

DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Statewide Totals		(Statewide statistics are based on regional offices and contracted agencies data)			
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	68,404	Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	39,542		
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	44,672	Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	10,162		
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	65%	Placement Rate for Children	26%		
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	21,834	Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	20,952		
Support Rate (CY'03)	56%	Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	1,800		
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	1,371	Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	7,888		
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	1,366	% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	38%		
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)		Primary Language (12/31/03)			
White	41,479 56%	Spanish	4,235	6%	
Black	12,054 16%	Khmer (Cambodian)	456	1%	
Asian	1,685 2%	Portuguese	262	*	
Native American	146 *	Haitian Creole	229	*	
Other	66 *	Other	2,241	3%	
Multi-Racial	1,475 2%	English/Unspecified	66,309	90%	
Unspecified	16,827 23%	Total Consumers	73,732	100%	
Total Consumers	73,732 100%				
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	16,022 22%				
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	8,137 80%	0 - 2 Years Old	1,221	12%	
Voluntary Request	928 9%	3 - 5 Years Old	1,213	12%	
CHINS Referral	714 7%	6 - 11 Years Old	2,483	24%	
Other	332 3%	12 - 17 Years Old	5,245	52%	
Unspecified	51 1%	Total Children in Placement	10,162	100%	
Total Children in Placement	10,162 100%				
Placement Type (12/31/03)		Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)			
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	2,786 27%	.5 Years or Less	2,109	21%	
Unrestricted	2,448 24%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	1,716	17%	
Pre-adoptive Home	483 5%	>1 Year - 2 Years	2,276	22%	
Contracted Foster Home	1,573 15%	>2 Years - 4 Years	2,360	23%	
Independent Living	10 *	>4 Years	1,701	17%	
Residential - Commonworks	1,093 11%	Total Children in Placement	10,162	100%	
Residential - Group Home	408 4%				
Residential - Residential Treatment	771 8%				
Residential - Shelter	69 1%				
Non-Referral Location	521 5%				
Total Children in Placement	10,162 100%				
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾		Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾			
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			
First-Time Entrants:	<u>1,202 33%</u>	New or Other Referral for Placement	605	40%	
Foster Care	918 25%	Child Returned Home	501	33%	
Residential	255 7%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	108	7%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	29 1%	Child on the Run	104	7%	
Re-Entrants:	<u>2,404 67%</u>	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	61	4%	
Foster Care	1,444 40%	Child 18 or Older	49	3%	
Residential	763 21%	Consumers Adopted	49	3%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	197 5%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	46	3%	
Total Consumers	3,606 100%	Total Consumers	1,523	100%	
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	24,795 84%	0 - 2 Years Old	4,404	15%	
Voluntary Request	2,352 8%	3 - 5 Years Old	4,950	17%	
CHINS Referral	1,694 6%	6 - 11 Years Old	9,713	33%	
Other	512 2%	12 - 17 Years Old	10,260	35%	
Unspecified	27 *	Unspecified	53	*	
Total Children Not in Placement	29,380 100%	Total Children Not in Placement	29,380	100%	

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Region: Western		(Regional statistics are based on regional offices and contracted agencies data)			
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	12,778	Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	7,439		
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	6,994	Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	2,185		
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	55%	Placement Rate for Children	29%		
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	3,827	Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	3,721		
Support Rate (CY'03)	57%	Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	415		
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	263	Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	1,520		
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	261	% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	41%		
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)		Primary Language (12/31/03)			
White	7,552 56%	Spanish	1,126	8%	
Black	1,591 12%	Khmer (Cambodian)	2	*	
Asian	61 *	Portuguese	3	*	
Native American	28 *	Haitian Creole	3	*	
Other	24 *	Other	447	3%	
Multi-Racial	266 2%	English/Unspecified	11,883	88%	
Unspecified	3,942 29%	Total Consumers	13,464	100%	
Total Consumers	13,464 100%				
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	4,083 30%				
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	1,860 85%	0 - 2 Years Old	283	13%	
Voluntary Request	101 5%	3 - 5 Years Old	299	14%	
CHINS Referral	130 6%	6 - 11 Years Old	586	27%	
Other	80 4%	12 - 17 Years Old	1,017	47%	
Unspecified	14 1%	Total Children in Placement	2,185	100%	
Total Children in Placement	2,185 100%				
Placement Type (12/31/03)		Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)			
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	644 29%	.5 Years or Less	415	19%	
Unrestricted	671 31%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	322	15%	
Pre-adoptive Home	119 5%	>1 Year - 2 Years	471	22%	
Contracted Foster Home	342 16%	>2 Years - 4 Years	511	23%	
Independent Living	5 *	>4 Years	466	21%	
Residential - Commonworks	180 8%	Total Children in Placement	2,185	100%	
Residential - Group Home	30 1%				
Residential - Residential Treatment	55 3%				
Residential - Shelter	13 1%				
Non-Referral Location	126 6%				
Total Children in Placement	2,185 100%				
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾		Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾			
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			
First-Time Entrants:	247 34%	New or Other Referral for Placement	102	41%	
Foster Care	211 29%	Child Returned Home	93	37%	
Residential	31 4%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	16	6%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	5 1%	Child on the Run	22	9%	
Re-Entrants:	485 66%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	7	3%	
Foster Care	369 50%	Child 18 or Older	6	2%	
Residential	67 9%	Consumers Adopted	5	2%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	49 7%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---	
Total Consumers	732 100%	Total Consumers	251	100%	
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	4,722 90%	0 - 2 Years Old	835	16%	
Voluntary Request	217 4%	3 - 5 Years Old	976	19%	
CHINS Referral	235 4%	6 - 11 Years Old	1,742	33%	
Other	68 1%	12 - 17 Years Old	1,700	32%	
Unspecified	12 *	Unspecified	1	*	
Total Children Not in Placement	5,254 100%	Total Children Not in Placement	5,254	100%	

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Region: Western			Area Office: Pittsfield	
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	2,101		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,018
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,094		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	333
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	52%		Placement Rate for Children	33%
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	528		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	545
Support Rate (CY'03)	53%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	72
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	44		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	236
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	42		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	43%
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)				
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)	
White	1,360	75%	Spanish	14 1%
Black	142	8%	Khmer (Cambodian)	--- ---
Asian	5	*	Portuguese	--- ---
Native American	---	---	Haitian Creole	--- ---
Other	1	*	Other	44 2%
Multi-Racial	107	6%	English/Unspecified	1,767 97%
Unspecified	210	12%	Total Consumers	1,825 100%
Total Consumers	1,825	100%		
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	105	6%		
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.				
Children in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	270	81%	0 - 2 Years Old	48 14%
Voluntary Request	40	12%	3 - 5 Years Old	55 17%
CHINS Referral	1	*	6 - 11 Years Old	84 25%
Other	20	6%	12 - 17 Years Old	146 44%
Unspecified	2	1%	Total Children in Placement	333 100%
Total Children in Placement	333	100%		
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)	
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	107	32%	.5 Years or Less	87 26%
Unrestricted	132	40%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	52 16%
Pre-adoptive Home	13	4%	>1 Year - 2 Years	72 22%
Contracted Foster Home	32	10%	>2 Years - 4 Years	73 22%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	49 15%
Residential - Commonworks	30	9%	Total Children in Placement	333 100%
Residential - Group Home	---	---		
Residential - Residential Treatment	6	2%		
Residential - Shelter	6	2%		
Non-Referral Location	7	2%		
Total Children in Placement	333	100%		
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾	
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾	
First-Time Entrants:	70	41%	New or Other Referral for Placement	10 26%
Foster Care	63	37%	Child Returned Home	19 49%
Residential	7	4%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	4 10%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Child on the Run	2 5%
Re-Entrants:	100	59%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	1 3%
Foster Care	82	48%	Child 18 or Older	--- ---
Residential	14	8%	Consumers Adopted	3 8%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	4	2%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	--- ---
Total Consumers	170	100%	Total Consumers	39 100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.				
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.				
Children Not in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	547	80%	0 - 2 Years Old	120 18%
Voluntary Request	110	16%	3 - 5 Years Old	141 21%
CHINS Referral	1	*	6 - 11 Years Old	230 34%
Other	25	4%	12 - 17 Years Old	194 28%
Unspecified	2	*	Unspecified	--- ---
Total Children Not in Placement	685	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	685 100%

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Region: Western			Area Office: Greenfield		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	2,027		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,128	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,103		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	336	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	54%		Placement Rate for Children	30%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	610		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	650	
Support Rate (CY'03)	55%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	69	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	36		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	278	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	39		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	43%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,606	72%	Spanish	50	2%
Black	108	5%	Khmer (Cambodian)	1	*
Asian	13	1%	Portuguese	---	---
Native American	21	1%	Haitian Creole	---	---
Other	13	1%	Other	72	3%
Multi-Racial	36	2%	English/Unspecified	2,120	95%
Unspecified	446	20%	Total Consumers	2,243	100%
Total Consumers	2,243	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	269	12%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	286	85%	0 - 2 Years Old	40	12%
Voluntary Request	15	4%	3 - 5 Years Old	28	8%
CHINS Referral	26	8%	6 - 11 Years Old	93	28%
Other	7	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	175	52%
Unspecified	2	1%	Total Children in Placement	336	100%
Total Children in Placement	336	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	85	25%	.5 Years or Less	67	20%
Unrestricted	92	27%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	42	13%
Pre-adoptive Home	28	8%	>1 Year - 2 Years	80	24%
Contracted Foster Home	52	15%	>2 Years - 4 Years	88	26%
Independent Living	5	1%	>4 Years	59	18%
Residential - Commonworks	32	10%	Total Children in Placement	336	100%
Residential - Group Home	7	2%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	18	5%			
Residential - Shelter	1	*			
Non-Referral Location	16	5%			
Total Children in Placement	336	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	33	35%	New or Other Referral for Placement	15	54%
Foster Care	26	27%	Child Returned Home	6	21%
Residential	5	5%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	5	18%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	2	2%	Child on the Run	1	4%
Re-Entrants:	62	65%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	1	4%
Foster Care	46	48%	Child 18 or Older	---	---
Residential	14	15%	Consumers Adopted	---	---
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	2	2%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	95	100%	Total Consumers	28	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	720	91%	0 - 2 Years Old	138	17%
Voluntary Request	24	3%	3 - 5 Years Old	148	19%
CHINS Referral	39	5%	6 - 11 Years Old	243	31%
Other	6	1%	12 - 17 Years Old	263	33%
Unspecified	3	*	Unspecified	---	---
Total Children Not in Placement	792	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	792	100%

