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California Child Welfare
Indicators Project

California Child Safety Indicators Dashboard

Child Population
8,694,111

Allegations	Investigations
433,730	**289,529**
(49.9 per 1,000)	(33.3 per 1,000)

Substantiations	Entries
49,756	**18,716**
(5.7 per 1,000)	(2.2 per 1,000)

Safety Decisions

Jan–Dec 2023

- Population
- Investigations (66.8% of Allegations)
- Entries (37.6% of Substantiations)
- Allegations (5% of Population)
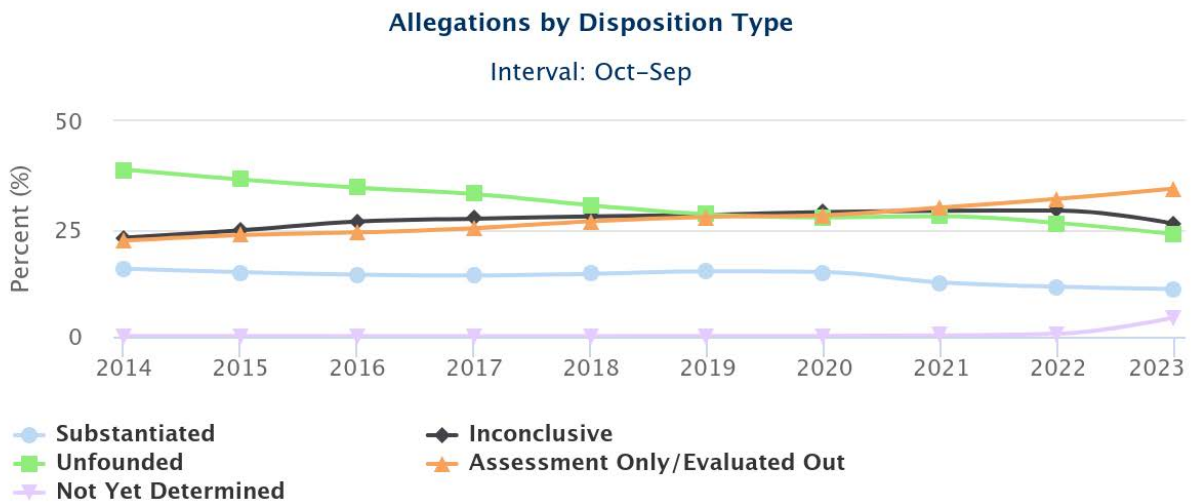- Substantiations (17.2% of Investigations)
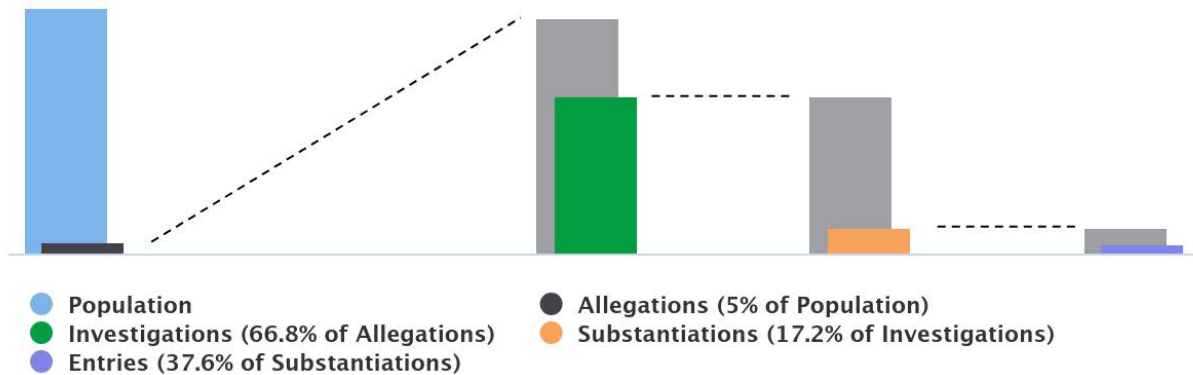
The data in this chart are from the same calendar year and provide an overview of the relative frequency of child-welfare safety decisions. Children are counted once at each level of involvement (unduplicated counts). This is not a cohort analysis. A child counted at one level of child-welfare involvement (e.g., Entries) is not necessarily counted at the preceding level (e.g., Substantiations). A child's entry to foster care in early 2023-counted in Jan-Dec 2023 Entries-- might be based on a 2022 substantiation, not included in Jan-Dec 2023 Substantiations.
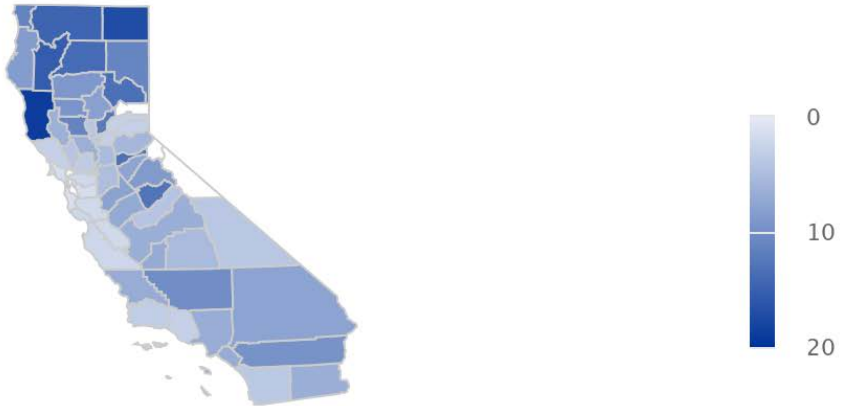
Allegations by Reporter Type

