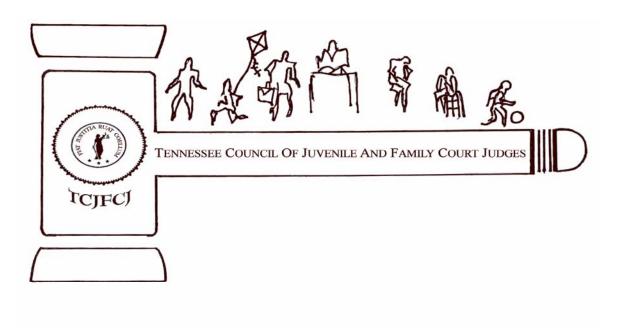
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2007 ANNUAL REPORT FORMAT

The 2007 Annual Juvenile Statistical Report follows a format that is based on a revision made in 2006, when it was separated into two parts to make it easier to read and use. Along with the summary information, the general state-wide statistics, graphs and information are in the first portion of the report.

Detailed information such as tables, trend information, and charts broken down by specific courts, sex, race, and age, are in the second portion of the report. Readers will also find the information more comprehensive than in years past. The AOC is working toward providing as much detailed juvenile court information as possible and has expanded the annual report in response to requests for more data.

2007 DATA LIMITATIONS

The AOC was able to collect more complete juvenile court data in 2007 than in the past; however, please note that data from 2005 has not been included in the trend information charts. In 2005, one of the larger juvenile courts submitted their data in a summarized format which could not be included in the database. Due to the lack of 2005 data from this court, the AOC chose the trend range of 1997 through 2004, 2006, and 2007 allowing for 10 years of accumulated facts that present the juvenile court data in the most meaningful way.

The 2007 Detention Statistics indicate that some courts reported large detention percentages in the "Unknown" and "Other" categories both before and after the Secure Detention Hearings. Please note that while "Unknown" should rarely be used to report detention information, the statistics indicate that some courts use this category often. The statistics also indicate that some court's Detention Statistics are improperly reported (either under or over).

The AOC conducted a survey to identify potential reasons for the data anomalies that were found. This survey showed that some juvenile courts are severely under-reporting the number of Judicial and Administrative Reviews being conducted by their court staff. While the child counts are being properly reflected in the data and will remain stable, the number of contacts each juvenile has with court staff is under-reported. These numbers will increase as the courts begin to more accurately report their Review data, resulting in a more accurate depiction of juvenile court staff workload.

This survey also showed that ongoing high rates of turnover in personnel, lack of training, and court case management software and coding issues may all be responsible for these data shortfalls. The AOC has implemented an extensive training initiative to address these issues and has been working very closely with the juvenile court staff and case management software vendors to focus on these challenges and resolve the problems.

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TENNESSEE ANNUAL JUVENILE COURT STATISTICAL REPORT PART I

THE TENNESSEE COUNCIL OF JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT JUDGES

The Tennessee Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (TCJFCJ), was created by the Tennessee General Assembly through legislation that was effective July 1, 1982. The TCJFCJ is the official organization of Tennessee judges having juvenile court jurisdiction.

Throughout its history, the Council has represented juvenile court judges and court staff, providing an independent voice regarding issues affecting children, youth, families and communities. The Council meets semi-annually to consider matters concerning their members' official duties and obligations. The Council promotes the best court practices and seeks a clearer understanding of what problems and specific challenges which dependent, neglected, unruly, and delinquent children face when they come before the courts. The Council strives to increase the court's resources and legal options, so they may better meet the needs of Tennessee's children and their families.

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THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) assumed administrative support responsibility for the TCJFCJ in April 2005. Among the staff serving the TCJFCJ are the AOC's general counsel, a juvenile court program specialist, and a juvenile data collection team. The AOC collects juvenile court statistical data and publishes quarterly and annual statistical reports on the activities of the state's juvenile courts as part of the services they provide to the TCJFCJ. The juvenile courts and the clerks of the courts provide juvenile court data as stated in the Tennessee Code Annotated (TCA) § 37-1-506, Report and publishing of juvenile court information, including cases, informal adjustments, pretrial diversions, and identifying information.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

REFERRAL INFORMATION

In the 2007 calendar year, there were a total of **164,340** referrals to juvenile courts across **137,893** cases, involving **90,553** children and resulting in **253,725** dispositions in Tennessee.

The reader should note that the definition of case is as follows: "All referral reasons/charges reported to the court (via complaint, petition, motion, etc.) on a given day for a given child." It is also important to be aware that the juvenile data is counted based on the date of disposition. This is the date that the case is disposed or adjudicated by the juvenile court and then reported to the TCJFCJ during calendar year 2007.

Over one third or **35.0%** of the children referred were from the four metropolitan areas of Shelby/Memphis - **12,881**, Davidson/Nashville - **8,191**, Knox/Knoxville - **5,915**, and Hamilton/Chattanooga - **4,696**.

Delinquent referrals totaling **76,899** accounted for nearly half of all referrals at **46.8%.** White males in the delinquent category total **32,732** and represent **42.6%** of the juvenile court population outnumbering their female counterparts who total **13,823** and are **18.0%** of the juvenile population with delinquent referrals. African American males in the delinquent category total **19,340** and represent **25.1%** of the juvenile population with delinquent referrals outnumbering their female counterparts who total **7,413** and represent **9.6%** of the juvenile population with delinquent referrals.

REFERRALS BY AGE AND RACE

The 2007 data indicated that nearly one third or 32.8% of all referrals totaling 53,900 were juveniles 15 and 16 years old. White males represented the greatest number of those referrals in this age category totaling 21,979, or 40.8% of the juvenile court population in the 15 through 16 years of age category, their female counterparts totaled 12,236, representing 22.7% of juveniles in this age category. African American males represented the third largest number of referrals in the 15 through 16 years of age category, totaling 11,502, or 21.3%. Their female counterparts totaled 5,468 or 10.1% of the juveniles in this age category.

COURTS WITH THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF MINORITY RACES REFERRED

Court	Percentage
Haywood	87.69%
Shelby	84.64%
Davidson	73.63%
Hardeman	73.60%
Madison	70.36%

MINORITY REFERRALS

The immigrant population in Tennessee has increased and the juvenile courts have found that there has been a corresponding increase in the number of juveniles of different nationalities seen in juvenile court. The courts have asked that the racial categories be expanded to reflect individuals of Middle Eastern descent, for example, who are now being classified as White, African American, or Asian. There is no accurate category currently available in which to report these statistics except as previously noted.

The federal standard states that these juveniles would be included in the White category, but the courts would like the statistics to reflect the juvenile population in their jurisdiction more definitively so they can identify areas of need for additional resources in the allocation and of interpreters and special intervention practices.

LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

At the time of their referral to juvenile court, only **14,056** or **15.5%** of all Tennessee children referred were living with both biological parents. Consistent with the data gathered in previous years, the living arrangement of juveniles by race and sex for 2007 data shows that within the general juvenile court population **(90,553)**, the highest number of children **(34,229)**, were reported to be living "With Mother" at the time of referral to juvenile court. This is **37.8%** of the total of all children referred. The second and third most reported living arrangements for the general juvenile court population were "Unknown" **(14,591)** or **(16.1%)** and "With both Biological Parents" **(14,056)** or **(15.5%)** which represents a slight increase over 2006 at **15.4%**.

SCHOOL STATUS

In 2007, a majority **(65.2%)** of the juvenile court population **(90,553)** were reported as being "Enrolled" in school either full or part-time at the time of referral to juvenile court. **12.4%** were reported as "Not Enrolled" in school, which was a slight decrease from 2006 at **12.8%**. The "Not Enrolled" in school category also included those children who had been expelled. It should be noted that school enrollment of **20,269** or **22.4%** of the juvenile court population was reported as "Unknown".

SPECIAL EDUCATION

2,994 or **3.3%** of the general juvenile court population was reported as being enrolled in a special education curriculum at the time of referral. **55,804** or **61.6%** of the juvenile court population were reported as "Not Enrolled" in a special education curriculum and the special education status of **31,755** children, or **35.1%** of this same population was reported as "Unknown".

REFERRAL DISPOSAL INFORMATION

Information regarding **164,340** referrals disposed of by Tennessee juvenile courts was reported in 2007. Nearly half **(76,899)** or **46.8%** of the 2007 referral reasons disposed by juvenile courts fell into the category of alleged Delinquent offenses. Status offenses **(26,517)** represented **16.1%** of the total referral reasons reported to the juvenile court, an increase of **0.4%**. Non-offense referral reasons, Parentage, Special Proceedings, and Dependency and Neglect **(49,657)** comprised an additional **30.2%** of the total

The 2007 data shows the most commonly reported delinquent referral reasons to be "Traffic", (19,351) "Assault" (7,396), "Theft of Property" (7,020), "Disorderly Conduct" (6,527), "Violation of Probation" (5,717), and "Possession of Controlled Substances" (4,237). The most often reported status offense referral reasons were "Truancy" (9,343), "Unruly Behavior" (5,157), "Possession of Tobacco Products" (4,467), "Violation of Curfew" (2,982) "In-state Runaway" (2,878), and "Violation of a Valid Court Order" (1,605).

"Child Support" (12,484), "Dependency and Neglect" (9,080), "Judicial Review" (8,973), "Custody" (8,171), and "Foster Care Review" (3,822) are the most prevalent within the non-offense category.

REFERRAL SOURCE

Anyone who perceives a need for the juvenile court to intervene on a child's behalf can refer that child to the juvenile court. Frequently, the referral source is closely related to the reason for referral. For example, schools typically refer truants, while law enforcement officers typically refer children who have committed illegal acts.

"Law Enforcement" was the referral source most often cited at **45.8%**, the "Department of Children's Services" (DCS) was the second at **9.8%**, and "Parents" were the third at **9.5%**. "Court Staff" at **8.9%** was the fourth most often cited referral source and "School" at **7.7%** was the fifth.

SIX MOST FREQUENT REFERRAL REASONS BY SOURCE IN 2007

When looking at the six (6) most frequently reported referral reasons associated with each referral source in 2007, law enforcement personnel most often referred juveniles for traffic complaints, while custody was the reason most often cited for referral by parents and relatives. Self referrals, other state departments, child and parent, and the District Attorney all had child support issues at the top. With regard to schools, truancy remained the most often cited referral reason and possession of tobacco products was the second.

Most DCS and social agency referrals were for dependency and neglect issues. Community Service Agencies referred most often for probation violations, which was a change from 2006 when juveniles were most often referred for child support. Victims continued to refer most often for assault while hospitals referred most often for requests for medical treatment, unlike 2006, when hospitals referred most often for paternity and legitimation.

WEAPONS REFERRALS

2007 data shows that of the total children referred (839) for Unlawful Possession/Carrying of a Weapon, the largest percentages by age were: 334 or 39.8% at age 17, 249 or 29.7% at age 16, and 142 or 16.9% at age 15. The percentages of children referred for this reason by race and gender were: 494 or 58.9% African American males, 227 or 27.1% white males, 36 or 4.3% African American females, and 22 or 2.6% white females.

445 children were referred for Carrying Weapons on School Property with **381** or **85.6%** of those referrals at ages 13 through 17. The percentages of children referred for this reason by race and gender in 2007 were as follows: **199** or **44.7%** white males, **149** or **33.5%** African American males, **49** or **11.0%** African American females, and **29** or **6.5%** white females.

INTAKE ACTIONS AT REFERRAL

2007 data shows that petitions were filed in **65.0%** of the 2007 referrals and motions were filed in **4.9%**. These figures reflect the number of petitions or motions that resulted in some kind of judicial action.

Citations, which law enforcement may use in lieu of a petition, were issued in 12.8% of the referrals, paternity actions accounted for 0.03%, and judicial, administrative and foster care reviews accounted for 7.1%.

DETENTION INFORMATION

One of the immediate decisions the court must make after receiving an offense related referral is whether or not to detain the child. When the court believes that a child referred for offense related reasons is in need of protection or may be a threat to the community, the court may elect to detain the child.

2007 detention statistics revealed that of the children referred **(90,553)** percentages fell into the following categories: **8.3**% in the "Juvenile Detention Facility", **0.7**% in "Non-secure Placement", and **0.7**% in "Other". The data also shows that **81.6**% of the children referred were in the "Does Not Apply" category because they were not considered for detention.

DISPOSITIONAL PROCEDURES FOR CY 2007

After a referral is made to the juvenile court, decisions are made regarding how the court will proceed. If the decision is made to handle the referral informally, two options are open to the court: pretrial diversion and informal adjustment. These two procedures are quite similar in that they are both a voluntary agreement between the court officer, the child, and the parents that address the problem, but avoids a formal court hearing and an official finding of guilt.

The difference between pretrial diversion and informal adjustment is in the extent to which the judge or referee is involved. Pretrial diversion requires judicial approval of the voluntary agreement. Informal adjustment is subject to judicial approval, but does not require it prior to initiation. 2007 disposition procedures information reveals that **15.6%** of all the referrals to juvenile court were handled by informal adjustment. **5.8%** of all referrals disposed by other actions were handled by pretrial diversions.

When the court believes that it is in the best interest of the child and/or the community, a formal adjudicatory proceeding or hearing is held regarding the child's referral to juvenile court. The adjudicatory hearing is a formal proceeding in which the judge or referee determines whether the motion made on behalf of the child (or the complaint made against the child) is substantiated. If substantiation of the motion/complaint occurs, a dispositional hearing must be held; this can happen either immediately or at a later date. The statistics indicate that 43.8% of the referrals to juvenile court resulted in a formal adjudicatory proceeding. Of the formally adjudicated proceedings, 65.4% were substantiated, 25.6% formally dismissed and 9.0% were retired.

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUAL CHILDREN TRANSFERRED TO ADULT COURT BY RACE AND SEX

The 2007 data was analyzed to determine the number of children transferred to adult court for alleged delinquent offenses. The data shows that **291** children were transferred to adult court in 2007. Males were the overwhelming majority of transferred children **(263)** at **90.4%**. **74.6%** of the children transferred were African American males, while their white male counterparts represented **15.8%** of the overall transfers. African American females represented **5.2%**. White females represented **1.0%** of all transfers.

This represents nearly five times as many delinquent African American males transferred to adult courts (217) than white males (46), despite the fact that there are more than twice as many delinquent white males (33,996) as there are African American males (15,912) in the general juvenile population. Delinquent African American males commit offenses listed under Tennessee Code Annotated (TCA) §37-1-134, transfer from juvenile court (1) at a higher rate in both frequency and percentage than delinquent white males.

JUVENILE COURT REFERRALS DISPOSED STATE-WIDE BASED ON NUMBER OF REFERRALS

Juvenile court cases and referrals can be disposed by judges, referees, youth services officers, or probation officers. All cases resulting in a formal hearing and adjudication must be disposed by judicial staff, which includes judges, referees or special judges. Cases that are handled informally through informal adjustment or other informal, non-judicial actions can be disposed by the court officers.

The 2007 data shows that **55.0%** of all referral reasons **(164,340)** were disposed by judicial staff: **55.0%** by Judges, **29.8%** by Referees. Another **11.8%** were disposed by Youth Services/Probation Officers, and **3.5%** in Other/Not Reported.

COMPARISONS

Comparing calendar year 2007 with 2006, the number of children referred in Tennessee increased by nearly four percent. Although the number increased, there were fewer children referred in categories of Delinquent, Other Violations and Dependency/Neglect. The categories that experienced an increase in 2007 were Status/Unruly, Parentage, Special Proceedings, and Other.

This year the AOC made great strides uncovering and reporting issues with court data submissions and identifying areas for further review and corrections. There is still much to be done in this area as we continue to work closely with the courts and gain even higher levels of accuracy from each subsequent annual statistical report.

JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM IN TENNESSEE

JUVENILE COURT PHILOSOPHY

Tennessee's juvenile courts try to ensure that each child coming under their jurisdiction receives the best chance for suitable physical, mental, and moral development. The courts consider each child's case on its individual merits while adhering to three primary obligations: (1) protecting the community and society at large; (2) acting in the best interest and welfare of the child by means of protection, treatment, and rehabilitation; (3) upholding the dignity of the law. The courts continually seek out and implement changes in juvenile programs and operating methods which would benefit their clients in attempting to break the cycle of juvenile delinquency and dysfunctional behavior.

Tennessee is home to 98 juvenile courts with 115 juvenile court judges. Of these 98 courts, 17 are designated "special act" juvenile courts while the remaining 81 are general sessions courts with juvenile jurisdiction. Each court, with the exception of Bristol and Johnson City, is county-based and administered with at least one juvenile court which is located in each of the state's 95 counties. While all of Tennessee's courts with juvenile jurisdiction do their best to follow the procedural guidelines established by the Tennessee Rules of Juvenile Procedure, there is little standardization in juvenile court size, case management procedures, and court administrative practices. This means that the systems and practices in Tennessee's juvenile courts vary widely and tend to reflect the needs and preferences of the people living in that particular community.

JUVENILE COURT JURISDICTION

A juvenile is defined as any individual who is under the chronological age of eighteen (18) years and who has not been previously transferred to adult court.

Juvenile courts deal not only with delinquency and status offenses, but also with issues concerning dependency and neglect, child abuse, child support, custody issues, establishing parentage, visitation, and the need for medical and/or mental health treatment for children. Tennessee's juvenile courts have jurisdiction within the following areas:

- Adjudication of children as dependent, neglected, abused, status/unruly, or delinquent
- Determination of custody
- Termination of parental rights
- Ordering of treatment, evaluation and/or commitment of mentally retarded and/or mentally ill children
- Commitment of children to the custody of the Department of Children Services
- Establishment of parentage
- Ordering and enforcement of child support for children of unwed parents

- Establishing visitation for non-custodial parents
- Enforcement of the compulsory school attendance laws
- Removal of the age restrictions on a minor's application for a marriage license
- Giving of judicial consent to a minor's employment or enlistment in the armed services if law requires such consent
- Giving of judicial consent to the medical treatment of a child when his/her parents or guardians are unable to do so
- Judicial authorization of an abortion without parental consent
- Adjudication of alleged traffic violations by persons under the age of eighteen
- Transfer of serious delinquency cases to criminal court for trial as adults

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated (TCA) § 37-1-159, Appeals, the juvenile court is a court of record. It may enforce its orders in any way in which a court of equity may enforce its orders and decrees, including by imprisonment and/or by fine for contempt.

JUVENILE COURT PROFESSIONAL STAFF

The dedication of the juvenile court staff is crucial to a smoothly functioning juvenile court. The typical juvenile court professional staff is comprised of the juvenile court judge; referees (who are present primarily in the larger courts); youth services officers and/or probation officers; and the juvenile court clerk.

JUVENILE COURT JUDGE

The juvenile court judge must be 30 years old, licensed to practice law (unless elected to the post prior to 1982 or if the county has no qualified attorney), a resident of his/her district for one year, and elected by the people. The judge is the chief administrator of the court in addition to his/her judicial duties and is seen as having the following characteristics:

- Is learned in the law
- Possesses administrative ability and experience
- Maintains a broad acquaintance with modern social problems affecting children and youth
- Has a realistic understanding of children and their behavior relative to their total life needs

JUVENILE COURT REFEREE

The referee is appointed by the judge and may be directed to hear any case or class of cases. He or she must be licensed to practice law and has the same authority and powers as the judge to issue process and to conduct proceedings. Referees are generally appointed when the court's juvenile justice population is greater than one judge can manage, or when a commitment is probable and the judge is not an attorney. Cases heard and adjudicated by a referee may be appealed to the judge.

YOUTH SERVICES OFFICER AND PROBATION OFFICER

The youth services officer (YSO) and probation officer (PO) are officials of the court and are as essential to judicial process functions as they are to children's welfare within the juvenile justice system. Their duties include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Juvenile Court Intake
- Pre-Hearing Investigations
- Referral
- Supervision of Youth
- Detention Screenings
- Counseling
- Record Keeping

JUVENILE COURT CLERK

The juvenile court clerk is the records keeping and management backbone of the juvenile court. The clerk maintains separate minutes, dockets, and legal records of all matters pertaining to juvenile court proceedings as required by law. Juvenile court clerks also collect all fees, fines, and court costs assessed by the juvenile court.

JUVENILE COURT DATA COLLECTION PROCESS

DATA SUBMISSION AND REPORTS

All 98 Tennessee juvenile courts reported data to the TCJFCJ in 2007. Each court submitted its juvenile court data as required by Tennessee Code Annotated § 37-1-506. This data may be published and made available to any person upon request.

The courts used either JIF98, a data collection software program provided by the TCJFCJ, or other data collection software that they obtained for their court. Those courts using other data collection software are required to adhere to the data validation standards developed by AOC staff which help insure data accuracy. The courts submitted their data on computer readable media, or as electronic mail attachments. Tennessee juvenile courts have reported data to the TCJFCJ for the past 14 years, thereby distinguishing Tennessee as having one of the relatively few state-wide juvenile court databases in the country. All data is validated, any corrections are solicited from the courts, and the data is further analyzed and summarized to produce the following reports:

- Monthly Missing Data (if required)
- Monthly Data Validation
- Quarterly Summary
- Year-to-Date Summary
- Annual Summary
- Annual Demographic Data Validation
- Ad Hoc (by request)

DATA COLLECTED

The basic data collected in this process falls within the following categories:

- Referral and intake information
- Formal and informal court actions
- Dependency and neglect information
- Demographic information
- Detention information
- Disposition/Outcome information
- Internal periodic case reviews
- Formal judicial reviews

Units of Count

The Council uses four (4) units of count.

- 1. Number of Children
- 2. Number of Cases
- 3. Number of Referrals
- 4. Number of Dispositions/Outcomes

Counting **children** is accomplished by using the unique identification number that the court assigns to each child. This identification method insures that each child will be counted only once for statistical purposes.

Each child may have one (1) or more cases. A **case** is defined as: "All referral reasons/charges reported to the court (via complaint, petition, motion, etc.) on a given day for a given child". This means that one case on an individual child may contain up to five **referral reasons**. The top five (5) referral reasons or charges on one referral date in each case are currently collected for statistical purposes. A **referral** is defined as a complaint, offense or reason that the juvenile court is involved with the child. Each case or referral has at least one (1) or more **dispositions** or **outcomes**, so the number of dispositions or outcomes may exceed the number of referrals.

The **disposition** or **outcome** is the definitive action taken or treatment plan decided regarding a particular case. The **disposition date**, which is the date that the case is disposed, is used to determine when the case will be counted and reported for statistical purposes. The Council determined that calendar year shall be used for the annual reporting period.

FUTURE JUVENILE COURT STATISTICAL DATA COLLECTION SYSTEM

Several initiatives are underway to improve juvenile court data collection and reporting methods. One of those initiatives is a new Juvenile Court Statistical Data Collection System which will replace the current JIF98 Data Collection System that has been in use for about 12 years. The future data collection system will be designed so that it is technologically up-to-date, flexible, and easy to modify to accommodate data collection needs as they arise.

There are several limitations to the current system. The JIF98 system does not allow courts to request case information or correct data once it is loaded. The future system will allow the courts to update their own juvenile court case information, make corrections, and create statistical reports. This will eliminate the processing and transmission time the courts are now experiencing as they must request reports from the AOC. The courts may still request reports and the AOC will continue to provide the reporting services currently offered, but the courts will have more flexibility by being able to run their own reports. The replacement system will also be more efficient in utilizing data extracts from the courts that already have their own case management, data collection, and reporting systems.

The current JIF98 data collection system has a limited amount of available storage space for information. Many of the courts collect more extensive juvenile information than there are categories and iterations allowed in JIF98. The future data collection system will be aligned with the Tennessee Code Annotated which means that the Referral Reason categories will be expanded. The referral reasons that may be collected and counted for each juvenile will increase from the top five (5) offenses to every referral in each case. The Case Outcomes will also increase from eight (8) total occurrences and will be expanded.

A report was created that identified how frequently the juvenile courts were forced to select "Unknown" or "Other" as outcome actions because of the lack of suitable choices in the current system. The report was distributed to each court and they were asked to provide additional Outcome Actions that will result in a more accurate portrayal of how juvenile cases were disposed in each court.

The future system will capture much more information and will be easy to modify to respond to changes in legislation that affect the juvenile court process. The goal is to make it easier for the courts to collect and transmit accurate information as well as to streamline business procedures. These expanded capabilities will mean that the courts will be able to identify areas of concern earlier and with far more accuracy. This will allow each court to address issues they have identified and position their limited resources where they will be most effective.

The first and second phases of the Juvenile Court Statistical Data Collection Study were completed in late 2006. These were the first steps on the road to system development. The focus of the first phase of the project was to research and document business requirements and methods. The AOC sent a team to each of the Grand Divisions (East, Middle, and West Tennessee) to facilitate Joint Application Development (JAD) sessions. JAD sessions are the most efficient way to gather work flow information and to document business requirements. The teams met with subject matter experts (SMEs) who volunteered to assist with the JAD sessions. Each group had representatives from small, medium, and large courts thus insuring that business processes were documented from as many points of view as possible. People on the job possess the most skills and are in the best position to make suggestions for improvements.

Another part of the study focused on juvenile court workflows and data collection method. The team created surveys and requested extensive information from every court with juvenile jurisdiction. They collected current information on each court's specific software systems and equipment. This gave the team a clearer understanding of what equipment would be necessary to support the new data collection system at the local level.

The second phase of this project was to determine the best planning and system development method with an eye toward system integrity, usability, and adaptability. The decision to develop the software in-house at the AOC was reached after extensive research into all of the available system development methods inside and outside the State environment. The same experienced resources that were used in the requirements gathering phases of the project will be used to develop the new system software in conjunction with contract programming resources.

The next phase of this project was to build a viable infrastructure and foundation for the future system. This was accomplished by extensive analysis and documentation of the existing data collection and reporting system, business practices, workflows, and database structure. The creation of an automated data validation, correction, and reporting system and centralized database was completed in 2007. These automation processes allowed the juvenile project team to quickly process, authenticate, and modify the data. All reports were incorporated into this database structure resulting in a far more data-responsive reporting process. As a result, requested statistical information could be researched and the reports created, published, and distributed in hours instead of the days or weeks previously experienced.

Another part of this initiative was the design and creation of a secure, web-based data review process which was launched in early 2008. This process enabled data collectors in juvenile courts to review their statistics on-line, in a secure environment, saving postage, paper, and numerous man-hours.

JUVENILE COURT REFERRAL PROCESS

The basic juvenile court process in Tennessee is comprised of three central phases:

- 1. Intake
- 2. Adjudication
- 3. Outcomes/Disposition

Juvenile court intake is a process by which the court reviews information in order to determine whether it has the authority to intervene in a child's life and in what manner it will administer its authority. The components of the intake process are referral to intake, detention screening, and assessment of how to handle the complaint.

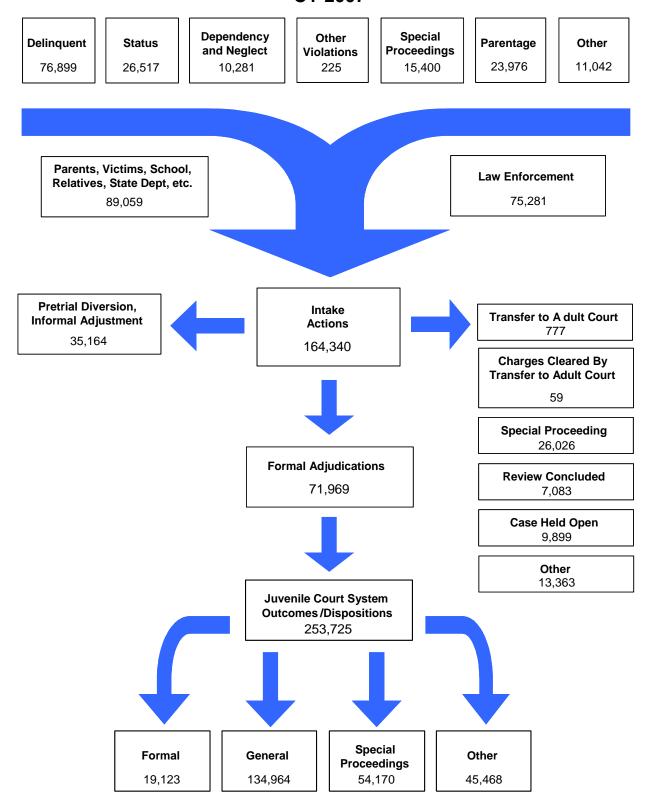
Referral to intake begins with a complaint that has been filed. The complaints are filed by law enforcement, parents or other individuals or agencies requesting that the court exercise its authority. If the complainant requests that the juvenile be detained, the intake officer performs a detention screening to determine if there is probable cause (legal sufficiency) that the child committed the alleged offense and is subject to detention in accordance with the statute. The intake officer then determines if the complaint should be excluded, informally adjusted (a voluntary agreement between the intake officer, the child and the parents), or if a petition should be filed.

