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Department of Human Services Division of Family & Children Services

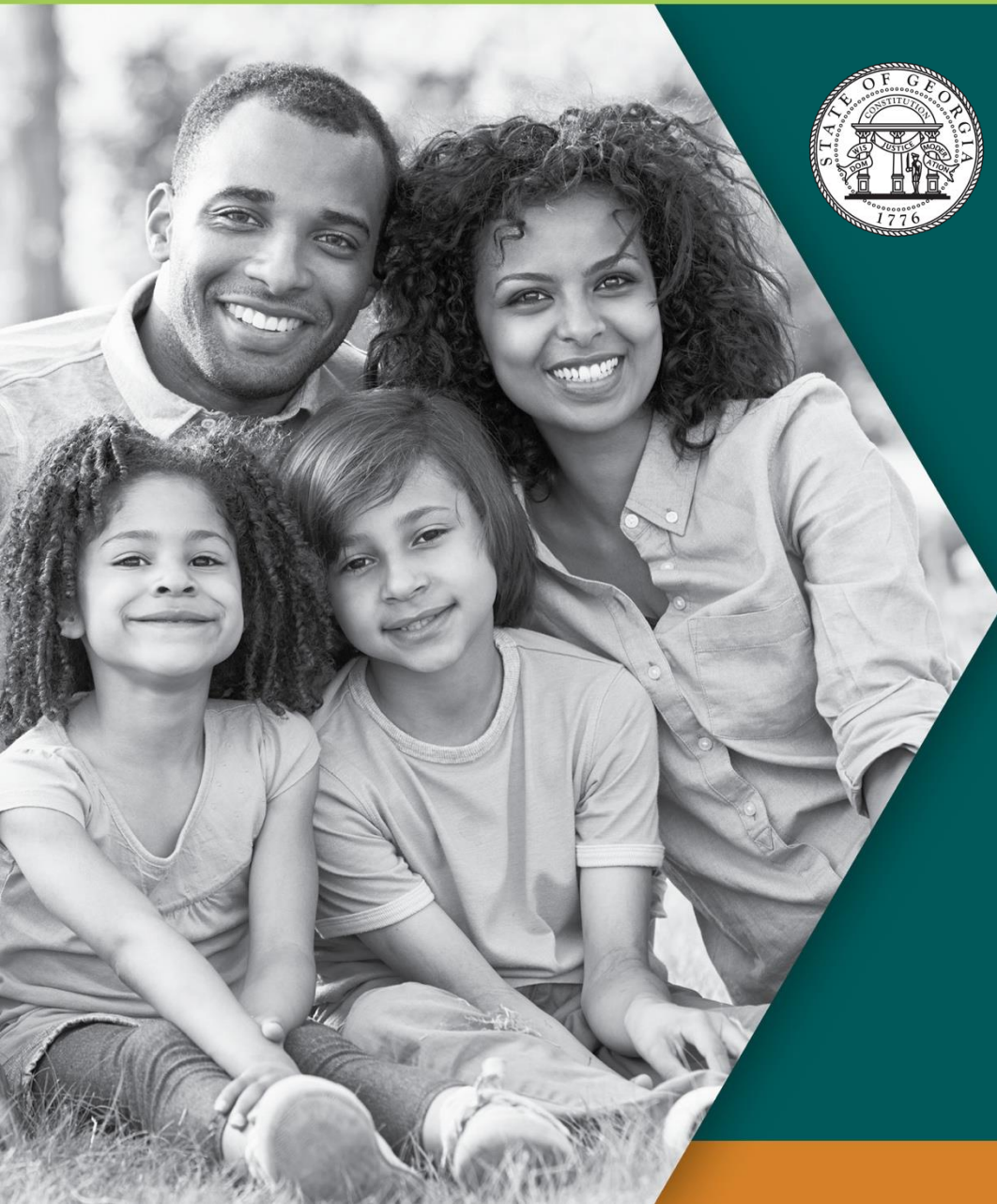
**Combined Board Meeting
June 22, 2022
10 a.m.**



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Division of Aging Services

Board Presentation

Bryan Hay

Deputy Director, Division of Aging Services

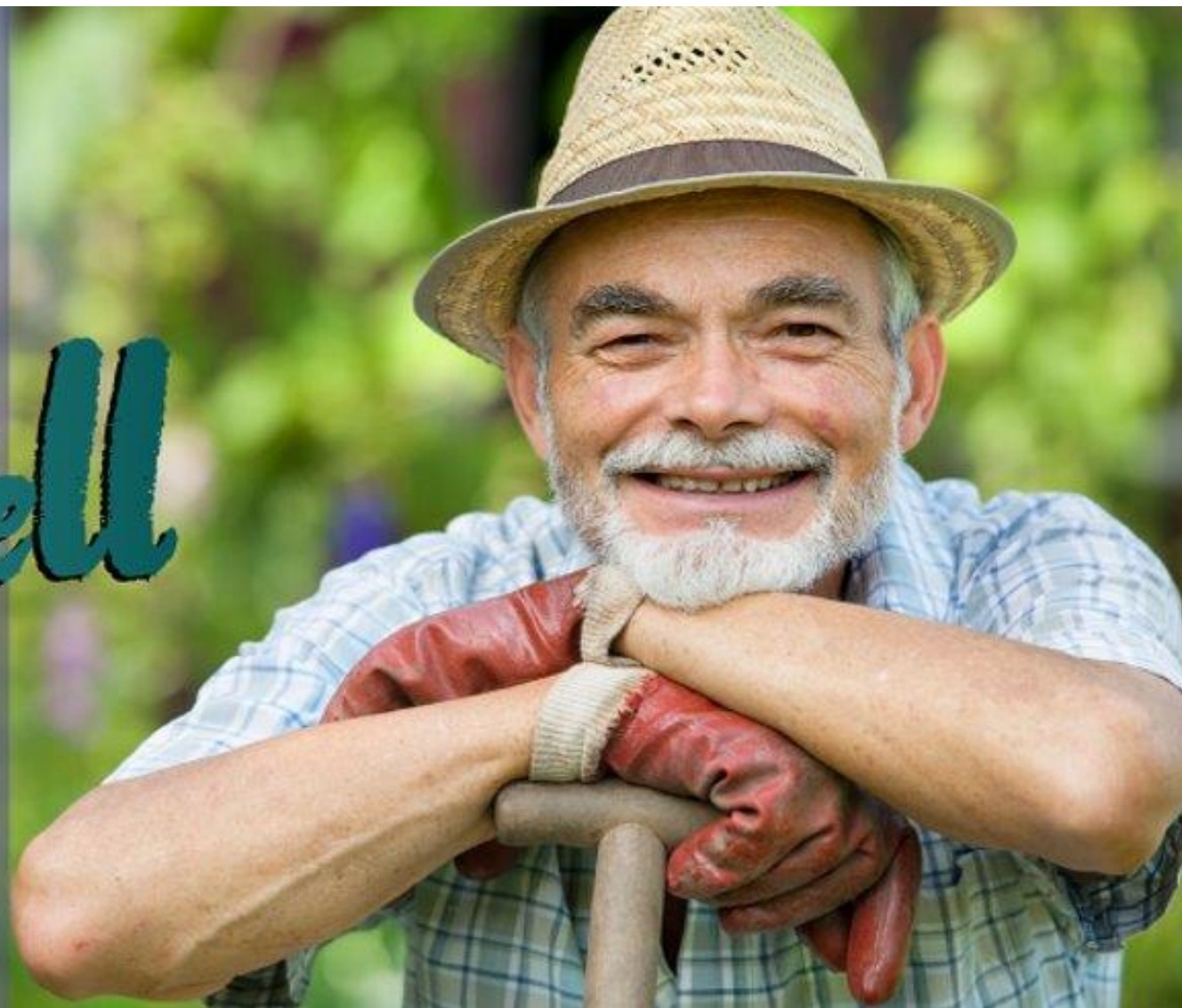
Division of Aging Services

— VISION —

LIVING LONGER,

LIVING SAFELY,

living well



The “bigger picture” of the flow of funding and administration of Older Americans Act services & supports that have the unified goal of creating communities where we are all *Living longer, Living safely, Living well!*



- U.S. Department of Health & Human Services



- Administration for Community Living



- Division of Aging Services

- State Funding, Laws & Regs



- Area Agency on Aging



DHS' Division of Aging Services is the Designated State Unit on Aging

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that are responsible for developing and administering multi-year state plans that advocate for and provide assistance to older residents, their families, and adults living with disabilities.



There are 56 SUAs in each of the 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, the Mariana Islands, and the Virgin Islands.

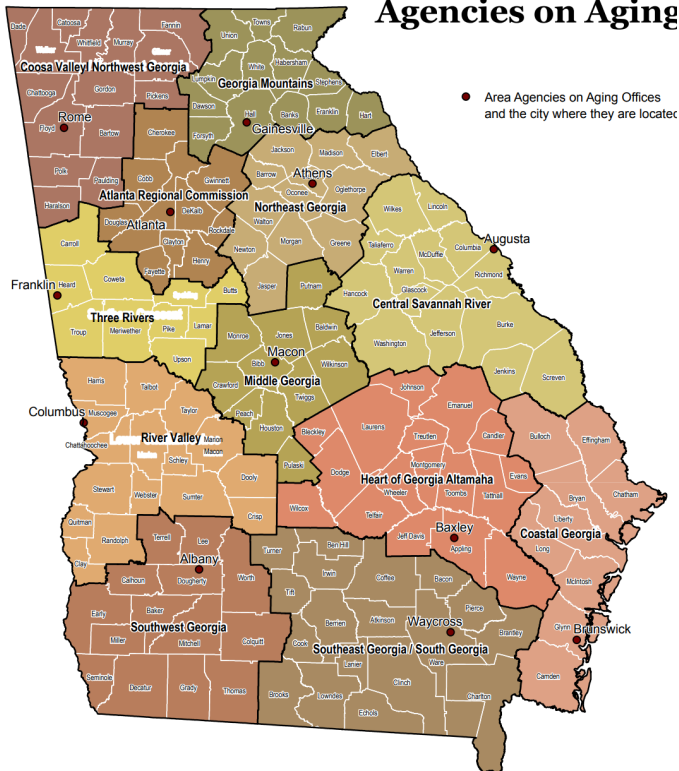
*“State Unit on Aging” is a general term. The units can be called by various names such as Division of Aging or Departments of Elder Affairs.



DAS is the Designated SUA



Georgia Area
Agencies on Aging



The Administration for Community Living

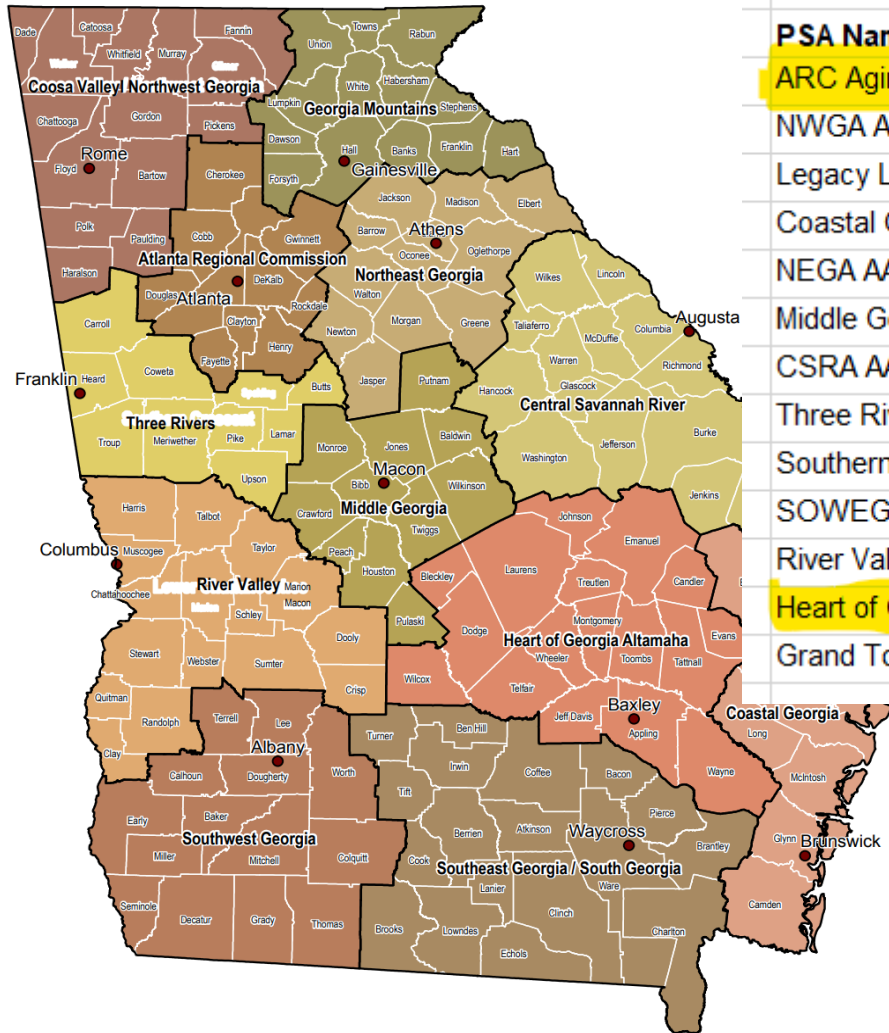
federally funds services and supports – provided primarily by networks of community-based organizations – that allow older individuals and adults living with disabilities to live in the home and community of their choice.

We administer the federal funds to the "local" level via our Planning & Service Areas.

The **Planning & Service Areas (PSAs)** each deliver services tailored to their community... i.e., home & community-based services. Our PSAs are our 12 **Area Agency on Aging** regions.



Planning and Service Areas & 60+ They Serve



PSA Name	2020 Census 60+	% of Total 60+ Population
ARC Aging Division	793,195	38.41%
NWGA AAA	198,857	9.63%
Legacy Link Georgia Mountains AAA	162,082	7.85%
Coastal GA AAA	138,705	6.72%
NEGA AAA	128,490	6.22%
Middle Georgia AAA	111,159	5.38%
CSRA AAA	110,359	5.24%
Three Rivers AAA	108,197	5.34%
Southern GA AAA	85,153	4.12%
SOWEGA AAA	80,991	3.86%
River Valley AAA	79,667	3.92%
Heart of Georgia AAA	68,111	3.30%
Grand Total	2,064,966	100.00%

*The Area Agency on Aging Planning and Service Areas are designated by the DHS Division of Aging Services and may be different from the Regional Commissions



State Plan on Aging FFY 2024 - 2027



**Carl Vinson
Institute of Government**
UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Phase 1: Review of Georgia's Intrastate Funding Formula (IFF) - *Completed*

- * IFF meets the requirements of ACL
- * Carl Vinson Institute recommends updating the census data annually in the funding allocation to the AAAs

Phase 2: Facilitate State Plan Hearings and stakeholder input

- * 13 listening sessions via Teams meetings
- * Web survey form on our homepage: <https://aging.georgia.gov/>
- * Input will be used to develop the next State Plan on Aging for Georgia



Programs and Services

Protect the Rights and Safety of Those We Serve

- Adult Protective Services (APS)
- Temporary Emergency Respite Fund (TERF) Unit
- Long Term Care Ombudsman Program (LTCO)
- Forensic Special Initiatives Unit (FSIU)
- Elderly Legal Assistance Program (ELAP)
- Public Guardianship Office (PGO)

Report Abuse/Neglect/Exploitation: 1-866-552-4464 (Option 3)

<https://aging.dhs.georgia.gov/report-elder-abuse>



Programs and Services Cont.

