008



* 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 27,232 children in DFPS substitute care on August 31, 2008

17,186 children were in Foster Care

11,809
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.

803

children were placed in
Basic Child Care

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

1,335

children were placed in
**Residential Treatment
Centers**

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

558

children were placed in
Emergency Shelters

These are intended for stays of less than 30 days.

2,185

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.

496

children were placed in
Other types of foster care

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

10,046 children were in other types of Substitute Care

8,490

children were placed in
Kinship Care

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

316

children were in pending adoptions in
DFPS Adoptive Homes

749

children were placed in
Other Substitute Care

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

491

children were in pending adoptions in
CPA Adoptive Homes

Notes:

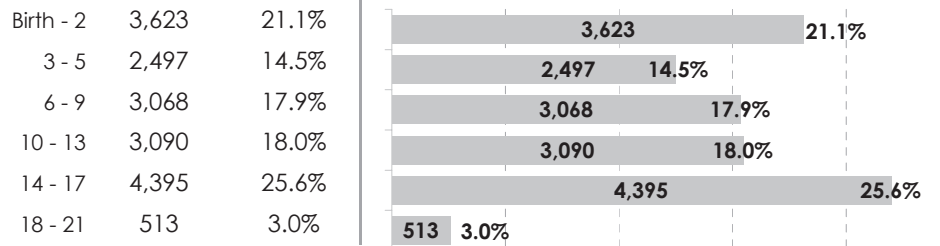
A. The 17,186 children includes 513 youth **over the age of 18** in foster care, but who had "aged-out" of the legal conservatorship of DFPS.

B. There are a total of 28,776 children in DFPS legal responsibility. 2,057 are in the legal conservatorship of DFPS but **not** in substitute care; the majority of these children are in a reunification stage and are living with their families of origin.

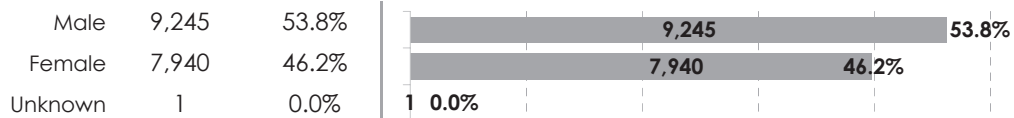
Demographics of Children in Foster Care at the End of the Year By Fiscal Year

Characteristic	August 2005		August 2006		August 2007		August 2008	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Age								
Birth - 2	4,161	21.8%	4,404	22.1%	3,934	21.3%	3,623	21.1%
3 - 5	2,798	14.6%	3,025	15.2%	2,873	15.6%	2,497	14.5%
6 - 9	3,267	17.1%	3,534	17.7%	3,264	17.7%	3,068	17.9%
10 - 13	3,560	18.6%	3,519	17.6%	3,304	17.9%	3,090	18.0%
14 - 17	4,988	26.1%	5,040	25.3%	4,668	25.3%	4,395	25.6%
18 - 21	339	1.8%	420	2.1%	419	2.3%	513	3.0%
Gender								
Male	10,064	52.7%	10,532	52.8%	9,804	53.1%	9,245	53.8%
Female	9,045	47.3%	9,408	47.2%	8,654	46.9%	7,940	46.2%
Unknown	4	0.0%	2	0.0%	4	0.0%	1	0.0%
Race/Ethnicity								
Anglo	6,201	32.4%	6,439	32.3%	5,762	31.2%	5,094	29.6%
African American	5,484	28.7%	5,581	28.0%	5,342	28.9%	5,104	29.7%
Hispanic	7,101	37.2%	7,509	37.6%	6,938	37.6%	6,587	38.3%
Native American	45	0.2%	50	0.3%	46	0.2%	41	0.2%
Asian	55	0.3%	68	0.3%	59	0.3%	61	0.4%
Other	227	1.2%	295	1.5%	315	1.7%	299	1.7%
Total	19,113	100.0%	19,942	100.0%	18,462	100.0%	17,186	100.0%

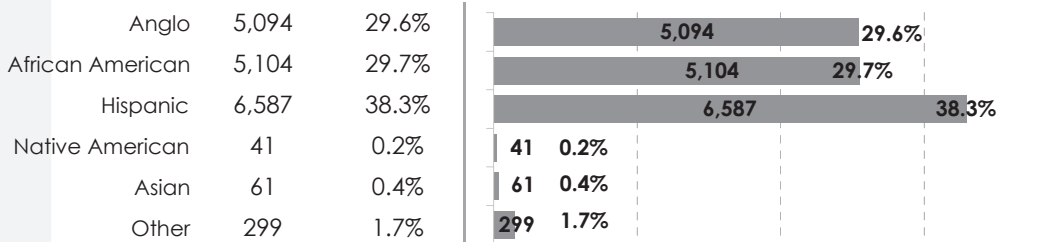
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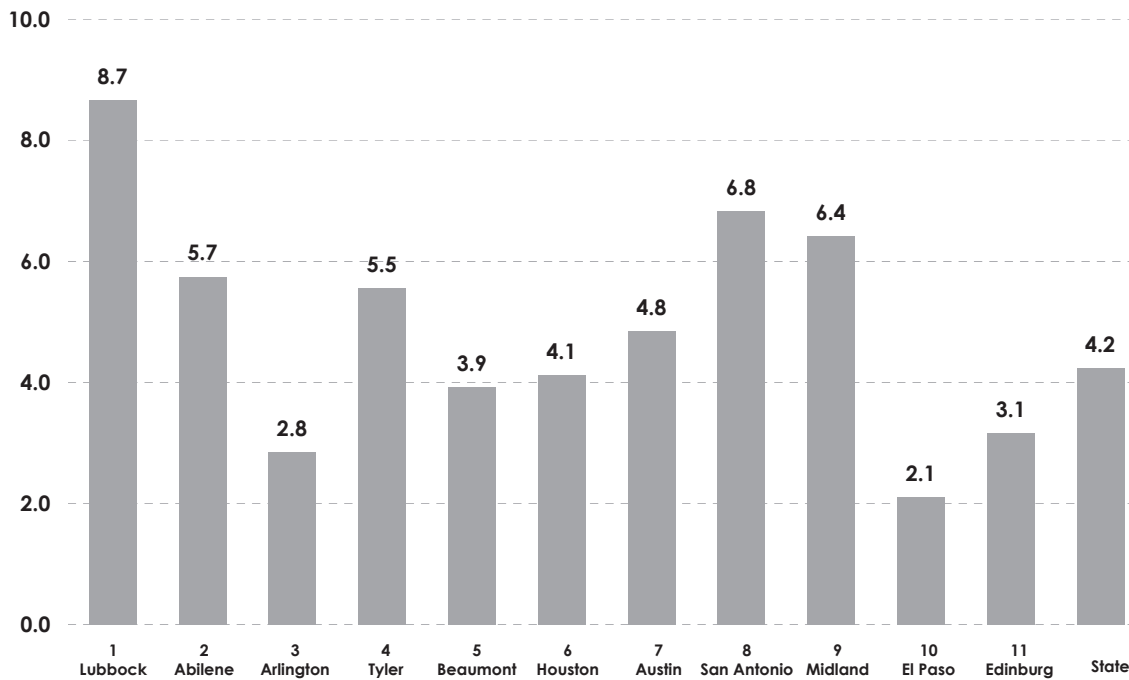
Gender



