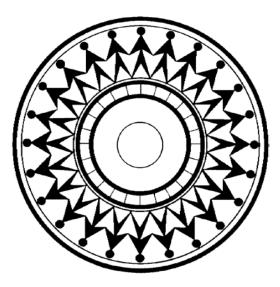
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PURPOSE OF THE 2004 USER'S GUIDE SUPPLEMENT

The AFCARS User's Guide Annual Supplement, 2004 is intended for use with the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) User's Guide and Codebook. The User's Guide contains a general overview of the AFCARS project and detailed descriptions of the variables contained in the adoption and foster care files. This Supplement contains information specific to the 2004 AFCARS Foster Care dataset, FC2004v6. This document contains:

- a table specifying which states submitted data in the years 1995 through 2004
- a count of the number of records submitted by each state for the 2004 v6files
- a listing of the geographic FIPS codes for counties that had 1000 or more cases in the 2004 v6 foster care dataset
- explanatory footnotes provided by the states

HISTORY OF STATE FOSTER CARE SUBMISSIONS TO AFCARS

By AFCARS regulation, states were required to submit AFCARS data beginning in 1995. It was not until 1998, however, that penalties established by the same regulation became applicable. Data submitted prior to 1998 were often incomplete. The table below indicates the years in which individual states submitted data. Please note that a black dot in a cell below does not imply that a state's data file was complete; some state files contained very few records. The number of records in each state's files is contained in the *State Records Counts Table* for the year. 2001 was the first year that all states (including Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia) submitted data. Since then, all states have submitted data each year.

STATE	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	SINCE 2001
Alabama				•	•	•	•
Alaska	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Arizona	•			•	•	•	•
Arkansas		•		•	•	•	•
California	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Colorado		•	•	•	•	•	•
Connecticut				•	•	•	•
Delaware				•	•	•	•
District of Columbia		•		•	•	•	•
Florida		•	•	•	•	•	•
Georgia			•	•	•	•	•
Hawaii			•	•	•	•	•
Idaho	•			•	•	•	•
Illinois	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Indiana				•	•	•	•
Iowa				•	•	•	•
Kansas				•	•	•	•
Kentucky	•				•	•	•
Louisiana			•	•	•	•	•
Maine		•	•	•	•	•	•
Maryland			•	•	•	•	•
Massachusetts	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Michigan				•	•	•	•
Minnesota				•	•	•	•
Mississippi		•		•	•	•	•
Missouri				•	•	•	•
Montana			•	•	•	•	•
Nebraska					•	•	•
Nevada						•	•

STATES THAT SUBMITTED FOSTER CARE DATA

STATE	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	SINCE 2001
New Hampshire	[•	•	•
New Jersey	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
New Mexico	•			•	•	•	•
New York				•	•	•	•
North Carolina		•	•	•	•	•	•
North Dakota			•	•	•	•	•
Ohio	•				•	•	•
Oklahoma			•	•	•	•	•
Oregon				•	•	•	•
Pennsylvania				•	•	•	•
Rhode Island	•	•		•	•	•	•
South Carolina	•	•		•	•	•	•
South Dakota					•	•	•
Tennessee					•	•	•
Texas				•	•	•	•
Utah	•	•		•	•	•	•
Vermont	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Virginia				•	•	•	•
Washington		•	•	•	•	•	•
West Virginia				•	•	•	•
Wisconsin				•	•	•	•
Wyoming				•	•	•	•
Puerto Rico				•	•		•

2004 FOSTER CARE UNDUPLICATED RECORD COUNTS

States submit data to AFCARS twice a year; the first reporting period ends April 30 and the second September 30. Prior to each annual release, the Children's Bureau combines submissions for the two reporting periods and removes duplicate records. The table that follows lists the number of records contained in the unduplicated annual 2004 files by state.

