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March 14, 2023

The Honorable David Wilson
Senate Family and Community Services Finance Subcommittee Chair
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol Room 121
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Chair Wilson:

The Department of Family and Community Services received the following questions during the Senate Family and Community Services Budget Subcommittee meeting on March 8, 2023:

Senator Wilson: Please provide the department turnover and vacancy rates looking back ten years.

Please see the attached spreadsheet with department turnover and vacancy rates. (Attachment 1.)

Senator Wilson: For Designated Evaluation and Treatment (DET), what is the total budget and the scheduled Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) payments for FY2023?

Please see the attached breakdown of the DET budget and scheduled DSH payments for FY2023. (Attachment 2.)

Senator Wilson: What is the percent of termination on slide 20?

The separations on slide 20 with Human Resources involvement was five percent.

Senator Wilson: Please provide ten years of data on Foster Home Licensing.

Please see attached Non-Child Specific Licensed Foster Homes. (Attachment 3.)

Senator Wilson: Please provide information on therapeutic foster homes. Is there a quicker timeframe for licensing them?

Per statute, the Office of Children's Services (OCS) has 45 days to process a foster home license. According to OCS licensing data, from July 1, 2022 to March 9, 2023, the average days from receipt of application to being licensed is 24 days. Of the 158 licenses issued during that timeframe, ten applications were issued beyond the 45-day timeframe.

Therapeutic homes take on average four to six months to license, as there are pre-licensure training requirements. The child placement agencies then forward all required documentation to become licensed to the OCS.

Senator Wilson: Has there been an increase in family contact centers? How many were there in prior years?

Beacon Hill has a contract to provide family contact services in Anchorage and Mat-Su.

Beacon Hill Family Contact Services in Anchorage Contract History		
FY2020	Actual	\$ 12,760.00
FY2021	Actual	\$ 28,400.00
FY2022	Actual	\$ 26,732.00
FY2023	Total amount encumbered for FY23	\$ 29,608.00

Below is a list of grantees and award amounts from FY21 to FY23 who provide family contact services.

Family Contact Services FY23 Grants		
Alaska Family Services	Southcentral	\$181,250.00
Cook Inlet Tribal Council	Anchorage	\$274,999.73
Knik Tribal Council	Mat-Su	\$168,750.00
Resource Center for Parents and Children	Fairbanks	\$262,500.00
TOTAL		\$887,499.73
Family Contact Services FY22 Grants		
Alaska Family Services	Southcentral	\$145,000.00
Cook Inlet Tribal Council	Anchorage	\$219,999.78
Knik Tribal Council	Mat-Su	\$135,000.00
Resource Center for Parents and Children	Fairbanks	\$210,000.00
TOTAL		\$709,999.78
Family Contact Services FY21 Grants		
Alaska Family Services	Southcentral	\$145,000.00
Cook Inlet Tribal Council	Anchorage	\$219,999.78
Knik Tribal Council	Mat-Su	\$135,000.00
Resource Center for Parents and Children	Fairbanks	\$210,000.00
TOTAL		\$709,999.78

Information source: Annual Grant Books published on dfcs.alaska.gov

Senator Wilson: What other services could the Office of Children's Services be outsourcing?

Further statutory and collective bargaining unit analysis would be needed to determine which services could be outsourced.

Senator Wilson: Please provide Youth Court funding breakdown.

Below is a list of grantees and award amounts for FY22 and FY23 for the Youth Court Program.

Youth Court	FY23 Award	FY22 Award
Anchorage Youth Court	\$75,760	\$75,200
Mat-Su/City of Wasilla	\$70,320	\$70,000
Juneau Youth Court	\$43,680	\$44,400
Kenai Peninsula YC	\$58,400	\$58,400
Ketchikan Youth court	\$36,720	\$36,000
Kodiak Teen Court	\$32,160	\$32,400
Nome Youth court	\$32,960	\$32,800
Valdez Youth Court	\$31,760	\$32,200

Information source: Annual Grant Books published on dfcs.alaska.gov

Senator Wilson: Please provide ten-year data trends for the Office of Children's Services.

Please see attached OCS Data Trends CY2013 to CY2022. (Attachment 4.)

Senator Wilson: Please provide the committee with a summary report of how much funding went to each Tribal entity for the Tribal Welfare Compact.

Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association	\$160,034.17
Arctic Slope Native Association	\$275,479.88
Assoc of Village Council Presidents Inc.	\$671,175.48
Bristol Bay Native Association	\$286,667.74
Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska	\$453,430.72
Chugachmiut Inc.	\$131,215.97
Cook Inlet Tribal Council Inc	\$812,014.57
Copper River Native Association	\$125,564.84
Kawerak Inc.	\$401,242.62
Kenaitze Indian Tribe I R A	\$167,341.52
Maniilaq Association	\$365,572.23
Native Village of Eyak	\$110,471.98
Nome Eskimo Community	\$175,695.57
Sunaq Tribe of Kodiak	\$142,323.12
Tanana Chiefs Conference Inc.	\$446,350.69
Tribal Government of St Paul	\$122,602.86
*Some Tribal agreements are still pending and not listed here.	

Senator Wilson: Please provide the committee with how much in cross-appropriation budget transfers that have been made.

The department has not made any cross-appropriation transfers to date. It is the intent to report on all FY2023 cross-appropriation transfers by September 30, 2023.

