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SUBSTITUTE AND ADAPTIVE CARE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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TO: CHAIRPERSON, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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CHAIRPERSON, HUMAN SERVICE BOARDS
ATTENTION: DIRECTOR
SOCIAL SERVICE SUPERVISOR

LICENSED PRIVATE CHILD PLACING AGENCIES
ATTENTION: DIRECTOR
SOCIAL SERVICE SUPERVISOR

SUBJECT: MINNESOTA CALENDAR YEAR 1986 STATE REPORT ON CHILDREN IN
SUBSTITUTE AND ADOPTIVE CARE AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY.

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this bulletin is to send the attached EXECUTIVE SUMMARY on Minnesota 1986 Substitute and Adoptive Care to concerned agencies and persons.

II. BACKGROUND

The EXECUTIVE SUMMARY should meet the informational needs of most persons and agencies regarding MINNESOTA SUBSTITUTE AND ADOPTIVE CARE data for 1986. One copy of a separate detailed 1986 ANNUAL STATE REPORT is being sent to each county human service agency and each licensed private child placing agency. Agencies receiving this report may reproduce all or parts of the publication.

The EXECUTIVE SUMMARY and THE ANNUAL STATE REPORT combined meet the reporting requirements of Minnesota Statutes sections 257.01 and 257.355. Similar information is available for 1979, 1981, 1983, 1984 and 1985. However most of the available historical data are summarized on pages 1 - 6 of the attached 1986 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY.

III. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Two supplements for 1986, SUMMARY BY RACE and SUMMARY BY MENTAL RETARDATION STATUS, are available upon written request from:

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SOCIAL SERVICES DIVISION
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The MINNESOTA 1986 SUBSTITUTE AND ADOPTIVE CARE ANNUAL STATE REPORT or additional copies of the 1986 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY may be obtained by written request or by telephone from (612) 296-2471. The EXECUTIVE SUMMARY will be sent unless the detailed report is clearly requested. Multiple copies of either the EXECUTIVE SUMMARY or ANNUAL STATE REPORT will NOT be supplied.

IV. AGENCY ACTION

The EXECUTIVE SUMMARY is provided for your information. Please make certain that agency staff working on substitute care and adoptions have an opportunity to review the EXECUTIVE SUMMARY.

V. QUESTIONS

If you have any questions about this bulletin please contact Sandy Joel Reuben at the above address or call (612) 296-2441.

THANK YOU.

SINCERELY,



BOB YORK
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

1986 MINNESOTA - EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
REPORT OF CHILDREN IN SUBSTITUTE AND ADOPTIVE CARE

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NOTE: This EXECUTIVE SUMMARY plus the MINNESOTA 1986 SUBSTITUTE AND ADOPTIVE CARE - STATE REPORT have been prepared to meet the reporting requirements of MINNESOTA STATUTES 257.071 and 257.355.

HIGHLIGHTS

MINNESOTA'S SUBSTITUTE CARE CASELOAD

The total unduplicated caseload for 1986 was 11,681 children. This number has remained at this level during recent years.

In 1986 and 1985 children leaving substitute care outnumbered children entering substitute care. In 1984 and 1983 the opposite was true. (See chart 1 page 5.)

CHILDREN ENTERING CARE

The unduplicated number of children entering care during 1986 was 6,031. Sixty-eight percent of these were new entrants (children reported to have no substitute care in the 12 months prior to entering). This proportion is slightly lower than prior years. (See chart 2 page 6.)

Of all children entering substitute care in 1986 most (55%) were ages 12 and older while 24% were under age 5.

CHILDREN WHO LEFT SUBSTITUTE CARE

The unduplicated number of children leaving substitute care during 1986 was 6,063.

During the last four years reunification was the primary reason children left substitute care (ranging from 65% to 73% of all outcomes). Aging out was the outcome for 7% to 8% each year. Running away was the outcome for 5% to 6% each year. Finalized adoptions accounted for 4% to 5% each year. (See chart 3 page 7.)

CHILDREN IN SUBSTITUTE CARE IN MINNESOTA AT THE END OF THE YEAR

From 1979 to 1986 the number of children in substitute care at the end of the year decreased from 7,271 to 5,616.

The decline in year end caseload with no comparable decline in total unduplicated caseload may reflect increased turnover or changes in reporting periods and methodology. (See notes below table 1.)

For the last four years children in substitute care at the end of each year were predominately:

white - ranging between 73% and 78%

Had no prior placements - ranging between 61% and 71%

Age 12 or over - ranging between 65% and 67%

Placed in foster family homes - ranging between 52% and 56% (See chart 4 page 8.)

Had no known disabilities - ranging between 53% and 54%

Male - ranging between 54% and 55%

Note: Some prior reports incorrectly identified an increase in the proportion of girls compared to boys in the year end caseload. (See chart 8 page 17.)

HIGHLIGHTS - continued

CHILDREN FREE FOR ADOPTION WITH THE GOAL OF ADOPTION AWAITING ADOPTION PLACEMENT

As of 12/31/86 one half of the children with a plan of adoption who were not yet in an adoptive home had been awaiting placement for one year or more. The proportion of these children waiting one year or more has generally increased each year for the last four years.

As of 12/31/86 children awaiting adoption placement were more often minority (33% compared to 26%) and much more often under age 12 (53% compared to 35%) when compared to the total children in substitute care 12/31/86.

As of 12/31/86 children awaiting adoption placement were more often minority (33% compared to 24%) and much more often age 12 or older (46% compared to 11%) when compared to children with adoptions finalized during calendar year 1986.

CHILDREN IN FOSTER FAMILY HOMES BY RACE OF FOSTER PARENT(S)

For both Black and Indian children the proportion with same race foster parents decreased from 1985 to 1986 (66.9% to 62.7% and 54.4% to 50.8% respectively). For Black children this was the third consecutive year with a decrease.

Black children in foster family homes are more likely to have same race foster parents than other minority heritage children. While half of Indian children in foster family homes have same race foster parents only two out of ten Asian children do. Hispanic children are even less likely to have a same race foster parent. (See chart 6 on page 14.)

ADOPTIONS FINALIZED (FROM ADOPTIONS SUBSYSTEM) COMPARED TO CHILDREN IN FOSTER FAMILY HOME 12/31/86 BY RACE OF ADOPTIVE OR FOSTER PARENTS

For three of the four minority races the proportion of children with same race foster parents exceeds the proportion of children with same race adoptive parents.

Black same race - adoptive parents 42% - foster parents 63%
 Indian same race - adoptive parents 40% - foster parents 51%
 Asian same race - adoptive parents 1% - foster parents 20%
 Hispanic same race - adoptive parents 4% - foster parents 0%

If only adoptions of Minnesota born children are included in the adoption data (i.e. Foreign born and children born in other states are excluded) then only Indian children more frequently have same race foster parents than have same race adoptive parents.