Support Services

- Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC)
- GA SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program)/Medicare
- Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)
 - Nutrition and Wellness – Meals, Fitness Classes, Disease Prevention
 - In-Home Services – Respite, Emergency Response Services, Homemaker/Chore Services, Personal Care Assistance
- Caregiving Services
 - Respite, Support Groups, Adult Day Services
- Grandparents Raising Grandchildren (Kinship Care)
 - Case Management, Respite
- Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)



Access Points



1-866-55-AGING

Option 2 – ADRC

Option 3 – APS Central Intake

Option 4 – Georgia Cares

Option 5 – LTCO

Option 7 – Senior Legal Hotline

<https://www.georgiaadrc.com/>

<https://www.georgiaombudsman.org/>

<http://aging.dhs.georgia.gov/>



Exciting Initiatives (Funded in FY 23 Budget)

- **Dementia Care Specialist Program Launch**

- \$1.25M state funding annually beginning in FY23
- Modeled after a successful program in Wisconsin
- Minimum of one FTE Dementia Care Specialist in each AAA
- Local dementia expert for training across ADRC network
- Catalyst for dementia partnerships in the community
- Community education and memory screening events

- **Expansion of the Georgia Memory Net Program**

- \$3M additional funding annually, beginning in FY23
- Two additional Memory Assessment Clinics and expansion of telehealth options



Additional Funding

- **FY22**

- \$4.2M American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) match that will allow DAS to draw down \$37,993,513 in federal funds for Home & Community Based Services like meals, health and wellness, and caregiver services.

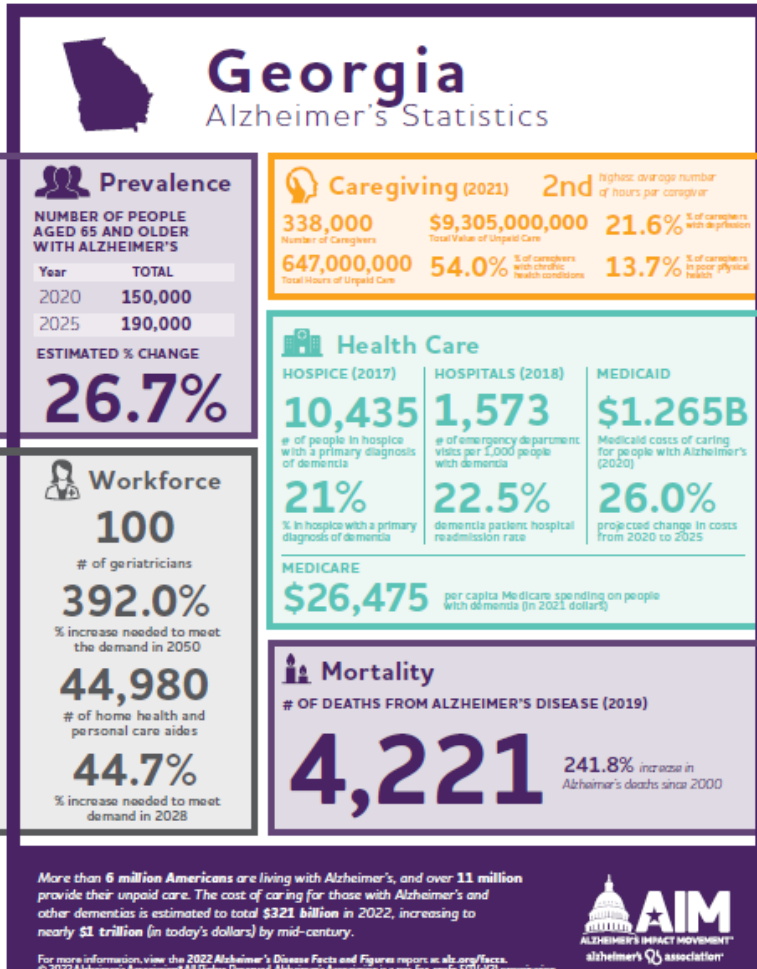
- **FY23**

- An additional \$3.9M for Home & Community Based Services

**These additional dollars will help reduce some of our wait lists. As of April 1, 2022, we had 10,622 clients waiting on 13,700 services.*



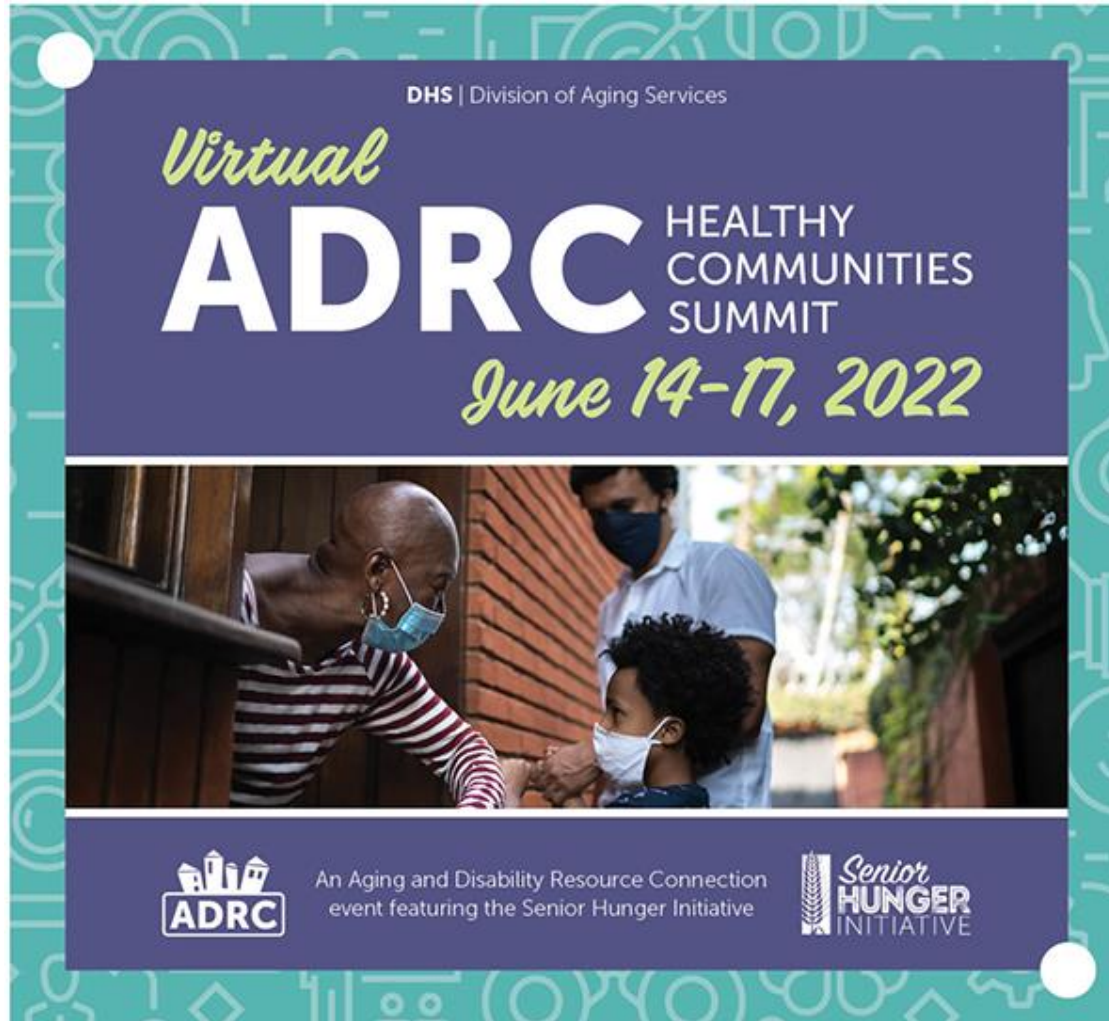
June is Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month



We are sharing brain health stats, facts about dementia & links to resources throughout the month on social media!



Recent Successful Event!



Our event featured programs daily from 9:30am – 12:30pm and included Sen. Harold Jones on our opening day!

We had 490 people registered for the event and great engagement throughout the programs.



Questions?

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Division of Child Support Services

DCSS Program Overview

DHS Board Meeting

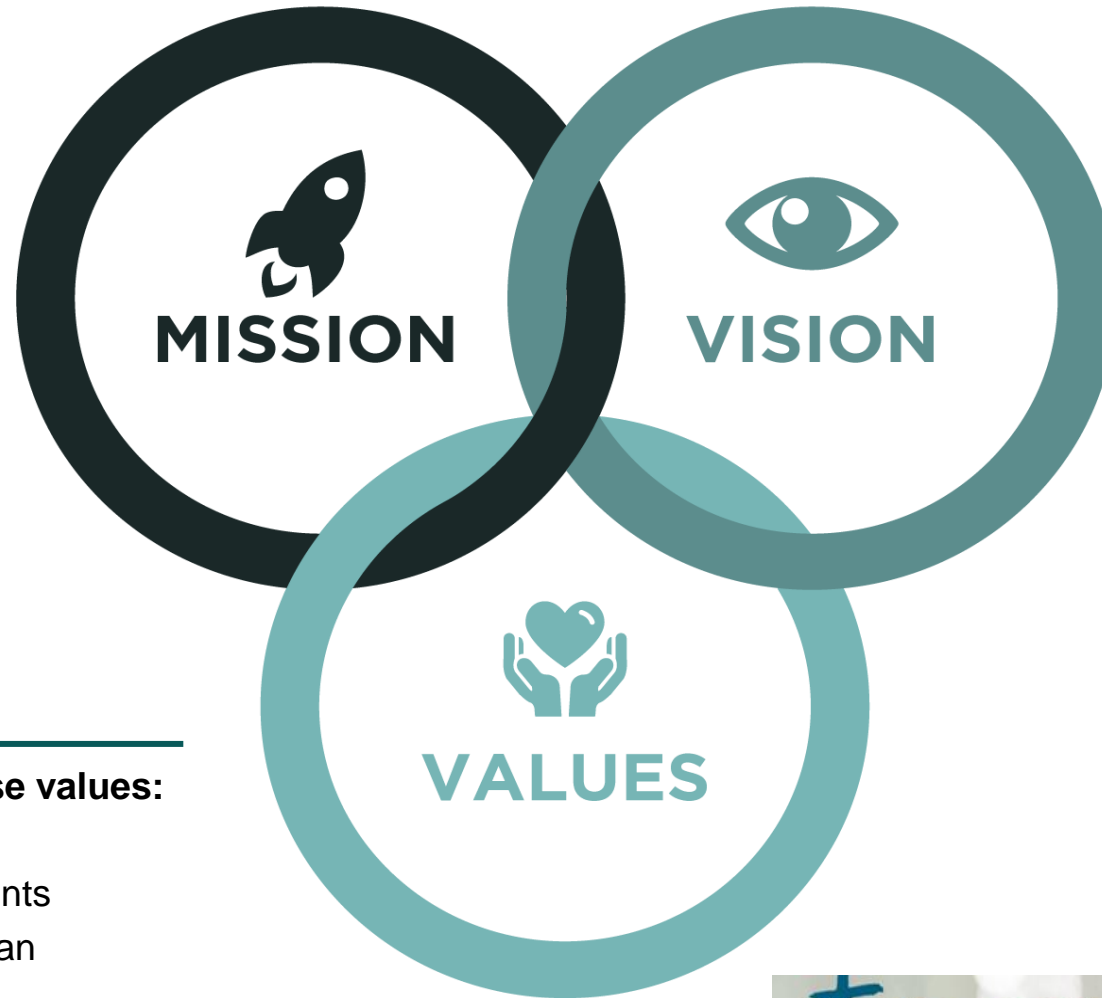
Sarah Hurst

Deputy Director of Administration, Child Support Services

Division of Child Support Services

Our mission is to enhance the well-being of children by:

- Locating non-custodial parents
- Establishing paternity
- Establishing, enforcing and modifying support obligations (financial and medical)
- Collecting and distributing support payments



Our vision is to be:

- Ranked in the top 10 states nationally
- Recognized nationally as a trendsetter for best practices
- Best managed division in the state of Georgia
- Program of choice for employment and outreach partnerships

DCSS is governed by these values:

- Put children first
- Children need both parents
- Customer Interaction is an opportunity
- Employees are valuable resources



Program Data

DCSS is responsible for the statewide administration of the child support enforcement program under the provisions of Title IV-D of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 651 - 669).

Program Legislative Authority

State Authority / Reference

Official Code of Georgia, Annotated, Titles 9 and 19 and Departmental Rules, DHS Rules at 290-7-1

Federal Authority / Reference

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 45, Parts 300-399

Budget

Total Budget Amended SFY 2022 \$121,917,981

% State Funds 24% = \$28,846,936

% Federal Funds 73% = \$89,275,285

% Other Funds 3% = \$3,795,760

Program Information

Performance Indicators

Performance Measures (based on federal fiscal year):

- Paternity establishment
- Order establishment
- Current support paid
- Arrears paid
- Undistributed collections
- Locate
- Collections
- Cost effectiveness

Total Offices

55 local offices excluding state, region and specialty/hub offices

Total # of Positions

1,171

Total caseload for FFY 2021

340,648



DCSS Region Map

Region 1
Bartow, Catoosa, Chattooga, Cobb, Dade, Douglas, Floyd, Gordon, Haralson, Murray, Paulding, Polk, Walker, Whitfield

Region 2
Carroll, Coweta, Fulton, Heard, Meriwether, Troup

Region 3
Gwinnett, Newton, Rockdale, Walton, Georgia Employer HUB

Region 4
Baldwin, Bibb, Butts, Crawford, Fayette, Greene, Hancock, Houston, Jasper, Jones, Lamar, Monroe, Morgan, Peach, Pike, Putnam, Spalding, Upson, Wilkinson, Special Operations Section

Region 5
Banks, Barrow, Cherokee, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Jackson, Clarke, Dawson, Elbert, Fannin, Lumpkin, Madison, Oconee, Forsyth, Franklin, Gilmer, Oglethorpe, Pickens, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union, White

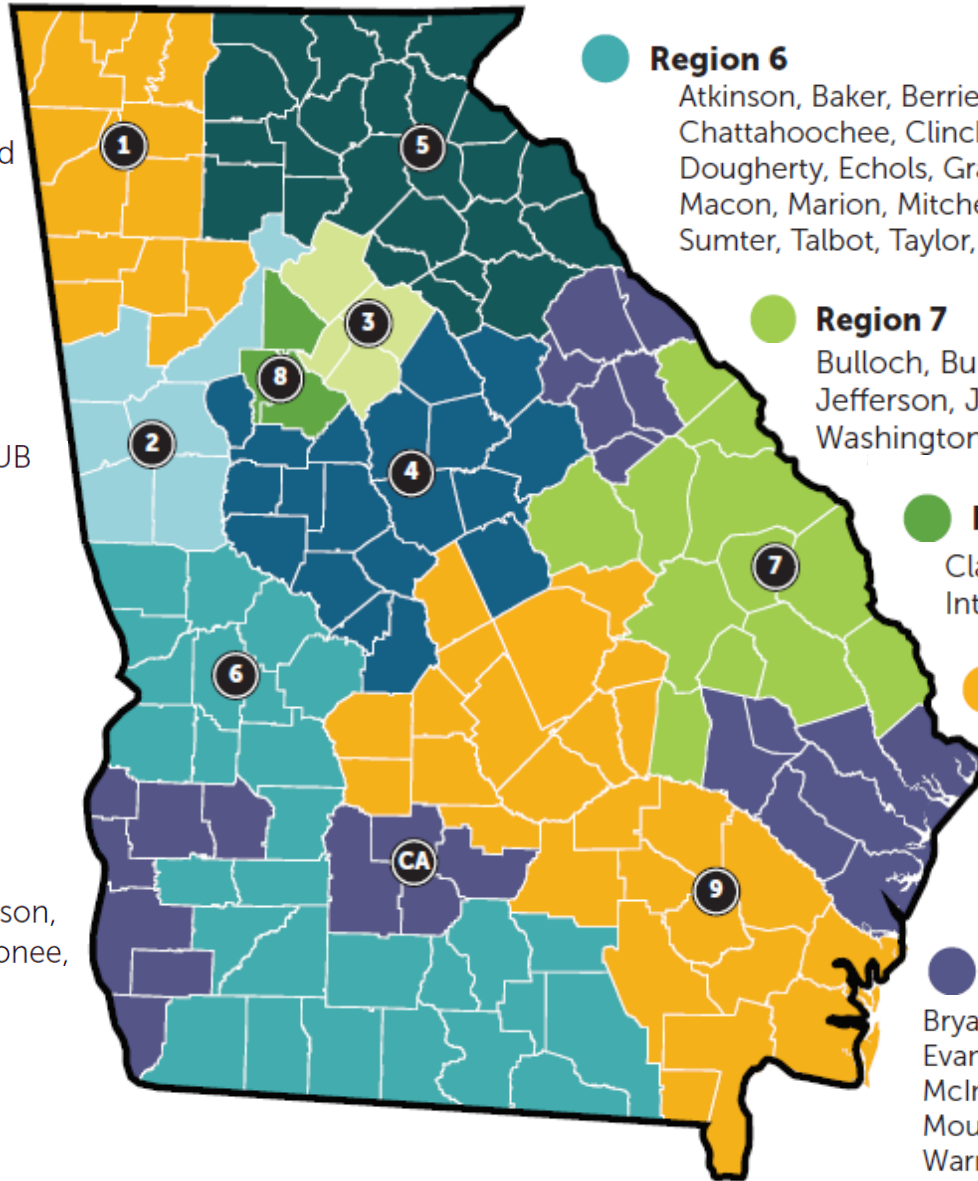
Region 6
Atkinson, Baker, Berrien, Brooks, Calhoun, Chattahoochee, Clinch, Cook, Colquitt, Decatur, Dougherty, Echols, Grady, Harris, Lanier, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Marion, Mitchell, Muscogee, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Talbot, Taylor, Thomas, Webster, Central Registry

