

2024 Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice and Child Care Voucher Snapshot

Community District 5, Fordham/University Heights, Bronx

	Citywide	Borough	Community District
Child Abuse and Neglect (CY 2024)			
Number of CARES Cases	11,275	3,131	335
Number of Investigations	40,165	10,850	1,008
Reporters (Investigations and CARES)			
Education	10,178	3,051	294
Social Service	8,944	2,599	232
Medical/Mental Health	4,794	1,229	128
Law Enforcement	10,648	2,352	229
Child Care/Substitute Care	670	181	20
Other Mandated	254	65	7
Non-Mandated	15,952	4,504	433
Allegations (Investigations Only)			
Educational Neglect Only	902	347	27
Educational Neglect with Other Allegations	2,015	813	72
Lack of Medical Care	3,248	1,014	105
Other Neglect	72,445	21,275	2,059
Physical Abuse	14,307	4,053	381
Psychological Abuse	900	245	22
Sexual Abuse	3,159	886	91
Substance Abuse	13,103	4,160	418
Other	2,619	418	48
Child Welfare Prevention Services (CY 2024)			
Families Receiving Prevention Services During the Year	14,137	4,122	450
Children Receiving Prevention Services During the Year	30,792	9,441	1,019
Foster Care (CY 2024 and December 31, 2024)			
New Entries to Foster Care From the Community, CY 2024	3,073	985	94
Children in Foster Care In the Community, December 31, 2024	6,398	1,852	164
Percent in Kinship Homes	44.3	44.0	50.6
Juvenile Justice (CY 2024)			
Detention Admissions From the Community	2,240	606	64
Close to Home Admissions From the Community	140	56	^
Child Care Vouchers (CY 2024)			
Children Using Child Care Vouchers During the Year	121,034	35,142	4,251
ACS-Issued Child Care Vouchers	89,706	21,882	2,538
HRA-Issued Child Care Vouchers	31,328	13,260	1,713
Population Rates per 1,000 Child Population (CY 2024)			
Population <18 Years Old	1,740,142	351,423	35,630
Number of Children in Indicated Investigations	16,186	5,070	485
Population Rate/1,000 Children in Indicated Investigations	9.3	14.4	13.6
Children Receiving Prevention	30,792	9,441	1,019
Population Rate/1,000 Children in Prevention Services	17.7	26.9	28.6
Children Placed in Foster Care	3,073	985	94
Population Rate/1,000 Children Placed in Foster Care	1.8	2.8	2.6
Population 12-18 Years Old	691,020	146,071	14,627
Detention Admissions	2,240	606	64
Population Rate/1,000 Children Detention Admissions	3.2	4.1	4.4

^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.