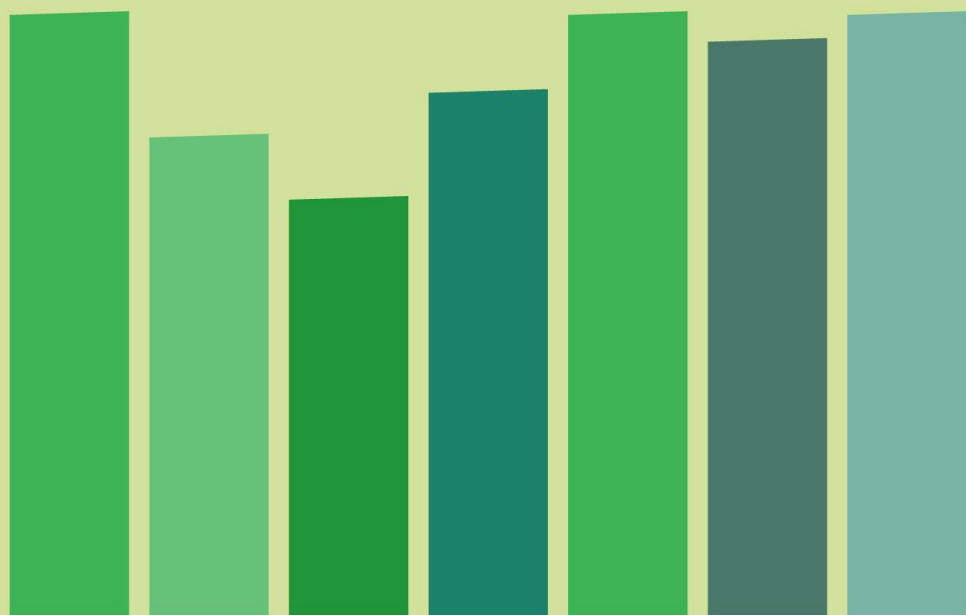


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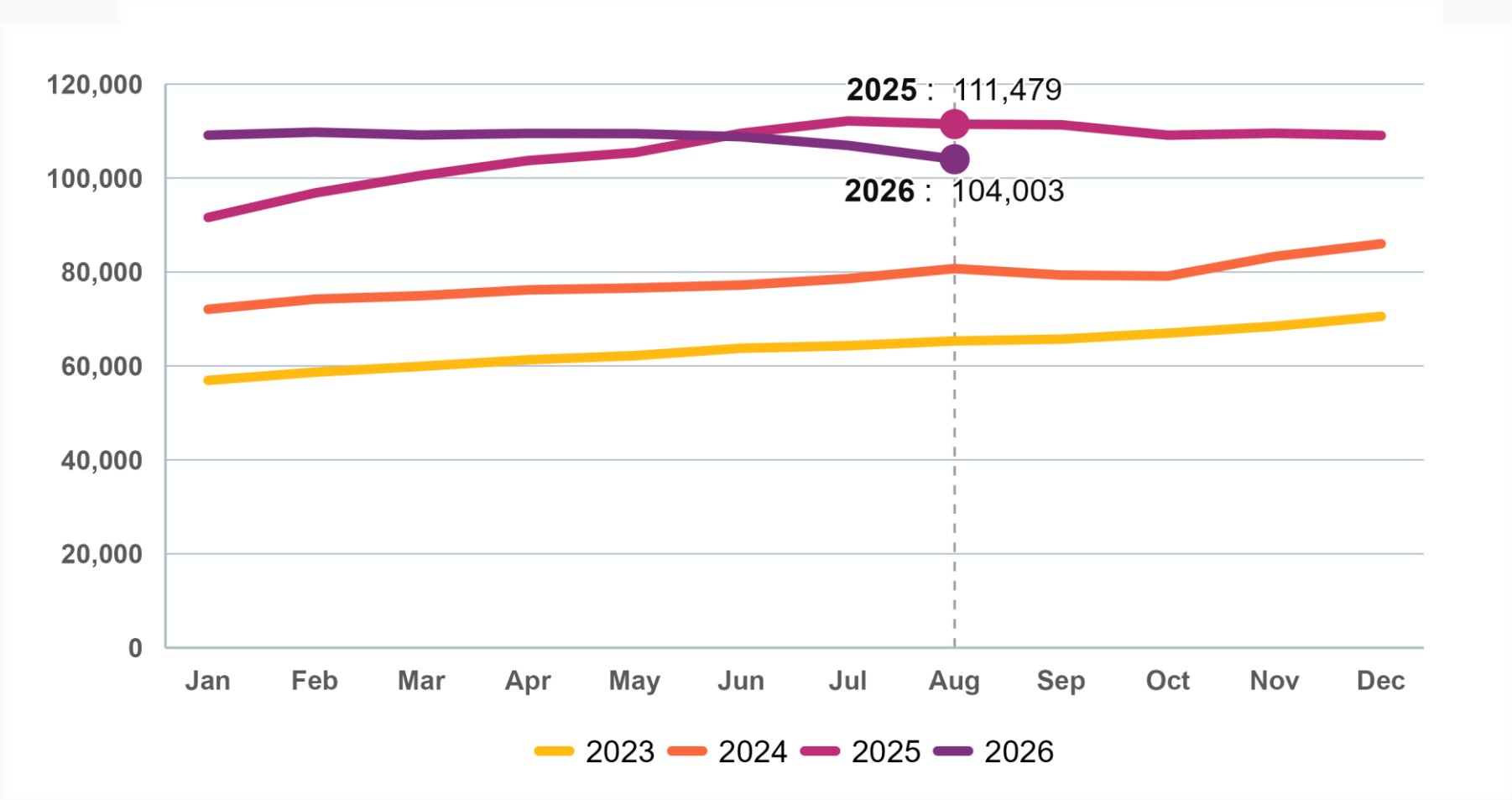


monthly indicators
September 2026



Children Using Vouchers for Child Care

January 2023 - August 2026 (End of Month)

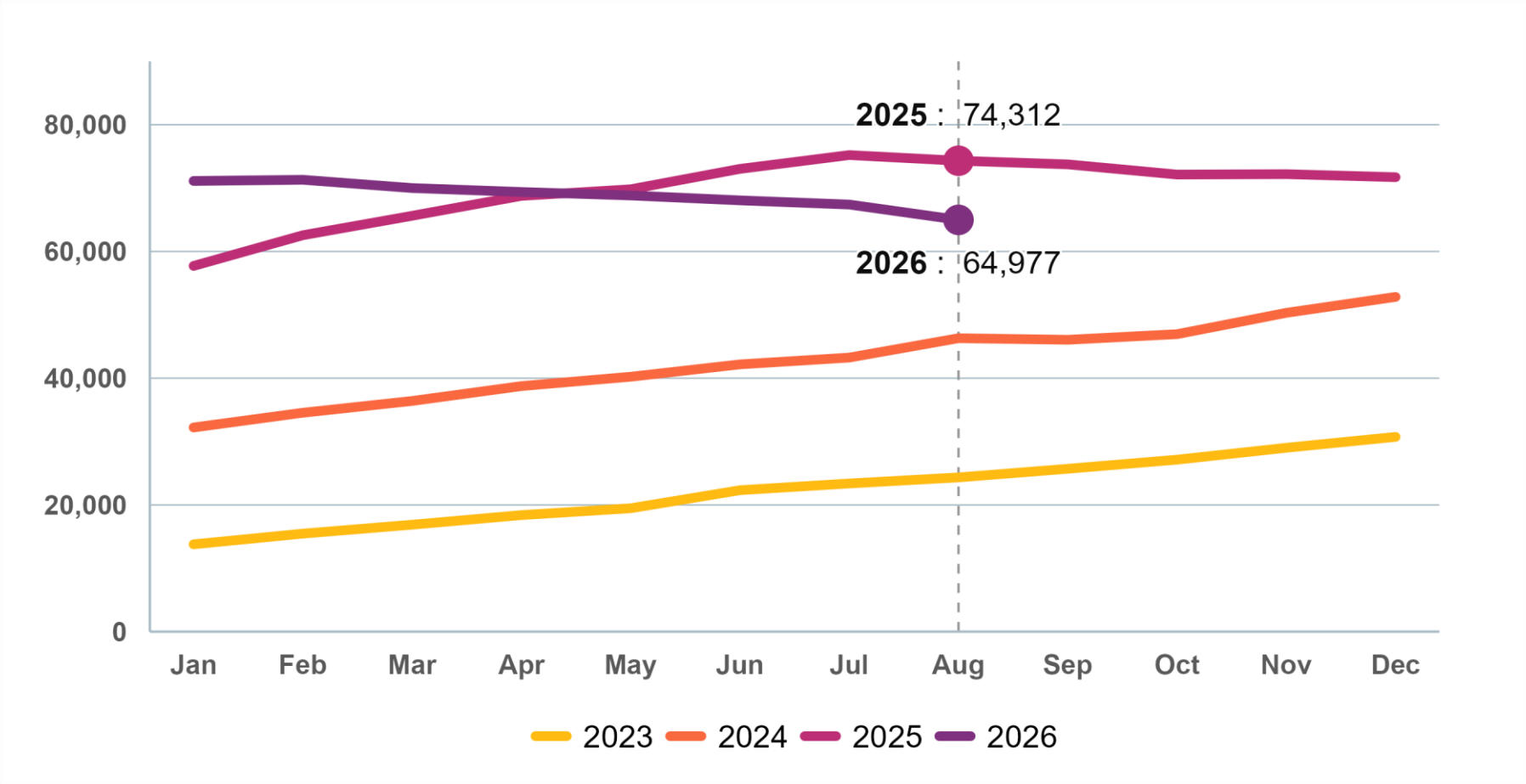


Calendar Year Averages

CY 2023	63,669
CY 2024	78,189
CY 2025	105,863
Jan-Aug 2025	103,911
Jan-Aug 2026	108,342

Children Using ACS-Issued Low-Income Child Care Vouchers

January 2023 - August 2026 (End of Month)



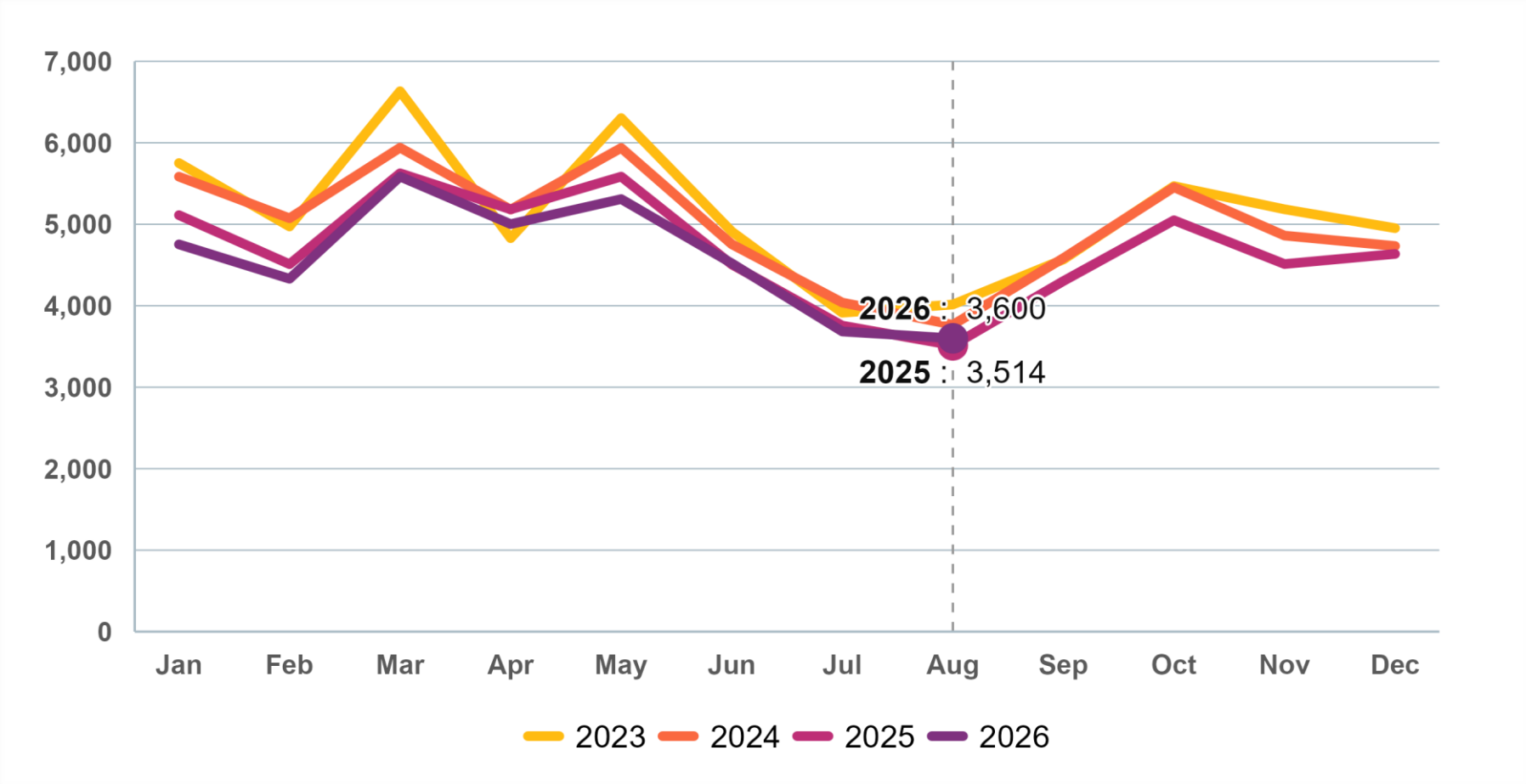
Calendar Year Averages

CY 2023	22,217
CY 2024	42,500
CY 2025	69,732
Jan-Aug 2025	68,376
Jan-Aug 2026	68,884

Note: This represents the subset of enrollments in child care with ACS-issued low-income vouchers funded by the NY State Child Care Block Grant (CCBG)