Black same race - adoptive parents 75% - foster parents 63%
 Indian same race - adoptive parents 44% - foster parents 51%
 Asian same race - adoptive parents 33% - foster parents 20%
 Hispanic same race - adoptive parents 38% - foster parents 0%

Unfortunately it is not possible to separate Minnesota born foster children from other foster children to have more comparable data.

SELECTED MINNESOTA/US COMPARISONS

The most recent national statistics are contained in Characteristics of Children In Substitute And Adoptive Care Based on FY 84 Data prepared by the American Public Welfare Association (APWA), June, 1987. (Note: Minnesota data is based on year ending December 31, while the federal report is predominately based on year ending September 30. This difference is especially significant for point in time data.)

Minnesota substitute care prevalence rates exceed national average. The national average for 9/30/84 was 3.6 children in care per 1,000 children under age 21 while Minnesota had 4.4 for 12/31/84. The difference was even greater for children entering care during 1984 (4.1 Minnesota - 2.4 national). The greater rate for entering care in Minnesota may reflect Minnesota's higher substitute care recidivism rate (30.2% of children entering were replacements in Minnesota compared to 20.4% nationally).

Nationally, protective service was the reason over half (56%) the children entered substitute care in 1984. Protective service was the reason for only 23% of children entering care in Minnesota for 1984. This increased to 31% in 1986 but comparable national data is not yet available. Conversely 41% of the children entered substitute care in Minnesota during 1984 due to child's conduct or condition compared to 12% nationally.

Over seven out of 10 substitute care children (73%) were reunified in Minnesota during 1984 compared to 62% nationally. Nationally 10% and 9% were adopted or aged out respectively compared to 4% and 7% in Minnesota.

Children in care at the end of the report period were more likely to have a goal of reunification nationally (51%) than in Minnesota (44%) although children in Minnesota are more likely to be reunified (See above). This difference may be due to Minnesota's large proportion of children in care at the end of the report period with goal unknown (17%) compared to less than 3% nationally.

Nationally data from 27 states was reported regarding special needs status of children with adoptions finalized during 1984. Over all 57% of these had one or more special needs compared to 31% in Minnesota. This proportion increased to 41% in Minnesota for 1986 but comparable national data is not yet available.

For adoptions finalized in 1984 Minnesota had 8% adopted by relative petitioners compared to less than 3% nationally. Nationally over 30% of adoptive parents were former foster parents compared to 12% in Minnesota.

NOTES: In Minnesota many adoptions are handled by private agencies; these adoptions are omitted from this report. Minnesota instructions require reporting a petitioner as a relative if related and separating non relative petitioners into former foster parents and other non relatives. The federal instructions do not specify how to report a relative who is a foster parent, therefore this difference may be due to reporting methods rather than differences in placement practices.

SUMMARY ANNUAL INVENTORY - CHILDREN IN SUBSTITUTE AND ADOPTIVE CARE

TABLE 1 A - STATISTICAL FLOW INFORMATION - ALL RACES

REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983(1)	1981(2)	1979(2)
1. IN CARE AT START	5,650	6,035	5,878	5,731	N.A.	N.A.
2. UNDUPLICATED # ENTERED CARE IN YEAR	6,031	5,839	5,847	6,135	N.A.	N.A.
3. TOTAL CASELOAD (sum of #1 & #2)	11,681	11,874	11,725	11,866	N.A.	N.A.
4. UNDUPLICATED # LEFT CARE IN YEAR	6,063	6,128	5,417	5,859	N.A.	N.A.
5. CHILDREN IN CARE AT END OF REPORT PERIOD	5,616	5,731	6,282	5,982	6,281	7,271
6. NEW ENTRANTS DURING YEAR *	4,127	4,457	4,084	4,678	N.A.	N.A.
* No care in prior 12 months						
7. CHILDREN WITH 1 OR MORE PRIOR PLACEMENTS **	1,904	1,382	1,763	1,457	N.A.	N.A.
** (item #2 minus item #6)						
8. FREE & AWAITING ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT AT END	183	150	144	177	N.A.	N.A.
9. IN NON-FINALIZED ADOPTIVE HOMES AT END	137	131	163	157	N.A.	N.A.
10. ADOPTIONS FINALIZED DURING YEAR	204	176	208	273	N.A.	N.A.
11. PLACED IN ADOPTIVE HOME DURING YEAR (a)	83	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

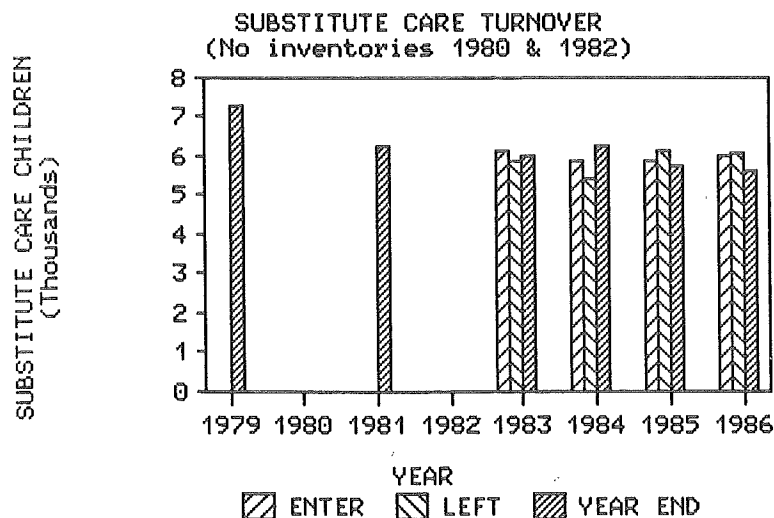
(a) Includes both adoptions finalized & non-final adoptive placements.

(1) 1983 ITEMS #1, #2, #4, & #6 WERE ESTIMATED FROM A COMBINATION OF QUARTERLY & ANNUAL DATA

(2) 1981 & 1979 IN CARE COUNTS WERE FOR 10/01 & 09/30 RESPECTIVELY NOT 12/31

NOTE: FOR 1986, 85 OF 87 COUNTIES REPORTED TOTAL CHILDREN; 52 OF 87 COUNTIES REPORTED INDIANS; 30 OF 87 COUNTIES REPORTED BLACKS & 55 OF 87 COUNTIES REPORTED RETARDED CHILDREN

CHART 1



Children entering and leaving care during the year were first required in 1983 and have been required annually since then.

