

GREENE COUNTY JUVENILE OFFICE

2014 CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT STATISTICS

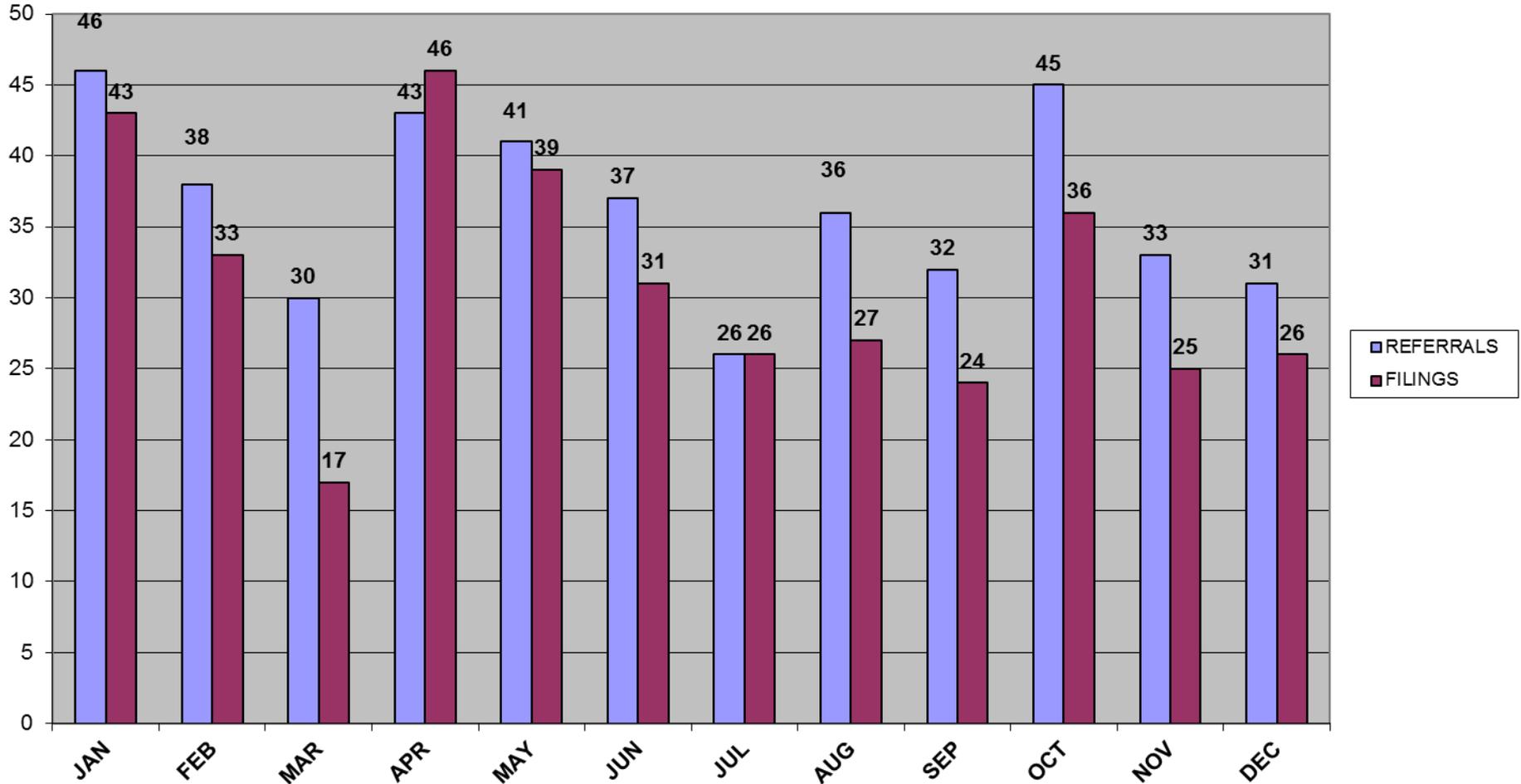
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Abuse & Neglect Numbers

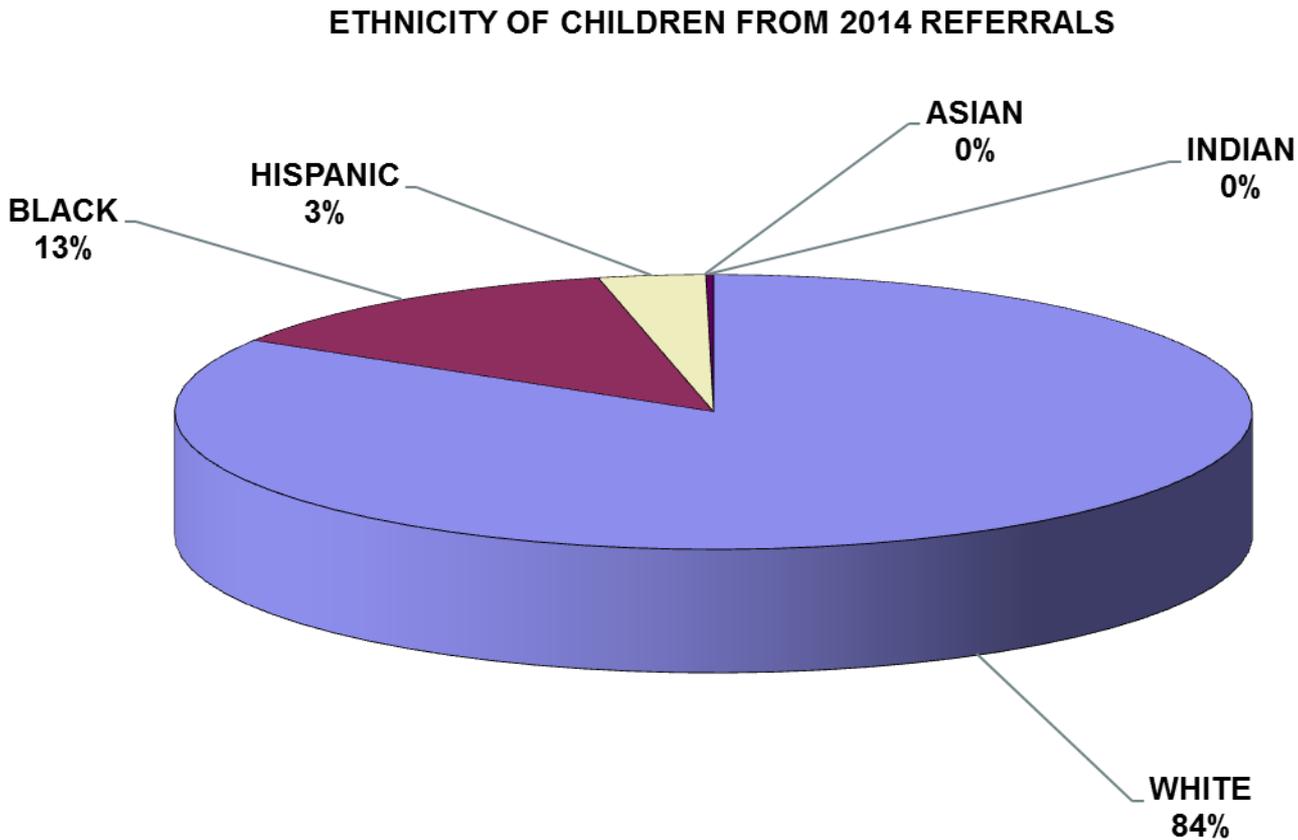
- On average, there were 879 children in care involving an average of 526 families.
- | <u>Referrals</u> | <u>total</u> | <u>average</u> |
|------------------|--------------|----------------|
| ● Family | 265 | 21/month |
| ● Children | 438 | 37/month |
- | <u>Filings</u> | <u>total</u> | <u>average</u> |
|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| ● Family | 222 | 19/month |
| ● Children | 373 | 31/month |
- Petitions were filed on 85% of the referrals received.

