

Child Abuse/Neglect Statistics FY00 – FY08

Highlights

The number of children in substitute care in FY08 was only about half of what it was in FY00.

Between FY00 and FY08:

- The number of child reports investigated for abuse/neglect increased by about eight percent. The number decreased each year until FY04, when it began to increase again.
- The number of child reports with indicated victims of child abuse/neglect was 8.5% lower in FY08 than in FY00. However, FY08 had the largest number of indicated victims since FY00.
- The number of children taken into protective custody was up about 11% in FY08 over FY07. However the FY08 total was about 4% lower than in FY00.
- Indicated cases involving sexual abuse have decreased by about 27 percent.
- The number of indicated subsequent oral reports, which are reports where the family has been reported two or more times, decreased by 25 percent.
- The number of indicated substance exposed infants has decreased by 47 percent.

	FY00	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
Child Reports (Investigations)	103,578	100,447	98,304	97,426	104,257	111,837	110,239	111,743	111,898
Child Reports (Indicated)	32,713	28,873	27,305	27,629	27,512	27,562	26,618	28,461	29,940
Protective Custodies	5,060	5,163	4,951	5,073	4,664	5,013	4,804	4,386	4,880
Indicated Sexual Abuse	3,362	2,917	2,791	2,782	2,881	2,634	2,425	2,467	2,442
Indicated Substance-Exposed Infants	1,445	1,221	1,163	1,003	1,060	948	915	852	777
Indicated Subsequent Reports	7,574	6,581	5,831	5,470	5,366	5,464	5,065	5,534	5,650
% of Indicated Subsequent Reports*	39.2%	36.2%	37.6%	33.4%	33.4%	33.4%	31.9%	33.9%	34.5%
Children in Substitute Care	31,316	27,009	23,283	20,508	18,846	17,858	17,103	15,917	16,074
Indicated Death Victims	78	90	74	62	82	70	58	67	87

*Indicated subsequent reports as a percentage of all subsequent reports.