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## Summary of Findings for the FY10 Annual Report

- There were 1,095 children and youth served in FY10, of which 669 were new admissions.
- Proportionately more males (62%) were served.
- Approximately half (48%) of children served were 16-18 years old, 44 percent were 12-15 years old, five percent were 6-11 years old, one percent was 19 years old or above, and one percent was 0-5 years old.
- In terms of race and ethnicity, 38 percent of children and youth served in FY10 were Caucasian, 26 percent Hispanic, and 21 percent African American. Asian/Pacific Islander and American Indian/Alaskan Native children and youth represented three and one percent, respectively, of the children and youth served. Five percent of children and youth served were Biracial. Data were reported as unknown/other for the race/ethnicity of seven percent of children.
- English was the primary language spoken at home for the great majority of children and youth served (80%), with Spanish the next most common primary language spoken for 14 percent of those served.
- Referral sources most commonly chosen included DCYF Family Services Division (35%), followed by DCYF Juvenile Corrections Probation (14%), DCYF/CANTS (9%), and DCYF Juvenile Corrections-Rhode Island Training School (RITS; 9%).
- The most common presenting problems for children and youth entering services were: school problems/issues (59%), behavioral problems (42%), out of parental control (32%), relationship problems/issues (28%), and anger/aggression (26%).
- The most common family presenting problems for children and youth entering services were: school problems/issues (48%), family stress (42%), behavioral problems (37%), parenting problems (35%), and financial problems/unemployment (26%).
- Forty-two percent of children and youth served had identified needs for mental health services, and of those in need, the vast majority (72%) were reported as receiving some form of mental health services. Furthermore, 31 percent of children and youth had additional unmet mental health needs.
- At admission, 85 percent of children and youth had a goal of home preservation and 12 percent had a goal of reunification with their family.
- Data on youth employment and educational status at admission indicated that 16 percent of youth were employed (7% full-time), and 82 percent were enrolled in school.

- Nineteen percent of children and youth served had an Individualized Education Program (IEP) for emotional disturbance and 17 percent had an IEP for a learning disability. A much smaller proportion of children and youth had a 504 Plan or were enrolled in ESL services (1% and 1%, respectively).
- Sixty-two percent of the total number of children and youth served were also discharged at some point during the fiscal year. The primary reason for discharge given by programs was that goals were accomplished (53%). Seventeen percent of children and youth were discharged for reasons other than those listed.
- Sixty-six percent of children and youth were discharged to their home with a parent or guardian. Discharges to the Rhode Island Training School (RITS), a group home, or a residential placement were much less common (8%, 7% and 6%, respectively).
- A total of 42 percent of children and youth remained an “open” case to the DCYF at discharge.
- Eight-five percent of children and youth had an Individual Service Plan (ISP) completed within 30 days of admission, and 89 percent had that plan reviewed and/or updated at least once each quarter.
- Approximately 53 to 57 percent of children and youth received a grade of “C” or better in Math, English, or Reading during the period they were enrolled in outreach and tracking programs. In addition, 41 percent of children and youth attended school on a regular basis.

## Introduction

This annual report summarizes selected performance indicator results for eight outreach and tracking programs funded by the Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) for Fiscal Year 2010 (FY10). Results are presented for individual programs and across programs, and comparisons are made to FY09 findings. When results are presented at the program level, a program code (denoted by the letters A-H) is substituted for the program name to ensure the confidentiality of each program.

According to DCYF, outreach and tracking programs are designed to provide community-based outreach services to males and females, ages 9-21. Services include: individual, group, and/or family counseling; recreational activities; culturally enriching experiences; crisis response services; and linkages to educational, vocational, and/or rehabilitation services as necessary.

There are several notes of caution about the findings reported in this report. First, since programs submit data in aggregate form, it is currently not possible to track individual-level changes within programs. In addition, since children cannot be tracked across quarters of submitted data, there is no way to identify whether children's outcomes or program indicators have been correctly or completely submitted for all children receiving services within a given program. Finally, since the number of children and youth served by each program varies, programs serving relatively few children may have insufficient data from which to draw conclusions about program performance. As a result, the findings for some indicators should be interpreted with caution because the number of children represented in the report for that indicator may be quite small.