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Region: Western			Area Office: Holyoke	
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	2,593		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,688
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,369		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	530
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	53%		Placement Rate for Children	31%
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	766		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	747
Support Rate (CY'03)	60%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	113
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	46		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	340
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	54		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	46%
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)				
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)	
White	1,527	53%	Spanish	454 16%
Black	164	6%	Khmer (Cambodian)	--- ---
Asian	---	---	Portuguese	1 *
Native American	2	*	Haitian Creole	--- ---
Other	1	*	Other	125 4%
Multi-Racial	16	1%	English/Unspecified	2,321 80%
Unspecified	1,191	41%	Total Consumers	2,901 100%
Total Consumers	2,901	100%		
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	1,394	48%		
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.				
Children in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	448	85%	0 - 2 Years Old	71 13%
Voluntary Request	17	3%	3 - 5 Years Old	80 15%
CHINS Referral	36	7%	6 - 11 Years Old	135 25%
Other	19	4%	12 - 17 Years Old	244 46%
Unspecified	10	2%	Total Children in Placement	530 100%
Total Children in Placement	530	100%		
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)	
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	172	32%	.5 Years or Less	83 16%
Unrestricted	148	28%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	68 13%
Pre-adoptive Home	41	8%	>1 Year - 2 Years	113 21%
Contracted Foster Home	83	16%	>2 Years - 4 Years	135 25%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	131 25%
Residential - Commonworks	38	7%	Total Children in Placement	530 100%
Residential - Group Home	7	1%		
Residential - Residential Treatment	10	2%		
Residential - Shelter	2	*		
Non-Referral Location	29	5%		
Total Children in Placement	530	100%		
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾	
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾	
First-Time Entrants:	48	32%	New or Other Referral for Placement	23 33%
Foster Care	40	27%	Child Returned Home	30 43%
Residential	7	5%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	5 7%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	1	1%	Child on the Run	6 9%
Re-Entrants:	102	68%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	2 3%
Foster Care	78	52%	Child 18 or Older	3 4%
Residential	10	7%	Consumers Adopted	--- ---
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	14	9%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	--- ---
Total Consumers	150	100%	Total Consumers	69 100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.				
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.				
Children Not in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	1,003	87%	0 - 2 Years Old	166 14%
Voluntary Request	54	5%	3 - 5 Years Old	194 17%
CHINS Referral	88	8%	6 - 11 Years Old	410 35%
Other	7	1%	12 - 17 Years Old	388 34%
Unspecified	6	1%	Unspecified	--- ---
Total Children Not in Placement	1,158	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,158 100%

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Region: Western			Area Office: Van Wart Center		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	3,150		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,685	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,704		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	376	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	54%		Placement Rate for Children	22%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	1,000		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	854	
Support Rate (CY'03)	62%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	73	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	68		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	278	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	63		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	33%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,828	59%	Spanish	183	6%
Black	324	10%	Khmer (Cambodian)	1	*
Asian	14	*	Portuguese	1	*
Native American	5	*	Haitian Creole	2	*
Other	1	*	Other	102	3%
Multi-Racial	51	2%	English/Unspecified	2,810	91%
Unspecified	876	28%	Total Consumers	3,099	100%
Total Consumers	3,099	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	771	25%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	317	84%	0 - 2 Years Old	40	11%
Voluntary Request	19	5%	3 - 5 Years Old	53	14%
CHINS Referral	28	7%	6 - 11 Years Old	97	26%
Other	12	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	186	49%
Unspecified	---	---	Total Children in Placement	376	100%
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Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	116	31%	.5 Years or Less	64	17%
Unrestricted	96	26%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	54	14%
Pre-adoptive Home	16	4%	>1 Year - 2 Years	90	24%
Contracted Foster Home	76	20%	>2 Years - 4 Years	98	26%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	70	19%
Residential - Commonworks	32	9%	Total Children in Placement	376	100%
Residential - Group Home	9	2%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	10	3%			
Residential - Shelter	2	1%			
Non-Referral Location	19	5%			
Total Children in Placement	376	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	38	32%	New or Other Referral for Placement	24	56%
Foster Care	27	23%	Child Returned Home	13	30%
Residential	10	9%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	1	2%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	1	1%	Child on the Run	2	5%
Re-Entrants:	79	68%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	1	2%
Foster Care	59	50%	Child 18 or Older	1	2%
Residential	15	13%	Consumers Adopted	1	2%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	5	4%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	117	100%	Total Consumers	43	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	1,225	94%	0 - 2 Years Old	184	14%
Voluntary Request	24	2%	3 - 5 Years Old	247	19%
CHINS Referral	54	4%	6 - 11 Years Old	463	35%
Other	6	*	12 - 17 Years Old	415	32%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	---	---
Total Children Not in Placement	1,309	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,309	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Western			Area Office: Springfield		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	2,907		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,906	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,724		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	606	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	59%		Placement Rate for Children	32%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	923		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	915	
Support Rate (CY'03)	56%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	88	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	68		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	384	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	63		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	42%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,216	36%	Spanish	422	13%
Black	852	25%	Khmer (Cambodian)	---	---
Asian	29	1%	Portuguese	1	*
Native American	---	---	Haitian Creole	1	*
Other	8	*	Other	101	3%
Multi-Racial	53	2%	English/Unspecified	2,836	84%
Unspecified	1,203	36%	Total Consumers	3,361	100%
Total Consumers	3,361	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	1,539	46%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	537	89%	0 - 2 Years Old	83	14%
Voluntary Request	9	1%	3 - 5 Years Old	83	14%
CHINS Referral	39	6%	6 - 11 Years Old	175	29%
Other	21	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	265	44%
Unspecified	---	---	Total Children in Placement	606	100%
Total Children in Placement	606	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	164	27%	.5 Years or Less	114	19%
Unrestricted	200	33%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	106	17%
Pre-adoptive Home	21	3%	>1 Year - 2 Years	113	19%
Contracted Foster Home	98	16%	>2 Years - 4 Years	116	19%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	157	26%
Residential - Commonworks	48	8%	Total Children in Placement	606	100%
Residential - Group Home	7	1%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	11	2%			
Residential - Shelter	2	*			
Non-Referral Location	55	9%			
Total Children in Placement	606	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	58	29%	New or Other Referral for Placement	30	42%
Foster Care	55	28%	Child Returned Home	25	35%
Residential	2	1%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	1	1%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	1	1%	Child on the Run	11	15%
Re-Entrants:	141	71%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	2	3%
Foster Care	103	52%	Child 18 or Older	2	3%
Residential	14	7%	Consumers Adopted	1	1%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	24	12%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	199	100%	Total Consumers	72	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	1,218	94%	0 - 2 Years Old	226	17%
Voluntary Request	5	0%	3 - 5 Years Old	244	19%
CHINS Referral	53	4%	6 - 11 Years Old	394	30%
Other	23	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	435	33%
Unspecified	1	*	Unspecified	1	*
Total Children Not in Placement	1,300	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,300	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Central		(Regional statistics are based on regional offices and contracted agencies data)			
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	7,969	Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	6,205		
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	4,611	Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	1,448		
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	58%	Placement Rate for Children	23%		
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	2,692	Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	3,081		
Support Rate (CY'03)	57%	Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	228		
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	189	Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	1,041		
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	186	% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	34%		
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)		Primary Language (12/31/03)			
White	7,395 65%	Spanish	520	5%	
Black	1,069 9%	Khmer (Cambodian)	1	*	
Asian	157 1%	Portuguese	2	*	
Native American	23 *	Haitian Creole	5	*	
Other	5 *	Other	339	3%	
Multi-Racial	225 2%	English/Unspecified	10,549	92%	
Unspecified	2,542 22%	Total Consumers	11,416	100%	
Total Consumers	11,416 100%				
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	2,593 23%				
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	1,162 80%	0 - 2 Years Old	177	12%	
Voluntary Request	140 10%	3 - 5 Years Old	200	14%	
CHINS Referral	107 7%	6 - 11 Years Old	397	27%	
Other	38 3%	12 - 17 Years Old	674	47%	
Unspecified	1 *	Total Children in Placement	1,448	100%	
Total Children in Placement	1,448 100%				
Placement Type (12/31/03)		Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)			
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	432 30%	.5 Years or Less	313	22%	
Unrestricted	349 24%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	222	15%	
Pre-adoptive Home	102 7%	>1 Year - 2 Years	339	23%	
Contracted Foster Home	205 14%	>2 Years - 4 Years	395	27%	
Independent Living	1 0%	>4 Years	179	12%	
Residential - Commonworks	116 8%	Total Children in Placement	1,448	100%	
Residential - Group Home	88 6%				
Residential - Residential Treatment	98 7%				
Residential - Shelter	9 1%				
Non-Referral Location	48 3%				
Total Children in Placement	1,448 100%				
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾		Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾			
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			
First-Time Entrants:	<u>176 39%</u>	New or Other Referral for Placement	74	39%	
Foster Care	147 32%	Child Returned Home	74	39%	
Residential	24 5%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	10	5%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	5 1%	Child on the Run	10	5%	
Re-Entrants:	<u>277 61%</u>	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	5	3%	
Foster Care	167 37%	Child 18 or Older	7	4%	
Residential	94 21%	Consumers Adopted	8	4%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	16 4%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	1	1%	
Total Consumers	453 100%	Total Consumers	189	100%	
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	3,945 83%	0 - 2 Years Old	705	15%	
Voluntary Request	379 8%	3 - 5 Years Old	833	18%	
CHINS Referral	334 7%	6 - 11 Years Old	1,577	33%	
Other	93 2%	12 - 17 Years Old	1,629	34%	
Unspecified	6 *	Unspecified	13	*	
Total Children Not in Placement	4,757 100%	Total Children Not in Placement	4,757	100%	

