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Out-of-Home Placement & Screening Trends: Q3 2019

About this Report

The Department of Community Corrections and Rehabilitation (DOCCR) has been tracking out-of-home placements (OHP) for juvenile offenders since 2009. This report describes youth who were in out-of-home placement during the 3rd quarter of 2019. Data is pulled from the juvenile case management information system (MAIn) using the OHP Population Report.

This report provides trend data on youth with placements that closed during the quarter, as well as those with placements that were open on the last day of the quarter (September 30, 2019). Placements are organized by location (Hennepin County, Greater Minnesota, or out of state), and by type (residential treatment centers, sexual health treatment centers, the County Home School, foster homes, shelters, transition centers, group homes, chemical dependency centers, mental health centers, and evaluations). This report also organizes placements by race and gender.

The DOCCR has been tracking information about the screening process for out-of-home placements since 2013. This report provides data on placement screenings by type, location, reason, race, and parental involvement.

Highlights/Key Trends:

- Screenings
 - The number of placement screenings has continued to trend downward
 - More than half of the screenings were done for a new charge
 - Almost $\frac{3}{4}$ of youth screen identified as Black/African American
 - In Q3 2019, parents attended less than half of the screenings; this is down from Q2 2019
- Placements
 - Youth whose placement ended in Q3 2019, spent a median of 156 days (5 months) in placement
 - Two-thirds of youth with an open placement during Q3 2019 were placed outside of Hennepin County
 - Youth of color are the majority of youth in placement

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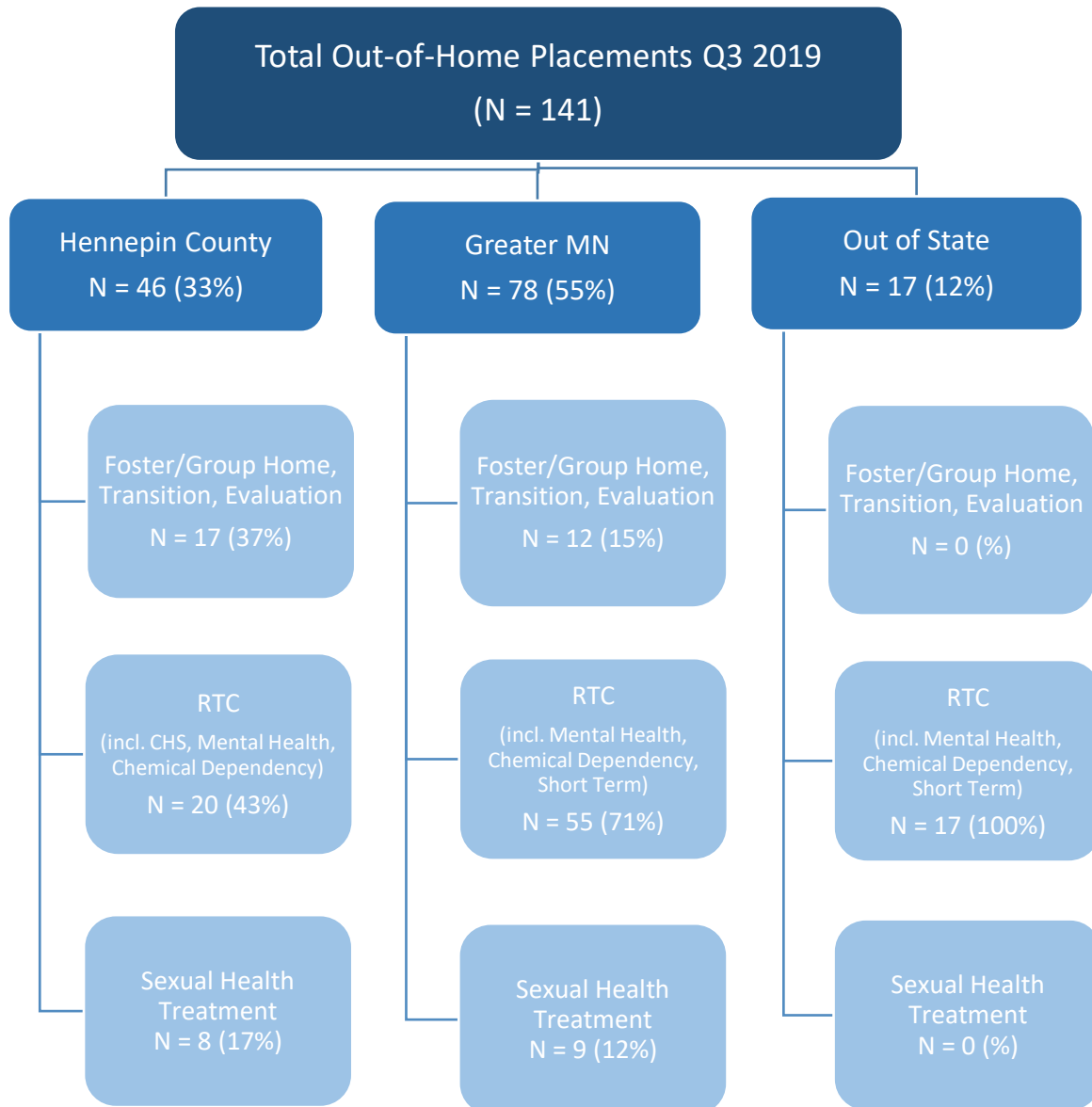
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Total Out-of-Home Placements