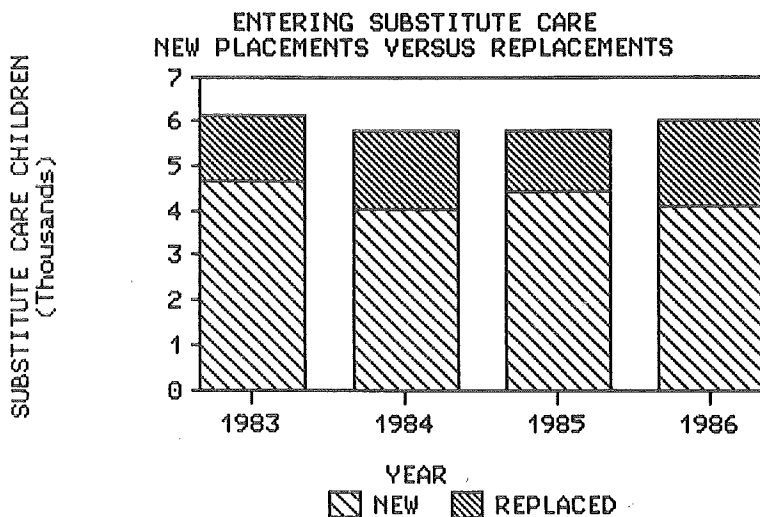
Year end caseload was reported for the 12 month periods ending October 1, 1981 and September 30, 1979 prior to the start of annual reporting with calendar year 1983.

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TABLE 1 B - TREND IN CHILDREN WHO ENTERED CARE

REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983	1981	1979
TOTAL ALL RACES	6,031	5,839	5,847	6,135	N.A.	N.A.
AGES OF ENTERING CHILDREN						
LESS THAN 5 YEARS	24%	22%	18%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AGES 5 - 11	17%	18%	15%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AGE 12 OR OLDER	55%	60%	51%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AGE UNKNOWN	4%	0%	16%	100%	N.A.	N.A.
RACE/ETHNICITY OF ENTERING CHILDREN						
WHITE	65%	68%	59%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
NON-WHITE	23%	22%	20%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
HISPANIC	1%	1%	1%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
BLACK	8%	8%	6%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	2%	3%	2%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AMERICAN INDIAN	11%	10%	9%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
OTHER	0%	1%	1%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
RACE UNKNOWN	11%	9%	21%	100%	N.A.	N.A.

CHART 2



NEW = Children entering care during the year who had no placements in the prior 12 months

REPLACED = Children entering care who had one or more placements in the prior 12 months

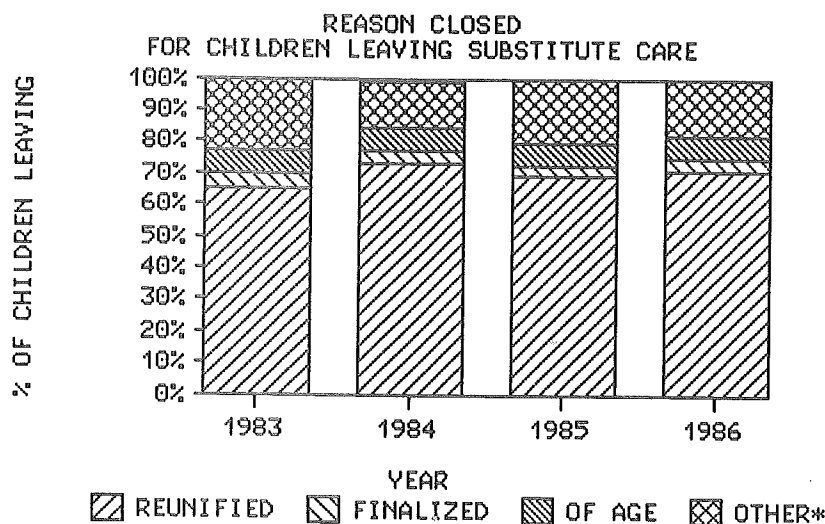
The percent of replaced children to total entering is the recidivism measure used in Minnesota.

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TABLE 1 C - TREND IN CHILDREN WHO LEFT CARE

REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983	1981	1979
TOTAL ALL RACES	6,063	6,128	5,417	5,859	N.A.	N.A.
OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN LEAVING CARE						
REUNIFIED	71%	69%	73%	65%	N.A.	N.A.
FINALIZED ADOPTION	4%	4%	4%	5%	N.A.	N.A.
OF AGE	7%	7%	7%	8%	N.A.	N.A.
RAN AWAY	5%	6%	5%	5%	N.A.	N.A.
OTHER/OUTCOME UNKNOWN *	13%	14%	14%	18%	N.A.	N.A.
* includes discharged to other public agency						
AGES OF CHILDREN LEAVING						
LESS THAN 5 YEARS	22%	20%	16%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AGES 5 - 11	17%	16%	14%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AGE 12 OR OLDER	61%	63%	56%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AGE UNKNOWN	1%	0%	14%	100%	N.A.	N.A.
RACE/ETHNICITY OF CHILDREN LEAVING						
WHITE	70%	69%	60%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
NON-WHITE	21%	21%	19%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
HISPANIC	1%	1%	1%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
BLACK	7%	7%	6%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	2%	2%	2%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AMERICAN INDIAN	10%	10%	9%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
OTHER	0%	1%	1%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
RACE UNKNOWN	9%	10%	21%	100%	N.A.	N.A.

CHART 3



REUNIFIED = Children who were reunified with parents, other relatives or legal guardians.

FINALIZED = Children with adoption decrees granted.

OF AGE = Children who attained age 18 (or age 21).

OTHER* = Children who left care for other and unknown reasons.

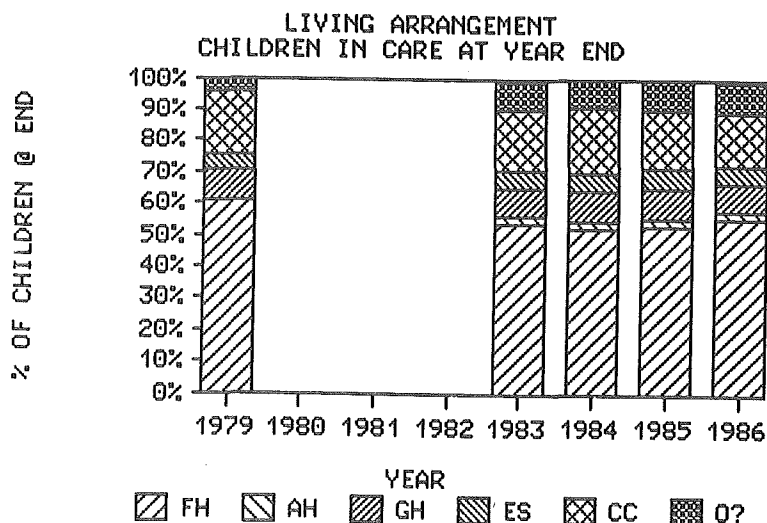
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TABLE 1 D - TREND IN CHILDREN IN CARE AT END

REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983	1981	1979
TOTAL ALL RACES	5,616	5,731	6,282	5,982	6,281	7,271
AGES OF CHILDREN IN CARE AT END						
LESS THAN 5 YEARS	14%	13%	13%	13%	14%	N.A.
AGES 5 - 11	21%	20%	19%	20%	23%	N.A.
AGE 12 OR OLDER	65%	66%	67%	66%	63%	N.A.
AGE UNKNOWN	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	N.A.
SEX OF CHILDREN IN CARE AT END						
FEMALE	45%	44%	45%	45%	46%	N.A.
MALE	55%	55%	55%	55%	54%	N.A.
SEX UNKNOWN	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	N.A.
RACE/ETHNICITY OF CHILDREN IN CARE AT END						
WHITE	73%	75%	75%	78%	79%	N.A.
NON-WHITE	26%	22%	20%	19%	21%	N.A.
HISPANIC	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	N.A.
BLACK	8%	6%	5%	4%	7%	N.A.
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	5%	5%	4%	4%	3%	N.A.
AMERICAN INDIAN	11%	9%	9%	8%	10%	N.A.
OTHER	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	N.A.
RACE UNKNOWN	1%	3%	5%	3%	1%	N.A.
LIVING ARR. OF CHILDREN IN CARE AT END						
FOSTER FAMILY HOME	56%	53%	52%	54%	N.A.	61%
NON-FINAL ADOPTIVE	2%	2%	3%	3%	N.A.	*****
GROUP HOME	9%	10%	10%	9%	N.A.	9%
EMERGENCY SHELTER	6%	6%	6%	6%	N.A.	5%
CHILD CARE FACILITY	17%	18%	21%	19%	N.A.	20%
OTHER (incl OWN HOME & INDEPENDENT LIV.)	4%	2%	4%	6%	N.A.	5%
LIVING ARR. UNKNOWN	6%	8%	5%	3%	N.A.	0%

***** 1979 living arrangement "family home" may include adoptive & relative as well as foster

CHART 4



FH = Foster Family Home

AH = Non Final Adoptive Home

GH = Group Home
(Rule 8, 34)ES = Emergency Shelter
or Emergency HomeCC = Child Care Facility
(Rule 5, 34)O? = Other/Unknown
living arrangement

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REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983	1981	1979
TOTAL ALL RACES	5,616	5,731	6,282	5,982	6,281	7,271
STATUS OF CHILDREN IN CARE AT END						
COURT ORDERED PLACEMENT						
WITH PARENTAL RIGHTS TERMINATED	13%	12%	12%	****	****	****
WITH PARENTAL RIGHTS RETAINED	53%	51%	48%	****	****	****
VOLUNTARY PLACEMENT						
WITH PARENTAL RIGHTS RELINQUISHED	0%	0%	0%	****	****	****
WITHOUT PARENTAL RIGHTS RELINQUISHED	31%	34%	31%	****	****	****
OTHER STATUS/STATUS UNKNOWN NOT REPORTED	3%	3%	9%	****	****	****
**** STATUS BREAKDOWN IN PRIOR YEARS WAS NOT COMPARABLE						
REASONS ENTERED CARE FOR CHILDREN IN CARE AT THE END						
PROTECTION	26%	26%	22%	16%	N.A.	N.A.
CHILD CONDUCT/CONDITION	39%	40%	41%	38%	N.A.	N.A.
PARENT/CARETAKER CONDUCT/CONDITION (b)	33%	29%	28%	28%	N.A.	N.A.
REASON UNKNOWN	2%	5%	8%	18%	N.A.	N.A.
(b) Includes Relinquished Parental Rights & Other Reason.						
IN CARE AT END WITH/WITHOUT DISABILITIES						
1 OR MORE DISABILITIES	32%	36%	37%	40%	N.A.	N.A.
NO DISABILITIES	54%	53%	54%	54%	N.A.	N.A.
DISABILITIES UNKNOWN	13%	11%	9%	6%	N.A.	N.A.
PERCENTAGE BREAKDOWN OF DISABILITIES REPORTED						
MENTALLY RETARDED	37%	36%	43%	36%	N.A.	N.A.
EMOT DISTURB/MENTAL ILL	24%	21%	20%	24%	N.A.	N.A.
HEAR/SIGHT/SPEECH IMPAIR	7%	9%	8%	8%	N.A.	N.A.
PHYSICAL DISABILITY	9%	11%	7%	11%	N.A.	N.A.
SPECIFIC LEARNING DISAB	12%	11%	9%	11%	N.A.	N.A.
OTHER CLINICALLY DIAG	11%	11%	13%	10%	N.A.	N.A.
TIME IN CARE FOR CHILDREN IN CARE AT END						
LESS THAN 1 YEAR	46%	44%	46%	46%	44%	N.A.
1 YEAR BUT LESS THAN 3 YEARS	28%	31%	30%	30%	30%	N.A.
3 YEARS OR MORE	25%	25%	24%	24%	25%	N.A.
TIME IN CARE UNKNOWN	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	N.A.
# OF PLACEMENTS FOR CHILDREN IN CARE AT END						
ONE	61%	64%	68%	71%	N.A.	N.A.
TWO	19%	19%	16%	16%	N.A.	N.A.
THREE TO FIVE	14%	13%	11%	8%	N.A.	N.A.
SIX OR MORE	3%	4%	3%	2%	N.A.	N.A.
PLACEMENTS UNKNOWN	3%	0%	0%	4%	N.A.	N.A.

SUMMARY ANNUAL INVENTORY - CHILDREN IN SUBSTITUTE AND ADOPTIVE CARE

TABLE 1 D - TREND IN CHILDREN IN CARE AT END con't

REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983	1981	1979
TOTAL ALL RACES	5,616	5,731	6,282	5,982	6,281	7,271
GOAL FOR CHILDREN IN CARE AT END						
REUNIFICATION	51%	49%	44%	35%	46%	N.A.
ADOPTION	9%	8%	8%	10%	9%	N.A.
INDEPENDENT LIVING	6%	7%	7%	10%	9%	N.A.
LONG TERM FOSTER CARE	22%	22%	22%	28%	25%	N.A.
OTHER GOAL	4%	3%	2%	3%	3%	N.A.
GOAL UNKNOWN	9%	12%	17%	14%	8%	N.A.

TABLE 1 E - CHILDREN IN FOSTER FAMILY HOMES AT THE END OF THE YEAR BY RACE

REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983	1981	1979 *
1. TOTAL ALL RACES (from Inventory)	3,143	3,031	3,268	3,255	N.A.	4,471
2. TOTAL ALL RACES (from Special Race Report)	3,076	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
3. BLACK	257	205	198	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
4. SAME RACE FOSTER PARENT	62.7%	66.9%	75.3%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
5. DIFFERENT RACE FOSTER PARENT	37.3%	33.2%	24.7%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
6. FOSTER PARENT RACE UNKNOWN	13	12	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
7. AMERICAN INDIAN	334	308	297	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
8. SAME RACE FOSTER PARENT	50.8%	54.4%	47.9%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
9. DIFFERENT RACE FOSTER PARENT	49.2%	45.6%	52.1%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
10. FOSTER PARENT RACE UNKNOWN	37	10	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
11. HISPANIC	61	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
12. SAME RACE FOSTER PARENT	0.0%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
13. DIFFERENT RACE FOSTER PARENT	100.0%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
14. FOSTER PARENT RACE UNKNOWN	2	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
15. ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	266	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
16. SAME RACE FOSTER PARENT	20.2%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
17. DIFFERENT RACE FOSTER PARENT	79.8%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
18. FOSTER PARENT RACE UNKNOWN	19	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
19. OTHER NON-WHITE ETHNIC CATEGORIES	34	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
20. SAME RACE FOSTER PARENT	0.0%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
21. DIFFERENT RACE FOSTER PARENT	100.0%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
22. FOSTER PARENT RACE UNKNOWN	16	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
23. WHITE OR UNKNOWN RACE	2,124	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

* 1979 Living arrangement "family home" may include adoptive & relative as well as foster.

