



# The AFCARS Report:

## Nevada

Preliminary FY<sup>1</sup> 2021 Estimates as of June 28, 2022 - No. 29

**SOURCE:** Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) FY 2021 data<sup>2</sup>

### Numbers at a Glance: Nevada

Fiscal Year	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Number in foster care on September 30 of the FY	4,408	4,532	4,541	4,372	4,183
Number entered foster care during the FY	3,367	3,154	3,231	2,788	2,820
Number exited foster care during the FY	3,145	2,965	3,181	2,909	2,961
Number served by the foster care system during the FY	7,553	7,497	7,722	7,281	7,144
Number waiting to be adopted on September 30 of the FY	1,672	1,664	1,667	1,702	1,606
Number waiting to be adopted for whom parental rights (for all living parents) were terminated as of the last day of the FY	756	779	885	744	760
Number adopted with public child welfare agency involvement during the FY	740	760	805	796	727

### Children in Foster Care on September 30, 2021 - N=4,183

Age as of September 30th	Years	Sex	Percent	Number
Mean	6.8	Male	51%	2,150
Median	6.0	Female	49%	2,033

Age as of September 30th	Percent	Number	Most Recent Placement Setting	Percent	Number
Less than 1 Year	10%	400	Pre-Adoptive Home	1%	39
1 Year	11%	464	Foster Family Home (Relative)	40%	1,668
2 Years	9%	373	Foster Family Home (Non-Relative)	43%	1,793
3 Years	7%	305	Group Home	1%	28
4 Years	7%	288	Institution	4%	182
5 Years	5%	218	Supervised Independent Living	0%	0
6 Years	6%	234	Runaway	1%	38
7 Years	5%	210	Trial Home Visit	10%	415
8 Years	4%	176			
9 Years	4%	185			
10 Years	4%	169			
11 Years	4%	163			
12 Years	4%	160			
13 Years	4%	157			
14 Years	4%	155			
15 Years	3%	133			
16 Years	4%	173			
17 Years	4%	180			
18 Years	1%	34			
19 Years	0%	5			
20 Years	0%	1			

Case Plan Goal	Percent	Number
Reunify with Parent(s) or Primary Caretaker(s)	45%	1,827
Live with Other Relative(s)	5%	200
Adoption	38%	1,539
Long Term Foster Care	5%	198
Emancipation	0%	0
Guardianship	1%	34
Case Plan Goal Not Yet Established	7%	267

<sup>1</sup> 'FY' refers to the Federal Fiscal Year, October 1st through September 30th.

<sup>2</sup> Data from both the regular and revised AFCARS file submissions received by June 28, 2022 are included in this report. Missing data are excluded from each table. Therefore, the totals within each distribution may not equal the total provided for that subpopulation (e.g. number in care on September 30th may not match the sum across ages for that group)

Race/Ethnicity	Percent	Number	Time in Care	Months
American Indian/Alaska Native	0%	20	Mean	18.6
Asian	1%	25	Median	13.8
Black or African American	26%	1,078		
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	1%	26		
Hispanic (of any race)	27%	1,138		
White	37%	1,539		
Unknown/Unable to Determine	0%	15		
Two or More Races	8%	342		

  

**NOTE:** All races exclude children of Hispanic origin. Children of Hispanic ethnicity may be any race.

Time in Care	Percent	Number
Less than 1 Month	5%	205
1 - 5 Months	21%	868
6 - 11 Months	20%	828
12 - 17 Months	14%	571
18 - 23 Months	12%	516
24 - 29 Months	10%	402
30 - 35 Months	6%	254
3 - 4 Years	10%	406
5 Years or More	3%	133

### Children Entering Foster Care during FY 2021 - N=2,820

Age at Entry	Years	Race/Ethnicity	Percent	Number
Mean	6.0	American Indian/Alaska Native	0%	5
Median	5.0	Asian	1%	16
		Black or African American	28%	794
		Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	1%	22
		Hispanic (of any race)	27%	752
		White	32%	912
		Unknown/Unable to Determine	1%	38
		Two or More Races	10%	281

