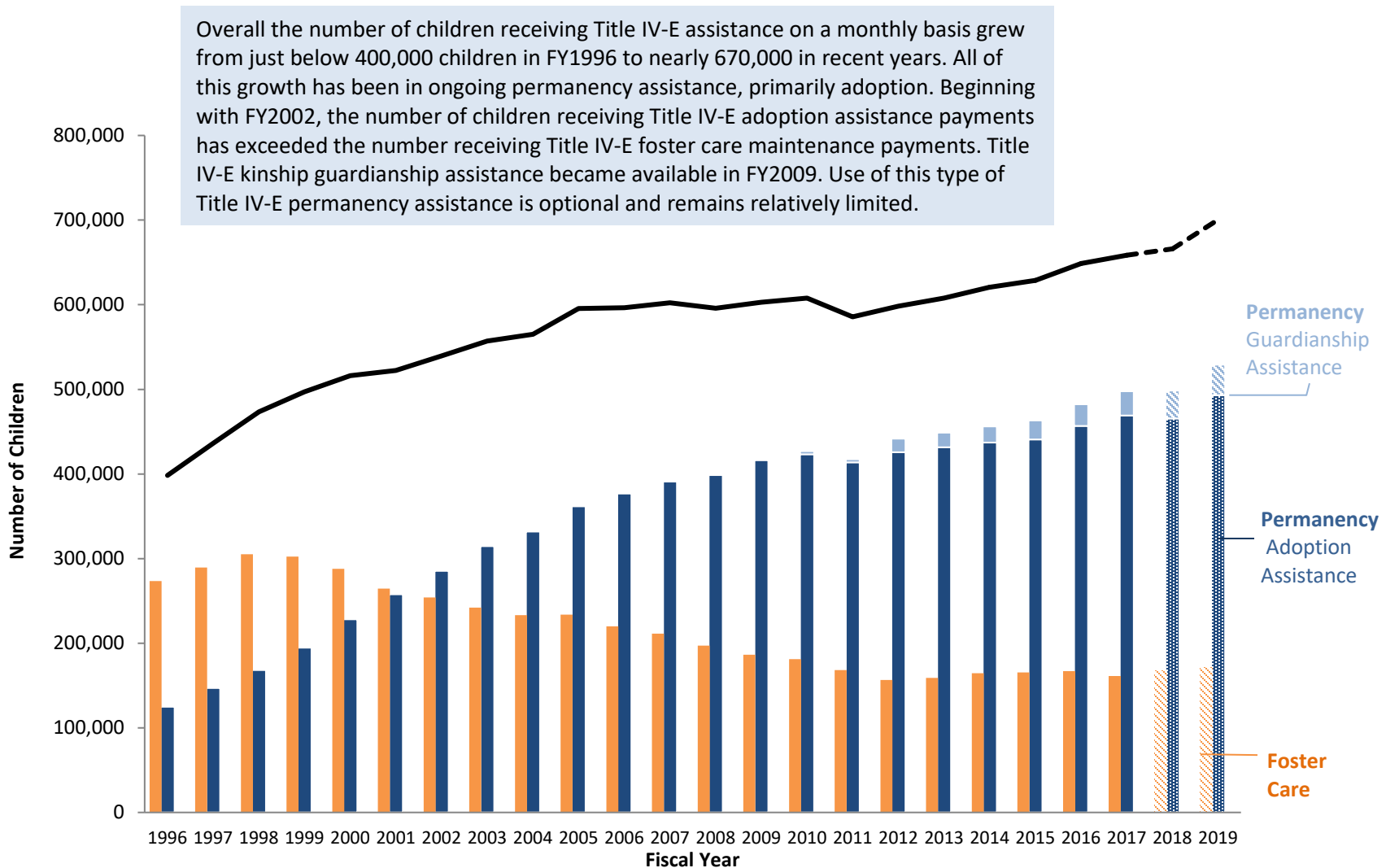


Figure 11-1. Trend in Title IV-E Foster Care and Permanency Assistance Caseload, FY1996-FY2019

Average monthly number of children assisted by type of monthly Title IV-E assistance payment; FY2018-FY2019 are estimates



Source: Figure prepared by the Congressional Research Service (CRS) on October 30, 2018 for the 2018 version of the House Ways and Means Committee Green Book.

Note: Average monthly caseload numbers (FY1996-FY2017) are based on quarterly Title IV-E expenditure claims data as submitted by states and compiled in annual expenditure files by HHS, ACF, Office of Legislative Affairs and Budget (OLAB). Caseload numbers for FY2018 and FY2019 are estimates received from HHS, ACF, OLAB and developed as part of the mid-session review of the President’s FY2019 budget (summer 2018). For the numbers used to create this figure and additional notes on data used for FY2010 and FY2011, see Table 11-1.