Top 5 Categories, Interval: Oct–Sep

Education   Law Enforce/Legal   Counselor/Therapist   Other Professional
Family/Friend
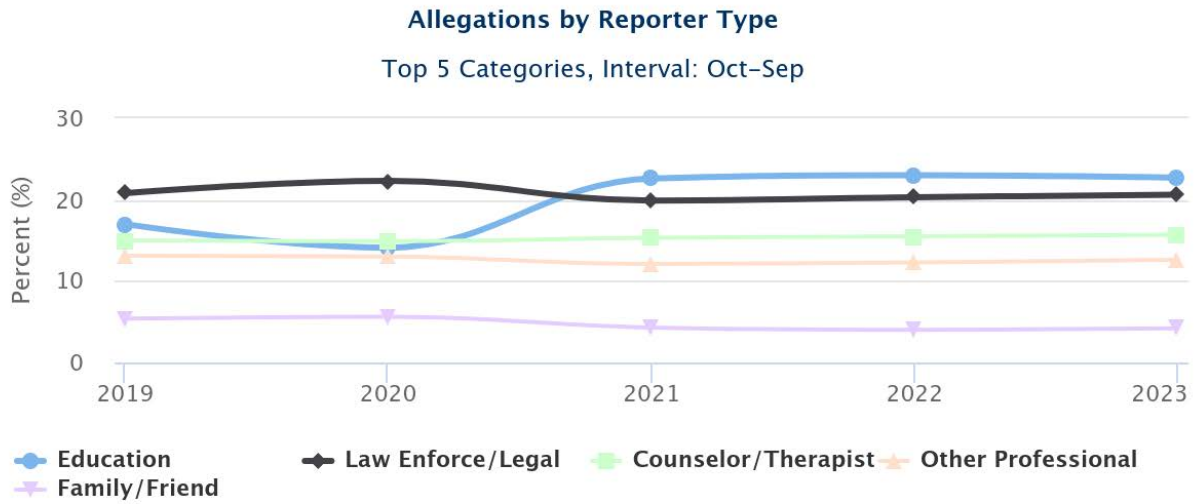
Changes in Education and Legal/Law Enforcement are highlighted. Public health restrictions associated with COVID-19 began approximately March 2020.
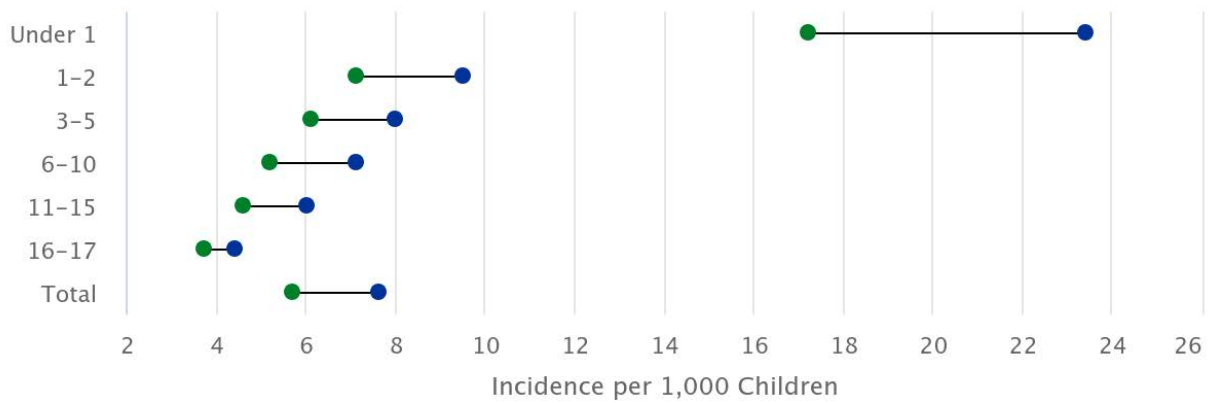
Allegations by Disposition Type