Region 7
Bulloch, Burke, Candler, Columbia, Effingham, Emanuel, Jefferson, Jenkins, Richmond, Screven, Toombs, Washington, Dublin Locate / Order Monitoring HUB

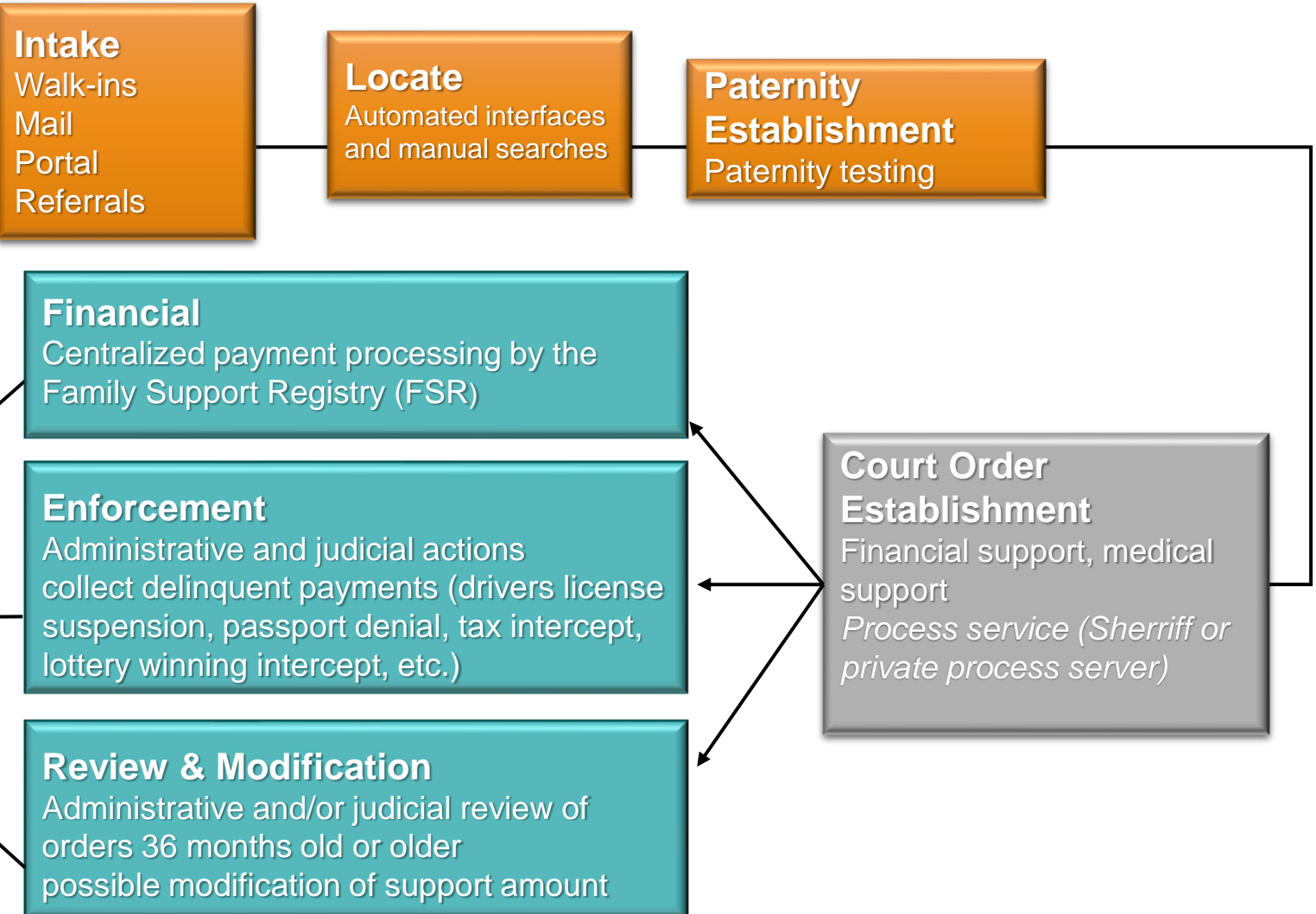
Region 8
Clayton, DeKalb, Henry, Albany Intake and Intergovernmental HUB

Region 9
Appling, Bacon, Ben Hill, Bleckley, Brantley, Charlton, Coffee, Crisp, Dodge, Dooly, Glynn, Johnson, Laurens, Montgomery, Pierce, Treutlen, Twiggs, Ware, Wayne, Wheeler, Camden, Jeff Davis, Pulaski, Telfair, Wilcox

County Administered
Bryan, Chatham, Clay, Clayton UIFSA, Cobb UIFSA, Early, Evans, Glascock, Irwin, Liberty, Lincoln, Long, McDuffie, McIntosh, Miller, Quitman, Randolph, Seminole, Stone Mountain UIFSA, Taliferro, Tattnall, Terrell, Tift, Turner, Warren, Wilkes, Worth



Child Support Services



Outreach Programs

DCSS has partnered with other government and community agencies to develop a comprehensive network of services – Fatherhood and Parental Accountability Court programs.



Fatherhood program Outreach

5,320

parents enrolled in the Fatherhood program

11,073

children supported

2,863

parents successfully completed the program

Aids unemployed or underemployed parents.
Connecting participants with resources that lead to jobs,
greater self-sufficiency, and more emotional, parental, and financial
involvement.

Services

- GED classes
- Short-term training
- Resume writing
- Federal bonding
- Referrals for access & visitation
- Referrals for legitimization
- Job placement, coaching, & mentoring

Community awareness

- Fatherhood Celebrations
- Fatherhood Conversations

DRIVER LICENSE



Driver's license release

for participants who have had their
driver's licenses suspended
for nonpayment



Since 2009:
5,642

NCPs at risk of incarceration who avoided jail time and provided support to

13,294
of Georgia's children. Program participants paid an estimated

\$20.2 million +
to support families

Parental Accountability Court Outreach

Collaborates with Superior Court Judges and community resources to offer an alternative to incarceration to chronic nonpayers. Under Judicial oversight, address barriers that keep parents from meeting their support obligations.

Services

- Substance abuse treatment
- Job assistance/placement
- Literacy training
- Mental health services
- Clinical assessments
- Education Services
- Enrollment into Georgia Work Ready Program



Parental Accountability Courts are in operations in
43 out of 49
judicial circuits across the state.



Self-Service Options

The Division of Child Support Services has several self-service options available that allows you to access case information easily and quickly. Use any one of the options below to make managing your case a breeze.

Mobile App

The DCSS mobile app is a great way to get information on your case or make child support payments with your credit card or bank account.

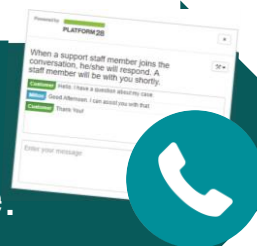


Customer Online Portal

The Customer Portal is an interactive website that empowers you to get information about your case. The Portal gives you convenient access to your case 24 hours a day.

Communications Center

Call us on our automated phone system or chat with someone live to get access to your case. You can get information about your payments, balances, court information, license suspensions and more.



MoneyGram

Don't have a bank account? No problem! Pay by cash at any MoneyGram location. All you need is your case number, the cash and the receive code (14655).



FFY22 Key Initiatives

Initiative 1

System Modernization

Description - Preliminary system enhancement and modernization efforts

- Discovery and Requirements Sessions were completed in June 2019
 - Over 100 staff members participated
- Feasibility Study completed in March 2020
- Pending approval for next steps in system modernization effort

Initiative 2

E-filing Application

Description – Enhancing and streamlining the electronic filing (e-filing) process

- Automated updates to the case action log (CAL) in \$TARS
- Dashboard showing status of all submitted documents
- Customer Experience Team available Monday – Friday (8 a.m. - 5 p.m.)
- Virtual training sessions, written materials and videos

Initiative 3

Fatherhood and TCSG Partnership

Description – Expansion of the partnership between the Fatherhood Program and the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG)

- Expanded services to communities statewide
- TCSG provides:
 - Meeting space for orientation sessions and accountability meetings
 - Employment, educational and technical courses



Questions

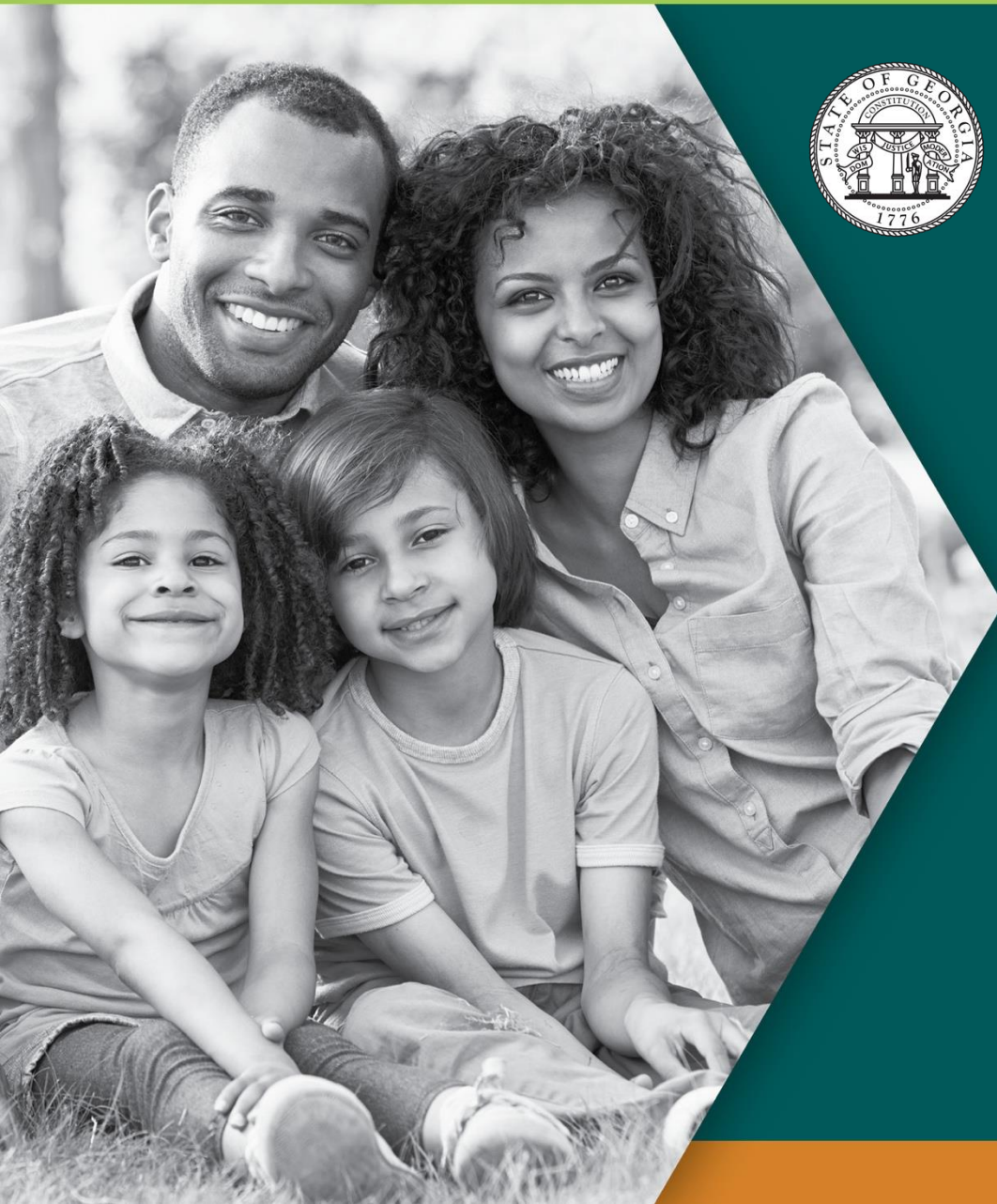
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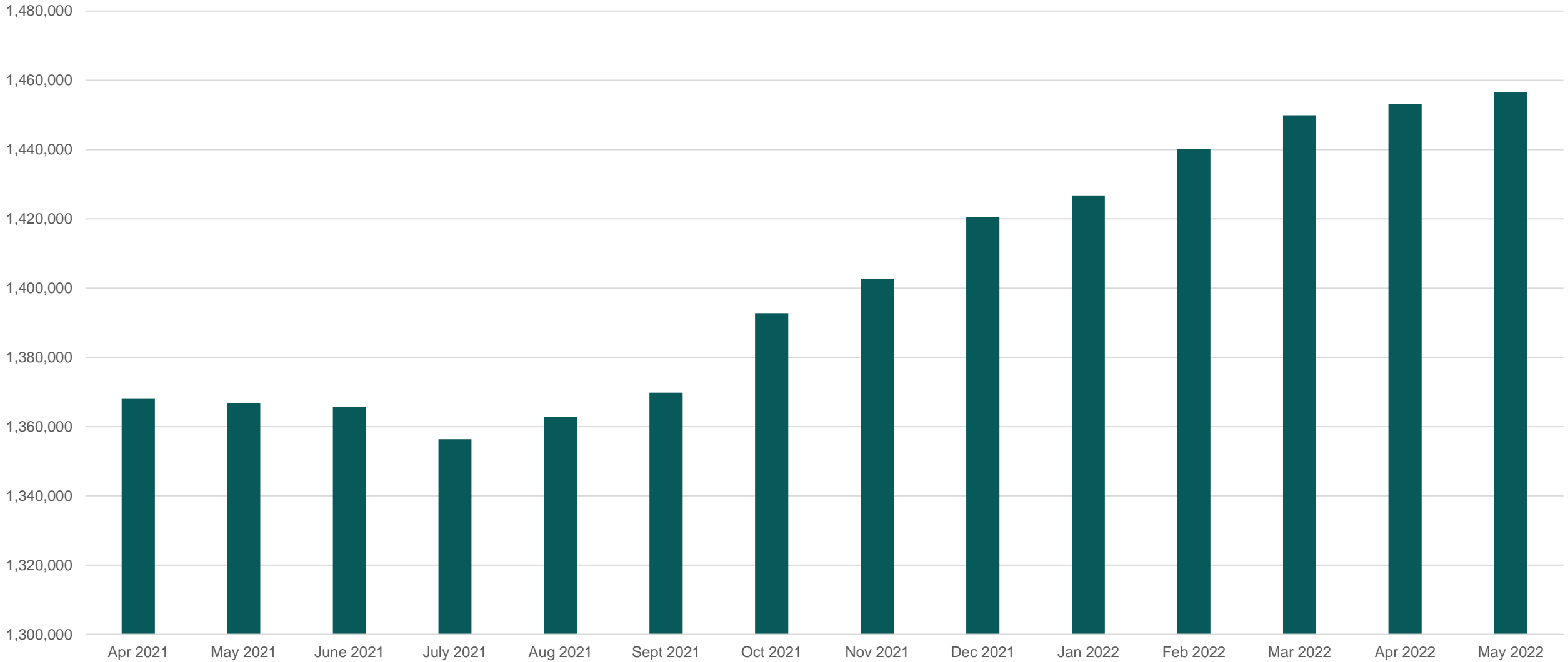
Family Independence