ABN Referrals & Filings

ABUSE & NEGLECT REFERRALS & FILINGS FOR 2014

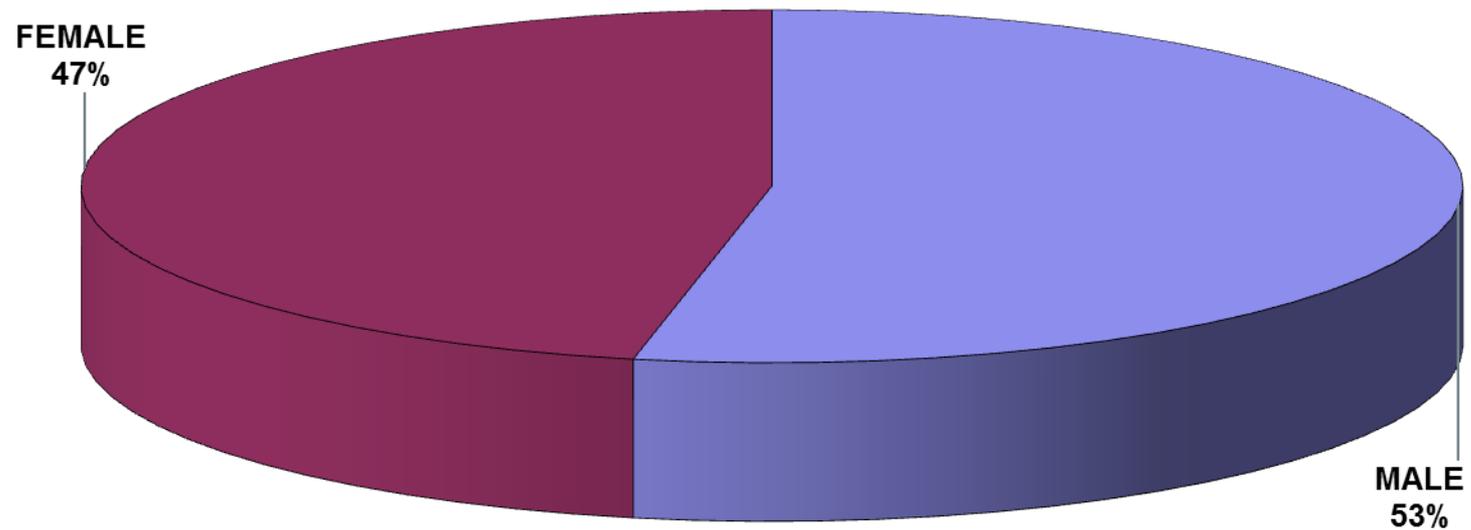


ABN Referrals by Ethnicity



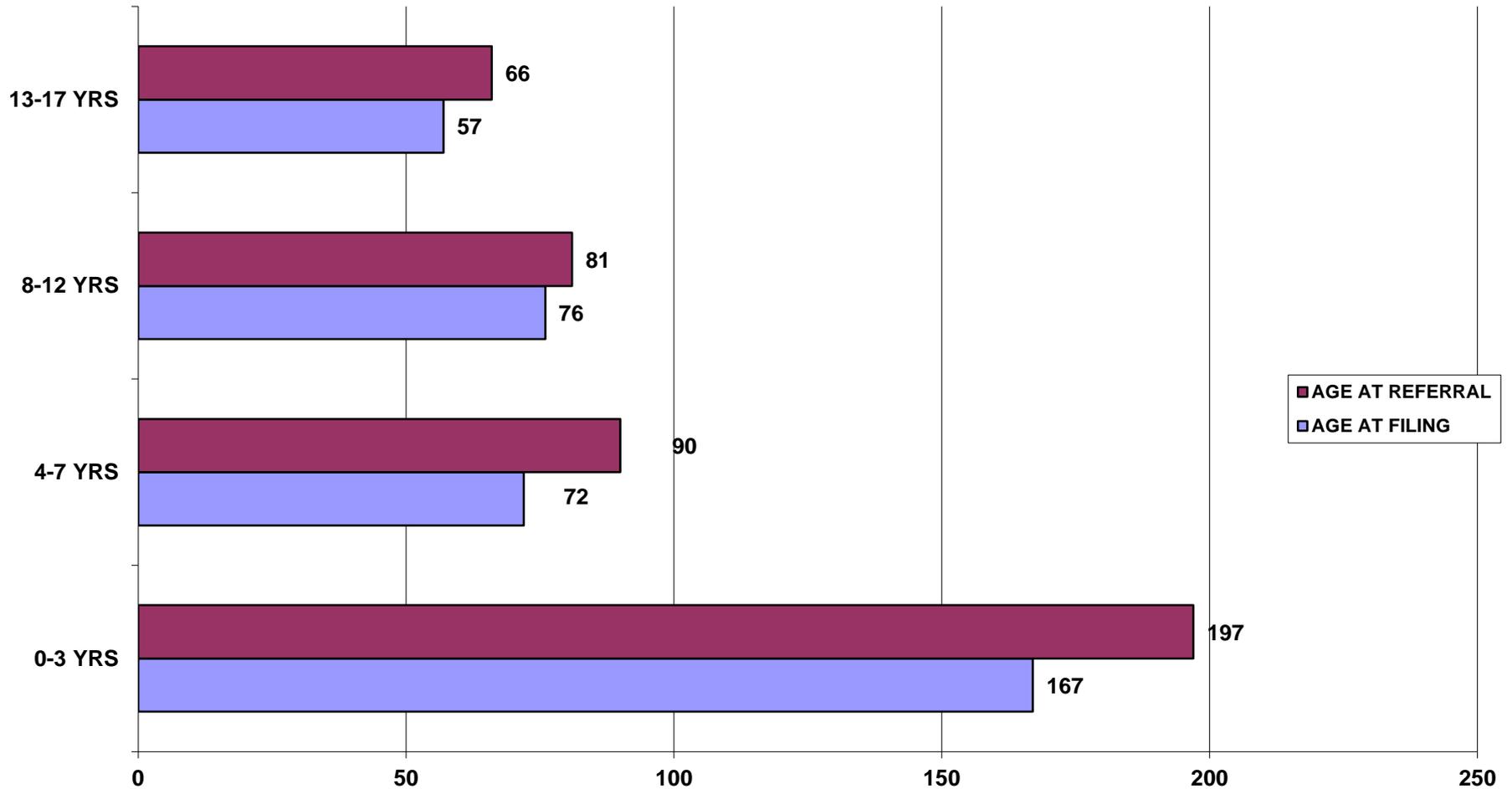
ABN Referrals by Gender

GENDER OF CHILDREN FROM 2014 REFERRALS



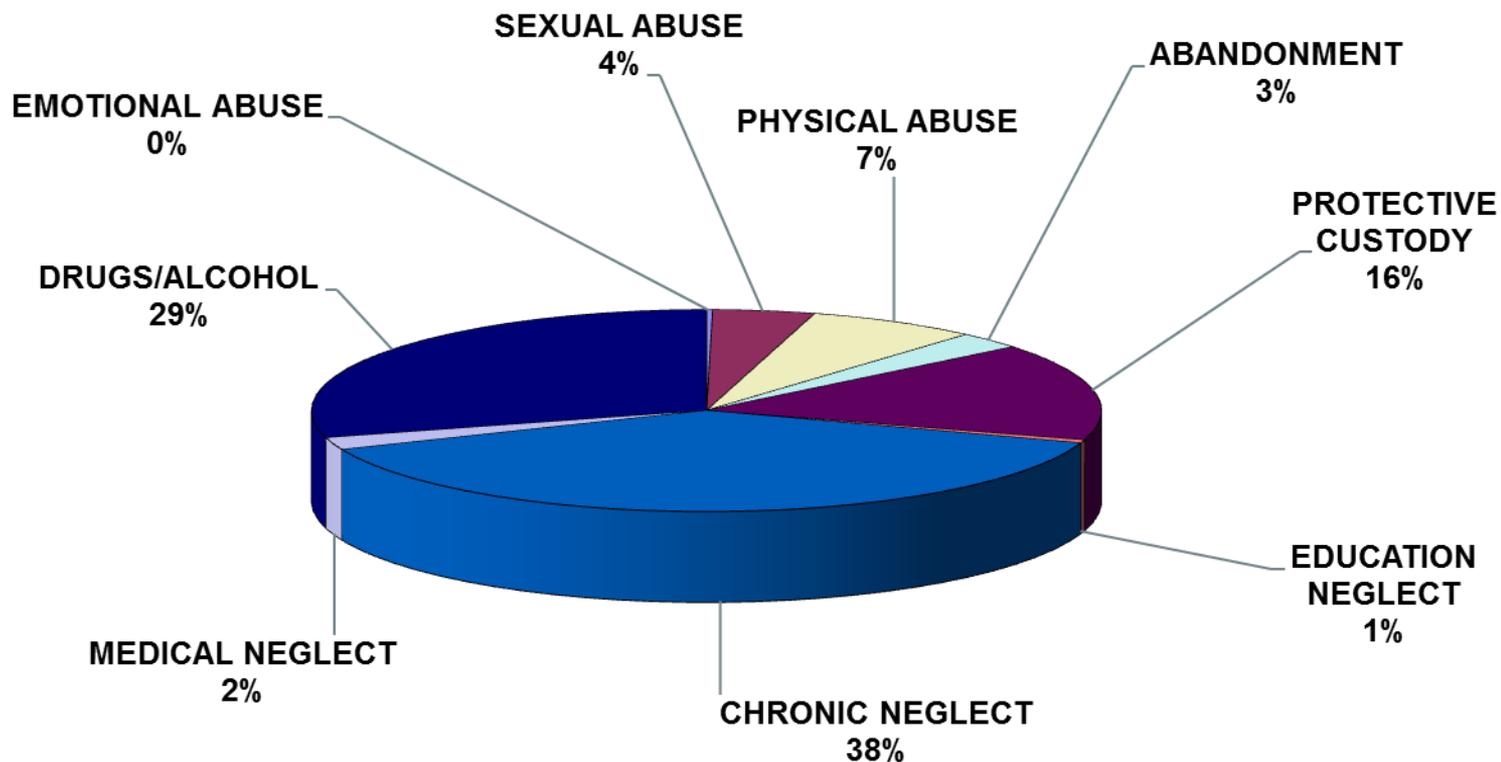
ABN Referrals & Filings by Age Groups

2014 ABUSE & NEGLECT REFERRALS AND FILINGS BY AGE GROUPS



ABN Referral Allegations

Abuse & Neglect Referral Allegations 2014



- Chronic Neglect includes lack of supervision, unsafe/unsanitary housing, domestic violence & mental health/functioning issues*
- Protective Custody indicates custody being taken by Law Enforcement or Doctor*