Interval: Oct–Sep

Substantiated   Inconclusive
Unfounded   Assessment Only/Evaluated Out
Not Yet Determined

Child Maltreatment Substantiations

Incidence per 1,000 Children, Jan–Dec 2023

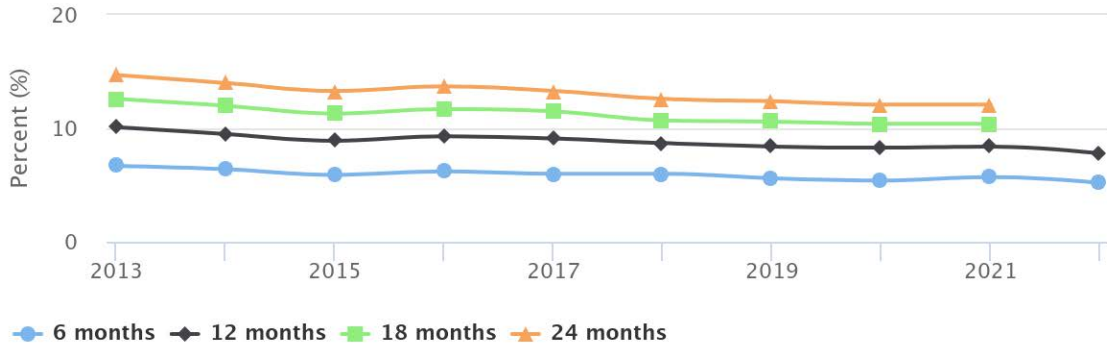## Child Maltreatment Substantiations by Age

• Jan–Dec 2019 vs • Jan–Dec 2023

Incidence per 1,000 Children

Child Maltreatment Substantiations by Ethnicity

• Jan–Dec 2019 vs • Jan–Dec 2023

Incidence per 1,000 Children
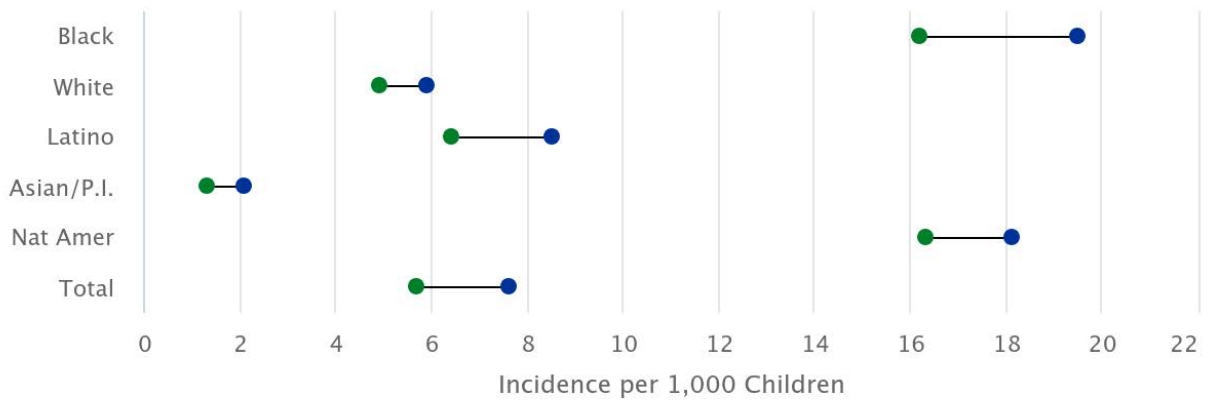
Recurrence of Maltreatment

