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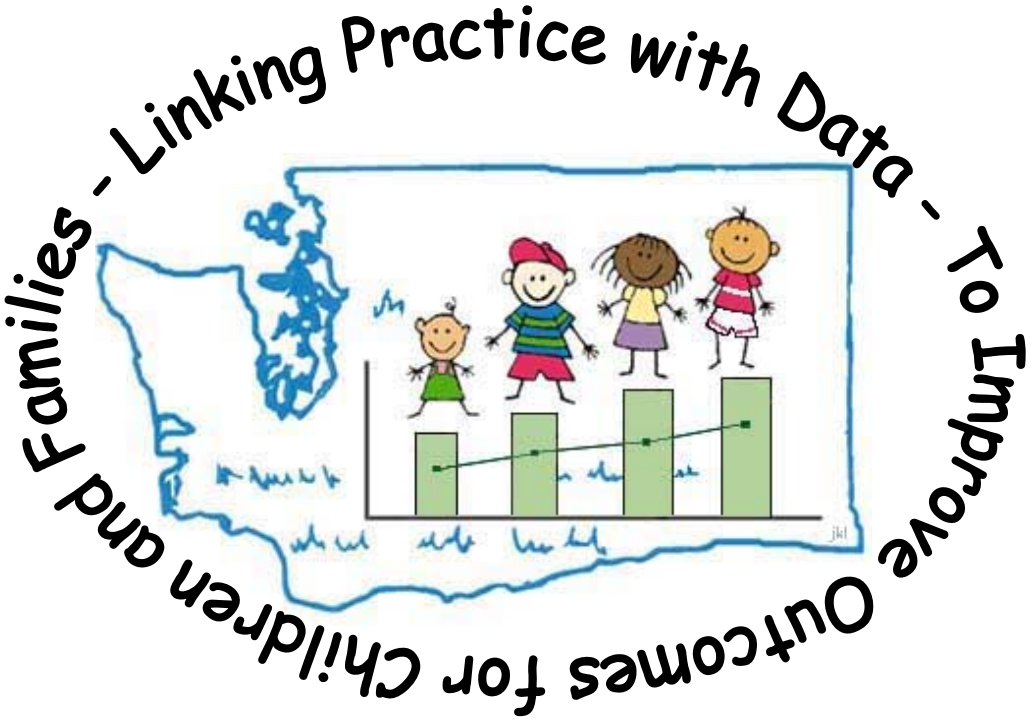

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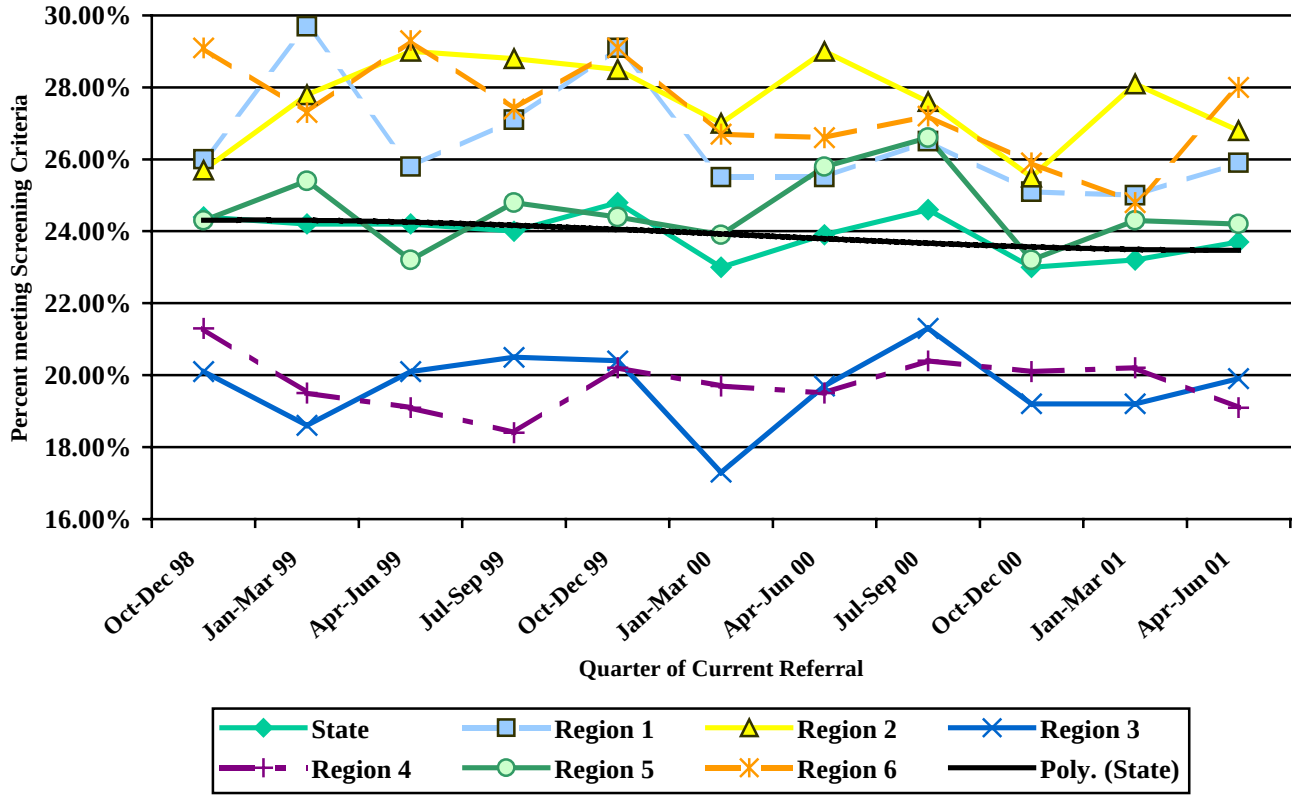
SAFETY: REDUCE CHRONIC MALTREATMENT

Chronically Referring Families

Proportion of families meeting one or more of the criteria for the Kids Come First chronic screener (multiple referrals, multiple foundeds, multiple sexual or physical abuse allegations, young or impaired biological mother, or certain combinations of risk factors for child and/or caregiver – see Appendix S-1 for details).

NOTE: This measure adds additional criteria to the multiple referrals measure previously reported, to better identify families either chronically referring or at substantial risk of becoming chronically referring. Because of the additional criteria, the overall percentage of families identified as "chronic" is higher than in the previous multiple referrals measure.

State and Regional Trends



Proportion of "Chronic" Families (Number meeting screening criteria)

Region	Previous FY (FY 2000)	Current FY to date (FY 2001)	Current Quarter (Apr-Jun 2001)
1	24.4% (940)	23.7% (934)	25.9% (309)
2	26.0% (874)	24.3% (917)	26.8% (325)
3	17.7% (884)	18.0% (925)	19.9% (313)
4	17.5% (1079)	18.1% (1034)	19.1% (332)
5	23.0% (1002)	22.4% (986)	24.2% (320)
6	24.6% (1338)	24.3% (1264)	28.0% (439)
State Total	**21.7% (6119)**	**21.5% (6065)**	**23.7% (2038)**

Safety: Reduce Chronic Maltreatment

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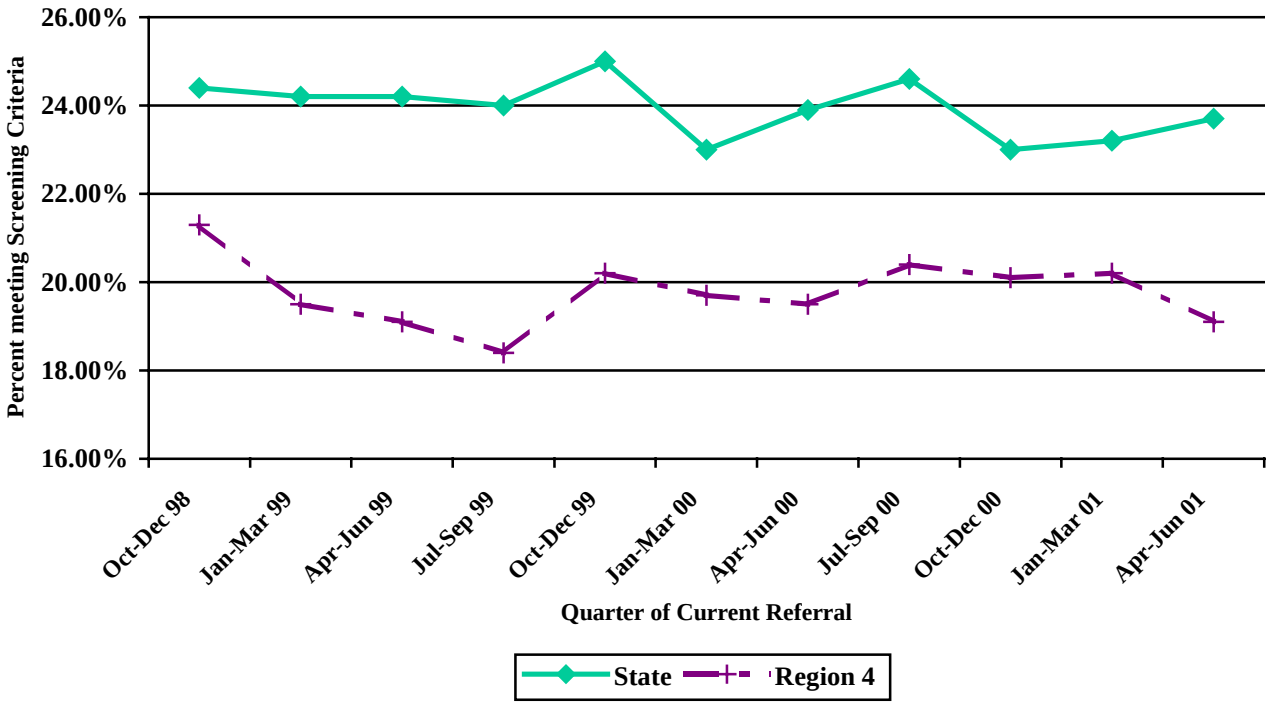
REGION 4

Proportion of "Chronic" Families (Number meeting screening criteria)

Office	Previous FY (FY 2000)	Current FY to date (FY 2001)	Current Quarter (Apr-Jun 2001)
King Eastside	10% (71)	11% (75)	14% (28)
Seattle South	21% (214)	18% (197)	16% (55)
Kent	16% (365)	18% (365)	20% (127)
King Central	35% (127)	35% (113)	35% (35)
Seattle North	19% (265)	18% (222)	17% (62)
African Amer. Unit	11% (36)	17% (50)	24% (20)
Regional Total	**17.5% (1079)**	**18.1% (1034)**	**19.1% (332)**
State Total	21.7% (6119)	21.5% (6065)	23.7% (2038)

Region 4 & State Trends



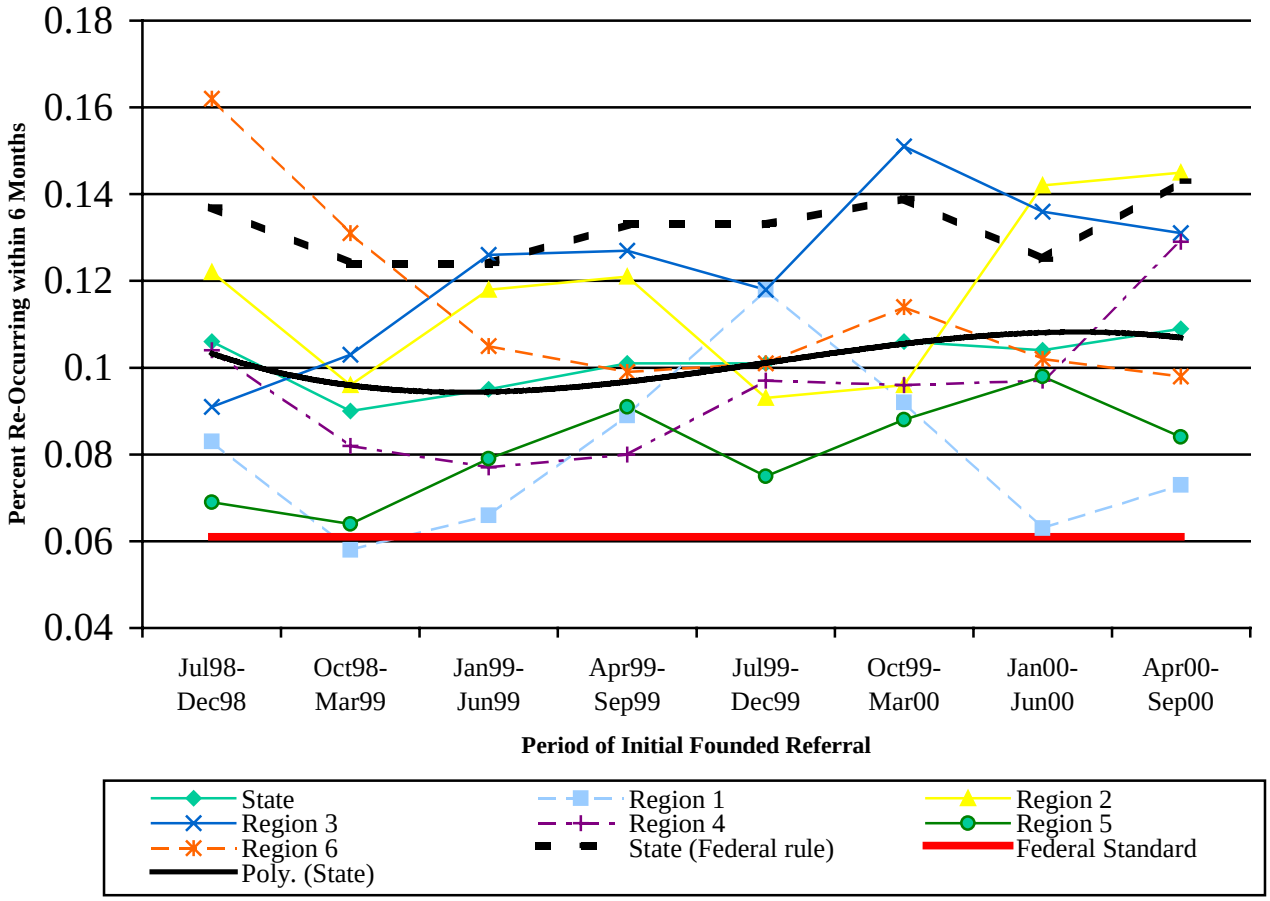
SAFETY: REDUCE RECURRENCE OF MALTREATMENT

Victim Recurrence:

Percent of CA/N victims who had another substantiated or indicated report within 6 months. Current and previous quarter used as 6-month entry cohort.

NOTE: This 6-month victim recurrence rate replaces the 12-month victim recurrence rate previously reported, for consistency with a similar change in the Federally reported NCANDS measure. Founded referrals are not counted as separate occurrences unless they are received more than ten days apart. The State trend in the Federal measure, which does not allow use of this exclusion, and the Federal practice standard, are also shown for reference.

State and Regional Trends



Recurrence Rates
(Number of Recurrences)

Region	Period of Initial Founded Referral		
	FY 1999	FY 2000	Apr 2000 – Sep 2000
1	7.4% (84)	9.2% (98)	7.3% (36)
2	11.5% (110)	11.4% (110)	14.5% (72)
3	11.4% (117)	12.8% (114)	13.1% (60)
4	9.0% (96)	9.0% (101)	12.9% (69)
5	7.6% (82)	8.7% (96)	8.4% (53)
6	13.1% (156)	10.2% (127)	9.8% (58)
State Total	**10.0% (645)**	**10.2% (649)**	**10.9% (348)**

Calculation Notes: see Appendix S-2

Safety: Reduce Recurrence of Maltreatment

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REGION 4

Recurrence Rates
(Number of Recurrences)

Office	Period of Initial Founded Referral		
	FY 1999	FY 2000	Apr 2000 – Sep 2000
King Eastside	8% (5)	6% (6)	10% (4)
Seattle South	8% (24)	12% (45)	17% (32)
Kent	7% (25)	10% (29)	12% (17)
King Central	19% (12)	9% (4)	17% (4)
Seattle North	9% (25)	6% (13)	9% (9)
African Am. Unit	25% (5)	5% (4)	7% (3)
Regional Total	**9.0% (96)**	**9.0% (4)**	**12.9% (69)**
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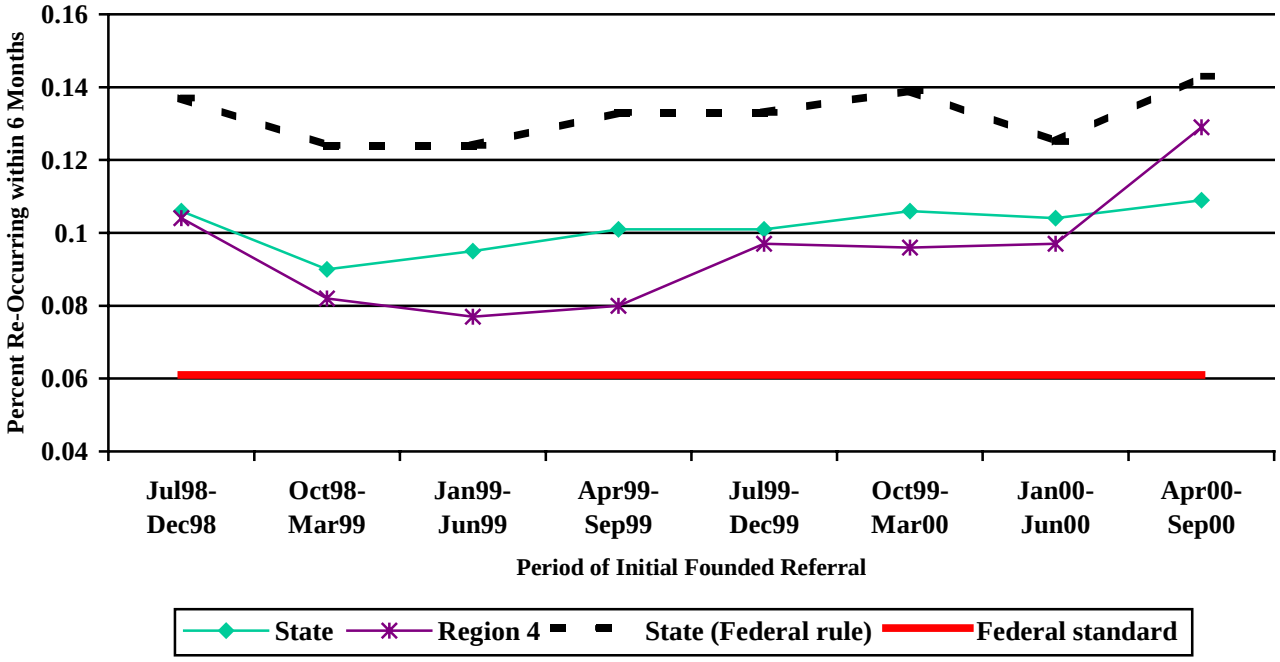
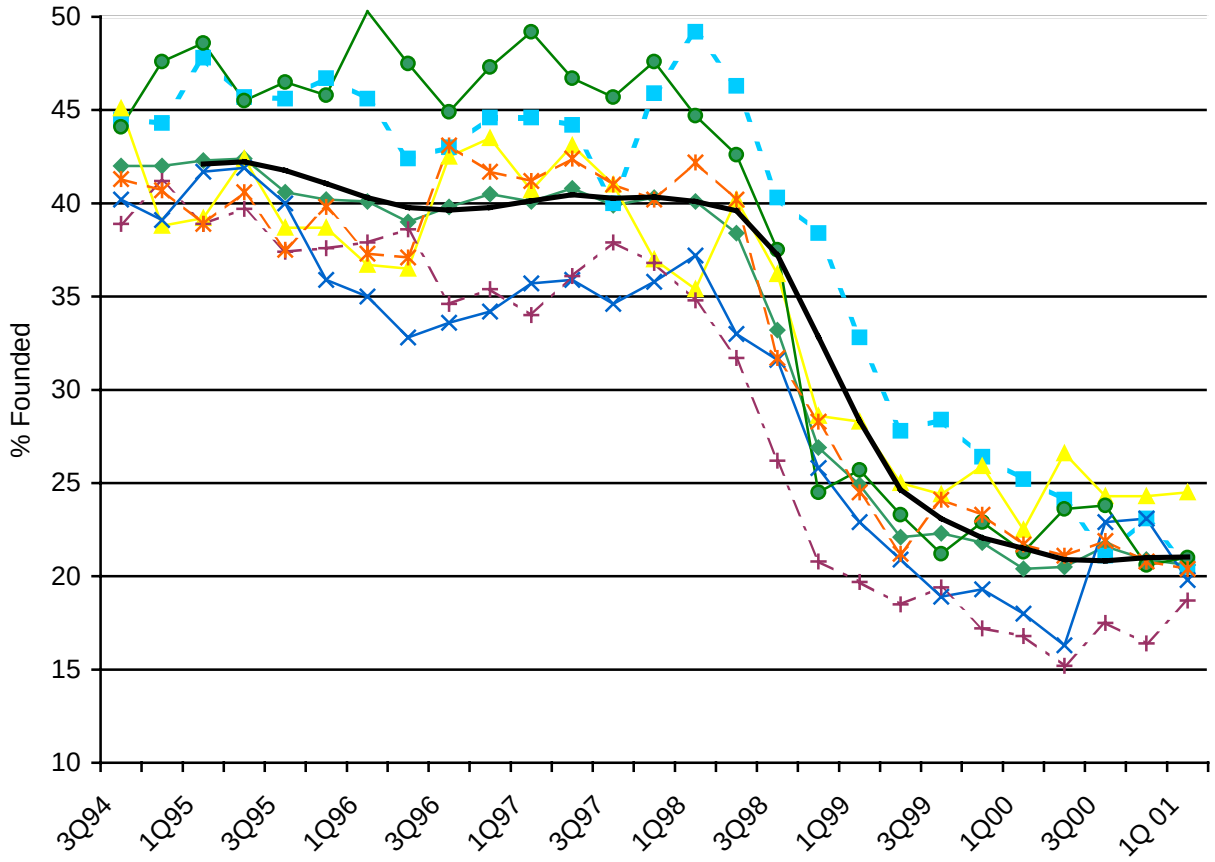
Region 4 & State Trends



TRENDS IN FOUNDED RATE

For reference, the state and regional founded rates are also shown here, going back to the 3rd quarter of 1994. The victim recurrence rates will decline if the founded rate declines, independent of any changes in practice that may affect the recurrence rates.

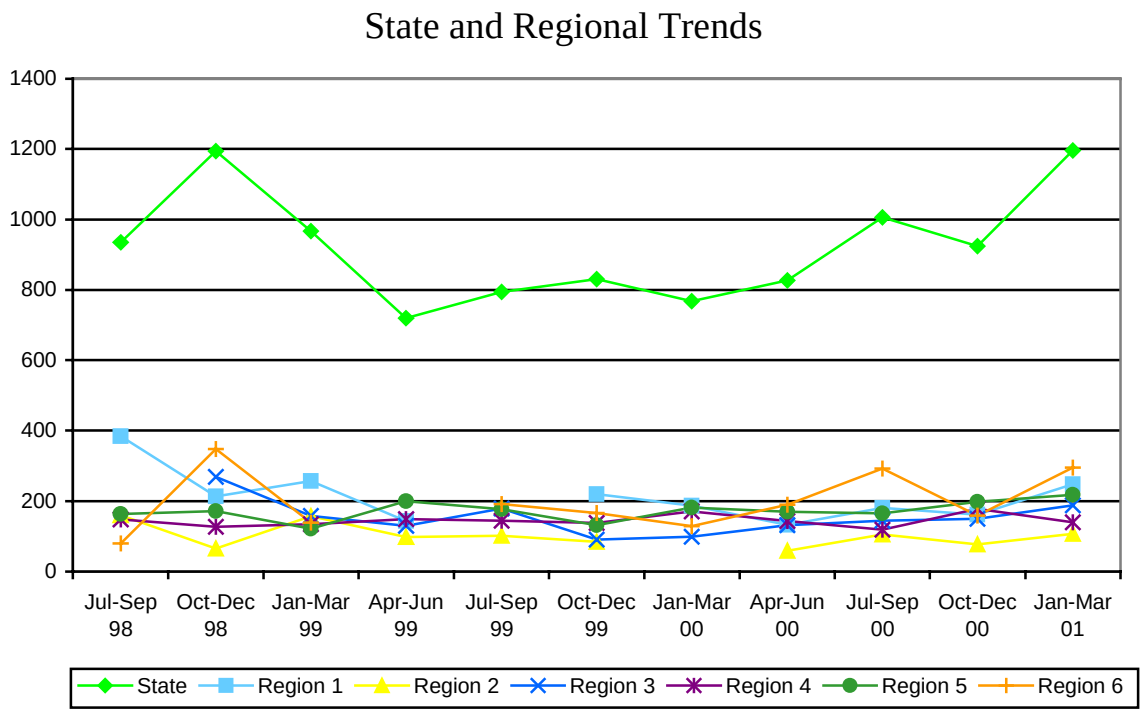
Note: An earlier error in linking Investigations with pre-Investigations Module summary assessments resulted in a slight error in the Founded rates. The trend below has been corrected for this error and supercedes the founded rates given prior to the February 2001 monthly report. The actual founded rate for 1999-2000 is slightly lower than previously reported.



SAFETY: REDUCE RECURRENCE OF MALTREATMENT

Child Protection Teams:

Number of cases staffed with Community Protection Teams. (The data reflects the number of children staffed with CPT's. CA will transition to a count of cases staffed over the next few months).

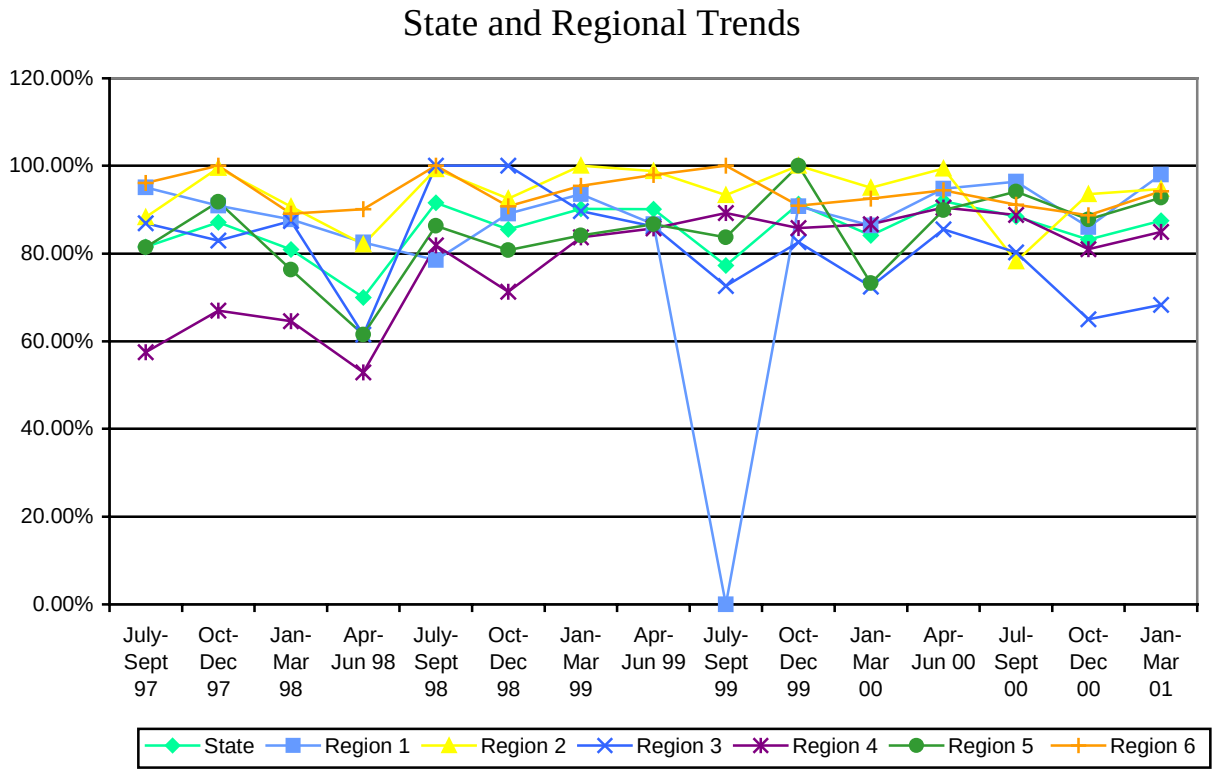


	State	Region 1	Region 2	Region 3	Region 4	Region 5	Region 6
Jul-Sep 98	935	384	160		148	163	80
Oct-Dec 98	1194	213	65	269	127	172	348
Jan-Mar 99	967	257	157	158	134	122	139
Apr-Jun 99	720	143	98	130	149	200	
Jul-Sep 99	794	0	102	179	144	177	192
Oct-Dec 99	831	220	84	91	138	132	166
Jan-Mar 00	768	187		99	171	182	129
Apr-Jun 00	827	133	59	132	143	170	190
Jul-Sep 00	1006	181	105	144	119	165	292
Oct-Dec 00	924	162	77	150	178	198	159
Jan-Mar 01	1196	248	107	188	140	218	296

SAFETY: TIMELY INVESTIGATIONS

DCFS/CPS Investigations:

Percent of high standard CPS investigations where child is seen within 10 calendar days from the date of the referral.



