

Division of Family and Children Services

Georgia Department of Human Resources

Outcome Measures

Child Welfare



March 2009

Definitions and Data Sources

SAFETY 1 – Children are first and foremost, protected from abuse and neglect.

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| Child Protective Services Cases | 1 |
| Includes all cases active at some time during the month | |
| Sources: Internal Data System, SHINES | |
| Recurrence of Substantiated Child Maltreatment | 2 |
| Of all the children who were victims of substantiated maltreatment, the percentage that had a substantiated report of maltreatment during the previous six months. | |
| <i>National Standard: less than or equal to 5.40%</i> | |
| Sources: Protective Services Data System, SHINES | |
| Child Abuse in DFCS Foster Homes | 2 |
| The number of children who were victims of substantiated maltreatment by a DFCS foster Parent whose investigations were completed during the report month. | |
| Sources: Protective Services Data System, SHINES | |

SAFETY 2 – Children are safely maintained in their homes whenever possible and appropriate.

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| Family Support Cases /That Became Child Protective Services Cases | 3 |
| The cumulative number of reports received by CPS that were diverted to Family Support (formerly Diversion), the number that later were opened as CPS cases more than ten days after closing of Family Support, and the number that were substantiated. | |
| Sources: Internal Data System, SHINES | |

PERMANENCY 1 – Children have permanency and stability in their living situations.

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| Child Placement Services Cases | 4 |
| Includes all cases active at some time during the month | |
| Sources: Internal Data System, SHINES | |
| Foster Care Re-entries | 5 |
| Of all the children who entered foster care, the percentage that were discharged from a previous placement within twelve months of the current foster care placement. | |
| <i>National Standard: less than or equal to 8.60%</i> | |
| Sources: AFCARS, Internal Data System, SHINES | |
| Length of Time to Achieve Reunification | 5 |
| Of all the children who exited foster care through reunification with their family, the percentage that reunified in less than twelve months from the date of their last removal from the home. | |
| <i>National Standard: greater than or equal to 76.20%</i> | |
| Sources: AFCARS, Internal Data System, SHINES | |

Definitions and Data Sources cont...

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| Adoptions Finalized | 5 |
| The number of children whose adoption was finalized. | |
| Source: Social Services Adoption Unit | |

PERMANENCY 2 – The continuity of family relationship and connections is preserved for children.

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| Children Placed with Relatives..... | 6 |
| Of all children in Placement, the percentage that are placed with a relative or a relative foster home. <i>State Target: greater than or equal to 30.00%</i> | |
| Sources: Internal Data System, SHINES | |

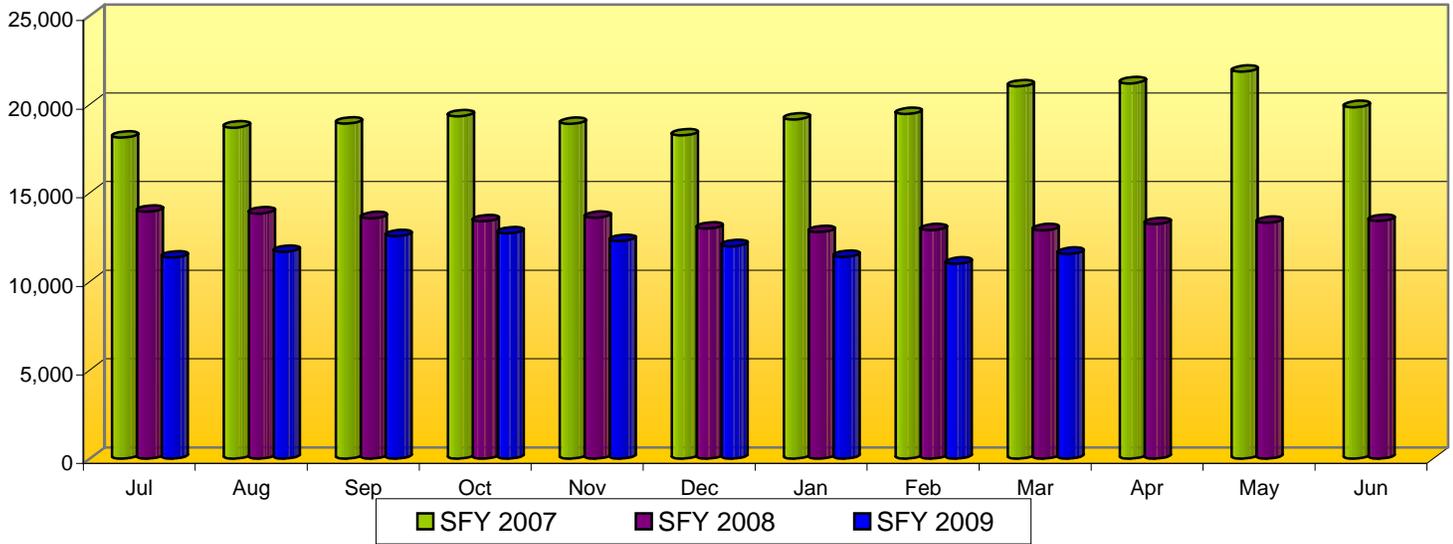
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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| Casemanagers with Twenty or More Cases | 7 |
| The number of Child Welfare casemanagers whose caseloads are twenty or more cases. | |
| Sources: Internal Data System, SHINES | |

