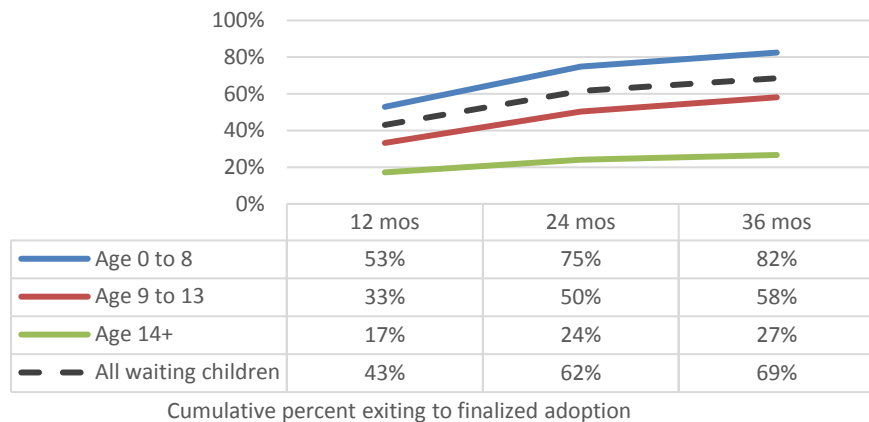


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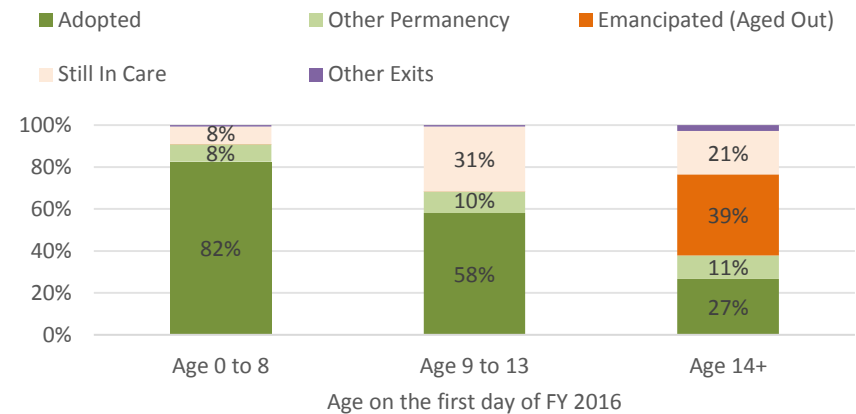
106,720 Children Waiting for Adoption on the First Day of Fiscal Year (FY) 2016

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Of the children and youth waiting for adoption at the beginning of FY 2016, what % were adopted in the following 12, 24, and 36 months?



Of the children and youth waiting for at the beginning of FY 2016, what was their status by the end of FY 2018?



	Total Number Waiting - First day of FY 2016	Cumulative Outcomes Through FY 2018				
		Adopted	Other Permanency	Emancipated (Aged Out)	Other Exits	Still In Care
Age 0 to 8	66,397	54,767	5,597	6	455	5,572
Age 9 to 13	24,141	14,031	2,474	8	172	7,456
Age 14+	16,182	4,314	1,797	6,262	460	3,349
All waiting children	106,720	73,112	9,868	6,276	1,087	16,377

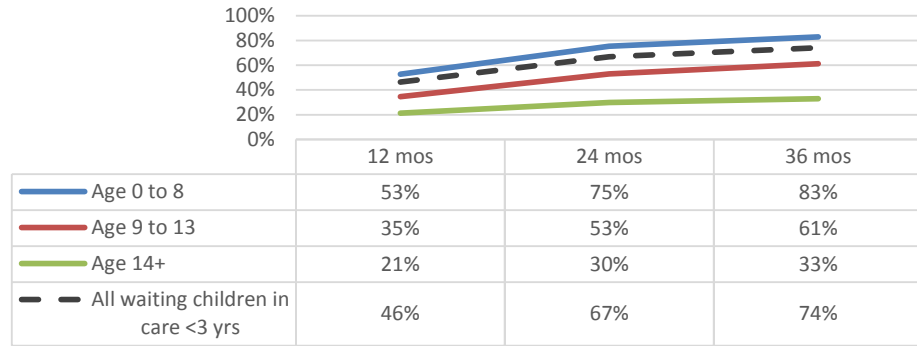
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76,204 Children Waiting for Adoption on the First Day of FY 2016 Who Had Been in Care Less Than Three Years