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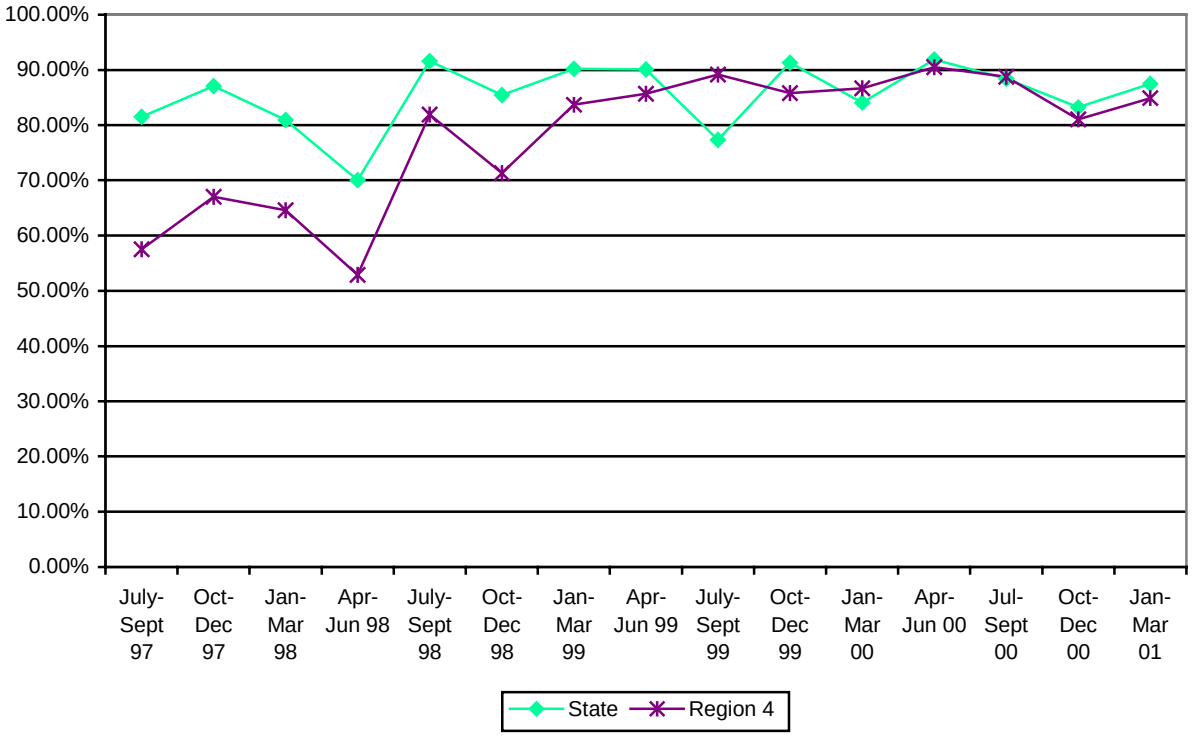
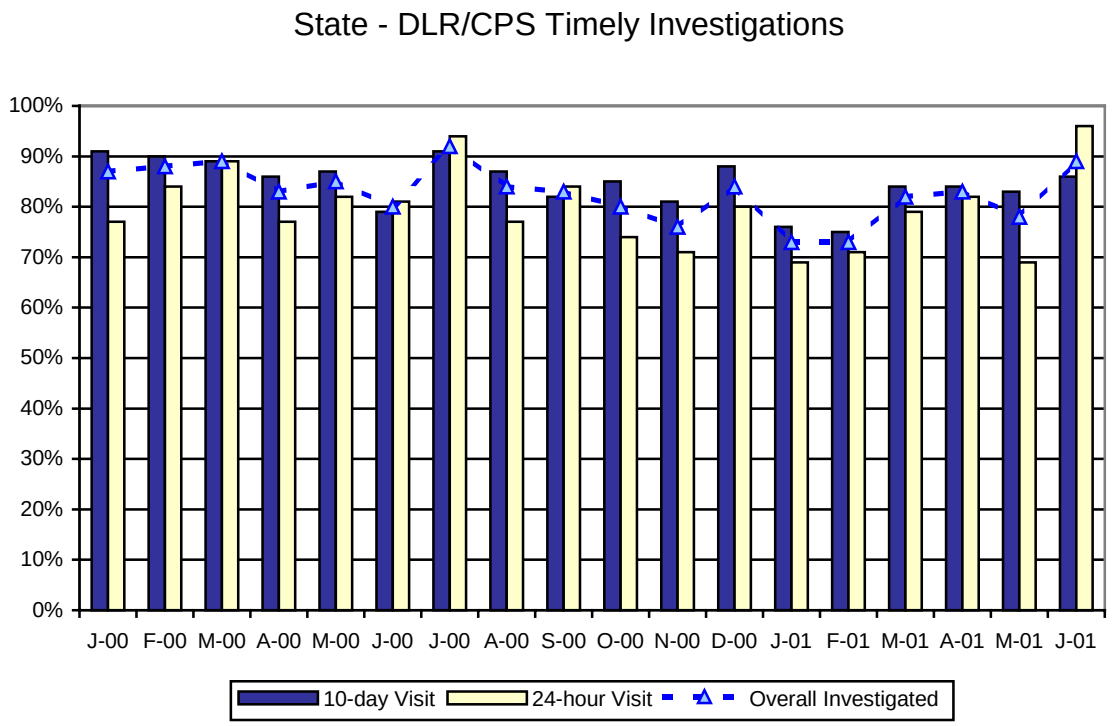


	Region	King East	King South	Seattle Cntrl.	Seattle N.	Seattle S.	African Amer. Unit
July-Sept. 1997	57.54%	64.40%	57.10%	43.13%	50.09%	67.71%	
Oct.-Dec. 1997	66.95%	77.73%	73.46%	93.46%	62.84%	48.89%	
Jan.-Mar. 1998	64.56%	70.61%	72.35%	82.11%	56.74%	53.94%	
April-June 1998	52.95%	54.68%	52.21%	38.10%	52.57%	58.07%	
July-Sept. 1998	81.92%	71.62%	87.20%	71.30%	77.07%	92.51%	
Oct.-Dec. 1998	71.35%	51.70%	84.39%	43.96%	52.44%	100.00%	
Jan.-Mar. 1999	83.66%	77.34%	83.82%	75.65%	81.16%	96.07%	
April-June 1999	85.68%	79.41%	91.98%	65.00%	79.09%	85.47%	100.00%
July-Sept. 1999	89.21%	85.26%	86.33%	64.35%	87.14%	98.38%	100.00%
Oct.-Dec. 1999	85.76%	78.89%	84.05%	65.55%	79.44%	100.00%	100.00%
Jan.-Mar. 2000	86.71%	77.84%	80.35%	69.83%	87.11%	98.73%	100.00%
April-June 2000	90.48%	76.47%	98.80%	71.05%	78.97%	100.00%	100.00%
July-Sept. 2000	88.77%	90.40%	94.40%	79.21%	80.19%	87.72%	95.00%
Oct.-Dec. 2000	81.0%	79.8%	71.2%	76.9%	84.8%	88.4%	100.0%
Jan.-Mar. 2001	84.9%	88.8%	75.0%	71.6%	100.0%	88.1%	81.3%

Safety: Timely Investigations

DLR/CPS Investigations:

Percent of high standard CPS investigations where child is seen within 10 calendar days OR 24 hours from the date of the referral (per policy).



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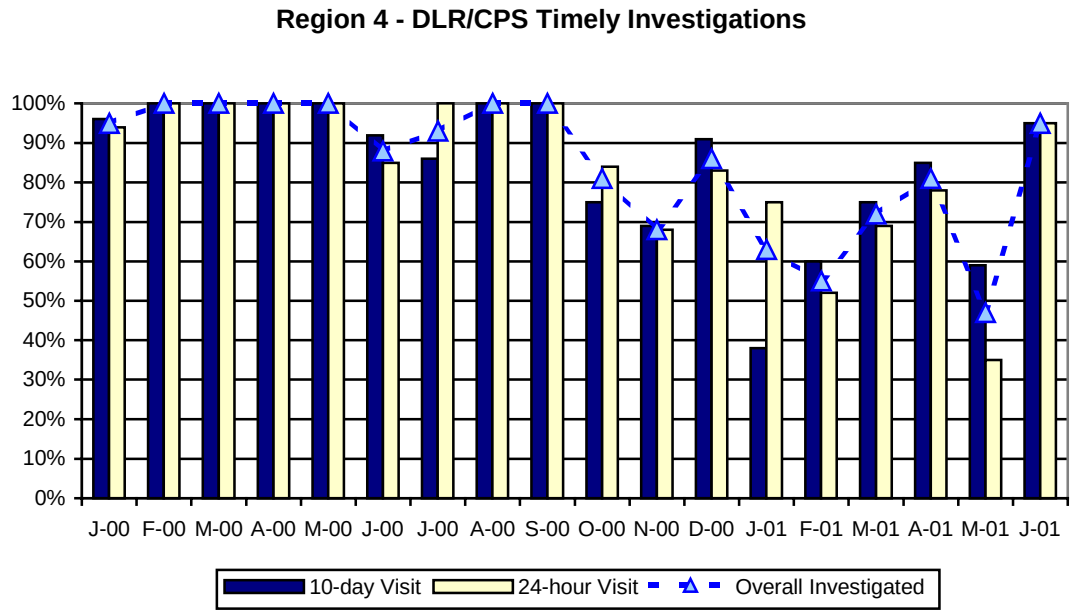
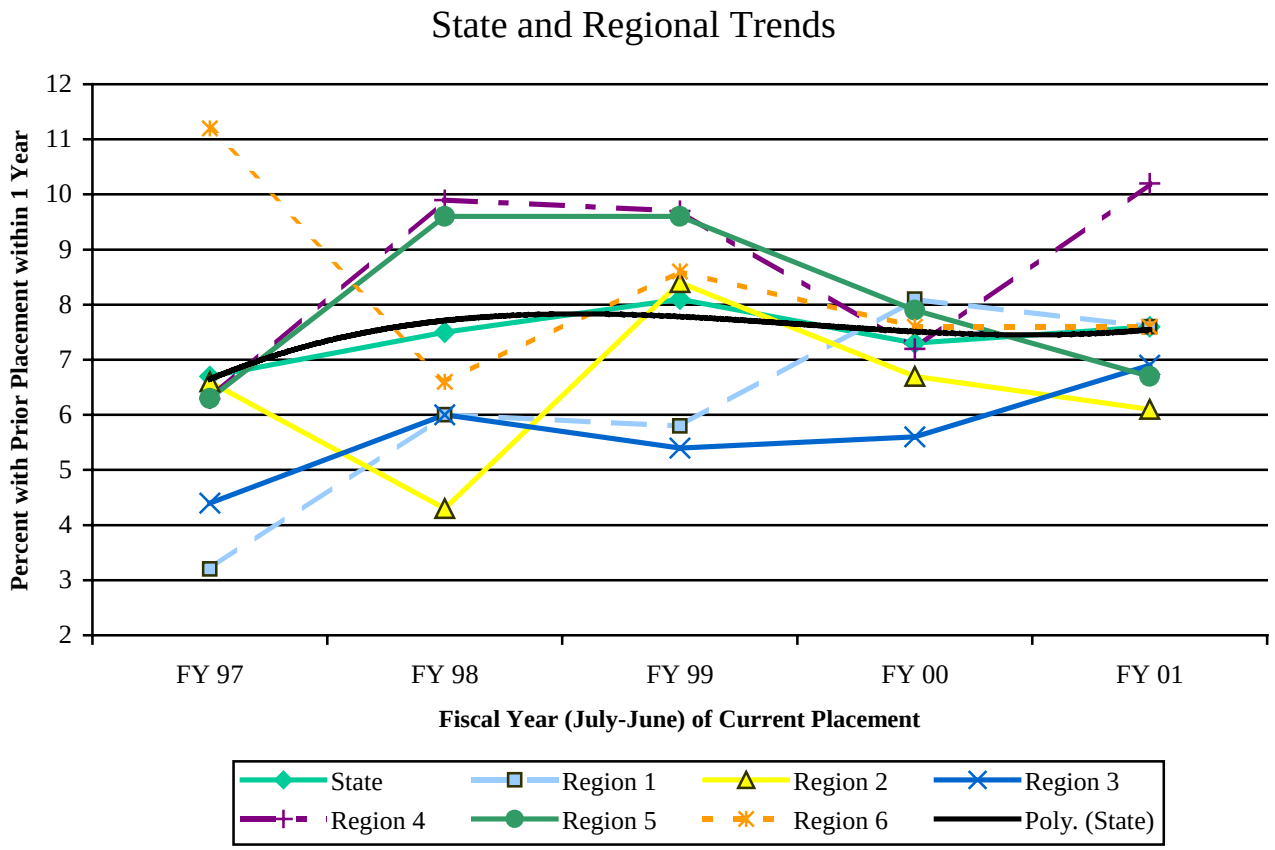


SAFETY: REDUCE CPS PLACEMENT RE-ENTRY

Prior Placements:

Percent of children currently in a CA/N-related placement who had a previous CA/N-related placement in the prior 12 months. (only counts children placed > 72 hours).

NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trend was re-calculated in September, 2001. Trends are determined at fiscal year intervals to allow meaningful interpretation of changes in this measure.



Prior Placement Rate (Number with Prior Placements)

Region	Previous FY (FY 2000)	Current FY to date (all FY 2001)	Current Quarter (2Q 01)
1	8% (50)	8% (46)	3% (4)
2	7% (29)	6% (28)	8% (9)
3	6% (27)	7% (40)	10% (15)
4	7% (52)	10% (69)	10% (16)
5	8% (54)	7% (55)	4% (7)
6	8% (61)	8% (59)	8% (16)
State Total	**7.3% (273)**	**7.6% (297)**	**7.1% (67)**

Calculation notes in Appendix S-4.

Safety: Reduce CPS Placement Re-Entry

Prior Placements:

Percent of children currently in a CA/N-related placement who had a previous CA/N-related placement in the prior 12 months. (only counts children placed > 72 hours).

NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trend was re-calculated in September, 2001. Trends are determined at fiscal year intervals to allow meaningful interpretation of changes in this measure.

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Prior Placement Rate (Number with Prior Placements)

Office	Previous FY (FY 2000)	Current FY to date (all FY 2001)	Current Quarter (2Q 01)
King Eastside	7% (2)	6% (2)	7% (1)
Seattle South	8% (13)	9% (12)	10% (4)
Kent	6% (10)	10% (21)	16% (6)
King Central	5% (4)	13% (7)	14% (2)
Seattle North	8% (14)	12% (22)	6% (3)
Afr. Am. Unit	9% (9)	9% (5)	0% (0)
Regional Total	**7.2% (52)**	**10.2% (69)**	**9.9% (16)**
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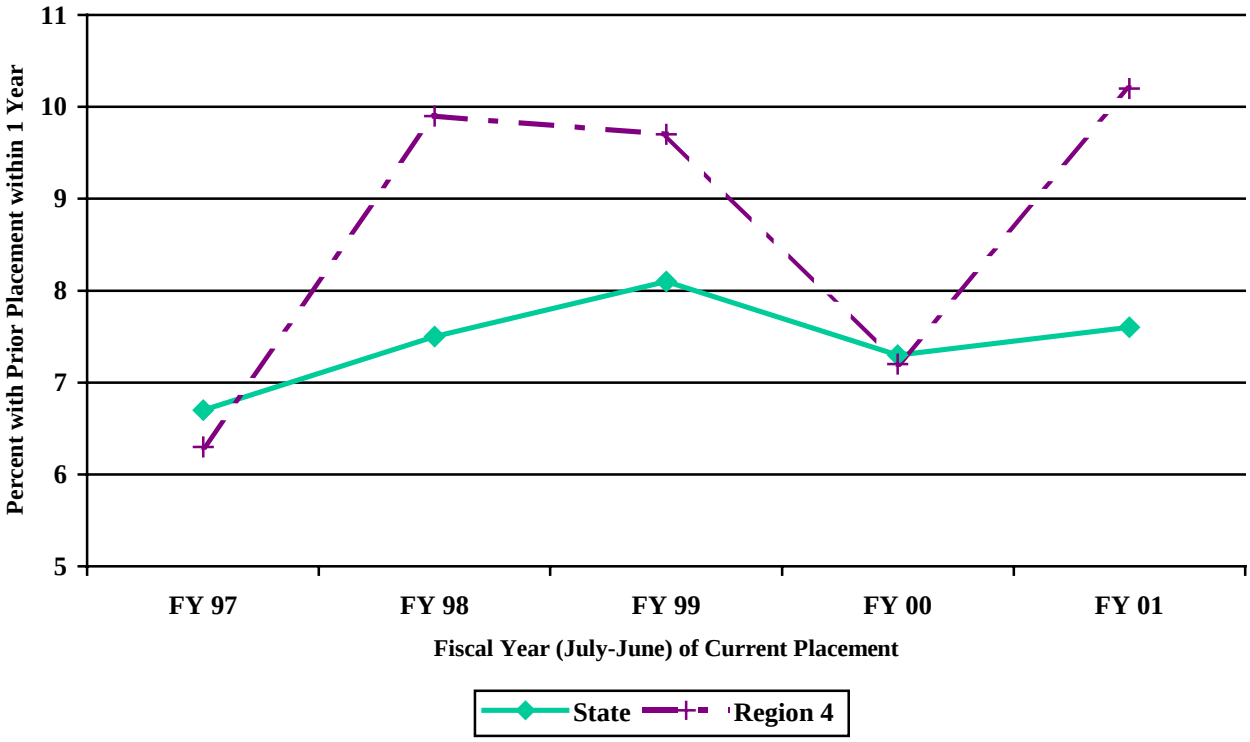
Region 4 & State Trends



SAFETY APPENDIX

S-1: Reduce Chronic Maltreatment

Calculation: Quarterly cohort of all accepted and alternative response referrals to CPS for each unique family case ID number. Past records then checked to see what proportion of this cohort have prior referrals in CAMIS that were received on the same case ID number more than ten days but less than three years before the received date of the initial referral. Referrals must be received more than ten days apart to be counted as separate referrals. Criteria for identification of families as "chronic": 3 or more referrals in the past 12 months, or 4 or more referrals in the past 2 years, or 5 or more referrals in the past 3 years; or two or more sexual or physical abuse allegations at investigation in the past six CPS referrals; or two or more founded allegations in the past six CPS referrals; or rated at moderately high or high risk for either one of young, vulnerable or developmentally disabled child, AND for caregiver's history of CA/N as a child, in any of the past six CPS referrals; or a biological mother under 21 years of age at the time of her first referral as the biological mother, or a primary caregiver rated at moderately high or high risk for caregiver emotional/physical/mental impairments, for families referred two or more times to CPS. These criteria were developed as a part of the Kids Come First initiative.

S-2: Reduce Recurrence of Maltreatment (Victim)

Calculation: Fiscal year or six-month cohort of founded referrals on individual victims (first founded referral received in that year for each unique victim person ID number); this cohort of victims followed forward in time for a 6-month period to see if an additional founded referral is received on the same person ID number (again, identified as a victim) more than ten but less than 366 days after the received date of the initial referral. An additional six-month lag time after receipt is also allowed for entry of the investigation information. The founded rates reported on this page are calculated from the investigations module: if any allegation for victims or subjects is founded, the referral is considered founded. If a referral predates the use of the investigations module, the old summary assessment findings code is used. The ten-day exclusion is used to (approximately) adjust the measure for the effects of receiving multiple referrals on the same incident. The Federal rules prohibit this adjustment, so the unadjusted State trend is also shown for reference in the State report. By reporting each quarter and using a six-month period each time, we are in effect averaging over two quarters for each reporting period. This smooths out fluctuations in the trends due to relatively small numbers of recurring victims, and makes the trends easier to interpret and more reliable indicators of actual changes in practice.

S-3: Reduce Recurrence of Maltreatment (Family)

Calculation: Fiscal year or quarterly cohort of founded referrals (first founded referral received in that year for each unique family case ID number); this cohort followed forward in time for a 12-month period to see if an additional founded referral is received on the same case ID number more than ten but less than 366 days after the received date of the initial referral. An additional six-month lag time after receipt is also allowed for entry of the substantiation decision(s).

S-4: Reduce CPS Placement Re-Entry

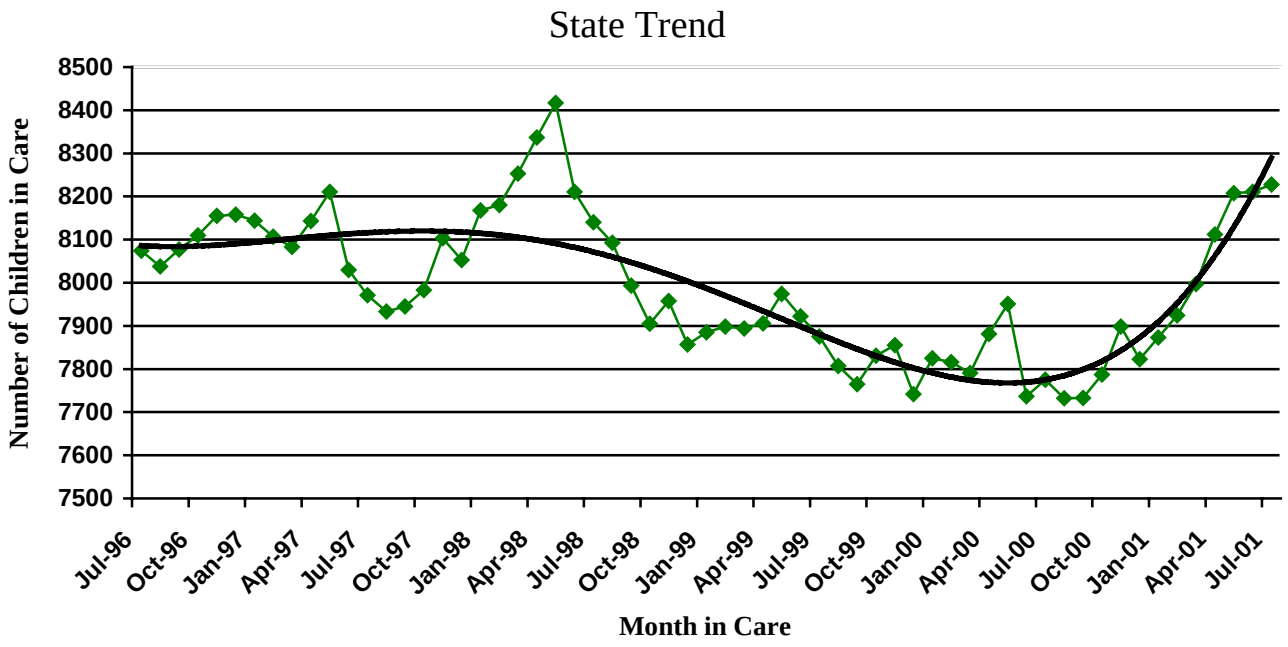
Calculation: Due to the lack of a direct link in CAMIS between referral and placement data, this measure is presently NOT defined with reference to CPS referrals. Until a more reliable link between CPS placement and referral information is developed, we report here as a temporary substitute a "look back" placement measure that determines the percent of children placed for reasons of CA/N (placement reasons of sexual abuse, physical abuse, neglect, abandonment, and inadequate housing other than homelessness) in a given current quarter for more than three days who had a previous placement episode with CA/N-related reasons lasting > 3 days that closed at least two days before and within 12 months of the start of the current episode. Prior and current placements with all outcomes are counted. As of the March 2001 report, this measure using placement reason codes replaced the previous measure that counted placements with CPS program codes; trends and office-level data were re-calculated using the reason codes back to the third quarter of 1996 (FY 1997).

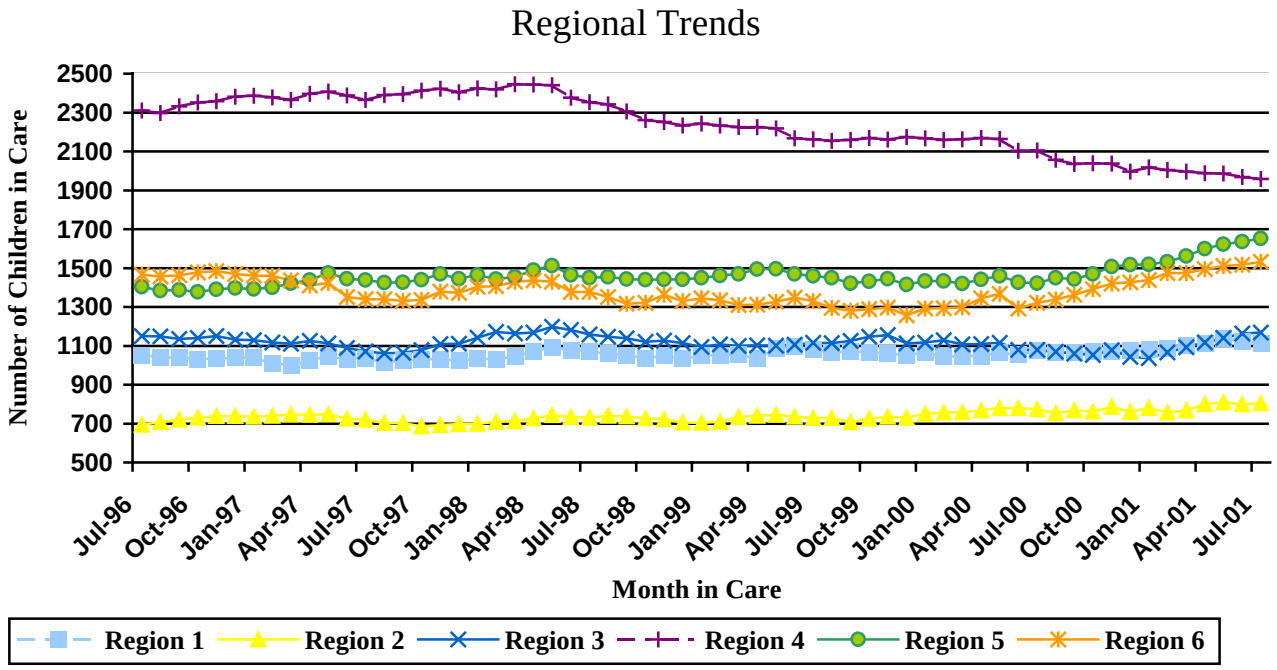
PERMANENCY: TRENDS IN PLACEMENT

Children in Out of Home Care:

Number of children in DCFS custody in open placement episodes in a given month with lengths of stay/time in care of > 60 days (in-home dependencies excluded).

NOTE: This measure was recalculated in September, 2001, following a large-scale data clean up effort in the field, and is also now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The previously reported statewide increase in number of children in placement was apparently due to a substantial number of incorrectly documented episodes, and in lesser part to the cumulative effects of improperly documented in-home dependencies: episodes of out of home care with the final event being recorded as an in-home dependency, then the episode left open.





Permanency: Trends in Placement

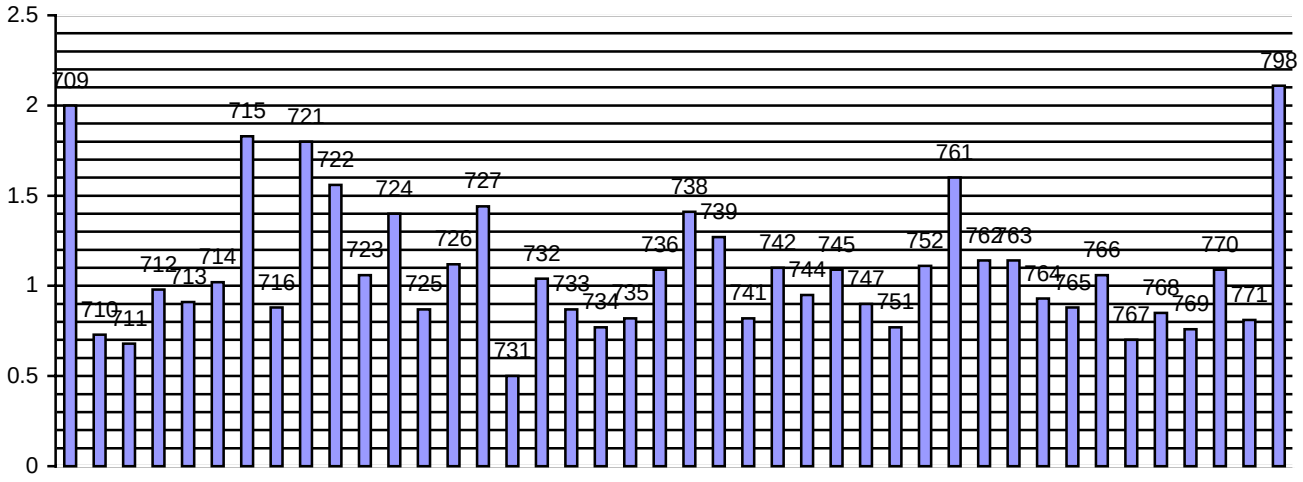
Office Entry/Exit Ratio:

Ratio of placement episode entries to exits for each office, for a given fiscal year, for DCFS-custody children with lengths of stay/times in care of > 60 days. In-home dependencies excluded.

NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. Ratios for both fiscal years were re-calculated in September, 2001. FY 2000 ratios for some offices have changed substantially compared to the values previously reported.

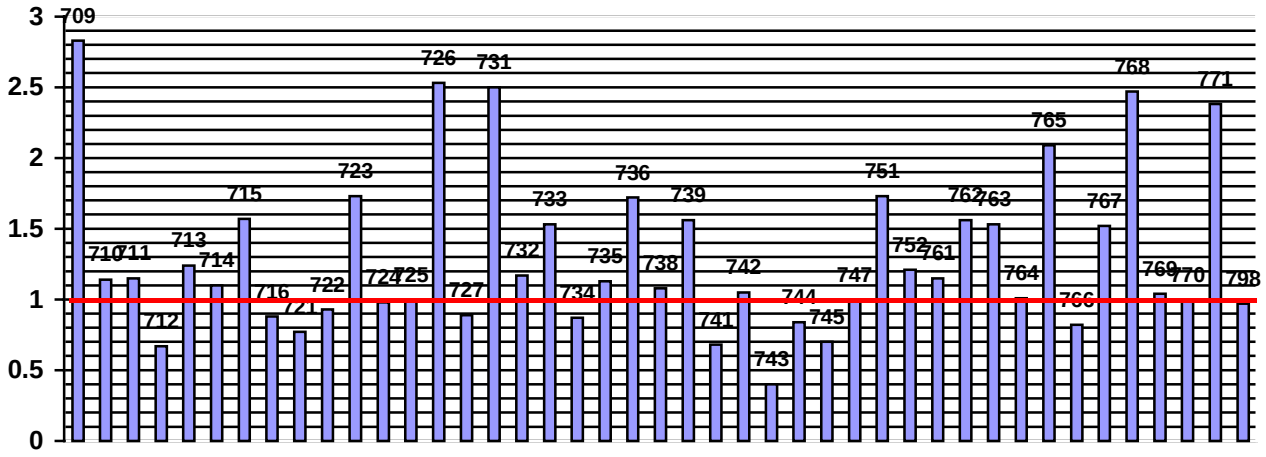
If the number of children entering placement exceeds the number exiting placement during the same period, the entry/exit ratio will be larger than one and the number of children in open placement episodes will continue to increase. Thus, offices with entry/exit ratios larger than one for a given fiscal year consistently have more children entering placement than leaving placement.

Office Entry/Exit Ratio, FY 2000



Office 737 (Friday Harbor): records indicate 3 entries and no exits in FY 2000

Office Entry/Exit Ratio, FY 2001



Permanency: Trends in Placement

Number of Placement Entries, Exits, and Placement Rate:

Number of children in DCFS custody entering and exiting placement episodes in a given month, for all lengths of stay; and the proportion of investigated child victims in CPS referrals placed from three days before to 12 months after referral.

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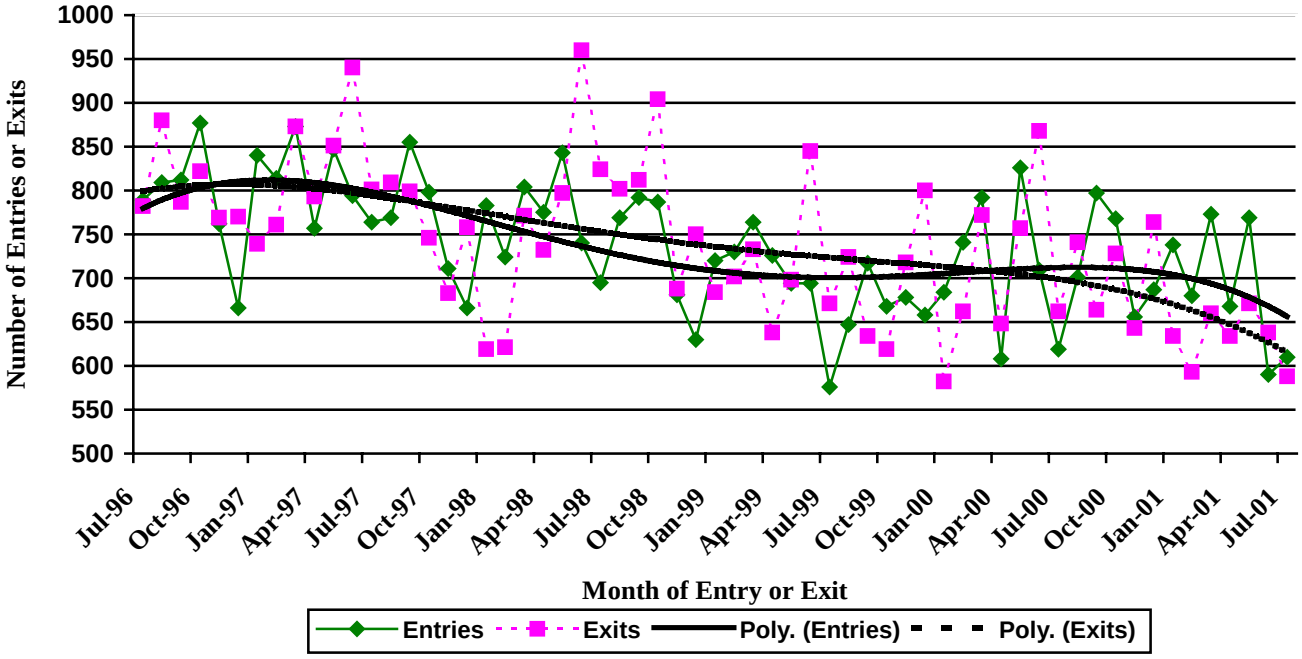
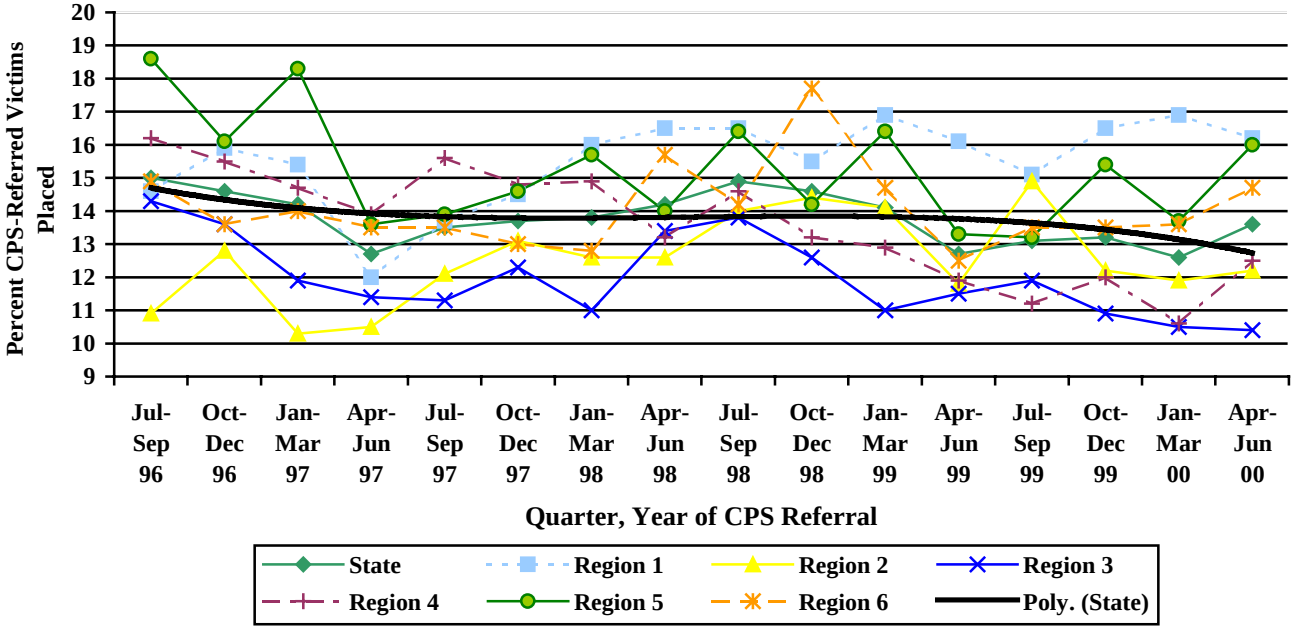
State Trend, Number of Placement Entries and Exits



State and Regional Trends, Placement Rate



Permanency: Trends in Placement

Number of Children in Paid Care and Adoption Support:

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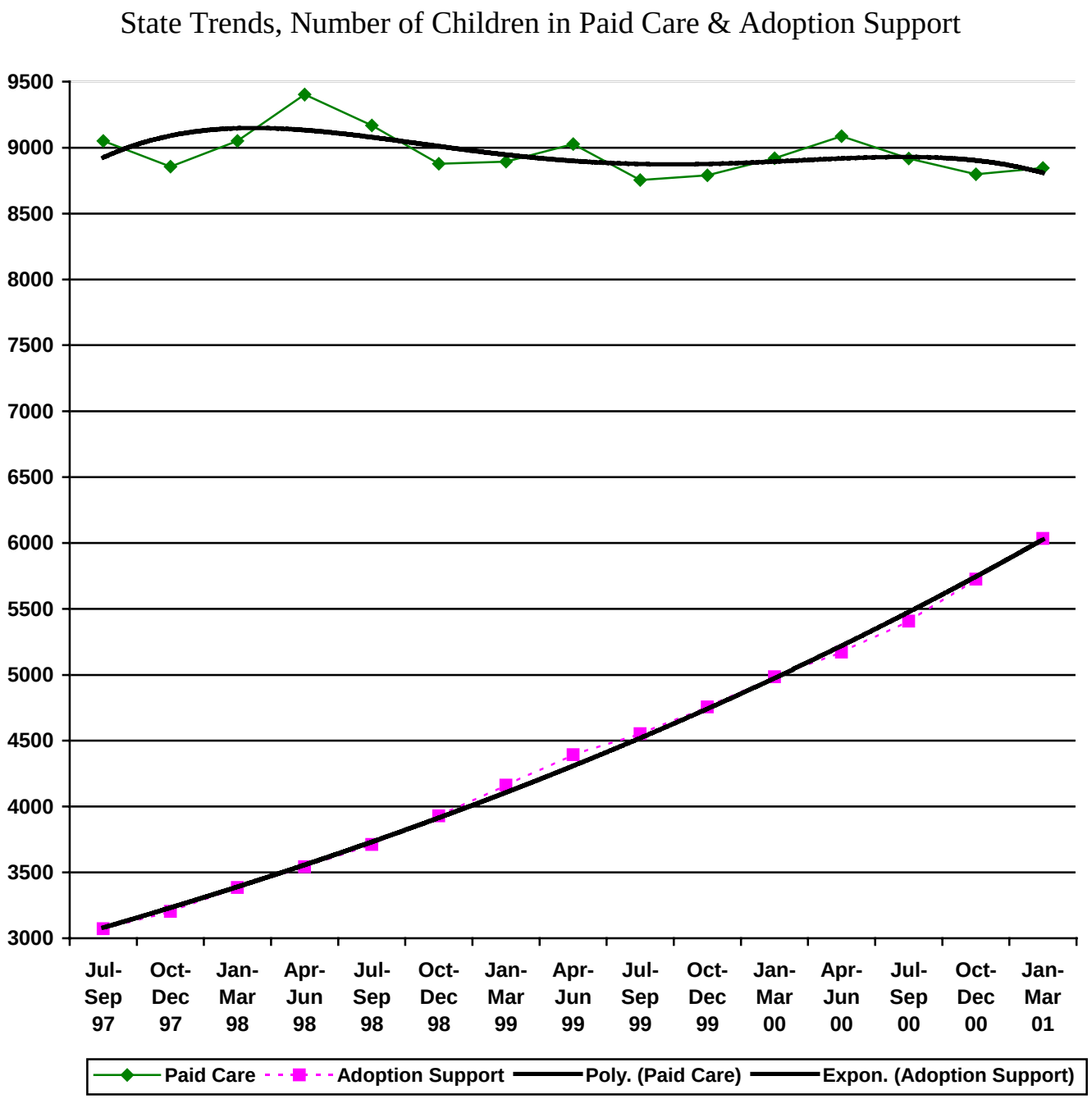

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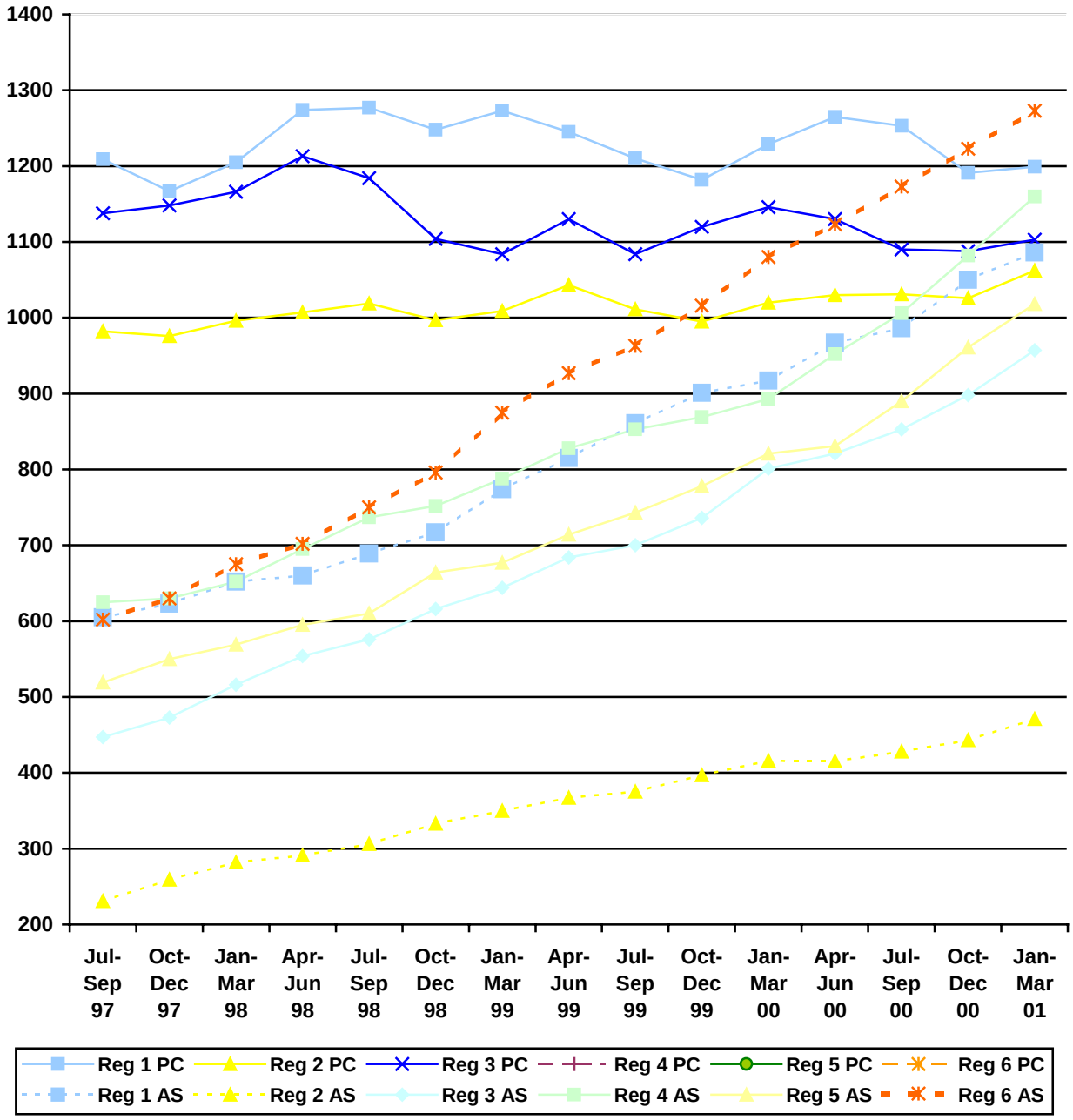
REGIONAL TRENDS, NUMBER OF CHILDREN



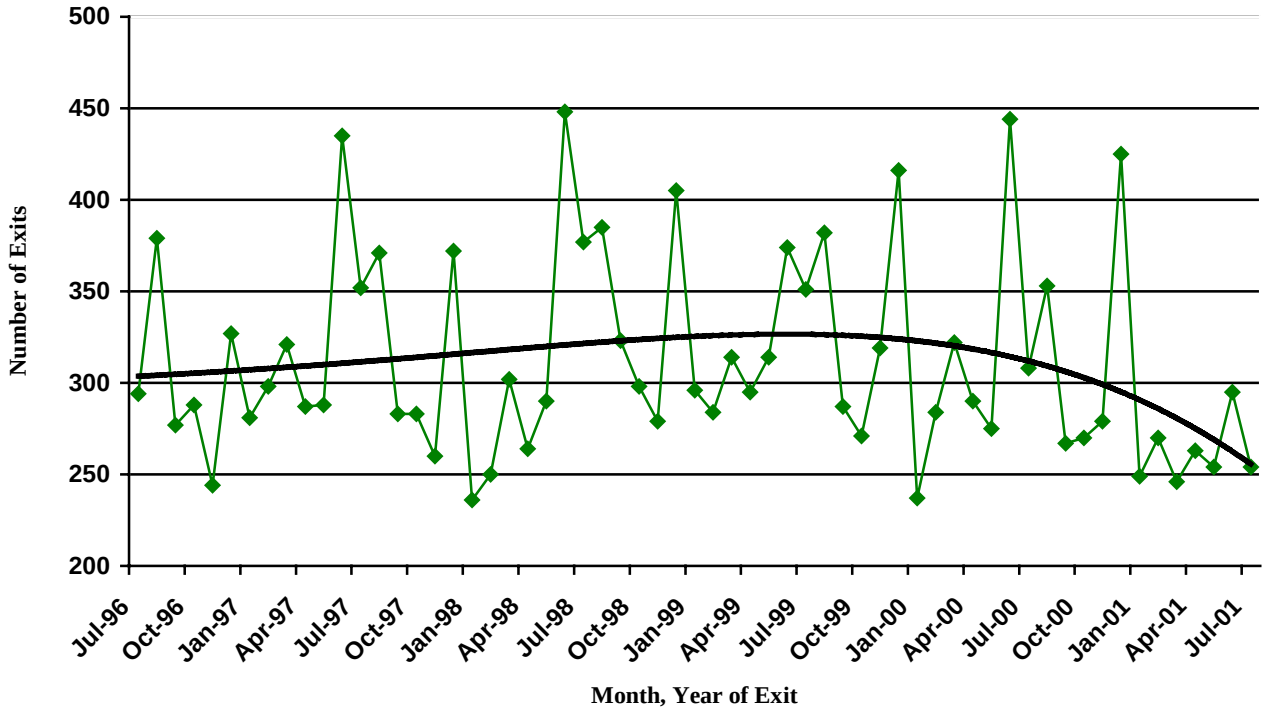
PERMANENCY: INCREASE PERMANENCY FOR CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE

Completed Permanent Plans: Adoption, Guardianship, and Reunification with LOS > 60 Days

(Number of exits)

NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trends were re-calculated in September, 2001. Because these are counts of exits, they will not equal the number of children exiting in a given period.

State Trend



Number of Placement Exits
(Adoptions, Guardianships, and Reunifications with LOS > 60 Days)

Region	FY 1998	FY 1999	Previous FY (FY 2000)	Current FY to date (July 2001)	Current Month (July 2001)
1	525	589	616	37	37
2	395	416	375	23	23
3	471	530	526	41	41
4	958	976	879	53	53
5	608	607	640	44	44
6	754	826	842	56	56
State	3711	3944	3878	254	254

Permanency: Increase Permanency for Children in Out-of-Home Care

Permanent Plans Completed by Type and Quarter: Adoption, Guardianship and Reunification

(Number of Exits, All LOS)

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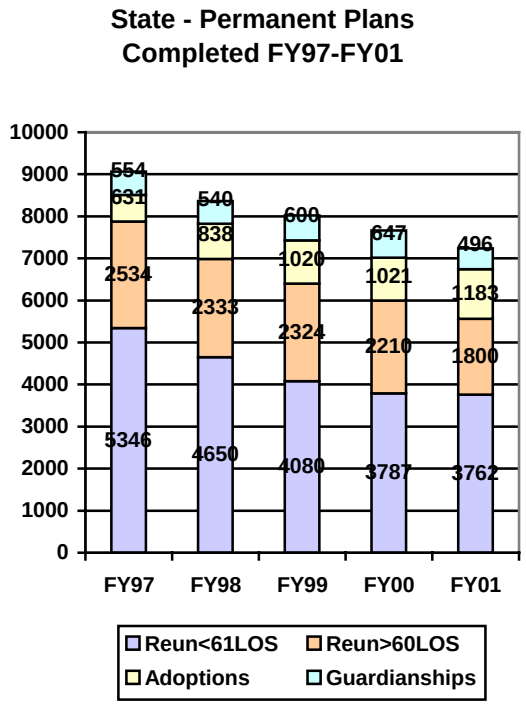

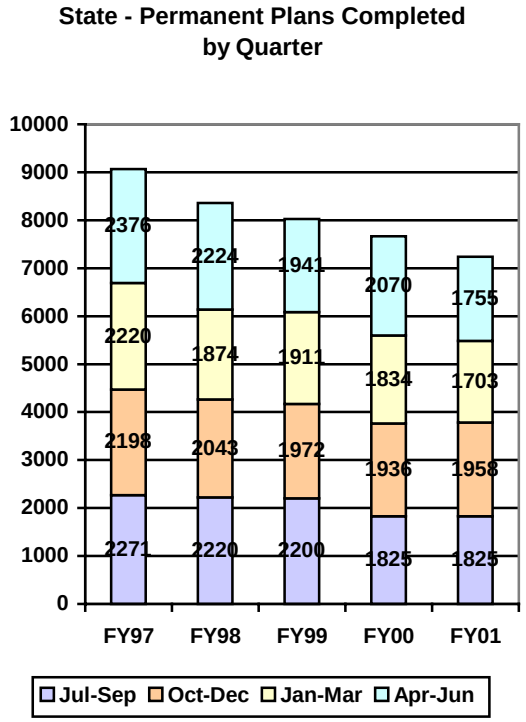

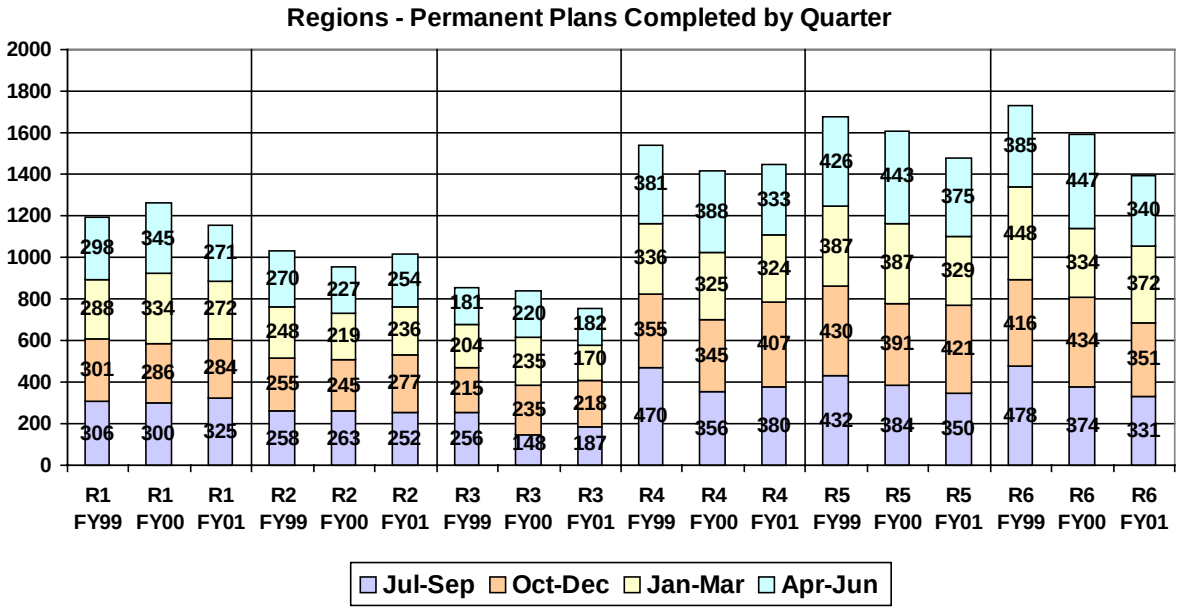

Permanency: Increase Permanency for Children in Out-of-Home Care

Completed Permanent Plans: Regional Performance on Reunification, Adoption and Guardianships

(Number of Exits)

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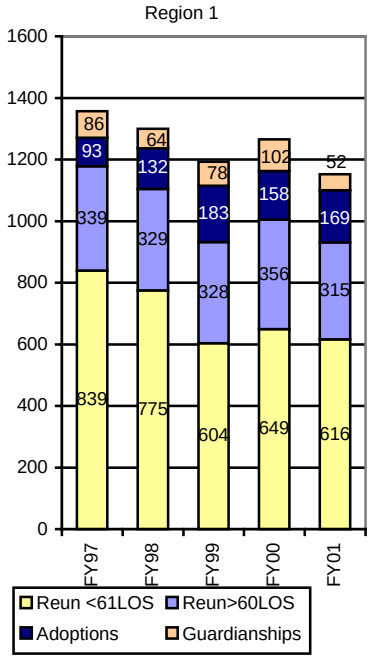

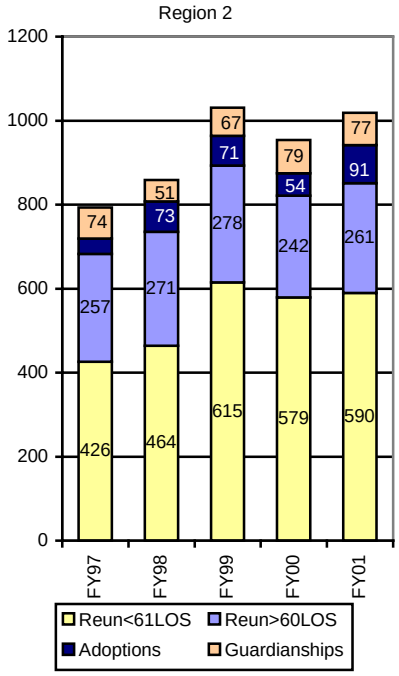

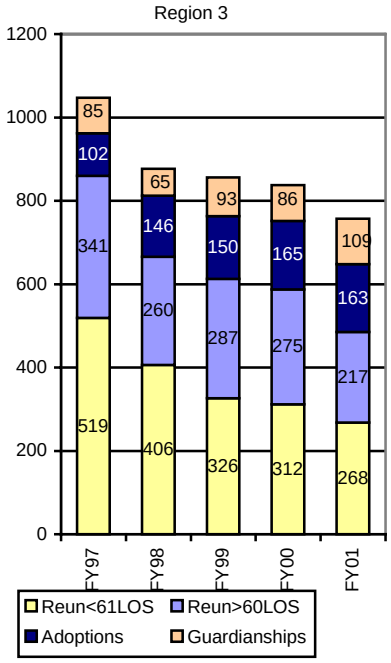

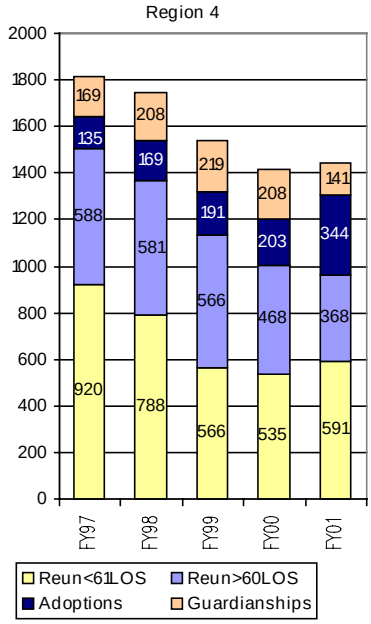

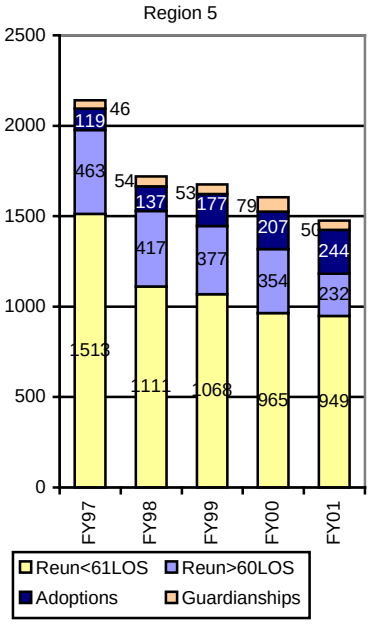

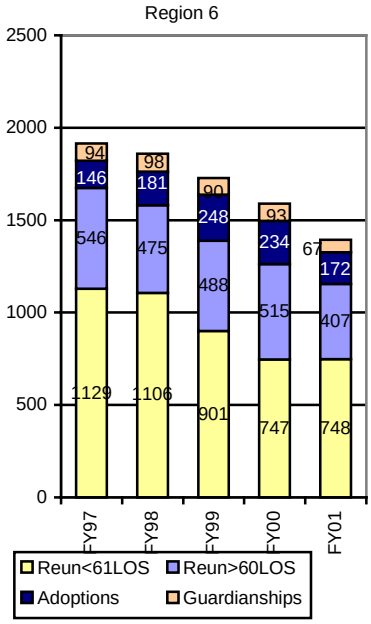

Permanency: Increase Permanency for Children in Out-of-Home Care

Regional Performance, All Types of Outcomes

(Number of exits)

NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trends were re-calculated in September, 2001. Because these are counts of exits, they will not equal the number of children exiting in a given period.