Monthly Data Report

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Unduplicated Families Served Across All Programs

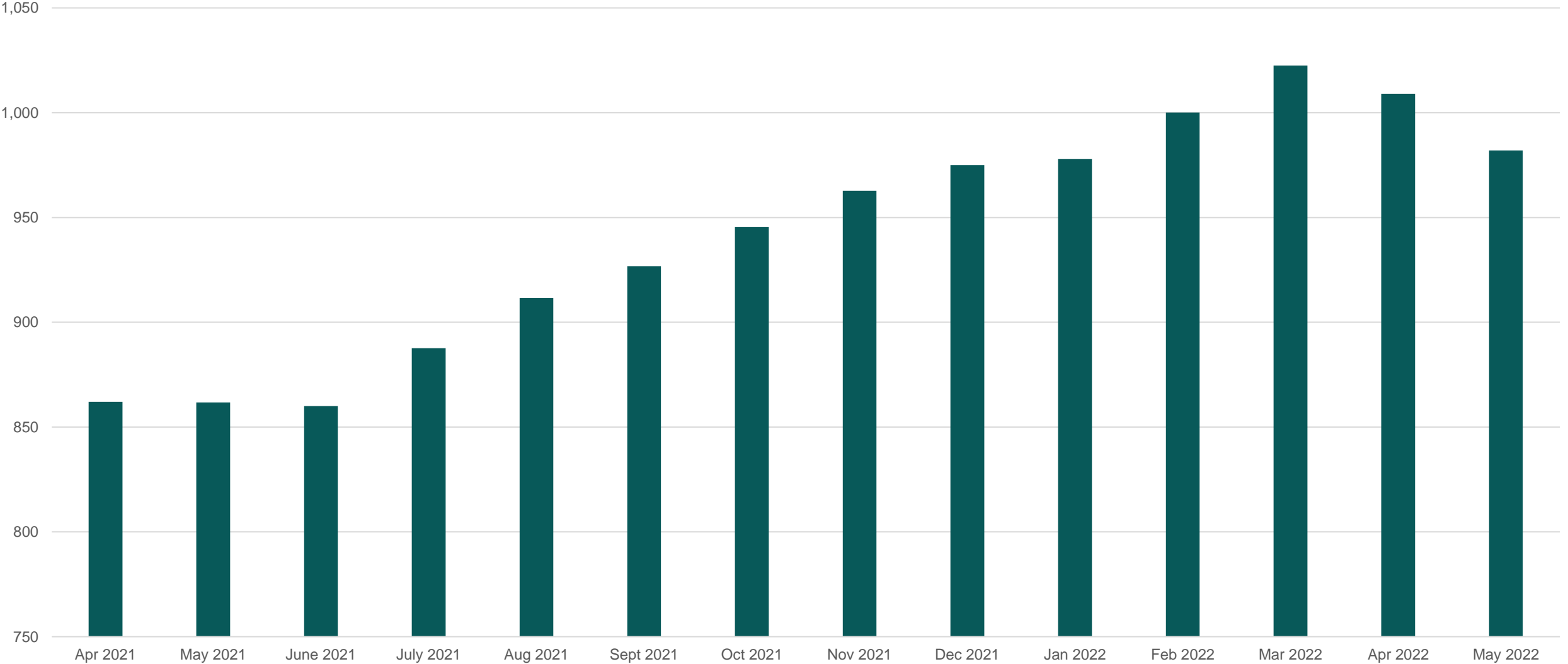


1,456,481 Active Unduplicated Families in May 2022.

Source: DFCS Transparency Data



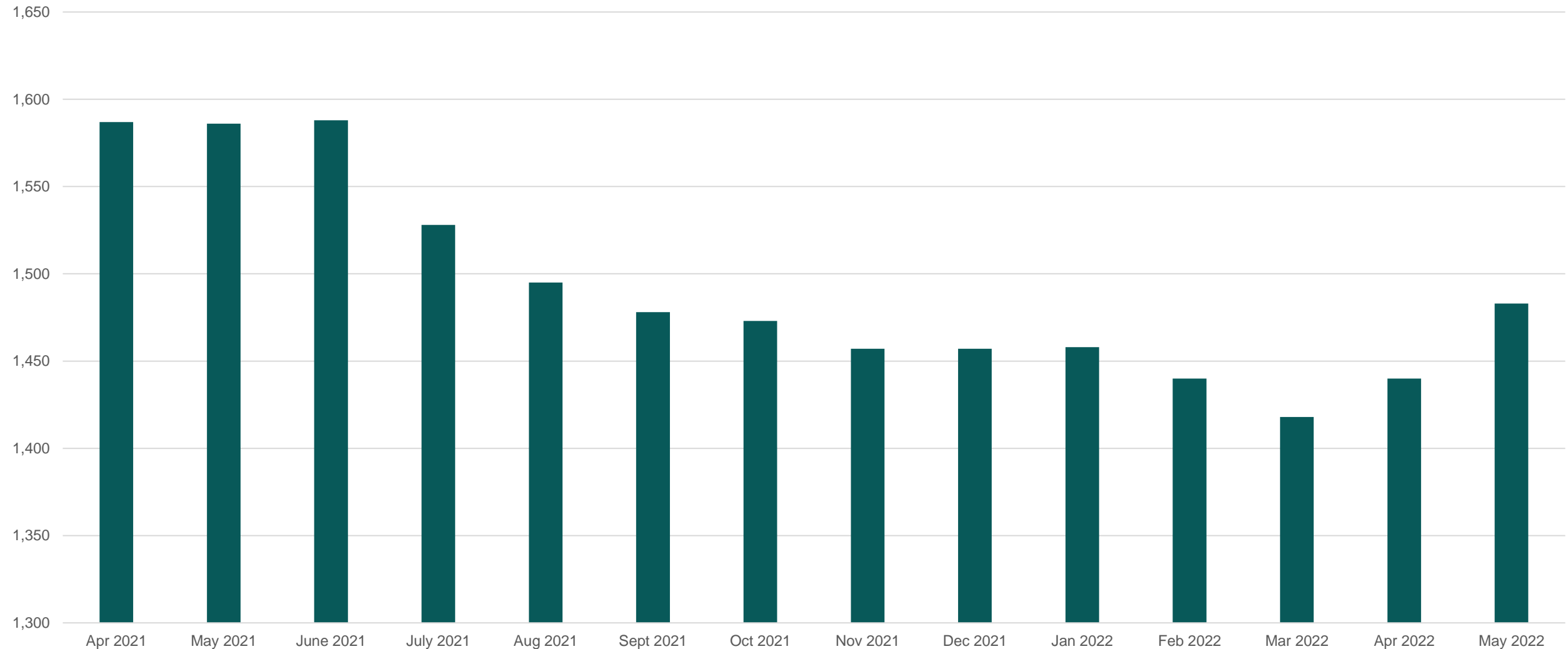
Caseload Size



Average Caseload Size in May was 982.
Source: DFCS Transparency Data



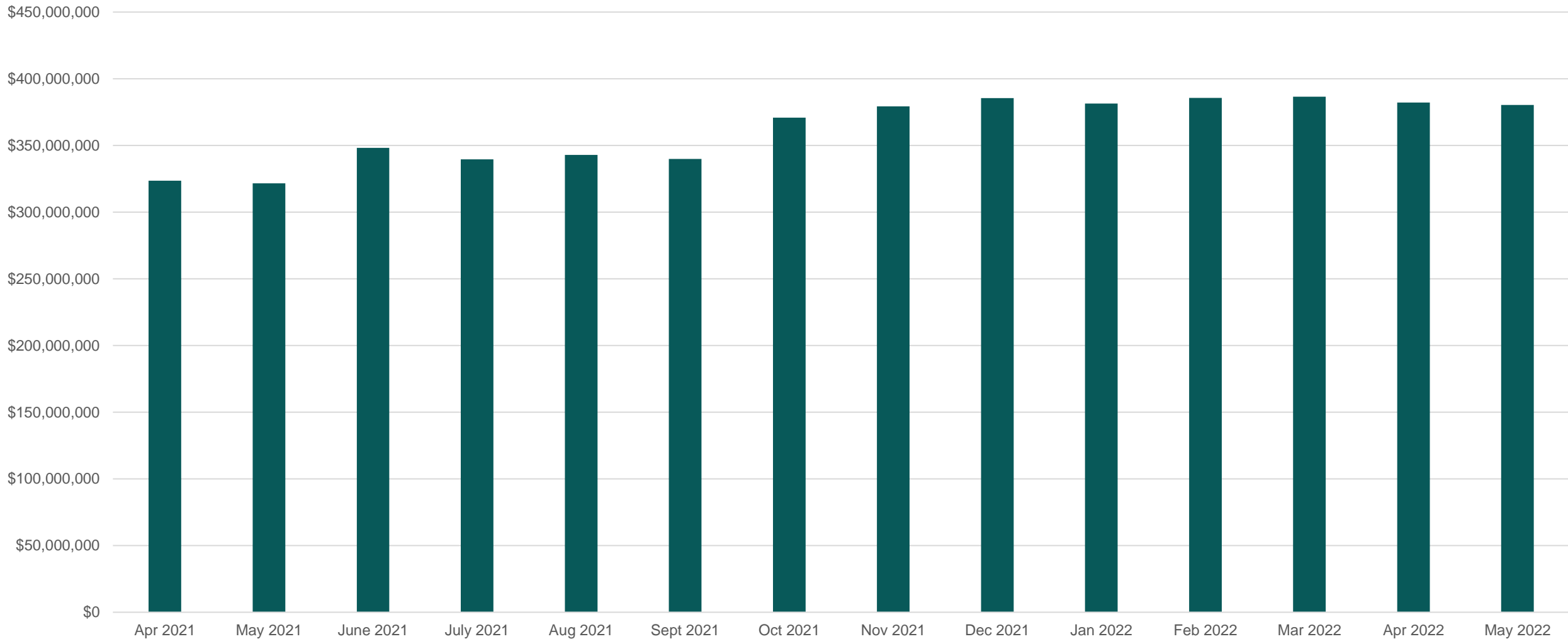
Front Line Staffing Levels



Frontline Staffing level processing cases was 1,483 in May.
Source: DFCS Transparency Data



SNAP Issuance

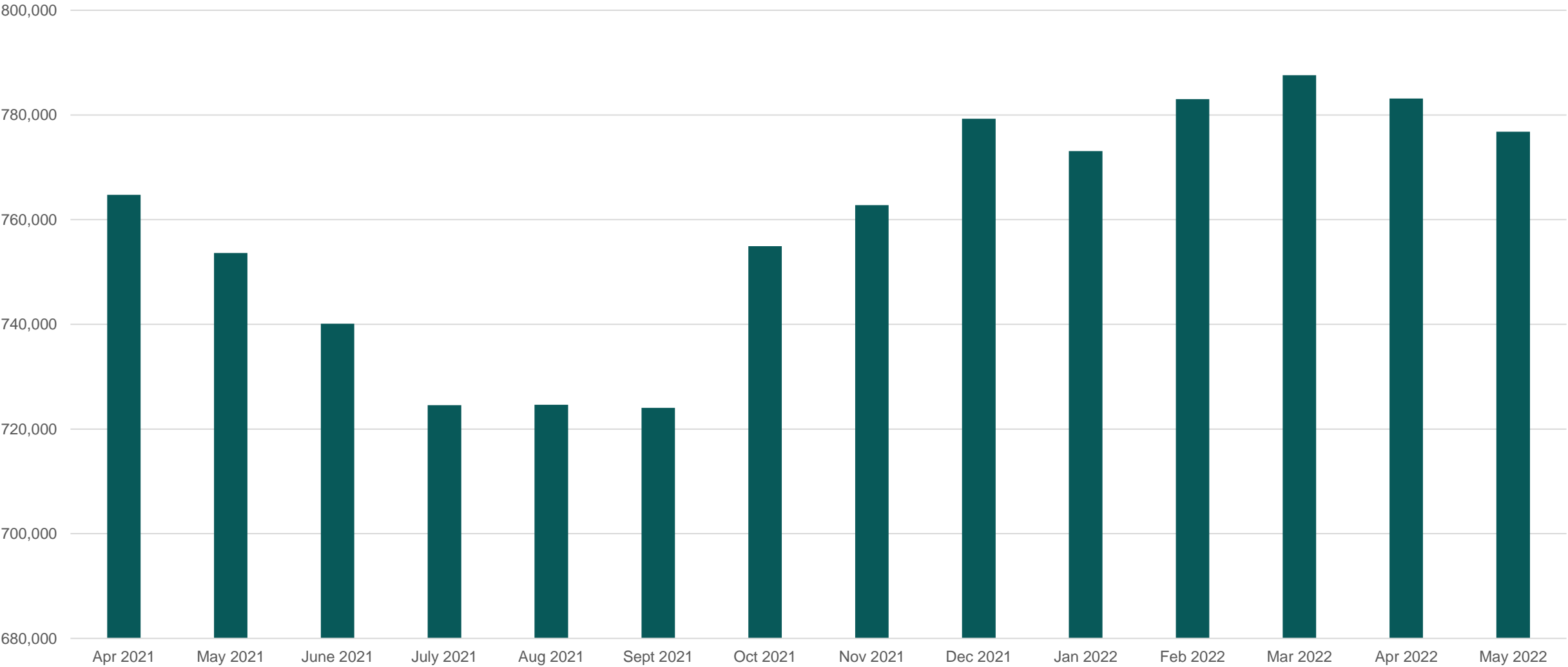


SNAP Issuance in May was \$380,387,534. Average issuance per family was \$490.