Figure 1¹ shows the breakout of Hennepin County clients in out-of-home placements. Overall, there were 141 out-of-home placements in quarter three of 2019. Thirty-three percent were placements within Hennepin County, 55% were placements in Greater Minnesota, and 12% were out of state placements.

Figure 1. Total Out-of-Home Placements Q3 2019



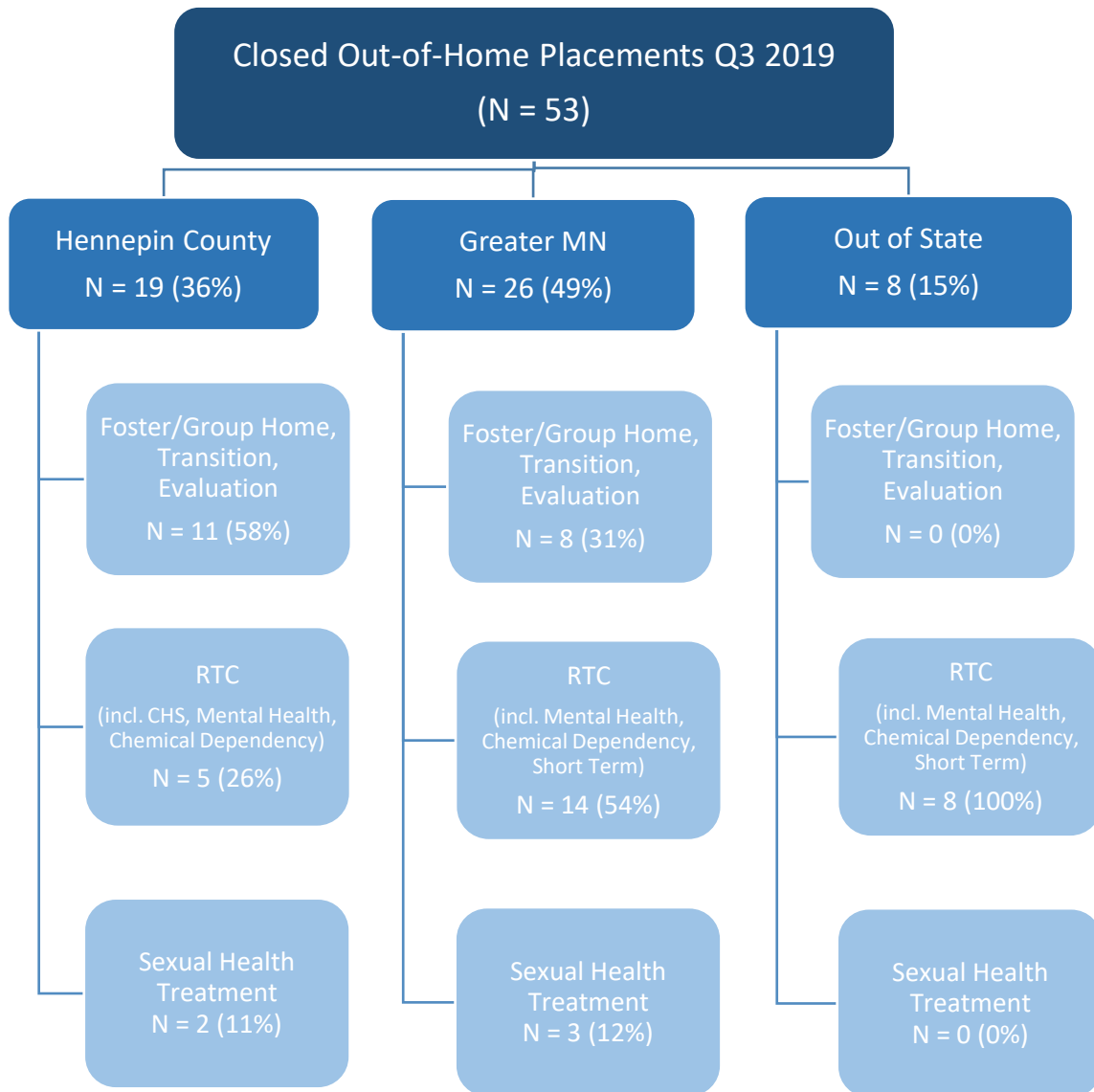
¹ Numbers in the chart may not equal the N identified at the top due to a small number of placements that do not fit the categories shown here, primarily shelters.