Data for the following indicators are presented in this report:

- Demographic characteristics of children and youth served,
- Referral source of children and youth served,
- Child and family presenting problems,
- Child and youth mental health needs,
- Service characteristics,
- Discharge characteristics,
- Service outcomes, and
- Child and youth outcomes.

## **Demographic Characteristics of Children and Youth Served**

There were 1,095 children and youth served in FY10 compared to 1046 served in FY09. This includes children and youth who entered programs before the start of the year as well as those admitted during the year. As presented in Table 1 on the following page, there were proportionately more males served (62%) during FY10. The relative proportion of males and females served during FY09 was comparable to those served in FY10.

Overall, almost half (48%) of children and youth served were 16-18 years old, 44 percent were 12-15 years old, five percent were 6-11 years old, one percent were 19 years old or above, and one percent were 0-5 years old. The relative proportion of children and youth's ages served during FY09 was comparable to FY10, with a slight increase in 16-18 year olds (44% vs. 48%) and a slight decrease in 12-15 year olds (48% vs. 44%). In addition, the ages of children and youth served during FY10 varied by program, with only one of eight programs serving children 0-5 years old (program D), and three of the eight programs serving children and youth 19 years old or above (programs C, D and F).

In terms of race and ethnicity, 38 percent of children and youth served in FY10 were Caucasian, 26 percent Hispanic, and 21 percent African American. Asian/Pacific Islander and American Indian/Alaskan Native children and youth represented three and one percent, respectively, of the children and youth served. Five percent of children and youth served were Biracial. Data were reported as unknown/other for the race/ethnicity of seven percent of children. The relative proportions of these results are consistent with those in FY09.

Finally, the primary language spoken at home was English for the majority of children and youth served (80%), followed by Spanish (14%), figures that are very similar to FY09. For each of these programs, Spanish was the primary language spoken other than English.

## **Referral Source of Children and Youth Served**

Referral source was noted upon program entry for children and families using a list established for all DCYF contracted community programs. Data is collected and presented for new admission only. A total of 669 children and youth were newly admitted within FY10.

As presented in Table 2 on page 4, the most common referral source for those admitted to outreach and tracking programs during FY10 was the DCYF Family Services Division (35%), followed by DCYF Juvenile Corrections Probation (14%), DCYF/CANTS (9%), and DCYF Juvenile Corrections-Rhode Island Training School (RITS; 9%). This varied across programs. For example, program A reported that all (100%) children and youth served were internal agency referral, program C had the highest percentage of self and law enforcement referrals (37% and 27%, respectively), and program B had the highest percentage of school referrals. Overall referral patterns were comparable from FY09 to FY10, with slight decreases in DCYF Family Services Division (42% vs. 35%), and DCYF/CANTS referrals (14% vs. 9%) and increases in DCYF Juvenile Corrections Probation (11% vs. 14%) and school referrals (1% vs. 3%).

**Table 1. Demographic Characteristics of Children and Youth Served: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

		FY09 Overall N=1046		FY10 Overall N=1095		FY10 by Program							
						A n=42	B n=114	C n=158	D n=113	E n=37	F n=192	G n=324	H n=115
		N	%	N	%	%							
Gender	Male	626	60	675	62	88	51	58	57	43	85	58	48
	Female	420	40	420	38	12	49	42	43	57	15	42	52
Age Range	0-5 years	7	1	12	1	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0
	6-11 years	55	5	53	5	12	4	4	19	11	0	1	7
	12-15 years	498	48	487	44	33	57	53	39	49	14	51	60
	16-18 years	460	44	528	48	55	39	41	30	41	81	47	33
	19 + years	26	2	15	1	0	0	1	2	0	5	0	0
Race/Ethnicity	African American/Black	205	20	226	21	43	15	9	10	11	47	14	17
	Amer. Indian/ Alaskan Native	6	1	13	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	1	4
	Asian/Pacific Islander	29	3	30	3	0	0	0	0	3	5	4	6
	Biracial	50	5	55	5	0	0	0	18	0	0	6	8
	Caucasian/White	434	41	416	38	40	30	50	61	43	9	44	29
	Hispanic	242	23	283	26	17	33	18	10	19	29	29	36
	Unknown/Other	80	8	72	7	0	20	23	0	24	9	2	0
Primary Language Spoken at Home	English	854	82	881	80	79	75	89	98	92	72	79	70
	Spanish	121	12	152	14	12	13	7	2	8	16	18	23
	Portuguese	4	<1	8	1	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	1
	Hmong	3	<1	1	<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Chinese	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Creole	20	2	13	1	5	3	1	0	0	1	1	0
	Russian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	French	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Khmer	6	1	4	<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
	Other	38	4	36	3	2	7	3	0	0	1	1	3