				Reco	ords		
FIPS	State	v1	v2	v3	v4	v5a	v6
1	Alabama	9,079	9,137	9,137	9,137	9,137	9,137
2	Alaska	2,540	2,540	2,540	2,540	2,540	2,540
4	Arizona	14,227	14,302	14,302	14,302	14,302	14,302
5	Arkansas	6,361	6,361	6,389	6,389	6,389	6,389
6	California	135,514	135,514	123,674	123,674	123,674	123,674
8	Colorado	15,773	15,773	15,773	15,773	15,773	15,773
9	Connecticut	8,922	8,922	8,922	9,769	0	9,767
10	Delaware	1,598	1,598	1,598	1,598	1,598	1,598
11	District of Columbia	3,632	3,632	3,632	3,693	3,693	3,693
12	Florida	49,961	49,961	49,961	49,961	49,961	49,961
13	Georgia	25,310	25,310	25,310	25,310	25,310	25,310
15	Hawaii	5,152	5,152	5,147	5,087	5,087	5,087
16	Idaho	2,902	2,902	2,902	2,902	2,902	2,902
17	Illinois	26,403	26,403	26,403	26,403	26,403	26,403
18	Indiana	15,215	15,250	15,250	15,250	15,250	15,250
19	Iowa	10,868	10,868	10,868	10,868	10,868	10,868
20	Kansas	8,276	8,276	8,276	8,276	8,276	8,276
21	Kentucky	12,095	12,095	12,090	12,090	12,090	12,090
22	Louisiana	7,068	7,068	7,068	7,068	7,068	7,068
23	Maine	3,551	3,551	3,551	3,556	3,556	3,556
24	Maryland	14,377	14,377	14,377	14,377	14,377	14,377
25	Massachusetts	18,909	18,909	18,909	18,909	18,909	18,909
26	Michigan	30,409	30,409	30,409	30,409	30,409	30,409
27	Minnesota	14,756	14,094	14,094	14,094	14,094	14,094
28	Mississippi	4,549	4,549	4,549	4,549	4,549	4,549
29	Missouri	17,728	17,806	17,806	17,806	17,806	17,806
30	Montana	3,022	3,022	3,022	3,022	3,022	3,022
31	Nebraska	9,410	9,410	9,410	9,410	9,410	9,410
32	Nevada	7,625	7,625	7,080	7,090	7,090	7,090
33	New Hampshire	1,759	1,759	1,759	1,759	1,759	1,759
34	New Jersey	19,846	19,519	19,035	18,999	18,999	18,999
35	New Mexico	3,991	3,999	3,999	3,999	3,999	3,999

2004 STATE FOSTER CARE RECORD COUNTS: VERSION HISTORY

		Records					
FIPS	State	v1	v2	v3	v4	v5a	v6
36	New York	49,530	49,530	49,530	49,530	49,530	49,530
37	North Carolina	15,271	15,271	15,271	15,271	15,271	15,271
38	North Dakota	2,188	2,188	2,188	2,188	2,188	2,188
39	Ohio	31,578	31,578	31,578	31,578	31,578	31,578
40	Oklahoma	15,635	16,528	16,528	16,817	16,817	16,817
41	Oregon	14,436	14,503	14,503	14,503	14,503	14,503
42	Pennsylvania	34,569	34,569	34,569	34,569	34,569	34,569
72	Puerto Rico	9,668	9,601	9,601	9,601	9,601	9,601
44	Rhode Island	3,876	3,876	3,876	3,876	3,876	3,876
45	South Carolina	8,005	7,786	7,786	7,786	7,786	7,786
46	South Dakota	2,725	2,721	2,721	2,721	2,721	2,721
47	Tennessee	14,467	14,467	14,467	14,467	14,467	14,467
48	Texas	35,371	35,371	35,371	35,371	35,371	35,371
49	Utah	3,899	3,899	3,899	3,899	3,899	3,899
50	Vermont	2,195	2,195	2,195	2,195	2,195	2,195
51	Virginia	9,641	9,641	9,641	9,641	9,641	9,641
53	Washington	15,450	15,450	15,450	15,450	15,450	15,450
54	West Virginia	5,273	5,273	5,273	5,273	5,273	5,273
55	Wisconsin	13,494	13,494	13,494	13,494	13,494	13,494
56	Wyoming	2,094	2,094	2,138	2,138	2,103	2,103
	Total Records	800,193	800,128	787,321	788,437	778,633	788,400

IDENTIFIED FIPS CODES IN THE 2004 V6 FOSTER CARE FILE

Below is a listing of the geographic Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) codes for "state subdivisions" (usually counties) included in the dataset. . For counties with fewer than 1,000 records the FIPS code is not provided, and a value of 8 (*Not provided for reasons of confidentiality*) is assigned