Closed Placements

Figure 2² shows the breakout of closed out-of-home placements (those which ended in the quarter). Of the 141 total placements, 53 closed during quarter three of 2019.

Thirty-six percent of the placements that closed were placements in Hennepin County, 49% were Greater Minnesota placements and 15% were out of state placements.

Figure 2. Closed Out-of-Home Placements Q3 2019



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Excluding youth in Sexual Health Treatment, the median number of days in placement for youth with placements that closed during quarter 3 of 2019 is shown below. The median number of days in placement for youth of color (n = 44) was 156 days. The median length of stay for white youth (n = 4) was 223 days. Five youth of color closed on Sexual Health Treatment in Q3 2019 and the median time in place was 243 days. Figures 3 and 4 show the median number of days in placement for placements that closed in that quarter excluding Sexual Health Treatment.

Figure 3. Median number of days in placement for closed placements by race

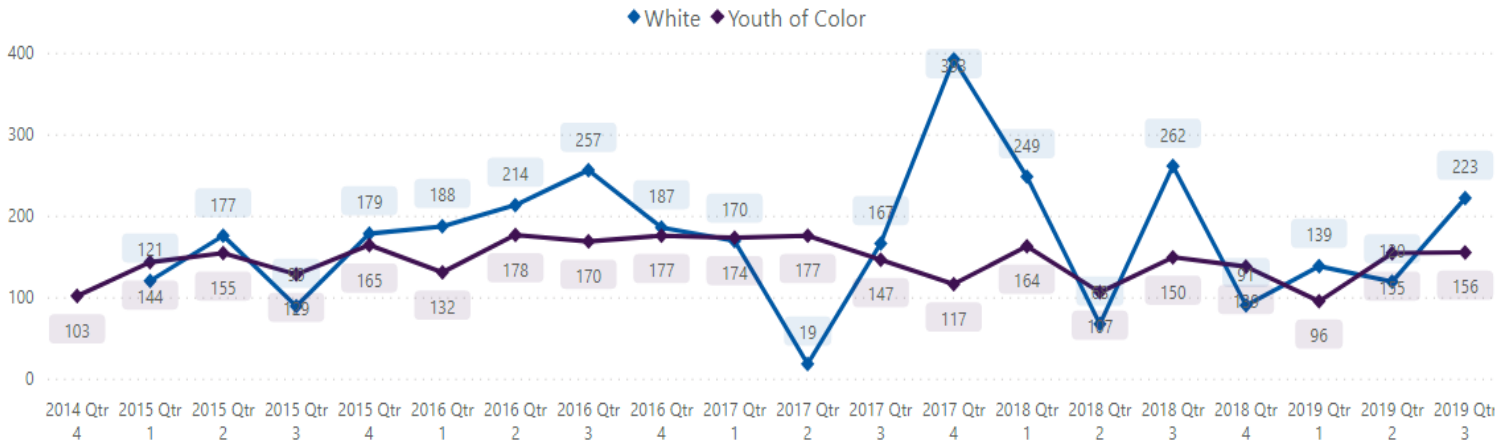


Figure 4. Median number of days in placements for closed placements by race

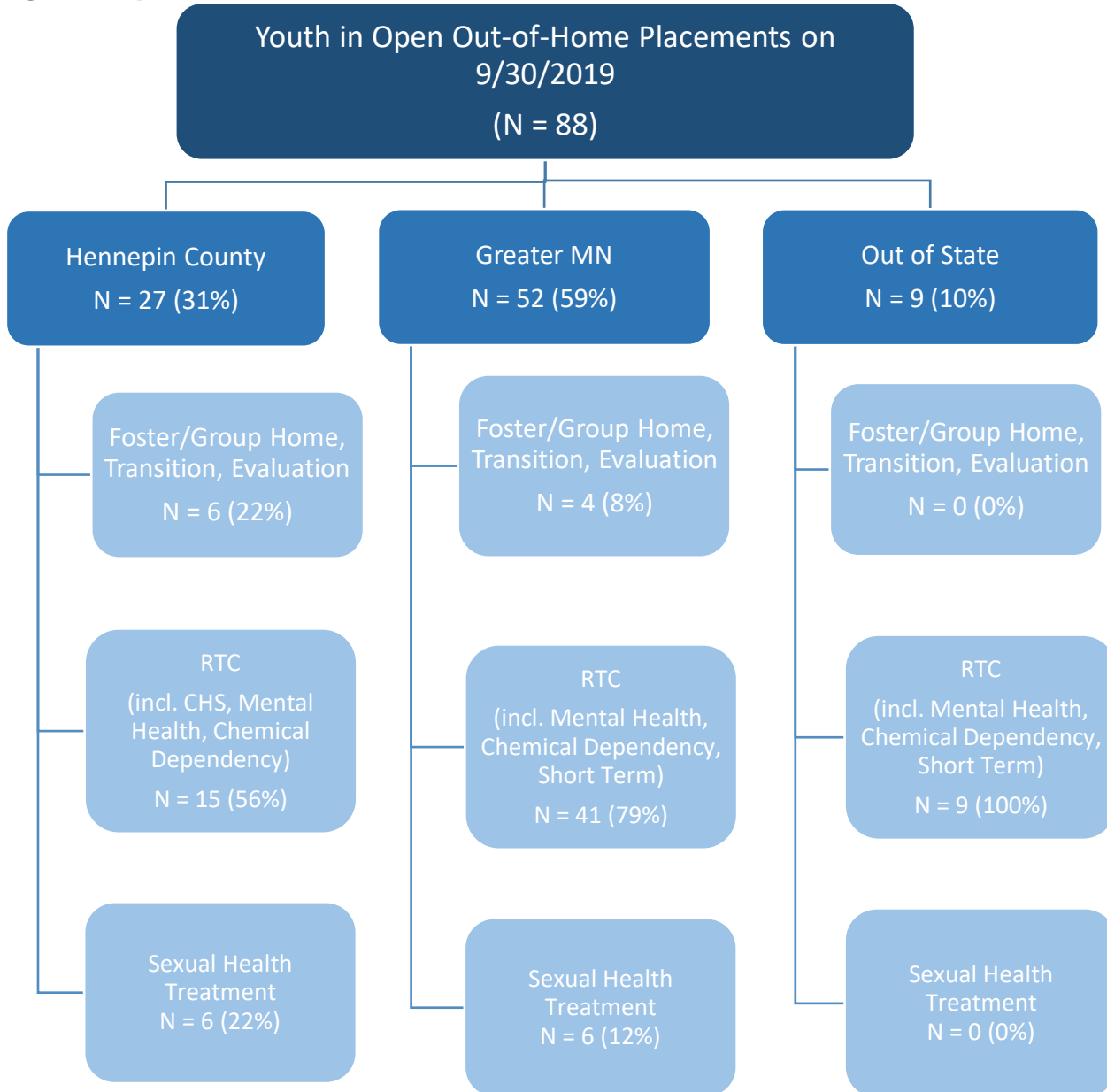
Race	Year	2014				2015				2016				2017				2018				2019		
		Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3			
Amer Indian/AK Native	Median Placement Days	65	126	97	138	135	98	45	211	353	171	127	114	31	79	174	101	18	30	174	99			
	N	2	9	10	8	10	7	9	4	5	5	10	5	6	1	4	2	6	5	5	2			
Asian	Median Placement Days			271			239	893		205	216	176			1109									
	N			1			1	1		1	1	1			1									
Black/African American	Median Placement Days	103	151	171	131	155	129	179	166	177	179	177	109	184	104	152	142	115	179	172				
	N	7	71	49	71	60	51	78	56	64	56	48	43	32	55	50	38	29	39	41	35			
N. Hawai/Oth Pacif Isl	Median Placement Days		21																					
	N		1																					
Other Race	Median Placement Days	225	122	58	86	143	186	177	124	13	169	154	64	179	128	180	110	164	122	133	202			
	N	2	8	6	4	5	1	7	4	5	9	3	8	3	7	7	8	6	5	9	5			
Two or more Races	Median Placement Days		170	93	119	267	182	135	268	153	63	76	108	170	114	165	179	215	64	99	92			
	N		9	6	7	8	8	8	6	4	7	8	9	8	8	7	5	5	8	7	2			
White	Median Placement Days		121	177	90	179	188	214	257	187	170	19	167	393	249	68	262	91	139	120	223			
	N		5	6	7	5	4	7	5	2	3	3	6	3	2	4	1	3	5	5	4			
Total	Median Placement Days	102	141	160	128	166	136	178	177	177	171	170	147	119	167	106	152	135	97	145	156			
	N	11	103	78	97	88	72	110	75	81	81	73	71	52	73	73	54	49	62	67	48			