SCR Intakes

January 2023 - August 2026

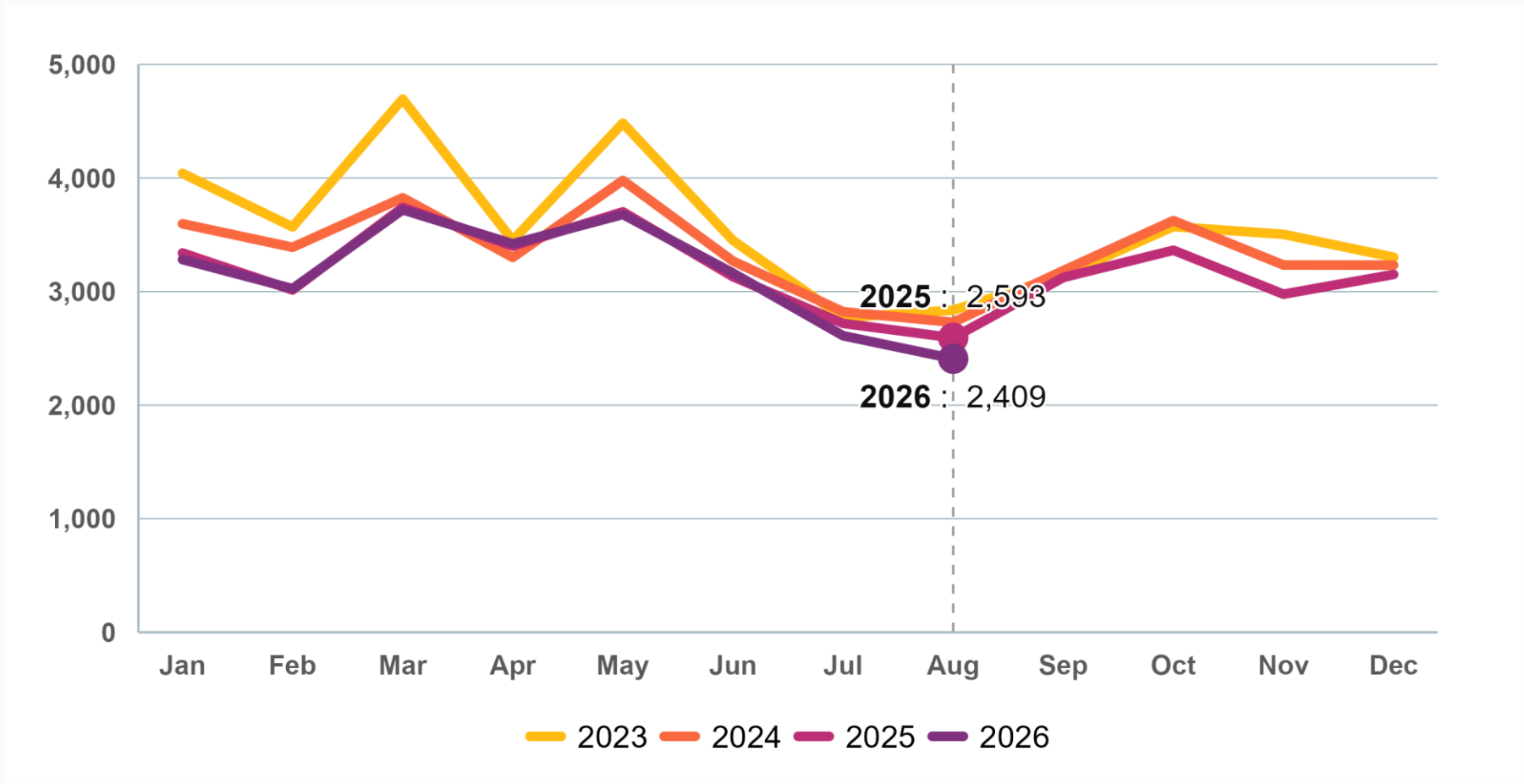


Calendar Year Totals	
CY 2023	61,501
CY 2024	59,908
CY 2025	56,293
Jan-Aug 2025	37,793
Jan-Aug 2026	36,785

Note: SCR intakes can be followed by investigation or Collaborative Assessment Response Engagement and Support (CARES). See pages 31 through 33 of the Appendix for supporting data.

New Consolidated Investigations

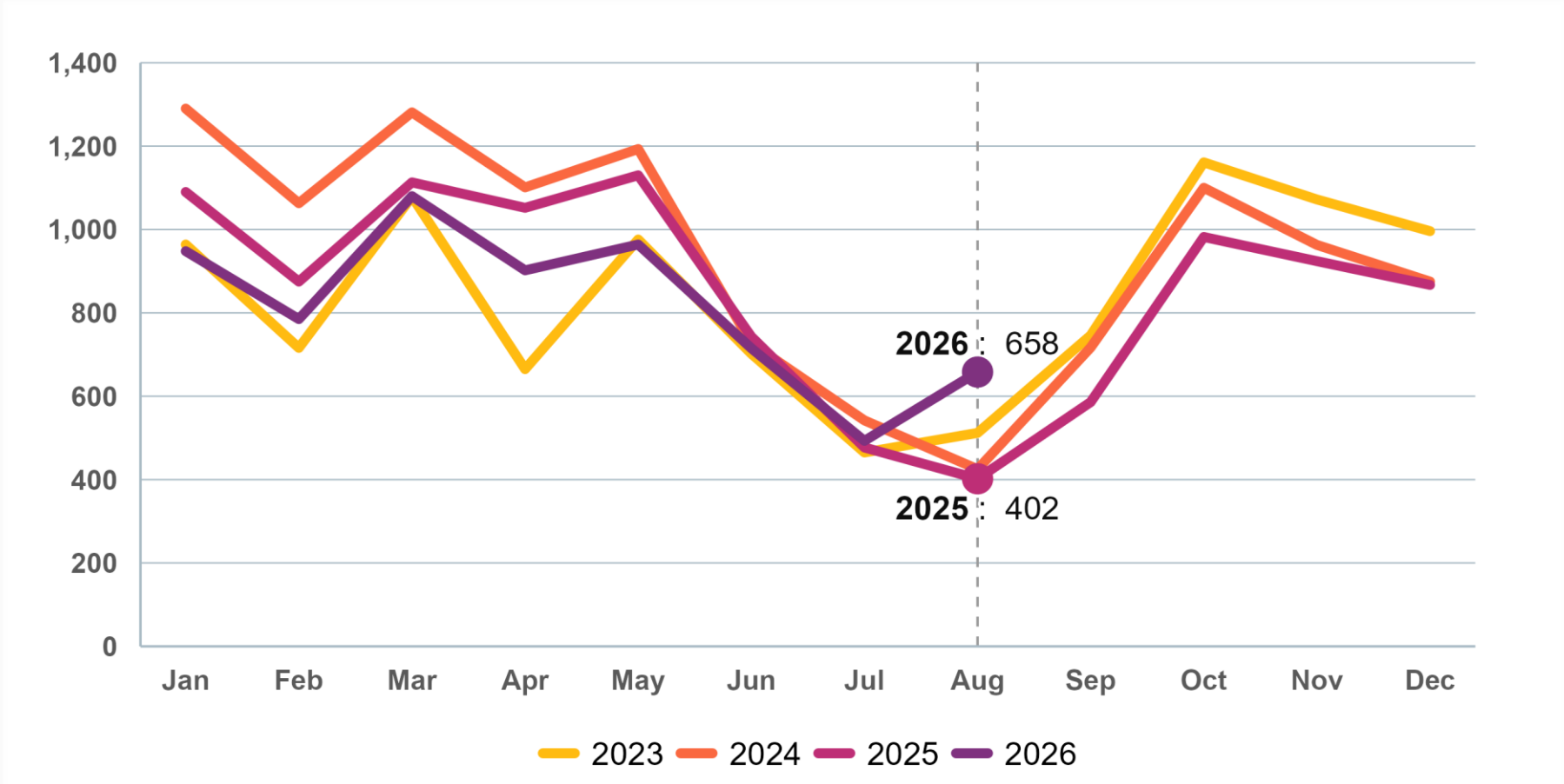
January 2023 - August 2026



Calendar Year Totals	
CY 2023	42,816
CY 2024	40,190
CY 2025	38,258
Jan-Aug 2025	25,642
Jan-Aug 2026	25,311

New CARES Cases

January 2023 - August 2026

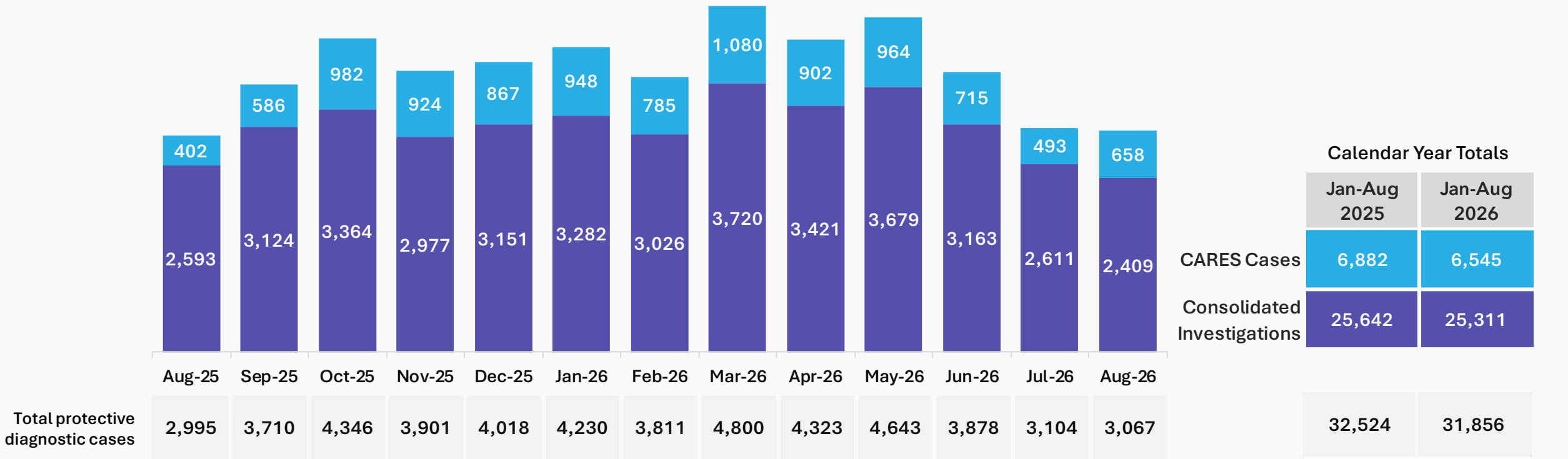


Calendar Year Totals	
CY 2023	10,054
CY 2024	11,277
CY 2025	10,241
Jan-Aug 2025	6,882
Jan-Aug 2026	6,545

Note: CARES (Collaborative Assessment, Response, Engagement and Support, formerly known as FAR) is an alternative Child Protective response to some reports of child maltreatment. CARES does not require an investigation and determination of allegations and individual culpability for families reported to the SCR. It is an alternative approach to providing protection to children by engaging families in an assessment of child safety and of family needs, in finding solutions to family problems and in identifying informal and formal supports to meet their needs and increase their ability to care for their children.

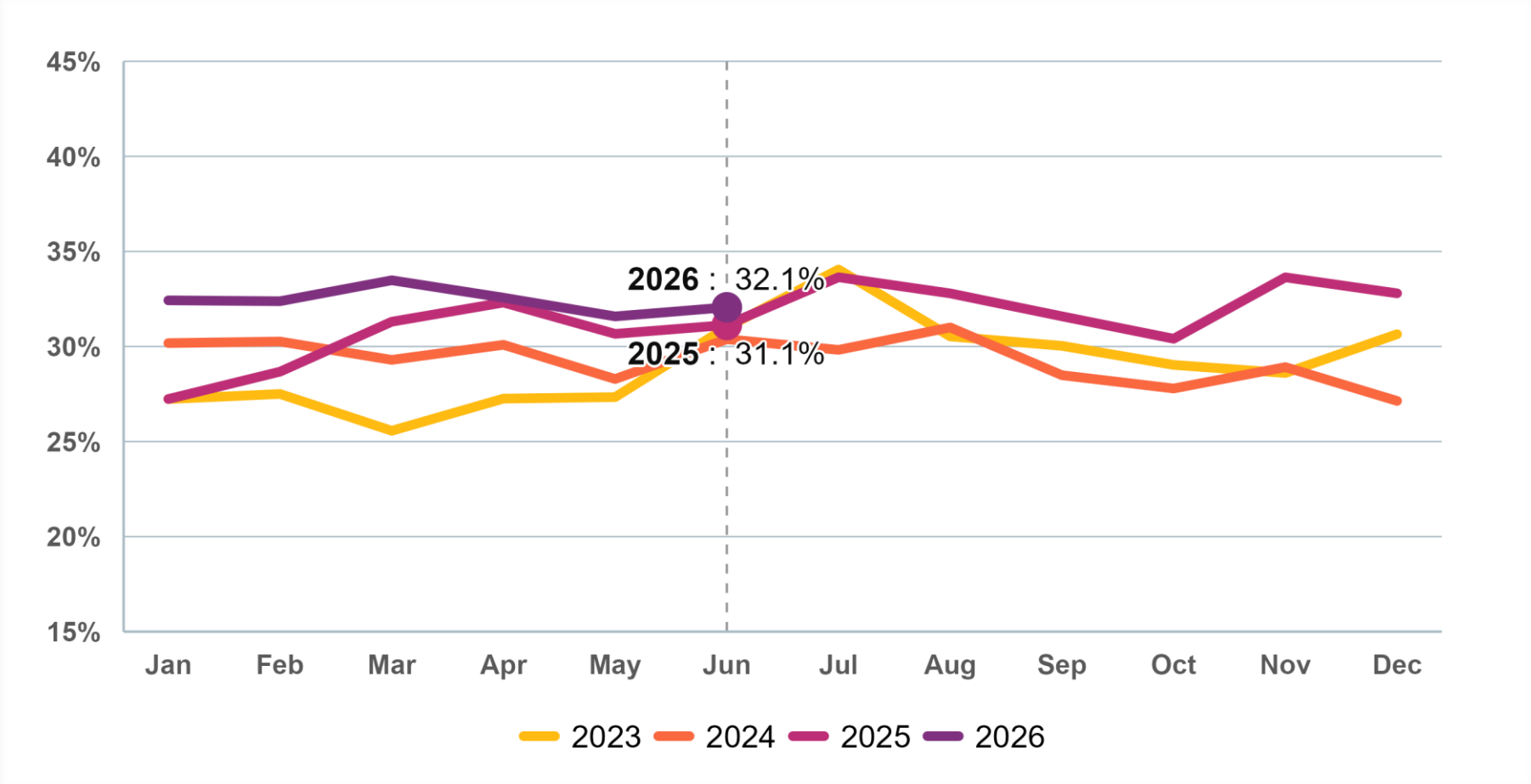
New Protective Diagnostic Cases (Consolidated Investigations and CARES)