Substantiated Allegation during 12–month Period
Interval: Oct–Sep

Percent (%)

| | 2013 | 2015 | 2017 | 2019 | 2021 |

- 6 months
- 12 months
- 18 months
- 24 months

Entries to Foster Care

by Removal Reason, Oct 2023–Sep 2024

Reason	Percent
Neglect	85.3
Physical	7.9
Sexual	1.6
Voluntary Reentry	1.3
Other	3.9

Percent
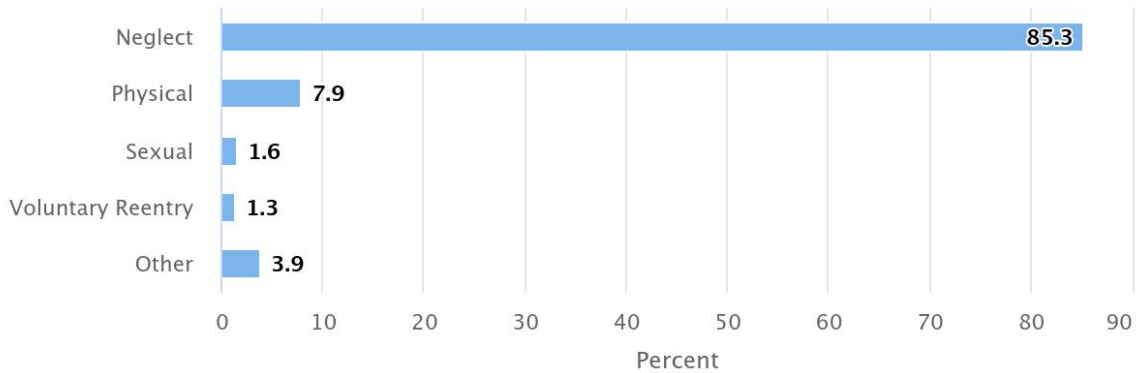
Child Maltreatment in Foster Care by Age during 12–month Period

● Oct 2019–Sep 2020 vs ● Oct 2023–Sep 2024

Under 1
1–2
3–5
6–10
11–15
16–17
Total

Rate per 100,000 days
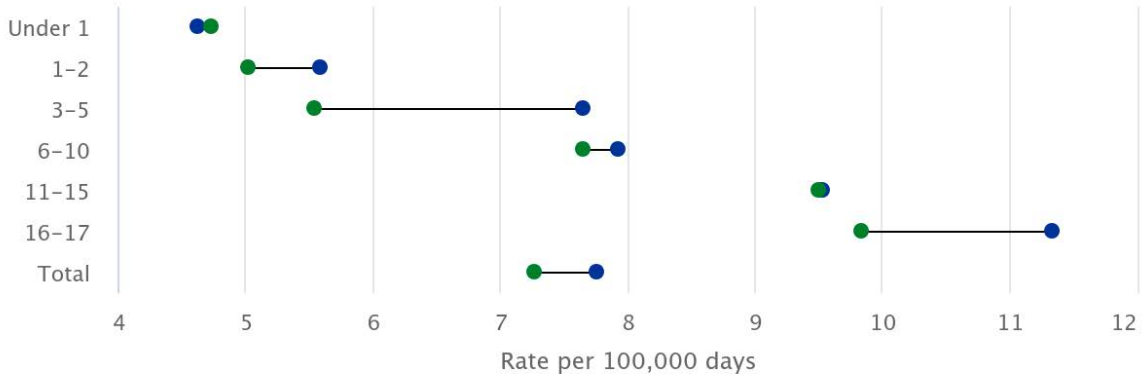
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