

Trends in Relative Foster Care Settings 2012-2019:

Table 1: Admissions to Foster Care by Initial Placement Setting 2012-2019

This provides the number of children admitted to foster care in homebased and non-home-based settings. These numbers are based on Monitoring and Analysis Profiles (MAPs) data.

Non-Home-Based Care: Institutions, Group Homes, Group Residences, Agency Operated Boarding Homes and Other settings. Other settings include a small number of children in Supervised Independent Living Programs and Residential Treatment Facilities. For example, the total number in this category in 2016 was 147.

Home-Based Care: Foster Boarding Homes, Foster Adoptive Homes, and Approved Relative Homes.

Table 2: Admissions to Non Congregate Care by Relative Status

Relative Foster Care is a subcategory of home based setting and includes children living in an approved relative foster home or a certified foster boarding home run by a relative. OCFS's ability to track this data has improved over time. Prior to 2015, only approved relative foster homes were specifically denoted in administrative databases. In 2015, an additional flag was added to CONNECTIONS to capture children initially placed in other home based care settings with a relative.

Table 3: Number of Children Admitted to Home Based Care, Relative Foster Care and Kin Placement

The Kinship Guardianship Assistance Program (KinGAP) is a state and federally-supported program for children exiting kinship foster care. The program provides financial assistance to related caregivers who assume legal guardianship of children who were formerly their foster children. Under this program, most children receive medical coverage.

Kin Placement represents children that were placed directly with a relative rather than into foster care based on data from CONNECTIONS. These are children that were placed directly with a relative or other suitable adult under Article 10 of the Family Court Act and are those that are commonly referred to as non-LDSS custody placements.

Table 4: Trends in Number of Children Discharged from Approved Relative Foster Homes, To Relative Care and Number Discharged to KinGap from 2012-2019

Discharged from Approved Relative Foster Homes: In order to qualify for KinGAP a child must be exiting relative foster care. The numbers discharged from approved relative foster home reflects only a portion of the potential KinGAP universe. KinGAP is also available for foster children exiting a certified foster home placement with a relative.

Discharged to a Relative from NON Approved Relative Foster Homes: These are children that were discharged from a setting other than approved relative home, but the discharge types indicated that the child was discharged to a relative.

Number of Children Discharged from Relative Foster Care to KinGap: This is the actual number children that were discharged to KinGAP during the particular year.

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Table 1: Admissions to Foster Care by Initial Placement Setting 2012-2019 ¹

	Number of Unique Children Admitted																				% of Children																			
	Total								Non Home Based Care ¹								Home Based Care ²								Non Home Based Care ¹						Home Based Care ²									
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total	10,065	9,548	9,595	8,771	8,375	8,935	8,323	8,087	2,934	2,962	2,965	2,734	2,791	3,312	3,050	2,963	7,131	6,586	6,630	6,037	5,584	5,623	5,273	5,124	29%	31%	31%	31%	33%	37%	37%	37%	71%	69%	69%	69%	67%	63%	63%	63%

¹ Non Home Based Care include: Institutions, Group Homes, Group Residences, Agency Operated Boarding Homes and Other settings.

² Home Based Care include: Foster Boarding Homes, Foster Adoptive Homes, and Approved Relative Homes.

Based on Monitoring and Analysis Files .

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Table 3: Number of Children Admitted to Home Based Care, Relative Foster Care and Kin Placement

	Home Based Care ¹							Relative Foster Care ²							Kin Placement (Direct Custody) ³								
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
² Relative Foster Care is a subcategory of non-congregate care and includes children living in an approved relative foster home or a foster boarding home run by a relative. OCFS' ability to track this data has improved over time. Prior to 2015, only approved relative foster homes were specifically denoted in administration databases. In 2015, an additional flag was added to capture children initially placed in other non congregate care settings with a relative. ³ Kin Placement represents children that were placed directly with a relative rather than foster care based on KinGAP Reports. Prepared by OCFS Bureau of Research, Evaluation and Performance Analytics (6/11/20)																							

Table 4: Trends in Number of Children Discharged from Approved Relative Foster Homes, To Relative Care and Number Discharged to KinGap from 2012-2018

	# Discharged from Approved Relative Foster Homes									# Discharged to a Relative from NON Approved Relative Foster Homes ¹									Number of Children Discharged from Relative Foster Care to KinGap ²								
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
TIOGA	0	0	0	1	1	5	1	4	0	1	1	1	0	4	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
TOMPKINS	9	28	29	36	12	28	22	13	2	2	6	1	11	7	1	1	0	0	2	0	4	1	0	1	1		
ULSTER	17	14	10	2	4	9	30	44	8	13	24	8	14	8	5	7	0	9	3	0	6	0	7	10			
WARREN	4	2	2	4	1	2	1	1	12	6	5	10	6	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
WASHINGTON	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	10	7	2	4	12	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
WAYNE	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	6	2	4	6	6	7	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0			
WESTCHESTER	32	21	24	28	19	44	25	28	31	31	29	29	36	27	25	13	1	3	6	3	4	24	11	16			
WYOMING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	10	7	3	8	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
YATES	0	5	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
St. Regis	2	4	3	4	8	10	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	7	1	3			
NYC	1,964	1,939	1,604	1,611	1,534	1,468	1,433	1,488	268	269	178	216	204	188	176	201	21	188	275	272	354	378	310	361			
Total	2,312	2,409	2,018	2,061	1,907	1,905	1,963	2,192	1,098	1,143	1,139	1,078	1,141	1,090	1,098	964	56	257	335	341	448	481	425	526			

¹ These are children that were discharged from a setting other than approved relative home, but the discharge types indicated that the child was discharged to a relative. There were more nuanced categories added in 2018.

² In order to qualify for Kin Gap a child must be in foster care living with a relative.

Based on data for OCFS Annual KinGap Reports and MAPS.

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