August 2025 - August 2026



Investigation Indication Rate

January 2023 - June 2026

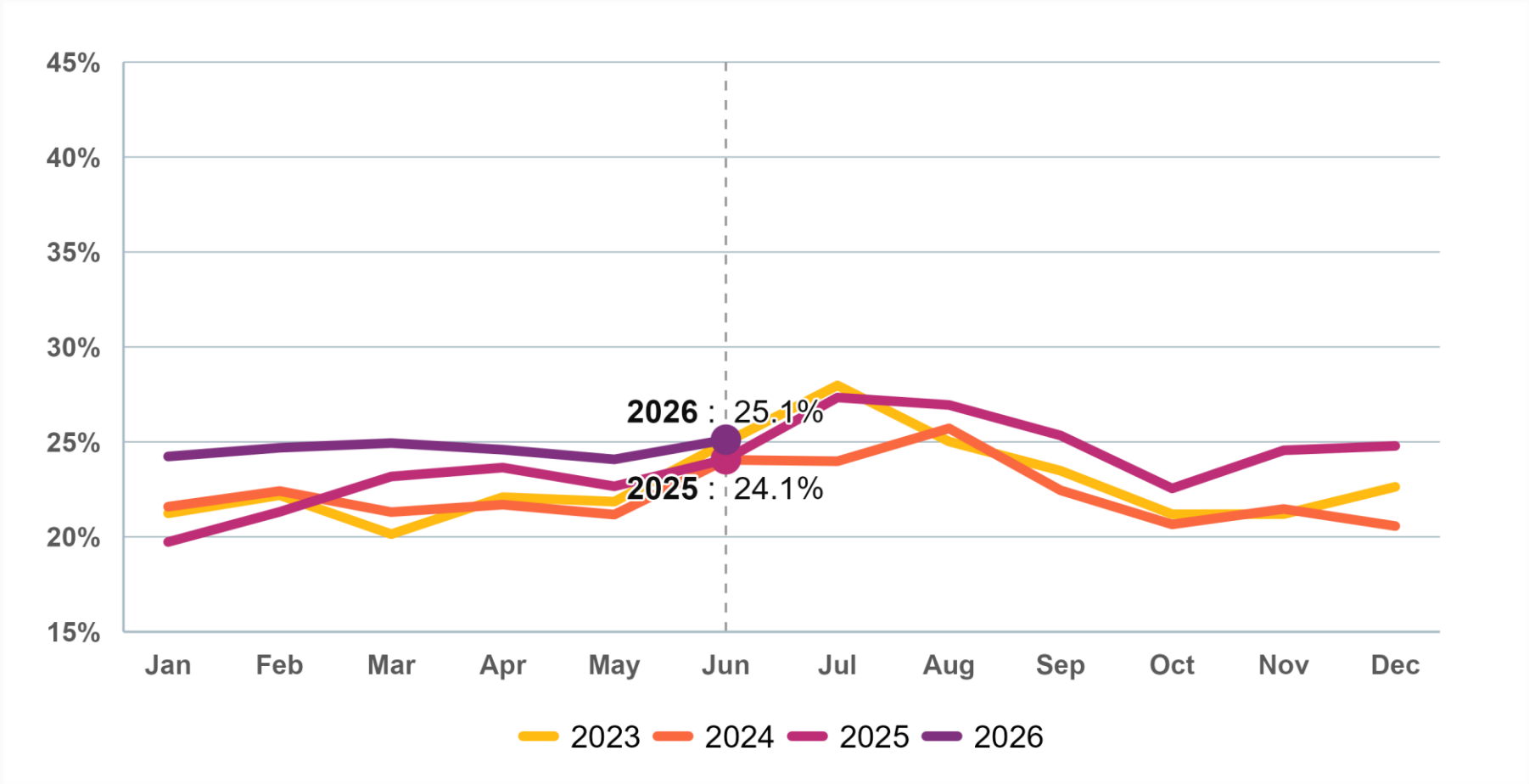


Calendar Year Totals

CY 2023	28.5%
CY 2024	29.0%
CY 2025	31.0%
Jan-Jun 2025	30.3%
Jan-Jun 2026	32.4%

Percent of Protective Diagnostic Cases (Consolidated Investigations and CARES) with Indicated Investigations

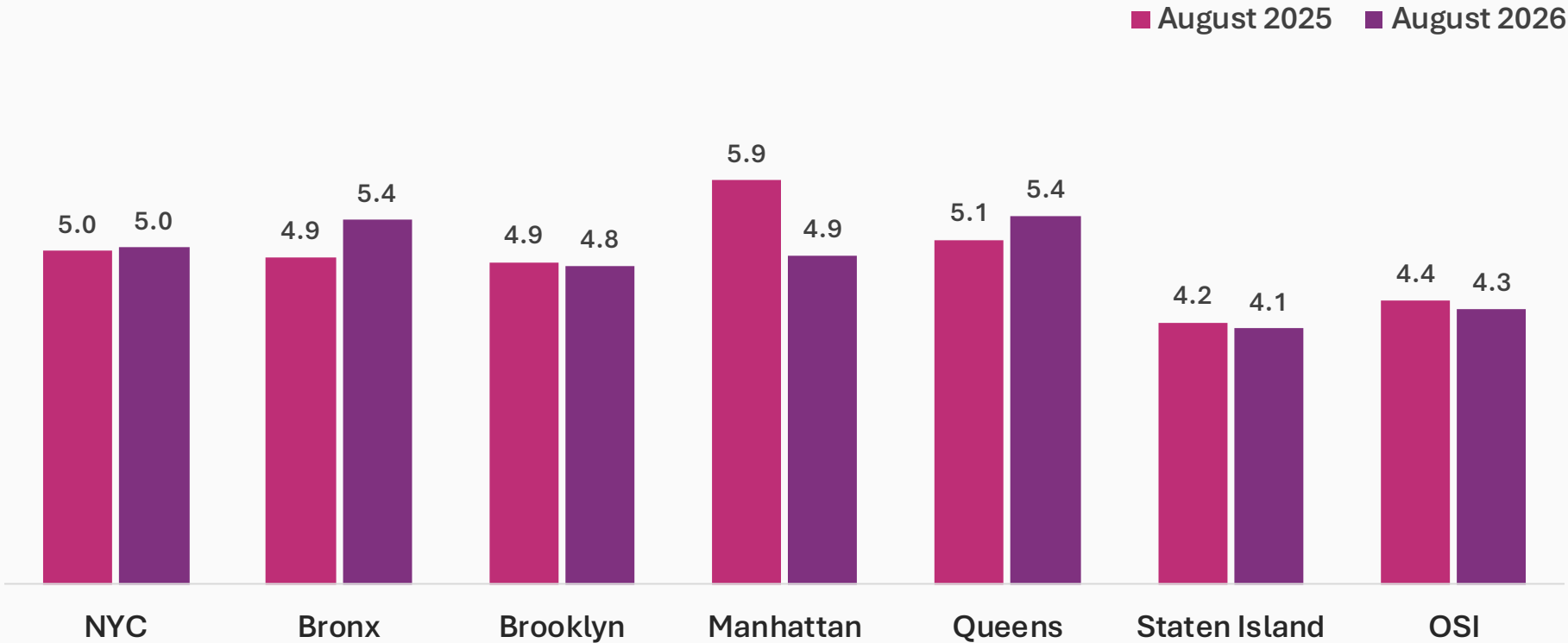
January 2023 - June 2026



Calendar Year Totals	
CY 2023	22.5%
CY 2024	22.1%
CY 2025	23.6%
Jan-Jun 2025	22.4%
Jan-Jun 2026	24.6%

Average Child Protection Caseload

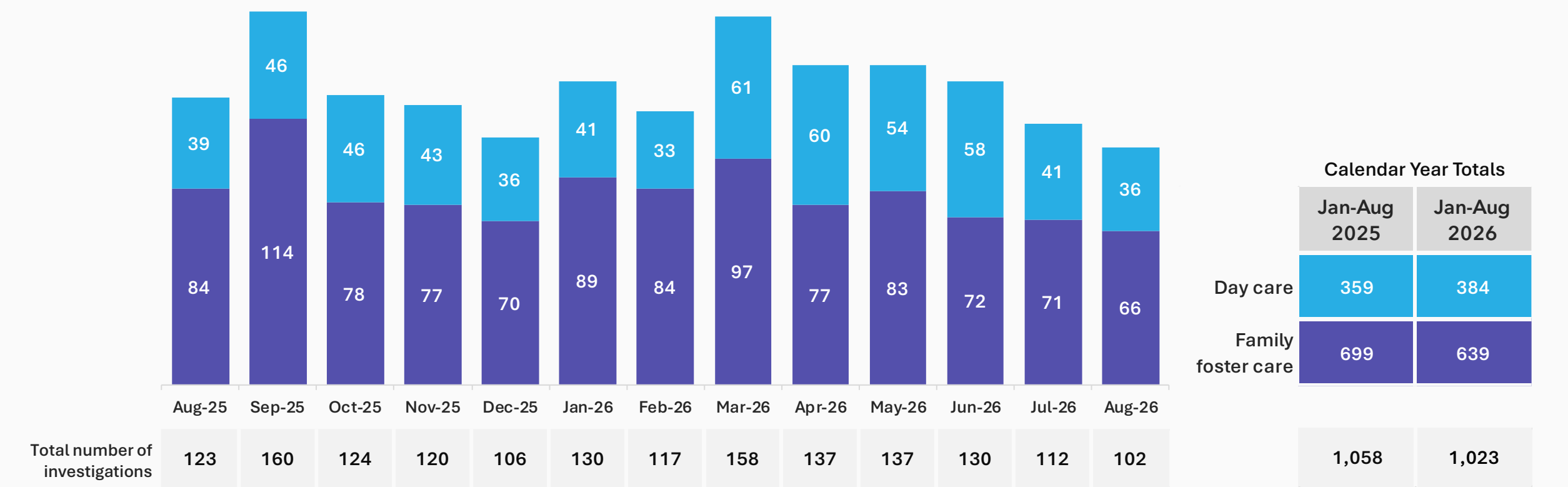
August 2025 and August 2026



Note: Includes all caseload carrying Child Protection Specialists (CPS) in investigative and CARES Units in Primary and Case Manager roles.

OSI Family Foster Care and Day Care Investigations

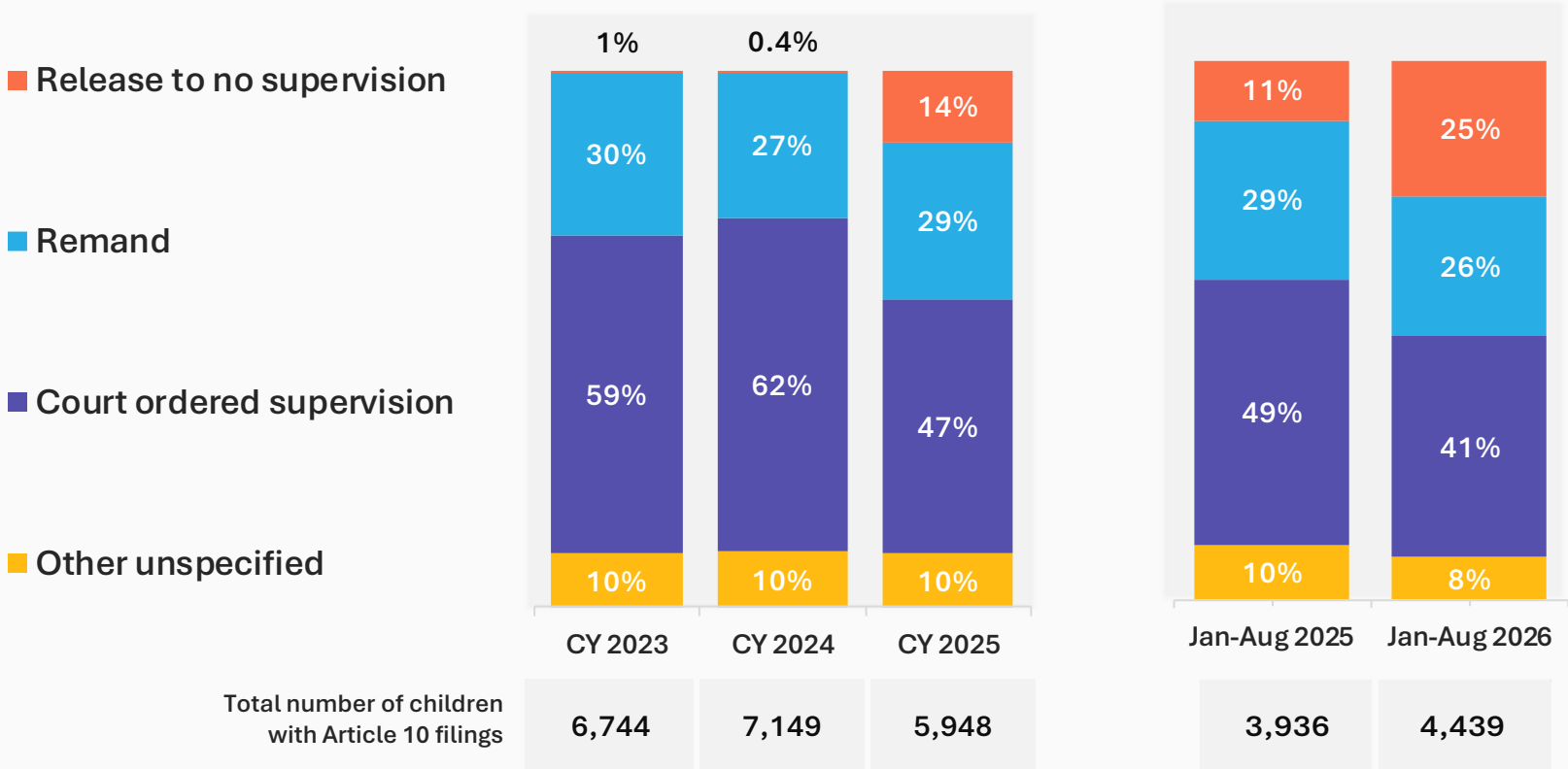
August 2025 - August 2026



Note: Day Care investigations include alleged abuse or maltreatment of children perpetrated by someone who cares for children in a setting that is not the child’s familial home and that requires state or local government approval and is subject to state laws, regulations, and oversight. This includes, but is not limited to, ACS/NYC PS Early Care and Education programs. Foster care investigations include alleged abuse or maltreatment of children in foster care, either in their foster home or during visits or trial discharge with their families; and alleged abuse or maltreatment of the children of foster parents.

Article 10 Filings and Initial Hearing Outcomes, Children

CY 2023 - August 2026

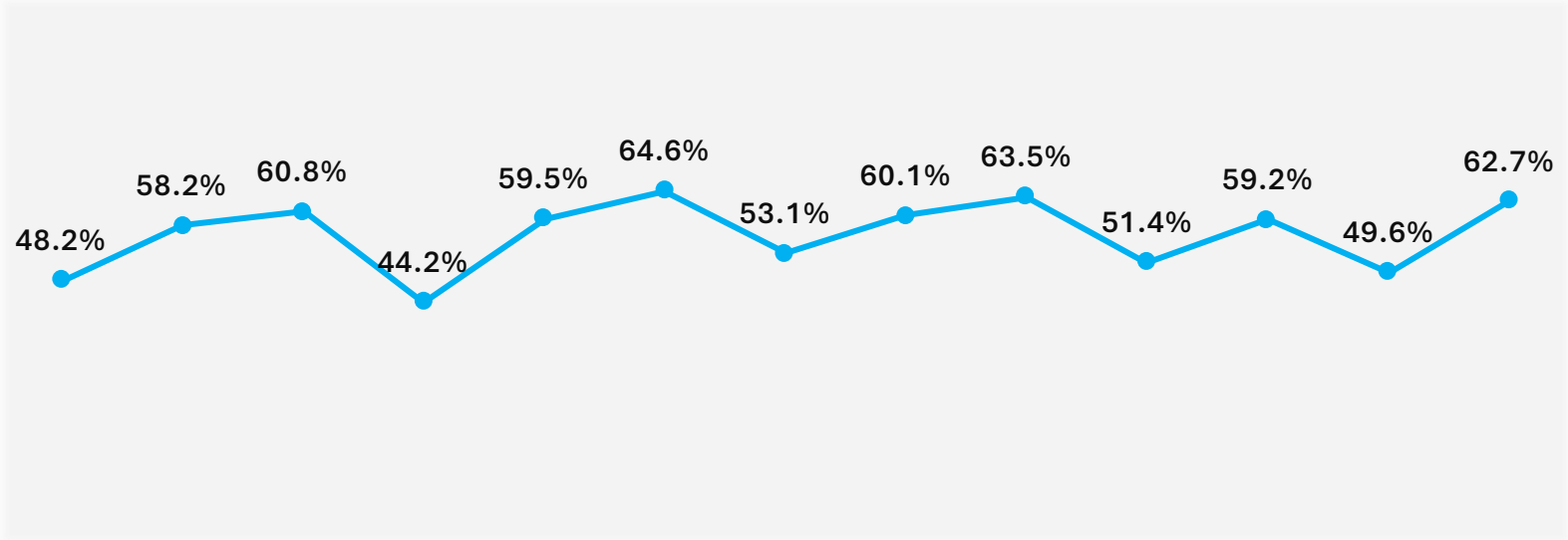
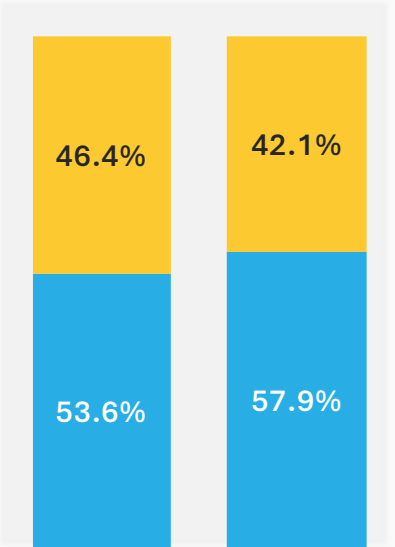


Note: Since February 2025, the category "Release to no supervision" is largely children released to non-respondent, with COS for respondent adult. The category "Other/Unspecified" includes no outcome specified and no order issued. Due to data entry lags, many filings categorized as "Other/Unspecified" in recent months will be re-categorized in future Flash reports. Beginning with the August 2025 Flash, revised data include outcomes of hearings continued at the initial hearing.

