



**Cuyahoga County Division of Children and Family Services  
Jacqueline Fletcher , Director**

# **2023 Annual Statistics Report**

**January - December**

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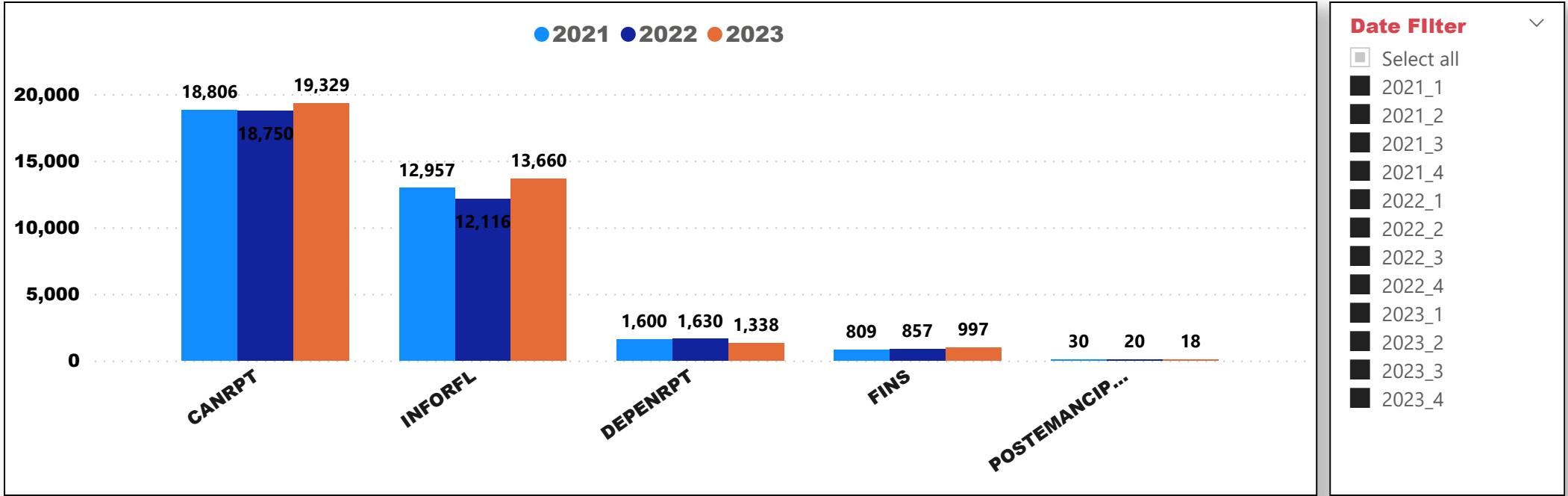
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# REFFERALS BY CATEGORY

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2021 / 2022 / 2023



| YEAR | CANRPT | DEPENRPT | FINS | INFORFL | POSTEMANCIPATION |
|------|--------|----------|------|---------|------------------|
| 2021 | 18,806 | 1,600    | 809  | 12,957  | 30               |
| 2022 | 18,750 | 1,630    | 857  | 12,116  | 20               |
| 2023 | 19,329 | 1,338    | 997  | 13,660  | 18               |

Year Total 2021 = 25,222

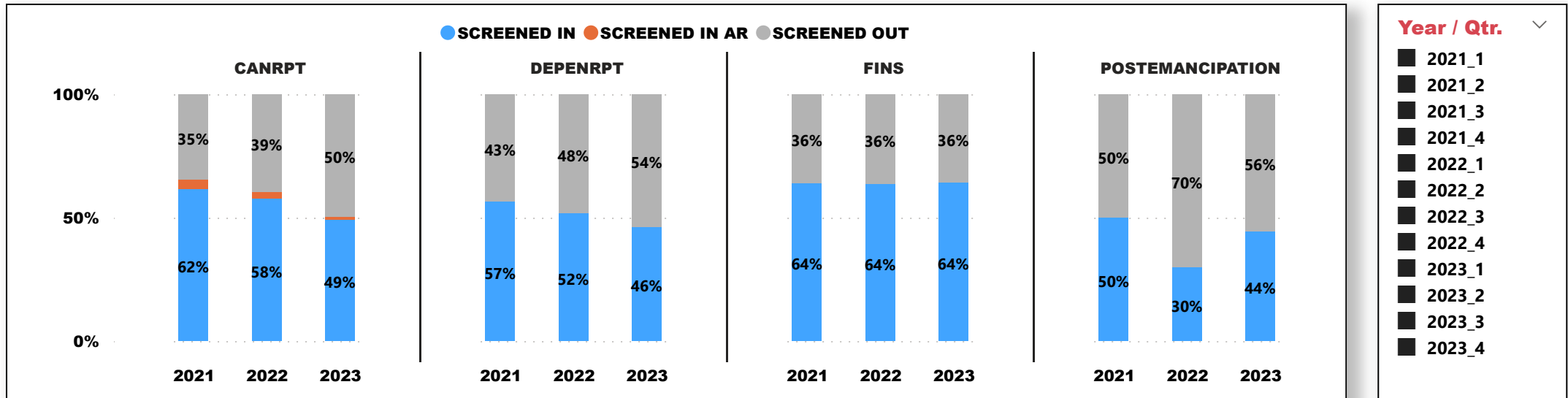
Year of Total 2022 = 25,400

Year of Total 2023 = 26,485

# REFERRAL SCREENING DECISIONS

January - December  
2021 / 2022 / 2023

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**Year / Qtr.** ▾

- 2021\_1
- 2021\_2
- 2021\_3
- 2021\_4
- 2022\_1
- 2022\_2
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- 2023\_4

| CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT | 2021   | 2022   | 2023  |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| SCREENED IN           | 11,576 | 10,836 | 9,504 |
| SCREENED IN AR        | 730    | 527    | 252   |
| SCREENED OUT          | 6,500  | 7,387  | 9,573 |

| DEPENDENCY   | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
|--------------|------|------|------|
| SCREENED IN  | 908  | 845  | 620  |
| SCREENED OUT | 692  | 785  | 718  |

| FINS         | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
|--------------|------|------|------|
| SCREENED IN  | 519  | 547  | 641  |
| SCREENED OUT | 290  | 310  | 356  |

| POST EMANC.  | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
|--------------|------|------|------|
| SCREENED IN  | 15   | 6    | 8    |
| SCREENED OUT | 15   | 14   | 10   |

