

## Cumberland County Data-Placement Stability of Children in DSS Custody

### Focus of data Request - Quarters (10/15-12/15), (1/16-3/16), (4/16-6/16), (7/16-9/16)

- # of Children in DSS Custody in Cumberland County
- Type of placements
- # of moves
- Reason for moves

Cumberland County Department of Social Services has an ACCESS-based System that collects placement information for children in DSS custody. Social Workers input information into an electronic PLACEMENT/REMOVAL Form for each child: when the child enters DSS custody, when the child moves from a placement and when the child leaves DSS Custody.

### The CCDSS Placement Removal Form collects:

- The Child’s Name, SIS ID, Date of Birth,
- Initial Placement in Foster Care-Type, Beginning Date
- Home removed from (Names of Parents/Caretakers, Type, Address, date removed)
- Living arrangements that the child has been placed in by Type, Facility ID and Beginning & End dates.

### Barriers/Gaps with Internal Data:

- The **DSS-5094** and the **CCDSS Placement/Removal Form** do not collect the REASON FOR A PLACEMENT MOVE
  - Reasons for the child’s placement move cannot be queried using CCDSS electronic data sources and due to the volume of data, it is not reasonable to expect accurate data collection by reading the case files of all 900 plus children in CCDSS custody.
  - Data regarding the **Reason for a Placement Move** must be collected by reading a combination of “hard copy” and electronic case documentation or by surveying all social workers, who have children in CCDSS custody about the placement, moves and reasons for moves for the children in their caseloads. .
  - All children in Cumberland County DSS custody do not have their entire placement history loaded into the ACCESS-based system; therefore, longitudinal data and point in time data is not available unless collected by reviewing individual case files.
  - To provide accurate longitudinal data regarding placement moves for on children in care: all children in Cumberland County Custody would have to be tracked from the same date of entry

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### 1. Number of Children in Custody: Last Four Quarters Ending with September 2016

1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter
Oct. 2015 = 916	Jan. 2016 = 905	Apr. 2016 = 881	Jul. 2016 = 900
Nov. 2015 = 912	Feb. 2016 = 886	May 2016 = 923	Aug. 2016 = 901
Dec. 2015 = 914	Mar. 2016 = 882	Jun. 2016 = 903	Sept. 2016 = 911
Avg.= 914	Avg. = 891	Avg. = 902	Avg. = 904

2. Types of Placement: Last Four Quarters Ending with September 2016

Code-Type Placement	1st Quarter			2nd Quarter			3rd Quarter			4th Quarter		
	Oct -15	Nov -15	Dec -15	Jan- 16	Feb -16	Mar-16	Apr -16	May- 16	Jun- 16	Jul-16	Aug -16	Sep -16
50 Home of Parent(s)	12	10	15	13	10	8	7	9	11	8	9	11
51 Home of Legal Guardian	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	2	4	3
52 Home of Relative	255	254	249	246	243	233	221	239	235	257	248	249
53 Therapeutic Home (MH/DD/SAS)	88	82	83	80	82	83	90	89	86	91	94	92
54 Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice	3	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
55 Residential School	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
56 Family Foster Care Home	370	371	373	385	392	371	377	394	384	374	373	376
57 Small Group Home (Residential)	21	17	18	15	16	16	12	19	18	15	14	13
58 Small Group Home (Treatment)	12	13	11	12	10	10	8	9	8	15	9	15
59 Children's Camp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
60 Specialized Family Foster Care Home (CCWA)	6	7	8	8	7	6	5	4	4	3	1	5
61 Large Group facility (Residential)	32	32	34	40	41	42	42	47	41	37	40	40
62 Large Group Facility (Treatment)	5	5	7	7	9	7	8	7	7	6	7	6
63 Hospital	5	5	3	3	3	3	4	6	4	4	3	6
64 Supervised Independent Living Arrangement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
65 Adoptive Home (Non-relative)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
66 Adoptive Home (Relative)	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
67 Adoptive Home (Foster Home)	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
68 Maternity Home	0	0	0	0	3	2	2	2	2	3	2	3
69 Jail, Lock-up, Detention Facility or DOC	10	13	13	12	11	10	11	10	9	9	9	7
70 Emergency Shelter	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
71 Family Foster Home, Relative	6	6	4	3	3	3	1	3	3	10	10	10
73 Specialized Family Foster Home, Relative	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
75 Trial Home Visit	43	50	45	40	37	39	35	32	30	35	35	36
76 Runaway	10	13	16	11	12	13	16	15	18	7	15	12
98 Respite	3	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	9	3	3	2
99 Other-Approved by the Court	31	26	31	23	30	29	32	29	28	22	23	23

3. Number of Moves/Placement Type Move: Last Four Quarters Ending with September 2016

	1 Quarter (Oct-Dec 2015)	2nd Quarter (Jan-Mar 2016)	3rd Quarter (Apr-Jun 2016)	4th Quarter (Jul-Sep 2016)
TOTAL # OF MOVES	434	421	512	628
CODE-PLACEMENT	Types of Placement Moves	Types of Placement Moves	Types of Placement Moves	Types of Placement Moves
50 Home of Parent(s)	3	1	5	3
51 Home of Legal Guardian	0	0	0	2
52 Home of Relative	65	71	64	84
53 Therapeutic Home (MH/DD/SAS)	36	42	57	79
54 Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice	2	1	0	0
55 Residential School	0	0	4	0
56 Family Foster Care Home	161	161	172	223
57 Small Group Home (Residential)	18	14	19	11
58 Small Group Home (Treatment)	11	6	14	12
59 Children's Camp	0	0	0	0
60 Specialized Family Foster Care Home (CCWA)	0	1	0	2
61 Large Group facility (Residential)	6	16	23	16
62 Large Group Facility (Treatment)	6	1	4	4
63 Hospital	18	13	17	10
64 Supervised Independent Living Arrangement	0	0	0	0
65 Adoptive Home (Non-relative)	0	2	0	0
66 Adoptive Home (Relative)	0	1	0	0
67 Adoptive Home (Foster Home)	0	0	0	0
68 Maternity Home	0	0	0	1
69 Jail, Lock-up, Detention Facility or DOC	6	7	11	13
70 Emergency Shelter	1	0	0	0
71 Family Foster Home, Relative	3	0	1	2
73 Specialized Family Foster Home, Relative	0	0	0	2
75 Trial Home Visit	21	17	16	36
76 Runaway	12	13	20	18
98 Respite	37	30	49	64
99 Other-Approved by the Court	10	6	12	12