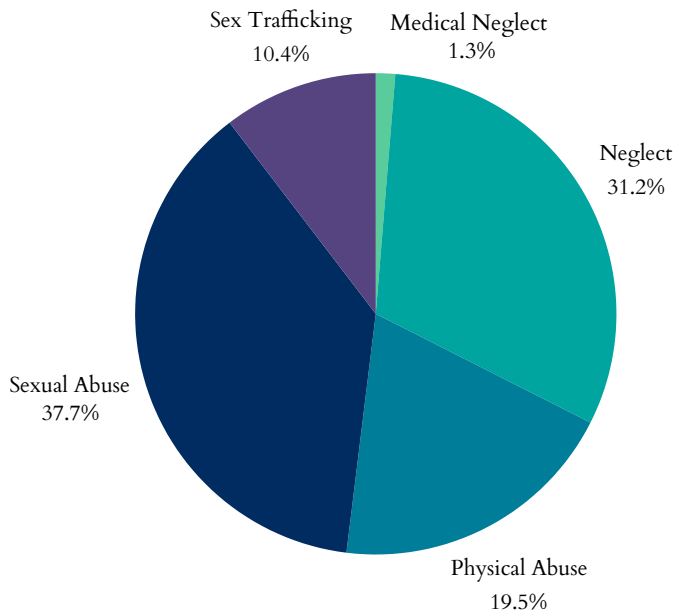


# Hawaii's Children

## Child Maltreatment

- In 2023, Hawaii had **5,841** total referrals for child abuse and neglect. Of those, 2,317 were screened in for response by CPS.
- **831** were child victims of abuse or neglect, at a rate of 2.8 children per 1,000 (38.1% decrease since 2019).
- Of the 831 children, **668** were first-time victims.
- Largest age group of victims = **<1 years**, representing 153 of the 831 cases.

## Types of Maltreatment Victims, 2023



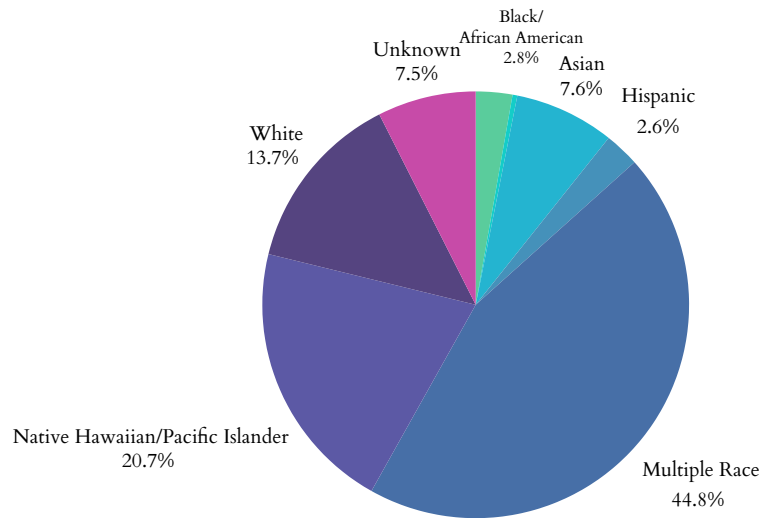
## Workforce

There are **950** child, family, and school social workers in Hawaii with a median wage of **\$32.36** (compared to Hawaii's minimum wage: **\$14.00**)



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## Child Victims by Race or Ethnicity, 2023



## Perpetrators of child maltreatment (2023):

- **87%** = parents of the child.
- **13%** = non-parents or unknown relationship.

## Child victims (2023):

- **49%** = female; **51%** = male.

- Child fatalities decreased from **5** in 2022 to **2** in 2023.
- Hawaii reported **8** total child victim of sex trafficking.
- Post-response services given to **493** victims and **448** non-victims.

