

Table 11-6. Number of Children Entering 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/ Alaska Native	Asian	Black (or African American)	Native Hawaiian /Other Pacific Islander	Hispanic (or Latino)	White	Two or More	Unable to Determine^a	Missing Race/ Ethnicity data	TOTAL
<i>Number of Children Entering Foster Care</i>										
2001	7,110	2,831	80,494	987	45,715	131,915	7,062	8,414	11,635	296,163
2002	6,776	2,788	82,021	887	48,988	136,712	8,495	7,890	421	294,978
2003	6,541	2,522	78,487	976	49,097	134,326	9,276	6,882	995	289,102
2004	6,505	2,405	79,588	866	52,348	138,740	10,089	6,815	716	298,072
2005	6,832	2,507	79,394	837	56,203	142,479	11,352	7,015	597	307,216
2006	6,246	2,425	80,238	760	59,206	135,844	12,009	7,532	583	304,843
2007	5,899	2,357	75,290	734	58,690	129,556	12,814	7,446	478	293,264
2008	5,606	2,300	73,223	671	55,888	121,862	12,973	7,088	812	280,423
2009	5,345	2,186	64,677	618	51,605	110,695	12,714	6,301	755	254,896
2010	5,051	1,843	61,939	546	53,096	114,071	13,309	5,281	956	256,092
2011	5,159	1,725	58,099	593	51,974	111,184	13,626	7,975	1,030	251,365
2012	5,362	1,724	55,394	607	51,502	113,393	13,717	9,057	783	251,539
2013	5,465	1,620	54,835	534	53,786	114,666	15,240	7,936	822	254,904

Source: Table prepared by the Congressional Research Service on August 28, 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: Some data shown may vary from previous versions of this table because they are revised if states submit corrected data.

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 category if the parent, relative or guardian is unwilling to identify the child’s race.