Sincerely,

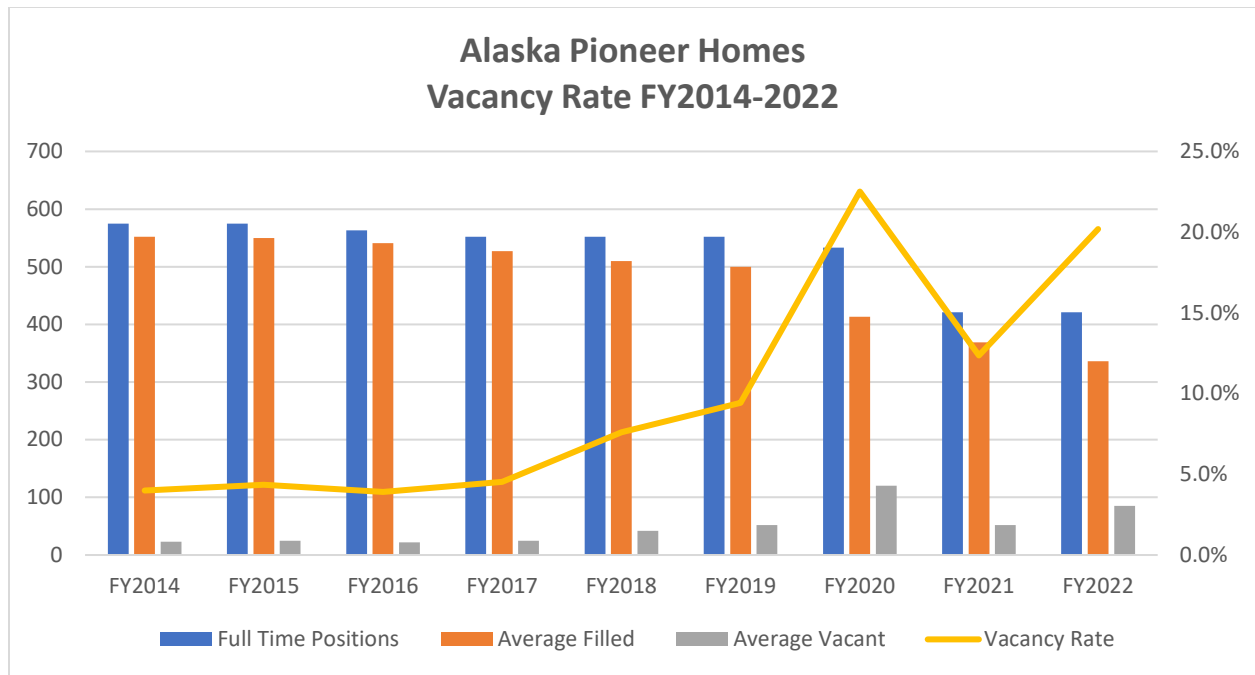


Marian Sweet
Assistant Commissioner

Enclosures

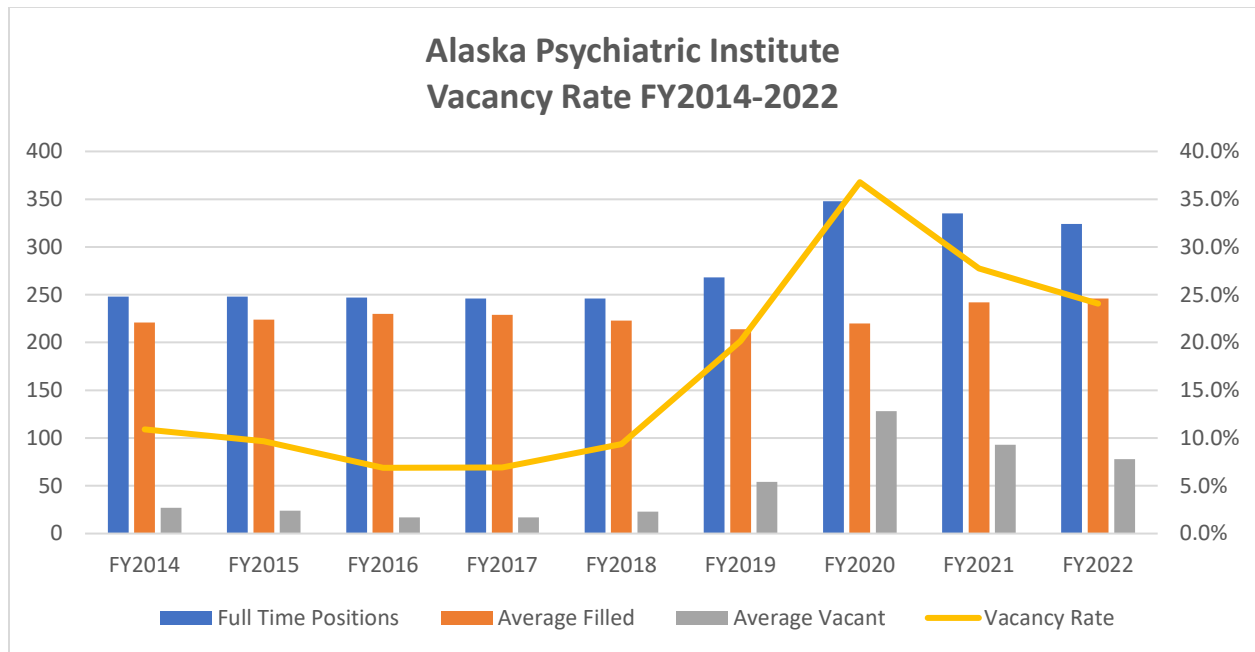
cc: Valerie Rose, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Finance
Laura Stidolph, Legislative Director, Office of the Governor
Robert Lumba, Office of Management and Budget
Kim Kovol, Commissioner Designee, Department of Family and Community Services
Clinton Lasley, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Family and Community Services
Matt Davidson, Legislative Liaison, Department of Family and Community Services
Janelle Earls, Division Operations Manager, Department of Family and Community Services
Scott York, Chief Executive Officer of Alaska Psychiatric Institute, Department of Family and Community Services
Kim Guay, Director of Office of Children's Services, Department of Family and Community Services
Shannon Dilley, Director of Division of Juvenile Justice, Department of Family and Community Services

Attachment 1a.