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TABLE 1 F - TREND IN ADOPTIONS FINALIZED IN YEAR

REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983	1981	1979
TOTAL ALL RACES	204	176	208	273	N.A.	N.A.
RACE/ETHNICITY OF ADOPTIONS FINALIZED						
WHITE	84%	84%	83%	54%	N.A.	N.A.
NON-WHITE	16%	10%	17%	12%	N.A.	N.A.
HISPANIC	2%	2%	3%	2%	N.A.	N.A.
BLACK	6%	4%	7%	3%	N.A.	N.A.
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	1%	1%	1%	1%	N.A.	N.A.
AMERICAN INDIAN	3%	3%	5%	5%	N.A.	N.A.
OTHER	3%	1%	1%	1%	N.A.	N.A.
RACE UNKNOWN	0%	6%	0%	34%	N.A.	N.A.
AGES OF ADOPTIONS FINALIZED						
LESS THAN 5 YEARS	66%	60%	52%	41%	N.A.	N.A.
AGES 5 - 11	24%	27%	34%	19%	N.A.	N.A.
AGE 12 OR OLDER	11%	13%	14%	6%	N.A.	N.A.
AGE UNKNOWN	0%	0%	0%	34%	N.A.	N.A.
RELATIONSHIP OF ADOPTIONS FINALIZED						
ADOPT. PAR. RELATED	7%	2%	8%	4%	N.A.	N.A.
ADPT. PAR. FOSTER PAR.	16%	19%	12%	18%	N.A.	N.A.
ADOPT. PAR. UNRELATED	76%	78%	79%	45%	N.A.	N.A.
RELATIONSHIP UNKNOWN	0%	1%	1%	33%	N.A.	N.A.
ADOPTIONS FINAL WITH/WITHOUT SPECIAL NEEDS						
1 OR MORE SPECIAL NEEDS	41%	35%	31%	28%	N.A.	N.A.
NO KNOWN SPECIAL NEEDS	41%	42%	54%	33%	N.A.	N.A.
SPECIAL NEEDS UNKNOWN	18%	23%	15%	39%	N.A.	N.A.

TABLE 1 G - TREND IN SUBSTITUTE CARE CHILDREN AWAITING ADOPTION PLACEMENT AT END

REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983	1981	1979
TOTAL ALL RACES	183	150	144	177	N.A.	N.A.
RACE/ETHNICITY OF AWAITING ADOPTION PLACEMENT						
WHITE	67%	47%	72%	74%	N.A.	N.A.
NON-WHITE	33%	23%	28%	24%	N.A.	N.A.
HISPANIC	3%	1%	3%	2%	N.A.	N.A.
BLACK	19%	11%	10%	9%	N.A.	N.A.
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	1%	1%	1%	0%	N.A.	N.A.
AMERICAN INDIAN	9%	6%	12%	10%	N.A.	N.A.
OTHER	1%	5%	2%	3%	N.A.	N.A.
RACE UNKNOWN	1%	29%	0%	2%	N.A.	N.A.

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TABLE 1 G - TREND IN SUBSTITUTE CARE CHILDREN AWAITING ADOPTION PLACEMENT AT END con't

REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983	1981	1979
TOTAL ALL RACES	183	150	144	177	N.A.	N.A.
AGES OF CHILDREN AWAITING ADOPTION PLACEMENT						
LESS THAN 5 YEARS	15%	15%	30%	23%	N.A.	N.A.
AGES 5 - 11	38%	27%	32%	26%	N.A.	N.A.
AGE 12 OR OLDER	46%	31%	38%	51%	N.A.	N.A.
AGE UNKNOWN	1%	27%	0%	0%	N.A.	N.A.
AWAITING ADOPTION WITH/WITHOUT SPECIAL NEEDS						
1 OR MORE SPECIAL NEEDS	53%	52%	43%	42%	N.A.	N.A.
NO KNOWN SPECIAL NEEDS	23%	13%	50%	27%	N.A.	N.A.
SPECIAL NEEDS UNKNOWN	24%	35%	7%	32%	N.A.	N.A.
TIME AWAITING ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT						
LESS THAN 1 YEAR	39%	29%	33%	34%	N.A.	N.A.
1 YEAR OR MORE	50%	37%	48%	46%	N.A.	N.A.
TIME AWAITING UNKNOWN	11%	35%	19%	20%	N.A.	N.A.

TABLE 1 H - TREND IN SUBSTITUTE CARE CHILDREN IN NON-FINAL ADOPTIONS AT END

REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983	1981	1979
TOTAL ALL RACES	137	131	163	157	N.A.	N.A.
BY RACE/ETHNICITY						
WHITE	22%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
NON-WHITE	4%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
HISPANIC	1%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
BLACK	4%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	0%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AMERICAN INDIAN	0%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
OTHER	0%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
RACE UNKNOWN	74%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
BY AGE IN YEARS						
UNDER 5	9%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AGES 5 - 11	13%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AGE 12 OR OLDER	4%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
AGE UNKNOWN	74%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

N.A. Indicates data is not available.

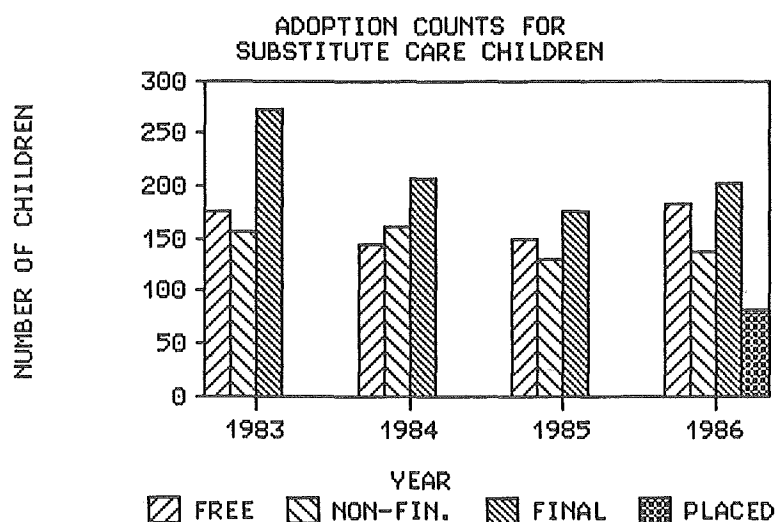
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TABLE 1 H - TREND IN SUBSTITUTE CARE CHILDREN IN NON-FINAL ADOPTIONS AT END con't

REPORT YEAR	1986	1985	1984	1983	1981	1979
TOTAL ALL RACES	137	131	163	157	N.A.	N.A.
BY SPECIAL NEEDS/DISABILITY STATUS						
1 OR MORE SPECIAL NEEDS	9%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
1 OR MORE DISABILITIES	9%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
SPECIAL NEEDS/NO DISABILITY	0%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
NO SPECIAL NEEDS	15%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
SPECIAL NEEDS UNKNOWN	77%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

N.A. Indicates data is not available.