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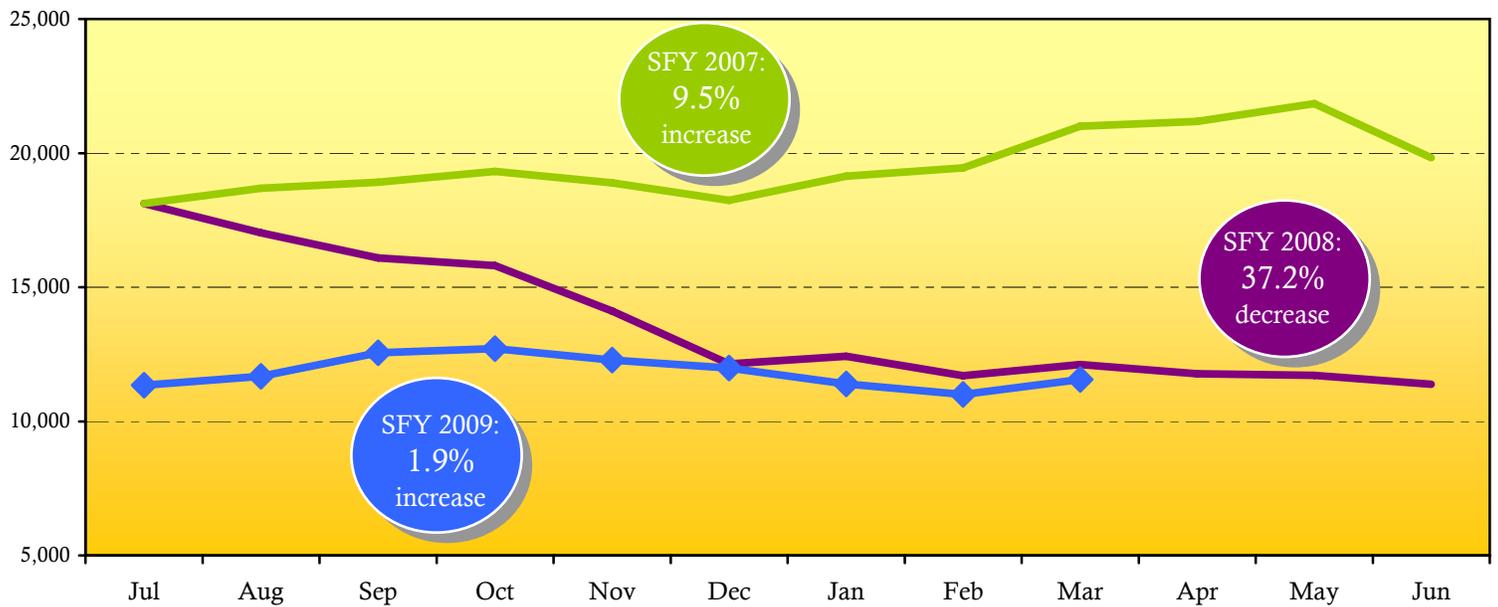
Child Protective Services Active Cases

Sources: IDS, SHINES



| Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 11,345 | 11,679 | 12,556 | 12,713 | 12,279 | 11,990 | 11,391 | 10,999 | 11,556 | | | |
| 18,115 | 17,033 | 16,090 | 15,801 | 14,105 | 12,142 | 12,428 | 11,703 | 12,122 | 11,769 | 11,719 | 11,380 |
| 18,115 | 18,687 | 18,912 | 19,319 | 18,889 | 18,242 | 19,139 | 19,453 | 21,005 | 21,182 | 21,841 | 19,833 |

Child Protective Services Cases



Sources: IDS, SHINES

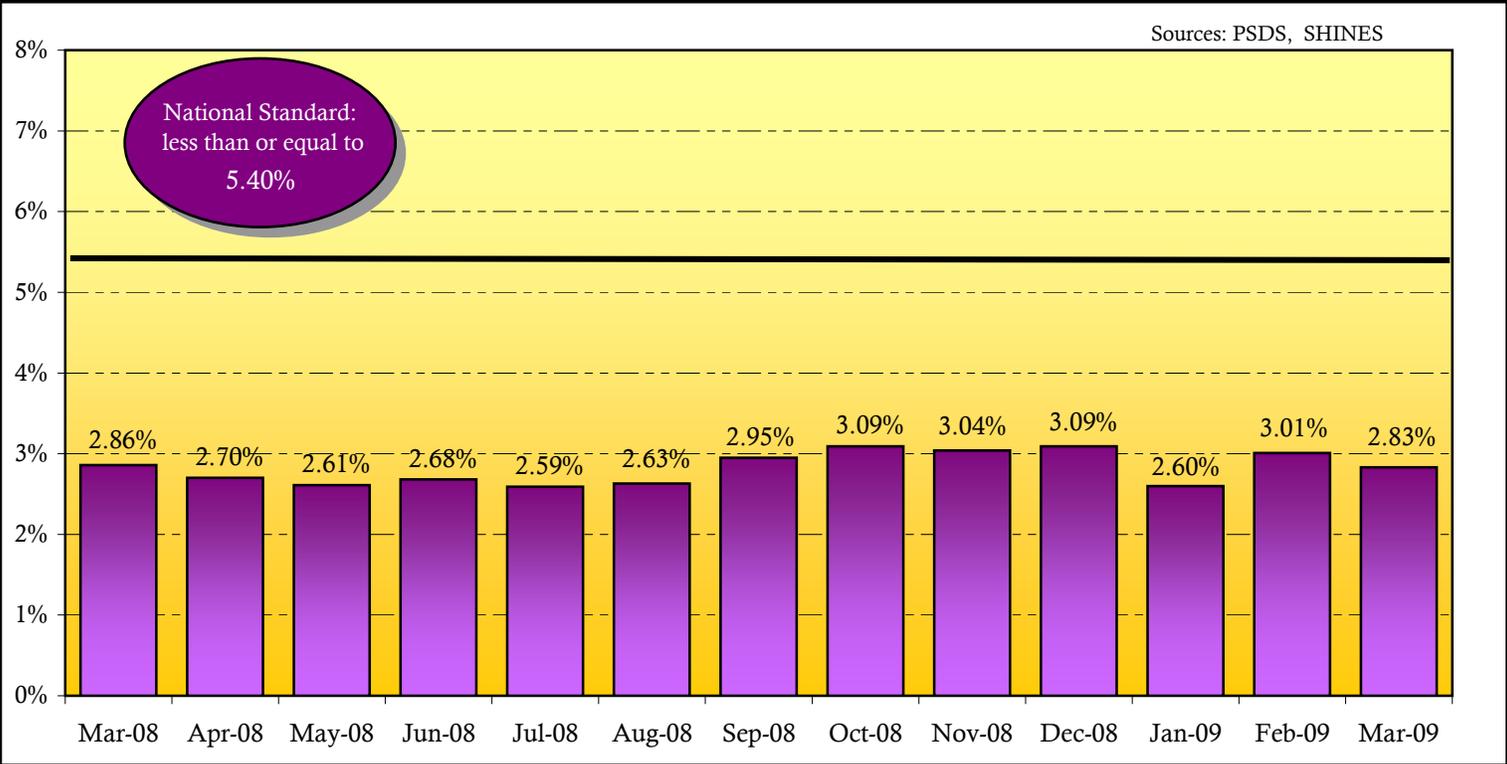
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SAFETY 1:

Recurrence Of Substantiated Child Maltreatment

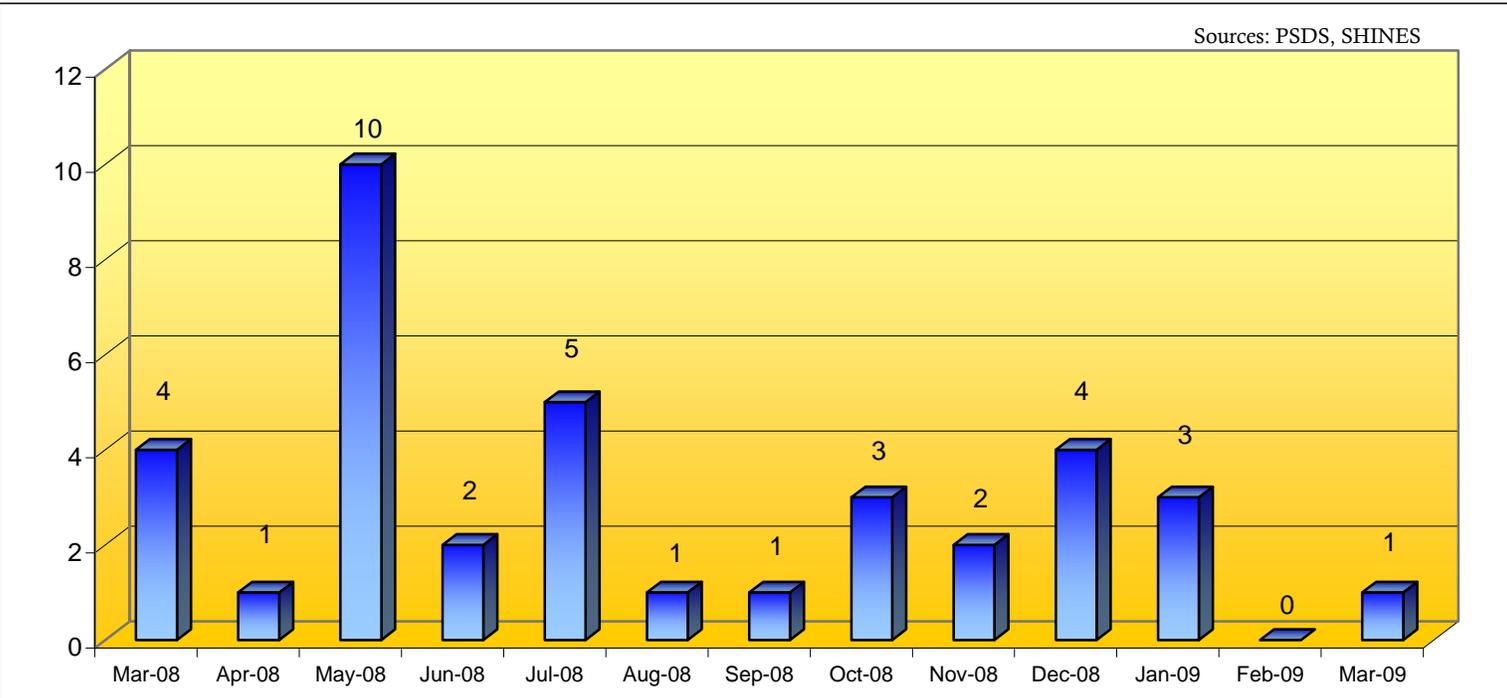
Def: Of all children who were victims of substantiated maltreatment, the percentage that had a substan. report of maltreatment during the previous 6 months.



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|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 2.86% | 2.70% | 2.61% | 2.68% | 2.59% | 2.63% | 2.95% | 3.09% | 3.04% | 3.09% | 2.60% | 3.01% | 2.83% |

Child Abuse In DFCS Foster Homes

Def: The number of children who were victims of substan. mal. by a DFCS foster parent whose investigations were completed during the report month.



| Mar-08 | Apr-08 | May-08 | Jun-08 | Jul-08 | Aug-08 | Sep-08 | Oct-08 | Nov-08 | Dec-08 | Jan-09 | Feb-09 | Mar-09 |
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| 4 | 1 | 10 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 |

