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## Child Maltreatment

- In 2022, California had $\mathbf{3 8 2 , 1 4 5}$ total referrals for child abuse and neglect. Of those, 192,197 were screened in for response by CPS.
- 50,869 child victims of abuse or neglect, at a rate of 6 children per 1,000 ( $20.3 \%$ decrease since 2018).
- Of the 50,869 children, 40,083 were first-time victims.
- Largest age group of victims $=<1$ years, representing 8,425 of the 50,869 cases.

Types of Maltreatment Victims, $\underline{\underline{2022}}$


Plans for Safe Care

- In 2022, California reported $\mathbf{2 , 9 7 0}$ infants screened with prenatal substance exposure.
- California reported 1,313 plans of safe care for screened-in infants.

California has a Family First plan approved by the administration.

Child Victims by Race or Ethnicity, 2022


Perpetrators of child maltreatment (2022):

- $\underline{86 \%}=$ parents of the child.
- $14 \%=$ non-parents or unknown relationship.
Child victims (2022):
- $53 \%$ = female; $47 \%=$ male.
- Child fatalities increased from $\underline{135}$ in 2021 to 164 in 2022.
- California reported 74 total child victims of sex trafficking.
- Post-response services given to $\mathbf{3 4 , 7 8 9}$ victims and 295,721 non-victims.

Age Distribution of Maltreatment


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## Foster Care and Adoptions

- $\underline{67,699}$ total children were served by the foster care system in FY 2022.
- 45,924 in care as of 09/30/2022.
- During 2022, 20,609 children entered care and 21,775 exited.
- 5,864 children were adopted; 15,349 were waiting to be adopted.
- $4.1 \%$ decrease in the number of children in care between 2021-2022. Adoptions from the system also decreased by $6.1 \%$ from 2021.

Duration in Care, 2021


## Juvenile Justice

- $\mathbf{3 8}, \mathbf{6 1 7}$ total arrests for children under 18 in 2019.
- 832 for Disorderly Conduct.
- 6,539 for Property Crimes.
- 2,459 for Drug Abuse Violations.
- $2, \mathbf{3 8 5}$ children lived in juvenile correction facilities in 2021 (decrease from 4,131 kids in 2019; 42.3\% decline).

Where are Children in Foster Care Staying? 2021


Group Home/Institution 6\%

- In $2021, \mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1 1 0}$ children exited foster care due to age ( $2.9 \%$ increase from 2020).
- 22,707 children were living with nonrelatives; 17,028 stayed with a relative.
- 2,590 children were staying in group homes or institutions; 707 children classified as runaways.
- $\underline{5 \%}$ of households had a grandparent living with a grandchild.

Adoption, $\underline{2020}$
Average age of children waiting to be adopted

Average age of adopted children

Years
The decline since 2019 of children living in juvenile correction facilities.

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## Child Poverty

- $\underline{2}, \underline{417}, \underline{000}$ children lived with parents who lacked secure employment in 2022 ( $28 \%$ of all children).
- $41 \%$ of children lived in households with a high housing cost burden.
- Average number of TANF recipients rose from $\mathbf{6 0 6}, \mathbf{7 8 3}$ in 2021 to $\underline{712, \underline{007}}$ in 2022 ( $17.4 \%$ increase).


## Child Poverty Over Time



## Health

- 287,000 children had no health insurance in 2022 ( $10.6 \%$ increase from 2021).
- $\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{8 9 9}, \mathbf{0 0 0}$ children were enrolled in Medicaid in 2022 ( $2.8 \%$ decrease from 2021).
- $1,601,751$ children in California were in the state Children Health Insurance
Program (CHIP) in 2021 (11.6\% decrease from 2020).
- The state spent $\mathbf{\$ 3 2 9 , 2 0 2 , 9 9 6}$ on WIC in 2022 , serving 936,127 people: a $1.2 \%$ decrease in total participants and $0.91 \%$ increase in spending since 2021.
- $\mathbf{4 , 1 0 4 , 0 6 0}$ people were food insecure in 2021, including 1,182,720 children.
- $49.2 \%$ of households receiving SNAP benefits in 2019 had children.


## Teens \& Youth

- $\mathbf{1 3 0}, \mathbf{0 0 0}$ youth ( $16-19 \mathrm{yrs}$ ) were not in school nor working in 2022 (6\%)
- In 2020, there were 49 reports of suicide among children aged 10-14 and 473 reports among ages 15-24.
- 290 children < 19 yrs were killed by a firearm in California in 2020.


## Health Insurance Coverage for Children, $\underline{2021}$

 46.4\%

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Percentage of All Preterm Births by Race or Ethnicity, 2021


## Funding for Child Welfare Services

- California spent $\mathbf{\$ 3}, \mathbf{0 8 9}, \mathbf{4 2 5}, \mathbf{4 7 4 . 0 2}$ on child welfare services in 2020 .
- Child welfare services $=$ direct and administrative services
- $\$ 3,075,750,760.02=$ from the federal government
- State and local funds were not reported.
- 30,605 low birth-weight babies (<5.5lbs) born in 2021 ( $7.3 \%$ of births).
- $\mathbf{3 8 , 4 4 3}$ preterm births (<37wks) in 2021 ( $9.14 \%$ of births).
- 7.66\% of all White babies
- $12.67 \%$ of all Black babies
- $\underline{12,480}$ births to mothers aged 15-19 in 2021 -- a rate of 10 in every 1,000 teen girls.
- 1,704 infants aged $<1 \mathrm{yr}$ died in 2021; a rate of 4.1 per 1,000.


## Medicaid Expansion

California has been a Medicaid expansion state since $01 / 01 / 2014$.

Federal Funding Sources, $\underline{\mathbf{0 2 0}}$


The significant funding sectors of the $\$ \mathbf{3}, \underline{075}, 750,760.02$ in federal funding received in California in 2020:

- $\$ 799,928,812$ as part of the Title IV-E Total Foster Care Program.
- $\$ 599,101,241$ as part of the Title IV-E Adoption Assistance Program.
- California's sum of expenditures for Social Service Block Grants in 2021 was $\mathbf{\$ 5 4 8}, \mathbf{0 0 4 , 4 7 1}$