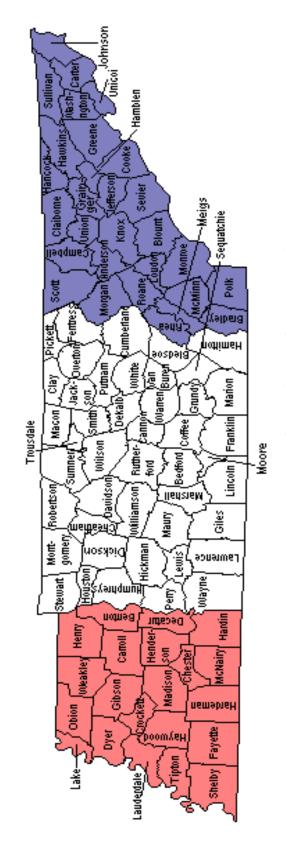
In most instances if a petition is filed the case goes into the adjudicatory phase. The juvenile court judge or referee hears the case in the adjudicatory phase to determine if the allegations in the petition are true. The court considers only formally admitted evidence in making its decision. When the allegations are substantiated, the judge will either proceed immediately or will set a later hearing date to determine the appropriate case outcome or disposition. If the allegations are not substantiated or cannot be proven, the petition will be dismissed.

The purpose of the dispositional phase is to determine an appropriate course of action for the child while taking into consideration his or her circumstances. The disposition occurs when the attempt is made to meet the child's social and rehabilitative needs through an appropriate course of treatment or action.

The Juvenile Court Referral Process Chart on the next page is a graphic depiction of the referral process and shows how many referrals were disposed state-wide in 2007.

The Juvenile Court Referral Process CY 2007





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Bledsoe	Cumberland	Hamilton	Knox	Monroe	Scott	Union
Blount	Davidson	Hancock	Lake	Montgomery	Sequatchie	Van Buren
Bradley	Decatur	Hardeman	Lauderdale	Moore	Sevier	Warren
Bristol	DeKalb	Hardin	Lawrence	Morgan	Shelby	Washington
Campbell	Dickson	Hawkins	Lewis	Obion	Smith	Wayne
Cannon	Dyer	Haywood	Lincoln	Overton	Stewart	Weakley
Carroll	Fayette	Henderson	London	Perry	Sullivan Div I	White
Carter	Fentress	Henry	Macon	Pickett	Sullivan Div II	Williamson
Cheatham	Franklin	Hickman	Madison	Polk	Sumner	Wilson
Chester	Gibson	Houston	Marion	Putnam		
Claiborne	Giles	Humphreys	Marshall	Rhea		
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TENNESSEE REGIONAL AND METROPOLITAN AREA MAP

Tennessee is divided into eight (8) major regions and four (4) metropolitan areas. The Regions are shown on the map below.



REGIONS:

East Region: (Counties) Anderson, Blount, Campbell, Claiborne, Cocke, Grainger, Hamblen, Jefferson, Loudon, Monroe, Morgan, Roane, Scott, Sevier and Union

Mid-Cumberland Region: (Counties) Cheatham, Dickson, Houston, Humphreys, Montgomery, Robertson, Rutherford, Stewart, Sumner, Trousdale, Williamson and Wilson

Northeast Region: (Counties) Bristol City, Carter, Greene, Hancock, Hawkins, Johnson City, Sullivan Division 1, Sullivan Division 2, Unicoi and Washington

Northwest Region: (Counties) Benton, Carroll, Crockett, Dyer, Gibson, Henry, Johnson, Lake, Obion and Weakley

South Central Region: (Counties) Bedford, Coffee, Giles, Hickman, Lawrence, Lewis, Lincoln, Marshall, Maury, Moore, Perry and Wayne

Southeast Region: (Counties) Bledsoe, Bradley, Franklin, Grundy, Marion, McMinn, Meigs, Polk, Rhea and Sequatchie

Southwest Region: (Counties) Chester, Decatur, Fayette, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, Lauderdale, Madison, McNairy and Tipton

Upper Cumberland Region: (Counties) Cannon, Clay, Cumberland, DeKalb, Fentress, Jackson, Macon, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, Smith, Van Buren, Warren and White

METROPOLITAN AREAS:

Davidson County/Nashville Shelby County/Memphis Hamilton County/Chattanooga Knox County/Knoxville

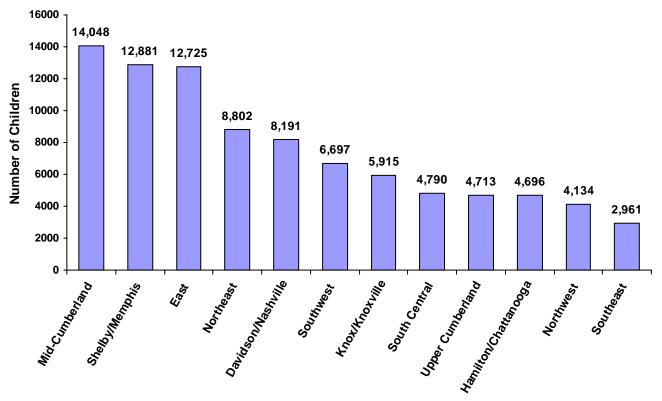
Number of Individual Children Referred to Juvenile Courts for CY 2007

Tennessee is divided into eight (8) major regions and four (4) metropolitan areas. These areas are shown on the previous page. The table and chart on the next page represent the number of juveniles referred to juvenile courts by region and metropolitan area. The East region referred the highest number of white males 6,791 and white females 4,891. These numbers represent 53.4% and 38.4% of the East region's total juvenile court population 12,725 respectively. The Shelby County Metro area referred the highest number of African American males 6,333 and African American females 4,167. These numbers represent 49.2% and 32.3% of Shelby County Metro area's total juvenile court population 12,881 respectively.

Children Referred to Juvenile Court by Region, Race and Sex for CY 2007 Includes Geographical Regions and Major Metropolitan Areas

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of All Children Referred
Davidson/Nashville	1,277	2,664	156	877	1,885	140	1,192	8,191	9.05%
East	6,791	384	90	4,891	188	76	305	12,725	14.05%
Hamilton/Chattanooga	1,223	1,398	31	890	1,054	21	79	4,696	5.19%
Knox/Knoxville	2,088	640	69	1,532	456	50	1,080	5,915	6.53%
Mid-Cumberland	6,259	1,472	333	3,888	841	223	1,032	14,048	15.51%
Northeast	4,445	218	94	3,238	145	71	591	8,802	9.72%
Northwest	1,877	536	41	1,132	325	24	199	4,134	4.57%
Shelby/Memphis	1,176	6,333	80	802	4,167	60	263	12,881	14.22%
South Central	2,499	345	52	1,506	201	42	145	4,790	5.29%
Southeast	1,668	148	39	1,006	68	17	15	2,961	3.27%
Southwest	1,992	1,712	98	1,294	1,173	53	375	6,697	7.40%
Upper Cumberland	2,701	62	31	1,691	25	24	179	4,713	5.20%
Totals	33,996	15,912	1,114	22,747	10,528	801	5,455	90,553	

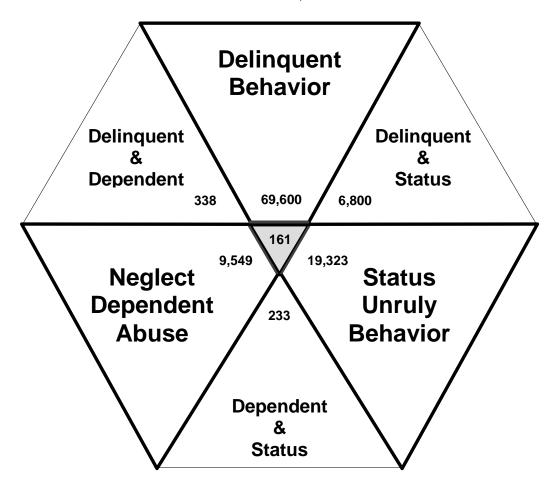
Children Referred to Juvenile Court by Region/Metropolitan Areas



Regions/Metropolitan Areas

Delinquent, Dependent/Neglect/Abuse, and Status/Unruly Referrals for CY 2007

Total = 106,004



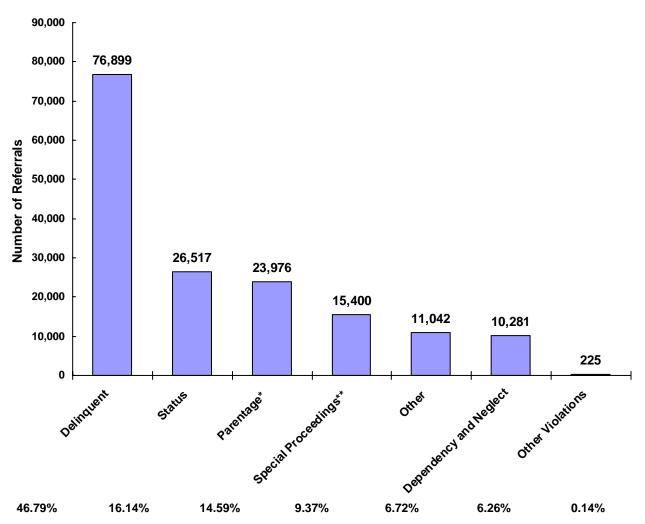
The remaining referrals are for: Custody, Visitation, Paternity/Legitimation, Child Support, Special Procedures and Other Referrals Each child may be counted in more than one category

Total number of individual children for ALL referrals disposed by juvenile courts during CY 2007 equals 90,553

Children can have referrals in multiple categories. The drawing above shows that in the year 2007 there were 69,600 individual children referred to juvenile courts in Tennessee for delinquent referrals, 19,323 for status/unruly behavior, and 9,549 for neglect, dependent or abuse referrals. Of these children there were 6,800 that had a delinquent AND a status/unruly referral. There were 338 children that were referred for delinquent behavior AND a neglect, dependent or abuse allegation. There were 233 children referred that had both a status/unruly referral AND a neglect, dependent or abuse allegation. Also, there were 161 children that had a delinquent referral, a status/unruly referral AND a neglect, dependent or abuse allegation.

Referrals by Type of Offense in CY 2007





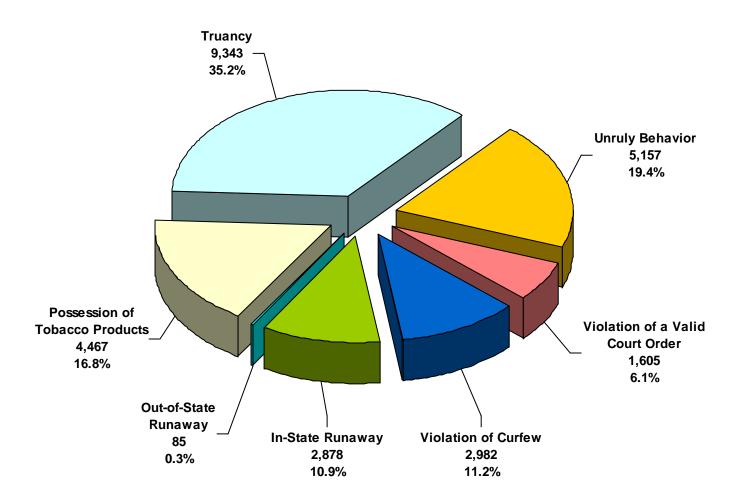
^{*} Parentage includes: Custody, Visitation, Paternity/Legitimation and Child Support
**Special Proceedings include: Judicial Review, Administrative Review, Foster Care Review,
Request for Medical Treatment and Consent to Marry

With all 98 Tennessee Juvenile Courts participating, information regarding a total of 90,553 children and 137,893 cases were reported to TCJFCJ.

During 2007, the greatest percentage of all referrals were for alleged Delinquent offenses. Status/Unruly offenses represented the next highest category of all referral reasons.

A Status offense is an offense committed by a child that if committed by an adult, would not be considered an offense or unlawful act. An example of this is smoking when not legally an adult.

Referrals for Status/Unruly Offenses in CY 2007 Total Status/Unruly Referrals = 26,517



Truancy remained the most often reported referral reason within the Status/Unruly category of offenses for CY 2007 while Unruly Behavior remained the second most reported status offense.

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CHILDREN REFERRED TO JUVENILE COURTS

CHILDREN REFERRED WITH DELINQUENT, STATUS/UNRULY AND DEPENDENT, NEGLECT AND ABUSE ALLEGATIONS CY 2007

The tables on the next page show sex and race by three (3) categories:

- 1. Delinguent
- 2. Status/Unruly
- 3. Neglected/Dependent

White males in the delinquent category total **32,732** and represent **42.6%** of the juvenile court population with delinquent referrals **76,899** outnumbering their female counterparts who total **13,823** and are **18.0%** of the juvenile population with delinquent referrals. African American males in the delinquent category total **19,340** and represent **25.1%** of the juvenile population with delinquent referrals outnumbering their female counterparts who total **7,413** and represent **9.6%** of the juvenile population with delinquent referrals.

White males in the status/unruly category total 11,025 and represent 41.6% of the total juvenile court population 26,517 with status/unruly referrals outnumbering their female counterparts who total 8,024 and represent 30.3% of the total juvenile population with status/unruly referrals. African American males in the status/unruly category total 3,761 and represent 14.2% of the total juvenile population with status/unruly referrals and outnumber their female counterparts who total 2,290 and represent 8.6% of the total juvenile population with status/unruly referrals.

White males in the neglected/dependent category total **3,193** and represent **31.1%** of the total juvenile court population **10,281** with neglected/dependent referrals and were outnumbered by their female counterparts who total **3,189** and represent **31.0%** of the total juvenile population with neglected/dependent referrals. African American males in the neglected/dependent category total **1,386** and represent **13.5%** of the total juvenile population with neglected/dependent referrals. Their numbers are similar to their female counterparts who total **1,435** and represent slightly higher percentage of the total juvenile population with neglected/dependent referrals at **14.0%**.

Please note the tables on the next page graphically depict what was discussed above and be advised that neglected/dependent data is underreported to the Council because of the varying methods different juvenile courts use to file petitions.

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Children* with Delinquent Referrals by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White	African American	Native American	Asian	Mixed Race	Unknown Race	Total
Male	32,732	19,340	51	248	778	1,562	54,711
Female	13,823	7,413	40	111	241	397	22,025
Unknown Sex	23	27	0	0	3	110	163
Totals	46,578	26,780	91	359	1,022	2,069	76,899

Children* with Status/Unruly Referrals by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White	African American	Native American	Asian	Mixed Race	Unknown Race	Total
Male	11,025	3,761	14	89	202	508	15,599
Female	8,024	2,290	22	53	170	311	10,870
Unknown Sex	8	9	1	0	0	30	48
Totals	19,057	6,060	37	142	372	849	26,517

Children* with Dependency/Neglect/Abuse Allegations by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White	African American	Native American	Asian	Mixed Race	Unknown Race	Total
Male	3,193	1,386	8	3	152	306	5,048
Female	3,189	1,435	7	4	135	296	5,066
Unknown Sex	18	10	0	0	1	138	167
Totals	6,400	2,831	15	7	288	740	10,281

^{*} A child may be counted in more than one category

REFERRALS BY AGE GROUP, RACE, AND SEX FOR CY 2007

The chart on the next page depicts the number of referrals to juvenile courts by age, race and sex. When looking at age, the 2007 data indicated that the largest number of referrals totaling **53,900** and representing **32.8%** of the total number of referrals **164,340** fall within the 15 through 16 years of age category. White males represented the greatest number of those referrals in this age category totaling **21,979**, or **40.8%** of the juvenile court population in the 15 through 16 years of age category and outnumbering their female counterparts who totaled **12,236** represented the second largest number of referrals in the 15 through 16 years of age category totaling **11,502** or **21.3%** and outnumbering their female counterparts who totaled **5,468** or **10.1%** of the juveniles in this age category.

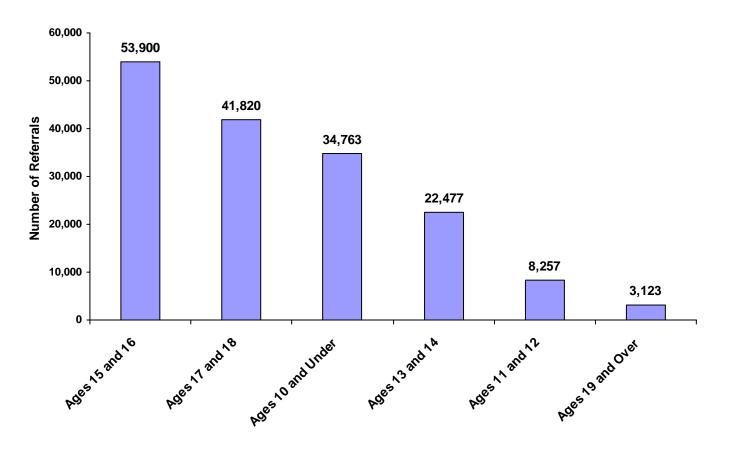
The chart depicts these numbers graphically and shows that the number of referrals decrease as the juvenile age increases, as shown in the 19 and over years of age category which had the fewest referrals **3,123**, or **1.9%** reported for juveniles whose ages were known at the time of referral.

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Referrals by Age Group, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of Total Referrals
Birth through Age 10	10,447	4,831	661	9,725	4,515	613	3,971	34,763	21.15%
Ages 11 and 12	2,874	1,837	137	1,823	1,054	76	456	8,257	5.02%
Ages 13 and 14	7,792	5,771	312	4,723	2,936	218	725	22,477	13.68%
Ages 15 and 16	21,979	11,502	746	12,236	5,468	338	1,631	53,900	32.80%
Ages 17 and 18	19,590	7,976	484	9,146	3,127	217	1,280	41,820	25.45%
Ages 19 and Over	1,024	595	9	510	212	6	767	3,123	1.90%
All Age Group Totals	63,706	32,512	2,349	38,163	17,312	1,468	8,830	164,340	

Total Referrals by Age Group Total = 164,340



CHILDREN REFERRED BY AGE GROUP, RACE AND SEX FOR CY 2007

Refer to the chart on the next page to see statistics for the number of individual children that were referred to juvenile courts by age, race, and sex in 2007. The 2007 data indicated that the largest number of children fall within the 15 through 16 years of age category. The largest number of children referred totaling 27,375, representing 30.2%, fall within the 15 through 16 years of age category. White males represented the greatest number of those children in this age category totaling 11,194, or 40.9% and outnumbering their female counterparts who totaled 7,091 representing 25.9% of the juvenile court population in the 15 through 16 years of age category. African American males represented the third largest number of children referred in the 15 through 16 years of age category totaling 4,844 or 17.7% outnumbering their female counterparts who totaled 2,985 or 10.9% of juveniles referred in this age category.

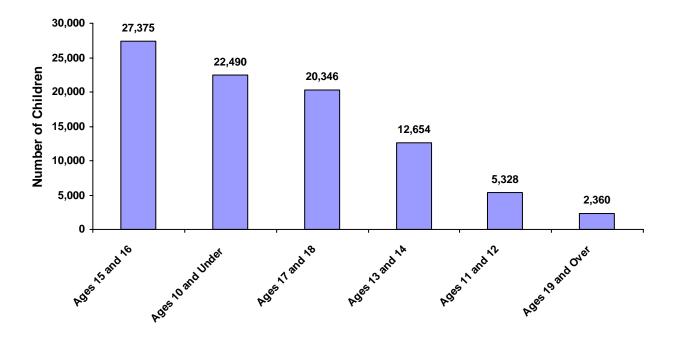
The chart depicts these numbers graphically and shows that the number of children decreases as the juvenile age increases, as shown in the 19 and over years of age category. This category had the lowest number of children referred **2,360** or **2.6%** whose ages were known at the time of referral.

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Children Referred by Age Group, Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of All Children Referred
Birth through Age 10	6,415	3,415	382	6,033	3,187	358	2,700	22,490	24.84%
Ages 11 and 12	1,786	1,177	77	1,170	773	42	303	5,328	5.88%
Ages 13 and 14	4,365	2,922	164	2,832	1,805	97	469	12,654	13.97%
Ages 15 and 16	11,194	4,844	280	7,091	2,985	187	794	27,375	30.23%
Ages 17 and 18	9,447	3,135	202	5,254	1,627	113	568	20,346	22.47%
Ages 19 and Over	789	419	9	367	151	4	621	2,360	2.61%
All Age Group Totals	33,996	15,912	1,114	22,747	10,528	801	5,455	90,553	

Total Children by Age Group - Total = 90,553



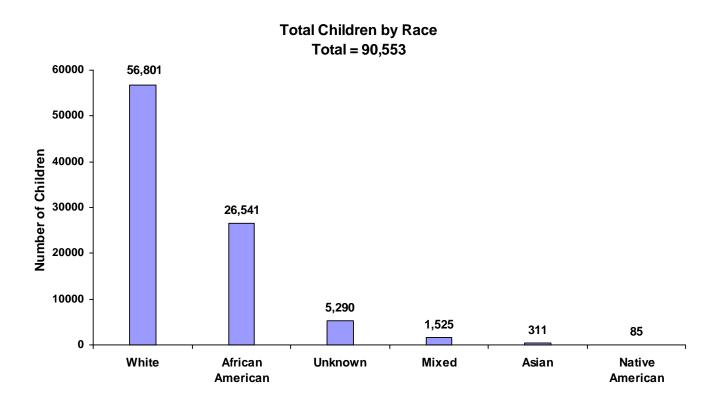
CHILDREN REFERRED BY RACE AND SEX FOR CY 2007

The Children Referred by Race and Sex table shows the number of children by race and sex who were referred to juvenile court in 2007.

White males (33,996) outnumbered their female counterparts (22,747) and represented 37.5% as opposed to 25.1% of the juvenile population (90,553) as a whole. African American males (15,912) represented 17.6% of the juvenile court population and outnumbered their female counterparts, who totaled 10,528 and represented 11.6% of the juvenile court population. These percentage data are consistent with those of years 1995 through 2006.

Children Referred by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	Male	Female	Unknown	Total
White	33,996	22,747	58	56,801
African American	15,912	10,528	101	26,541
Native American	44	40	1	85
Asian	194	117	0	311
Mixed	876	644	5	1,525
Unknown Race	2,758	1,891	641	5,290
All Race Totals	53,780	35,967	806	90,553



CHILDREN OF HISPANIC ORIGIN BY RACE AND SEX FOR CY 2007

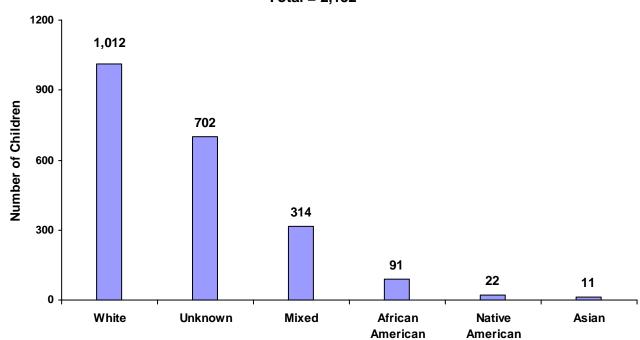
The Children of Hispanic Origin by Race and Sex for CY 2007 table shows the number of children that were referred to juvenile court in 2007. All racial categories may contain juveniles who were considered to be of Hispanic origin or ethnicity. Please note that some courts classify Hispanic origin as a race and others treat Hispanic origin as an ethnicity and categorize these juveniles as white. Some courts do not report this data at all which means that data on Hispanic ethnicity or origin is under-reported in Tennessee.

The AOC received clarification and guidance from the National Center for Juvenile Justice (NCJJ) on the definition of Hispanic origin and how it should be reported. "The Standards for Maintaining, Collecting, and Presenting Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity (Excerpt from Federal Register, October 30, 1997)" defines Hispanic or Latino as follows: A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. The term, "Spanish origin," can be used in addition to "Hispanic or Latino."

Children of Hispanic Origin by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	Male	Female	Unknown	Total
White	669	342	1	1,012
African American	58	33	0	91
Native American	14	7	1	22
Asian	9	2	0	11
Mixed	193	121	0	314
Unknown	477	221	4	702
All Race Totals	1,420	726	6	2,152

Total Children of Hispanic Origin Total = 2,152



COURTS REPORTING THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF MINORITY RACES AND SEX

Races are currently defined as follows: White, African American, Native American, Asian, and Mixed Race. The AOC has asked the National Center for Juvenile Justice (NCJJ) for clarification and expansion of these categories based on requests from different juvenile courts. The courts do not feel that their juvenile population is accurately represented when their racial categories are limited to those indicated above.

The information below is quoted directly from the publication, "<u>Standards for Maintaining, Collecting, and Presenting Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity</u> (<u>Excerpt from Federal Register</u>, October 30, 1997)", which "provides a minimum standard for maintaining, collecting, and presenting data on race and ethnicity for all Federal reporting purposes. The categories in this classification are social-political constructs and should not be interpreted as being scientific or anthropological in nature. They are not to be used as determinants of eligibility for participation in any Federal program. The standards have been developed to provide a common language for uniformity and comparability in the collection and use of data on race and ethnicity by Federal agencies. The standards have five categories for data on race: **American Indian** or **Alaska Native**, **Asian**, **Black** or **African American**, **Native Hawaiian** or **Other Pacific Islander**, and **White**. There are two categories for data on ethnicity: '**Hispanic or Latino**,' and '**Not Hispanic or Latino**.'

- --Categories and Definitions The minimum categories for data on race and ethnicity for Federal statistics, program administrative reporting, and civil rights compliance reporting are defined as follows:
- --American Indian or Alaska Native. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- --Asian. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam
- --Black or African American. A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa. Terms such as "Haitian" or "Negro" can be used in addition to "Black or African American."
- --Hispanic or Latino. A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. The term, "Spanish origin," can be used in addition to "Hispanic or Latino."
- --Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- -- White. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa."

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TENNESSEE ANNUAL JUVENILE COURT STATISTICAL REPORT PART II

Number of Individual Children, Cases, and Referral Counts by Court CY 2007

The juvenile courts reporting the largest number of children referred whose cases were disposed in 2007 were Shelby County/Memphis (12,881) who reported the highest number, Davidson County/Nashville (8,191), Knox County/Knoxville (5,915), Hamilton County/Chattanooga (4,696) and Blount County (2,551). Hancock County had the lowest number of children referred (37) whose cases were disposed in 2007. These statistics and those for each court are reported in this portion of the report.

The reader should note that the definition of case is as follows: "All referral reasons/charges reported to the court (via complaint, petition, motion, etc.) on a given day for a given child." It is also important to be aware that the juvenile data is counted based on the date of disposition. This is the date that the case is disposed or adjudicated by the juvenile court and then reported to the TCJFCJ during calendar year 2007.