Race/Ethnicity



Point of Prevalence for Children in Substitute Care at the End of Fiscal Year 2008



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

Children in DFPS Legal Responsibility, in Substitute Care or in Foster Care Placements at the End of Fiscal Year 2008

Region	DFPS Legal Responsibility	Substitute Care	Foster Care
1 Lubbock	2,001	1,852	1,317
2 Abilene	822	764	552
3 Arlington	5,233	5,017	3,305
4 Tyler	1,548	1,455	944
5 Beaumont	791	731	508
6 Houston	6,656	6,334	3,416
7 Austin	3,385	3,210	1,936
8 San Antonio	4,605	4,388	2,779
9 Midland	975	930	568
10 El Paso	508	485	371
11 Edinburg	2,252	2,066	1,490
Total	28,776	27,232	17,186

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 2006		August 2007		August 2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Care, Custody & Control*	361	1.1%	327	1.1%	174	0.6%
Temporary Managing Conservatorship**	17,011	54.2%	15,595	50.7%	14,019	48.7%
Permanent Managing Conservatorship***						
Parental Rights Not Terminated	4,232	13.5%	4,201	13.7%	3,811	13.2%
Parental Rights Terminated (All)	9,070	28.9%	9,961	32.4%	10,120	35.2%
Parental Rights Terminated (One Parent)	682	2.2%	623	2.0%	611	2.1%
Possessory Conservatorship****	42	0.1%	36	0.1%	41	0.1%
Total	31,398	100.0%	30,743	100.0%	28,776	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, education.

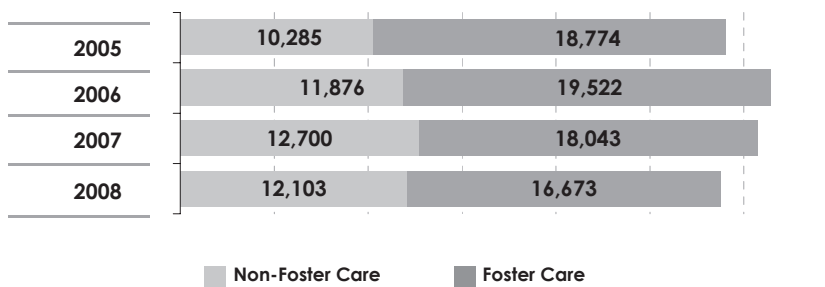
** *Temporary Managing Conservatorship* – TMC is awarded to DFPS as a result of a court hearing and written order and continues until a judge issues another order changing the legal status. It authorizes DFPS to act in the child's best interest and has exclusive rights including the following and others: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

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

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

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

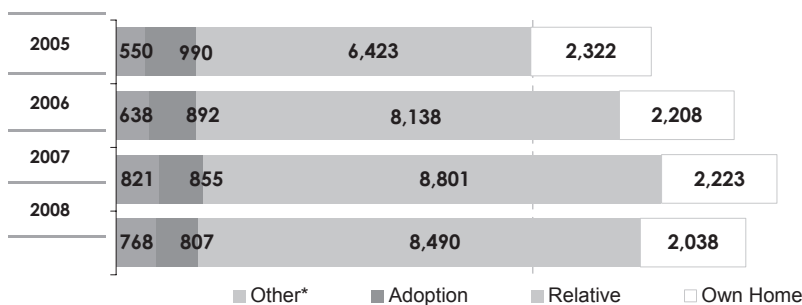
	Non-Foster Care	Foster Care	Total	% Change
2005	10,285	18,774	29,059	
2006	11,876	19,522	31,398	8.0%
2007	12,700	18,043	30,743	-2.1%
2008	12,103	16,673	28,776	-6.8%



Note: Foster care totals exclude youth 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

