County of Los Angeles
Department of Children and Family Services
CHILD WELFARE SERVICES DATA
MONTHLY FACT SHEET
September - 2026

EMERGENCY RESPONSE REFERRALS

	No. of Referrals	No. of Referred Children
Evaluated Out	1,981	3,009
In-Person Response	3,576	7,144
Total Referral Children Received during Month	**5,557**	**10,153**

REFERRAL CHILDREN RECEIVED BY ALLEGATION TYPE

Caretaker Absence/Incapacity	135	1.3%
General Neglect	2,871	28.3%
Exploitation	24	0.2%
Sexual Abuse	1,229	12.1%
Emotional Abuse	1,772	17.5%
At Risk, Sibling Abused	2,061	20.3%
Physical Abuse	1,922	18.9%
Severe Neglect	139	1.4%
Total	**10,153**	**100.0%**

IN-HOME AND OUT-OF-HOME SERVICES CASELOAD (CHILDREN) AS OF SEPTEMBER 2026

		FM and FR Services Caseload	* Adoption Services Caseload
Emergency Response (Open Services Cases)		481	1
Family Maintenance	*Under 12 Months*	*5,290*	
	Over 12 Months	*457*	
	Sub Total	**5,747**	**1**
Family Reunification	*Under 18 Months*	*3,908*	
	Over 18 Months	*380*	
	Sub Total	**4,288**	**255**
Permanent Placement		5,204	2,820
Supportive Transition		2,055	10
Total Children Receiving Child Welfare		**17,775**	**3,087**

*** Adoption services caseload represents children in in-home and out-of-home services caseload receiving adoption services.**

CHILD CHARACTERISTICS

Age	Birth - 2 Years	3,292	18.5%
	3 - 4 Years	1,755	9.9%
	5 - 9 Years	3,954	22.2%
	10 - 13 Years	2,997	16.9%
	14 - 15 Years	1,604	9.0%
	16 - 17 Years	1,831	10.3%
	18 Years & Older	2,342	13.2%
	Age Total	**17,775**	**100.0%**
Ethnicity	White	1,790	10.1%
	Hispanic	10,409	58.6%
	Black	4,713	26.5%
	Asian/Pacific Islander	399	2.2%
	American Indian/Alaskan Native	71	0.4%
	Other	393	2.2%
	Ethnicity Total	**17,775**	**100.0%**
Sex Assigned at Birth	Male	8,670	48.8%
	Female	9,102	51.2%
	Unknown	3	0.0%
	Sex Assigned at Birth Total	**17,775**	**100.0%**

CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT

Relative/Non-Relative Extended Family Member Home	6
Foster Family Home	1
Foster Family Agency Certified Home	434
Foster Family Agency Certified Resource Family Home	940
Small Family Home	11
Group Home	17
Supervised Independent Living Placement	971
Resource Family Home (RFH): Non-Relative RFH	2,311
Resource Family Home (RFH): Relative RFH	4,328
Short Term Residential Therapeutic Program	125
Other (County Shelter, Tribal, and Court Specified Homes)	187
Total Out-of-Home Placement	**9,331**
Non Foster Care (NFC) Placement	93
Adoptive Home - Adoption Not Finalized: Non-Relative	283
Adoptive Home - Adoption Not Finalized: Relative	479
Guardian Home: Non-Relative	678
Guardian Home: Relative	68
Total Placement (Includes NFC Placement, Adoptive Home, and Guardian Home)	**10,932**

NOTE: In the above, 20 children received D Rate and 13 received F Rate care.

FOSTER CARE RESOURCES

		Homes	Beds
**Foster Homes		3	5
*Foster Family Agency Homes (self-report)	*In Los Angeles County*	*1,100*	*1,407*
	Out-of-County	*676*	*997*
	Sub Total	**1,776**	**2,404**
**Small Family Homes		49	11
STRTP	*In Los Angeles County*	*48*	*409*
	Out-of-County	*16*	*164*
	Sub Total	**64**	**573**

*** Self-report data are being tracked by DCFS Out-of-Home Care Management Division.**
**** Foster Homes and Small Family Homes excludes licensed homes on hold.**

Source: Data are from the Child Welfare Services/Case Management System (CWS/CMS) Datamart History Table.