FIPS	County	Ν
1073	Jefferson, AL	1,874
4013	Maricopa, AZ	8,788
4019	Pima, AZ	2,330
5119	Pulaski, AR	1,186
6001	Alameda, CA	4,641
6007	Butte, CA	1,179
6013	Contra Costa, CA	2,769
6019	Fresno, CA	4,663
6029	Kern, CA	4,287
6037	Los Angeles, CA	41,774
6059	Orange, CA	5,144
6065	Riverside, CA	7,764
6067	Sacramento, CA	6,871
6071	San Bernardino, CA	7,975
6073	San Diego, CA	8,320
6075	San Francisco, CA	2,863
6077	San Joaquin, CA	2,556
6085	Santa Clara, CA	3,630
6089	Shasta, CA	1,016
6099	Stanislaus, CA	1,009
6107	Tulare, CA	2,112
8001	Adams, CO	1,694
8005	Arapahoe, CO	1,446
8031	Denver, CO	2,931
8041	El Paso, CO	1,893
8059	Jefferson, CO	1,464
8101	Pueblo, CO	1,063
9001	Fairfield, CT	1,375
9003	Hartford, CT	2,522
9009	New Haven, CT	2,585
10003	New Castle, DE	1,013
11001	District of Columbia	3,693
12009	Brevard, FL	1,435
12011	Broward, FL	3,172
12031	Duval, FL	3,416
12033	Escambia, FL	1,144

FIPS	County	N
12057	Hillsborough, FL	4,733
12083	Marion, FL	1,271
12086	Miami-Dade, FL	5,969
12095	Orange, FL	1,940
12099	Palm Beach, FL	2,386
12101	Pasco, FL	1,375
12103	Pinellas, FL	3,198
12105	Polk, FL	2,901
12127	Volusia, FL	1,703
13089	De Kalb, GA	1,658
13121	Fulton, GA	3,040
13135	Gwinnett, GA	1,032
15001	Hawaii, HI	1,102
15003	Honolulu, HI	3,435
17031	Cook, IL	15,207
17143	Peoria, IL	1,546
17201	Winnebago, IL	1,001
18003	Allen, IN	1,010
18089	Lake, IN	2,037
18097	Marion, IN	3,867
19153	Polk, IA	1,824
20173	Sedgwick, KS	1,964
21111	Jefferson, KY	1,667
23011	Kennebec, ME	1,007
24005	Baltimore, MD	1,068
24510	Baltimore City, MD	8,759
25005	Bristol, MA	1,942
25009	Essex, MA	2,016
25013	Hampden, MA	2,296
25017	Middlesex, MA	2,577
25025	Suffolk, MA	4,851
25027	Worcester, MA	2,255
26049	Genesee, MI	2,493
26065	Ingham, MI	1,186
26081	Kent, MI	1,292
26099	Macomb, MI	1,322

FIPS	County	N
26125	Oakland, MI	1,737
26163	Wayne, MI	11,145
27053	Hennepin, MN	3,521
27123	Ramsey, MN	1,969
29077	Greene, MO	1,014
29095	Jackson, MO	2,311
29189	St. Louis, MO	1,769
29510	St. Louis City, MO	2,243
31055	Douglas, NE	3,330
31109	Lancaster, NE	1,403
32003	Clark, NV	4,664
32031	Washoe, NV	1,481
34007	Camden, NJ	2,094
34013	Essex, NJ	3,383
34017	Hudson, NJ	1,330
34021	Mercer, NJ	1,774
34023	Middlesex, NJ	1,225
34025	Monmouth, NJ	1,122
34039	Union, NJ	1,426
36029	Erie, NY	2,158
36055	Monroe, NY	1,705
36061	New York, NY	30,764
36103	Suffolk, NY	1,678
36119	Westchester, NY	1,088
37119	Mecklenburg, NC	1,439
39035	Cuyahoga, OH	6,001
39049	Franklin, OH	6,161
39061	Hamilton, OH	2,388
39095	Lucas, OH	1,432
39113	Montgomery, OH	1,665

FIPS	County	N
39151	Stark, OH	1,337
39153	Summit, OH	2,467
40109	Oklahoma, OK	4,675
40143	Tulsa, OK	2,345
41039	Lane, OR	1,449
41047	Marion, OR	1,922
41051	Multnomah, OR	3,488
41067	Washington, OR	1,388
42003	Allegheny, PA	3,954
42011	Berks, PA	1,294
42045	Delaware, PA	1,012
42101	Philadelphia, PA	11,479
42133	York, PA	1,115
44007	Providence, RI	2,786
47037	Davidson, TN	1,454
47157	Shelby, TN	1,827
48029	Bexar, TX	3,851
48113	Dallas, TX	4,036
48201	Harris, TX	5,613
48439	Tarrant, TX	1,440
48453	Travis, TX	1,576
49035	Salt Lake, UT	1,695
53011	Clark, WA	1,032
53033	King, WA	2,952
53053	Pierce, WA	2,172
53061	Snohomish, WA	1,351
53063	Spokane, WA	1,480
53077	Yakima, WA	1,127
55079	Milwaukee, WI	5,139
72127	San Juan, PR	1,448

2004 FOSTER CARE STATE FOOTNOTES

States are encouraged, but not required, to provide explanatory footnotes along with their data submissions. The footnotes allow states to provide additional information they consider necessary for proper interpretation of their data. The footnotes may include such information as:

- general characteristics of the state's foster care system
- characteristics of the population, including whether certain types of placements are included
- state definitions that differ from federal AFCARS definitions.

