



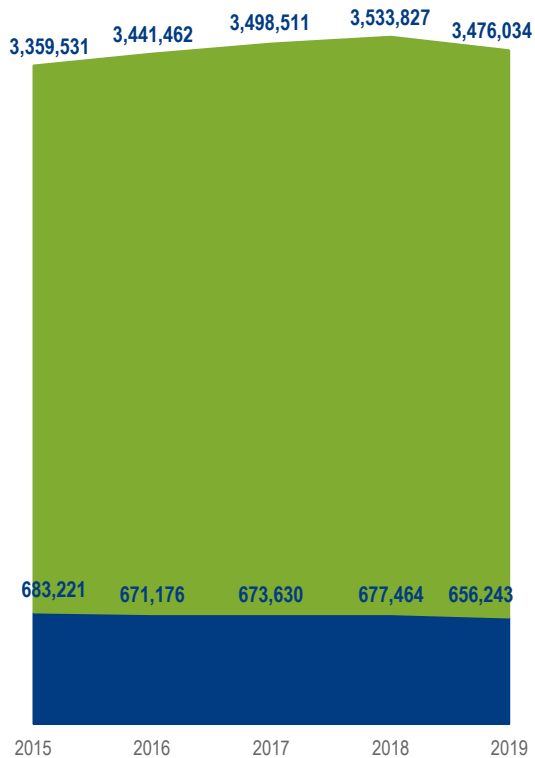
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What the data tell us: How many children received a child welfare response? How many of those children were determined to be victims? What has the trend been? Do maltreatment allegations/types vary by age and gender?

Child Count for Screened-in Reports and Victim Rate

Individual Children in **Screened-in Reports** and **Number Determined to be Victims**

- Children in Screened-in Reports
- Substantiated or Indicated Victims



Screened-in Rate

The unique child count of investigations or assessments (screened-in reports) per 1,000 children in the **National** population.



Victim Rate

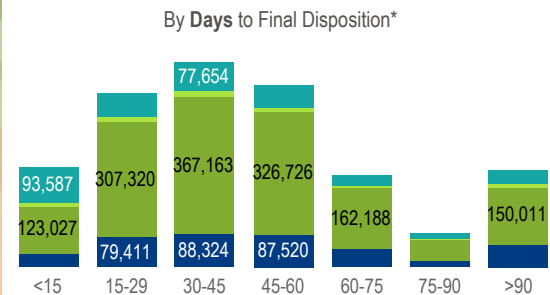
The number of children who are victims per 1,000 children in the **National** population.



Disposition of Screened-in Reports, 2019

By Time to Disposition

- Alternative/Differential Response
- Closed/Other/Missing
- Unsubstantiated
- Substantiated or Indicated



* Alternative/Differential Response includes Victim and Nonvictim counts.

Most Prevalent Maltreatment Allegations, 2019

Allegation	Age	Male	Female
Neglect & Medical Neglect	< 1 yr	106,521	100,370
	1 - 5 yrs	319,784	296,517
	6 - 10 yrs	299,163	274,312
	11 - 16 yrs	261,986	281,239
	17 yrs	27,596	32,883
Physical Abuse	< 1 yr	29,681	26,309
	1 - 5 yrs	105,509	83,027
	6 - 10 yrs	136,288	98,926
	11 - 16 yrs	116,898	129,733
	17 yrs	10,662	15,406
Sexual Abuse & Trafficking	< 1 yr	1,153	1,459
	1 - 5 yrs	16,563	28,097
	6 - 10 yrs	23,904	38,015
	11 - 16 yrs	20,303	72,257
	17 yrs	2,373	9,180

Note: Recognized maltreatment allegations may vary by state. Children may be counted in more than one allegation category.

