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Resource Plan for Out-of-Home Placements**

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## Introduction and Overview

***Data reported and discussed in this State Resource Plan (the Plan) are based upon a one-day census in Maryland, conducted on January 30, 2008, of all children in out-of-home placements made or funded by Maryland Agencies or Administrations.***

On January 30, 2008, there were just over 11,200 children in the care and custody of the State who were placed outside of their home. The State faces the challenge of linking the children served in out-of-home care with placements and services that meet their needs. The purpose of this State Resource Plan is to document the State's capacity for out-of-home placement, the needs for placement among children in care, and efforts to align capacity with need across Maryland's jurisdictions (23 counties and Baltimore City). The plan fulfills the requirement, pursuant to the Maryland Annotated Code, Human Services Article, §8-703, to produce annually a State Resource Plan "in order to enhance access to services provided by residential child care programs." Specifically, the plan is to:

- 1) Provide a framework for the procurement of the residential child care services that meet the needs identified in the plan;
- 2) Provide specific information on residential child care programs;
- 3) Identify the types of services needed in residential child care programs and the estimated number of children in need of these services in each county;
- 4) Identify the counties where services are currently insufficient;
- 5) Establish an incentive fund to address unmet needs; and
- 6) Identify the reasons that children are placed outside of their home jurisdiction.

The 2008 State Resource Plan is the third point-in-time study conducted to gather information on access to services provided by residential child care programs. The first State Resource Plan was issued in 2006 and used data from a number of sources, including the data collected for the SB 711 (2004) report issued in 2005. This study analyzed the number of children in out-of-home care, by jurisdiction and placement category, on June 30, 2005. For the 2007 State Resource Plan, a new data request for a one-day census was issued to each of the four State Child-Serving Agencies: the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH), the Department of Human Resources (DHR), the Department of Juvenile Services (DJS), and the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE). The actual dates used for this point-in-time study, however, were not consistent across the Agencies. Data collection dates ranged from as early as December 31, 2006 to as late as June 18, 2007. In 2008, a data request similar to the one made in 2007 was made of the same Child-Placing Agencies. Perhaps the most influential difference between the 2007 and 2008 reports is the census date, itself. Unlike the 2007 report which allowed different census dates, in 2008 all data were collected on January 30, 2008. Because of these differences in data collection methodology, it is not possible to make a clear, accurate comparison of the data collected on the categories of residential placements – Family Foster Care, Community-based Residential Placement, Non-community Based Residential Placement and Hospitalization – across time. Further discussion of the three point-in-time studies, to the extent the data allow, can be found in the section titled "Discussion: Looking across Data from June 30, 2005, January 30, 2007 and January 30, 2008" on page 79. Corrective actions already taken and further recommended to address these and other data limitations are discussed in the sections to follow.

### ***Who are children in out-of-home care?***

Children enter out-of-home care in Maryland for a variety of reasons and under a number of different circumstances. Children are placed in the care and custody of the State when they are determined to be a CINA (Child In Need of Assistance), a CINS (Child In Need of Supervision), or Delinquent. Children can also come into placement under a Voluntary Placement Agreement (VPA), in which a parent voluntarily places a child in the care of the State. This most often occurs when a parent is going to be temporarily hospitalized or when a child is unable to obtain necessary treatment unless in the care of the State. The State Child-Serving Agencies and Administrations responsible for placing children in out-of-home placements are the Department of Human Resources (DHR) through the Local Departments of Social Services (LDSS); the Department of Juvenile Services (DJS); and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH), including the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration (ADAA), Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA), and the Mental Hygiene Administration (MHA). Although the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) funds out-of-home placements made by the Local School Systems (LSS), MSDE is not a placement agency and does not place children out-of-home. Children whose placements are funded by MSDE, either in whole or in part, however, will be discussed in this report along with children placed by the other Agencies and Administrations. These Agencies and Administrations may fund the placements or the placements may be funded by medical assistance (MA), which is administered within DHMH. Placements are also sometimes co-funded by several State Agencies.

Each of these child-placing Agencies and Administrations operates differently at the local level. DHMH (ADAA and MHA), DHR, and MSDE serve children and families through their 24 local counterparts within each of the jurisdictions—the LDSS, the local Core Service Agencies<sup>1</sup>, the local Substance Abuse Councils, and the LSS. DJS and DDA have regional offices, which, in turn, have local offices. The regions for DJS and DDA are not the same—DJS has six regions and DDA has four. Those regions are:

#### DJS

- Baltimore City
- Central Region (Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, and Howard counties)
- Metro Region (Montgomery and Prince George’s counties)
- Eastern Shore Region (Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne’s, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico and Worcester counties)
- Southern Region (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles and St. Mary’s counties)
- Western Region (Allegany, Frederick, Garrett and Washington counties)

#### DDA

- Central Region (Anne Arundel County, Baltimore City, and Baltimore, Harford and Howard counties)
- Eastern Shore Region (Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne’s, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico and Worcester counties)

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<sup>1</sup> One core service agency located on the Eastern Shore serves five jurisdictions.

- Southern Region (Calvert, Charles, St. Mary's, Montgomery and Prince George's counties)
- Western Region (Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett and Washington counties)

#### Care Management Entity (CME)

In April, 2009, the Governor's Office for Children on behalf of the Children's Cabinet, issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to develop and implement a statewide system of regional Care Management Entities (CME) for the provision of Community Services Initiative, Rehab Option and Wraparound services funded through the Children's Cabinet Interagency Fund. These CMEs will also serve populations of youth eligible for services under the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) 1915(c) Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF) demonstration waiver project, the MD CARES System of Care grant and specific youth who are diverted from DJS out-of-home placements or DHR group home placements. Through this RFP, the Children's Cabinet intends to bring intensive care management and high fidelity Wraparound to jurisdictions statewide for the previously mentioned populations. There will be three (3) regional CMEs. They are:

- Baltimore City
- North Western (Allegany, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Howard, Montgomery and Washington counties)
- South Eastern (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Dorchester, Kent, Prince Georges, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico and Worcester counties)

While each Department has its own particular mandate and function, each of the Agencies provides services to help support children and their families and to improve their well-being. Many of the children have similar needs, regardless of which Agency holds their commitment order. Many children in out-of-home placements come from homes with abuse and neglect, domestic violence and/or substance abuse. Others have families with very few, if any, risk factors; however, they may need services and supports that exceed their available personal resources.

While every effort is made to keep children in Maryland and as close to their families as possible, it is sometimes necessary to place a child in a specialized facility located out-of-state to fully meet their needs. For example, medically fragile children with specialized medical needs and residential level special education children with specialized educational needs may require a residential placement not available within the State. Other children and youth with high intensity needs requiring specialized services not found in Maryland include those who have histories of sex offending and fire setting; children who have co-occurring developmental disabilities, mental health issues and substance abuse issues; and youth who are in the custody of DJS who require secure placement. On the other hand, for some children an out-of-state placement is actually closer to their home or closest relative. In fact, 96 of the 176 children placed out-of-state in Family Foster Care were placed with out-of-state relatives.

Regardless of how children enter the system, the Agency through which they enter, their reasons for coming into placement, or where they are placed, once they are under the care and custody of

the State, the Children’s Cabinet is committed to providing all children with individualized services and supports that will promote their safety, permanency, and well-being.

### ***Categories of Out-of-Home Placement***

The term “residential child care programs” is used in the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) to define many of the out-of-home placements available in the State. In prior reports (State Resource Plan 2007; State Resource Plan 2006; Children in Out-of-Home Placement-SB711-2004; Juvenile Causes – Children in Out-of-Home Placement – Plan for a System of Outcome Evaluation-HB1146-2004), the Children’s Cabinet delineated four macro-placement categories under which all types of out-of-home placements in the State may be classified:

- **Family Foster Care:** Relative (Kinship) Care, Foster Care, Treatment Foster Care, Pre-adoptive or Adoptive Care;
- **Community-based Residential Placement:** Independent Living and Group Homes (also known as residential child care programs);
- **Non-community Based Residential Placement:** Residential Treatment Centers, Psychiatric Respite Programs, Juvenile Detention and Commitment Centers, Correctional (adult), and Long-Term Care Facilities for Substance Abuse Treatment (ASAM); and
- **Hospitalization:** General Hospitalization, Psychiatric Hospitalization, and Intermediate Care Facility for Substance Abuse Treatment.

These categories are helpful in describing Maryland’s out-of-home placements as a continuum, beginning with the least restrictive, most family-like setting (Family Foster Care) and moving progressively towards more highly structured and treatment-oriented settings<sup>2</sup>.

Over time, a child, depending on need, may experience multiple placements among the different placement categories. It is not uncommon for a child to start out in a relative (or kinship) care placement (Family Foster Care category) and later require more structured care at a Group Home (Community-based Residential Placement category). Or, a child with a severe mood disorder may be placed in a Therapeutic Group Home (Community-based Residential Placement category), require Psychiatric Hospitalization in order to stabilize the serious risk of self-harm (Hospitalization category), and then experience successful intervention at a Residential Treatment Center (Non-community Based residential category). It is always the goal of the child-placing agency that a child will be able to reside in the least restrictive, most appropriate setting possible.

### ***Placement in Home Jurisdiction - Why Does it Matter?***

The Children’s Cabinet remains committed to the development of local, integrated systems of care to ensure that:

- children and their families are served in a culturally and linguistically competent manner;
- services are community-based and individualized; and
- decisions are child- and youth-guided and family-driven.

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<sup>2</sup> Please see COMAR Title 14, Subtitle 31, Chapter 5 for the regulatory definitions of residential child care programs, and COMAR Title 07, Subtitle 02 for the regulatory definitions of programs licensed by DHR.



Family involvement and relationships suffer when children are placed far from home. The strain of visiting a child who is far from home, either in actual mileage or because the child is placed in a location that is not accessible by the family's available means of transportation, affects the parents, child, and siblings at home. In cases where family reunification is a goal, children may linger in care longer than necessary because of the difficulty associated with making progress toward reunification without face-to-face contact. Additionally, for children receiving special education services, placement in another jurisdiction often results in a disruption in required services as determined by their Individualized Education Programs (IEP).

Even when a child's biological family is not involved in the care of the child, there are typically other community members with a connection to the child, including teachers, counselors, and friends at school. The placement of a child into a residence that is not his or her home is sufficiently disruptive without also uprooting him or her from his or her school and community.

Although serving children in their immediate community is always the goal, the specialized needs of the child or lack of community resources may render that goal unreachable. The most common reasons why a child is placed outside of his or her home jurisdiction include:

- Proximity to parents'/guardians' home (family lives closer to placement in adjacent jurisdiction than alternative placement at far end of same jurisdiction);
- Only available and appropriate placement with needed services/milieu (per individual service plan);
- Only available and appropriate placement with needed services/milieu (per court order);
- Child's request for particular placement;
- Child needed to be removed from community for safety reasons (*e.g.*, gang involvement);
- Only available placement while waiting for more appropriate placement; and
- Only available placement while waiting for placement closer to home.

It is recognized throughout this report that, when a placement is not available in the home jurisdiction, the second best option is to place a child in an adjacent jurisdiction. Many jurisdictions do not have sufficient need to warrant the development of all placement types within jurisdictional boundaries. In such instances, it is expected that children are placed in an adjacent jurisdiction or, failing that, within the home region. Throughout this report, Tables illustrating jurisdictions of residence and jurisdictions of placement for youth in the four macro-placement categories as well as for agency-specific placements within those categories will be referenced.

### ***Notes Prior to Reviewing the Plan***

This report presents findings about four major placement categories - Family Foster Care, Community-based Residential Placements, Non-community Based Residential Placements and Hospitalization, and is based upon data provided to the GOC by the six placing or funding Agencies or Administration, themselves. As in 2007, the reporting Agencies and Administrations were: the ADAA; DDA; DHR through its Local Departments of Social Services; DJS; MHA; and MSDE. All data were collected on January 30, 2008; however, the data were reported on various dates, some as late as March, 2009. After receiving the data from these placing or funding Agencies, data were thoroughly reviewed by GOC staff. Duplicate data were successfully identified and removed so as not to inflate the overall numbers and

percentages throughout the report. On the other hand, in many cases, Agencies submitted case information with vital data that was either missing or inaccurate. These data were often impossible to rehabilitate. Most importantly, 2,713 or 24% of all placement jurisdiction data were missing, inaccurate or described as “unknown.” In a small number of cases, for example with 18 runaway and one homeless youth, “unknown” is an accurate description. In large measure, however, this problem was found in data that fell within the category of Family Foster Care. In that single category, the records of 2,379 youth included data about the jurisdiction of placement that was either inaccurate or not reported. A large number (1,925) of these records came from youth placed in private Therapeutic Foster Care. Within the Family Foster Care category, in 1,896 instances, the address of the child placing agency rather than the address of the child’s actual placement location was entered under “placement jurisdiction.” While these two addresses may have been in the same county in some cases, it was impossible to make that determination from the information provided. This situation accounts for 70% of the missing placement data. In 736 cases (27% of missing placement jurisdiction data), the placement jurisdiction was simply not reported. Table 1 illustrates the reasons and number of cases that the jurisdiction of placement is classified as “unknown.”

<b>TOTAL CASES LISTED WITH “JURISDICTION OF PLACEMENT” UNKNOWN</b>	
<b>Type of Information Provided</b>	<b>Number</b>
Homeless	1
Runaway	18
Reported as “unknown”	61
Not reported (blank)	736
Child Placement Agency office address used	1,897
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,713</b>

**Table 1: Number of Cases in which Jurisdiction of Placement was Unknown**

With over 24% of the placement jurisdictions unknown, in some residential placement categories it is difficult to gauge the true number and percentage of children and youth who are placed in their home jurisdictions. In many instances, this understanding is critical to the development of sound recommendations for resource development.

### **Corrective Action**

Representatives of GOC and the State agencies supplying data for this report acknowledge that there are issues of accuracy, consistency and timely submission related to the data, accordingly GOC:

1. Met with the analyst from the Department of Legislative Services (DSL) to discuss this report and *the Joint Chairman’s Report on Out of Home Placements and Family Preservation*, the data needs for each, and consolidation of the two (2) reports into one (1) report. It was agreed that one comprehensive report will be submitted on December 1 of each year.
2. Convened a workgroup of state agency program and data staff (DHR, DJS, MHA, DDA, MHA, ADA, MSDE, and DBM) to determine a process to ensure that data submitted

for this report and *the Joint Chairman's Report on Out of Home Placements and Family Preservation* report is accurate, consistent, and timely.

3. After the workgroup meeting, GOC staff met with each Agency individually regarding data, the correlation of data dictionaries, corresponding data sets, clarification of data, and data fields. Each Agency, with the exception of ADAA, is developing standardized queries for the data collection.

### ***A Note on Language***

The language used to discuss children in out-of-home placements varies within and between Agencies. The four macro-placement categories are used to provide common terminology to be used across Agencies. The terms “children” and “youth,” however, are used fairly interchangeably throughout this document. Although both terms are appropriate to apply to individuals who have not reached the age of majority, colloquially, “youth” is used to refer to those individuals over the age of 15. Those Agencies serving a population consisting primarily of individuals ages 15 and above are more likely to have their population referred to as youth. In addition, the terms “single-day” and “one-day” and the terms “census” and “count” are also used interchangeably when referring to the survey that was conducted for the Plan.

## **Key Findings, What's Working and Recommendations**

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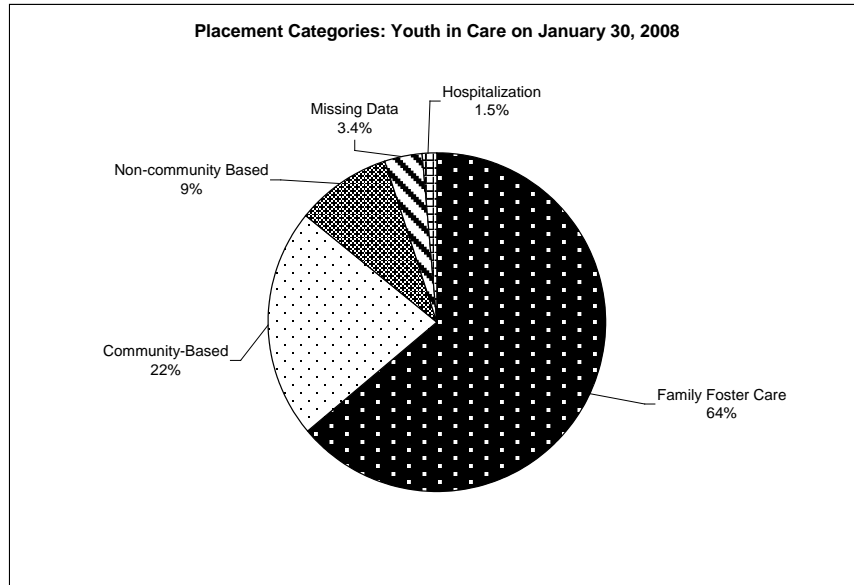
Information on each child was gathered by the placing or funding Agencies and submitted for inclusion in this report.

This report provides information on the number of children in particular categories of out-of-home placements, and analyzes them within the context of their home jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which they are placed, and the Agency that placed them or funded their placements. Below are some of the key findings, as well as the recommendations that have resulted from the analysis.

### ***Key Findings***

- There were 11,241 youth in placement on the single-day count: January 30, 2008.
- The highest percentages of youth were male (55%); Black or African American (70%); and adolescents between ages 13 and 17 (40%).
- “Transition-aged youth,” ages 18-21, constituted 16% of individuals in placement.
- Placement category data were available for 10,861 or 97% of the youth in placement on January 30, 2008; 380 cases had missing placement category data. Of those youth with data records, 64% were in Family Foster Care placements (including kinship and relative placements); 22% were in Community-based Residential placements (including Group Homes); 9% were placed in Non-community Based Residential placements; and 1.5% of

youth were in Hospitalization placements. The 380 youth for which placement category data were missing represents 3.4% of all case records.



**Figure 1: Placement Categories: Youth in Care on January 30, 2008**

- 31% of all youth in out-of-home placements were known to have been placed in their home jurisdictions. This excludes 23 youth for whom the jurisdiction of residence was unknown and 57 youth who were placed in Maryland, but reside outside of the State.
- 31% of youth in Family Foster Care were known to have been placed in their home jurisdictions. This excludes 15 children for whom the jurisdiction of residence was unknown, as well as three (3) youth who were placed in Maryland but reside outside of the State.
- 32% of Maryland youth in Community-Based Residential placements were known to have been placed in their home jurisdiction. This excludes five (5) youth for whom the jurisdiction of residence was unknown, as well as 15 youth who were placed in Maryland but reside outside of the State.
- There were 411 youth reported to be placed out-of-state; this represents 3.6% of total youth in all residential placements.
- On January 30, 2008, 5,896 children, or 52.5% of all children in all out-of-home residential placements, were from Baltimore City. All but 299 foster care beds in Baltimore City (out of a total of 2,024 filled on January 30, 2008) were filled with children from the City, yet only 39% of Baltimore City children in Family Foster Care placements were placed in the City. As was stated in the 2007 report, this points to a need in the City that far surpasses capacity. Many factors, including whether the type of bed required by a particular youth on any given day is available at that time, influence where City youth can be placed. These factors influence where children in other jurisdictions can be placed as well creating an ever-changing availability of bed space both within and outside of the City.
- Baltimore County accounts for only 8.6% of children in out-of-home placement in Maryland; however, 15.5% of all children in out-of-home placement were residing in

Baltimore County. Four additional counties – Allegany, Dorchester, Garrett and Washington – had a higher number of youth in out-of-home placements residing in their counties than the total number of children from their county who were in placement. Seventeen (17) of Maryland’s 24 jurisdictions have fewer than 10% of the children from their jurisdictions placed within their jurisdictions for all out-of-home placement categories combined. Among these 17 are eight (8) of the nine (9) counties of the Eastern Shore. Calvert, Somerset and Talbot counties had a reported 0% of children from their counties placed within their counties on the one-day census date. At 54%, Washington County reported the highest percentage of in-jurisdictional placement.

**What’s Working**

- The majority of the 11,241 youth in placement on January 30, 2008 (64%) are in a family-like setting (3% of data missing).
- Many youth are placed in their home jurisdictions or adjacent jurisdictions. Of the 8,069 Maryland youth for whom placement category, jurisdiction of residence and jurisdiction of placement were known, 5,272 or 65% were placed in either their home or adjacent jurisdictions in Maryland, leaving 2,797 children known to be placed in non-adjacent jurisdictions. It was not possible to determine whether another 2,722 state youth were placed in their own or adjacent Maryland jurisdictions and were unable to be included in the analysis of the data.
- Interagency collaboration has led to the identification of specific evidence-based practices that are being carefully tailored to meet Maryland’s needs.

Many of the recommendations from the 2007 State Resource Plan have been successfully addressed in the past 18 months. Table 2 lists the 2007 recommendations with corresponding actions taken through April, 2009.

