

GREENE COUNTY JUVENILE OFFICE

2015 CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT STATISTICS

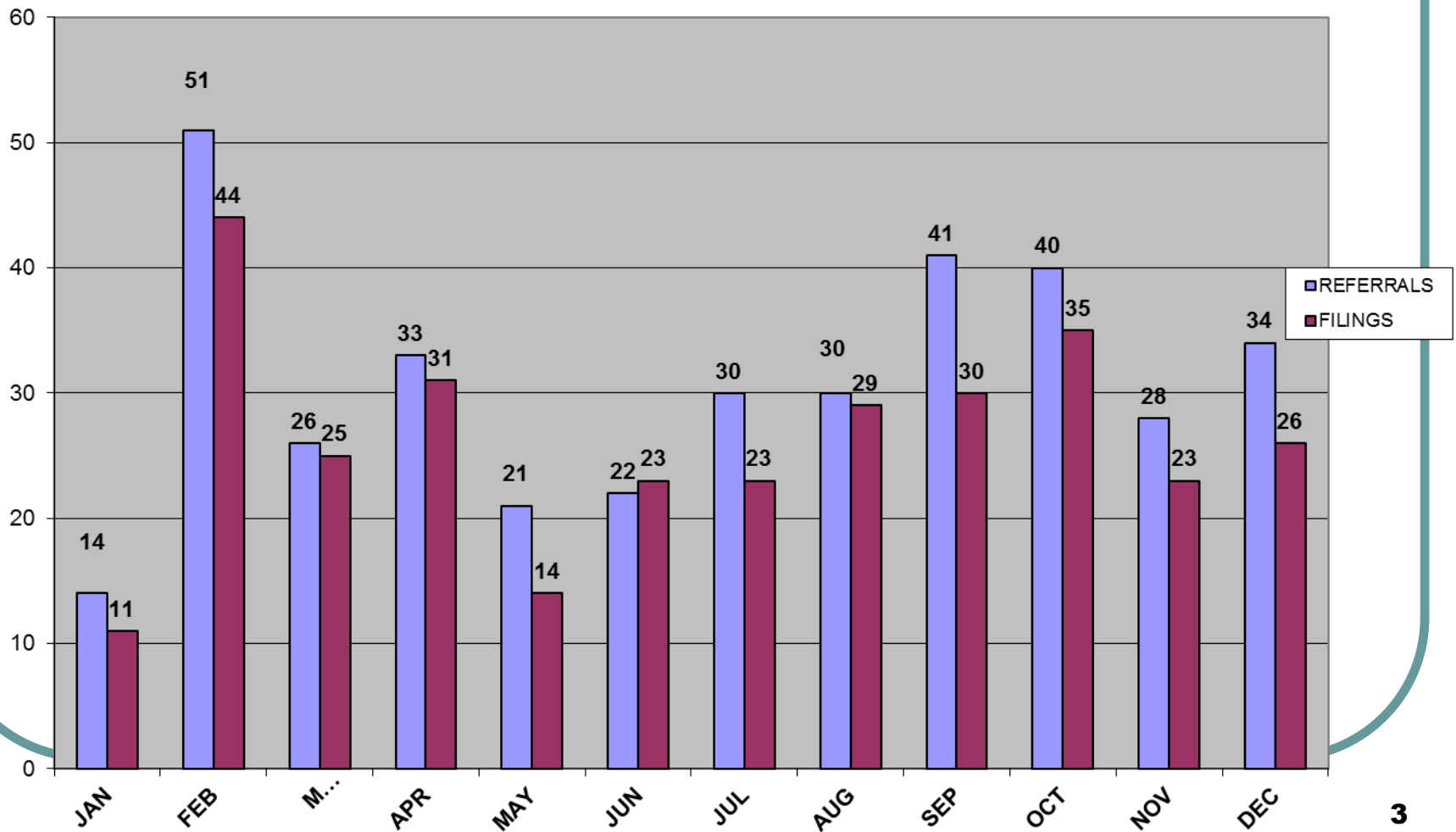
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Abuse & Neglect Numbers

- On average, there were 838 children in care involving an average of 479 families.
- | <u>Referrals</u> | <u>total</u> | <u>average</u> |
|------------------|--------------|----------------|
| ● Family | 192 | 17/month |
| ● Children | 370 | 31/month |
- | <u>Filings</u> | <u>total</u> | <u>average</u> |
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| ● Family | 166 | 15/month |
| ● Children | 314 | 26/month |
- Petitions were filed on 85% of the referrals received.