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Central			Area Office: North Central		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	2,833		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	2,151	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,668		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	440	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	59%		Placement Rate for Children	20%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	970		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	1,032	
Support Rate (CY'03)	55%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	85	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	71		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	327	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	65		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	32%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	2,810	71%	Spanish	126	3%
Black	305	8%	Khmer (Cambodian)	---	---
Asian	47	1%	Portuguese	1	*
Native American	5	*	Haitian Creole	2	*
Other	---	---	Other	146	4%
Multi-Racial	80	2%	English/Unspecified	3,694	93%
Unspecified	722	18%	Total Consumers	3,969	100%
Total Consumers	3,969	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	749	19%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	369	84%	0 - 2 Years Old	63	14%
Voluntary Request	51	12%	3 - 5 Years Old	65	15%
CHINS Referral	15	3%	6 - 11 Years Old	117	27%
Other	5	1%	12 - 17 Years Old	195	44%
Unspecified	---	---	Total Children in Placement	440	100%
Total Children in Placement	440	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	134	30%	.5 Years or Less	84	19%
Unrestricted	130	30%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	71	16%
Pre-adoptive Home	43	10%	>1 Year - 2 Years	91	21%
Contracted Foster Home	40	9%	>2 Years - 4 Years	144	33%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	50	11%
Residential - Commonworks	35	8%	Total Children in Placement	440	100%
Residential - Group Home	19	4%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	15	3%			
Residential - Shelter	5	1%			
Non-Referral Location	19	4%			
Total Children in Placement	440	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾		
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	54	37%	New or Other Referral for Placement	16	30%
Foster Care	45	31%	Child Returned Home	25	46%
Residential	7	5%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	2	4%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	2	1%	Child on the Run	4	7%
Re-Entrants:	92	63%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	4	7%
Foster Care	54	37%	Child 18 or Older	2	4%
Residential	32	22%	Consumers Adopted	1	2%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	6	4%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	146	100%	Total Consumers	54	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	1,421	83%	0 - 2 Years Old	242	14%
Voluntary Request	202	12%	3 - 5 Years Old	294	17%
CHINS Referral	80	5%	6 - 11 Years Old	564	33%
Other	8	*	12 - 17 Years Old	609	36%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	2	*
Total Children Not in Placement	1,711	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,711	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Central			Area Office: South Central		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	2,692		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,796	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,571		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	421	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	58%		Placement Rate for Children	23%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	951		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	963	
Support Rate (CY'03)	60%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	47	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	61		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	310	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	60		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	32%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	2,707	77%	Spanish	83	2%
Black	136	4%	Khmer (Cambodian)	1	*
Asian	20	1%	Portuguese	---	---
Native American	6	*	Haitian Creole	3	*
Other	5	*	Other	80	2%
Multi-Racial	38	1%	English/Unspecified	3,327	95%
Unspecified	582	17%	Total Consumers	3,494	100%
Total Consumers	3,494	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	419	12%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	324	77%	0 - 2 Years Old	47	11%
Voluntary Request	38	9%	3 - 5 Years Old	53	13%
CHINS Referral	48	11%	6 - 11 Years Old	119	28%
Other	10	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	202	48%
Unspecified	1	*	Total Children in Placement	421	100%
Total Children in Placement	421	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	121	29%	.5 Years or Less	98	23%
Unrestricted	107	25%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	67	16%
Pre-adoptive Home	10	2%	>1 Year - 2 Years	124	29%
Contracted Foster Home	79	19%	>2 Years - 4 Years	90	21%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	42	10%
Residential - Commonworks	25	6%	Total Children in Placement	421	100%
Residential - Group Home	32	8%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	32	8%			
Residential - Shelter	1	*			
Non-Referral Location	14	3%			
Total Children in Placement	421	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾		
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	58	42%	New or Other Referral for Placement	25	40%
Foster Care	45	33%	Child Returned Home	26	42%
Residential	11	8%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	3	5%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	2	1%	Child on the Run	3	5%
Re-Entrants:	80	58%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	1	2%
Foster Care	43	31%	Child 18 or Older	3	5%
Residential	31	22%	Consumers Adopted	1	2%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	6	4%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	138	100%	Total Consumers	62	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	1,167	85%	0 - 2 Years Old	205	15%
Voluntary Request	89	6%	3 - 5 Years Old	265	19%
CHINS Referral	97	7%	6 - 11 Years Old	442	32%
Other	19	1%	12 - 17 Years Old	454	33%
Unspecified	3	*	Unspecified	9	1%
Total Children Not in Placement	1,375	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,375	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Central			Area Office: Worcester		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	2,444		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	2,252	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,372		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	585	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	56%		Placement Rate for Children	26%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	770		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	1,082	
Support Rate (CY'03)	55%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	96	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	56		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	402	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	61		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	37%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,866	47%	Spanish	311	8%
Black	628	16%	Khmer (Cambodian)	---	---
Asian	90	2%	Portuguese	1	*
Native American	12	*	Haitian Creole	---	---
Other	---	---	Other	112	3%
Multi-Racial	107	3%	English/Unspecified	3,513	89%
Unspecified	1,234	31%	Total Consumers	3,937	100%
Total Consumers	3,937	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	1,425	36%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	467	80%	0 - 2 Years Old	66	11%
Voluntary Request	51	9%	3 - 5 Years Old	82	14%
CHINS Referral	44	8%	6 - 11 Years Old	161	28%
Other	23	4%	12 - 17 Years Old	276	47%
Unspecified	---	---	Total Children in Placement	585	100%
Total Children in Placement	585	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	176	30%	.5 Years or Less	131	22%
Unrestricted	111	19%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	82	14%
Pre-adoptive Home	49	8%	>1 Year - 2 Years	124	21%
Contracted Foster Home	86	15%	>2 Years - 4 Years	161	28%
Independent Living	1	*	>4 Years	87	15%
Residential - Commonworks	56	10%	Total Children in Placement	585	100%
Residential - Group Home	37	6%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	51	9%			
Residential - Shelter	3	1%			
Non-Referral Location	15	3%			
Total Children in Placement	585	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	64	38%	New or Other Referral for Placement	33	46%
Foster Care	57	34%	Child Returned Home	22	31%
Residential	6	4%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	5	7%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	1	1%	Child on the Run	3	4%
Re-Entrants:	105	62%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	---	---
Foster Care	70	41%	Child 18 or Older	2	3%
Residential	31	18%	Consumers Adopted	6	8%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	4	2%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	1	1%
Total Consumers	169	100%	Total Consumers	72	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	1,353	81%	0 - 2 Years Old	257	15%
Voluntary Request	88	5%	3 - 5 Years Old	274	16%
CHINS Referral	157	9%	6 - 11 Years Old	569	34%
Other	66	4%	12 - 17 Years Old	565	34%
Unspecified	3	*	Unspecified	2	*
Total Children Not in Placement	1,667	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,667	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Northeast		(Regional statistics are based on regional offices and contracted agencies data)			
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	8,694	Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	6,825		
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	6,055	Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	1,721		
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	70%	Placement Rate for Children	25%		
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	3,406	Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	3,561		
Support Rate (CY'03)	53%	Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	238		
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	210	Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	1,349		
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	222	% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	38%		
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)		Primary Language (12/31/03)			
White	7,183 58%	Spanish	1,082	9%	
Black	845 7%	Khmer (Cambodian)	348	3%	
Asian	873 7%	Portuguese	38	*	
Native American	19 *	Haitian Creole	9	*	
Other	4 *	Other	262	2%	
Multi-Racial	333 3%	English/Unspecified	10,742	86%	
Unspecified	3,224 26%	Total Consumers	12,481	100%	
Total Consumers	12,481 100%				
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	3,780 30%				
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	1,369 80%	0 - 2 Years Old	163	9%	
Voluntary Request	147 9%	3 - 5 Years Old	173	10%	
CHINS Referral	127 7%	6 - 11 Years Old	419	24%	
Other	69 4%	12 - 17 Years Old	966	56%	
Unspecified	9 1%	Total Children in Placement	1,721	100%	
Total Children in Placement	1,721 100%				
Placement Type (12/31/03)		Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)			
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	420 24%	.5 Years or Less	331	19%	
Unrestricted	331 19%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	317	18%	
Pre-adoptive Home	44 3%	>1 Year - 2 Years	367	21%	
Contracted Foster Home	338 20%	>2 Years - 4 Years	348	20%	
Independent Living	--- ---	>4 Years	358	21%	
Residential - Commonworks	221 13%	Total Children in Placement	1,721	100%	
Residential - Group Home	51 3%				
Residential - Residential Treatment	185 11%				
Residential - Shelter	4 *				
Non-Referral Location	127 7%				
Total Children in Placement	1,721 100%				
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾		Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾			
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			
First-Time Entrants:	190 34%	New or Other Referral for Placement	98	36%	
Foster Care	142 26%	Child Returned Home	95	35%	
Residential	43 8%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	23	9%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	5 1%	Child on the Run	18	7%	
Re-Entrants:	366 66%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	15	6%	
Foster Care	198 36%	Child 18 or Older	12	4%	
Residential	125 22%	Consumers Adopted	5	2%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	43 8%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	4	1%	
Total Consumers	556 100%	Total Consumers	270	100%	
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	4,334 85%	0 - 2 Years Old	713	14%	
Voluntary Request	357 7%	3 - 5 Years Old	892	17%	
CHINS Referral	288 6%	6 - 11 Years Old	1,721	34%	
Other	122 2%	12 - 17 Years Old	1,773	35%	
Unspecified	3 *	Unspecified	5	*	
Total Children Not in Placement	5,104 100%	Total Children Not in Placement	5,104	100%	

