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Children's Administration**

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Background: All children need safe, stable, permanent families

- Growing need for out-of-home care.

	2013	2014	2015	2016
Number of children in care*	8,244	8,565	8,529	8,874

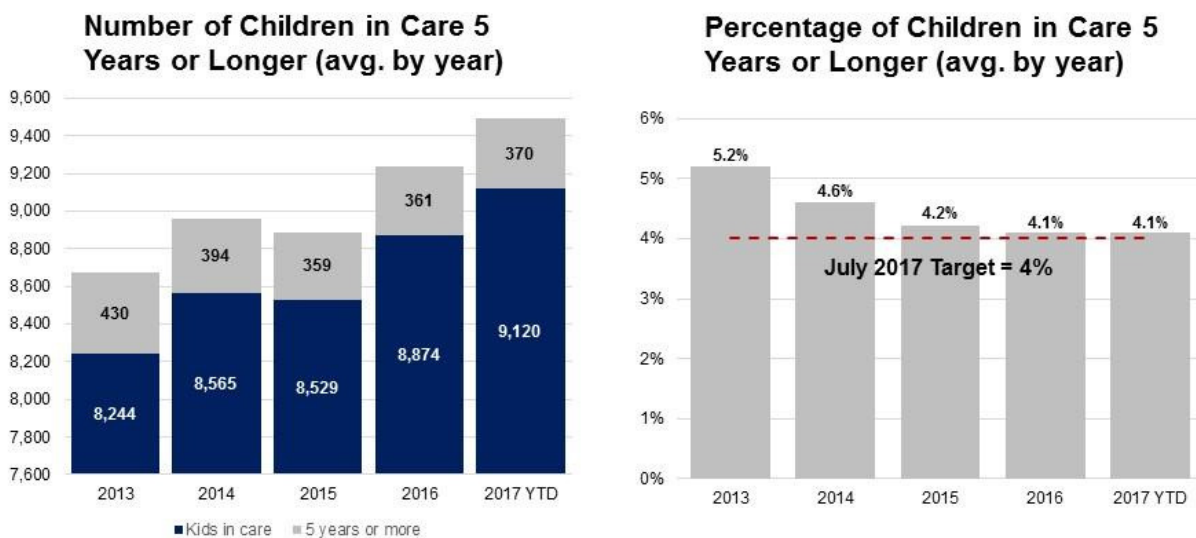
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*Average for year based on quarterly counts.

- Families entering the system have more risk factors than in previous years*.

*U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, Children's Bureau. (2017). Child Maltreatment 2015. Available from <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/research-data-technology/statistics-research/child-maltreatment>.

Current State: Children's Administration continues to decrease the number of children with length of stay of five or more years



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Assistance Needed:

- Consider being a foster parent
- Consider how your agency can support Children's Administration

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