\*Count of Families With Screened In / Screened In AR Abuse & Neglect Referral

| YEAR | Count |
|------|-------|
| 2021 | 9,351 |
| 2022 | 8,711 |
| 2023 | 7,606 |

\* Count of Families With Screened In / Screened In AR Dependency Referral

| YEAR | Count |
|------|-------|
| 2021 | 859   |
| 2022 | 800   |
| 2023 | 589   |

\* Count of Families With Screened In / Screened In AR FINS Referral

| YEAR | Count |
|------|-------|
| 2021 | 482   |
| 2022 | 508   |
| 2023 | 589   |

\* Count of Families With Screened In / Screened In AR POST EMANCIPATION Referral

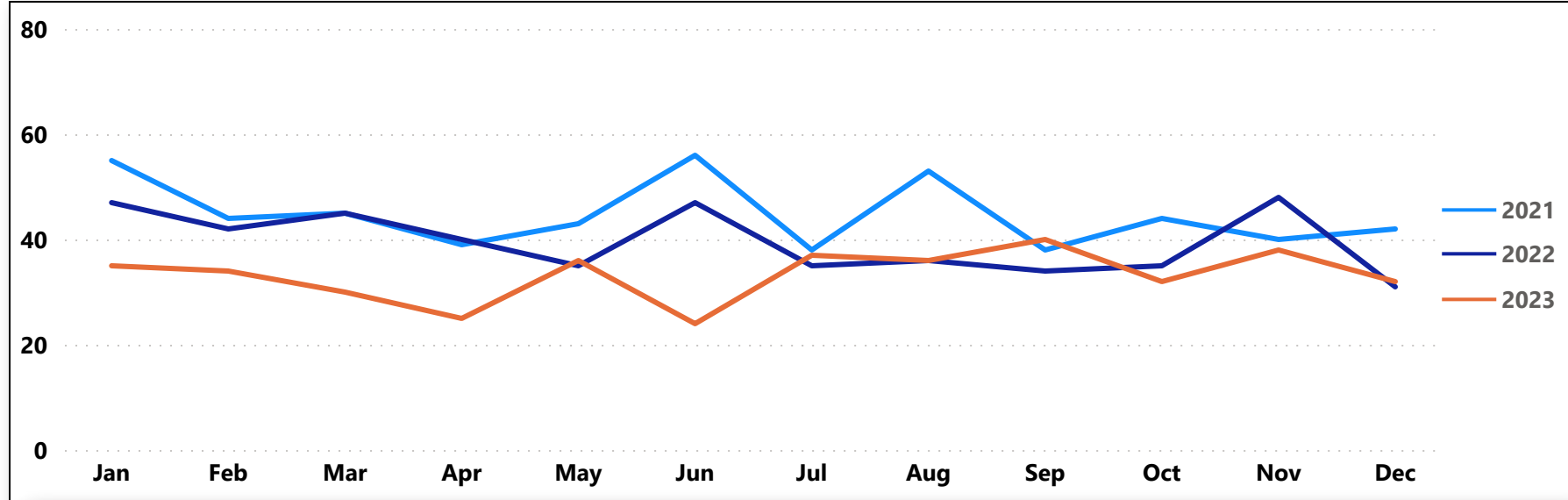
| YEAR | Count |
|------|-------|
| 2021 | 13    |
| 2023 | 8     |
| 2022 | 6     |

\* Distinct family counts by referral category / \* Percents may not total 100 due to rounding

## SCREENED IN / SCREENED IN AR POSITIVE TOX REFERRALS BY MONTH

January - December

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| YEAR | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 2021 | 55  | 44  | 45  | 39  | 43  | 56  | 38  | 53  | 38  | 44  | 40  | 42  |
| 2022 | 47  | 42  | 45  | 40  | 35  | 47  | 35  | 36  | 34  | 35  | 48  | 31  |
| 2023 | 35  | 34  | 30  | 25  | 36  | 24  | 37  | 36  | 40  | 32  | 38  | 32  |