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Northeast			Area Office: Lowell		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,776		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,476	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,200		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	485	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	68%		Placement Rate for Children	33%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	619		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	759	
Support Rate (CY'03)	44%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	53	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	44		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	344	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	49		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	45%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,370	53%	Spanish	115	4%
Black	175	7%	Khmer (Cambodian)	208	8%
Asian	524	20%	Portuguese	6	*
Native American	1	*	Haitian Creole	---	---
Other	1	*	Other	53	2%
Multi-Racial	50	2%	English/Unspecified	2,190	85%
Unspecified	451	18%	Total Consumers	2,572	100%
Total Consumers	2,572	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	591	23%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	355	73%	0 - 2 Years Old	50	10%
Voluntary Request	34	7%	3 - 5 Years Old	48	10%
CHINS Referral	82	17%	6 - 11 Years Old	123	25%
Other	14	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	264	54%
Unspecified	---	---	Total Children in Placement	485	100%
Total Children in Placement	485	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	157	32%	.5 Years or Less	98	20%
Unrestricted	115	24%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	85	18%
Pre-adoptive Home	13	3%	>1 Year - 2 Years	100	21%
Contracted Foster Home	74	15%	>2 Years - 4 Years	101	21%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	101	21%
Residential - Commonworks	47	10%	Total Children in Placement	485	100%
Residential - Group Home	7	1%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	40	8%			
Residential - Shelter	---	---			
Non-Referral Location	32	7%			
Total Children in Placement	485	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾		
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	47	37%	New or Other Referral for Placement	19	36%
Foster Care	43	34%	Child Returned Home	19	36%
Residential	1	1%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	2	4%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	3	2%	Child on the Run	5	9%
Re-Entrants:	80	63%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	1	2%
Foster Care	57	45%	Child 18 or Older	3	6%
Residential	13	10%	Consumers Adopted	2	4%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	10	8%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	2	4%
Total Consumers	127	100%	Total Consumers	53	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	718	72%	0 - 2 Years Old	127	13%
Voluntary Request	62	6%	3 - 5 Years Old	162	16%
CHINS Referral	191	19%	6 - 11 Years Old	312	31%
Other	20	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	390	39%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	---	---
Total Children Not in Placement	991	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	991	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Northeast			Area Office: Lawrence	
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,967		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,614
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,496		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	335
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	76%		Placement Rate for Children	21%
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	788		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	775
Support Rate (CY'03)	53%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	51
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	51		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	251
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	47		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	32%
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)				
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)	
White	1,241	44%	Spanish	636 22%
Black	91	3%	Khmer (Cambodian)	4 *
Asian	24	1%	Portuguese	5 *
Native American	14	*	Haitian Creole	2 *
Other	3	*	Other	57 2%
Multi-Racial	146	5%	English/Unspecified	2,134 75%
Unspecified	1,319	46%	Total Consumers	2,838 100%
Total Consumers	2,838	100%		
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	1,885	66%		
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.				
Children in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	289	86%	0 - 2 Years Old	38 11%
Voluntary Request	20	6%	3 - 5 Years Old	34 10%
CHINS Referral	17	5%	6 - 11 Years Old	79 24%
Other	7	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	184 55%
Unspecified	2	1%	Total Children in Placement	335 100%
Total Children in Placement	335	100%		
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)	
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	55	16%	.5 Years or Less	75 22%
Unrestricted	99	30%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	58 17%
Pre-adoptive Home	10	3%	>1 Year - 2 Years	49 15%
Contracted Foster Home	54	16%	>2 Years - 4 Years	72 21%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	81 24%
Residential - Commonworks	43	13%	Total Children in Placement	335 100%
Residential - Group Home	9	3%		
Residential - Residential Treatment	38	11%		
Residential - Shelter	---	---		
Non-Referral Location	27	8%		
Total Children in Placement	335	100%		
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾	
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾	
First-Time Entrants:	75	54%	New or Other Referral for Placement	20 33%
Foster Care	58	41%	Child Returned Home	22 36%
Residential	16	11%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	3 5%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	1	1%	Child on the Run	4 7%
Re-Entrants:	65	46%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	8 13%
Foster Care	34	24%	Child 18 or Older	3 5%
Residential	25	18%	Consumers Adopted	1 2%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	6	4%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	--- ---
Total Consumers	140	100%	Total Consumers	61 100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.				
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.				
Children Not in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	1,166	91%	0 - 2 Years Old	177 14%
Voluntary Request	63	5%	3 - 5 Years Old	227 18%
CHINS Referral	46	4%	6 - 11 Years Old	458 36%
Other	1	*	12 - 17 Years Old	415 32%
Unspecified	3	*	Unspecified	2 *
Total Children Not in Placement	1,279	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,279 100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Northeast			Area Office: Haverhill	
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,377		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,172
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	994		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	272
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	72%		Placement Rate for Children	23%
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	570		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	563
Support Rate (CY'03)	52%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	38
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	29		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	208
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	33		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	37%
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)				
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)	
White	1,536	71%	Spanish	90 4%
Black	59	3%	Khmer (Cambodian)	--- ---
Asian	2	*	Portuguese	--- ---
Native American	2	*	Haitian Creole	1 *
Other	---	---	Other	52 2%
Multi-Racial	24	1%	English/Unspecified	2,019 93%
Unspecified	539	25%	Total Consumers	2,162 100%
Total Consumers	2,162	100%		
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	393	18%		
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.				
Children in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	228	84%	0 - 2 Years Old	21 8%
Voluntary Request	23	8%	3 - 5 Years Old	24 9%
CHINS Referral	11	4%	6 - 11 Years Old	73 27%
Other	7	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	154 57%
Unspecified	3	1%	Total Children in Placement	272 100%
Total Children in Placement	272	100%		
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)	
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	40	15%	.5 Years or Less	29 11%
Unrestricted	33	12%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	51 19%
Pre-adoptive Home	9	3%	>1 Year - 2 Years	71 26%
Contracted Foster Home	83	31%	>2 Years - 4 Years	51 19%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	70 26%
Residential - Commonworks	36	13%	Total Children in Placement	272 100%
Residential - Group Home	13	5%		
Residential - Residential Treatment	32	12%		
Residential - Shelter	1	*		
Non-Referral Location	25	9%		
Total Children in Placement	272	100%		
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾	
First-Time Entrants:	9	12%	New or Other Referral for Placement	17 38%
Foster Care	5	6%	Child Returned Home	14 31%
Residential	3	4%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	6 13%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	1	1%	Child on the Run	3 7%
Re-Entrants:	68	88%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	--- ---
Foster Care	34	44%	Child 18 or Older	2 4%
Residential	26	34%	Consumers Adopted	2 4%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	8	10%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	1 2%
Total Consumers	77	100%	Total Consumers	45 100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.				
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.				
Children Not in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	785	87%	0 - 2 Years Old	124 14%
Voluntary Request	61	7%	3 - 5 Years Old	166 18%
CHINS Referral	30	3%	6 - 11 Years Old	291 32%
Other	24	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	318 35%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	1 *
Total Children Not in Placement	900	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	900 100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Northeast			Area Office: Cape Ann	
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,901		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,181
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,361		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	285
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	72%		Placement Rate for Children	24%
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	861		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	701
Support Rate (CY'03)	59%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	49
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	48		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	249
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	50		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	36%
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)				
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)	
White	1,724	74%	Spanish	57 2%
Black	158	7%	Khmer (Cambodian)	--- ---
Asian	8	*	Portuguese	23 1%
Native American	---	---	Haitian Creole	--- ---
Other	---	---	Other	49 2%
Multi-Racial	23	1%	English/Unspecified	2,215 94%
Unspecified	431	18%	Total Consumers	2,344 100%
Total Consumers	2,344	100%		
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	270	12%		
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.				
Children in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	221	78%	0 - 2 Years Old	24 8%
Voluntary Request	29	10%	3 - 5 Years Old	28 10%
CHINS Referral	14	5%	6 - 11 Years Old	67 24%
Other	18	6%	12 - 17 Years Old	166 58%
Unspecified	3	1%	Total Children in Placement	285 100%
Total Children in Placement	285	100%		
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)	
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	86	30%	.5 Years or Less	60 21%
Unrestricted	35	12%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	50 18%
Pre-adoptive Home	6	2%	>1 Year - 2 Years	71 25%
Contracted Foster Home	42	15%	>2 Years - 4 Years	55 19%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	49 17%
Residential - Commonworks	43	15%	Total Children in Placement	285 100%
Residential - Group Home	10	4%		
Residential - Residential Treatment	45	16%		
Residential - Shelter	2	1%		
Non-Referral Location	16	6%		
Total Children in Placement	285	100%		
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾	
First-Time Entrants:	29	29%	New or Other Referral for Placement	18 37%
Foster Care	20	20%	Child Returned Home	19 39%
Residential	9	9%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	4 8%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Child on the Run	1 2%
Re-Entrants:	72	71%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	3 6%
Foster Care	35	35%	Child 18 or Older	3 6%
Residential	32	32%	Consumers Adopted	--- ---
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	5	5%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	1 2%
Total Consumers	101	100%	Total Consumers	49 100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.				
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.				
Children Not in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	773	86%	0 - 2 Years Old	122 14%
Voluntary Request	79	9%	3 - 5 Years Old	174 19%
CHINS Referral	16	2%	6 - 11 Years Old	292 33%
Other	28	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	306 34%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	2 *
Total Children Not in Placement	896	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	896 100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Northeast			Area Office: Lynn		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,673		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,374	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,004		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	342	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	60%		Placement Rate for Children	25%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	567		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	756	
Support Rate (CY'03)	56%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	47	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	38		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	295	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	44		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	39%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,300	51%	Spanish	182	7%
Black	360	14%	Khmer (Cambodian)	136	5%
Asian	315	12%	Portuguese	4	*
Native American	2	*	Haitian Creole	6	*
Other	---	---	Other	51	2%
Multi-Racial	87	3%	English/Unspecified	2,167	85%
Unspecified	482	19%	Total Consumers	2,546	100%
Total Consumers	2,546	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	637	25%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	274	80%	0 - 2 Years Old	30	9%
Voluntary Request	41	12%	3 - 5 Years Old	39	11%
CHINS Referral	3	1%	6 - 11 Years Old	77	23%
Other	23	7%	12 - 17 Years Old	196	57%
Unspecified	1	*	Total Children in Placement	342	100%
Total Children in Placement	342	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	80	23%	.5 Years or Less	69	20%
Unrestricted	49	14%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	73	21%
Pre-adoptive Home	6	2%	>1 Year - 2 Years	74	22%
Contracted Foster Home	85	25%	>2 Years - 4 Years	69	20%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	57	17%
Residential - Commonworks	52	15%	Total Children in Placement	342	100%
Residential - Group Home	12	4%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	30	9%			
Residential - Shelter	1	*			
Non-Referral Location	27	8%			
Total Children in Placement	342	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	29	26%	New or Other Referral for Placement	22	37%
Foster Care	16	15%	Child Returned Home	20	34%
Residential	13	12%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	8	14%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Child on the Run	5	8%
Re-Entrants:	81	74%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	3	5%
Foster Care	38	35%	Child 18 or Older	1	2%
Residential	29	26%	Consumers Adopted	---	---
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	14	13%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	110	100%	Total Consumers	59	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	886	86%	0 - 2 Years Old	160	16%
Voluntary Request	92	9%	3 - 5 Years Old	161	16%
CHINS Referral	5	*	6 - 11 Years Old	367	36%
Other	49	5%	12 - 17 Years Old	344	33%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	---	---
Total Children Not in Placement	1,032	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,032	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Metro		(Regional statistics are based on regional offices and contracted agencies data)			
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	6,795	Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	5,249		
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	4,339	Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	1,281		
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	64%	Placement Rate for Children	24%		
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	2,800	Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	3,135		
Support Rate (CY'03)	57%	Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	212		
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	214	Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	1,164		
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	208	% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	37%		
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)		Primary Language (12/31/03)			
White	6,843 66%	Spanish	304	3%	
Black	1,503 14%	Khmer (Cambodian)	1	*	
Asian	221 2%	Portuguese	86	1%	
Native American	4 *	Haitian Creole	122	1%	
Other	7 *	Other	333	3%	
Multi-Racial	194 2%	English/Unspecified	9,551	92%	
Unspecified	1,625 16%	Total Consumers	10,397	100%	
Total Consumers	10,397 100%				
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	1,228 12%				
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	937 73%	0 - 2 Years Old	135	11%	
Voluntary Request	224 17%	3 - 5 Years Old	119	9%	
CHINS Referral	83 6%	6 - 11 Years Old	263	21%	
Other	32 2%	12 - 17 Years Old	764	60%	
Unspecified	5 *	Total Children in Placement	1,281	100%	
Total Children in Placement	1,281 100%				
Placement Type (12/31/03)		Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)			
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	309 24%	.5 Years or Less	311	24%	
Unrestricted	209 16%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	272	21%	
Pre-adoptive Home	37 3%	>1 Year - 2 Years	275	21%	
Contracted Foster Home	179 14%	>2 Years - 4 Years	270	21%	
Independent Living	1 *	>4 Years	153	12%	
Residential - Commonworks	209 16%	Total Children in Placement	1,281	100%	
Residential - Group Home	82 6%				
Residential - Residential Treatment	193 15%				
Residential - Shelter	16 1%				
Non-Referral Location	46 4%				
Total Children in Placement	1,281 100%				
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾		Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾			
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			
First-Time Entrants:	<u>188 42%</u>	New or Other Referral for Placement	73	35%	
Foster Care	<u>99 22%</u>	Child Returned Home	89	42%	
Residential	<u>85 19%</u>	Placement in Non-Referral Location	14	7%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	<u>4 1%</u>	Child on the Run	14	7%	
Re-Entrants:	<u>260 58%</u>	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	7	3%	
Foster Care	<u>94 21%</u>	Child 18 or Older	4	2%	
Residential	<u>147 33%</u>	Consumers Adopted	9	4%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	<u>19 4%</u>	Other ⁽⁴⁾	1	*	
Total Consumers	448 100%	Total Consumers	211	100%	
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	3,194 80%	0 - 2 Years Old	546	14%	
Voluntary Request	621 16%	3 - 5 Years Old	583	15%	
CHINS Referral	99 2%	6 - 11 Years Old	1,320	33%	
Other	53 1%	12 - 17 Years Old	1,516	38%	
Unspecified	1 *	Unspecified	3	*	
Total Children Not in Placement	3,968 100%	Total Children Not in Placement	3,968	100%	

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* = Less than 1% after rounding off.

DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Metro			Area Office: Malden		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,690		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,234	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,181		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	224	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	70%		Placement Rate for Children	18%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	676		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	718	
Support Rate (CY'03)	63%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	35	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	43		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	210	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	37		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	29%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,628	67%	Spanish	52	2%
Black	363	15%	Khmer (Cambodian)	---	---
Asian	61	3%	Portuguese	21	1%
Native American	---	---	Haitian Creole	47	2%
Other	1	*	Other	83	3%
Multi-Racial	44	2%	English/Unspecified	2,221	92%
Unspecified	327	13%	Total Consumers	2,424	100%
Total Consumers	2,424	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	213	9%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	165	74%	0 - 2 Years Old	16	7%
Voluntary Request	41	18%	3 - 5 Years Old	18	8%
CHINS Referral	7	3%	6 - 11 Years Old	47	21%
Other	10	4%	12 - 17 Years Old	143	64%
Unspecified	1	*	Total Children in Placement	224	100%
Total Children in Placement	224	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	43	19%	.5 Years or Less	47	21%
Unrestricted	21	9%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	37	17%
Pre-adoptive Home	5	2%	>1 Year - 2 Years	55	25%
Contracted Foster Home	51	23%	>2 Years - 4 Years	48	21%
Independent Living	1	*	>4 Years	37	17%
Residential - Commonworks	40	18%	Total Children in Placement	224	100%
Residential - Group Home	21	9%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	35	16%			
Residential - Shelter	1	*			
Non-Referral Location	6	3%			
Total Children in Placement	224	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	23	34%	New or Other Referral for Placement	18	42%
Foster Care	12	18%	Child Returned Home	15	35%
Residential	11	16%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	3	7%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Child on the Run	3	7%
Re-Entrants:	44	66%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	2	5%
Foster Care	15	22%	Child 18 or Older	1	2%
Residential	27	40%	Consumers Adopted	---	---
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	2	3%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	1	2%
Total Consumers	67	100%	Total Consumers	43	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	855	85%	0 - 2 Years Old	138	14%
Voluntary Request	131	13%	3 - 5 Years Old	135	13%
CHINS Referral	6	1%	6 - 11 Years Old	363	36%
Other	18	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	374	37%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	---	---
Total Children Not in Placement	1,010	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,010	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Metro			Area Office: Framingham		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,465		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	911	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	659		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	262	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	45%		Placement Rate for Children	29%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	471		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	511	
Support Rate (CY'03)	57%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	41	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	39		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	219	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	41		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	43%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,243	71%	Spanish	82	5%
Black	179	10%	Khmer (Cambodian)	---	---
Asian	21	1%	Portuguese	29	2%
Native American	2	*	Haitian Creole	---	---
Other	---	---	Other	60	3%
Multi-Racial	34	2%	English/Unspecified	1,575	90%
Unspecified	267	15%	Total Consumers	1,746	100%
Total Consumers	1,746	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	341	20%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	192	73%	0 - 2 Years Old	40	15%
Voluntary Request	37	14%	3 - 5 Years Old	24	9%
CHINS Referral	28	11%	6 - 11 Years Old	49	19%
Other	5	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	149	57%
Unspecified	---	---	Total Children in Placement	262	100%
Total Children in Placement	262	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	67	26%	.5 Years or Less	66	25%
Unrestricted	60	23%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	53	20%
Pre-adoptive Home	4	2%	>1 Year - 2 Years	56	21%
Contracted Foster Home	20	8%	>2 Years - 4 Years	61	23%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	26	10%
Residential - Commonworks	43	16%	Total Children in Placement	262	100%
Residential - Group Home	10	4%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	44	17%			
Residential - Shelter	6	2%			
Non-Referral Location	8	3%			
Total Children in Placement	262	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	26	29%	New or Other Referral for Placement	14	42%
Foster Care	12	13%	Child Returned Home	11	33%
Residential	14	16%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	3	9%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Child on the Run	2	6%
Re-Entrants:	64	71%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	---	---
Foster Care	24	27%	Child 18 or Older	1	3%
Residential	37	41%	Consumers Adopted	2	6%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	3	3%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	90	100%	Total Consumers	33	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	529	82%	0 - 2 Years Old	98	15%
Voluntary Request	73	11%	3 - 5 Years Old	120	18%
CHINS Referral	30	5%	6 - 11 Years Old	202	31%
Other	17	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	229	35%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	---	---
Total Children Not in Placement	649	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	649	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Metro			Area Office: Cambridge		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,051		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	890	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	745		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	258	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	71%		Placement Rate for Children	29%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	492		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	547	
Support Rate (CY'03)	59%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	40	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	39		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	241	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	44		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	44%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	883	51%	Spanish	91	5%
Black	435	25%	Khmer (Cambodian)	---	---
Asian	58	3%	Portuguese	30	2%
Native American	1	*	Haitian Creole	48	3%
Other	---	---	Other	68	4%
Multi-Racial	30	2%	English/Unspecified	1,500	86%
Unspecified	330	19%	Total Consumers	1,737	100%
Total Consumers	1,737	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	301	17%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	203	79%	0 - 2 Years Old	23	9%
Voluntary Request	42	16%	3 - 5 Years Old	26	10%
CHINS Referral	7	3%	6 - 11 Years Old	52	20%
Other	4	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	157	61%
Unspecified	2	1%	Total Children in Placement	258	100%
Total Children in Placement	258	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	56	22%	.5 Years or Less	59	23%
Unrestricted	42	16%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	47	18%
Pre-adoptive Home	5	2%	>1 Year - 2 Years	61	24%
Contracted Foster Home	47	18%	>2 Years - 4 Years	49	19%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	42	16%
Residential - Commonworks	46	18%	Total Children in Placement	258	100%
Residential - Group Home	17	7%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	35	14%			
Residential - Shelter	3	1%			
Non-Referral Location	7	3%			
Total Children in Placement	258	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	47	51%	New or Other Referral for Placement	15	41%
Foster Care	33	36%	Child Returned Home	13	35%
Residential	13	14%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	1	3%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	1	1%	Child on the Run	2	5%
Re-Entrants:	45	49%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	4	11%
Foster Care	18	20%	Child 18 or Older	1	3%
Residential	22	24%	Consumers Adopted	1	3%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	5	5%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	92	100%	Total Consumers	37	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	514	81%	0 - 2 Years Old	90	14%
Voluntary Request	111	18%	3 - 5 Years Old	113	18%
CHINS Referral	6	1%	6 - 11 Years Old	212	34%
Other	1	*	12 - 17 Years Old	217	34%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	---	---
Total Children Not in Placement	632	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	632	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Metro			Area Office:	Arlington	
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,169		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,126	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	762		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	245	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	65%		Placement Rate for Children	22%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	507		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	711	
Support Rate (CY'03)	54%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	29	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	48		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	222	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	39		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	31%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,581	69%	Spanish	58	3%
Black	232	10%	Khmer (Cambodian)	---	---
Asian	29	1%	Portuguese	2	*
Native American	---	---	Haitian Creole	15	1%
Other	---	---	Other	72	3%
Multi-Racial	40	2%	English/Unspecified	2,159	94%
Unspecified	424	18%	Total Consumers	2,306	100%
Total Consumers	2,306	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	249	11%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	166	68%	0 - 2 Years Old	22	9%
Voluntary Request	46	19%	3 - 5 Years Old	22	9%
CHINS Referral	27	11%	6 - 11 Years Old	46	19%
Other	4	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	155	63%
Unspecified	2	1%	Total Children in Placement	245	100%
Total Children in Placement	245	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	53	22%	.5 Years or Less	83	34%
Unrestricted	32	13%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	67	27%
Pre-adoptive Home	11	4%	>1 Year - 2 Years	39	16%
Contracted Foster Home	31	13%	>2 Years - 4 Years	41	17%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	15	6%
Residential - Commonworks	38	16%	Total Children in Placement	245	100%
Residential - Group Home	21	9%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	40	16%			
Residential - Shelter	2	1%			
Non-Referral Location	17	7%			
Total Children in Placement	245	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	51	52%	New or Other Referral for Placement	9	18%
Foster Care	20	20%	Child Returned Home	30	60%
Residential	28	28%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	3	6%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	3	3%	Child on the Run	4	8%
Re-Entrants:	48	48%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	1	2%
Foster Care	14	14%	Child 18 or Older	1	2%
Residential	29	29%	Consumers Adopted	2	4%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	5	5%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	99	100%	Total Consumers	50	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	653	74%	0 - 2 Years Old	98	11%
Voluntary Request	172	20%	3 - 5 Years Old	109	12%
CHINS Referral	50	6%	6 - 11 Years Old	281	32%
Other	5	1%	12 - 17 Years Old	392	44%
Unspecified	1	*	Unspecified	1	*
Total Children Not in Placement	881	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	881	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Metro			Area Office:	Coastal	
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,420		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,056	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	992		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	282	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	70%		Placement Rate for Children	27%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	648		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	631	
Support Rate (CY'03)	53%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	66	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	46		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	262	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	46		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	42%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,494	70%	Spanish	21	1%
Black	268	13%	Khmer (Cambodian)	1	*
Asian	51	2%	Portuguese	4	*
Native American	1	*	Haitian Creole	12	1%
Other	6	*	Other	46	2%
Multi-Racial	42	2%	English/Unspecified	2,044	96%
Unspecified	266	13%	Total Consumers	2,128	100%
Total Consumers	2,128	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	117	5%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	207	73%	0 - 2 Years Old	34	12%
Voluntary Request	54	19%	3 - 5 Years Old	29	10%
CHINS Referral	13	5%	6 - 11 Years Old	68	24%
Other	8	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	151	54%
Unspecified	---	---	Total Children in Placement	282	100%
Total Children in Placement	282	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	89	32%	.5 Years or Less	54	19%
Unrestricted	52	18%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	66	23%
Pre-adoptive Home	12	4%	>1 Year - 2 Years	63	22%
Contracted Foster Home	28	10%	>2 Years - 4 Years	68	24%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	31	11%
Residential - Commonworks	40	14%	Total Children in Placement	282	100%
Residential - Group Home	13	5%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	37	13%			
Residential - Shelter	3	1%			
Non-Referral Location	8	3%			
Total Children in Placement	282	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾		
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	40	41%	New or Other Referral for Placement	17	35%
Foster Care	22	22%	Child Returned Home	20	42%
Residential	18	18%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	4	8%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Child on the Run	3	6%
Re-Entrants:	58	59%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	---	---
Foster Care	22	22%	Child 18 or Older	---	---
Residential	32	33%	Consumers Adopted	4	8%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	4	4%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	98	100%	Total Consumers	48	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	633	82%	0 - 2 Years Old	119	15%
Voluntary Request	128	17%	3 - 5 Years Old	103	13%
CHINS Referral	5	1%	6 - 11 Years Old	255	33%
Other	8	1%	12 - 17 Years Old	295	38%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	2	*
Total Children Not in Placement	774	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	774	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Southeast		(Regional statistics are based on regional offices and contracted agencies data)			
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	10,953	Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	7,889		
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	7,284	Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	2,057		
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	67%	Placement Rate for Children	26%		
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	4,248	Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	4,343		
Support Rate (CY'03)	53%	Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	368		
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	289	Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	1,613		
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	280	% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	37%		
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)		Primary Language (12/31/03)			
White	9,856 64%	Spanish	290	2%	
Black	2,115 14%	Khmer (Cambodian)	69	*	
Asian	150 1%	Portuguese	98	1%	
Native American	42 *	Haitian Creole	22	*	
Other	7 *	Other	469	3%	
Multi-Racial	327 2%	English/Unspecified	14,378	94%	
Unspecified	2,829 18%	Total Consumers	15,326	100%	
Total Consumers	15,326 100%				
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	1,556 10%				
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	1,592 77%	0 - 2 Years Old	278	14%	
Voluntary Request	230 11%	3 - 5 Years Old	261	13%	
CHINS Referral	154 7%	6 - 11 Years Old	473	23%	
Other	69 3%	12 - 17 Years Old	1,045	51%	
Unspecified	12 1%	Total Children in Placement	2,057	100%	
Total Children in Placement	2,057 100%				
Placement Type (12/31/03)		Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)			
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	632 31%	.5 Years or Less	466	23%	
Unrestricted	567 28%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	374	18%	
Pre-adoptive Home	71 3%	>1 Year - 2 Years	488	24%	
Contracted Foster Home	249 12%	>2 Years - 4 Years	465	23%	
Independent Living	3 *	>4 Years	264	13%	
Residential - Commonworks	204 10%	Total Children in Placement	2,057	100%	
Residential - Group Home	79 4%				
Residential - Residential Treatment	151 7%				
Residential - Shelter	18 1%				
Non-Referral Location	83 4%				
Total Children in Placement	2,057 100%				
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾		Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾			
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			
First-Time Entrants:	245 36%	New or Other Referral for Placement	110	45%	
Foster Care	207 31%	Child Returned Home	84	34%	
Residential	36 5%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	12	5%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	2 *	Child on the Run	14	6%	
Re-Entrants:	429 64%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	4	2%	
Foster Care	276 41%	Child 18 or Older	7	3%	
Residential	126 19%	Consumers Adopted	10	4%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	27 4%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	5	2%	
Total Consumers	674 100%	Total Consumers	246	100%	
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	4,772 82%	0 - 2 Years Old	899	15%	
Voluntary Request	506 9%	3 - 5 Years Old	934	16%	
CHINS Referral	451 8%	6 - 11 Years Old	1,894	32%	
Other	103 2%	12 - 17 Years Old	2,090	36%	
Unspecified	---	Unspecified	15	*	
Total Children Not in Placement	5,832 100%	Total Children Not in Placement	5,832	100%	