Note: Percents may not equal 100 due to rounding.

**Table 2. Referral Source of Children and Youth Served: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09 Overall N=692		FY10 Overall N=669		FY10 by Program							
	N	%	N	%	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
					n=30	n=63	n=97	n=77	n=20	n=115	n=202	n=65
					%							
Behavior Therapy Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CASSP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clergy/Church	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Court/Family Court	31	4	40	6	0	5	6	0	0	3	13	2
Court Diversionary	9	1	16	2	0	0	6	10	5	1	0	0
<b>DCYF/CANTS</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
DCYF/Child Protective Screening Unit	4	1	3	<1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	2
DCYF Contract Unit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>DCYF Family Services Division</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>86</b>
<b>DCYF Juvenile Corrections (RITS)</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>DCYF Juvenile Corrections Probation</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>6</b>
DCYF Placement Unit	0	0	2	<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
DCYF Residential Review Unit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Early Intervention	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Foster Care	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hospital/Clinic/Physician-Medical	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hospital/Clinic/Physician-Psychiatric	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Internal Agency Referral	32	5	43	6	100	0	5	10	0	0	0	0
Juvenile Hearing Board	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Law Enforcement	13	2	27	4	0	2	27	0	0	0	0	0
Mental Health Agency	1	<1	3	<1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Military	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parent/Guardian/Other Relative	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Residential Program	1	<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
School	10	1	22	3	0	33	1	0	0	0	0	0
Self-Referral	39	6	40	6	0	0	37	0	0	3	0	0
Social Service Agency	5	1	9	1	0	3	6	0	0	1	0	0
Substance Abuse Clinic/Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Truancy Court /Officers	3	<1	17	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Other	6	1	3	<1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0

Note: Percents may not equal 100 due to rounding.

## **Child and Family Presenting Problems**

Presenting problems were noted upon program entry for children and youth as well as for families using a list established for use in all DCYF contracted community programs. Data is collected and presented for new admissions only. The total number of child and youth new admissions during FY10 was 669 involving 645 families.

### ***Children and Youth***

Table 3 summarizes the presenting problems of children and youth at program admission. School problems/issues (59%), behavioral problems (42%), out of parental control (32%), relationship problems/issues (28%), and anger/aggression (26%) were the most prevalent presenting problems identified among children and youth entering outreach and tracking programs. The rates of presenting problems across programs differed considerably, suggesting that either providers served different types of children and youth or that providers may have used different criteria to identify presenting problems.

Comparisons of FY09 to FY10 indicate overall patterns of children and youth presenting problems were similar. Exceptions include increases since FY09 in the proportion of relationship problems/issues (19% vs. 28%) and mental health problems/issues (10% vs. 16%) and a decrease in family violence/stress (29% vs. 21%).

### ***Family***

Family presenting problems reported for children and youth entering outreach and tracking programs during FY10 are presented in Table 4. Overall, the highest percentages of family presenting problems were for school problems/issue (48%), family stress (42%), behavioral problems (37%), parenting problems (35%), and financial problems/unemployment (26%). Once again, there is variability among individual programs on the family presenting problems reported. Overall, FY09 family presenting problems were very similar to those from FY10 with the exception that there was a slight increase in the percentage of families who reported recreational needs (15% vs. 21%).