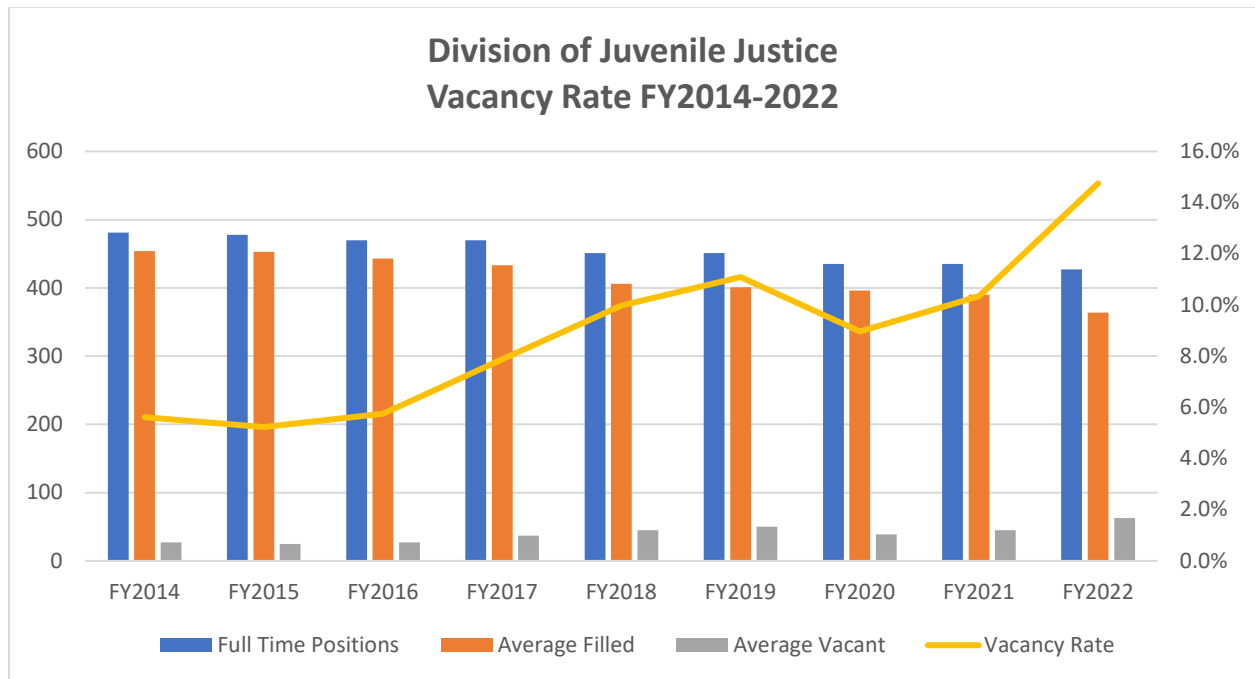
Year	Division	Full Time Positions	Average Filled	Average Vacant	Vacancy Rate
FY2014	Alaska Pioneer Homes	575	552	23	4.0%
FY2015	Alaska Pioneer Homes	575	550	25	4.3%
FY2016	Alaska Pioneer Homes	563	541	22	3.9%
FY2017	Alaska Pioneer Homes	552	527	25	4.5%
FY2018	Alaska Pioneer Homes	552	510	42	7.6%
FY2019	Alaska Pioneer Homes	552	500	52	9.4%
FY2020	Alaska Pioneer Homes	533	413	120	22.5%
FY2021	Alaska Pioneer Homes	421	369	52	12.4%
FY2022	Alaska Pioneer Homes	421	336	85	20.2%

Attachment 1b.



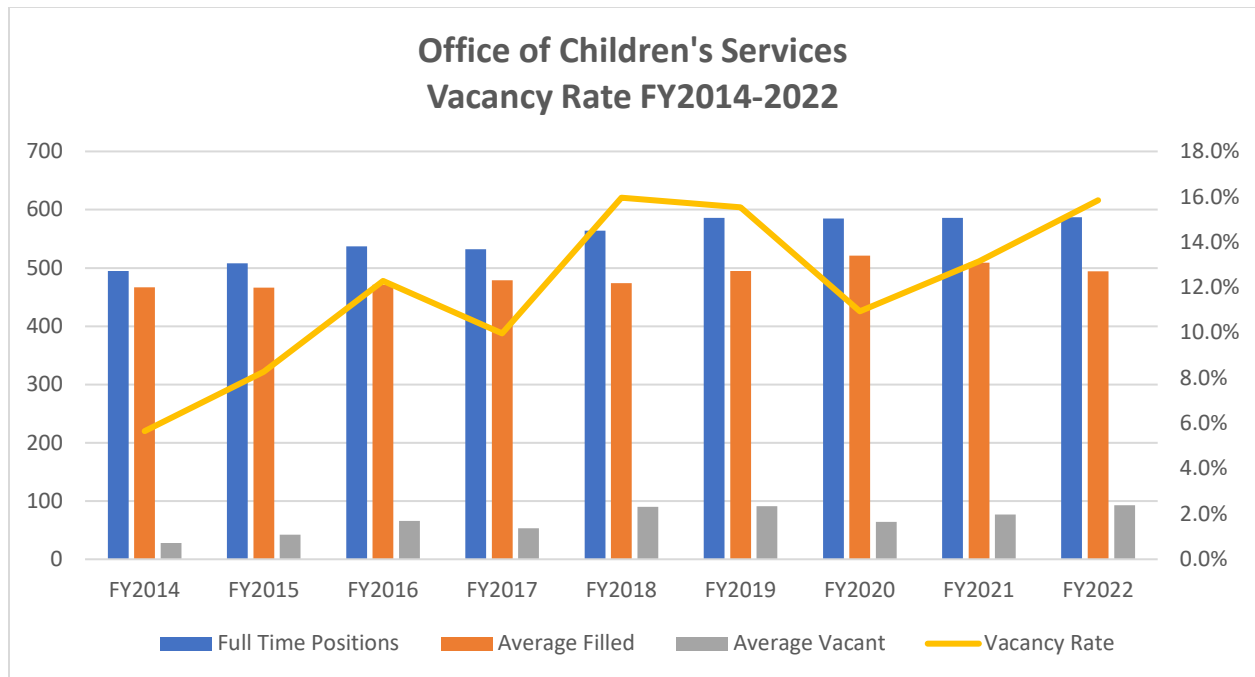
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FY2014	Alaska Psychiatric Institute	248	221	27	10.9%
FY2015	Alaska Psychiatric Institute	248	224	24	9.7%
FY2016	Alaska Psychiatric Institute	247	230	17	6.9%
FY2017	Alaska Psychiatric Institute	246	229	17	6.9%
FY2018	Alaska Psychiatric Institute	246	223	23	9.3%
FY2019	Alaska Psychiatric Institute	268	214	54	20.1%
FY2020	Alaska Psychiatric Institute	348	220	128	36.8%
FY2021	Alaska Psychiatric Institute	335	242	93	27.8%
FY2022	Alaska Psychiatric Institute	324	246	78	24.1%

Attachment 1c.



