

2024 Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice and Child Care Voucher Snapshot

Community District 5, Ridgewood/Maspeth, Queens

	Citywide	Borough	Community District
Child Abuse and Neglect (CY 2024)			
Number of CARES Cases	11,275	2,214	89
Number of Investigations	40,165	9,798	482
Reporters (Investigations and CARES)			
Education	10,178	2,532	132
Social Service	8,944	1,933	86
Medical/Mental Health	4,794	1,126	79
Law Enforcement	10,648	2,552	105
Child Care/Substitute Care	670	157	^
Other Mandated	254	73	^
Non-Mandated	15,952	3,639	159
Allegations (Investigations Only)			
Educational Neglect Only	902	167	8
Educational Neglect with Other Allegations	2,015	332	17
Lack of Medical Care	3,248	718	41
Other Neglect	72,445	16,403	709
Physical Abuse	14,307	3,334	184
Psychological Abuse	900	251	17
Sexual Abuse	3,159	730	39
Substance Abuse	13,103	2,939	160
Other	2,619	946	59
Child Welfare Prevention Services (CY 2024)			
Families Receiving Prevention Services During the Year	14,137	2,617	131
Children Receiving Prevention Services During the Year	30,792	5,506	255
Foster Care (CY 2024 and December 31, 2024)			
New Entries to Foster Care From the Community, CY 2024	3,073	567	17
Children in Foster Care In the Community, December 31, 2024	6,398	1,020	25
Percent in Kinship Homes	44.3	43.9	56.0
Juvenile Justice (CY 2024)			
Detention Admissions From the Community	2,240	482	11
Close to Home Admissions From the Community	140	25	^
Child Care Vouchers (CY 2024)			
Children Using Child Care Vouchers During the Year	121,034	14,452	735
ACS-Issued Child Care Vouchers	89,706	11,944	661
HRA-Issued Child Care Vouchers	31,328	2,508	74
Population Rates per 1,000 Child Population (CY 2024)			
Population <18 Years Old	1,740,142	456,007	33,758
Number of Children in Indicated Investigations	16,186	3,334	141
Population Rate/1,000 Children in Indicated Investigations	9.3	7.3	4.2
Children Receiving Prevention	30,792	5,506	255
Population Rate/1,000 Children in Prevention Services	17.7	12.1	7.6
Children Placed in Foster Care	3,073	567	17
Population Rate/1,000 Children Placed in Foster Care	1.8	1.2	0.5
Population 12-18 Years Old	691,020	185,020	13,729
Detention Admissions	2,240	482	11
Population Rate/1,000 Children Detention Admissions	3.2	2.6	0.8

^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 (JUIS), 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.