## Age Distribution of Maltreatment Victims, 2023

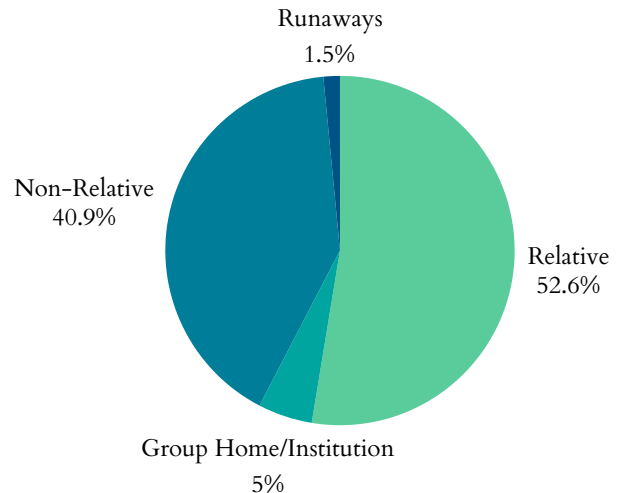


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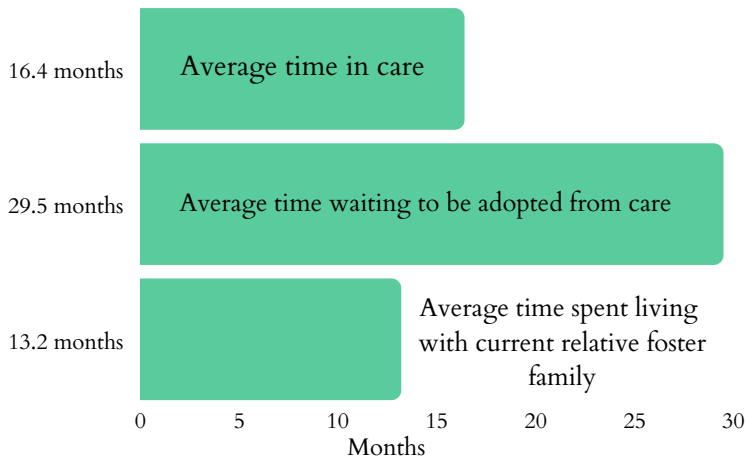
## Foster Care and Adoptions

- 2,292 total children were served by the foster care system in FY 2022.
- 1,340 in care as of 09/30/2022.
- During 2022, **906** children entered care and **952** exited.
- 158 children were adopted; 249 were waiting to be adopted.
- 5.5% decrease in the number of children in care between 2021-2022. Adoptions from the system also decreased by 42.1% from 2021.

### Where are Children in Foster Care Staying? 2021



### Duration in Care, 2021



- In 2021, **69** children exited foster care due to age (25% decrease from 2020).
- 536 children were living with non-relatives; 690 stayed with a relative.
- 66 children were staying in group homes or institutions; 20 children classified as runaways.
- 7% of households had a grandparent living with a grandchild.

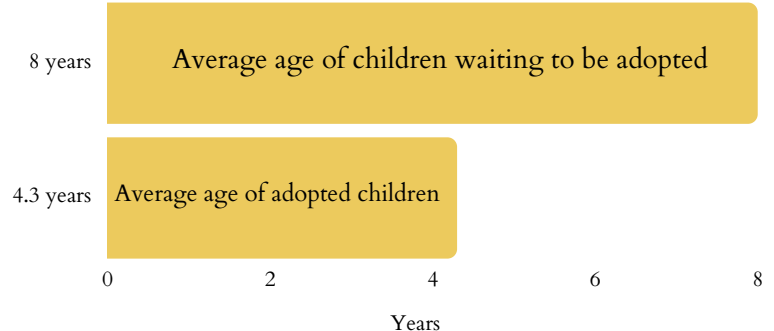
**25%**

The decrease since 2020 in children transitioning from foster care to independence.

### Juvenile Justice

- 1,849 total arrests for children under 18 in 2019.
- 43 for Disorderly Conduct.
- 297 for Property Crimes.
- 274 for Drug Abuse Violations.
- 27 children lived in juvenile correction facilities in 2021 (decrease from 63 kids in 2019; 57% decline).

### Adoption, 2020



**57%**

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

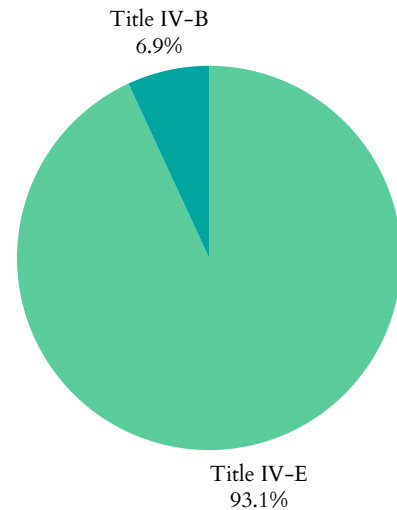


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## Funding for Child Welfare Services

- Hawaii spent **\$71,496,056.33** on child welfare services in 2020
  - Child welfare services = direct and administrative services
- **\$40,062,506** = from the federal government
- **\$31,433,550.33** = from state and local funds