**Table 3. Child and Youth Presenting Problems: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09		FY10		FY10 by Program							
	Overall		Overall		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	N	%	N	%	n=30	n=63	n=97	n=77	n=20	n=115	n=202	n=65
Abandonment	43	6	49	7	33	6	1	5	15	4	10	3
Abuse-Emotional	33	5	37	6	37	0	0	4	0	1	6	15
Abuse-Physical	40	6	27	4	23	0	0	1	0	0	6	9
Abuse-Sexual	14	2	30	4	10	0	2	4	0	3	5	12
Anxiety	76	11	83	12	63	0	1	12	5	1	13	38
<b>Anger/Aggression</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>49</b>
Alcohol/Drug Use/Abuse	89	13	118	18	37	2	6	12	15	15	27	25
<b>Behavioral Problems</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>69</b>
Criminal/Illegal Activity	186	27	158	24	70	0	2	17	5	34	30	32
Death/Absence of Caregiver	53	8	51	8	10	0	0	9	0	0	19	5
Delinquency	98	14	114	17	40	5	1	10	15	1	37	17
Depression/Withdrawal	92	13	80	12	37	0	2	9	0	1	19	32
Developmental Delay	16	2	24	4	7	2	0	3	0	1	6	9
Developmental Problem/Issue	12	2	13	2	7	0	0	3	0	0	4	2
Eating Disorders	3	0	8	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	8
Family Violence/Stress	198	29	140	21	57	16	6	27	25	24	17	29
Fire Setting	8	1	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Grief and Loss	45	7	43	6	27	0	0	8	5	3	9	11
Health Problem/Disability	16	2	10	1	3	2	0	3	0	0	2	2
Hyperactivity/Attention Deficit	97	14	85	13	47	2	5	10	0	9	12	34
Language/Speech Disorder	9	1	8	1	10	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
Mental Health Problem/Issue-Other	66	10	106	16	20	8	6	14	0	10	25	23
Neglect	53	8	56	8	50	0	0	17	0	1	10	11
<b>Out of Parental Control</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>17</b>
Prenatal Drug Exposure	11	2	10	1	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Relationship Problem/Issue</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>School Problems/Issue</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>75</b>
Self-Injurious Act/Threat	18	3	17	3	7	0	0	1	0	0	4	9
Sexual Problem/Issue	19	3	21	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	5	14
Suicide Attempt/Threat	19	3	18	3	13	0	0	1	0	2	4	3
Violent Behavior	84	12	78	12	20	0	0	10	0	6	21	23
Other	43	6	21	3	0	0	0	13	0	0	4	3

Note: More than one response was allowed so that percents may exceed 100.

**Table 4. Family Presenting Problems: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09		FY10		FY10 by Program							
	Overall		Overall		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	N	%	N	%	n=30	n=58	n=91	n=75	n=15	n=109	n=202	n=65
					%							
Abandonment	35	5	36	6	33	2	0	7	0	4	6	6
Abuse-Emotional	24	4	41	6	33	0	0	12	0	1	5	17
Abuse-Physical	25	4	25	4	17	0	0	7	0	0	4	9
Abuse-Sexual	13	2	17	3	3	0	0	4	0	2	2	9
Access to Services	33	5	25	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	5	20
Alcohol/ Drug Use/Abuse	98	15	93	14	37	0	4	36	27	5	15	17
<b>Behavioral Problems</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>31</b>
Child Care Needs	26	4	25	4	7	0	0	11	0	1	1	17
Criminal Involvement	121	18	100	16	23	0	0	19	0	36	16	11
Cultural/Language Barriers	45	7	48	7	10	0	0	1	0	5	16	11
Death/ Absence of Caregiver	37	6	41	6	13	0	0	11	0	1	12	5
Developmental Delay	6	1	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5
Developmental Problem/Issue	5	1	14	2	7	0	0	1	0	0	5	2
Domestic Violence	48	7	37	6	33	0	1	16	0	0	4	9
<b>Family Stress</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>72</b>
<b>Financial Problem/Unemployment</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>40</b>
Grief and Loss	37	6	47	7	20	0	0	12	7	3	10	11
Health Problem/Disability	38	6	48	7	17	2	0	19	0	0	10	12
History of Physical/Sexual Abuse	28	4	25	4	7	0	0	8	0	0	5	11
Housing Issues	51	8	29	4	17	0	0	13	0	1	4	6
Mental Health Problem/Issue- Other	79	12	104	16	23	3	0	51	0	5	15	32
Neglect	60	9	61	9	37	0	0	20	0	0	12	17
<b>Parenting Problems</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>58</b>
Recreational Needs	102	15	138	21	10	3	0	23	33	50	15	38
Request for Placement	13	2	19	3	13	0	0	4	0	0	3	9
<b>School Problems/Issue</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>66</b>
Social Isolation	26	4	17	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	11
Suicide Attempt/Threat	14	2	8	1	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
Transportation Needs	73	11	56	9	10	0	0	7	13	6	16	12
Unsafe Home/Neighborhood	54	8	44	7	33	0	0	3	0	1	10	15
Other	11	2	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2

