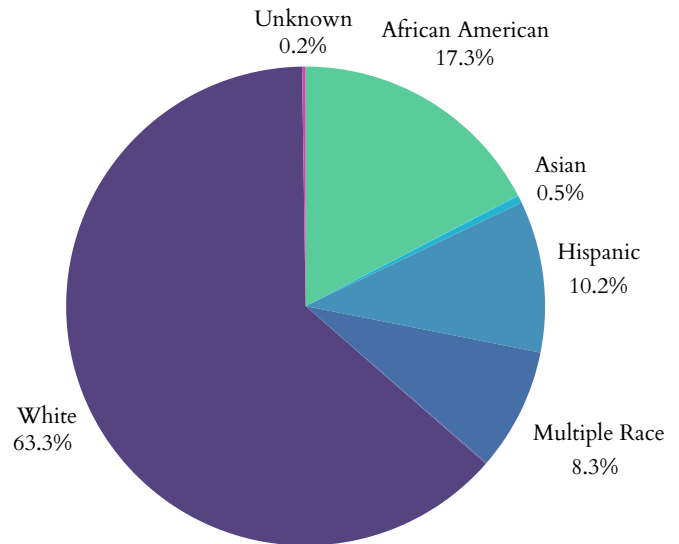


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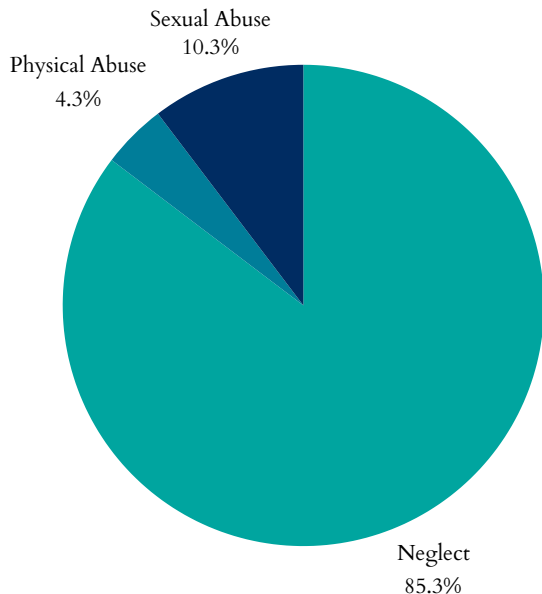
Child Maltreatment

- In 2023, Indiana had **99,718** total referrals for child abuse and neglect. All referrals were screened in for response by CPS.
- **18,267** child victims of abuse or neglect, at a rate of **11.5** children per 1,000 (**20.7%** decrease since 2019).
- Of the **18,267** children, **13,066** were first-time victims.
- Largest age group of victims = **<1 years**, representing **4,144** of the **18,267** cases.

Child Victims by Race or Ethnicity, 2023



Types of Maltreatment Victims, 2023



Perpetrators of child maltreatment (2023):

- **77%** = parents of the child.
- **23%** = non-parents or unknown relationship.

Child victims (2023):

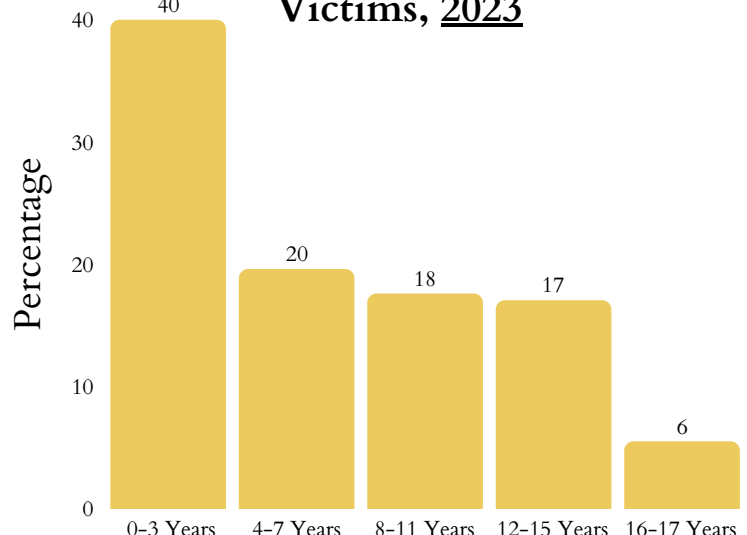
- **52%** = female; **47.9%** = male.