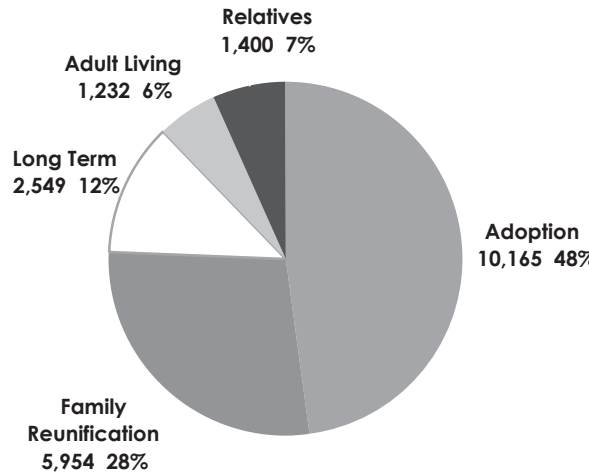
	Total Non-Foster Care	Other*	Adoption	Relative	Own Home
2005	10,285	550	990	6,423	2,322
2006	11,876	638	892	8,138	2,208
2007	12,700	821	855	8,801	2,223
2008	12,103	768	807	8,490	2,038



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

**Permanency Goal of Children in Substitute Care for Whom DFPS had Legal Responsibility
Fiscal Year End 2008
Total Children: 21,300**

Goal	Count	Percent
Adoption	10,165	47.7%
Reunification	5,954	28.0%
Alternative Long Term Living	2,549	12.0%
Adult Living	1,232	5.8%
Permanent Placement with Relatives	1,400	6.6%
Total Children	21,300	100.0%



Number of DFPS Foster, Foster/Adoptive and Adoptive Homes as of August 31, 2008

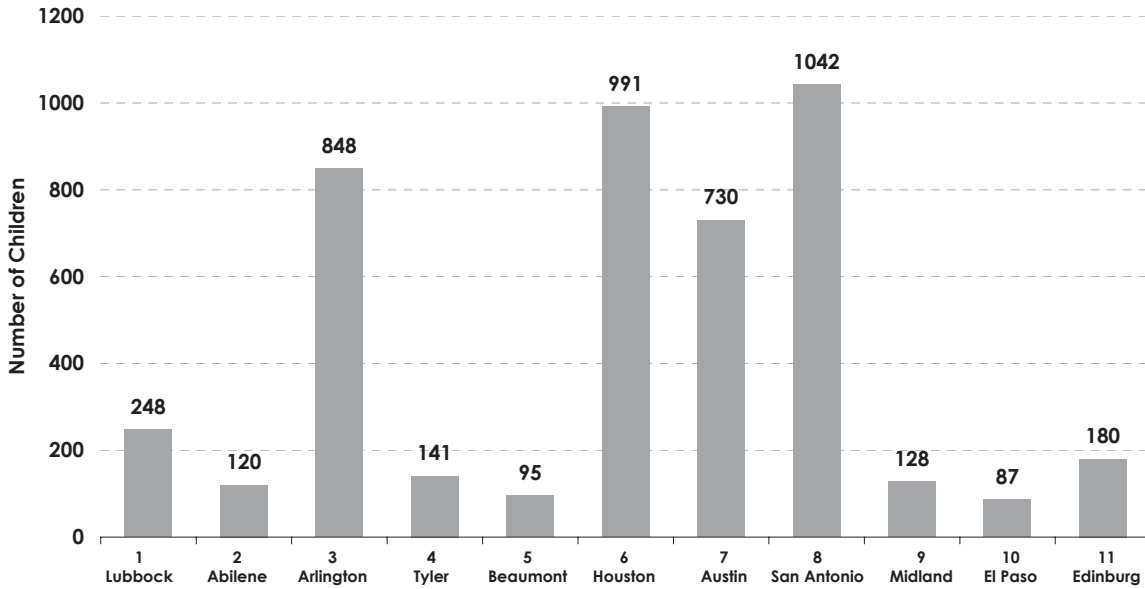
Region	Foster Homes	Foster/Adoptive Homes*	Adoptive Homes**
1 Lubbock	8	173	9
2 Abilene	8	91	17
3 Arlington	43	331	119
4 Tyler	19	103	18
5 Beaumont	19	83	16
6 Houston	78	262	222
7 Austin	35	156	105
8 San Antonio	33	150	75
9 Midland	6	93	54
10 El Paso	5	30	24
11 Edinburg	27	60	35
Out of State	7	24	32
Total	288	1,556	726

* Includes 36 legal risk homes and 154 kinship homes.

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

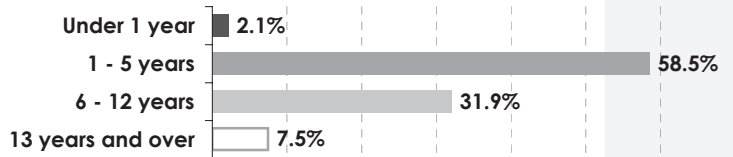
Children Placed In Adoptive Homes By Region Fiscal Year 2008

Total Adoptive Placements 4,610
Total Unique Children: 4,593

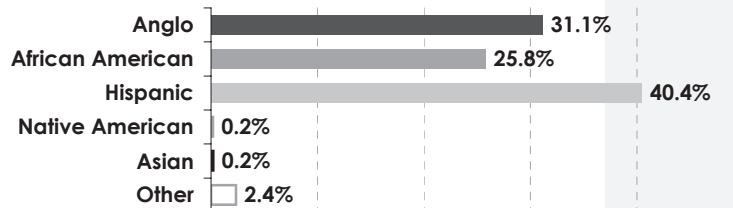


Demographics of 4,593 Children Placed in Adoptive Homes Fiscal Year 2008

Age	Count
Under 1 year	98
1 - 5 years	2,685
6 - 12 years	1,467
13 years and over	343
Total	4,593



Race/Ethnicity	Count
Anglo	1,428
African American	1,183
Hispanic	1,856
Native American	8
Asian	10
Other	108
Total	4,593



Child Characteristics	Count
Disabling Condition	1,664
No Special Characteristics	2,929
Total	4,593



