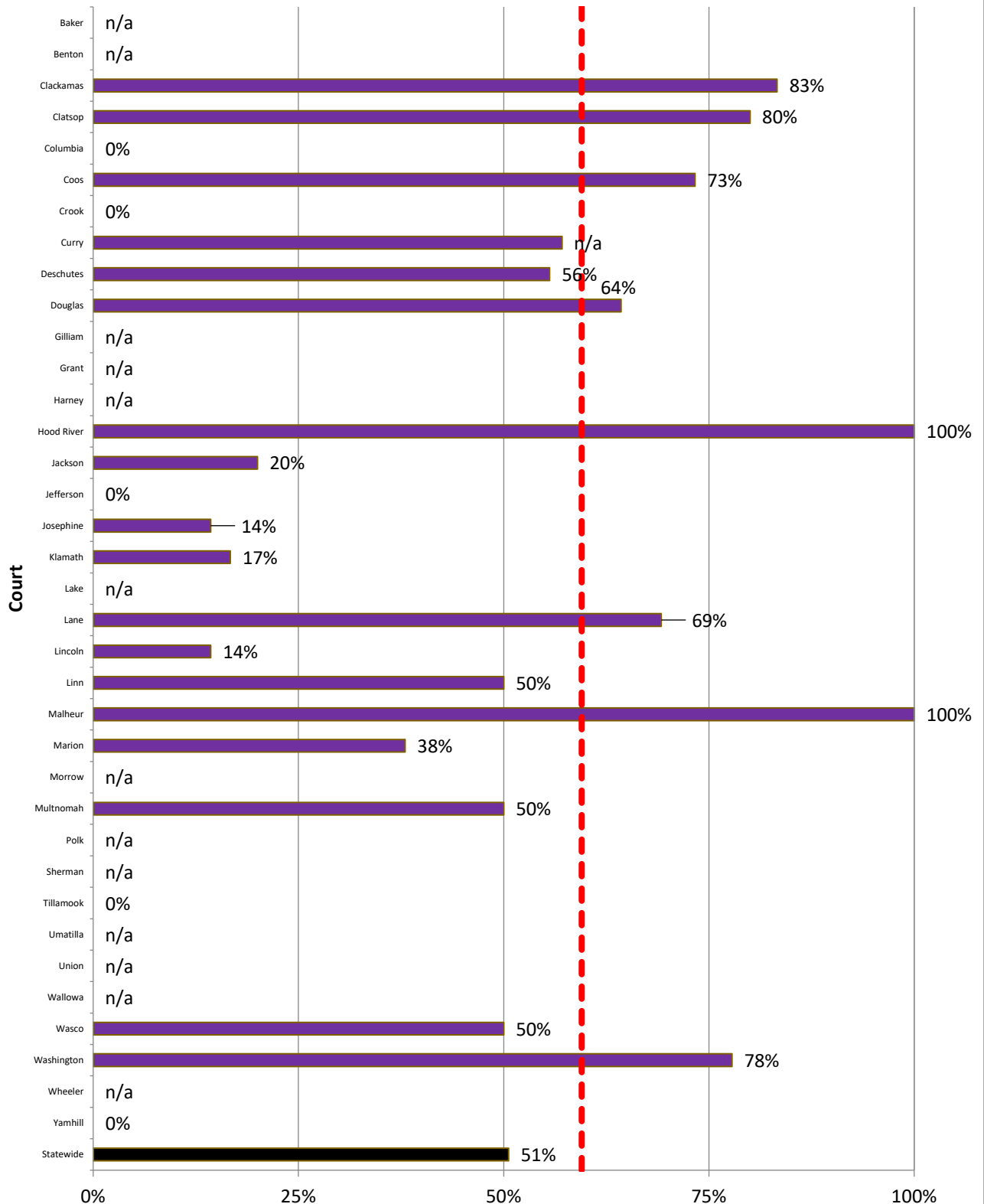


Adoptions Finalized within 12 Months of Becoming Legally-Free

(Data from DHS ROM Site for Children Who Became Legally-Free between April 1, 2018 and June 30, 2018)