Year	Division	Full Time Positions	Average Filled	Average Vacant	Vacancy Rate
FY2014	Division of Juvenile Justice	481	454	27	5.6%
FY2015	Division of Juvenile Justice	478	453	25	5.2%
FY2016	Division of Juvenile Justice	470	443	27	5.7%
FY2017	Division of Juvenile Justice	470	433	37	7.9%
FY2018	Division of Juvenile Justice	451	406	45	10.0%
FY2019	Division of Juvenile Justice	451	401	50	11.1%
FY2020	Division of Juvenile Justice	435	396	39	9.0%
FY2021	Division of Juvenile Justice	435	390	45	10.3%
FY2022	Division of Juvenile Justice	427	364	63	14.8%

Attachment 1d.



Year	Division	Full Time Positions	Average Filled	Average Vacant	Vacancy Rate
FY2014	Office of Children's Services	495	467	28	5.7%
FY2015	Office of Children's Services	508	466	42	8.3%
FY2016	Office of Children's Services	537	471	66	12.3%
FY2017	Office of Children's Services	532	479	53	10.0%
FY2018	Office of Children's Services	564	474	90	16.0%
FY2019	Office of Children's Services	586	495	91	15.5%
FY2020	Office of Children's Services	585	521	64	10.9%
FY2021	Office of Children's Services	586	509	77	13.1%
FY2022	Office of Children's Services	587	494	93	15.8%

Designated Evaluation and Treatment FY2023 Budget

Hospital	Agreement Type*	Administrative Grants	Agreement Amounts for FY23	Total
Bartlett Regional Hospital	DET	\$250,000.00	\$ 576,700.00	\$826,700
Central Peninsula Hospital	MHCA		\$ 465,000.00	\$465,000
Fairbanks Memorial Hospital	DET	\$250,000.00	\$ 520,000.00	\$770,000
Fairbanks Memorial Hospital	SPEP		\$ 2,000,000.00	\$2,000,000
Providence Alaska Medical Center	SPEP		\$ 2,500,000.00	\$2,500,000
Providence Kodiak Medical Center	SATP		\$ 470,000.00	\$470,000
Mat-Su Regional Medical Center	DET	\$250,000.00	\$ 346,000.00	\$596,000
Peace Health Ketchikan	DES	\$125,000.00	\$ -	\$125,000
Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation**	DES	\$125,000.00		\$125,000
Sub-Total		\$1,000,000.00	\$ 6,877,700.00	\$7,877,700
Secure Transport				\$2,800,000
Increase DSH awards for increased encounters				\$1,000,000
Additional appropriation to be accessed if new providers sign up to be DES or DET providers***				\$1,000,000
Start-up Incentive Grants				\$1,500,000
Health Program Manager 2 will move to Comm's Office in FY2024				\$225,000

* Disproportionate Share Hospital types:

Mental Health Clinic Assistance (MHCA)

Substance Abuse Treatment Provider (SATP)

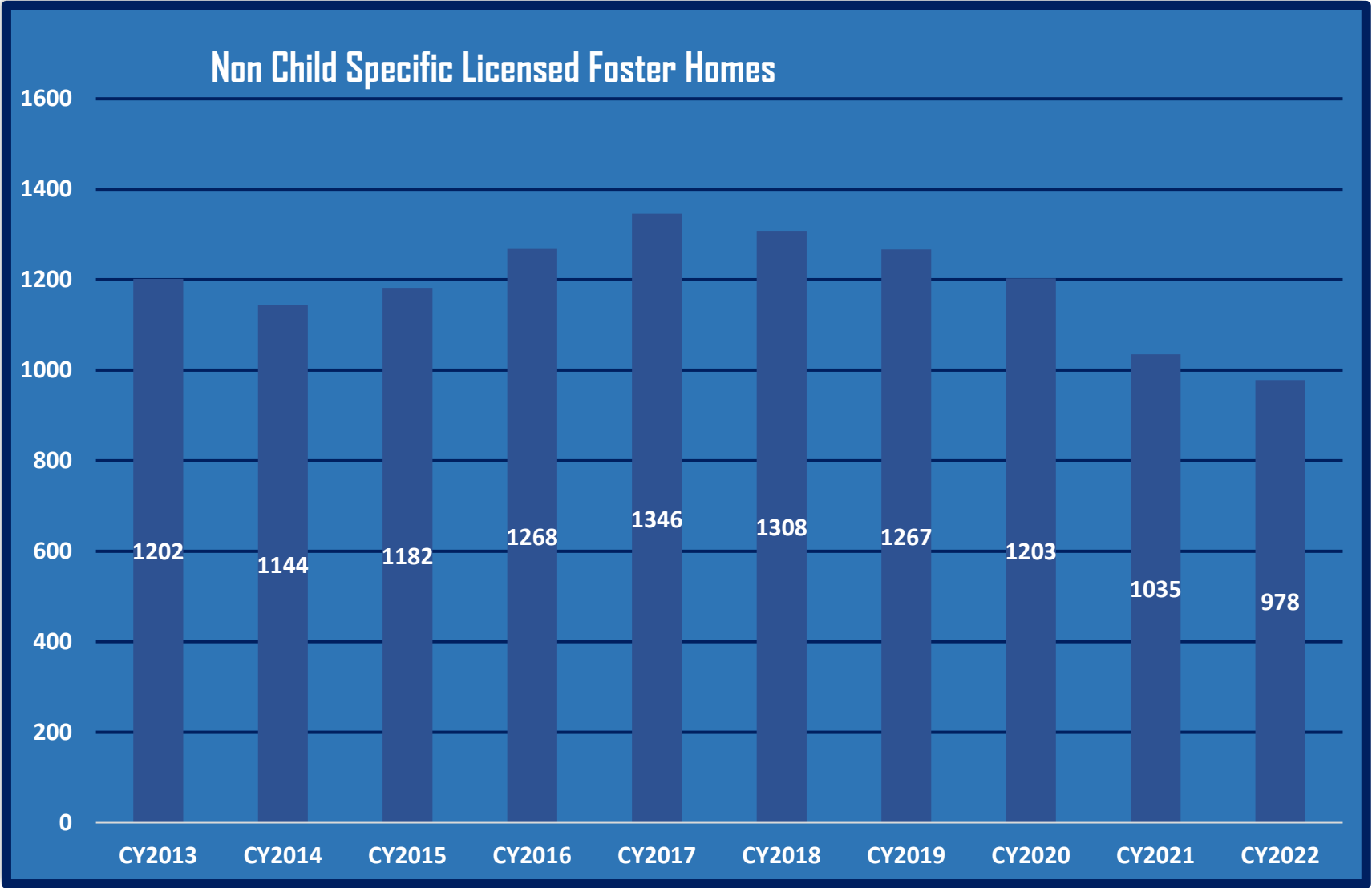
Single Point of Entry Psychiatric (SPEP)