YEAR TOTAL 2021 = 537

YEAR TOTAL 2022 = 475

YEAR TOTAL 2023 = 399

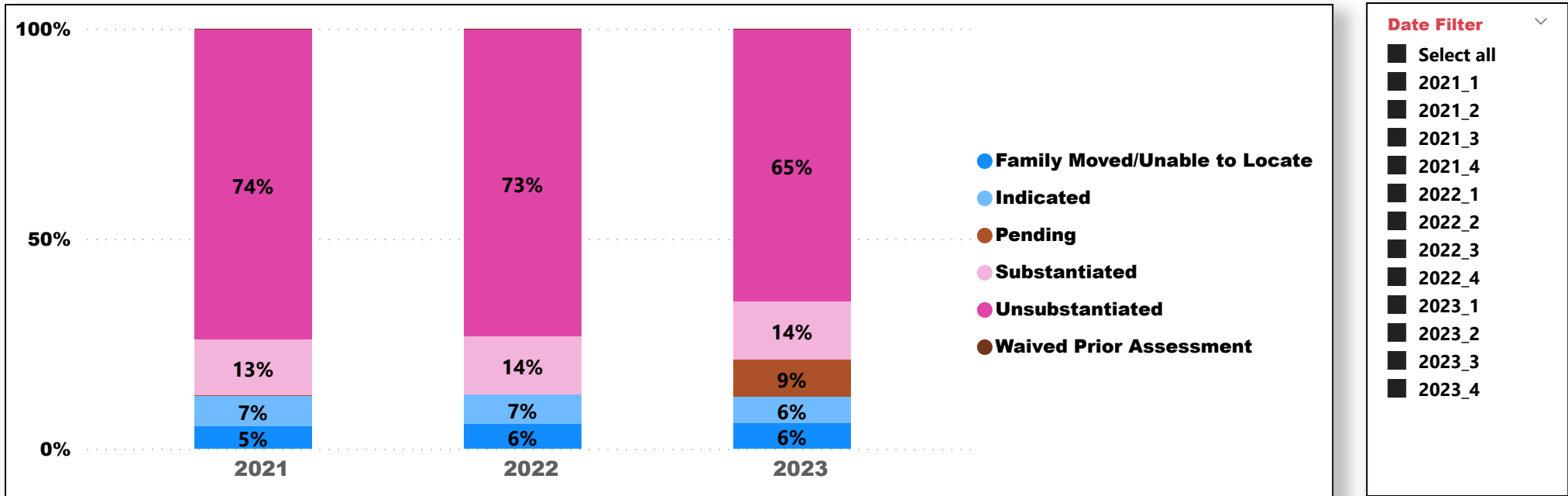
\* Previous months data is updated quarterly.

# DISPOSED CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT REFERRALS

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## ABUSE NEGLECT REFERRALS RECEIVED January - December

2021 / 2022 / 2023



**Date Filter** ▼

- Select all
- 2021\_1
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- 2022\_1
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- 2022\_3
- 2022\_4
- 2023\_1
- 2023\_2
- 2023\_3
- 2023\_4

| CASE DISPOSITION              | 2021  | 2022  | 2023  |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Family Moved/Unable to Locate | 626   | 647   | 580   |
| Indicated                     | 851   | 767   | 604   |
| Pending                       | 3     | 5     | 829   |
| Substantiated                 | 1,554 | 1,491 | 1,333 |
| Unsubstantiated               | 8,570 | 7,961 | 6,166 |
| Waived Prior Assessment       | 20    | 10    | 9     |

\* Children With Substantiated Abuse & Neglect by Allegation Type - Year of 2023

\* Distinct count of children by allegation type

| PRIMARY ALLEGATION                   | Count |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Emotional Maltreatment/Mental Injury | 96    |
| Medical Neglect                      | 76    |
| Neglect                              | 884   |
| Physical Abuse                       | 1,588 |
| Sexual Abuse                         | 177   |

Distinct count of families and children

\* Families With Substantiated Abuse & Neglect Referral - Year of 2023 = 1,385

\* Count of Children With Substantiated Abuse & Neglect Referrals - Year of 2023 = 1,193

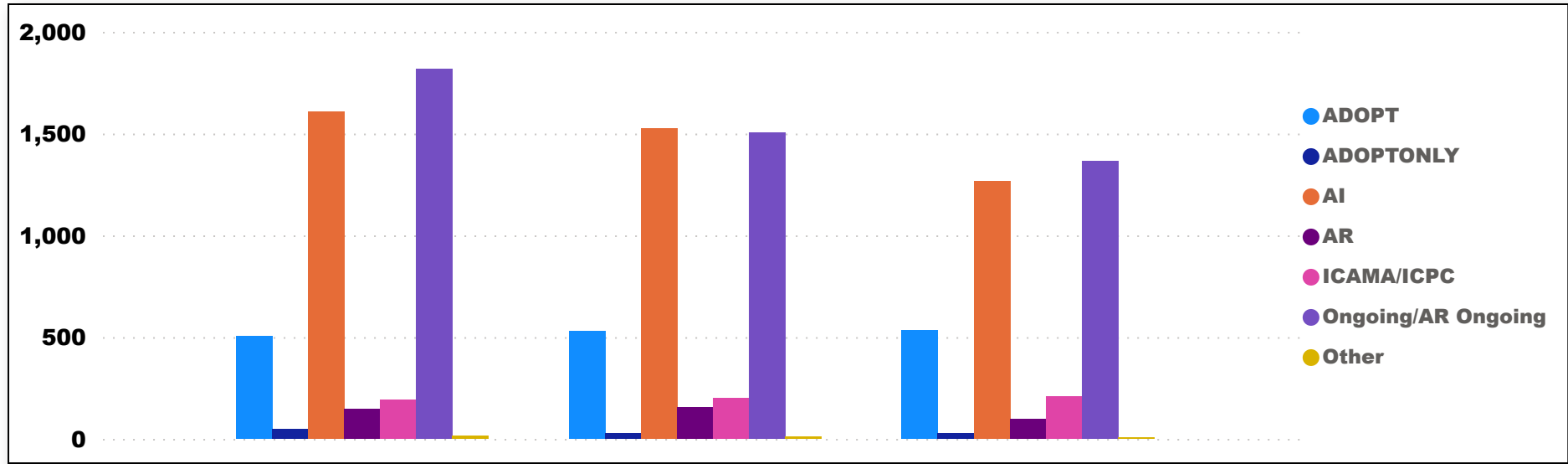
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# Open Cases

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December 31, 2023

2021 / 2022 / 2023



| Case Category      | 2021  | 2022  | 2023  |
|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| ADOPT              | 503   | 529   | 534   |
| ADOPTONLY          | 48    | 28    | 28    |
| AI                 | 1,608 | 1,525 | 1,267 |
| AR                 | 148   | 154   | 98    |
| ICAMA/ICPC         | 193   | 200   | 209   |
| Ongoing/AR Ongoing | 1,815 | 1,505 | 1,366 |
| Other              | 16    | 11    | 7     |

