2024 Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice and Child Care Voucher Snapshot

			Community
	Citywide	Borough	District
Child Abuse and Neglect (CY 2024)			
Number of CARES Cases	11,275	3,540	261
Number of Investigations	40,165	9,704	815
Reporters (Investigations and CARES)			
Education	10,178	2,701	192
Social Service	8,944	2,091	149
Medical/Mental Health	4,794	1,238	88
Law Enforcement	10,648	3,025	275
Child Care/Substitute Care	670	167	13
Other Mandated	254	44	۸
Non-Mandated	15,952	3,978	354
Allegations (Investigations Only)			
Educational Neglect Only	902	196	30
Educational Neglect with Other Allegations	2,015	421	35
Lack of Medical Care	3,248	691	64
Other Neglect	72,445	17,469	1,519
Physical Abuse	14,307	3,736	312
Psychological Abuse	900	179	15
Sexual Abuse	3,159	781	50
Substance Abuse	13,103	2,919	202
Other	2,619	658	43
Child Welfare Prevention Services (CY 2024)			
Families Receiving Prevention Services During the Year	14,137	4,461	243
Children Receiving Prevention Services During the Year	30,792	9,687	558
Foster Care (CY 2024 and December 31, 2024)			
New Entries to Foster Care From the Community, CY 2024	3,073	717	58
Children in Foster Care In the Community, December 31, 2024	6,398	1,525	112
Percent in Kinship Homes	44.3	46.1	41.1
Juvenile Justice (CY 2024)			
Detention Admissions From the Community	2,240	674	63
Close to Home Admissions From the Community	140	43	۸
Child Care Vouchers (CY 2024)			
Children Using Child Care Vouchers During the Year	121,034	60,025	2,171
ACS-Issued Child Care Vouchers	89,706	47,841	1,693
HRA-Issued Child Care Vouchers	31,328	12,184	478
Population Rates per 1,000 Child Population (CY 2024)			
Population <18 Years Old	1,740,142	595,703	31,842
Number of Children in Indicated Investigations	16,186	4,573	489
Population Rate/1,000 Children in Indicated Investigations	9.3	7.7	15.4
Children Receiving Prevention	30,792	9,687	558
Population Rate/1,000 Children in Prevention Services	17.7	16.3	17.5
Children Placed in Foster Care	3,073	717	58
Population Rate/1,000 Children Placed in Foster Care	1.8	1.2	1.8
Population 12-18 Years Old	691,020	224,532	13,318
Detention Admissions	2,240	674	63
Population Rate/1,000 Children Detention Admissions	3.2	3.0	4.7

[^]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.