Footnotes for the 2004 versions of the foster care data follow, sorted by element number and state. General state footnotes that are not specific to an element or period are given an element number of 00.

NDACAN strongly recommends that users review the 2004 footnotes that follow before attempting to analyze the AFCARS Foster Care data.

	Foster Care Footnotes 2004				
Element	State	Note			
F00	Alaska	Alaska is resubmitting this 2004B file, extracted from its SACWIS on 12-28-2005, with manual revisions.			
F00	Colorado	State data includes 9.1% population of Juvenile Justice youth, which can include youth through the age of 21.			
F00	Colorado	Approximately 8 percent of Colorado's substitute population includes children in the juvenile justice system.			
FOO	Florida	RECORDS ARE SELECTED BASED ON DATE OF REMOVAL PRIOR TO END OF THE PERIOD AND DISCHARGE TRANSACTION DATE DURING THE PERIOD.			
FOO	Florida	FLORIDA'S SACWIS REQUIRES DISCHARGE DATE BE REMOVED IN ORDER TO CORRECT REMOVAL HOME CAREGIVER DATA RELATED TO AN EPISODE.			
F00	Florida	WHEN DISCHARGE DATE IS REPLACED, DISCHARGE TRANSACTION DATE IS REGENERATED WHICH MAY RESULT IN SUBSEQUENT REPORTING OF A DISCHARGE ALREADY REPORTED AND/OR AN ERROR FOR TIMELINESS.			
FOO	Florida	DETAILED HISTORIC CONVERSION FROM LEGACY SYSTEMS DID NOT OCCUR. SPECIFIC ELEMENTS RELATED TO AFCARS ARE CAPTURED ON A SUMMARY SCREEN.			
FOO	Florida	LESS THAN 1% OF CASES SUBMITTED REPRESENT CINS/FINS IV-E ELIGIBLE CHILDREN SERVED IN JUVENILE JUSTICE SHELTERS.			
FOO	Hawaii	AFCARS FOSTER CARE DATA IS BEING RETRANSMITTED FOR FFY 1999,2000,2001,2002 TO CORRECT AN ERROR IN THE MAPPING OF THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL FIELDS. IT WAS DISCOVERED THAT THE MAPPING OF ELEMENTS 31 THROUGH 40			

		HAVE ALWAYS BEEN IN ERROR.
F00	Hawaii	THIS WAS DUE TO AN ERROR IN OUR FOSTER CARE EXTRACT PROGRAM THAT INCORRECTLY MAPPED THE CIRCUMSTANCE O REMOVAL FIELDS IN OUR DATABASE TO THE FIELDS ON THE AFCARS FOSTER CARE EXTRACT RECORD.
FOO	Hawaii	THIS CREATED A TOTALLY ERRONEOUS REPORT OF WHAT WER THE ACTUAL CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING TO THE REMOVAL OF THE CHILD AND AS SUCH WILL SKEW ANY STATISTICAL ANALYSIS THAT MAY BE DONE USING THESE FIELDS.
F00	Hawaii	THESE RETRANSMISSIONS WILL ALSO AFFECT ELEMENTS 18,19,23,24 AND 41 DUE TO A CHANGE TO NO LONGER REPOR ON REMOVALS OR PLACEMENTS OF ONE CALENDAR DAY.
FOO	Indiana	The discrepancy between foster care placements closed with a reason of adoption and the number of adoptions reported is recognized, the issue has been corrected in the system but olde cases still are a problem.
FOO	Indiana	A One explanation for duplication child id is child may appear more than once if the child has been in a case in more than one county during the same reporting period. The other is bad practice by county(these we will fix.)
F00	Michigan	APPROXIMATELY 10% OF THE STATE'S SUBSTITUTE CARE POPULATION INCLUDES CHILDREN IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM.
F00	Nebraska	APPROXIMATELY 14% OF THE STATE'S SUBSTITUTE CARE POPULATION INCLUDES CHILDREN IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM.
F00	Nebraska	LEGAL STATUS COUNTS.
F00	Nebraska	HHS WARD 5698.
F00	Nebraska	VOL. PLACEMENT AGGREEMENT 0048.
F00	Nebraska	POLICE HOLD 0210.
F00	Nebraska	DIRECT RELINQUISHMENT 0002.
F00	Nebraska	JUVENILE COURT WARD 0007.
F00	Nebraska	TRIBAL COURT CUSTODY 0205.
F00	Nebraska	HHS-OJS WARD 1427.
F00	Nebraska	TOTAL 7597.
F00	Nebraska	HHS WARD 5977.
F00	Nebraska	VOL. PLACEMENT AGGREEMENT 0114.
F00	Nebraska	POLICE HOLD 0254.
F00	Nebraska	DIRECT RELINQUISHMENT 0005.
F00	Nebraska	JUVENILE COURT WARD 0011.
F00	Nebraska	TRIBAL COURT CUSTODY 0150.
F00	Nebraska	HHS-OJS WARD 1182.
F00	Nebraska	TOTAL 7693.
F00	Pennsylvania	Number of shared case management with Juvenile Justice System: 1,509.
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F03	Florida	THE LOCAL AGENCY (FIPS CODE) REPRESENTS THE COUNTY OF JURISDICTION IN ALL CASES.