CHART 5



FREE = Free for adoption with a goal of adoption NOT yet placed in an adoptive home *

NON-FIN. = Residing in a non final adoptive home *

FINAL = Adoption decrees granted **

PLACED = Adoption placements made **

* = at the end of the report period

** = during the report period

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TABLE 2 - CALENDAR YEAR 1986 - CHILD'S RACE SAME OR DIFFERENT FROM FOSTER OR ADOPTIVE PARENTS' RACE

CHILD'S RACE	* NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN FOSTER FAMILY HOMES 12/31/86	ADOPTION DECREES DURING CALENDAR YEAR 1986 FOR BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE AGENCY PLACEMENTS BY CHILD'S RACE AND PLACE OF BIRTH					
		PLACE OF BIRTH				NOT MINN.	NOT FOREIGN
		TOTAL MINN.	FOREIGN COUNTRY	OTHER USA/UNK			
TOTAL	3,076	1,361	539	727	95	822	634
DIFF.	NA	57.6%	5.3%	98.5%	38.7%	91.7%	10.2%
SAME	NA	42.4%	94.7%	1.5%	61.3%	8.3%	89.8%
UNK.	NA	11	7	2	2	4	9
MINORITY	952	830	67	721	42	763	109
DIFF.	59.1%	93.6%	38.8%	99.2%	85.7%	98.4%	56.9%
SAME	40.9%	6.4%	61.2%	0.8%	14.3%	1.6%	43.1%
UNK.	87	1	0	1	0	1	0
ASIAN	266	617	3	613	1	614	4
DIFF.	79.8%	99.2%	66.7%	99.3%	100.0%	99.3%	75.0%
SAME	20.2%	0.8%	33.3%	0.7%	0.0%	0.7%	25.0%
UNK.	19	1	0	1	0	1	0
BLACK	257	85	40	9	36	45	76
DIFF.	37.3%	57.6%	25.0%	88.9%	86.1%	86.7%	53.9%
SAME	62.7%	42.4%	75.0%	11.1%	13.9%	13.3%	46.1%
UNK.	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
HISPANIC	61	104	8	95	1	96	9
DIFF.	100.0%	96.2%	62.5%	98.9%	100.0%	99.0%	66.7%
SAME	0.0%	3.8%	37.5%	1.1%	0.0%	1.0%	33.3%
UNK.	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
INDIAN	334	20	16	0	4	4	20
DIFF.	49.2%	60.0%	56.3%	ERR	75.0%	75.0%	60.0%
SAME	50.8%	40.0%	43.8%	ERR	25.0%	25.0%	40.0%
UNK.	37	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE	2,124	522	466	5	51	56	517
DIFF.	NA	0.4%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%
SAME	NA	99.6%	99.6%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.6%
UNK.	NA	1	1	0	0	0	1
OTHER	34	4	0	4	0	4	0
DIFF.	100.0%	100.0%	ERR	100.0%	ERR	100.0%	ERR
SAME	0.0%	0.0%	ERR	0.0%	ERR	0.0%	ERR
UNK.	16	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNKNOWN	**	9	6	1	2	3	8
DIFF.	NA	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR
SAME	NA	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR
UNK.	NA	9	6	1	2	3	8

* FROM RACE-REPORT

NOTE: Adoption data is preliminary only; Adoption data has been only partially edited and excludes 80 March 1986 records that are incomplete.

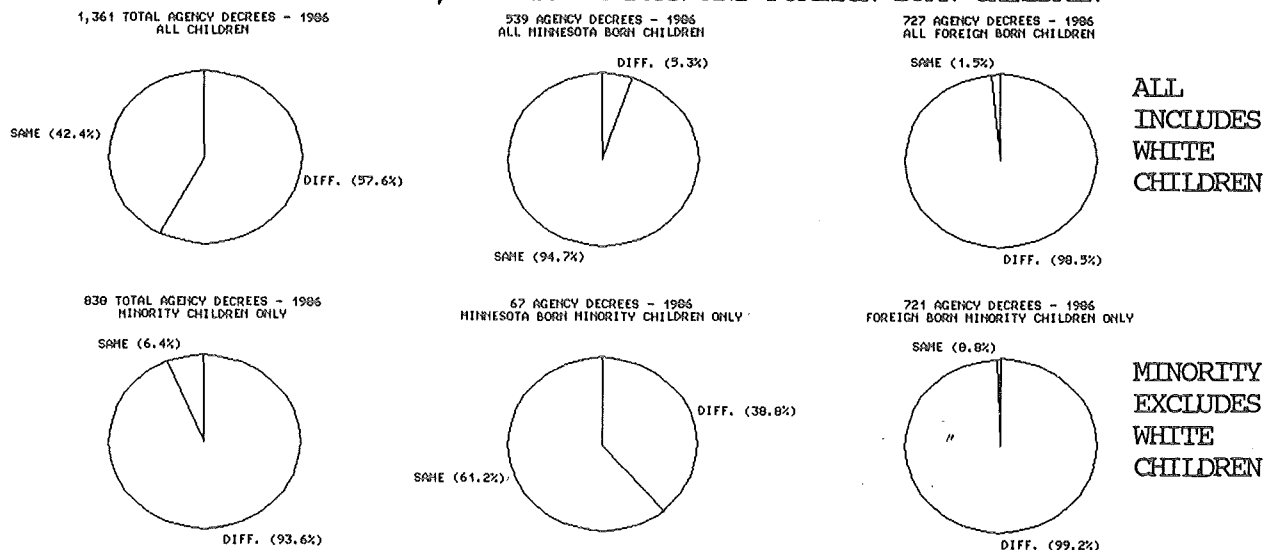
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CHART 6 - CALENDAR YEAR 1986