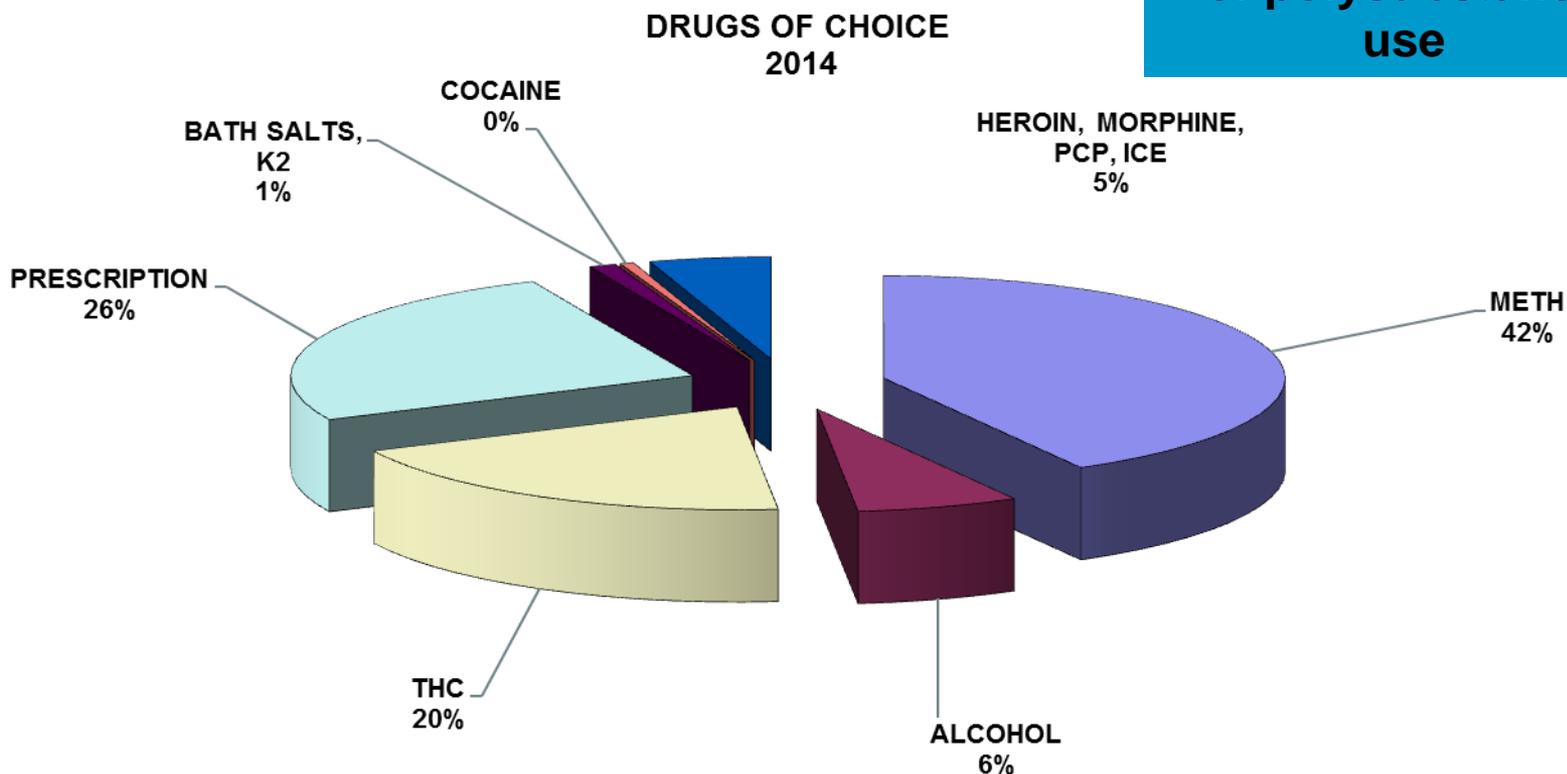
Controlled Substance Referrals

- **Drugs & Alcohol involved ABN Referrals**
- **Family**
 - Referrals 124
 - Filings 112
- **Children**
 - Referrals 225
 - Filings 195
- **Petitions were filed on 87% of referrals received involving drugs and/or alcohol.