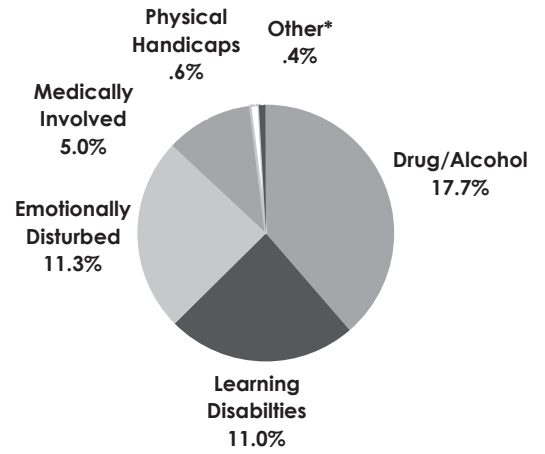
Sex	Count
Female	2,324
Male	2,269
Total	4,593



Children with Disabling Conditions Placed in Adoptive Homes Fiscal Year 2008

Total number of children placed in adoptive homes 4,593
 Number of unique children with disabling conditions placed in adoptive homes 1,664

Disabling Condition	Percentage of all Children Placed in Adoptive Homes	Number of children with Disabling condition
Drug/Alcohol	17.7%	813
Learning Disabilities	11.0%	504
Emotionally Disturbed	11.3%	519
Medically Involved	5.0%	230
Physical Handicaps	0.6%	26
Other*	0.4%	17



*Other includes teen parent or pregnant.

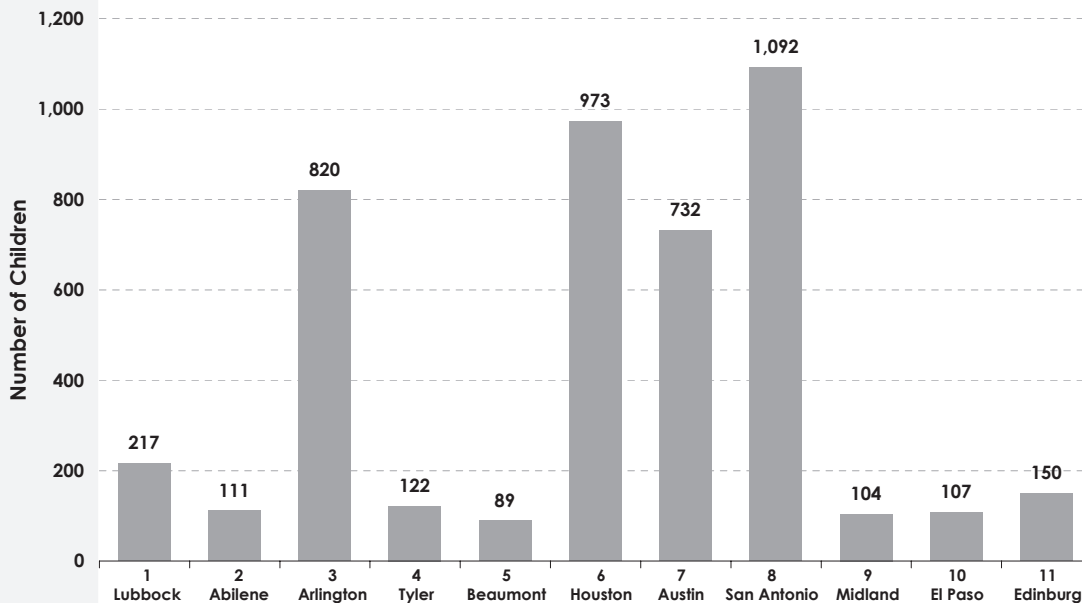
Note: Children may be duplicated across categories because some may have more than one disabling condition.

Children in Consummated Adoptions by Type of Agency by Fiscal Year

	2005		2006		2007		2008	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
DFPS	2,148	67.7%	2,149	63.7%	2,267	56.4%	2,426	53.7%
Non DFPS*	1,025	32.3%	1,227	36.3%	1,756	43.6%	2,091	46.3%
Total Consummations	3,173	100.0%	3,376	100.0%	4,023	100.0%	4,517	100.0%

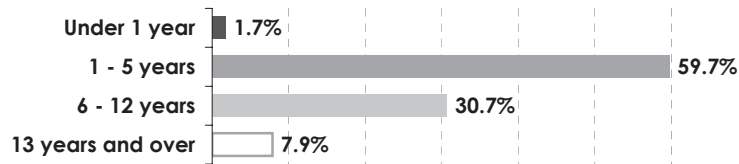
* Non DFPS includes private agency adoptions, relative adoptions and out of state adoptions.

Children in Consummated Adoptions by Region Fiscal Year 2008 Total: 4,517



**Demographics of 4,517 Children in Consummated Adoptions
Fiscal Year 2008**

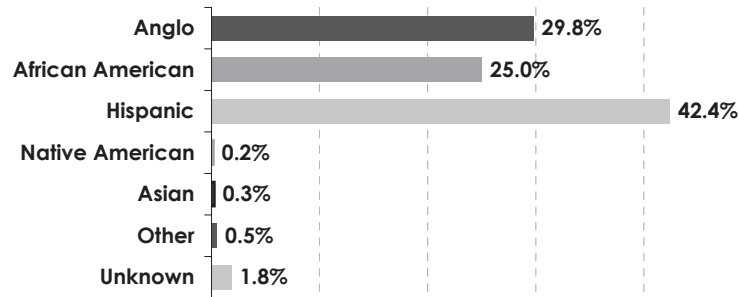
Age	Count
Under 1 year	78
1 - 5 years	2,698
6 - 12 years	1,385
13 years and over	356
Total	4,517



Gender	Count
Male	2,230
Female	2,287
Total	4,517



Race/Ethnicity	Count
Anglo	1,346
African American	1,130
Hispanic	1,915
Native American	8
Asian	12
Other	23
Unknown	83
Total	4,517



