

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF  
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

2020 DCF Statewide Profile

# NEW JERSEY



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## ABOUT DCF

The New Jersey Department of Children and Families is the state's first Cabinet-level agency devoted exclusively to serving and supporting children and families. DCF is comprised of approximately 6,600 staff who are focused on and committed to assisting and empowering residents to be **safe, healthy and connected**.

This is done with an array of evidence-based, family-centered programs and services that are provided through a robust network of community providers using work-practices that incorporate racial equity, are healing centered and utilize a protective factors framework.

Collectively, the DCF and its partners are working to: increase kinship placements and family connections; prevent maltreatment and promote strong families; advance race equity among staff and families served; integrate consumer voice in all programs and services; cultivate a culture of accountability; maximize federal revenue; provide an integrated and inclusive system of care for youth; safeguard staff and promote professional satisfaction.

DCF is comprised of the following divisions and offices:

- CENTRAL OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION
- DIVISION OF CHILD PROTECTION AND PERMANENCY
- DIVISION OF CHILDREN'S SYSTEM OF CARE
- DIVISION OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS
- DIVISION ON WOMEN
- OFFICE OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION
- OFFICE OF EDUCATION
- OFFICE OF FAMILY VOICE
- OFFICE OF LICENSING
- OFFICE OF PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY
- OFFICE OF RESILIENCE
- OFFICE OF STAFF HEALTH AND WELLNESS
- OFFICE OF TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- THE INSTITUTIONAL ABUSE INVESTIGATION UNIT



# Division of Family and Community Partnerships (FCP) and Division on Women (DOW)

Residents Served by DCF in New Jersey for Calendar Year 2020

Services focus on preventing violence and strengthening families across the lifespan by:

- Improving parenting knowledge and skills
- Building relationships and reducing social isolation
- Promoting children's social and emotional development
- Increasing individual resilience
- Providing access to supports for every-day needs
- Creating a more equitable environment for women and men



**33,432 families & individuals served**

### Early Childhood Services

These programs serve pregnant women and families with infants and young children, ages 0 to 8 years. They also provide training and services to parents, providers, and community members.



**106,248 individuals served**

### School-Linked Services

These programs serve school-aged youth and their families. Programs are located in certain schools. The youth hotline received 5,793 calls and 3,603 texts from New Jersey families in CY 2020.



**42,998 families served**

### Family Support Services

These programs provide services to parents, children, young adults, and seniors to strengthen families and enrich their communities.



**12,326 individuals served**

### Sexual Violence Services

These services include programs for survivors of sexual violence and primary prevention programs. Services are open to all genders and ages, with special focus on young adults. The sexual violence hotline received 8,397 calls in CY 2020.



**14,910 individuals served**

### Domestic Violence Services

These programs serve all individuals affected by domestic violence, including women, men, and children. Domestic violence hotlines received 77,864 calls in CY 2020.



**3,714 individuals served**

### Employment and Training Services

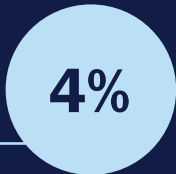
This program assists individuals of all genders to achieve economic self-sufficiency. It focuses on displaced homemakers who have lost their primary source of income.



# Division of Children's System of Care (CSOC)

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## CSOC Youth In-Home and Out-of-Home\*



- Youth Served In-Community
- Youth Served in Out-of-Home Treatment Settings

## Mobile Response Stabilization\*\*



- Successfully stabilized youth in home
- Unable to stabilize youth in home

\* Quarterly Data - Point in Time from February 2021 - Youth Open (Less DD Eligible only youth)

\*\* Data from Mobile Response Stabilization Services - Dispatch



**52,393<sup>†</sup>**

Youth received help for themselves and their families through CSOC.



**108,888<sup>†</sup>**

Calls CSOC received from families for support, assistance, and services.



**20,717\*\***

Responses from Mobile Response Service to families with requests for urgent assistance with a youth's behavior.



**23,354\***

Youth active with CSOC.



**14,881<sup>†</sup>**

Active CSOC youth eligible for supports and services for an identified developmental disability.

<sup>†</sup>Data from Perform Care population report

\* Quarterly Data - Point in Time from February 2021 - Youth Open (Less DD Eligible only youth)

\*\* Data from Mobile Response Stabilization Services - Dispatch



**1,815<sup>††</sup>**

Active CSOC youth with an identified substance use issue.

<sup>††</sup>Substance Use Involvement - Point in Time from January 2021 CIACC Report



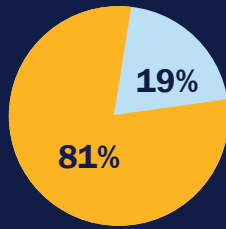
# Division of Child Protection and Permanency (CP&P)

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CP&P received **56,965** calls in 2020 to assess the need for child protection (CPS) and child welfare (CWS) services.



- CPS
- CWS



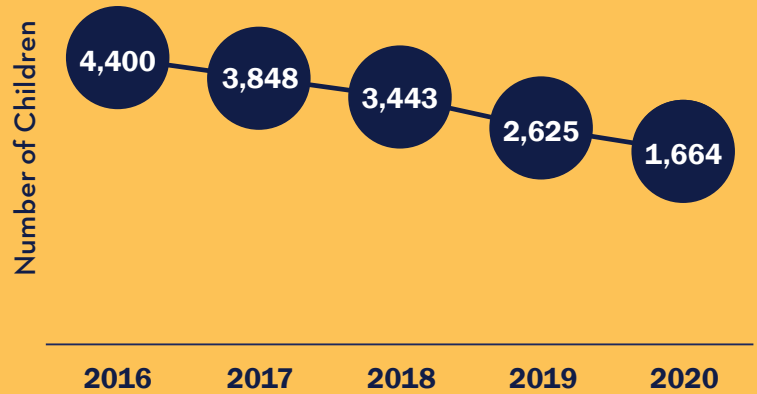
**121,907** children were served by CP&P in 2020.

