Permanency Indicators
Who Is in Care?

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Outline

• Removals into Foster Care

• Entries and Re-Entries to Foster Care within One Year

• Long-Term Foster Care (LTFC) Placement
Removals into Foster Care

Entry Cohort 2009
Followed through July 2010
Number of removals among youth entering placement during CY 2009 (non juvenile justice), by age (N=1,226)

Source: RICHIST
RI DCYF Removals by Age:
All Removals

Number of removals among youth entering placement during CY 2009 (including juvenile justice), by age (N=1,551)

Source: RICHIST
Removal Reason: Excludes JJ

Reason for removal among youth entering placement during CY 2009, age 0-3 (N=388) compared to age 13+ (N=467)

* Other consists of: inadequate housing, parent’s incarceration, or death of a parent

Note: Percentages may add up to over 100% because a youth may have multiple removal reasons.

Source: RICHIST
First Placement Setting:
Excludes JJ

First placement setting among youth entering placement during CY 2009 (excludes juvenile justice), age 0-3 (N=388) compared to age 13+ (N=467)

Note: Family foster care includes non-relative and relative; Congregate care includes emergency shelter, group homes, high end residential treatment, residential treatment center, and acute residential treatment; Specialized foster care includes private agency and court ordered re.
Source: RICHIST
Discharge Reason: Excludes JJ

Discharge reason among youth entering placement during CY 2009 and discharged from placement by July 2010, age 0-3 (N=164) compared to age 13+ (N=259)

Source: RICHIST
Length of Stay by Discharge Reason: Excludes JJ

Median length of stay by discharge reason for all youth entering placement during CY 2009 and discharged from placement by July 2010, age 0-3 (N=164) compared to age 13+ (N=259)

Source: RICHIST
Length of Stay in First Placement Setting: Excludes JJ

Median length of stay by first placement setting for all youth entering placement during CY 2009 and discharged from placement by July 2010, age 0-3 (N=164) compared to age 13+ (N=259)

Source: RICHIST
Entries and Re-Entries to Foster Care within One Year

Comparing Aug 1, 2006 – July 31, 2007 to FFY 2012 across demographics
All Entries and Re-entries
Entry and Re-entry by Age
(Aug 1, 2006 – July 31, 2007)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by age, Aug 1, 2006 – Jul 31, 2007.

Source: RICHIST
All entries, re-entries
Entry and Re-entry by Age (FFY 2012)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by age, FFY 2012

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries
Entry and Re-entry by Gender (Aug 1, 2006 – July 31, 2007)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by gender, Aug 1, 2006 – Jul 31, 2007

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries
Entry and Re-entry by Gender (FFY 2012)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by gender, FFY 2012

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries
Entry and Re-entry by Race/Ethnicity (Aug 1, 2006 – July 31, 2007)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by race/ethnicity, Aug 1, 2006 – Jul 31, 2007

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries

Race/Ethnicity

- White
- African American
- Hispanic
- Native American
- Asian/PI
- Two or More Races
- Unknown

Percent of Cases

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries
Entry and Re-entry by Race/Ethnicity (FFY 2012)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by race/ethnicity, FFY 2012

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries
Entry and Re-entry by Diagnosed Disability (Aug 1, 2006 – July 31, 2007)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by diagnosed disability, Aug 1, 2006 – Jul 31, 2007

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries
Entry and Re-entry by Diagnosed Disability (FFY 2012)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by diagnosed disability, FFY 2012

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries
Entry and Re-entry by Reasons for Removal (Aug 1, 2006 – July 31, 2007)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by reasons for removal, Aug 1, 2006 – Jul 31, 2007

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries
Entry and Re-entry by Reasons for Removal (FFY 2012)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by reasons for removal, FFY 2012

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries
Entry and Re-entry by Placement Setting
(Aug 1, 2006 – July 31, 2007)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by current placement setting, Aug 1, 2006 – Jul 31, 2007

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries. Current placement setting
Entry and Re-entry by Placement Setting (FFY 2012)

New entries to foster care and re-entries within 12 months of discharge from a previous episode, by current placement setting, FFY 2012

Source: RICHIST
All entries and re-entries. Current placement setting
Long-Term Foster Care (LTFC) Placement

A Statewide Entry Cohort Analysis
January 2006 – August 2009
Followed through November 2010

**Source:** RICHIST

As compared to infants (under 2): 24% less likely for ages 11-15, 60% less likely for ages 16+.

as compared to females

No Effect

Male

Source: RICHIST

Source: RICHIST

- DSM Diagnosis: 78% more likely
- Disability: 86% more likely
- Title XIX: 36% more likely

*Source: RICHIST*

as compared to that reason not present

Abuse: 25% more likely
Neglect: 33% more likely
Parent Alc/Drug Use: 37% more likely
Child Behavior: 39% less likely
Child Disability: 96% more likely
Other Reasons: 42% more likely

Source: RICHIST

as compared to Relative Foster Home

No effect

25% less likely

25% less likely

Source: RICHIST
Two Factors in Combination Dramatically Increase Risk for LTFC

- Additional analyses indicate that 2 factors in combination dramatically increase the risk for LTFC: younger age and the presence of an identified DSM Diagnosis or disability/medical condition
  - Specifically, children under the age of 11 who also have a DSM Diagnosis or disability/medical condition have nearly double the rate of LTFC (61.3% vs. 31.3%)
  - This group numbers approximately 160 children per year, or less than 10% of foster care placements each year.