2007 Recommendations	Actions Taken
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An emphasis should be on placing children and youth, including older youth and those with specialized needs, in family-like settings.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The continuation of DHR’s Place Matters Initiative emphasizes placing youth in family settings in a youth’s home jurisdiction whenever possible. Additionally, in FY08 DHR began limiting the placement of youth under age 13 in group care facilities except in certain circumstances. Through these two initiatives, DHR reports in FY08 that the number of youth placed in group homes has been reduced from 1900 to approximately 1300.</li> <li>• Place Matters has been included in the Maryland Child and Family Services Interagency Strategic Plan.</li> </ul>

<b>2007 Recommendations</b>	<b>Actions Taken</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When possible and appropriate, children should be given preference for placements within their home jurisdiction over children from other jurisdictions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The continuation of DHR’s Place Matters Initiative emphasizes placing youth in family settings in a youth’s home jurisdiction whenever possible. Additionally, in FY08 DHR began limiting the placement of youth under age 13 in group care facilities except in certain circumstances. Through these two initiatives, DHR reports in FY08 that the number of youth placed in group homes has been reduced from 1900 to approximately 1300.</li> <li>Place Matters has been included in the Maryland Child and Family Services Interagency Strategic Plan.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State should support DHR’s Place Matters initiative, which aims to: keep children in their communities; place children in family settings rather than group homes; minimize the length of stay in out-of-home care; reallocate DHR resources to provide more preservation services; and, manage with data to improve decision-making, oversight and accountability.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The continuation of DHR’s Place Matters Initiative emphasizes placing youth in family settings in a youth’s home jurisdiction whenever possible. Additionally, in FY08 DHR began limiting the placement of youth under age 13 in group care facilities except in certain circumstances. Through these two initiatives, DHR reports in FY08 that the number of youth placed in group homes has been reduced from 1900 to approximately 1300.</li> <li>Place Matters has been included in the Maryland Child and Family Services Interagency Strategic Plan.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agencies should examine their practices to ensure that families and youth are seen as full partners in the service delivery process, including the identification of residential placements, when possible.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Families whose children are served in the wraparound projects participate in family team decision-making. Jurisdictions other than the wrap sites have also begun to use this model.</li> <li>Additionally, DHR has identified a Family Centered Practice model to be used by local departments of social services. All LDSS are currently conducting some family involvement meetings and some utilize them in their daily practices. Development of this model has been included in the Maryland Child and Family Services Interagency Strategic Plan.</li> </ul>

2007 Recommendations	Actions Taken
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child-Serving Agencies should continue engaging with care coordinators in the four current “wraparound pilot site” projects (in Baltimore City, Montgomery County, St. Mary’s County and Wicomico County), as well as with new pilot site projects, enhancing their involvement to include active participation in and support of the child and family teams, in order to ensure greater success while providing more support for the child and family.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In FY08, the State continued to support high fidelity Wraparound and this model was expanded into Wicomico County. Baltimore and Washington Counties have been identified as the next jurisdictions for wrap expansion.</li> <li>Additionally, the State applied for and received approval for an RTC Waiver which will be implemented initially in the wrap jurisdictions to serve youth in their homes and communities instead of RTCs.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State should implement the recommendations of the Ready by 21™ Action Agenda (Transition-Aged Youth Action Plan), developed by representatives of the Child-Serving Agencies and broad stakeholder membership, to ensure adequate services and resources for youth in out-of-home placement and those aging out of care.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Action Agenda has been adopted by the Children’s Cabinet and will serve as the framework for the GOC and Children’s Cabinet Agencies in their efforts on behalf of these youth.</li> <li>An agreement between DHR and the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR) has been signed to provide additional resources for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipient youth to receive support services and training within the Workforce Investment Act system (at the local level). DLLR and the Children’s Cabinet are working to coordinate and align the Maryland Ready By 21™ efforts with the U.S. Department of Labor’s Shared Youth Vision. Maryland was selected to present at the Workforce Innovation pre-conference as a best practice model for increasing collaborations and alignment of goals of Children’s Cabinet and the State’s Shared Youth Vision team.</li> </ul>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State should evaluate the feasibility of expanding community-based services, such as respite care and wraparound, as well as evidence-based practices such as Functional Family Therapy, Multi-Systemic Therapy, and Brief Strategic Family Therapy.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In FY08, the State made great strides toward expanding community-based services and evidence-based practices. This year, GOC awarded \$2.3 million to 13 jurisdictions for the development of community-based services. Projects funded included respite care, Multi-Systemic Therapy (MST) and Functional Family Therapy (FFT).</li> <li>The Children’s Cabinet awarded Innovations Institute a contract to become a statewide training and technical support staff for MST, FFT, and Multi-Dimensional Treatment Foster Care (MDTFC). In April, 2009, the Children’s Cabinet issued an RFP to expand care management entities to all 24 jurisdictions.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State should support DJS’s strategic plan, particularly as it relates to reducing reliance on out-of-state placements, including expanding residential treatment programs, ensuring cultural competence, promoting greater family involvement, and improving assessments and treatment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Children’s Cabinet agencies, as well as a broad stakeholder group, were involved in the development of the <i>Maryland Child and Family Services Interagency Strategic Plan</i>. One of the major themes of the plan is “Family and Youth Partnerships.” Two major themes are “Access to Care and Opportunities” and “Continuum of Opportunities, Supports and Care,” which focuses on improving access to care as well as ensuring an adequate array of services to meet the needs of youth and their families. The emphasis is on community-based care rather than residential services.</li> </ul>



2007 Recommendations	Actions Taken
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The State should recruit additional high quality family foster care providers, for both regular and treatment foster care, consistent with DHR’s Recruitment Plan, recommendations from members of the Maryland Foster Parent Association, and strategies from the Place Matters initiative.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DHR implemented an initiative called “1000 by 10” that aims to recruit 1000 new foster homes statewide by 2010.</li> <li>• According to December 2008 StateStat data, there were 3,077 approved public homes during the month of November, 2008. This represents an increase of 243 homes since the roll-out of the 1000 by 10 plan. The percentage of children served in family settings has increased from 68% to 71%. The percentage of children served in group homes has decreased to 14%.</li> <li>• DHR has: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Hired an Ombudsman that reports directly to the Secretary to handle foster parent concerns;</li> <li>▪ Implemented Exit Surveys of former foster parents and ongoing satisfaction surveys for current foster parents;</li> <li>▪ Developed a program that provides a cash incentive to foster parents who recruit new foster parents;</li> <li>▪ Implemented a new day care policy for foster children living in public family homes for children from newborns to five years old all year and for children up to 12 years old during the summer;</li> <li>▪ Partnered with the Casey Strategic Consulting Group to bring national experts and completed statewide targeted recruitment training to all local department recruitment staff;</li> <li>▪ Developed local recruitment plans by each local DSS; and</li> <li>▪ In coordination with MHA, developing and implementing mobile crisis services for foster and kinship care homes. Funding is in place and the first 14 counties are currently implementing the new service.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support should be provided to the ongoing efforts in the State to implement an effective evidence-based practice model of treatment foster care; the recommendations from the report by the Evidence-Based Practices Subcommittee of the State of Maryland's Blueprint for Children's Mental Health Committee (<i>Prioritizing Evidence Based Practices for Children's Mental Health</i>) should be implemented to improve the quality of care that is received by children in out-of-home placements and to reduce additional out-of-home placements when possible.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Montgomery and Baltimore counties are in the process of initiating Multi-Dimensional Treatment Foster Care in their jurisdictions.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State should continue to encourage new group home providers to serve youth who are more difficult to serve, including those youth who more frequently go out-of-state. The group homes that are developed should continue to meet regionally identified needs, including serving sibling groups, older adolescents, children with severe mental health and behavioral needs, children who are aggressive, fire-setters, or sex offenders, and children with developmental disabilities, in particular those with a significant secondary diagnosis (<i>e.g.</i>, mental illness, autism).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In keeping with the DHR Place Matters initiative, the decreased reliance on group care, the increased emphasis on community-based services and on evidenced-based practices, the State moved away from the development of new group homes in FY08. Senate Bill 782 created a process that permits the development of new group homes licensed by DHR and DJS only when the department(s) issues a statement of need for specific residential services to a specific population in a specific jurisdiction.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State should continue to encourage only thoughtful and selective growth of group homes in Central Maryland in order to realign capacity versus need from one jurisdiction to another.</li> <li>The State should continue to encourage the selective development of group homes on the Eastern Shore and Southern Maryland, particularly in those areas that are having extensive difficulty in recruiting family foster parents and/or that are placing children into group homes in Central and Western Maryland, far from their homes and communities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In keeping with the DHR Place Matters initiative, the decreased reliance on group care, the increased emphasis on community-based services and on evidenced-based practices, the State moved away from the development of new group homes in FY08. Senate Bill 782 created a process that permits the development of new group homes licensed by DHR and DJS only when the department(s) issues a statement of need for specific residential services to a specific population in a specific jurisdiction.</li> </ul>

2007 Recommendations	Actions Taken
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State should continue to explore where the required “facility for children” will be placed for youth deemed incompetent to stand trial but needing competency attainment services in this facility.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>During FY08, the Human Services Attorney Workgroup made considerable progress toward writing the regulations for the Facility for Children.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State should evaluate the possibility of changing regulations which prevent the licensing of residential treatment centers (RTC) to serve youth over the age of 18. Youth with Individualized Education Programs should be able to complete their education in a consistent manner. Medicaid (Maryland Medical Assistance) is able to fund these placements for youth over the age of 18 and currently funds these placements for youth in out-of-state RTCs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The regulations that prohibit RTCs from serving youth over the age of 18 apply only to the Regional Institutes for Children and Adolescents (RICA), which are publicly operated facilities. Privately operated RTCs are able to serve youth up to age of 21 and the State has engaged several of them in discussions about serving the older population.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State should continue to evaluate current residential treatment center and RICA utilization, in conjunction with out-of-state data and projections of impact if regulations are changed to admit youth over the age of 18 in residential treatment centers. Depending on the findings, the State should consider converting part or all of a facility to serve underserved populations, such as youth over 18 and youth with specialized needs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At the close of FY07, RICA Southern Maryland was closed as the result of underutilization. During FY08, the State conducted ongoing assessments of the need for RTC beds, both public and private.</li> </ul>

**Table 2: Updates to Recommendations from 2007 State Resource Plan**

***FY08 Recommendations for Improving Out-of-Home Placements***

In addition to supporting the continuation of progress made in implementing the recommendations from the 2007 State Resource Plan as outlined in Table 2, the following recommendations are added or emphasized in 2008:

- Because of their shared purpose and overlapping data collection requests, the State Resource Plan on Out-of-Home Placements and the Joint Chairman’s Report on Out-of-Home Placements and Family Preservation should be combined into one document, satisfying the reporting requirements of both mandates. The combined report should be due on a single date in December of each year.
- The State Agencies and Administrations responsible for placing or funding children in out-of-home placements should ensure that front-line data collection is consistent with reporting requirements as outlined in Maryland Annotated Code, Human Services Article, §8-703 and Joint Chairmen’s Report – Operating Budget and submitted accurately and in a timely fashion.

- Maryland Annotated Code, Human Services Article, §8-703, Item (d)(2)(vi) would require the individual review of over 11,000 plans of care for every child in placement and should be deleted from the reporting requirements.
- There should be a renewed emphasis on placing children and youth, including older youth and those with specialized needs, in family-like settings.
- The State should encourage private RTCs to develop the capacity to serve within existing bed capacity those youth who are going out-of-state, especially those over the age of 21.
- The State should intensify its efforts to ensure that youth are placed out-of-state only as a last resort. A comprehensive profile of youth who are placed out-of-state and the services they need should be developed and providers should be engaged to develop in-state resources to serve these youth.
- Because of the many youth from Baltimore City who are placed out-of-home across categories of care – Family Foster Care, Community-based Residential and Non-community Based Residential – the State should support additional resource development to meet the needs of City youth, enabling them to remain in their home jurisdiction.
- The State should define the minimum continuum of care, including both promising practices and evidence based practices, which should be available in every community, jurisdiction or region.
- The State should continue to support a statewide system of regional Care Management Entities (CME) for the provision of Community Services Initiative, Rehab Option and Wrap Maryland services funded through the Children’s Cabinet Interagency Fund. These CMEs will also serve populations of youth eligible for services under the RTC Waiver, the MD CARES System of Care grant, and specific youth who are diverted from DJS out-of-home placements or DHR group home placements. With the RFP issued in April, 2009, the Children’s Cabinet intends to bring intensive care management and high fidelity Wraparound to jurisdictions statewide for the above populations.

## **Summary Data: State of Maryland**

There were 11,241 children and youth in out-of-home placement in the single-day count on January 30, 2008. Of those children, 9,633 (85.7%) were placed by the Department of Human Resources (DHR); 889 (7.9%) were placed by the Department of Juvenile Services (DJS); 48 (0.4%) were funded by the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE); 381 (3.4%) were placed by the Mental Hygiene Administration (MHA); 53 (0.5%) were placed by the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration (ADAA); and 237 (2.1%) were placed by the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA).

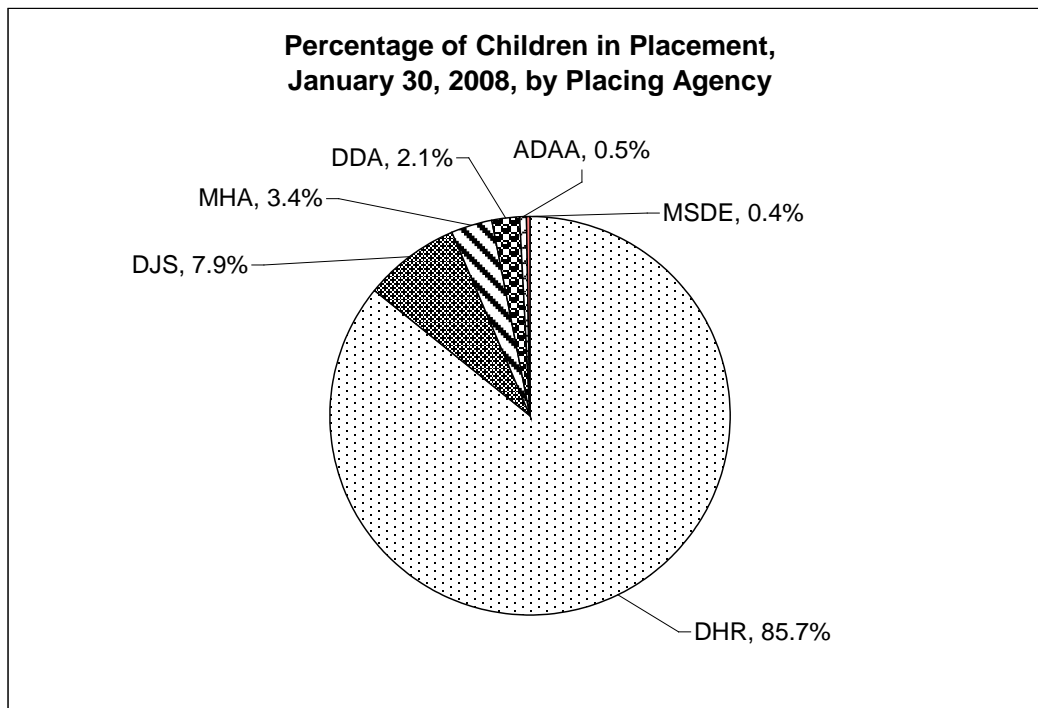


Figure 2: Percentage of Children in Placement, January 30, 2008, by placing agency

### **Considerations**

#### Youth Involved with More than One Agency

While the benefit of a one-day count is to eliminate as much duplication as possible, there were still 436 youth who were identified in multiple agency datasets. These youth were identified and counted only one time within this report. This indicates significant state and local agency involvement and is important to note for three primary reasons. First, it suggests the expenditure of considerable time and resources on behalf of a given child, particularly with respect to human resources (such as casework and court time). Second, it means that there are more individuals involved in the lives of those youth and their families as well as additional mandates to follow and requirements to which the families must adhere, which has the potential to complicate the achievement of individual service plan goals. Third, it emphasizes the importance of interagency collaboration and the work of the Children’s Cabinet to advance Maryland’s systems of care to ensure that all children, regardless of agency involvement, are able to successfully navigate the systems and receive the necessary services and supports for child well-being. Table 3 provides, by placing agency, the number of children identified in multiple datasets. The first agency listed is the custodial agency. In instances where there were conflicts in the data submitted by two or more agencies involved with a given child, the data provided by the custodial agency was used.

<i>Multiple Agency Involvement</i>	
<b>Agencies</b>	<b># of youth</b>
DHR & MHA	269
DHR & MSDE	25
DHR & DDA	6
DHR & DJS	27
DHR & MHA & MSDE	3
DHR & MHA & DJS	3
DJS & MHA	99
DJS & MSDE	2
DJS & MHA & MSDE	1
MSDE & MHA	1
Total	436

**Table 3: Multiple Agency Involvement**

Table 3 does not include the entire universe of children who are served by more than one agency. ADAA did not report information that would have enabled duplicates to be identified. Accordingly, it is unclear whether any of the 53 youth placed by that Agency were also reported by another agency. These figures do not include those youth that may be formally or informally involved with one of the Child-Serving Agencies but not placed out-of-home by the Agency. For example, youth may be part of families receiving in-home family services from the local Department of Social Services or may be receiving Temporary Cash Assistance or housing assistance. Additionally, it is presumed that the majority of the youth, particularly if they are under the age of 18, are involved with the local school systems.

#### Agency-Specific Considerations

##### Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration (ADAA)

Unlike other agencies, the youth included in the ADAA placement count may include youth who are not in the care and custody of the State of Maryland. Some of the youth may be self-placed into the facilities or placed by their parents/guardians, with payment coming from private insurance or out-of-pocket funds. Since ADAA did not provide placement type information for the 53 youth placed by their Agency, it is difficult to analyze whether the children in these placements were in a category for which there is a need for more or less capacity.

##### Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA)

The DDA reported a total of 237 youth placed on January 30, 2008, in four placement types that fell into two macro-placement categories. The majority of these youth were placed in Alternative Living Units, a Community-based Residential placement. The type of placement was not identified for 133 records. Therefore, it is difficult to analyze whether the children in these placements were in a category for which there is a need for more or less capacity.

<i>DDA Placement Type</i>		<i>Macro-Placement Category</i>
Alternative Living Units	77	Community-Based Residential Placement
Individual Family Care	8	Family Foster Care
Residential Group Home	12	Community-Based Residential Placement
Treatment Foster Care (private)	7	Family Foster Care
Data Missing	133	
TOTAL	237	

**Table 4: DDA Placement Types**

Department of Human Resources (DHR)

DHR reported a total of 9,633 youth in placement on January 30, 2008. These youth fell into 27 different placement types within the four macro-placement categories. However, 182 children did not have an identified placement type. While this represents a small percentage of DHR's total number of children, it is difficult to analyze whether the 182 children in these placements were in a placement category for which there is a need for more or less capacity.

<i>DHR Placement Type</i>		<i>Macro-Placement Category</i>
Adoptive Home	7	Family Foster Care
Alternative Living Unit	72	Community-Based Residential Placement
ASAM Level III	2	Non-Community Based Residential Placement
Child Placement Agency	8	Family Foster Care
College	1	Other
Correctional	1	Non-Community Based Residential Placement
Diagnostic Evaluation Treatment Program	87	Community-Based Residential Placement
DJS Committed Program	4	Non-Community Based Residential Placement
DJS Detention Facility	7	Non-Community Based Residential Placement
Emergency Foster Home Care	93	Family Foster Care
Emergency Group Shelter Care	66	Community-Based Residential Placement
Formal Kinship Care	1,417	Family Foster Care
Hospitalization	3	Hospitalization
Independent Living Residential Program	225	Family Foster Care (1); Community-Based Residential Placement
Individual Family Care	9	Family Foster Care
Intermediate Foster Care	117	Family Foster Care
Pre-finalized Adoptive Home with Subsidy	235	Family Foster Care
Psychiatric Hospitalization	17	Hospitalization
Psychiatric Respite	41	Community-Based Residential Placement
Regular Foster Care	1,565	Family Foster Care
Residential Group Home	1374	Family Foster Care (1); Community-Based Residential Placement
Residential Treatment Center	304	Non-Community Based Residential Placement
Restricted Relative Foster Care	1,346	Family Foster Care
Therapeutic Group Home	130	Community-Based Residential Placement
Treatment Foster Care	90	Family Foster Care
Treatment Foster Care (private)	2,228	Family Foster Care
Trial Home Visit	2	Family Foster Care
Data Missing	182	
TOTAL	9,633	

**Table 5: DHR Placement Types**

### Department of Juvenile Services (DJS)

As with DHR, DJS reported many different placement types that needed to be translated into one of the macro-placement categories. DJS has multiple methods for classifying its placement facilities, based on licensing classification, level of security, and children’s characteristics. Table 6 provides the number of youth in each placement category, followed by the translation to one of the macro-placement categories. All youth but two (2) from the DJS dataset, the records for whom had missing placement type data, were included in the analysis.

<i>DJS Placement Type</i>		<i>Macro-Placement Category</i>
Alternative Living Unit	4	Community-Based Residential Placement
American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Treatment Facility Level III	51	Hospitalization(4); Non-Community Based Residential
ASAM Treatment Facility Level VII	18	Hospitalization
Diagnostic Evaluation Treatment Program	3	Community-Based Residential Placement
DJS Committed Program	253	Non-Community Based Residential Placement
Independent Living Residential Program	8	Community-Based Residential Placement
Psychiatric Hospitalization	8	Hospitalization
Regular Foster Care	4	Family Foster Care
Residential Group Home	306	Community-Based Residential Placement
Residential Treatment Center	154	Non-Community Based Residential Placement
Therapeutic Group Home	28	Community-Based Residential Placement
Treatment Foster Care (private)	50	Family Foster Care
Data Missing	2	
TOTAL	889	

**Table 6: DJS Placement Types**

### Mental Hygiene Administration (MHA)

MHA was the placing agency for 381 youth on January 30, 2008. These youth were either hospitalized or placed in a Residential Treatment Center (RTC). All 381 youth had placement data available.

<i>MHA Placement Type</i>		<i>Macro-Placement Category</i>
Hospitalization	23	Hospitalization
Psychiatric Hospitalization	94	Hospitalization
Residential Treatment Center	264	Non-Community Based Residential Placement
Data Missing	0	
TOTAL	381	

**Table 7: MHA Placement Types**



Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE)

Local School Systems placed 48 youth on January 30, 2008, which were funded, at least in part, by MSDE. These youth were placed either in a Residential Group Home or Residential Treatment Center. Data on all but one youth were provided.

<i>MSDE Placement Type</i>		<i>Macro-Placement Category</i>
Residential Group Home	35	Community-Based Residential Placement
Residential Treatment Center	12	Non-Community Based Residential placement
Data Missing	1	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48</b>	

**Table 8: MSDE Placement Types**

### ***Demographic Information***

The majority of children in care on January 30, 2008 were male, African American and with the largest percentage (40%) between ages 13 and 17. The youngest child in care was newborn on January 30, 2008 and the oldest youth in care was 24.5 years of age.