Remands Approved at Initial Article 10 Hearing by Removal Status

August 2025 - August 2026

■ Post filing removal ■ Pre filing emergency removal

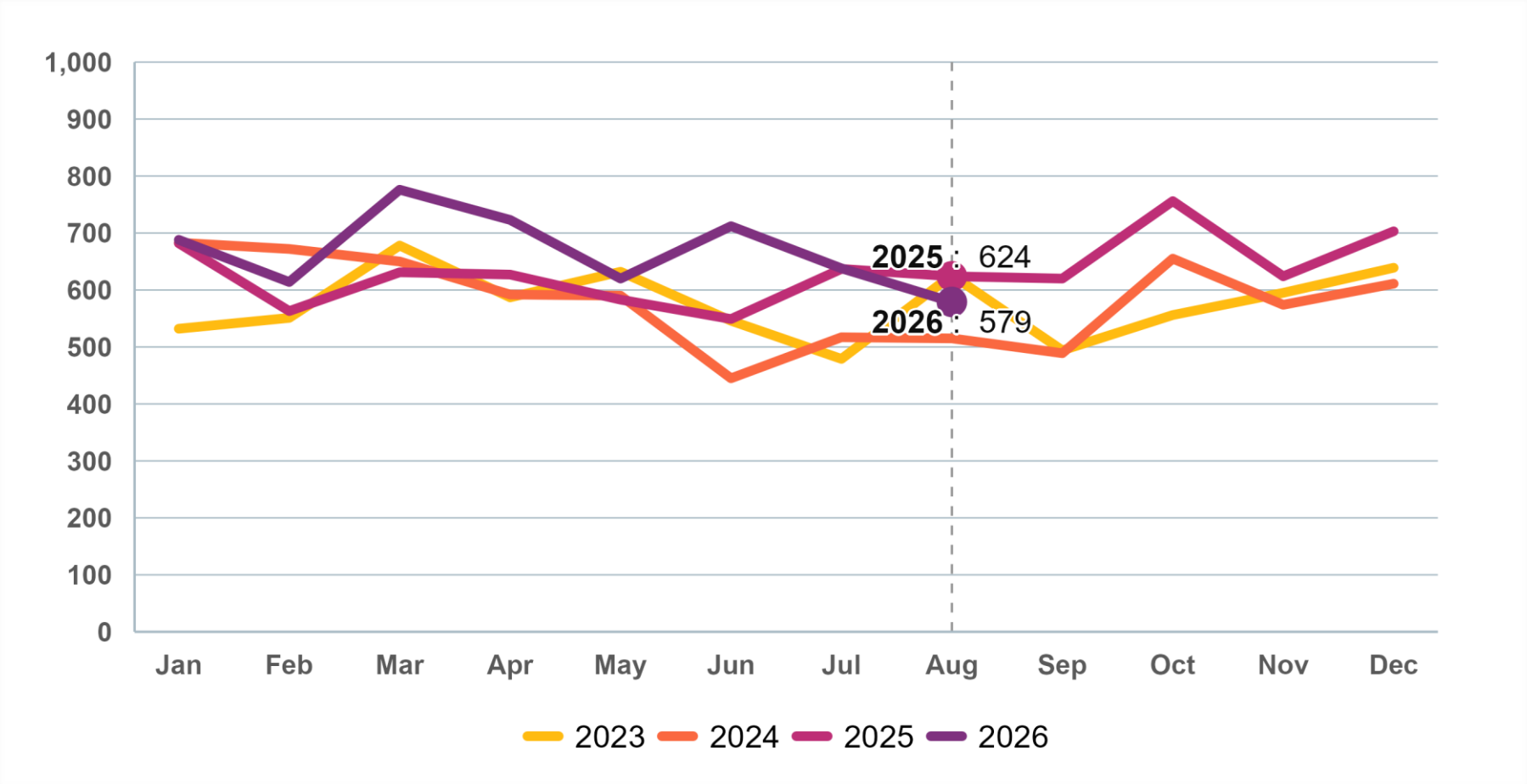


Total number of children remanded

Jan-Aug 2025	Jan-Aug 2026	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26	Apr-26	May-26	Jun-26	Jul-26	Aug-26
1,152	1,145	137	134	171	129	148	96	130	203	148	144	157	141	126

New Child Welfare Prevention Cases

January 2023 - August 2026



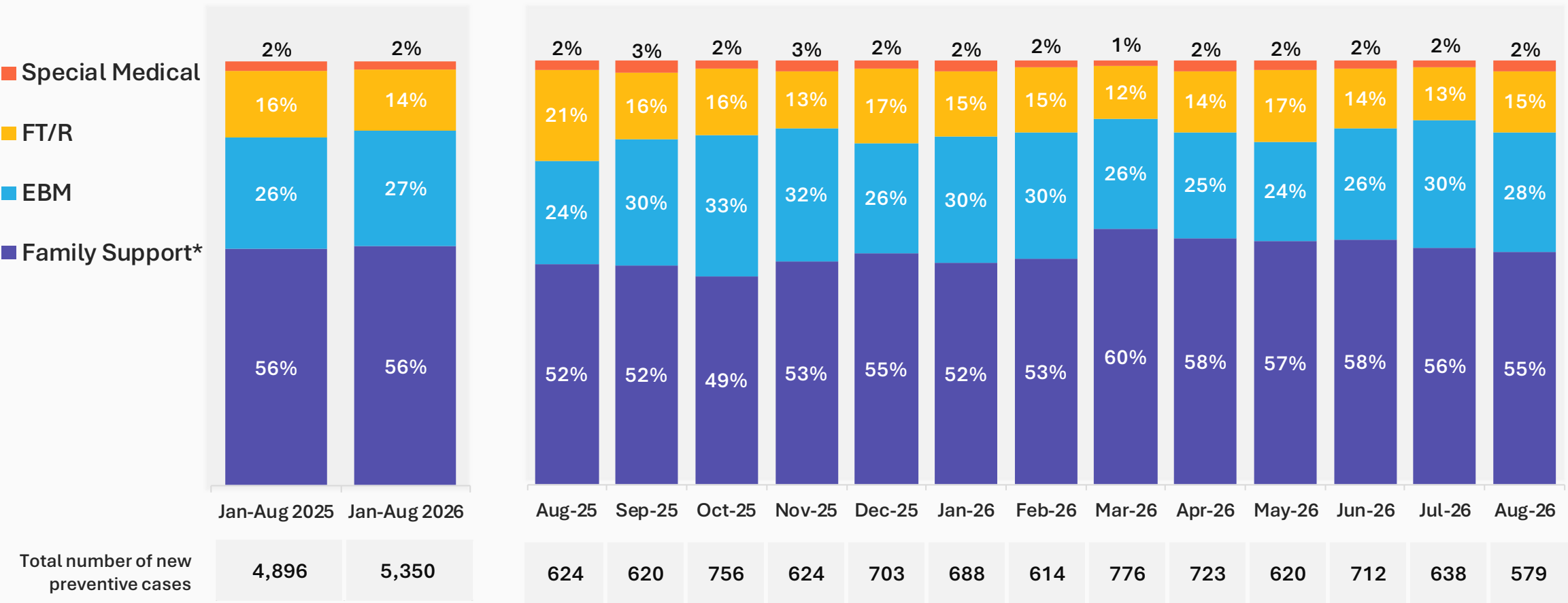
Calendar Year Totals

CY 2023	6,915
CY 2024	6,993
CY 2025	7,599
Jan-Aug 2025	4,896
Jan-Aug 2026	5,350

Note: New prevention cases do not include cases transferred from one preventive program to another. See Pages 35 and 36 of the Appendix for supporting data.

New Child Welfare Prevention Cases by Program Type

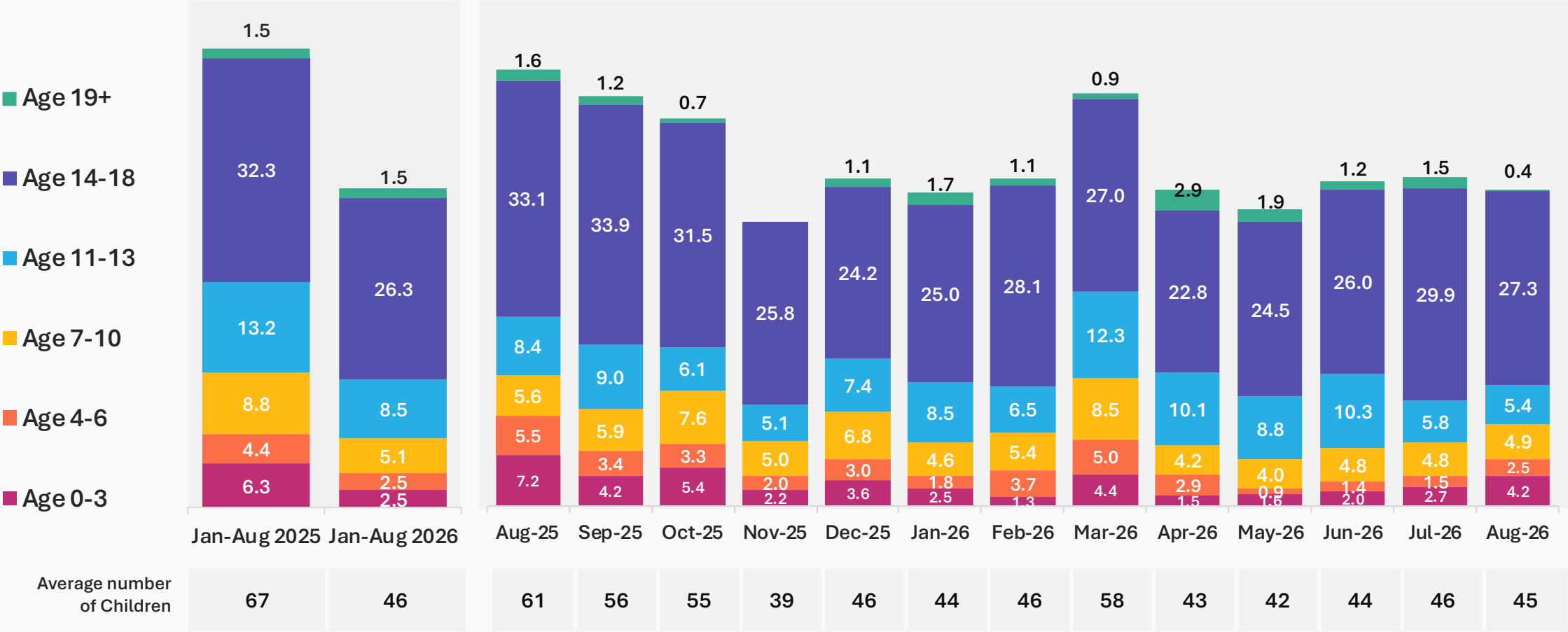
August 2025 - August 2026



Note: New prevention cases do not include cases transferred from one prevention program to another. *Family Support includes School-Based Early Support

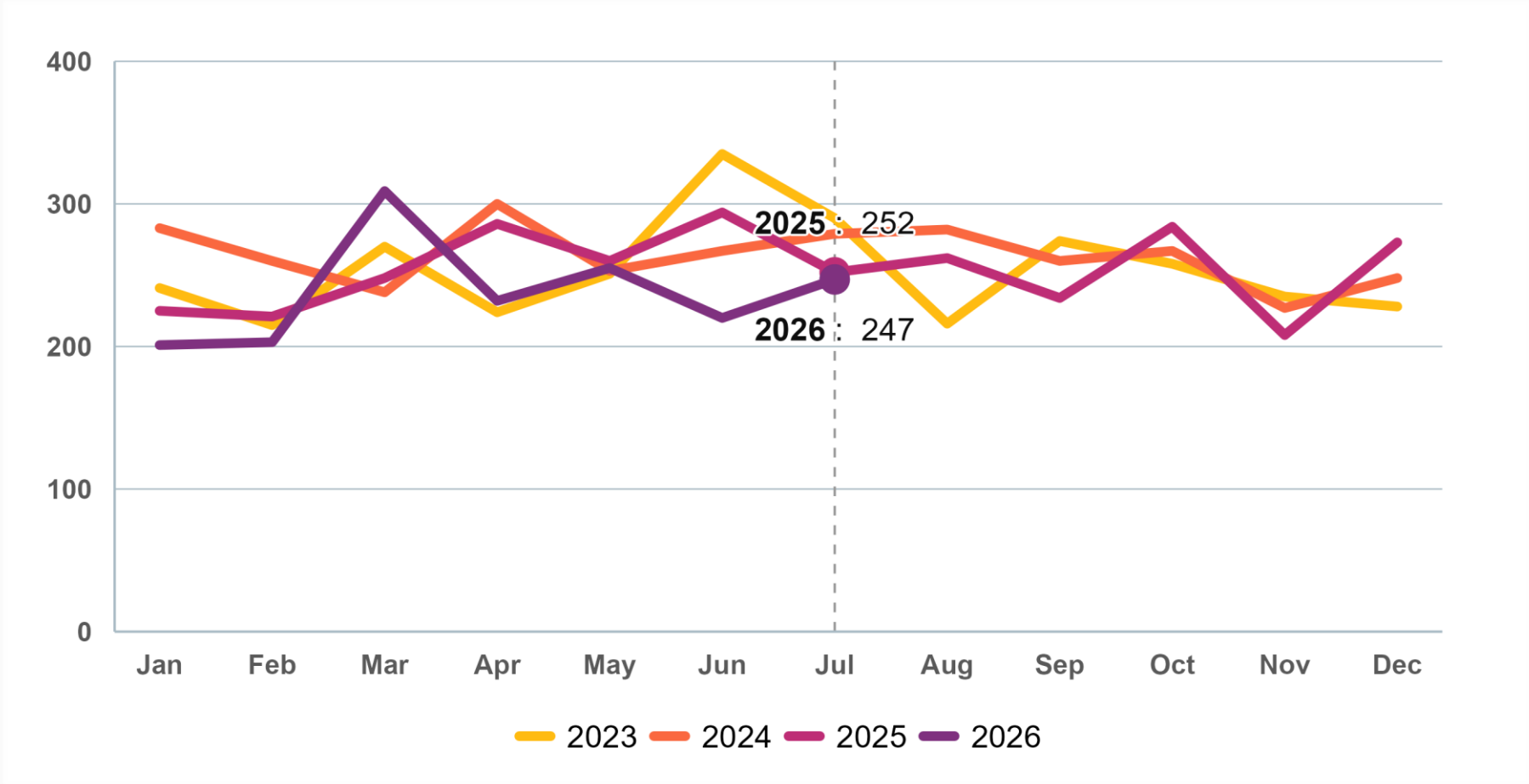
Average Daily Children’s Center Population by Age