Race/Ethnicity of Children and Adoptive Parents by Fiscal Year

	2005		2006		2007		2008	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
Race/Ethnicity of parent(s) is same as child	1,979	62.4%	2,086	61.8%	2,535	63.0%	2,789	61.7%
Race/Ethnicity of one or both parents differs from child's (Transracial)*	1,194	37.6%	1,290	38.2%	1,488	37.0%	1,728	38.3%
Total Adoptions	3,173	100.0%	3,376	100.0%	4,023	100.0%	4,517	100.0%

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

CPS Outcomes Based on Data from Fiscal Year 2008

Child Safety Outcomes

Percent of children who remained safe in substitute care
(children in care during FY08 who did not experience a confirmed incident of maltreatment) 99.7%

Incidence of Repeat Maltreatment
(child victims with a confirmed allegation within the prior 6 months; applies to children in any stage of care) 3.7%

Permanency Services

Percentage of children with 2 or fewer placements that have been in care 12 months or less 78.3%

Family Preservation Outcomes

(measured from start of services to end of services)

Average length of Service 7.0 months

Family Reunification Outcomes

(measured from removal to placement in own home)

Percent of children returned to own home 36.8%

Average number of placements per child 2.3 placements

Average length of service 13.5 months

Median length of service 11.9 months

Children reunified with family, with DFPS conservatorship terminated, within 12 months of removal 60.2%

Adoption Services Outcomes

(measured from removal to adoption consummation)

Percent of children who left DFPS legal responsibility with an adoption consummation 27.8%

Average number of placements per child 3.5 placements

Average length of service 29.5 months

From removal to final order 13.2 months

From final order to adoption placement 14.3 months

From placement to adoption consummated 2.0 months

Median length of service 25.8 months

Children adopted within 24 months of removal 43.6%

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 21.9%

Average number of placements 2.4 placements

Average length of service 14.1 months

Median length of service 11.7 months

Children re-entering foster care within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode of foster care 3.5%

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	9.0%
Average number of placements	8.6 placements
Average length of service	61.5 months
Median length of service	49.2 months

Other Long-term Substitute Care

(measured from removal to date DFPS legal responsibility ended)

Percent of children who left DFPS legal responsibility	4.5%
Average number of placements	3.1 placements
Average length of service	13.5 months
Median length of service	5.5 months

Fiscal Year 2008 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)

9.3%

For Family Preservation:

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

9.3%

For Family Reunification:

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

18.1%

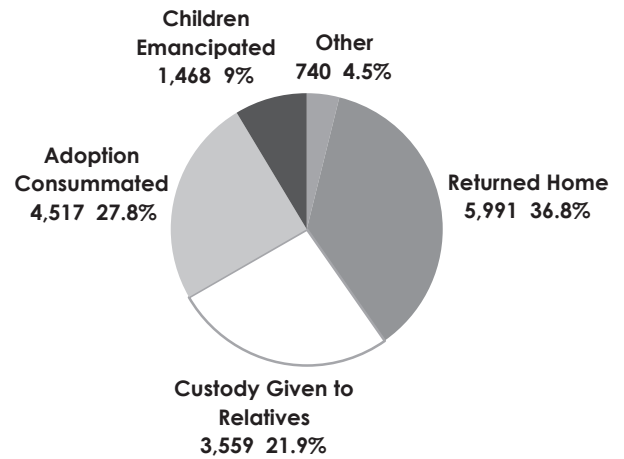
Substitute Care Outcomes for Cases Open at the End of Fiscal Year 2008

Average length of service for children in temporary managing conservatorship	7.2 months
Median length of service for children in temporary managing conservatorship	6.1 months
Average length of service for children in permanent managing conservatorship	40.3 months
Median length of service for children in permanent managing conservatorship	30.5 months

Status of Children No Longer in DFPS Legal Responsibility Fiscal Year 2008

Total Children: 16,275

Outcome	Count	Percent
Family Reunification	5,991	36.8%
Custody Given To Relatives	3,559	21.9%
Adoption Consummated	4,517	27.8%
Children Emancipated	1,468	9.0%
Other	740	4.5%
Total Children	16,275	100%



* Of the 1,468 youth emancipated in FY08, 1,091 were emancipated from paid foster care.

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

Average Length of Time in Months for Children Leaving DFPS Responsibility by Type of Exit and Region Fiscal Year 2008

Region	Family Reunification	Relative Care	Adoption	Long Term Care - Emancipation	Long Term Care - Other
1 Lubbock	16.0	20.2	36.3	70.6	13.5
2 Abilene	14.6	14.7	28.6	70.5	5.9
3 Arlington	12.7	12.5	30.4	63.5	14.3
4 Tyler	13.2	11.6	34.6	53.2	10.0
5 Beaumont	15.5	12.6	28.2	58.2	19.5
6 Houston	16.4	15.9	29.9	67.9	16.5
7 Austin	14.3	12.7	25.9	59.4	13.1
8 San Antonio	14.3	18.1	26.8	59.0	13.8
9 Midland	4.8	12.5	28.8	36.2	9.8
10 El Paso	15.5	13.6	30.3	57.6	20.3
11 Edinburg	13.3	14.0	32.8	57.5	9.7
State	13.5	14.1	29.5	61.5	13.5

Average Length of Time in Months for Children Leaving DFPS Responsibility by Type of Exit and Race/Ethnicity Fiscal Year 2008

