

Table 11-10. Number of Children in Foster Care by Race/Ethnicity, FY2001-FY2013

Any child reported as “Hispanic or Latino” is included in that category only and is not included in any race category.

Fiscal Year	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black (or African American)	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Hispanic (or Latino)	White	Unable to Determine^a	Two or More Races	Missing Race/ethnicity data	Total
<i>Number of Children In Foster Care</i>										
2001	9,790	3,493	197,332	1,330	86,575	197,774	16,532	11,513	20,179	544,518
2002	9,724	3,437	192,648	1,194	86,303	201,630	13,897	13,575	171	522,579
2003	9,885	3,223	180,880	1,313	87,598	198,922	12,320	14,686	769	509,596
2004	10,135	3,079	172,214	1,229	90,332	202,658	11,172	16,327	409	507,555
2005	10,177	3,068	166,055	1,195	94,314	207,221	10,698	18,380	312	511,420
2006	9,830	2,911	159,533	1,073	97,723	203,352	10,926	19,568	363	505,279
2007	9,142	2,774	151,124	968	96,304	194,824	10,861	21,936	293	488,226
2008	8,622	2,649	143,205	856	93,184	182,464	10,025	22,311	476	463,792
2009	8,204	2,609	126,646	781	84,376	165,747	7,946	21,877	486	418,672
2010	7,797	2,415	116,636	711	83,716	164,287	6,608	22,132	576	404,878
2011	7,980	2,260	109,060	741	83,633	163,042	8,314	22,004	793	397,827
2012	8,241	2,278	101,891	780	84,222	164,859	11,067	22,892	662	396,892
2013	8,652	2,114	98,201	686	86,993	168,302	11,734	24,935	761	402,378

Source: Table prepared by Congressional Research Service on September 2, 2014 for the 2014 version of the House Ways and Means Committee Green Book and based on data provided by HHS, ACF,ACYF, Children’s Bureau as reported by the 50 states, DC, and Puerto Rico by January 2009 for FY2001-FY2003 and by July 2014 for all other years shown.

Note: Number of children is based on counts of children in care as of the last day (September 30) of the given fiscal year. Some numbers shown may vary from previous versions of this table because foster care data are revised if states submit corrected information.

a. States are instructed to report a child’s race as “unable to determine” if a child is very young or is severely disabled and no person is available to identify the child’s race. They are also instructed to use this reporting category if the parent, relative or guardian is unwilling to identify the child’s race.