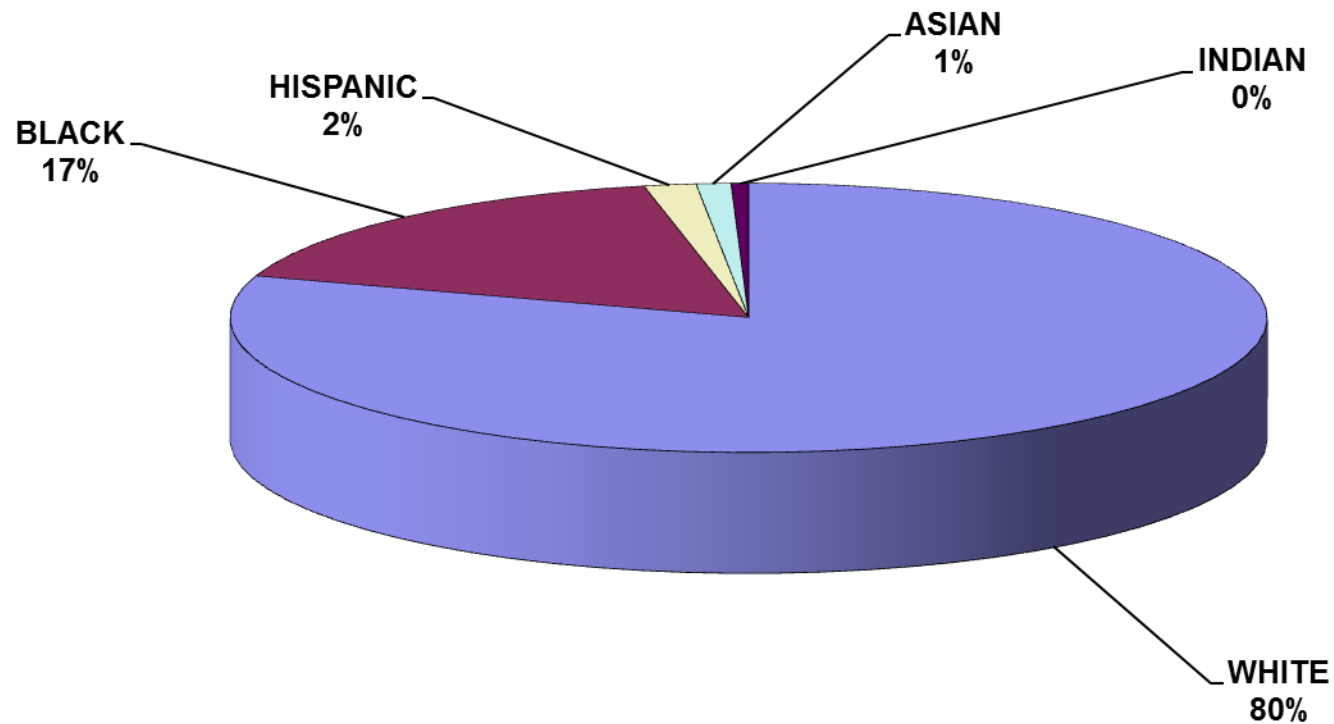
ABN Referrals & Filings

ABUSE & NEGLECT REFERRALS & FILINGS FOR 2015



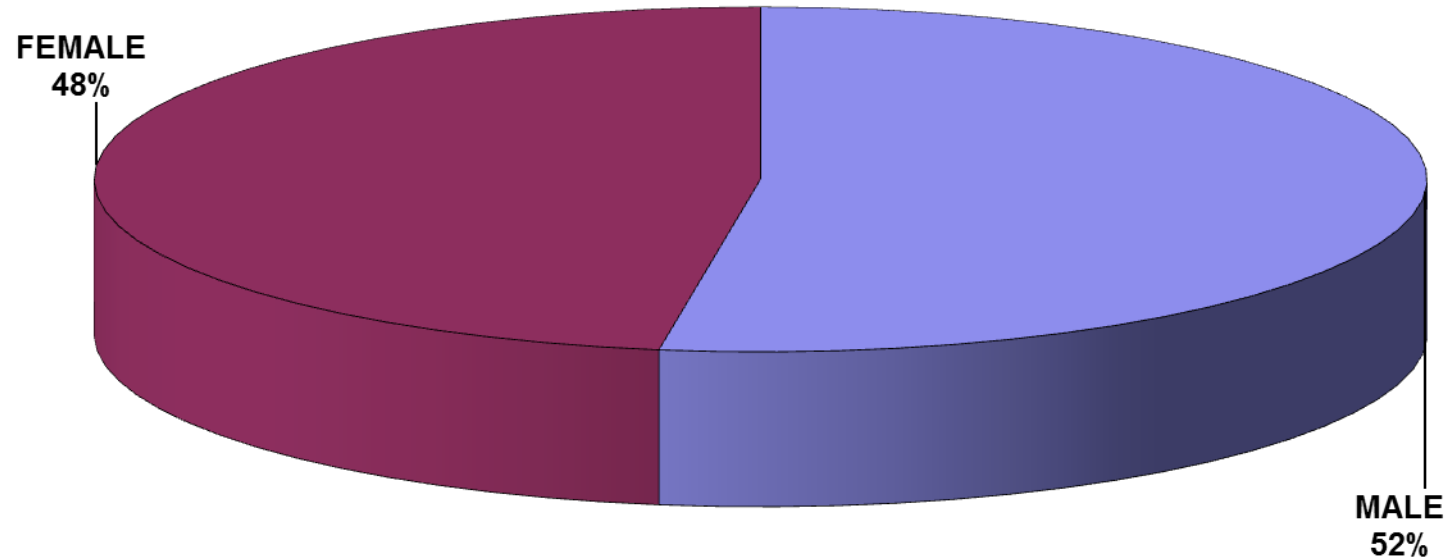
ABN Referrals by Ethnicity

ETHNICITY OF CHILDREN FROM 2015 REFERRALS



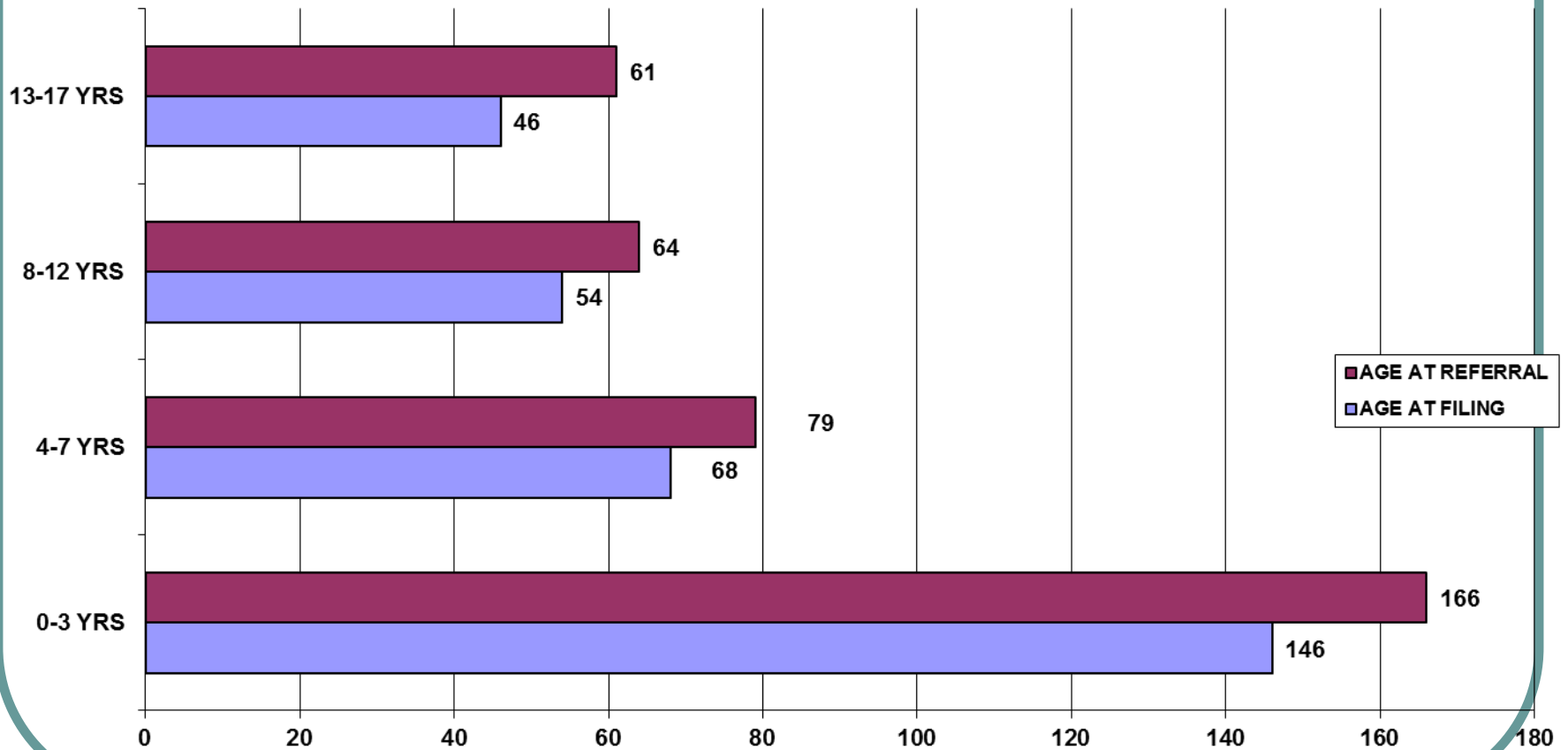
ABN Referrals by Gender