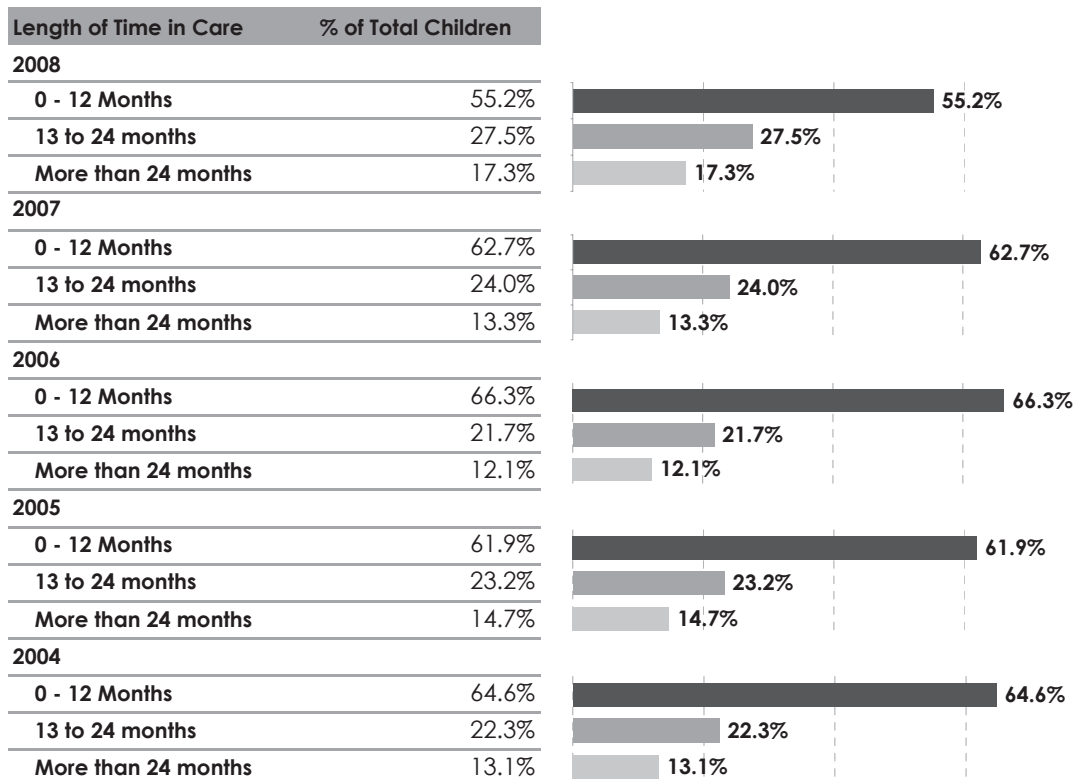
Region	Family Reunification	Relative Care	Adoption	Long Term Care - Emancipation	Long Term Care - Other
Anglo	12.2	13.5	28.7	56.1	14.6
African American	14.9	14.0	31.7	69.2	12.4
Hispanic	14.2	14.8	29.2	61.3	13.2
Native American	14.9	12.9	18.9	68.0	18.0
Asian	11.6	14.1	33.2	34.4	29.5
Other	8.7	12.7	23.4	36.6	3.9
State	13.5	14.1	29.5	61.5	13.5

Average Number of Out-of-Home Placements for Children Who Attained Permanency Fiscal Year 2008

Region	Family Reunification	Relative Care	Adoption	Long Term Care - Emancipation	Long Term Care - Other
1 Lubbock	2.4	2.6	3.8	8.8	3.5
2 Abilene	2.5	2.4	3.6	8.7	1.8
3 Arlington	2.1	2.3	3.3	8.8	3.0
4 Tyler	2.0	2.4	3.4	8.1	2.8
5 Beaumont	2.3	2.5	2.9	5.8	5.4
6 Houston	2.4	2.3	3.2	10.0	2.8
7 Austin	2.3	2.3	3.5	8.1	2.8
8 San Antonio	2.6	3.0	3.8	8.9	3.7
9 Midland	2.1	2.5	3.6	5.4	2.1
10 El Paso	1.9	2.2	3.6	7.1	4.3
11 Edinburg	2.3	2.7	3.3	7.4	2.5
State Total	2.3	2.4	3.5	8.6	3.1

Note: The average number of placements per child in substitute care for all children who attained permanency is 3.2 placements.

Length of Time in Care for Children Who Achieved Permanency Status* Fiscal Year 2008



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

Average Monthly Number of Children and FTEs* in Paid Foster Care by Service Levels Fiscal Year 2008

Service Level	Number of Children	Number of FTEs
Basic	11,298	10,119
Child Specific**	13	11
Emergency Shelter	1,103	643
Intense	273	243
Moderate	3,888	3,591
Psychiatric Transition***	9	6
Specialized	2,655	2,425
	19,239****	17,038
Unduplicated	18,680	

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.*

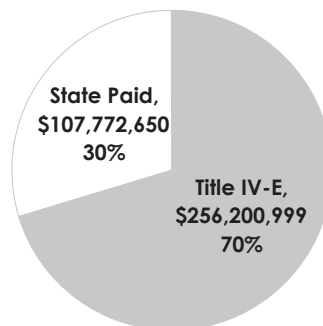
*** Child Specific contracts do not have an actual level of care.*

**** Psychiatric Transition is a new level of care added in FY 2008.*

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

*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 2008 Total Expenditures: \$363,973,649



Title IV-E Federal Foster Care Program Description

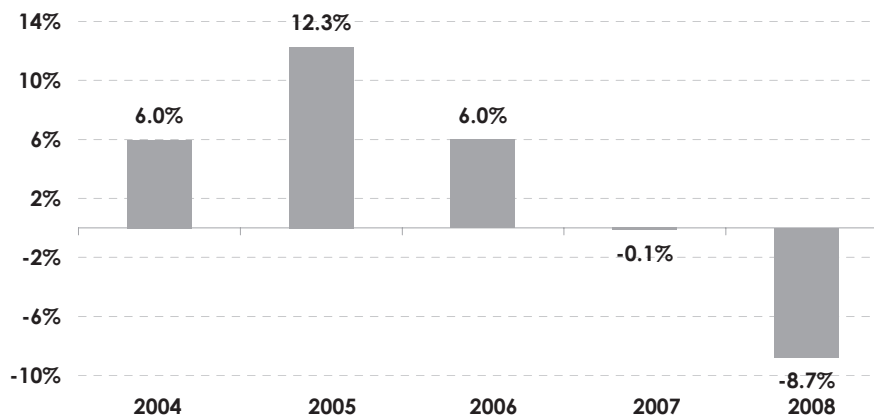
The Federal Foster Care Program helps States provide safe and stable out-of-home care for children until the children are safely returned home, placed permanently with adoptive families or placed in other planned arrangements for permanency. Funds are available for: monthly maintenance payments to eligible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