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Southeast			Area Office: Attleboro	
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,503		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,009
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	879		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	295
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	58%		Placement Rate for Children	29%
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	516		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	601
Support Rate (CY'03)	52%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	53
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	36		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	259
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	36		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	43%
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)				
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)	
White	1,564	77%	Spanish	18 1%
Black	132	6%	Khmer (Cambodian)	4 *
Asian	24	1%	Portuguese	4 *
Native American	1	*	Haitian Creole	--- ---
Other	1	*	Other	35 2%
Multi-Racial	42	2%	English/Unspecified	1,971 97%
Unspecified	268	13%	Total Consumers	2,032 100%
Total Consumers	2,032	100%		
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	159	8%		
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.				
Children in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	221	75%	0 - 2 Years Old	31 11%
Voluntary Request	39	13%	3 - 5 Years Old	29 10%
CHINS Referral	27	9%	6 - 11 Years Old	71 24%
Other	6	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	164 56%
Unspecified	2	1%	Total Children in Placement	295 100%
Total Children in Placement	295	100%		
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)	
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	84	28%	.5 Years or Less	68 23%
Unrestricted	78	26%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	48 16%
Pre-adoptive Home	11	4%	>1 Year - 2 Years	72 24%
Contracted Foster Home	33	11%	>2 Years - 4 Years	68 23%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	39 13%
Residential - Commonworks	36	12%	Total Children in Placement	295 100%
Residential - Group Home	7	2%		
Residential - Residential Treatment	36	12%		
Residential - Shelter	7	2%		
Non-Referral Location	3	1%		
Total Children in Placement	295	100%		
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾	
First-Time Entrants:	41	40%	New or Other Referral for Placement	14 38%
Foster Care	27	26%	Child Returned Home	13 35%
Residential	12	12%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	--- ---
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	2	2%	Child on the Run	1 3%
Re-Entrants:	61	60%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	--- ---
Foster Care	38	37%	Child 18 or Older	1 3%
Residential	23	23%	Consumers Adopted	5 14%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Other ⁽⁴⁾	3 8%
Total Consumers	102	100%	Total Consumers	37 100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.				
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.				
Children Not in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	567	79%	0 - 2 Years Old	84 12%
Voluntary Request	94	13%	3 - 5 Years Old	106 15%
CHINS Referral	41	6%	6 - 11 Years Old	251 35%
Other	12	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	273 38%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	---
Total Children Not in Placement	714	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	714 100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Southeast			Area Office: Brockton		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,879		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,544	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,289		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	379	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	69%		Placement Rate for Children	25%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	856		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	813	
Support Rate (CY'03)	58%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	79	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	63		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	289	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	59		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	36%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,479	50%	Spanish	32	1%
Black	859	29%	Khmer (Cambodian)	4	*
Asian	7	*	Portuguese	17	1%
Native American	4	*	Haitian Creole	12	*
Other	1	*	Other	141	5%
Multi-Racial	61	2%	English/Unspecified	2,765	93%
Unspecified	560	19%	Total Consumers	2,971	100%
Total Consumers	2,971	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	334	11%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	295	78%	0 - 2 Years Old	54	14%
Voluntary Request	30	8%	3 - 5 Years Old	33	9%
CHINS Referral	32	8%	6 - 11 Years Old	96	25%
Other	20	5%	12 - 17 Years Old	196	52%
Unspecified	2	1%	Total Children in Placement	379	100%
Total Children in Placement	379	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	98	26%	.5 Years or Less	74	20%
Unrestricted	89	23%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	70	18%
Pre-adoptive Home	24	6%	>1 Year - 2 Years	75	20%
Contracted Foster Home	53	14%	>2 Years - 4 Years	94	25%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	66	17%
Residential - Commonworks	45	12%	Total Children in Placement	379	100%
Residential - Group Home	14	4%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	40	11%			
Residential - Shelter	---	---			
Non-Referral Location	16	4%			
Total Children in Placement	379	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	27	24%	New or Other Referral for Placement	26	58%
Foster Care	24	21%	Child Returned Home	9	20%
Residential	3	3%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	2	4%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Child on the Run	4	9%
Re-Entrants:	87	76%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	1	2%
Foster Care	51	45%	Child 18 or Older	1	2%
Residential	32	28%	Consumers Adopted	2	4%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	4	4%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	114	100%	Total Consumers	45	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	999	86%	0 - 2 Years Old	212	18%
Voluntary Request	65	6%	3 - 5 Years Old	195	17%
CHINS Referral	85	7%	6 - 11 Years Old	334	29%
Other	16	1%	12 - 17 Years Old	422	36%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	2	*
Total Children Not in Placement	1,165	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,165	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Southeast			Area Office: Fall River		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,926		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,587	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,367		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	440	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	71%		Placement Rate for Children	28%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	761		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	815	
Support Rate (CY'03)	52%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	80	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	46		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	313	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	45		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	38%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,862	64%	Spanish	68	2%
Black	336	11%	Khmer (Cambodian)	61	2%
Asian	111	4%	Portuguese	36	1%
Native American	9	*	Haitian Creole	3	*
Other	---	---	Other	78	3%
Multi-Racial	98	3%	English/Unspecified	2,678	92%
Unspecified	508	17%	Total Consumers	2,924	100%
Total Consumers	2,924	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	327	11%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	358	81%	0 - 2 Years Old	74	17%
Voluntary Request	62	14%	3 - 5 Years Old	73	17%
CHINS Referral	14	3%	6 - 11 Years Old	99	23%
Other	6	1%	12 - 17 Years Old	194	44%
Unspecified	---	---	Total Children in Placement	440	100%
Total Children in Placement	440	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	145	33%	.5 Years or Less	94	21%
Unrestricted	145	33%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	80	18%
Pre-adoptive Home	15	3%	>1 Year - 2 Years	124	28%
Contracted Foster Home	45	10%	>2 Years - 4 Years	96	22%
Independent Living	1	*	>4 Years	46	10%
Residential - Commonworks	38	9%	Total Children in Placement	440	100%
Residential - Group Home	14	3%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	16	4%			
Residential - Shelter	3	1%			
Non-Referral Location	18	4%			
Total Children in Placement	440	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾		
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	47	37%	New or Other Referral for Placement	19	36%
Foster Care	43	34%	Child Returned Home	24	45%
Residential	4	3%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	2	4%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Child on the Run	4	8%
Re-Entrants:	80	63%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	1	2%
Foster Care	55	43%	Child 18 or Older	---	---
Residential	18	14%	Consumers Adopted	2	4%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	7	6%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	1	2%
Total Consumers	127	100%	Total Consumers	53	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	905	79%	0 - 2 Years Old	185	16%
Voluntary Request	179	16%	3 - 5 Years Old	194	17%
CHINS Referral	58	5%	6 - 11 Years Old	394	34%
Other	5	*	12 - 17 Years Old	368	32%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	6	1%
Total Children Not in Placement	1,147	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,147	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Southeast			Area Office: New Bedford	
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	2,278		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,741
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,581		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	481
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	69%		Placement Rate for Children	28%
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	849		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	909
Support Rate (CY'03)	48%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	86
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	53		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	348
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	53		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	38%
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)				
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)	
White	1,960	59%	Spanish	149 5%
Black	504	15%	Khmer (Cambodian)	--- ---
Asian	2	*	Portuguese	38 1%
Native American	4	*	Haitian Creole	3 *
Other	2	*	Other	96 3%
Multi-Racial	38	1%	English/Unspecified	3,014 91%
Unspecified	790	24%	Total Consumers	3,300 100%
Total Consumers	3,300	100%		
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	569	17%		
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.				
Children in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	380	79%	0 - 2 Years Old	63 13%
Voluntary Request	33	7%	3 - 5 Years Old	67 14%
CHINS Referral	52	11%	6 - 11 Years Old	130 27%
Other	14	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	221 46%
Unspecified	2	*	Total Children in Placement	481 100%
Total Children in Placement	481	100%		
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)	
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	163	34%	.5 Years or Less	115 24%
Unrestricted	135	28%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	95 20%
Pre-adoptive Home	8	2%	>1 Year - 2 Years	108 22%
Contracted Foster Home	54	11%	>2 Years - 4 Years	106 22%
Independent Living	1	*	>4 Years	57 12%
Residential - Commonworks	37	8%	Total Children in Placement	481 100%
Residential - Group Home	23	5%		
Residential - Residential Treatment	28	6%		
Residential - Shelter	5	1%		
Non-Referral Location	27	6%		
Total Children in Placement	481	100%		
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾	
First-Time Entrants:	64	38%	New or Other Referral for Placement	29 58%
Foster Care	52	31%	Child Returned Home	12 24%
Residential	12	7%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	3 6%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Child on the Run	2 4%
Re-Entrants:	105	62%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	1 2%
Foster Care	67	40%	Child 18 or Older	3 6%
Residential	27	16%	Consumers Adopted	--- ---
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	11	7%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	--- ---
Total Consumers	169	100%	Total Consumers	50 100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.				
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.				
Children Not in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	996	79%	0 - 2 Years Old	223 18%
Voluntary Request	73	6%	3 - 5 Years Old	206 16%
CHINS Referral	178	14%	6 - 11 Years Old	415 33%
Other	13	1%	12 - 17 Years Old	415 33%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	1 *
Total Children Not in Placement	1,260	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,260 100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Southeast			Area Office: Plymouth		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,721		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,081	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,216		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	211	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	71%		Placement Rate for Children	20%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	636		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	611	
Support Rate (CY'03)	48%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	32	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	43		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	168	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	39		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	27%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,618	75%	Spanish	12	1%
Black	140	6%	Khmer (Cambodian)	---	---
Asian	---	---	Portuguese	---	---
Native American	6	*	Haitian Creole	1	*
Other	1	*	Other	48	2%
Multi-Racial	45	2%	English/Unspecified	2,102	97%
Unspecified	353	16%	Total Consumers	2,163	100%
Total Consumers	2,163	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	69	3%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	159	75%	0 - 2 Years Old	24	11%
Voluntary Request	23	11%	3 - 5 Years Old	34	16%
CHINS Referral	18	9%	6 - 11 Years Old	39	18%
Other	6	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	114	54%
Unspecified	5	2%	Total Children in Placement	211	100%
Total Children in Placement	211	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	71	34%	.5 Years or Less	67	32%
Unrestricted	75	36%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	31	15%
Pre-adoptive Home	1	*	>1 Year - 2 Years	49	23%
Contracted Foster Home	33	16%	>2 Years - 4 Years	38	18%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	26	12%
Residential - Commonworks	21	10%	Total Children in Placement	211	100%
Residential - Group Home	1	*			
Residential - Residential Treatment	2	1%			
Residential - Shelter	1	*			
Non-Referral Location	6	3%			
Total Children in Placement	211	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾		
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	36	51%	New or Other Referral for Placement	11	42%
Foster Care	35	49%	Child Returned Home	11	42%
Residential	1	1%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	---	---
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Child on the Run	1	4%
Re-Entrants:	35	49%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	1	4%
Foster Care	28	39%	Child 18 or Older	1	4%
Residential	7	10%	Consumers Adopted	---	---
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Other ⁽⁴⁾	1	4%
Total Consumers	71	100%	Total Consumers	26	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	735	84%	0 - 2 Years Old	101	12%
Voluntary Request	57	7%	3 - 5 Years Old	137	16%
CHINS Referral	59	7%	6 - 11 Years Old	275	32%
Other	19	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	356	41%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	1	*
Total Children Not in Placement	870	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	870	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Southeast			Area Office: Cape & Islands	
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,646		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	914
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	952		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	250
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	58%		Placement Rate for Children	27%
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	629		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	588
Support Rate (CY'03)	61%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	38
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	48		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	235
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	48		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	40%
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)				
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)	
White	1,356	71%	Spanish	11 1%
Black	141	7%	Khmer (Cambodian)	--- ---
Asian	6	*	Portuguese	3 *
Native American	18	1%	Haitian Creole	3 *
Other	2	*	Other	68 4%
Multi-Racial	43	2%	English/Unspecified	1,827 96%
Unspecified	346	18%	Total Consumers	1,912 100%
Total Consumers	1,912	100%		
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	97	5%		
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.				
Children in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	179	72%	0 - 2 Years Old	32 13%
Voluntary Request	42	17%	3 - 5 Years Old	25 10%
CHINS Referral	11	4%	6 - 11 Years Old	38 15%
Other	17	7%	12 - 17 Years Old	155 62%
Unspecified	1	*	Total Children in Placement	250 100%
Total Children in Placement	250	100%		
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)	
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	71	28%	.5 Years or Less	48 19%
Unrestricted	45	18%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	50 20%
Pre-adoptive Home	12	5%	>1 Year - 2 Years	59 24%
Contracted Foster Home	31	12%	>2 Years - 4 Years	63 25%
Independent Living	1	*	>4 Years	30 12%
Residential - Commonworks	26	10%	Total Children in Placement	250 100%
Residential - Group Home	20	8%		
Residential - Residential Treatment	29	12%		
Residential - Shelter	2	1%		
Non-Referral Location	13	5%		
Total Children in Placement	250	100%		
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾	
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾	
First-Time Entrants:	30	33%	New or Other Referral for Placement	11 31%
Foster Care	26	29%	Child Returned Home	15 43%
Residential	4	4%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	5 14%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	---	---	Child on the Run	2 6%
Re-Entrants:	61	67%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	--- ---
Foster Care	37	41%	Child 18 or Older	1 3%
Residential	19	21%	Consumers Adopted	1 3%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	5	5%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	--- ---
Total Consumers	91	100%	Total Consumers	35 100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.				
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.				
Children Not in Placement				
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)	
Supported 51A Report	563	85%	0 - 2 Years Old	93 14%
Voluntary Request	38	6%	3 - 5 Years Old	94 14%
CHINS Referral	25	4%	6 - 11 Years Old	219 33%
Other	38	6%	12 - 17 Years Old	253 38%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	5 1%
Total Children Not in Placement	664	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	664 100%