Of Children Who Were Freed for Adoption in between January 1, 2018 and March 31, 2018, the Percent with an Adoption Finalized within 12 Months of Becoming Legally-Free

--- Statewide Target: 59.5%

Adoption Process Flowchart

Freeing Process

Critical Elements Addressed

- *All legal parties identified
- *ICWA Inquiry
- *Relative Search/Engagement
- *Absent Parent Search
- *Birth Certificate

Staffing:
With worker, supervisor, LAS and AAG/DDA for adoption approval

Relinquishment

TPR

*Adoption Referral Packet to C.O.
*OR-Kids Adoption Referral opened

Release/Surrender documents issued by C.O.

Release/Surrender documents signed by parent(s)

Affidavits completed (if applicable)

*To AAG/DDA: digital copy of file and witness list;
*To C.O: Adopt. Ref. packet
*OR-Kids Adoption Referral opened

TPR Petition filed

TPR trial scheduled/held

Appeal process if applicable

Placing Process

Permanency Committee (if applicable)

- Sibling Planning

Permanency Staffing (if applicable)

- *Relative Caregiver
- *Current Caretaker

Identify/Study Prospective Adoptive Families:

- *Relatives
- *Current Caretaker
- *Adoption Recruitment

ICPC Adoption Study and Approvals (if applicable)

Adoption Selection Process

USE APPLICABLE OPTION FROM FOLLOWING:

- *Caseworker Adoption Selection after input from child's team and consultation with supervisor
- *Local Adoption Committee-Adoption Decision Specialist
- *Central Adoption Committee-Adoption Decision Specialist

Full disclosure of information to adoptive parent

Transition, Placement, Supervision, Support

Placement Designation after all documents to C.O.

Mediation (when possible)

Finalization Process

Adoption Assistance Application, Negotiations, Agreements

Additional materials needed prior to adoption consent to C.O. (notice of adoption registry, medical records, recommendation to finalize etc.)

Legal Adoption Finalization

Consent for Adoption Materials prepared by C.O. and sent to attorney

Petition or Motion for Adoption and Exhibits filed by attorney

Adoption Finalization and Judgment signed



Child's Name: Dorothy Gale
 Child's DOB: 01/01/2009

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Document Description	Date Received	Document Status	Status Date
<u>Central Office Adoption Referral Open</u>			
Birth Certificate	3/1/2018	Verified	3/2/2018
Father(s) Questionnaire	3/1/2018	Verified	3/2/2018
ICWA Form/Memo Biological Father	3/1/2018	Verified	3/5/2018
ICWA Form/Memo Biological Mother	3/1/2018	Verified	3/5/2018
<u>Placement Designation</u>			
Child Summary	3/30/2018	Verified	4/5/2018
Genetic & Medical History	3/30/2018	Verified	4/5/2018
Adoption Home Study			
Placement Selection Report			
Legal Risk Designation Date		N/A	N/A
Legally Free Designation Date		N/A	N/A
<u>Child Legally Free</u>			
TPR Judgement Mother			
Relinquishment Father			
Date Child Legally Free		N/A	N/A
<u>Adoption Assistance</u>			
Adoption Assistance Application			
Adoption Assistance Agreement Document Sent:			
Legal Fees Agreement Document Sent:			
<u>Required Prior to Adoption Finalization</u>			
Birth Records	3/30/2018	Verified	4/5/2018
Required Information for Adoptive Parents			
Mediation Referral			
Post Adoption Communication Agreement/Memo			
Medical Records	3/30/2018	Pending	
Statement of Verification/Adoption Registry Notice Adoptive Parent(s)			
Statement of Verification/Adoption Registry Notice Biological Father			
Statement of Verification/Adoption Registry Notice Biological Mother			
Recommendation to Finalize			
<u>Legal Adoption Finalization</u>			
Vendor/Non-Vendor Attorney Name		N/A	N/A
Ready to Finalize Date		N/A	N/A
Date Consent Sent		N/A	N/A
Final Judgment of Adoption		N/A	N/A

1. **Date Received:** date document was received in Central Office (CO).