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

Children 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	% Change from Previous Fiscal Year
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%
2007	5,620	14,868	0	20,488	-0.1%
2008	5,324	13,374	0	18,698	-8.7%

Percent of Change in the Number of Children in Paid Foster Care by Fiscal Year



Children in Paid Foster Care Monthly Average by Region

Fiscal Year 2008

Total Unduplicated Children - 18,680

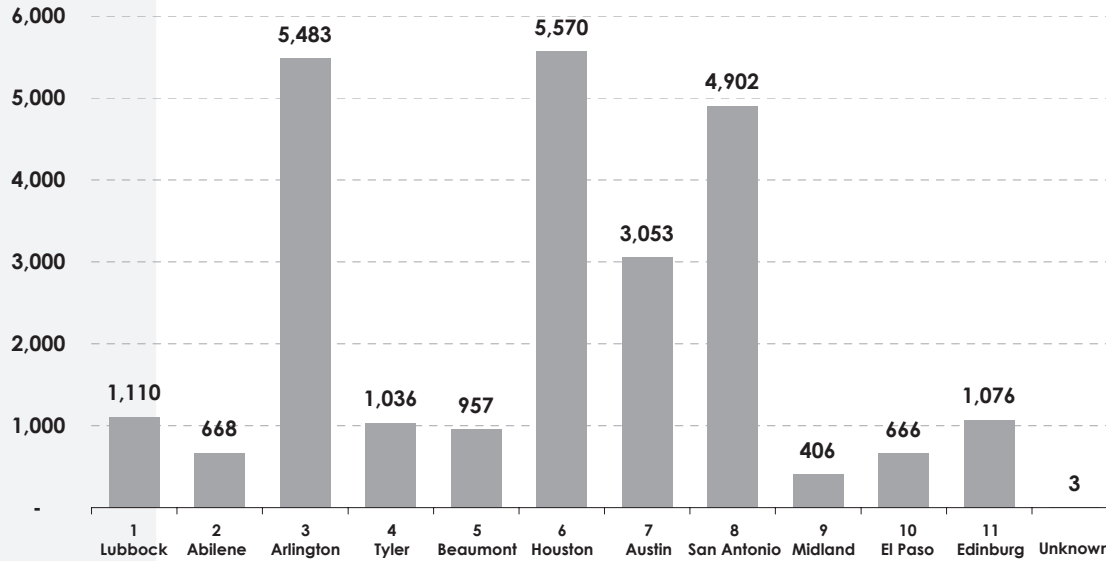
Region	State Paid Foster Care**	Title IV-E Foster Care*
1 Lubbock	375	1,060
2 Abilene	125	454
3 Arlington	1,127	2,552
4 Tyler	436	546
5 Beaumont	172	358
6 Houston	995	2,566
7 Austin	790	1,338
8 San Antonio	692	2,317
9 Midland	157	547
10 El Paso	71	345
11 Edinburg	382	1,290
Unknown	3	3
Total***	5,325	13,376

* 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.

**Average Number of Children Provided Adoption Subsidy* per Month
Fiscal Year 2008
Total - 24,930**



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

**Families and Children Receiving Kinship Caregiver Monetary Assistance
Fiscal Year 2008**

Region	Families Served	Children Served	Total Integration Payments	Total Flexible Support Payments	Total Relative Caregiver Support
1 Lubbock	212	361	\$152,000.00	\$84,250.00	\$236,250.00
2 Abilene	134	230	\$92,333.00	\$108,000.00	\$200,333.00
3 Arlington	1,040	1,832	\$750,000.00	\$961,930.00	\$1,711,930.00
4 Tyler	327	543	\$201,000.00	\$268,590.00	\$469,590.00
5 Beaumont	4	6	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00
6 Houston	1,038	1,863	\$581,000.00	\$997,155.00	\$1,578,155.00
7 Austin	471	858	\$305,000.00	\$437,271.98	\$742,271.98
8 San Antonio	512	970	\$390,500.00	\$471,147.44	\$861,647.44
9 Midland	173	315	\$96,000.00	\$167,000.00	\$263,000.00
10 El Paso	38	69	\$30,000.00	\$16,500.00	\$46,500.00
11 Edinburg	349	707	\$224,000.00	\$368,590.04	\$592,590.04
Unknown	1	1	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Total	4,299	7,755	\$2,823,833.00	\$3,883,934.46	\$6,707,767.46

Average Number of Children and Families Receiving Purchased Services per Month Fiscal Year 2008

Region	Living at Home	Living Out of Home	Post Adoption	Total Children	Total Adults	Total Clients
1 Lubbock	245	344	7	596	932	1,528
2 Abilene	50	223	124	397	571	968
3 Arlington	650	1,075	123	1,848	2,244	4,092
4 Tyler	316	311	37	664	995	1,659
5 Beaumont	65	186	98	349	303	652
6 Houston	756	950	148	1,854	2,055	3,909
7 Austin	327	585	64	976	1,535	2,511
8 San Antonio	752	721	80	1,553	2,526	4,079
9 Midland	41	148	58	247	704	951
10 El Paso	114	123	79	316	320	636
11 Edinburg	888	492	2	1,382	1,952	3,334
Total	4,204	5,158	820	10,182	14,137	24,319

Note: Averages are rounded to the nearest whole number.