Open Placements

There were 88 youth in an out-of-home placement on the last day of the quarter (September 30, 2019).

Thirty one percent of open placements were in Hennepin County, 59% were in Greater Minnesota, and 10% were out of state (see Figure 5)³.

Figure 5. Open Out-of-Home Placements Q3 2019



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The chart below shows the number of male and female youth in out-of-home placement on the last day of the quarter (September 30, 2019).

Figure 6. Open placements by gender

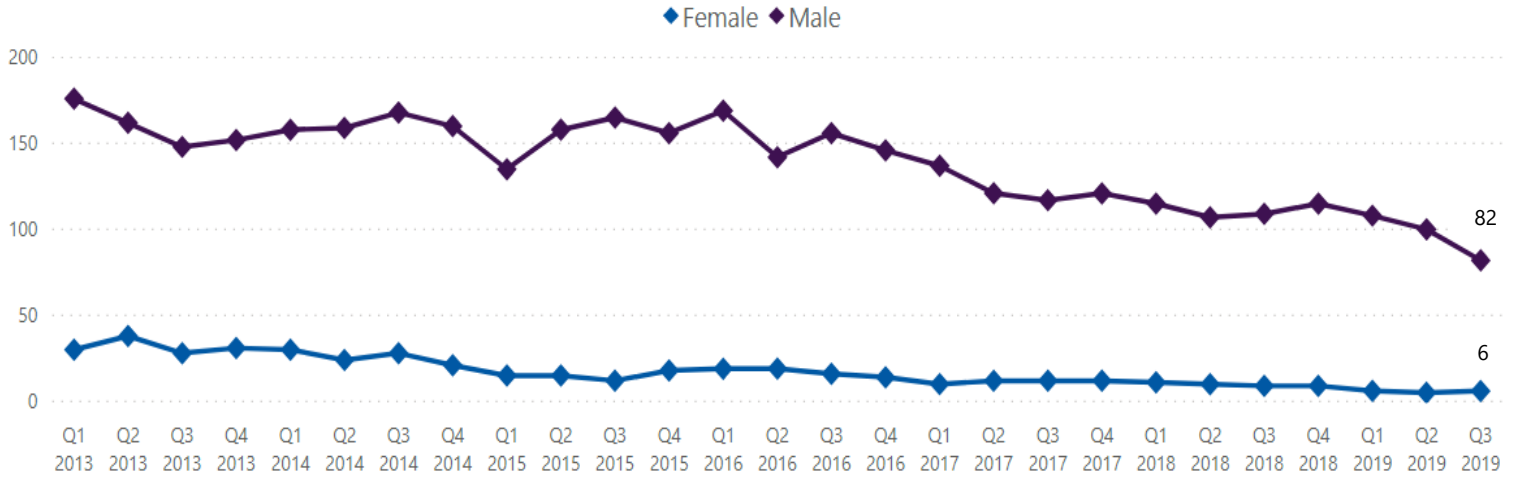


Figure 7. Boys in open placements by race

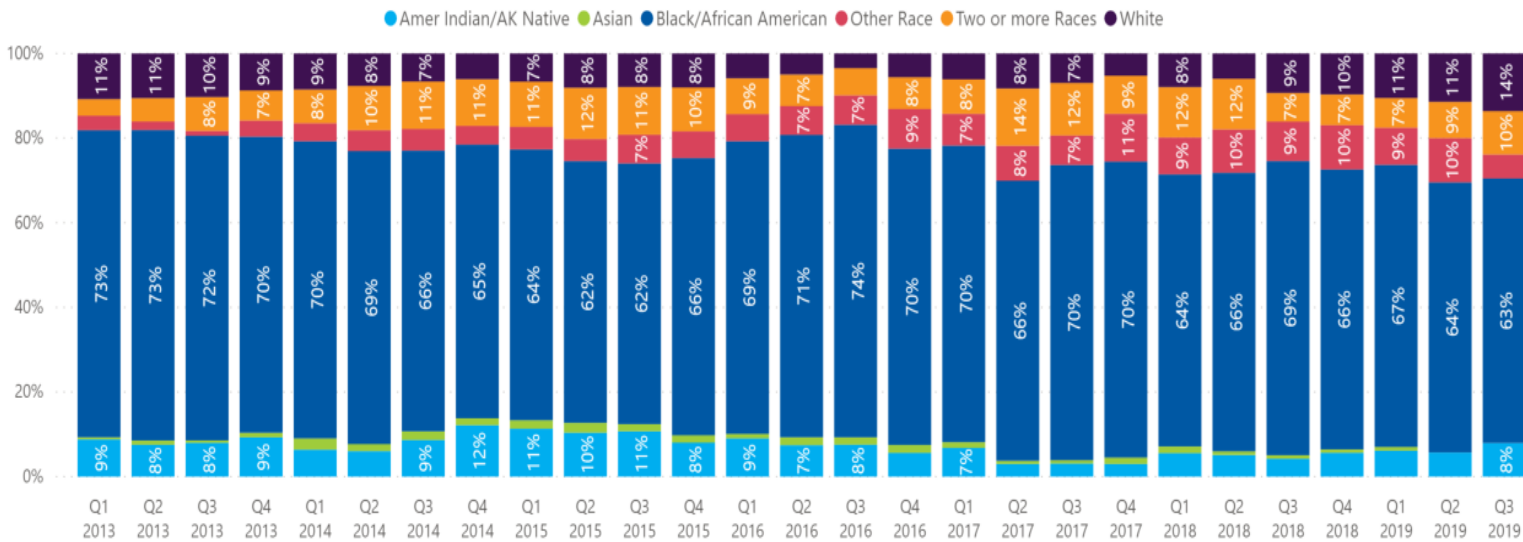
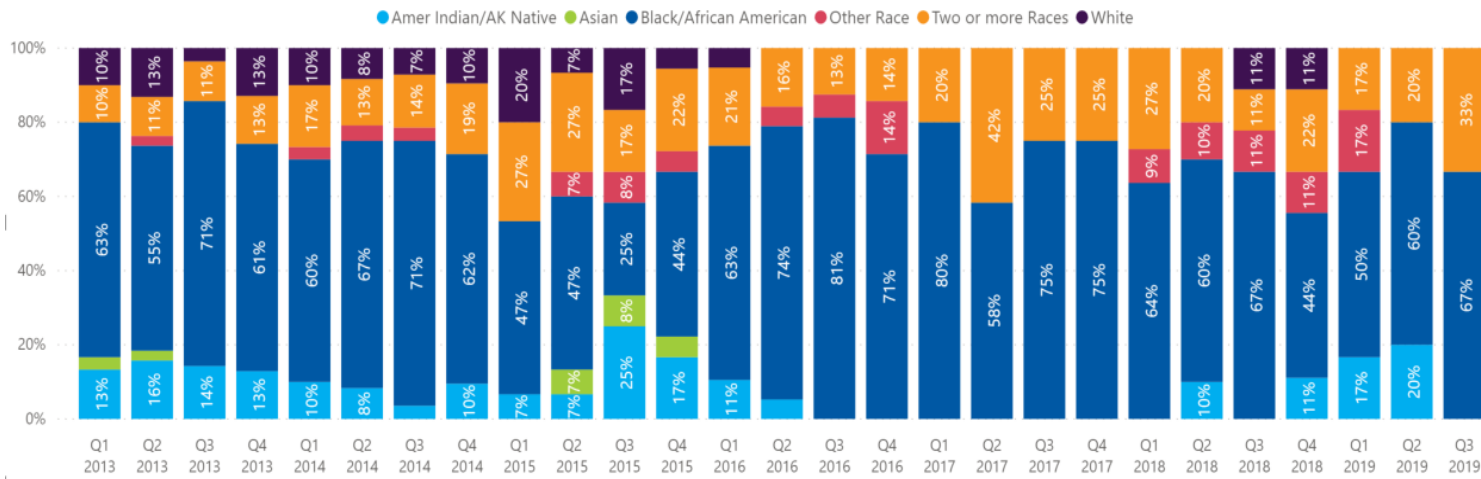