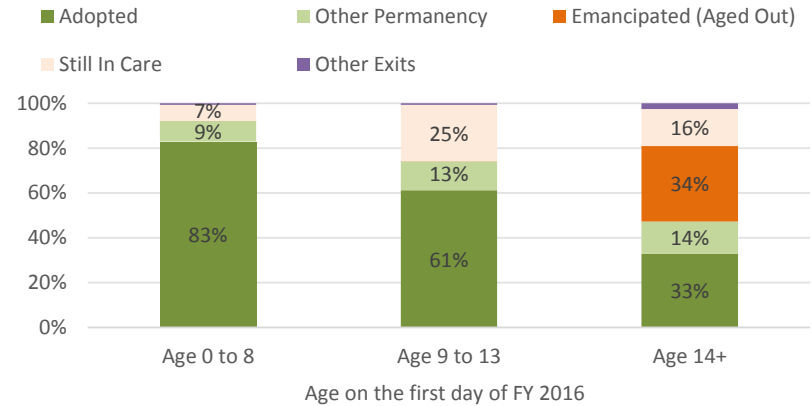
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Of the children and youth waiting for adoption at the beginning of FY 2016 who had been in care <3 yrs, what % were adopted in the following 12, 24, and 36 months?



Cumulative percent exiting to finalized adoption

Of the children and youth waiting for adoption at the beginning of FY 2016 who had been in care <3 yrs, what was their status by the end of FY 2018?



	Total # Waiting and in care <3yrs on the first day of FY 2016	Cumulative Outcomes Through FY 2018				
		Adopted	Other Permanency	Emancipated (Aged Out)	Other Exits	Still In Care
Age 0 to 8	54,820	45,447	5,008	5	382	3,978
Age 9 to 13	14,115	8,641	1,809	6	99	3,560
Age 14+	7,269	2,395	1,043	2,446	190	1,195
All waiting children	76,204	56,483	7,860	2,457	671	8,733

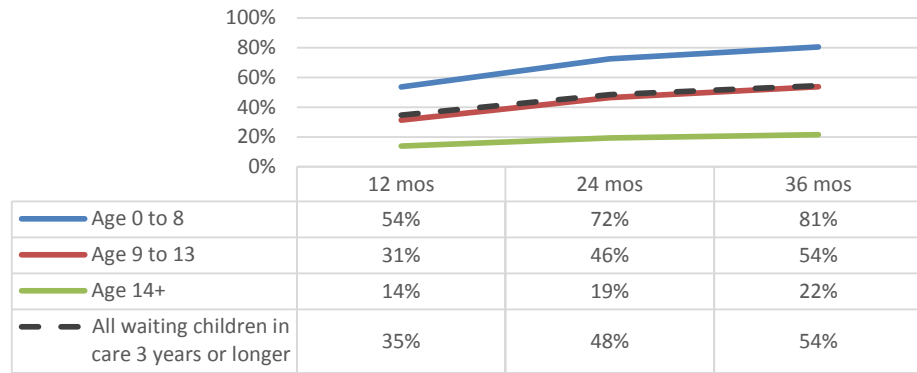
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30,516 Children Waiting for Adoption on the First Day of FY 2016 Who Had Been in Care Three Years or Longer

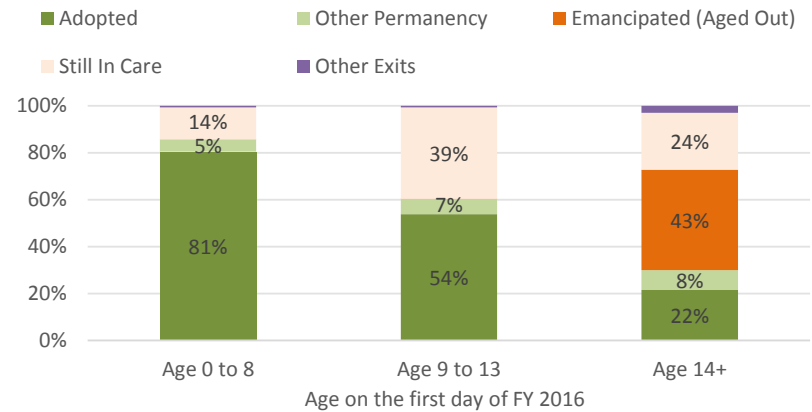
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Of the children and youth waiting for adoption at the beginning of FY 2016 who had been in care 3 years or longer, what % were adopted in the following 12, 24, and 36 months?



Cumulative percent exiting to finalized adoption

Of the children and youth waiting for adoption at the beginning of FY 2016 who had been in care 3 years or longer, what was their status by the end of FY 2018?



	Total # Waiting and in care 3 years+ on the first day of FY 2016	Cumulative Outcomes Through FY 2018				
		Adopted	Other Permanency	Emancipated (Aged Out)	Other Exits	Still In Care
Age 0 to 8	11,577	9,320	589	1	73	1,594
Age 9 to 13	10,026	5,390	665	2	73	3,896
Age 14+	8,913	1,919	754	3,816	270	2,154
All waiting children	30,516	16,629	2,008	3,819	416	7,644

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