Designated Evaluation and Treatment (DET)

** Upon Designation

*** Working with Yukon-Kuskokwim Health

Corporation DES and Foundation Health Partners expansion

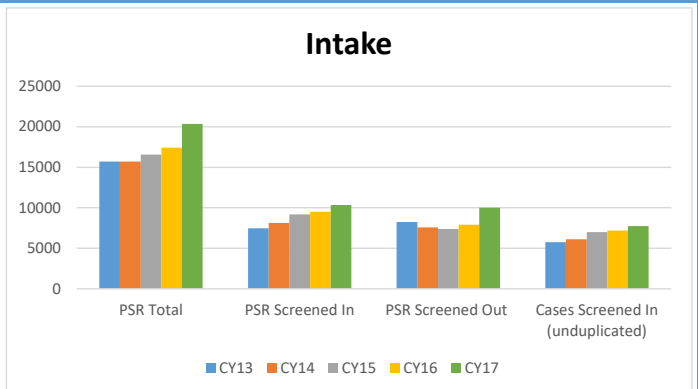




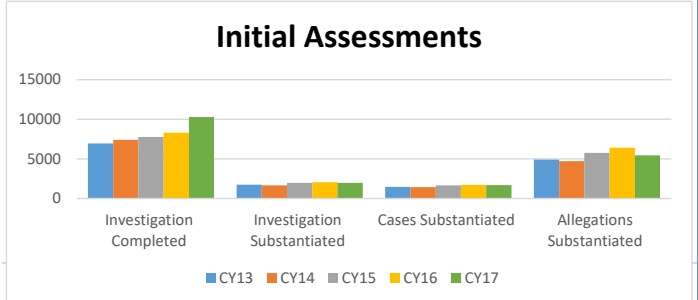
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OCS 5 Year Data Trends by Calendar Year

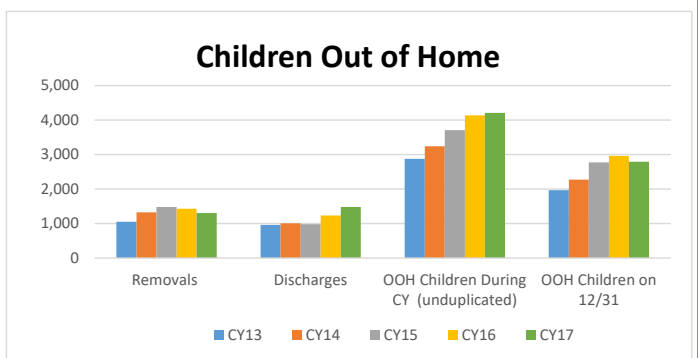
Intake	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17
PSR Total	15708	15695	16557	17418	20355
PSR Screened In	7474	8128	9170	9505	10351
PSR Screened Out	8234	7567	7387	7913	10004
Cases Screened In (unduplicated)	5742	6109	7005	7203	7739
Allegations Screened In	23777	26620	30765	30949	33136



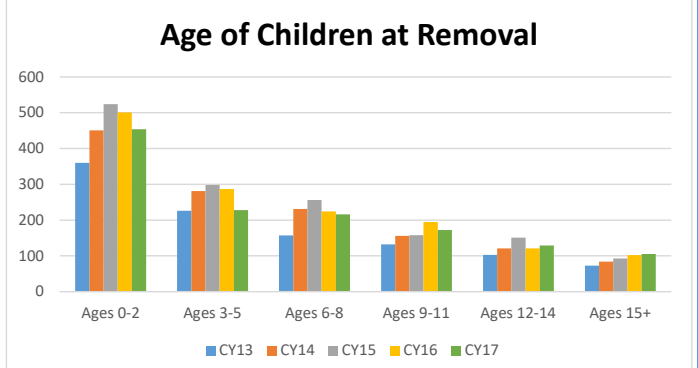
Initial Assessments	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17
Investigation Completed	6962	7387	7759	8309	10286
Investigation Substantiated	1737	1670	1979	2050	1973
Cases Substantiated	1465	1434	1673	1714	1702
Allegations Substantiated	4920	4725	5759	6421	5457



Out of Home	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17
Removals	1051	1324	1481	1430	1304
Discharges	960	1008	982	1236	1482
OOH Children During CY (unduplicated)	2878	3239	3711	4135	4210
OOH Children on 12/31	1970	2272	2772	2961	2793
Avg Months OOH on 12/31	20	18	18	19	21



Age at Removal	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17
Ages 0-2	360	451	524	501	454
Ages 3-5	226	281	298	287	228
Ages 6-8	157	231	256	224	216
Ages 9-11	132	156	158	195	172
Ages 12-14	103	121	151	121	129
Ages 15+	73	84	93	102	105