Figure 8. Girls in open placements by race



Hennepin County Placements

The table below details the number of youth open on the last day of the quarter (September 30, 2019) for each placement location in Hennepin County broken out by placement type and by gender and race.

Figure 9. Open placements in Hennepin County by location

	Boys (n = 26)		Girls (n = 1)	
	Of Color	White	Of Color	White
CHS-AFSHS	5	1	--	--
CHS-STAMP	1	0	--	--
HSPHD Foster	1	0	--	--
Jordan House	2	0	--	--
Kadiri House	--	--	--	--
LSS Portland House	1	0	--	--
Naima House	--	--	1	0
PIR Braza House	1	0	--	--
VOA Foster Care	--	--	--	--
Grand Totals	25	1	1	0

Greater Minnesota Placements

The table below details the number of youth open on the last day of the quarter (September 30, 2019) for each placement location in greater Minnesota broken out by placement type and by gender and race.

Figure 10. Open placements in Greater Minnesota by location

	Boys (n = 48)		Girls (n = 4)	
	Of Color	White	Of Color	White
Dakota Gender Spec	--	--	1	0
DIVINE Intervention	--	--	1	0
Gerard Academy	1	0	--	--
Maple Tree	1	2	--	--
MLA RTC	0	1	--	--
MNDOC Red Wing RTC	26	1	--	--
MNDOC Red Wing SOT	2	2	--	--
Village Ranch Girls	--	--	1	0
Village Ranch Tier 2	1	0	--	--
Woodland Hills RTC	8	3	1	0
Grand Totals	39	9	4	0

Out of State Placements

The table below details the number of youth open on the last day of the quarter (September 30, 2019) for each placement location outside of Minnesota broken out by placement type and by gender and race.

Figure 11. Open placements outside of Minnesota by location

	Boys (n = 8)		Girls (n = 1)	
	Of Color	White	Of Color	White
Benchmark	0	1	--	--
Lakeside Academy	3	0	--	--
Milwaukee Academy	--	--	1	0
Woodward Academy RTC	3	1	--	--
Grand Totals	6	2	1	0