Note: More than one response was allowed so that percents may exceed 100.

## Child and Youth Mental Health Needs

### *Children and Youth*

Table 5 presents the number of children and youth served by outreach and tracking programs during FY10 with an identified mental health service need, unmet mental health service needs, and barriers to receiving mental health services. As shown in the table, outreach and tracking providers reported that 42 percent of children served were identified as in need of mental health services. This ranged from 21 percent to 100 percent across programs. Of those children reported to be in need of mental health services, 72 percent were reported as receiving mental health services. All of the eight programs indicated that the majority of children and youth identified as in need of mental health services were receiving such services, ranging from 54 percent to 90 percent.

Furthermore, 31 percent of children and youth identified as needing mental health services reported having additional unmet mental health needs. This indicator of continued unmet mental health need varied somewhat across programs and ranged from 12 percent to 46 percent. Overall, FY09 unmet mental health service needs were very similar to those from FY10.

Barriers to addressing the identified mental health service needs were also indicated. Overall, 44 percent of children and youth had an unmet mental health need due to a non-compliant child or youth, followed by non-complaint parent (21%). This varied somewhat across programs. Barriers to addressing mental health service needs remained fairly constant from FY09 to FY10 with the exception of a slight increase in non-compliant parent (15% vs. 21%).

**Table 5. Children’s Mental Health Service Needs: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09 Overall N=2351		FY10 Overall N=2364		FY10 by Program							
	N	%	N	%	A n=78	B n= 253	C n=339	D n=211	E n=87	F n=439	G n=703	H n=254
Children’s Identified Need For Mental Health Services	909	39	1001	42	100	21	33	51	18	26	58	44
Of Those Identified: Children Receiving Mental Health Services	637	70	716	72	88	54	90	75	81	73	64	70
Of Those Identified: Children With An Unmet Mental Health Services Need	288	32	310	31	21	46	12	40	19	27	36	30
<b>Barriers to Receiving Mental Health Services:</b>												
Assessment not Complete	29	9	29	8	0	4	54	24	33	0	4	6
Child Care Issues	2	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0
DCYF Caseworker does not Concur	2	1	1	<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Funds Unavailable	5	2	3	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	3
Insurance not Available	24	7	18	5	0	0	31	0	0	16	3	9
Linguistic/Culturally Competent Services not Available	3	1	4	1	4	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
<b>Non-Compliance: Parent</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>22</b>	21
<b>Non-Compliance: Child</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>54</b>	44
Parent Decline Consent	1	<1	5	1	0	0	0	0	33	0	1	9
RITE Care Denial	0	0	1	<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Services not available in Community	1	<1	1	<1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Services not Available in State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transportation Issues	13	4	12	3	4	0	0	2	0	16	2	3
Unwillingness to do Home Visits	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waiting List	28	8	23	6	8	16	0	15	0	0	6	0
Other	23	7	22	6	0	12	0	11	0	0	7	3

*Note: Duplicate records are included as aggregate data is collected quarterly. More than one response was allowed so that percents may exceed 100.*

## Service Characteristics

### *Child and Youth Placements at Admission*

Table 6 presents data on child and youth placement goals at admission to outreach and tracking programs. As shown, 85 percent of children and youth had a placement goal of home preservation and 12 percent had a goal of reunification with their family. This remains fairly constant across providers with the exception of program A where 73 percent of children and youth had a goal of reunification with their family, followed by 27 percent who had a goal of living transition. These percentages are comparable to those reported for FY09.