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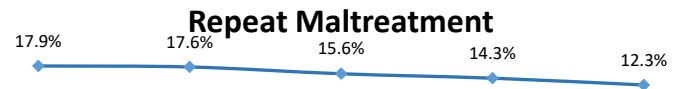
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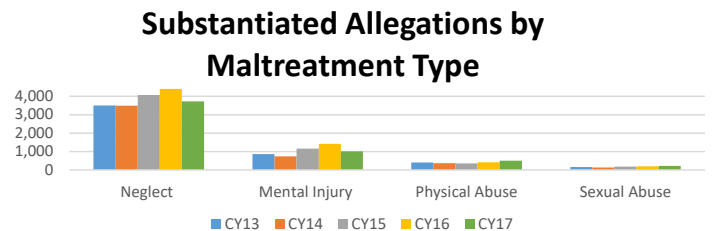
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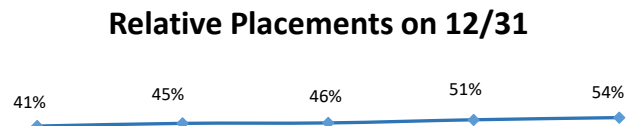
Maltreatment	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17
Victims	2490	2,474	2,867	3,072	2,906
Repeat Victims	445	435	448	440	356
	17.9%	17.6%	15.6%	14.3%	12.3%



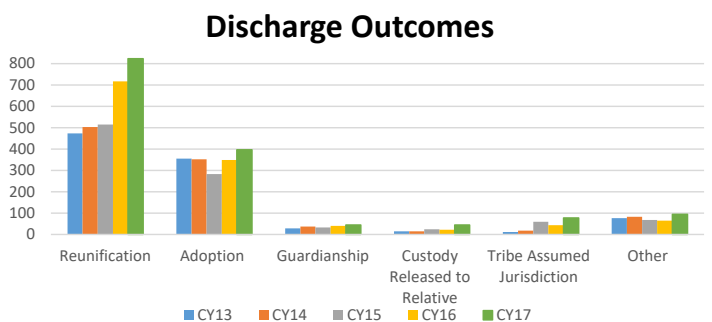
Substantiated Allegations	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17
Neglect	3,503	3,493	4,068	4,400	3,720
Mental Injury	862	733	1,153	1,413	1,011
Physical Abuse	403	370	353	418	504
Sexual Abuse	152	129	185	190	222



Placement on 12/31	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17
Relative Placements	684	880	1,058	1,274	1,256
	41%	45%	46%	51%	54%



Discharge Outcomes	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17
Reunification	473	503	515	717	823
Adoption	355	352	283	349	397
Guardianship	29	37	33	40	45
Custody Released to Relative	15	15	24	22	45
Tribe Assumed Jurisdiction	12	18	59	43	77
Other	76	83	68	65	95



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Discharge Outcomes: "Other" includes Death of Child, Runaway, Transfer to Another Agency, Transfer to DJJ, and Self Emancipation.

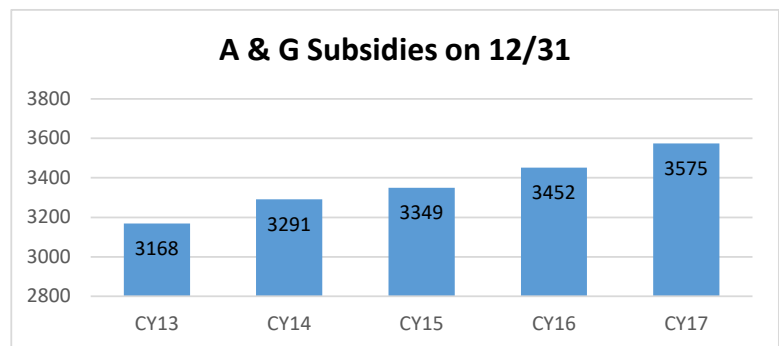


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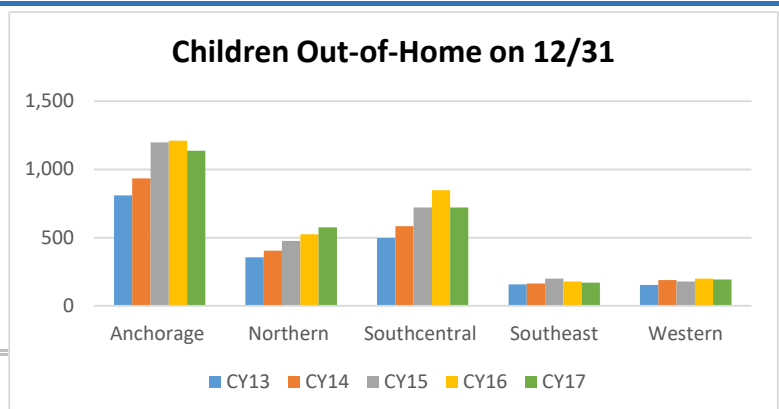
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Adoption and Guardianship Subsidies on 12/31

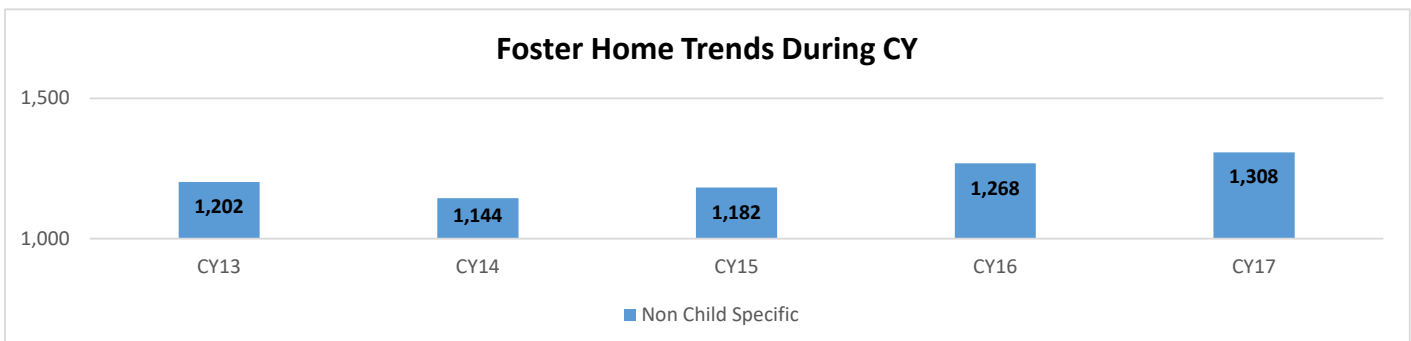
	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17
Statewide	3168	3291	3349	3452	3575