Gender of children in care - Of all of the Agencies, DHR had the most equal split between males and females in placement, but all Agencies have more males in placement than females.

<i>Gender of Children, by Agency</i>							
	ADAA	DDA	DHR	DJS	MHA	MSDE	ALL AGENCIES
Male	45	94	5,018	758	259	33	6,207 (55%)
Female	8	50	4,615	131	122	15	4,941 (44%)
Data Unavailable	---	93	---	---	---	---	93 (1%)

**Table 9: All Agencies: Gender of Children in Care**

Age of children in care - As illustrated in Table 10 below, on January 30, 2008 the range of ages of children in care spanned from newborn to youth in their twenties. This variation was greatly dependent on the Agency providing services.

Children can continue to receive services from DHR through their 21<sup>st</sup> birthday, as long as they agree to continue to receive services and are engaged in school, work, or vocational educational programs. Children may remain in DJS custody through age 21 as well, at the discretion of the judge and master involved in the case. DDA will maintain involvement with youth up until their 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday, while MSDE/LSS-funded students, when appropriate, may complete the school year in which they turn 21. MHA services provided through medical assistance are available to all individuals who meet medical necessity criteria.

	Age						
	ADAA	DDA	DHR <sup>3</sup>	DJS	MHA	MSDE	ALL AGENCIES
Oldest	18.91	23.56	24.72	20.44	22.07	21.27	24.72
Youngest	13.64	14.52	0.003	12.45	6.12	9.26	0.003
Mean	16.78	22.01	11.90	16.77	15.45	17.39	12.66
Median	16.86	22.19	13.53	16.93	15.78	17.92	14.63
Standard Deviation	1.14	1.17	6.09	1.27	3.16	2.81	6.04

For all agencies, n=11,240; one birth date was not included in the count (see footnote 3). All ages were calculated as of January 30, 2008.

**Table 10: All Agencies: Age of Children in Care**

The average age of children in care was 12.7 years old. The average age for Agencies other than DHR, however, is higher than this average, with most youth served by Agencies other than DHR in their adolescence or, as in the case of DDA, in their early 20s. Most of the youth served by the State are receiving independent living skills (offered to youth over age 14) in preparation for adulthood. A minority of these youth - approximately 16%, or 1,837 - also fall into the category of “transition-aged youth,” those aged 18-21 who are moving from adolescence to adulthood and, for many of the youth in the care of the Child-Serving Agencies, moving from out-of-home placement to living on their own.

Race of children in care - The table below provides a breakdown of children in placement, by race and by placing Agency.

Race	TOTAL	Race of Children, by Agency						
		ADAA	DDA	DJS	DHR		MHA	MSDE
					Baltimore City	Rest of State		
American Indian/Alaskan Native	22 (0.2%)	---	---	1	16	5	---	---
Asian	46 (0.4%)	1	4	3	14	22	1	1
Black or African American	7,880 (70.1%)	10	39	564	4,439	2,672	144	14
Hispanic/Latino <sup>4</sup>	58 (0.5%)	---	---	48	---	---	8	2
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	7 (0.1%)	---	---	1	2	4	---	---
White	2,681 (23.9%)	38	30	269	1,043	1,136	132	33
Bi-racial/Multiple Races Identified	1 (0.01%)	1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	3 (0.03%)	3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Data Unavailable <sup>5</sup>	543 (4.8%)	---	164	3	123	162	96	---
Total	11,241	53	237	889	5,637	4,001	381	50

<sup>3</sup> One youth with a birth year of 1973 was not counted; data was well outside the normal range (outlier) or was incorrectly reported.

<sup>4</sup> Although “Hispanic/Latino” is not considered to be a race by the U.S. Census Bureau, but rather an ethnicity, some agencies captured it as a race.

<sup>5</sup> “Data Unavailable” includes 434 with no data entered; 20 unknown ; and 89 “Unable to Determine”

**Table 11: All Agencies: Race of Children in Care**

Only DHR data were broken down into data from Baltimore City and data from the rest of the State. Since DHR data represent over 86% of the youth in placement, this single jurisdiction - Baltimore City - was isolated due to the significant number of children in placement. In examining the other 23 jurisdictions combined, 67% of children were African American, 28% were white, and the race was unknown for approximately 4% of youth. The remaining 1% was composed of individuals who are American Indian/Alaskan Native, Asian or Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander. Seventy-nine percent (79%) of Baltimore City youth placed by DHR were African American, 19% of youth were white, over 2% were unknown or unreported and the remaining 0.5% of youth were American Indian/Alaskan Native or Asian.

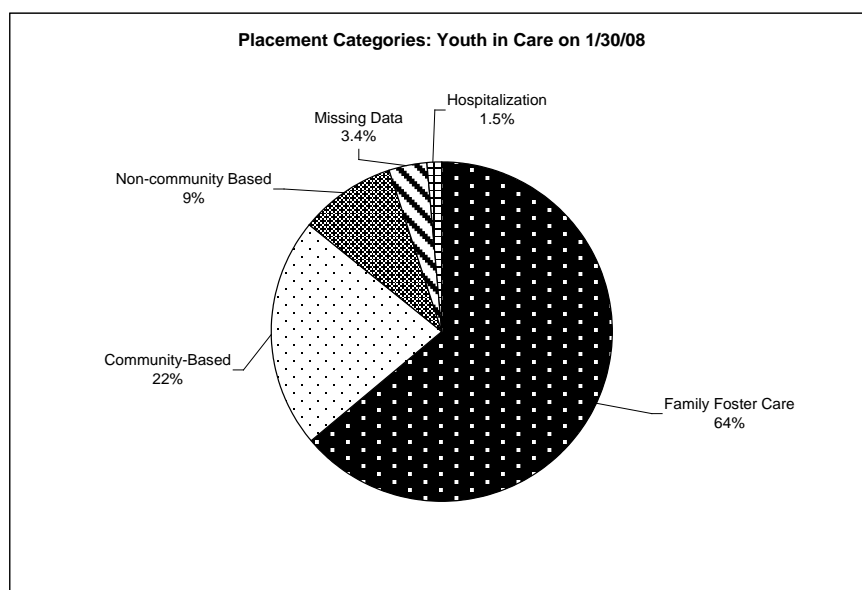
Youth from Other States Placed by Maryland - There were 57 youth from other states that were placed by Maryland Agencies. They may come into the care and custody of State agencies through a number of channels, for example by committing offending behavior while visiting the State (DJS). These youth are included in this dataset because they represent beds that are filled on the one-day count and should be accounted for in identifying the resource needs in the State. The table that follows is a breakdown of the states of origin of these youth that were placed by Maryland Agencies. While ADAA, DJS, and MHA placed youth from other states, the remaining Agencies either did not place youth from others states or did not capture the data in such a way as to identify the youth as being from other states.

Home State of Children Placed by Maryland Agencies	<i>Out-of-State (n=57)</i>		
	Placing Agency		
	ADAA	DJS	MHA
Connecticut	0	1	0
District of Columbia	0	24	0
Delaware	0	6	0
Florida	0	1	0
Georgia	0	1	1
Hawaii	0	1	0
New York	0	1	0
North Carolina	0	2	0
Ohio	0	1	0
Pennsylvania	0	7	2
South Carolina	0	1	0
Virginia	0	3	2
West Virginia	1	1	0
Other—unspecified	0	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>6</b>

**Table 12: # Youth from Other States Placed in Maryland**

## Placement Type and Category

As can be seen in the graph (Figure 3) and Table 13 below, the majority of children in out-of-home placement were in Family Foster Care (64%). Of those children, just under one-third (31%) were in their home jurisdiction. Likewise, across all categories combined, 31% of all children were placed in their home jurisdiction. As is to be expected, as the placement category becomes more restrictive and less community-based, the number of youth in that placement category declines, as does the number of youth in their home jurisdiction. While the goal may be to have all or nearly all children in Family Foster Care placements in their home jurisdiction, it is not to be expected that all children in Non-community Based Residential and Hospitalization placements will be in their home jurisdictions. While there is a commitment in Maryland to a full continuum of services within a system of care, there must also be an economy of scale, with the most restrictive and less frequently utilized placements being available on a regional or even statewide basis, rather than a jurisdictional basis.



**Figure 3: Placement Categories**

<i>Placement Type</i>	<i># (%)*</i>	<i># (%) in Home Jurisdiction*</i>
Family Foster Care	7,188 (63.9%)	2,242 (31.3% of 7,170)
Community Based	2,465 (21.9%)	772 (31.6% of 2,445)
Non-Community Based	1,041 (9.3%)	238 (23.7% of 1,004)
Hospitalization	167 (1.5%)	39 (23.9% of 163)
Missing Placement Category	380 (3.4%)	
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,241</b>	<b>3,291(30.5% of 10,782)*</b>

\*Excludes data on youth who reside outside of the State (57), cases with jurisdiction of residence listed as “unknown” (23) and the missing macro-placement category” data (380)

**Table 13: # and % of youth in each placement type and in home jurisdiction**

### ❖ **Excluding all Unknown Data**

If all cases for all placements with unknown data, including youth from outside of the State, are excluded, the number of Maryland children in identifiable placement categories and jurisdictions of placement is 8,069. Of these, 3,291 children are known to be placed in their home jurisdictions (41%), and 59% are in placements away from their jurisdiction of residence.

### ❖ **Maryland Youth Placed Out-of-State**

Of the 11,161 youth who were known to be from Maryland jurisdictions, 402 or 3.6% were placed out-of-state on the census day. Nine (9) youth that have residences outside of the State were placed in out-of-state facilities by a Maryland Agency as well.

### ***All Out-of-Home Placements by All Agencies***

Table 14 (following page) provides an overview of the number of youth in placement in the single-day count, by jurisdiction, and where each youth was placed. The first column provides the number of youth from the home jurisdiction that were in a placement in the single day count. The second column provides the percentage that number represents with regard to the total number of youth in placement on that date, statewide. The columns that follow provide the name of the jurisdiction where the youth was placed. The rows at the bottom of the table provide the percentage of children who were from the jurisdiction and placed in that jurisdiction. The final row provides the percentage of children who were placed in that jurisdiction, out of the total number of children placed on that date, statewide.



As can be seen from Table 14, Baltimore City had the overwhelming majority of children in out-of-home placement, both in comparison to other jurisdictions and as a numerical majority. Of all of the children placed outside of their homes, statewide, 53% were from Baltimore City; the jurisdiction with the next greatest percentage of children in out-of-home placement was Baltimore County at 8.6%. In fact, with the exception of Prince George’s County (6.8%) and Montgomery County (6.6%), the remaining jurisdictions each accounted for 3% or less of all of the children in out-of-home placements.

In Baltimore City, 36.9% of City children were placed in their home jurisdiction. A slightly higher percentage of children from Baltimore County, 43.8%, were placed in their home jurisdiction. Only one jurisdiction, Washington County, had greater than one-half of its children placed in its own county (54.5%). There were three jurisdictions – Calvert, Somerset and Talbot counties – where data indicated that 0% of children *from* those jurisdictions were placed *within* those jurisdictions.

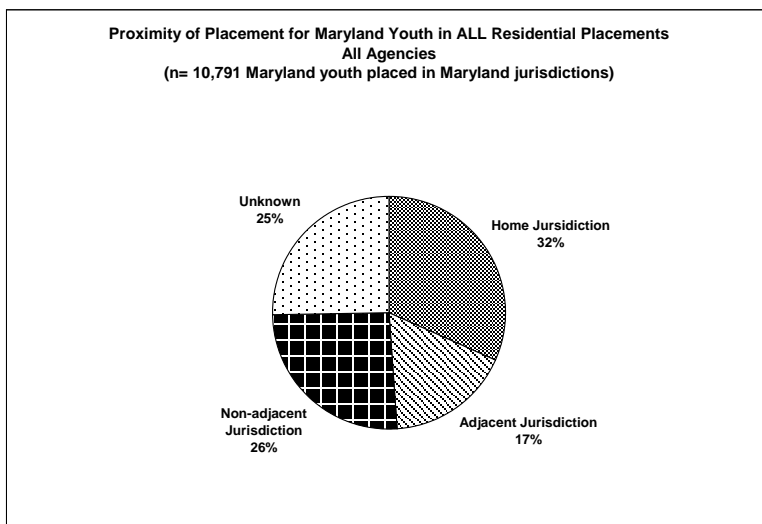


Figure 4: Proximity of Placement, All Residential Placements, All Agencies

Nineteen (19) of the State’s 24 jurisdictions, according to data, had fewer youth *placed in* their jurisdictions on January 30, 2008, than they had youth *from* their jurisdictions in placement on that day. For example, Prince George’s County had the third greatest number of children in placement (761) or 6.8% of all Maryland’s children, yet only 5.4% of *all* children in the State were placed in that jurisdiction; 31.3% of Prince George’s children were placed in Prince George’s County, itself. This indicates that the county, and many others, has fewer placements available in proportion to the number of children residing in their jurisdictions who are in need of placement.

From the opposite perspective, in only five (5) jurisdictions – Allegany, Baltimore County, Dorchester, Garrett and Washington counties – was there evidence of a greater capacity to serve children than there was a local demand on the census day; yet Allegany, Dorchester and Garrett had at or under 10% of those beds filled by youth from their own jurisdictions. Baltimore County had 8.6% of the State’s total number of children in out-of-home placements, but received

15.5% of the State's children in out-of-home placements. With only 43.8% of Baltimore County children placed in their home jurisdiction, it is clear that the capacity in the county is sufficient to serve far more Baltimore County children. The beds were being used by children from other jurisdictions, however, which displaced Baltimore County children into other jurisdictions. While most of the beds were being used by children from Baltimore City (957 beds), there were children from *each jurisdiction* in the State placed in Baltimore County. Only Baltimore City had youth from every other jurisdiction in the State placed within its borders.

## Key Findings for All Placements

- Nineteen (19) of the State's 24 jurisdictions, according to submitted data, had fewer youth *placed in* their jurisdictions on January 30, 2008, than they had youth *from* their jurisdictions in placement on that day. This indicates that the counties have fewer placements available in relation to the number of children residing in their jurisdictions in need of placement.
- In only five (5) jurisdictions – Allegany, Baltimore County, Dorchester, Garrett and Washington counties – was there evidence of a greater capacity to serve children than there was a local demand on the census day; yet Allegany, Dorchester and Garrett had at or over 90% of their own youth placed in other jurisdictions.
- Only one jurisdiction, Washington County, had greater than one-half of its children placed in its own county (54.5%). There were three jurisdictions – Calvert, Somerset and Talbot counties – where data indicate that 0% of children *from* those jurisdictions were placed *within* those jurisdictions.
- Of the 11,161 youth who were known to be from Maryland jurisdictions, 402 or 3.6% were placed out-of-state on the census day.

The sections that follow will provide a more detailed analysis of the placement data at the macro-placement category level - Family Foster Care, Community-based Residential placements, Non-community Based Residential placements, and Hospitalization. This will allow for a more reasoned approach to the analysis and recommendations, as it will examine the placements within the context of the placement structure and category.

### **Family Foster Care**

There were 7,188 children in Family Foster Care placements on the one-day count. This includes children in kinship care and other relative placements (formal and informal); regular foster care, Treatment Foster Care, as well as Adoptive and Pre-adoptive homes. Excluding youth who reside outside of the State (3) and those for whom the jurisdiction of residence was “unknown” (15), 31.3% or 2,242 youth of those placed in Family Foster Care were placed in their home jurisdictions. It is especially important in the discussion of Family Foster Care placements to keep in mind that in 33% of cases, the jurisdiction of placement was classified as “unknown.”



Children were placed into Family Foster Care by DDA, DHR, and DJS. Figure 5 provides a visual representation of the number of children in Family Foster Care placements by placing agency.

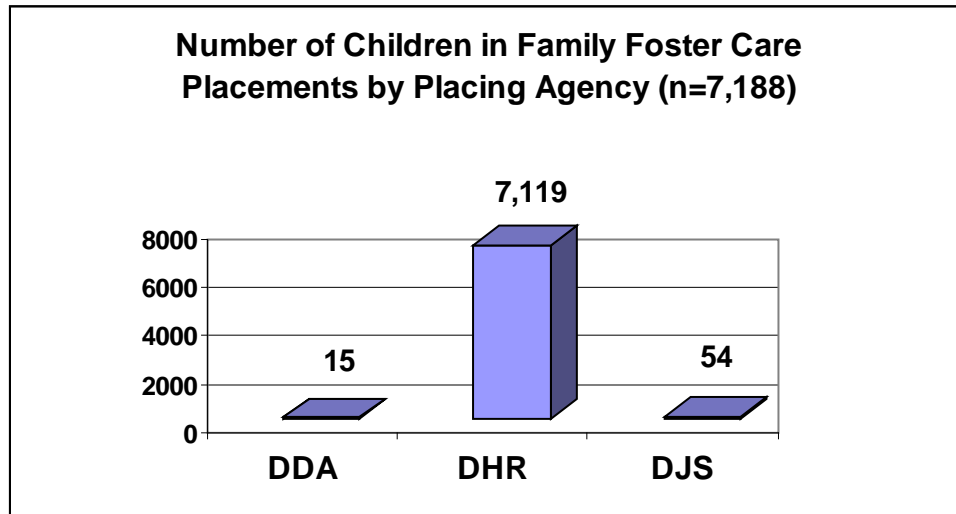


Figure 5: Number of Children in Family Foster Care placements by placing agency

As can be seen from Figure 5, 99% of all Family Foster Care placements are made by DHR and the local Departments of Social Services. Both DJS (0.8%) and DDA (0.2%) place less than 1%.

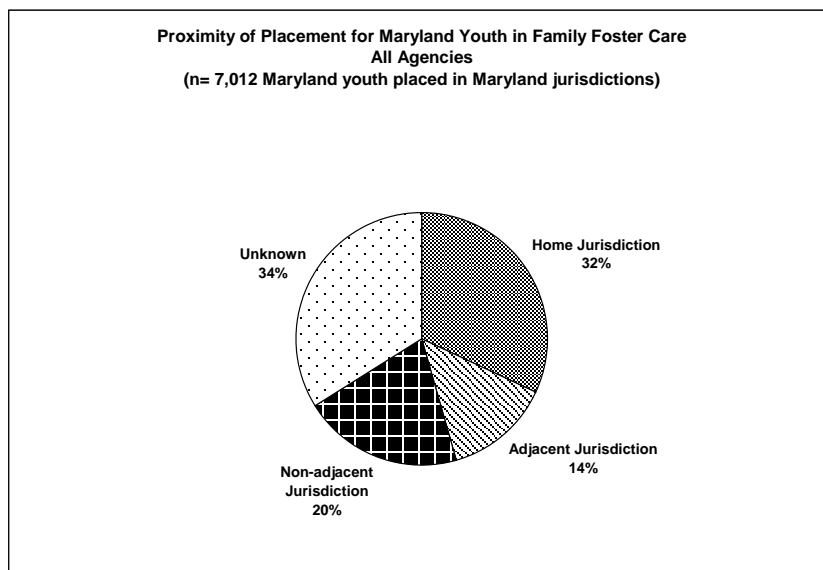
Children from Baltimore City represented 61% of all Maryland children in Family Foster Care placements, and 39% of Baltimore City children were placed in their home jurisdiction. While 39% is the third best in-jurisdiction rate in the State compared to other jurisdictions (see Table 15), these numbers mean that 2,655 Baltimore City youth required placement in other jurisdictions. In other words, 1,725 of the 2,024 family foster care beds in Baltimore City filled on January 30, 2008 were occupied by City youth, yet over 2,600 youth still required placements outside of Baltimore City.

Table 15 (following page) provides an overview of the number of youth in placement in the single-day count, by jurisdiction, and where each youth was placed. The first column provides the number of youth from the home jurisdiction that was in a placement in the single day count. The second column provides the percentage that number represents with regard to the total number of youth in placement on that date, statewide. The columns that follow provide the name of the jurisdiction where the youth was placed. The rows at the bottom of the table provide the percentage of children who were from the jurisdiction and placed in that jurisdiction. The final row provides the percentage of children who were placed in that jurisdiction, out of the total number of children placed on that date, statewide.