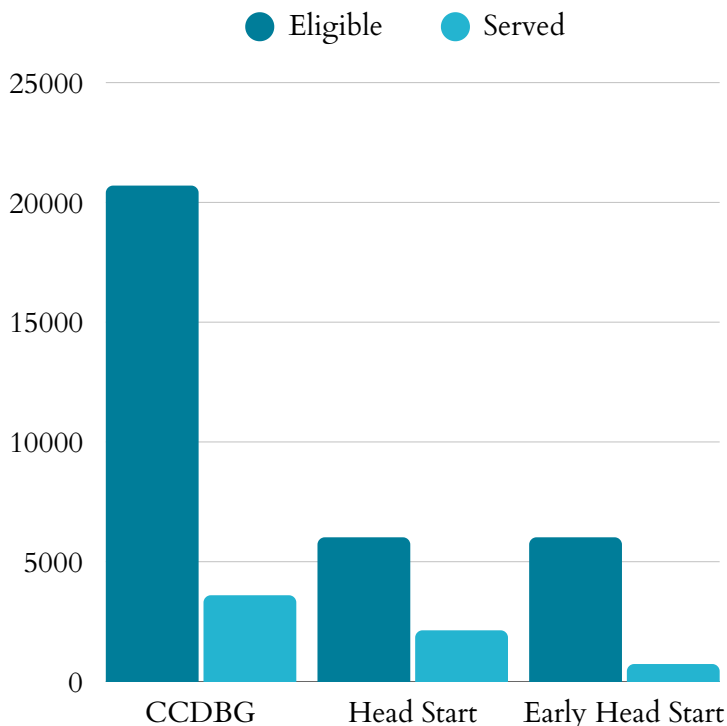
## Federal Funding Sources, 2020



The significant funding sectors of the **\$40,062,506** in federal funding received in Hawaii in 2020:

- **\$16,079,690** as part of the Title IV-E Total Foster Care Program.
- **\$16,147,813** as part of the Title IV-E Adoption Assistance Program.
- Hawaii's sum of expenditures for Social Service Block Grants in 2022 was **\$20,027,723**

## Child Care & Early Learning



- **35%** of Head Start eligible children are enrolled
- **12%** of Early Head Start eligible children are enrolled
- **17%** of Child Care & Development Block Grant eligible children 5 and under are served

- **\$22,585** annual cost of center-based infant care
- **\$11,162** annual cost of home-based infant care

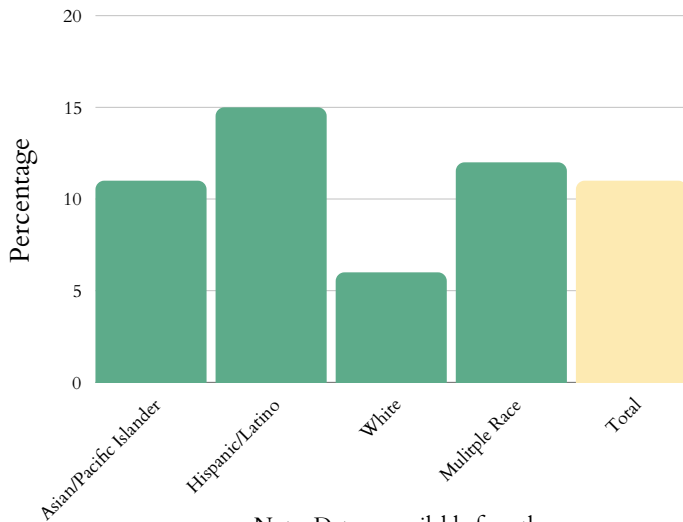


# Hawaii's Children

## Child Poverty

- **82,000** children lived with parents who lacked secure employment in 2023 (28% of all children).
- Average number of TANF recipients fell from **13,326** in 2022 to **8,641** in 2023 (35% decrease).

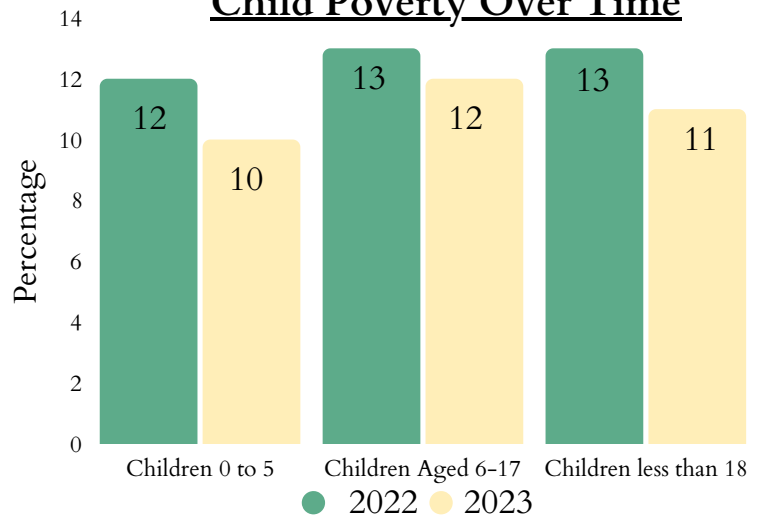
### Child Poverty by Race or Ethnicity, 2023