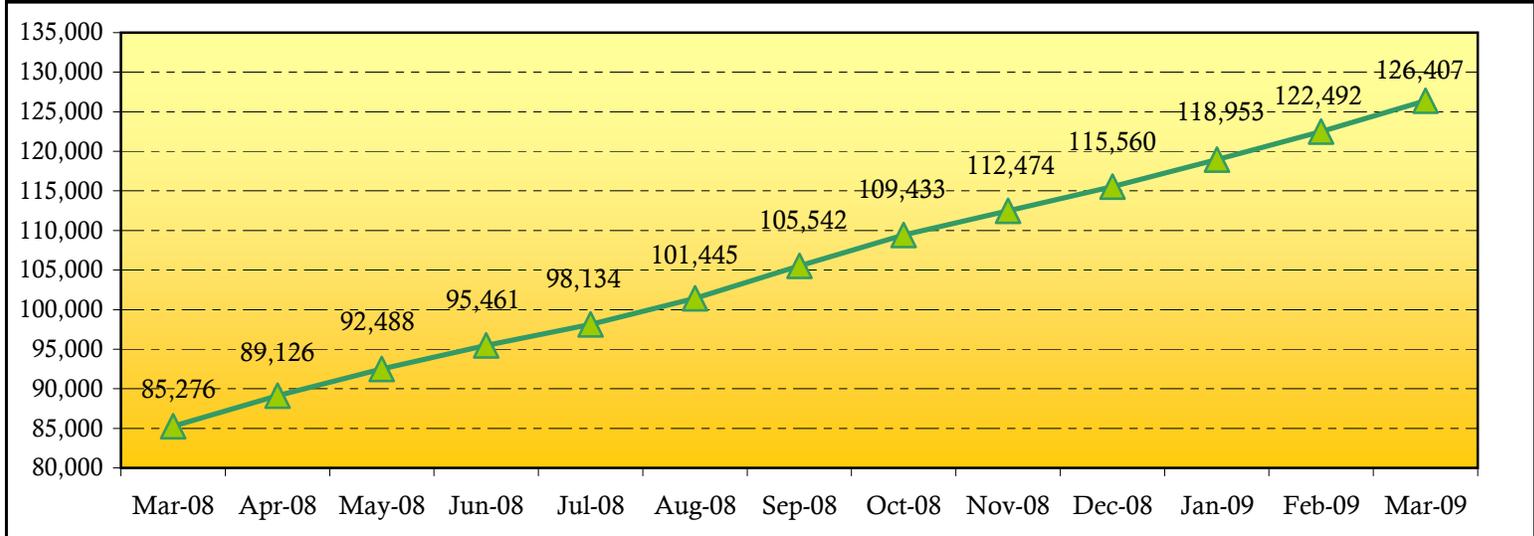
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SAFETY 2:

Family Support (formerly Diversion) Cases (cumulative)

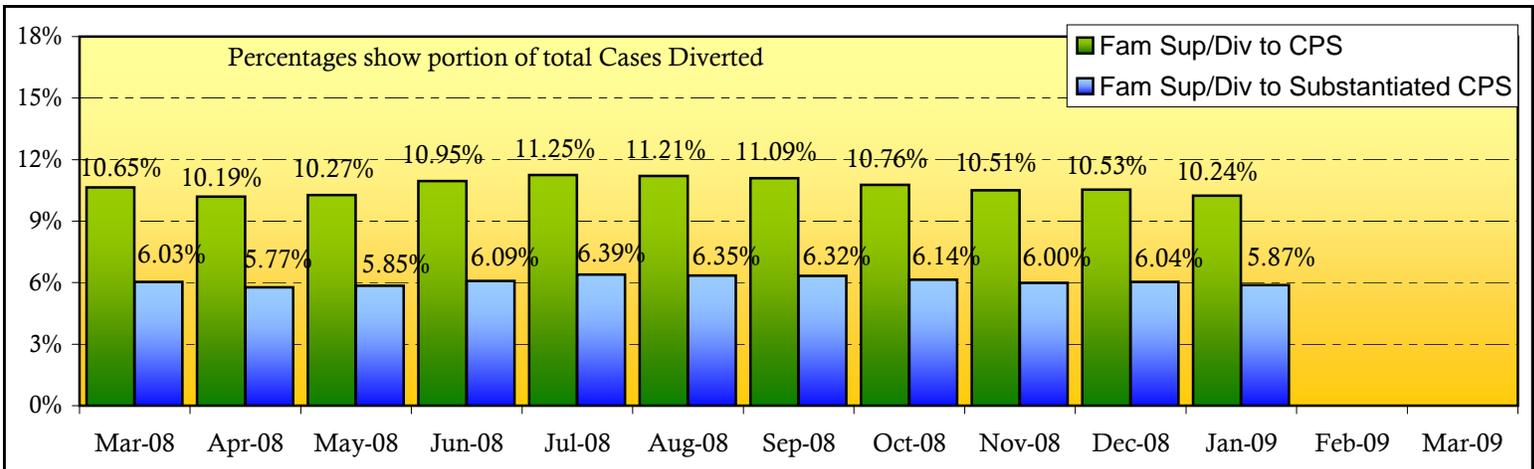


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| 85,276 | 89,126 | 92,488 | 95,461 | 98,134 | 101,445 | 105,542 | 109,433 | 112,474 | 115,560 | 118,953 | 122,492 | 126,407 |

Def: The cumulative number of reports received by CPS that were diverted to Family Support and those that later were opened as CPS cases more than 10 days after closing of Family Support case. Notes: Totals for the past two months are updated; Family Support (formerly Diversion) Cases That Became CPS Cases shows current available data.

Family Support (formerly Diversion) Cases That Became CPS Cases (cumulative)