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* = Less than 1% after rounding off.

DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Boston		(Regional statistics are based on regional offices and contracted agencies data)			
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	6,206	Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	5,666		
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	4,575	Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	1,208		
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	74%	Placement Rate for Children	21%		
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	2,776	Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	3,069		
Support Rate (CY'03)	56%	Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	202		
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	206	Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	1,027		
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	209	% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	33%		
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)		Primary Language (12/31/03)			
White	2,502 24%	Spanish	892	9%	
Black	4,841 47%	Khmer (Cambodian)	35	*	
Asian	215 2%	Portuguese	35	*	
Native American	28 *	Haitian Creole	67	1%	
Other	18 *	Other	354	3%	
Multi-Racial	122 1%	English/Unspecified	8,963	87%	
Unspecified	2,620 25%	Total Consumers	10,346	100%	
Total Consumers	10,346 100%				
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	2,709 26%				
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	965 80%	0 - 2 Years Old	156	13%	
Voluntary Request	78 6%	3 - 5 Years Old	97	8%	
CHINS Referral	113 9%	6 - 11 Years Old	220	18%	
Other	42 3%	12 - 17 Years Old	735	61%	
Unspecified	10 1%	Total Children in Placement	1,208	100%	
Total Children in Placement	1,208 100%				
Placement Type (12/31/03)		Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)			
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	282 23%	.5 Years or Less	271	22%	
Unrestricted	238 20%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	206	17%	
Pre-adoptive Home	41 3%	>1 Year - 2 Years	267	22%	
Contracted Foster Home	221 18%	>2 Years - 4 Years	246	20%	
Independent Living	--- ---	>4 Years	218	18%	
Residential - Commonworks	163 13%	Total Children in Placement	1,208	100%	
Residential - Group Home	76 6%				
Residential - Residential Treatment	88 7%				
Residential - Shelter	9 1%				
Non-Referral Location	90 7%				
Total Children in Placement	1,208 100%				
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			
First-Time Entrants:	137 30%	New or Other Referral for Placement	81	41%	
Foster Care	100 22%	Child Returned Home	46	23%	
Residential	29 6%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	15	8%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	8 2%	Child on the Run	20	10%	
Re-Entrants:	327 70%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	20	10%	
Foster Care	193 42%	Child 18 or Older	9	5%	
Residential	110 24%	Consumers Adopted	5	3%	
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	24 5%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	2	1%	
Total Consumers	464 100%	Total Consumers	198	100%	
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)		Age Groups (12/31/03)			
Supported 51A Report	3,821 86%	0 - 2 Years Old	706	16%	
Voluntary Request	272 6%	3 - 5 Years Old	732	16%	
CHINS Referral	287 6%	6 - 11 Years Old	1,455	33%	
Other	73 2%	12 - 17 Years Old	1,549	35%	
Unspecified	5 *	Unspecified	16	*	
Total Children Not in Placement	4,458 100%	Total Children Not in Placement	4,458	100%	