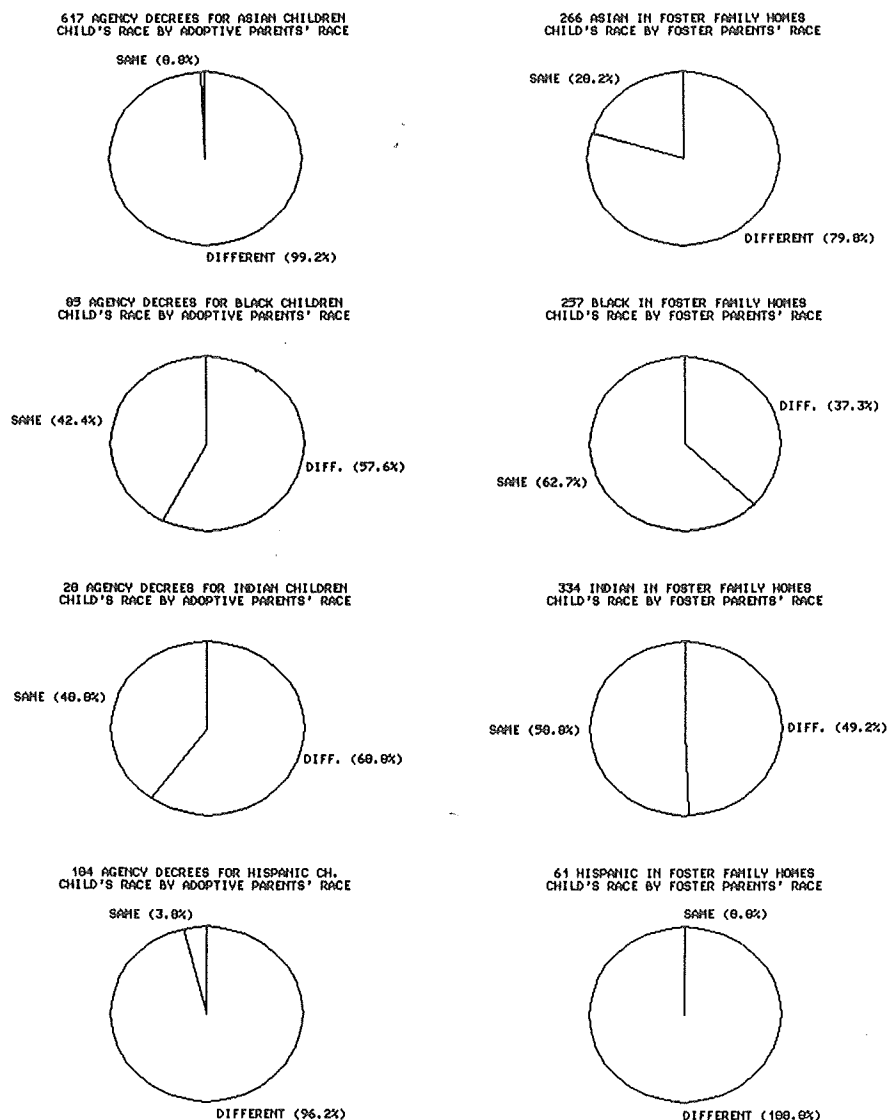
PERCENTS OF ADOPTION DECREES WITH SAME AND DIFFERENT RACE ADOPTIVE PARENTS FOR TOTAL, MINNESOTA BORN AND FOREIGN BORN CHILDREN



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CHART 7 - CALENDAR YEAR 1986

COMPARISON BY CHILD'S RACE FOR 1986 ADOPTIONS FINALIZED FROM ADOPTIONS SUBSYSTEM WITH CHILDREN IN FOSTER FAMILY HOMES 12/31/86 FROM THE SUBSTITUTE AND ADOPTIVE CARE SUBSYSTEM.



These pie charts indicate that minority children are more often placed with same race foster parents than with same race adoptive parents. It is highly probable that some or all of this apparent difference is due to a higher proportion of foreign born children in adoptive care compared to substitute care. (See "Chart 6" on the prior page.)

Other data differences between the two subsystems include the following:

Adoption data includes both public and private agencies while substitute care data includes only public agencies.

Substitute care data is for children in care at the end of the year while adoption data is for children with decrees granted during the year.

Adoption data is preliminary only, having been partially edited and excluding 80 incomplete March 1986 records.