Sources: IDS, SHINES, PSDS



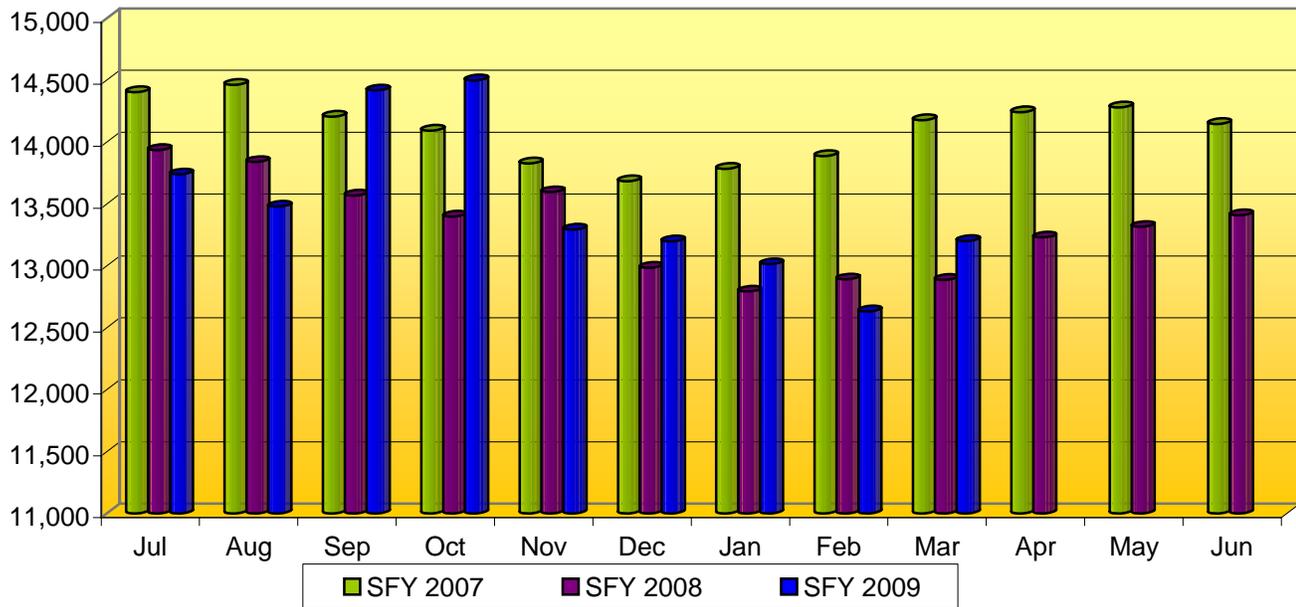
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| 9,078 | 9,082 | 9,496 | 10,456 | 11,038 | 11,371 | 11,708 | 11,778 | 11,817 | 12,170 | 12,182 | * | * |
| 5,145 | 5,145 | 5,413 | 5,813 | 6,269 | 6,443 | 6,675 | 6,721 | 6,743 | 6,977 | 6,988 | * | * |

* Data reported on a 2-month delay

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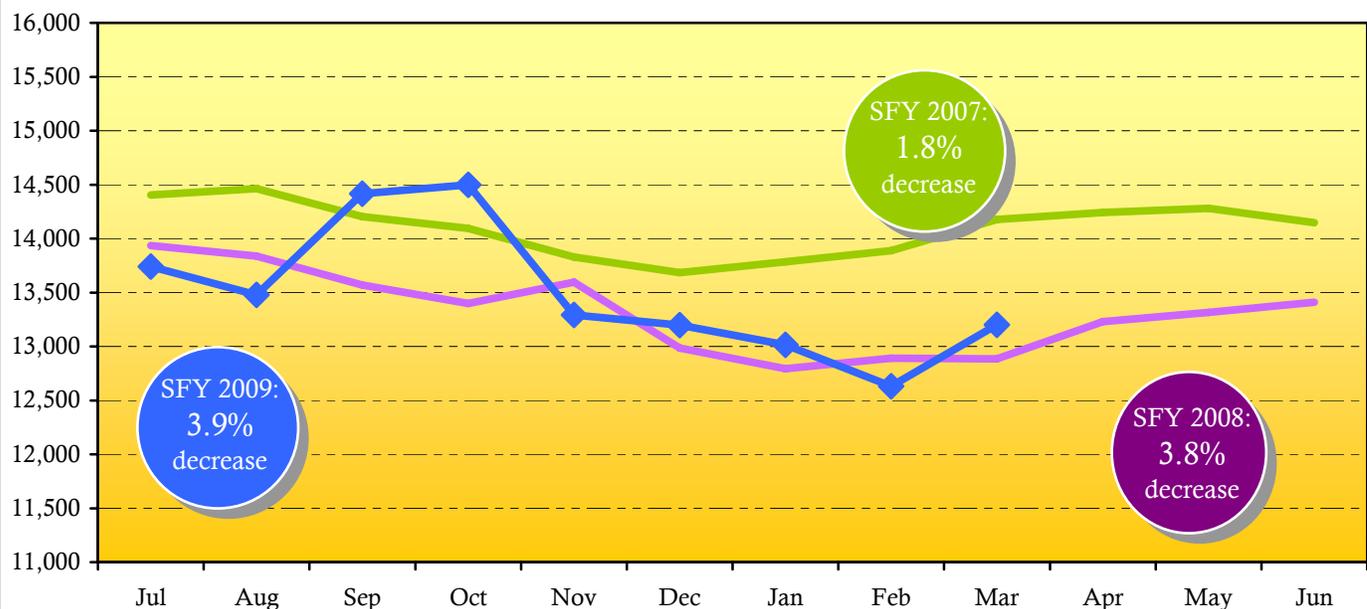
Child Placement Services Active Cases

Sources: IDS, SHINES



| Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 13,739 | 13,479 | 14,417 | 14,499 | 13,292 | 13,198 | 13,014 | 12,632 | 13,201 | | | |
| 13,935 | 13,839 | 13,568 | 13,398 | 13,595 | 12,985 | 12,793 | 12,891 | 12,886 | 13,230 | 13,315 | 13,409 |
| 14,404 | 14,463 | 14,205 | 14,093 | 13,828 | 13,683 | 13,784 | 13,887 | 14,177 | 14,241 | 14,280 | 14,147 |

