

2023 Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice and Child Care Voucher Snapshot

Community District 4, Bushwick, Brooklyn

	Citywide	Borough	Community District
Child Abuse and Neglect (CY 2023)			
Number of CARES Cases	10,057	3,167	185
Number of Investigations	42,864	10,510	512
Reporters (Investigations and CARES)			
Education	11,324	2,909	158
Social Service	9,799	2,355	145
Medical/Mental Health	5,013	1,208	63
Law Enforcement	9,974	2,919	140
Child Care/Substitute Care	682	177	6
Other Mandated	278	62	6
Non-Mandated	15,851	4,047	179
Allegations (Investigations Only)			
Educational Neglect Only	1,452	376	18
Educational Neglect with Other Allegations	2,655	636	43
Lack of Medical Care	4,116	916	52
Other Neglect	76,648	19,135	876
Physical Abuse	15,130	4,041	180
Psychological Abuse	1,017	225	16
Sexual Abuse	3,298	888	70
Substance Abuse	14,193	3,492	162
Other	2,138	444	31
Child Welfare Prevention Services (CY 2023)			
Families Receiving Prevention Services During the Year	13,726	4,527	188
Children Receiving Prevention Services During the Year	29,879	9,817	413
Foster Care (CY 2023 and December 31, 2023)			
New Entries to Foster Care From the Community, CY 2023	2,953	737	40
Children in Foster Care In the Community, December 31, 2023	6,337	1,511	57
Percent in Kinship Homes	45.1	48.6	59.6
Juvenile Justice (CY 2023)			
Detention Admissions From the Community	1,886	537	29
Close to Home Admissions From the Community	111	27	^
Child Care Vouchers (CY 2023)			
Children Receiving Child Care Vouchers During the Year	91,325	45,985	507
ACS-Issued Child Care Vouchers	63,429	33,629	389
HRA-Issued Child Care Vouchers	27,896	12,356	118
Population Rates per 1,000 Child Population (CY 2023)			
Population <18 Years Old	1,740,142	595,703	20,348
Number of Children in Indicated Investigations	18,212	4,854	190
Population Rate/1,000 Children in Indicated Investigations	10.5	8.1	9.3
Children Receiving Prevention	29,879	9,817	413
Population Rate/1,000 Children in Prevention Services	17.2	16.5	20.3
Children Placed in Foster Care	2,953	737	40
Population Rate/1,000 Children Placed in Foster Care	1.7	1.2	2.0
Population 12-18 Years Old	691,020	224,532	8,544
Detention Admissions	1,886	537	29
Population Rate/1,000 Children Detention Admissions	2.7	2.4	3.4

^Values and related rates are not shown when they are between 1 and 5 to protect confidentiality.

Sources: Connections, Preventive Organization Management System (PROMIS), Child Care Review Services (CCRS), Juvenile Detention Automation System (JDAS), Juvenile Justice Information Systems (JJIS), Automated Child Care Information System (ACCIS), 2020 Census Privacy-Protected Microdata File (PPMF) from <https://www.census.gov/data/tables/2024/dec/2020-census-ppmf.html#data>

Notes:

1) Rate definitions: rates are calculated by dividing the program counts by the total population of children citywide and in specific boroughs/community districts, multiplied by 1,000. The population of children under 18 years old is used for children in indicated investigations, prevention and foster care. The population of youth 12-18 is used for detention. The program counts are defined as follows: children in indicated investigations are unique children in investigations with a preponderance of evidence of abuse and/or neglect; children receiving prevention are unique children in child welfare prevention cases during the year; foster care placements are unique children placed in foster care during the year excluding those placed in Close to Home; and detention admissions are unique youth admitted to detention during the year.

2) Allegations are counted once per child per individual allegation. A child may have one or more individual allegations in an allegation category. Individual investigations often include multiple allegations. Allegations are grouped as follows: Physical Abuse - burn, fatality, fracture, choking, twisting, shaking, excessive corporal punishment, internal injuries, lacerations, bruises, welts, poisoning, noxious substances; Educational Neglect - educational neglect; Lack of Medical Care - lack of medical care; Other Neglect - inadequate guardianship, inadequate food, clothing, shelter, lack of supervision, malnutrition, failure to thrive, swelling, dislocations, sprains; Psychological Abuse - isolation, emotional neglect; Sexual Abuse/Trafficking - sexual abuse, sex trafficking; Substance Abuse - parental drug use, child drug use; and Other -abandonment, inappropriate custodial conduct, labor trafficking.