Home Jurisdiction of Children in Placements	# children from jurisdiction in placement	% children statewide in FFC placements from jurisdiction	All Agencies, Family Foster Care Placements (All Types)																				OOS Not Adjacent	OOS Unknown Adjacent	Jurisdiction Unknown						
			Jurisdiction Where Children Were Placed																												
			Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Baltimore City	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	Somerset	St. Mary's				Talbot	Washington	Wicomico	Worcester	OOS Adjacent	
Allegany	92	1.3%	3			54																				1	2		17		
Anne Arundel	159	2.2%	2	1	18	61				1	1	1	3		10				1	4								1	48		
Baltimore	482	6.7%	3	7	138	51		1	1	11	3		4	1	5	6	5	25	4	1		2		2	2		2	5	1	202	
Baltimore City	4380	60.9%	57	150	491	1725	29	36	48	84	60	1	12	3	21	13	1	64	77	6	4	3		18	1	1		28		1447	
Calvert	43	0.6%		1	2	3							14		2	2				2	1	3			1					12	
Caroline	29	0.4%			4	2							7	7							2				2			1		4	
Carroll	26	0.4%	1		1	1									4													2		9	
Cecil	111	1.5%			6	1							1	42	18	2	5		4	4										20	
Charles	73	1.0%			4										9	27			1	4										27	
Dorchester	32	0.4%		1	4	1															3									8	
Frederick	103	1.4%			6	9								1							1							1		17	
Garrett	33	0.5%	1		1	1								1	9	5				1										12	
Harford	202	2.8%	1	1	22	10				1	1		10	1	2	26	4	38	3			1						1		80	
Howard	80	1.1%		1	9	5							1	1														2		28	
Kent	10	0.1%																	1			4								5	
Montgomery	368	5.1%	4	1	10	16							3		18	2		92	21	1	3	2				8	79	19	80		
Prince George's	400	5.6%	1	1	10	33							1	7	9			5	99	9	8					2	8	6	199		
Queen Anne's	16	0.2%				1							3		1						8								2		
Somerset	51	0.7%			5	7				1			2		1	1														10	
St. Mary's	82	1.1%			4	3								3	8					1		6	5							57	
Talbot	27	0.4%			1	11							1		1							2						1		9	
Washington	209	2.9%	3		5	10									9	5		2	4									2		39	
Wicomico	118	1.6%			10	9							1		1						4							2	2	29	
Worcester	44	0.6%			3	7							2	1		7			2	2					1					5	
OOS	3	0.0%																													3
Unknown	15	0.2%				3	1																								10
<b>Total</b>	<b>7188</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>754</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>2379</b>	
% of children from jurisdiction placed in jurisdiction			3.3%	0.6%	28.6%	39.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	3.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	25.0%	24.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	59.3%	43.2%	11.4%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
% children statewide in FFC placed in jurisdiction (total)			1.1%	2.3%	10.5%	28.2%	0.4%	0.5%	0.7%	1.4%	0.9%	0.4%	1.3%	0.6%	2.9%	1.0%	0.1%	3.8%	3.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.7%	0.1%	2.6%	1.2%	0.1%	0.2%	1.9%	0.4%	33.1%	

**Table 15: Family Foster Care: Jurisdiction of Placement, All Agencies, by Home Jurisdiction**

According to the data, in most parts of the State there is a lack of capacity with no apparent geographic concentration. Only nine (9) of the 24 jurisdictions – Anne Arundel, Baltimore County, Caroline, Carroll, Dorchester, Garrett, Harford, Kent and Queen Anne’s – were serving as many or more total youth than the number of their own youth in Family Foster Care on the census date. For example, Baltimore County had 482 county youth *in* Family Foster Care placement on the census date, but there were 754 total youth *placed in* Family Foster Care settings in Baltimore County on that same day. Of those 754 youth, however, only 138 were residents of Baltimore County. Similarly, of the nine (9) jurisdictions mentioned above, only four (4) were serving *any* youth *from* their jurisdictions. Having said that, however, it is important to remember that only 67% of all Family Foster Care placements discussed in this report had adequate or accurate information submitted by the placing agency to identify the placement jurisdiction.



**Figure 6: Proximity of Placement, Family Foster Care, All Agencies**

From the data provided, the three jurisdictions in the State that showed the highest percentages of youth being served in Family Foster Care within their own jurisdictions were Washington (59%), Wicomico (43%) and Baltimore City (39%). Twelve (12) of the 24 jurisdictions were described as having 0% of youth *from* that jurisdiction placed *in* that jurisdiction on the census date. These jurisdictions included five (5) of the nine (9) counties – Caroline, Carroll, Dorchester, Kent and Queen Anne’s – cited above for having more bed capacity than children in placement.

The issue of whether children are placed in their home jurisdictions, particularly in the category of Family Foster Care, is not as simple as looking at raw numbers. Many of the children in Family Foster Care placements are in kinship, relative, and other “restricted” placements (meaning that the foster home is specifically tailored to that particular child). A child placed outside of his or her home jurisdiction may very well be placed with a friend or relative, a situation that is beneficial for the child and may be of equally or higher importance than remaining within the jurisdiction. Additionally, some children placed outside their home

jurisdiction may actually be physically closer to their community of origin, depending on where in the jurisdiction they are placed. For example, a child from Hyattsville in Prince George's County who is placed in Silver Spring in Montgomery County is closer to his or her community of origin than if he or she were placed in Seat Pleasant, in the southern part of Prince George's County.

#### ❖ **Excluding all Unknown Data**

If all Family Foster Care placements with unknown data, including cases of youth who reside outside of the State, are excluded, the number of Maryland children in identifiable jurisdictions of placement is 4,791. With 2,242 children known to be placed in their home jurisdictions (47%), over 50% were in placements away from their jurisdictions of residence.

#### ❖ **Maryland Youth Placed Out-of-State**

Of the 7,170 youth in Family Foster Care who were known to be from Maryland jurisdictions, 176 or 2.5% were placed out-of-state on the census day. Ninety-six (96) of the 176 were placed with out-of-state relatives.

### Family Foster Care Placement by Type across Agencies

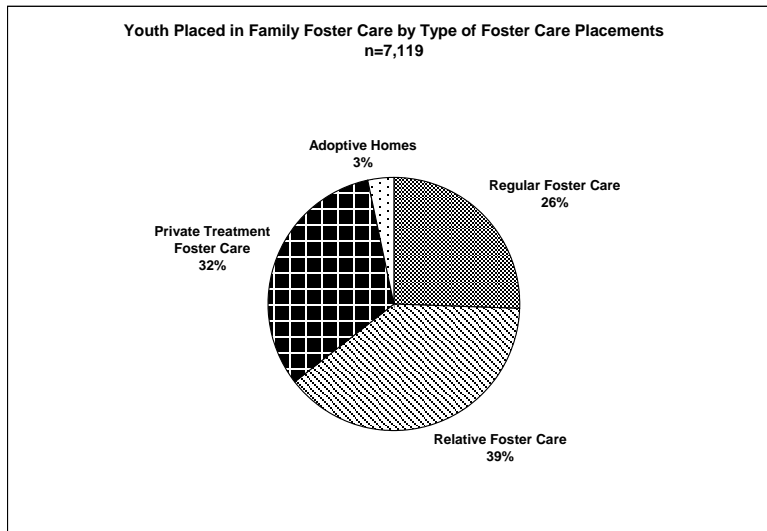
As previously mentioned, 39% of children placed by DHR in Family Foster Care were placed with relatives who had a formal arrangement with the local Department of Social Services to provide care. This type of placement is also referred to as Kinship Care or Restricted Foster Care. When looking at all youth placed in Family Foster Care across agencies, that percentage does not change. All children placed in foster care with relatives are placed by DHR. The next highest percentage of youth, 32%, was placed in private Treatment Foster Care. Families who provide Treatment Foster Care are under the auspices of a private child placement agency that provides a higher level of supervision and clinical services than regular foster care. Regular Foster Care, in which 26% of youth were placed, is provided by non-relative homes under the auspices of the local Departments of Social Services. Finally, on the census date, 3% of children were placed in Adoptive or Pre-finalized Adoptive homes. This care is provided by families who either have legally adopted the child or are in the final stage of adoption, usually subsidized.

The services that fall under these four types of Foster Care are:

- Family Foster Care (Regular)
  - Emergency Foster Home
  - Individual Family Care
  - Intermediate Foster Care
  - Regular Foster Care
  - Treatment Foster Care
- Relative Foster Care
  - Formal Kinship Care
  - Restricted Relative Foster Care
- Private Treatment Foster Care

- Care provided by a Child Placement Agency
- Treatment Foster Care (private)
- Adoptive Home
  - Adoptive Home
  - Pre-finalized Adoptive Home

See also Appendix 5 for a listing of all Therapeutic Foster Care facilities by county.



**Figure 7: Family Foster Care Placement by Type for Youth Placed by DHR**

Table 16 illustrates the number and percentage of children placed in three (3) of the four (4) Family Foster Care placement types as well as the percentage known to be placed in their home jurisdictions. Some inferences about proximity of placement can be drawn from the data available for these three types depicted in Table 16. However, 84% of the private Therapeutic Foster Care records did not indicate a valid jurisdiction of placement and so rendered that data unreliable.

	# youth*	% of all youth in FFC	% in Home jurisdiction	% of records with unknown jurisdiction of placement
Regular Foster Care	1885	26%	31%	10%
Relative Foster Care	2758	39%	53%	9%
Adoptive Care	242	3%	26%	11%

\*from identified Maryland jurisdiction of residence

**Table 16: Number and Percentage of Youth in Family Foster Care and those placed in Home Jurisdiction**

On the following pages are Tables 17-20 with additional detail about the number and percentage of youth in the four types of foster care cross referenced by home and placement jurisdiction.



Home Jurisdiction of Children in Placements	# children from jurisdiction in placement	% children statewide in RFFC placements from jurisdiction	All Agencies, Relative Family Foster Care Placements																				OOS Not Adjacent	OOS Unknown Adjacent	Jurisdiction Unknown						
			Jurisdiction Where Children Were Placed																												
			Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Baltimore City	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	Somerset	St. Mary's				Talbot	Washington	Wicomico	Worcester	OOS Adjacent	
Allegany	57	2.1%				47																				1	2		4		
Anne Arundel	74	2.7%	2	1	10	50							3	2					1									1	5		
Baltimore	183	6.6%	2	3	74	42		1	1	7	1		2			5		1				2	1			2	4	33			
Baltimore City	1902	68.8%	20	61	261	1316	5	3	10	25	14		2	1	9	2	21	16	1		1		3		1		11	119			
Calvert	10	0.4%		1	1	3							2		2														1		
Caroline	7	0.3%			3	1							2															1			
Carroll	9	0.3%	1		1																						2				
Cecil	24	0.9%			4	1										3	2				1								4		
Charles	7	0.3%			2																										
Dorchester	6	0.2%			3	1																									
Frederick	34	1.2%			1	6										1													4		
Garrett	11	0.4%				1																							1		
Harford	46	1.7%			9	7																							7		
Howard	29	1.0%		1	8	5																						1	4		
Kent	1	0.0%																													
Montgomery	141	5.1%	1		6	9																						4	50	7	13
Prince George's	97	3.5%		1	4	20																						1	4	3	26
Queen Anne's	3	0.1%				1																									
Somerset	10	0.4%			3	4																									
St. Mary's	14	0.5%			2	2																									1
Talbot	12	0.4%			1	10																									1
Washington	44	1.6%			5	8																							1	6	
Wicomico	25	0.9%			6	7																							1	8	
Worcester	12	0.4%			2	5																								2	
OOS	0	0.0%																													
Unknown	5	0.2%				3																									1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2763</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>1549</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>240</b>	
% of children from jurisdiction placed in jurisdiction			0.0%	1.4%	40.4%	69.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	20.6%	27.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	43.2%	8.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a		
% children statewide in RFFC placed in jurisdiction (total)			0.9%	2.5%	14.7%	56.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.4%	1.2%	0.5%	0.2%	0.6%	0.1%	2.6%	0.6%	0.0%	2.9%	2.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	1.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	2.8%	0.4%		

**Table 18: Relative Foster Care: Jurisdiction of Placement, All Agencies, by Home Jurisdiction**







## Key Findings in Family Foster Care

- The issue of whether children are placed in their home jurisdiction, particularly in the macro-placement category of Family Foster Care, is not as simple as just looking at raw numbers. On January 30, 2008, thirty-nine percent (39%) of children placed by DHR in Family Foster Care were placed with relatives who had a formal arrangement with the local Department of Social Services to provide care. This is also referred to as Kinship Care or Restricted Foster Care. These arrangements are beneficial for the child and may be of equal or more importance than remaining within the jurisdiction.
- Of the 2,758 children placed in Relative or Kinship Foster Care 53%, (1,469) remained in their home jurisdictions. The jurisdiction of placement was unknown for 240 of those youth.
- With 10% of jurisdiction of placement data missing, 31% of the children, 1,885, in “regular” foster care, provided through Local Departments of Social Services, were placed in their home jurisdictions.

The remainder of this section examines more closely Family Foster Care placements by placing agency - DHR, DJS and DDA. Tables 21 through 23 detail each agency’s foster care placement data and can be found in the pages following the summaries. DHR will be analyzed first as it represents the majority of placements.

### DHR Family Foster Care Placements

On the census date, there were 7,119 children placed by DHR into Family Foster Care placements; 7,104 were from identified jurisdictions and 15 were “unknown.” Of these 7,104 youth, 2,239 (32%) were placed in their home jurisdictions. However, 2,304 from known jurisdictions of residence had “unknown” jurisdictions of placement. Of all DHR children in Family Foster Care, 2,763 (39%) were in a formal Kinship Care or Restricted Foster Care placement which, as discussed above, potentially makes an out-of-jurisdiction placement a better choice for a particular child. (Table 21 presents a jurisdictional analysis of placement.)

Washington County is the only jurisdiction that had more than 50% of its children placed by DHR within county limits in Family Foster Care, with 123 of its 205 youth placed in foster care homes within the county. This represents 60% of Washington County’s youth placed within the jurisdiction. At 44%, Wicomico County had the second highest percentage. Baltimore City placed 40% of its foster care youth in city homes, and Baltimore County placed 30% of its own youth within the county. The remaining 20 jurisdictions had less than 30% of their youth placed within their jurisdictions. In fact, data indicate that in 13 counties no youth were placed by DHR in Family Foster Care within their home jurisdictions.

Almost one-third, 28%, of all DHR Family Foster Care placements were made in Baltimore City. While 85% of the Baltimore City placements, 1,725 of 2,024, were filled with children from Baltimore City, 15% of placements were filled by children from other jurisdictions. This includes 61 children from Anne Arundel County and 51 youth from Baltimore County, both jurisdictions that are directly adjacent to Baltimore City. Additionally, there were also 54 children from Allegany County and 7 children from Worcester County.

### DJS Family Foster Care Placements

On the census date, there were 54 children placed by DJS in Family Foster Care placements. This represents 6% of all children placed by DJS. The majority of these children came from Baltimore City (14) and Prince George's County (7). Nearly all DJS Family Foster Care placements were Treatment Foster Care placements (93%, or 50 youth). Only three (3) of the youth, representing 6% of all DJS Family Foster Care placements, were placed in their home jurisdictions.

### DDA Family Foster Care Placements

On the census date, there were 15 youth placed by DDA in Family Foster Care. Data indicate that none was placed in their home jurisdiction. Ten (10) of the youth were residents of Baltimore County, three (3) from Baltimore City, and one each from Carroll and Howard Counties. The counties of placement for these youth were reported as unknown.

Home Jurisdiction of Children in Placements	# children from jurisdiction in placement	% children statewide in FFC placements from jurisdiction	Department of Human Resources, Family Foster Care Placements																				OOS Not Adjacent	OOS Unknown Adjacent	Jurisdiction Unknown						
			Jurisdiction Where Children Were Placed																												
			Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Baltimore City	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	Somerset	St. Mary's				Talbot	Washington	Wicomico	Worcester	OOS Adjacent	
Allegany	88	1.2%	2			54							2	8									5			1	2		14		
Anne Arundel	158	2.2%	2	1	18	61				1	1	1	3		10					1	4		3				1		47		
Baltimore	467	6.6%	3	7	138	51		1	1	11	3		4	1	5	6	5	25	4	1		2		2	2		2	5	1	187	
Baltimore City	4363	61.3%	57	150	491	1725	29	36	48	84	60	1	12	3	21	13	1	64	77	6	4	3		18	1	1		28		1430	
Calvert	43	0.6%		1	2	3							14		2	2					2	1	3		1					12	
Caroline	29	0.4%			4	2							7	7							2			2				1		4	
Carroll	24	0.3%	1		1	1									4								2				2			7	
Cecil	111	1.6%			6	1							1	42	18	2	5		4	4										20	
Charles	73	1.0%			4										9	27			1	4										27	
Dorchester	31	0.4%		1	4	1															3									7	
Frederick	102	1.4%			6	9								1							1			14	1			1		17	
Garrett	31	0.4%	1		1	1																								11	
Harford	198	2.8%	1	1	22	10				1	1		10	1	2	26	4	38	3			1						1		76	
Howard	79	1.1%		1	9	5							1	1									1	2				2		27	
Kent	10	0.1%																1				4								5	
Montgomery	367	5.2%	4	1	10	16							3		18	2		92	21	1	3	2		9			8	79	19	79	
Prince George's	393	5.5%	1	1	10	33							1	7	9			5	99	9	8		2				2	8	6	192	
Queen Anne's	15	0.2%				1							3		1						8									1	
Somerset	51	0.7%			5	7				1			2		1	1															10
St. Mary's	81	1.1%			4	3								3	8							6	5		10	2				56	
Talbot	27	0.4%			1	11							1		1							2								9	
Washington	205	2.9%	3		5	10									9	5		2	4										2		36
Wicomico	115	1.6%			10	9							1		1							4						2	2	2	26
Worcester	43	0.6%			3	7							2	1		7			2	2				1						4	
OOS	0	0.0%																													
Unknown	15	0.2%				3	1																								10
<b>Total</b>	<b>7119</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>754</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>2314</b>	
% of children from jurisdiction placed in jurisdiction			2.3%	0.6%	29.6%	39.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	0.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	25.1%	25.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	60.0%	44.3%	11.6%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
% children statewide in FFC placed in jurisdiction (total)			1.1%	2.3%	10.6%	28.4%	0.4%	0.5%	0.7%	1.4%	0.9%	0.4%	1.3%	0.6%	2.9%	1.0%	0.1%	3.8%	3.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.7%	0.1%	2.6%	1.2%	0.1%	0.2%	1.9%	0.4%	32.5%	

**Table 21: Family Foster Care: Jurisdiction of Placement, DHR, by Home Jurisdiction**

Home Jurisdiction of Children in Placements	# children from jurisdiction in placement	% children statewide in FFC placements from jurisdiction	Department of Juvenile Services Family Foster Care Placements																							OOS Not Adjacent	OOS Unknown Adjacent	Jurisdiction Unknown						
			Jurisdiction Where Children Were Placed																															
			Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Baltimore City	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	Somerset	St. Mary's	Talbot	Washington	Wicomico				Worcester	OOS Adjacent				
Allegany	4	7.4%	1																															3
Anne Arundel	1	1.9%																																1
Baltimore	5	9.3%																															5	
Baltimore City	14	25.9%																															14	
Calvert	0	0.0%																																
Caroline	0	0.0%																																
Carroll	1	1.9%																															1	
Cecil	0	0.0%																																
Charles	0	0.0%																																
Dorchester	1	1.9%																																1
Frederick	1	1.9%																					1											
Garrett	2	3.7%																																1
Harford	4	7.4%																																4
Howard	0	0.0%																																
Kent	0	0.0%																																
Montgomery	1	1.9%																																1
Prince George's	7	13.0%																																7
Queen Anne's	1	1.9%																																1
Somerset	0	0.0%																																
St. Mary's	1	1.9%																																1
Talbot	0	0.0%																																
Washington	4	7.4%																																3
Wicomico	3	5.6%																																3
Worcester	1	1.9%																																1
OOS	3	5.6%																																3
Unknown	0	0.0%																																
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1</b>									<b>1</b>																					<b>50</b>	
% of children from jurisdiction placed in jurisdiction			25.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
% children statewide in FFC placed in jurisdiction (total)			1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	92.6%	

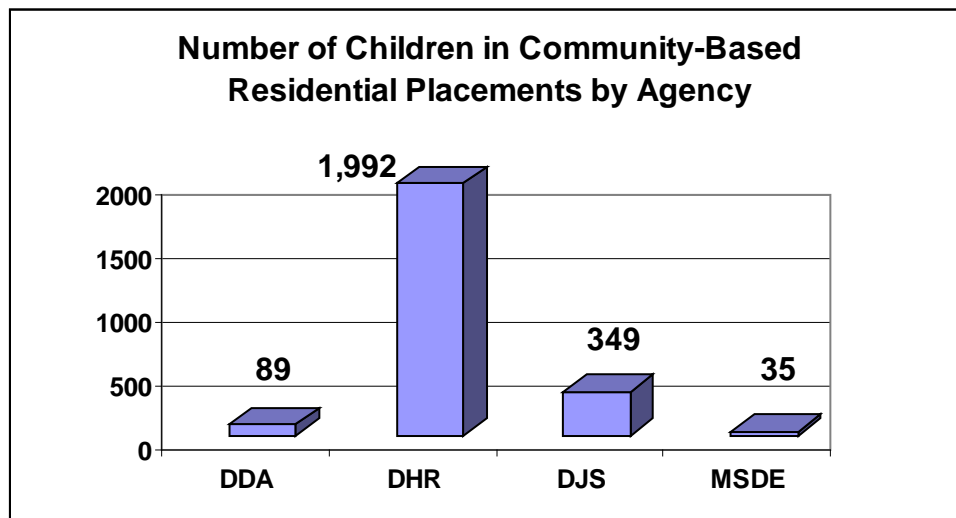
**Table 22: Family Foster Care: Jurisdiction of Placement, DJS, by Home Jurisdiction**



### **Community-Based Residential Placements**

There were 2,465 youth in Community-based Residential placements in the one-day count. Excluding children who reside outside of the State (15) and five youth (5) with counties of residence reported as “unknown,” there were 2,445 youth from identified Maryland counties in Community-based Residential placements on the census day. This includes children in Group Homes and Independent Living Programs. In all, 772 of the children (32%) were placed in their home jurisdictions.

Children were placed or funded in Community-based Residential placements by DDA, DHR, DJS and MSDE. MSDE, although not a placement agency, is a funding agency. The graph below provides a visual representation of the number of children in Community-based Residential placements by placing or funding agency.



**Figure 8: Number of Children in Community-Based Residential placements by placing or funding agency**

Similar to Family Foster Care, the majority, 81%, of Community-based Residential placements were made by DHR. Fourteen percent (14%) of children in Community-based Residential placements were placed by DJS, four percent (4%) were placed by DDA and the remaining 1% was funded through MSDE. Among the broader category of group homes, there are a number of different Community-based Residential placements. Examples of different types of group homes include group homes specifically licensed for individuals with developmental disabilities, group homes for teen mothers, and respite or shelter care group home facilities. Therapeutic Group Homes (TGH) are a special type of group home for 4 to 8 youth that are licensed by DHMH/MHA. TGH provide residential care as well as access to a range of diagnostic and therapeutic mental health services for children and adolescents with mental health needs. Most children, however, are in a traditional group home, with 4-8 beds and a formal program of basic care, social work, and health care services available to those youth who need more structure and supervision than a relative, foster parent, or treatment foster parent could provide.