Child Placement Services Cases



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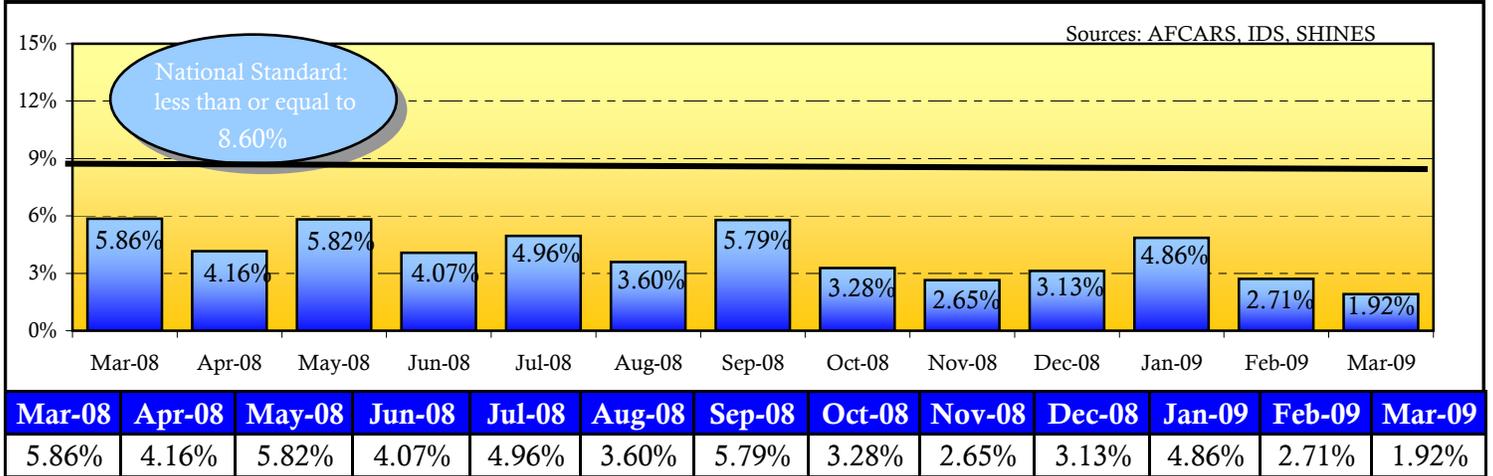
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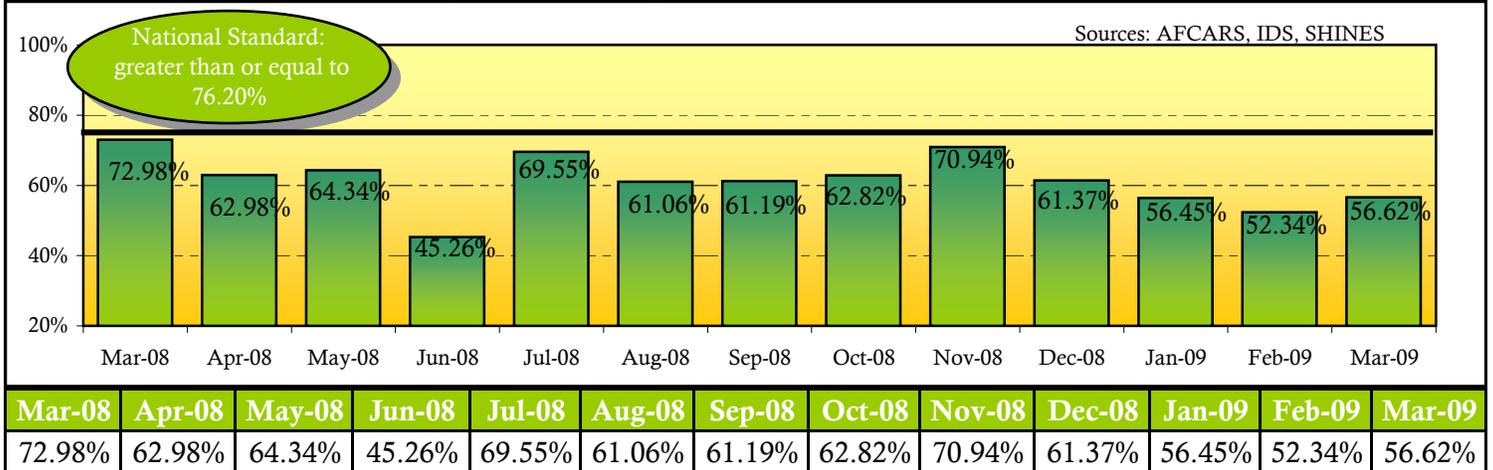
Foster Care Re-entries

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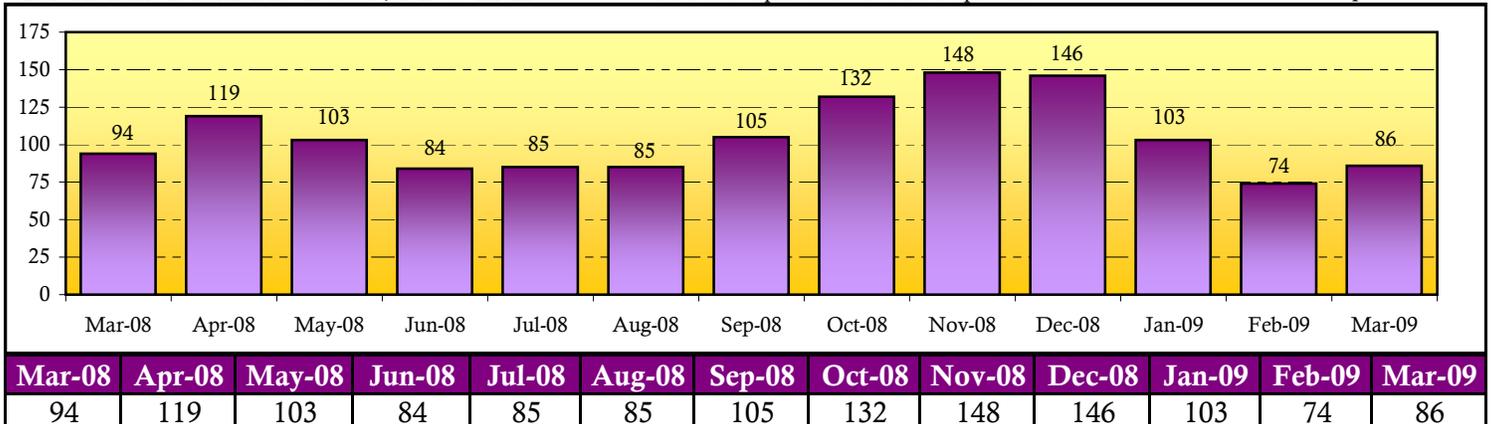
Length of Time To Achieve Reunification

Def: Of all the children who exited foster care by reunif. w/their family, the % that were reunified in less than 12 mo. from their last removal from the home.



