

**New York State Office of Children and Family Services  
Annual Foster Care and Child Protective Services Data Dictionary**

Data Label	Data Type	Data Description
County	String	Applicable county or Local District for Social Services (LDSS) in New York State. St. Regis Mohawk is a considered a LDSS and is reported as a separate county for this purpose.
Year	Date	Applicable year for activity.
Adoptive Home	Numeric	This is the total number of <b>care days</b> provided for children in an adoptive home. Adoptive homes include adoptive and/or adoption subsidized homes.
Agency Operated Boarding Home	Numeric	This is the total number of <b>care days</b> provided for children in foster care residing in an Agency Operated Boarding Home.
Approved Relative Home	Numeric	This is the total number of <b>care days</b> provided for children in foster care residing with a relative. The relative has been approved as a foster parent.
Foster Boarding Home	Numeric	This is the total number of <b>care days</b> provided for children in foster care residing in a regular non-relative foster home.
Group Home	Numeric	This is the total number of <b>care days</b> provided for children in foster care residing in a Congregate Care home.
Group Residence	Numeric	This is the total number of <b>care days</b> provided for children in foster care residing in a group residence. These are also considered congregate care for youth.
Institution	Numeric	This is the total number of <b>care days</b> provided for children in foster care residing in an Institution. This facility type is a larger facility for congregate care.
Supervised Independent Living	Numeric	This is the total number of <b>care days</b> provided for children in foster care, but living on their own. These young adults have been approved by OCFS to live on their own.
Other	Numeric	This is the total number of <b>care days</b> provided for children in foster care residing in residential treatment facilities, skilled nursing facilities, specialized schools, etc.

Data Label	Data Type	Data Description
Total Days In Care	Numeric	This is the total number of <b>care days</b> provided for children in foster care residing in all facility types.
Admissions		Total children <b>admitted</b> to foster care in the calendar year.
Discharges	Numeric	Total number of children discharged from care during the calendar year.
Children in Care	Numeric	Total number of children <b>in Foster Care on December 31 of the calendar year</b> . This is point in time data.
Number of children served	Numeric	Total number of <b>children served</b> during the year. This includes children that were admitted in previous years as well as those admitted during the given year. As a result, this is usually higher than both admissions and point in time in care.
Indicated Child Protective Services Reports	Numeric	This is the total number of Child Protective Services (CPS) reports that are indicated for abuse/maltreatment during a calendar year.