Child, Case, and Referral Counts by Court for CY 2007

Court	Children	Cases	Referral Reasons
Anderson	1,281	1,523	1,791
Bedford	367	475	734
Benton	326	373	405
Bledsoe	141	188	242
Blount	2,551	3,514	5,011
Bradley	912	1,552	2,051
Bristol	701	1,089	1,217
Campbell	651	660	662
Cannon	209	323	324
Carroll	256	277	426
Carter	985	1,241	1,375
Cheatham	613	738	809
Chester	370	437	494
Claiborne	175	177	200
	170		
Clay		372	595
Cocke	1,195	2,157	2,222
Coffee	226	242	296
Crockett	88	122	181
Cumberland	674	724	757
Davidson	8,191	15,046	18,126
Decatur	154	178	210
DeKalb	199	265	308
Dickson	933	1,315	1,464
Dyer	523	861	1,057
Fayette	624	939	1,167
Fentress	185	249	278
Franklin	376	487	578
Gibson	1,030	1,451	1,535
Giles	387	600	766
Grainger	655	680	718
Greene	940	1,675	1,755
Grundy	254	572	640
Hamblen	955	2,072	2,231
Hamilton	4,696	6,958	7,796
Hancock	37	49	49
Hardeman	572	684	876
Hardin	294	439	489
Hawkins	1,260	1,971	2,100
Haywood	991	1,811	1,953
Henderson	670	1,019	1,329
Henry	408	600	693
Hickman	360	419	473
Houston	91	224	249
Humphreys	442	1,152	1,524
Jackson	186	324	331
Jefferson	1,038	2,129	2,531
	632		
Johnson City		1,129	1,357
Johnson City	1,528	2,231	2,596
Knox	5,915	9,538	11,998
Lake	113	175	193

Child, Case, and Referral Counts by Court for CY 2007

Court	Children	Cases	Referral Reasons
Lauderdale	1,097	1,738	1,895
Lawrence	688	827	827
Lewis	182	209	270
Lincoln	371	498	645
Loudon	657	822	923
Macon	433	660	695
Madison	921	1,253	1,691
Marion	422	456	530
Marshall	492	629	934
Maury	1,306	2,267	2,456
McMinn	376	456	628
McNairy	377	409	435
Meigs	121	127	128
Monroe	785	1,305	1,379
Montgomery	2,471	3,690	4,944
Moore	70	70	74
	222	306	306
Morgan Obion	343	421	592
Overton	285	486	533
	103	127	127
Perry	41	47	49
Pickett			
Polk	124	127	165
Putnam	1,150	1,794	2,212
Rhea	100	107	112
Roane	252	345	415
Robertson	1,462	2,124	2,385
Rutherford	1,792	2,593	3,382
Scott	227	231	231
Sequatchie	135	162	207
Sevier	1,619	3,515	3,707
Shelby	12,881	17,030	21,157
Smith	226	375	422
Stewart	247	522	630
Sullivan Div I	814	1,212	1,365
Sullivan Div II	1,448	2,094	2,261
Sumner	2,324	3,938	4,585
Tipton	627	878	1,058
Trousdale	189	309	385
Unicoi	286	422	495
Union	462	817	878
Van Buren	71	84	100
Warren	694	936	1,284
Washington	803	1,275	1,469
Wayne	238	389	487
Weakley	415	526	576
White	190	226	301
Williamson	2,119	3,318	4,356
Wilson	1,365	2,315	2,492
Totals	90,553	137,893	164,340

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COMPARISON OF CHILD, CASE, AND REFERRAL COUNTS BY COURT FOR 2006 & 2007

The Comparison of Child, Case and Referral Counts by Court for CYs 2006 and 2007 depicted on the following pages compares the 2006 total number of children, cases and referral counts by court to the corresponding totals in 2007.

Overall, this represents a 3.8% increase in children, 3.9% increase in cases, and 1.6% increase in referrals. When viewed from an individual court perspective, the results varied.

Shelby County/Memphis, the largest reporting juvenile court, submitted a total of 9.3% less children, 11.3% less cases, and 8.5% less referrals in 2007 than were submitted in 2006.

Davidson County/Nashville, the second largest reporting juvenile court, submitted a total of 4.0% less children, 1.2% less cases, and 6.2% less referrals in 2007 than were submitted in 2006.

Knox County/Knoxville, the third largest reporting juvenile court, submitted a total of 1.9% less children, 1.8% less cases, and 0.6% more referrals in 2007 than were submitted in 2006.

Hamilton County/Chattanooga, the fourth largest reporting by a juvenile court, submitted 14.8% more children, 14.4% more cases, and 12.6% more referrals in 2007 than were submitted in 2006.

Child, Case, and Referral Counts by Court for Previous CY 2006 and CY 2007

		Children			Cases		R	eferrals	
Court	2006	2007	%	2006	2007	%	2006	2007	%
Anderson	1,431	1,281	-10.5%	1,723	1,523	-11.6%	2,117	1,791	-15.4%
Bedford	286	367	+22.1%	359	475	+24.4%	569	734	+22.5%
Benton	380	326	-14.2%	448	373	-16.7%	465	405	-12.9%
Bledsoe	159	141	-11.3%	224	188	-16.1%	293	242	-17.4%
Blount	2,199	2,551	+13.8%	4,741	3,514	-25.9%	9,469	5,011	-47.1%
Bradley	687	912	+24.7%	986	1,552	+36.5%	1,258	2,051	+38.7%
Bristol	713	701	-1.7%	1,062	1,089	+2.5%	1,228	1,217	-0.9%
Campbell	370	651	+43.2%	372	660	+43.6%	372	662	+43.8%
Campbell	184	209	+43.2%	285	323	+43.6%	286	324	+11.7%
Carroll	275	256	-6.9%	305	277	-9.2%	478	426	-10.9%
Carter	493	985	+49.9%	619	1,241		700	1,375	
		613		746		+50.1%	848	809	+49.1%
Cheatham	598		+2.4%		738	-1.1%		494	-4.6%
Chester	268	370	+27.6%	321	437	+26.5%	366		+25.9%
Claiborne	221	175	-20.8%	315	177	-43.8%	328	200	-39.0%
Clay	161	170	+5.3%	320	372	+14.0%	586	595	+1.5%
Cocke	981	1,195	+17.9%	1,971	2,157	+8.6%	2,041	2,222	+8.1%
Coffee	306	226	-26.1%	329	242	-26.4%	416	296	-28.8%
Crockett	63	88	+28.4%	89	122	+27.0%	130	181	+28.2%
Cumberland	640	674	+5.0%	701	724	+3.2%	741	757	+2.1%
Davidson	8,528	8,191	-4.0%	15,228	15,046	-1.2%	19,327	18,126	-6.2%
Decatur	124	154	+19.5%	161	178	+9.6%	180	210	+14.3%
DeKalb	191	199	+4.0%	250	265	+5.7%	273	308	+11.4%
Dickson	637	933	+31.7%	930	1,315	+29.3%	1,023	1,464	+30.1%
Dyer	452	523	+13.6%	859	861	+0.2%	1,050	1,057	+0.7%
Fayette	307	624	+50.8%	356	939	+62.1%	413	1,167	+64.6%
Fentress	177	185	+4.3%	248	249	+0.4%	274	278	+1.4%
Franklin	278	376	+26.1%	444	487	+8.8%	529	578	+8.5%
Gibson	1,035	1,030	-0.5%	1,464	1,451	-0.9%	1,626	1,535	-5.6%
Giles	439	387	-11.8%	673	600	-10.8%	857	766	-10.6%
Grainger	582	655	+11.1%	584	680	+14.1%	649	718	+9.6%
Greene	807	940	+14.1%	1,241	1,675	+25.9%	1,351	1,755	+23.0%
Grundy	280	254	-9.3%	615	572	-7.0%	716	640	-10.6%
Hamblen	859	955	+10.1%	1,683	2,072	+18.8%	1,848	2,231	+17.2%
Hamilton	4,003	4,696	+14.8%	5,953	6,958	+14.4%	6,810	7,796	+12.6%
Hancock	42	37	-11.9%	66	49	-25.8%	68	49	-27.9%
Hardeman	571	572	+0.2%	660	684	+3.5%	859	876	+1.9%
Hardin	257	294	+12.6%	372	439	+15.3%	395	489	+19.2%
Hawkins	1,196	1,260	+5.1%	1,857	1,971	+5.8%	1,984	2,100	+5.5%
Haywood	1,103	991	-10.2%	1,657	1,811	+8.5%	1,814	1,953	+7.1%
Henderson	689	670	-2.8%	1,067	1,019	-4.5%	1,365	1,329	-2.6%
Henry	195	408	+52.2%	265	600	+55.8%	327	693	+52.8%
Hickman	370	360	-2.7%	437	419	-4.1%	504	473	-6.2%
Houston	94	91	-3.2%	196	224	+12.5%	204	249	+18.1%
Humphreys	447	442	-1.1%	1,300	1,152	-11.4%	1,718	1,524	-11.3%
Jackson	166	186	+10.8%	332	324	-2.4%	356	331	-7.0%
Jefferson	940	1,038	+9.4%	1,757	2,129	+17.5%	1,851	2,531	+26.9%
Johnson	296	632	+53.2%	306	1,129	+72.9%	427	1,357	+68.5%
Johnson City	1,262	1,528	+17.4%	1,941	2,231	+13.0%	2,330	2,596	+10.2%
Knox	6,027	5,915	-1.9%	9,714	9,538	-1.8%	11,932	11,998	+0.6%
Lake	157	113	-28.0%	237	175	-26.2%	266	193	-27.4%
			-5.8%	1,940	1,738	-10.4%			-9.1%

Child, Case, and Referral Counts by Court for Previous CY 2006 and CY 2007

		Children			Cases			Referrals	
Court	2006	2007	%	2006	2007	%	2006	2007	%
Lawrence	722	688	-4.7%	850	827	-2.7%	850	827	-2.7%
Lewis	147	182	+19.2%	163	209	+22.0%	190	270	+29.6%
Lincoln	392	371	-5.4%	555	498	-10.3%	743	645	-13.2%
Loudon	810	657	-18.9%	1,040	822	-21.0%	1,134	923	-18.6%
Macon	415	433	+4.2%	609	660	+7.7%	668	695	+3.9%
Madison	809	921	+12.2%	1,067	1,253	+14.8%	1,377	1,691	+18.6%
Marion	385	422	+8.8%	385	456	+15.6%	466	530	+12.1%
Marshall	476	492	+3.3%	650	629	-3.2%	929	934	+0.5%
		1,306	+9.0%	2,071				2,456	
Maury McMinn	1,188 488	376		593	2,267	+8.6%	2,296 820	628	+6.5%
			-23.0%		456	-23.1%			-23.4%
McNairy	522	377	-27.8%	530	409	-22.8%	564	435	-22.9%
Meigs	95	121	+21.5%	96	127	+24.4%	108	128	+15.6%
Monroe	773	785	+1.5%	1,250	1,305	+4.2%	1,322	1,379	+4.1%
Montgomery	2,198	2,471	+11.0%	2,539	3,690	+31.2%	3,511	4,944	+29.0%
Moore	59	70	+15.7%	63	70	+10.0%	68	74	+8.1%
Morgan	210	222	+5.4%	300	306	+2.0%	300	306	+2.0%
Obion	309	343	+9.9%	397	421	+5.7%	555	592	+6.2%
Overton	345	285	-17.4%	526	486	-7.6%	575	533	-7.3%
Perry	147	103	-29.9%	250	127	-49.2%	254	127	-50.0%
Pickett	61	41	-32.8%	73	47	-35.6%	76	49	-35.5%
Polk	101	124	+18.5%	105	127	+17.3%	130	165	+21.2%
Putnam	1,339	1,150	-14.1%	2,149	1,794	-16.5%	2,654	2,212	-16.7%
Rhea	81	100	+19.0%	84	107	+21.5%	93	112	+17.0%
Roane	280	252	-10.0%	413	345	-16.5%	490	415	-15.3%
Robertson	1,390	1,462	+4.9%	2,250	2,124	-5.6%	2,523	2,385	-5.5%
Rutherford	1,534	1,792	+14.4%	2,225	2,593	+14.2%	2,899	3,382	+14.3%
Scott	281	227	-19.2%	285	231	-18.9%	285	231	-18.9%
Sequatchie	100	135	+25.9%	136	162	+16.0%	162	207	+21.7%
Sevier	1,513	1,619	+6.5%	3,183	3,515	+9.4%	3,355	3,707	+9.5%
Shelby	14,205	12,881	-9.3%	19,195	17,030	-11.3%	23,111	21,157	-8.5%
Smith	228	226	-0.9%	330	375	+12.0%	374	422	+11.4%
Stewart	210	247	+15.0%	368	522	+29.5%	429	630	+31.9%
Sullivan Div I	834	814	-2.4%	1,333	1,212	-9.1%	1,450	1,365	-5.9%
Sullivan Div II	1,135	1,448	+21.6%	1,537	2,094	+26.6%	1,720	2,261	+23.9%
Sumner	2,186	2,324	+5.9%	3,668	3,938	+6.9%	4,189	4,585	+8.6%
Tipton	411	627	+34.4%	529	878	+39.7%	706	1,058	+33.3%
Trousdale	204	189	-7.4%	287	309	+7.1%	342	385	+11.2%
Unicoi	335	286	-14.6%	417	422	+1.2%	471	495	+4.8%
Union	418	462		582		+1.2%	669	878	+4.8%
	55		+9.5%		817 84			100	
Van Buren		71	+22.5%	59		+29.8%	66		+34.0%
Warren	719	694	-3.5%	1,032	936	-9.3%	1,432	1,284	-10.3%
Washington	760	803	+5.4%	1,159	1,275	+9.1%	1,329	1,469	+9.5%
Wayne	284	238	-16.2%	377	389	+3.1%	470	487	+3.5%
Weakley	382	415	+8.0%	456	526	+13.3%	517	576	+10.2%
White	198	190	-4.0%	219	226	+3.1%	282	301	+6.3%
Williamson	2,129	2,119	-0.5%	3,442	3,318	-3.6%	4,475	4,356	-2.7%
Wilson	1,128	1,365	+17.4%	1,915	2,315	+17.3%	2,100	2,492	+15.7%
Totals	87,081	90,553	+3.8%	132,451	137,893	+3.9%	161,631	164,340	+1.6%

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CHILDREN REFERRED TO JUVENILE COURT BY RACE, SEX, AND COURT FOR CY 2007

The next table depicts the number of children referred to juvenile court by race, sex and court in 2007. Knox County reported the largest number of White Males (2,088), Shelby County reported the largest number of African American Males (6,333), Fayette County reported the largest number of Native American Males (11) and Rutherford County reported the largest number of Asian Males (37), and Davidson County reported the largest number of Mixed Race Males (121).

Knox County reported the largest number of White Females (1,532), Shelby County reported the largest number of African American Females (4,167), Montgomery County reported the largest number of Native American Females (6), and Davidson County reported the largest number of Asian Females (26), and Mixed Race Females (112).

Children Referred to Juvenile Court by Race, Sex, and Court for CY 2007

WM = White Male AAM = African American Male NAM = Native American Male = Asian Male MRM = Mixed Race Male UM = Unknown Race Male AM WF = White Female AAF = African American Female NAF = Native American Female MRF = Mixed Race Female UF = Unknown Race Female AF = Asian Female WU = White Unknown Sex AAU = African American Unknown Sex NAU = Native American Unknown Sex = Asian Unknown Sex MRU = Mixed Race Unknown Sex UU = Unknown Race Unknown Sex

AU	= Asian Unk	nown Se	x			IVIR	KU = IVIIX	ed Race	UNKNOW	m Sex			U	iU =	Unknov	vii Kac	e Unkr	lown Se	X
Court	WM	AAM	NAM	AM	MRM	UM	WF	AAF	NAF	AF	MRF	UF	WU	AAU	NAU	ΑU	MRU	UU	Total
Anderson	705	105	1	1	4	40	366	20	0	0	3	26	0	0	0	0	0	10	1,281
Bedford	175	35	0	0	2	6	128	17	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	367
Benton	177	4	0	0	2	0	130	9	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	326
Bledsoe	71	5	0	0	4	0	57	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	141
Blount	1,227	117	2	2	29	5	1,038	90	3	1	33	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	2,551
Bradley	499	61	1	2	17	7	290	25	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	912
Bristol	390	19	0	0	0	6	269	6	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	701
Campbell	378	3	0	0	1	0	269	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	651
Cannon	126	2	1	0	4	0	74	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	209
Carroll	141	30	0	1	3	2	68	9	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	256
Carter	503	12	0	0	1	3	455	8	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	985
Cheatham	360	8	0	2	1	0	236	1	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	613
Chester	159	33	0	0	7	0	140	29	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	370
Claiborne	95	1	0	0	0	1	75	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	175
Clay	101	0	0	0	2	3	61	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	170
Cocke	599	19	1	0	4	18	512	24	0	1	5	8	3	0	0	0	0	1	1,195
Coffee	155	5	0	0	0	0	65	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	226
Crockett	29	18	0	0	1	13	20	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	88
Cumberland		2	0	0	0	46	234	0	1	0	1	40	0	0	0	0	0	4	674
Davidson	1,277	2,664	0	35	121	637	877	1,885	2	26	112	424	6	19	0	0	2	104	8,191
Decatur	98	1	0	0	5	0	46	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	154
DeKalb	129	4	0	0	1	0	63	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	199
Dickson	409	46	0	0	10	58	294	30	0	1	10	50	1	6	0	0	0	18	933
Dyer	228	114	0	1	0	1	116	59	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	523
Fayette	125	133	11	1	3	58	91	97	2	0	3	60	0	4	1	0	0	35	624
Fentress	128	0	0	0	0	0	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	185
Franklin	190	29	0	1	5	0	140	9	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	376
Gibson	265	242	0	0	21	34	175	190	0	0	13	27	1	23	0	0	1	38	1,030
Giles	194	49	1	0	5	0	115	19	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	387
Grainger	371	6	1	0	3	5	260	2	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	655
Greene	524	15	0	0	4	48	291	11	0	0	4	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	940
Grundy	160	2	0	1	1	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	254
Hamblen	497	56	0	0	6	3	356	30	0	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	955
Hamilton	1,223	1,398	1	9	21	41	890	1,054	0	5	16	27	1	3	0	0	0	7	4,696
Hancock	25	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
Hardeman	98	149	0	4	2	50 2	52	68 7	0	1	2	32	1	32	0	0	0	81	572
Hardin	186 681	8 14	0	0	1	1	87 551	3	0	0	1	0 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	294 1,260
Hawkins	53	439	0	0	7	1	69	415	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Haywood Henderson	318	439	0	0	31	0	234	25	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	991
	210	24	1	0	0	11	133	12	0	0	0	11	1	0	0	0	0	5	670 408
Henry Hickman	198	5	0	0	8	0	144	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	360
		4			7						2		0	0					
Houston Humphreys	51 222	20	0	0	7	0 8	25 160	2 5	0	0	3	0 6	0	0	0	0	0	0 4	91 442
Jackson	109	20	0	0	1	1	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	186
Jackson Jefferson	486	30	0	1	4	63	366	12	0	0	2	34	2	0	0	0	0	38	1,038
Jenerson	411	6	0	0	0	0	208	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	632
Johnson Cit		100	0	0	62	18	543	69	0	1	49	27	0	0	0	0	0	4	1,528
Knox	2,088	640	1	8	60	450	1,532	456	2	6	49	378	19	12	0	0	2	219	5,915
	2,066	16	0	0	7	430	30	430	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Lake	54	10	U	U	1	2	30	3	U	U	U	ı	U	U	U	U	U	U	113

Children Referred to Juvenile Court by Race, Sex and Court for CY 2007

WM = White Male AAM = African American Male NAM = Native American Male = Asian Male MRM = Mixed Race Male UM = Unknown Race Male AM WF = White Female AAF = African American Female NAF = Native American Female MRF = Mixed Race Female UF AF = Asian Female = Unknown Race Female WU = White Unknown Sex AAU = African American Unknown Sex NAU = Native American Unknown Sex = Asian Unknown Sex MRU = Mixed Race Unknown Sex UU = Unknown Race Unknown Sex

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Court	WM	AAM	NAM	AM	MRM	UM	WF	AAF	NAF	AF	MRI		WU	AAU	NAU	AU I	MRU	UU	Total
Lauderdale	292	305	3	0	8	3	231	244	4	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,097
Lawrence	416	18	0	0	0	0	239	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	688
Lewis	113	5	0	0	3	0	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	182
Lincoln	209	27	0	0	0	0	117	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	371
Loudon	417	6	0	1	2	0	231	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	657
Macon	240	3	0	0	2	3	155	0	0	1	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	22	433
Madison	172	414	0	1	4	0	101	228	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	921
Marion	238	18	0	0	2	1	143	16	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	422
Marshall	271	20	0	5	10	0	161	16	0	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	492
Maury	552	169	1	0	15	41	365	110	1	0	19	27	4	0	0	0	0	2	1,306
McMinn	228	24	0	1	0	0	107	15	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	376
McNairy	214	37	0	0	6	0	105	12	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	377
Meigs	66	2	0	0	3	0	49	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	121
Monroe	435	9	1	0	17	5	305	6	0	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	785
Montgomery	861	408	5	18	116	24	613	301	6	20	76	22	0	0	0	0	0	1	2,471
Moore	43	3	0	0	2	0	20	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Morgan	117	0	0	0	1	2	98	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	222
Obion	169	36	0	0	0	0	114	23	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	343
Overton	172	0	0	0	2	3	107	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	285
Perry	65	3	0	0	0	0	34	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	103
Pickett	22	0	0	0	0	0	18	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41
Polk	80	0	0	0	0	0	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	124
Putnam	634	22	2	2	5	34	416	11	1	1	3	16	0	0	0	0	0	3	1,150
Rhea	58	6	0	0	1	0	31	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Roane	134	9	0	0	2	2	104	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	252
Robertson	583	214	1	1	6	276	246	64	0	0	2	60	3	1	0	0	0	5	1,462
Rutherford	731	301	0	37	13	63	418	159	0	10	9	46	1	0	0	0	0	4	1,792
Scott	125	12	0	0	0	0	89	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	227
Sequatchie	78	1	0	0	0	0	55	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	135
Sevier	922	11	0	1	5	13	646	0	1	2	9	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	1,619
Shelby	1,176	6,333	1	33	46	172	802	4,167	1	24	35	91	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,881
Smith	124	7	1	0	2	0	86	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	226
Stewart	150	5	0	0	5	3	77	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	247
Sullivan Div I	475	5	0	0	5	1	328	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	814
Sullivan Div II	637	46	2	3	9	155	427	41	4	0	4	120	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,448
Sumner	1,139	164	1	3	44	39	760	110	3	7	31	17	3	0	0	0	0	3	2,324
Tipton	277	150	0	2	1	8	138	46	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	627
Trousdale	98	16	0	0	6	0	57	8	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	189
Unicoi	141	1	0	0	3	12	104	2	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	286
Union	283	0	0	0	0	0	176	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	462
Van Buren	43	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	71
Warren	397	17	0	0	1	1	270	6	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	694
Washington	414	6	0	0	4	49	258	5	0	0	3	40	4	0	0	0	0	20	803
Wayne	108	6	0	0	0	34	57	0	0	0	2	30	0	0	0	0	0	1	238
Weakley	193	46	0	1	3	10	138	12	0	1	0	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	415
White	130	3	0	0	5	0	50	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	190
Williamson	1,101	131	0	13	25	36	671	85	0	4	17	27	3	1	0	0	0	5	2,119
Wilson	554	155	1	1	5	126	331	72	2	0	7	109	0	0	0	0	0	2	1,365
Totals	33,996	15,912	44	194	8/6	2,758	22,747	10,528	40	117	644	1,891	58	101	1	0	5	641	90,553

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CHILDREN BY RACE, SEX, AND COURT UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF REFERRAL FOR CY 2007

The Children by Race, Sex and Court Under Age 18 at Time of Referral for CY 2007 table shows that Knox County reported the largest number of White Males (2,022), Shelby County reported the largest number of African American Males (6,283), Fayette County reported the largest number of Native American Males (11) and Rutherford County reported the largest number of Asian Males (37), and Davidson County reported the largest number of Mixed Race Males (119).

Knox County reported the largest number of White Females (1,484), Shelby County reported the largest number of African American Females (4,144), Montgomery County reported the largest number of Native American Females (6), and Shelby County reported the largest number of Asian Females (24), and Davidson County reported the largest number of Mixed Race Females (112).