Adoptions Finalized

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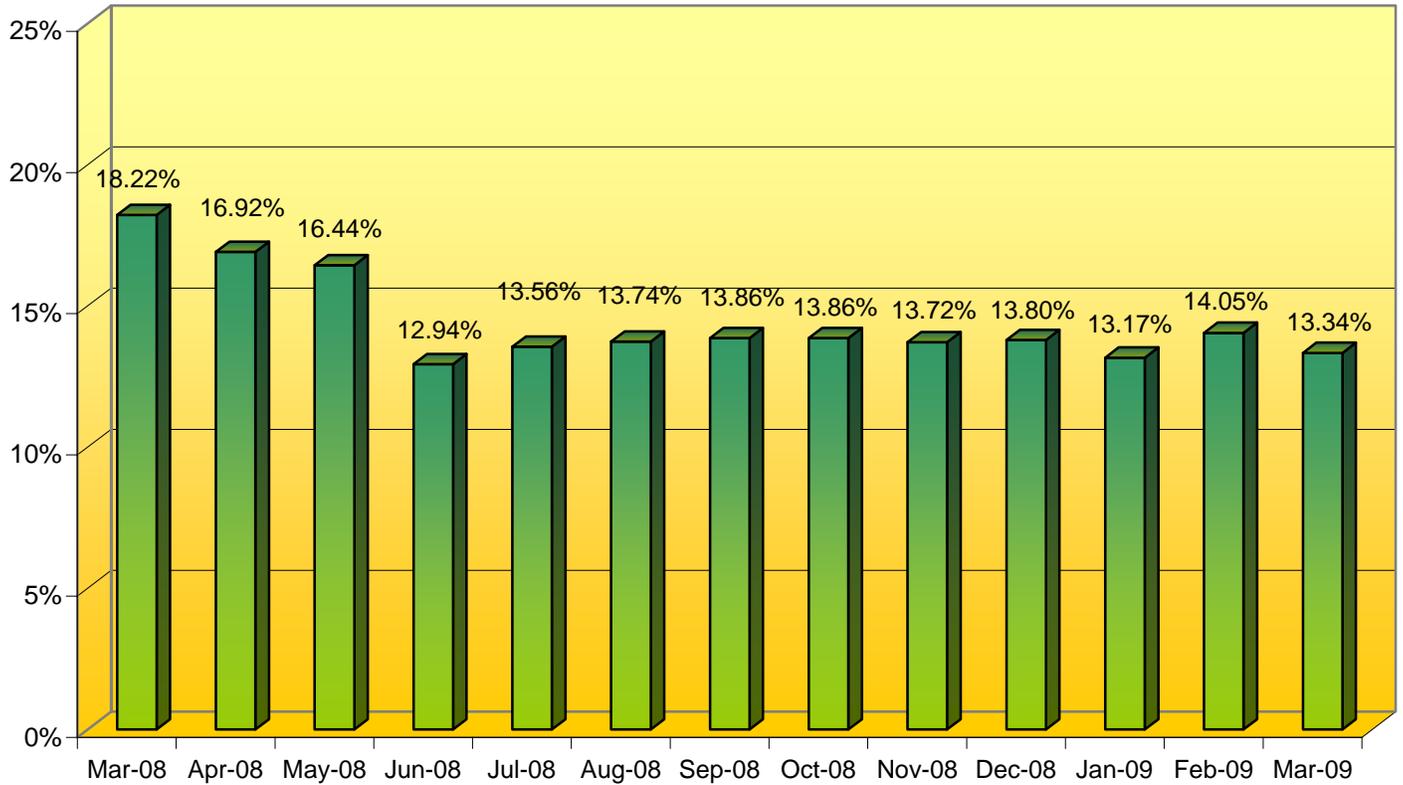


PERMANENCY 2:

Children Placed With Relatives

Def: Of all children in Placement, the percentage that are placed with a relative or relative foster home.

Sources: IDS, SHINES

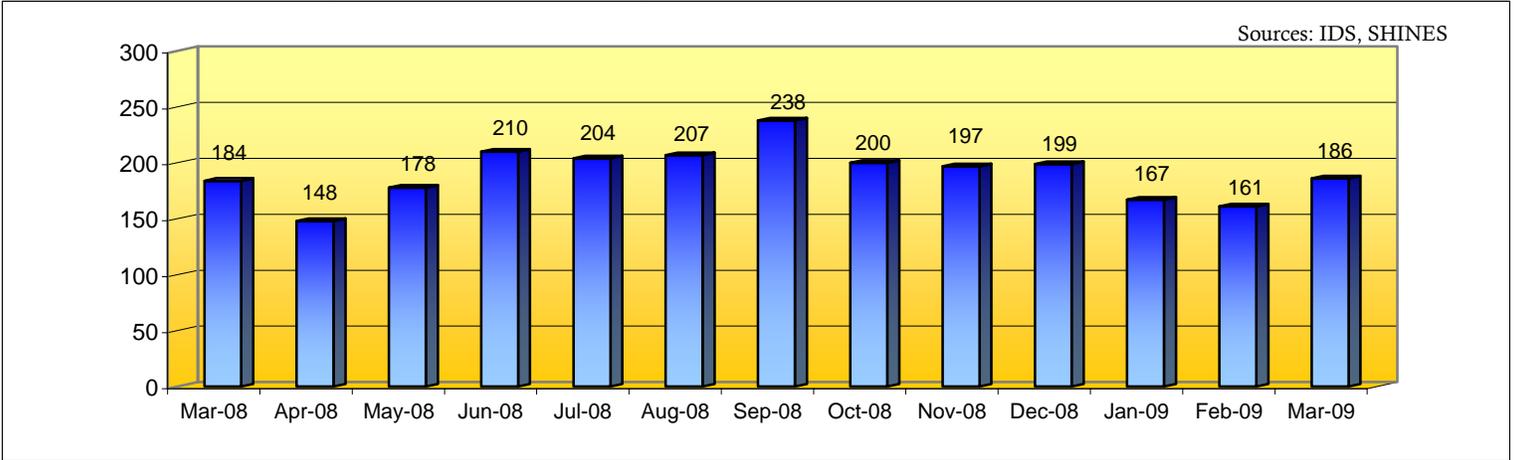


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|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 18.22% | 16.92% | 16.44% | 12.94% | 13.56% | 13.74% | 13.86% | 13.86% | 13.72% | 13.80% | 13.17% | 14.05% | 13.34% |