**

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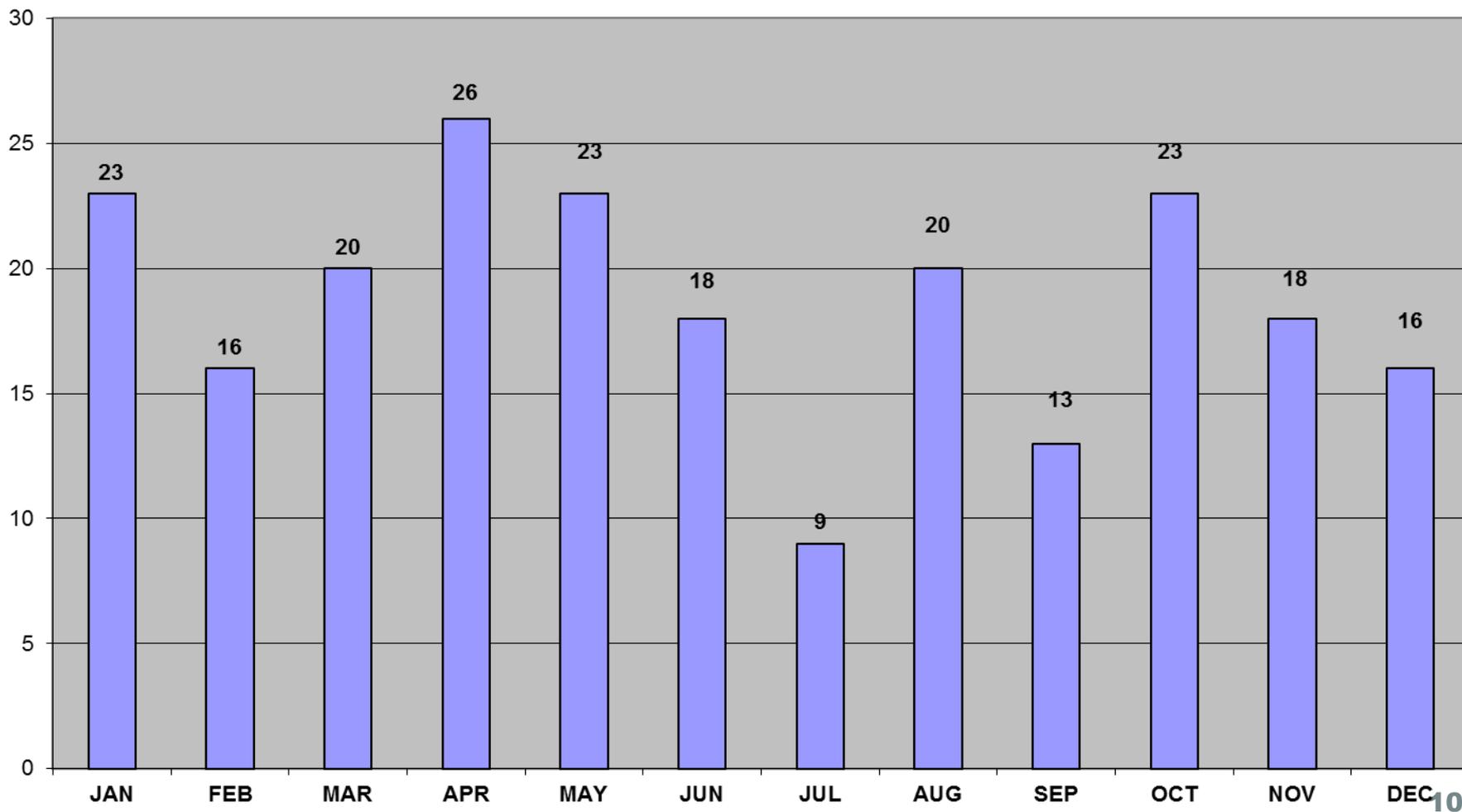
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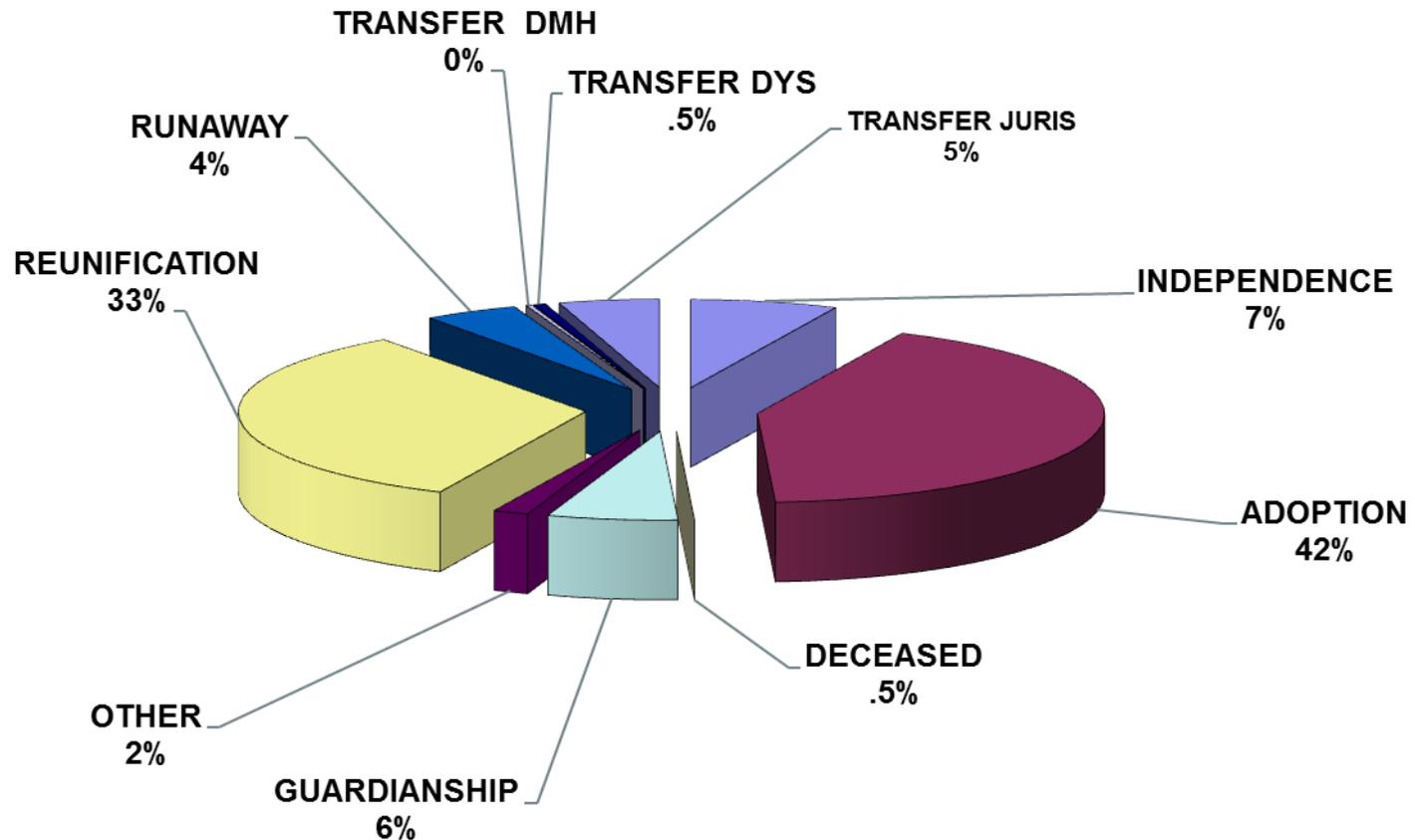
Controlled Substance Referrals