Children by Race, Sex and Court Under Age 18 at Time of Referral for CY 2007

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Court	WM	AAM	NAM	AM	MRM	UM	WF	AAF	NAF	AF	MRF	UF	WU	AAU				טט ע	Total
Anderson	399	30	0	0	4	6	214	8	0	0	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	672
Bedford	175	35	0	0	2	6	127	17	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	366
Benton	177	4	0	0	2	0	130	9	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	326
Bledsoe	70	4	0	0	4	0	55	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	136
Blount	1,201	110	2	2	29	4	1,018	86	3	1	32	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,491
Bradley	491	61	1	2	16	7	290	25	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	903
Bristol	390	19	0	0	0	6	267	6	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	699
Campbell	361	3	0	0	1	0	263	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	628
Cannon	123	2	1	0	4	0	74	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	205
Carroll	141	30	0	1	3	2	67	9	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	255
Carter	493	12	0	0	1	3	448	8	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	968
Cheatham	357	8	0	2	1	0	235	1	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	609
Chester	156	32	0	0	7	0	137	28	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	362
Claiborne	94	1	0	0	0	1	75	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	174
Clay	90	0	0	0	2	3	60	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	157
Cocke	583	18	1	0	4	17	497	24	0	1	5	8	3	0	0	0	0	1	1,162
Coffee	155	5	0	0	0	0	65	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	226
Crockett	29	17	0	0	1	13	20	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	87
Cumberland	337	2	0	0	0	46	231	0	1	0	1	39	0	0	0	0	0	4	661
Davidson	1,195	2,487	0	33	119	607	852	1,819	2	22	112	415	6	17	0	0	2	102	7,790
Decatur	95	1	0	0	5	0	45	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
DeKalb	128	4	0	0	1	0	62	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	197
Dickson	392	40	0	0	10	51	285	29	0	1	10	47	1	5	0	0	0	17	888
Dyer	226	114	0	1	0	1	115	58	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	519
Fayette	124	133	11	1	3	57	89	96	2	0	3	60	0	4	1	0	0	35	619
Fentress	126	0	0	0	0	0	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	183
Franklin	187	29	0	1	5	0	139	9	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	372
Gibson	260	221	0	0	21	30	169	180	0	0	13	25	1	23	0	0	1	34	978
Giles	192	49	1	0	5	0	115	18	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	384
Grainger	368	6	1	0	3	5	258	2	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	650
Greene	500	15	0	0	4	47	266	11	0	0	4	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	889
Grundy	159	2	0	1	1	0	88	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	251
Hamblen	479	55	0	0	6	3	353	30	0	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	933
Hamilton	1,200	1,371	1	9	21	39	879	1,030	0	4	16	27	1	3	0	0	0	7	4,608
Hancock	25	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
Hardeman	96	145	0	4	2	49	52	66	0	1	2	30	1	32	0	0	0	80	560
Hardin	185	8	0	0	2	2	87	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	293
Hawkins	661	13	0	0	1	1	531	3	0	0	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	1,219
Haywood	51	396	0	0	7	1	62	363	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	887
Henderson	308	41	0	0	30	0	224	20	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	642
Henry	209	24	1	0	0	11	132	12	0	0	0	11	1	0	0	0	0	5	406
Hickman	195	4		0	6	0	139	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	349
Houston	48	4		0	5	0	25	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86
Humphreys	217	17	3	2	7	7	150	5	2	0	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	3	421
Jackson	106	2		0	1	1	68	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	178
Jefferson	475	30	0	1	4	63	364	12	0	0	2	33	2	0	0	0	0	37	1,023
Johnson	382	6	0	0	0	0	197	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	592
Johnson City	643	98	0	0	62	18	533	68	0	0	48	27	0	0	0	0	0	4	1,501
Knox	2,022	613	1	8	57	445	1,484	446	2	4	41	377	18	12	0	0	2	218	5,750
Lake	54	16	0	0	7	2	30	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	113
Lane	U-T	10	U	J		_	50	3	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	113

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Court	WM	ΔΔΜ	NAM	ΔМ	MRM	UM	WF	ΔAF	NAF	ΔF	MRF	UF	WU	ΔΔΙΙ	NAU	ΔΠ	MRU		Total
Lauderdale	288	286	3	0	8	3	226	220	4	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,045
Lauderdale	406	18	0	0	0	0	233	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	670
Lewis	112	5	0	0	3	0	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	180
Lincoln	208	26	0	0	0	0	115	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	367
Loudon	412	5	0	1	2	0	228	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	648
Macon	238	3	0	0	2	3	153	0	0	1	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	22	429
Madison	170	412	0	1	4	0	101	225	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	914
Marion	235	17	0	0	2	1	141	16	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	416
Marshall	263	20	0	5	10	0	160	16	0	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	483
Maury	545	168	1	0	14	41	362	109	1	0	18	27	4	0	0	0	0	2	1,292
McMinn	213	21	0	1	0	0	98	15	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	349
McNairy	207	37	0	0	6	0	105	12	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	370
,	66	2	0	0	3	0	49	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	121
Meigs	424	8	1	0	17	5	295	6	0	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	763
Montgomory	850	405	5	18	116	23	611	299	6	19	76	22	0	0	0	0	0	1	2,451
Montgomery	36		0	0	2	23		299	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	63
Moore	112	3	0	0	1	2	20 97	0	0	0	4	0	0	0		0	0	0	216
Morgan	168						113					-	0		0				337
Obion	166	34	0	0	0	0	97	21	0	0	1	0		0	0	0	0	0	269
Overton		0	0	0	2	3		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Perry	60	3	0	0	0	0	32	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	96
Pickett	22	0	0	0	0	0	17	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Polk	79	0	0	0	0	0	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	122
Putnam	609	21	2	2	4	17	406	11	1	1	3	13	0	0	0	0	0	3	1,093
Rhea	58	6	0	0	1	0	31	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Roane	132	8	0	0	2	2	102	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	247
Robertson	428	84	1	1	1	28	219	52	0	0	2	27	3	1	0	0	0	5	852
Rutherford	723	297	0	37	13	63	416	158	0	10	9	46	1	0	0	0	0	4	1,777
Scott	120	12	0	0	0	0	89	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	222
Sequatchie	78	1	0	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	134
Sevier	889	11	0	1	5	13	626	0	1	2	9	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	1,566
Shelby	1,155	6,283	1	33	46	171	790	4,144	1	24	35	91	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,774
Smith	121	7	1	0	2	0	84	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	221
Stewart	145	5	0	0	5	3	77	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	242
Sullivan Div I	428	4	0	0	4	1	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	737
Sullivan Div II	620	46	2	3	9	152	419	41	4	0	4	118	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,418
Sumner	1,047	152	1	3	43	35	745	106	3	6	30	17	3	0	0	0	0	3	2,194
Tipton	276	150	0	2	1	8	137	46	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	625
Trousdale	90	15	0	0	6	0	56	8	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	179
Unicoi	136	1	0	0	3	12	104	2	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	281
Union	271	0	0	0	0	0	170	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	444
Van Buren	43	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	71
Warren	386	14	0	0	1	1	261	6	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	671
Washington	396	4	0	0	4	47	252	5	0	0	3	40	4	0	0	0	0	20	775
Wayne	104	6	0	0	0	32	55	0	0	0	2	27	0	0	0	0	0	1	227
Weakley	192	45	0	1	3	10	138	12	0	1	0	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	413
White	128	2	0	0	5	0	50	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	187
Williamson	1,052	121	0	12	25	35	657	82	0	3	14	26	3	1	0	0	0	4	2,035
Wilson	434	90	1	0	5	22	263	55	2	0	7	16	0	0	0	0	0	1	896
Totals	32,471	15,195	43	189	856	2,287	22,019	10,242	40	106	634	1,716	57	98	1	0	5	618	86,577

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REFERRALS BY TYPE OF OFFENSE, AGE GROUP, RACE, AND SEX IN CY 2007

The Referrals by Type of Offense, Age Group, Race, and Sex tables in CY 2007 show children who have been referred to juvenile courts by type of offense, age group, race, and sex within the following categories: Delinquent, Status/Unruly, Dependency and Neglect, Other Violations ("Violation of Pretrial Diversion" and "Violation of Informal Adjustment"), Special Proceedings and Other (includes any referrals that do not fall within the categories listed above).

White males have the highest number (13,912) in the Delinquent category, ages 17 through 18 years followed by African American Males (8,038) ages 15 through 16 years. White Females (5,871) are most often found in the age group of 15 through 16 years with 17 through 18 years containing the next highest number of (5,634) referrals. African American Females (3,231) are most often found in the age group 15 through 16 years followed by the age group 17 through 18 years containing the next highest number (2,006) of referrals.

In the Status/Unruly category, white males (5,059), white females (3,626), African American males (1,757) and African American females (1,041) are found most often in the age group 15 through 16 years.

In the Dependency and Neglect category, **70.1%** of the total referrals **(10,281)** are most often found in the Birth through 10 years group. Referrals for White Males **(2,246)** and White Females **(2,186)** are followed by referrals for African American Males **(952)** and African American Females **(942)**.

In the referrals for Other Violations category, of which there were **225** total, the highest numbers for all youth **(116)** appear in the 15 through 16 years age group. Other Violations include both: Violation of Pretrial Diversion and Violation of Informal Adjustment.

In the Special Proceedings category the highest numbers for all youth and the highest number in all categories **(20,791)** appears in the Birth through 10 years age group. * Special Proceedings include the following: Judicial Review, Administrative Review, Foster Care Review, Custody, Visitation, Paternity/Legitimation, Child Support, Requests for Medical Treatment, and Consent to Marry.

Other, which is the final category, is one that the Council looks forward to minimizing when the future data collection system is in use. This category is used to identify referrals that do not fit under other classifications and the numbers show that a total of **11,042** referrals were placed in this group.

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^{*}The statistics show that some courts are under-reporting the number of Judicial and Administrative Reviews being conducted by their court staff.

Referrals by Type of Offense, Age Group, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

		White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Delinquent									
Birth through Age 10		616	372	30	403	180	13	163	1,777
Ages 11 through 12		931	1,026	65	315	351	8	78	2,774
Ages 13 through 14		3,726	4,074	175	1,551	1,627	88	217	11,458
Ages 15 through 16		13,464	8,038	463	5,871	3,231	163	847	32,077
Ages 17 through 18		13,912	5,791	344	5,634	2,006	120	804	28,611
Ages 19 and Over		83	39	0	49	18	0	13	202
_	Totals	32,732	19,340	1,077	13,823	7,413	392	2,122	76,899
Status									
Birth through Age 10		544	141	22	553	138	11	40	1,449
Ages 11 through 12		561	166	21	398	127	29	42	1,344
Ages 13 through 14		2,048	716	56	1,595	485	72	170	5,142
Ages 15 through 16		5,059	1,757	139	3,626	1,041	89	403	12,114
Ages 17 through 18		2,810	981	67	1,846	498	44	212	6,458
Ages 19 and Over		3	0	0	6	1	0	0	10
	Totals	11,025	3,761	305	8,024	2,290	245	867	26,517
Dependency and Negled	et								
Birth through Age 10		2,246	952	136	2,186	942	112	636	7,210
Ages 11 through 12		276	117	9	254	122	7	48	833
Ages 13 through 14		328	127	8	287	127	16	40	933
Ages 15 through 16		247	145	5	343	179	8	32	959
Ages 17 through 18		93	45	5	117	52	3	11	326
Ages 19 and Over		3	0	0	2	13	0	2	20
	Totals	3,193	1,386	163	3,189	1,435	146	769	10,281
Other Violations									
Ages 11 through 12		4	2	0	1	0	0	2	9
Ages 13 through 14		21	3	6	9	0	0	3	42
Ages 15 through 16		70	6	1	35	2	1	1	116
Ages 17 through 18		34	3	0	19	1	0	1	58
	Totals	129	14	7	64	3	1	7	225
Special Proceedings									
Birth through Age 10		6,103	2,890	359	5,738	2,758	359	2,584	20,791
Ages 11 through 12		901	416	34	709	379	27	222	2,688
Ages 13 through 14		1,288	549	51	971	522	38	236	3,655
Ages 15 through 16		2,187	905	99	1,814	697	65	236	6,003
Ages 17 through 18		1,709	519	42	1,100	357	29	163	3,919
Ages 19 and Over		790	463	9	333	118	1	606	2,320
	Totals	12,978	5,742	594	10,665	4,831	519	4,047	39,376
Other				444	845	497	118	548	3,536
		938	476	114	043	101			
Birth through Age 10		938 201	476 110	8	146	75	5	64	609
Birth through Age 10 Ages 11 through 12									
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LIVING ARRANGEMENT OF THE CHILD AT THE TIME OF REFERRAL TO JUVENILE COURT IN CY 2007

Consistent with the data gathered in previous years, the Living Arrangement of Juveniles by Race and Sex for CY 2007 chart shows that within the general juvenile court population (90,553), the highest number of children, (34,229) were reported to be living "With Mother" at the time of referral to juvenile court. This is 37.8% of the total of all children referred. The second and third most reported living arrangements for the general juvenile court population were "Unknown" 14,591 or 16.1% and "With both Biological Parents" 14,056 or 15.5%.

When examining the 2007 juvenile court population by race and gender categories, different living arrangement patterns can be seen. White female data revealed that of **22,747** children, the highest percentage **(34.7%)** were living "With Mother", **18.5%** were living "With Both Biological Parents", and **14.0%** fell into the "Unknown" category.

Data regarding African American females reflected a different living arrangement pattern. Slightly more than half of African American females (51.0%), of a total of 10,528, were reported to be living "With Mother", followed by 14.7% living "With Relatives", and 14.4% "Unknown".

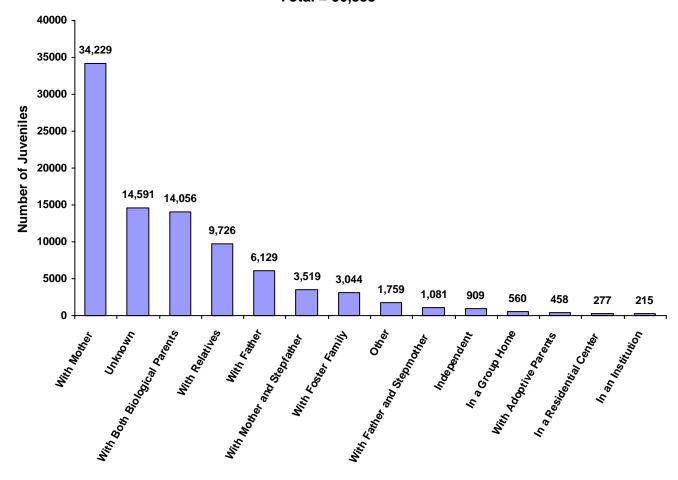
Data regarding white males revealed that of **33,996**, the highest percentage **(31.6%)** of children were living "With Mother", over the second most reported living arrangement, living "With Both Biological Parents" **22.4%**, and was followed by the "Unknown" category **14.5%**.

Data associated with **15,912** African American males revealed that just over half **(50.1%)** of African American males were reported as living "With Mother" at the time of referral, **13.4%** were reported as living "With Relatives", and also **13.4%** were reported as "Unknown".

Living Arrangement of Juveniles by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of All Children Referred
With Both Biological Parents	7,610	1,090	189	4,212	481	108	366	14,056	15.52%
With Father and Stepmother	528	120	16	324	71	10	12	1,081	1.19%
With Mother and Stepfather	1,616	484	45	1,020	277	28	49	3,519	3.89%
With Mother	10,752	7,968	367	7,889	5,367	288	1,598	34,229	37.80%
With Father	3,026	784	70	1,641	421	30	157	6,129	6.77%
With Relatives	2,937	2,125	154	2,495	1,549	116	350	9,726	10.74%
With Adoptive Parents	209	41	13	150	27	5	13	458	0.51%
With Foster Family	1,152	359	55	1,007	337	49	85	3,044	3.36%
In a Group Home	237	127	11	112	57	4	12	560	0.62%
In a Residential Center	156	62	1	38	15	0	5	277	0.31%
In an Institution	72	86	0	22	30	1	4	215	0.24%
Independent	259	130	2	211	95	2	210	909	1.00%
Unknown	4,940	2,126	159	3,193	1,514	135	2,524	14,591	16.11%
Other	502	410	32	433	287	25	70	1,759	1.94%
Totals	33,996	15,912	1,114	22,747	10,528	801	5,455	90,553	

Living Arrangement of Juveniles Total = 90,553



SCHOOL STATUS OF INDIVIDUAL CHILDREN AT THE TIME OF REFERRAL TO JUVENILE COURT IN CY 2007

In 2007, a majority **(65.2%)** of the juvenile court population **(90,553)** were reported as being "Enrolled" in school either full or part-time at the time of referral to juvenile court. **12.4%** were reported as "Not Enrolled" in school. The "Not Enrolled" in school category also included those children who had been expelled. It should be noted that school enrollment for **20,269** or **22.4%** of the juvenile court population was reported as "Unknown".

2,994 or **3.3**% of the general juvenile court population was reported as being enrolled in a special education curriculum at the time of referral. **55,804** or **61.6**% of the juvenile court population were reported as "Not Enrolled" in a special education curriculum and the special education status of **31,755** children, or **35.1**% of this same population was reported as "Unknown".

Last Grade Completed by Children by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of All Children Referred
Too Young for School	1,911	481	117	1,771	503	117	487	5,387	5.95%
Preschool	138	161	10	139	150	5	21	624	0.69%
Kindergarten	289	154	22	303	154	14	53	989	1.09%
1st Grade	362	198	11	365	138	17	36	1,127	1.24%
2nd Grade	313	176	17	250	147	8	49	960	1.06%
3rd Grade	288	221	17	260	134	13	28	961	1.06%
4th Grade	410	265	18	279	170	16	36	1,194	1.32%
5th Grade	614	497	28	355	270	7	52	1,823	2.01%
6th Grade	1,017	980	41	616	570	26	80	3,330	3.68%
7th Grade	1,652	1,298	63	1,011	773	32	120	4,949	5.47%
8th Grade	2,962	2,087	104	1,737	1,170	66	209	8,335	9.20%
9th Grade	3,680	1,921	114	2,254	1,162	80	209	9,420	10.40%
10th Grade	4,449	1,469	106	2,670	880	64	166	9,804	10.83%
11th Grade	3,435	791	60	2,221	530	40	80	7,157	7.90%
12th Grade	727	185	8	491	142	10	21	1,584	1.75%
Non-Graded Special Ed	13	3	2	4	2	0	1	25	0.03%
GED	303	29	7	149	14	3	1	506	0.56%
Graduated	209	62	3	153	48	10	8	493	0.54%
Never Attended School	623	538	39	600	559	33	124	2,516	2.78%
Unknown	10,160	4,335	322	6,788	2,995	240	3,648	28,488	31.46%
Other	441	61	5	331	17	0	26	881	0.97%
Totals	33,996	15,912	1,114	22,747	10,528	801	5,455	90,553	

Children Enrolled in School

	Children	% of All Children
Enrolled	59,056	65.22%
Not Enrolled	11,228	12.40%
Unknown	20,269	22.38%

90,553

Children Enrolled in Special Education

Children	% of All Children
2,994	3.31%
55,804	61.63%
31,755	35.07%
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90,553

REFERRAL INFORMATION BY RACE, SEX, AND CLASS OF REFERRAL/OFFENSE 2007

Information regarding **164,340** referrals disposed of by Tennessee juvenile courts was reported in 2007. Nearly half **(46.8%)** of the 2007 referral reasons disposed of by juvenile courts fell into the category of alleged Delinquent offenses. Status offenses represented **16.1%** of the total referral reasons reported to the juvenile court, while Non-offense referral reasons comprised an additional **37.1%** of the total.

For reporting, the broad categories of referrals/offenses: Delinquent, Status, and Non-offense, were broken into the following classes of referrals/offenses:

Offenses Against Persons – Delinquent offenses such as criminal homicide, assault, rape, etc., that were committed against persons.

Offenses Against Property – Delinquent offenses such as burglary, arson, vandalism, etc., that were committed against property.

Illegal Conduct – Delinquent offenses such as possession or sale of controlled substances, disorderly conduct, criminal trespass, etc.

Status Offenses – Offenses committed by a child that, if committed by an adult, would not be considered an offense or unlawful act. These can include such actions as runaway, truancy, unruly behavior, etc.

Dependency/Neglect Issues – Issues that affect the safety and well being of the referred child, such as abuse, dependency, neglect, termination of parental rights, etc. This is a non-offense category as the referred child is the victim and is not the offender.

Parentage Issues – Issues that affect custody of the child, visitation, determining parentage and child support.

Other Violation Proceedings – Violation of pretrial diversion and violation of informal adjustment.

Special Proceedings – *Judicial reviews, administrative reviews, and foster care reviews that are conducted by the court. This is also a Non-offense category.

The Class of Referrals by Race and Sex for CY 2007 chart indicates the reported classes of referral reasons for each race and sex in descending order of occurrence. The summary of the three most often reported classes of referral/offense by race and sex are detailed below.

Among White Males, the two most commonly reported classes of referral/offense were "Illegal Conduct" and "Status Offenses". **37.1%** or **23,620** of white male referral reasons **63,706** fell under "Illegal Conduct" and **17.3%** or **11,025** fell under "Status Offenses". "Parentage" at **10.7%** or **6,832** represented the third most reported class of referral/offense for white male referrals followed by "Special Proceedings" at **9.6%** or **6,146**.

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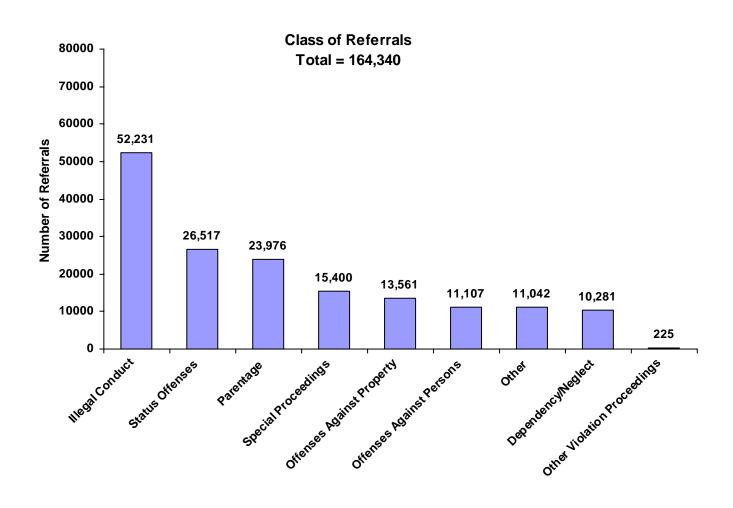
Among African American Males, the most commonly reported class of referral/offense was "Illegal Conduct". **35.1%** or **11,400** of African American male referral reasons fell under "Illegal Conduct". The second and third most reported classes of referral/offense for African American males were "Offenses Against Persons" at **12.4%** or **4,018** and "Offenses Against Property" at **12.1%** or **3,922.**

Among White Females, the first and second most reported classes of referral/offense were "Illegal Conduct" and "Status Offenses". 27.4% or 10,457 of white female referral reasons fell under "Illegal Conduct" and 21.0% or 8,024 fell under "Status Offenses". The third most reported class of referral/offense for white females was "Parentage" at 16.1% or 6,132.

Among African American Females, the first and second most often reported classes were "Illegal Conduct" and "Parentage". **24.8%** or **4,298** of African American Female referral reasons fell under "Illegal Conduct" and **18.9%** or **3,279** fell under "Parentage". The third most reported class of referral/offense for African American females was "Status Offenses" at **13.2%** or **2,290**.

Class of Referrals by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of Total Referrals
Offenses Against Persons	3,480	4,018	174	1,356	1,760	75	244	11,107	6.76%
Offenses Against Property	5,632	3,922	266	2,010	1,355	71	305	13,561	8.25%
Illegal Conduct	23,620	11,400	637	10,457	4,298	246	1,573	52,231	31.78%
Status Offenses	11,025	3,761	305	8,024	2,290	245	867	26,517	16.14%
Dependency/Neglect	3,193	1,386	163	3,189	1,435	146	769	10,281	6.26%
Other Violation Proceedings	129	14	7	64	3	1	7	225	0.14%
Parentage	6,832	3,891	338	6,132	3,279	314	3,190	23,976	14.59%
Special Proceedings	6,146	1,851	256	4,533	1,552	205	857	15,400	9.37%
Other	3,649	2,269	203	2,398	1,340	165	1,018	11,042	6.72%
Totals	63,706	32,512	2,349	38,163	17,312	1,468	8,830	164,340	



Referrals by Class and Type Of Offense by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Offenses Against Persons								
Assault	2,223	2,313	108	1,149	1,417	58	128	7,396
Aggravated Assault	493	581	31	98	227	7	41	1,478
Aggravated Robbery	44	436	11	2	19	1	33	546
Reckless Endangerment	219	145	11	39	15	5	8	442
Other Sexual Offenses	136	82	3	20	47	2	3	293
Rape of a Child	115	87	5	11	3	0	4	225
Robbery	28	139	1	2	8	0	3	181
Aggravated Sexual Battery	111	38	0	10	2	0	2	163
Attempted Crime Against a Person	24	55	1	5	4	0	13	102
Rape	42	28	0	1	1	1	1	74
Esp. Aggravated Robbery	6	33	0	7	6	0	2	54
Criminal Homicide	5	18	0	1	2	0	3	29
1st Degree Murder	3	25	0	0	0	0	0	28
Aggravated Rape	7	8	2	3	2	0	2	24
Aggravated Kidnapping	4	11	1	2	3	0	0	21
Esp. Aggravated Kidnapping	0	13	0	0	1	0	1	15
Aggravated Child Abuse / Neglect	7	4	0	2	1	0	0	14
Sexual Abuse of a Child	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	6
2nd Degree Murder	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	5
Voluntary Manslaughter	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	5
Vehicular Homicide	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	4
Aggravated Vehicular Homicide	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Criminally Negligent Homicide	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	3,480	4,018	174	1,356	1,760	75	244	11,107
	3,400	4,010	174	1,330	1,700	13	244	11,107
Offenses Against Property Theft of Property	2,349	1,880	102	1,456	1,040	52	141	7,020
Vandalism	1,799	884	78	318	198	7	87	3,371
Burglary	788	416	45	57	130	2	31	1,352
Aggravated Burglary	409	576	27	43	41	3	21	1,120
Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle	126	68	3	60	34	1	_	300
Forgery	30	22	0	45	11	3	8 9	120
Arson	55	27	6	11	4	3 1	2	106
Illegal Poss/Use of Credit/Debit Cards	30	24	4	9	11	2	3	83
•		12	1	3		0		
Cruelty to Animals	25				2		1	44
Aggravated Arson Worthless Checks	14	13	0	7	1	0	2	37
	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	8
Totals	5,632	3,922	266	2,010	1,355	71	305	13,561

Referrals by Class and Type Of Offense by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Illegal Conduct								
Traffic	10,605	1,881	233	5,209	724	104	595	19,351
Disorderly Conduct	1,244	2,514	66	616	1,947	38	102	6,527
Violation of Probation	2,693	1,320	102	1,104	379	24	95	5,717
Possession of Controlled Substances	2,018	1,310	55	614	137	8	95	4,237
Possession/Consumption of Alcohol	1,917	155	25	967	46	19	77	3,206
Contempt of Court	709	208	20	573	199	20	233	1,962
Criminal Trespass	566	956	21	127	233	3	33	1,939
Other Drug Offenses	1,139	179	22	327	34	4	31	1,736
Unlawful Carrying / Poss of a Weapon	251	563	14	28	38	0	75	969
Evading Arrest	312	473	12	56	40	0	32	925
Public Intoxication	382	181	6	174	31	2	32	808
Resist Stop/Frisk/Halt/Arrest/Search	229	327	11	81	128	8	15	799
Sale of Controlled Substances	139	325	7	36	27	0	14	548
Failure to Appear	106	176	3	63	89	8	48	493
Carrying Weapons on School Property	217	154	10	31	50	0	10	472
Harassment	154	40	4	140	51	1	9	399
Criminal Impersonation	89	110	1	63	52	0	22	337
Driving Under Influence (DUI)	220	12	3	55	0	0	27	317
Violation of Aftercare	125	127	5	31	21	2	1	312
Local Ordinances	159	62	6	41	15	2	8	293
Filing a False Police Report	102	38	5	80	16	3	9	253
Criminal Attempt	27	133	2	7	19	0	0	188
Violation of Wildlife Regulations	150	1	1	10	0	0	8	170
Aggravated Criminal Trespass	21	71	3	11	18	0	0	124
Escape	43	30	0	13	2	0	1	89
Gambling	3	54	0	0	2	0	1	60
Totals	23,620	11,400	637	10,457	4,298	246	1,573	52,231
Status Offenses		212			0.4.0	_,	0-1	
Truancy	3,696	946	97	3,369	810	74	351	9,343
Unruly Behavior	1,986	745	75	1,650	463	62	176	5,157
Possession of Tobacco Products	2,933	425	31	884	74	10	110	4,467
Violation of Curfew	982	944	50	555	310	24	117	2,982
In-State Runaway	731	470	28	1,060	486	49	54	2,878
Violation of a Valid Court Order	675	224	23	469	135	25	54	1,605
Out-of-State Runaway	22	7	1	37	12	1	5	85
Totals	11,025	3,761	305	8,024	2,290	245	867	26,517
<u>Dependency/Neglect</u>								
Dependency / Neglect	2,836	1,228	148	2,881	1,247	132	608	9,080
Termination of Parental Rights	325	151	15	279	173	14	151	1,108
Physically Abused Child	30	7	0	26	15	0	10	88
Sexually Abused Child	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	5
Totals	3,193	1,386	163	3,189	1,435	146	769	10,281

Referrals by Class and Type Of Offense by Race and Sex for CY 2007

		White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Other Violation Procee	dings								
Violation of Pretrial Diversi	on	105	12	7	48	2	0	2	176
Violation of Informal Adjust	tment	24	2	0	16	1	1	5	49
	Totals	129	14	7	64	3	1	7	225
<u>Parentage</u>									
Child Support		3,496	2,210	139	2,847	1,694	121	1,977	12,484
Custody		2,476	1,104	137	2,542	1,016	139	757	8,171
Paternity / Legitimation		446	321	40	360	330	30	312	1,839
Visitation		414	256	22	383	239	24	144	1,48
	Totals	6,832	3,891	338	6,132	3,279	314	3,190	23,976
Special Proceedings Judicial Review Foster Care Review		4,345 1,200	442 706	137 89	3,052 1,075	311 543	118 60	568 149	8,973 3,822
Administrative Review		547	700	29	332	694	24	124	2,45
Request for Medical Treatr	ment	52	2	1	66	4	2	16	143
Consent to Marry		2	0	0	8	0	1	0	11
·	Totals	6,146	1,851	256	4,533	1,552	205	857	15,400
<u>Other</u>									
Other		3,649	2,269	203	2,398	1,340	165	1,018	11,042
	Totals	3,649	2,269	203	2,398	1,340	165	1,018	11,042

REFERRAL REASONS BY TYPE, RACE, AND SEX IN 2007

The tables on the following pages depict referral reasons by type of offense, race and sex. Since this data is spread between 83 potential referral reasons, many of the percentages presented are small. It is important to note that many juvenile courts do not hear traffic cases. In these jurisdictions, traffic cases go to the court with jurisdiction over adult traffic violations. It is also important to note that any categories left blank or not reported in the Demographic Information area which concerns sex, race, Hispanic origin, living arrangement, and education information, are calculated as "Unknown".