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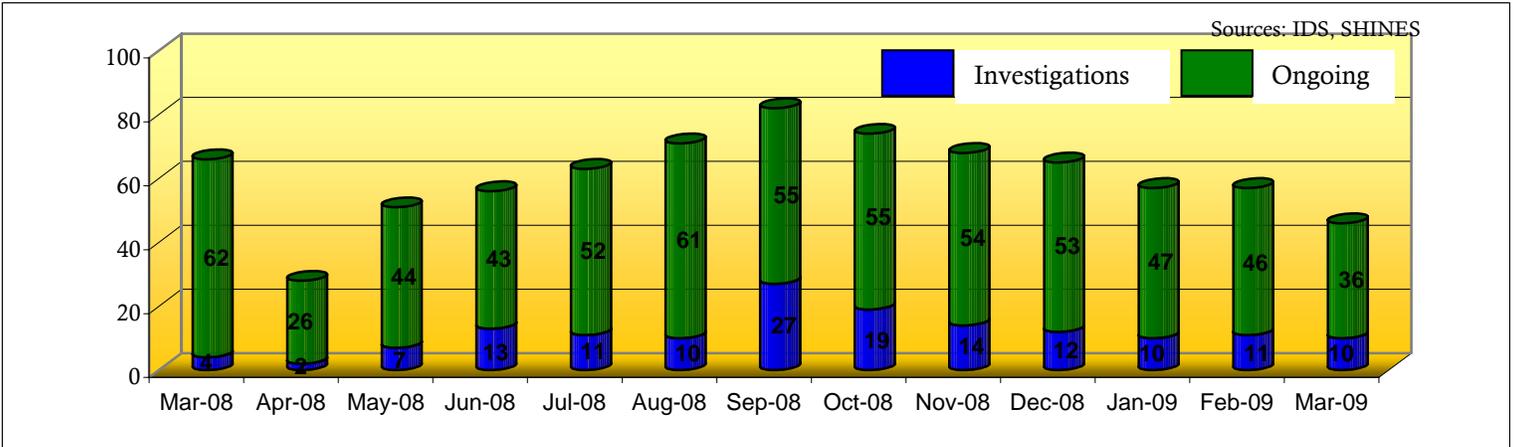
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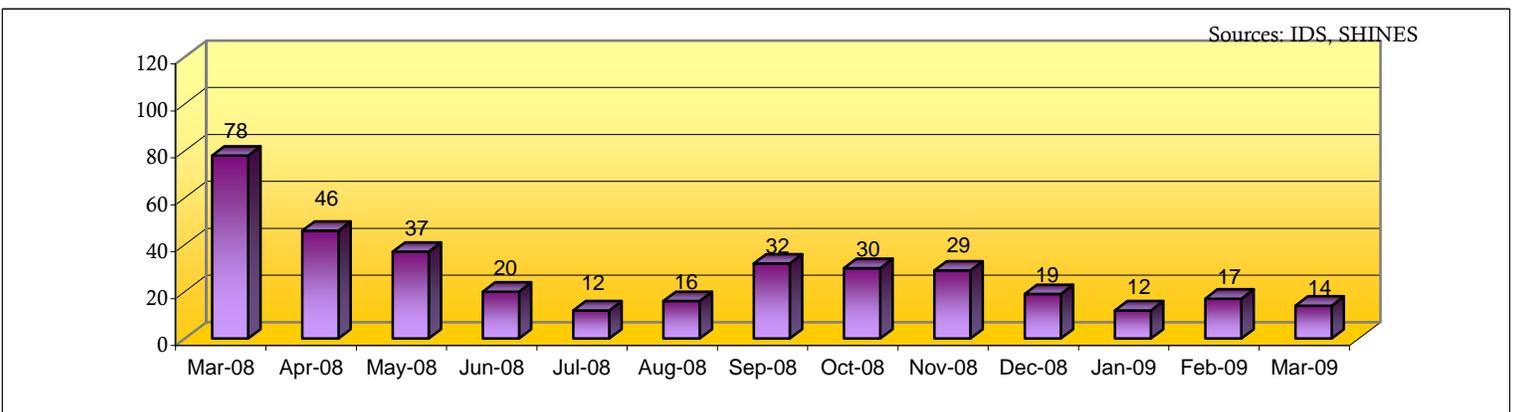
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| 184 | 148 | 178 | 210 | 204 | 207 | 238 | 200 | 197 | 199 | 167 | 161 | 186 |

Casemanagers With Twenty Or More Cases - CPS



| Mar-08 | Apr-08 | May-08 | Jun-08 | Jul-08 | Aug-08 | Sep-08 | Oct-08 | Nov-08 | Dec-08 | Jan-09 | Feb-09 | Mar-09 |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 4 | 2 | 7 | 13 | 11 | 10 | 27 | 19 | 14 | 12 | 10 | 11 | 10 |
| 62 | 26 | 44 | 43 | 52 | 61 | 55 | 55 | 54 | 53 | 47 | 46 | 36 |

Casemanagers With Twenty Or More Cases - Family Support (formerly Diversion)



| Mar-08 | Apr-08 | May-08 | Jun-08 | Jul-08 | Aug-08 | Sep-08 | Oct-08 | Nov-08 | Dec-08 | Jan-09 | Feb-09 | Mar-09 |
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| 78 | 46 | 37 | 20 | 12 | 16 | 32 | 30 | 29 | 19 | 12 | 17 | 14 |