Total Open Cases 12/31/2021 = 4,331

Total Open Cases 12/31/2022 = 3,952

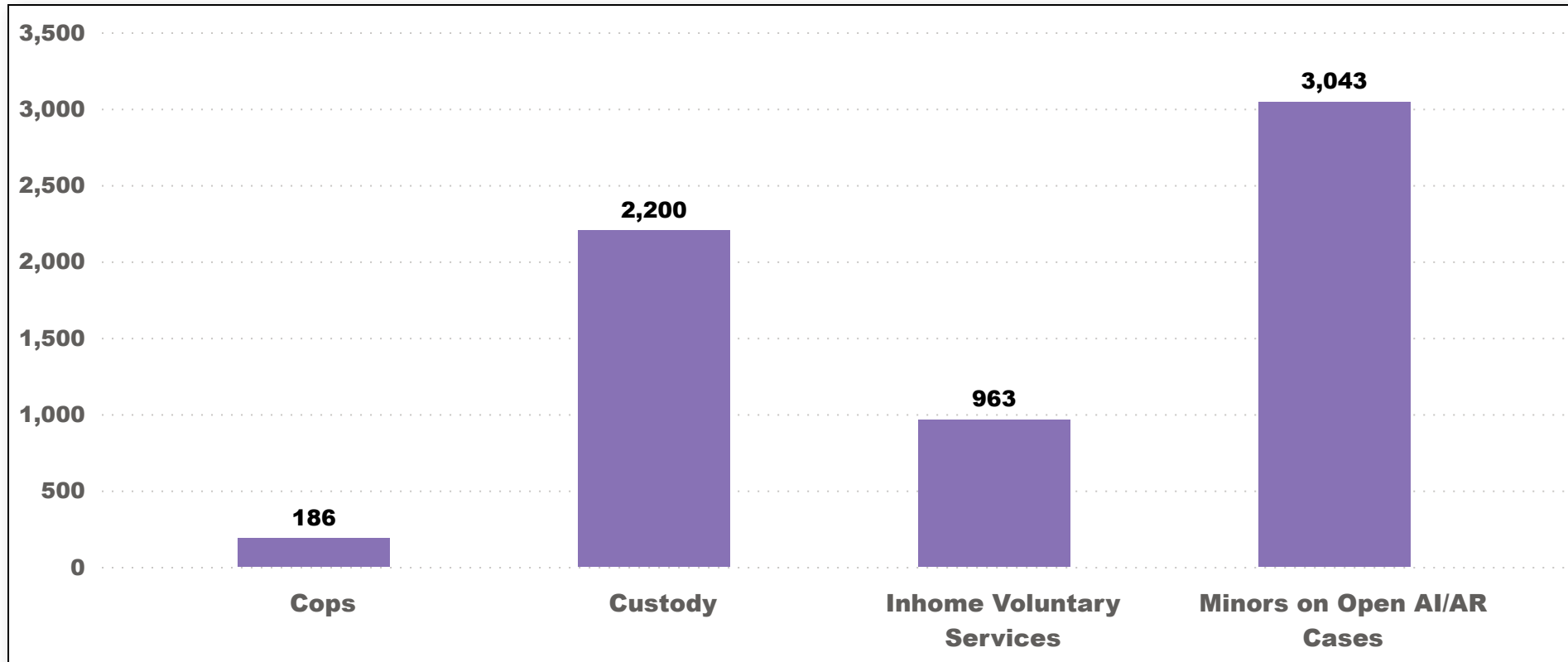
Total Open Cases 12/31/2023 = 3,509

\* Other includes: ICAMA (Interstate compact on adoption & medical assistance), ICPC (Interstate compact on placement of children) and emancipated youth

# CHILDREN RECEIVING SERVICES ON OPEN CASES

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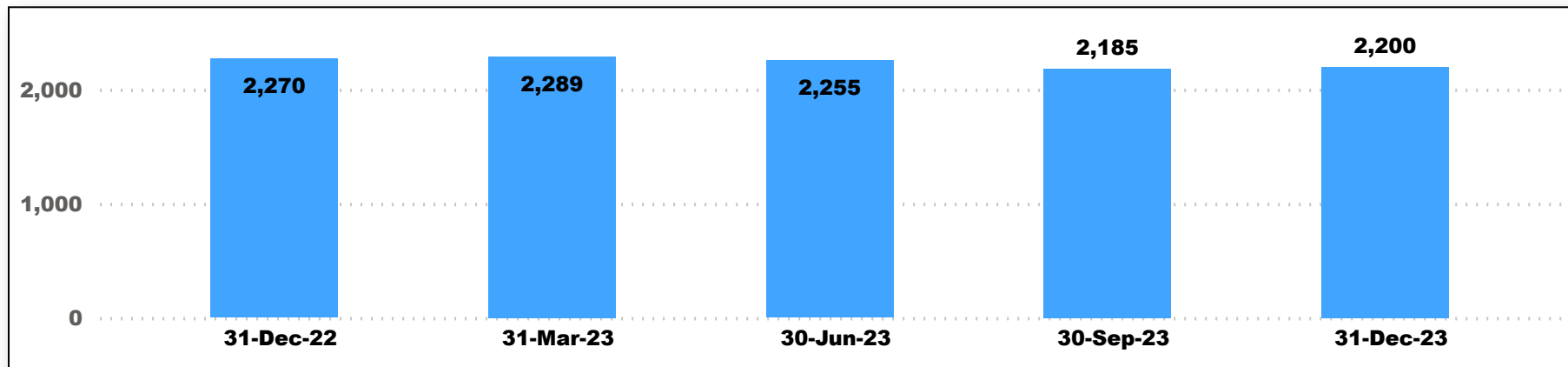
- \* COPS = children in court ordered protective supervision
- \* Custody = children in out of home care and legal custody of DCFS
- \* Minors on open AI/AR cases = child is not in custody or protective supervision. Child is active case participant in open AI/AR case
- \* Inhome Voluntary Services = children who are active participants in open cases, are listed on case plan and who are not in court ordered protective supervision and are not in custody of DCFS.



## CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE PLACEMENT / CUSTODY TYPES

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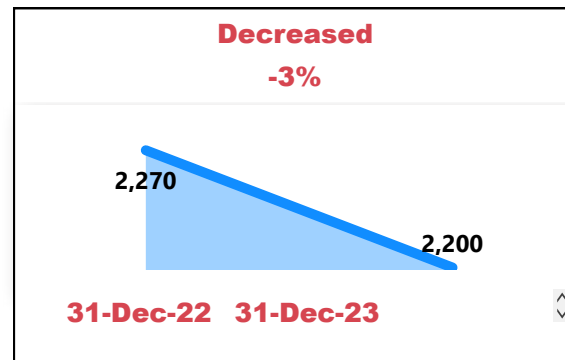
| Placment Type    | Adoptive Home |       | Approved Relative / Fictive Kin |       | CRC        |       | DCFS Foster Home |       | Group Home |       | Independent Living |       | Other      |       | Total        |             |
|------------------|---------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------|------------|-------|------------------|-------|------------|-------|--------------------|-------|------------|-------|--------------|-------------|
|                  | Date          | Count | % of Total                      | Count | % of Total | Count | % of Total       | Count | % of Total | Count | % of Total         | Count | % of Total | Count | % of Total   |             |
| <b>31-Dec-22</b> | 80            | 4%    | 677                             | 30%   | 145        | 6%    | 1,250            | 55%   | 49         | 2%    | 20                 | 1%    | 49         | 2%    | <b>2,270</b> | <b>100%</b> |
| <b>31-Mar-23</b> | 78            | 3%    | 691                             | 30%   | 153        | 7%    | 1,235            | 54%   | 41         | 2%    | 29                 | 1%    | 62         | 3%    | <b>2,289</b> | <b>100%</b> |
| <b>30-Jun-23</b> | 102           | 5%    | 683                             | 30%   | 126        | 6%    | 1,198            | 53%   | 48         | 2%    | 29                 | 1%    | 69         | 3%    | <b>2,255</b> | <b>100%</b> |
| <b>30-Sep-23</b> | 112           | 5%    | 664                             | 30%   | 114        | 5%    | 1,156            | 53%   | 48         | 2%    | 27                 | 1%    | 64         | 3%    | <b>2,185</b> | <b>100%</b> |
| <b>31-Dec-23</b> | 116           | 5%    | 683                             | 31%   | 109        | 5%    | 1,164            | 53%   | 47         | 2%    | 23                 | 1%    | 58         | 3%    | <b>2,200</b> | <b>100%</b> |



31-Dec-22

31-Dec-23

| Custody Type             | Count        | % of Total  |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| <b>Emergency Custody</b> | 376          | 17%         |
| <b>Other</b>             | 2            | 0%          |
| <b>Permanent Custody</b> | 895          | 39%         |
| <b>PPLA</b>              | 85           | 4%          |
| <b>Temporary Custody</b> | 912          | 40%         |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>2,270</b> | <b>100%</b> |



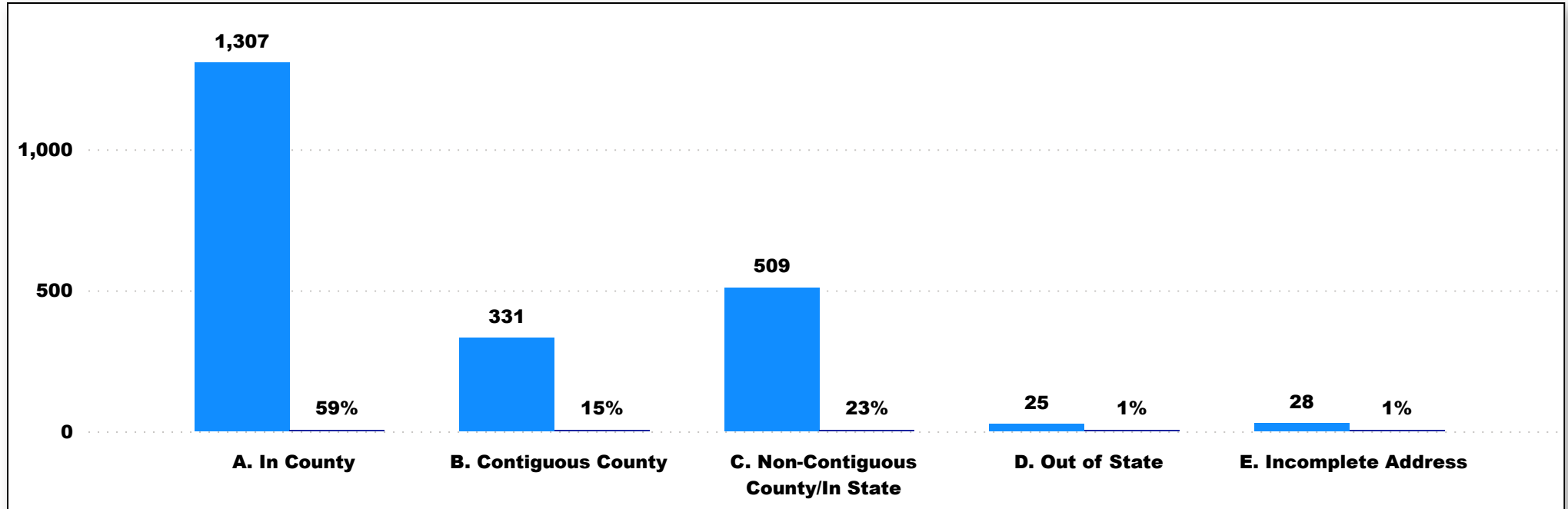
| Custody Type             | Count        | % of Total  |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| <b>Emergency Custody</b> | 299          | 14%         |
| <b>Other</b>             | 1            | 0%          |
| <b>Permanent Custody</b> | 911          | 41%         |
| <b>PPLA</b>              | 57           | 3%          |
| <b>Temporary Custody</b> | 933          | 42%         |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>2,200</b> | <b>100%</b> |