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TABLE 3 - FOUR YEAR TREND IN SUBSTITUTE CARE DATA BY COUNTY & SEX

DAKOTA & MAHNONMEN HAVE 1983 DATA FOR 1984. NO INVENTORIES FOR DOUGLAS & FILLMORE FOR 1986.					1984 & 1985 SEX DATA CORRECTED FOR SOME COUNTIES. * 1984, ** 1985, *** BOTH YEARS												
COUNTS *** BY SEX ** REVERSED * TOTAL IN CARE AT END					BOYS IN CARE AT END				GIRLS IN CARE AT END				SEX UNK. IN CARE AT END				
COUNTY	YEAR	1983	1984	1985	1986	1983	1984	1985	1986	1983	1984	1985	1986	1983	1984	1985	1986
MN OLD (TOTAL)		5,982	6,282	5,731	5,616	3,273	3,221	2,783	3,083	2,670	3,033	2,914	2,504	39	28	34	29
MINNESOTA (TOTAL)		5,982	6,282	5,731	5,616	3,273	3,428	3,149	3,083	2,670	2,826	2,548	2,504	39	28	34	29
Aitkin		14	16	25	16	6	9	13	10	8	7	12	6	0	0	0	0
Anoka	***	460	514	307	216	230	263	156	106	230	251	151	110	0	0	0	0
Becker		57	68	56	55	36	41	41	34	21	27	15	21	0	0	0	0
Beltrami		86	101	73	106	50	63	44	59	36	38	29	47	0	0	0	0
Benton		29	29	30	31	16	16	18	15	13	13	12	16	0	0	0	0
Big Stone		8	12	7	4	7	10	6	2	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	0
Blue Earth	***	65	73	63	53	35	50	40	32	30	23	23	21	0	0	0	0
Brown	**	19	31	31	32	11	18	13	22	8	13	18	10	0	0	0	0
Carlton		61	89	58	53	36	46	34	32	25	43	24	21	0	0	0	0
Carver		43	43	45	48	30	29	28	27	13	14	16	20	0	0	1	1
Cass		42	40	48	56	17	20	23	26	25	20	25	30	0	0	0	0
Chippewa		29	21	26	22	18	11	16	13	11	10	10	9	0	0	0	0
Chisago	*	35	31	27	27	19	12	14	16	15	19	13	11	1	0	0	0
Clay		77	87	85	91	33	48	41	48	44	39	44	43	0	0	0	0
Clearwater	***	8	7	10	8	4	3	6	5	4	4	4	3	0	0	0	0
Cook	***	3	2	1	6	1	2	1	5	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Cottonwood		36	26	27	36	22	16	18	25	14	10	9	11	0	0	0	0
Crow Wing		56	50	58	54	25	26	31	19	31	24	27	35	0	0	0	0
Dakota	**	196	196	228	223	93	93	131	135	103	103	97	88	0	0	0	0
Dodge		20	22	15	15	12	15	8	8	8	7	7	7	0	0	0	0
Douglas		22	23	25	0	14	13	12	0	8	10	13	0	0	0	0	0
Faribault		19	22	17	14	8	11	11	7	11	11	6	7	0	0	0	0
Fillmore		17	19	21	0	8	9	8	0	9	10	13	0	0	0	0	0
Freeborn		81	80	67	60	42	46	37	27	39	34	30	33	0	0	0	0
Goodhue		35	36	38	39	24	19	20	23	11	17	18	16	0	0	0	0
Grant		5	1	3	7	3	0	1	3	2	1	2	4	0	0	0	0
Hennepin	**	1,427	1,641	1,484	1,452	764	869	800	772	626	744	652	654	37	28	32	26
Houston		20	20	27	27	4	7	10	12	16	13	17	15	0	0	0	0
Hubbard		26	25	19	24	15	15	8	14	11	10	11	10	0	0	0	0
Isanti		71	73	60	51	35	39	28	28	36	34	32	23	0	0	0	0
Itasca		71	97	75	60	36	39	38	28	35	58	37	32	0	0	0	0
Jackson		22	17	17	15	11	12	8	9	10	5	9	6	1	0	0	0
Kanabec	***	14	18	14	14	6	8	4	4	8	10	10	10	0	0	0	0
Kandiyohi		74	84	97	97	44	48	53	53	30	36	44	44	0	0	0	0
Kittson		2	6	4	2	0	1	1	0	2	5	3	2	0	0	0	0
Koochiching		51	45	40	52	21	27	21	26	30	18	19	26	0	0	0	0
Lac qui Parle	***	8	12	10	9	7	11	9	7	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
Lake	***	21	19	22	12	14	11	10	6	7	8	12	6	0	0	0	0
Lake of the Woods	**	4	6	5	5	3	3	2	3	1	3	3	2	0	0	0	0
LeSueur	*	40	49	44	33	25	28	24	24	15	21	20	9	0	0	0	0
Lincoln		0	5	5	6	0	3	3	5	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
Lyon		34	27	28	24	19	17	23	20	15	10	5	4	0	0	0	0
McLeod		27	26	31	30	17	16	16	17	10	10	15	13	0	0	0	0
Mahnomen	*	9	9	9	23	4	4	4	12	5	5	5	11	0	0	0	0
Marshall		14	14	16	17	8	8	8	9	6	6	8	8	0	0	0	0
Martin		37	25	22	31	27	19	17	22	10	6	5	9	0	0	0	0
Meeker		26	16	19	18	17	9	14	13	9	7	5	5	0	0	0	0
Mille Lacs		30	40	41	34	14	17	20	12	16	23	21	22	0	0	0	0
Morrison	**	37	34	40	31	20	18	22	13	17	16	18	18	0	0	0	0
Mower		109	90	84	85	66	46	44	47	43	44	40	38	0	0	0	0
Murray		8	7	3	5	3	4	1	3	5	3	2	2	0	0	0	0
Nicollet		21	22	20	30	16	12	10	13	5	10	10	17	0	0	0	0
Nobles		26	26	31	34	18	16	24	26	8	10	7	8	0	0	0	0
Norman		13	8	7	7	6	5	4	2	7	3	3	5	0	0	0	0
Olmsted	***	130	147	159	145	69	77	86	80	61	70	73	65	0	0	0	0
Otter Tail		72	68	78	90	47	40	47	57	25	28	31	33	0	0	0	0
Pennington		14	10	13	10	8	5	8	7	6	5	5	3	0	0	0	0
Pine		57	61	54	46	29	34	32	25	28	27	22	21	0	0	0	0
Pipestone		12	15	15	13	8	12	9	7	4	3	6	6	0	0	0	0
Polk		31	42	48	46	18	22	18	28	13	20	30	18	0	0	0	0

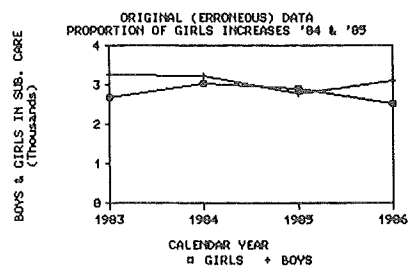
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COUNTY	YEAR	1983	1984	1985	1986	1983	1984	1985	1986	1983	1984	1985	1986	1983	1984	1985	1986
Pope		13	9	4	12	7	4	2	7	6	5	2	5	0	0	0	0
Ramsey	***	582	552	485	492	330	310	280	283	252	242	205	209	0	0	0	0
Red Lake	**	0	2	3	3	0	1	1	2	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0
Redwood		25	34	24	33	10	19	13	25	15	15	11	8	0	0	0	0
Renville		48	46	28	21	27	24	13	11	21	22	15	10	0	0	0	0
Rice		45	68	78	64	25	37	45	40	20	31	33	24	0	0	0	0
Rock		7	10	12	7	5	6	8	5	2	4	4	2	0	0	0	0
Roseau		11	7	7	11	6	4	2	3	5	3	5	8	0	0	0	0
St. Louis	***	408	430	437	419	241	258	254	237	167	172	183	182	0	0	0	0
Scott	***	108	79	51	58	53	39	28	35	55	40	23	23	0	0	0	0
Sherburne	*	38	40	47	34	20	19	25	20	18	21	22	14	0	0	0	0
Sibley		19	17	7	16	10	8	4	6	9	9	3	10	0	0	0	0
Stearns		101	78	74	76	58	44	40	42	43	34	34	34	0	0	0	0
Steele		50	51	37	38	30	34	23	23	20	17	14	14	0	0	0	1
Stevens		11	9	6	11	8	4	2	5	3	5	4	6	0	0	0	0
Swift	*	18	10	12	18	10	4	9	11	8	6	3	7	0	0	0	0
Todd		27	19	30	30	11	8	11	14	16	11	19	16	0	0	0	0
Traverse		6	4	4	5	2	1	3	1	4	3	1	4	0	0	0	0
Wabasha		32	37	41	23	16	18	18	11	16	19	23	12	0	0	0	0
Wadena		13	11	12	15	4	4	4	6	9	7	7	8	0	0	1	1
Waseca		38	37	26	38	25	23	17	23	13	14	9	15	0	0	0	0
Washington	**	139	114	116	163	76	64	57	82	63	50	59	81	0	0	0	0
Watonswan		20	17	17	17	12	10	10	10	8	7	7	7	0	0	0	0
Wilkin	*	8	5	10	14	7	3	4	8	1	2	6	6	0	0	0	0
Winona		34	38	37	35	25	20	17	11	9	18	20	24	0	0	0	0
Wright		92	107	90	101	50	67	61	56	42	40	29	45	0	0	0	0
Yellow Medicine		8	8	4	12	6	4	1	3	2	4	3	9	0	0	0	0



In published reports and other data for the past two years counts by gender have erroneously shown an increase in the proportion of girls compared to boys.

The error that caused this difference has been corrected.

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CORRECTED DATA BY SEX
PROPORTIONS OF BOYS & GIRLS CONSTANT