The 2007 data showed the most commonly reported delinquent referral reasons to be "Traffic", (19,351) "Assault" (7,396), "Theft of Property" (7,020), "Disorderly Conduct" (6,527), "Violation of Probation" (5,717), and "Possession of Controlled Substances" (4,237). The most often reported status offense referral reasons were "Truancy" (9,343), "Unruly Behavior" (5,157), "Possession of Tobacco Products" (4,467), "Violation of Curfew" (2,982), "In-state Runaway" (2,878), and "Violation of a Valid Court Order" (1,605).

"Child Support" (12,484), "Dependency and Neglect" (9,080), "Judicial Review" (8,973), "Custody" (8,171) and "Foster Care Review" (3,822) are the most prevalent within the non-offense category.

The top four referral reasons reported for White Males in 2007 were "Traffic", "Judicial Review", "Truancy", and "Other". The total referrals were **63,706** and the top four referral percentages for White Males follow: "Traffic" at **10,605** referrals was **16.6%**, "Judicial Review" at **4,345** was **6.8%**, "Truancy" at 3,696 was 5.8% and "Other" at **3,649** was **5.7%**.

The top four referral reasons reported for African American Males in 2007 were "Disorderly Conduct", "Assault" "Other", and "Child Support". The total referrals were **32,512** and the top four referral percentages for African American Males follow: "Disorderly Conduct" at **2,514** was **7.7%**, "Assault" at **2,313** was **7.1%**, "Other" at **2,269** was **7.0%**, and "Child Support" at **2,210** was **6.8%**.

The top four referral reasons reported for white females in 2007 were "Traffic", "Truancy", "Judicial Review", and "Dependency/Neglect". The total referrals were **38,163** and the top four referral percentages for White Females follow: "Traffic" at **5,209** referrals was **13.6%**, "Truancy" at **3,369** was **8.8%**, "Judicial Review" at **3,052** was **8.0%**, and "Dependency/Neglect" at **2,881** was **7.5%**.

The top four referral reasons reported for African American females in 2007 were "Disorderly Conduct", "Child Support", "Assault", and "Other". The total referrals were **17,312** and the top four referral percentages for African American Females follow: "Disorderly Conduct" at **1,947** was **11.2%**, "Child Support" at **1,694** was **9.8%**, "Assault" at **1,417** was **8.2%**, and "Other" at **1,340** was **7.7%**.

Referral Reasons by Type of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Tota
Delinquent								
Traffic	10,605	1,881	233	5,209	724	104	595	19,351
Assault	2,223	2,313	108	1,149	1,417	58	128	7,396
Theft of Property	2,349	1,880	102	1,456	1,040	52	141	7,020
Disorderly Conduct	1,244	2,514	66	616	1,947	38	102	6,527
Violation of Probation	2,693	1,320	102	1,104	379	24	95	5,717
Possession of Controlled Substances	2,018	1,310	55	614	137	8	95	4,23
Vandalism	1,799	884	78	318	198	7	87	3,37
Possession/Consumption of Alcohol	1,917	155	25	967	46	19	77	3,20
Contempt of Court	709	208	20	573	199	20	233	1,96
Criminal Trespass	566	956	21	127	233	3	33	1,93
Other Drug Offenses	1,139	179	22	327	34	4	31	1,73
Aggravated Assault	493	581	31	98	227	7	41	1,47
Burglary	788	416	45	57	13	2	31	1,35
Aggravated Burglary	409	576	27	43	41	3	21	1,12
Unlawful Carrying / Poss of a Weapon	251	563	14	28	38	0	75	96
Evading Arrest	312	473	12	56	40	0	32	92
Public Intoxication	382	181	6	174	31	2	32	80
Resist Stop/Frisk/Halt/Arrest/Search	229	327	11	81	128	8	15	79
Sale of Controlled Substances	139	325	7	36	27	0	14	54
Aggravated Robbery	44	436	11	2	19	1	33	54
Failure to Appear	106	176	3	63	89	8	48	49
Carrying Weapons on School Property	217	154	10	31	50	0	10	47
Reckless Endangerment	219	145	11	39	15	5	8	44
Harassment	154	40	4	140	51	1	9	39
Criminal Impersonation	89	110	1	63	52	0	22	33
Driving Under Influence (DUI)	220	12	3	55	0	0	27	31
Violation of Aftercare	125	127	5	31	21	2	1	31
Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle	126	68	3	60	34	1	8	30
Local Ordinances	159	62	6	41	15	2	8	29
Other Sexual Offenses	136	82	3	20	47	2	3	29
Filing a False Police Report	102	38	5	80	16	3	9	25
Rape of a Child	115	87	5	11	3	0	4	22
Criminal Attempt	27	133	2	7	19	0	0	18
Robbery	28	139	1	2	8	0	3	18
Violation of Wildlife Regulations	150	1	1	10	0	0	8	17
Aggravated Sexual Battery	111	38	0	10	2	0	2	16
Aggravated Criminal Trespass	21	71	3	11	18	0	0	12
Forgery	30	22	0	45	11	3	9	12
Arson	55	27	6	11	4	1	2	10
Attempted Crime Against a Person	24	55	1	5	4	0	13	10
Escape	43	30	0	13	2	0	1	8
llegal Poss/Use of Credit/Debit Cards	30	24	4	9	11	2	3	8
Rape	42	28	0	1	1	1	1	7
Gambling	3	54	0	0	2	0	1	6
Esp. Aggravated Robbery	6	33	0	7	6	0	2	5
Cruelty to Animals	25	12	1	3	2	0	1	4
Aggravated Arson	14	13	0	7	1	0	2	3
Criminal Homicide	5	18	0	1	2	0	3	2
1st Degree Murder	3	25	0	0	0	0	0	2
Aggravated Rape	7	8	2	3	2	0	2	2
Aggravated Kidnapping	4	11	1	2	3	0	0	2
Esp. Aggravated Kidnapping	0	13	0	0	1	0	1	1

Referral Reasons by Type of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

		White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Tota
Delinquent									
Aggravated Child Abuse / Neglect		7	4	0	2	1	0	0	14
Worthless Checks		7	0	0	1	0	0	0	
Sexual Abuse of a Child		5	0	0	1	0	0	0	
2nd Degree Murder		1	1	0	1	2	0	0	
Voluntary Manslaughter		3	1	0	1	0	0	0	
Vehicular Homicide		2	0	0	1	0	1	0	
Aggravated Vehicular Homicide		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Criminally Negligent Homicide		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Totals	32,732	19,340	1,077	13,823	7,413	392	2,122	76,89
Status									
Truancy		3,696	946	97	3,369	810	74	351	9,34
Unruly Behavior		1,986	745	75	1,650	463	62	176	5,15
Possession of Tobacco Products		2,933	425	31	884	74	10	110	4,46
Violation of Curfew		982	944	50	555	310	24	117	2,98
In-State Runaway		731	470	28	1,060	486	49	54	2,87
Violation of a Valid Court Order		675	224	23	469	135	25	54	1,60
Out-of-State Runaway		22	7	1	37	12	1	5	8
,	Totals	11,025	3,761	305	8,024	2,290	245	867	26,51
Dependency and Neglect									
Dependency / Neglect		2,836	1,228	148	2,881	1,247	132	608	9,08
Termination of Parental Rights		325	151	15	279	173	14	151	1,10
Physically Abused Child		30	7	0	26	15	0	10	8
Sexually Abused Child		2	0	0	3	0	0	0	
	Totals	3,193	1,386	163	3,189	1,435	146	769	10,28
Other Violations									
Violation of Pretrial Diversion		105	12	7	48	2	0	2	17
Violation of Informal Adjustment		24	2	0	16	1	1	5	4
	Totals	129	14	7	64	3	1	7	22
Special Proceedings									
Child Support		3,496	2,210	139	2,847	1,694	121	1,977	12,48
Judicial Review		4,345	442	137	3,052	311	118	568	8,97
Custody		2,476	1,104	137	2,542	1,016	139	757	8,17
Foster Care Review		1,200	706	89	1,075	543	60	149	3,82
Administrative Review		547	701	29	332	694	24	124	2,45
Paternity / Legitimation		446	321	40	360	330	30	312	1,83
Visitation		414	256	22	383	239	24	144	1,48
Request for Medical Treatment		52	2	1	66	4	2	16	14
Consent to Marry		2	0	0	8	0	1	0	1
	Totals	12,978	5,742	594	10,665	4,831	519	4,047	39,37
<u>Other</u>									
Other		3,649	2,269	203	2,398	1,340	165	1,018	11,04
	Totals	3,649	2,269	203	2,398	1,340	165	1,018	11,04
	l Totals	63,706	32,512	2,349	38,163	17,312	1,468	8,830	164,34

Top 4 Referral Reasons by Sex and Race for CY 2007

Sex	Race	Referral Reason	Total
Male			
	White	1. Traffic	10,605
		2. Judicial Review	4,345
		3. Truancy	3,696
		4. Other	3,649
	African American	Disorderly Conduct	2,514
		2. Assault	2,313
		3. Other	2,269
		4. Child Support	2,210
	Other Race	1. Traffic	233
		2. Other	203
		Dependency / Neglect	148
		Child Support	139
- emale			
	White	1. Traffic	5,209
		2. Truancy	3,369
		Judicial Review	3,052
		4. Dependency / Neglect	2,881
	African American	Disorderly Conduct	1,947
		2. Child Support	1,694
		3. Assault	1,417
		4. Other	1,340
	Other Race	1. Other	165
		2. Custody	139
		3. Dependency / Neglect	132
		Child Support	121
Jnknown			
	Unknown	Child Support	1,977
		2. Other	1,018
		3. Custody	757
		4. Dependency / Neglect	608

Top 4 Referral Reasons by Sex, Race, and Type of Offense for CY 2007

Sex	Race	Referral Type	Referral Reason	Tota
Male	White	Delinquent	1. Traffic	10,60
Maic	VVIIILG	Delinquent	Violation of Probation	2,693
			3. Theft of Property	2,09
			4. Assault	
		Status	1. Truancy	2,223
		Status	Possession of Tobacco Products	3,690
			3. Unruly Behavior	2,933
			•	1,980
		Dan and dan avend Name of	4. Violation of Curfew	982
		Dependency and Neglect	Dependency / Neglect Towning tion of Page 18 Bights	2,83
			Termination of Parental Rights	32
			Physically Abused Child	30
			Sexually Abused Child	
		Other Violations	Violation of Pretrial Diversion	10
			Violation of Informal Adjustment	24
		Special Proceedings	Judicial Review	4,34
			Child Support	3,49
			3. Custody	2,470
			Foster Care Review	1,200
		Other	1. Other	3,649
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Male	African American	Delinquent	Disorderly Conduct	2,514
			2. Assault	2,313
			3. Traffic	1,88
		_	4. Theft of Property	1,880
		Status	1. Truancy	940
			Violation of Curfew	944
			Unruly Behavior	74
			In-State Runaway	470
		Dependency and Neglect	 Dependency / Neglect 	1,228
			Termination of Parental Rights	15 ²
			3. Physically Abused Child	
		Other Violations	Violation of Pretrial Diversion	12
			2. Violation of Informal Adjustment	
		Special Proceedings	Child Support	2,210
		Special Freedomings	2. Custody	1,104
			Foster Care Review	700
			Administrative Review	70°
		Other	1. Other	2,269
		Other	1. Outo	2,20
Male	Other Race	Delinquent	1. Traffic	233
			2. Assault	108
			Theft of Property	102
			Violation of Probation	102
		Status	1. Truancy	97
			2. Unruly Behavior	7
			3. Violation of Curfew	50
			4. Possession of Tobacco Products	3
		Dependency and Neglect	1. Dependency / Neglect	148
		, , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Termination of Parental Rights	15
		Other Violations	Violation of Pretrial Diversion	
		Special Proceedings	Child Support	139
		Openial i Toocealings	Judicial Review	13
			L. Gadiolai Noviow	13
			3 Custody	40
			Custody Foster Care Review	137 89

Top 4 Referral Reasons by Sex, Race, and Type of Offense for CY 2007

Sex	Race	Referral Type	Referral Reason	Tota
Female	White	Delinquent	1. Traffic	5,20
i omalo	VVIIICO	Domiquone	Theft of Property	1,45
			3. Assault	1,43
			Violation of Probation	1,10
		Status	1. Truancy	3,36
		Status	Unruly Behavior	1,65
			3. In-State Runaway	1,06
			Possession of Tobacco Products	88
		Dependency and Neglect	Dependency / Neglect	2,88
		Dependency and Neglect	Termination of Parental Rights	2,00
			Physically Abused Child	
			Sexually Abused Child Sexually Abused Child	2
		Oth Vi-l-ti	Sexually Abused Crilid Violation of Pretrial Diversion	
		Other Violations		4
		0	Violation of Informal Adjustment	
		Special Proceedings	Judicial Review Ohit I Community	3,0
			2. Child Support	2,84
			3. Custody	2,54
			Foster Care Review	1,07
		Other	1. Other	2,39
emale	African American	Delinguent	Disorderly Conduct	1,9
		1	2. Assault	1,4
			3. Theft of Property	1,04
			4. Traffic	72
		Status	1. Truancy	8
		Clarab	2. In-State Runaway	48
			Unruly Behavior	40
			Violation of Curfew	3
		Dependency and Neglect	Dependency / Neglect	
		Dependency and Neglect		1,24
			Termination of Parental Rights Physically Abyzand Child	17
		0.0	Physically Abused Child Violating of Boutiel Biographics	•
		Other Violations	Violation of Pretrial Diversion Violation of Notation of	
			Violation of Informal Adjustment	
		Special Proceedings	Child Support	1,69
			2. Custody	1,0
			3. Administrative Review	69
			Foster Care Review	54
		Other	1. Other	1,3
emale	Other Race	Delinquent	1. Traffic	10
			2. Assault	
			3. Theft of Property	
			Disorderly Conduct	
		Status	1. Truancy	`
			Unruly Behavior	
			In-State Runaway	
			Violation of a Valid Court Order	-
		Dependency and Neglect	Dependency / Neglect	1;
		Dopondonoy and Neglect	Termination of Parental Rights	1.
		Other Violations	Violation of Informal Adjustment	
		Special Proceedings	1. Custody	13
			2. Child Support	12
			3. Judicial Review	11
			Foster Care Review	•
		Other	1. Other	10

Top 4 Referral Reasons by Sex, Race, and Type of Offense for CY 2007

Sex	Race	Referral Type	Referral Reason	Total
Unknown	Unknown	Delinquent	1. Traffic	595
			Contempt of Court	233
			Theft of Property	141
			4. Assault	128
		Status	1. Truancy	351
			2. Unruly Behavior	176
			3. Violation of Curfew	117
			4. Possession of Tobacco Products	110
		Dependency and Neglect	Dependency / Neglect	608
		, , ,	2. Termination of Parental Rights	151
			3. Physically Abused Child	10
		Other Violations	Violation of Informal Adjustment	5
			Violation of Pretrial Diversion	2
		Special Proceedings	Child Support	1,977
			2. Custody	757
			3. Judicial Review	568
			4. Paternity / Legitimation	312
		Other	1. Other	1,018

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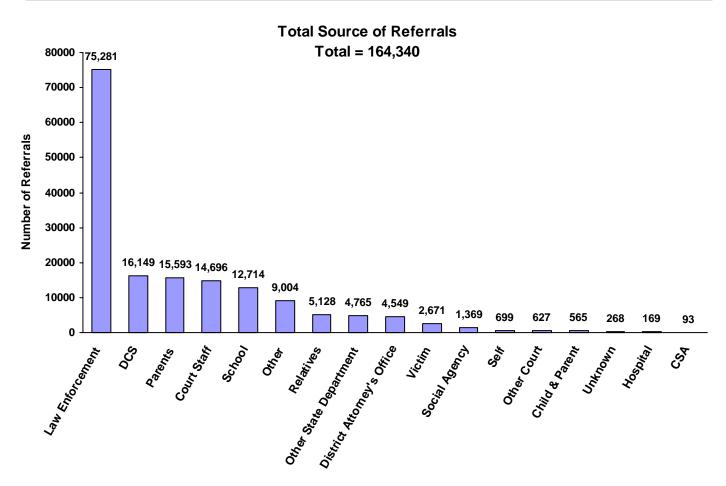
Source of Referrals to the Juvenile Court in 2007

Anyone who perceives a need for the juvenile court to intervene in a child's affairs can refer that child to the juvenile court. Frequently, the referral source is closely related to the reason for referral. For example, schools refer truants and law enforcement officers refer children who have committed illegal acts.

As the Source of Referrals by Race and Sex for CY 2007 table and chart show, "Law Enforcement" was the referral source most often cited at **45.8%**, the "Department of Children's Services" (DCS) was second at **9.8% and** "Parents" were the third at **9.5%**. "Court Staff" at **8.9%**, was the fourth most often cited referral source and "School" at **7.7%**, was the fifth.

Source of Referrals by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of Total Referrals
Law Enforcement	31,881	19,206	986	13,384	7,335	377	2,112	75,281	45.81%
Parents	4,363	2,885	212	4,252	2,695	200	986	15,593	9.49%
Relatives	1,608	498	87	1,793	591	79	472	5,128	3.12%
Self	377	37	15	230	16	7	17	699	0.43%
School	5,543	1,233	145	4,181	975	90	547	12,714	7.74%
CSA	40	24	0	20	5	0	4	93	0.06%
DCS	6,966	1,215	230	5,632	776	226	1,104	16,149	9.83%
Other State Department	1,301	1,096	52	866	983	30	437	4,765	2.90%
District Attorney's Office	1,780	395	38	1,399	128	43	766	4,549	2.77%
Court Staff	5,800	2,764	301	3,503	1,414	185	729	14,696	8.94%
Social Agency	357	337	11	247	363	15	39	1,369	0.83%
Other Court	287	99	8	156	33	4	40	627	0.38%
Victim	1,150	388	49	719	287	20	58	2,671	1.63%
Child & Parent	218	36	26	154	40	22	69	565	0.34%
Hospital	72	6	2	80	2	2	5	169	0.10%
Unknown	72	58	8	58	40	4	28	268	0.16%
Other	1,891	2,235	179	1,489	1,629	164	1,417	9,004	5.48%
Totals	63,706	32,512	2,349	38,163	17,312	1,468	8,830	164,340	



SIX MOST FREQUENT REFERRAL REASONS BY SOURCE IN 2007

When looking at the six (6) most frequently reported referral reasons associated with each referral source, the tables on the following pages reveal that in 2007, law enforcement personnel most often referred juveniles for traffic complaints, while custody was the reason most often cited for referral by parents and relatives. Self referrals, other state departments, child and parent, and the District Attorney all had child support issues at the top. With regard to schools, truancy remained the most cited referral reason and possession of tobacco products was the second. Most DCS and social agency referrals were for dependency and neglect issues. Community Service Agencies referred most often for probation violations, which was a change from 2006 when juveniles were most often referred for child support. Victims continued to refer most often for assault and hospitals referred most often for requests for medical treatment, unlike 2006 when hospitals referred most often for paternity and legitimation.

Six Most Frequent Referral Reasons by Source, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Tota
Law Enforcement								
1 . Traffic	40.005	4.050	225	F 000	740	101	F00	40.00
	10,385	1,858	225	5,090	716	104	589	18,967
2 . Disorderly Conduct	1,082	2,416	56	529	1,897	35	95	6,110
3 . Theft of Property	1,907	1,725	84	1,022	918	37	107	5,80
Assault Possession of Controlled Substances	1,466	1,988	73	738	1,226	38	95	5,62
6 . Possession of Controlled Substances 6 . Possession of Tobacco Products	1,808 1,900	1,270 402	51 24	553 564	135 74	6 5	95 95	3,91 3,06
Parents Parents								<u>·</u>
	050	FOF		000	405	60	171	2.40
1 . Custody	950	565	55	889	465	63	174	3,16
2. Unruly Behavior	837	294	29	849	222	31	50	2,31
3 . Dependency / Neglect	305	569	23	285	569	15	55	1,82
4 . Child Support	462	241	14	453	229	9	360	1,76
5 . In-State Runaway	294	176	15	513	207	24	18	1,24
6 . Administrative Review	95	507	3	87	524	6	12	1,23
Relatives Programme								
1 . Custody	936	343	56	1,077	391	45	309	3,15
2. Dependency / Neglect	274	55	17	290	78	15	44	77
3. Other	92	25	1	97	39	3	60	31
4 . Child Support	63	17	7	60	23	10	25	20
5. Unruly Behavior	56	13	1	66	26	2	4	16
6 . Visitation	45	7	3	56	5	1	12	12
<u>Self</u>								
1. Child Support	125	4	8	102	2	1	9	25
2. Other	106	19	3	22	7	4	1	16
3 . Custody	49	0	1	35	3	1	1	9
4. Violation of Probation	24	9	0	25	0	0	2	6
5 . Paternity / Legitimation	20	0	2	9	0	0	2	3
6 . Visitation	10	0	1	8	0	1	2	2
<u>School</u>								
1 . Truancy	3,363	822	92	3,112	758	69	306	8,52
2. Possession of Tobacco Products	975	20	7	306	0	5	14	1,32
3 . Unruly Behavior	212	84	11	105	22	0	7	44
4 . Dependency / Neglect	75	71	8	75	65	6	70	37
5. Other	97	8	2	113	12	3	106	34
6. Violation of a Valid Court Order	112	42	2	91	35	0	6	28
Community Service Agencies								
1. Violation of Probation	13	13	0	1	0	0	0	2
2 . Custody	5	0	0	9	0	0	3	1
3. Escape	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	1
4 . Child Support	2	4	0	1	3	0	0	1
5 . Dependency / Neglect	3	0	0	3	0	0	1	•
6 . Judicial Review	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	

Six Most Frequent Referral Reasons by Source, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Tota
Department of Children's Service	•							
1. Dependency / Neglect		318	83	1.040	297	81	374	4.004
Dependency / Neglect Judicial Review	1,882			1,949				4,984
3 . Foster Care Review	1,381	127	26	1,092	54	35	176	2,891
4. Other	888	123	17	814	65 70	27	48	1,98
5 . Violation of Probation	615	82 138	25 22	424 212	70 29	23	120	1,359
6. Custody	647 331	65	13	308	50	6 14	15 139	1,069 920
Other State Department								
1 . Child Support	788	930	34	593	857	18	265	3,48
2 . Contempt of Court	189	90	10	159	77	7	109	64
3 . Paternity / Legitimation	62	38	6	18	41	5	42	21:
4 . Violation of Probation	123	8	2	28	1	0	0	16
5 . Judicial Review	44	2	0	29	1	0	1	7
6 . Dependency / Neglect	19	0	0	29	0	0	0	3
District Attorney								
1 . Child Support	1,546	332	28	1,185	80	29	718	3,91
2 . Contempt of Court	95	15	2	106	17	5	5	24
3. Paternity / Legitimation	65	21	6	67	13	3	32	20
4. Other	44	17	2	34	17	6	3	12
5. Judicial Review	13	5	0	3	0	0	8	2
6 . Rape of a Child	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	
Court Staff								
1 . Judicial Review	2,274	259	98	1,466	210	72	301	4,68
2 . Violation of Probation	1,375	1,070	64	649	315	17	72	3,56
3 . Foster Care Review	303	580	70	240	476	33	99	1,80
4. Violation of a Valid Court Order	367	143	12	274	88	19	41	94
5. Other	296	188	4	190	53	5	16	75
3. Administrative Review	233	86	21	135	52	10	101	63
Social Agency								
1 . Dependency / Neglect	32	121	3	24	136	5	6	32
2. Termination of Parental Rights	16	80	1	19	95	1	12	22
3 . Administrative Review	11	81	0	7	98	1	1	19
4. Violation of Probation	126	17	1	48	3	0	2	19
5. Other	29	6	6	26	9	4	3	8
6. Child Support	38	0	0	37	1	0	2	7
Other Court								
1. Other	39	25	2	41	6	2	4	11
2. Theft of Property	27	15	1	43	7	0	1	9
3. Visitation	10	6	1	8	3	2	31	6
4. Possession / Consumption of Alcohol	32	0	0	10	0	0	0	4
5. Assault	17	11	0	4	1	0	0	3
6 . Traffic	20	3	1	4	1	0	0	2

Six Most Frequent Referral Reasons by Source, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Tota
Viotim								
<u>Victim</u>								
1 . Assault	342	163	16	197	114	10	15	85
2. Theft of Property	247	73	9	269	93	8	22	72
3 . Vandalism	181	63	10	43	17	0	9	32
4. Harassment	65	5	2	93	12	1	2	18
5 . Criminal Trespass	85	18	4	25	10	0	1	14
6 . Aggravated Assault	50	24	2	6	8	0	0	9
Child & Parent								
1 . Child Support	65	18	14	64	14	12	51	23
2 . Assault	57	11	2	29	10	1	1	11
3. Paternity / Legitimation	16	2	5	15	7	7	10	6
4. Other	23	2	1	12	1	1	2	4
5. Contempt of Court	16	1	2	11	0	1	5	3
3. Harassment	4	0	0	4	3	0	0	1
Hospital Hospital								
1 . Request for Medical Treatment	50	1	1	64	2	2	2	12
2. Paternity / Legitimation	21	1	1	15	0	0	1	3
3. Dependency / Neglect	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	
4. Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
5 . Criminal Trespass	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
6 . In-State Runaway	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Unknown								
1. Other	23	37	1	20	24	4	16	12
2. Child Support	4	5	0	9	3	0	7	2
3. Unruly Behavior	11	3	3	3	1	0	0	2
4. Custody	3	3	0	9	3	0	1	1
5. Paternity / Legitimation	2	2	1	3	2	0	1	1
6. Violation of a Valid Court Order	6	0	0	2	1	0	0	
<u>Other</u>								
1 . Other	825	996	98	635	677	87	473	3,79
2 . Child Support	202	622	29	167	470	38	503	2,03
3 . Paternity / Legitimation	57	205	5	56	220	5	173	72
4. Custody	128	99	12	153	78	15	108	59
5 Dependency / Neglect	97	64	6	101	60	6	41	37
6. Judicial Review	119	12	2	104	15	2	4	25

Source of Referrals by Type of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

Tables on the following pages show the source of referrals by type of offense, race, and sex of juveniles. The types of offenses are; Delinquent, Status/Unruly, Dependency and Neglect, Other Violation, Special Proceedings, and Other.

Law enforcement personnel are most likely to refer juveniles in the delinquent category and did so **81.4%** of the time. The largest percentages of all Delinquent referrals **(76,899)** by race and gender were as follows: **42.6%** white males, **25.1%** African American males, **18.0%** white females, and **9.6%** African American females.

Schools were first with **40.0%** of referrals in the Status/Unruly category **(26,517)**. The largest percentages of Status/Unruly referrals by race and gender were as follows: **41.6%** white males, **30.3%** white females, **14.2%** African American males and **8.6%** African American females.

The Department of Children's Services (DCS) referred **56.4%** in the Dependency and Neglect category **(10,281)**. The largest percentages of Dependency and Neglect referrals by race and gender were as follows: **31.1%** white males, **31.0%** white females, **14.0%** African American females, and **13.5%** African American males.

Please note that each juvenile court used their own methods for filing Dependency and Neglect petitions and the court personnel responsible for these actions may not be the same level or type in every court. This means that the juvenile data collector may not have seen the case or may not have received the data that results from the petition filed on the particular case. It is because of these reasons that the dependency and neglect data most certainly is underreported to the Council.