\* Percents may not total 100 due to rounding

**IN COUNTY , CONTIGUOUS COUNTY, IN STATE, OUT OF STATE PLACEMENTS**

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**OUT OF COUNTY IN OHIO**

| Adoptive Home | Approved Relative / Fictive Kin | CRC | DCFS Foster Home | Group Home | Independent Living | Other | Total |
|---------------|---------------------------------|-----|------------------|------------|--------------------|-------|-------|
| 57            | 101                             | 63  | 597              | 14         | 1                  | 7     | 840   |

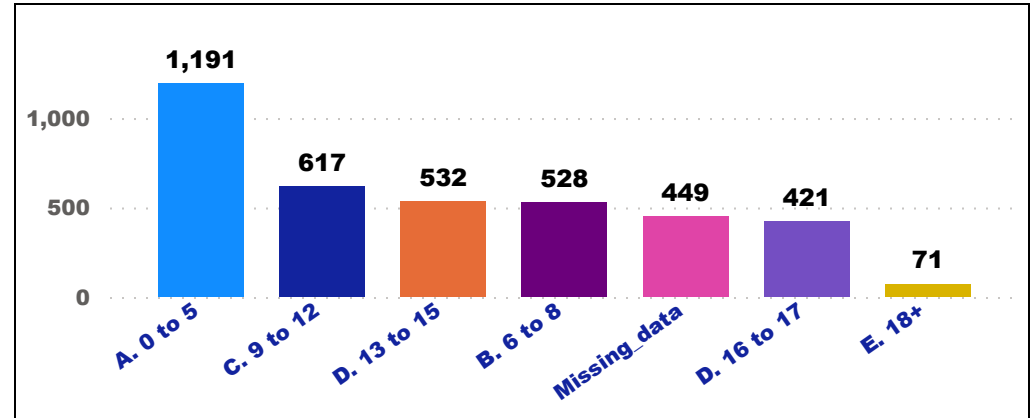
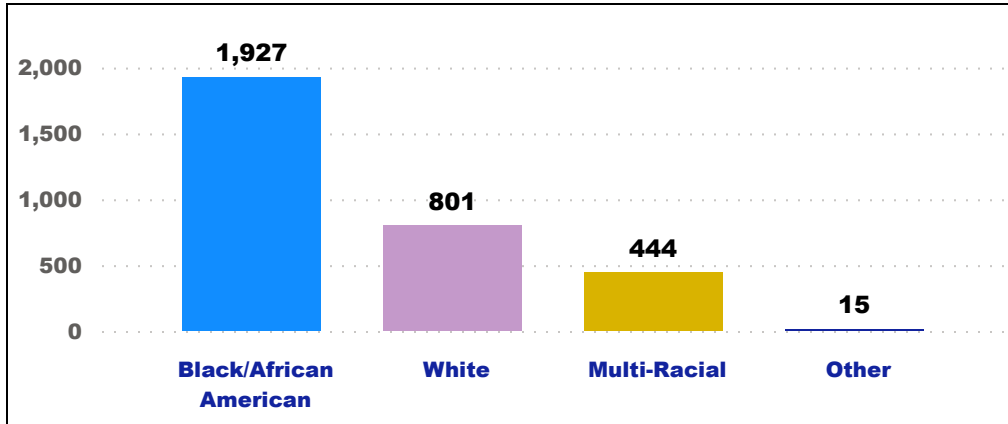
**OUT OF STATE**

| Adoptive Home | Approved Relative / Fictive Kin | CRC | DCFS Foster Home | Total |
|---------------|---------------------------------|-----|------------------|-------|
| 2             | 6                               | 8   | 9                | 25    |

# DEMOGRAPHICS: CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE

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| Race                   | Count        | % of Total  |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Black/African American | 1,329        | 60%         |
| Multi-Racial           | 307          | 14%         |
| Other                  | 9            | 0%          |
| White                  | 555          | 25%         |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>2,200</b> | <b>100%</b> |

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| Gender        | Count        | % of Total  |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| -- missing -- | 1            | 0%          |
| <b>FEMALE</b> | <b>1,058</b> | <b>48%</b>  |
| <b>MALE</b>   | <b>1,141</b> | <b>52%</b>  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>2,200</b> | <b>100%</b> |

| Age Category | Count        | % of Total  |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| Missing_data | 170          | 8%          |
| E. 18+       | 29           | 1%          |
| D. 16 to 17  | 230          | 10%         |
| D. 13 to 15  | 312          | 14%         |
| C. 9 to 12   | 402          | 18%         |
| B. 6 to 8    | 305          | 14%         |
| A. 0 to 5    | 752          | 34%         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>2,200</b> | <b>100%</b> |

| Race                   | Count        | % of Total  |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Black/African American | 1,337        | 59%         |
| Multi-Racial           | 344          | 15%         |
| Other                  | 11           | 0%          |
| White                  | 578          | 25%         |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>2,270</b> | <b>100%</b> |