GENDER OF CHILDREN FROM 2015 REFERRALS



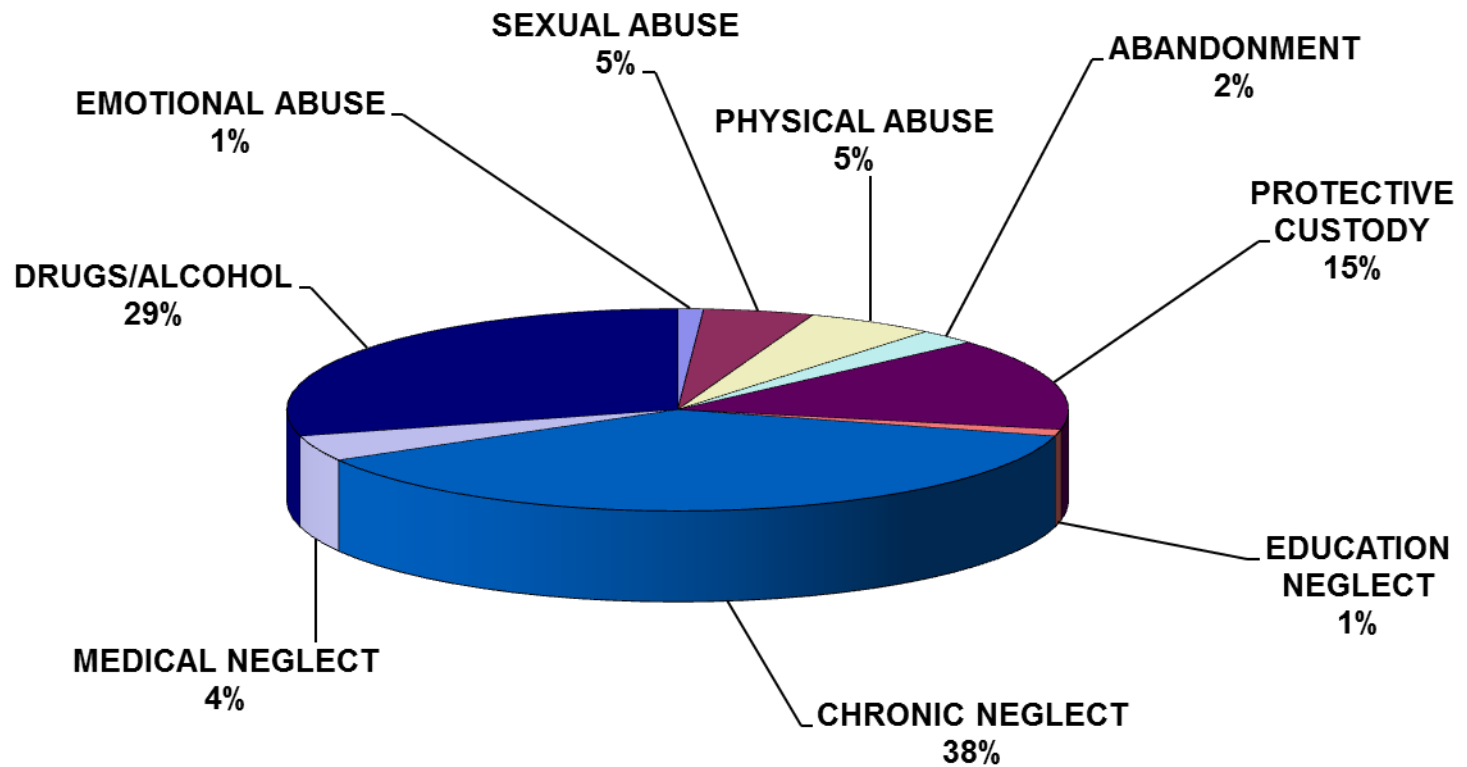
ABN Referrals & Filings by Age Groups

2015 ABUSE & NEGLECT REFERRALS AND FILINGS BY AGE GROUPS



ABN Referral Allegations

Abuse & Neglect Referral Allegations 2015



•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 104