Source of Referrals by Type of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

		White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Delinquent									
Law Enforcement		26,411	16,545	835	10,607	6,242	296	1,628	62,564
Court Staff		1,942	1,364	78	919	448	31	130	4,912
Victim		1,072	375	46	668	266	20	52	2,499
DCS		913	290	31	315	51	8	65	1,673
School		582	171	20	268	69	5	16	1,131
Parents		396	116	17	260	118	13	19	939
Other		352	186	21	168	68	4	71	870
Other State Department		353	114	12	191	81	7	109	867
Other Court		204	61	5	87	19	0	1	377
Social Agency		165	28	1	85	9	1	8	297
District Attorney's Office		105	20	2	108	18	5	5	263
Child & Parent		99	14	5	53	13	2	6	192
Relatives		61	21	1	48	6	0	9	146
Self		42	11	0	37	2	0	2	94
CSA		21	17	0	3	2	0	0	43
Unknown		14	5	3	6	1	0	0	29
Hospital		0	2	0	0	0	0	1	3
	Totals	32,732	19,340	1,077	13,823	7,413	392	2,122	76,899
Status/Unruly School		4.000	070	440	0.004	818	74		
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		4,668	972	113	3,624			334	10,603
Law Enforcement		4,078	1,880	106	2,107	722	63	368	9,324
Law Enforcement Parents		4,078 1,177	1,880 478	106 50	2,107 1,420	722 434	63 58	368 69	9,324 3,686
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Law Enforcement Parents Court Staff DCS Relatives Other Social Agency		4,078 1,177 547 267 93 64 34	1,880 478 223 105 29 36 14	106 50 18 10 1 2	2,107 1,420 407 222 111 51 28	722 434 134 88 47 23	63 58 29 15 4 1	368 69 54 15 6 12	9,324 3,686 1,412 722 291 189 91
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Source of Referrals by Type of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

		White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Dependency and Neglec	<u>:t</u>								
DCS		2,166	385	96	2,176	380	91	500	5,794
Parents		324	572	23	303	573	15	65	1,875
Relatives		285	55	17	303	78	15	44	797
Social Agency		48	201	4	43	231	6	18	551
Other		113	69	6	119	62	9	51	429
School		78	71	8	75	65	6	70	373
Court Staff		80	20	7	71	27	2	12	219
Law Enforcement		57	5	1	60	13	2	6	144
Other State Department		21	1	0	23	0	0	0	45
Self		9	0	0	5	2	0	0	16
Other Court		3	5	0	2	3	0	0	13
CSA		3	0	0	3	0	0	1	7
Unknown		3	0	0	2	1	0	1	7
Victim		1	1	1	3	0	0	1	7
Hospital		0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Child & Parent		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
District Attorney's Office		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Totals	3,193	1,386	163	3,189	1,435	146	769	10,281
Other Violations			_	_	0.0			_	
Court Staff		77	7	5	36	1	1	5	132
DCS		43	6	2	24	2	0	0	77
District Attorney's Office		4	0	0	2	0	0	0	6
Law Enforcement		4	0	0	0	0	0	1	5
School		0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Other		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Other Court		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Victim		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	Totals	129	14	7	64	3	1	7	225

Source of Referrals by Type of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

		White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Special Proceedings									
Parents		2,087	1,599	101	1,967	1,483	103	691	8,031
Court Staff		2,858	962	189	1,880	751	117	512	7,269
DCS		2,962	347	66	2,471	185	89	404	6,524
District Attorney's Office		1,626	358	34	1,255	93	32	758	4,156
Other State Department		897	973	40	644	901	23	326	3,804
Other		536	948	52	516	799	63	810	3,724
Relatives		1,077	368	67	1,234	421	57	353	3,577
Law Enforcement		302	40	7	160	30	4	41	584
Self		218	5	12	162	5	3	14	419
Social Agency		81	88	0	65	104	3	6	347
Child & Parent		91	20	19	84	23	19	61	317
School		118	10	2	101	11	2	20	264
Hospital		72	2	2	79	2	2	3	162
Other Court		21	6	1	9	3	2	34	70
Unknown		11	11	1	21	12	0	11	67
CSA		12	4	0	12	3	0	3	34
Victim		9	1	1	5	5	0	0	21
	Totals	12,978	5,742	594	10,665	4,831	519	4,047	39,376
Other Other		825	996	98	625	677	07	472	2 704
Law Enforcement					635 450	677 328	87 12	473	3,791
DCS		1,029 615	736 82	37 25	424	326 70	23	68 120	2,660
Parents		379	120	25 21	302	70 87	23 11	142	1,359
Court Staff		296	188	4	190	53	5	142	1,062 752
School		296 97	8	2	113	12	3	106	34
Relatives		92	25	1	97	39	3	60	317
Self		106	19	3	22	7	4	1	162
Unknown		23	37	3 1	20	24	4	16	125
District Attorney's Office		44	17	2	34	17	6	3	123
Other Court		39	25	2	41	6	2	4	119
Social Agency		29	25 6	6	26	9	4	3	83
Victim		34	4	0	27	10	0	3	78
Child & Parent		23	2	1	12	10	1	2	42
Other State Department		17	4	0	5	0	0	1	27
CSA		17	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
	Tatala								
	Totals	3,649	2,269	203	2,398	1,340	165	1,018	11,042

CHILDREN REFERRED FOR UNLAWFUL POSSESSION/CARRYING OF A WEAPON FOR CY 2007

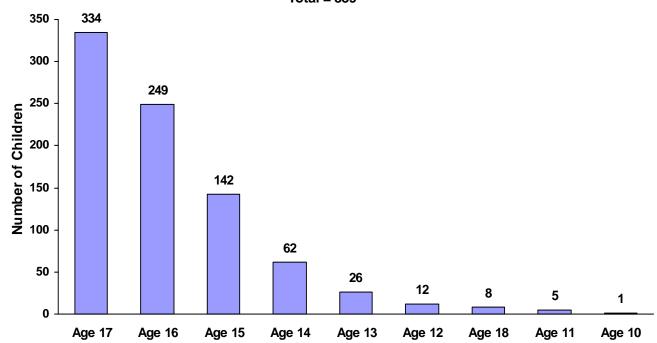
The following page contains information concerning children referred to the juvenile court for Unlawful Possession/Carrying of a Weapon. The table and chart show children referred for unlawful possession/carrying of a weapon in 2007 by age, race and sex. The data shows that of the total children referred (839), for this reason, the largest percentages by age were: 39.8% age 17, 30.0% age 16, and 16.9% age 15.

The percentages of children referred for Unlawful Possession/Carrying of a Weapon for 2007 by race and gender were: **58.9**% African American males, **27.1**% white males, **4.3**% African American females, and **2.6**% white females.

Children Referred for Unlawful Carrying/Possession of a Weapon for CY 2007 Total Children = 90,553

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of All Children Referred
Age Under 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 10	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.00%
Age 11	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	0.01%
Age 12	3	7	1	0	1	0	0	12	0.01%
Age 13	4	14	0	2	4	0	2	26	0.03%
Age 14	16	41	0	3	0	0	2	62	0.07%
Age 15	36	80	3	2	9	0	12	142	0.16%
Age 16	66	147	5	4	12	0	15	249	0.27%
Age 17	97	197	5	10	10	0	15	334	0.37%
Age 18	3	4	0	1	0	0	0	8	0.01%
Age 19 and Over	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Totals	227	494	14	22	36	0	46	839	

Total Children Referred for Unlawfully Carrying/Possessing Weapons Total = 839



CHILDREN REFERRED FOR CARRYING WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY FOR CY 2007

The following page contains information concerning children referred to the juvenile court for Carrying Weapons on School Property for CY 2007. The table and chart show children referred for Carrying Weapons on School Property in 2007 by age, race and sex. The data shows that of the total children (445), referred for this reason, the largest percentages were: 22.5% age 16, 21.3% age 15, and 16.4% age 17.

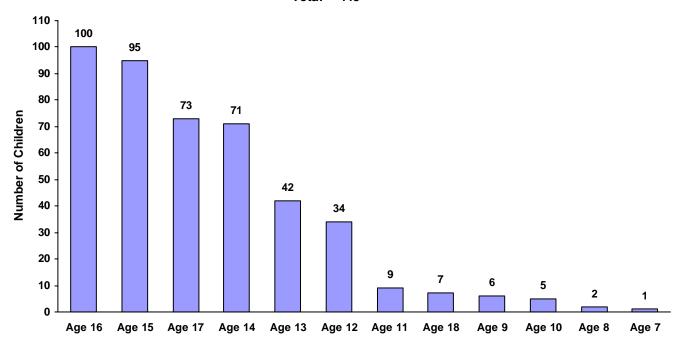
The percentages of children referred for Carrying Weapons on School Property by race and gender in 2007 were as follows: **44.7%** white males, **33.5%** African American males, **11.0%** African American females, and **6.5%** white females.

Children Referred for Carrying Weapons on School Property for CY 2007 Total Children = 90,553

		White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of Children Referred
Age Under 1		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 1		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 2		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 3		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 4		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 5		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 6		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 7		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.00%
Age 8		0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.00%
Age 9		2	3	0	0	1	0	0	6	0.01%
Age 10		1	3	1	0	0	0	0	5	0.01%
Age 11		2	3	1	1	2	0	0	9	0.01%
Age 12		20	9	0	2	2	0	1	34	0.04%
Age 13		12	14	2	5	7	0	2	42	0.05%
Age 14		35	22	3	2	8	0	1	71	0.08%
Age 15		40	33	0	8	13	0	1	95	0.10%
Age 16		45	33	2	8	10	0	2	100	0.11%
Age 17		35	26	0	3	6	0	3	73	0.08%
Age 18		7	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0.01%
Age 19 and Over		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
	Totals	199	149	9	29	49	0	10	445	

Total Children Referred for Carrying Weapons on School Property

Total = 445



Manner of Handling the Referral in CY 2007

After determining that a referral warrants action, the court must decide whether to process the referral formally or informally. This decision affects the manner in which the court staff handles the referral. If the referral is to be disposed by a judge or referee through formal adjudicatory and dispositional proceedings, then a petition outlining the charges must be filed as part of the intake process. The filing of a petition, however, does not necessarily result in a formal hearing.

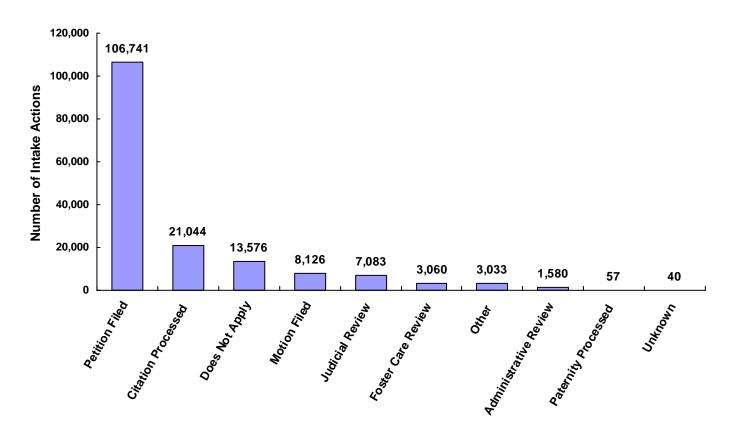
The Intake Actions at Referral by Race and Sex for CY 2007 table and chart show that petitions were filed in **65.0%** of the 2007 referrals and motions were filed in **4.9%**. These figures reflect the number of petitions or motions that resulted in judicial action of some kind. Petitions that were filed but ended in an informal adjustment are explained later in this report.

Citations, which law enforcement may use in lieu of a petition, were issued in 12.8% of the referrals, paternity actions accounted for .03%, and judicial, administrative and foster care reviews accounted for 7.1%.

Intake Actions at Referral by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of Total Referrals
Petition Filed	39,951	22,124	1,540	24,332	11,312	916	6,566	106.741	64.95%
Motion Filed	2,691	1,350	182	1,982	886	175	860	8,126	4.94%
Citation Processed	12,272	1,324	263	6,025	705	119	336	21,044	12.81%
Paternity Processed	27	0	3	21	4	0	2	57	0.03%
Judicial Review	3,584	302	127	2,426	216	99	329	7,083	4.31%
Administrative Review	783	85	23	531	45	14	99	1,580	0.96%
Foster Care Review	880	653	84	710	519	58	156	3,060	1.86%
Unknown	19	1	1	12	2	0	5	40	0.02%
Does Not Apply	2,159	6,341	98	1,168	3,385	55	370	13,576	8.26%
Other	1,340	332	28	956	238	32	107	3,033	1.85%
Totals	63,706	32,512	2,349	38,163	17,312	1,468	8,830	164,340	

Total Intake Actions at Referral Total = 164,340



INTAKE ACTIONS OF REFERRALS BY CLASS OF OFFENSE, RACE, AND SEX FOR CY 2007

The following pages contain information concerning Intake Actions of Referrals by Class of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007. These tables show nine (9) categories: Offenses Against Persons, Offenses Against Property, Illegal Conduct, Status Offenses, Dependency and Neglect, Other Violation Proceedings, Parentage, Special Proceedings, and Other. The top four intake actions fell into the following categories: Illegal Conduct at **52,231** or **31.8%**, Status Offenses at **26,517** or **16.1%**, Parentage at **23,976**, or **14.6%**, and Special Proceedings at **15,400** or **9.4%**.

Intake Actions of Referrals by Class of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Tota
Offenses Against Persons								
Petition Filed	3,156	2,956	159	1,184	983	71	209	8,718
Does Not Apply	111	988	10	63	729	3	25	1,929
Citation Processed	169	57	4	84	41	1	8	364
Motion Filed	14	11	0	7	4	0	0	3
Other	15	5	0	10	2	0	2	3
Scheduling of Judicial Review	11	0	1	4	1	0	0	1
Scheduling of Foster Care Review	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	
Scheduling of Administrative Review	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	
Unknown	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Notification of Paternity Processed	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Totals	3,480	4,018	174	1,356	1,760	75	244	11,10
Petition Filed Does Not Apply	4,963 220	2,853 964	239 14	1,585 194	809 489	58 9	256 39	10,76
Offenses Against Property Petition Filed	4 963	2 853	239	1 585	809	58	256	10.76
Does Not Apply	220	964	14	194	489	9	39	1,92
Citation Processed	390	83	10	196	52	4	10	74
Other	24	11	2	15	4	0	0	5
Scheduling of Judicial Review	19	2	0	14	0	0	0	3
Motion Filed	14	9	1	3	1	0	0	2
Notification of Paternity Processed	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	
Scheduling of Administrative Review	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Scheduling of Foster Care Review	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
Unknown	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Totals	5,632	3,922	266	2,010	1,355	71	305	13,56
Illegal Conduct								
Petition Filed	12,741	7,093	373	5,070	2,180	125	1,040	28,62
Citation Processed	9,389	993	216	4,780	541	98	259	16,27
Does Not Apply	1,029	3,267	39	401	1,561	19	233	6,54
Other	305	23	1	142	6	1	9	48
Motion Filed	86	19	8	49	9	3	31	20
Scheduling of Judicial Review	52	3	0	11	1	0	1	6
Notification of Paternity Processed	5	0	0	4	0	0	0	
Unknown	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Scheduling of Administrative Review	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	
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Scheduling of Foster Care Review	2	ı	U	0	U	U	U	

Intake Actions of Referrals by Class of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Status Offenses								
Petition Filed	7,945	2,833	244	6,433	1,791	195	737	20,178
Citation Processed	2,078	165	31	864	56	15	47	3,256
Does Not Apply	522	604	22	366	300	22	40	1,876
Other	329	148	7	268	138	12	39	94
Scheduling of Administrative Review	72	0	1	51	1	0	0	12
Motion Filed	40	10	0	13	3	1	0	6
Scheduling of Judicial Review	36	1	0	24	0	0	2	6
Unknown	2	0	0	4	1	0	2	(
Scheduling of Foster Care Review	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	· ·
Totals	11,025	3,761	305	8,024	2,290	245	867	26,517
Dependency/Neglect								
Petition Filed	3,000	1,332	158	3,051	1,391	138	750	9,820
Motion Filed	71	6	1	51	3	5	6	143
Does Not Apply	20	39	0	11	34	0	1	10
Other	48	5	2	29	6	2	4	9
Scheduling of Judicial Review	26	4	2	22	1	0	5	6
Scheduling of Foster Care Review	11	0	0	12	0	1	3	2
Scheduling of Administrative Review	11	0	0	9	0	0	0	2
Citation Processed	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	
Unknown	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	
Totals	3,193	1,386	163	3,189	1,435	146	769	10,28
Other Violation Proceedings								
Petition Filed	103	0	E	48	2	1	7	174
Motion Filed	22	8 5	5 2	46 16	2 1	0	7 0	4(
Other	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Citation Processed	3 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Does Not Apply	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Totals	129	14	7	64	3	1	7	22
<u>Parentage</u>								
Petition Filed	5,698	3,754	293	5,321	3,198	272	3,041	21,57
Motion Filed	337	79	33	253	52	31	77	86
Scheduling of Administrative Review	475	2	0	329	1	3	1	81
Scheduling of Judicial Review	185	12	3	130	2	3	45	38
Other	43	23	3	41	8	3	12	13
Does Not Apply	50	21	2	28	14	0	9	12
Notification of Paternity Processed	17	0	3	13	3	0	2	3
Scheduling of Foster Care Review	22	0	0	11	0	2	0	3
Unknown	3	0	1	5	1	0	2	1
Citation Processed	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	
Totals	6,832	3,891	338	6,132	3,279	314	3,190	23,976

Intake Actions of Referrals by Class of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Special Proceedings								
Scheduling of Judicial Review	3,114	268	117	2,144	208	94	274	6,219
Scheduling of Foster Care Review	830	648	83	678	518	55	147	2,959
Petition Filed	734	629	11	656	638	19	218	2,905
Motion Filed	779	102	16	624	42	21	81	1,665
Other	263	76	4	210	60	4	27	644
Scheduling of Administrative Review	216	82	22	139	43	11	98	611
Does Not Apply	107	34	2	42	36	0	6	227
Citation Processed	100	12	1	39	7	1	5	165
Unknown	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	3
Notification of Paternity Processed	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Totals	6,146	1,851	256	4,533	1,552	205	857	15,400
Other Motion Filed	1,328	1,109	121	966	771	114	665	5,074
Petition Filed	1,611	666	58	984	320	37	200	
						31	308	3,984
Does Not Apply	100	423	9	63	222	2	308 17	•
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DETENTION STATISTICS AT REFERRAL BY INDIVIDUAL CHILD BY RACE AND SEX FOR CY 2007

One of the immediate decisions the court must make after receiving an offense related referral is whether or not to detain the child. When the court believes that a child referred for offense related reasons is in need of protection or may be a threat to the community, the court may elect to detain the child.

Detention Statistics of Children Referred by Race and Sex for CY 2007 revealed that of the children referred (90,553) percentages fell into the following categories: 8.3% in the "Juvenile Detention Facility", .7% in "Non-secure Placement", and .7% in "Other". The table also shows that 81.6% of the children referred were in the "Does Not Apply" category because they were not considered for detention.

Of those children placed in a juvenile detention facility, 2,376 were white males, 2,475 were African American males, 1,247 were white females, and 1,054 were African American females. These numbers are notable because the total white males (33,996) referred were more than twice the total African American males (15,912) and the total white females referred (22,747) were more than twice the total African American females (10,528).

The data also revealed that **3** children were placed in adult jails completely separated by sight and sound from all adult prisoners, and only **2** children were placed in adult jails with no separation.

Detention Statistics at Referral by Individual Cases for CY 2007 show a slightly different percentage (9.3%) in the "Juvenile Detention Facility" category, because the numbers are based on total cases (137,893) and not total children (90,553). One child may have been referred multiple times which increased the percentage shown. Remember that the definition of case is "All referral reasons/charges reported to the court (via complaint, petition, motion, etc.) on a given day for a given child". This table shows that 80.7% of the cases referred were in the "Does Not Apply" category because they were not considered for detention. Children who are not considered for detention had referrals that did not make them eligible for in detention in a facility or the decision was made not to detain them.

There are several alternatives to detention, such as non-secure placements, which provide children with shelter and supervision in a setting that enables them to continue as many normal activities as possible. Temporary Holding Resources (THR), emergency foster homes, and shelters constitute most of the non-secure placements used by juvenile courts. The 2007 data show **989** or **.7%** of the juvenile court cases resulted in **659** children being placed in one of these non-secure settings.

Detention Statistics at Referral by Individual Child by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of Total Children
Does Not Apply	28,042	11,702	913	19,229	8,359	704	4,977	73,926	81.64%
Unknown	2,779	1,680	99	1,734	1,091	47	276	7,706	8.51%
Juvenile Detention Facility	2,376	2,475	88	1,247	1,054	42	187	7,469	8.25%
Non-Secure Placement	373	41	6	213	16	4	6	659	0.73%
Other	343	4	4	258	4	0	5	618	0.68%
Psychiatric Hospital	82	7	4	65	4	4	4	170	0.19%
Jail - Complete Separation	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	0.00%
Jail - No Separation	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.00%
Totals	33,996	15,912	1,114	22,747	10,528	801	5,455	90,553	

Detention Statistics at Referral by Individual Case for CY 2007

	Cases	% of Total Cases
Does Not Apply	111,340	80.74%
Juvenile Detention Facility	12,763	9.26%
Unknown	11,628	8.43%
Non-Secure Placement	989	0.72%
Other	930	0.67%
Psychiatric Hospital	230	0.17%
Jail - Complete Separation	6	0.00%
Jail - No Separation	5	0.00%
Jail - Partial Separation	2	0.00%

137,893

Detention Statistics above are reported separately by Child and by Case. One child may have multiple cases.

Does Not Apply: Refers to cases not eligible for detention due to the type of Referral or the decision not to detain.

PLACEMENT AFTER SECURE DETENTION HEARING BY INDIVIDUAL CHILD BY RACE AND SEX FOR CY 2007

Placement after Secure Detention Hearing by Individual Child, Race, and Sex for CY 2007 shows placement determinations for all of the children that were referred to the juvenile court. The TCA Rules of Juvenile Procedure, Rule 6, Time Limits for Detention and Temporary Custody Preliminary Hearings, specifically states the following: "In the case of a child alleged to be delinquent, a detention hearing shall be held no later than seventy two (72) hours after the child is placed in detention to determine whether his or her detention is required."

Please note that secure detention hearings for detention determination must be held repeatedly until the child has been brought before the juvenile court for formal adjudication. If the child has not been brought before the juvenile court at the end of the seventy two (72) hour period, another secure detention hearing must be held in order to detain the child for a further seventy two (72) hour period.

Placement of children after secure detention hearing statistics show that the percentages fell into the following categories: **86.6%** in "Does not Apply", **6.2%** in "Returned to Prior Living Arrangement", **4.7%** in "Unknown/Not Reported", and **1.4%** in "Juvenile Detention Facility".

Of those children placed in a juvenile detention facility, **633** were African American males, **327** were white males, **160** were African American females, and **107** were white females. These numbers are notable because the total white males **(33,996)** referred were more than twice the total African American males **(15,912)** and the total white females referred **(22,747)** were more than twice the total African American females **(10,528)**.

The data also revealed that **31** cases resulted in **18** children being placed in adult jails.

Placement after Secure Detention Hearing by Individual Case for 2007 shows placement determinations for all of the cases that were referred to the juvenile court. As there may be more than one referral for a given child, the statistics are higher when considering cases.

Placement after secure detention hearing statistics by individual cases showed a slightly different percentage (2.0%) in the "Juvenile Detention Facility" category, because the numbers are based on total cases (137,893) and not total children (90,553). One child may have been referred multiple times which increased the percentage shown. Remember that the definition of case is "All referral reasons/charges reported to the court (via complaint, petition, motion, etc.) on a given day for a given child". This table shows that 85.9% of the cases placed were in the "Does Not Apply" category because they were not considered for detention. Children who are not considered for detention had referrals that did not make them eligible for in detention in a facility or the decision made was not to detain them. The statistics showed that 6.5% were in the "Returned to Prior Living Arrangement" category, 4.5% were in the "Unknown/Not Reported" category, and 2.0% were in the "Juvenile Detention Facility" category.

Placement after Secure Detention Hearing by Individual Child by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of Total Children
Does Not Apply	28,854	13,366	949	19,901	9,590	730	5,048	78,438	86.62%
Returned to Prior Living Arr	2,308	1,302	53	1,287	525	30	114	5,619	6.21%
Unknown / Not Reported	2,013	517	77	1,134	229	30	259	4,259	4.70%
Juvenile Detention Facility	327	633	18	107	160	5	23	1,273	1.41%
Other	371	20	5	243	9	1	2	651	0.72%
Shelter / Group Home	48	32	2	35	9	1	5	132	0.15%
Psychiatric Hospital	47	31	6	7	4	0	0	95	0.10%
Foster Family Home	23	2	4	33	1	4	1	68	0.08%
Jail	5	9	0	0	1	0	3	18	0.02%
Totals	33,996	15,912	1,114	22,747	10,528	801	5,455	90,553	

Placement after Secure Detention Hearing by Individual Case for CY 2007

	Cases	% of Total Cases
Does Not Apply	118,385	85.85%
Returned to Prior Living Arrangement	8,888	6.45%
Unknown / Not Reported	6,207	4.50%
Juvenile Detention Facility	2,743	1.99%
Other	1,024	0.74%
Shelter / Group Home	291	0.21%
Psychiatric Hospital	190	0.14%
Foster Family Home	134	0.10%
Jail	31	0.02%

137,893

Detention Statistics above are reported separately by Child and by Case. One child may have multiple cases.

Does Not Apply: Refers to cases not eligible for detention due to the type of Referral or the decision not to detain.

DISPOSITIONAL PROCEDURES FOR CY 2007

As mentioned before, after a referral is made to the juvenile court, decisions are made regarding how the court will proceed. If the decision is made to handle the referral informally, two options are open to the court: pretrial diversion and informal adjustment. These two procedures are quite similar in that they are both a voluntary agreement between the court officer, the child, and the parents that address the problem but avoid a formal court hearing and an official finding of guilt. The difference between pretrial diversion and informal adjustment is in the extent to which the judge or referee is involved. Pretrial diversion requires judicial approval of the voluntary agreement. Informal adjustment is subject to judicial approval, but does not require it prior to initiation. Dispositional Procedures for CY 2007 reveals that 15.6% of all the referrals to juvenile court were handled by informal adjustment. 5.8% of all referrals disposed by other actions were handled by pretrial diversions.

When the court believes that it is in the best interest of the child and/or the community, a formal adjudicatory proceeding or hearing is held regarding the child's referral to juvenile court. These statistics are shown in Referrals Disposed by Formal Adjudicatory Proceedings. The adjudicatory hearing is a formal proceeding in which the judge or referee determines whether the motion made on behalf of the child (or the complaint made against the child) is substantiated. If substantiation of the motion/complaint occurs, a dispositional hearing must be held; this can happen either immediately or at a later date. The statistics indicate that 43.8% of the referrals to juvenile court resulted in a formal adjudicatory proceeding. Of the formally adjudicated proceedings, 65.4% were substantiated, 25.6% formally dismissed and 9.0% were retired.