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F03	Iowa	Adoption workers cover more than one county. Therefore, foster children awaiting adoption appear to be from a limited number o counties.
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F03	Nebraska	THE FOLLOWING OFFICES DEAL WITH MORE CASES THAN JUST THOSE IN THEIR COUNTY: ALLIANCE, SIDNEY, NORTH PLATTE, MCCOOK, LEXINGTON, BROKEN BOW, O'NEILL, DAKOTA CITY, COLUMBUS, NORFOLK, SEWARD, NEBRASKA CITY.
F04	Florida	SYSTEM GENERATED PERSON ID NUMBER IS ENCRYPTED.
FO4	Florida	THERE IS A RECOGNIZED ISSUE WITH DUPLICATE PERSON RECORDS IN FLORIDA'S SACWIS. EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THIS ISSUE ARE UNDERWAY. THIS WILL AFFECT THE ABILITY TO USE THIS ELEMENT TO MATCH TO DATA FOR FUTURE REPORT PERIODS.
FO4	Iowa	Record numbers are encrypted in data submission.
FO4	Nebraska	RECORD NUMBERS IN DATA SET ARE ENCRYPTED STATE IDENTIFIERS.
F05	Florida	THIS REPORT MAY NOT INCLUDE DISPOSITIONAL HEARINGS THAT MAY ALSO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF A JUDICIAL REVIEW.
F05	Iowa	Iowa Citizen Foster Care Review Board Reviews, Court Reviews, and DHS Administrative Reviews are shown in element 5.
F05	Nebraska	ANOTHER STATE AGENCY, FOSTER CARE REVIEW BOARD, IS MANDATED BY STATE LAW TO CONDUCT THE PERIODIC REVIEW ON ALL CHILDREN IN OUT OF HOME PLACEMENT FOR 6 MONTHS OR GREATER.
F06	Florida	FLORIDA LAW ALLOWS FOR SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO ELIGIBLE YOUNG ADULTS UP TO THEIR 23RD BIRTHDAY.
F06	Florida	FLORIDA LAW EFFECTIVE 10-1-02 SEPARATES SERVICES FOR CHILDREN (UP TO AGE 18) AND YOUNG ADULTS FORMERLY IN FOSTER CARE (18 UP TO 23RD BIRTHDAY). LAW PERMITS A PHASE IN PERIOD FOR EXISTING ADULT RECIPIENTS UNTIL JUN 30, 2003.
F06	Florida	AFTER JUNE 30, 2003, YOUNG ADULTS SHOULD BE DISCHARGE FROM THEIR REMOVAL EPISODES AND ARE NO LONGER EXPECTED TO BE REPORTED IN THE AFCARS FOSTER CARE POPULATION.
F06	Iowa	A date of birth is required. We do not estimate date of birth.
F06	Michigan	CHILDREN IDENTIFIED AS 18 YEARS OR OLDER ARE STILL WARDS OF THE STATE AND ARE CONSIDERED DEPENDENT CHILDREN.
F06	Nebraska	ESTIMATED BIRTH DATE IS JANUARY 1 OF THE ESTIMATED YEAR.??
F08	California	'USED UNABLE TO DETERMINE' FOR RACE OF HISPANIC OR MEXICAN OR CENTRAL AMERICAN OR SOUTH AMERICAN AND 'YES' FOR HISPANIC ORGIN CODE
F08	Nebraska	UNABLE TO DETERMINE INCLUDES PERSONS WITH RACE INDICATED AS OTHER.