- Filings 93

**38% of the 104 families
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polysubstance use**

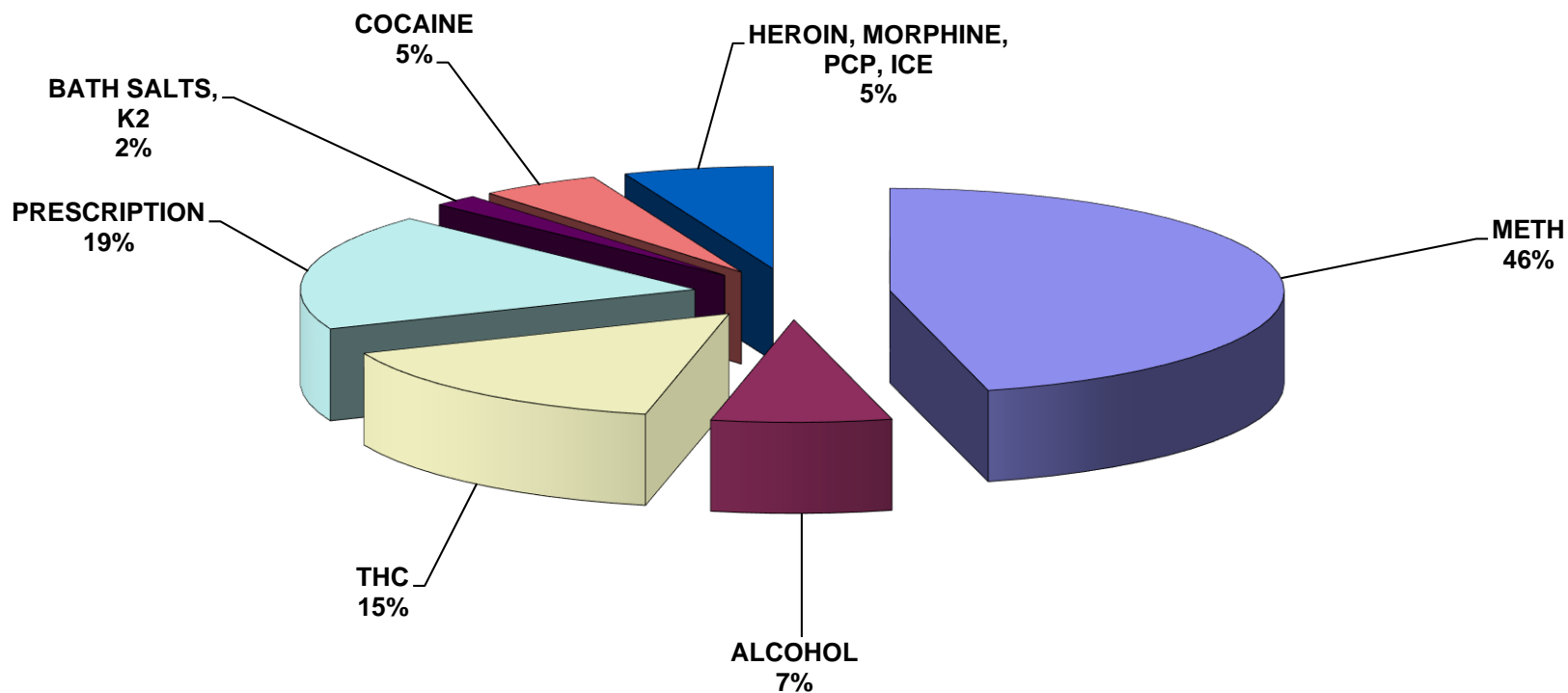
- **Children**

- Referrals 179
- Filings 163

- **Petitions were filed on 89% of referrals received involving drugs and/or alcohol.**