- Child fatalities increased from **62** in 2022 to **65** in 2023.
- Indiana reported **11** total child victims of sex trafficking.
- Post-response services given to **10,396** victims and **9,029** non-victims.

Workforce

There are **6,600** children, family, and school social workers in Indiana with a mean wage of **\$25.81** (compared to Indiana's minimum wage: **\$7.25**)

Age Distribution of Maltreatment Victims, 2023



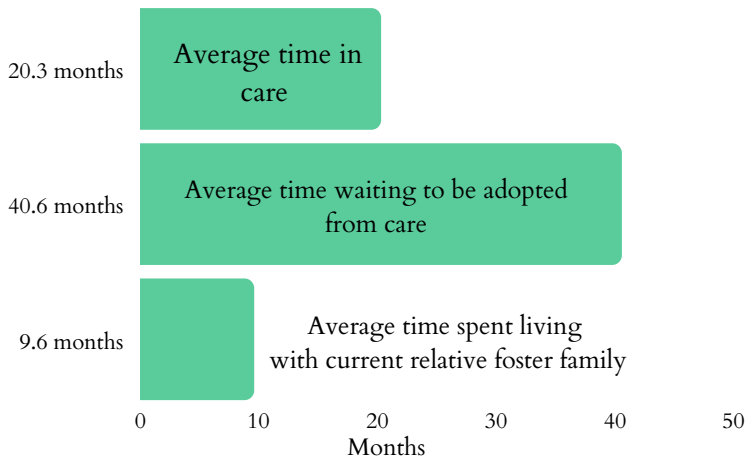
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Foster Care and Adoptions

- **19,201** total children were served by the foster care system in FY 2022.
- **11,457** in care as of 09/30/2022.
- During 2022, **6,212** children entered care and **7,744** exited.
- **1,872** children were adopted; **2,748** were waiting to be adopted.
- **13.5%** decrease in the number of children in care between 2021-2022. Adoptions from the system increased by **1.52%** from 2021.

Duration in Care, 2021



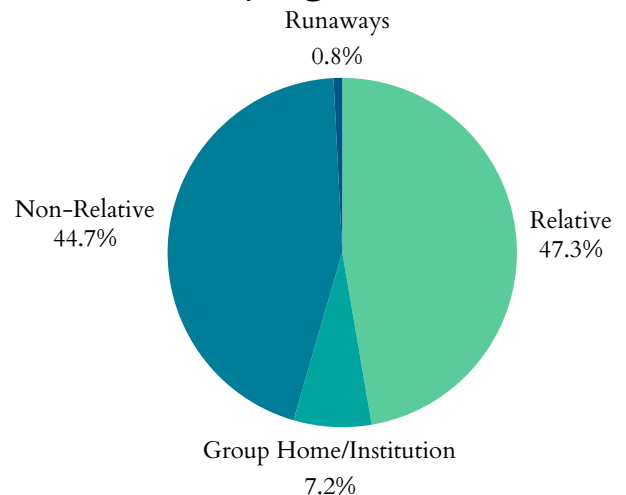
4.5%

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

Juvenile Justice

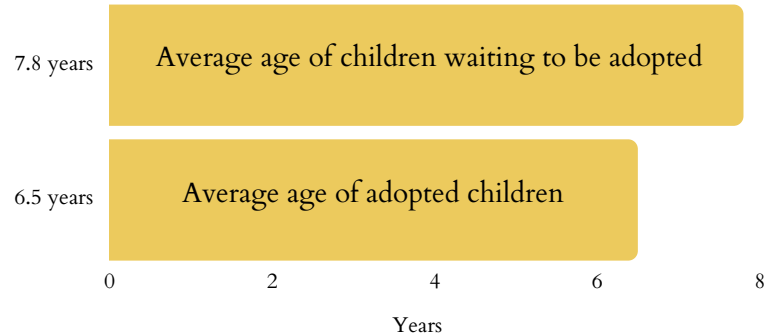
- **5,211** total arrests for children under 18 in 2019.
- **292** for Disorderly Conduct.
- **902** for Property Crimes.
- **780** for Drug Abuse Violations.
- **837** children lived in juvenile correction facilities in 2021 (decrease from **1,155** kids in 2019; **27.5%** decline).

