

MARYLAND'S CHILDREN 2015

Maryland's Children At a Glance¹

State Population ²	5,928,814	Poverty Rate, Children Under 18 ⁵	13.6%
Population, Children Under 18 ³	1,344,457	Poverty Rate, Children Ages 5–17 ⁶	12.1%
State Poverty Rate ⁴	10.1%	Poverty Rate, Children Under 5 ⁷	16.4%

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

- In 2013, Maryland had 53,654 total referrals for child abuse and neglect. Of those, 24,676 reports were referred for investigation.⁸
- In 2013, 12,397 children were victims of abuse or neglect in Maryland, a rate of 9.2 per 1,000 children, representing a 5.5% decrease from 2012. Of these children, 74.3% were neglected, 21.5% were physically abused, and 14.4% were sexually abused.⁹
- The number of child victims has decreased 19.0% in comparison to the number of victims in 2009.¹⁰
- Maryland responds to lower risk, higher safety reports through alternative response services to address family issues. 233 reports were responded to in this way in 2013.¹¹
- In 2013, 27 children in Maryland died as a result of abuse or neglect.¹²
- In 2013, 4,467 children in Maryland lived apart from their families in out-of-home care, compared with 7,065 children in 2009. In 2012, 1,587 of the children living apart from their families were age 5 or younger, and 1,030 were 16 or older.¹³
- The number of children living apart from their families in out-of-home care has decreased 36.8% in comparison to the number of children in out-of-home care in 2009.¹⁴
- Of Maryland children in out-of-home care in 2013, 36.6% were white, 47.9% black, 6.8% Hispanic, 0.0% American Indian/Alaskan Native, 0.3% Asian or Pacific Islander and 4.8% of more than one race or ethnicity.¹⁵

ADOPTION, KINSHIP CARE, AND PERMANENT FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN

- Of the 3,047 children exiting out-of-home care in Maryland in 2012, 40% were reunited with their parents or other family members.¹⁶
- In 2013, 355 children were legally adopted through the public child welfare agency in Maryland, a 22.0% decrease from 455 in 2012.¹⁷
- Of the 4,467 children in out-of-home care in 2013, 498 or 11.1% were waiting to be adopted.¹⁸
- In 2013, approximately 49,583 Maryland grandparents had primary responsibility caring for their grandchildren.¹⁹
- Of the children in out-of-home care in 2012, 1,951 were living with relatives while in care.²⁰

CHILD POVERTY AND INCOME SUPPORT

- The total number of individuals receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) in Maryland decreased from 15,070 in 2013 to 12,218 in 2014, a decrease of 18.9%. The number of families receiving TANF in 2014 was 5,685, a 17.6% decrease from 2013.²¹
- From 2012-2013, for every 100 Maryland families living in poverty, only 31 received TANF benefits.²²
- In 2013, \$561,298,490 was spent in Maryland on TANF assistance, including 25% on basic assistance, 0% on child care, 0% on transportation, and 75% on nonassistance.²³



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- In 2013, \$74,718,417 was spent on WIC (the Special Supplement Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children) in Maryland, serving 144,611 participants.²⁴
- In 2013, Maryland distributed \$518,529,331 in child support funds, a 0.7% increase from 2012.²⁵
- In 2013 in Maryland, 478,000 children lived in households with a high housing burden, where more than 30% of monthly income is spent on housing costs.²⁶

CHILD CARE AND HEAD START

- In 2013, Maryland had a monthly average of 17,300 children served by subsidized child care; 18,900 children received subsidized child care in 2012 and 24,400 in 2011.²⁷
- In 2014, to be eligible for subsidized child care in Maryland, a family of three could make no more than \$29,990, which is equivalent to 34% of the state's median income.²⁸
- As of early 2014, Maryland had 1,643 children on its waiting list for child care assistance.²⁹
- In 2013, Head Start served 10,475 Maryland children, a 3.8% decrease from 2012.³⁰

HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

- In 2014, 458,400 children younger than 19 were enrolled in Medicaid in Maryland—60% of the total number of enrollees in the state.³¹
- In 2012, Maryland had 131,898 children enrolled in its State Children's Health Insurance Program, a 10.0% increase from 2011, when 119,906 children were enrolled.³²
- In 2013, Maryland had 59,285 uninsured children.³³
- In 2012, 6,417 babies were born weighing less than 2,500 grams in Maryland.³⁴
- In 2011, 494 infants under age 1 died in Maryland.³⁵
- In 2012, the birth rate for teens 15–17 in Maryland was 10 births per 1,000 girls; for teens 18–19, the rate was 39. This reflects a total rate of 22 births per 1,000 girls ages 15–19.³⁶
- Cumulative through 2013, 39,617 adults and adolescents, as well as 331 children younger than 13, were reported as having HIV/AIDS in Maryland.³⁷
- In 2013, an estimated 24,000 children ages 12–17 and 309,000 adults age 18 and older were dependent on or abusing illicit drugs or alcohol in Maryland.³⁸

VULNERABLE YOUTH

- In 2011, 575 children aged out of out-of-home care—exited foster care to emancipation—in Maryland.³⁹
- In 2013, 22,000 Maryland teens ages 16–19 were not enrolled in school and were not working.⁴⁰
- In 2013, 77,000 young adults ages 18–24 were not enrolled in school, were not working, and had no degree beyond high school.⁴¹
- In 2013, approximately 14,000 children ages 12–17 in Maryland needed but had not received treatment for illicit drug use in the past year.⁴²
- In 2013, approximately 12,000 children ages 12–17 needed but had not received treatment for alcohol use in the past year.⁴³
- In 2013, 30 Maryland children younger than 20 committed suicide, a rate of 1.99 per 100,000 children.⁴⁴

JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION

- In 2013, 43 children under age 19 were killed by a firearm in Maryland, a 28.3% decrease from 60 in 2012.⁴⁵
- In 2013, 15,429 children younger than 18 were arrested in Maryland, a 35% decrease from 23,556 arrests in 2012. Of the arrests in 2013, 1,172 were for violent crimes.⁴⁶
- In 2013, 939 children lived in juvenile correction facilities in Maryland.⁴⁷

CHILD WELFARE WORKFORCE⁴⁸

- A 2003 General Accounting Office (GAO) report documented that staff shortages, high caseloads, high worker turnover and low salaries impinge on delivering services to achieve safety, permanence, and well being for children. In Children's Rights 2009, A Long Road Home report, similar challenges to the child welfare caseworkers were identified, in addition to no standard training or consistent background requirements, need for meaningful supervision, and lack of private workspace, technology and other resources.⁴⁹
- The federal Child and Family Service Reviews have clearly demonstrated that the more time a caseworker spends with a child and family, the better the outcomes for those children and families.⁵⁰
- According to the 2003 GAO report, the average caseload for child welfare/foster care caseworkers is 24–31 children; these high caseloads contribute to high worker turnover and insufficient services being provided to children and families. CWLA recommends that foster care caseworkers have caseloads of 12–15 children.⁵¹
- The National Association of Social Workers 2012 Document to the Obama Administration called for full funding of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) and Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF), protection of the Social Security Block Grant (SSBG) from budget cuts and elimination, a variety of child maltreatment prevention services to be available through programs serving children and families (e.g., TANF, Head Start, etc.), maximization of collaboration amongst different systems (e.g., Child Welfare, Public Health, Juvenile Justice, etc.) to improve integration, culturally and linguistically appropriate delivery of services, identification and implementation of evidence-based practices, and incentivization of BSW and MSW students to join the child welfare workforce.⁵²

FUNDING CHILD WELFARE SERVICES FOR MARYLAND'S CHILDREN

- In 2012, Maryland spent \$545,582,756 for child welfare services. Child welfare services are all direct and administrative services the state agency provides to children and families. Of this amount, \$201,115,217 was from federal funds, \$337,672,555 from state funds, and \$6,794,984 from local funds.⁵³
- In 2012, of the \$201,115,217 in federal funds received for child welfare, 45.8% was from Title IV-E Foster Care and Adoption Assistance, 3.9% came from Title IV-B Child Welfare Services and Promoting Safe and Stable Families, 15.5% was from Medicaid, 12.9% came from Social Services Block Grant, 21.3% was from TANF, and 0.6% came from other federal sources.⁵⁴
- Maryland received \$58,989,764 in federal funds for IV-E foster care expenditures in 2012, including \$37,787,640 for maintenance payments and \$21,202,124 for administration, child placement, the statewide automated child welfare information system, and training.⁵⁵

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Note: The component funding streams may not equal the total, depending on additional child support and demonstration funds for this state.