Number of Placement Exits

Exit Type		Region						State Total
		1	2	3	4	5	6	
Reunifications, LOS ≤ 60 Days	FY 00	649	579	312	535	965	747	3787
	FY 01	616	590	268	591	949	748	3762
Reunifications, LOS > 60 Days	FY 00	356	242	275	468	354	515	2210
	FY 01	315	261	217	368	232	407	1800
Adoptions	FY 00	158	54	165	203	207	234	1021
	FY 01	169	91	163	344	244	172	1183
Guardianships	FY 00	102	79	86	208	79	93	647
	FY 01	52	77	109	141	50	67	496
Age of Majority/ Emancipation	FY 00	37	34	53	79	71	93	367
	FY 01	22	40	31	78	88	68	327
Transfer of Custody	FY 00	86	57	70	76	37	72	398
	FY 01	80	26	63	89	43	97	398
Deceased	FY 00	4	2	2	0	1	1	10
	FY 01	3	0	1	1	2	4	11
Missing Exit Type	FY 00	2	1	2	3	3	4	15
	FY 01	3	12	12	15	10	3	55
Regional Total	FY 00	1394	1048	965	1572	1717	1759	8455
	FY 01	1260	1097	864	1627	1618	1566	8032

Permanency: Increase Permanency for Children in Out-of-Home Care

Completed Permanent Plans: Adoption, Guardianship, and Reunification with LOS > 60 Days (Number of exits)

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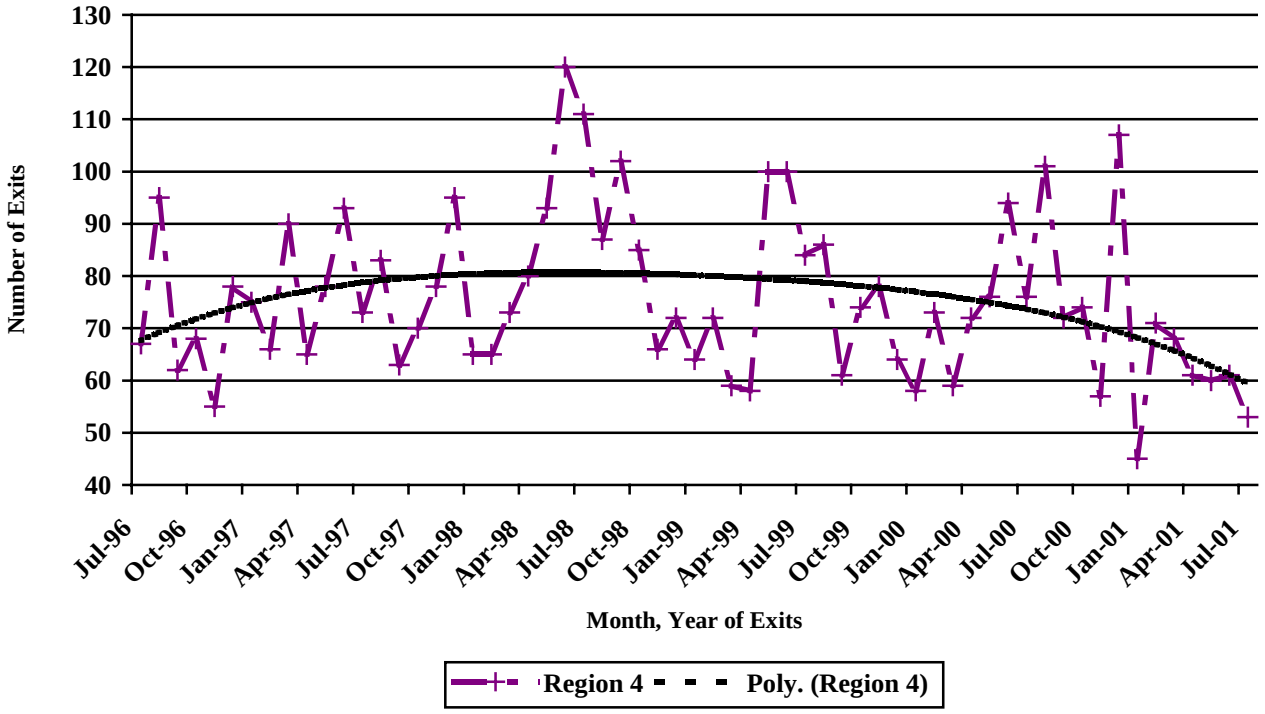
REGION 4

Number of Placement Exits
(Adoptions, Guardianships, and Reunifications with LOS > 60 Days)

Office	Previous Fiscal Year (FY 2001)	Current FY to date (July 2001)	Current Month (July 2001)
King Eastside	64	9	9
Seattle South	151	19	19
Adoption Unit	47	0	0
Kent	225	12	12
King Central	102	5	5
Seattle North	194	4	4
African Am. Unit	70	4	4
Regional Total	**853**	**53**	**53**

Region 4 Trend



Permanency: Increase Permanency for Children in Out-of-Home Care

Adoptions: Percents of all children in care, and of all legally free children with plan of adoption

Proportions Adopted in FY 2001

Region	Percent Adopted of all children in care > 60 days	Percent Adopted of all legally free children with plan of adoption
1	11%	34%
2	7%	36%
3	10%	30%
4	12%	33%
5	11%	30%
6	8%	34%
State	10.3%	32.3%

Proportions Adopted in FY 2000

Region	Percent Adopted of all children in care > 60 days	Percent Adopted of all legally free children with plan of adoption
1	13%	36%
2	6%	28%
3	14%	32%
4	9%	24%
5	13%	29%
6	14%	42%
State	11.7%	31.1%

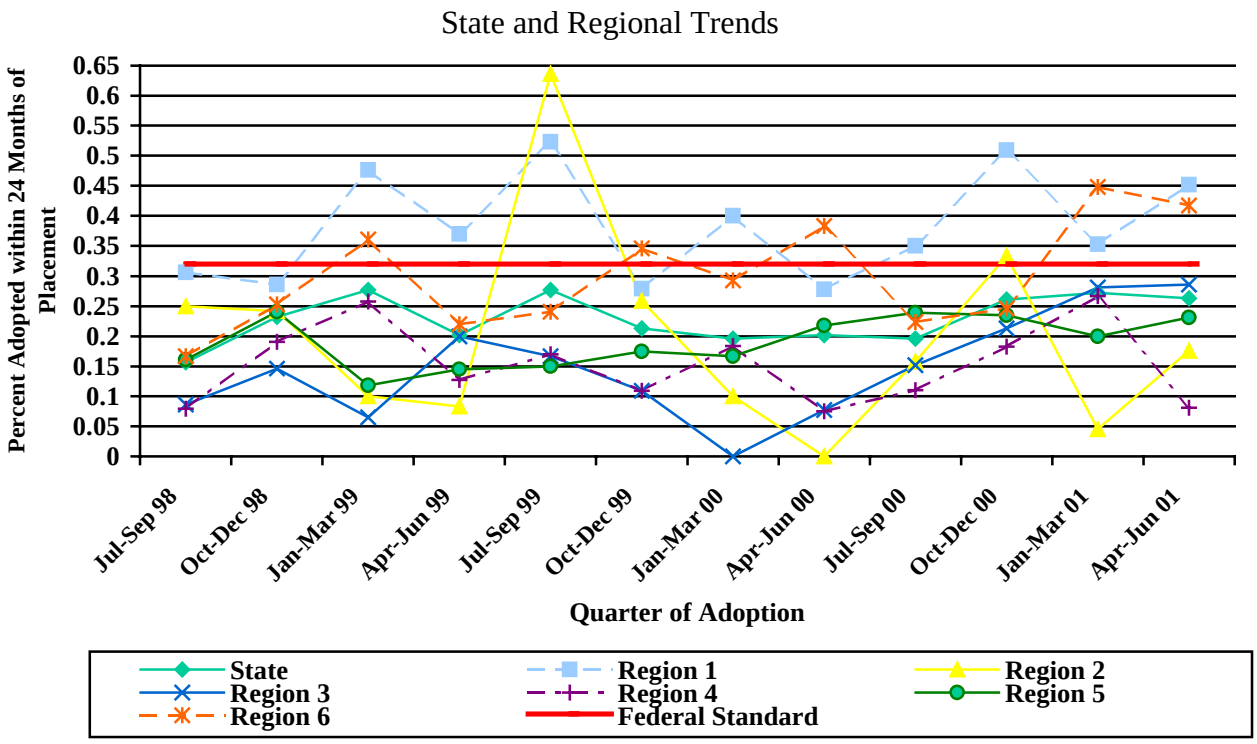
Proportions Adopted in FY 1999

Region	Percent Adopted of all children in care > 60 days	Percent Adopted of all legally free children with plan of adoption
1	18%	48%
2	10%	35%
3	16%	35%
4	9%	24%
5	14%	31%
6	19%	49%
State	14.0%	35.2%

Permanency: Increase Permanency for Children in Out-of-Home Care

Proportion of Adoptions Achieved within 24 Months of Placement

NOTE: The Federal practice standard is shown on the graph for reference.



Proportion of Children Adopted within 24 Months
(Federal practice standard is ≥ 32.0%)

Region	FY 1999	Previous FY (FY 2000)	Current FY (FY 2001)	Current Quarter (Apr-Jun 2001)
1	35.0%	37.1%	42.6%	45%
2	19.7%	27.8%	22.0%	18%
3	13.9%	9.1%	22.1%	29%
4	14.1%	12.3%	16.0%	8%
5	16.9%	17.4%	22.5%	23%
6	26.2%	32.1%	29.7%	42%
State Total	**21.6%**	**22.0%**	**24.4%**	**26.3%**

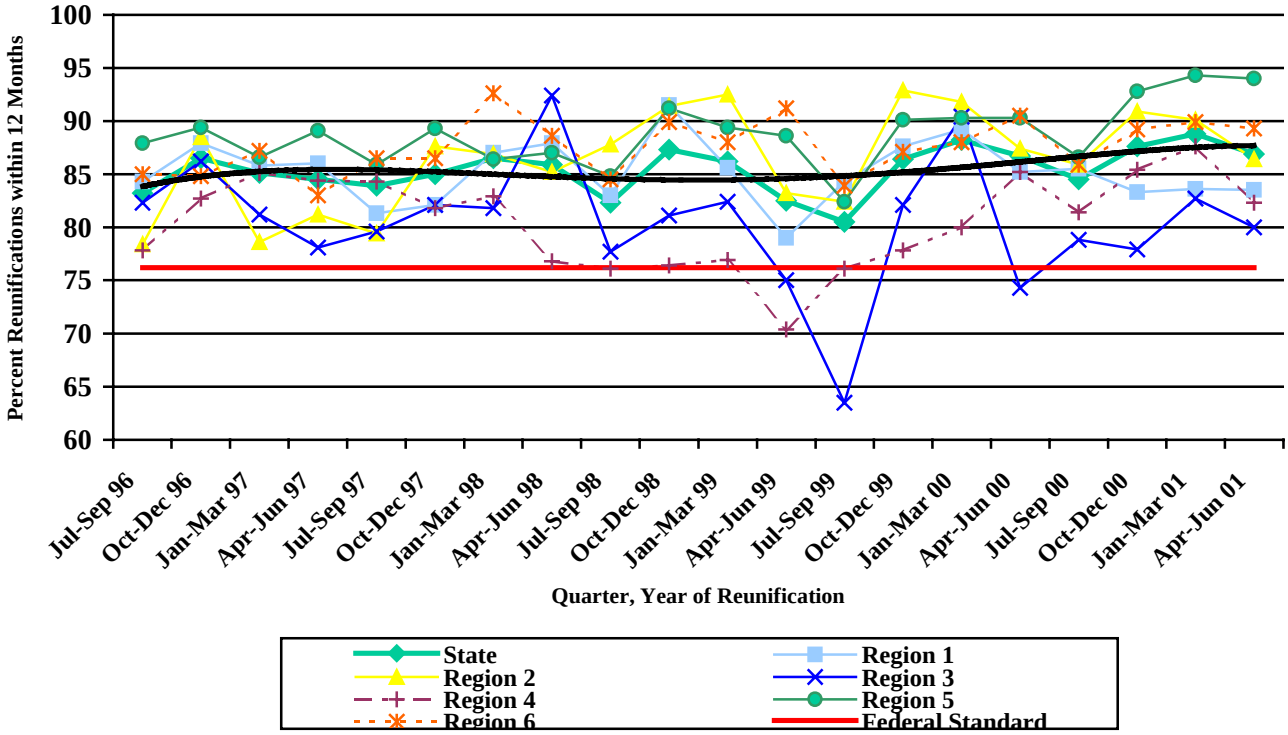
Permanency: Increase Permanency for Children in Out-of-Home Care

Timely Reunifications: Percent of children reunified within 12 months.

Children in DCFS custody only; latest placement of child with any length of stay during cohort period.

NOTE: The Federal practice standard of 76.2% or higher is shown in the graph for reference. The measure is determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trends were calculated in September, 2001.

State and Regional Trends



Proportion of Reunifications Occurring within 12 Months of Placement
(Federal practice standard is ≥ 76.2%)

Region	FY 1999	Previous FY (FY 2000)	Current FY to date (FY 2001)	Current Quarter (Apr-Jun 2001)
1	83.7%	86.2%	83.5%	83.5%
2	87.7%	87.9%	87.7%	86.4%
3	78.9%	78.9%	79.2%	80.0%
4	73.8%	79.4%	83.8%	82.3%
5	88.1%	87.7%	91.6%	94.0%
6	88.0%	87.0%	88.0%	89.3%
State Total	**83.8%**	**85.0%**	**86.4%**	**86.9%**

Permanency: Increase Permanency for Children in Out-of-Home Care

Timely Reunifications: Percent of children reunified within 12 months.

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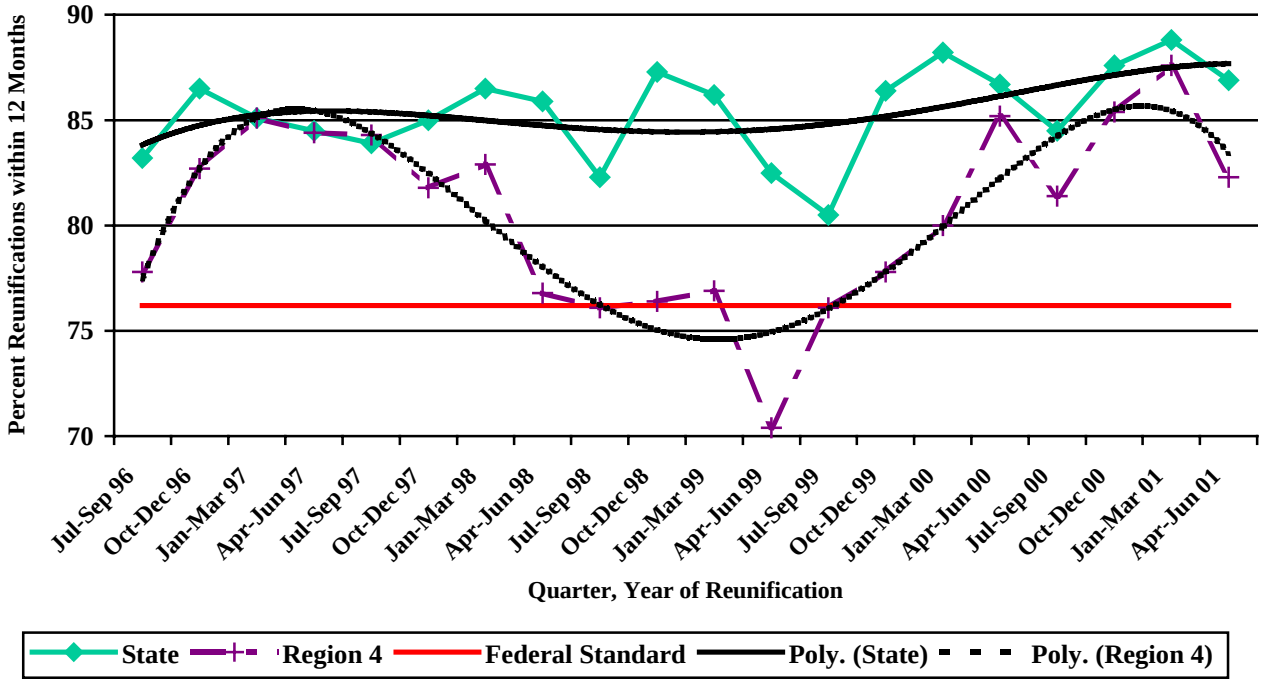
REGION 4

Proportion of Reunifications Occurring within 12 Months (Number within 12 months)

Office	Previous Fiscal Year (FY 2000)	Current FY to date (FY 2001)	Current Quarter (Apr-Jun 2001)
King Eastside	82% (50)	91% (71)	91% (20)
Seattle South	79% (166)	86% (192)	78% (40)
Kent	84% (196)	86% (173)	77% (37)
King Central	49% (33)	57% (31)	57% (8)
Seattle North	81% (232)	84% (212)	90% (69)
African Am. Unit	84% (57)	79% (54)	85% (17)
Regional Total	**79.4% (734)**	**83.8% (733)**	**82.3% (191)**
State Total	85.0% (4558)	86.4% (4241)	86.9% (1123)

State and Region 4 Trends



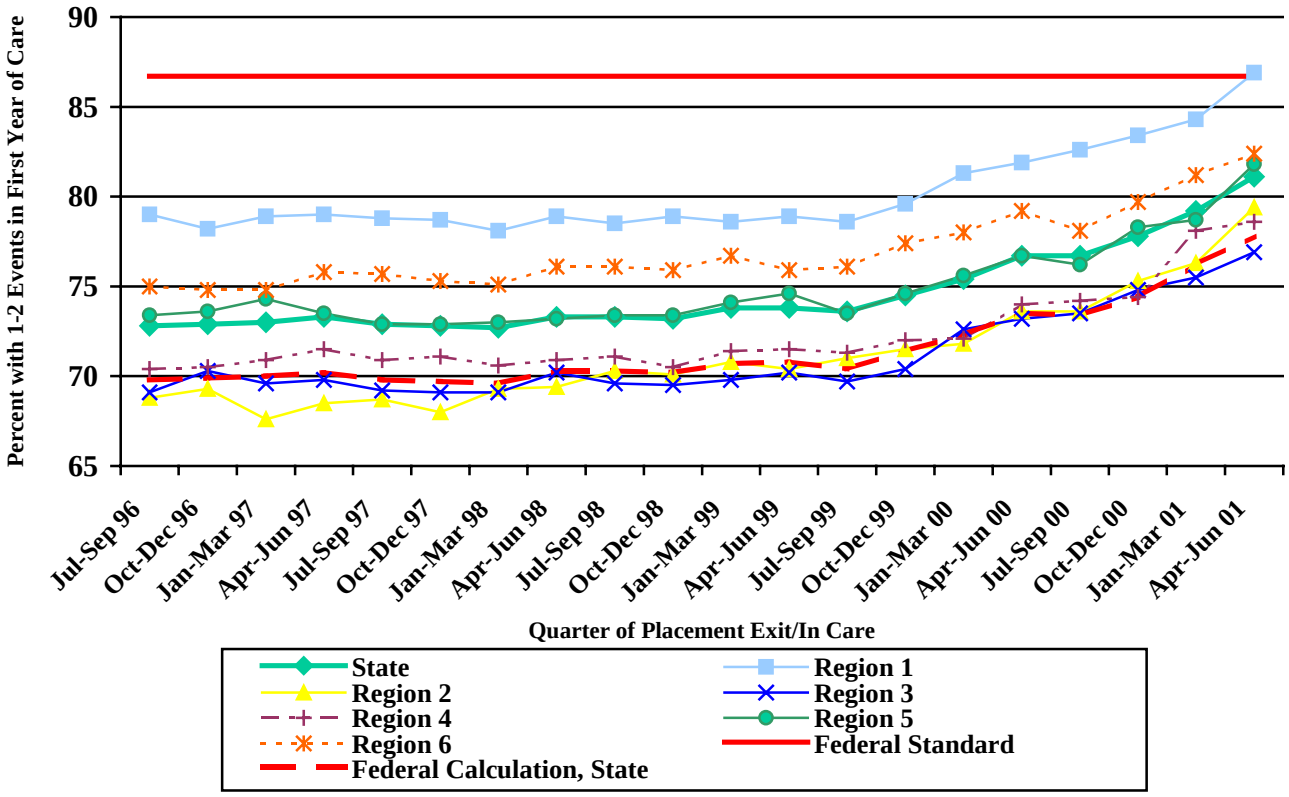
Permanency: Increase Stability of Children in Out-of-Home Care

Placement Stability: Percent with no more than 2 placements during the first 12 months in care

for children exiting or remaining in care for any LOS

NOTE: The Federal practice standard is shown in the graph for reference. Because we make adjustments to the event count to better approximate actual practice that are presently not allowed under Federal rules, the Federal calculation of State performance is also shown (see Appendix P-1 for calculation methods). The measure is determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trends were calculated in September, 2001.

State and Regional Trends



Proportion of Children with 1-2 Placement Events in the First 12 Months of Placement
(Federal practice standard is ≥ 86.7%)

Region	Previous FY (FY 2000)	Current FY to date (FY 2001)	Current Quarter (Apr-Jun 2001)
1	86.4%	89.9%	86.9%
2	80.1%	85.1%	79.4%
3	76.6%	80.7%	76.9%
4	77.8%	82.1%	78.6%
5	82.0%	86.7%	81.8%
6	82.7%	85.7%	82.4%
State Total	**81.2%**	**85.2%**	**81.1%**

Permanency: Increase Stability of Children in Out-of-Home Care

Breakouts of Placement Events

for Children Exiting or Remaining in Care FY 2001 Percent with no more than 2 placements during the first 12 months in care for any LOS

NOTE: This measure is determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trends were calculated in September, 2001.

Region		% qualifying events, collapsed			
		1-2	3-4	5-10	> 10
1	%	89.9%	8.9%	1.2%	
2	%	85.1%	12.0%	2.9%	.1%
3	%	80.7%	14.8%	4.3%	.2%
4	%	82.1%	12.7%	4.5%	.7%
5	%	86.7%	11.1%	2.0%	.2%
6	%	85.7%	12.0%	2.2%	.1%
State Total	**%**	**85.2%**	**11.8%**	**2.7%**	**.2%**
Age at Placement Entry					
0-1 yrs	%	85.9%	13.0%	1.1%	
2-5 yrs	%	83.3%	14.7%	1.9%	.1%
6-11 yrs	%	84.4%	12.6%	2.9%	.1%
12-17 yrs	%	86.4%	9.1%	4.1%	.5%

Permanency: Increase Stability of Children in Out-of-Home Care

Placement Stability: Percent with no more than 2 placements during the first 12 months in care, for children exiting or remaining in care for any LOS.

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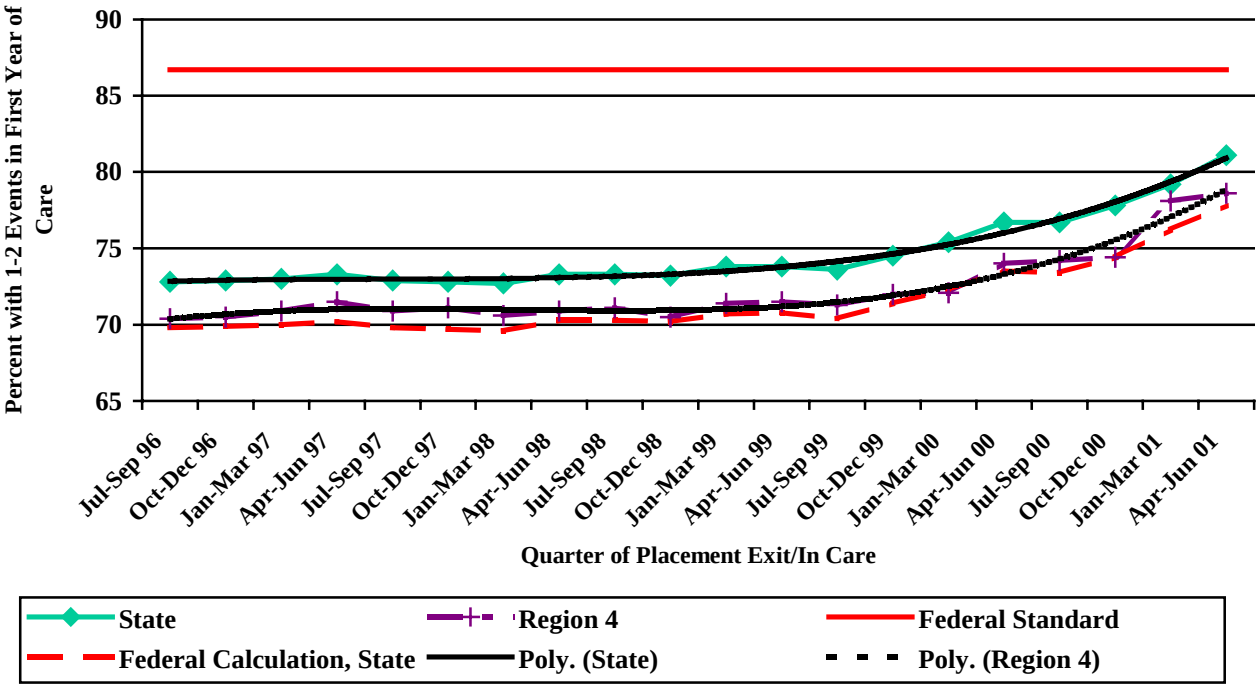
REGION 4 TRENDS

Proportion with 1-2 Events/Episode (Number with 1-2 Events)

Office	Previous Fiscal Year (FY 2000)	Current FY to date (FY 2001)	Current Quarter (Apr-Jun 2001)
King Eastside	82% (84)	88% (98)	80% (47)
Seattle South	78% (321)	84% (283)	80% (157)
Adoption Unit	0	0	0
Kent	77% (370)	81% (294)	79% (187)
King Central	64% (122)	76% (84)	74% (68)
Seattle North	82% (434)	83% (347)	79% (230)
African Am. Unit	78% (121)	79% (81)	79% (52)
Regional Total	**77.8% (1453)**	**82.1% (1188)**	**78.6% (742)**
State Total	81.2% (8549)	85.2% (6974)	81.1% (4256)

State and Region 4 Trends



Permanency: Increase Stability of Children in Out-of-Home Care

Breakout of Placement Events for Children Exiting or Remaining in Care FY 2001; Percent with no more than 2 placements during the first 12 months in care for any LOS.

NOTE: This measure is determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trends were calculated in September, 2001.