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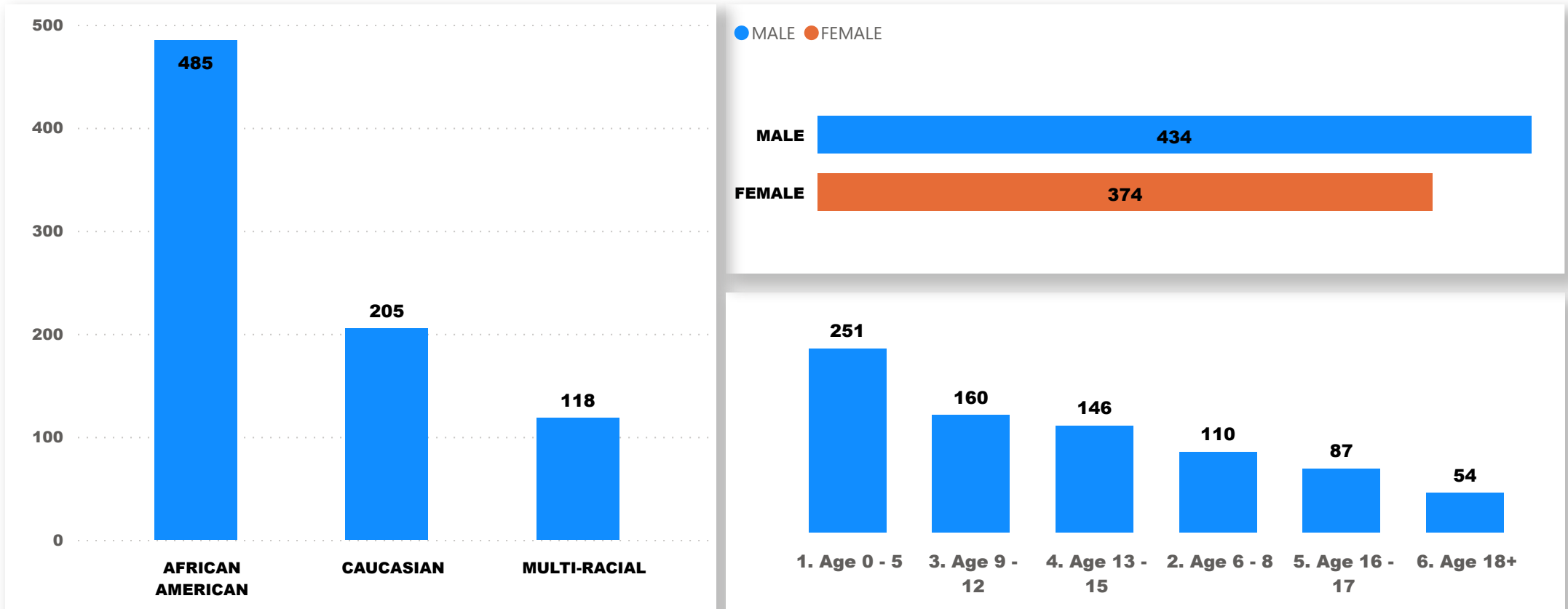
| Gender        | Count        | % of Total  |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| -- missing -- | 1            | 0%          |
| <b>FEMALE</b> | <b>1,112</b> | <b>49%</b>  |
| <b>MALE</b>   | <b>1,158</b> | <b>51%</b>  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>2,270</b> | <b>100%</b> |

| Age Category | Count        | % of Total  |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| A. 0 to 5    | 773          | 34%         |
| B. 6 to 8    | 306          | 13%         |
| C. 9 to 12   | 401          | 18%         |
| D. 13 to 15  | 323          | 14%         |
| D. 16 to 17  | 238          | 10%         |
| E. 18+       | 35           | 2%          |
| Missing_data | 194          | 9%          |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>2,270</b> | <b>100%</b> |