Most children are served safely in their own homes.



- In Home
- Foster Care

The number of children entering foster care has decreased by **62%** in the last five years (2016 - 2020).



**48%** of children were reunified with their biological parents in 2020.



In CY 2020 there were **6,212** children in out of home placement. **45%** lived with Kin.

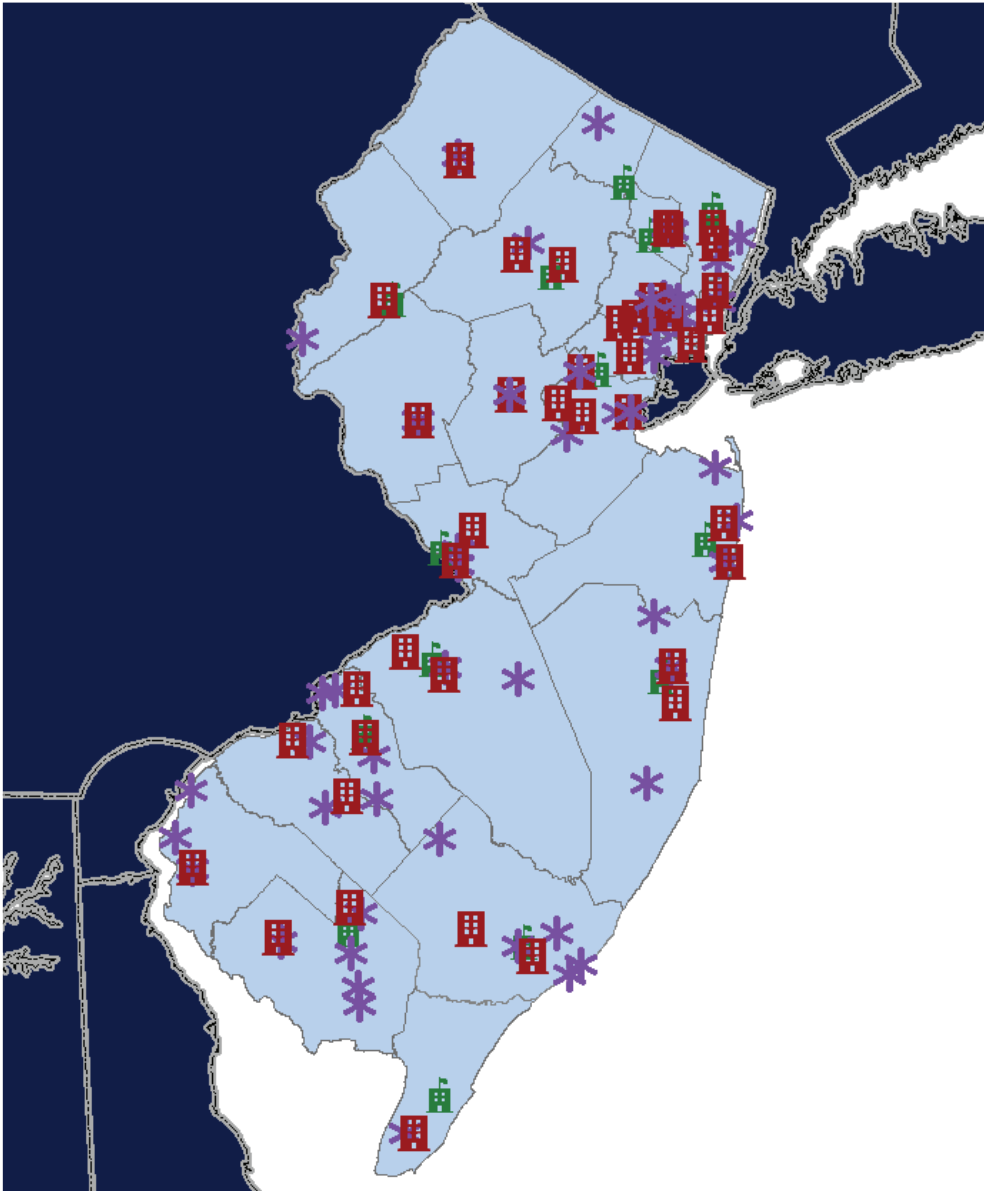


**15,094** children currently receive adoption or kinship legal guardianship subsidies as of February 28, 2021.



# DCF Footprint in New Jersey

Residents Served by DCF in New Jersey for Calendar Year 2020



## DCF Offices



There are **60** DCF offices serving children and families in New Jersey

## DCF Regional Schools



There are **15** DCF regional schools serving children in New Jersey

## Family Success Centers (FSC)



There are **57** Family Success Centers serving families in New Jersey

## DCF Staff



There are **6,621** DCF employees working in New Jersey.

## Resource Homes



**3,588** Licensed resource homes serving children.

## Childcare Centers



**4,110** Licensed childcare centers serving children.

## Keeping Families Together



**656** Families receiving supportive housing thru DCF.