REGION 4 OFFICE LEVEL EVENTS BREAKOUT

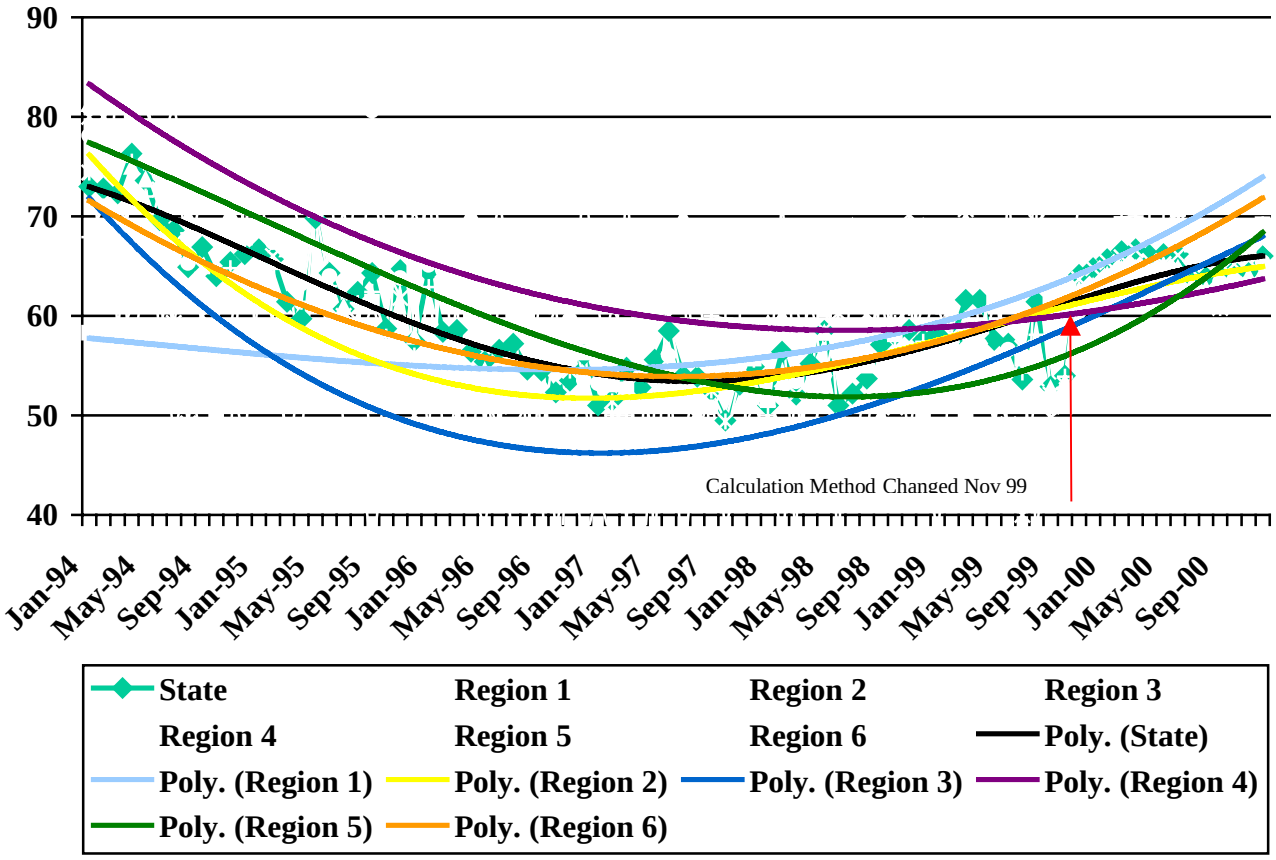
		N qualifying events, collapsed			
		1-2	3-4	5-10	> 10
KING EASTSIDE	%	87.5%	9.8%	2.7%	.0%
	N	98	11	3	0
SEATTLE SOUTH	%	83.5%	10.6%	4.7%	1.2%
	N	283	36	16	4
REGION 4 ADOPT	%	.0%	100.0%	.0%	.0%
	N	0	2	0	0
KENT	%	81.2%	12.7%	4.7%	1.4%
	N	294	46	17	5
KING CENTRAL	%	75.7%	15.3%	8.1%	.9%
	N	84	17	9	1
SEATTLE NORTH	%	83.0%	12.7%	4.3%	.0%
	N	347	53	18	0
AFR AMER UNIT	%	79.4%	18.6%	2.0%	.0%
	N	81	19	2	0
Regional Total	**%**	**82.1%**	**12.7%**	**4.5%**	**.7%**
	N	**1188**	**184**	**65**	**10**
State Total	**%**	**85.2%**	**11.8%**	**2.7%**	**0.2%**
	N	**6974**	**966**	**224**	**18**

PERMANENCY: INCREASE STABILITY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE

Placement Stability: Percent with no more than 2 placements during time in care, by LOS.

NOTE: This measure is currently under revision and the trend has not been updated.

State and Regional Trends



Permanency: Increase Stability of Children in Out-of-Home Care

Breakout of Placement Events for Children in Care 4th Qtr. 2000

Proportions of all those in care for more than 60 days

NOTE: This measure is currently under revision and the trend has not been updated.

Region		% qualifying events, collapsed			
		1-2	3-4	5-10	> 10
1	%	66.6%	23.6%	8.8%	1.1%
2	%	61.6%	22.3%	14.5%	1.6%
3	%	64.6%	20.5%	13.0%	1.9%
4	%	59.9%	23.2%	14.8%	2.2%
5	%	62.5%	22.2%	13.2%	2.1%
6	%	66.0%	20.7%	11.9%	1.5%
State Total	%	**63.2%**	**22.2%**	**12.9%**	**1.8%**
Age at Placement Entry					
0-1 yrs	%	71.5%	21.9%	6.3%	.3%
2-5 yrs	%	63.6%	22.6%	12.2%	1.5%
6-11 yrs	%	58.8%	21.6%	16.2%	3.4%
12-17 yrs	%	58.6%	22.9%	17.0%	1.5%
Time in Care (entry to current period)					
2 Mos. to 6 Mos.	%	95.8%	2.8%	1.4%	
6 Mos. to <1 yr	%	85.7%	12.4%	1.9%	
1 yr to <2 yrs.	%	70.4%	23.1%	6.4%	.1%
2 yrs. to <3 yrs.	%	55.3%	30.8%	13.3%	.5%
3 yrs. to 4 yrs.	%	42.6%	32.2%	22.9%	2.3%
> 4 yrs.	%	31.1%	21.3%	38.2%	9.4%

Permanency: Increase Stability of Children in Out-of-Home Care

NOTE: This measure is currently under revision and the trend has not been updated.

BREAKOUT OF FRS PLACEMENT EVENTS

ALL Placement Events for FRS-Placed 12-17 Year Olds in Care 4th Quarter, 2000; Proportions for ALL times in care*

Time in Care (entry to current period)	Total N	% of ALL events, collapsed			
		1-2	3-4	5-10	> 10
1 Day to 60 Days	400	97%	2%	1%	
2 Mos. to 6 Mos.	84	80%	14%	5%	1%
6 Mos. to <1 yr	65	48%	20%	23%	9%
1 yr to <2 yrs.	52	48%	17%	23%	12%
2 yrs. to <3 yrs.	35	26%	14%	37%	23%
3 yrs. to 4 yrs.	9	44%	22%	22%	11%
> 4 yrs.	5		20%	40%	40%
Total (all times in care)	**650**	**81%**	**8%**	**8%**	**4%**

* For FRS purposes, we report here a breakout for children aged 12-17 years at time of placement of all placement events, including hospital, juvenile detention, on-the-run, etc., for all times in care, to reflect some of the unique placement characteristics of juveniles placed by FRS. The numbers of children involved are typically too low for this time-in-care breakout to be meaningful at the regional level, but the number of events breakout for all times in care combined is reported for each region (see regional stability breakout pages).

Permanency: Increase Stability of Children in Out-of-Home Care

Placement Stability: Percent of children with no more than 2 placements during time in care from entry through current reporting month.
Proportion of all those in care more than 60 days with no more than 2 placements per episode.

NOTE: This measure is currently under revision and the trend has not been updated.

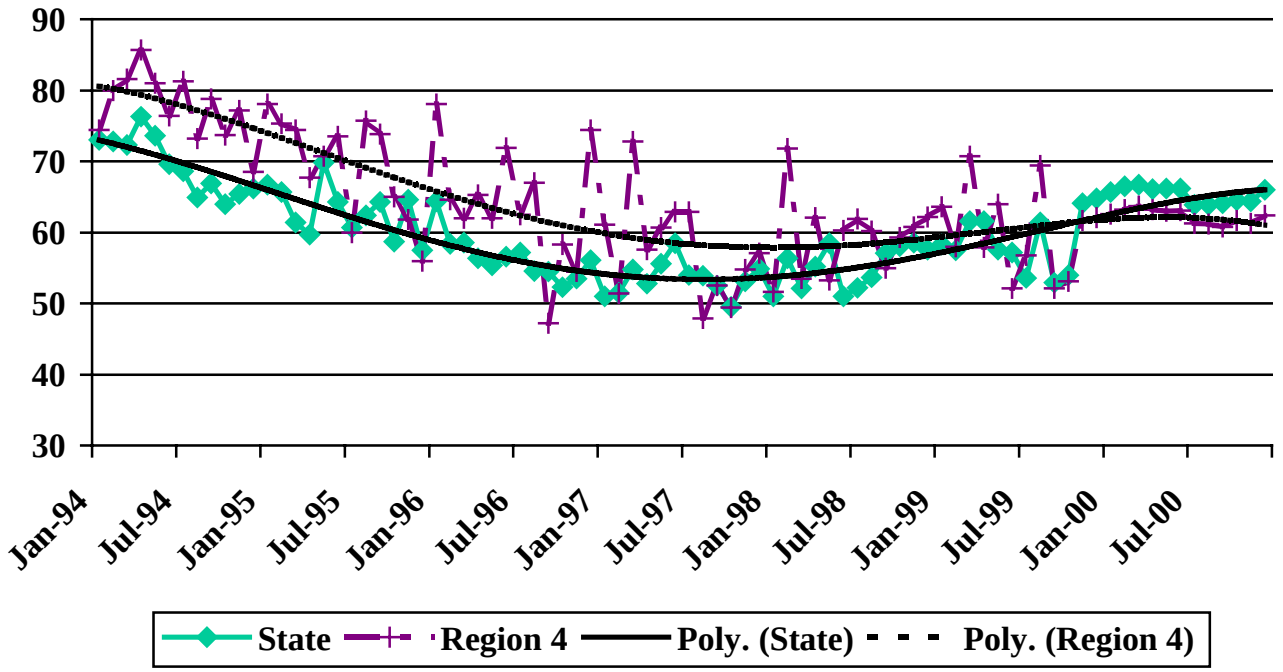
REGION 4 TRENDS

Proportion with 1-2 Events/Episode (Number with 1-2 Events)

Office	Aug 00	Sep 00	Oct 00	Nov 00	Dec 00	Change
King Eastside	66% (96)	67% (92)	71% (93)	71% (94)	72% (101)	+
Seattle South	66% (354)	66% (351)	66% (361)	66% (362)	68% (374)	+
Adoption Unit	58% (23)	53% (17)	63% (12)	62% (8)	42% (5)	-
Kent	56% (319)	55% (306)	57% (320)	56% (318)	59% (325)	+
King Central	47% (228)	47% (220)	46% (216)	44% (202)	44% (202)	0
Seattle North	71% (387)	70% (367)	71% (385)	71% (374)	72% (370)	+
African Am. Unit	68% (125)	69% (133)	69% (137)	68% (131)	68% (129)	0
Regional Total	61% (1535)	61% (1490)	62% (1528)	61% (1493)	62% (1510)	+
State Total	64% (6128)	64% (6093)	64% (6175)	64% (6230)	66% (6408)	+

*Calculation method for counting events changed at the Nov 99 cohort; see Appendix P-1

State and Region 4 Trends



Permanency: Increase Stability of Children in Out-of-Home Care

Breakout of Placement Events: Age and Time in Care for Children in Care 4th Qtr. 2000; Proportions of all those in care for more than 60 days

NOTE: This measure is currently under revision and the trend has not been updated.

REGION 4 AGE AND TIME IN CARE EVENTS BREAKOUTS

		N qualifying events, collapsed			
Age at Placement Entry		**1-2**	**3-4**	**5-10**	**> 10**
0-1 yrs	**%**	65.0%	26.1%	8.2%	.7%
	N	374	150	47	4
2-5 yrs	**%**	59.8%	23.5%	14.8%	1.8%
	N	359	141	89	11
6-11 yrs	**%**	57.0%	21.3%	17.8%	3.9%
	N	391	146	122	27
12-17 yrs	**%**	57.5%	21.8%	19.0%	1.8%
	N	227	86	75	7
Time in Care (entry to current period)					
2 Mos. to 6 Mos.	**%**	86.7%	6.7%	6.7%	
	N	13	1	1	
6 Mos. to <1 yr	**%**	87.0%	11.1%	2.0%	
	N	354	45	8	
1 yr to <2 yrs.	**%**	70.5%	23.1%	6.3%	.1%
	N	480	157	43	1
2 yrs. to <3 yrs.	**%**	58.3%	28.9%	12.6%	.3%
	N	218	108	47	1
3 yrs. to 4 yrs.	**%**	45.9%	33.3%	18.3%	2.4%
	N	113	82	45	6
> 4 yrs.	**%**	32.6%	24.3%	35.4%	7.7%
	N	174	130	189	41

REGION 4 BREAKOUT OF FRS PLACEMENT EVENTS

ALL Placement Events for FRS-Placed 12-17 Year Olds in Care 4th Quarter, 2000*

		N of ALL events, collapsed			
All Times in Care		**1-2**	**3-4**	**5-10**	**> 10**
	%	64%	12%	14%	10%
	N	70	13	15	11

* For FRS purposes, we report here a breakout for children aged 12-17 years at time of placement of all placement events, including hospital, juvenile detention, on-the-run, etc., for all times in care, to reflect some of the unique placement characteristics of juveniles placed by FRS.

Permanency: Increase Stability of children in Out-of-Home Care

Breakout of Placement Events for Children in Care 4th Qtr. 2000; Proportions of all those in care for more than 60 days

NOTE: This measure is currently under revision and the trend has not been updated.

REGION 4 OFFICE LEVEL EVENTS BREAKOUT

		N qualifying events, collapsed			
		1-2	3-4	5-10	> 10
KING EASTSIDE	%	69.1%	17.1%	10.6%	3.3%
	N	85	21	13	4
SEATTLE SOUTH	%	65.7%	20.1%	13.2%	1.0%
	N	334	102	67	5
REGION 4 ADOPT	%	41.7%	50.0%	8.3%	.0%
	N	5	6	1	0
KENT	%	55.5%	27.5%	14.5%	2.5%
	N	283	140	74	13
KING CENTRAL	%	42.6%	26.3%	26.1%	4.9%
	N	191	118	117	22
SEATTLE NORTH	%	69.7%	17.9%	11.3%	1.1%
	N	327	84	53	5
AFR AMER UNIT	%	67.2%	28.4%	4.4%	.0%
	N	123	52	8	0
Regional Total	**%**	**59.9%**	**23.2%**	**14.8%**	**2.2%**
	N	**1352**	**523**	**333**	**49**
State Total	**%**	**63%**	**22%**	**13%**	**2%**
	N	**5548**	**1945**	**1129**	**157**

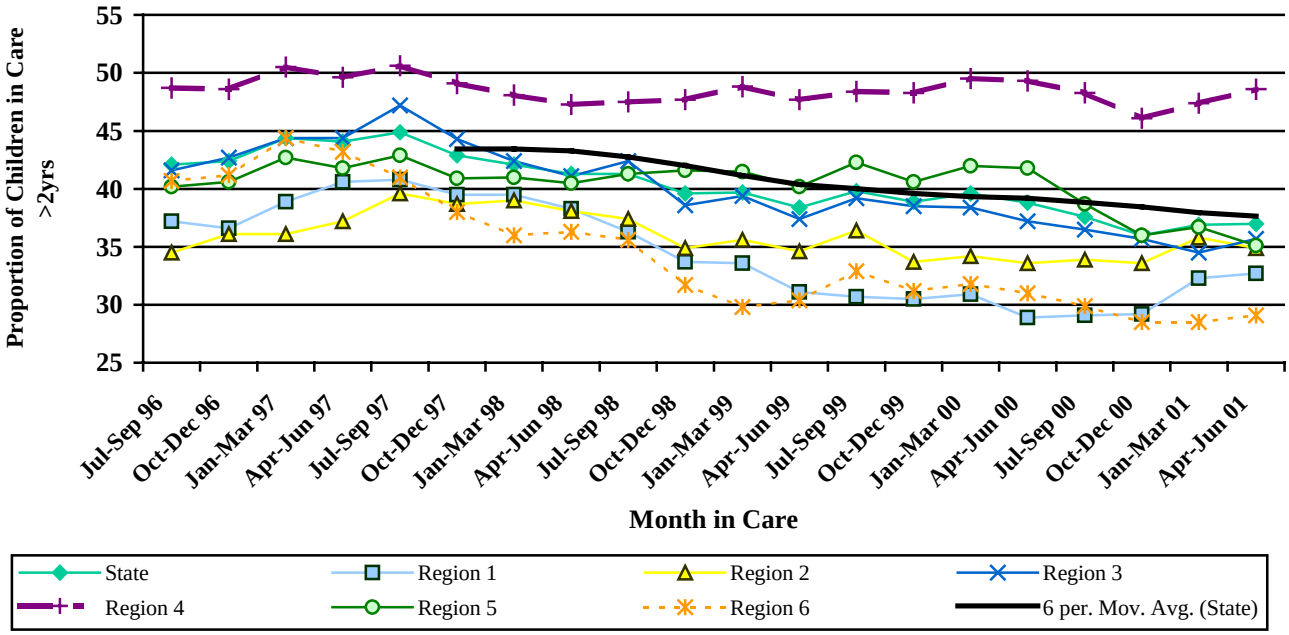
PERMANENCY: TIME IN CARE

Children without Permanent Plan Achieved within Two Years

Percent of children in placement with no permanent plan achieved; by cumulative Time in Care for a cohort of children currently in open placements (children in placement as of the end of the quarter), and by length of stay for an entry cohort.

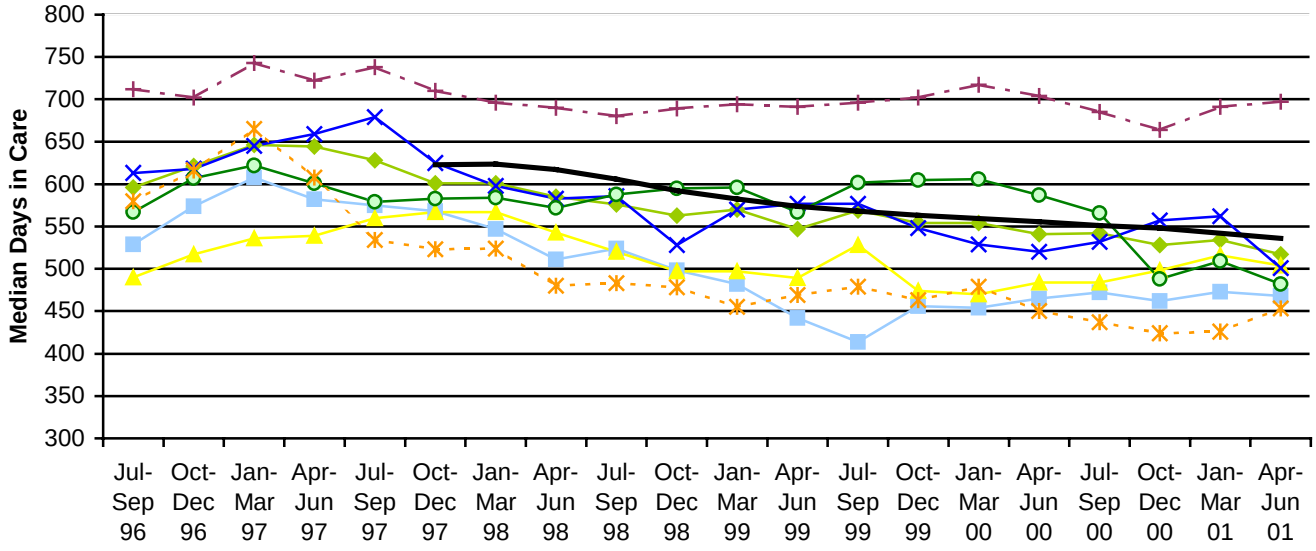
NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trends were re-calculated in September, 2001.

State and Regional Trends



For reference, state and regional trends in the median time in care for children currently in care > 60 days (open cohort) are shown below. Calculation notes, see Appendix P-2.

State and Regional Trends



Permanency: Time in Care

Time in Care Breakouts

Children in DCFS Custody at End of Fiscal 2001

REGIONAL COMPARISONS: TIME IN CARE BREAKOUTS

Region		Time in Care					
		>2 Mos. to 6 Mos.	>6 Mos. to 1 year	>1 to 2 years	>2 to 3 years	>3 to 4 years	> 4 years
		%	%	%	%	%	%
1		16.5%	21.3%	29.5%	17.1%	4.7%	10.9%
2		20.6%	18.9%	25.6%	16.0%	7.9%	11.0%
3		20.5%	18.7%	25.1%	16.6%	9.3%	9.8%
4		11.4%	15.6%	24.3%	17.4%	9.4%	21.8%
5		16.9%	21.0%	27.0%	14.1%	9.7%	11.3%
6		16.7%	23.1%	31.0%	14.2%	7.8%	7.2%
State Total		**16.4%**	**19.6%**	**27.0%**	**15.9%**	**8.4%**	**12.8%**
Hispanic?	**No**	16.4%	19.6%	27.4%	15.5%	8.1%	13.0%
	Yes	16.3%	19.5%	24.0%	18.4%	10.6%	11.2%
Race	**Native Amer. only**	16.0%	18.4%	24.8%	16.0%	10.6%	14.2%
	Asian/Pac.Isl. only	11.6%	22.1%	25.6%	15.1%	10.5%	15.1%
	African Amer. only	10.3%	12.7%	23.4%	19.5%	10.8%	23.2%
	Caucasian only	17.7%	20.8%	27.9%	15.3%	7.5%	10.8%
	Other only	22.0%	23.4%	23.8%	12.8%	7.7%	10.3%
	Unreported only	40.2%	26.8%	13.4%	8.5%	4.9%	6.1%
	Multiracial	11.0%	19.3%	32.0%	16.9%	9.3%	11.4%
Dependency Status	**Dependent**	16.2%	19.7%	27.2%	15.9%	8.4%	12.7%
	Not Dependent	29.2%	20.4%	26.3%	12.4%	5.8%	5.8%
	Guardianships	12.5%	14.6%	8.3%	27.1%	10.4%	27.1%
Age at placement entry	**0-1 yrs**	17.3%	20.2%	31.8%	14.8%	6.2%	9.7%
	2-5 yrs	16.5%	19.3%	25.9%	15.2%	8.5%	14.6%
	6-11 yrs	14.5%	18.1%	23.2%	15.8%	10.0%	18.4%
	12-17 yrs	17.9%	21.7%	28.0%	18.3%	8.5%	5.7%

Permanency: Length of Stay

Length-of-Stay Breakouts for Cohort of DCFS-Custody Children Entering Care in Fiscal 1996

REGIONAL COMPARISONS: LENGTH OF STAY BREAKOUTS

	Length-of-Stay						
	2-6 mos.	**6-12 mos.**	**1-2 yrs.**	**2-3 yrs.**	**3-4 yrs.**	**4-5 yrs.**	**>5 yrs.**
Region 1	21.7%	14.6%	25.1%	18.2%	11.6%	3.1%	5.8%
Region 2	21.1%	14.4%	25.8%	16.4%	12.9%	2.7%	6.7%
Region 3	20.1%	15.8%	19.6%	19.4%	10.9%	7.3%	6.9%
Region 4	20.5%	13.9%	19.1%	18.3%	11.2%	6.7%	10.4%
Region 5	23.5%	14.8%	22.0%	13.0%	11.7%	6.6%	8.4%
Region 6	26.2%	16.5%	24.7%	16.2%	8.1%	3.4%	5.0%
State Total	**22.3%**	**15.0%**	**22.3%**	**16.9%**	**10.9%**	**5.2%**	**7.5%**
Hispanic - No	21.8%	15.2%	22.5%	17.2%	10.7%	5.1%	7.5%
Hispanic - Yes	26.7%	13.2%	20.9%	14.0%	12.2%	5.9%	7.1%
Native American only	17.4%	14.0%	23.5%	12.1%	15.5%	5.7%	11.7%
Asian/Pac. Isl. only	29.0%	9.7%	17.7%	12.9%	8.1%	4.8%	17.7%
African American only	18.1%	12.6%	18.3%	17.3%	14.8%	6.2%	12.8%
Caucasian only	22.8%	15.1%	23.7%	17.3%	9.9%	5.0%	6.2%
Other only	37.3%	7.5%	10.4%	13.4%	10.4%	14.9%	6.0%
Unreported only	33.1%	16.5%	19.7%	21.3%	7.1%	1.6%	.8%
Multiracial	20.1%	21.2%	21.2%	15.9%	11.0%	3.8%	6.8%
Dependent	18.2%	14.1%	23.5%	18.4%	11.9%	5.7%	8.2%
Not Dependent	60.6%	22.8%	10.3%	3.5%	1.1%	.5%	1.1%
Guardianship	22.7%	13.6%	22.7%	9.1%	22.7%	9.1%	
Age at Placement Entry (years)							
0-1	14.9%	12.9%	24.6%	19.6%	14.4%	7.2%	6.4%
2-5	18.4%	13.8%	23.5%	18.2%	12.9%	5.5%	7.7%
6-11	19.4%	13.6%	22.0%	16.3%	10.5%	4.4%	13.8%
12-17	34.2%	19.0%	19.7%	13.9%	6.8%	4.1%	2.5%

Permanency: Time in Care

Percent of Children with No Permanent Plan Achieved in Two Years

Proportion of all children in *open* placements > 60 days who have been in care for more than two years.

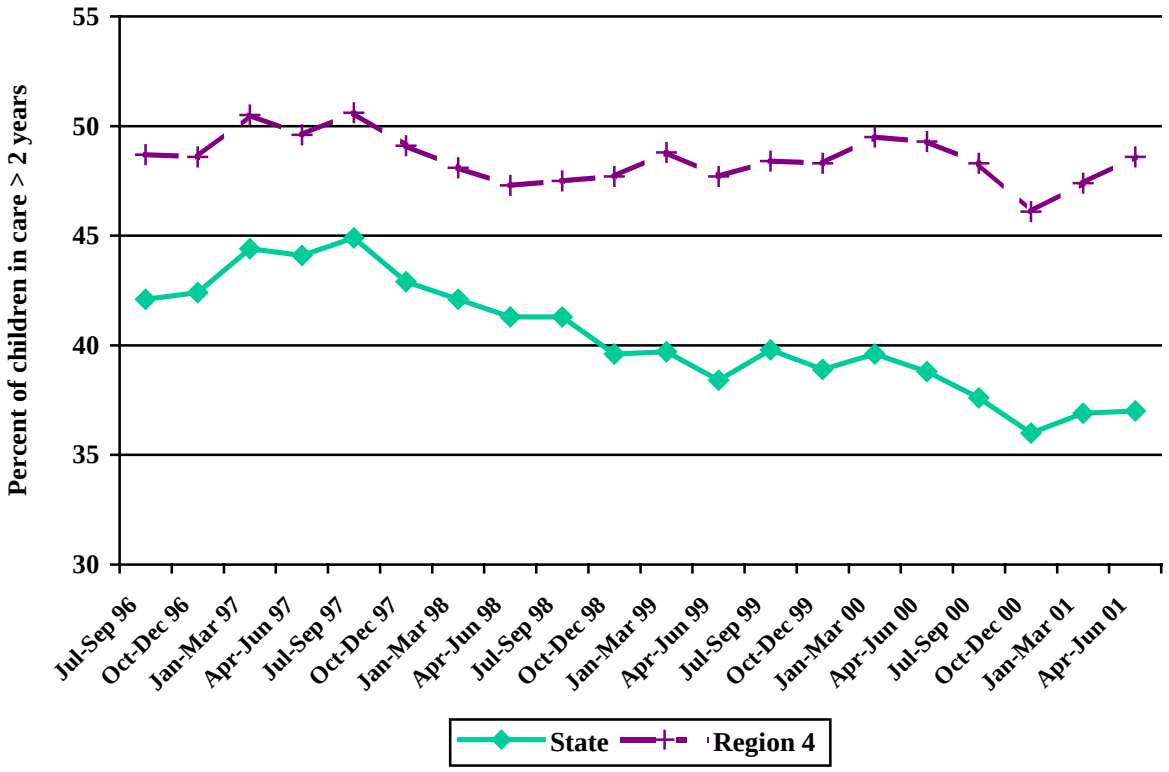
NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trends were re-calculated in September, 2001.