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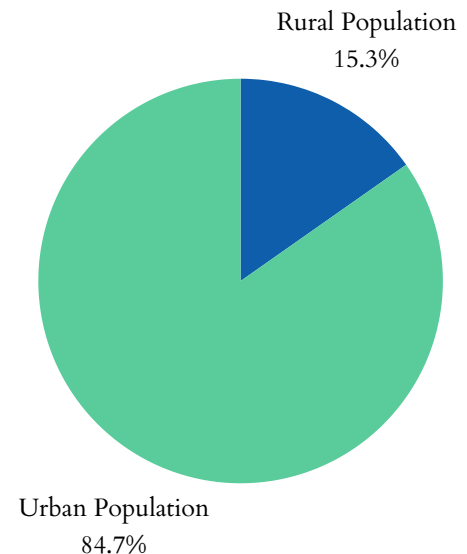
- **1,240** children, from birth to three-years-old, are experiencing homelessness (1.97%)
- **29.4%** of households receiving the Low Income Housing Tax Credit report having at least one member under 18
- **35%** of children lived in households with a high housing cost burden.
- **11,498** total Hawaii residents living in public housing

### Child Poverty Over Time



- The state spent **\$8,933,408** on WIC in 2023, serving **26,116** people: a 1% increase in total participants and 3% decrease in spending since 2022.
- **188,280** people were food insecure between 2021 and 2023, including 61,440 children.
- **32.7%** of households receiving SNAP benefits in 2021 had children.

### Total Urban vs. Rural Population of Hawaii, 2020

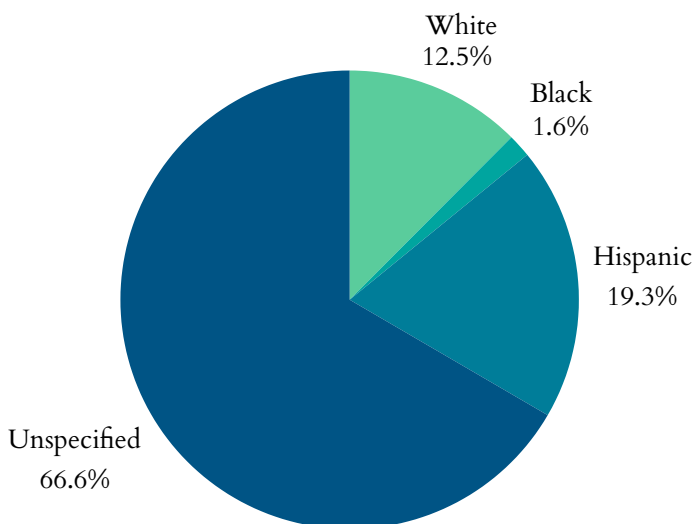


# Hawaii's Children

## Health

- **1,290** low birth-weight babies (<5.5lbs) born in 2023 (8.7% of births).
- **1,524** preterm births (<37wks) in 2022 (9.82% of births).
  - 6.56% of all White babies
  - 7.67% of all Black babies
- **423** births to mothers aged 15-19 in 2023 -- a rate of 11 in every 1,000 teen girls.
- **70** infants aged <1yr died in 2023; a rate of 4.7 per 1,000.

Percentage of All Preterm Births by Race or Ethnicity, 2022



## Medicaid Expansion

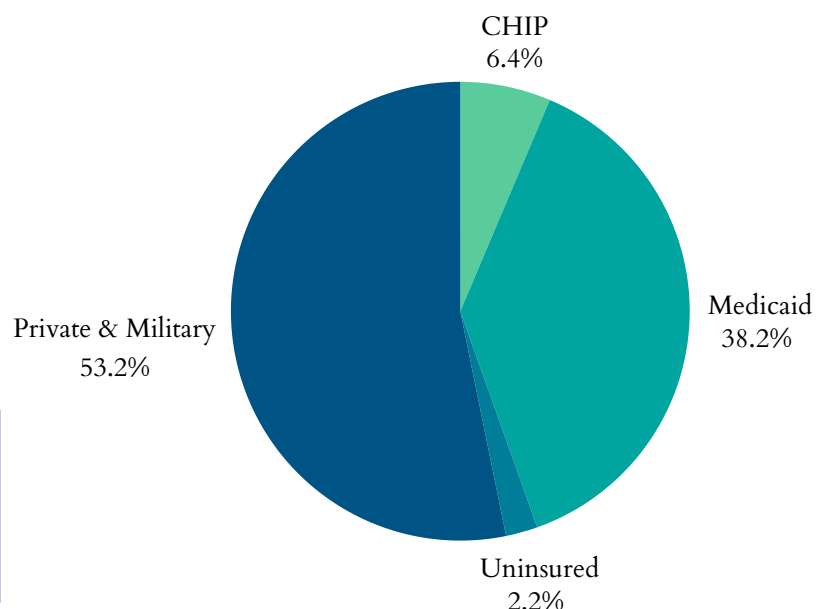
Hawaii became a Medicaid expansion state on 1/1/2014.