Controlled Substance Referrals

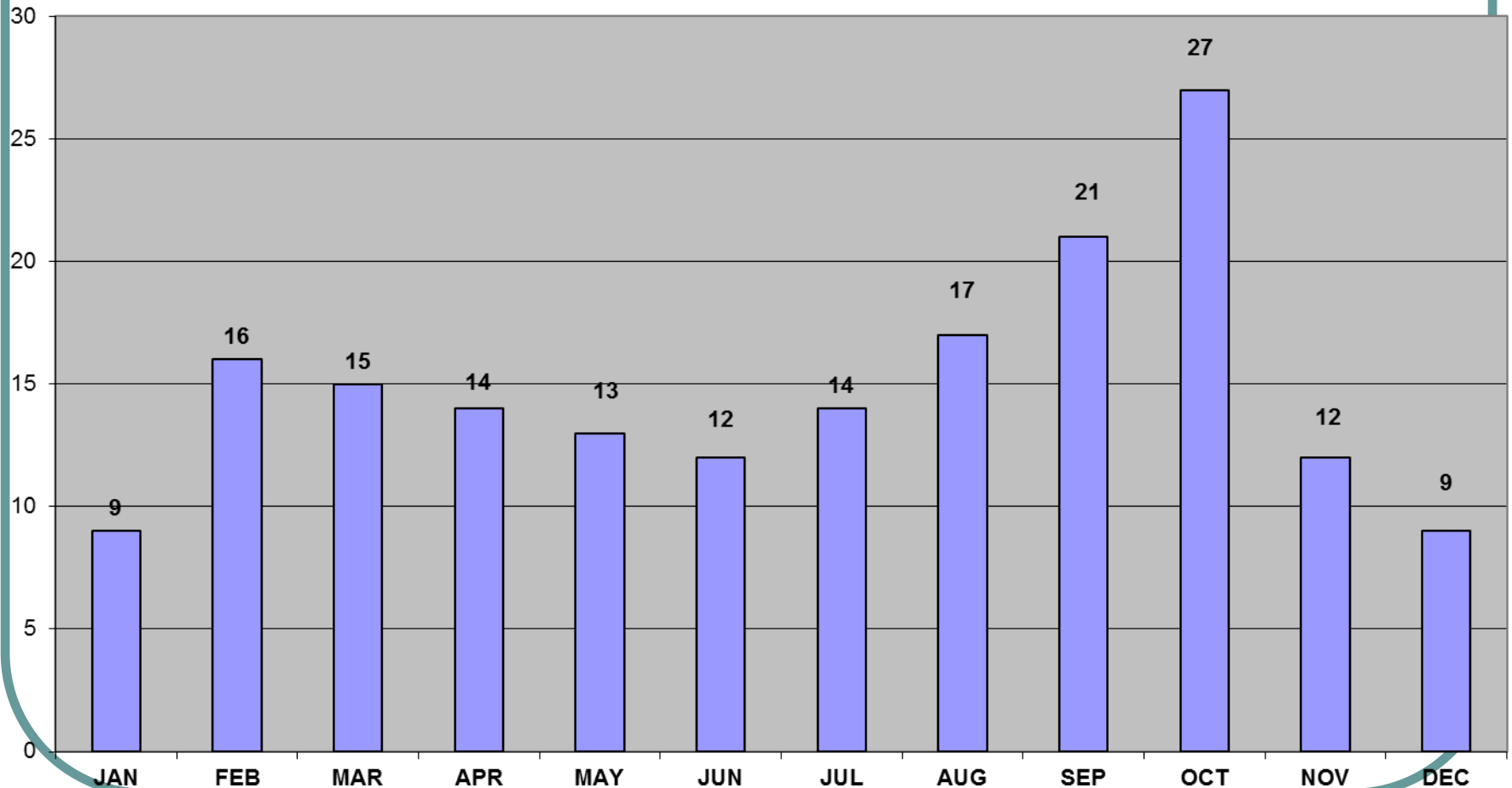
DRUGS OF CHOICE 2015



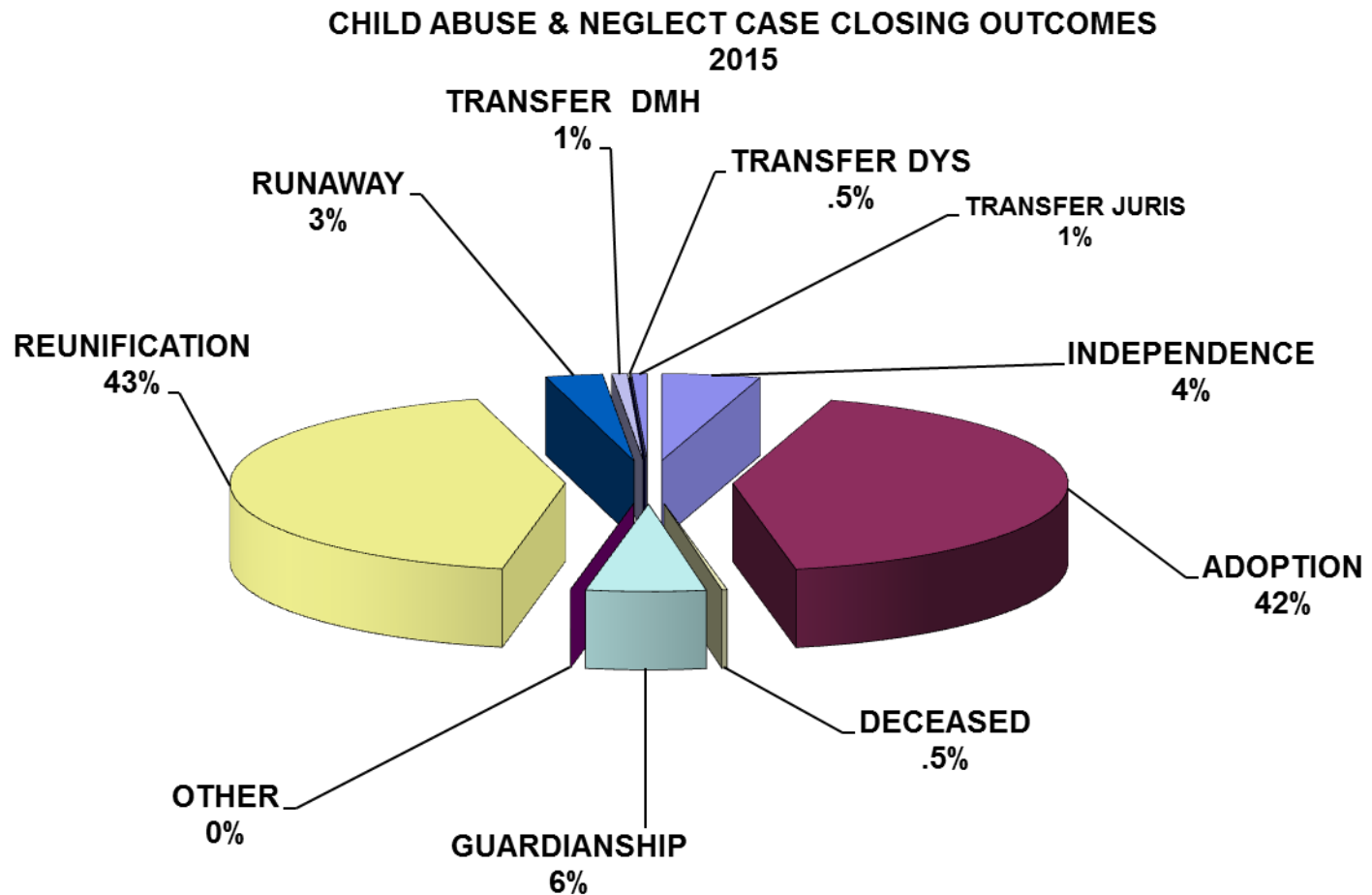
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Controlled Substance Referrals