August 2025 - August 2026



New Placement of Children into Foster Care

January 2023 - July 2026

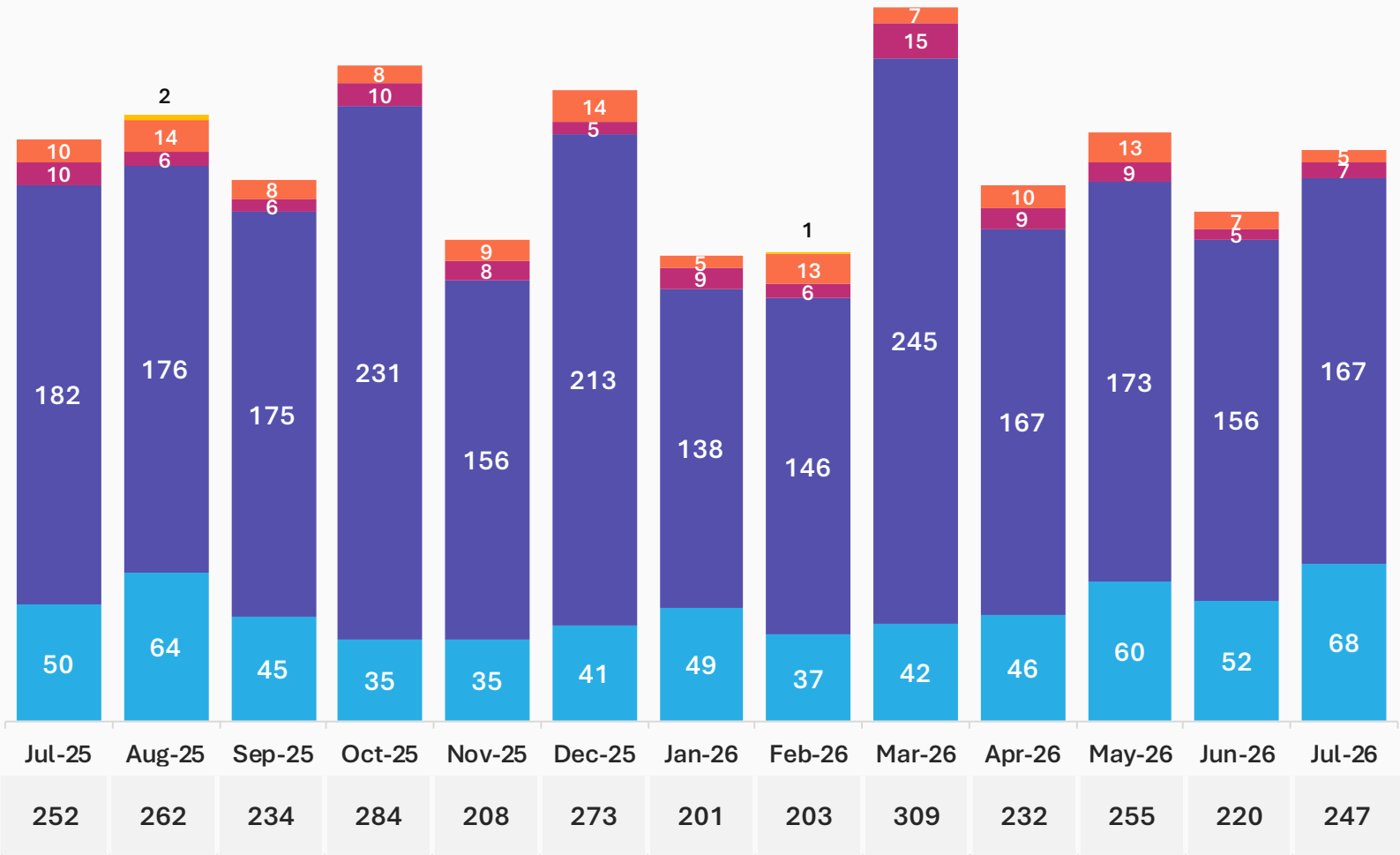


Calendar Year Totals

CY 2023	3,037
CY 2024	3,164
CY 2025	3,047
Jan-Jul 2025	1,786
Jan-Jul 2026	1,667

Reason for New Placement of Children into Foster Care

July 2025 - July 2026

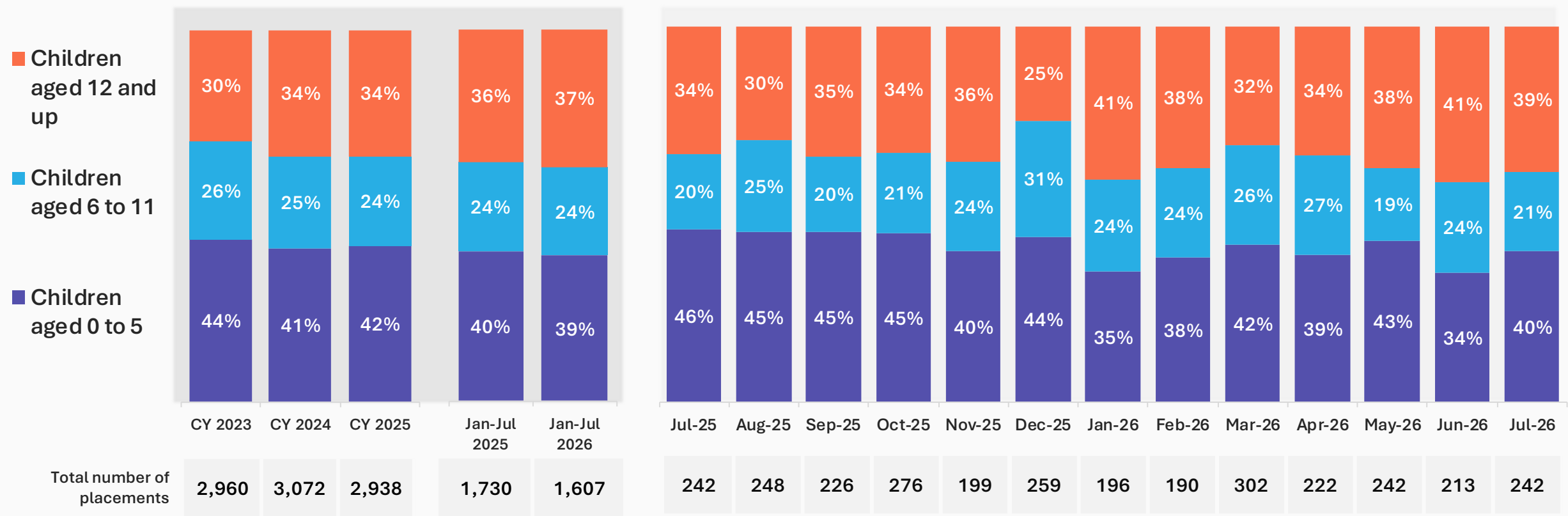


	Calendar Year Totals	
	Jan-Jul 2025	Jan-Jul 2026
PINS	1	1
JD	56	60
Voluntary	73	60
Article 10	1,379	1,192
Other*	277	354
	1,786	1,667

*Due to data entry lags, many placements currently categorized as "Other" in recent months will be re-categorized in future Flash reports.

New Placements of Children into Foster Care by Age

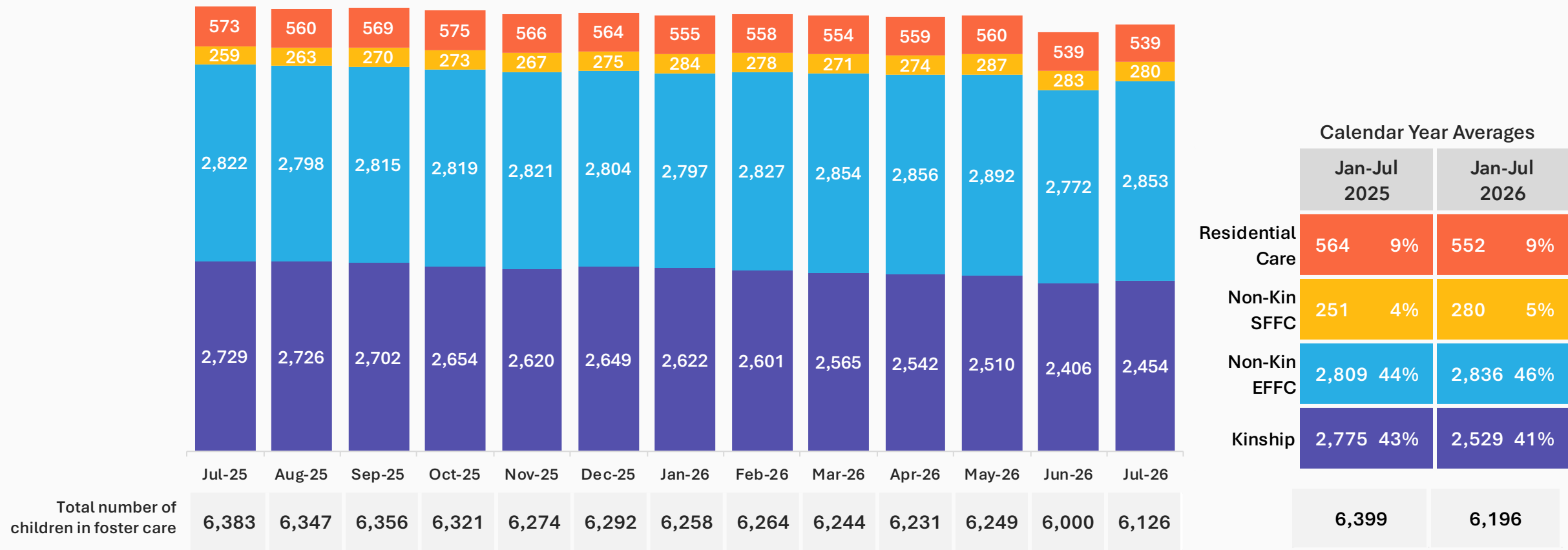
CY 2023 - July 2026



Note: Excludes CTH placements.

Children in Foster Care

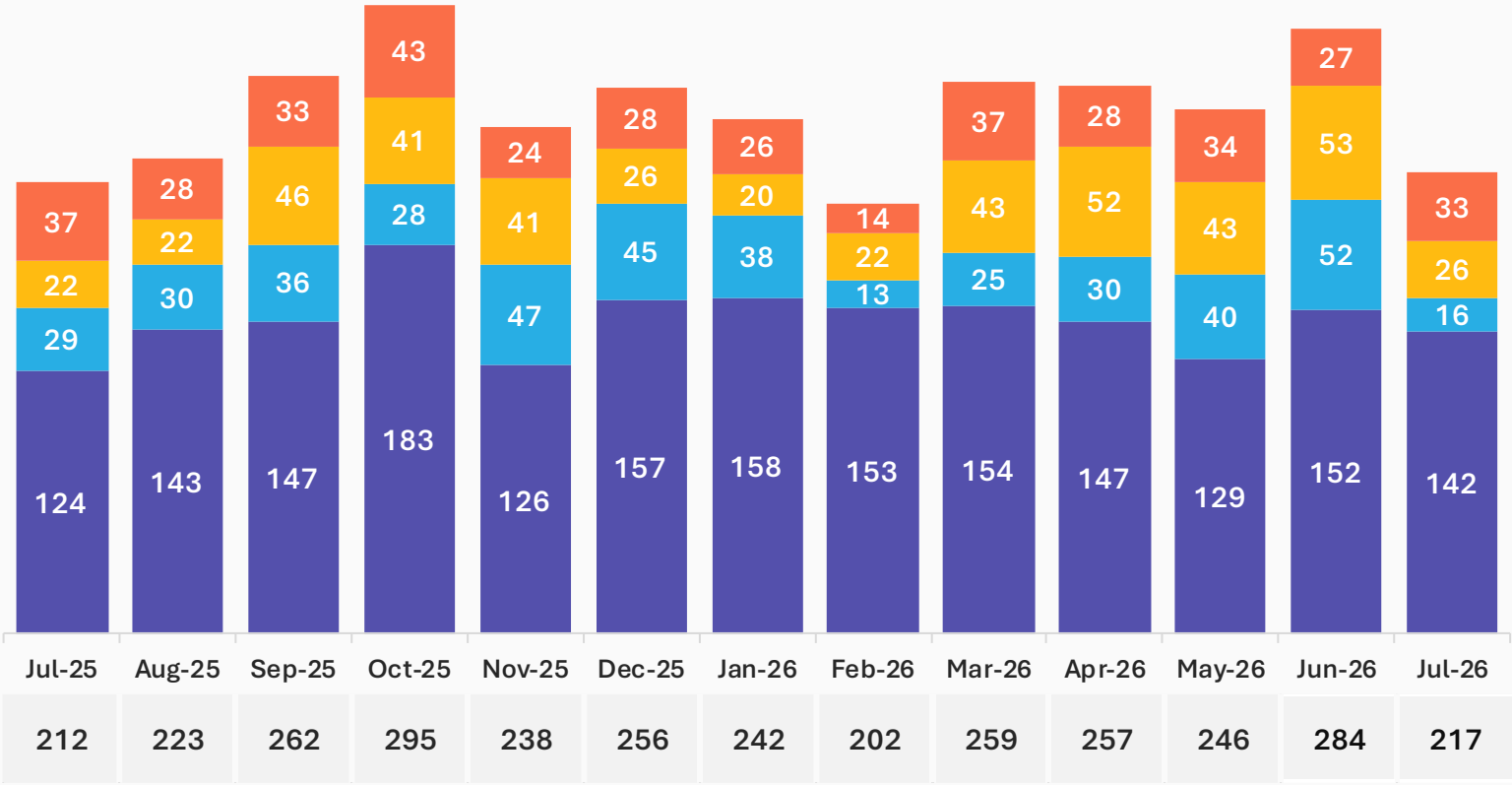
July 2025 - July 2026 (End of Month)



Note: Excludes CTH placements and includes children in 24-hour care and approximately 60 young children who are living in foster homes or residential care facilities with their mothers who are in foster care (8D children).