Source: DFCS Transparency Data



SNAP Families

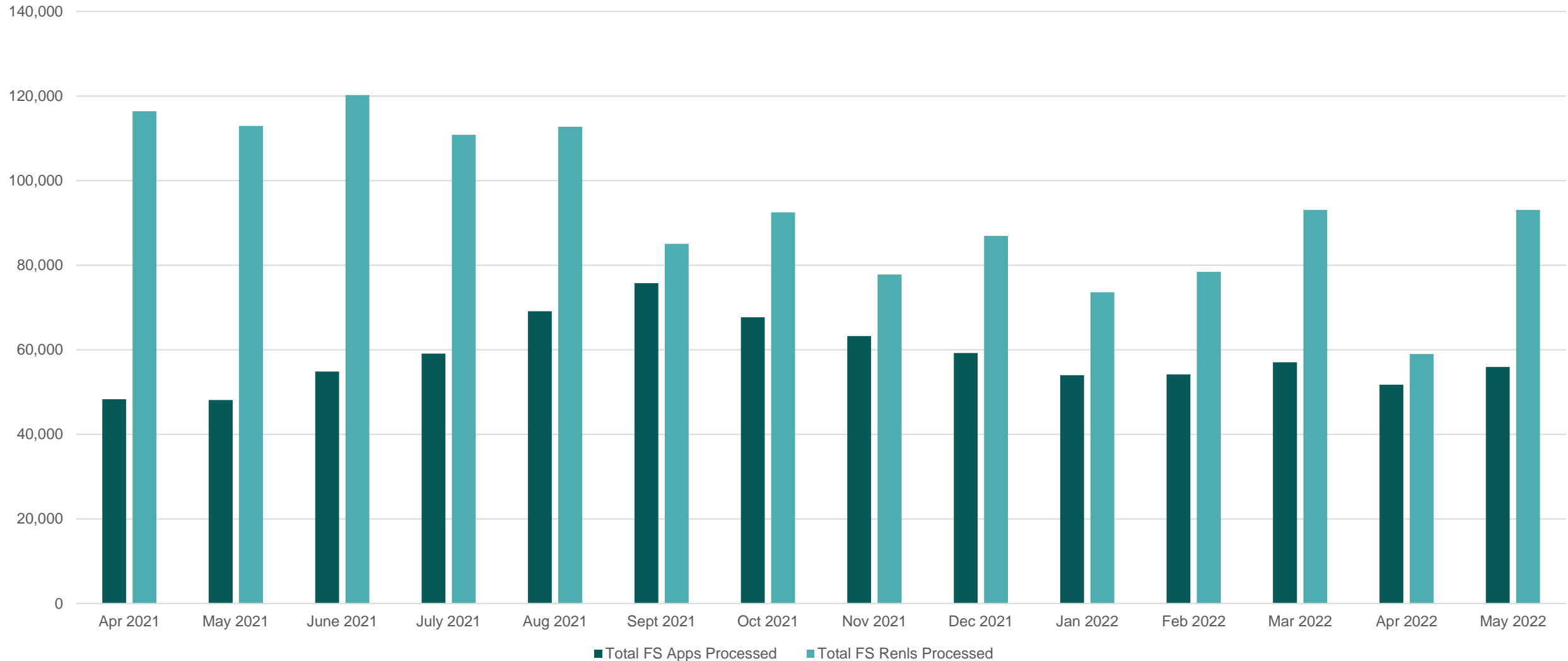


Total SNAP Families in May was 776,796

Source: DFCS Transparency Data



SNAP Applications and Renewals Processed

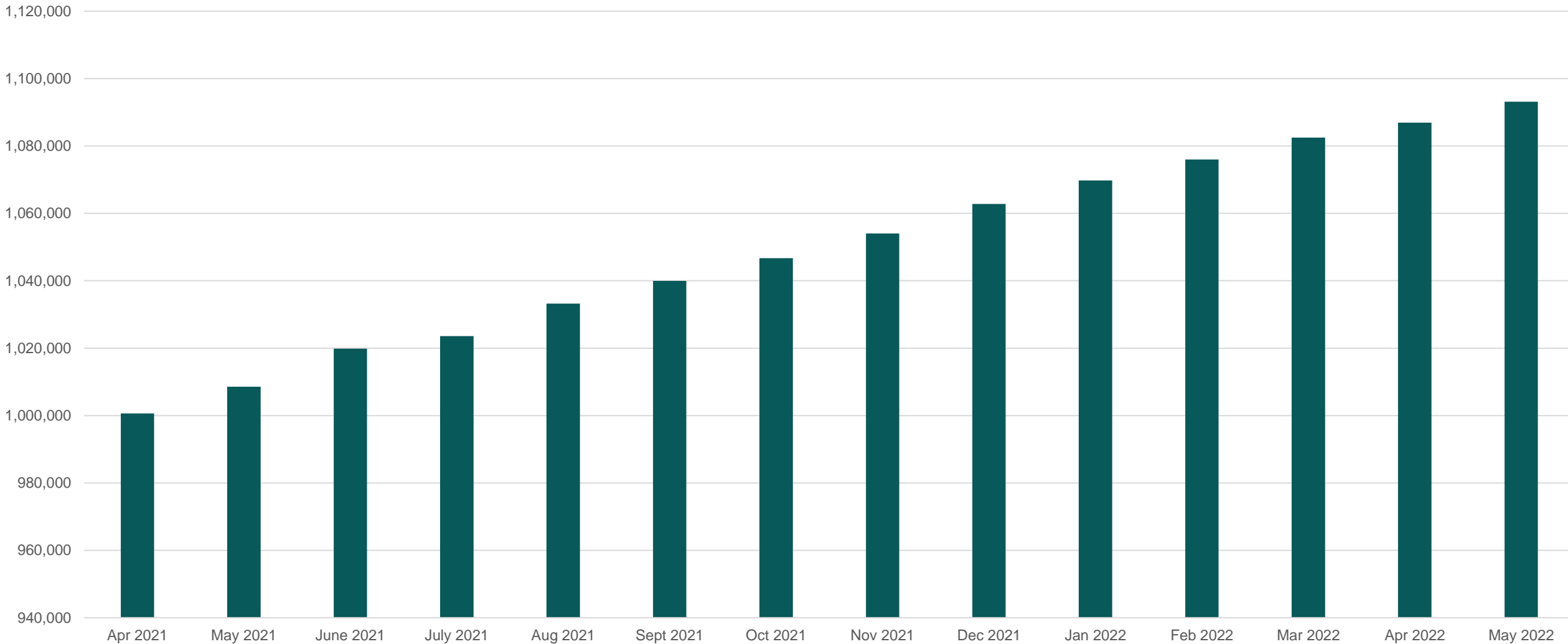


SNAP applications processed in May was 55,934 and renewals processed was 93,073.

Data Source: DFCS Transparency Data



Active Medical Assistance Families

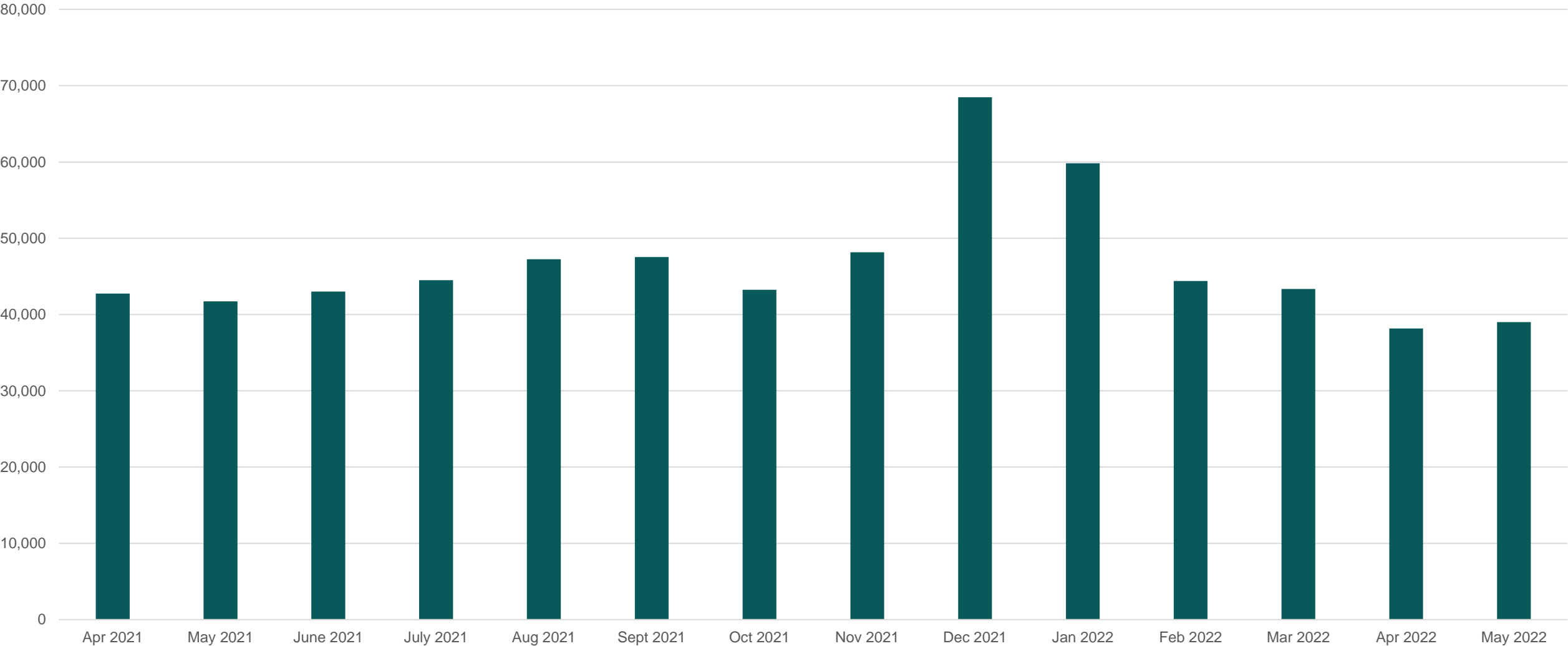


Active Medical Assistance families in May was 1,093,159

Data Source: DFCS Transparency Data



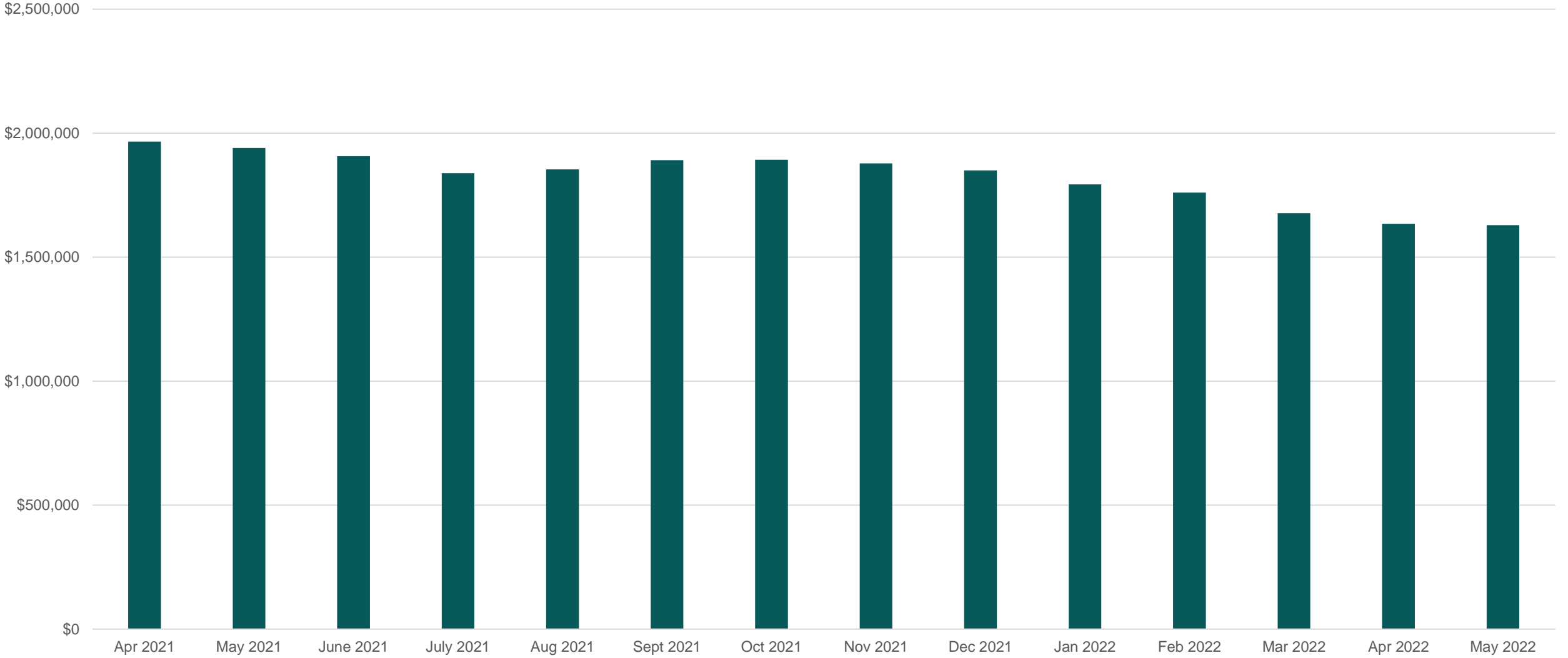
Total Medical Assistance Applications Processed



Total Medical Assistance Applications processed in May was 38,996.
Data Source: DFCS Transparency Data



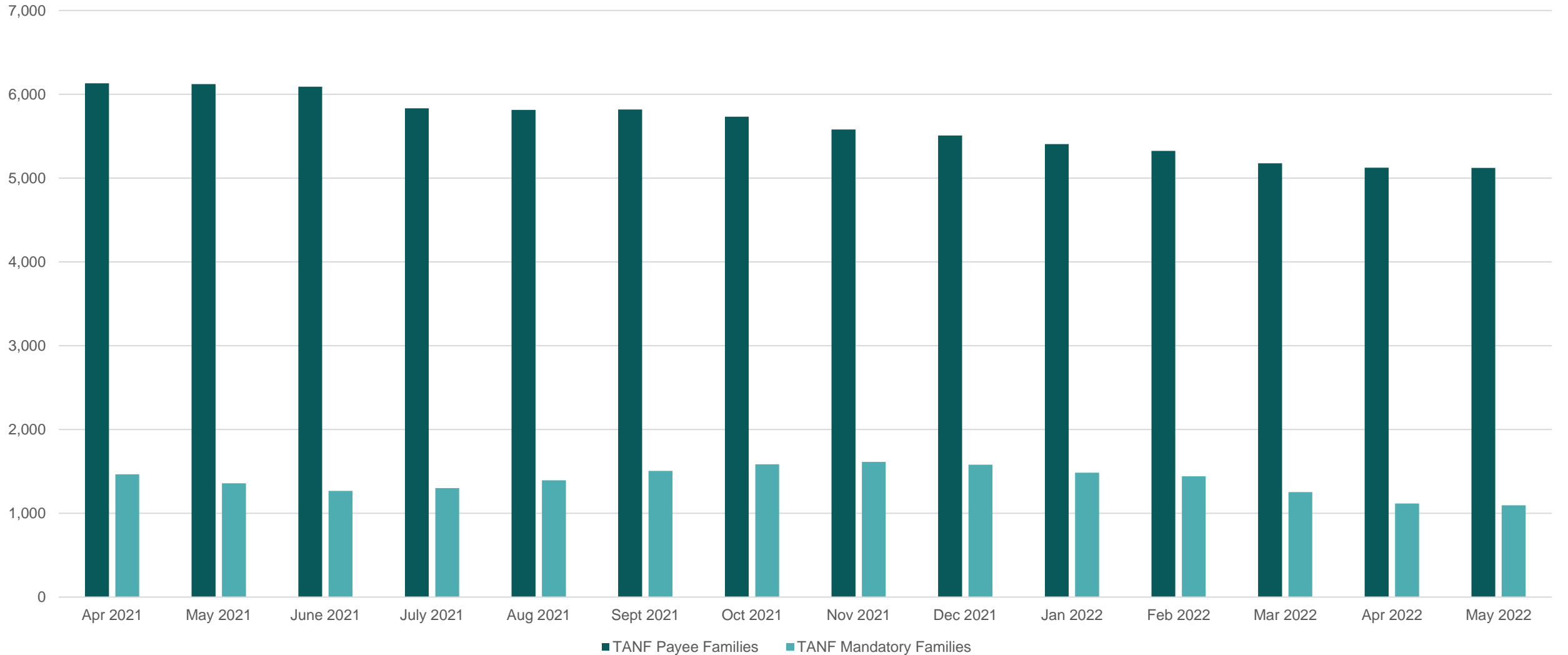
TANF Issuance



TANF Issuance in May was \$1,628,837. Average issuance per family was \$262.
Source: DFCS Transparency Data