2014 Controlled Substance Related Referrals by Month



Permanency Outcomes

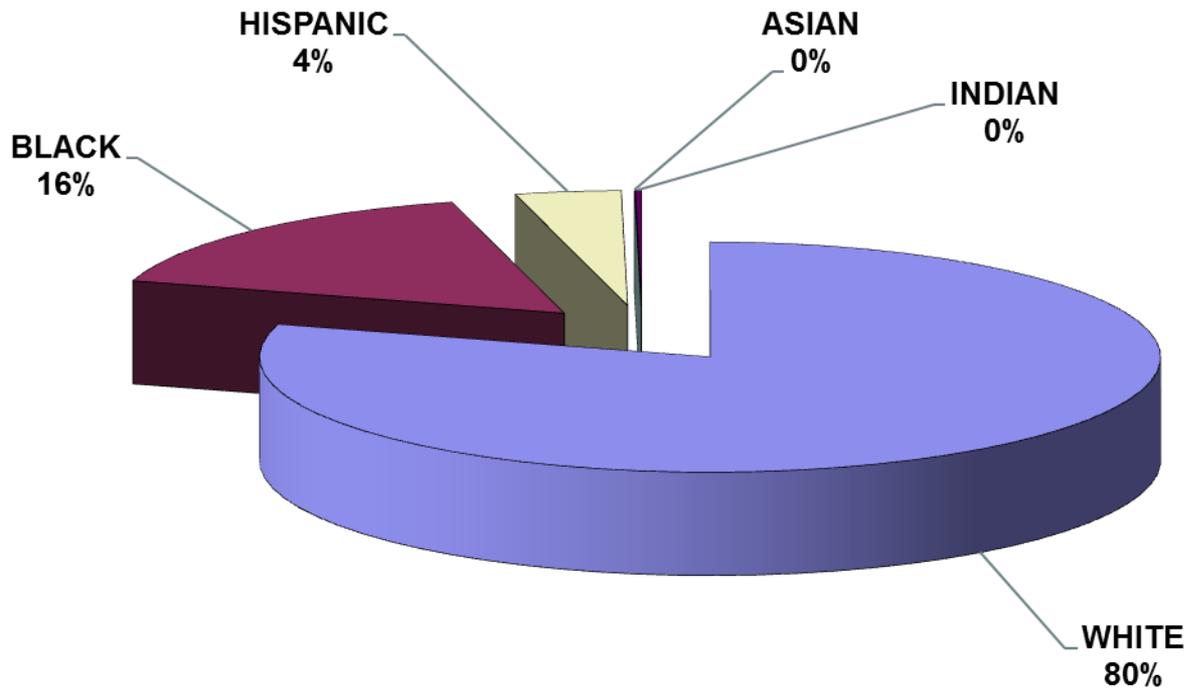
CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT CASE CLOSING OUTCOMES 2014



There were 364 children's cases closed in 2014

Ethnicity of Greene County Children

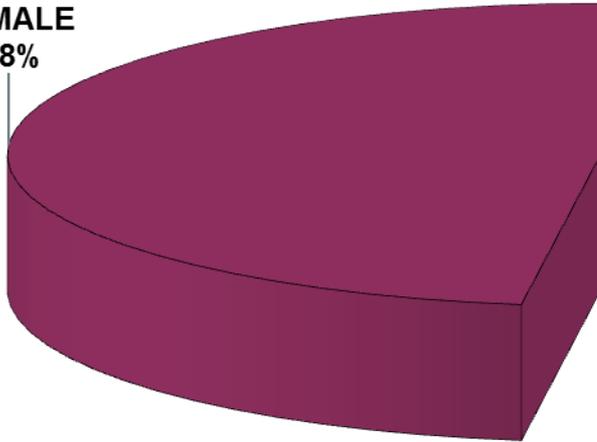
ETHNICITY OF GREENE COUNTY FOSTER CHILDREN
AS OF JANUARY 1, 2015