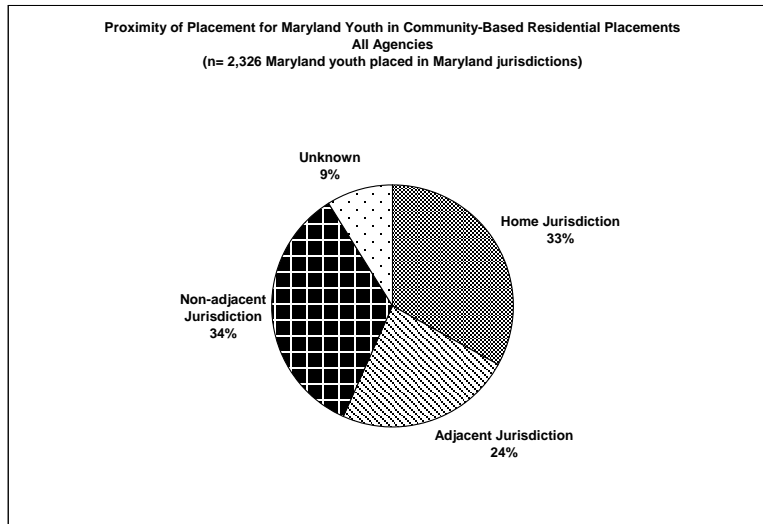
Table 24 provides an overview of the number of youth in placement on the single-day count by jurisdiction and where each youth was placed. The first column provides the number of youth from the home jurisdiction that was in a placement in the single-day count. The second column provides the percentage that number represents with regard to the total number of youth in placement on that date, statewide. The columns that follow provide the jurisdiction where the youth was placed. The rows at the bottom of the table provide the percentage of children from the jurisdiction who were placed in that jurisdiction. The final row provides the percentage of children placed in that jurisdiction, out of the total number of children placed on that date statewide.



Home Jurisdiction of Children in Placements	# children from jurisdiction in placement	% children statewide in CB placements from jurisdiction	All Agencies, All Community-Based Placements																						OOS Not Adjacent	OOS Unknown Adjacent	Jurisdiction Unknown			
			Jurisdiction Where Children Were Placed																											
			Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Baltimore City	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	Somerset	St. Mary's	Talbot	Washington				Wicomico	Worcester	OOS Adjacent
Allegany	29	1.2%	1			14											3										5		0	
Anne Arundel	78	3.2%	1	15	11	13			3			3	1	1			9						4	1			5		10	
Baltimore	253	10.3%	1	2	146	29		1	3	1		1	3		2	4	1	8	11				5	4		2	6	23		
Baltimore City	1146	46.5%	5	41	336	365	1	6	13	12	17	7	3	3	2	3	1	33	132		1		29	2			36	98		
Calvert	17	0.7%	1	1	2	1					1				1		1			1		2					4	1		
Caroline	17	0.7%				3		2									1		1			2	3					3		
Carroll	35	1.4%	2		4	10								1			2	1									1	0		
Cecil	40	1.6%	2		5	8				2							5	3								1	1	1		
Charles	36	1.5%	1			5					1	2		9	4		1			1		2	1			1	4	2		
Dorchester	9	0.4%			2	1						2					1	1			1	2						0		
Frederick	58	2.4%			6	20					1				5	2		2	2				12	1		1	2	4		
Garrett	18	0.7%	2		2	1																						0		
Harford	74	3.0%			11	11			1		1	4	4		1	4		23	3				1	1			4	5		
Howard	39	1.6%		1	8	6			1		1				7							1				1		5		
Kent	5	0.2%				1											1	1									1	1		
Montgomery	177	7.2%	2	2	9	25			7			1					64	21					3			4	16	5	18	
Prince George's	226	9.2%	1	6	17	22	1		5			5	2	10	2		2	2	106	1	1			7	1	6	10	1	18	
Queen Anne's	8	0.3%	3			1												1									1	0		
Somerset	16	0.6%		1	3	3			1			1					2	1	2								1	0		
St. Mary's	24	1.0%	1		1						1	2		1	3						3						2	3		
Talbot	12	0.5%	1		2	3						1	1										3					0		
Washington	71	2.9%	1		5	1									2		3	4								1	2	5		
Wicomico	43	1.7%			9	6			3			1	1		2		1		3				2	9		1	3	2		
Worcester	14	0.6%			3	2											1	1					2	3			1	1		
OOS	15	0.6%	2	1		1			3			3					1	1					2			1		0		
Unknown	5	0.2%		1	1	3																						0		
<b>Total</b>	<b>2465</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>200</b>	
% of children from jurisdiction placed in jurisdiction			3.4%	19.2%	57.7%	31.8%	0.0%	11.8%	0.0%	5.0%	2.8%	22.2%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	17.9%	20.0%	36.2%	46.9%	0.0%	0.0%	12.5%	0.0%	66.2%	20.9%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
% children statewide in CB placements in jurisdiction (total)			1.1%	2.9%	23.7%	22.5%	0.1%	0.4%	1.6%	0.6%	0.9%	1.4%	1.3%	1.0%	0.9%	1.6%	0.5%	6.3%	12.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	5.9%	1.1%	0.0%	0.8%	4.3%	0.2%	8.1%

**Table 24: Community-Based Residential Placements: Jurisdiction of placement, All Agencies, by Home Jurisdiction**

As illustrated in Table 24, 47% of the children in Community-based Residential placements were from Baltimore City. Only 23% of all occupied Community-based Residential placements, however, were within Baltimore City limits. In contrast, while 10% of children in Community-based Residential placements were from Baltimore County, 24% of children in Community-based Residential placements were residing in Baltimore County on the one-day count. Baltimore City and Prince George’s County had the next highest percentages, 23% and 13% respectively, of Maryland’s children in Community-based Residential placed within their jurisdiction.



**Figure 9: Proximity of Placement, Community-Based Residential Placements, All Agencies**

Anne Arundel County had 78 youth or approximately 3% of the State’s Community-based Residential population originating from the county and had approximately 3% of the State’s Community-based Residential population residing in the county. While the largest number of children from Anne Arundel County is placed in Anne Arundel County (15), that represents only 19% of the total number of Anne Arundel children in Community-Based Residential placements. Actually, in addition to Anne Arundel County, they are spread across 11 other jurisdictions as well as out-of-state. Additionally, ten (10) of the county’s 78 children in Community-based Residential placements were identified as “unknown” in regard to jurisdiction of placement due to missing data. Eight (8) of Maryland’s 24 jurisdictions had no children *from* their jurisdiction placed *within* their jurisdiction. On the other hand, eight (8) had 20% or higher of children *from* their jurisdiction placed *within* their jurisdiction.

One would not expect all children in Community-based Residential placements to be residing within their home jurisdictions, particularly those youth that are in need of a more specialized group home placement. For 20 of 24 jurisdictions, however, less than one-third of the children from those jurisdictions are placed within their home jurisdictions and over 5% of youth (130) were placed out-of-state.

❖ **Excluding all Unknown Data**

If all Community-based Residential placement cases with unknown data, including cases of youth who reside outside of the State, are excluded, the number of Maryland children in identifiable jurisdictions of placement is 2,245. With 772 children known to be placed in their home jurisdictions (34%), it can be concluded that over 65% are in placements away from their jurisdiction of residence.

❖ **Maryland Youth Placed Out-of-State**

Of the 2,445 youth in Community-based Residential placements who were known to be from Maryland jurisdictions, 130 or 5.3% were placed out-of-state on the census day.

## Community-Based Placement by Type across Agencies

There are seven (7) types of placements in the Community-Based Residential macro-placement category. The majority of youth in Community-based Residential placements, 1,725 or 70%, are in Residential Group Homes. Nearly 10% are placed in Independent Living Programs, which are apartment settings for youth 17 and older. Therapeutic Group Homes, which are licensed by DHMH and designed to serve youth with significant mental health diagnoses, housed 6.4% of the youth in care. Alternative Living Units are three bed facilities that serve youth with developmental disabilities. This placement category served 6.2% of the youth in care. Diagnostic Evaluation Treatment Programs, Emergency Group Shelter Care and Psychiatric Respite are all short-term placements and account for 3.7%, 2.7% and 1.7% of placements respectively. Table 25 represents the number of youth and percentage of the total in each type of Community-based Residential placement.

<b>Number and Percentage of Community-Based Residential Placements by Type All Agencies</b>		
<b>Type of Placement</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage of All Community-Based Placements</b>
Psychiatric Respite	41	1.7%
Emergency Group Shelter Care	66	2.7%
Diagnostic Evaluation Treatment Program	90	3.7%
Alternative Living Units	153	6.2%
Therapeutic Group Home	158	6.4%
Independent Living Residential Program	232	9.4%
Residential Group Home	1,725	70.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,465</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Table 25: Community-Based Residential Placements by Type**

Tables 26 through 32 detail jurisdictional data reported for the different types of Community-based Residential placements in use on the census day. Table 26 provides jurisdictional data for Residential Group Homes, the placement type with the highest rate of use (70%); Table 27 provides data on Independent Living Residential Programs, the second highest (9.4%), and so on.

See also Appendices 1-4 for a listing of all Residential Child Care facilities including Alternative Living Units, Therapeutic Group Homes and Independent Living Residential Programs by county.

Home Jurisdiction of Children in Placements	# children from jurisdiction in placement	% children statewide in RGH placements from jurisdiction	All Agencies, Residential Group Home Community-Based Placements																							OOS Not Adjacent	OOS Unknown Adjacent	Jurisdiction Unknown		
			Jurisdiction Where Children Were Placed																											
			Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Baltimore City	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	Somerset	St. Mary's	Talbot	Washington	Wicomico				Worcester	OOS Adjacent
Allegany	15	0.9%	1			9																				5				
Anne Arundel	55	3.2%	1	1	10	11			3			3	1	1		1	6						4			2	5	8		
Baltimore	180	10.4%	1	2	106	10		3	1		1	3	2	4	1	7	6					4				2	6	21		
Baltimore City	814	47.2%	5	36	195	282		6	13	12	16	7	3	3	2	3	1	23	68		1		18	1			33	86		
Calvert	12	0.7%	1	1									1			1	1					2				4	1			
Caroline	9	0.5%				1		2							1							1						2		
Carroll	20	1.2%	2		2	1										2						11				1				
Cecil	25	1.4%	2		5	1										1	1								1	1	1			
Charles	25	1.4%	1			3						2		8	3		1								1	4	2			
Dorchester	6	0.3%			2						2											2								
Frederick	33	1.9%			4	1					1						1					11	1		1	2	4			
Garrett	10	0.6%	2		2																	2								
Harford	47	2.7%			8	1			1			4	4			4		13	2			1				4	5			
Howard	24	1.4%			4	3			1						3		6	1				1			1		4			
Kent	3	0.2%														1	1									1				
Montgomery	119	6.9%	2	2	6	10			7			1				36	15					1			4	16	5	14		
Prince George's	175	10.1%	1	6	12	16	1		5			5	2	6	1	2	2	81	1	1		1			6	10	1	15		
Queen Anne's	6	0.3%	3												1	1										1				
Somerset	13	0.8%		1	3	2			1			1			2	1					1					1				
St. Mary's	13	0.8%	1		1							2		1	2							1				2	3			
Talbot	7	0.4%	1		1	3						1				1														
Washington	58	3.4%	1		5	1								1		3	1						38		1	2	5			
Wicomico	28	1.6%			9	3			3			1	1		2	1						2			1	3	2			
Worcester	10	0.6%			3	1										1	1					2				1	1			
OOS	14	0.8%	2	1		1			3			3				1	1					1			1					
Unknown	4	0.2%		1		3																								
<b>Total</b>	<b>1725</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>174</b>	
% of children from jurisdiction placed in jurisdiction			6.7%	1.8%	58.9%	34.6%	0.0%	22.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	12.5%	33.3%	30.3%	46.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	65.5%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
% children statewide in RGH placements in jurisdiction (total)			1.6%	3.0%	21.9%	21.0%	0.1%	0.5%	2.3%	0.8%	0.9%	2.0%	1.7%	1.1%	1.0%	1.1%	0.8%	5.9%	10.7%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	6.0%	0.1%	0.0%	1.1%	5.9%	0.3%	10.1%

**Table 26: Residential Group Homes: Jurisdiction of Placement, All Agencies, by Home Jurisdiction**  
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Home Jurisdiction of Children in Placements	# children from jurisdiction in placement	% children statewide in ALU placements from jurisdiction	All Agencies, Alternative Living Units Community-Based Placements																						OOS Not Adjacent	OOS Unknown Adjacent	Jurisdiction Unknown										
			Jurisdiction Where Children Were Placed																																		
			Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Baltimore City	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	Somerset	St. Mary's	Talbot	Washington				Wicomico	Worcester	OOS Adjacent							
Allegany	2	1.3%															2																				
Anne Arundel	9	5.9%	9																																		
Baltimore	26	17.0%		25																																	
Baltimore City	48	31.4%		17	2												2	27																			
Calvert		0.0%																																			
Caroline		0.0%																																			
Carroll		0.0%																																			
Cecil	3	2.0%							2									1																			
Charles	3	2.0%								1																											
Dorchester	1	0.7%												1																							
Frederick	2	1.3%																																			
Garrett		0.0%																																			
Harford	2	1.3%															1																				
Howard	7	4.6%	1	1																																	
Kent		0.0%																																			
Montgomery	27	17.6%				1											25	1																			
Prince George's	6	3.9%		1																																	
Queen Anne's		0.0%																																			
Somerset	1	0.7%																																			
St. Mary's	3	2.0%																																			
Talbot		0.0%																																			
Washington	3	2.0%																																			
Wicomico	9	5.9%																																			
Worcester		0.0%																																			
OOS		0.0%																																			
Unknown	1	0.7%		1																																	
<b>Total</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>100.0%</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>3</b>				<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>			<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>29</b>	<b>44</b>			<b>1</b>					<b>9</b>											
% of children from jurisdiction placed in jurisdiction			0.0%	100.0%	96.2%	4.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	57.1%	0.0%	92.6%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		
% children statewide in ALU placements in jurisdiction (total)			0.0%	6.5%	29.4%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.6%	3.3%	0.0%	19.0%	28.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	5.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		

**Table 29: Alternative Living Units: Jurisdiction of Placement, All Agencies, by Home Jurisdiction**









## Key Findings for Community-based Placements

- Thirty-two percent (32%) of the 772 children in Community-based Residential placements were placed in their home jurisdictions.
- There were 89 youth placed by DDA into Community-based Residential placements from 12 different Maryland jurisdictions; 86 or 97% were placed in their home jurisdictions. All youth had identifiable jurisdictions of residence and of placement.
- On the census date, although forty-seven percent (47%) of the children in Community-based Residential placements were from Baltimore City, only 23% of all occupied Community-based Residential placements were within Baltimore City limits.
- Not all children in Community-based Residential placements would be expected to be residing in their home jurisdictions, particularly those youth that are in need of a more specialized group home placement. In 20 of 24 jurisdictions, however, less than one-third of the children from that jurisdiction were placed in their home jurisdictions. Over 5%, 130, of Maryland youth were placed out-of-state.
- Eight (8) of Maryland's 24 jurisdictions had no of children *from* their jurisdiction placed in Community-based Residential facilities *within* their jurisdiction. Another eight (8) have 20% or higher of children *from* their jurisdictions placed *within* their jurisdictions.
- Records indicated that twelve percent (12%) or 39 of the 334 children from Maryland jurisdictions placed by DJS into Community-based Residential placements were placed in their home jurisdictions.
- Of the ten (10) counties with more than ten (10) youth in Community-based Residential placements, five (5) had no youth placed in their home counties – Calvert, Carroll, Frederick, Prince Georges and Wicomico.
- There were 35 children placed by Local School Systems from 13 identified Maryland jurisdictions into Community-based Residential placements. All 35 of these youth were placed in out-of-state facilities.

The sections that follow will provide short summaries on the children in Community-based Residential placements, by placing agency. Detailed tables providing jurisdictional data on Community-based Residential placements by agency follow these summaries.

### DHR Community-Based Placements

In the one-day count, there were 1,187 children placed by DHR into Community-based Residential placements from identified Maryland jurisdictions. Of these children, 647 or 33% were in their home jurisdictions. However, 200 children were in jurisdictions identified as “unknown” because of missing data. Again, Baltimore City had 52% of the children in placement, but only 26% of children in Community-based Residential placements statewide were placed in the City. Baltimore County had 201 children in Community-based Residential placements, but 27% of all children placed by DHR into Community-based Residential placements were placed in Baltimore County. Seventeen (17) out of 24 jurisdictions had none of their own children placed in their home jurisdictions by DHR. Fifty (50) children were placed by DHR into an out-of-state Community-based Residential facility. See Table 33 for DHR's jurisdictional breakdown.

### DJS Community-Based Placements

There were 349 youth placed by DJS into Community-based Residential placements, 15 of whom were youth who reside outside of the State. Placement jurisdictions for all (100%) of these youth were identified. Twelve percent (12%) or 39 of the children from Maryland jurisdictions placed by DJS into Community-based Residential placements were placed in their home jurisdictions. Over one-quarter, 28% of the children placed by DJS in Community-based Residential placements were from Baltimore City. Montgomery County youth accounted for 11% of the total number of placements and Prince George's youth represented 10% of the total. Seven (7) other jurisdictions had at least 10 youth placed by DJS in Community-based Residential placements. Of these ten (10) counties with more than ten (10) youth in placement, however, five (5) had no youth placed in their home counties – Calvert, Carroll, Frederick, Prince Georges and Wicomico. Statewide, 18% of the youth were placed in Washington County which included six (6) of their own nine (9) requiring placement. The remaining 58 youth in placement in Washington County were mainly from Baltimore City and Carroll County (15 each).

### DDA Community-Based Placements

There were 89 youth from 12 different Maryland jurisdictions placed by DDA into Community-based Residential placements. Of these 89 youth, 86 or 97%, were placed in their home jurisdictions. All youth had identifiable jurisdictions of residence and of placement. The largest numbers of youth were from Baltimore County, 29, followed by Montgomery County, 25. Both of those jurisdictions were able to place all of the youth from their counties within their home jurisdictions. While Howard County was unable to place all of their youth within their home jurisdiction, two of those youth were placed in adjacent counties. Table 35 illustrates DDA's jurisdictional breakdown.

### MSDE Funded LSS Community-Based Placements

There were 35 children from 13 identified Maryland jurisdictions placed by Local School Systems into Community-based Residential placements and funded at least in part by MSDE. All 35 of these youth were placed in out-of-state facilities.

Home Jurisdiction of Children in Placements	# children from jurisdiction in placement	% children statewide in CB placements from jurisdiction	Department of Human Resources, All Community-Based Placements																				OOS Not Adjacent	OOS Unknown Adjacent	Jurisdiction Unknown						
			Jurisdiction Where Children Were Placed																												
			Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Baltimore City	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	Somerset	St. Mary's				Talbot	Washington	Wicomico	Worcester	OOS Adjacent	
Allegany	27	1.4%				14								6			3										4		0		
Anne Arundel	52	2.6%		9	11	12					1	1				1	7												10		
Baltimore	201	10.1%		2	116	27		1	1	1			2	4	1	5	10						4						23		
Baltimore City	1042	52.3%	4	34	331	355	1	6	1	12	17	1	3	3	2	1	16	124		1			17	1			13		98		
Calvert	5	0.3%			1								1										1				1		1		
Caroline	13	0.7%				3											1						1	3					3		
Carroll	18	0.9%			3	9								1		1	1						1				1		0		
Cecil	35	1.8%			5	8										5	3											1		1	
Charles	25	1.3%				3												2									2		2		2
Dorchester	5	0.3%			2	1					1						1													0	
Frederick	46	2.3%			6	20								5	2			2					4	1			1	1		4	
Garrett	16	0.8%			2	1									11								2							0	
Harford	62	3.1%			11	11																		1				1		5	
Howard	22	1.1%			6	3					1																			5	
Kent	2	0.1%				1																								1	
Montgomery	109	5.5%			9	21											23	21										3	9	5	18
Prince George's	178	8.9%			14	18						1	10	2									6	1			2	2		18	
Queen Anne's	3	0.2%				1						1						1												0	
Somerset	11	0.6%		1	3	3																								0	
St. Mary's	12	0.6%			1								1	3																3	
Talbot	8	0.4%			1	3																								0	
Washington	62	3.1%			5	1																								5	
Wicomico	24	1.2%			9	5						1		2				3					1							2	
Worcester	9	0.5%			3	2																								1	
OOS	5	0.3%		1	1	3																								0	
Unknown		0.0%																													
<b>Total</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>200</b>		
% of children from jurisdiction placed in jurisdiction			0.0%	17.3%	57.7%	34.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	21.1%	57.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	66.1%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		
% children statewide in CB placements in jurisdiction (total)			0.2%	2.4%	27.1%	26.4%	0.1%	0.4%	0.1%	0.7%	0.9%	0.2%	1.5%	1.2%	1.1%	1.6%	0.1%	4.1%	14.7%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	4.1%	0.8%	0.0%	0.4%	1.9%	0.3%	10.0%	