Permanency and Non-Permanency Discharges from Foster Care

July 2025 - July 2026

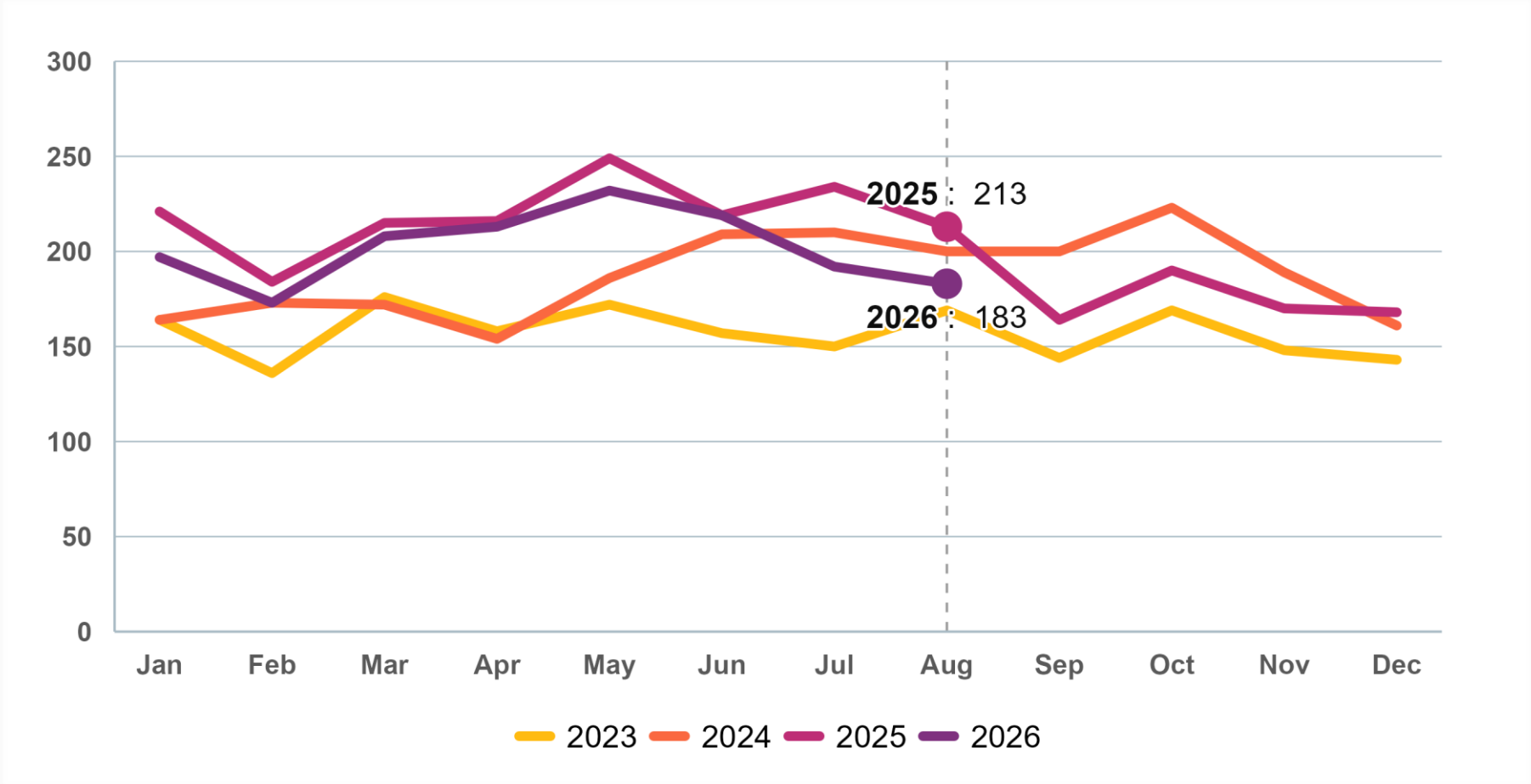


	Calendar Year Totals	
	Jan-Jul 2025	Jan-Jul 2026
Nonpermanency discharge	225	199
Kingap	228	259
Adoption	301	214
Reunification	1,013	1,035
	1,767	1,707

Note: Non-permanency discharges include AWOL, APPLA (youth 18-20 years old discharged to self and youth who reached 21 while in care), and other discharge destinations such as psychiatric institutions and correctional facilities and discharges with unspecified destinations. Excludes discharges of youth from CTH placements.

Total Monthly Admissions to Detention

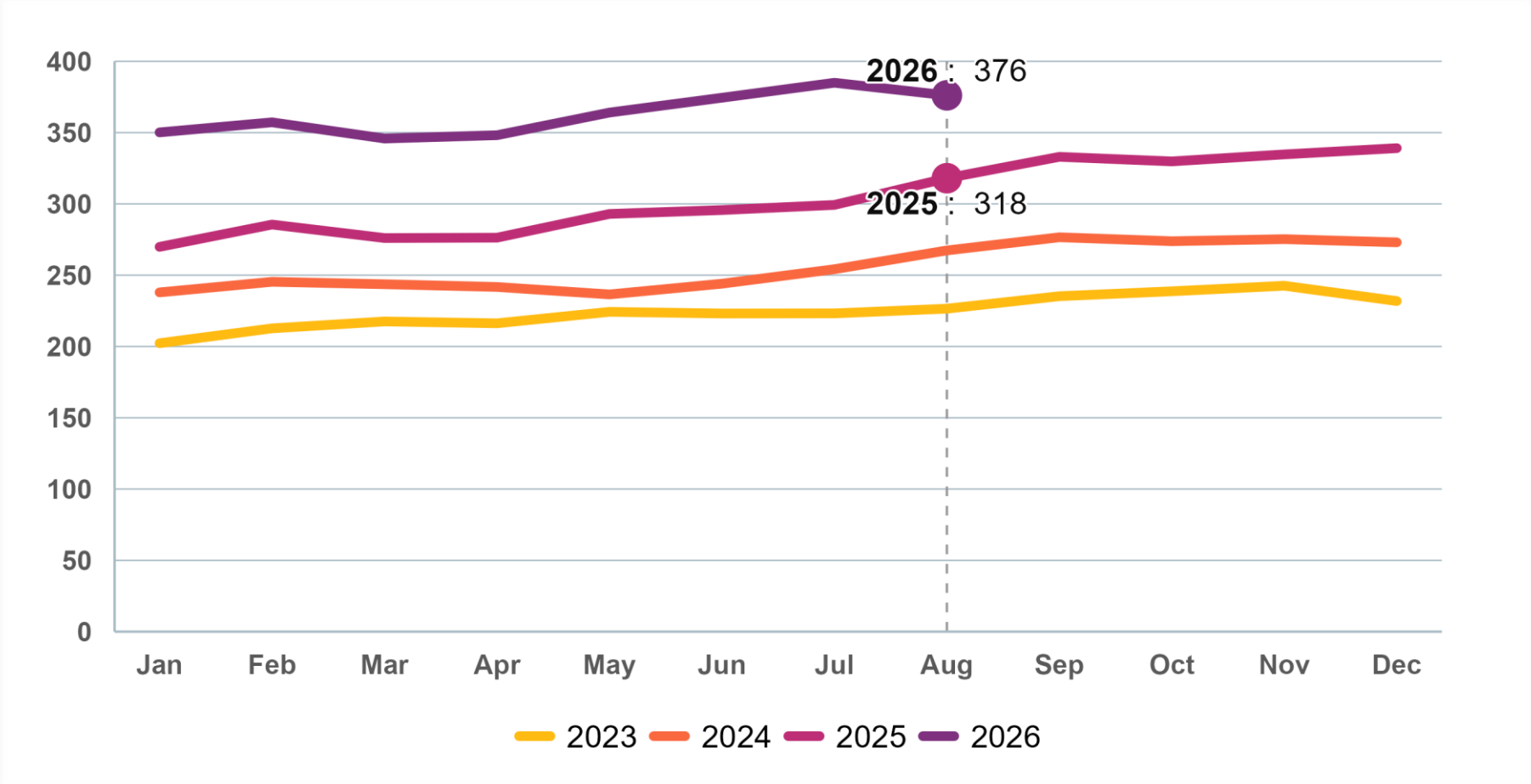
January 2023 - August 2026



Calendar Year Totals

CY 2023	1,886
CY 2024	2,241
CY 2025	2,443
Jan-Aug 2025	1,751
Jan-Aug 2026	1,617

Secure and Specialized Secure Detention Monthly Average Daily Population (Crossroads and Horizon) January 2023 - August 2026