**Table 6. Child and Youth Placement at Admission: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09 Overall N=692		FY10 Overall N=669		FY10 by Program							
	N	%	N	%	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
					n=30	n=63	n=97	n=77	n=20	n=115	n=202	n=65
Home Preservation	609	88	569	85	0	100	100	84	100	100	79	75
Foster Care	5	1	4	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0
Reunification	64	9	81	12	73	0	0	13	0	0	18	20
Planned Placement	0	0	3	<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Living Transition	14	2	12	2	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	5

*Note: Valid percents are reported. Percents may not equal 100 due to rounding.*

### *Youth Employment and Educational Status*

Table 7 presents data on employment and educational status for youth age 16 and over. As shown, 16 percent of youth are employed with seven percent who are employed full-time, and 82 percent were enrolled in school. Similar figures were reported in FY09.

**Table 7. Employment and Educational Status for Youth Age 16 and Over: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09 Overall N=1154		FY10 Overall N=1139		FY10 by Programs							
	N	%	N	%	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
					n=47	n=114	n=150	n=64	n=25	n=311	n=342	n=86
Adolescents Employed	213	18	185	16	23	7	13	28	8	17	18	16
Employed Full-Time	23	11	13	7	0	0	11	0	0	17	3	0
Enrolled in School	984	85	937	82	87	90	93	84	92	71	83	84
Enrolled in GED Classes	59	5	74	6	9	4	1	9	0	11	5	10
Received GED	14	1	29	3	2	1	1	6	0	6	1	0
Received High School Diploma	6	<1	10	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	2

*Note: Duplicate records are included as aggregate data is collected quarterly.*

### **Educational Services**

Table 8 reports data on the percentage of children and youth with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), 504 Plans, and English as Second Language (ESL) services. As presented in the table, 19 percent of children and youth had an IEP for emotional disturbance, and 17 percent had an IEP for a learning disability. There are markedly fewer youth with 504 Plans or those enrolled in ESL services (1% and 1%, respectively) among children and youth enrolled in outreach and tracking programs in FY10. These percentages are comparable to FY09.

**Table 8. School-Aged Children & Youth with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), 504 Plans, and English as a Second Language (ESL) Services: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09 Overall N=2146		FY10 Overall N=2110		FY10 by Program							
	N	%	N	%	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
					n=72	n=242	n=329	n=185	n=85	n=350	n=642	n=205
Youth with an IEP for Emotional Disturbance	364	17	399	19	54	13	13	8	12	26	21	19
Youth with an IEP for Learning Disabilities	353	16	350	17	0	14	5	26	12	13	22	26
Youth with a 504 Plan	31	1	21	1	0	<1	3	1	0	<1	1	<1
Youth Receiving ESL Services	35	2	22	1	0	3	2	0	0	1	<1	0

*Note: Duplicate records are included as aggregate data is collected quarterly.*

## Discharge Characteristics

### *Frequency and Reason*

As depicted in Table 9, 62 percent of the total number of children and youth served during FY10 were also discharged during the fiscal year. Rates of discharge varied somewhat by program, ranging from 51 percent to 71 percent. The primary reason for discharge given by programs during FY10 was goals accomplished (53%), with the next most common reason being other (17%). Discharge reasons reported for individual programs varied. Overall, discharge frequency and reasons were comparable from FY09 to FY10.