Table II-I. Title IV-E Caseload by Type of Assistance, Number and Rate, FY1984-FY2017

Rate equals number of children in average monthly caseload for every 1,000 children in the U.S. population.

| Fiscal Year | Foster Care | | Adoption Assistance | | Kinship Guardianship Assistance ^a | | TOTAL IV-E | |
|-------------|--------------------------|------|--------------------------|------|--|------|--------------------------|------|
| | Average monthly caseload | Rate | Average monthly caseload | Rate | Average monthly caseload | Rate | Average monthly caseload | Rate |
| 1984 | 102,100 | 1.6 | 11,600 | 0.2 | | | 113,600 | 1.8 |
| 1985 | 109,100 | 1.7 | 16,000 | 0.3 | | | 125,100 | 2.0 |
| 1986 | 110,700 | 1.8 | 22,000 | 0.3 | | | 132,700 | 2.1 |
| 1987 | 113,000 | 1.8 | 27,600 | 0.4 | | | 140,600 | 2.2 |
| 1988 | 131,200 | 2.1 | 34,800 | 0.6 | | | 166,100 | 2.6 |
| 1989 | 156,600 | 2.5 | 40,000 | 0.6 | | | 196,500 | 3.1 |
| 1990 | 183,000 | 2.9 | 46,800 | 0.7 | | | 229,800 | 3.6 |
| 1991 | 202,700 | 3.1 | 55,300 | 0.8 | | | 258,000 | 4.0 |
| 1992 | 224,500 | 3.4 | 66,500 | 1.0 | | | 291,000 | 4.4 |
| 1993 | 231,100 | 3.4 | 78,100 | 1.2 | | | 309,200 | 4.6 |
| 1994 | 244,500 | 3.6 | 91,900 | 1.4 | | | 336,400 | 5.0 |
| 1995 | 260,700 | 3.8 | 106,200 | 1.5 | | | 366,900 | 5.4 |
| 1996 | 273,600 | 4.0 | 124,700 | 1.8 | | | 398,300 | 5.8 |
| 1997 | 289,400 | 4.2 | 146,900 | 2.1 | | | 436,300 | 6.3 |
| 1998 | 305,200 | 4.4 | 168,400 | 2.4 | | | 473,600 | 6.8 |
| 1999 | 302,400 | 4.2 | 194,700 | 2.7 | | | 497,100 | 7.0 |
| 2000 | 287,800 | 3.9 | 228,300 | 3.1 | | | 516,100 | 7.0 |
| 2001 | 264,700 | 3.6 | 257,800 | 3.5 | | | 522,500 | 7.1 |
| 2002 | 254,000 | 3.4 | 285,600 | 3.9 | | | 539,600 | 7.3 |
| 2003 | 242,200 | 3.3 | 314,700 | 4.2 | | | 556,900 | 7.5 |
| 2004 | 233,100 | 3.1 | 332,000 | 4.5 | | | 565,100 | 7.6 |
| 2005 | 233,800 | 3.1 | 361,600 | 4.9 | | | 595,400 | 8.0 |
| 2006 | 219,800 | 2.9 | 376,800 | 5.0 | | | 596,600 | 8.0 |
| 2007 | 211,200 | 2.8 | 390,900 | 5.2 | | | 602,200 | 8.0 |
| 2008 | 197,200 | 2.6 | 398,800 | 5.3 | | | 596,000 | 7.9 |
| 2009 | 186,300 | 2.5 | 416,400 | 5.5 | 100 | - | 602,800 | 8.0 |
| 2010 | 181,100 | 2.4 | 423,200 | 5.6 | 3,600 | - | 607,900 | 8.1 |
| 2011 | 168,400 | 2.3 | 413,800 | 5.5 | 3,600 ^b | - | 585,700 | 7.8 |
| 2012 | 156,500 | 2.1 | 425,900 | 5.7 | 16,000 | 0.2 | 598,400 | 8.0 |
| 2013 | 159,000 | 2.1 | 431,500 | 5.8 | 17,300 | 0.2 | 607,900 | 8.2 |
| 2014 | 164,400 | 2.2 | 437,000 | 5.9 | 19,200 | 0.3 | 620,700 | 8.3 |
| 2015 | 165,500 | 2.2 | 440,900 | 5.9 | 22,300 | 0.3 | 628,700 | 8.5 |
| 2016 | 166,400 | 2.2 | 456,700 | 6.1 | 25,500 | 0.3 | 648,700 | 8.7 |
| 2017 | 160,900 | 2.2 | 469,200 | 6.3 | 28,600 | 0.4 | 663,900 | 8.9 |

Source: Table prepared by CRS on October 30, 2018 for the 2018 version of the House Ways and Means Committee Green Book. Average monthly caseload numbers are based on quarterly Title IV-E expenditure files as submitted by states and compiled in an annual file by HHS, ACF, Office of Legislative Affairs and Budget (OLAB), except for minor adjustments made to the Title IV-E adoption assistance caseload (for FY2010 and FY2011 only) to reflect corrections or other changes provided to CRS by a small number of states.

Note: All data were rounded to the nearest 100 for display and parts may not sum to total due to rounding. Whenever more precise data were available, those data were used to calculate the rates shown. Puerto Rico (PR) began participating in the Title IV-E program in FY1999. The child population (under age 18) used to calculate the rates shown in the table was based on U.S. Census Bureau annual estimates for July 1 of each year for the 50 states and the District of Columbia (DC) for 1984 through 1998 and for the 50 states DC and PR for FY1999 and all subsequent years.

- a. Beginning in FY2009, states could elect to provide Title IV-E kinship guardianship assistance. The average monthly caseload number includes children assisted under the state's amended Title IV-E plan, and any children receiving Title IV-E guardianship assistance because they received guardianship assistance under a Title IV-E waiver as of September 30, 2008.
- b. Data are incomplete; some states submitted claims but did not report any number for average monthly caseload.