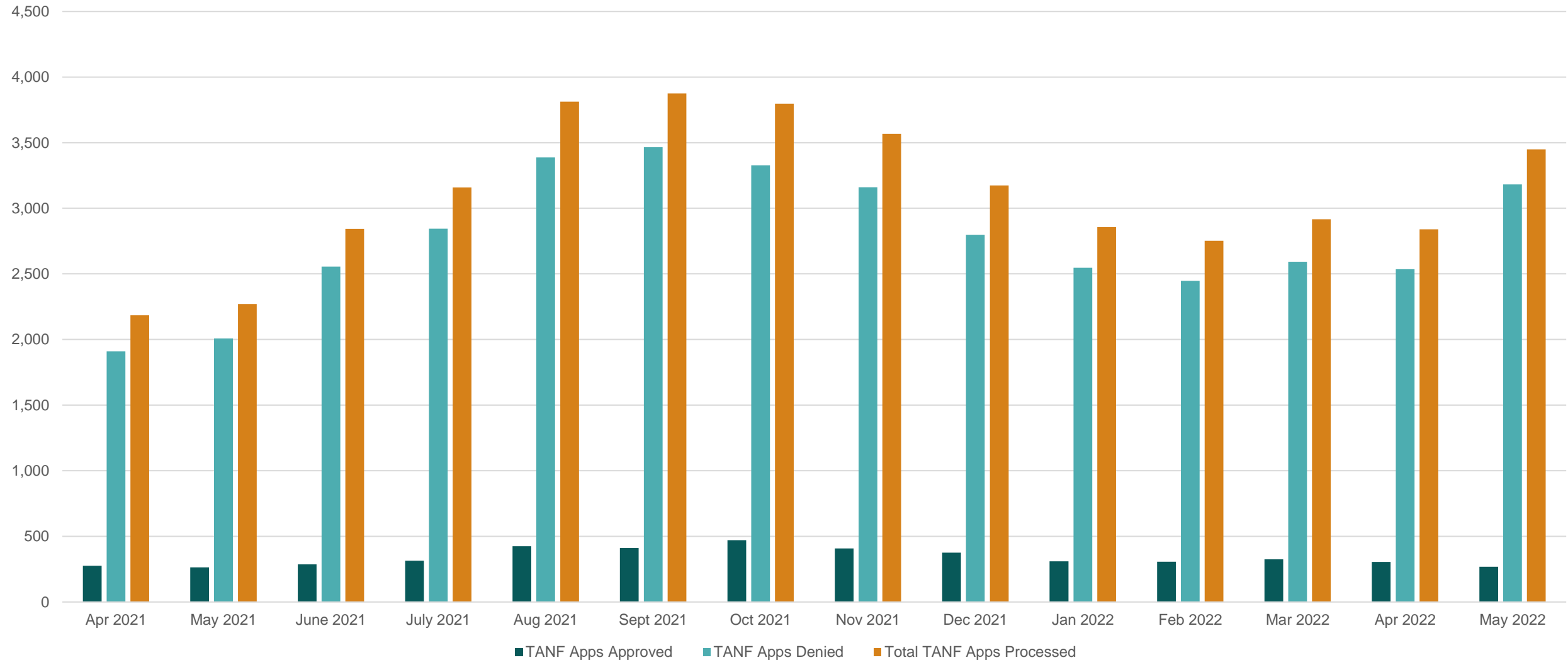
TANF Work Mandatory vs Payee Only Cases



Total TANF Families in May was 6,219
Data Source: DFCS Transparency Data



TANF Applications Approved and Denied



Total TANF Applications processed in May 3,449

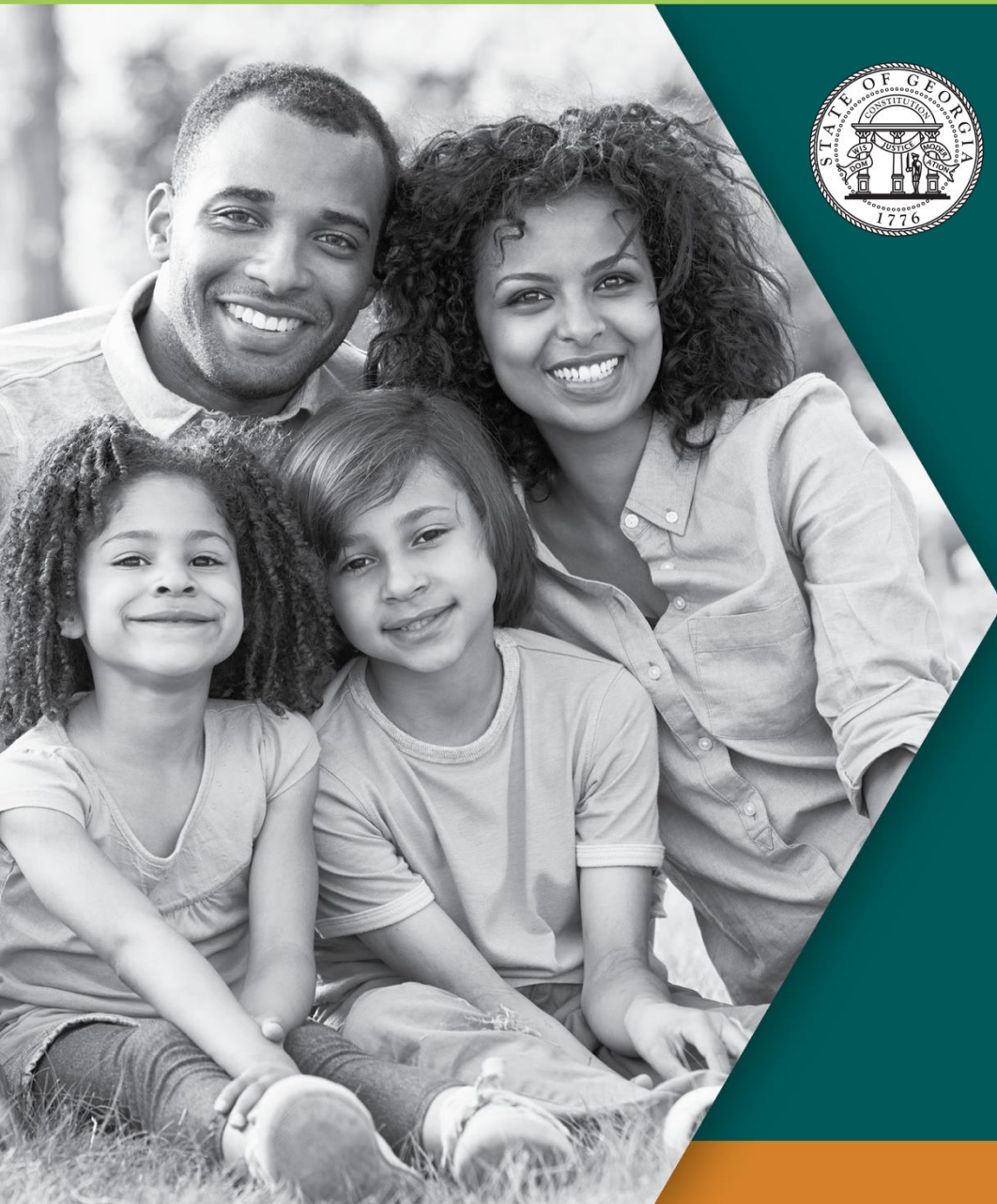
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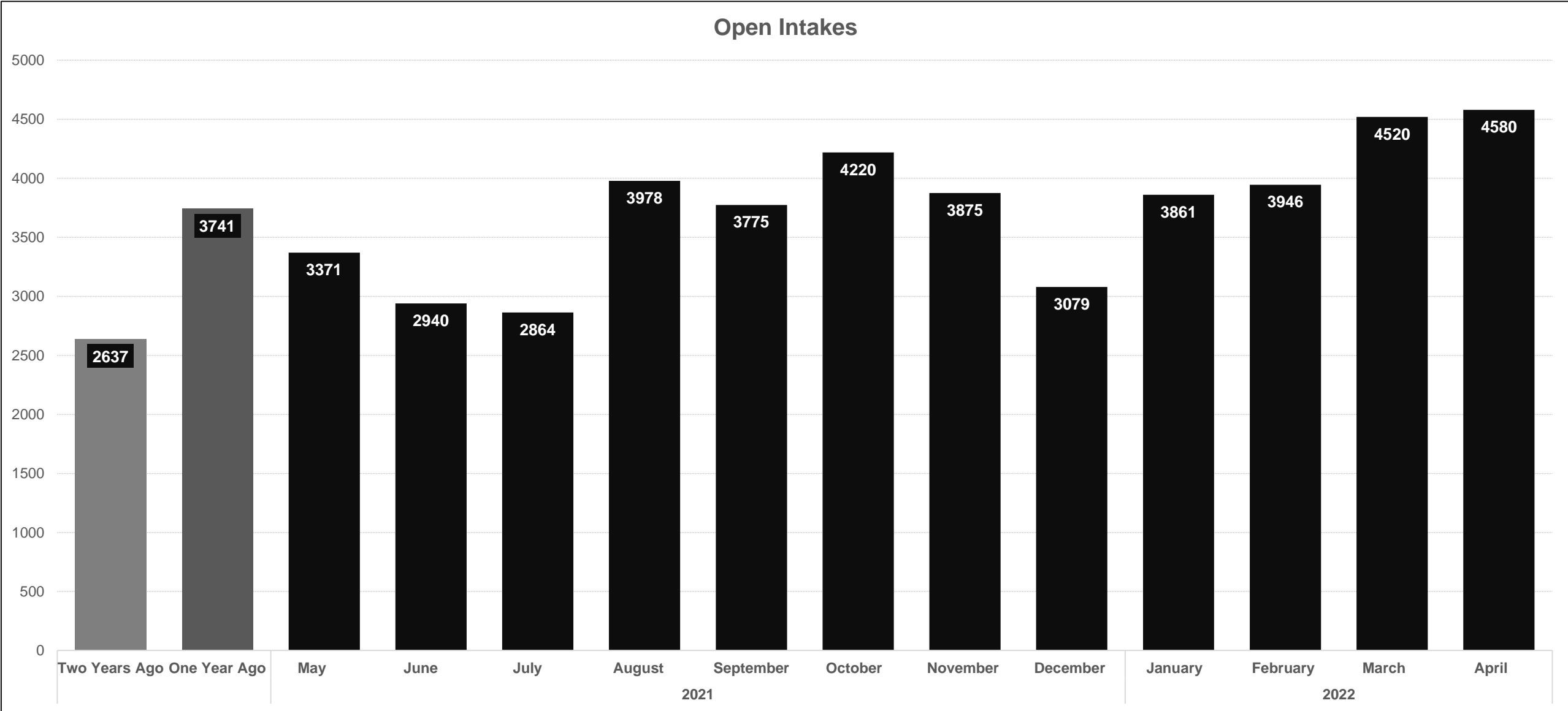
Child Welfare

Monthly Data Report

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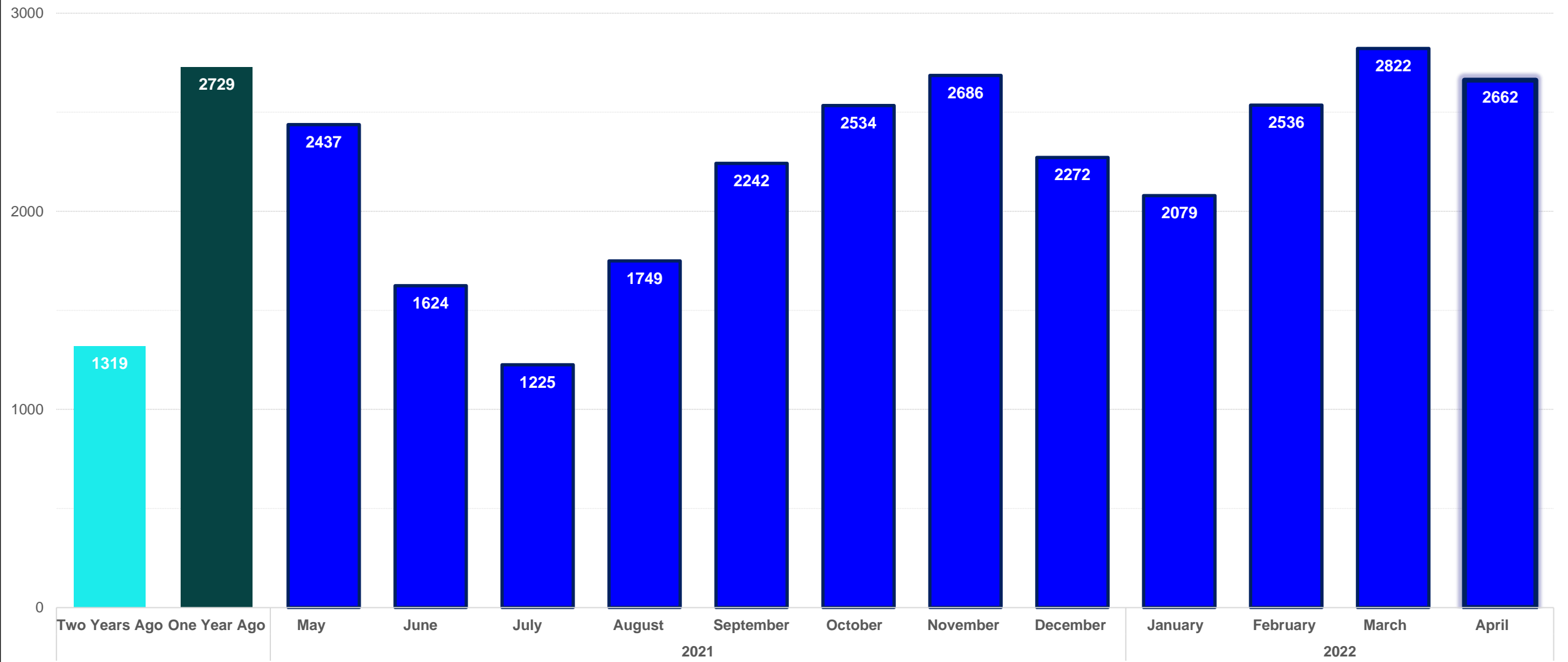
Open Intakes



Intakes, or reports of child maltreatment, may be directed to investigation, family support, screened out, or screened out and referred to services. Other intakes, such as Information and Referrals, are not included in these counts. (Data Source: SHINES)



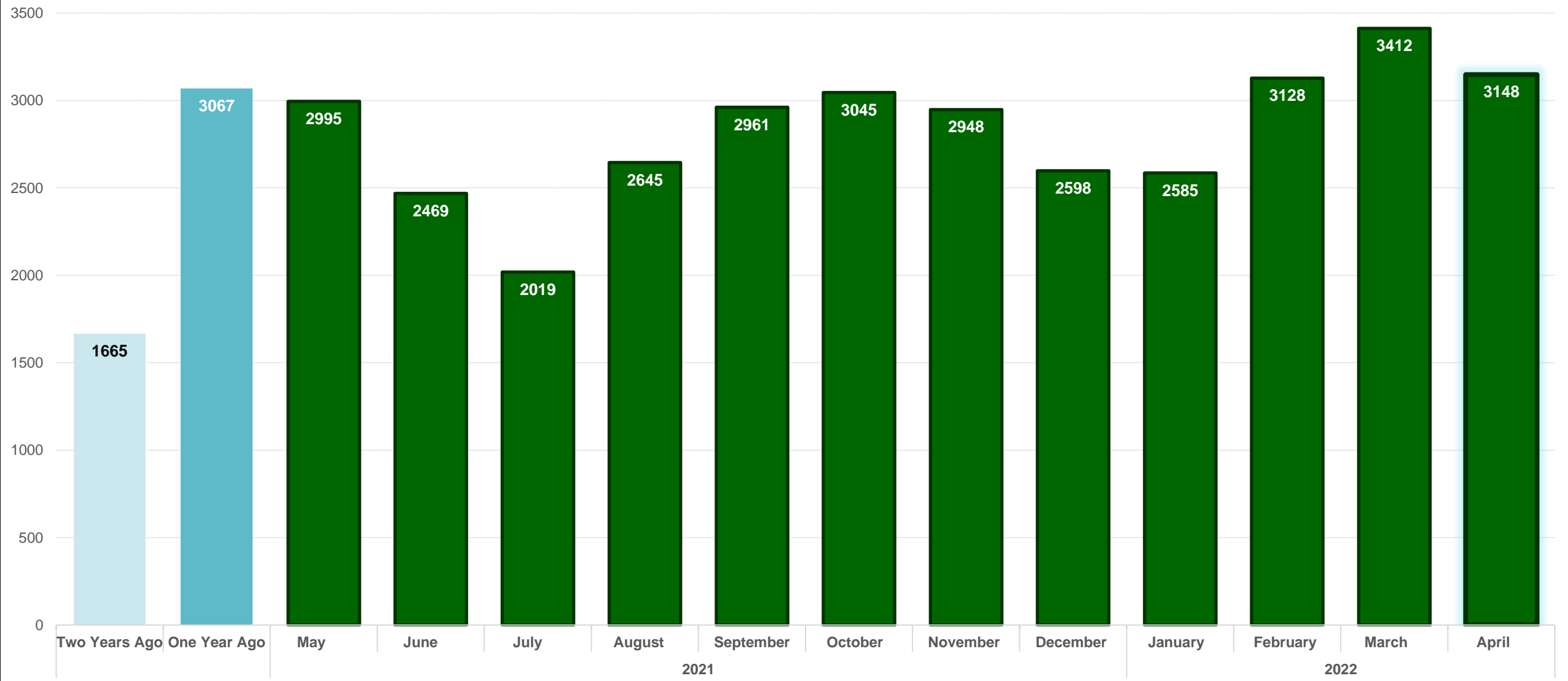
Open Family Support Stages



Family support cases are opportunities to assist families where concerns exist but can be managed with only minimal DFCS involvement, usually through referrals to community services. (Data Source: SHINES)