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Boston			Area Office: Hyde Park		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,236		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,172	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	992		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	303	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	80%		Placement Rate for Children	26%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	517		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	715	
Support Rate (CY'03)	46%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	41	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	60		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	287	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	41		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	40%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	312	15%	Spanish	76	4%
Black	1,370	64%	Khmer (Cambodian)	---	---
Asian	13	1%	Portuguese	3	*
Native American	4	*	Haitian Creole	19	1%
Other	7	*	Other	81	4%
Multi-Racial	21	1%	English/Unspecified	1,957	92%
Unspecified	409	19%	Total Consumers	2,136	100%
Total Consumers	2,136	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	405	19%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	233	77%	0 - 2 Years Old	36	12%
Voluntary Request	24	8%	3 - 5 Years Old	13	4%
CHINS Referral	28	9%	6 - 11 Years Old	53	17%
Other	11	4%	12 - 17 Years Old	201	66%
Unspecified	7	2%	Total Children in Placement	303	100%
Total Children in Placement	303	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	70	23%	.5 Years or Less	65	21%
Unrestricted	59	19%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	46	15%
Pre-adoptive Home	2	1%	>1 Year - 2 Years	67	22%
Contracted Foster Home	47	16%	>2 Years - 4 Years	64	21%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	61	20%
Residential - Commonworks	41	14%	Total Children in Placement	303	100%
Residential - Group Home	28	9%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	34	11%			
Residential - Shelter	3	1%			
Non-Referral Location	19	6%			
Total Children in Placement	303	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	33	29%	New or Other Referral for Placement	22	44%
Foster Care	26	23%	Child Returned Home	14	28%
Residential	5	4%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	4	8%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	2	2%	Child on the Run	1	2%
Re-Entrants:	82	71%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	7	14%
Foster Care	42	37%	Child 18 or Older	1	2%
Residential	35	30%	Consumers Adopted	1	2%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	5	4%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	115	100%	Total Consumers	50	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	727	84%	0 - 2 Years Old	147	17%
Voluntary Request	65	7%	3 - 5 Years Old	147	17%
CHINS Referral	52	6%	6 - 11 Years Old	289	33%
Other	22	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	281	32%
Unspecified	3	*	Unspecified	5	1%
Total Children Not in Placement	869	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	869	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Boston			Area Office: Dimock Street		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,127		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,467	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	854		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	286	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	76%		Placement Rate for Children	19%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	591		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	813	
Support Rate (CY'03)	64%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	48	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	60		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	249	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	40		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	31%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	349	13%	Spanish	216	8%
Black	1,351	50%	Khmer (Cambodian)	---	---
Asian	30	1%	Portuguese	13	*
Native American	6	*	Haitian Creole	22	1%
Other	---	---	Other	86	3%
Multi-Racial	18	1%	English/Unspecified	2,371	88%
Unspecified	954	35%	Total Consumers	2,708	100%
Total Consumers	2,708	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	820	30%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	221	77%	0 - 2 Years Old	33	12%
Voluntary Request	14	5%	3 - 5 Years Old	31	11%
CHINS Referral	31	11%	6 - 11 Years Old	50	17%
Other	17	6%	12 - 17 Years Old	172	60%
Unspecified	3	1%	Total Children in Placement	286	100%
Total Children in Placement	286	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	67	23%	.5 Years or Less	60	21%
Unrestricted	52	18%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	46	16%
Pre-adoptive Home	10	3%	>1 Year - 2 Years	64	22%
Contracted Foster Home	63	22%	>2 Years - 4 Years	59	21%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	57	20%
Residential - Commonworks	47	16%	Total Children in Placement	286	100%
Residential - Group Home	14	5%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	16	6%			
Residential - Shelter	2	1%			
Non-Referral Location	15	5%			
Total Children in Placement	286	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾ (10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	34	33%	New or Other Referral for Placement	20	38%
Foster Care	21	20%	Child Returned Home	14	27%
Residential	12	12%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	4	8%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	1	1%	Child on the Run	4	8%
Re-Entrants:	69	67%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	5	10%
Foster Care	39	38%	Child 18 or Older	4	8%
Residential	27	26%	Consumers Adopted	1	2%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	3	3%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	103	100%	Total Consumers	52	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	1,040	88%	0 - 2 Years Old	163	14%
Voluntary Request	53	4%	3 - 5 Years Old	183	15%
CHINS Referral	77	7%	6 - 11 Years Old	390	33%
Other	11	1%	12 - 17 Years Old	442	37%
Unspecified	---	---	Unspecified	3	*
Total Children Not in Placement	1,181	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,181	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Boston			Area Office: Park Street		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,296		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,627	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	857		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	349	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	66%		Placement Rate for Children	21%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	627		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	823	
Support Rate (CY'03)	62%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	58	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	58		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	273	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	45		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	33%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	489	17%	Spanish	122	4%
Black	1,828	63%	Khmer (Cambodian)	1	*
Asian	93	3%	Portuguese	2	*
Native American	12	*	Haitian Creole	18	1%
Other	4	*	Other	143	5%
Multi-Racial	52	2%	English/Unspecified	2,638	90%
Unspecified	446	15%	Total Consumers	2,924	100%
Total Consumers	2,924	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	476	16%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	283	81%	0 - 2 Years Old	49	14%
Voluntary Request	27	8%	3 - 5 Years Old	30	9%
CHINS Referral	32	9%	6 - 11 Years Old	60	17%
Other	7	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	210	60%
Unspecified	---	---	Total Children in Placement	349	100%
Total Children in Placement	349	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	74	21%	.5 Years or Less	79	23%
Unrestricted	90	26%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	59	17%
Pre-adoptive Home	12	3%	>1 Year - 2 Years	92	26%
Contracted Foster Home	56	16%	>2 Years - 4 Years	66	19%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	53	15%
Residential - Commonworks	38	11%	Total Children in Placement	349	100%
Residential - Group Home	20	6%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	24	7%			
Residential - Shelter	1	*			
Non-Referral Location	34	10%			
Total Children in Placement	349	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾		
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	39	26%	New or Other Referral for Placement	18	33%
Foster Care	31	21%	Child Returned Home	11	20%
Residential	6	4%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	4	7%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	2	1%	Child on the Run	8	15%
Re-Entrants:	109	74%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	5	9%
Foster Care	78	53%	Child 18 or Older	4	7%
Residential	20	14%	Consumers Adopted	2	4%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	11	7%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	2	4%
Total Consumers	148	100%	Total Consumers	54	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	1,083	85%	0 - 2 Years Old	210	16%
Voluntary Request	81	6%	3 - 5 Years Old	223	17%
CHINS Referral	93	7%	6 - 11 Years Old	422	33%
Other	20	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	415	32%
Unspecified	1	*	Unspecified	8	1%
Total Children Not in Placement	1,278	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,278	100%

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DSS AREA OFFICE STATISTICS

Region: Boston			Area Office: Harbor		
Total 51A Reports (CY'03)	1,671		Total Children in Caseload (12/31/03)	1,398	
Reports Screened In (CY'03)	1,203		Total Children in Placement (12/31/03)	268	
Screen In Rate (CY'03)	72%		Placement Rate for Children	19%	
Supported Investigations (CY'03)	638		Total Clinical Cases (12/31/03)	717	
Support Rate (CY'03)	54%		Total Adoption Cases (12/31/03)	55	
Average # New Cases Opened Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	54		Families with Children in Placement (12/31/03)	217	
Average # Cases Closed Per Month (Feb - Dec 2003)	51		% of Total Cases that are Placement Cases	30%	
All DSS Consumers (Adults and Children)					
Race (12/31/03)			Primary Language (12/31/03)		
White	1,352	53%	Spanish	478	19%
Black	288	11%	Khmer (Cambodian)	34	1%
Asian	79	3%	Portuguese	17	1%
Native American	6	*	Haitian Creole	8	*
Other	7	*	Other	44	2%
Multi-Racial	31	1%	English/Unspecified	1,993	77%
Unspecified	811	32%	Total Consumers	2,574	100%
Total Consumers	2,574	100%			
Hispanic Origin ⁽¹⁾	1,008	39%			
⁽¹⁾ Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.					
Children in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	226	84%	0 - 2 Years Old	38	14%
Voluntary Request	13	5%	3 - 5 Years Old	23	9%
CHINS Referral	22	8%	6 - 11 Years Old	56	21%
Other	7	3%	12 - 17 Years Old	151	56%
Unspecified	---	---	Total Children in Placement	268	100%
Total Children in Placement	268	100%			
Placement Type (12/31/03)			Continuous Time in Placement (12/31/03)		
Kinship/Child-Specific Foster Home	71	26%	.5 Years or Less	67	25%
Unrestricted	37	14%	>.5 Years - 1 Year	53	20%
Pre-adoptive Home	17	6%	>1 Year - 2 Years	44	16%
Contracted Foster Home	53	20%	>2 Years - 4 Years	57	21%
Independent Living	---	---	>4 Years	47	18%
Residential - Commonworks	37	14%	Total Children in Placement	268	100%
Residential - Group Home	14	5%			
Residential - Residential Treatment	14	5%			
Residential - Shelter	3	1%			
Non-Referral Location	22	8%			
Total Children in Placement	268	100%			
Consumers with Placements Starting by Type ⁽¹⁾			Consumers with Placements Ending by Reason ⁽¹⁾		
(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾			(10/01/03 - 12/31/03) ⁽²⁾		
First-Time Entrants:	31	32%	New or Other Referral for Placement	20	49%
Foster Care	22	23%	Child Returned Home	7	17%
Residential	6	6%	Placement in Non-Referral Location	3	7%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	3	3%	Child on the Run	7	17%
Re-Entrants:	66	68%	Custody to Other Individual or Agency	3	7%
Foster Care	33	34%	Child 18 or Older	---	---
Residential	28	29%	Consumers Adopted	1	2%
Non-Referral Location ⁽³⁾	5	5%	Other ⁽⁴⁾	---	---
Total Consumers	97	100%	Total Consumers	41	100%
⁽¹⁾ Includes individuals 18 years or older. ⁽²⁾ Foster and Residential Care data are based on Placement Service Referrals starting or ending during the quarter.					
⁽³⁾ Includes hospitals and other state agencies. ⁽⁴⁾ Includes Guardianship, Consumer Deceased, and Consumer Moved.					
Children Not in Placement					
Initial Contact/Intakes (12/31/03)			Age Groups (12/31/03)		
Supported 51A Report	971	86%	0 - 2 Years Old	186	16%
Voluntary Request	73	6%	3 - 5 Years Old	179	16%
CHINS Referral	65	6%	6 - 11 Years Old	354	31%
Other	20	2%	12 - 17 Years Old	411	36%
Unspecified	1	*	Unspecified	---	---
Total Children Not in Placement	1,130	100%	Total Children Not in Placement	1,130	100%

NOTE: Percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding-off.

* = Less than 1% after rounding off.