F10	lowa	A clinical diagnosis is required by a qualified professional.
F10	Nebraska	CLINICAL DIAGNOSIS IS REQUIRED.
F10	Washington	Disabilities are reported only for children with an identified disability. Children with no disability and those not reported are both mapped as 'not reported'. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F11	Washington	Disabilities are reported only for children with an identified disability. Children with no disability and those not reported are both mapped as 'not reported'. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F12	Washington	Disabilities are reported only for children with an identified disability. Children with no disability and those not reported are both mapped as 'not reported'. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F13	Nebraska	INCLUDES CHILDREN WHO ARE MEDICALLY FRAGILE AND/OR NEEDING MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND/OR WHEELCHAIR.
F13	Washington	Disabilities are reported only for children with an identified disability. Children with no disability and those not reported are both mapped as 'not reported'. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F14	Iowa	DSM III diagnostic criteria is used in this data element.
F14	Washington	Disabilities are reported only for children with an identified disability. Children with no disability and those not reported are both mapped as 'not reported'. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F15	Nebraska	INCLUDES CHILDREN WITH ATTENTION DEFICIT DISORDER AND/OR IN INFECTIOUS DISEASES.
F15	Washington	Disabilities are reported only for children with an identified disability. Children with no disability and those not reported are both mapped as 'not reported'. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F16	Nebraska	DATE WILL BE KNOWN IF DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE ADOPTION.
F16	Washington	The IT system only requires this data to be entered when a placement is created or updated. Children in placements that have not been updated are mapped as 'not reported'. This will b corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F17	Nebraska	AGE WILL BE KNOWN IF DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE ADOPTION.
F18	Hawaii	SOME OF THESE WERE NOT ACTUAL REMOVALS BECAUSE THEY WERE LESS THAN 24 HOURS LONG BUT SPANNED TWO CALENDAR DAYS.
F19	Hawaii	WE ARE NO LONGER REPORTING ONE CALENDAR DAY EPISODE
F19	Hawaii	SOME OF_THESE SHOULD NOT BE COUNTED AS PRIOR REMOVALS BECAUSE THEY WERE LESS THAN 24 HOURS LONG BUT SPANNED TWO CALENDAR DAYS.
F19	Iowa	For every foster care service with an exit date and 1)exit reason of return home or 2)exit reason of transfer custody to other parent, or 3) an exit reason of placmement with a suitable person, counts as one removal.

F19	Nebraska	STATE DID NOT MANDATE THAT HISTORICAL DATA BE CONVERTED. IF A REMOVAL OCCURRED PRIOR TO DECEMBER 1998, IT MAY NOT HAVE BEEN RECORDED IN THE NEW SYSTEM.
F22	Alaska	Where dates of removal were manually entered, the accompanying removal transaction dates have been left blank.
F22	Florida	DURING CONVERSION TO FLORIDA'S SACWIS, THE REMOVAL TRANSACTION DATE WAS POPULATED WITH THE DATE OF THE AUTOMATED CONVERSION.
F22	Florida	DATA PURIFICATION AND RE-ENTRY OF CASES FOLLOWING AUTOMATED CONVERSION SERIOUSLY IMPACTED DATA IN THIS FIELD.
F22	Nebraska	STATE HAS CAPACITY TO GENERATE THE TRANSACITON DATE FOR LATEST REMOVAL FROM HOME.
F22	Washington	Approximately eight percent of transaction data cannot be accurately obtained from the current information system's technical environment. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F23	Hawaii	PLACEMENT DATES MAY VARY FROM THOSE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS WE ARE NO LONGER REPORTING ON ONE CALENDAR PLACEMENTS. RUNAWAY WILL NOW BE REPORTED AS THE DATE THE CHILD RAN AWAY.
F24	Florida	FLORIDA COUNTS REPLACEMENT IN A SETTING WHERE A CHILD WAS PREVIOUSLY PLACED AS A NEW AND UNIQUE PLACEMENT.
F24	Hawaii	WE ARE NO LONGER REPORTING ONE CALENDAR DAY PLACEMENTS
F24	Hawaii	SOME OF THESE SHOULD NOT BE COUNTED AS PLACEMENT SETTINGS BECAUSE THEY WERE LESS THAN 24 HOURS LONG BUT SPANNED TWO CALENDAR DAYS.
F24	Iowa	Data reflects same day in/out placements, emergency placements respite, day treatment and other short term placements.
F24	Nebraska	STATE DID NOT MANDATE THAT HISTORICAL DATA BE CONVERTED. IF PLACEMENTS OCCURRED PRIOR TO DECEMBER 1998, IT MAY NOT HAVE BEEN RECORDED IN THE NEW SYSTEM.
F25	Washington	Data for this element cannot be accurately obtained from the current information system's technical environment. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F26	Iowa	Iowa defines physical abuse as damage to any bodily tissue that must undergo a healing process or results in death.
F27	Iowa	Iowa defines sexual abuse as commission of sexual offenses with or to a child as a result of acts or omissions of a caretaker.
F28	Iowa	Failure of caretaker to provide adequate food, shelter, clothing or other care necessary for child's health & welfare when financially able: health/mental health care, emotional needs, proper supervision & response to infant's survival.
F31	Hawaii	THIS FIELD WAS PREVIOUSLY BEING SET TO '1' ERRONEOUSLY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL WAS ACTUALLY CHILD BEHAVIORAL PROBLEM (ELEMENT 34).
F32	Hawaii	THIS FIELD WAS PREVIOUSLY BEING SET TO '1' ERRONEOUSLY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL WAS ACTUALLY RELINQUISHMENT (ELEMENT 39).