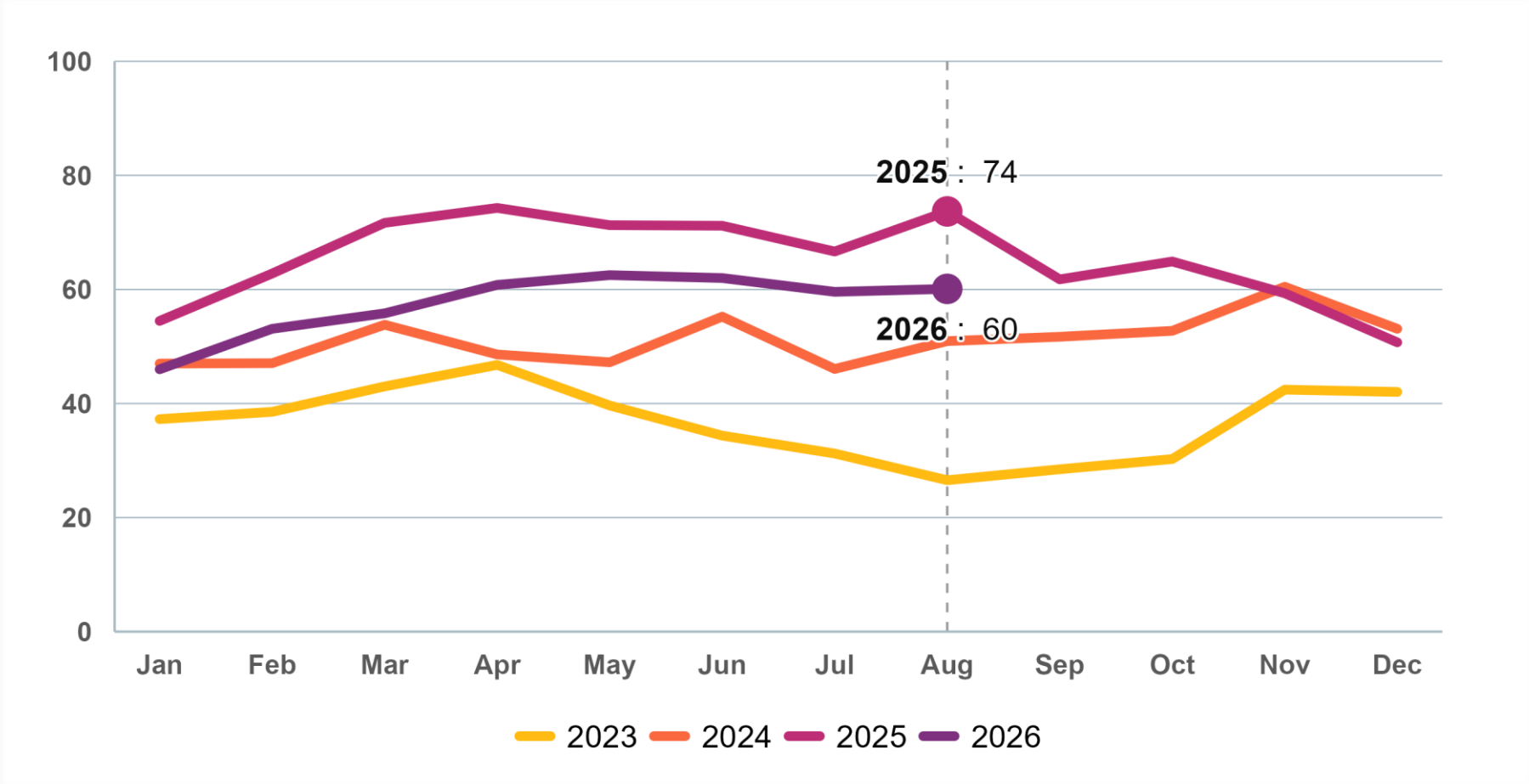


Calendar Year Average

CY 2023	225
CY 2024	256
CY 2025	304
Jan-Aug 2025	289
Jan-Aug 2026	363

Non-secure Detention Monthly Average Daily Population

January 2023 - August 2026

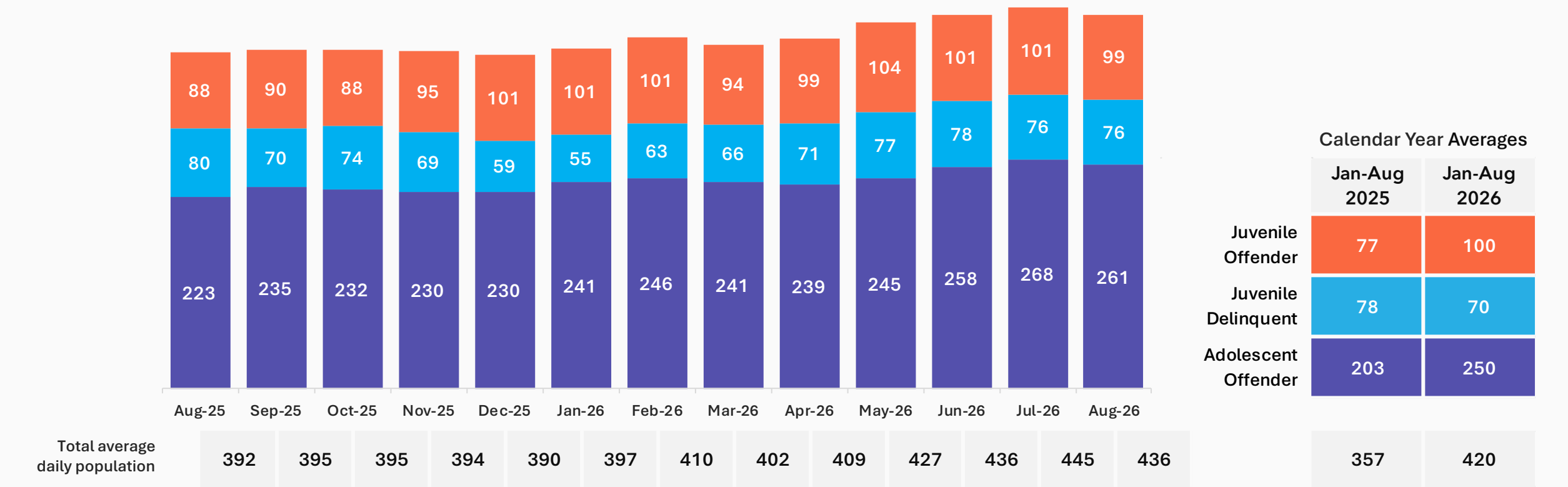


Calendar Year Average

CY 2023	37
CY 2024	51
CY 2025	65
Jan-Aug 2025	68
Jan-Aug 2026	57

Detention Total Monthly Average Daily Population by Case Type*

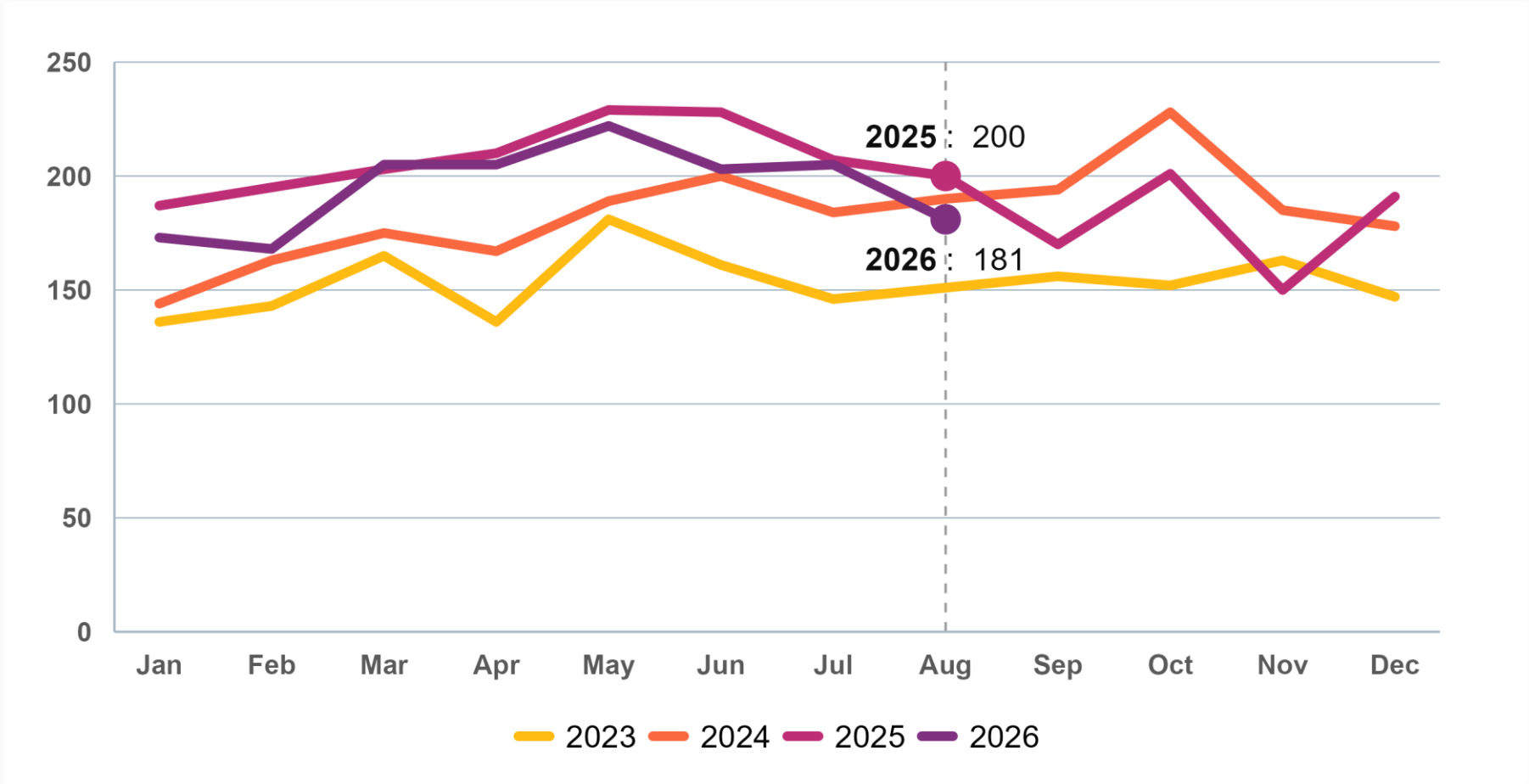
August 2025 - August 2026



*Case Type definitions: Adolescent Offender (AO) is a person 16 or 17 years of age charged with a felony; Juvenile Delinquent (JD) is a person 7-15 years of age who has committed an act which would be considered a crime if the person were old enough and capable of being treated as an adult. Sixteen- and seventeen-year-olds charged with a misdemeanor are also JDs; Juvenile Offender (JO) a person 13-15 years of age with a serious violent felony charge; and Other case type includes youth detained for other authorities and ACS warrants.

Total Monthly Releases from Detention

January 2023 - August 2026

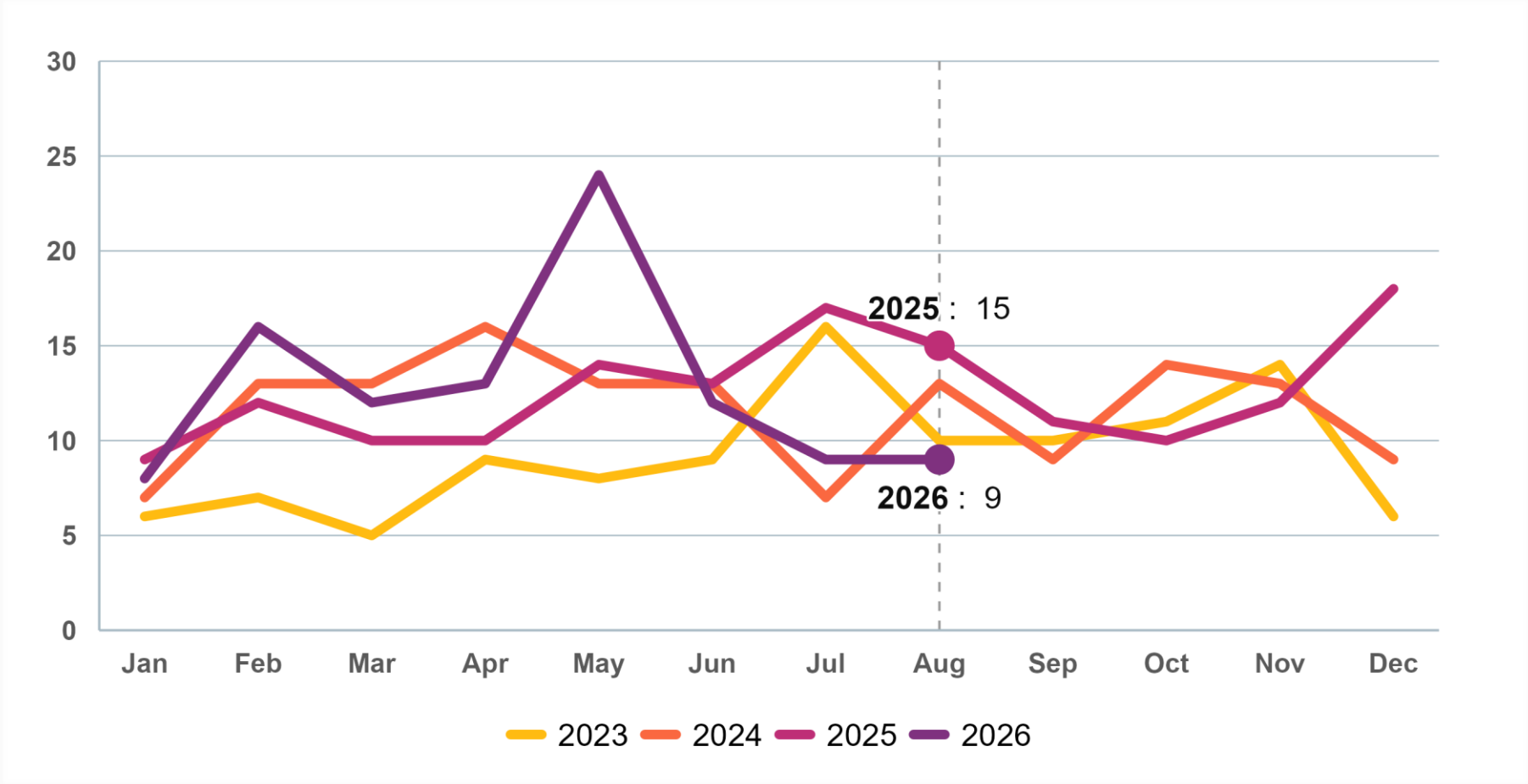


Calendar Year Totals

CY 2023	1,837
CY 2024	2,197
CY 2025	2,371
Jan-Aug 2025	1,659
Jan-Aug 2026	1,562

Close to Home Admissions

January 2023 - August 2026

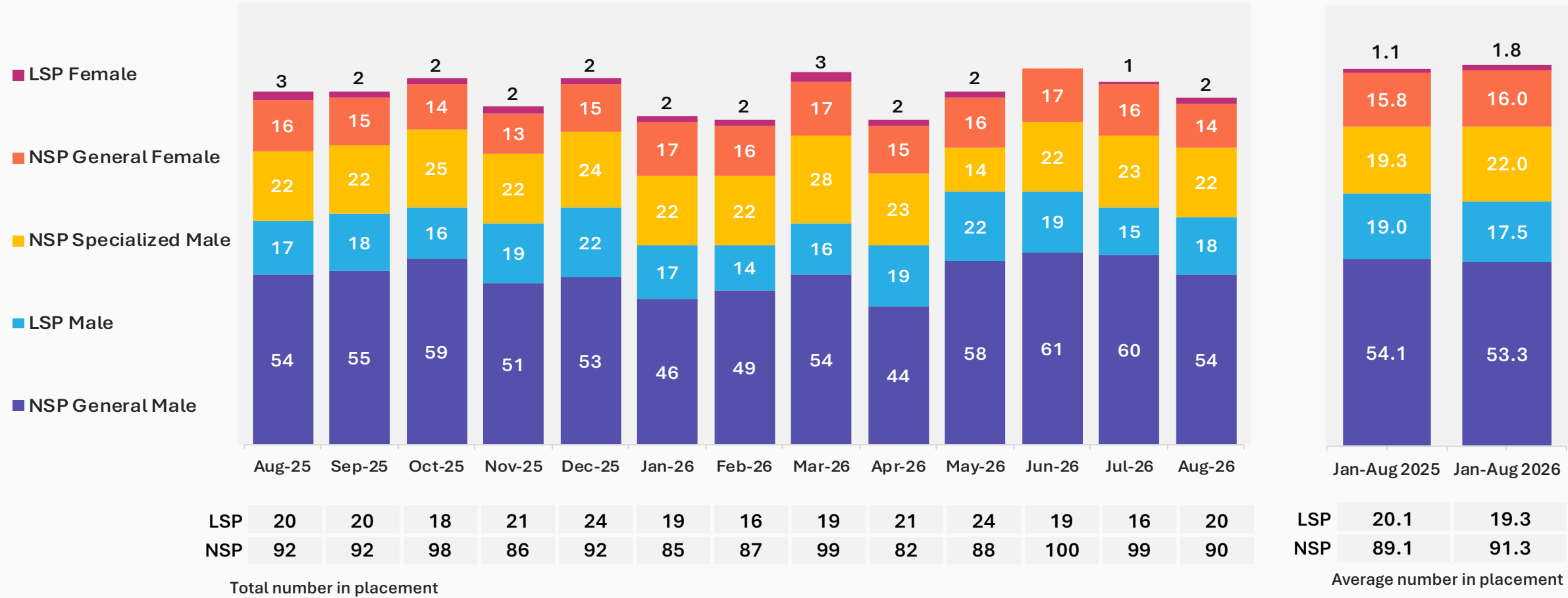


Calendar Year Totals

CY 2023	111
CY 2024	140
CY 2025	151
Jan-Aug 2025	100
Jan-Aug 2026	103

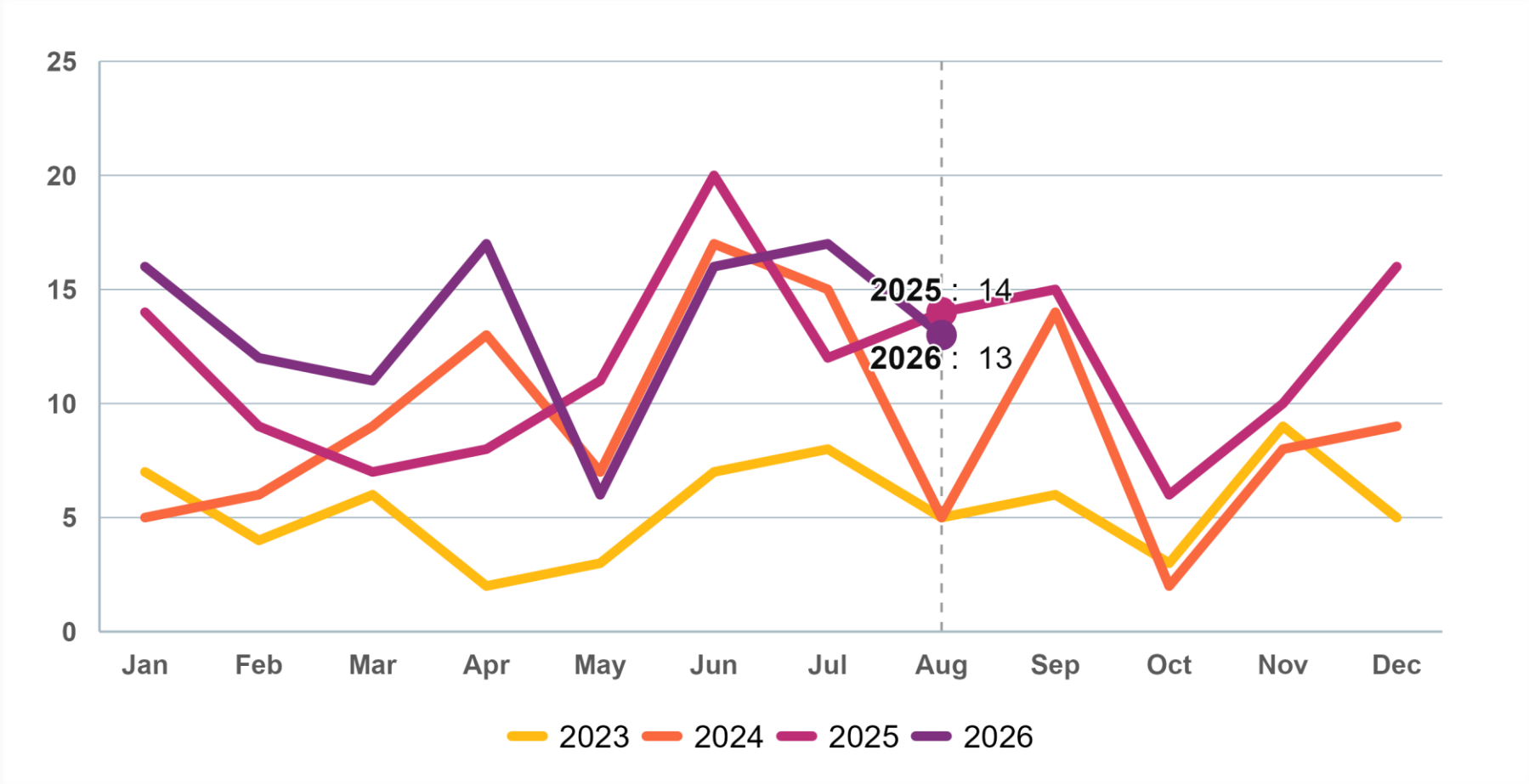
CTH Placement, in 24-hour Care

August 2025 - August 2026 (End of Month)