Dispositional Procedures for CY 2007

Procedures used to Dispose or Adjust all Referrals

	Number	% of All Referrals
Formally Adjudicated	71,969	43.79%
Otherwise Handled	65,906	40.10%
Informally Adjusted	25,629	15.60%
Charges Cleared by/or Transfer to Adult Court	836	0.51%
	164,340	100.00%

Referrals Disposed by Formal Adjudicatory Proceedings

	Number	% of All Referrals
Complaint Substantiated Delinquent	29,045	17.67%
Dismissed	18,400	11.20%
Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	10,846	6.60%
Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglect	7,158	4.36%
Retired / Nolle Prosequi	6,492	3.95%
Complaint Substantiated Abused	26	0.02%
Complaint Substantiated Mentally III	2	0.00%
	71,969	43.79%

Referrals Disposed by Other Actions

	Number	% of All Referrals
Special Proceeding	26,026	15.84%
Informal Adjustment	25,629	15.60%
Other	13,363	8.13%
Case Held Open	9,899	6.02%
Pretrial Diversion	9,535	5.80%
Review Concluded	7,083	4.31%
Transfer to Adult Court Hearing	777	0.47%
Charges Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court	59	0.04%
	92,371	56.21%

FORMAL AND INFORMAL ACTIONS BY RACE AND SEX FOR CY 2007

Formal and informal actions statistics by race and sex show referrals were handled in the follow manner: 17.7% of the total number of referrals Substantiated Delinquent, 15.8% Special Proceeding, 15.6% Informal Adjustment, 11.2% Dismissed, 8.1% Other, and 6.6% Substantiated Status Offender.

Of the formal and informal actions in the Substantiated Delinquent category (29,045) the following percentages by race were shown: 44.2% White Males, 27.5% African American Males, 15.4% White Females, and 8.3% African American Females.

In the Special Proceedings category (26,026) the following percentages by race were shown: 35.4% White Males, 28.4% White Females, 13.1% African American Males, and 10.3%, African American Females.

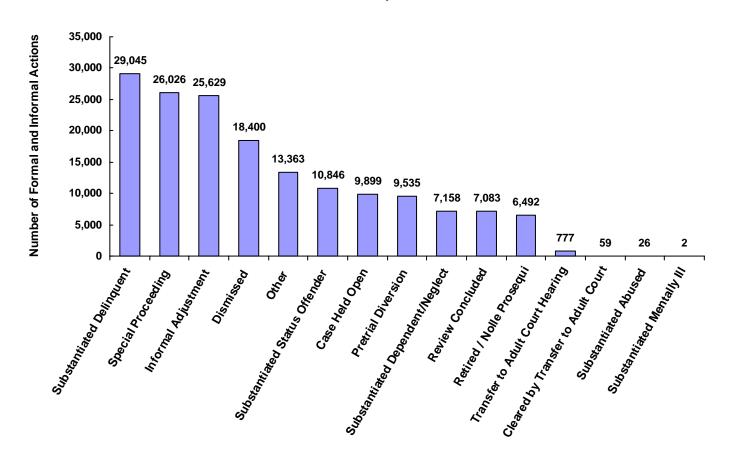
Of the Informal Adjustment Category (25,629) the following percentages by race were shown: 31.2% White Males, 30.0% African American Males, 18.4% White Females, and 16.5% African American Females.

Formal and Informal Actions by Race and Sex for CY 2007 table and chart give the complete breakdown of these statistics.

Formal and Informal Actions by Race and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of Total Referrals
Dismissed	7,705	2,873	241	4,834	1,786	150	811	18,400	11.20%
Retired / Nolle Prosequi	2,421	1,829	102	1,080	622	21	417	6,492	3.95%
Substantiated Delinquent	12,840	7,987	466	4,462	2,421	121	748	29,045	17.67%
Substantiated Status Offender	5,004	1,143	133	3,353	717	117	379	10,846	6.60%
Substantiated Dependent/Neglect	1,929	1,111	109	1,900	1,151	105	853	7,158	4.36%
Substantiated Abused	9	3	0	13	0	0	1	26	0.02%
Substantiated Mentally III	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0.00%
Informal Adjustment	8,002	7,673	207	4,719	4,237	133	658	25,629	15.60%
Pretrial Diversion	3,912	2,158	132	2,036	1,070	57	170	9,535	5.80%
Transfer to Adult Court Hearing	112	584	2	8	43	0	28	777	0.47%
Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court	29	20	0	8	1	0	1	59	0.04%
Special Proceeding	9,208	3,422	506	7,390	2,686	419	2,395	26,026	15.84%
Review Concluded	2,933	969	114	1,928	635	78	426	7,083	4.31%
Case Held Open	4,449	756	170	3,241	472	130	681	9,899	6.02%
Other	5,152	1,984	167	3,190	1,471	137	1,262	13,363	8.13%
Totals	63,706	32,512	2,349	38,163	17,312	1,468	8,830	164,340	

Total Formal and Informal Actions
Total = 164,340



FORMAL AND INFORMAL ACTIONS BY TYPE OF OFFENSE, RACE, AND SEX FOR CY 2007

The types of offense are: Delinquent, Status, Dependency and Neglect, Other Violations, Special Proceedings, and Other. The tables on the following pages show how the different types of referrals were handled.

The following statistics show the larger percentages found in the most prevalent categories. **31.0**% of the delinquent referrals **(76,899)** were Substantiated Delinquent, **24.1**% were Informally Adjusted, **11.9**% were Dismissed, **8.8**% were Diverted Pretrial, and **6.6**% were Retired.

- **29.0%** Status/Unruly referrals **(26,517)** were Complaint Substantiated Status Offender, **21.8%** were Informally Adjusted, **11.8%** were Substantiated Delinquent, **11.8%** were Dismissed, **6.1%** were Case Held Open, and **6.0%** were Other.
- **39.5%** Dependent and Neglected referrals **(10,281)** were Substantiated Dependent and Neglect, **20.0%** were Special Proceeding, and **13.2%** were Dismissed.
- **37.6%** Special Proceedings referrals **(39,376)** were handled with Special Proceeding, **16.0%** were Review Concluded, **14.5%** were Other, **10.4%** were Case Held Open, **9.8%** were Dismissed, and **6.3%** were Complaint Substantiated Dependent and Neglected.

Formal and Informal Actions by Type of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Delinquent								
Complaint Substantiated Delinquent	10,888	6,779	413	3,369	1,762	101	531	23,843
Informal Adjustment	5,197	6,224	133	2,970	3,417	94	509	18,544
Dismissed	4,668	1,407	147	2,186	511	55	206	9,180
Pretrial Diversion	3,029	1,569	103	1,324	616	36	98	6,775
Retired / Nolle Prosequi	1,923	1,526	95	710	463	13	347	5,077
Other	2,280	388	54	1,040	186	25	101	4,074
Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	1,571	272	27	833	149	10	94	2,956
Case Held Open	1,475	287	62	609	140	38	62	2,673
Special Proceeding	1,340	241	31	660	92	13	121	2,498
Transfer to Adult Court Hearing	103	570	2	6	42	0	24	747
Review Concluded	155	44	6	55	26	7	10	303
Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglect	73	15	4	54	8	0	18	172
Charges Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court	26	17	0	7	1	0	1	52
Complaint Substantiated Abused	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
Complaint Substantiated Mentally III	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	32,732	19,340	1,077	13,823	7,413	392	2,122	76,899
Status	·	•	•	•	·		•	•
Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	3,335	857	101	2,456	559	105	273	7,686
Informal Adjustment	2,500	978	64	1,553	555	32	107	5,789
Complaint Substantiated Delinquent	1,205	678	22	735	300	15	175	3,130
Dismissed	1,238	362	34	1,063	280	30	115	3,122
Case Held Open	644	126	34	618	127	32	32	1,613
Other	701	193	8	450	147	8	71	1,578
Pretrial Diversion	423	189	18	342	126	8	17	1,123
Retired / Nolle Prosequi	383	238	5	288	101	5	44	1,064
Special Proceeding	476	104	9	370	52	4	14	1,029
Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglect	68	19	7	112	27	2	10	245
Review Concluded	49	12	3	37	15	4	6	126
Transfer to Adult Court Hearing	2	3	0	0	1	0	3	9
Charges Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Complaint Substantiated Abused	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	11,025	3,761	305	8,024	2,290	245	867	26,517
Dependency and Neglect	,				,			
Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglect	1,156	627	66	1,103	644	67	401	4,064
Special Proceeding	804	117	39	855	141	30	67	2,053
Dismissed	294	303	19	325	299	18	102	1,360
Case Held Open	580	56	17	573	30	13	75	1,344
Other	190	115	13	153	115	12	66	664
Complaint Substantiated Delinquent	38	107	2	32	115	0	14	308
Pretrial Diversion	32	34	0	41	50	2	20	179
Review Concluded	54	2	2	66	1	0	3	128
Informal Adjustment	20	12	0	13	22	2	8	77
Retired / Nolle Prosequi	12	9	1	8	14	1	5	50
Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	8	3	4	13	4	1	7	40
Complaint Substantiated Abused	5	1	0	6	0	0	1	13
Transfer to Adult Court Hearing	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	3,193	1,386	163	3,189	1,435	146	769	10,281

Formal and Informal Actions by Type of Offense, Race, and Sex for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Other Violations								
Complaint Substantiated Delinquent	76	8	2	30	2	0	0	118
Dismissed	21	0	3	11	0	1	2	38
Special Proceeding	8	4	2	6	0	0	0	20
Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	12	1	0	5	0	0	1	19
Case Held Open	7	0	0	3	0	0	3	13
Other	2	1	0	3	0	0	1	7
Informal Adjustment	1	0	0	3	1	0	0	5
Pretrial Diversion	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	4
Review Concluded	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	129	14	7	64	3	1	7	225
Special Proceedings								
Special Proceeding	5,012	1,849	301	4,318	1,600	257	1,479	14,816
Review Concluded	2,595	878	103	1,707	576	65	389	6,313
Other	1,409	1,135	60	1,158	949	66	940	5,717
Case Held Open	1,654	274	56	1,378	175	46	497	4,080
Dismissed	1,185	667	31	1,058	617	37	262	3,857
Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglect	518	446	28	560	463	34	420	2,469
Pretrial Diversion	232	274	6	223	248	7	25	1,015
Complaint Substantiated Delinquent	160	147	7	110	141	3	8	576
Informal Adjustment	136	38	2	95	31	2	12	316
Retired / Nolle Prosequi	34	30	0	27	29	1	11	132
Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	38	1	0	23	2	1	3	68
Complaint Substantiated Abused	1	0	0	7	0	0	0	8
Transfer to Adult Court Hearing	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	4
Charges Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	4
Complaint Substantiated Mentally III	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	12,978	5,742	594	10,665	4,831	519	4,047	39,376
Other								
Special Proceeding	1,568	1,107	124	1,181	801	115	714	5,610
Other	570	152	32	386	74	26	83	1,323
Complaint Substantiated Delinquent	473	268	20	186	101	2	20	1,070
Informal Adjustment	148	421	8	85	211	3	22	898
Dismissed	299	134	7	191	79	9	124	843
Pretrial Diversion	194	92	5	104	30	4	10	439
Review Concluded	80	33	0	62	17	2	18	212
Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglect	114	4	4	71	9	2	4	208
Case Held Open	89	13	1	60	0	1	12	176
Retired / Nolle Prosequi	69	26	1	47	15	1	10	169
Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	40	9	1	23	3	0	1	77
Transfer to Adult Court Hearing	5	10	0	1	0	0	0	16
Charges Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	3,649	2,269	203	2,398	1,340	165	1,018	11,042
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All Action Totals	63,706	32,512	2,349	38,163	17,312	1,468	8,830	164,340

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Offenses Against Persons								
Complaint Substantiated Delinquent	1,333	1,227	56	440	420	23	56	3,55
Informal Adjustment	288	1,196	12	188	845	11	32	2,57
Dismissed	514	339	37	209	126	8	41	1,27
Pretrial Diversion	476	319	17	180	136	8	19	1,15
Retired / Nolle Prosequi	246	380	27	81	124	5	52	91
Case Held Open	271	89	15	113	40	14	12	55
Transfer to Adult Court Hearing	23	328	0	0	18	0	16	38
Special Proceeding	155	55	8	62	20	0	3	30
Other	110	51	1	47	16	3	8	23
Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	28	12	0	19	6	0	1	6
Review Concluded	21	10	1	11	7	3	2	5
Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglect	11	3	0	6	2	0	1	2
Charges Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court	3	8	0	0	0	0	1	1
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Complaint Substantiated Abused Totals Offenses Against Property Complaint Substantiated Delinquent Informal Adjustment	3,480 2,693	4,018 1,783	174	1,356 740	1,760 432	75 25	244 72	5,88 2,73
Complaint Substantiated Abused Totals Offenses Against Property Complaint Substantiated Delinquent Informal Adjustment Pretrial Diversion	1 3,480 2,693 564	4,018 1,783 1,049	174 135 22	1,356 740 448	1,760 432 566	75 25 19	244 72 64	5,88 2,73 1,76
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	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Illegal Conduct								
Complaint Substantiated Delinquent	6,862	3,769	222	2,189	910	53	403	14,408
Informal Adjustment	4,345	3,979	99	2,334	2,006	64	413	13,240
Dismissed	3,601	797	86	1,795	299	38	131	6,747
Pretrial Diversion	1,743	901	43	756	347	15	48	3,853
Other	1,999	294	47	948	141	22	74	3,525
Retired / Nolle Prosequi	1,391	881	50	587	270	7	226	3,412
Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	1,507	246	26	788	143	10	91	2,811
Special Proceeding	998	165	17	545	68	13	115	1,921
Case Held Open	956	156	38	424	76	22	46	1,718
Transfer to Adult Court Hearing	31	167	2	5	16	0	7	228
Review Concluded	118	30	3	36	17	2	5	211
Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglect	52	9	4	46	4	0	14	129
Charges Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court	15	6	0	4	1	0	0	26
Complaint Substantiated Abused	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Complaint Substantiated Mentally III	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	23,620	11,400	637	10,457	4,298	246	1,573	52,231
Status Offenses Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	0.005	057	404	0.450	550	405	070	7 000
Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	3,335	857	101	2,456	559	105	273	7,686
Informal Adjustment	2,500	978	64	1,553	555	32	107	5,789
Complaint Substantiated Delinquent Dismissed	1,205	678	22	735	300	15	175	3,130
	1,238	362	34	1,063	280	30	115	3,122
Case Held Open Other	644	126	34	618	127	32	32	1,613
	701	193	8	450	147	8	71	1,578
Pretrial Diversion	423	189	18	342	126	8	17	1,123
Retired / Nolle Prosequi	383	238	5	288	101	5	44	1,064
Special Proceeding	476	104	9	370	52	4	14	1,029
Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglect Review Concluded	68	19 12	7	112 37	27	2	10	245
	49		3		15	4	6	126
Transfer to Adult Court Hearing Charges Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court	2	3	0	0	1	0	3	9
Charges Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court Complaint Substantiated Abused	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
<u>'</u>	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	11,025	3,761	305	8,024	2,290	245	867	26,517

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294	303	19	325	299	18	102	1,360
580	56	17	573	30	13	75	1,344
190	115	13	153	115	12	66	664
38	107	2	32	115	0	14	308
32	34	0	41	50	2	20	179
54	2	2	66	1	0	3	128
20	12	0	13	22	2	8	77
12	9	1	8	14	1	5	50
8	3	4	13	4	1	7	40
5	1	0	6	0	0	1	13
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3,193	1,386	163	3,189	1,435	146	769	10,281
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Special Proceedings								
Review Concluded	2,367	722	99	1,598	550	64	202	5,602
Special Proceeding	1,693	331	96	1,349	203	86	342	4,100
Case Held Open	1,048	124	43	859	114	34	208	2,430
Dismissed	397	196	6	291	198	4	28	1,120
Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglect	136	329	4	153	342	9	29	1,002
Other	315	75	4	197	76	4	37	708
Complaint Substantiated Delinquent	67	50	3	26	43	1	2	192
Informal Adjustment	56	19	1	29	22	2	3	132
Complaint Substantiated Status Offender	25	1	0	13	1	1	1	42
Retired / Nolle Prosequi	19	2	0	12	1	0	3	37
Pretrial Diversion	20	1	0	5	2	0	2	30
Transfer to Adult Court Hearing	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Complaint Substantiated Mentally III	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Charges Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	6,146	1,851	256	4,533	1,552	205	857	15,400
Other Special Proceeding	1,568	1,107	124	1,181	801	115	714	5,610
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Charges Cleared by Transfer to Adult Court	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	3,649	2,269	203	2,398	1,340	165	1,018	11,042
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Number of Individual Children Transferred to Adult Court by Court, Race, and Sex CY 2007

The 2007 data was analyzed to determine the number of children transferred to adult court for alleged delinquent offenses. The data shows that **291** children were transferred to adult court in 2007. Males were the overwhelming majority of transferred children **(263)** at **90.4%**. **74.6%** of the children transferred were African American males, while their white male counterparts represented **15.8%** of the overall transfers. African American females represented **5.2%**. White females represented **1.0%** of all transfers.

This represents nearly five times as many delinquent African American males transferred to adult courts (217) than white males (46), despite the fact that there are more than twice as many delinquent white males (33,996)* as there are African American males (15,912) in the general juvenile population. Delinquent African American males commit offenses listed under TCA §37-1-134 (1) at a higher rate in both frequency and percentage than delinquent white males.

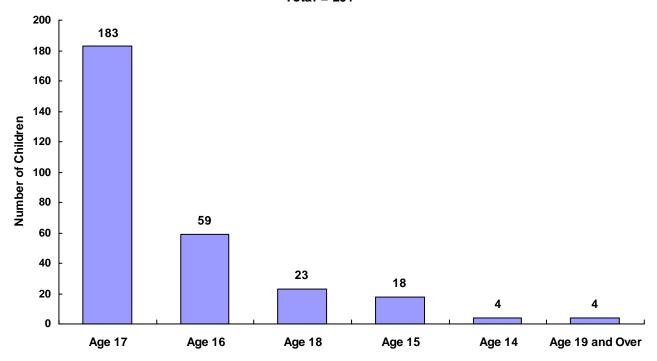
The court reporting the largest number of children transferred to adult court was Shelby County Juvenile Court with **156**. This court accounted for **53.6%** of the statewide transfers. The court with the next highest number of transfers to adult court was Davidson County Juvenile Court with **42** children transferred which accounted for **14.4%** of the statewide population. Thirty five (35) courts reported at least one transfer.

^{*} Please see "Children Referred by Age Group, Race, and Sex for CY 2007"

Children Transferred to Adult Court by Age, Race, and Sex for CY 2007 Total Children = 90,553

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total	% of All Children Referred
Age Under 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Age 14	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0.00%
Age 15	1	15	0	0	1	0	1	18	0.02%
Age 16	5	51	0	0	3	0	0	59	0.07%
Age 17	30	134	1	2	10	0	6	183	0.20%
Age 18	8	12	0	1	0	0	2	23	0.03%
Age 19 and Over	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	4	0.00%
Totals	46	217	1	3	15	0	9	291	

Total Children Transferred to Adult Court Total = 291



Children Transferred to Adult Court by Race, Sex, and Court for CY 2007

Court	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Shelby	4	142	0	1	7	0	2	156
Davidson	3	30	0	0	3	0	6	42
Dyer	8	8	0	0	3	0	0	19
Montgomery	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	7
Knox	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	6
Maury	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	6
Madison	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	5
Sumner	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
Bradley	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
Hamilton	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Bledsoe	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
Union	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Carroll	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Claiborne	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Gibson	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Grundy	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Lake	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Marion	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
White	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Wilson	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Anderson	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Bedford	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Benton	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Blount	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cheatham	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Chester	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hickman	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Jackson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
McMinn	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Moore	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Morgan	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tipton	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Washington	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Weakley	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Williamson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	otals 46	217	1	3	15	0	9	291

Children Under Age 18 Transferred to Adult Court by Race, Sex, and Court for CY 2007

Court		White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Shelby		3	133	0	1	7	0	1	145
Davidson		2	29	0	0	3	0	5	39
Dyer		8	8	0	0	3	0	0	19
Montgomery		1	6	0	0	0	0	0	7
Maury		2	3	0	0	0	0	1	6
Knox		0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
Sumner		4	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
Bradley		3	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
Hamilton		0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Madison		0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Bledsoe		0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Carroll		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Gibson		0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Lake		0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Marion		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Bedford		0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Benton		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Blount		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cheatham		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Chester		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Claiborne		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Jackson		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
McMinn		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Moore		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tipton		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Union		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Washington		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Weakley		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
White		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Williamson		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Wilson		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Totals	36	204	1	2	14	0	7	264

Cases Transferred to Adult Court by Race, Sex, and Court for CY 2007

Court		White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Shelby		4	170	0	1	8	0	2	185
Davidson		3	39	0	0	3	0	9	54
Dyer		23	20	0	0	7	0	0	50
Madison		4	10	0	0	0	0	0	14
Knox		0	10	0	0	0	0	0	10
Maury		2	4	0	0	0	0	1	7
Montgomery		1	6	0	0	0	0	0	7
Sumner		5	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Hamilton		0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
Wilson		0	2	0	3	0	0	0	5
Bradley		3	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
Bledsoe		0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
Grundy		3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Lake		0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
Union		3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Bedford		0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Carroll		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Claiborne		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Gibson		0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Marion		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
White		1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Anderson		0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Benton		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Blount		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cheatham		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Chester		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hickman		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Jackson		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
McMinn		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Moore		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Morgan		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tipton		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Washington		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Weakley		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Williamson		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Totals	66	280	1	5	21	0	12	385

Cases Transferred to Adult Court for Children Under Age 18 by Race, Sex, and Court for CY 2007

Court		White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Shelby		3	161	0	1	8	0	1	174
Davidson		2	38	0	0	3	0	8	51
Dyer		23	20	0	0	7	0	0	50
Madison		0	10	0	0	0	0	0	10
Knox		0	8	0	0	0	0	0	8
Maury		2	4	0	0	0	0	1	7
Montgomery		1	6	0	0	0	0	0	7
Sumner		5	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Hamilton		0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
Bradley		3	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
Lake		0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
Wilson		0	2	0	1	0	0	0	3
Bedford		0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Bledsoe		0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Carroll		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Gibson		0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Marion		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Benton		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Blount		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cheatham		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Chester		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Claiborne		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Jackson		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
McMinn		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Moore		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tipton		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Union		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Washington		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Weakley		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
White		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Williamson		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Totals	52	266	1	3	20	0	10	352

INDIVIDUAL OUTCOME/DISPOSITIONAL ACTIONS BY RACE AND SEX FOR 2007

This portion of the annual report concerns individual dispositional actions that the juvenile courts took in 2007. Most of the percentages presented will be small because the data is spread over 64 categories.

Since 2001, children are counted only once per disposition date. The numbers are more accurate when the data is counted this way but it has resulted in lower Outcome Referral totals than in past years. The lower totals are most noticeable when comparing current data to annual report data published before 2001.

The tables on the following pages reveal that the most often reported specific dispositional choice was "Other". "Other" is not presented as the most often cited disposition in the paragraphs below because it is difficult to interpret the precise meaning of this choice. All of the calculations were based on **253,725** total dispositional actions.

The top three dispositional actions reported were "Court Costs" (27,595) with 10.9% of the total dispositional actions, "Case Dismissed" (18,574) with 7.3%, and "Held Open For Review" (16,823) with 6.6%. Percentages by sex and race within the top three dispositional actions reported were: 51.5% white males, 28.0% white females, 10.3% African American males, and 5.8% African American females within "Court Costs", 38.5% white males, 25.0% white females, 18.6% African American males, and 11.3% African American females within "Case Dismissed", and 39.3% white males, 28.6% white females, 15.9% African American males, and 9.8% African American females within "Held Open For Review".

The most often reported dispositional actions associated with white males were: **13.1%** Court Costs, **6.6%** Case Dismissed, **6.4%** Public Service, and **6.1%** Held Open for Review.

The most often reported dispositional actions associated with white females were: **11.9%** Court Costs, **7.4%** Held Open For Review, **7.2%** Case Dismissed, and **4.9%** Public Service.

The most often reported dispositional actions associated with African American males were: **10.7%** Warned/Counseled, **8.4%** Case Dismissed, **6.9%** Court Costs, and **6.5%** Held Open for Review.

The most often reported dispositional actions associated with African American females were: **13.1%** Warned/Counseled, **9.6%** Case Dismissed, **7.5%** Held Open for Review, and **7.3%** Court Costs.

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Outcomes by Type Of Disposition, Sex, and Race for CY 2007

	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
General Action Codes								
Case Dismissed	7,142	3,458	189	4,644	2,104	125	912	18,574
Held Open For Review	6,618	2,677	208	4,815	1,655	164	686	16,823
Warned / Counseled	4,714	4,397	168	2,878	2,879	112	276	15,424
Public Service	6,888	1,540	148	3,175	687	68	183	12,689
Supervision / Probation to Juvenile Court	4,403	1,916	123	2,368	746	43	101	9,70
Fine	5,607	522	85	2,508	240	34	182	9,17
Referred to Defensive Driving School	3,091	181	33	1,961	108	22	44	5,44
Placement with Relative / Other Individual	913	1,879	58	686	1,346	42	249	5,17
No Contact Order	2,082	617	78	1,422	365	29	226	4,81
Case Retired or Nolle Prosequi	1,800	962	59	999	396	27	247	4,49
Referred for Alcohol and Drug Counseling	2,336	490	54	1,021	79	22	95	4,09
Referred for Mental Health Counseling	1,248	1,040	50	661	430	31	152	3,61
Referral to Another Entity for Superv/Servc	1,286	515	63	1,013	395	53	60	3,38
Restitution	1,661	745	54	435	165	10	34	3,10
Referral to Juvenile Court Educ-Based Pgm	1,353	212	34	757	127	26	46	2,55
House Arrest	986	479	53	456	116	18	34	2,14
Injunction Other than No Contact Order	633	588	17	393	298	16	185	2,13
Driver's License Held Informally	977	388	28	499	61	10	15	1,97
Placement with City/Cnty Agcy/Facility	197	1,235	20	99	239	3	97	1,89
Dismissed from Pretrial Diversion	927	217	27	480	88	8	50	1,79
Court Defined Curfew	745	271	33	411	112	22	25	1,61
Released from Probation	765	89	14	389	56	6	35	1,35
Referred to Alcohol Safety School	456	169	14	231	26	2	24	92
Dismissed from Informal Adjustment	428	104	9	207	40	3	14	80
Probation to Parents	326	124	9	150	49	8	12	67
Referred to Alternative School	136	21	6	41	12	2	6	22
Runaway Returned	51	23	0	68	32	0	2	17
Referred to Private Child Agency	69	13	3	28	3	3	4	12
Private Mental Health Placement	32	2	2	10	1	0	1	4
Voluntary Placement with DMHMR	6	2	0	2	1	0	0	1
Private MR Placement	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	•
Totals	57,878	24,877	1,639	32,808	12,856	909	3,997	134,96

Outcomes by Type Of Disposition, Sex, and Race for CY 2007

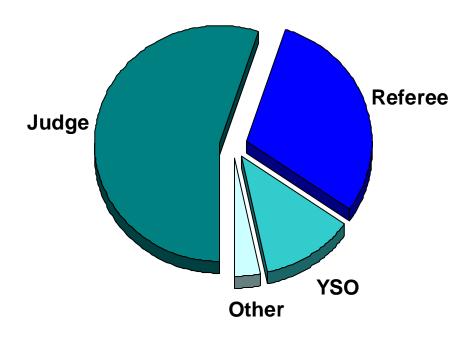
	White Male	African American Male	Other Race Male	White Female	African American Female	Other Race Female	Unknown Race or Sex	Total
Formal Action Codes								
Placed Under a Valid Court Order	2,742	582	127	1,717	282	61	130	5,641
DCS Commitment - Custody	1,744	773	75	978	348	44	216	4,178
DCS Probation	2,100	490	66	751	135	15	18	3,575
DCS Commitment - Suspended	606	291	23	191	65	5	4	1,185
Transfer to Another Juvenile Court for Dispo		135	17	333	50	6	32	1,182
Other Intensive Probation	651	184	19	213	33	11	15	1,126
Supervision by DCS	398	30	10	320	36	10	12	816
Parental Rights Terminated	232	77	9	204	105	6	75	708
Transferred to Adult Court	66	280	1	5	21	0	12	385
DCS Intensive Probation	120	21	9	29	3	0	0	182
DCS Commitment - Determinate	45	38	0	8	3	1	0	95
DMHMR Involuntary Commitment	19	2	0	9	0	0	0	30
Parental Rights Not Terminated	6	1	0	12	0	0	1	20
Totals	9,338	2,904	356	4,770	1,081	159	515	19,123
Special Proceedings Court Costs	14,214	2,856	379	7,730	1,611	229	576	27,59
Custody Changed	2,719	2,856 444	163	2,565	366	127	576 521	6,90
Child Support Granted	1,535	479	69	1,260	344	54	1,055	4,796
Foster Care Continued	1,653	446	62	1,525	260	81	255	4,282
Visitation Changed	1,252	329	63	1,323	333	57	417	3,671
Custody Unchanged	1,141	144	46	947	86	49	242	2,655
Child Support Amended	365	128	21	323	110	17	140	1,104
Paternity Determined / Child Legitimated	237	119	25	163	107	19	142	812
Foster Care Terminated	338	61	14	300	29	10	32	784
Visitation Unchanged	249	31	12	219	33	8	85	637
Order of Reference to DCS	117	14	8	122	24	3	21	309
Child Support Terminated	54	50	0	55	39	6	13	217
Voluntary Acknowledgement of Paternity	70	13	2	55	8	2	14	164
Request for Medical Treatment Granted	22	19	3	15	26	3	22	110
Child Support Denied	28	1	0	20	1	0	19	69
Paternity Not Determ/Child Not Legitimated	17	5	2	12	2	1	9	48
Consent to Marry Granted	1	0	0	7	0	1	0	
Request for Medical Treatment Denied	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Consent to Marry Denied	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	-
Totals	24,012	5,140	869	16,539	3,379	667	3,564	54,170

JUVENILE COURT REFERRALS DISPOSED STATE-WIDE BASED ON NUMBER OF REFERRALS

As mentioned earlier in this report, juvenile court cases and referrals can be disposed by judges, referees, youth services officers, or probation officers. All cases resulting in a formal hearing and adjudication must be disposed by judicial staff, which includes judges, referees or special judges. Cases that are handled informally through informal adjustment or other informal, non-judicial actions can be disposed by the court officers.

