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

EMERGENCY RESPONSE REFERRALS

	No. of Referrals	No. of Referred Children
Evaluated Out	2,226	3,384
In-Person Response	3,853	7,772
Total Referral Children Received during Month	**6,079**	**11,156**

REFERRAL CHILDREN RECEIVED BY ALLEGATION TYPE

Caretaker Absence/Incapacity	184	1.6%
General Neglect	2,943	26.4%
Exploitation	30	0.3%
Sexual Abuse	1,444	12.9%
At Risk, Sibling Abused	2,399	21.5%
Emotional Abuse	1,899	17.0%
Physical Abuse	2,126	19.1%
Severe Neglect	131	1.2%
Total	**11,156**	**100.0%**

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

		FM and FR Services Caseload	* Adoption Services Caseload
Emergency Response (Open Services Cases)		535	
Family Maintenance	*Under 12 Months*	*5,342*	
	Over 12 Months	*507*	
	Sub Total	**5,849**	
Family Reunification	*Under 18 Months*	*3,988*	
	Over 18 Months	*386*	
	Sub Total	**4,374**	**265**
Permanent Placement		5,172	2,849
Supportive Transition		2,061	11
Total Children Receiving Child Welfare		**17,991**	**3,125**

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

CHILD CHARACTERISTICS

Age	Birth - 2 Years	3,295	18.3%
	3 - 4 Years	1,789	9.9%
	5 - 9 Years	4,073	22.6%
	10 - 13 Years	3,038	16.9%
	14 - 15 Years	1,608	8.9%
	16 - 17 Years	1,869	10.4%
	18 Years & Older	2,319	12.9%
	Age Total	**17,991**	**100.0%**
Ethnicity	White	1,821	10.1%
	Hispanic	10,542	58.6%
	Black	4,783	26.6%
	Asian/Pacific Islander	384	2.1%
	American Indian/Alaskan Native	69	0.4%
	Other	392	2.2%
	Ethnicity Total	**17,991**	**100.0%**
Sex Assigned at Birth	Male	8,761	48.7%
	Female	9,226	51.3%
	Unknown	4	0.0%
	Sex Assigned at Birth Total	**17,991**	**100.0%**

CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT

Relative/Non-Relative Extended Family Member Home	4
Foster Family Home	1
Foster Family Agency Certified Home	438
Foster Family Agency Certified Resource Family Home	942
Small Family Home	9
Group Home	19
Supervised Independent Living Placement	969
Resource Family Home (RFH): Non-Relative RFH	2,318
Resource Family Home (RFH): Relative RFH	4,358
Short Term Residential Therapeutic Program	126
Other (County Shelter, Tribal, and Court Specified Homes)	175
Total Out-of-Home Placement	**9,359**
Non Foster Care (NFC) Placement	99
Adoptive Home - Adoption Not Finalized: Non-Relative	287
Adoptive Home - Adoption Not Finalized: Relative	522
Guardian Home: Non-Relative	680
Guardian Home: Relative	62
Total Placement (Includes NFC Placement, Adoptive Home, and Guardian Home)	**11,009**

NOTE: In the above, 19 children received D Rate and 12 received F Rate care.

FOSTER CARE RESOURCES

		Homes	Beds
**Foster Homes		3	5
**Small Family Homes		49	11

*** 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.