**Table 33: Community-Based Residential Placements: Jurisdiction of Placement, DHR, by Home Jurisdiction**

Home Jurisdiction of Children in Placements	# children from jurisdiction in placement	% children statewide in CB placements from jurisdiction	Department of Juvenile Services, All Community-Based Placements																							OOS Not Adjacent	OOS Unknown Adjacent	Jurisdiction Unknown							
			Jurisdiction Where Children Were Placed																																
			Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Baltimore City	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	Somerset	St. Mary's	Talbot	Washington	Wicomico				Worcester	OOS Adjacent					
Allegany	1	0.3%	1																																
Anne Arundel	18	5.2%	1	2		1				3							3							4	1			1							
Baltimore	20	5.7%	1		1	2				2						1							5				2	2							
Baltimore City	98	28.1%	1	7	4	9				12					2	17	8						12	1			19								
Calvert	10	2.9%	1	1	1	1										1					1		1				1								
Caroline	2	0.6%																					1												
Carroll	17	4.9%	2		1	1											1																		
Cecil	2	0.6%	2																																
Charles	9	2.6%	1			2										1					1							2							
Dorchester	4	1.1%								1													2												
Frederick	11	3.2%															2						8												
Garrett	2	0.6%	2																																
Harford	8	2.3%							1							1							1												
Howard	7	2.0%			1	3				1	4												1												
Kent	3	0.9%														1	1											1							
Montgomery	39	11.2%	2	2		4				7					1		16						3					4							
Prince George's	35	10.0%	1	6	3	4	1			5					5	1							1					4							
Queen Anne's	5	1.4%	3																									1							
Somerset	5	1.4%								1																		1							
St. Mary's	10	2.9%	1								1	2										2						1							
Talbot	4	1.1%	1		1																														
Washington	9	2.6%	1																				6					1							
Wicomico	10	2.9%				1					3				1								1					3							
Worcester	5	1.4%													1	1							2					1							
OOS	15	4.3%	2	1		1					3				3								2				1								
Unknown		0.0%																																	
<b>Total</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>1</b>			<b>38</b>				<b>3</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>				<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>14</b>			<b>4</b>		<b>64</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>41</b>			
% of children from jurisdiction placed in jurisdiction			100.0%	11.1%	5.0%	9.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
% children statewide in CB placements in jurisdiction (total)			6.6%	5.4%	3.4%	8.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	10.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%	8.9%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%	3.2%	14.3%	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	0.0%	18.3%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	11.7%	0.0%	0.0%

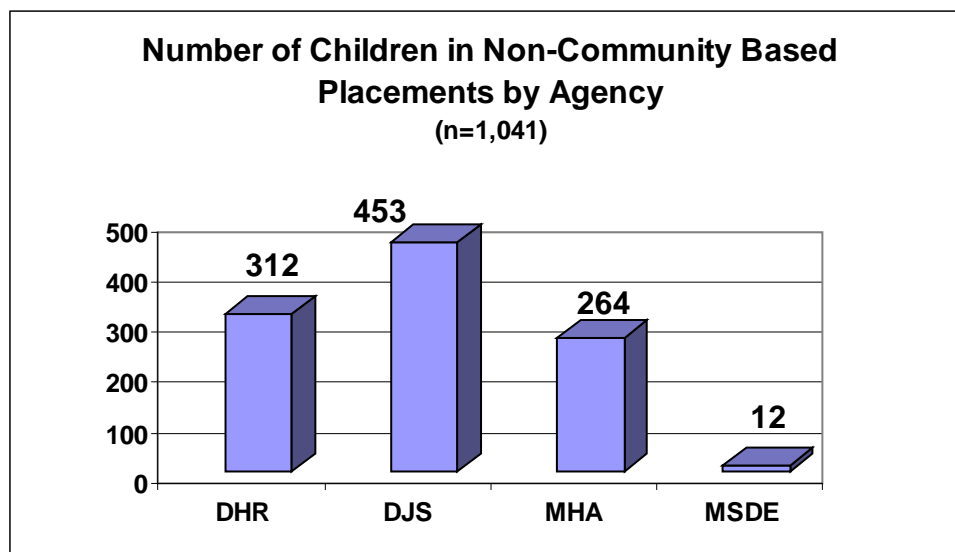
**Table 34: Community-Based Residential Placements: Jurisdiction of Placement, DJS, by Home Jurisdiction**

Home Jurisdiction of Children in Placements	# children from jurisdiction in placement	% children statewide in CB placements from jurisdiction	Developmental Disabilities Administration, All Community-Based Placements																							OOS Not Adjacent	OOS Unknown Adjacent	Jurisdiction Unknown									
			Jurisdiction Where Children Were Placed																																		
			Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Baltimore City	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	Somerset	St. Mary's	Talbot	Washington	Wicomico				Worcester	OOS Adjacent							
Allegany		0.0%																																			
Anne Arundel	4	4.5%		4																																	
Baltimore	29	32.6%			29																																
Baltimore City	2	2.2%			1	1																															
Calvert		0.0%																																			
Caroline	2	2.2%							2																												
Carroll		0.0%																																			
Cecil	2	2.2%								2																											
Charles	1	1.1%									1																										
Dorchester		0.0%																																			
Frederick		0.0%																																			
Garrett		0.0%																																			
Harford	1	1.1%												1																							
Howard	9	10.1%		1	1										7																						
Kent		0.0%																																			
Montgomery	25	28.1%															25																				
Prince George's	4	4.5%																4																			
Queen Anne's		0.0%																																			
Somerset		0.0%																																			
St. Mary's	1	1.1%																				1															
Talbot		0.0%																																			
Washington		0.0%																																			
Wicomico	9	10.1%																																			9
Worcester		0.0%																																			
OOS		0.0%																																			
Unknown		0.0%																																			
<b>Total</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>100.0%</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>2</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>			<b>7</b>		<b>25</b>	<b>4</b>				<b>1</b>																
% of children from jurisdiction placed in jurisdiction			0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	50.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
% children statewide in CB placements in jurisdiction (total)			0.0%	5.6%	34.8%	1.1%	0.0%	2.2%	0.0%	2.2%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	28.1%	4.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		

**Table 35: Community-Based Residential Placements: Jurisdiction of Placement, DDA, by Home Jurisdiction**

## Non-Community Based Placements

There were 1,041 children and youth in Non-community Based Residential placements in the single day count. In all, 1,004 were Maryland youth from identified jurisdictions, 35 youth were from outside of the State, and two (2) were from jurisdictions that were reported as “unknown.” Non-community Based Residential placements include Residential Treatment Centers (RTC), commitment and detention facilities, long-term care facilities, wilderness programs, and residential educational facilities. Four Agencies reported youth in Non-community Based Residential placements: DHR (312), DJS (453), MHA (264), and MSDE (12).

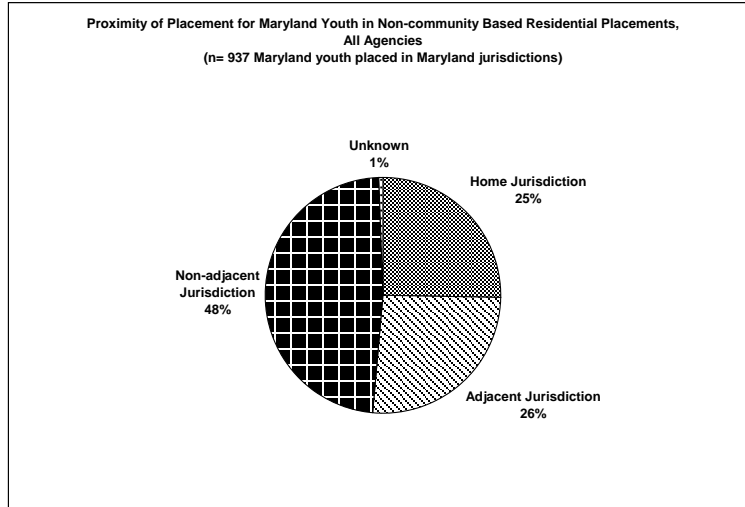


**Figure 10: # of Children in Non-community Based Residential placements, by placing and/or funding agency**

Of the 1,004 Maryland youth, 238 or 24% were placed in their home jurisdictions. With 57%, Baltimore County had the highest percentage of resident youth also placed in their county. Other jurisdictions with a placement rate over 20% within their own counties were: Montgomery 50%, Dorchester 38%, Frederick 29% and Allegany 23%.

Children from Baltimore City represented the largest number and percentage of total youth in Non-community Based Residential placements, at 227 or 22% of all youth in placement. Two counties, Baltimore with 148 and Montgomery with 159, had over 100 youth in Non-community Based Residential placements. The greatest numbers of children, 273, were placed in Baltimore County, representing 26% of all placements. Two other counties were the placement jurisdictions for more than 10% of the total Non-community Based Residential population: Garrett served 14% of children statewide as did Montgomery County. On the other hand, 15 jurisdictions had none of their youth placed in Non-community Based Residential facilities within their jurisdictions as might be expected when considering this type of placement. A significant number and percentage, 77 or 7% of these youth were placed out-of-state in Non-community Based Residential placements.





**Figure 11: Proximity of Placement, Non-community Based Residential placements, All Agencies**

Unlike the Family Foster Care and Community-based Residential categories, it is not expected that the placement types found within the macro-placement category of Non-community Based Residential will be located in every jurisdiction or even every region of the State. The very nature of Non-community Based placements is such that there is a relatively limited volume of children who need this type of placement at any given time. Therefore, the placements are located in various geographic areas across the State, with the goal of serving children within the boundaries of the State as they present themselves. The most significant issue regarding Non-community Based Residential placements appears to be the volume of children placed out-of-state, especially those youth placed by LSS and funded by MSDE. An additional issue of concern is the distance that must be traveled by the families, youth, and workers when youth are placed on opposite ends of the State from their home jurisdiction. For example, there were seven (7) youth from Wicomico County and five (5) from St. Mary's County placed in Garrett County.

Table 36 provides an overview of the number of youth in placement in the single-day count, by jurisdiction, and where each youth was placed. The first column provides the number of youth from the home jurisdiction that was in placement in the single day count. The second column provides the percentage that number represents with regard to the total number of youth in placement on that date, statewide. The columns that follow provide the name of the jurisdiction where the youth was placed. The rows at the bottom of the table provide the percentage of children who were from the jurisdiction *and placed* in that jurisdiction. The final row provides the percentage of children who were placed in that jurisdiction out of the total number of children placed on that date, statewide.



### ❖ Excluding all Unknown Data

If all Non-community Based Residential placement cases with unknown data, including cases of youth who reside outside of the State, are excluded, the number of Maryland children in identifiable jurisdictions of placement is 1,000. With 238 children known to be placed in their home jurisdictions (24%), it can be estimated that over 75% are in placements away from their jurisdiction of residence.

### ❖ Maryland Youth Placed Out-of-State

On the census day, of the 1,004 youth in Non-community Based Residential placements who were known to be from Maryland jurisdictions, 69 or 6.9% were placed out-of-state.

### Non-community Based Placements by Type across Agencies

There are three (3) types of placements in the Non-community Based Residential placement category: Residential Treatment Centers, American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Treatment Facilities and DJS Committed Facilities. The majority of youth, 735 or 70%, in Non-community Based Residential placements are in Residential Treatment Centers.

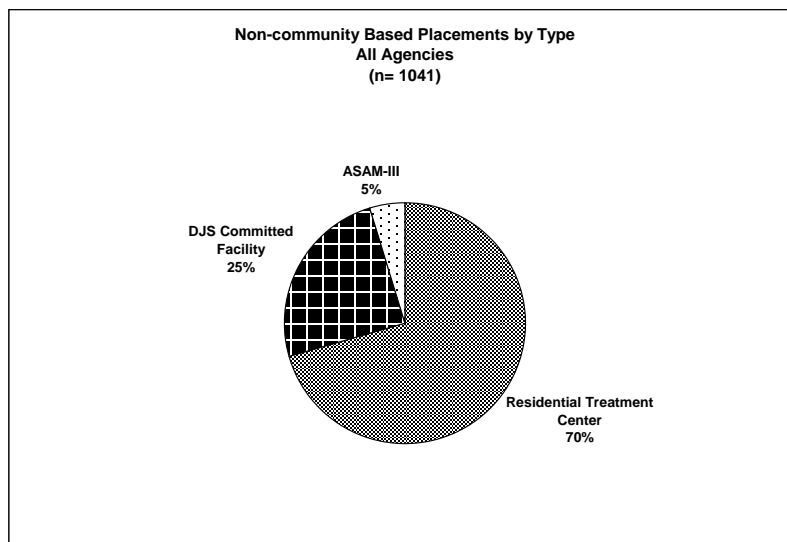


Figure 12: Non-community Based Residential Placements by Type

There are 12 Residential Treatment Centers located in seven (7) of Maryland's jurisdictions. Appendix 6 provides a listing of RTCs in Maryland by county of location.

Tables 37 through 39 detail jurisdictional data reported for the different types of Non-community Based placements being utilized on the census day. The first table provides jurisdictional data for Residential Treatment Centers, the placement type with the highest rate of use at 70%, followed by DJS Committed Facilities at 25% and ASAM Treatment Facilities at 5%.



Home Jurisdiction of Children in Placements	# children from jurisdiction in placement	% children statewide in DJS Committed placements from jurisdiction	DJS Committed Non-Community Based Placements																							OOS Not Adjacent	OOS Unknown Adjacent	Jurisdiction Unknown								
			Jurisdiction Where Children Were Placed																																	
			Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Baltimore City	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	Somerset	St. Mary's	Talbot	Washington	Wicomico				Worcester	OOS Adjacent						
Allegany	5	1.9%	3									2																								
Anne Arundel	17	6.6%				1					3	9					4																			
Baltimore	30	11.7%				2					4	24																								
Baltimore City	34	13.2%		3		1					6	24																								
Calvert	3	1.2%									1	2																								
Caroline	1	0.4%										1																								
Carroll	4	1.6%	2								1	1																								
Cecil	3	1.2%										3																								
Charles	13	5.1%		1							2	10																								
Dorchester	1	0.4%									1																									
Frederick	9	3.5%	4	1		1					1	2																								
Garrett	1	0.4%	1																																	
Harford	8	3.1%									1	7																								
Howard	2	0.8%	2																																	
Kent	1	0.4%										1																								
Montgomery	32	12.5%	19	1		1					2	9																								
Prince George's	37	14.4%	2	2		7					1	19					6																			
Queen Anne's	1	0.4%										1																								
Somerset	1	0.4%										1																								
St. Mary's	10	3.9%									1	5																								
Talbot	2	0.8%				1						1																								
Washington	13	5.1%	9									4																								
Wicomico	9	3.5%									2	7																								
Worcester	3	1.2%										3																								
OOS	17	6.6%	3	1							2	7					4																			
Unknown		0.0%																																		
<b>Total</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>14</b>					<b>28</b>	<b>143</b>					<b>18</b>																			
% of children from jurisdiction placed in jurisdiction			60.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	16.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
% children statewide in DJS Committed in jurisdiction (total)			17.5%	3.5%	0.0%	5.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	7.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	

**Table 38: DJS Committed Facilities: Jurisdiction of Placement, All Agencies, by Home Jurisdiction**



## Key Findings for Non-community Based Placements

- Fifteen (15) jurisdictions had none of their youth placed in Non-community Based Residential facilities within their home jurisdictions as might be expected when considering Non-community Based Residential placements. There were a significant number of youth placed out-of-state —69 or 7% of Maryland’s 1,004 youth in all Non-community Based Residential placements.
- A significant issue with regard to Non-community Based Residential placements appears to be the volume of children placed outside of the State, especially those youth placed by Local School Systems. An additional issue of concern is the distance that must be traveled by the families, youth, and workers when youth are placed on opposite ends of the State from their home jurisdiction. For example, there were seven (7) youth from Wicomico County and five (5) from St. Mary’s County placed in Garrett County.
- Nearly one-half, 115 or 45%, of identified Maryland youth were placed by MHA in Non-community Based Residential facilities in their home jurisdictions: 83% of Montgomery County youth, 73% of Frederick youth and 67% of Baltimore County youth were placed within their home jurisdictions.
- Over half, 453 or 51%, of the 889 children placed by DJS were placed into Non-community Based Residential placements. Just fewer than 10%, 41 of 423 Maryland youth, however, were placed in their home jurisdictions. Furthermore, an equal number, 41, were placed out-of-state: seven (7) in out-of-state jurisdictions adjacent to their home but 34 in non-adjacent jurisdictions. Among those 41 youth placed out-of-state, seven were (7) youth with residences outside of Maryland.
- There were 12 youth placed by Local School Systems in Non-community Based placements. All 12 were placed in out-of-state Residential Treatment Centers.

The sections that follow will provide short summaries of the children in Non-community Based Residential placements, by placing Agency. Detailed tables providing jurisdictional data on Non-community Based Residential placements by Agency follow these summaries.

### DHR Non-Community Based Placements

There were 312 children placed by DHR into Non-community Based Residential placements. All of the residential counties were identified but four placement counties were reported as “unknown.” Twenty-six percent (26%) or 82 of these children were placed in their home jurisdictions. The largest in-county placement jurisdiction was Baltimore County with 43 youth or 81%. The other jurisdictions with high in-county/city placements were Baltimore City, Montgomery County, Prince George’s County and Washington County. The largest percentage, 42%, of all children placed by DHR into a Non-community Based Residential placement came from Baltimore City. An additional 17% of youth came from Baltimore County. Four counties, Garrett, Somerset, Talbot and Worcester, had no children placed by DHR into Non-community Based Residential placements. Baltimore County alone received nearly half (47%) of all Non-community Based Residential placements made statewide through DHR. The next highest jurisdiction was Montgomery at 14%. Table 40 provides a jurisdictional breakdown of this information.

### DJS Non-Community Based Placements

Over half, 453 or 51%, of the 889 children placed by DJS were placed into Non-community Based Residential placements. Just fewer than 10%, 41 of 423 Maryland youth, however, were placed in their home jurisdictions. Furthermore, an equal number (41) were placed out-of-state: seven (7) in out-of-state jurisdictions adjacent to their home and 34 in non-adjacent jurisdictions. Among those 41 youth placed out-of-state, were seven (7) youth from outside of Maryland. In all, there were 30 youth from outside of Maryland placed by DJS in Non-community Based Residential placements. Of these, 23 were placed in Maryland jurisdictions while the seven (7) previously mentioned were placed in facilities out-of-state. As has been the pattern throughout, Baltimore City had more than any other jurisdiction with 68 children, 15% of the State total, in Non-community Based Residential placements. The City rate is closely followed by Prince George's and Montgomery Counties, at 13% and 12% respectively, as jurisdictions with the greatest number of children placed in Non-community Based Residential placements. By far, the largest numbers of youth placed by DJS in Non-community Based Residential facilities located within its jurisdiction were in Garrett County, with 141 youth or 31% of the State total. Interestingly, none of those 141 youth are Garrett County residents. Facilities located in Baltimore City serve the second highest number at 62, 14% of the State total, only 12 of whom are Baltimore City residents. Finally, Allegany County is the placement jurisdiction for 45 youth, 10% of the State total in this category, and only three of those youth are Allegany County residents. Table 41 provides jurisdictional breakdown of this information.

### MHA Non-Community Based Placements

The MHA Non-community Based Residential placements are Residential Treatment Centers, including the three state-run Regional Institutes for Children and Adolescents (RICA) and hospitals which were in operation in January, 2008. One RICA facility has since been closed. MHA placed 264 youth in Non-community Based Residential placements. Five (5) of these youth were from outside of Maryland and two (2) were from jurisdictions that were reported as unknown. The greatest number of children placed by MHA in Non-community Based Residential placements (69) came from Montgomery County and represent 26% of the State total. The next greatest percentage of children placed by MHA came from Baltimore County, with 52 children representing 20% of the State total, and then Baltimore City, with 25 children or 10%. Nearly one-half, 115 children or 45%, of identified Maryland youth were placed in their home jurisdictions, with 83% of Montgomery County youth, 73% of Frederick youth and 67% of Baltimore County youth placed within their home jurisdictions. Only three (3) youth were placed by MHA into an out-of-state placement, with two of the three placed in jurisdictions adjacent to their home counties. Table 42 provides jurisdictional of this information.

### MSDE Non-Community Based Placements

There were 12 youth placed by Local School Systems and funded, at least in part by MSDE, in Non-community Based Residential placements. All 12 were placed in out-of-state Residential Treatment Centers.









## Hospitalization Placements

There were 167 youth in Hospitalization placements in the single-day count. Three (3) of these youth were from residences outside of Maryland, and one was from a jurisdiction reported as “unknown.” These youth were placed by DHR, DJS, and MHA. The majority of youth were placed by MHA into psychiatric hospitalizations.<sup>6</sup> Hospitalizations are one of the most restrictive placements, may not be available in each jurisdiction, and should be used with the least frequency. Given these factors, it is presumed that the majority of youth in these placements will not be residing in their home jurisdictions. It is always preferred; however, that youth will be placed as close as possible to their jurisdiction of residence.