# CHILDREN WAITING FOR ADOPTION

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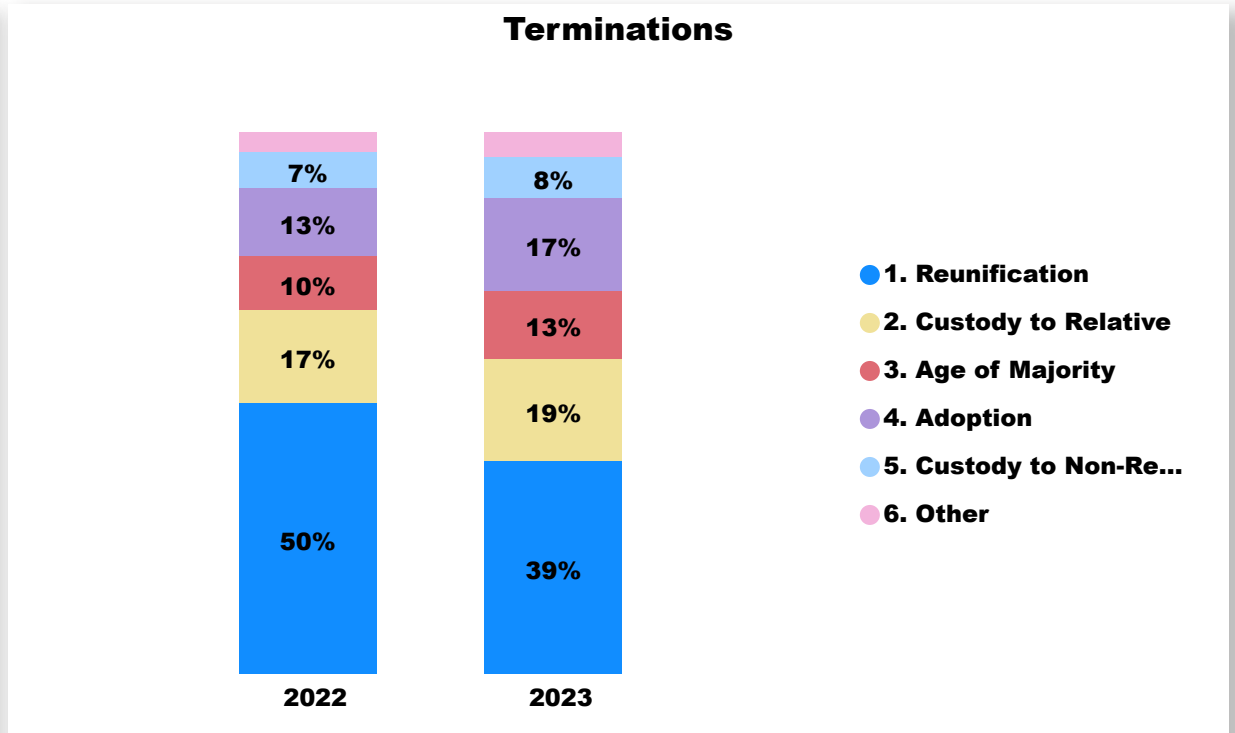
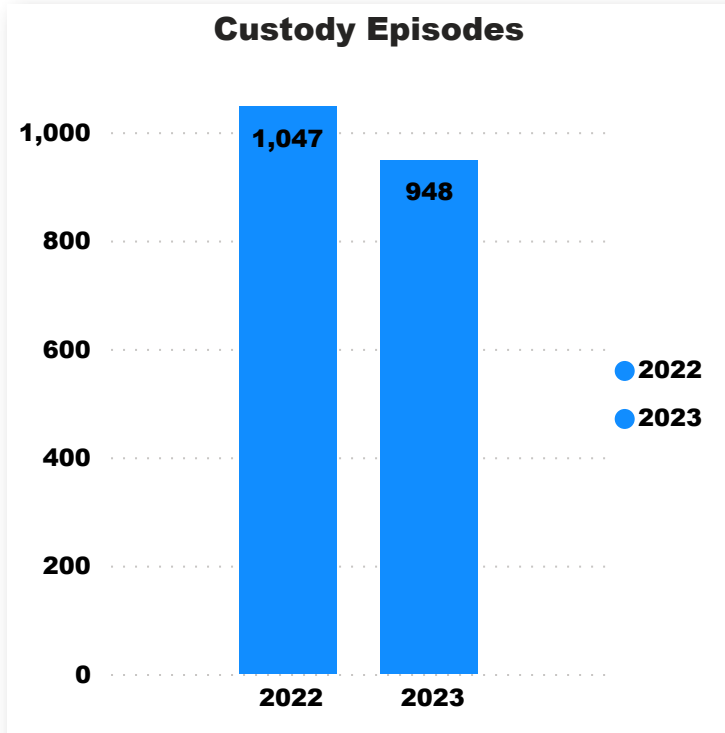


\* Count of children in permanent custody status who are not placed in an adoptive home

# CUSTODY EPISODES / TERMINATIONS

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| Terminations | 1. Reunification |            | 2. Custody to Relative |            | 3. Age of Majority |            | 4. Adoption |            | 5. Custody to Non-Removal Parent |            | 6. Other |            | Total |            |
|--------------|------------------|------------|------------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|-------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|----------|------------|-------|------------|
|              | Count            | % of Total | Count                  | % of Total | Count              | % of Total | Count       | % of Total | Count                            | % of Total | Count    | % of Total | Count | % of Total |
| 2022         | 679              | 50%        | 234                    | 17%        | 135                | 10%        | 170         | 13%        | 90                               | 7%         | 50       | 4%         | 1,352 | 100%       |
| 2023         | 404              | 39%        | 194                    | 19%        | 129                | 13%        | 176         | 17%        | 78                               | 8%         | 46       | 4%         | 1,025 | 100%       |

**TOTAL # OF CHILDREN EXITING CUSTODY BY AGE OF MAJORITY  
BY FINAL CUSTODY TYPE / AGE AT EPISODE BEGINNING / LENGTH OF STAY**

**January - December**

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| <b>MON_NAME</b>  | <b>Permanent Commitment</b> | <b>PPLA</b> | <b>Other</b> | <b>Totalotal # Children Exiting by Emancipation For Month</b> |
|------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------|---|
| <b>January</b>   | 1                           | 2           | 4            | 7   |
| <b>February</b>  | 4                           | 3           | 2            | 9   |
| <b>March</b>     |                             | 2           | 2            | 4   |
| <b>April</b>     | 1                           | 4           | 4            | 9   |
| <b>May</b>       | 1                           | 2           | 3            | 6   |
| <b>June</b>      | 3                           | 3           | 12           | 18  |
| <b>July</b>      | 3                           | 4           | 10           | 17  |
| <b>August</b>    | 9                           | 4           | 8            | 21  |
| <b>September</b> | 1                           | 5           | 4            | 10  |
| <b>October</b>   | 4                           | 8           | 3            | 15  |
| <b>November</b>  | 4                           | 2           | 3            | 9   |
| <b>December</b>  | 3                           | 3           |              | 6   |
| <b>YTD Total</b> | 34                          | 42          | 55           | 131   |

\* Number of children exiting by age of majority in 2023 = 284

**Age of Children Who Exited by Emancipation  
At the Time Custody Episode Began**

| <b>Age Group</b>       | <b>Count</b> | <b>% of Total</b> |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| <b>Age 12 or Under</b> | 20           | 15%               |
| <b>Age 13 to 14</b>    | 37           | 28%               |
| <b>Age 15 to 16</b>    | 52           | 40%               |
| <b>Age 17 or &gt;</b>  | 22           | 17%               |
| <b>YTD Total</b>       | 131          | 100%              |

**Number of Custody Months For Children  
Exiting By Age of Majority**

| <b>Month Group</b> | <b>Count</b> | <b>% of Total</b> |
|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| <b>37 or &gt;</b>  | 78           | 60%               |
| <b>25-36</b>       | 24           | 18%               |
| <b>13-24</b>       | 17           | 13%               |
| <b>0-12</b>        | 12           | 9%                |
| <b>YTD Total</b>   | 131          | 100%              |