**Table 9. Children and Youth Discharged and Primary Discharge Reason: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09		FY10		FY10 by Program							
	Overall N=1046		Overall N=1095		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	N	%	N	%	n=42	n=114	n=158	n=113	n=37	n=192	n=324	n=115
Children Discharged	650	62	674	62	71	59	51	59	68	57	71	55
5/10 Days Notice	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adjudicated/ Re-Offended	44	7	47	7	0	0	0	1	0	36	2	2
Child Aged Out of Program	15	2	9	1	0	0	1	0	4	0	3	0
Court Ordered	53	8	54	8	0	21	2	3	24	4	7	16
<b>Goals Accomplished</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>43</b>
Left Without Notice/AMA/AWOL	19	3	17	3	0	1	0	0	0	5	1	11
Moved Out of State/Area	26	4	26	4	0	7	4	6	16	0	4	0
Refused Services	29	4	47	7	0	10	26	7	0	5	3	3
Time-Limit Reached	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Other</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>

*Note: Percents may not equal 100 due to rounding.*

### *Disposition*

Table 10 summarizes the data for discharge disposition. As shown, two-thirds of children and youth were discharged from outreach and tracking programs to their home with a parent or guardian (66%). A discharge to the Rhode Island Training School (RITS), a group home, or a residential placement was much less common (8%, 7% and 6%, respectively). Discharge dispositions for FY09 and FY10 were comparable with the exception that children and youth were discharged slightly less frequently to the RITS (11% vs. 8%).

**Table 10. Child and Youth Discharge Dispositions: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09		FY10		FY10 by Program							
	Overall		Overall		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	N	%	N	%	n=42	n=114	n=158	n=113	n=37	n=192	n=324	n=115
Children Discharged	650	62	674	62	71	59	51	59	68	57	71	55
<i>Discharge Disposition</i>												
Adult Corrections	0	0	3	<1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
CIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DCYF-DAS Evaluation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DCYF- Foster Care	11	2	13	2	0	3	0	3	4	0	3	2
Emancipation/Adoption	3	<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Family Court	1	<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Group Home</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Home- Parent/Guardian</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>63</b>
Home- Relatives	15	2	18	3	0	0	4	4	0	0	4	3
Job Corps	3	<1	4	1	0	0	0	3	4	0	0	2
More Intensive Program	1	<1	9	1	3	3	1	1	4	0	0	5
Mental Health Services	1	<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Psychiatric Hospitalization	7	1	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0
<b>Residential Placement</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>
Shelter	12	2	15	2	0	1	0	1	4	0	4	3
Specialized Foster Care	1	<1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Supervised Ind. Living	7	1	3	<1	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0
<b>Training School (RITS)</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>
Other	14	2	18	3	0	1	0	3	0	5	3	3

Note: Percents may not equal 100 due to rounding.

### *Discharge and “Open” Status Cases*

Table 11 indicates that of the 674 children and youth discharged from outreach and tracking programs during FY10, a total of 42 percent remained “open” to the Department. The proportion of DCYF “open” cases is the same from FY09 and FY10.

**Table 11. Children and Youth Discharged With Open DCYF Cases: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09		FY10		FY10 by Program							
	Overall		Overall		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	N=650		N=674		n=30	n=67	n=81	n=67	n=25	n=110	n=231	n=63
	N	%	N	%	%							
Children & Youth Discharged With Open DCYF Cases	273	42	282	42	73	36	9	57	44	55	36	56

## Service Outcomes

### *Completion of Individual Service Plans*

Individual Service Plans (ISPs) are created for children and youth in outreach and tracking programs. Providers have 30 days after admission to complete ISPs. Of the 669 children and youth newly admitted to outreach and tracking programs during FY10, 533 children and youth (80%) were also in the program for more than 30 days within the quarter they were admitted. Of this group, Table 12 shows that 85 percent of eligible children had an ISP completed within 30 days of admission. Since FY09 this proportion has decreased slightly (90% vs. 85%) and varies across programs ranging from 13 percent to 100 percent.