  

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Age at Entry	Percent	Number	Circumstances Associated with Child's Removal	Percent	Number
Less than 1 Year	21%	604	Neglect	89%	2,522
1 Year	8%	223	Drug Abuse (Parent)	15%	417
2 Years	7%	200	Parent Incarceration	12%	351
3 Years	7%	200	Housing	7%	192
4 Years	6%	161	Caretaker Inability To Cope	4%	186
5 Years	5%	140	Alcohol Abuse (Parent)	4%	119
6 Years	6%	159	Abandonment	4%	114
7 Years	4%	100	Physical Abuse	4%	102
8 Years	4%	121	Drug Abuse (Child)	3%	92
9 Years	4%	122	Parent Death	1%	37
10 Years	4%	110	Sexual Abuse	1%	37
11 Years	4%	115	Child Behavior Problem	1%	20
12 Years	3%	83	Alcohol Abuse (Child)	0%	6
13 Years	4%	101	Relinquishment	0%	4
14 Years	4%	112	Child Disability	0%	0
15 Years	3%	97			
16 Years	3%	96			
17 Years	3%	74			
18 Years	0%	1			
19 Years	0%	0			
20 Years	0%	0			

**NOTE:** These categories are not mutually exclusive, so percentages will total more than 100% and counts will be more than the total number of entries.

### Children Exiting Foster Care during FY 2021 - N=2,961

Age at Exit		Years	Race/Ethnicity		Percent	Number
Mean		7.5	American Indian/Alaska Native		0%	14
Median		6.0	Asian		1%	27
			Black or African American		28%	822
			Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander		1%	31
			Hispanic (of any race)		25%	747
			White		35%	1,036
			Unknown/Unable to Determine		1%	29
			Two or More Races		9%	255
			<b>NOTE:</b> All races exclude children of Hispanic origin. Children of Hispanic ethnicity may be any race.			
			Reason for Discharge		Percent	Number
			Reunification with Parent(s) or Primary Caretaker(s)		55%	1,627
			Living with Other Relative(s)		1%	39
			Adoption		24%	718
			Emancipation		6%	178
			Guardianship		10%	298
			Transfer to Another Agency		2%	72
			Runaway		1%	22
			Death of Child		0%	3

### Children Waiting to be Adopted<sup>3</sup> on September 30, 2021 - N=1,606

Age as of September 30th			Years	Age at Entry into Foster Care			Years
Mean			6.3	Mean			3.9
Median			5.0	Median			3.0

  

Age as of September 30th			Percent	Number	Age at Entry into Foster Care			Percent	Number
Less than 1 Year	4%	64			Less than 1 Year	33%	535		
1 Year	15%	243			1 Year	8%	131		
2 Years	12%	186			2 Years	7%	117		
3 Years	8%	126			3 Years	7%	117		
4 Years	8%	134			4 Years	6%	103		
5 Years	5%	86			5 Years	5%	81		
6 Years	6%	93			6 Years	5%	87		
7 Years	6%	95			7 Years	4%	72		
8 Years	4%	68			8 Years	4%	65		
9 Years	5%	81			9 Years	5%	74		
10 Years	3%	55			10 Years	4%	64		
11 Years	4%	64			11 Years	4%	60		
12 Years	4%	62			12 Years	3%	45		
13 Years	4%	67			13 Years	2%	29		
14 Years	3%	48			14 Years	1%	16		
15 Years	3%	48			15 Years	0%	8		
16 Years	3%	46			16 Years	0%	1		
17 Years	2%	40			17 Years	0%	1		

  