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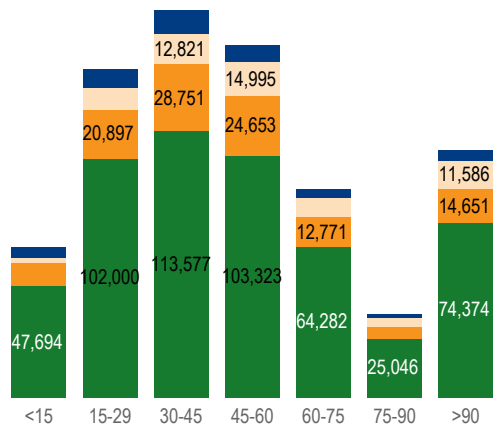
What the data tell us: Does the length of time to complete investigations and assessments differ by response type? How many days to final disposition does it take by maltreatment type? Are children of color disproportionately represented across disposition types?

Substantiated Reports by Type, 2019

By Time to Disposition

- Psychological or Emotional Maltreatment
- Sexual Abuse & Trafficking
- Physical Abuse
- Neglect & Medical Neglect

By Days to Final Disposition



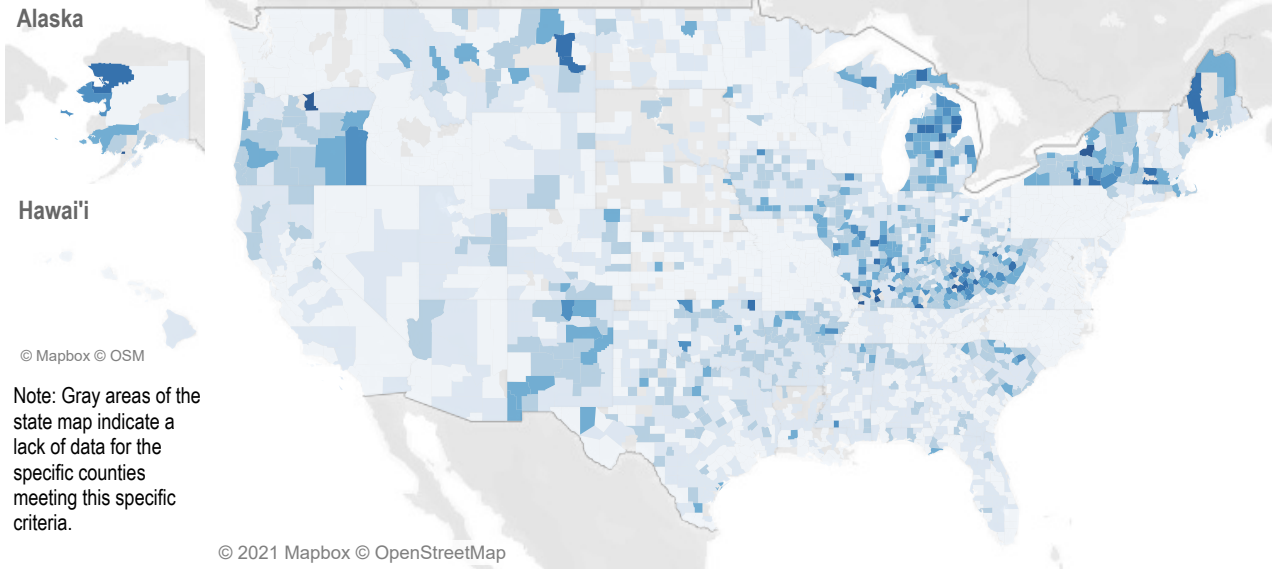
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Median Days to Final Disposition, 2019



Child Victimization Rates

Rate per 1,000 Child Population by County | Substantiated or Indicated



Report Dispositions

Race	Screened-In Population	Report Disposition Rate per 1,000 child population	Disposition Type	
American Indian/Alaska Native	38,121	19	37	16
Asian	38,427	24	49	16
Black or African American	787,324	8	27	9
Hispanic or Latino/a**	744,307	18	31	13
More Than One Race	169,270	22	27	12
Pacific Islander/ Native Hawaiian	7,522	14	27	9
White	1,554,942	19	37	16

Legend: Alternative/Differential Response (light blue), Unsubstantiated (green), Substantiated or Indicated (dark blue)

**All other categories do not include Hispanic or Latino/a ethnicities in the count.
Source: NCANDS.

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