F33	Hawaii	THIS FIELD WAS PREVIOUSLY BEING SET TO '1' ERRONEOUSLY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL WAS ACTUALLY INADEQUATE HOUSING (ELEMENT 40).
F34	Hawaii	THIS FIELD WAS PREVIOUSLY BEING SET TO '1' ERRONEOUSLY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL WAS ACTUALLY DEATH OF PARENT (ELEMENT 35).
F35	Hawaii	THIS FIELD WAS PREVIOUSLY BEING SET TO '1' ERRONEOUSLY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL WAS ACTUALLY INCARCERATION OF PARENT (ELEMENT 36).
F36	Hawaii	THIS FIELD WAS PREVIOUSLY BEING SET TO '1' ERRONEOUSLY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL WAS ACTUALLY CARETAKER INABILITYTO COPE (ELEMENT 37).
F36	Hawaii	THIS FIELD WAS PREVIOUSLY BEING SET TO '1' ERRONEOUSLY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL WAS ACTUALLY CARETAKER INABILITY TO COPE (ELEMENT 37).
F37	Hawaii	THIS FIELD WAS PREVIOUSLY BEING SET TO '1' ERRONEOUSLY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL WAS ACTUALLY CHILD ALCOHOL ABUSE (ELEMENT 31).
F38	Hawaii	THIS FIELD WAS PREVIOUSLY BEING SET TO '1' ERRONEOUSLY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL WAS ACTUALLY CHILD DRUG ABUSE (ELEMENT 32).
F39	Hawaii	THIS FIELD WAS PREVIOUSLY BEING SET TO '1' ERRONEOUSLY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL WAS ACTUALLY CHILD DISABILITY (ELEMENT 33).
F40	Hawaii	THIS FIELD WAS PREVIOUSLY BEING SET TO '1' ERRONEOUSLY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF REMOVAL WAS ACTUALLY ABANDONMENT (ELEMENT 38).
F41	Florida	TRIAL HOME VISITS ARE NOT CAPTURED.
F41	Hawaii	HAWAII IS NO LONGER REPORTING TRIAL HOME VISITS BECAUSE HAWAII'S CHILD PROTECTIVE ACT HRS 587 DOES NOT ALLOW TRIAL HOME VISITS UP TO 6 MONTHS AS IS ALLOWED FOR AFCARS.
F41	Iowa	Juvenile Justice population is included. Categories include: foster family, group care, relative, independent living; psychiatric medical institution for children, shelter, structured juvenile program, & medical institution.
F41	Nebraska	GROUP HOME INCLUDES GROUP HOMES FOR CHILDREN, TREATMENT GROUP HOMES, EMERGENCY SHELTER CENTERS, AND GROUP HOME FOR ADULTS.
F41	Nebraska	INSTITUTION INCLUDES CENTRES FOR DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED, CHILD CARING AGENCIES, RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES, MEDICAL HOSPITALS, PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS, JAILS, YOUTH LOCKED FACILITIES, NURSING HOMES, AND SCHOOLS.
F41	Nebraska	APPROVED OR UNLICENSED RELATIVE HOMES ARE INCLUDED IN RELATIVE FOSTER HOMES.
F41	Nebraska	SUPERVISED INDEPENDENT LIVING INCLUDES BOARDING HOMES, DOMICILLIARY FACILITIES AND INDEPENDENT LIVING SITUATIONS.
F43	Nebraska	STATE POLICY DOES NOT DEFINE 'LIVE WITH OTHER RELATIVES AS A CASE PLAN GOAL.