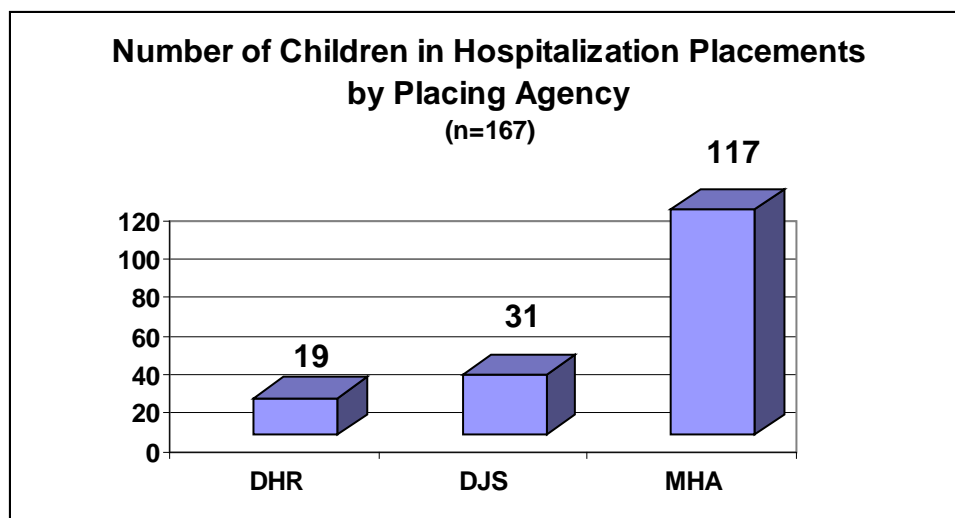
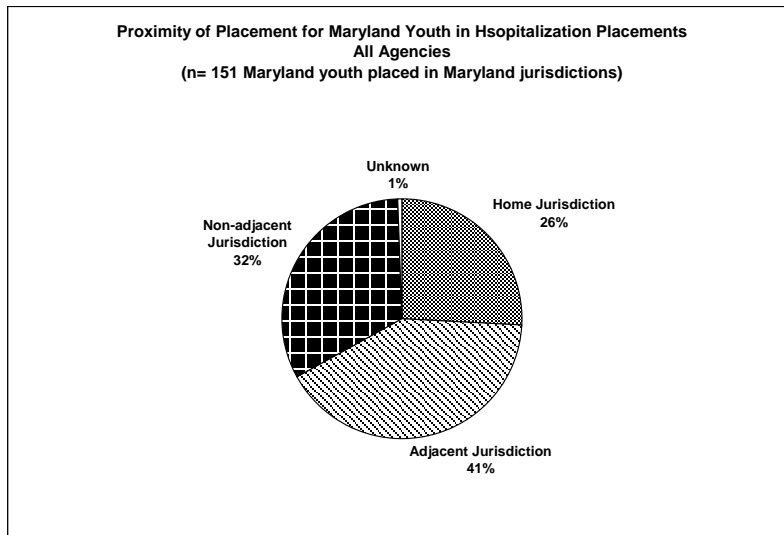


Figure 14: # of Youth in Hospitalization placements by placing agency

Thirty-nine (39) out of the 163 youth (24%) were placed in their home jurisdiction. The highest percentage of youth placed within their own jurisdiction was from Allegany County where three (3) of four (4) were placed in their home county. After Allegany County, the jurisdiction with the greatest number of youth placed in its home jurisdiction was Washington County, with 60% of their 10 youth placed there. Twenty-eight percent (28%) of the youth in Hospitalization placements originate from Baltimore City. The next highest percentage is found in Baltimore County with 19 youth or 11% of the state total.

<sup>6</sup> 26 of the 145 placements classified as “psychiatric hospitalizations” had no program name or address by which to confirm that these were, in fact, *psychiatric* hospitalizations; however, they are counted as such given the context of this report although unconfirmed by the data submitted.



**Figure 13: Proximity of Placement, Hospitalization Placements, All Agencies**

Table 43 provides an overview of the number of youth in placement in the single-day count, by jurisdiction, and where each youth was placed. The first column provides the number of youth from the home jurisdiction that was in a placement in the single-day count. The second column provides the percentage that number represents with regard to the total number of youth in placement on that date, statewide. The columns that follow provide the jurisdiction where the youth was placed. The rows at the bottom of the table provide the percentage of children who were from the jurisdiction *and placed* in that jurisdiction. The final row provides the percentage of children who were placed in that jurisdiction, out of the total number of children placed on that date, statewide.

❖ **Excluding all Unknown Data**

If all Hospitalization placement cases with unknown data, including cases of youth who reside outside of Maryland, are excluded, the number of Maryland children in identifiable jurisdictions of placement is 163. With 39 children known to be placed in their home jurisdictions (24%), over 75% are in placements away from their jurisdiction of residence.

❖ **Maryland Youth Placed Out-of-State**

Of the 163 youth in Hospitalization placements who were known to be from Maryland jurisdictions, 13 or 8% were placed out-of-state on the census day.

**Key Findings for Hospitalization Placements**

- A high percentage of youth – 67% - requiring Hospitalization were placed in either their home or adjacent jurisdiction.



### DHR Hospitalization Placements

There were 19 youth placed in the Hospitalization macro-placement category by DHR. These youth were from five jurisdictions and one reported as unknown. Three or 17% were placed in their home jurisdictions.

### DJS Hospitalization Placements

There were 31 youth placed by DJS in hospitalizations; 22 were hospitalizations for various levels of substance abuse and the remainder was psychiatric hospitalizations. Three of these youth were placed in hospitals in their jurisdictions of residence.

### MHA Hospitalization Placements

There were 117 youth placed by MHA in Hospitalization placements. One of these youth was from out-of-state and the rest were from identified Maryland jurisdictions. Thirty-five percent (35%) of the youth came from Baltimore County and an additional 15% came from Baltimore City. Thirty-four (34) or 29% of the 56 youth were placed in their home jurisdictions. Most of the youth were placed in Baltimore City, Baltimore County and Washington County.

Because of the small number of youth in Hospitalization placements and the fixed locations of limited facilities, detailed tables by agency are not provided in this placement category.

## Discussion: Looking across Data from June 30, 2005, January 30, 2007 and January 30, 2008

As has been previously mentioned, an initial single point-in-time study was conducted for Senate Bill 711 (2004) and was issued by GOC on behalf of the Children's Cabinet on January 1, 2006. This study analyzed the number of children who were in out-of-home care on June 30, 2005, by jurisdiction and placement category.

The 2007 State Resource Plan was based on a data request issued to each of the four State Child-Serving Agencies: DHMH, DHR, DJS, and MSDE. Within DHMH, requests were issued to three Administrations that are involved with the placement of children into out-of-home care: ADAA, DDA, and MHA. Complete information on the data collection process, as well as important caveats and limitations, are found in the 2007 report. The actual date used for the point-in-time study in 2007, however, was not consistent across agencies. Data collection dates ranged from as early as December 31, 2006 to as late as June 18, 2007. Additionally, because of the differences in the time, type and manner in which the data were collected and analyzed between 2006 and 2007, it was difficult to compare these first two State Resource Plans.

In 2008, a data request similar to the one made in 2007 was made of the same State Child-Placing Agencies. Perhaps the most influential difference between the 2007 and 2008 reports is the census date, itself. Unlike the 2007 report which allowed differing census dates, in 2008 all data were collected on January 30, 2008. Duplicate data were identified by GOC staff, eliminating inflated counts. Many data fields, however, were incomplete when submitted by the

placing agencies causing undercounts, especially in the jurisdiction of placement category. Importantly, 2,713 or 24% of all jurisdictions of placement data were missing, inaccurate or reported as “unknown.” This deficiency, in particular, makes it difficult to clearly evaluate data in terms of placement proximity to a child’s home jurisdiction, especially in Family Foster Home placements where the missing data was most pronounced. Additionally, and importantly, this data problem makes a comparison between the 2007 and 2008 Plans especially difficult despite improving consistency in the census-day data collection.

Keeping those caveats and limitations in mind, the following provides a starting point to shape the conversation for future years about the trends in out-of-home placements.

<i>Agency</i>	<i>June 30, 2005</i>
DHMH-ADAA	92 (0.7%)
DHMH-DDA	93 (0.4%)
DHMH-MHA	222 (1.8%)
DHR	10,227 (81.9%)
DJS	1,589 (12.7%)
MSDE*	258 (2.1%)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,481 (100.0%)</b>

**Table 44: Comparison of Number of Children in Care, 6/30/05**

<i>Agency</i>	<i>January 30, 2007</i>
DHMH-ADAA	113 (0.9%)
DHMH-DDA	34 (0.3%)
DHMH-MHA	190 (1.5%)
DHR	10,205 (83.1%)
DJS	1,524 (12.4%)
MSDE*	220 (1.8%)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,286 (100.0%)</b>

**Table 45: Comparison of Number of Children in Care 1/30/07 (with exceptions)**

<i>Agency</i>	<i>January 30, 2008</i>
DHMH-ADAA	53 (0.5%)
DHMH-DDA	237 (2.1%)
DHMH-MHA	381 (3.4%)
DHR	9,638 (85.7%)
DJS	889 (7.9%)
MSDE*	43 (0.4%)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,241 (100.0%)</b>

**Table 46: Comparison of Number of Children in Care 1/30/08**

\* Data reporting methods for MSDE placement data differed significantly between 2007 and 2008 accounting for the large difference in those annual snapshots.

As illustrated in Tables 44, 45 and 46, historically, DHR places the highest percentage of children in residential placements, as certainly would be expected. Consistently, DJS places the second highest percentage. The most obvious difference between 2007 and 2008 is the apparent



decrease in the number of children in residential placements with over 1,000 children less in 2008 than in 2007. This decrease may be explained by the differences in the way the data were collected between 2007 and 2008; however, that cannot be stated with any degree of certainty. Additional years of data will shed more light on the causes and factors at work in these two sets of numbers.

Other historical notes from the three years of data are discussed below by agency.

**DHR.** The highest user of Family Foster Care, as would be expected, is DHR having placed between 98% and 99% of all foster care placements for each of the past three study periods. Over the years, DHR has placed about 80% of all youth in Community-based Residential facilities.

**DJS.** Historically, DJS has placed the highest proportion of youth in Non-community Based Residential facilities; this was true in 2008 again, as might be expected. DJS generally is responsible for about 1% of all Family Foster Care placements and 15% of all Community-based Residential placements. This has not changed significantly over the three study periods.

**ADAA.** This Agency did not provide placement category data in 2008. In the past, ADAA has had the highest proportion of Hospitalization placements.

**DDA.** This Agency accounts for a very small percentage of placements across categories. Community-based Residential placements have accounted for DDA's highest placement numbers over the years.

**MHA.** Non-community Based Residential placements have accounted for the highest proportion of MHA's residential placement numbers over the three (3) study periods.

**MSDE.** MSDE is not a child- placing Agency. Local School Systems place children in residential facilities and MSDE funds those placements at least in part. Non-community Based Residential placements have accounted for the highest proportion of placements funded through MSDE over the three (3) study periods.

While it is important to compare the number of children that were placed in their home jurisdictions, this is where the missing data in 2008 has the largest negative impact making it difficult to draw accurate conclusions. Looking at the data by macro-placement category, however, in both the Non-community Based Residential and Hospitalization categories the 2008 data are sufficient to compare with 2007. These data indicate that a lower percentage of youth were in their home jurisdictions while in a Non-community Based Residential placement on the census day in 2008 than were in their home jurisdictions on the census day in 2007. On the other hand, Hospitalization placements showed an increase in the number of youth who were placed in their home jurisdictions. For Community-based Residential placements, where only 8% of placement data were "unknown," there was a drop in the number and percentage of children placed in these facilities between 2007 and 2008. This drop merits further inquiry as data in future years become available.

## Capacity & Utilization of Residential Placements

### *Licensed Capacity by Licensing Agency and Jurisdiction of Residential Child Care Providers*

Table 49 below provides the total available licensed capacity in a given jurisdiction, by licensing agency. This table only includes those residential child care providers who receive a rate from the Interagency Rates Committee and/or have provider profiles contained in the State Children, Youth and Families Information System (SCYFIS).

<i>Jurisdiction</i>	<i>DHMH/DDA</i>	<i>DHMH/OHCQ</i>	<i>DHR<sup>7</sup></i>	<i>DJS</i>	<i>Total</i>
<b>Allegany County</b>	0	0	0	9	9
<b>Anne Arundel County</b>	21	8	64	0	93
<b>Baltimore City</b>	11	48	510	52	621
<b>Baltimore County</b>	74	14	488	18	594
<b>Calvert County</b>	0	8	0	0	8
<b>Caroline County</b>	0	0	81	0	81
<b>Carroll County</b>	0	0	0	58	58
<b>Cecil County</b>	30	0	0	0	30
<b>Charles County</b>	0	8	15	0	23
<b>Dorchester County</b>	0	0	0	52	52
<b>Frederick County</b>	0	0	28	0	28
<b>Garrett County</b>	0	0	40	0	40
<b>Harford County</b>	3	0	30	0	33
<b>Howard County</b>	10	20	32	0	62
<b>Kent County</b>	0	0	0	10	10
<b>Montgomery County</b>	59	31	103	13	206
<b>Prince George's County</b>	159	20	334	0	513
<b>Queen Anne's County</b>	0	0	0	8	8
<b>Saint Mary's County</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Somerset County</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Talbot County</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Washington County</b>	0	16	139	12	167
<b>Wicomico County</b>	17	12	0	8	37
<b>Worcester County</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Maryland</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>1,864</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>2,673</b>

**Table 49: Residential Child Care Licensed Capacity by Licensing Agency and Jurisdiction.**

Appendices 1-6 provide tables with information on the name, jurisdiction, licensing agency, license capacity, and census on January 30, 2008 according to the data submitted by each agency.

<sup>7</sup> This list excluded the Maryland School for the Deaf and Maryland School for the Blind.

Table 50 illustrates data from ADAA-licensed programs based on the one day count when the program was identified.

<i>One-Day Count ADAA</i>	
<i>Program</i>	<i>Census</i>
Catoctin Summit	9
Jackson Unit	19
Mountain Manor	33
Right Turn of Maryland	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>65</b>

**Table 50: ADAA: January 30, 2008**

Information on DJS programs for DJS-operated committed programs is provided in Table 51. Data on detention centers, evening reporting centers, home detention (no electronic monitoring), and community detention with electronic monitoring are not included.

<i>One-Day Count: DJS Operated Facilities</i>			
<i>Program</i>	<i>Census</i>	<i>Rated Capacity</i>	<i>Difference between Census &amp; Rated Capacity</i>
Cheltenham ReDirect	19	24	-5
Victor Cullen Center	28	48	-20
Waxter	9	68	-59
Youth Center—Backbone	61	40	21
Youth Center—Greenridge	47	40	7
Youth Center—Meadow Mountain	38	40	-2
Youth Center—Savage Mountain	23	36	-13
<b>TOTAL PROGRAMS</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>-71</b>

**Table 51: DJS: January 30, 2008**

## Children’s Cabinet Resource Development Initiatives

In FY07, the Children’s Cabinet Interagency Fund allocated \$1.5 million for resource development. The funds were awarded to Baltimore City and the Eastern Shore counties for the development of residential child care facilities. In FY08, the emphasis on resource development was shifted to home and community-based services designed to prevent youth from being placed in out-of-home settings. \$2.2 million was awarded to 13 jurisdictions to fund the start up of 26 projects. Table 52 below shows the projects granted resource development by jurisdiction and the amount of the award.

<b>JURISDICTION</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Award</b>
Allegany	Therapeutic After School Care	39,383
Anne Arundel	Respite	23,000
Baltimore County	Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Foster Care	219,890
Calvert	Functional Family Therapy	113,380

<b>JURISDICTION</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Award</b>
Caroline	Training kitchen	300,000
Carroll	Respite	15,273
Harford	Respite	26,591
	Crisis intervention team	19,410
	Child psychiatrist	97,750
Montgomery	Girls shelter	389,331
	Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Foster Care	245,443
Queen Anne's	Mental health clinic	201,157
	Psycho educational group	12,720
	Rising stars	7,500
	Summer camp	800
	Telehealth	35,026
	Early childhood MH	6,684
Somerset	DDA summer camp	122,758
	MH summer camp	5,198
	Psychiatrist and LCSW	35,000
Washington	Respite	25,000
	Therapeutic supports	24,024
Wicomico	Respite	25,000
	Trauma informed initiative	80,000
Worcester	Respite, crisis response, family support services	103,000
	Sex offender services	43950
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2,217,268</b>

**Table 52: FY 2008 Resource Development Grant Awards by Jurisdiction**

The jurisdictions receiving funding for resource development have received extensive technical assistance in clearly defining the populations to be served in the group homes and other facilities and ensuring that the new facilities are community-based and as family-like as possible. GOC provided and continues to provide technical assistance in the writing of the RFPs, and it is an expectation that the jurisdictions work collaboratively and with a State Management Team to coordinate the RFP process and ongoing utilization issues.

## Ongoing Initiatives

### ***Single Point of Entry***

The Governor's Office for Children (GOC) serves as a single point of entry (SPE) for prospective providers who wish to establish residential child care programs, and current providers who wish to expand existing residential child care programs. Through this process

GOC coordinates the licensing process for residential child care programs for Maryland State child-serving agencies.

Regional trainings were offered at four times for prospective providers during FY08 and approximately 300 potential new providers were trained. The number of new and revised proposals received during FY08 was 124, down from 291 in FY07. Fifteen proposals were sent on to licensing agencies—13 to DHR, 1 to OHCQ and 1 to DJS.

SB 782 was passed during the 2008 legislative session and changed the way in which proposals can be accepted for residential child care programs to be licensed by DHR and DJS (codified as Maryland Annotated Code, Human Services Article, §8-703.1). Effective October 1, 2008, proposals for new programs and expansion of existing programs licensed by those agencies may only be accepted in response to a statement of need. SB 782 does not affect programs to be licensed by DHMH. The majority of youth placed in homes licensed by DHMH are placed by DHR and DJS and it is not likely that new homes licensed by DHMH would get contracts with those agencies unless they have issued a statement of need for such homes. As a result, it was anticipated that there would be a significant drop in the number of potential new providers, so SPE held its last training session in June 2008.

## Summary and Conclusions

The Children's Cabinet remains committed to the development of local, integrated systems of care that ensure that children and their families are served in a culturally and linguistically competent manner, that services are community-based and individualized, and that decisions are child- and youth-guided and family-driven. In order to achieve these principles, additional resources must be targeted for underserved areas and a renewed focus must be placed on the identification of resources that meet the needs of the families, youth, agencies, and community members involved in the care of children.

The data presented in this Plan makes it abundantly clear that the majority of resources reside in the central region of the State. There continues to be a deficiency of Family Foster Care placements available inside of Baltimore City. It is apparent that the need for placements in Baltimore City far exceeds the capacity of the City and the State, and should be the focus of concentrated efforts to establish and sustain additional resources.

In the meantime, it should be noted that a tremendous number of children are being served inside Baltimore City and, particularly, in relative foster placements. This indicates that these children are maintaining some degree of continuity with their family, community, and culture, even while experiencing a disruption from their homes and nuclear families.

A regional approach to resource development that includes partnership with family members and youth is the most efficient way to promote the adequate and appropriate delivery of services and supports to children in their communities. The development of new residential resources for children should only occur when there is a clearly identified need for the service in a particular jurisdiction or region.

The State continues to make progress in reducing the number of children in out-of-home placements. Now is the time to focus our creative efforts to ensure that those children who are in out-of-home placements are in facilities that are as much like home as possible, meet their individual needs, and are close to their families and communities of origin.

## **Appendices**

The one-day census for each provider listed is taken directly from placement data submitted by each agency. Numbers for each program are only supplied when the name of the program was available from the data set. In appendices 1-6, \* denotes programs that have closed since January 30, 2008. Independent living or treatment foster care providers have tremendous ability to increase the number of individuals served; therefore, the license capacity is not necessarily a constant number.

**Appendix 1: Residential Child Care Program Capacity and Utilization, January 30, 2008**

Residential Child Care Program is an umbrella term that includes regular group homes, alternative living units, shelters, diagnostic evaluation treatment facilities, and therapeutic group homes licensed by DHR, DJS and DHMH. For reporting purposes, alternative living units and therapeutic group homes are listed separately.

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Lic Agency</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
Allegany County Girls Group Home	Allegany County	DJS	9	8
New Dominion	Allegany County	DJS	72	16
Adventist Behavioral Health	Anne Arundel	DHR	18	18
Great Esteem Inc	Anne Arundel	DHR	8	6
Safe Haven Shelter	Anne Arundel	DHR	6	0
United States Fellowship Inc./Eastern Point Shelter	Anne Arundel	DHR	11	4
United States Fellowship, Inc./Eastern Point Group Home	Anne Arundel	DHR	12	6
YOUTHTOWN USA	Anne Arundel	DHR	9	5
Be Our Guest Ltd. 1	Baltimore City	DHMH: DDA	5	0
Comfort Homes, Inc.	Baltimore City	DHMH: DDA	6	0
A New World Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	6	5
Akoma Home	Baltimore City	DHR	6	5
Aries Residential Services	Baltimore City	DHR	12	6
AT&T Counseling Consultants	Baltimore City	DHR	11	3
Aunt Hattie's Place	Baltimore City	DHR	12	15
Bert's Place	Baltimore City	DHR	5	3
Bert's Place Too	Baltimore City	DHR	7	0
Boys Home Society of Baltimore, Inc. - Long Term	Baltimore City	DHR	18	1
Boys Home Society of Baltimore, Inc. - Shelter*	Baltimore City	DHR	6	3
Care With Class, Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	6	5
Changing Lives At Home, Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	5	3
Chara House*	Baltimore City	DHR	6	6
CHEO Group Home for Boys III	Baltimore City	DHR	12	3
Compassion, Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	10	4



<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Lic Agency</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
DAHSI PARADISE HOME Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	16	0
Daisyfields*	Baltimore City	DHR	10	7
Day-By-Day Residential Services, Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	6	35
Devine Intervention	Baltimore City	DHR	5	3
DREAM KEEPERS INC.	Baltimore City	DHR	21	6
Fellowship of Lights/Harris House*	Baltimore City	DHR	9	1
Fellowship of Lights/Peggy's Place*	Baltimore City	DHR	10	7
Florence Crittenton Services - Mother Infant Program	Baltimore City	DHR	19	6
Florence Crittenton Services - General Treatment	Baltimore City	DHR	38	33
Franklin Homes, Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	5	4
Gallant Youth	Baltimore City	DHR	6	0
GOLIVEN GROUP HOME, INC.	Baltimore City	DHR	6	0
Her Place	Baltimore City	DHR	4	3
Ideal Family Residential Services, Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	6	0
Inclusive Residential Services*	Baltimore City	DHR	6	5
Inspiring Minds Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	4	4
Jane Egenton House	Baltimore City	DHR	12	9
Jentry McDonald Sr. Group Home	Baltimore City	DHR	15	14
Jumoke Group Home	Baltimore City	DHR	15	14
Lacey Brown Home	Baltimore City	DHR	6	4
Lazarus House, INC	Baltimore City	DHR	5	2
McJoy's Joy Covenant	Baltimore City	DHR	8	7
Mom-Mom's Place Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	12	3
Mumsey's Residential Care, Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	5	5
National Center on Institutions and Alternatives iii	Baltimore City	DHR	24	4
Oblate Sisters of Providence	Baltimore City	DHR	24	6
Premiere House	Baltimore City	DHR	8	7
Rolling Vista Place Group Home	Baltimore City	DHR	8	5