Where are Children in Foster Care Staying? 2021



- In 2021, **327** children exited foster care due to age (**4.5%** increase from 2020).
- **4,540** children were living with non-relatives; **4,810** stayed with a relative.
- **736** children were staying in group homes or institutions; **78** children classified as runaways.
- **5%** of households had a grandparent living with a grandchild.

Adoption, 2020



27.5% The decline since 2019 of children living in juvenile correction facilities.

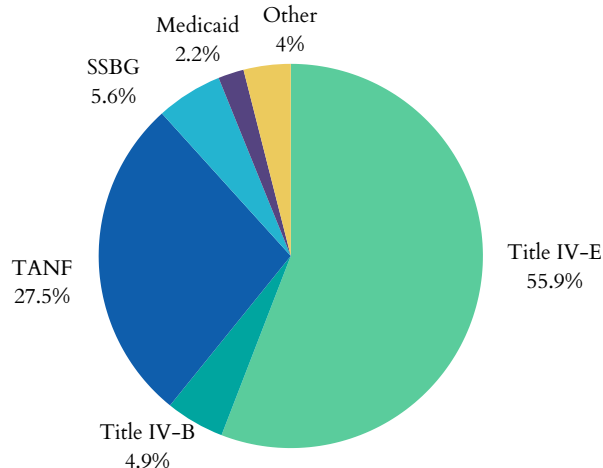


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Funding for Child Welfare Services

- Indiana spent **\$1,008,470,899.72** on child welfare services in 2020.
 - Child welfare services = direct and administrative services
- **\$238,393,162.16** = from the federal government.
- **\$716,027,936.25** = from state and local funds.

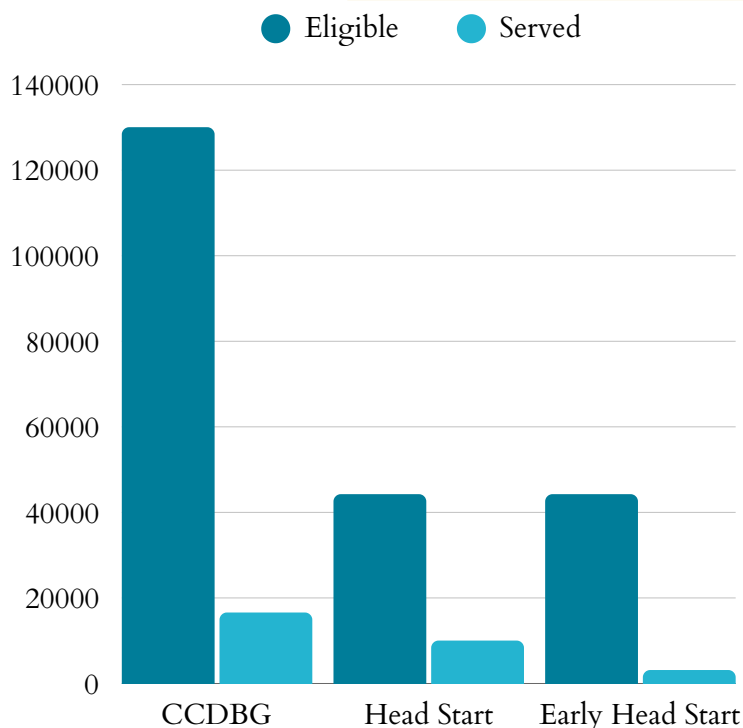
Federal Funding Sources, 2020



The significant funding sectors of the **\$238,393,162.16** in federal funding received in Indiana in 2020:

- **\$45,357,451.00** as part of the Title IV-E Total Foster Care Program.
- **\$67,564,687.10** as part of the Title IV-E Adoption Assistance Program.
- Indiana's sum of expenditures for Social Service Block Grants in 2022 was **\$31,985,210**

Child Care & Early Learning



- **23%** of Head Start eligible children are enrolled
- **7%** of Early Head Start eligible children are enrolled
- **13%** of Child Care & Development Block Grant eligible children 5 and under are served

- **\$13,736** annual cost of center-based infant care
- **\$8,845** annual cost of home-based infant care

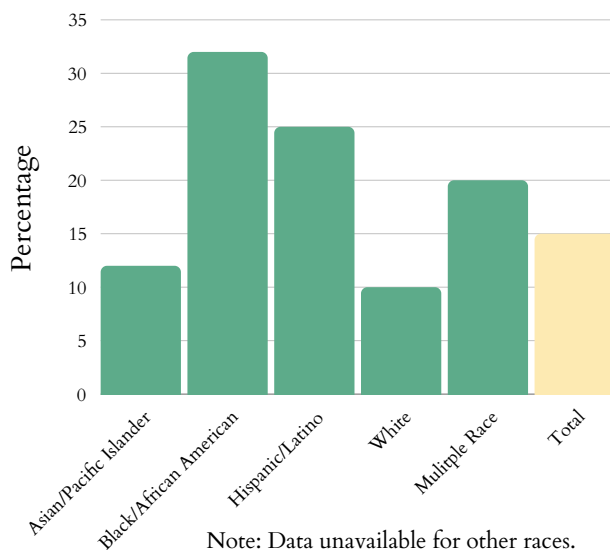


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Child Poverty

- 369,000 children lived with parents who lacked secure employment in 2023 (23% of all children).
- Average number of TANF recipients fell from 9,373 in 2022 to 4,438 in 2023 (52.6% decrease).

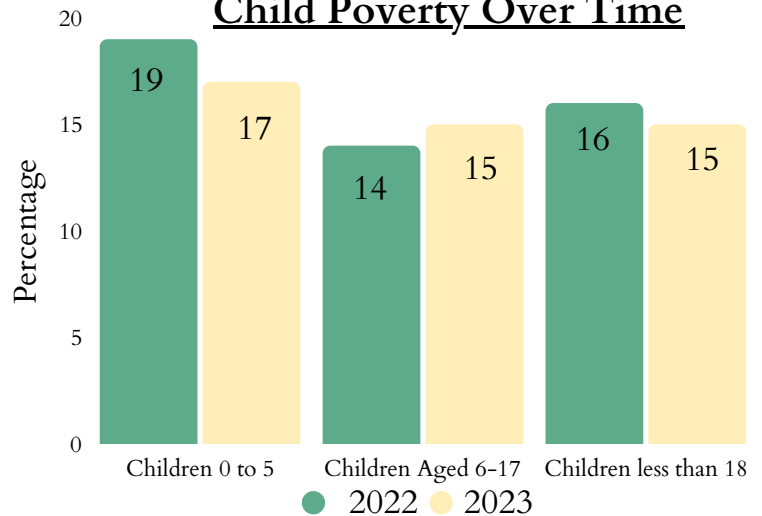
Child Poverty by Race or Ethnicity, 2023



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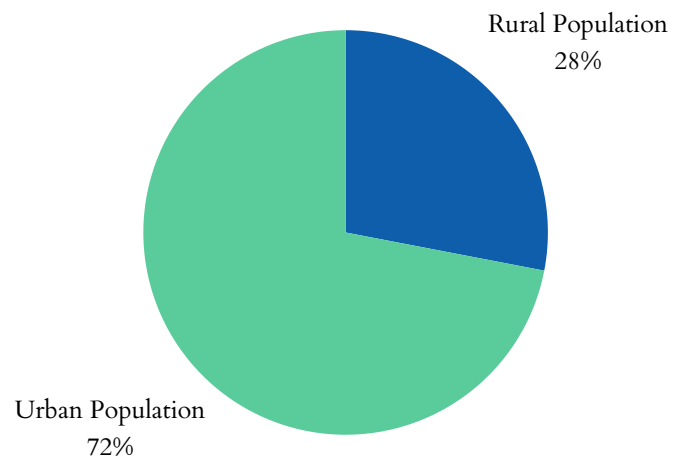
- 5,699 children, from birth to three-years-old, are experiencing homelessness (1.78%)
- 33.2% of households receiving the Low Income Housing Tax Credit report having at least one member under 18
- 22% of children lived in households with a high housing cost burden.
- 16,944 total Indiana residents living in public housing