The data as reflected in Breakdown of Referrals by Court Personnel Executing the Action in CY 2007 shows that **55.0%** of all referral reasons **(164,340)** were disposed by judicial staff: **55.0%** by Judges, **29.8%** by Referees. Another **11.8%** were disposed by Youth Services/Probation Officers, and **3.5%** by Other/Not Reported.

Breakdown of Referrals by Court Personnel Executing the Action in CY 2007



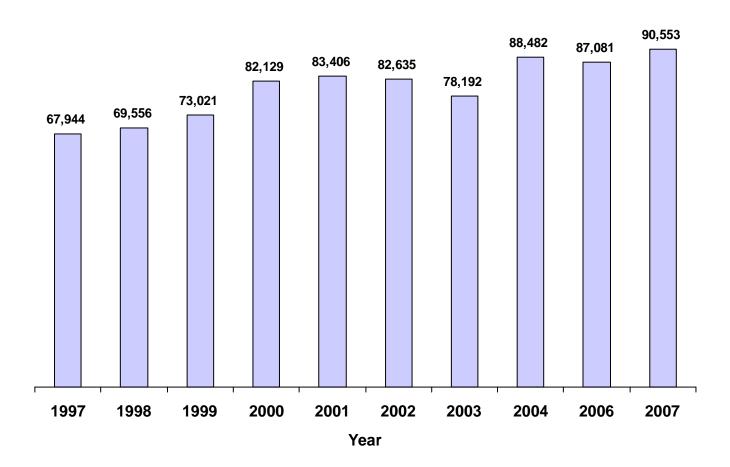
	Referrals	% of Referrals
Judge	90,320	54.96%
Referee	48,915	29.76%
YSO	19,439	11.83%
Other	5,666	3.45%
Total	164,340	100.00%

TREND INFORMATION

The following pages depict several charts and tables that show trend information over the past several years. One of the largest counties in the state reported its statistics in a summarized fashion in 2005. This means that including 2005 data in these reports would have skewed the trends over time information so the decision was made to leave 2005 out of this portion of the annual report. The information encompasses the years 1997 through 2004 and 2006 through 2007.

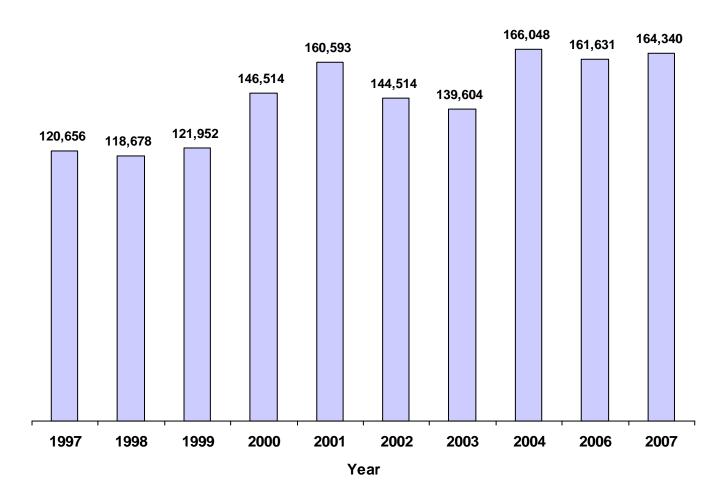
Trends Over Time CY 1997 - 2007

Yearly Comparison of Total Individual Children Referred to Tennessee Juvenile Courts



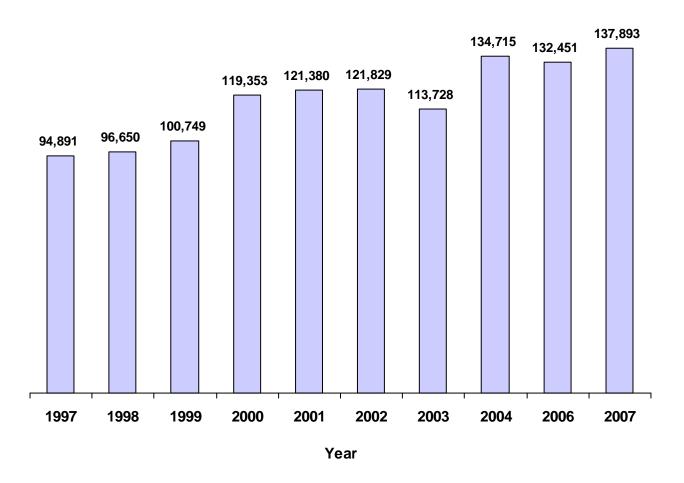
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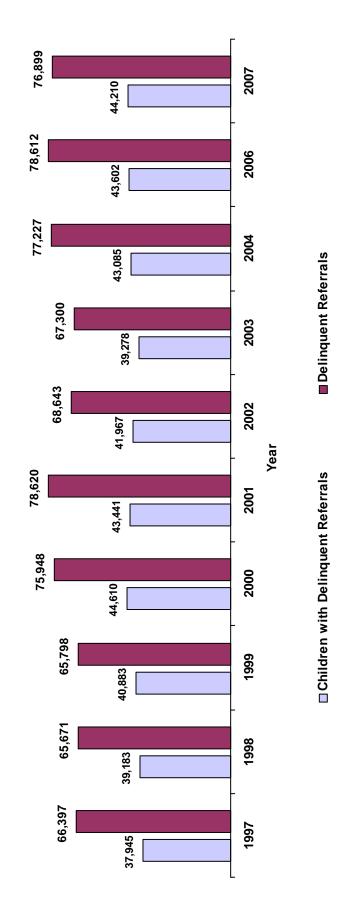
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Yearly Comparison of Number of Cases in Juvenile Court



Trends Over Time CY 1997 - 2007

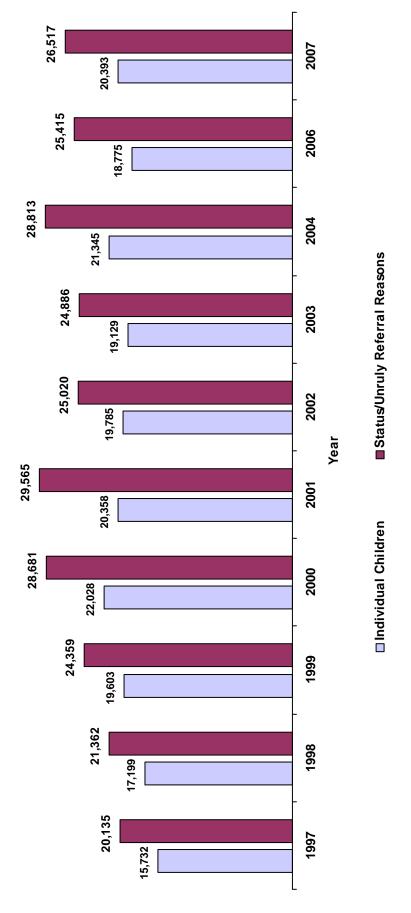
Comparison of Delinquent Referral Reasons and Individual Children Referred



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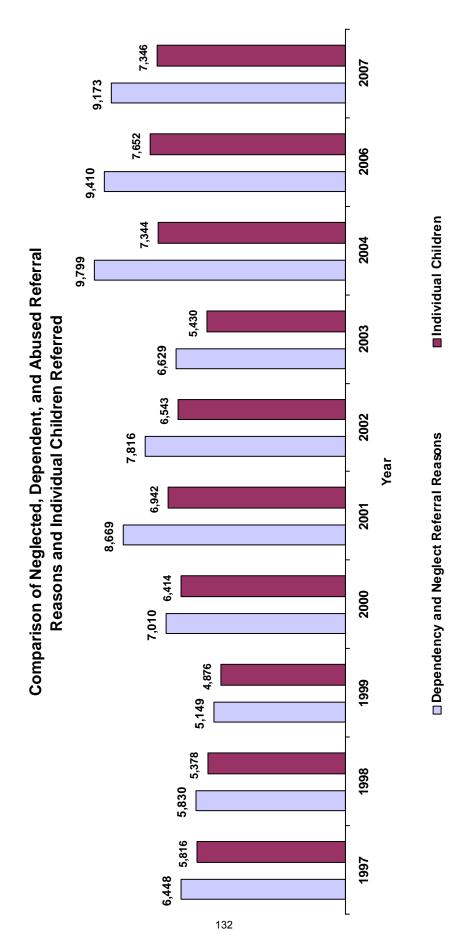
Trends Over Time CY 1997 - 2007

Comparison of Status/Unruly Referral Reasons and Individual Children Referred



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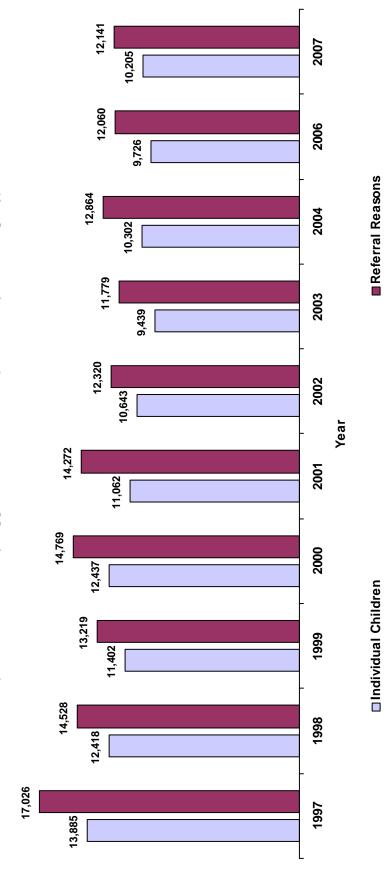
Trends Over Time CY 1997 - 2007



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Trends Over Time CY 1997 - 2007

Comparison of Crime Index by Individual Children and Referral Reasons (Homicide, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Rape, Larceny, and Burglary)



Criminal Homicide, First degree Murder, Second Degree Murder, Aggravated Vehicular Homicide and Vehicular Homicide Especially Aggravated Robbery, Aggravated Robbery and Robbery Homicide includes: Robbery includes:

Rape includes: Aggravated Rape, Rape of a Child and Rape

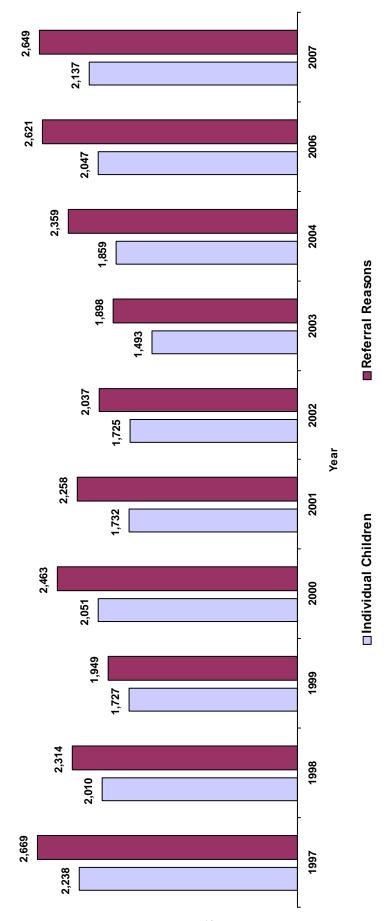
Larceny includes: Theft of Property

Burglary includes: Aggravated Burglary and Burglary

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Trends Over Time CY 1997 - 2007

Homicide, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, and Rape Comparison of Violent Crime Index Referrals for

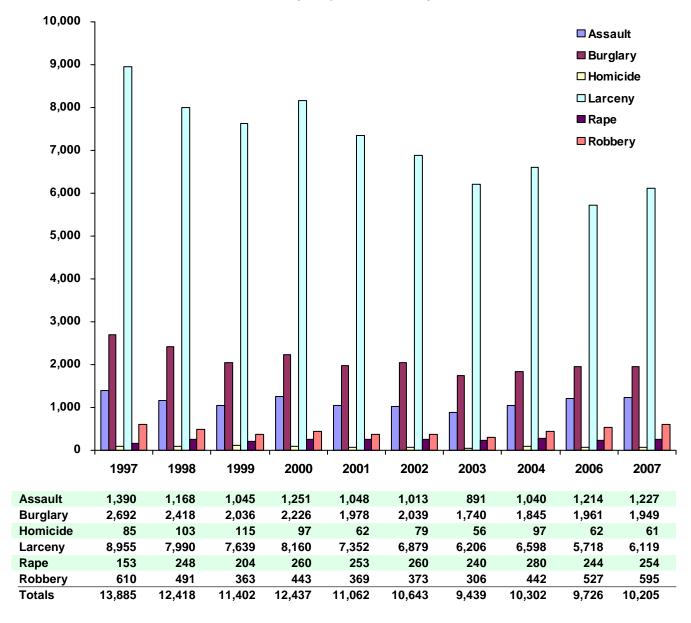


Criminal Homicide, First degree Murder, Second Degree Murder, Aggravated Vehicular Homicide and Vehicular Homicide Especially Aggravated Robbery, Aggravated Robbery and Robbery Aggravated Rape, Rape of a Child and Rape Homicide includes: Robbery includes:

Rape includes:

Trends Over Time CY 1997 - 2007

Comparison of Children Referred for Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Homicide, Larceny, Rape, and Robbery



Burglary includes: Aggravated Burglary and Burglary

Homicide includes: Criminal Homicide, First degree Murder, Second Degree Murder,

Aggravated Vehicular Homicide and Vehicular Homicide

Larceny includes: Theft of Property

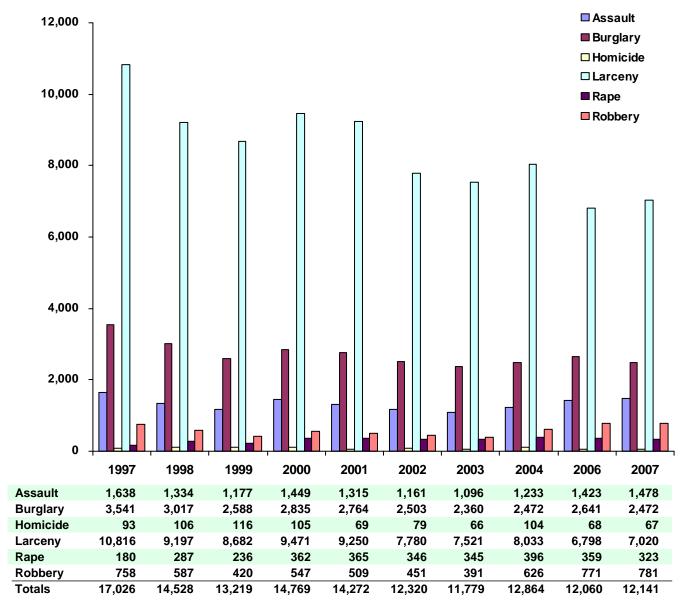
Rape includes: Aggravated Rape, Rape of a Child and Rape

Robbery includes: Especially Aggravated Robbery, Aggravated Robbery and Robbery

Children that have multiple offenses in any category are counted only once per category in this chart.

Trends Over Time CY 1997 - 2007

Comparison of Referrals for Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Homicide, Larceny, Rape, and Robbery



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Homicide includes: Criminal Homicide, First degree Murder, Second Degree Murder,

Aggravated Vehicular Homicide and Vehicular Homicide

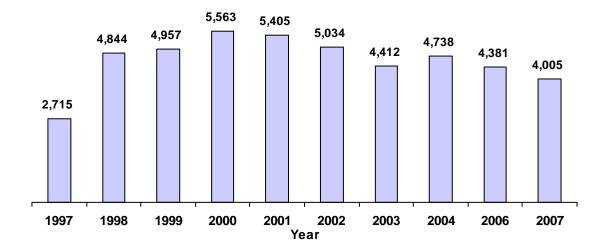
Larceny includes: Theft of Property

Rape includes: Aggravated Rape, Rape of a Child and Rape

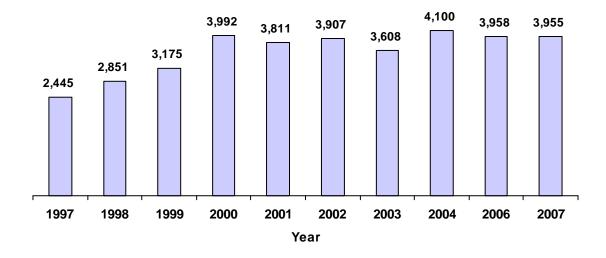
Robbery includes: Especially Aggravated Robbery, Aggravated Robbery and Robbery

Trends Over Time CY 1997 - 2007

Commitments to Department of Children Services (DCS, DHS, DYD) Individual Juveniles Committed for secure or Non-Secure Placement For Referrals that are Delinquent, Dependent, Status or Neglect



Comparison of Individual Children Referred to Juvenile Court with Violations of Probation or Violation of Aftercare



Shelby Juvenile Court reported their Foster Care Review statistics in a summarized fashion and asked that the statistics be reflected in this report. These statistics could not be included in the data except as an appendix. This is a cumulative total and there is no information beyond the instances of disposition.

2007 Shelby Juvenile Court Foster Care Reviews = 2,339

Abuse When a child is suffering from, has sustained, or may

be in immediate danger of suffering from or sustaining a wound; injury; disability; or physical or mental condition caused by brutality, neglect, or other actions or inaction

of a parent, relative, guardian, or caretaker.

Adjudication Judicial fact finding determination (judgment) of a case

(e.g.,. guilty or not guilty).

Administrative Review The periodic evaluation and assessment of a

referral/case by juvenile court staff other than a judge.

Aftercare The supervision given to a child for a limited period of

time after they are released from commitment to a state

agency.

Age Calculation The calculation of age is based on the juvenile's birth

date and the date of first referral to juvenile court in the

calendar year.

Annual Reporting

Period

Calendar year.

Burglary The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a

theft.

CASA Court Appointed Special Advocate (usually volunteers)

who serve to ensure that the needs and interests of a child in child protection judicial proceedings are fully

protected.

Case All Referral Reasons/Charges reported to the court (via

complaint, petition, motion, etc.) on a given day for a

given child.

Case Held Open A decision by the court concerning a case has been

postponed pending further review.

CSA Community Service Agency

Commitment A decision by the judge that a child should be sent to a

state agency for monitoring or care of the child.

Contempt of Court A willful disobedience of a court order or willful

interference with the administration of justice.

Crime Index Includes homicide, robbery, aggravated assault, rape,

larceny and burglary.

Custodian A person, other than a parent or legal guardian, who

stands in loco parentis to the child or a person to whom temporary legal custody of the child has been given by

order of the court.

Custody Control of the actual physical care of the child. T.C.A.§

37-1-102.

DCS The Tennessee Department of Children's Services.

Delinquency Acts or conduct in violation of criminal law.

Delinquent Act An act committed by a juvenile that, if committed by an

adult, would require prosecution in a criminal court. Because the act is committed by a juvenile it falls within

the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.

Dependency Case Those cases covering neglect or inadequate care on

the part of parents or guardians, such as abandonment or desertion; abuse or cruel treatment; improper or inadequate conditions in the home; and insufficient care or support resulting from death, absence, or physical or

mental incapacity of parents.

Detention The placement of youth in a restrictive facility between

referral to court and the first court hearing (Detention Hearing). A youth may also be placed in a detention facility as a case progresses through the juvenile justice

system.

Disposition Definitive action taken or treatment plan decided on

regarding a particular case. (e.g., a course of treatment

and rehabilitation).

Disposition Date The date that the disposition (outcome) or the informal

adjustment of each referral took place. This is the date on which all reports produced by TCJFCJ are based.

Ethnicity The condition of belonging to a particular ethnic group.

Formal Adjudication Items requiring a formal adjudicatory hearing and a

finding of fact. These actions can only be carried out by

judges or referees.

Foster Care Review (T.C.A. § 37-2-406) A review of each foster care plan

via an advisory review board and/or the juvenile court

judge.

Foster Family Home A family home that receives payment or board for

offering shelter to a juvenile. Also included in this item are those family homes that are, "subsidized" so they will always be available to provide foster or shelter care.

Guardian ad Litem A licensed attorney appointed to represent the best

interests of a child.

Held Open for Review A case held open for judicial or administrative review

and no further disposition is anticipated prior to the next

scheduled review.

Illegal Conduct Delinquent offense such as possession or sale of

controlled substances, disorderly conduct, criminal

trespass, etc.

Immigrant One who leaves a country to settle permanently in

another.

Independent A child is living in an apartment, or living as a lodger

without adult supervision, or living as a married young

adult who has established his/her own family.

Informal Adjustment A non-judicial procedure whereby the juvenile court

staff, subject to court approval, makes the decision to attempt to remedy the situation alleged in the referral by giving counsel and advice to the parent(s) and child. This is a voluntary agreement in which no official finding of fact is made. Informal adjustments may be initiated

with or without a petition.

Institution Juvenile correctional or rehabilitation center.

Intake Intake process during which a referred case is first

screened. During this process the case may be dismissed for lack of legal sufficiency, or to resolve the

matter formally, or informally.

Jail – Complete The child is placed in an adult jail or lock-up completely separation separated by sight and sound from all adult prisoners

separated by sight and sound from all adult prisoners including trustees. Includes those cases where the child is temporarily held in this secure situation while

awaiting the arrival of the adult custodian.

Jail – Partial Separation The child is placed in an adult jail or lock-up where: 1.)

conversation between adults and juveniles may be possible; 2.) adults and juveniles can see each other but no conversation is possible; or 3.) juveniles may be separated by sight and sound from adults but share common areas at times, such as dining, showers, etc. Includes those cases where the child is temporarily held in this secure situation while awaiting the arrival of

the adult custodian.

Jail - No Separation The child is placed in an adult jail or lock-up with no

sight or sound separation from adult prisoners. Includes those cases where the child is temporarily held in this secure situation while awaiting the arrival of the

adult custodian.

Judge An elected or appointed person/individual presiding

over the juvenile court proceedings.

Judicial Review Periodic formal reviews of a case or a referral by a

judge or referee.

Jurisdiction The right and power to interpret and apply the law.

Juvenile Any individual under the chronological age of eighteen

(18) who has not been previously transferred to adult

court.

Juvenile Detention

Facility

A secure or physically restricted facility housing only Includes those cases where a child is temporarily held in this secure situation while awaiting

the arrival of the adult custodian.

Larceny/Theft The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of

property from the possession of another.

A group of persons numbering less than half of a total. **Minority**

Motion Oral or written request before, during, or after court

hearings on which a court issues a ruling or order.

Non-Secure Placement The child is placed in a non-secure, physically

> unrestricted facility such as a group home, shelter facility, temporary holding resource (THR), foster home,

attendant care, or is placed on home detention.

Offenses Against

Persons

Delinquent offenses such as criminal homicide, assault,

rape, etc., that were committed against persons.

Offenses Against

Property

Delinguent offenses such burglary, as arson, vandalism, etc., that were committed against property.

Outcome Result(s) of an informal adjustment, informal judicial

action, and/or formal adjudications/actions.

Determination of who is the father of a child. **Paternity**

Petition A document filed in a juvenile court alleging that a

> juvenile is a delinquent or status offender, or on the child's behalf and asking that the court assume

jurisdiction over the juvenile, or juvenile's case.

Detention

Placement After Secure Placement of a child following the detention hearing, but

prior to an adjudicatory hearing.

Pretrial Diversion A procedure similar in nature to informal adjustment,

with no official finding as to guilt, except that a judge or

referee must approve any agreement.

Probation Supervision of the child to monitor behavior after finding

of guilt.

Probation Officer An official of the court whose duties include, but are not

limited make investigations. reports. to. recommendations to the juvenile court, receive and examine complaints and charges of delinquency,

supervise and assist a child placed on probation.

Referee An individual, licensed to practice law in Tennessee,

who is appointed by the judge to hear cases. A referee has the same authority and powers as the judge to

issue process and conduct proceedings.

Referral A referral is defined as a complaint, offense or reason

that the juvenile court is involved with the child.

Referral Date The date the child was referred to the court on the

current referral reason/charges.

Referral Source The agency or individual filing a complaint with intake

that initiates court proceedings.

Retired or Nolle

Prosequi

When a case is retired after having remained open due to some condition, or the prosecuting attorney makes a formal entry on record that he/she will not prosecute the

case further (nolle prosequi means unwilling to pursue).

Returned to Prior Living Arrangement Child is allowed to return to his/her regular place of

residence prior to being detained.

Review Concluded

The ongoing review process is concluded.

Review Hearing Held by the juvenile court to review dispositions and to

determine the need to maintain placement in out-of-

home care and/or jurisdiction of a child.

Robbery The taking or attempting to take anything of value from

> the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the

victim in fear.

Special Proceedings The referral reason involves a special proceeding

wherein the child is not charged with an offense, but the petition/motion requests some action regarding the child

that requires the court's attention.

Status/Unruly Offenses Includes acts or types of conduct that are offenses only

when committed or engaged in by a juvenile; these can

only be adjudicated by a juvenile court.

Substantiated A judicial determination that the facts alleged in a

referral are true.

Rights

Termination of Parental A legal proceeding forever severing all legal rights and obligations of the parent so that others may adopt the

child.

Transfer to Adult Court (T.C.A. § 37-1-134) After a petition has been filed

alleging delinquency based on conduct that is designated a crime or public offense under the laws, including local ordinances, of this state, the court, before hearing the petition on the merits, may transfer the child to the sheriff of the county to be held according to law and to be dealt with as an adult in the

criminal court of competent jurisdiction.

Truant A child who willfully and unjustifiably fails to attend

school when attendance is required by law.

Units of Count Number of children, cases, referrals, and dispositions

or outcomes.

Violent Crime Index Includes homicide, robbery, forcible rape and

aggravated assault.

YSO Youth Services Officer. An official of the court whose

duties include, but are not limited to, juvenile court intake, pre-hearing investigations, referral, supervision, detention screenings, counseling, and/or record

keeping.