Placement Type			Percent	Number	Race/Ethnicity			Percent	Number
Pre-Adoptive Home	2%	38			American Indian/Alaska Native	1%	13		
Foster Family Home (Relative)	41%	645			Asian	0%	8		
Foster Family Home (Non-Relative)	52%	821			Black or African American	26%	415		
Group Home	1%	10			Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0%	5		
Institution	3%	47			Hispanic (of any race)	23%	376		
Supervised Independent Living	0%	0			White	42%	679		
Runaway	1%	9			Unknown/Unable to Determine	0%	2		
Trial Home Visit	1%	22			Two or More Races	7%	108		

  

Sex			Percent	Number
Male	52%	839		
Female	48%	767		

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<sup>3</sup> Waiting children are identified as children who have a goal of adoption and/or whose parents' parental rights have been terminated. Children 16 years old and older whose parents' parental rights have been terminated and who have a goal of emancipation have been excluded from the estimate.

Time in Care		Months	Of Children Waiting for Adoption whose Parents' Parental Rights have been Terminated (N=760), Time Elapsed since Termination of Parental Rights as of September 30, 2021		
Mean		29.6			
Median		25.2			
Time in Care		Percent	Number	Time Since TPR	Months
Less than 1 Month		0%	2	Mean	16.0
1 - 5 Months		2%	32	Median	8.0
6 - 11 Months		8%	136		
12 - 17 Months		16%	256		
18 - 23 Months		18%	295		
24 - 29 Months		18%	291		
30 - 35 Months		11%	173		
3 - 4 Years		20%	321		
5 Years or More		6%	100		

### Children Adopted with Public Agency Involvement in FY 2021<sup>4</sup> - N=727

Age at Adoption		Years	Time Elapsed from Termination of Parental Rights to Adoption			Months	
Mean		5.5	Mean			12.9	
Median		4.0	Median			10.0	
Age at Adoption		Percent	Number	Time Elapsed from Termination of Parental Rights to Adoption		Percent	Number
Less than 1 Year		0%	3	Less than 1 Month		1%	5
1 Year		14%	101	1 - 5 Months		25%	177
2 Years		16%	118	6 - 11 Months		32%	228
3 Years		12%	87	12 - 17 Months		25%	174
4 Years		8%	61	18 - 23 Months		7%	50
5 Years		9%	67	24 - 29 Months		3%	24
6 Years		7%	52	30 - 35 Months		3%	21
7 Years		6%	43	3 - 4 Years		3%	20
8 Years		4%	26	5 Years or More		1%	7
9 Years		6%	42				
10 Years		3%	20				
11 Years		4%	28				
12 Years		2%	18				
13 Years		2%	16				
14 Years		2%	14				
15 Years		2%	14				
16 Years		1%	10				
17 Years		1%	7				
18 Years		0%	0				
19 Years		0%	0				
20 Years		0%	0				
Race/Ethnicity		Percent	Number				
American Indian/Alaska Native		1%	4				
Asian		1%	6				
Black or African American		22%	159				
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander		1%	5				
Hispanic (of any race)		23%	167				
White		46%	332				
Unknown/Unable to Determine		1%	5				
Two or More Races		7%	49				
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<sup>4</sup> Note that the adoption data reported in this section are from the AFCARS Adoption file. Therefore, the number of adoptions reported here may not equal the number reported as discharges to adoption from foster care.

Adoptive Family Structure	Percent	Number	Sex	Percent	Number
Married Couple	48%	348	Male	54%	391
Unmarried Couple	2%	15	Female	46%	336
Single Female	39%	284			
Single Male	10%	73			
Relationship of Adoptive Parents to Child Prior to Adoption	Percent	Number	Receive Adoption Subsidy	Percent	Number
Non-Relative	2%	15	Yes	98%	712
Foster Parent	48%	346	No	2%	15
Stepparent	0%	0			
Other Relative	50%	366			

### FY 2021 AFCARS Foster Care Data Release

Definitions and additional supporting information relevant to the populations presented in this report can be found by clicking on the tabs above the area chart displayed when using this link:

<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/resource/trends-in-foster-care-and-adoption>