Child Poverty Over Time



- The state spent \$109,801,518 on WIC in 2024, serving 151,760 people: a 3.94% increase in total participants and 23.5% increase in spending since 2023.
- 730,480 people were food insecure between 2021 and 2023, including 204,290 children.
- 46.3% of households receiving SNAP benefits in 2019 had children.

Total Urban vs. Rural Population of Indiana, 2020

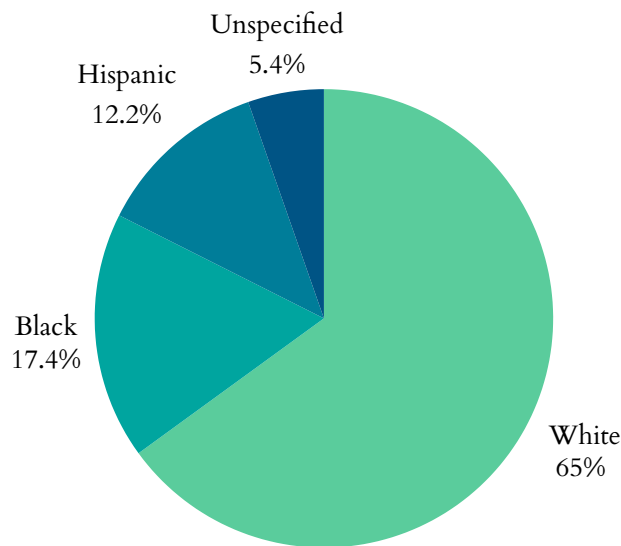


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Health

- 6,787 low birth-weight babies (<5.5lbs) born in 2023 (8.6% of births).
- 8,692 preterm births (<37wks) in 2022 (10.92%).
 - 10.24% of all White babies
 - 14.98% of all Black babies
- 3,605 births to mothers aged 15-19 in 2023 -- a rate of 16 in every 1,000 teen girls.
- 524 infants aged <1yr died in 2023 -- a rate of 7 per 1,000.

Percentage of All Preterm Births by Race or Ethnicity, 2022



Medicaid Expansion

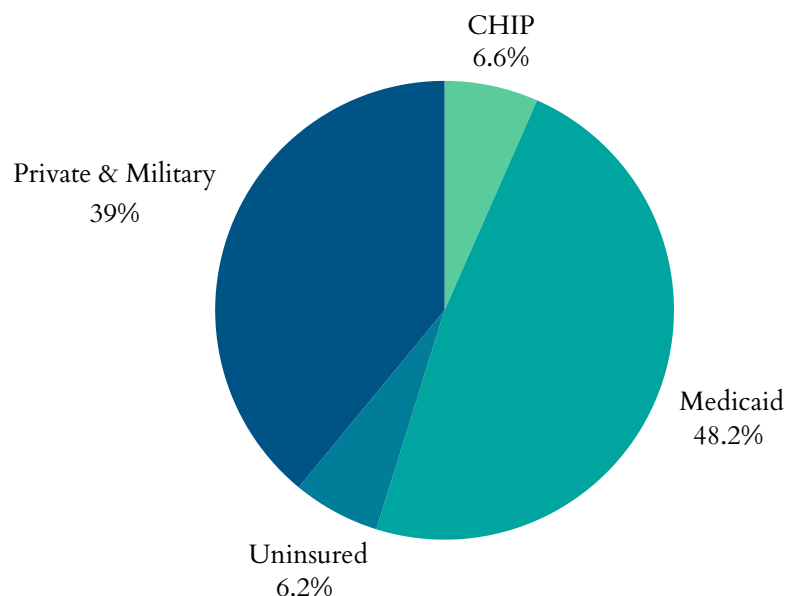
Indiana has been a Medicaid expansion state since 02/01/2015

Maternal Mortality

- 124 Indiana 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 Indiana, there are **31** maternal deaths.