2. **Document Status:** status of CO's review/ approval of any documents received.

- If blank, CO has not reviewed the document.
- If pending, CO has reviewed the document; however, additional information or corrections are needed.
- If verified, CO has reviewed and approved the document.
- If N/A, no review or approval is necessary.

3. **Status Date:** date document was reviewed and listed as pending or verified. This date will change when status is changed from pending to verified.

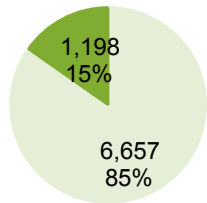
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Children in Out-of-Home Care Who Are Legally Free for Adoption

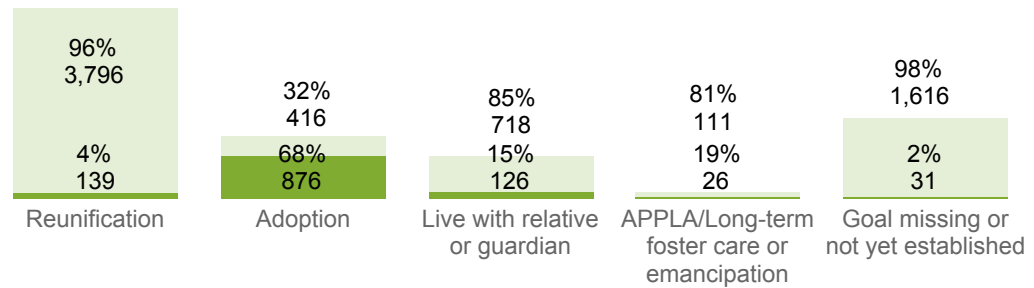
On September 30, 2017, there were **7,855** children and youth (ages 0–17) in out-of-home care. Of those, **1,198** were legally free for adoption.*

Legally Free for Adoption? ■ Yes ■ No

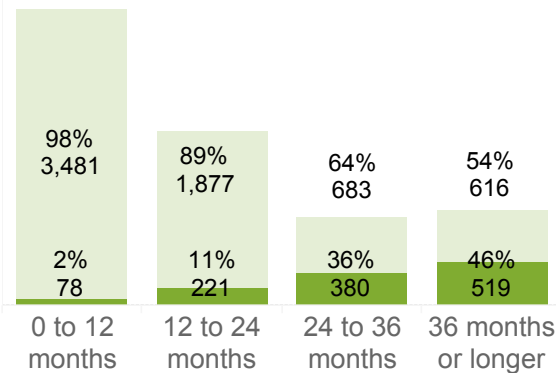
How many children in out-of-home care are legally free for adoption? (Both parents have a termination of parental rights [TPR] date that is prior to the end of the fiscal year)



How many children with a goal of adoption are legally free?*** Of the children and youth in care with a primary goal of adoption, 68% are legally free for adoption.



Legally free by time in care:** Of the children and youth in care 3 years or longer, 46% are legally free for adoption.



How long have children been legally free?*** Of the legally free children and youth in care 3 years or longer, 34% have been legally free for more than 3 years.

Time in care (this episode)	Time Since Legally Free				
	Less than 6 mos	6 mos to less than 1 year	1 to 2 yrs	2 to 3 yrs	3 years or longer
0 to 12 months	12% (9)	4%	1%		82% (64)
12 to 24 months	56% (124)	27% (60)	1%	0%	15% (34)
24 to 36 months	32% (123)	39% (149)	23% (87)	1%	4% (17)
36 months or longer	9% (48)	13% (70)	32% (164)	11% (58)	34% (179)

Data source: AFCARS FY 2017 v1. Annual foster care file obtained from NDACAN.

*Legally free is determined by the presence of a TPR date for both parents that is prior to the end of the fiscal year.

**Numbers not shown when fewer than five children or youth and percentages less than 0.5 may show as 0% due to rounding.

Adoption Breakout Notes



Discipline _____

How can we decrease the length of time to adoption?

	Identified barrier	Strategy
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