REGION 4 TRENDS

Proportion in Care > 2 Years (Number in Care > 2 Years) as of end of period

Office	Previous Fiscal Year (end of) FY 2000	Previous Quarter Jan-Mar 2001	Current Quarter Apr-Jun 2001
King Eastside	48% (52)	38% (37)	46% (44)
Seattle South	55% (245)	52% (233)	52% (233)
Adoption Unit	96% (45)	67% (4)	50% (2)
Kent	46% (233)	45% (207)	45% (207)
King Central	59% (253)	60% (239)	64% (250)
Seattle North	43% (173)	41% (172)	41% (164)
African Am. Unit	22% (33)	32% (51)	35% (54)
Regional Total	**49.3% (1037)**	**47.4% (946)**	**48.6% (957)**
State Total	38.8% (3002)	36.9% (2949)	37.0% (3035)

State and Region 4 Trends



Permanency: Time in Care

Time in Care Breakouts

Children in DCFS Custody at End of Fiscal 2001

REGION 4 RACE AND AGE TIME IN CARE BREAKOUTS

			Time in Care					
			>2 Mos. to 6 Mos.	>6 Mos. to 1 year	>1 to 2 years	>2 to 3 years	>3 to 4 years	> 4 years
Hispanic?	No	%	11.5%	15.7%	24.5%	16.2%	9.2%	22.8%
		N	201	273	427	283	160	398
	Yes	%	10.6%	15.4%	22.9%	26.4%	11.0%	13.7%
		N	24	35	52	60	25	31
Race	Native American only	%	11.6%	13.7%	21.9%	15.8%	10.3%	26.7%
		N	17	20	32	23	15	39
	Asian/Pacific Islander only	%	17.6%	20.6%	20.6%	11.8%	11.8%	17.6%
		N	6	7	7	4	4	6
	African American only	%	7.2%	10.9%	21.8%	18.5%	10.6%	31.0%
		N	45	68	136	115	66	193
	Caucasian only	%	13.9%	19.1%	24.8%	17.1%	8.8%	16.4%
		N	125	172	224	154	79	148
	Other only	%	14.3%	22.4%	28.6%	10.2%	8.2%	16.3%
		N	7	11	14	5	4	8
	Unreported/Not Asked only	%	17.6%	23.5%	29.4%	11.8%	5.9%	11.8%
		N	3	4	5	2	1	2
	Multiracial	%	11.1%	13.1%	30.8%	20.2%	8.1%	16.7%
		N	22	26	61	40	16	33
Dependency Status	Dependent	%	10.9%	15.7%	24.8%	17.4%	9.5%	21.7%
		N	210	302	476	334	183	416
	Not Dependent	%	41.9%	19.4%	9.7%	19.4%	3.2%	6.5%
		N	13	6	3	6	1	2
	Guardianships	%	7.7%	.0%	.0%	23.1%	7.7%	61.5%
		N	1	0	0	3	1	8
Age at placement entry	0-1 yrs	%	11.1%	15.2%	28.7%	15.4%	6.4%	23.4%
		N	54	74	140	75	31	114
	2-5 yrs	%	10.0%	12.4%	23.3%	16.2%	10.9%	27.1%
		N	47	58	109	76	51	127
	6-11 yrs	%	9.9%	15.1%	20.3%	17.7%	11.3%	25.8%
		N	61	93	125	109	70	159
	12-17 yrs	%	16.0%	20.9%	26.5%	20.9%	8.4%	7.4%
		N	63	82	104	82	33	29

Permanency: Time in Care

Office Level Time in Care Breakouts

Children in DCFS Custody at End of Fiscal 2001

REGION 4 OFFICE-LEVEL TIME IN CARE BREAKOUTS

OFFICE		Time in Care					
		>2 Mos. to 6 Mos.	>6 Mos. to 1 year	>1 to 2 years	>2 to 3 years	>3 to 4 years	> 4 years
KING EASTSIDE	%	15.6%	17.7%	20.8%	24.0%	12.5%	9.4%
	N	15	17	20	23	12	9
SEATTLE SOUTH	%	10.2%	12.9%	25.3%	13.3%	10.2%	28.2%
	N	46	58	114	60	46	127
REGION 4 ADOPT	%	.0%	50.0%	.0%	.0%	.0%	50.0%
	N	0	2	0	0	0	2
KING SOUTH KENT	%	15.6%	17.1%	22.3%	19.7%	7.6%	17.6%
	N	72	79	103	91	35	81
KING CENTRAL	%	6.9%	9.4%	20.3%	16.0%	12.2%	35.3%
	N	27	37	80	63	48	139
SEATTLE NORTH	%	13.4%	21.0%	25.0%	17.3%	7.2%	16.1%
	N	54	85	101	70	29	65
AFR AMER UNIT	%	7.1%	18.7%	39.4%	23.2%	9.7%	1.9%
	N	11	29	61	36	15	3
Regional Total	**%**	**11.4%**	**15.6%**	**24.3%**	**17.4%**	**9.4%**	**21.8%**
	N	**225**	**308**	**479**	**343**	**185**	**429**
State Total	%	16.4%	19.6%	27.0%	15.9%	8.4%	12.8%
	N	1345	1611	2220	1302	686	1047

Permanency: Length of Stay

Length-of-Stay Breakouts For Cohort
Children Entering DCFS Custody During Fiscal 1996

REGION 4 RACE AND AGE LENGTH OF STAY BREAKOUTS

			Length of Stay						
			2–6 Mos.	6-12 Mos.	1-2 yrs.	2-3 yrs.	3-4 yrs.	4-5 yrs.	>5 yrs.
Hispanic?	No	%	19.8%	14.3%	19.4%	18.4%	10.8%	6.7%	10.6%
		N	168	121	165	156	92	57	90
	Yes	%	28.0%	9.8%	15.9%	17.1%	14.6%	6.1%	8.5%
		N	23	8	13	14	12	5	7
Race	Native American only	%	20.0%	14.3%	17.1%	5.7%	8.6%	14.3%	20.0%
		N	7	5	6	2	3	5	7
	Asian/Pacific Islander only	%	23.3%	3.3%	20.0%	16.7%	10.0%	6.7%	20.0%
		N	7	1	6	5	3	2	6
	African American only	%	15.5%	12.6%	15.1%	23.7%	11.2%	6.5%	15.5%
		N	43	35	42	66	31	18	43
	Caucasian only	%	21.7%	15.7%	20.9%	15.7%	12.1%	7.0%	6.8%
		N	102	74	98	74	57	33	32
	Other only	%	45.5%	9.1%	9.1%	13.6%	13.6%	9.1%	
		N	10	2	2	3	3	2	
	Unreported/Not Asked only	%	42.1%	5.3%	15.8%	26.3%	5.3%		5.3%
		N	8	1	3	5	1		1
	Multiracial	%	18.2%	14.3%	27.3%	19.5%	7.8%	2.6%	10.4%
		N	14	11	21	15	6	2	8
Dependency Status	Dependent	%	16.6%	11.8%	19.9%	20.0%	12.6%	7.6%	11.6%
		N	136	97	163	164	103	62	95
	Not Dependent	%	54.2%	29.2%	10.4%	4.2%	1.0%		1.0%
		N	52	28	10	4	1		1
	Guardianships	%	16.7%	16.7%	33.3%	33.3%			
		N	1	1	2	2			
Age at placement entry	0-1 yrs	%	12.1%	12.6%	16.3%	18.0%	16.3%	13.0%	11.7%
		N	29	30	39	43	39	31	28
	2-5 yrs	%	21.7%	10.6%	22.2%	18.4%	9.7%	6.3%	11.1%
		N	45	22	46	38	20	13	23
	6-11 yrs	%	17.2%	10.5%	19.2%	20.5%	12.1%	4.2%	16.3%
		N	41	25	46	49	29	10	39
	12-17 yrs	%	30.0%	21.5%	19.0%	16.5%	6.8%	3.4%	3.0%
		N	71	51	45	39	16	8	7

Permanency: Length of Stay

Office Length-of-Stay Breakouts

Children Entering DCFS Custody During Fiscal 1996

REGION 4 OFFICE-LEVEL LENGTH OF STAY BREAKOUT

OFFICE		Length of Stay						
		2-6 mos.	6-12 mos.	1-2 yrs.	2-3 yrs.	3-4 yrs.	4-5 yrs.	>5 yrs.
KING EASTSIDE	%	15.8%	21.1%	17.5%	24.6%	8.8%	10.5%	1.8%
	N	9	12	10	14	5	6	1
SEATTLE SOUTH	%	22.3%	11.4%	22.3%	13.7%	15.2%	2.8%	12.3%
	N	47	24	47	29	32	6	26
REGION 4 ADOPT	%	1.7%		5.2%	25.9%	37.9%	20.7%	8.6%
	N	1		3	15	22	12	5
KING SOUTH KENT	%	24.6%	13.1%	16.8%	19.3%	5.3%	9.0%	11.9%
	N	60	32	41	47	13	22	29
KING CENTRAL	%	12.9%	10.3%	16.4%	19.0%	15.5%	9.5%	16.4%
	N	15	12	19	22	18	11	19
SEATTLE NORTH	%	23.6%	20.2%	24.0%	17.8%	5.8%	2.1%	6.6%
	N	57	49	58	43	14	5	16
AFRICAN AMER. UNIT	%	66.7%						33.3%
	N	2						1
Regional Total	%	**20.5%**	**13.9%**	**19.1%**	**18.3%**	**11.2%**	**6.7%**	**10.4%**
	N	**191**	**129**	**178**	**170**	**104**	**62**	**97**
State Total	%	22.3%	15.0%	22.3%	16.9%	10.9%	5.2%	7.5%
	N	869	583	869	657	424	202	291

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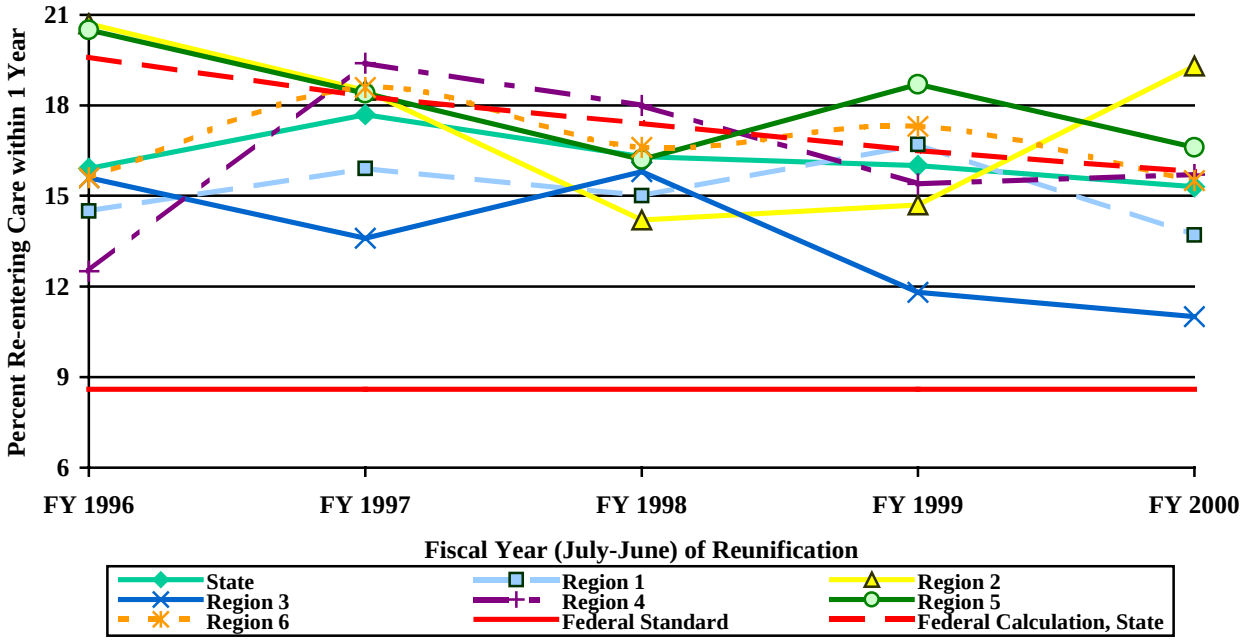
PERMANENCY: DECREASE LENGTH OF STAY WITHOUT INCREASING RE-ENTRY

Percent re-entering care after reunification, guardianship, or adoption within 12 months of exit

NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The reunification trend was re-calculated in September, 2001. Trends are determined at fiscal year intervals to allow meaningful interpretation of changes in this measure. Because the Federal calculation of this measure differs from our method in several respects, the Federal calculation of the State trend (which shows a slightly worse performance than our calculation method) and the Federal practice standard of ≤ 8.6% are shown for reference. See Appendix P-3 for calculation details.

State and Regional Trends: Re-Entry following Reunification



Percent Re-Entering Care within 12 Months Following Exit from Care (Number Re-Entering)

Region	Period of Exit								
	FY 1999			FY 2000			2Q 2000		
	Reunification Exits	Guardianship Exits	Adoption Exits	Reunification Exits	Guardianship Exits	Adoption Exits	Reunification Exits	Guardianship Exits	Adoption Exits
1	16.7% (51)	4% (3)	0	13.7% (47)	6% (6)	1% (1)	14.1% (13)	0	0
2	14.7% (37)	2% (1)	1% (1)	19.3% (45)	5% (4)	0	27.5% (14)	14% (2)	0
3	11.8% (32)	6% (5)	0	11.0% (29)	1% (1)	0	11.7% (9)	4% (1)	0
4	15.4% (83)	5% (11)	0	15.7% (72)	4% (9)	1% (1)	21.2% (25)	4% (2)	0
5	18.7% (68)	4% (2)	0	16.6% (57)	9% (7)	0	11.1% (9)	4% (1)	0
6	17.3% (81)	5% (4)	1% (2)	15.5% (77)	9% (7)	1% (2)	22.8% (33)	0	3% (2)
State	16.0% (352)	4.6% (26)	0.3% (3)	15.3% (327)	5.5% (34)	0.4% (4)	18.3% (103)	3.7% (6)	0.8% (2)

Permanency: Decrease length of stay without increasing re-entry

Race and Age Breakouts of Re-Entry Rates

Percent and Number Re-Entering for Children Reunified in FY 2000

Breakout Variable			Region						State Total
			1	2	3	4	5	6	
Hispanic?	No	%	12.6%	22.6%	11.4%	16.4%	17.4%	15.4%	15.6%
		N	38	37	28	66	55	68	292
	Yes	%	21%	12%	6%	10%	8%	16%	13%
		N	9	8	1	6	2	9	35
Single race	Native Amer. only	%	12%	27%	9%	3%	10%	21%	14%
		N	3	11	4	1	4	5	28
	Asian/ Pac. Isl. only	%			0%	10%		17%	10%
		N			0	2		1	3
	African Amer. only	%	0%	56%	43%	15%	14%	14%	17%
		N	0	5	3	21	6	2	37
	Caucasian only	%	14%	16%	9%	19%	17%	15%	14.9%
		N	39	22	17	41	39	62	62
	Other only	%	20%	16%	33%	0%	0%	40%	18%
		N	2	3	1	0	0	6	12
	Unreported/Not Asked only	%							
		N	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Multiracial	%	25%	29%	36%	23%	32%	0%	24%
		N	3	4	4	7	8	0	26
Dependency Status	Dependent	%	37%	32%	31%	30%	34%	30%	31.7%
		N	37	32	29	64	51	60	273
	Not Dependent	%	3%	7%	0%	2%	3%	5%	3.5%
		N	8	9	0	6	6	16	45
	Guardianships	%	100%	80%	0%	67%		100%	75%
		N	2	4	0	2		1	9
Age at placement exit (collapsed)	0-1 yrs	%	25%	17%	7%	26%	11%	7%	16%
		N	14	5	2	18	5	5	49
	2-5 yrs	%	12%	18%	9%	11%	18%	14%	13%
		N	11	8	6	11	14	16	66
	6-11 yrs	%	12%	13%	7%	16%	20%	19%	15%
		N	12	10	5	21	21	27	96
	12-17 yrs	%	10%	26%	17%	14%	16%	17%	16%
		N	10	22	16	22	17	29	116

Re-Entry LOS > 30 Days; Initial Placement LOS > 60 Days. DCFS Custody Only.

Permanency: Decrease length of stay without increasing re-entry

Placement Re-Entry: Percent re-entering care within 12 months of reunification.

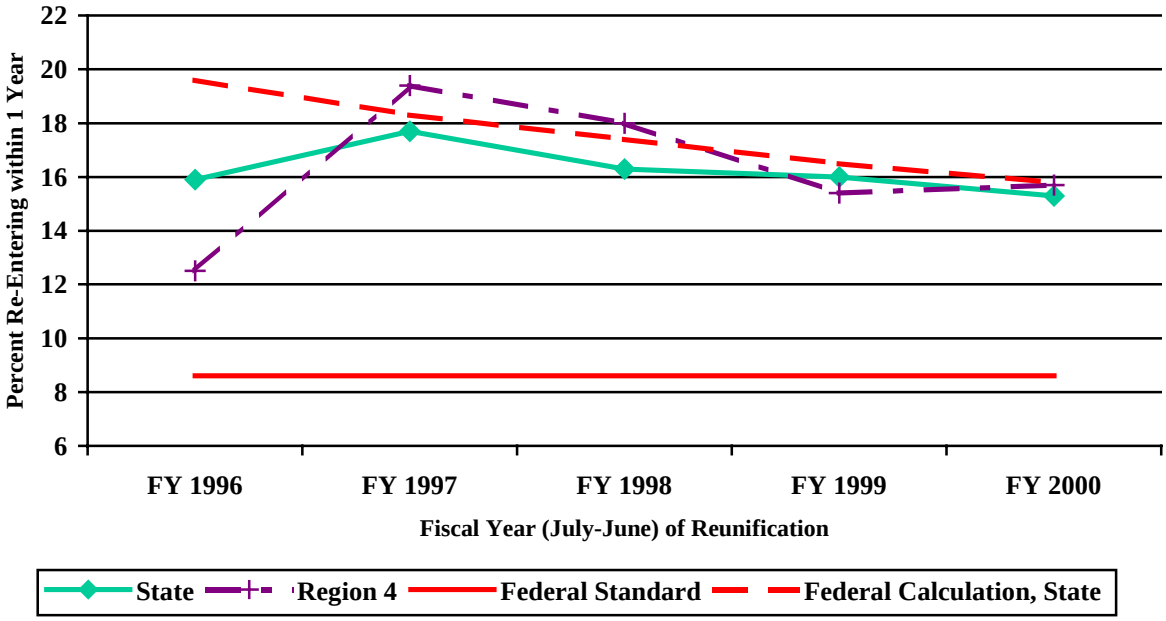
NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The reunification trend was re-calculated in September, 2001. Trends are determined at fiscal year intervals to allow meaningful interpretation of changes in this measure. Because the Federal calculation of this measure differs from our method in several respects, the Federal calculation of the State trend and the Federal practice standard of ≤ 8.6% are shown for reference. See Appendix P-3 for calculation details.

REGION 4 TRENDS

Percent Re-Entering following Reunification (Number of Re-Entries)

	Period of Reunification (Placement Exit)		
Office	FY 1999	FY 2000	2Q 2000
King Eastside	22% (8)	19% (5)	25% (2)
Seattle South	17% (25)	12% (12)	15% (4)
Kent	11% (14)	16% (16)	28% (5)
King Central	13% (8)	15% (8)	10% (1)
Seattle North	16% (27)	15% (23)	21% (9)
African Am. Unit	33% (1)	25% (8)	31% (4)
Adoption Unit	no exits	no exits	no exits
Regional Total	**15.4% (83)**	**15.7% (72)**	**21.2% (25)**
State Total	16.0% (352)	15.3% (327)	18.3% (103)

State and Region 4 Trends

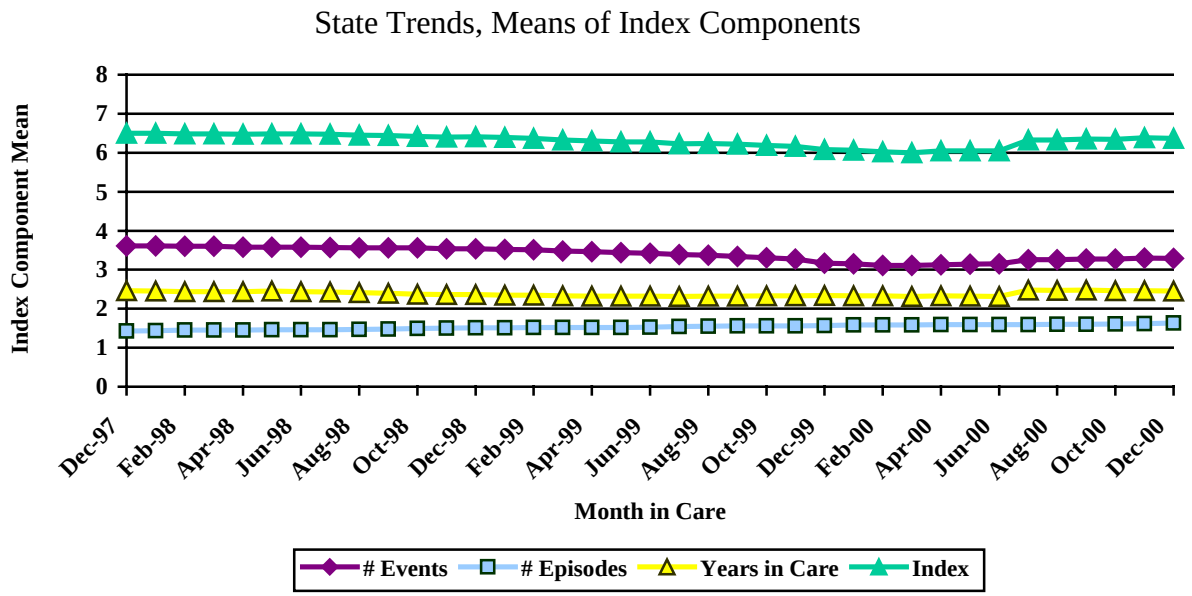


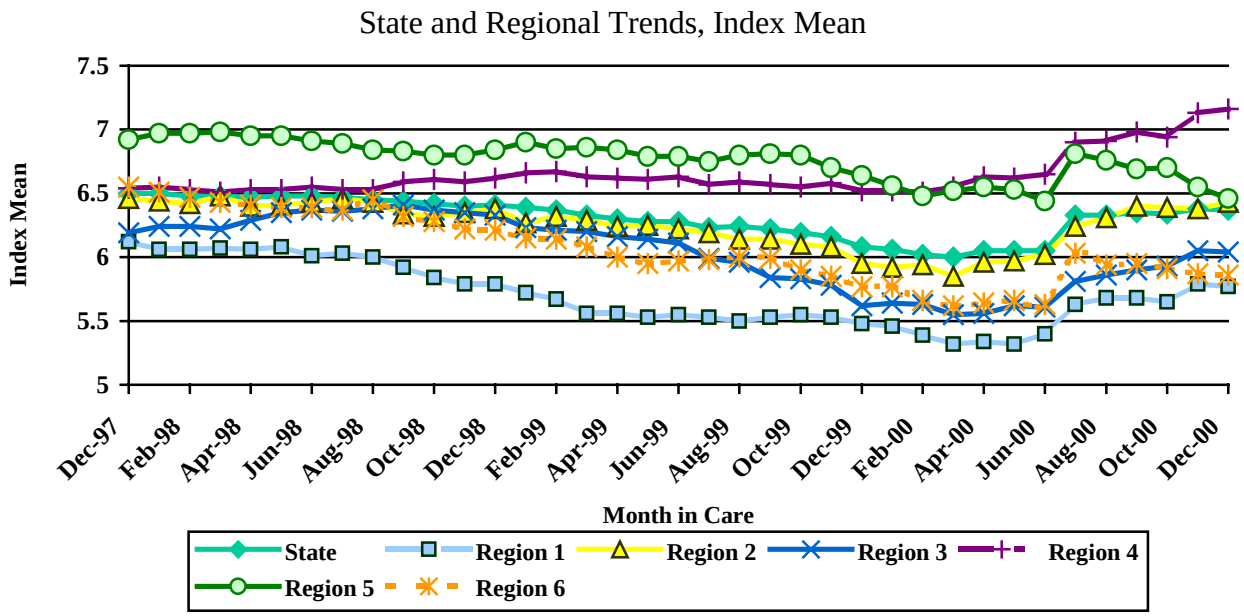
Permanency: Decrease length of stay without increasing re-entry

Composite Placement Index: Mean of Placement Index

Sum of number of placement events, number of episodes, and cumulative years in care for children in care > 60 days. Calculation Notes in Appendix P-4.

NOTE: This measure is currently under revision and the trend has not been updated.





Permanency: Decrease length of stay without increasing re-entry

Composite Placement Index: Median of Placement Index for Age Groups

Children in Open Placements > 60 Days in 4th Qtr., 2000

NOTE: This measure is currently under revision and the trend has not been updated.

Region	Current Age Group (years)				
	0-1	2-5	6-11	12-17	All Ages
1	2.78	4.40	5.09	7.41	4.54
2	2.66	4.91	5.66	7.77	5.27
3	2.75	4.12	5.28	7.49	4.83
4	3.23	4.89	6.79	8.70	5.87
5	2.72	4.58	5.97	8.76	5.43
6	2.64	4.16	4.94	6.41	4.69
State	**2.79**	**4.52**	**5.76**	**7.91**	**5.18**

Statewide Medians of Index and Components for Age Groups

Children in Open Placements > 60 Days in 4th Qtr., 2000

Component	Current Age Group (years)				
	0-1	2-5	6-11	12-17	All Ages
# Events	2	2	3	4	2
# Episodes	1	1	1	1	1
Years in Care	0.95	1.80	2.21	2.78	1.90
Index	**2.79**	**4.52**	**5.76**	**7.91**	**5.18**

Placement Index = Number of placement events + number of episodes + cumulative years in care –1 for children in care > 60 days. Calculation Notes in Appendix P-4.

Permanency: Decrease length of stay without increasing re-entry

Composite Placement Index: Median of Placement Index

Sum of number of placement events, number of episodes, and cumulative years in care for children in care > 60 days. Calculation Notes in Appendix P-5.

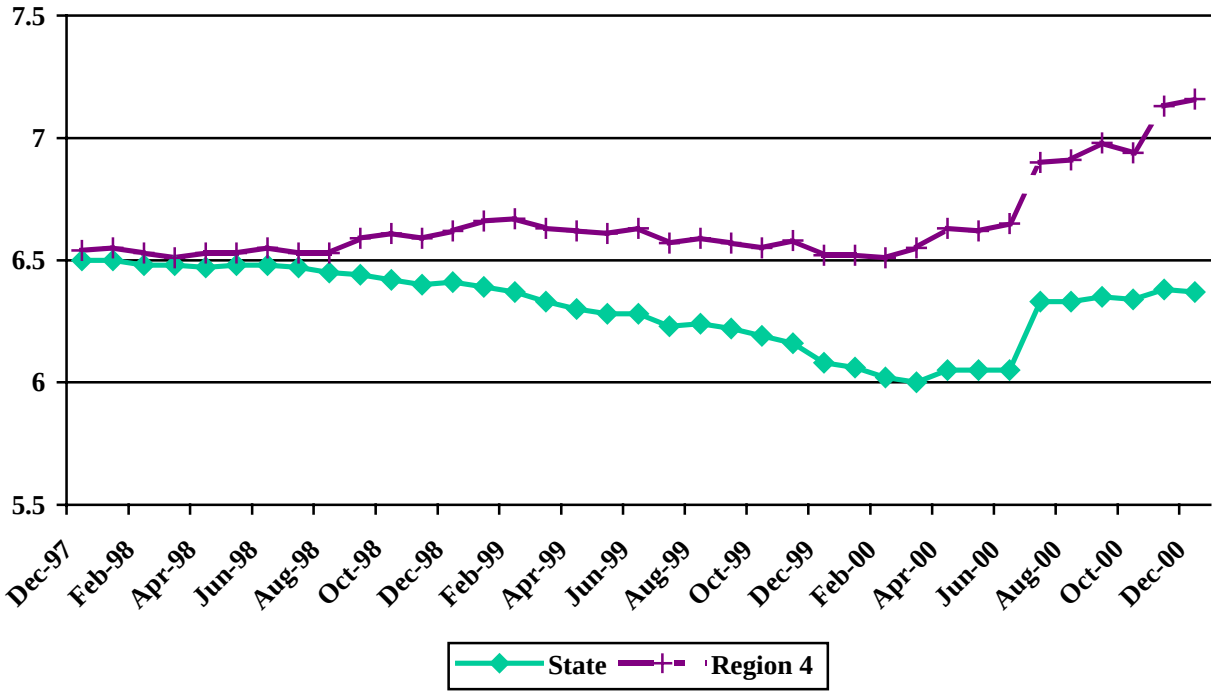
NOTE: This measure is currently under revision and the trend has not been updated.

REGION 4 TRENDS

Median Placement Index (Number of Children)

Office	Aug 00	Sep 00	Oct 00	Nov 00	Dec 00	Change
King Eastside	5.13 (145)	5.21 (137)	5.16 (132)	5.38 (121)	5.29 (132)	-
Seattle South	5.52 (145)	5.60 (532)	5.67 (545)	5.78 (518)	5.87 (520)	+
Adoption Unit	7.10 (37)	7.31 (29)	8.01 (14)	8.97 (8)	8.93 (9)	-
Kent	5.77 (569)	5.77 (555)	5.49 (563)	5.55 (554)	5.40 (546)	-
King Central	7.92 (442)	8.18 (435)	8.22 (437)	8.35 (434)	8.45 (431)	+
Seattle North	4.62 (541)	4.75 (523)	4.71 (539)	5.03 (497)	4.97 (489)	-
African Amer. Unit	4.37 (177)	4.33 (187)	4.31 (191)	4.61 (178)	4.54 (174)	-
Regional Total	5.52 (2453)	5.59 (2402)	5.49 (2425)	5.68 (2314)	5.72 (2305)	+
State Total	4.89 (9370)	4.90 (9284)	4.92 (9356)	4.95 (9197)	4.93 (9223)	-

State and Region 4 Trends, Index Mean



Permanency: Decrease length of stay without increasing re-entry

Composite Placement Index: Median of Placement Index for Age Groups

NOTE: This measure is currently under revision and the trend has not been updated.

REGION 4 MEDIAN OF INDEX FOR AGE GROUPS

Office	Current Age Group (years)				
	0-1	2-5	6-11	12-17	All Ages
King Eastside	4.08	4.95	5.59	8.33	5.47
Seattle South	3.09	5.00	7.17	7.80	6.04
Adoption Unit	---	8.48	10.39	15.35	8.93
Kent	3.34	5.34	6.91	8.63	5.66
King Central	3.11	5.20	8.13	11.21	8.41
Seattle North	2.96	4.33	6.09	7.22	5.02
African Am. Unit	3.45	4.73	5.66	4.09	4.71
Region	**3.23**	**4.89**	**6.79**	**8.70**	**5.87**
State	**2.79**	**4.52**	**5.76**	**7.91**	**5.18**

Region 4 Medians of Index and Components for Age Groups
Children in Open Placements > 60 Days in 4th Qtr., 2000

Age Group (years)	Index Component			
	# Events	# Episodes	Years in Care	Index
0-1	2	1	1.04	3.23
2-5	2	1	2.10	4.89
6-11	3	1	2.92	6.79
12-17	4	1	3.41	8.70
All Ages, Region	**3**	**1**	**2.41**	**5.87**
All Ages, State	**2**	**1**	**1.90**	**5.18**

Placement Index = Number of placement events + number of episodes + cumulative years in care –1 for children in care > 60 days. Calculation Notes in Appendix P-4.