	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17
Anchorage	810	933	1198	1210	1136
Northern	355	405	475	524	575
Southcentral	497	583	720	848	720
Southeast	156	163	200	179	169
Western	152	188	179	200	193
Statewide	1970	2272	2772	2961	2793



Foster Home Trends During CY



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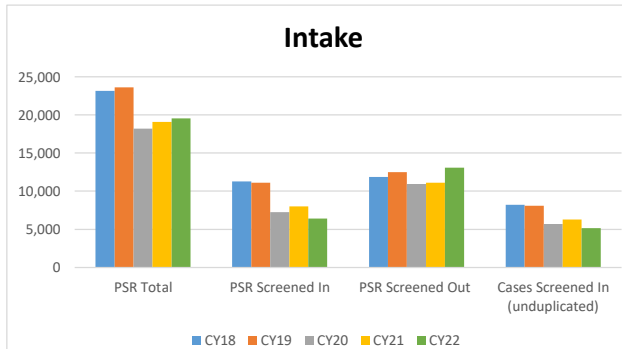
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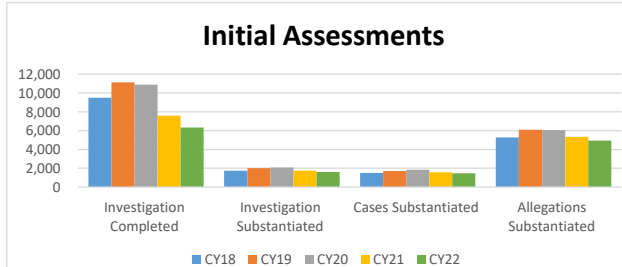
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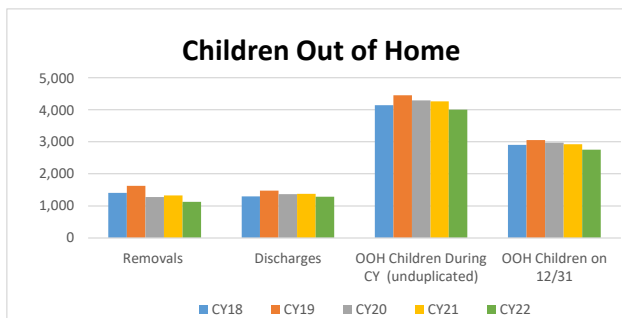
Intake	CY18	CY19	CY20	CY21	CY22
PSR Total	23,144	23,603	18,207	19,096	19,519
PSR Screened In	11,274	11,127	7,268	7,985	6,425
PSR Screened Out	11,870	12,476	10,939	11,111	13,094
Cases Screened In (unduplicated)	8,194	8,097	5,707	6,275	5,139
Allegations Screened In	36,982	36,850	24,653	26,987	22,098



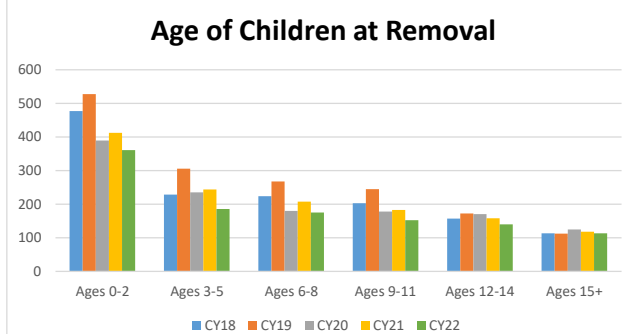
Initial Assessments	CY18	CY19	CY20	CY21	CY22
Investigation Completed	9,507	11,125	10,893	7,593	6,332
Investigation Substantiated	1,741	2,013	2,066	1,741	1,591
Cases Substantiated	1,489	1,723	1,826	1,580	1,472
Allegations Substantiated	5,285	6,100	6,070	5,356	4,938



Out of Home	CY18	CY19	CY20	CY21	CY22
Removals	1,402	1,629	1,277	1,322	1,127
Discharges	1,294	1,478	1,362	1,380	1,288
OOH Children During CY (unduplicated)	4,139	4,449	4,295	4,260	4,001
OOH Children on 12/31	2,905	3,058	2,972	2,920	2,754
Avg Months OOH on 12/31	21	20	22	22	23



Age at Removal	CY18	CY19	CY20	CY21	CY22
Ages 0-2	477	527	389	412	361
Ages 3-5	228	306	235	244	186
Ages 6-8	224	267	180	207	175
Ages 9-11	203	245	178	183	152
Ages 12-14	157	172	170	158	140
Ages 15+	113	112	125	118	113



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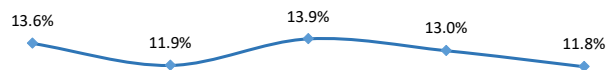


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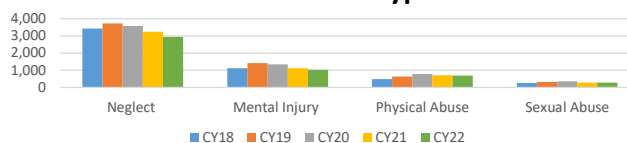
Maltreatment	CY18	CY19	CY20	CY21	CY22
Victims	2,602	3,079	3,143	2,792	2,520
Rate per 1,000 Children	13.9	16.7	17.2	15.4	13.9
Repeat Victims	353	366	437	363	297
	13.6%	11.9%	13.9%	13.0%	11.8%