Releases from Close to Home Placement to Aftercare

January 2023 - August 2026

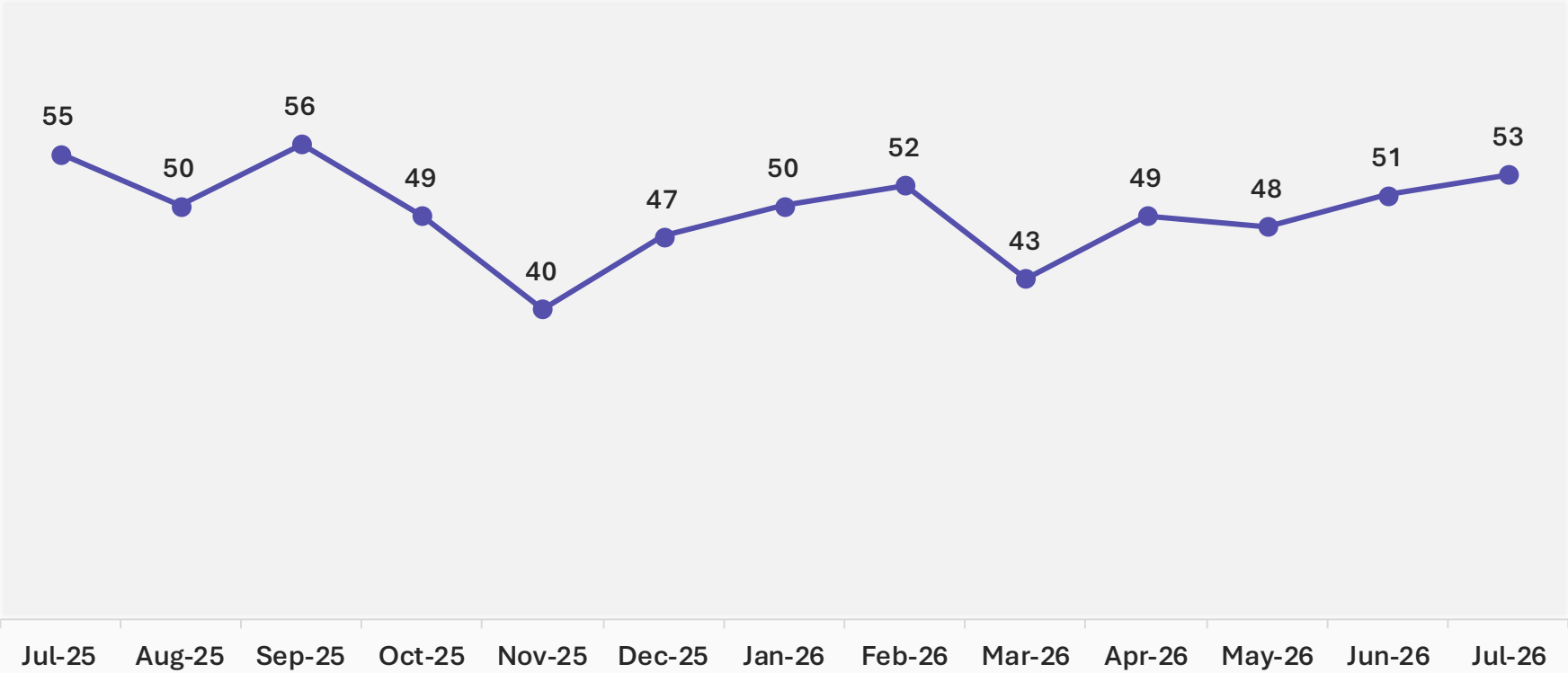


Calendar Year Totals

CY 2023	65
CY 2024	110
CY 2025	142
Jan-Aug 2025	95
Jan-Aug 2026	108

CTH Aftercare Census

July 2025 - July 2026



Calendar Year Averages

Jan-Jul 2025	Jan-Jul 2026
42	49

Figure 1: SCR Intakes by Reporter Group

June 2025 - August 2025 and June 2026 - August 2026

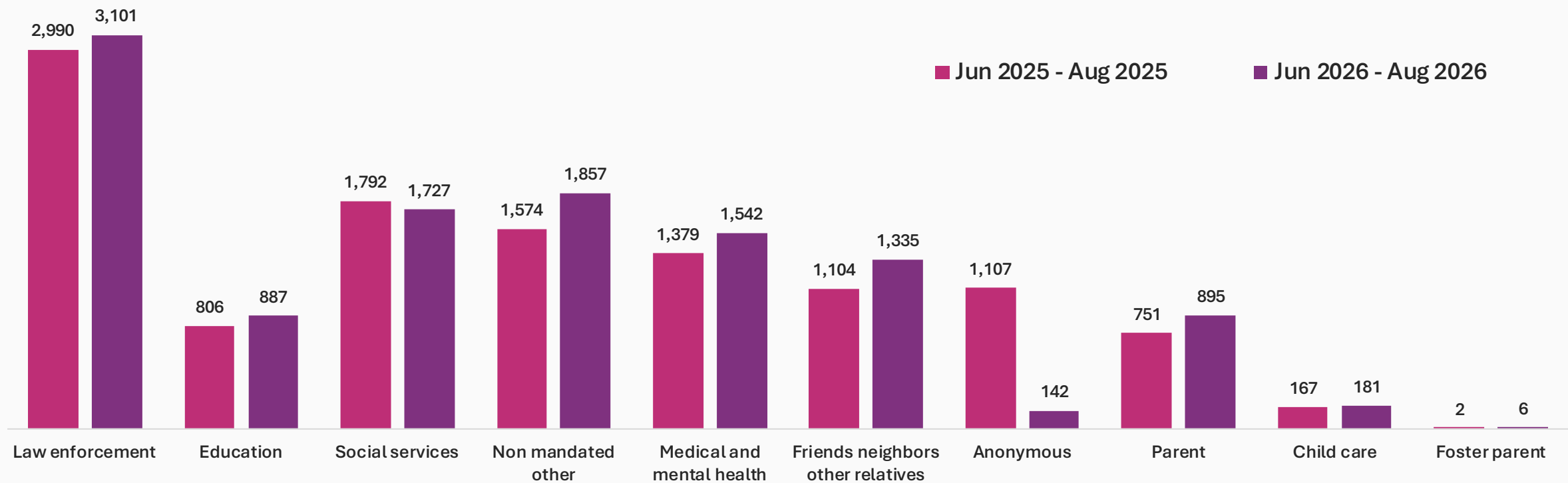
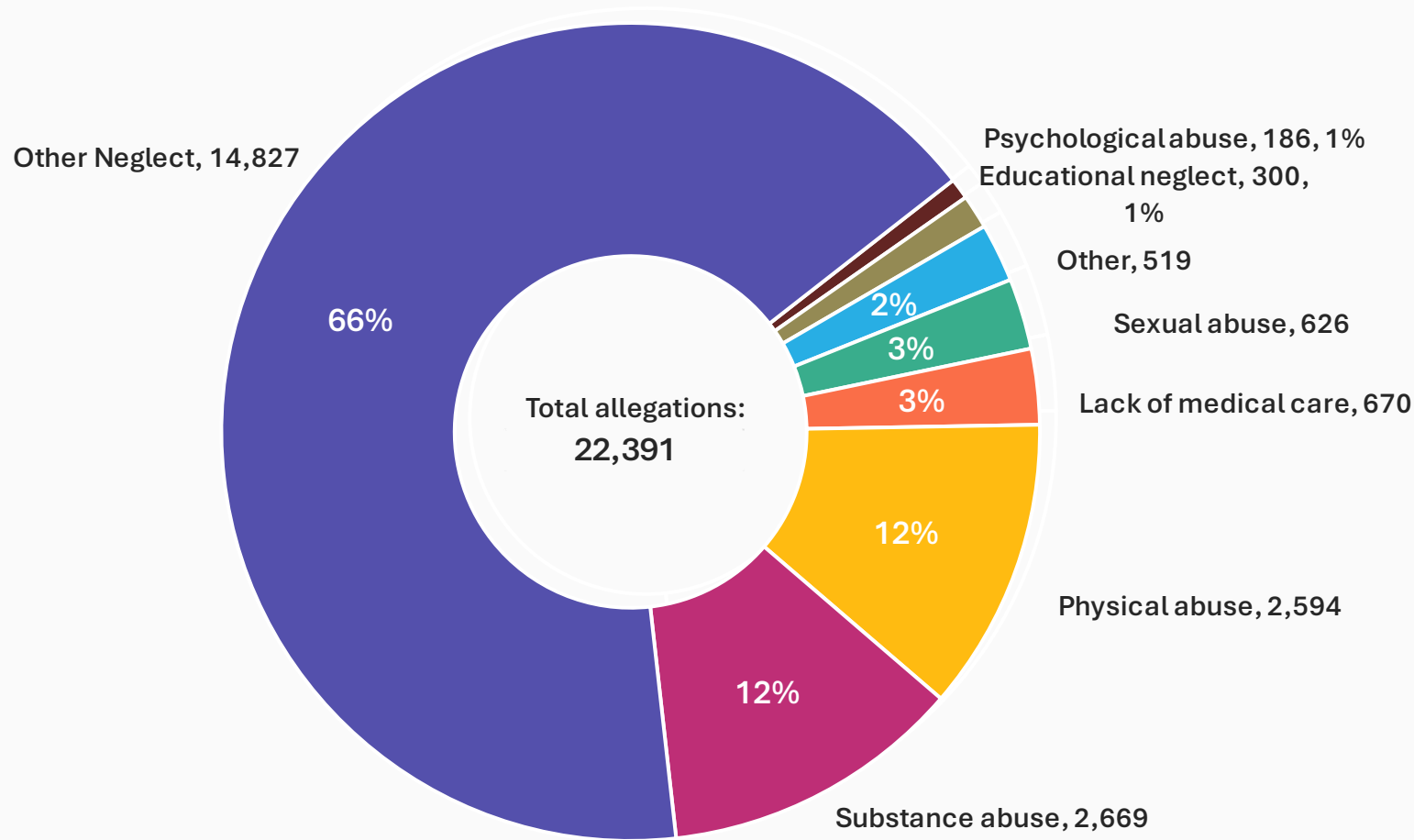


Figure 2: SCR Allegations in Investigations
June 2026 - August 2026



Note: 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.

Table 1: SCR Investigations Changes by Borough

June 2025 - August 2025 and June 2026 - August 2026

		Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	OSI	Other	Total
Jun	2025	852	733	393	732	154	133	134	3,131
	2026	840	746	400	736	166	150	125	3,163
	% Change	-1.4%	1.8%	1.8%	0.5%	7.8%	12.8%	-6.7%	1.0%
Jul	2025	712	656	316	666	113	135	122	2,720
	2026	728	621	253	609	118	131	151	2,611
	% Change	2.2%	-5.3%	-19.9%	-8.6%	4.4%	-3.0%	23.8%	-4.0%
Aug	2025	669	611	362	580	104	136	131	2,593
	2026	632	592	267	571	123	113	111	2,409
	% Change	-5.5%	-3.1%	-26.2%	-1.6%	18.3%	-16.9%	-15.3%	-7.1%
Total	2025	2,233	2,000	1,071	1,978	371	404	387	8,444
	2026	2,200	1,959	920	1,916	407	394	387	8,183
	% Change	-1.5%	-2.1%	-14.1%	-3.1%	9.7%	-2.5%	0.0%	-3.1%

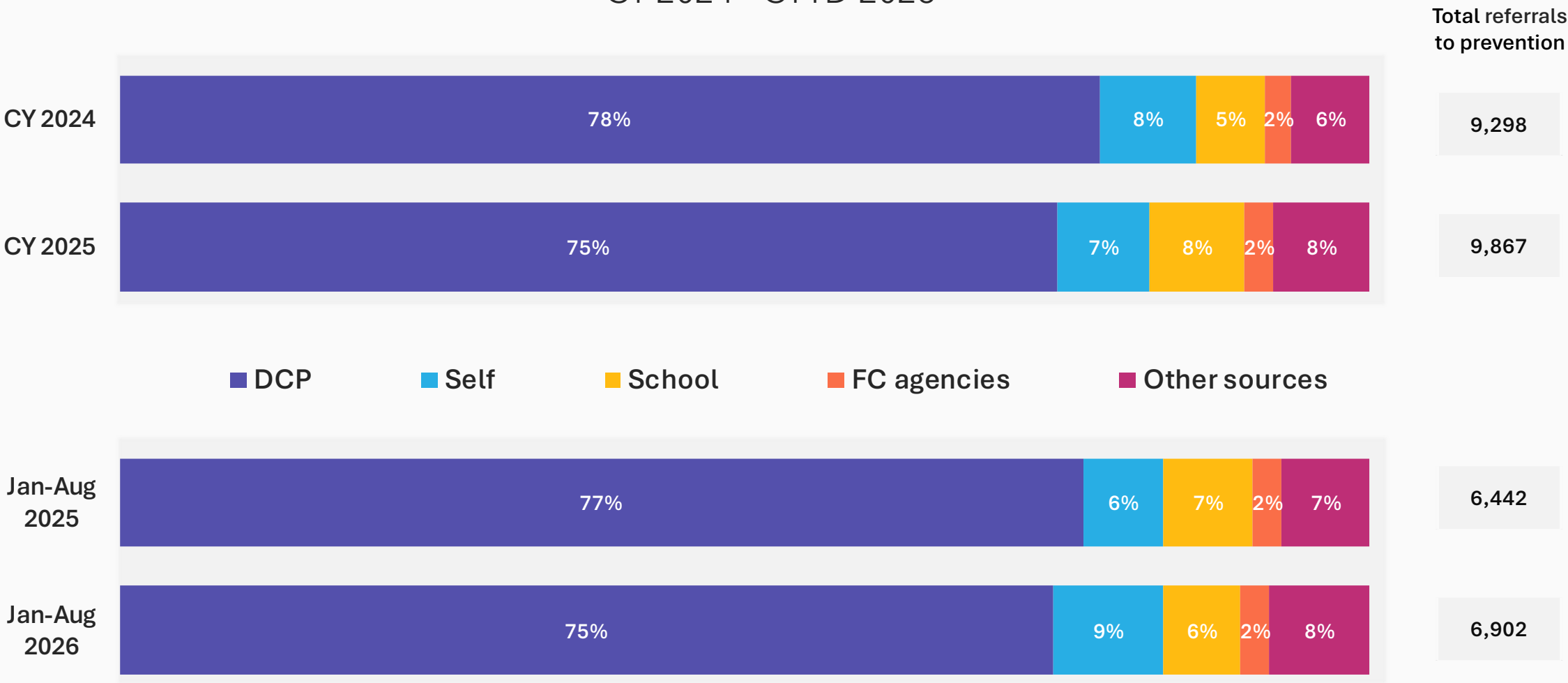
Table 2: Child Welfare Prevention Cases: New and Closed

January 2024 - August 2026

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2024	New cases	683	672	650	592	590	445	517	515	489	655	574	611
	Closed cases	378	557	592	653	820	665	671	708	501	635	573	519
2025	New cases	682	563	631	627	583	549	637	624	620	756	624	703
	Closed cases	499	558	683	687	689	557	696	690	545	636	556	547
2026	New cases	688	614	776	723	620	712	638	579				
	Closed cases	522	561	601	644	671	626	1,004	734				

Figure 3: Referrals to Child Welfare Prevention Services by Source

CY 2024 - CYTD 2026



Note: Other Sources includes the Department of Homeless Services, Family Court, FAP, Hospitals and Medical facilities, the NYC Housing Authority, Probation, and Sponsor Agencies. Data includes all referrals – accepted and rejected