2015 Controlled Substance Related Referrals by Month

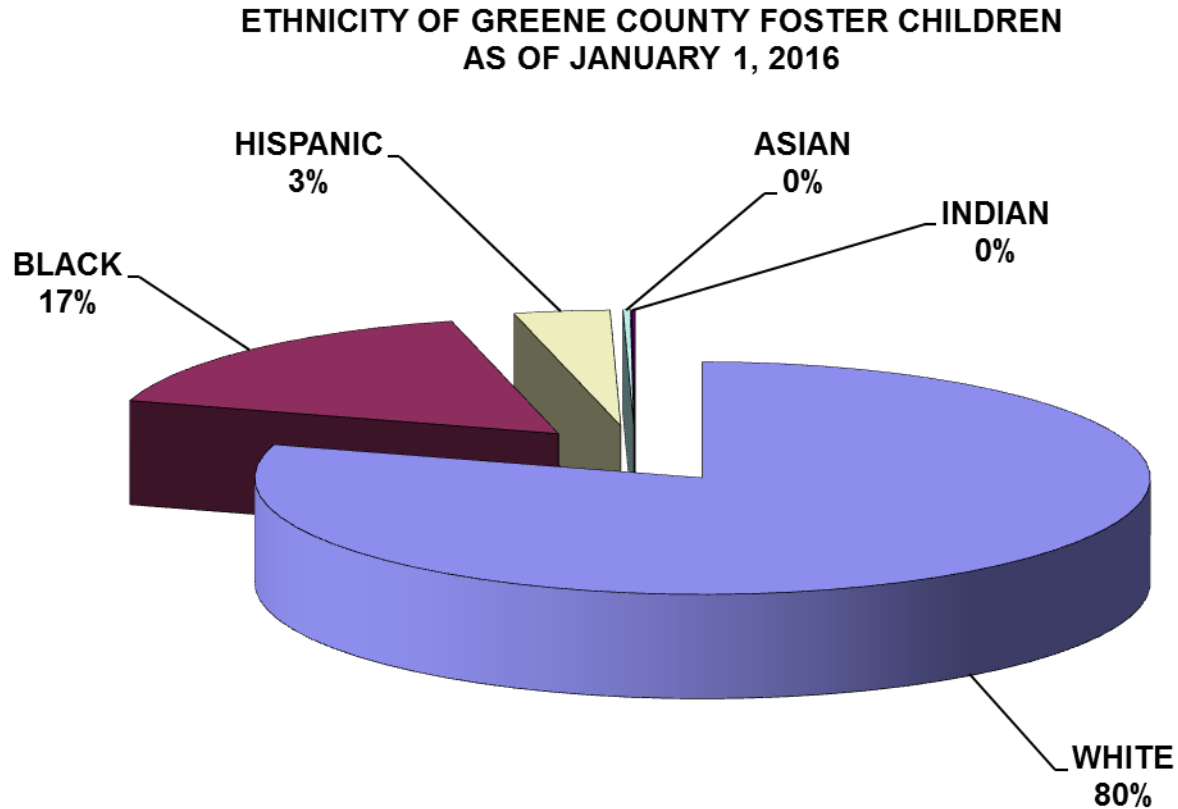


Permanency Outcomes



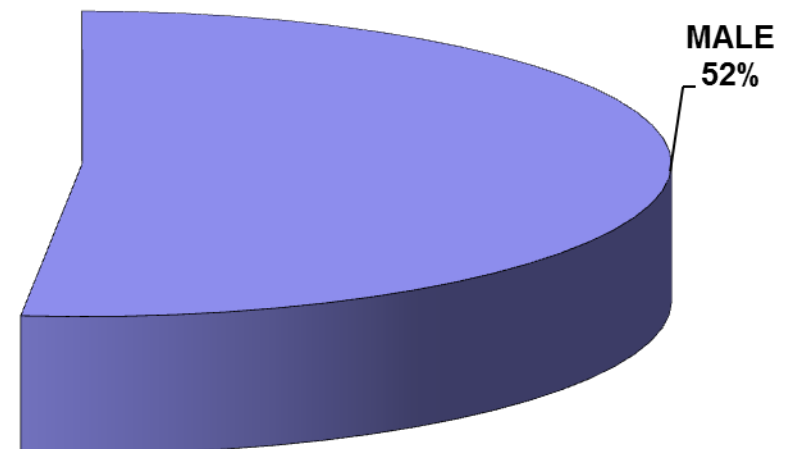
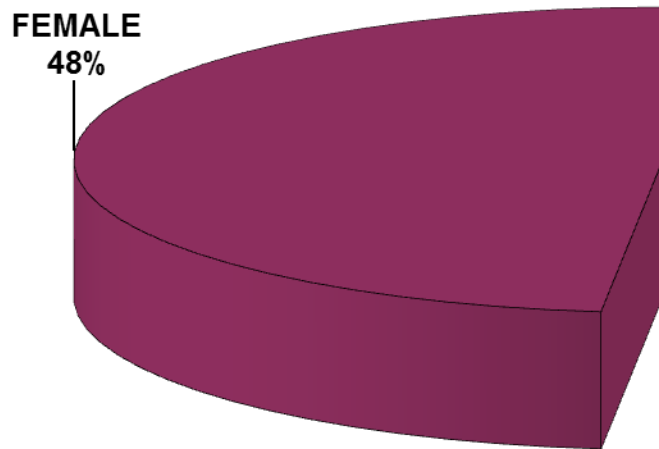
There were 400 children's cases closed in 2015