PERMANENCY: DECREASE OVER-REPRESENTATION OF MINORITY CHILDREN IN CARE

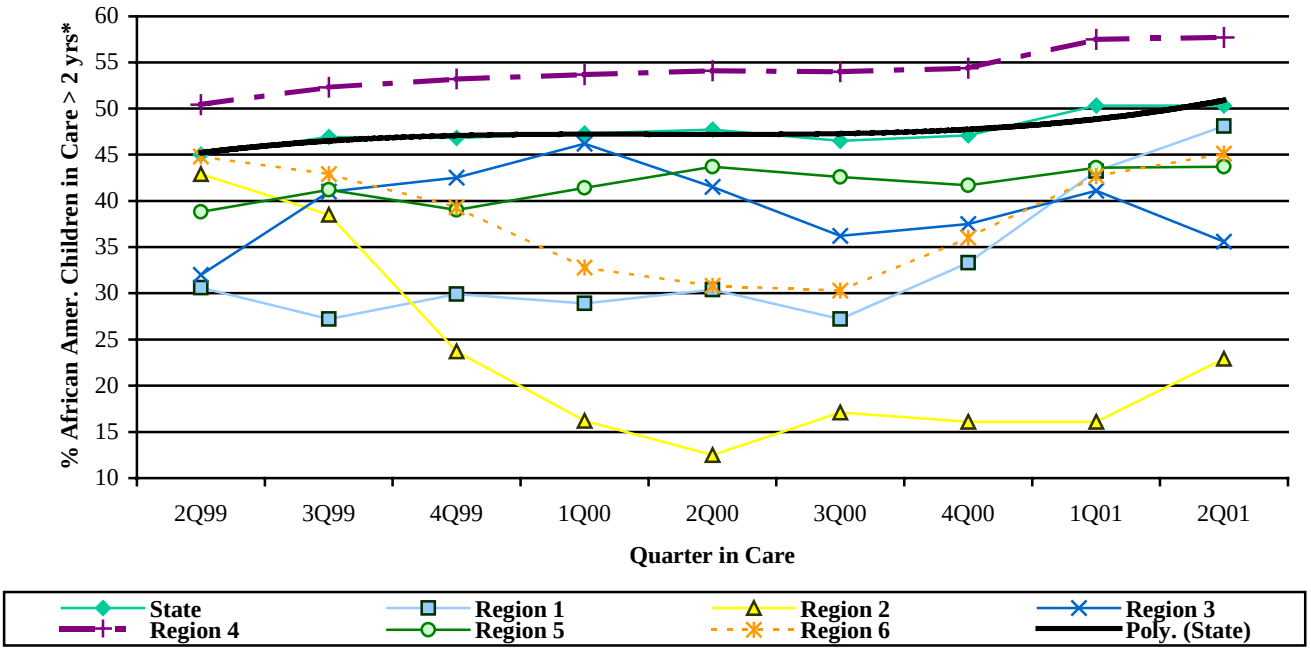
African American Children in Care Longer than Two Years

who do not have a completed permanent plan.

Trends shown for the percentage of African American children in care > 2 years, of all African American children in care > 60 days. "African American" defined for this measure only as a child with African American indicated for any of the six race codes in CAMIS.

NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trends were re-calculated in September, 2001.

State and Regional Trends



* At end of quarter, as a percentage of all African American children in care for more than 60 days

Number of African American Children in Care > 2 years*

Region	3Q99	4Q99	1Q00	2Q00	3Q00	4Q00	1Q01	2Q01
1	25	26	24	24	22	26	35	38
2	15	9	6	4	6	5	5	8
3	41	37	43	39	38	36	39	37
4	472	484	484	466	444	430	450	440
5	146	133	144	146	144	151	167	170
6	24	24	21	20	23	27	32	32
State	**723**	**713**	**722**	**699**	**677**	**675**	**728**	**725**

* African American children in care as of the end of each quarter

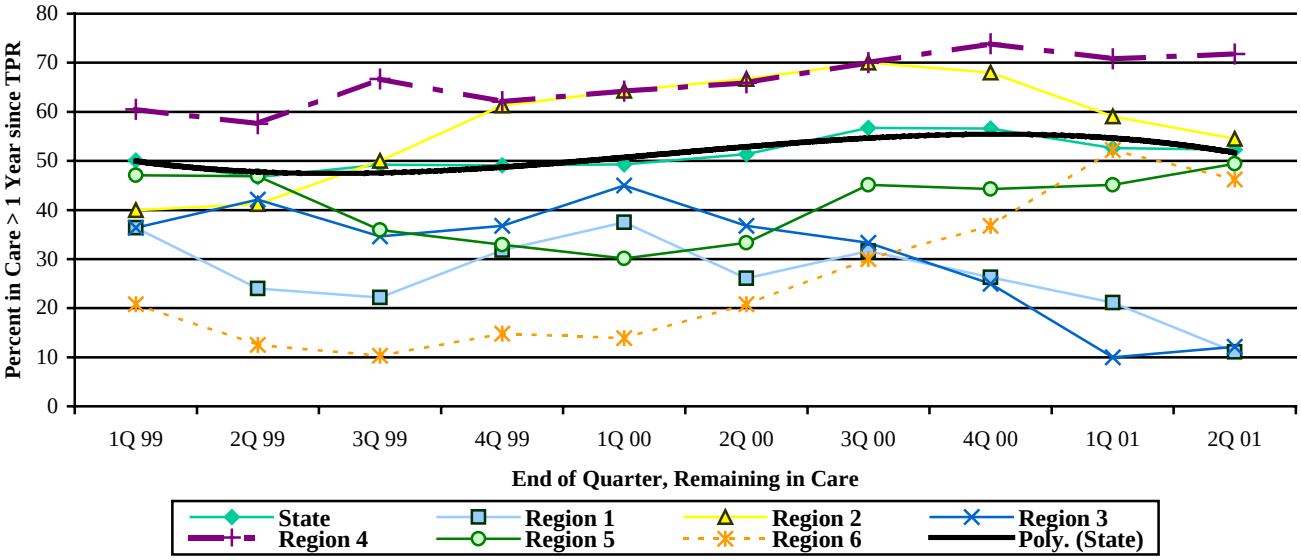
Permanency: Decrease over-representation of minority children in care

Young Children Remaining in Care More Than One Year Since TPR

reported for minority and Caucasian children exiting or remaining in care, ages birth through three years at time of legally free date. "Minority" defined for this measure as all children except those indicated as Caucasian and only Caucasian; Hispanic Caucasians also included in "minority" group.

NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. The trends were re-calculated in September, 2001. Children with adoptions and guardianships established during each cohort period are included in this measure of legally free children with permanent plans. Children in long-term foster care/relative agreements are as yet not identified and therefore cannot be counted as having a permanent plan; these children currently show as being in open episodes and add to the count of children in care for more than one year.

State and Regional Trends



Number of (M)inority & (C)aucasian Children Ages Birth - Three Years, Remaining In Care Over One Year since TPR

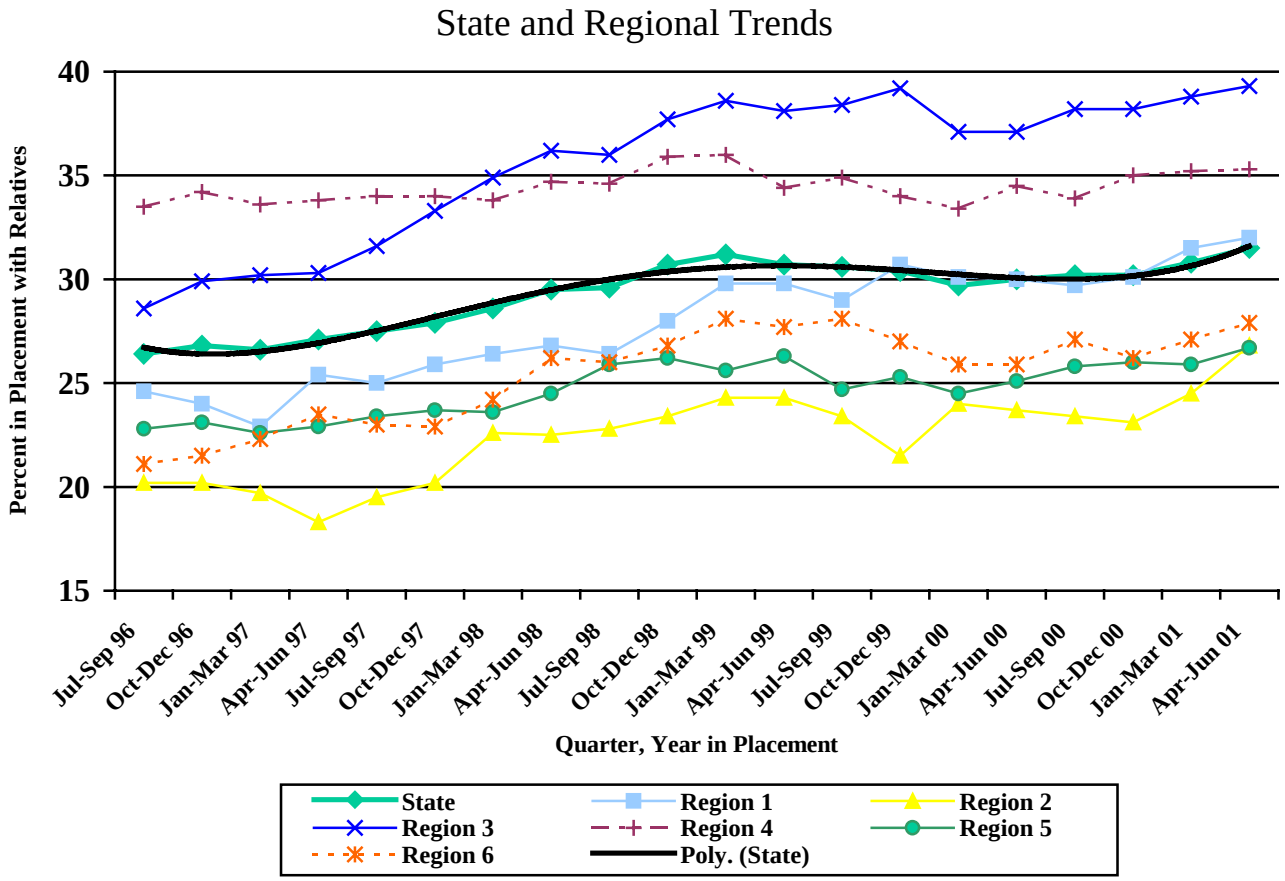
Region	3Q 99	4Q 99	1Q 00	2Q 00	3Q 00	4Q 00	1Q 01	2Q 01
1 M	6	7	9	6	6	5	4	2
1 C	22	14	12	13	16	9	11	9
2 M	19	19	18	18	21	17	13	12
2 C	6	6	5	7	9	5	6	9
3 M	9	7	9	7	8	6	3	4
3 C	12	13	11	8	9	14	17	19
4 M	124	118	122	122	112	102	92	89
4 C	60	65	62	58	45	32	24	22
5 M	28	27	25	28	37	35	37	42
5 C	22	21	26	31	29	29	33	25
6 M	3	4	5	5	6	7	12	12
6 C	16	11	11	11	11	12	12	14
State M	**189**	**182**	**188**	**186**	**190**	**172**	**161**	**161**
State C	**138**	**130**	**127**	**128**	**119**	**101**	**103**	**98**

PERMANENCY: CONTINUITY OF FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS AND CONNECTIONS WILL BE PRESERVED FOR CHILDREN

Increase relative placements

Children in DCFS custody only; children in care more than 60 days at end of quarter in placement with unpaid or paid (licensed) relatives.

NOTE: The measure is determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies, and now uses a 60-day cut for consistency with our other permanency measures and counts of children in foster care. The trends were calculated in October, 2001.



Proportion of Children in Placement with Relatives (Number in Placement) at End of Period

Region	FY 1999	Previous FY (FY 2000)	Previous Quarter (Jan-Mar 2001)	Current Quarter (Apr-Jun 2001)
1	29.8% (327)	30.0% (316)	31.5% (346)	32.0% (356)
2	24.3% (178)	23.7% (184)	24.5% (188)	26.8% (214)
3	38.1% (421)	37.1% (400)	38.8% (421)	39.3% (453)
4	34.4% (746)	34.5% (724)	35.2% (699)	35.3% (687)
5	26.3% (386)	25.1% (358)	25.9% (404)	26.7% (436)
6	27.7% (373)	25.9% (334)	27.1% (398)	27.9% (421)
State Total	**30.7% (2431)**	**30.0% (2316)**	**30.8% (2456)**	**31.5% (2567)**

Permanency: Continuity of family relationships and Connections will be preserved for children

Increase relative placements

Children in DCFS custody only; children in care more than 60 days at end of quarter in placement with unpaid or paid (licensed) relatives.

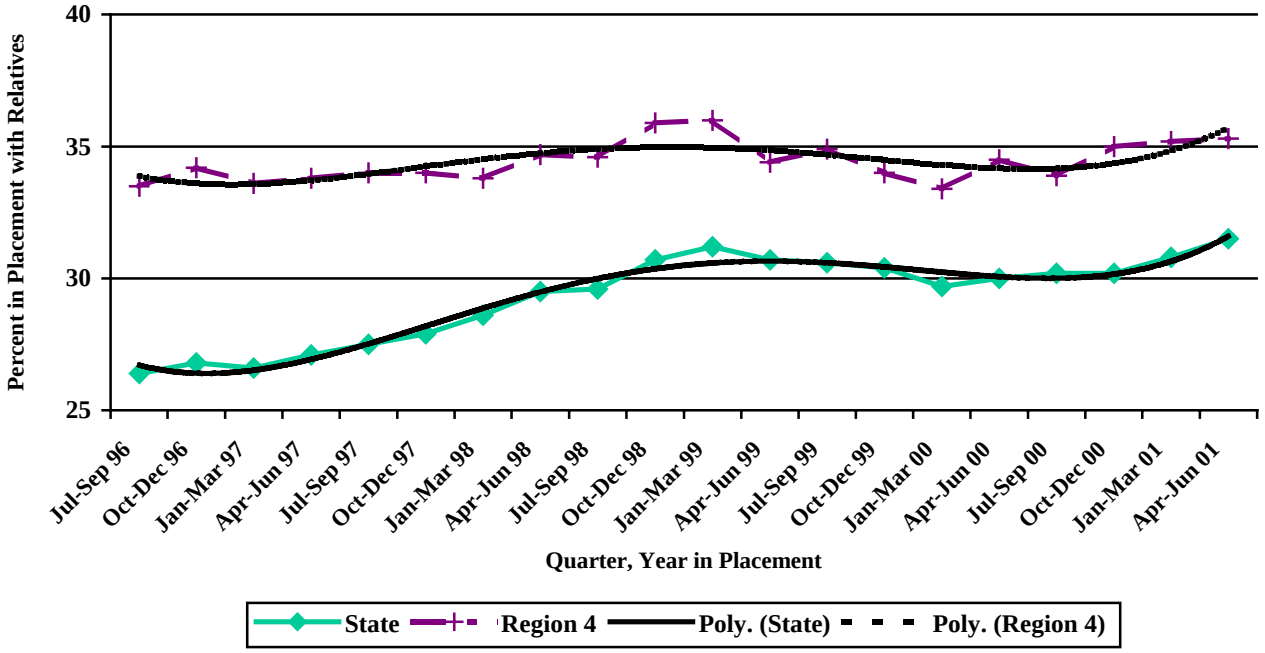
NOTE: The measure is determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies, and now uses a 60-day cut for consistency with our other permanency measures and counts of children in foster care. The trends were calculated in October, 2001.

REGION 4

Proportion of Children in Placement with Relatives (Number in Placement) at End of Period

Office	Previous Fiscal Year (FY 2000)	Previous Quarter (Jan-Mar 2001)	Current Quarter (Apr-Jun 2001)
King Eastside	38% (42)	28% (27)	33% (31)
Seattle South	37% (165)	39% (174)	39% (175)
Adoption Unit	45% (21)	33% (2)	25% (1)
Kent	30% (154)	33% (149)	33% (145)
King Central	19% (83)	20% (79)	19% (76)
Seattle North	42% (172)	42% (176)	42% (169)
African Am. Unit	58% (86)	57% (91)	57% (89)
Regional Total	**34.5% (724)**	**35.2% (699)**	**35.3% (687)**
State Total	30.0% (2316)	30.8% (2456)	31.5% (2567)

State and Region 4 Trends



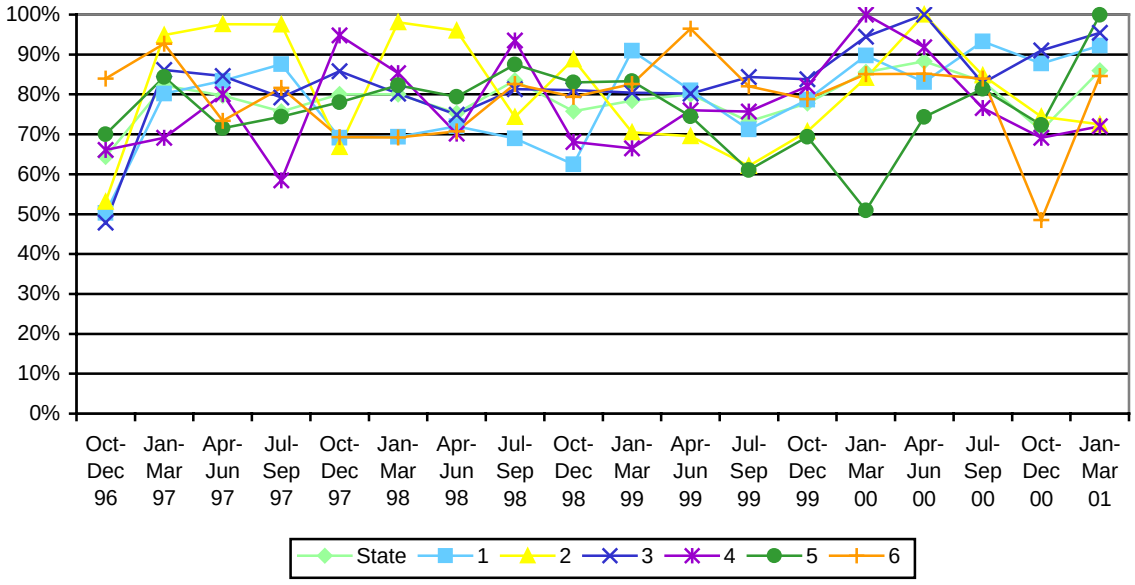
PERMANENCY: PRESERVE CONNECTIONS WITH PARENTS, SIBLINGS AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT PEOPLE

Child and Caregiver Visitation: State and Regional Trends

Percent of open placements cases on last day of quarter where parent or permanent caretakers visited child at least once within last 30 days.

State and Regional Trends

Quarter	State	1	2	3	4	5	6
4Q 96	64.38%	50.28%	53.10%	47.92%	66.06%	69.98%	84.00%
1Q 97	82.18%	80.24%	94.92%	86.15%	69.10%	84.36%	92.67%
2Q 97	79.73%	83.39%	97.62%	84.56%	79.95%	71.54%	73.40%
3Q 97	75.71%	87.56%	97.52%	79.20%	58.47%	74.41%	81.63%
4Q 97	79.98%	69.13%	66.80%	85.77%	94.85%	78.03%	69.27%
1Q 98	79.98%	69.37%	98.08%	80.19%	85.31%	82.26%	69.17%
2Q 98	75.30%	72.04%	95.96%	74.94%	70.23%	79.45%	70.66%
3Q 98	83.53%	68.99%	74.31%	81.29%	93.51%	87.50%	82.62%
4Q 98	75.84%	62.49%	88.75%	81.12%	68.13%	82.97%	79.40%
1Q 99	78.36%	90.89%	70.45%	80.38%	66.49%	83.35%	82.57%
2Q 99	80.00%	81.03%	69.45%	80.22%	76.02%	74.50%	96.50%
3Q 99	73.24%	71.21%	62.06%	84.38%	75.74%	61.02%	81.98%
4Q 99	77.81%	78.65%	70.70%	83.80%	82.05%	69.36%	78.82%
1Q 00	85.6%	89.7%	84.1%	94.5%	100.0%	50.9%	85.1%
2Q 00	88.3%	83.1%	100.0%	100.0%	91.8%	74.3%	85.2%
3Q 00	83.2%	93.3%	84.8%	82.8%	76.6%	81.4%	84.0%
4Q 00	71.0%	87.7%	74.4%	91.0%	69.1%	72.3%	48.5%
1Q 01	86.0%	92.2%	72.5%	95.4%	72.0%	99.9%	84.6%



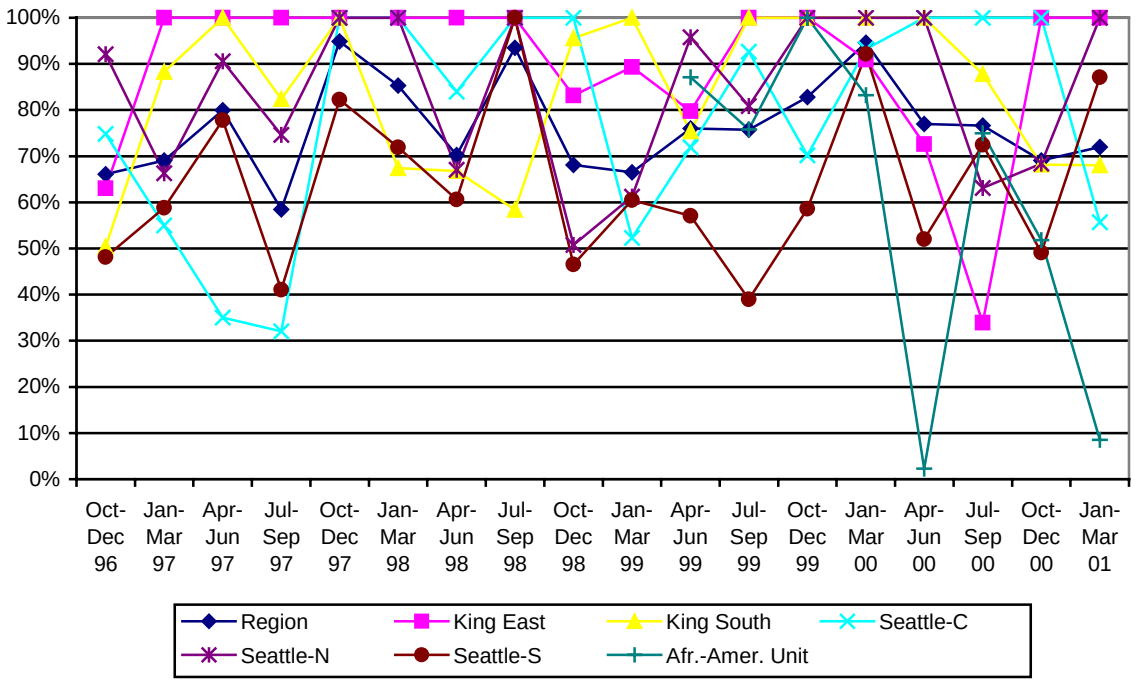
Permanency: Preserve connections with parents, siblings and other significant people

Child and Caregiver Visitation

Percent of open placements cases on last day of quarter where parent or permanent caretakers visited child at least once within last 30 days.

REGION 4

Quarter	Region	King East	King South	Seattle-C	Seattle-N	Seattle-S	Afr.-Amer. Unit
Oct-Dec 96	66.06%	63.06%	50.33%	74.86%	92.12%	48.10%	
Jan-Mar 97	69.10%	100.00%	88.29%	54.96%	66.32%	58.80%	
Apr-Jun 97	79.95%	100.00%	100.00%	35.00%	90.59%	77.80%	
Jul-Sep 97	58.47%	100.00%	82.39%	32.06%	74.61%	41.07%	
Oct-Dec 97	94.84%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	82.26%	
Jan-Mar 98	85.31%	100.00%	67.41%	100.00%	100.00%	71.93%	
Apr-Jun 98	70.23%	100.00%	66.78%	83.95%	67.04%	60.62%	
Jul-Sep 98	93.51%	100.00%	58.37%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	
Oct-Dec 98	68.13%	83.12%	95.58%	100.00%	50.79%	46.51%	
Jan-Mar 99	66.49%	89.33%	100.00%	52.27%	61.21%	60.50%	
Apr-Jun 99	76.02%	79.75%	75.37%	71.90%	95.80%	57.04%	87.10%
Jul-Sep 99	75.74%	100.00%	100.00%	92.67%	80.85%	38.95%	75.79%
Oct-Dec 99	82.80%	100.00%	100.00%	70.20%	100.00%	58.57%	100.00%
Jan-Mar 00	94.59%	90.91%	100.00%	93.17%	100.00%	92.15%	83.21%
Apr-Jun 00	77.00%	72.60%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	52.00%	2.30%
Jul-Sep 00	76.6%	33.9%	87.8%	100.0%	63.1%	72.5%	75.0%
Oct-Dec 00	69.1%	100.0%	68.2%	100.0%	68.4%	49.1%	51.8%
Jan-Mar 01	72.0%	100.0%	68.0%	55.7%	100.0%	87.1%	8.5%



PLACEMENT APPENDIX

P-1: Placement Stability

Calculation: A count of qualifying placement events that occur in the first 12 months of placement within episodes, using a quarterly or fiscal year cohort of children exiting care within 12 months, or remaining in care past the 12-month point. The following events are EXCLUDED from the count of events: respite, on-the-run, juvenile rehabilitation, detention, in-home dependencies, hospital, and events contiguous in time (after these events are removed) where the placement business ID has not changed. In addition, ANY type of event of less than 31 days duration that occurs between two events with the same business ID are excluded (only the first of such multiple "events" is counted). These exclusions are intended to create, as much as possible, a stability measure that only counts actual changes in a child's principal place of residence. The Federal rules for this measure do not allow all of these adjustments (only respite, in-home dependencies, hospital, and on-the-run events may be excluded) – therefore, although the numbers and trends we report are the best currently available estimate of actual placement stability, the calculation of this measure using the Federal rules indicates a lower level of performance, as shown in the graphs (roughly 4-5 percentage points lower). The older method of calculating this measure which counted events for children in open episodes regardless of their length of stay (not just for the first 12 months of placement) is also included until revisions to the placement stability measures are completed. However, it has not been updated to reflect the widespread changes in CAMIS placement records that occurred in the summer of 2001, nor corrected for the effects of improperly documented in-home dependencies.

P-2: Placement Time in Care/Length of Stay

Calculation: Proportions of all children in care > 60 days, reporting the monthly trend in the proportion of all children in *open* placements > 60 days who have been in care for more than two years. Length of Stay over a five year period also reported, for entry cohorts by fiscal year beginning in 1993, giving the breakouts by number of years in care.

P-3: Placement Re-Entry

Calculation: The Federal measure considers all lengths of stay, and is a "look back" measure of all children entering into care rather than a "look forward" measure for exit cohorts of children reunified. For our purposes, we determine this measure for children who re-enter care for > 30 days who had a previous episode of care lasting > 60 days. There must also be more than one day between the end date of the previous episode and the start date of the new episode for the new episode to be counted as a "re-entry." Fiscal year or quarterly exit cohorts used (cohort of children exiting placement in a given period, followed forward in time to see if they have a new episode that begins more than one but less than 366 days after the close of the previous episode).

P-4: Composite Placement Index

Calculation: Sum of placement events, (*excluding* respite, temporary, juvenile rehab, detention, in-home dependencies, on-the-run, hospital, < 5 days, and when business ID does not change for events contiguous in time); number of placement episodes (new episode must begin at least 2 days after close of previous episode to be counted); and total number of years spent in care. Formula subtracts one from result to shift minimum index value to zero. Calculated for children (DCFS custody only) in open placement for at least 60 days in a given cohort month.