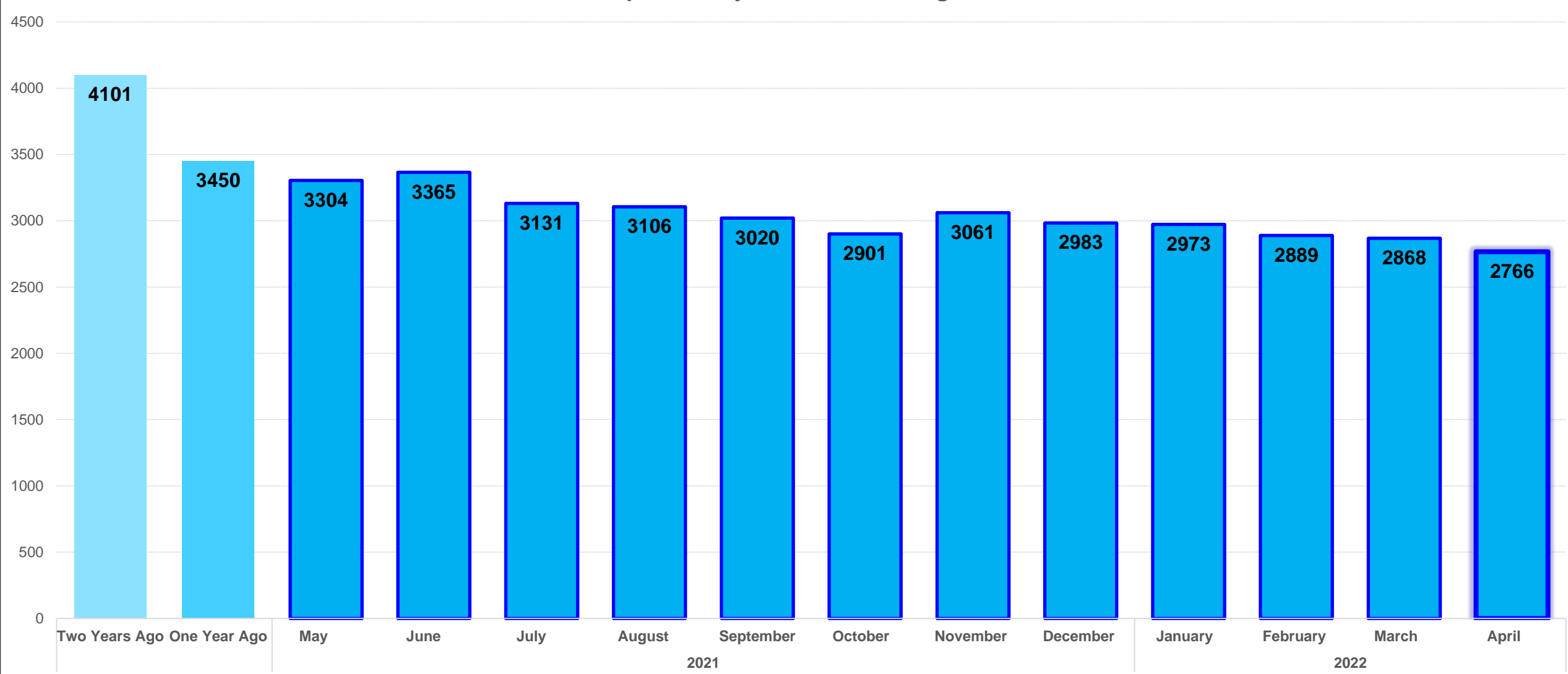
Open Investigations



Investigations seek to determine the safety of children where an allegation of abuse or neglect has been received by DFCS. This measure helps DFCS to measure workloads. (Data Source: SHINES)

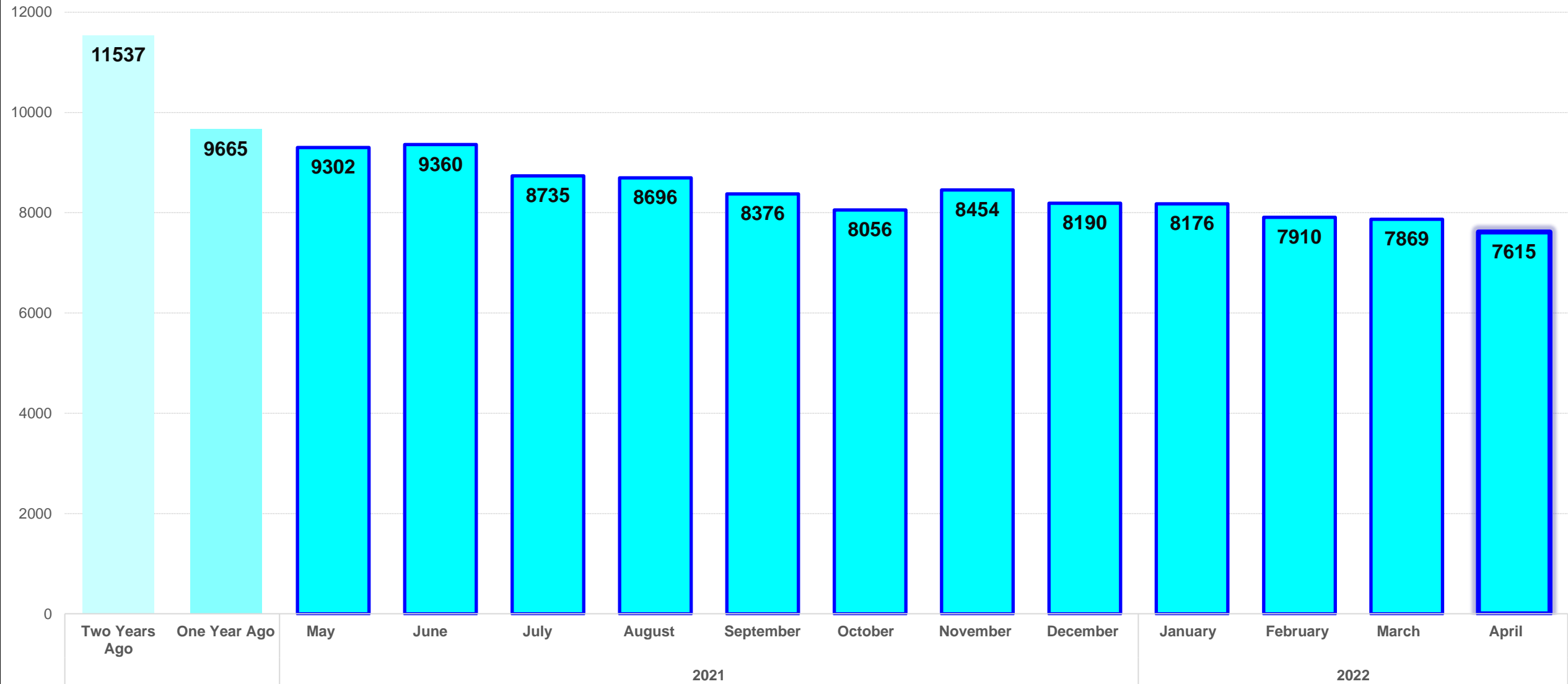


Open Family Preservation Stages



Family preservation is a program designed to continue working with a family where safety concerns have been identified with the children remaining in the home. (Data Source: SHINES)

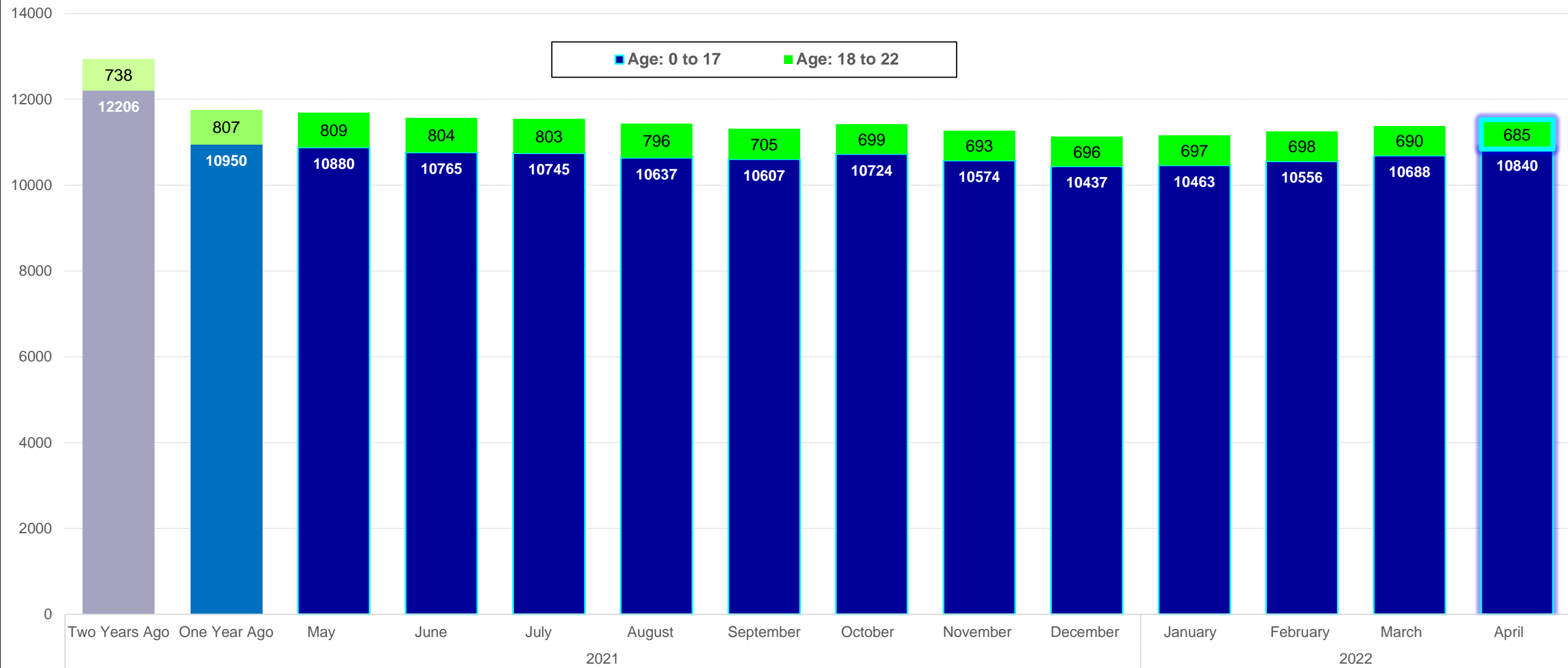
Children in Family Preservation



This chart shows the number of children in active Family Preservation cases at the end of the month. If not for this program, many of these children would otherwise be in foster care. (Data Source: SHINES)



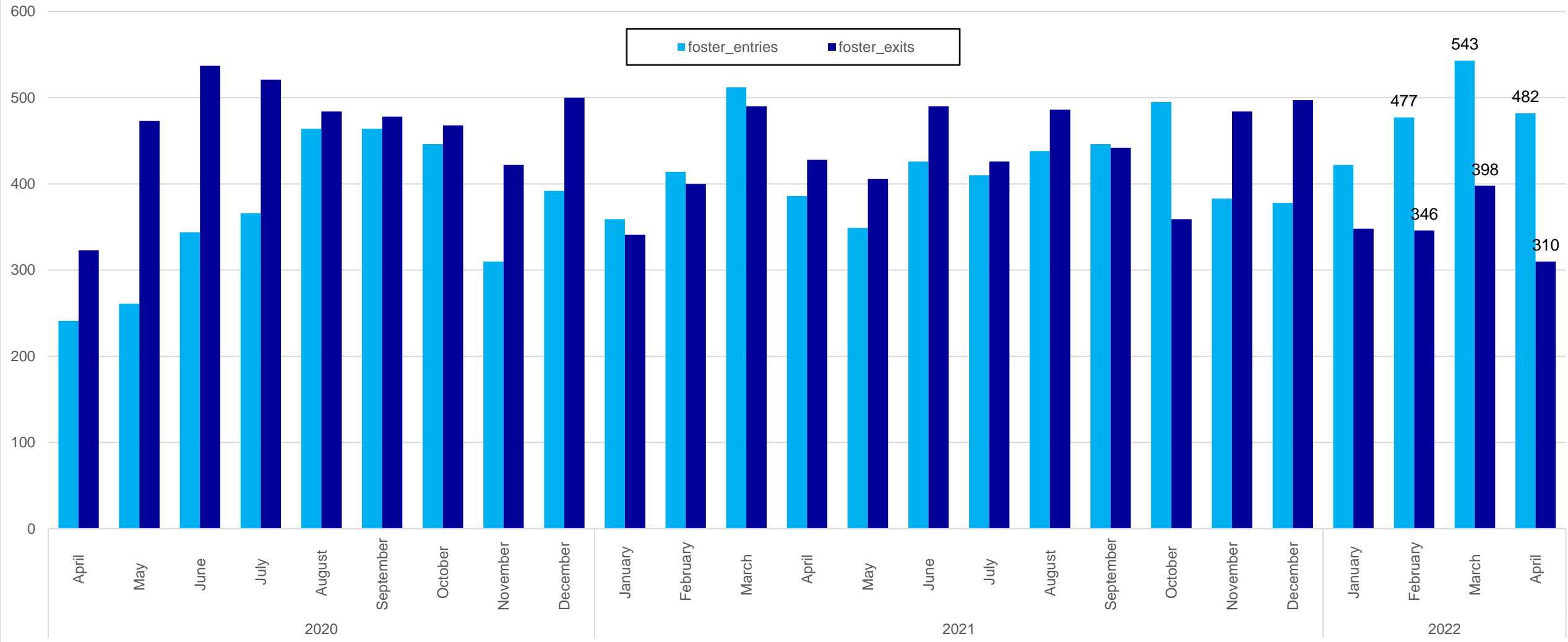
Foster Children/Youth in Custody on Last Day of Month



This chart shows the number of children in foster care on the last day of each month. Efforts are made immediately upon entry to pursue reunification when possible. A portion of the decline in the number of foster children over the past two years is due to the efforts by DFCS to exhaust all possible alternatives to entry. (Data Source: SHINES)



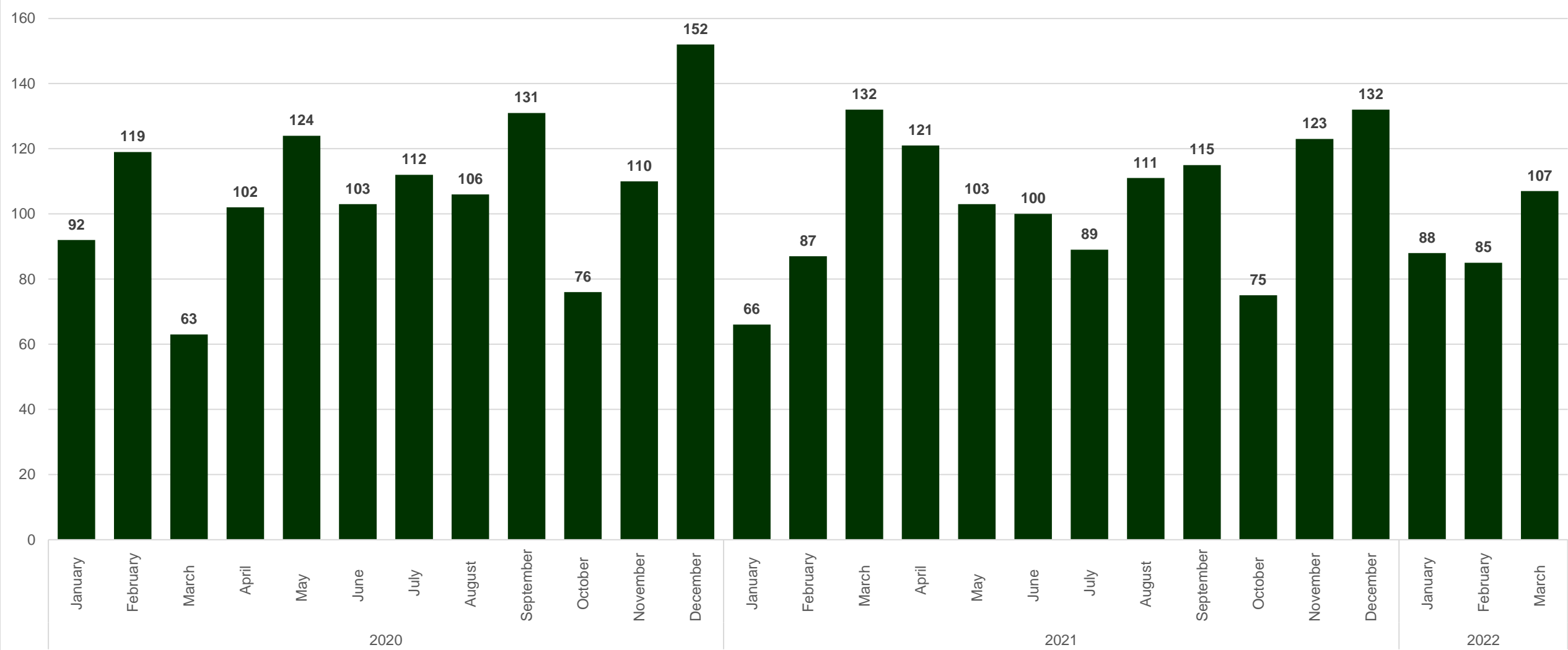
Foster Entry and Exit
2020 April - 2022 April