F43	Nebraska	REUNIFY WITH PARENT OR PRINCIPAL CARETAKER INCLUDES CASE PLAN GOALS OF FAMILY PRESERVATION AND REUNIFICATION.
F43	Nebraska	EMANCIPATION INCLUDES CASE PLAN GOALS OF INDEPENDENT LIVING AND SELF SUFFICIENCY.
F45	Michigan	IN SOME CASES WHEN THE EXACT YEAR OF BIRTH WAS UNKNOWN AN ESTIMATED YEAR WAS ENTERED.
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F49	Washington	Data for this element cannot be accurately obtained from the current information system's technical environment. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F50	Washington	Data for this element cannot be accurately obtained from the current information system's technical environment. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F51	Washington	Data for this element cannot be accurately obtained from the current information system's technical environment. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F52	California	'USED UNABLE TO DETERMINE' FOR RACE OF HISPANIC OR MEXICAN OR CENTRAL AMERICAN OR SOUTH AMERICAN AND 'YES' FOR HISPANIC ORGIN CODE
F52	Nebraska	UNABLE TO DETERMINE INCLUDES PERSONS WITH RACE INDICATED AS OTHER
F52	Washington	Data for this element cannot be accurately obtained from the current information system's technical environment. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F53	Nebraska	UNABLE TO DETERMINE INCLUDES PERSONS WITH RACE INDICATED AS OTHER
F53	Washington	Data for this element cannot be accurately obtained from the current information system's technical environment. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F54	California	'USED UNABLE TO DETERMINE' FOR RACE OF HISPANIC OR MEXICAN OR CENTRAL AMERICAN OR SOUTH AMERICAN AND 'YES' FOR HISPANIC ORGIN CODE
F54	Washington	Data for this element cannot be accurately obtained from the current information system's technical environment. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F55	Washington	Data for this element cannot be accurately obtained from the current information system's technical environment. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F57	Alaska	Where dates of discharge were manually entered, the accompanying discharge transaction dates have been left blank.
F57	Nebraska	STATE HAS CAPACITY TO GENERATE THE TRANSACTION DATE FOR DISCHARGE FROM FOSTER CARE.
F58	Iowa	Placement with a suitable person includes placement with a relative, guardian or other suitable person. Iowa does not use emancipation. Clients coded as such have aged out of the system.
F58	Pennsylvania	Total Number of Deaths: 08. Caused by accident (2); homicide (1); natural causes (5).

F58	Pennsylvania	Total Number of Deaths: 10. Caused by: accident (2); homicide (2); natural causes (5); suicide (1).
F59	Florida	THIS ELEMENT IS CODED BASED ON IV-E ELIGIBILITY OF THE CHILD. IF THE PLACEMENT IS NOT ELIGIBLE, PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE IV-E.
F59	Washington	'Not reported' and 'does not apply' are both coded as 'Not reported'. This cannot be corrected in the current technical environment, but will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F60	Florida	THIS ELEMENT IS CODED BASED ON IV-E ELIGIBILITY OF THE CHILD.
F60	Washington	'Not reported' and 'does not apply' are both coded as 'Not reported'. This cannot be corrected in the current technical environment, but will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.
F61	Florida	THIS ELEMENT IS CODED BASED ON IV-A ELIGIBILITY OF THE CHILD.
F62	Nebraska	TITLE IV-D INFORMATION IS CURRENTLY NOT AVAILABLE.
F63	Florida	THIS ELEMENT IS CODED BASED ON TITLE XIX ELIGIBILITY OF THE CHILD.
F64	Florida	THIS ELEMENT IS CODED BASED ON SSI ELIGIBILITY OF THE CHILD.
F66	Florida	INCLUDES ONLY CHILDREN ENTERED IN THE CHILD WELFARE VOUCHERING SYSTEM (CWVS) AND SACWIS WITH THE SAME CLIENT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER.
F66	Florida	MOST RECENT MONTHLY AMOUNT PAID FOR MAINTENANCE ONLY.
F66	Iowa	The receipt of IVD payments is recorded here, however they are not included in the total, since they are applied to the State of Iowa's general fund, not to the child's individual case.
F66	Washington	Data for this element cannot be accurately obtained from the current information system's technical environment. This will be corrected in Washington's new SACWIS system.