Ethnicity of Greene County Children



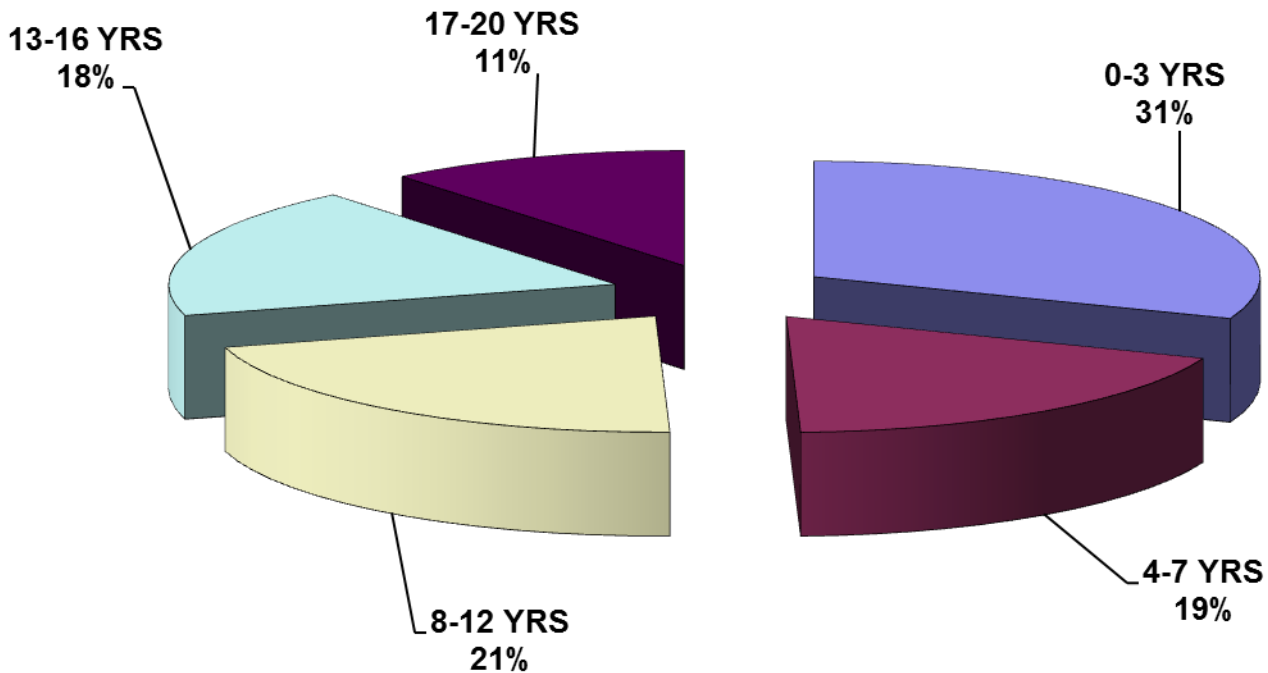
Gender of Greene County Children

GENDER OF GREENE COUNTY FOSTER CHILDREN
AS OF JANUARY 1, 2016



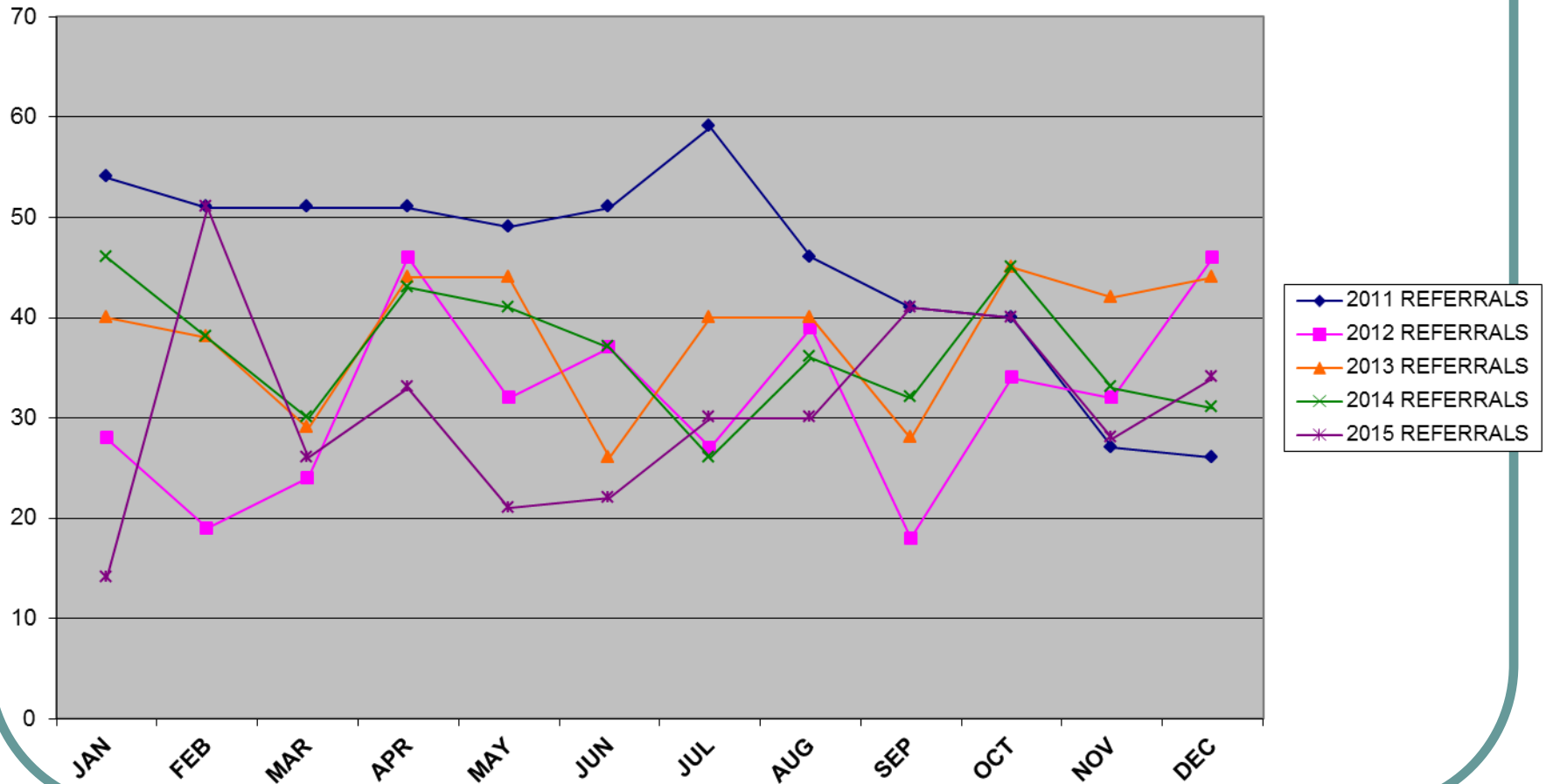
Ages of Greene County Children

**GREENE COUNTY CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE BY AGE GROUP
AS OF JANUARY 1, 2016**



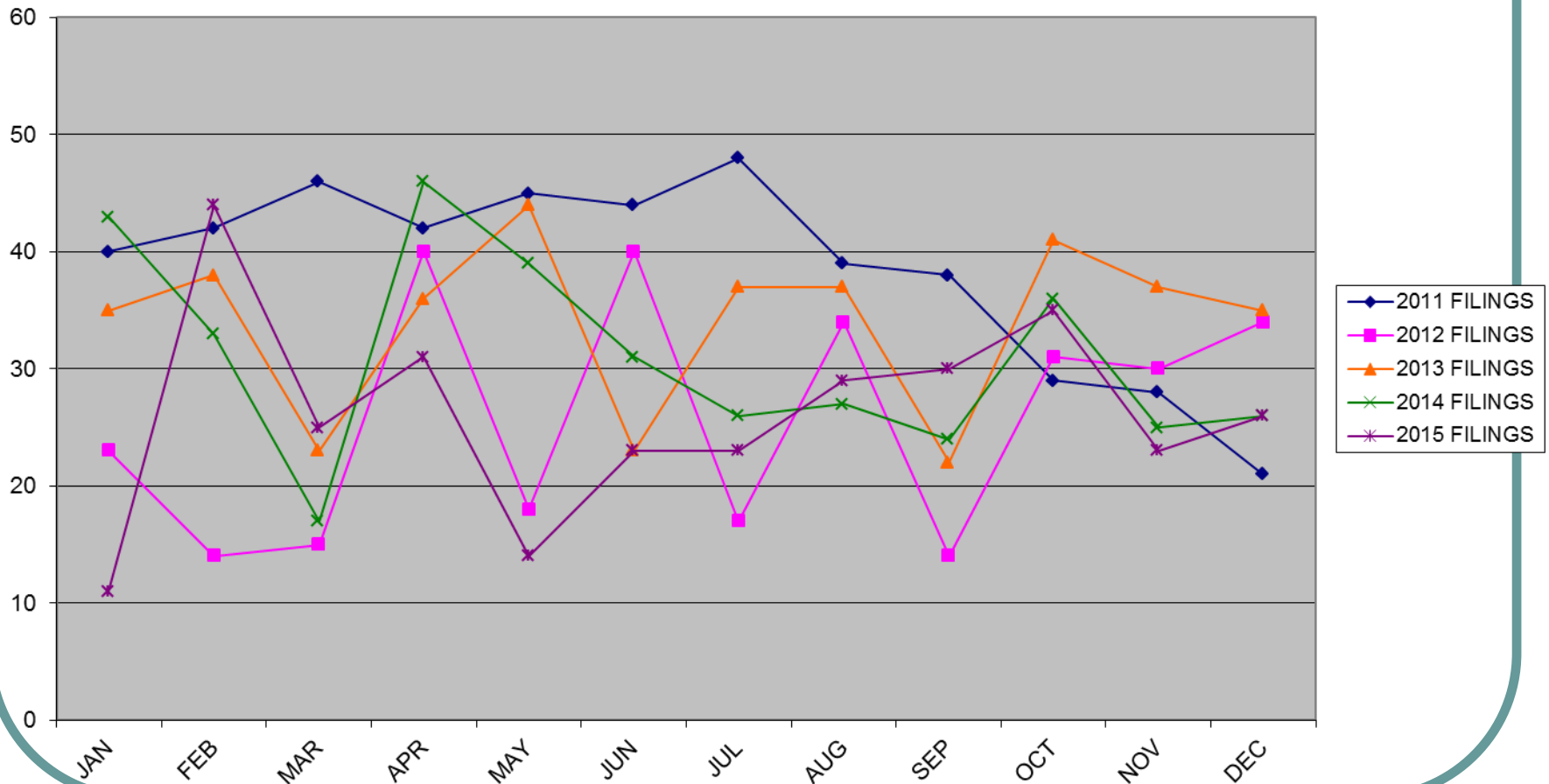
5 Year ABN Referral Comparison

ABUSE & NEGLECT REFERRALS FOR 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 & 2015



5 Year ABN Filing Comparison

ABUSE & NEGLECT FILINGS FOR 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 & 2015



Road To Reunification (R2R)

- Road to Reunification is an educational class developed in Greene County for parents with children placed in foster care which explains the court and case process, roles and responsibilities, treatment plans and visitation guidance. The hope is that a better understanding of the system and expectations will assist the parent in working through the case and toward the goal of reunification.
 - 76 people attended the R2R class in 2015.
- By using historical data an evaluation study was conducted to determine the impact of the class on permanency outcome
 - The study did find that the permanency goal had a better chance of remaining reunification if the parent attend the R2R class.
 - While the analysis does not prove that the course material is effective it shows that the patents who engage in the course have a greater chance of maintaining a reunification case goal.

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.
 - It clarified procedures and responsibilities I was unaware of.
 - It gave a better understanding where the case goes from start to finish.
 - It let us know how the process works.
 - The way everything was brought into context made everything more understandable.
 - The understanding of being a more responsible parent.
 - That it's okay to ask questions and ask for help..

Teens In Transition (TNT)

- TNT is an Older Youth Court focusing on improving the futures for older youth (age 16-20) in custody through an abuse/neglect case.
 - An emphasis is placed on providing awareness and direct access to community resources for older youth.
 - Staffing's are held bi-monthly. Attending are the Juvenile Judge, the youth, the Court team member's and community partners.
 - Currently 19 older youth are involved in TNT staffing's and activities.

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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