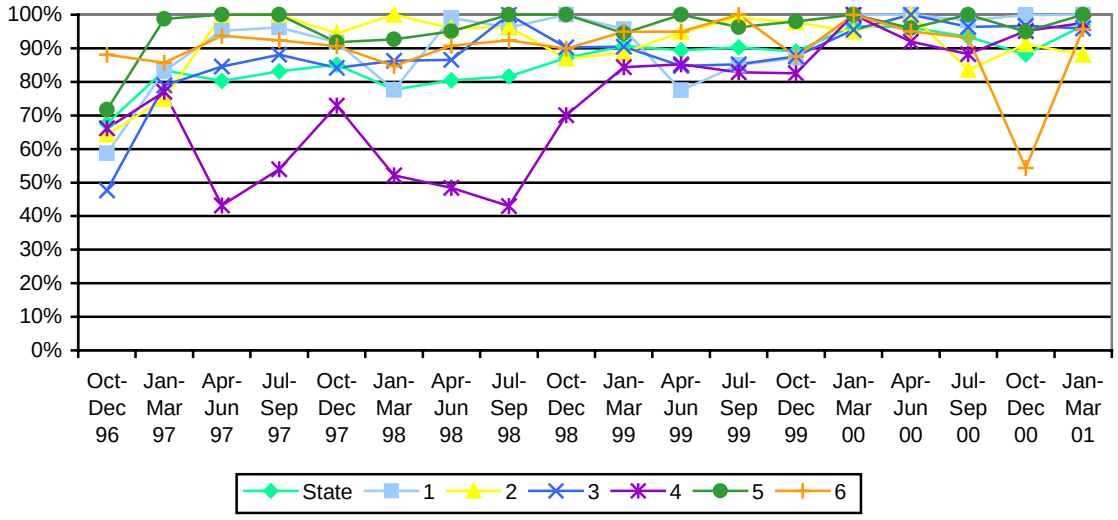
WELL BEING: INCREASE CASEWORKER VISITS WITH CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE

Visits with children in out-of-home care: State and Regional Trends

Percent of children in DCFS placement who are visited by their social worker two times per month with at least one visit per quarter occurring in the caretaker's home.
Presented data is from former measure of percent of children seen every 90 days

State and Regional Trends

Quarter	State	1	2	3	4	5	6
Oct-Dec 96	67.62%	58.70%	64.34%	47.72%	66.16%	71.67%	88.09%
Jan-Mar 97	83.39%	83.16%	74.88%	78.86%	77.01%	98.80%	85.66%
Apr-Jun 97	80.31%	95.16%	100.00%	84.65%	43.18%	100.00%	93.72%
Jul-Sep 97	83.14%	96.25%	100.00%	88.06%	53.99%	100.00%	92.36%
Oct-Dec 97	85.11%	91.78%	94.47%	84.16%	72.86%	91.78%	90.70%
Jan-Mar 98	77.69%	77.59%	100.00%	86.35%	52.11%	92.74%	84.70%
Apr-Jun 98	80.50%	99.03%	96.04%	86.61%	48.35%	95.05%	90.75%
Jul-Sep 98	81.64%	96.17%	96.27%	100.00%	42.97%	100.00%	92.45%
Oct-Dec 98	87.13%	100.00%	86.87%	90.27%	70.14%	100.00%	89.90%
Jan-Mar 99	90.72%	95.69%	88.72%	90.48%	84.39%	94.47%	94.95%
Apr-Jun 99	89.40%	77.54%	94.77%	84.70%	85.24%	100.00%	94.91%
Jul-Sep 99	90.32%	85.02%	98.96%	85.19%	82.81%	96.31%	100.00%
Oct-Dec 99	88.99%	87.13%	97.74%	87.56%	82.57%	98.05%	87.47%
Jan-Mar 00	96.70%	100.00%	94.90%	95.50%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Apr-Jun 00	96.2%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	92.00%	96.00%	95.00%
Jul-Sep 00	93.4%	98.3%	83.6%	96.4%	88.3%	100.0%	93.1%
Oct-Dec 00	88.2%	99.9%	91.2%	96.7%	95.1%	94.9%	54.3%
Jan-Mar 01	96.8%	100.0%	88.1%	95.9%	97.5%	100.0%	95.7%



Well Being: Increase Caseworker Visits with Children in Out-of-Home Care

Visits with children in out-of-home care

Percent of children in DCFS placement who are visited by their social worker two times per month with at least one visit per quarter occurring in the caretaker's home.

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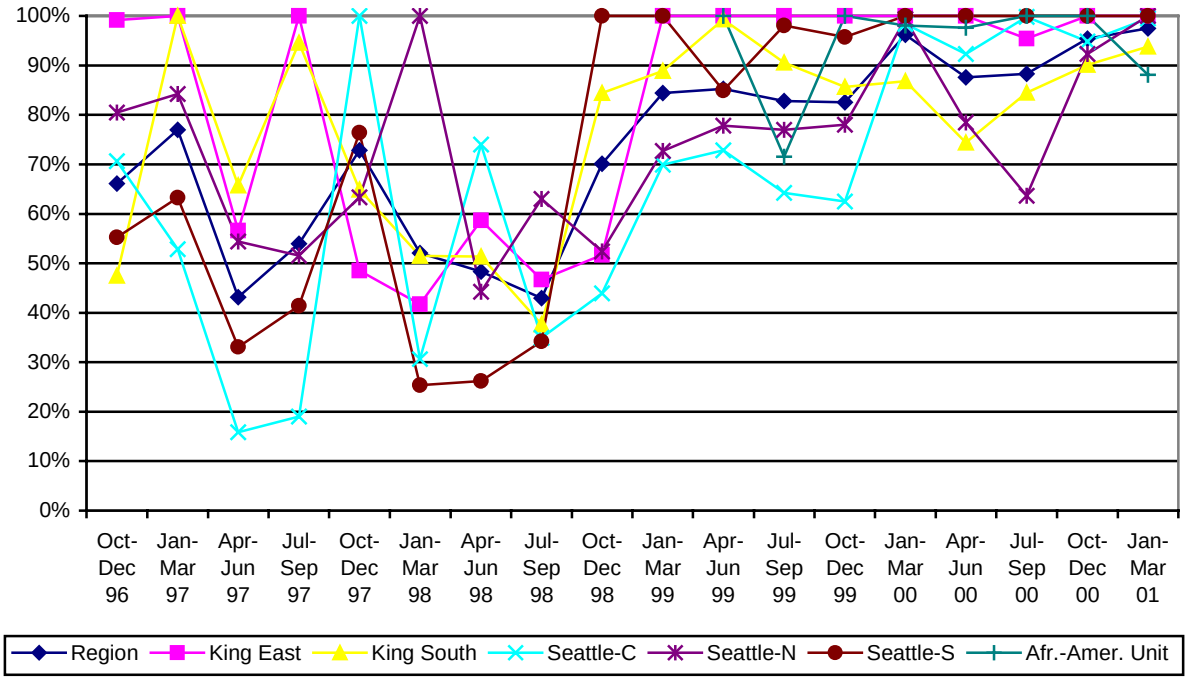
Quarter	Region	King East	King South	Seattle-C	Seattle-N	Seattle-S	Afr.-Amer. Unit
Oct-Dec 96	66.16%	99.16%	47.51%	70.68%	80.46%	55.24%	
Jan-Mar 97	77.01%	100.00%	100.00%	52.88%	84.21%	63.28%	
Apr-Jun 97	43.18%	56.60%	65.76%	15.82%	54.45%	33.08%	
Jul-Sep 97	53.99%	100.00%	94.56%	18.98%	51.61%	41.44%	
Oct-Dec 97	72.86%	48.52%	64.87%	100.00%	63.34%	76.40%	
Jan-Mar 98	52.11%	41.76%	51.50%	30.63%	100.00%	25.34%	
Apr-Jun 98	48.35%	58.68%	51.40%	74.01%	44.30%	26.18%	
Jul-Sep 98	42.97%	46.75%	37.69%	34.96%	63.03%	34.27%	
Oct-Dec 98	70.14%	51.70%	84.39%	43.96%	52.44%	100.00%	
Jan-Mar 99	84.39%	100.00%	88.91%	69.94%	72.74%	100.00%	
Apr-Jun 99	85.24%	100.00%	99.26%	72.87%	77.82%	84.91%	100.00%
Jul-Sep 99	82.81%	100.00%	90.54%	64.25%	76.98%	98.08%	71.55%
Oct-Dec 99	82.57%	100.00%	85.66%	62.54%	77.99%	95.76%	100.00%
Jan-Mar 00	96.16%	100.00%	86.83%	98.37%	99.34%	100.00%	98.03%
Apr-Jun 00	87.60%	100.00%	74.40%	92.30%	78.50%	100.00%	97.60%
Jul-Sep 00	88.3%	95.4%	84.5%	99.8%	63.7%	100.0%	100.0%
Oct-Dec 00	95.4%	100.0%	90.1%	94.8%	92.3%	100.0%	100.0%
Jan-Mar 01	97.5%	100.0%	93.8%	99.5%	100.0%	100.0%	88.1%



WELL BEING: CHILDREN IN PLACEMENT ARE SUPPORTED IN AGE APPROPRIATE EDUCATIONAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAMS

Percent of children 12 years or younger at time of most recent entry placed in group care

NOTE: This measure is now determined using our new method of correcting placement episode records for incorrectly documented in-home dependencies. All figures were re-calculated in September, 2001.

Percent of Children 12 or Younger Placed in Group Care (Number Placed)

Region	FY 1999	Previous FY (FY 2000)	Current FY to date (FY 2001)	Current Quarter (2Q 2001)
1	4% (22)	4% (21)	3% (14)	5% (5)
2	3% (11)	4% (16)	2% (9)	0% (0)
3	5% (22)	3% (14)	2% (12)	1% (1)
4	6% (45)	4% (25)	5% (29)	4% (6)
5	1% (5)	1% (5)	0% (0)	0% (0)
6	2% (14)	2% (11)	1% (6)	0.5% (1)
State	**3.7% (119)**	**2.8% (92)**	**2.0% (70)**	**1.6% (13)**

Racial and Age Breakouts, Children 12 or Younger Placed in Group Care in FY 2001

			Percent of all DCFS-custody children ≤ 12 placed
Hispanic?	**No**	**%**	2%
		N	63
	Yes	**%**	2%
		N	7
Race	**Native American only**	**%**	3%
		N	9
	Asian/Pacific Islander only	**%**	0%
		N	0
	African American only	**%**	3%
		N	7
	Caucasian only	**%**	2%
		N	43
	Multiracial	**%**	2%
		N	3
Age at placement entry	**0-5 yrs**	**%**	1%
		N	12
	6-8 yrs	**%**	2%
		N	10
	9-10 yrs	**%**	3%
		N	13
	11 yrs	**%**	8%
		N	14
	12 yrs	**%**	10%
		N	21

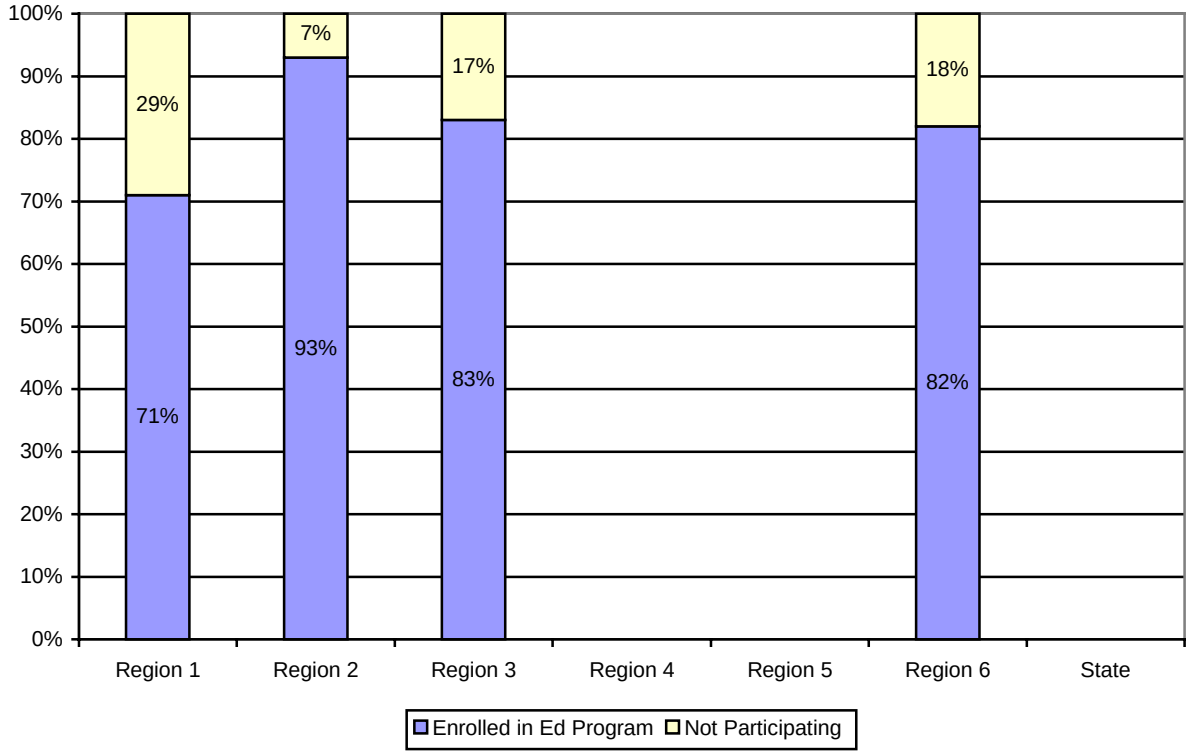
Well Being: Children in placement are supported in age appropriate Educational and Developmental programs

Optimize educational advancement while child is in care:

Completion of or enrollment in educational program prior to leaving care

Percent of children who earn a high school diploma or GED or who were participating in an educational or vocational program prior to leaving care to age or IL Plan completion during July-December 2000.

State and Regional Trend



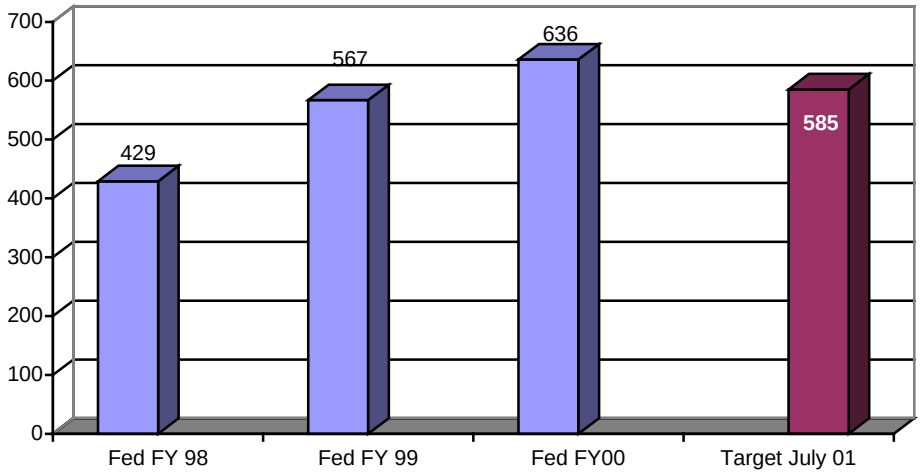
	Region 1	Region 2	Region 3	Region 4	Region 5	Region 6	State
HS diploma or GED	4	6	3			9	
Educ. Or Voc. Involvement	1	7	7			5	
Neither	2	1	2			3	
Total	7	14	12			17	

Well Being: Children in placement are supported in age appropriate Educational and Developmental programs

Youth Receiving ILS Services

Percent of youth in out-of-home services receiving Independent Living Services.

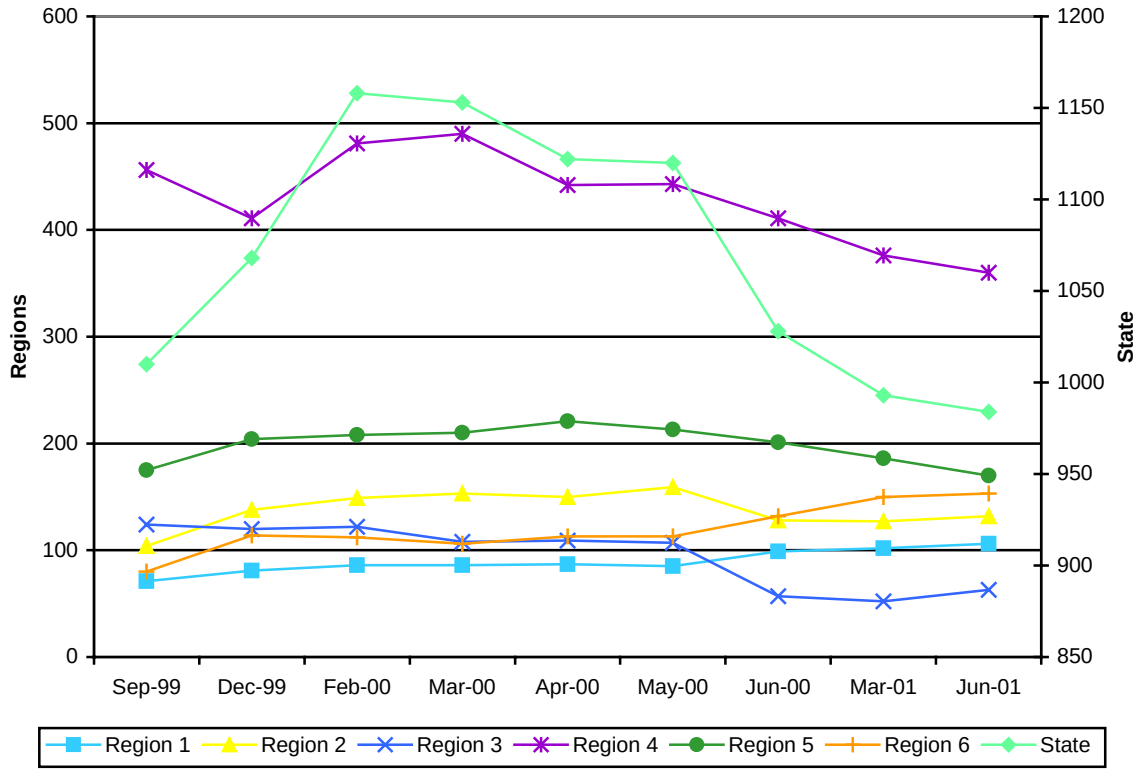
State



SUPPORTING CLIENT OUTCOMES (ORGANIZATIONAL WELL BEING)

Number of minority foster homes available for out-of-home-care

State and Regional Trends*

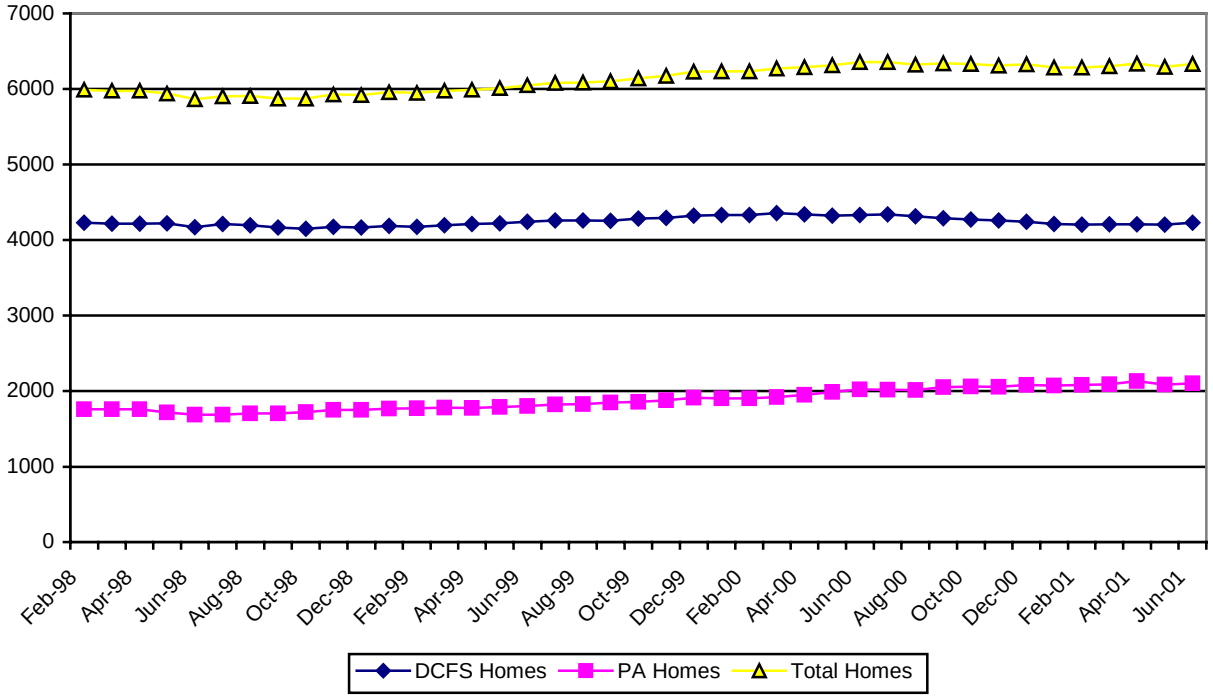


*The procedure for identifying Minority Foster Homes changed starting June 2000.

Supporting Client outcomes (Organizational Well Being) Foster Home resources

CA Family Foster care and PA Family Foster Care Homes: Number of licensed foster homes

State Trend



	Sept00	Oct00	Nov00	Dec00	Jan01	Feb01	Mar01	Apr01	May01	Jun01
Reg. 1 - DLR	688	695	682	687	686	687	695	698	712	710
PA	140	144	145	151	144	143	134	134	129	122
Total	**828**	**839**	**827**	**838**	**830**	**830**	**829**	**832**	**841**	**832**
Reg. 2 - DLR	442	440	449	452	452	455	455	459	464	477
PA	294	293	293	293	303	310	310	318	321	325
Total	**736**	**1173**	**742**	**745**	**755**	**765**	**765**	**777**	**785**	**802**
Reg. 3 - DLR	555	554	560	555	543	548	541	545	553	584
PA	328	322	323	329	323	317	315	195	326	332
Total	**883**	**876**	**883**	**884**	**866**	**865**	**856**	**740**	**879**	**916**
Reg. 4 - DLR	922	914	902	883	874	848	840	825	793	822
PA	473	474	477	489	479	492	504	641	471	478
Total	**1395**	**1388**	**1379**	**1372**	**1353**	**1340**	**1344**	**1466**	**1264**	**1300**
Reg. 5 - DLR	638	620	612	609	613	610	610	606	613	580
PA	536	543	545	548	552	553	564	575	574	584
Total	**1174**	**1163**	**1157**	**1157**	**1165**	**1163**	**1174**	**1181**	**1187**	**1164**
Reg. 6 - DLR	1043	1046	1052	1055	1043	1053	1067	1073	1067	1055
PA	282	285	272	274	274	267	265	268	265	261
Total	**1325**	**1331**	**1324**	**1329**	**1317**	**1320**	**1332**	**1341**	**1332**	**1316**
State - DLR	4288	4269	4257	4241	4211	4201	4208	4206	4202	4228
PA	2053	2061	2055	2084	2075	2082	2092	2131	2086	2102
Total	**6341**	**6770**	**6312**	**6325**	**6286**	**6283**	**6300**	**6337**	**6288**	**6330**

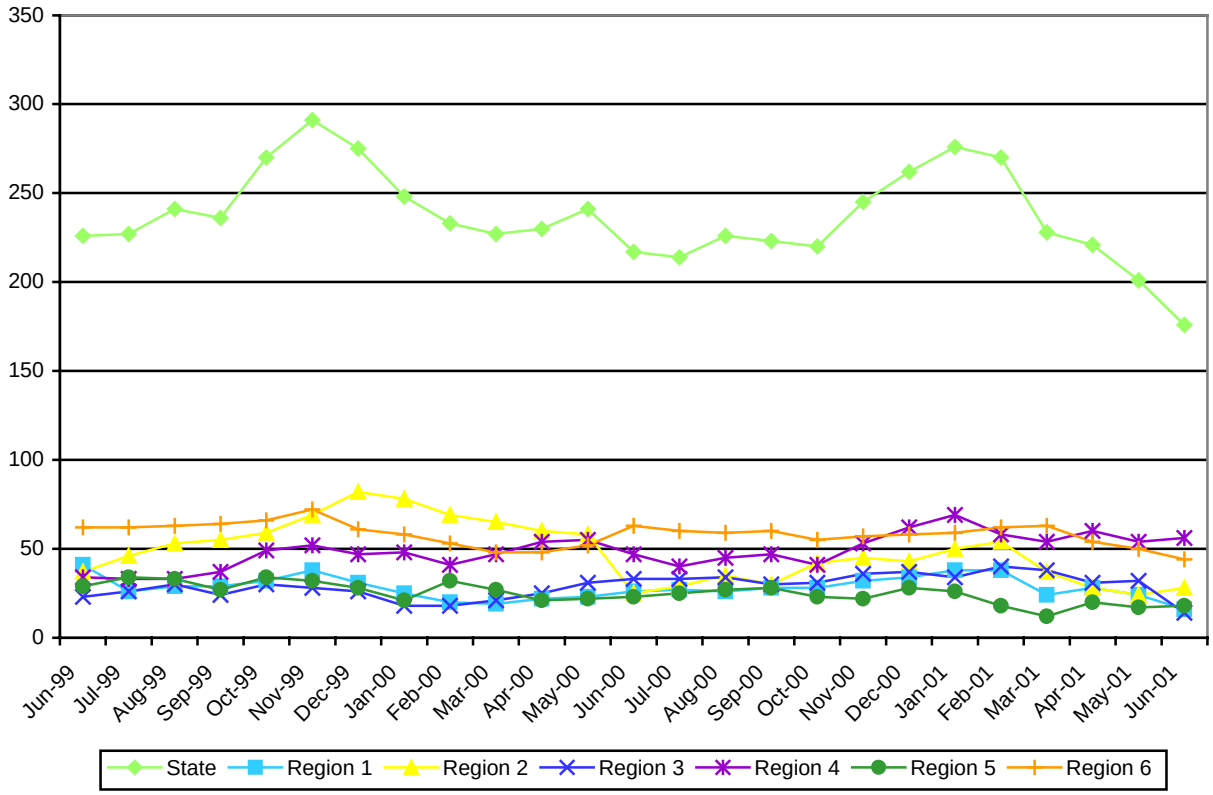
Supporting Client Outcomes (Organizational Well Being): Foster Care Licensing Applications

Delayed Foster Home Licensing Applications:

Number of foster care licensing applications that took more than 90 days to complete

(See Well Being Appendix for Calculation Details)

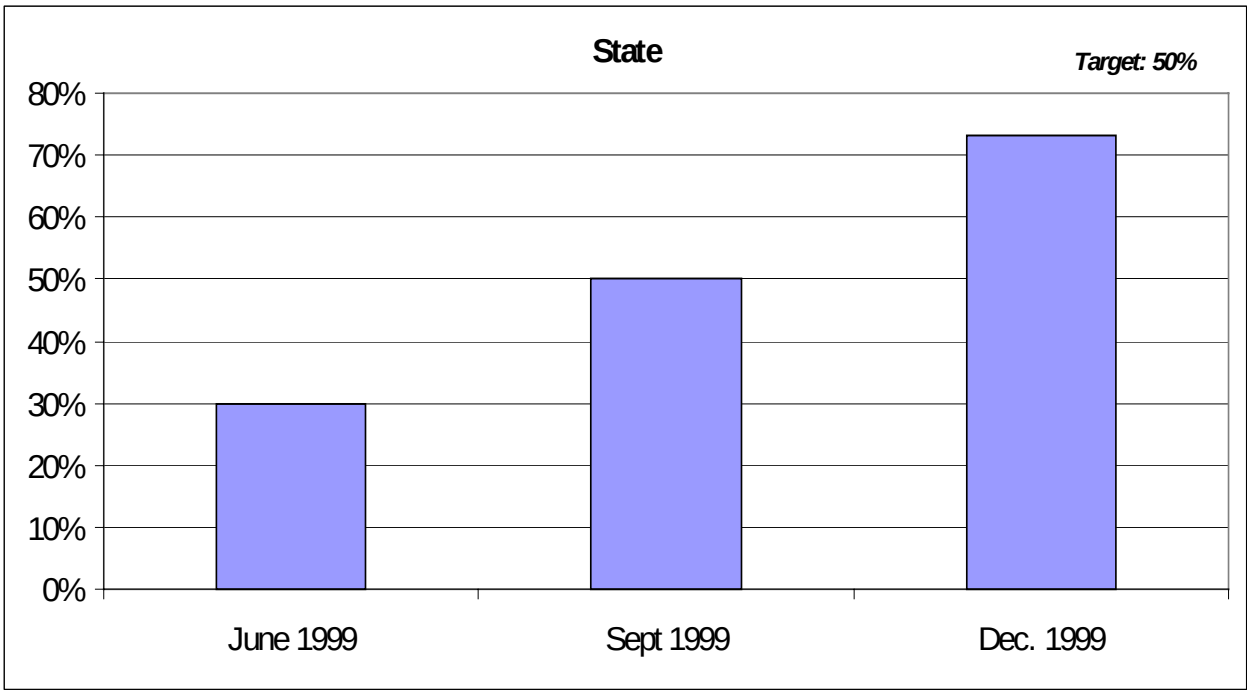
State and Regional Trends



Supporting Client Outcomes (Organizational Well Being): Childcare Provider Training

Provide quality licensed child care resources:

Percent of childcare providers who meet the 20-hour training requirement



WELL BEING APPENDIX

Well Being: Relative Placement

Calculation: Numerator is the # of children in placement with a relative, open at least 30days on the last day of the quarter. Excludes guardianships (source CAMIS). Denominator is the number of children in placement at least 30days on the last day of the quarter. Excludes guardianships (source CAMIS).

Well Being: Parent-Child Visitation

Calculation: Handcount of open placement cases on last day of quarter where child was visited by parents or permanent caretaker at least once within the last 30 days. Denominator – CAMIS count of children in placement at least 30days on the last day of the quarter, with a permanent plan of reunification.

Well Being: Foster Care Licensing Applications

Calculation: Data obtained from CAMIS Monthly Statistical Report-Regional Licensing Action (LICRPT40).