Average Monthly Percent of Children Receiving CPS Purchased Services by Region

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	245	2,262	10.8%	344	1,997	17.2%
2 Abilene	50	1,326	3.7%	223	807	27.6%
3 Arlington	650	8,122	8.0%	1,075	5,515	19.5%
4 Tyler	316	1,763	17.9%	311	1,435	21.7%
5 Beaumont	65	727	9.0%	186	779	23.8%
6 Houston	756	6,751	11.2%	950	6,755	14.1%
7 Austin	327	3,746	8.7%	585	3,545	16.5%
8 San Antonio	752	6,469	11.6%	721	4,812	15.0%
9 Midland	41	1,270	3.3%	148	1,071	13.8%
10 El Paso	114	1,213	9.4%	123	540	22.8%
11 Edinburg	888	6,693	13.3%	492	2,279	21.6%
Total	4,204	40,342	10.4%	5,158	29,535	17.5%

CPS Expenditures as of 1/7/2009 Fiscal Year 2008

CPS Categories	FY 2008 Expenditures
Substitute Care Services	\$40,278,937.58
Title IV-E	\$21,333,827.83
Evaluation/Treatment Services	\$19,993,119.54
Adoption	\$7,224,761.58
Client Support Services	\$6,836,512.64
Studies/Assessments	\$5,384,517.70
Other	\$5,040,342.47
Program Support Services	\$1,630,090.36
Total	\$107,722,109.70

Family Team Meetings Conducted by Race/Ethnicity Fiscal Year 2008

Region	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
1 Lubbock	190	51	149	0	1	10	401
2 Abilene	233	33	61	2	1	8	338
3 Arlington	823	397	236	4	9	40	1,509
4 Tyler	484	156	24	3	0	13	680
5 Beaumont	186	78	10	2	0	11	287
6 Houston	324	258	164	0	3	18	767
7 Austin	570	213	298	0	11	31	1,123
8 San Antonio	343	135	880	0	3	32	1,393
9 Midland	102	14	51	0	0	9	176
10 El Paso	20	11	90	0	1	2	124
11 Edinburg	75	5	432	0	1	15	528
Total	3,350	1,351	2,395	11	30	189	7,326

Family Group Decision-Making Conferences Conducted by Race/Ethnicity Fiscal Year 2008

Region	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
1 Lubbock	175	51	164	3	0	11	404
2 Abilene	173	30	38	2	1	6	250
3 Arlington	442	253	145	3	2	20	865
4 Tyler	201	64	23	4	0	4	296
5 Beaumont	204	128	32	0	0	8	372
6 Houston	267	252	117	1	1	11	649
7 Austin	284	174	203	1	2	29	693
8 San Antonio	177	74	426	0	1	10	688
9 Midland	90	10	72	0	0	2	174
10 El Paso	14	3	85	3	2	2	109
11 Edinburg	59	5	392	2	0	2	460
Other	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	2,087	1,044	1,697	19	9	105	4,961

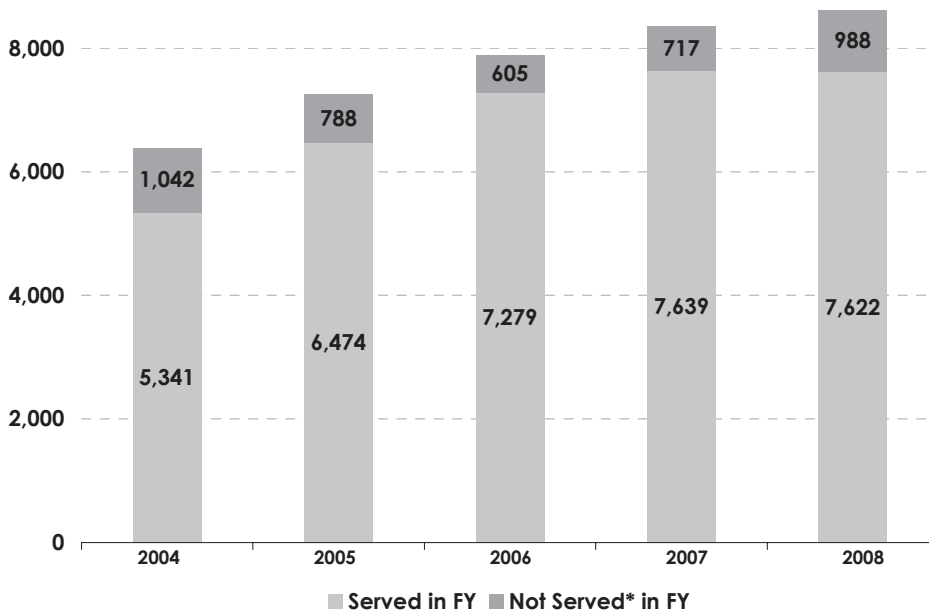
**Circles of Support Conducted by Race/Ethnicity
Fiscal Year 2008**

Region	Anglo	African American	Hispanic	Native American	Asian	Other	Total
1 Lubbock	17	17	7	0	0	2	43
2 Abilene	34	21	4	0	0	0	59
3 Arlington	207	221	74	3	6	10	521
4 Tyler	73	59	21	2	1	0	156
5 Beaumont	23	15	3	0	2	0	43
6 Houston	187	312	162	0	7	10	678
7 Austin	97	71	47	0	2	4	221
8 San Antonio	35	28	92	0	0	2	157
9 Midland	19	9	16	0	0	2	46
10 El Paso	1	5	25	0	0	0	31
11 Edinburg	4	1	55	0	0	0	60
Other	3	5	1	0	1	0	10
Total	700	764	507	5	19	30	2,025

Note: A Circle of Support (COS) is a youth-focused and youth-driven meeting with the primary purpose of developing a transition plan for older youth as they move from foster care to adulthood. It may also be used to address other issues the youth may have. It includes broad participation of the youth's support network. The COS is the preferred service planning model for developing or reviewing a transition plan.

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

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



* 706 youth who were not served in FY 2008 received services prior to FY 2008.