## Maternal Mortality

- **13** Hawaii women died while pregnant, or within 42 days post pregnancy from any cause relating to or aggravated by said pregnancy, excluding accidents and incidents
- For every 100,000 live births in Hawaii, there is an unknown number of maternal deaths

- **9,000** children had no health insurance in 2023 (0% change from 2022).
- **108,000** children were enrolled in Medicaid in 2023 (2% decrease from 2022).
- **25,533** children in Hawaii were in the state Children Health Insurance Program (CHIP) in 2021 (7.5% decrease from 2020).

Health Insurance Coverage for Children, 2021

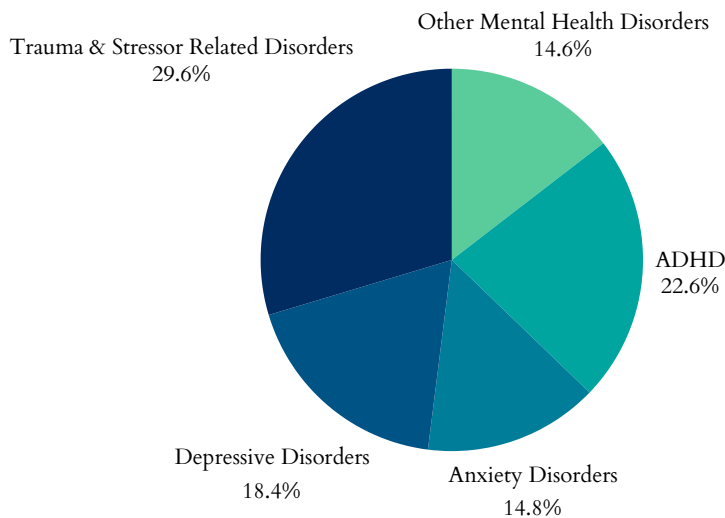


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## Zero to Three

- 67.4% of babies live above low-income
- 19.4% of babies live at low income
- 13.3% of babies live in poverty
- 3.9% of babies live in deep poverty
- 71.9% of new parents have at least one parent working full time

### Top 5 Mental Health Diagnoses Among Children, 2022



### Plans for Safe Care

- In 2023, Hawaii reported 0 infants screened in with prenatal substance exposure.
- Plans of safe care for screened-in infants were not needed.

Hawaii does have a Family First plan approved by the administration.

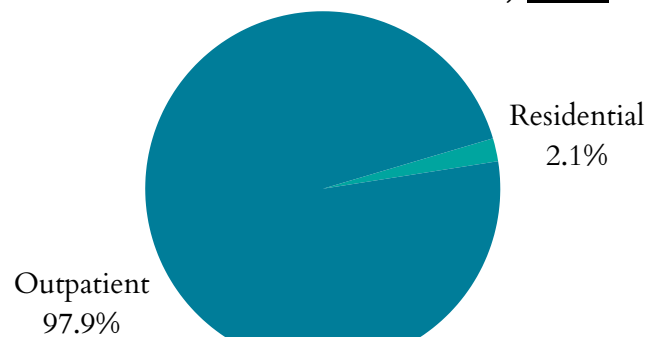
## Teens & Youth

- 4,000 youth (16-19yrs) were not in school nor working in 2023 (7%)
- Zero children <19yrs were killed by a firearm in Hawaii in 2020.

## Mental Health

- 1,685 children received mental health treatment in Hawaii in 2022 (0.1%)
- In 2022 there were 11.7 deaths from suicide per 100,000 adolescents aged 15-19 in Hawaii.

### Treatment Type for Youth with Substance Use Disorder, 2023



### Substance Use

- From 2015 to 2019, an average of 4,794 children in Hawaii (1.2% of the state's child population) lived with parents having a substance use disorder.
- On March 31st, 2023, 524 clients 18 and under were in treatment for SUD.