**Table 12. Children and Youth with Individual Service Plans (ISPs) Completed Within 30 Days of Admission: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09		FY10		FY10 by Program							
	Overall		Overall		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	N=549		N=533		n=22	n=63	n=95	n=60	n=19	n=115	n=111	n=48
	N	%	N	%	%							
ISP Completed Within 30 Days of Admission	494	90	451	85	100	100	100	13	100	100	100	38

*Note: Sample consists of children and youth who were both newly admitted and in the program for more than 30 days.*

### *Timely Reviews/Updates of Individual Service Plans*

Table 13 presents data on the percentage of children and youth who's Individual Service Plans (ISPs) were reviewed and/or updated at least once each quarter. As shown in the table on the following page, 89 percent of service plans were reviewed and/or updated each quarter. This varied across programs and ranged from 34 percent to 100 percent. However, due to aggregate reporting of data and the inclusion of only up to 30 charts for each program per quarter, figures are not available for all 1,095 children served. Figures for FY09 and FY10 are very similar.

**Table 13. Children and Youth with Individual Service Plans (ISPs) Reviewed on Time: FY10 and Relevant Comparisons**

	FY09 Overall N=862		FY10 Overall N=827		FY10 by Program							
	N	%	N	%	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
					n=75	n=120	n=120	n=120	n=86	n=120	n=130	n=56
ISP Reviewed/Updated Quarterly	785	91	735	89	92	100	100	34	100	100	100	88

*Note: Data is based on a random review of a maximum of 30 charts for each program per quarter.*

## Child and Youth Outcomes

### School Grades and Attendance

Grades and school attendance are tracked for children receiving outreach and tracking services. Of the 1,095 children and youth receiving outreach and tracking services during FY10, Math grades were reported for 491 children and youth (45%), English grades 495 (45%) and reading grades were reported for 201 of children and youth (18%). In addition, attendance was reported for 513 children and youth (47%).

As presented in Tables 14, 15, and 16 below, 53 to 57 percent of grades reported in Math, English, or Reading during the period of enrollment in outreach and tracking programs were a “C” or better. In addition, Table 17 shows that 41 percent of children and youth attended school on a regular basis. There is considerable variation on these indicators by program. It is important to note that this data (likely) includes some duplicate records, as multiple marking periods were included when the data was reported.

**Table 14. Child and Youth School Math Grades: FY10**

	FY09 Overall		FY10 Overall		A		D		G		H	
	N	%	N	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Below a C (69 or below) or Failing	382	47	329	47	2	4	42	32	202	53	83	57
<b>C or Above (70+) or Passing</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>43</b>
Total	817	100	701	100	45	100	133	100	378	100	145	100

*Note: No grades submitted for programs B, C, E, and F.*

**Table 15. Child and Youth School English Grades: FY10**

	FY09 Overall		FY10 Overall		A		D		G		H	
	N	%	N	%	n	%	N	%	n	%	n	%
Below a C (69 or below) or Failing	386	47	316	45	1	2	37	28	211	55	67	49
<b>C or Above (70+) or Passing</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>51</b>
Total	815	100	700	100	45	100	133	100	386	100	136	100

*Note: No grades submitted for programs B, C, E, and F.*

**Table 16. Child and Youth School Reading Grades: FY10**

	FY09		FY10		A		D		G		H	
	Overall		Overall									
	N	%	N	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Below a C (69 or below) or Failing	184	43	107	43	0	0	17	23	57	54	33	51
<b>C or Above (70+) or Passing</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>49</b>
Total	427	100	251	100	7	100	74	100	105	100	65	100

Note: No grades submitted for programs B, C, E, and F.

**Table 17. Child and Youth School Attendance: FY10**

	FY09		FY10		A		D		G		H	
	Overall		Overall									
	N	%	N	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Not Attending	74	7	49	6	0	0	7	4	22	5	20	8
Attends Very Infrequently (1 - 25%)	107	10	68	8	0	0	5	3	31	8	32	13
Attends Infrequently (26 - 50%)	126	12	113	13	0	0	16	9	57	14	40	17
Attends More Than Not (51 - 75%)	228	21	163	18	1	2	25	14	86	21	51	21
<b>Attends Regularly (76 - 100%)</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>36</b>
Unknown	55	5	132	15	10	15	14	8	97	23	11	5
Total	1081	100	896	100	66	100	178	100	413	100	239	100

Note: No attendance data submitted for programs B, C, E, and F. Percents may not equal 100 due to rounding.