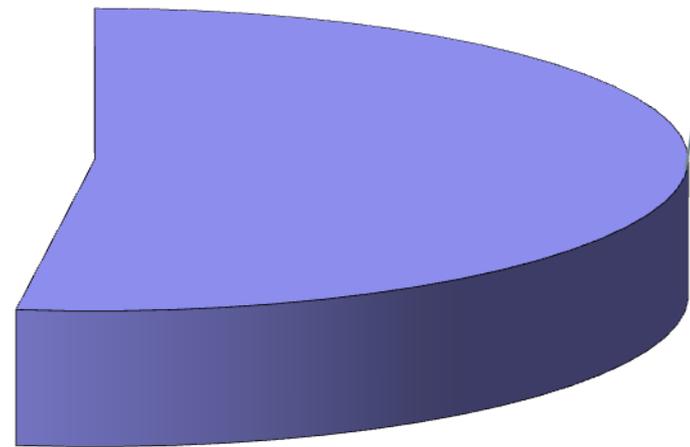
Gender of Greene County Children

GENDER OF GREENE COUNTY FOSTER CHILDREN
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FEMALE
48%

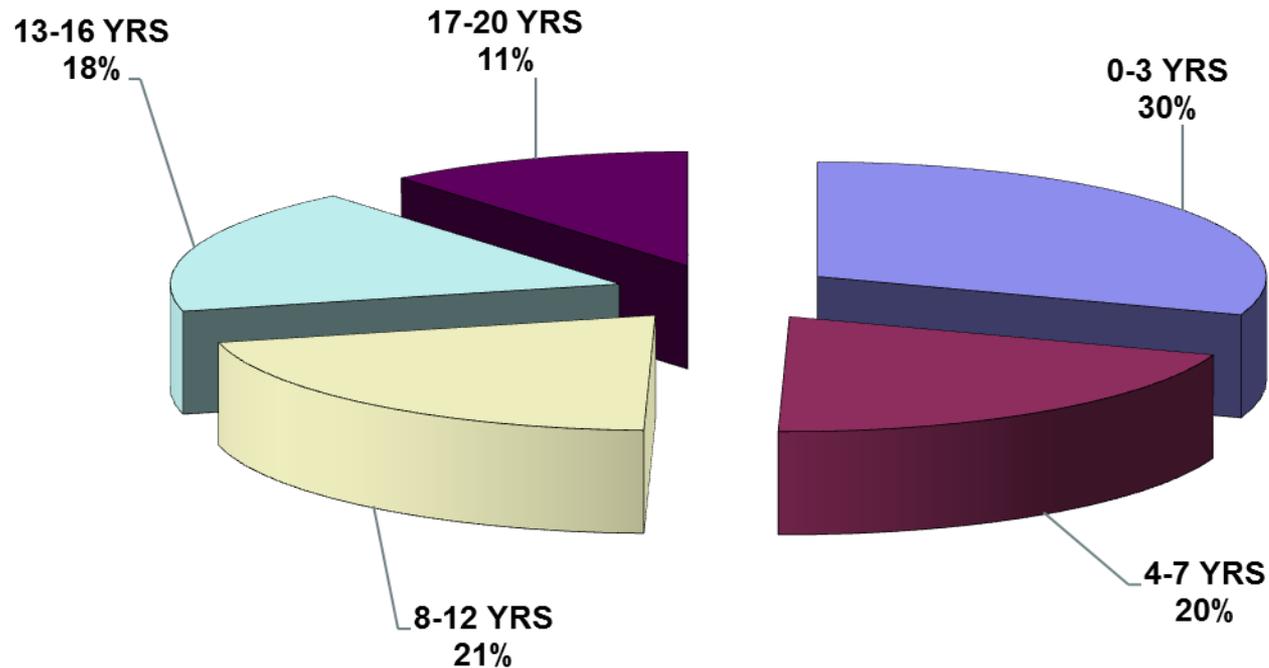


MALE
52%



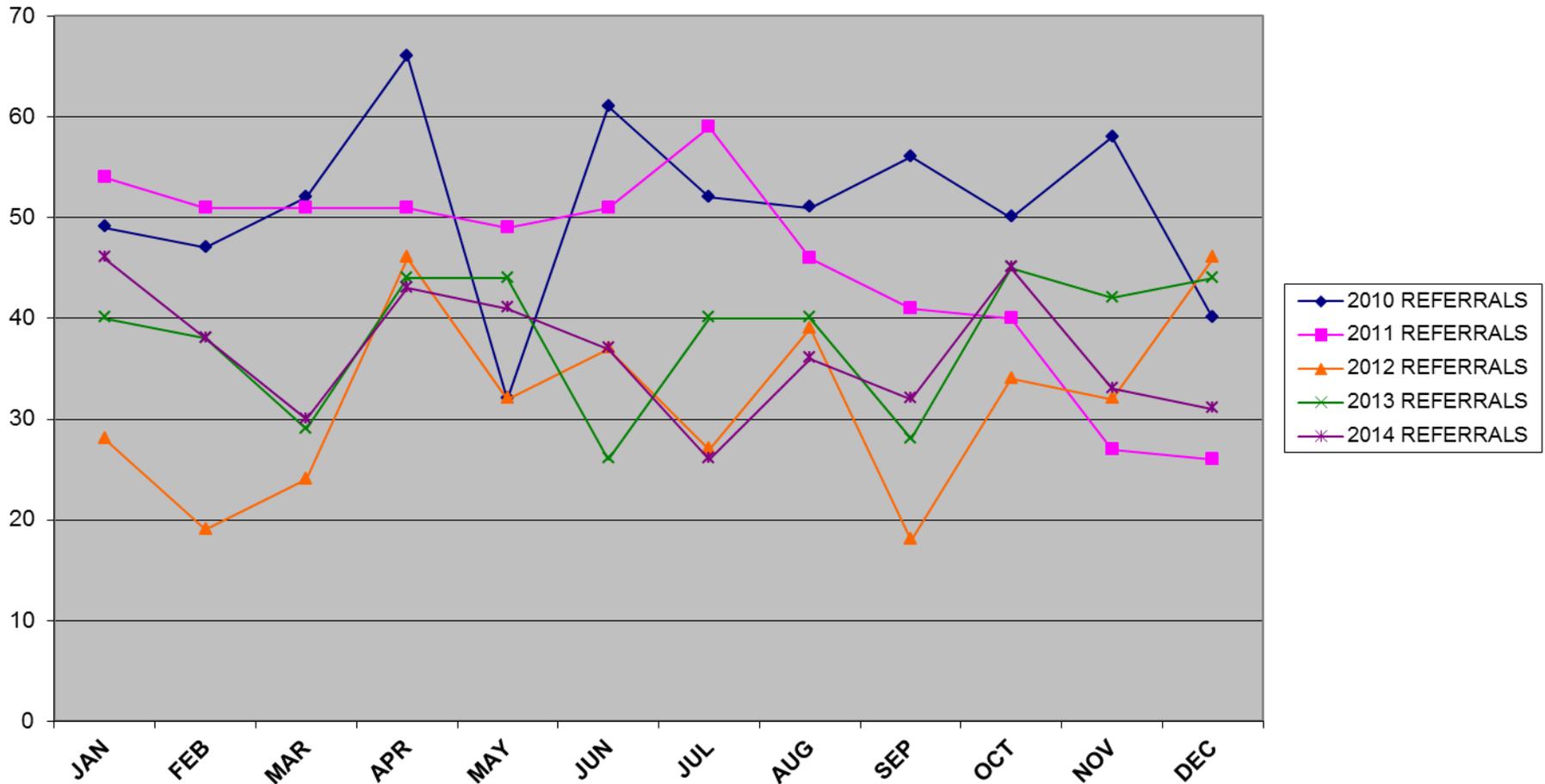
Ages of Greene County Children

GREENE COUNTY CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE BY AGE GROUP
AS OF JANUARY 1, 2015