Repeat Maltreatment



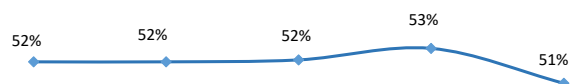
Substantiated Allegations	CY18	CY19	CY20	CY21	CY22
Neglect	3,420	3,731	3,572	3,244	2,947
Mental Injury	1,113	1,417	1,349	1,125	1,026
Physical Abuse	484	631	784	704	690
Sexual Abuse	268	321	365	283	275

Substantiated Allegations by Maltreatment Type



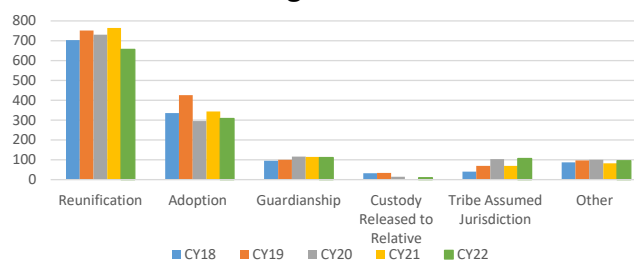
Placement on 12/31	CY18	CY19	CY20	CY21	CY22
Relative Placements	1,241	1,336	1,277	1,280	1,161
	52%	52%	52%	53%	51%

Relative Placements



Discharge Outcomes	CY18	CY19	CY20	CY21	CY22
Reunification	704	751	730	765	657
Adoption	335	426	296	344	308
Guardianship	95	100	117	115	112
Custody Released to Relative	32	34	15	4	9
Tribe Assumed Jurisdiction	41	70	104	69	106
Other	87	97	100	83	96

Discharge Outcomes



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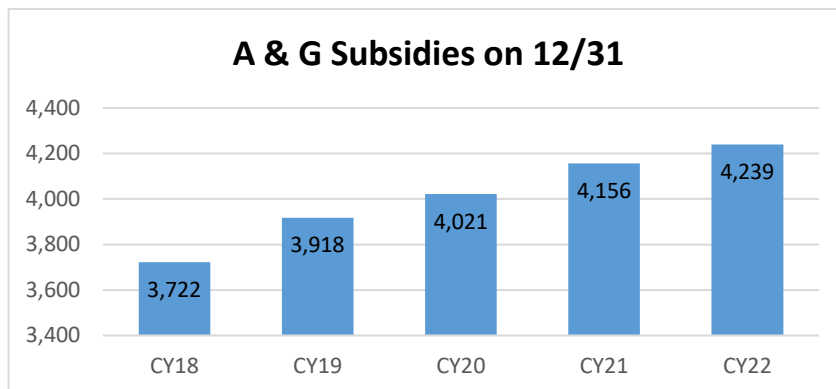
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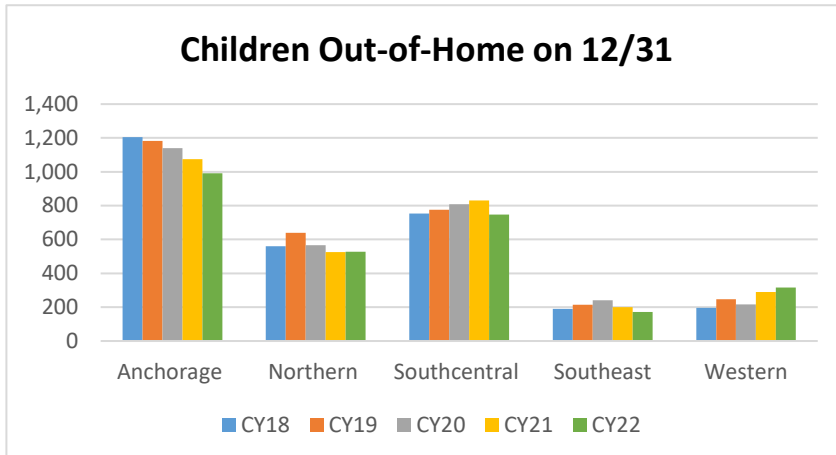
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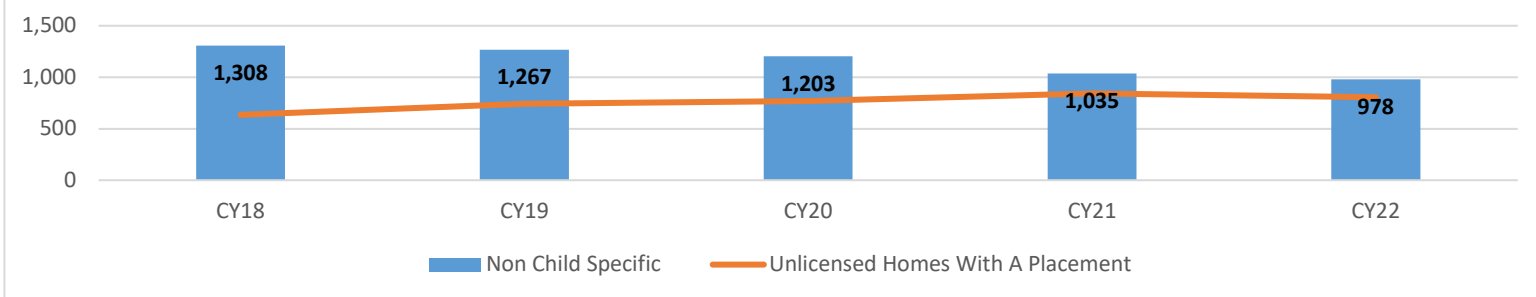
	CY18	CY19	CY20	CY21	CY22
Statewide	3,722	3,918	4,021	4,156	4,239



	CY18	CY19	CY20	CY21	CY22
Anchorage	1,204	1,183	1,140	1,075	991
Northern	561	639	567	526	528
Southcentral	753	775	809	830	748
Southeast	190	215	240	200	171
Western	197	246	216	289	316
Statewide	2,905	3,058	2,972	2,920	2,754



Foster Home Trends During CY



Notes:

Due to administrative processing, there may be a significant lag for entry of discharge data into ORCA, which may affect reporting accuracy for recent periods. All data will be refreshed in subsequent reports. Future documentation of discharges may increase reporting for discharges while decreasing reporting for out-of-home.

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