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Lic Agency</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
Safe Healing House	Baltimore City	DHR	5	4
Sarah's House 1	Baltimore City	DHR	11	10
Self Pride*	Baltimore City	DHR	5	4
Starflight v	Baltimore City	DHR	4	3
Starrs Group Home	Baltimore City	DHR	6	0
T.I.M.E. Organization*	Baltimore City	DHR	4	0
The Okojie Group Inc*.	Baltimore City	DHR	6	0
Transformations, Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	10	8
TuTTie's Place 4	Baltimore City	DHR	26	25
W. E. Youth Services*	Baltimore City	DHR	5	3
We Are the World, Inc.	Baltimore City	DHR	6	3
Woodbourne Bridges*	Baltimore City	DHR	13	2
Woodbourne Diagnostic*	Baltimore City	DHR	50	40
Youth Enterprise Services	Baltimore City	DHR	18	11
Youth Progressive Network*	Baltimore City	DHR	4	2
Aunt CC's Harbor House	Baltimore City	DJS	15	0
Liberty House	Baltimore City	DJS	10	8
MENTOR Maryland - Transitional Group Home	Baltimore City	DJS	4	1
One Love Group Home	Baltimore City	DJS	8	0
PSI/First Home Care Mount Clare House	Baltimore City	DJS	12	4
Sheppard Pratt Respite	Baltimore City	DHR	34	18
The Way Home	Baltimore City	DJS	15	6
Be Our Guest, Ltd. II	Baltimore County	DHMH: DDA	4	4
Center for Social Change	Baltimore County	DHMH: DDA	5	5
Center For Social Change, Inc.	Baltimore County	DHMH: DDA	5	3
Arrow Diagnostic Center	Baltimore County	DHR	45	48
Aunt Hattie's Place	Baltimore County	DHR	6	1
Board of Child Care	Baltimore County	DHR	85	88

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Lic Agency</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
CHEO Group Home for Boys 1	Baltimore County	DHR	5	1
CHEO Group Home for Boys II	Baltimore County	DHR	7	5
Franklin Homes, Inc.	Baltimore County	DHR	15	12
Gateway House	Baltimore County	DHR	4	0
Graceville Group Home, Inc.	Baltimore County	DHR	4	2
Graceville Group Home, Inc.	Baltimore County	DHR	4	5
Home of New Beginnings Adolescent Program	Baltimore County	DHR	12	13
Home of New Beginnings Pregnant Teens and Teen Mothers	Baltimore County	DHR	4	3
Inner County Outreach	Baltimore County	DHR	6	1
Jamerson House	Baltimore County	DHR	7	1
Kelso Shelter (Girls) and Singewald Shelter (Boys)	Baltimore County	DHR	24	14
Making A Great Individual Contribution III	Baltimore County	DHR	13	13
National Center on Institutions and Alternatives	Baltimore County	DHR	23	13
Nicodemus Group Home	Baltimore County	DHR	5	3
Place for Children	Baltimore County	DHR	21	13
Safe Healing House	Baltimore County	DHR	10	10
St. Vincent's Center	Baltimore County	DHR	70	64
Starflight	Baltimore County	DHR	30	16
The Children's Home -Diagnostic	Baltimore County	DHR	16	1
The Children's Home, Inc. - Group Home, Large	Baltimore County	DHR	48	41
The Children's Home, Inc. - Shelter Care 60 Day	Baltimore County	DHR	8	12
The Children's Home, Inc. - Transitional Living Program	Baltimore County	DHR	8	11
Woolford House	Baltimore County	DHR	12	7
GUIDE Catonsville Structured Shelter	Baltimore County	DJS	10	0
Karma at Randallstown	Baltimore County	DJS	8	5
The Benedictine School	Caroline County	DHR	78	8
The Benedictine School/Oakland Avenue	Caroline County	DHR	3	0

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Lic Agency</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
Sykesville Girl's Shelter	Carroll County	DJS	10	0
Thomas O'Farrell Youth Center*	Carroll County	DJS	43	40
Shorehaven, Inc.	Cecil County	DHMH: DDA	30	13
Structures Youth Home - Boys	Charles County	DHR	8	9
Structures Youth Home - Girls	Charles County	DHR	7	5
Linkwood Home for Girls*	Dorchester County	DJS	8	5
VisionQuest Morning Star Youth Academy	Dorchester County	DJS	52	28
Maryland Sheriffs' Youth Ranch	Frederick County	DHR	28	25
Mt. Airy Shelter*	Frederick County	DHR	6	2
Salem Group Home	Garrett County	DHR	32	21
The Salem Shelter	Garrett County	DHR	8	5
Arrow Crossroads Community	Harford County	DHR	18	11
Inner County Outreach	Harford County	DHR	6	3
REM Maryland - GHS 4	Howard County	DHMH: DDA	4	0
SecureCare Services, Ltd.	Howard County	DHMH: DDA	4	0
Clinton Home for Children*	Howard County	DHR	4	3
Linwood Center, Inc.	Howard County	DHR	27	7
Starflight -Quiet Hours	Howard County	DHR	5	4
Kent Youth Boys Group Home	Kent County	DJS	10	9
Philomen's Place	Montgomery	DHMH: DDA	5	6
SecureCare Services, Ltd.	Montgomery	DHMH: DDA	4	0
B&B Youth Home*	Montgomery	DHR	4	4
Caithness Shelter Home	Montgomery	DHR	14	2
Colesville Siblings Group Home	Montgomery	DHR	8	8
F & N Youth Home, Inc.	Montgomery	DHR	5	5
Greentree Adolescent Program	Montgomery	DHR	20	12
Helen Smith Girls	Montgomery	DHR	8	3
John C. Tracey Group Home	Montgomery	DHR	8	9

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Lic Agency</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
Kemp Mill Group Home	Montgomery	DHR	8	7
M.S.Youth Services*	Montgomery	DHR	6	1
Mansion at Focus Point- iv	Montgomery	DHR	8	4
National Residential Services, Inc.	Montgomery	DHR	8	4
Our House Youth Home	Montgomery	DHR	16	12
Karma Academy for Boys	Montgomery	DJS	13	14
CIS&H Inc.	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	21	9
Comfort Homes Inc.	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	4	0
Family Solutions*	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	5	3
First Metropolitan Facilities Inc.	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	18	11
Holy Care Group Home	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	6	11
MAPA Homes, Inc.	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	5	0
National Children's Center	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	6	0
National Residential Services	Prince George's	DHR	6	7
Second Chance Services Unlimited, Inc.	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	44	17
Second Family, Inc.	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	20	13
United Alternative Care*	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	10	3
All That Matters Inc.	Prince George's	DHR	8	5
B&B Youth Home*	Prince George's	DHR	5	1
Bishop-Bush Homecare	Prince George's	DHR	4	4
Boyz II Men Youth Program, Inc.	Prince George's	DHR	11	6
For Youth Enterprise, Inc.*	Prince George's	DHR	10	9
Good Children in the Making	Prince George's	DHR	11	4
House of NYMA - Bowie	Prince George's	DHR	3	3
Langworthy House	Prince George's	DHR	8	5
Mansion at Focus Point	Prince George's	DHR	24	10
Master Porter, Inc.	Prince George's	DHR	5	0
Mercy Family Care, Inc.	Prince George's	DHR	6	0

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Lic Agency</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
My Sister's House	Prince George's	DHR	10	5
National Residential Services	Prince George's	DHR	6	7
St. Ann's Residential Children's Program	Prince George's	DHR	57	24
St. Ann's Residential Prenatal Program	Prince George's	DHR	52	1
St. Ann's Residential Teen Mother/Baby Program	Prince George's	DHR	52	0
Trimir Home for Children & families	Prince George's	DHR	13	11
Trinity Youth Services	Prince George's	DHR	6	0
Trivisions Group Home	Prince George's	DHR	7	1
Where Angels Tread	Prince George's	DHR	8	6
Williams Life Center Group Home 1	Prince George's	DHR	16	13
Youth Vision Services, Inc.	Prince George's	DHR	6	6
The Larrabee House Girls Residential Group Home	Queen Anne's	DJS	8	5
Arc of Washington County, Inc.	Washington	DHR	22	22
Cedar Ridge Children's Home	Washington	DHR	28	19
Children's Resources	Washington	DHR	28	20
Hagerstown Transitional Living Group Home	Washington	DHR	4	2
Jordan House	Washington	DHR	5	0
Stone Bridge Transitional Care Home	Washington	DHR	27	19
The San Mar Group Home for Girls	Washington	DHR	21	23
United States Fellowship Inc./Oak Hill House	Washington	DHR	14	14
The Graff Shelter	Washington	DJS	12	2
Tender Care, Inc.	Wicomico	DHMH: DDA	5	0
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>2,559</b>	<b>1,496</b>

**Appendix 2: Alternative Living Unit Program Capacity and Utilization, January 30, 2008**

Alternative Living Units are three-bed residences, licensed by the Developmental Disabilities Administration, designed to serve children and youth with developmental disabilities and/or complex medical conditions that require intensive nursing services.

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Lic Agency</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
Bello Machre	Anne Arundel	DHMH: DDA	3	3
Holy Care	Anne Arundel	DHMH: DDA	9	2
LifeLine, Inc.	Anne Arundel	DHMH: DDA	3	2
The Arc of the Central Chesapeake Region, Inc.	Anne Arundel	DHMH: DDA	9	3
Care with Clas	Baltimore City	DHR	6	2
Center for Social Change, Inc.	Baltimore	DHMH: DDA	6	5
Be Our Guest	Baltimore	DHMH: DDA	3	1
Creative Options, Inc. - Youth Services	Baltimore	DHMH: DDA	10	7
F.X. Gallagher	Baltimore	DHMH: DDA	3	2
NCIA	Baltimore	DHR	6	4
REM Maryland - ALU 1	Baltimore	DHMH: DDA	29	26
Creative Options, Inc. Youth Services Division- Stevens Forest	Howard	DHMH: DDA	2	1
Community Support Services, Inc.	Montgomery	DHMH: DDA	6	6
CSAAC	Montgomery	DHMH: DDA	30	5
Kourtney's Place	Montgomery	DHMH: DDA	5	0
SecureCare Services, Ltd.	Montgomery	DHMH: DDA	3	19
The Brotherhood and Sisterhood International, Inc.	Montgomery	DHMH: DDA	6	0
Brotherhood and Sisterhood International, Inc	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	3	0
First Metropolitan Facilities Inc. ( Auth Road)	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	3	3
Holy Care Foundation, Inc.	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	9	4
LifeLine, Inc.	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	9	7
Second Family, Inc. - Medically Fragile Program - 1006	Prince George's	DHMH: DDA	9	8
Bay Shore Services, Inc.	Wicomico	DHMH: DDA	6	0
Dove Pointe Residential Services, Inc.	Wicomico	DHMH: DDA	6	9
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>184</b>	<b>119</b>

### **Appendix 3: Therapeutic Group Home Capacity and Utilization, January 30, 2008**

Therapeutic group homes are small private group homes, licensed by the Office of Health Care Quality of DHMH, that provide residential child care as well as access to a range of diagnostic and therapeutic mental health services for children and adolescents who have mental disorders.

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
Mary's Mount Manor	Anne Arundel	8	4
Better You, Better Me	Baltimore City	4	2
Guide Therapeutic Group Home	Baltimore City	6	5
Our Fortress Homes, Hilton House	Baltimore City	8	0
Our Fortress Homes, Parkside House	Baltimore City	6	3
The Children's Guild (Debuskey House)	Baltimore City	8	4
The Children's Guild (Harford House)	Baltimore City	8	3
The Children's Guild (Kanner House)	Baltimore City	8	5
Fordham Cottage	Baltimore	8	8
Villa Maria Continuum Therapeutic Group Home	Baltimore	6	5
TRIAD TGH	Calvert	8	4
Lighthouse TGH	Charles	8	5
Dulaney House	Howard	8	5
Mosaic House I	Howard	6	4
Mosaic House II	Howard	6	5
Ferrara House	Montgomery	7	2
Potomac Ridge Cottage at N. Potomac	Montgomery	8	6
Potomac Ridge Cottage at Rockville	Montgomery	8	4
Redl House	Montgomery	8	0
ALL THAT MATTERS, INC. FOUNDATION	Prince George's	8	0
ALL THAT MATTERS, INC. FOUNDATION	Prince George's	6	6
Guide Therapeutic Group Home	Prince George's	6	9
Faith Cottage Therapeutic Group Home	Washington	8	8
Jack E. Barr Therapeutic Group Home	Washington	8	10



<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
Wetipquin Ranch	Wicomico	4	3
Royal Oak Special Care	Wicomico	8	7
San Domingo Special Care	Wicomico	4	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>189</b>	<b>120</b>

**Appendix 4: Independent Living Program Capacity and Utilization, January 30, 2008**

Private independent living programs are programs that provide services and supervision for children who live in their own apartment.

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
Jumoke, Inc. Independent Living Program	Baltimore City	20	6
King Edwards' Inc. Supportive and Independent Living Program	Baltimore City	30	18
Independence Plus	Baltimore City	75	54
Second Generations	Baltimore City	12	8
Young Adult's Initiative Independent Living Program (YAI)	Baltimore City	30	19
Challengers Independent Living	Baltimore	25	23
Damamli Independent Living Program	Baltimore	24	5
TAY	Baltimore	12	6
MENTOR Maryland - Teens in Transition	Baltimore	20	11
FutureBound Independent Living Program	Montgomery	21	10
Catholic Charities/DC	Prince George's	20	19
Starting Over Independent Living Program	Prince George's	14	6
Progressive Life Center, Inc.: Subira Semi-Independent Living Program	Prince George's	10	0
Transition Living Services, Inc. - Supervised Independent Living Program	Prince George's	25	0
Transition Living Services, Inc.	Prince George's	35	18
Umbrella Therapeutic Services, Inc.	Prince George's	20	9
Kindness House	Prince George's	10	11
Alternatives for Youth & Families - Independent Living - Phase I	St. Mary's	20	0
Alternatives for Youth & Families Independent Living - Phase II & III	St. Mary's	20	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>443</b>	<b>224</b>

**Appendix 5: Private Treatment Foster Care Capacity and Utilization, January 30, 2008**

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
Pressley Ridge of Western MD	Allegany	107	35
RCI Therapeutic Foster Care (Crofton)	Anne Arundel	96	21
Baltimore Adolescent Treatment and Guidance Organization, Inc.	Baltimore City	60	29
Between Friends, Inc.	Baltimore City	30	0
Casey Family Services	Baltimore City	12	0
Center for Family Services	Baltimore City	99	72
Children's Choice of Maryland, Inc.	Baltimore City	120	47
Family and Children's Services of Central Maryland	Baltimore City	106	53
Jewish Community Services	Baltimore City	12	3
Kennedy Krieger Institute	Baltimore City	102	85
Martin Pollak Project	Baltimore City	80	76
Parker Therapeutic Services, Inc.	Baltimore City	28	0
Phoenix Homes Therapeutic	Baltimore City	50	18
Pressley Ridge of Central MD	Baltimore City	107	36
Progressive Life Center, Inc.	Baltimore City	66	55
RCI Therapeutic Foster Care	Baltimore City	96	76
The Children's Guild	Baltimore City	60	7
WIN FAMILY SERVICES	Baltimore City	95	61
Board of Child Care	Baltimore	27	13
Mentor Maryland Treatment Foster Care	Baltimore	435	363
Neighbor to Family, Baltimore	Baltimore	95	47
Progressive Horizons Treatment Foster Care	Baltimore	30	16
PSI Therapeutic Foster Care	Baltimore	90	70
Second Home, Inc.	Baltimore	50	42
Sheridan Patterson Center for Holistic Family Services, Inc.	Baltimore	42	29
The Arc of Baltimore Treatment Foster Care	Baltimore	110	82
The Arrow Treatment Foster Care	Baltimore	120	93

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
The Children's Home, Inc. - Treatment Foster Care	Baltimore	40	28
Woodbourne Treatment Foster Care (TFC)	Baltimore	70	66
Foundations for Home and Community, Inc.	Charles	120	74
Center for Family Services - TFC (Abingdon)	Harford	105	23
The Arc Northern Chesapeake Region/Treatment Foster Care	Harford	40	29
Baptist Family & Children's Services	Howard	60	52
KidsPeace - Maryland	Howard	100	35
Phillips Teaching Homes	Howard	10	1
Family Ties Treatment Foster Care	Montgomery	40	25
Greenleaf Treatment Foster Care	Montgomery	30	21
Girls and Boys Town of Maryland	Prince George's	6	0
CONCERN Professional Services for Children and Youth	Prince George's	94	62
Contemporary Family Services Treatment Foster Care	Prince George's	200	180
Good Children In the Making Family Services	Prince George's	65	8
Seraaj Family Homes, Inc.	Prince George's	30	0
Williams Life Center Treatment Foster Care Program	Prince George's	25	14
Children's Choice - Kent Island	Queen Anne's	120	25
Alternatives for Youth & Families - Treatment Foster Care	St. Mary's	21	14
San Mar TFC	Washington	40	32
Children's Choice - Salisbury	Wicomico	120	25
Maple Shade TFC	Wicomico	20	11
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3,681</b>	<b>2,154</b>

**Appendix 6: Residential Treatment Center Capacity and Utilization, January 30, 2008**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Census</b>
Potomac Ridge at Crownsville	Anne Arundel	26	26
RICA Baltimore	Baltimore City	45	46
Woodbourne	Baltimore City	54	50
Chesapeake Treatment Center	Baltimore	26	22
Good Shepherd Center	Baltimore	105	95
Mann RTC	Baltimore	48	52
Villa Maria	Baltimore	95	94
Potomac Ridge/Eastern Shore	Dorchester	44	49
The Jefferson School	Frederick	50	48
Potomac Ridge at Rockville	Montgomery	88	86
RICA Rockville	Montgomery	80	64
RICA Southern Maryland*	Prince George's	40	18
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>701</b>	<b>650</b>

**Appendix 7: Residential Child Care Programs closed since December 1, 2006**

<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>JURISDICTION</b>	<b># OF BEDS</b>	<b>CLOSURE DATE</b>
<b>ALTERNATIVE LIVING UNITS/DDA</b>			
Associated Catholic Charities/ Gallagher Services	Baltimore	3	3/26/2008
Bello Machre	Anne Arundel	3	3/26/2008
United Alternative Care	Prince George's and Montgomery	10	12/31/2008
Be Our Guest 1A&B	Baltimore	6	1/13/2009
Family Solutions	Prince George's	5	1/24/2009
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>27</b>	
<b>THERAPEUTIC GROUP HOMES/OHCQ</b>			
Wetipquin Ranch/Maple Shade	Wicomico	4	2/1/2009
<b>GROUP HOMES/ DHR</b>			
Place for Children ix	Baltimore	3	12/1/2006
Place for Children vii	Baltimore	4	6/1/2007
M. S. Youth Services	Montgomery	4	9/1/2007
M. S. Youth Services	Montgomery	5	12/1/2007
Clinton Home for Children, Inc.	Howard	4	2/4/2008
Riddle House (Board of Child Care)	Baltimore	2	2/13/2008
M. S. Youth Services	Montgomery	6	3/26/2008
Marsha's House of Angels	Prince George's	7	3/26/2008
Youth Progressive Network, Inc.	Baltimore City	4	3/26/2008
B&B Youth Homes, Inc.	Montgomery	4	5/30/2008
Daisyfields Foundation, Inc.	Baltimore City	10	6/9/2008
Woodbourne Bridges	Baltimore City	13	6/30/2008

<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>JURISDICTION</b>	<b># OF BEDS</b>	<b>CLOSURE DATE</b>
Woolford House	Baltimore Co	12	7/31/2008
Della's House of Angels II	Prince George's	4	8/1/2008
Inclusive Residential Services, Inc.	Baltimore City	6	8/1/2008
Chara House	Baltimore City	8	8/13/2008
Excel Family Life Center, Inc.	Prince George's	5	8/25/2008
Reformation Group Home	Baltimore City	6	9/1/2008
The Okojie Group	Baltimore City	6	12/12/2008
LaFu	Prince George's	14	12/15/2008
Jentry McDonald	Baltimore City	14	1/5/2009
B&B Youth Homes	Prince George's	5	1/29/2009
For Youth Enterprise	Prince George's	10	1/29/2009
W. E. Youth Services	Baltimore City	5	2/6/2009
Living On Our Own	Baltimore City	4	2/19/2009
My Sister's House	Prince George's	10	3/6/2009
Children's Diagnostic Treatment Center	Baltimore City	45	3/10/2009
Self Pride	Baltimore City	5	3/16/2009
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>225</b>	
<b>GROUP HOMES/ DJS</b>			
Bowling Brook Preparatory School	Carroll	173	2/1/2007
Salisbury Boys Home	Wicomico	8	3/26/2008
New Dominion School	Allegany	72	9/25/2008
Thomas B. O'Farrell Youth Center	Carroll	43	11/28/2008
Linkwood Girls Homes/Maple Shade	Dorchester	8	12/23/2008
Mount Clare House	Baltimore City	12	3/31/2009
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>316</b>	

<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>JURISDICTION</b>	<b># OF BEDS</b>	<b>CLOSURE DATE</b>
<b>SHELTERS/DHR</b>			
Boys Home Society	Baltimore City	6	11/2/2007
Mt. Airy Shelter	Frederick	6	2/13/2008
Harris House	Baltimore City	9	4/21/2008
Peggy's Place	Baltimore City	10	4/21/2008
Hagerstown Shelter	Washington	6	unknown
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>37</b>	
<b>INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAMS/DHR</b>			
Alpha Development Systems, Inc.	Prince George's	20	1/1/2008
WIN FAMILY SERVICES	Baltimore City	N/A	5/15/2008
<b>TREATMENT FOSTER CARE/DHR</b>			
Transitional Foster Care (MENTOR)	Baltimore Co	10	7/1/2008
The Mental Health Center of Western Maryland, Inc.	Washington	N/A	7/31/2008
Pressley Ridge of Southern Maryland	Prince George's	N/A	unknown