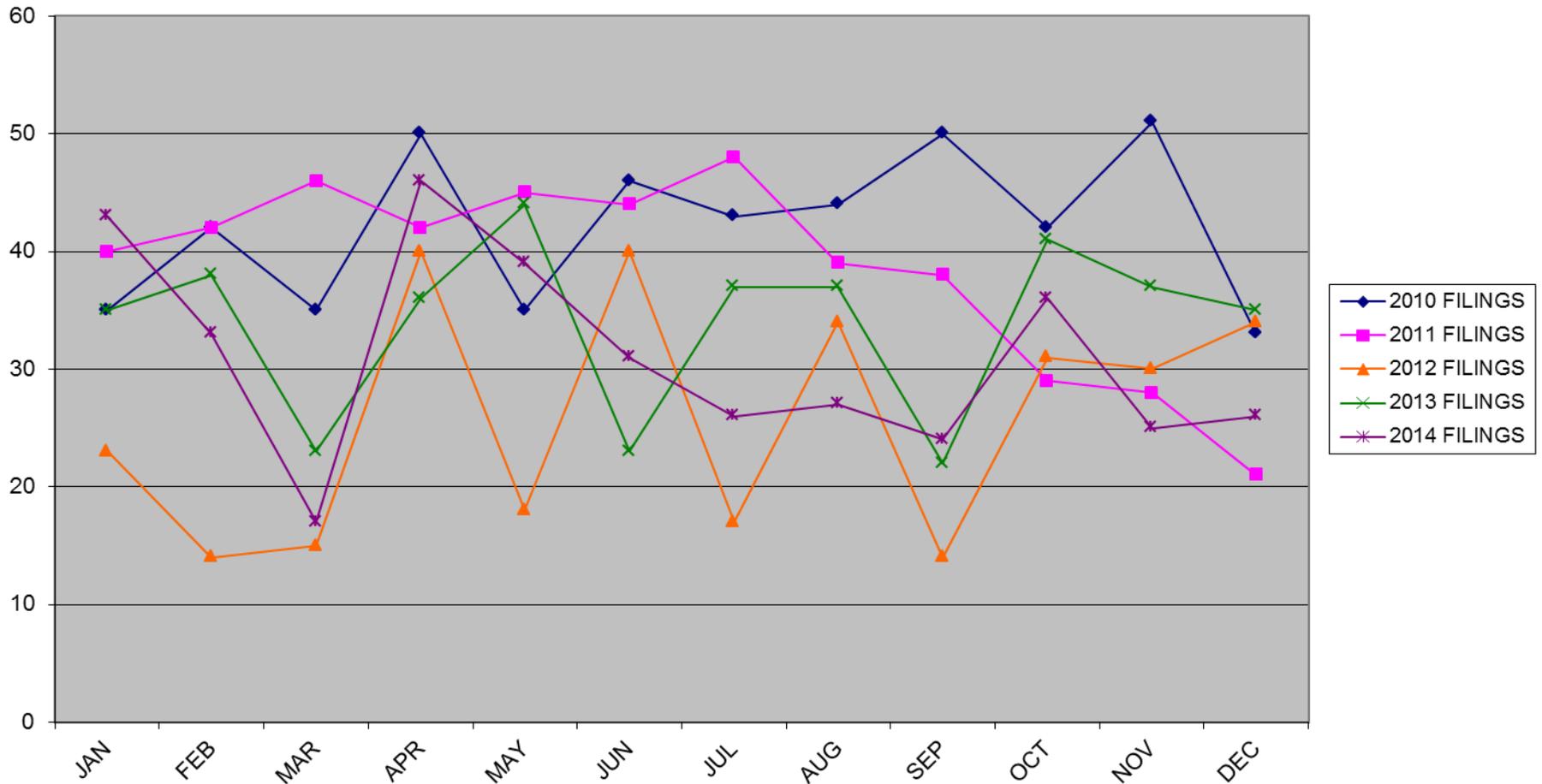
5 Year ABN Referral Comparison

ABUSE & NEGLECT REFERRALS FOR 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 & 2014



5 Year ABN Filing Comparison

ABUSE & NEGLECT FILINGS FOR 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 & 2014



Fostering Court Improvement

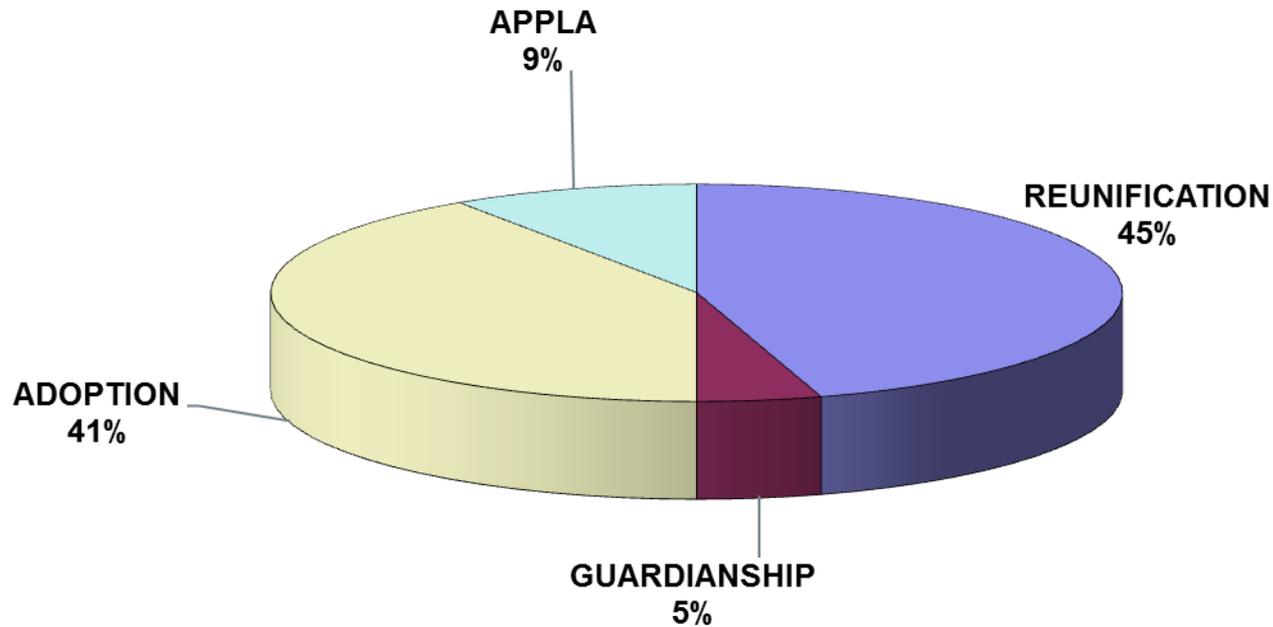
- Fostering Court Improvement is an ongoing collaborative committee tasked to actively review the system and work to alleviate barriers to permanency.
- Some of the accomplishments of the FCI committee in 2014 include:
 - Crossover, Assessment, Response & Evaluation-CARE (crossover youth) implemented
 - Committee established to develop incarcerated Parent visitation protocol.
 - Hosted “Legal Aspects of Termination of Parental Rights” training.