- 98,000 children had no health insurance in 2023 (7.1% increase from 2022).
- 766,348 children were enrolled in Medicaid in 2021 (8.8% increase from 2020).
- 105,116 children in Indiana were in the state Children Health Insurance Program (CHIP) in 2021 (17% decrease from 2020).

Health Insurance Coverage for Children, 2021

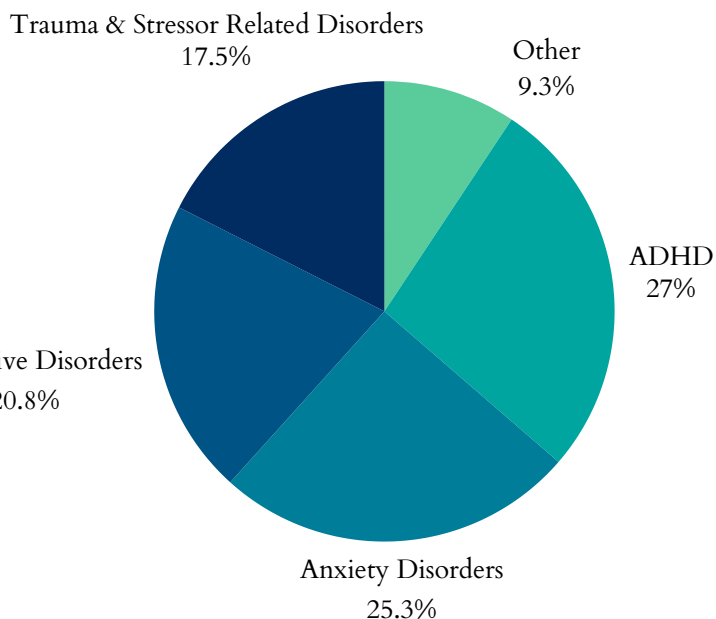


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Zero to Three

- 59.8% of babies live above low-income
- 21.9% of babies live at low income
- 18.3% of babies live in poverty
- 10.0% of babies live in deep poverty
- 77.5% of new parents have at least one parent working full time

Top 5 Mental Health Diagnoses Among Children, 2022



Prenatal Substance Exposure

In 2023, Indiana reported 615 infants screened in with prenatal substance exposure.

Indiana has a Family First plan approved by the administration.

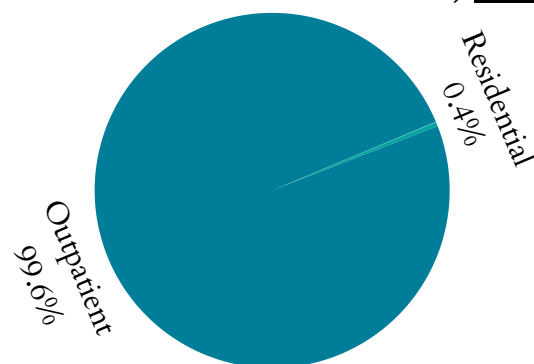
Teens & Youth

- 20,000 youth (16-19yrs) were not in school nor working in 2023 (5%)
- 74 children <19yrs were killed by a firearm in Indiana in 2022.

Mental Health

- 57,182 children received mental health treatment in Indiana in 2022 (3.1%)
- In 2022, there were 12.3 deaths per 100,000 adolescents aged 15-19 in Indiana.

Treatment Type for Youth with Substance Use Disorder, 2023



Substance Use

- From 2015 to 2019, an average of 56,313 children in Indiana (2.5% of the state's child population) lived with parents having a substance use disorder.
- On March 31st, 2023, 2,325 clients 18 and under were in treatment for SUD.