This chart compares for each month the number of entries and exits into foster care. Note: April 2022 data subject to change due to late date entry. (Data Source: SHINES)



Children Adopted by Month
2020 January - 2022 March



Finding a forever family for each child is the goal of DFCS when it is clear that reunification will not be in the best interest of the child. These adoption counts by month show the continuous effort undertaken to help foster children achieve this goal. (Data Source: SHINES)



Demographics of Children in Foster Care

Gender	%
Male	49%
Female	51%

Race/Ethnicity	%
White (Non-Hispanic)	45.4%
Black (Non-Hispanic)	38.0%
Black-White (Non-Hispanic)	6.9%
White (Hispanic)	6.6%
Other	3.0%

Age	%
0	5.7%
1	7.7%
2	7.5%
3	6.9%
4	6.4%
5	6.2%
6	5.6%
7	5.0%
8	4.3%
9	4.5%
10	4.3%
11	4.1%
12	4.6%
13	4.7%
14	5.2%
15	5.8%
16	5.8%
17	5.8%

The demographics of children in care are very similar to the demographics of children across the State of Georgia.



Foster Home Placements Available			
Region	DFCS Beds	CPA Beds	Total
1	620	310	930
2	498	251	749
3	414	375	789
4	615	562	1177
5	277	720	997
6	538	495	1033
7	354	403	757
8	442	232	674
9	240	85	325
10	304	363	667
11	331	275	606
12	402	397	799
13	715	1310	2025
14	361	920	1281
State	6111	6698	12809

DFCS strives to place children when in foster care in family-type settings when possible. This chart shows the number of approved homes by region. (Data Source: SHINES)



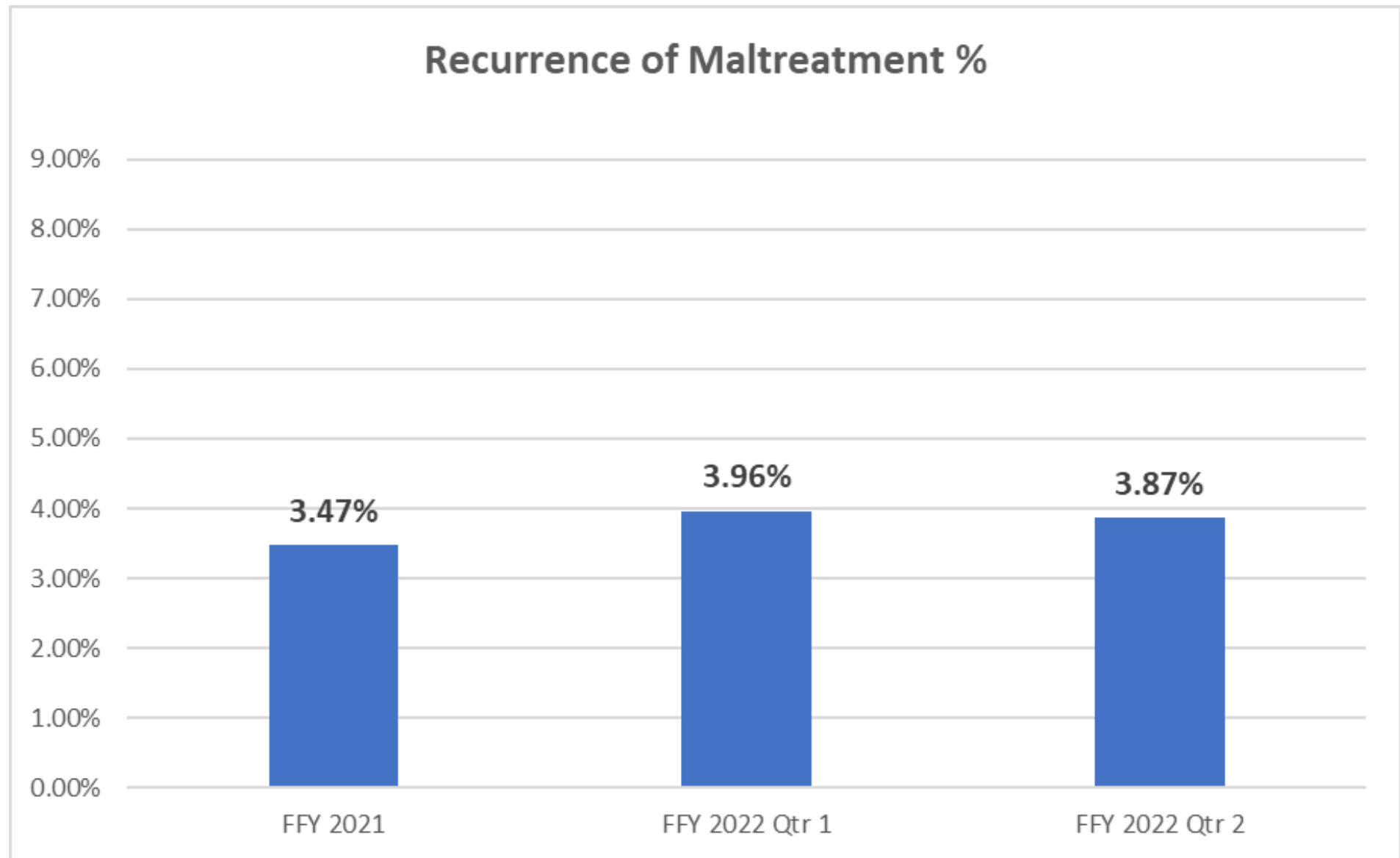
Re-Entry Into Care

	CY 2020	CY 2021	CY2022 YTD
Re-Entered	276	62	244
Did not Re-Enter	3995	905	3568
% Re-Entered	6.46%	6.41%	6.40%

National Standard: Below 8.1%

Re-entry into care is the percentage of children who exit care and return within twelve months of their exit.
(Data Source: SHINES)





Recurrence of maltreatment measures the percentage of children who are subject to substantiated abuse with twelve months of a prior incident. (Data Source: SHINES)



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Board of Human Services

Amended Fiscal Year 2022 & Fiscal Year 2023 Budget as Approved

Rashad Jackson, Director of Budget Administration

Cliff O'Connor, Assistant Deputy Commissioner & Chief Financial Officer

Budget as Approved

	<u>AFY 2022</u>	<u>FY 2023</u>
Current Budget (State Funds)	\$816,659,560	\$816,659,560
Statewide Adjustments (Common Changes)	\$24,971,420	\$51,343,936
Workload Adjustments	\$7,462,709	\$52,036,564
Other Adjustments	-	-
Total Adjustments	\$32,434,129	\$103,380,500
Budget as Approved (State Funds)	\$849,093,689	\$920,040,060



Budget as Approved

State Fund Changes (Statewide Adjustments)	AFY 2022	FY 2023
Increase funds for a \$5,000 pay increase for all full-time, benefit eligible state employees to address agency recruitment and retention needs.	\$27,071,420	-
Reduce funds to reflect the temporary 6.2% increase in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) adoption supplement.	(\$2,100,000)	-
Increase funds to provide a \$5,000 cost of living adjustment for all full-time, benefit eligible state employees effective July 1, 2022 to address agency recruitment and retention needs.	-	\$37,559,190
Increase funds to allow eligible state employees to withdraw up to 40 hours of earned annual leave annually from their accrued leave balance.	-	\$1,429,828
Reflect a change in the Employees' Retirement System employer contribution rate to fully fund the actuarial determined employer contribution, provide for a cost of living adjustment for retirees, increase the employer 401(k) match for GSEPS employees, and fund the employer share of accrued forfeited leave for retiring employees.	-	\$12,640,358



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State Fund Changes (Statewide Adjustments)	AFY 2022	FY 2023
Reflect an adjustment to agency premiums for Department of Administrative Services administered insurance programs.	-	\$77,188
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 66.85% to 66.02%.	-	\$1,024,459
Reflect a change in the Teachers' Retirement System actuarially determined contribution from 19.81% to 19.98%.	-	\$462
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	-	(\$1,394,608)
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (e-FMAP) from 76.80% to 76.21%.	-	\$7,059
Total State Funds	\$24,971,420	\$51,343,936



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State Fund Changes (Workload Adjustments - DHS)	AFY 2022	FY 2023
Increase funds for the Integrated Eligibility System costs for the implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session). [Departmental Administration]	\$2,719,534	-
Reduce funds to reflect workforce efficiencies. [Departmental Administration]	(\$283,179)	-
Increase funds for the American Rescue Plan state match requirement for meals, supportive services, family caregiver support, and preventive health services to the Area Agencies on Aging. (Total Funds: \$40,712,367) [Elder Community Living Services]	\$4,215,684	-
Increase to adjust special assistant attorneys general (SAAGs) hourly rate from \$57.50 to \$77.50 per hour. [Child Support Services, Child Welfare Services and Elder Abuse Investigations and Prevention]	-	\$7,070,547
Increase to adjust special assistant attorneys general (SAAGs) paralegal hourly rate from \$25 to \$40. [Child Support Services, Child Welfare Services and Elder Abuse Investigations and Prevention]	-	\$294,606



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State Fund Changes (Workload Adjustments - DHS)	AFY 2022	FY 2023
Increase funds to create the dementia care specialist program for statewide screenings. [Elder Community Living Services]	-	\$1,253,040
Provide funds for non-Medicaid home and community-based services (HCBS). [Elder Community Living Services]	-	\$3,999,692
Increase funds for statewide service expansion. [Elder Community Living Services]	-	\$3,000,000
Total State Funds	\$6,652,039	\$15,617,885



Budget as Approved

State Fund Changes (Redistributions - DHS)	AFY 2022	FY 2023
Transfer \$4,120,000 for Alzheimer's services from Departmental Administration to Elder Community Living Services. [Departmental Administration]	-	(\$4,120,000)
Transfer \$4,120,000 for Alzheimer's services from Departmental Administration to Elder Community Living Services. [Elder Community Living Services]	-	\$4,120,000
Total State Funds		\$0



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State Fund Changes (Workload Adjustments - DFCS)	AFY 2022	FY 2023
Increase funds for contracts for Washington Street Community Center for after school programs. (CC: Increase funds for one-time funding for contracts for after school programs statewide) [After School Care]	\$80,000	-
Increase funds for contracts for vocational training services with Broken Shackle Ranch. (CC: Increase funds for one-time funding for vocational training services) [Child Welfare Services]	\$100,000	-
Provide funds for services to at-risk girls. [Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention]	-	\$250,000
Provide funds for a community action team pilot program to address children who are in, or are at risk of entering, foster care. [Child Welfare Services]	-	\$1,500,000
Provide funds for an autism recognition pilot program in Region 12. [Child Welfare Services]	-	\$451,978
Provide funds for autism respite care. [Child Welfare Services]	-	\$1,000,000



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State Fund Changes (Workload Adjustments - DFCS)	AFY 2022	FY 2023
Increase funds to the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) to enhance statewide capacity. [Child Welfare Services]	-	\$200,000
Increase funds for contracts for vocational training services.[Child Welfare Services]	-	\$100,000
Provide funds to increase the annual foster care clothing allowance by \$275 per child. [Out-of-Home Care]	-	\$3,025,000
Provide funds for a 10% provider rate increase for Child Caring Institutions, Child Placing Agencies, foster parents, and relative caregivers. (Total Funds: \$31,487,817) [Out-of-Home Care]	-	\$27,810,584
Recognize State Education Agency (\$212,469,000) and Local Educational Agency (\$764,887,000) funds provided in the 'American Rescue Plan Act of 2021' (ARP) for programming associated with COVID-19 learning loss. [Out-of-School Services]	-	(\$4,727,964)



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State Fund Changes (Workload Adjustments - DFCS)	AFY 2022	FY 2023
Increase funds for out-of-school programs with locations in communities serving at-risk youth. [Out-of-School Services]	-	\$4,000,000
Total State Funds	\$180,000	\$33,609,598



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State Fund Changes (Redistributions - DFCS)	AFY 2022	FY 2023
Transfer \$4,727,964 from After School Care to the renamed, Out-of-School Services. [After School Care]	-	(\$4,727,964)
Transfer \$4,727,964 from After School Care to the renamed, Out-of-School Services. [Out-of-School Services]	-	\$4,727,964
Total State Funds		\$0



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State Fund Changes (Other Adjustments - DFCS)	AFY 2022	FY 2023
The agency is directed and authorized to submit to federal authorizers for funds for the benefit of federal and other-funded employees to provide for a cost-of-living adjustment pay increase to begin no later than July 1, 2022. [Federal Eligibility Benefit Services]	Yes	-
Dedicate \$1,100,533 in state general funds as State Children's Trust Funds to reflect FY 2021 collections of marriage and divorce filing fees pursuant to HB 511 (2021 Session). [Child Abuse Neglect and Prevention]	-	Yes
Utilize \$6,700,000 in existing funds to improve the continuum of care including preventative and therapeutic services, in addition to addressing youth with complex needs. [Out-of-Home Care]	-	Yes
Change the name of the After School Care program to the Out-of-School Services program. [Out-of-School Services]	-	Yes
Reflect a new purpose statement: "The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the provision of out-of-school services and draw down TANF maintenance of effort funds." [Out-of-School Services]	-	Yes



Entities Attached for Administrative Purposes



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Entities Attached for Administrative Purposes		AFY 2022	FY 2023
Council on Aging	Debra L. Stokes debra.stokes@gcoa.ga.gov	\$18,176	\$38,610
Family Connection	Gaye Smith gaye@gafcp.org 404.527.7394	-	\$815,500
Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency	Chris Wells chris.wells@gvs.ga.gov 404.656.7952	\$2,581,202	\$5,942,550
Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission	Candice L. Broce candice.broce@dhs.ga.gov 678.346.8900	-	(\$240,419)
Total State Funds		\$2,599,378	\$6,556,241



Questions?

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Legislative Update

Georgia General Assembly 2022

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House Bill 424

Sponsor: Rep. Bruce Williamson

Summary: Provides for the creation of a tax credit for contributions to certain foster care organizations that support youth aging out of foster care.



House Bill 1013

Sponsor: Speaker David Ralston

Summary: The bill creates the “Mental Health Parity Act”, which is a comprehensive overall and coordination of Georgia's mental health services.



Senate Bill 116

Sponsor: Sen. Randy Robertson

Summary: Establishes maternity supportive housing residences and provides for registration of these homes with DHS.



Senate Bill 338

Sponsor: Sen. Dean Burke

Summary: Increases Medicaid coverage for women from 6 months to 1 year following a pregnancy.



Senate Bill 534

Sponsor: Sen. John Kennedy

Summary: Establishes agency policy for considerations when adopting rules that are applicable to charitable organizations.



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- **1-2 points on areas that are going well**
- **1-2 points on areas of improvement**