Road To Reunification (R2R)

- Road to Reunification was developed in Greene County and is a class put on by Abuse/Neglect Juvenile Officers which explains the court process, team meeting process, roles and responsibilities of team members, treatment plans and parent-child visitation and interactions to parents with children who have been placed into foster care.
 - 104 people attended the R2R class in 2014.
- 2014 Permanency rulings
 - 60% of the 2013 cases were either closed prior to one year or had a permanency finding of exceptions, meaning that a petition to terminate parental rights was not required by statute to be filed.

Road To Reunification (R2R)

2013 Permanency Case Goals



Road To Reunification (R2R)

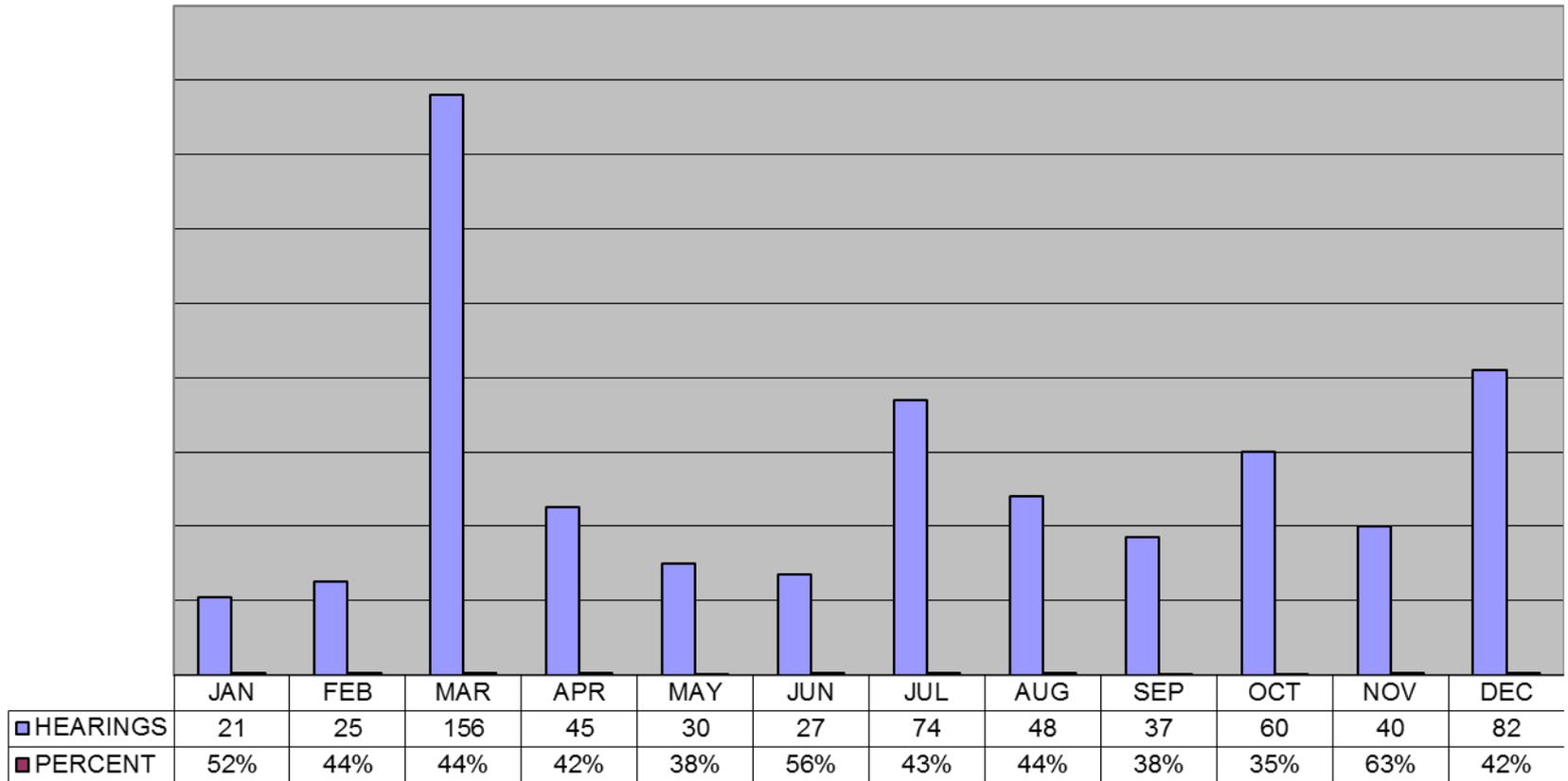
- Each parent completing the R2R class is asked to describe what they found most helpful about the class. Here are a few of their comments.
 - Letting me know that this is a very helpful things to make me a better parent for my child
 - What to do during visits and how to say goodbye.
 - How to be more involved with the team and the case.
 - Going more in depth in what is expected during the process of my case.
 - Knowing the next steps.
 - That the team wants parents to get their children back.
 - Being able to ask questions.

Kids In Court (KIC)

- Kids In Court is a Greene County initiative that advocates for older youth (age 12 and older) to attend court hearings on their case. KIC is utilized to give older youth an active voice in the court room and decisions that affect their life and their future.
- In 2014, 645 hearings were held for older youth.
 - In 2014 older youth were overall able to attend their hearings 55% of the time. Court attendance was up from 46% compared to 2013.

Kids In Court (KIC)

KIC Older Youth 2014 Court Attendance



Kids In Court (KIC)

- When older youth attend hearings they are asked provide comments about the importance of attending court hearings. Here are a few of their comments.
 - Because it helped me understand more about my case.
 - Because I get to say my piece about my process.
 - Because it gives me a better chance of explaining things myself.
 - Being able to get an opportunity to see people who really care about me. Thank you for the attention and specialization.
 - I get to hear about how other people think I'm doing.
 - I like to find out what my parents are doing.

In Conclusion

- While this information and data comes from the juvenile system it is important to recognize that many entities are involved with these children and families. Thank you's are extended to CASA Volunteer's, Family Members, Foster Parent's, Guardian ad Litem's, Parent Attorney's, Social Workers, Teachers, Therapist's, Treatment Providers and the many Community Partners who provide much needed support to the system.
- We appreciate your interest in learning more about Child Abuse & Neglect cases in Greene County.
- If there are any questions or additional information needed, please feel free to contact us.
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