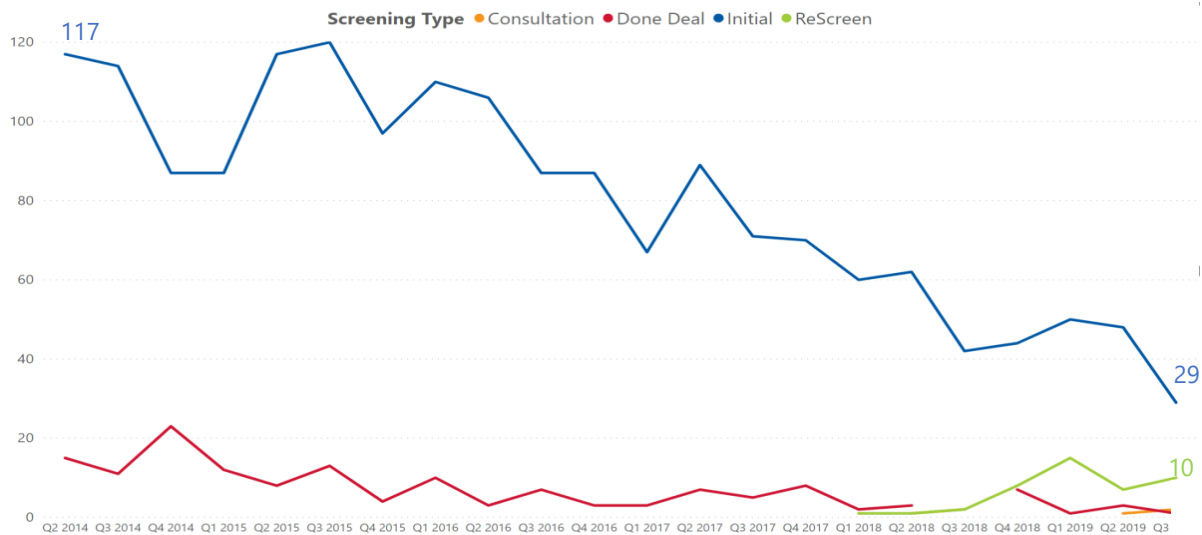
Placement Screening

Youth receive a placement screening to determine if an out-of-home placement is recommended⁴. The chart below shows the number of placement screenings conducted on youth by quarter. There was a

⁴ At times a youth may be screened for more than one placement on a single day. These records have been counted as duplicates and have been removed for analysis. Youth who are sent directly to placement as a court order have also been removed for analysis, though the trend appears in Figure 12.

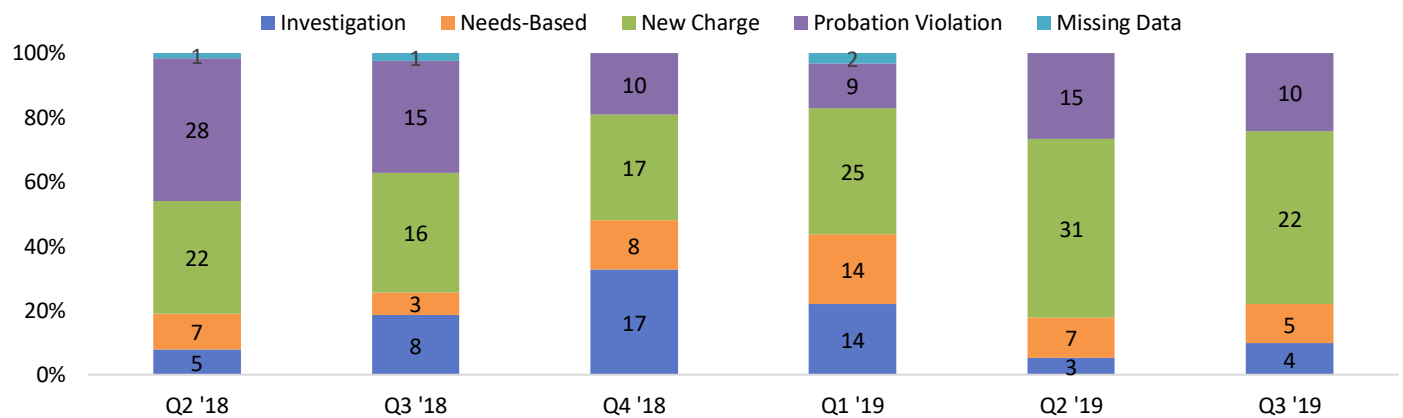
75% decrease in initial screenings between Q2 2014 and Q3 2019. After six months, placements may be re-screened for a 90 day extension.

Figure 12. Number of placement screenings



Placement screenings are conducted for several different reasons⁵. In Q3 2019, 10 screenings (24%) were conducted because of a probation violation, 22 (54%) for a new charge, 5 (12%) were needs-based, and 4 (10%) were for an investigation.

Figure 13. Reason for placement screening



⁵ Staff began recording the reason for conducting placement screenings in Q2 2017, though it was infrequently recorded until Q2 2018. **Investigation:** Client is pending an Investigation event and is not already on probation; **Needs:** Client's placement is needs-based (housing need, closure of past placement, etc.); **New Charge:** Client both a new offense AND probation violation; **Probation Violation:** Client is being screened due to probation violations other than a new offense.

The following chart and table show the breakdown of placement screenings by race. Of the 41 screenings, 30 (73%) were youth who identified as Black/African American.

Figure 14. Placement screenings by race

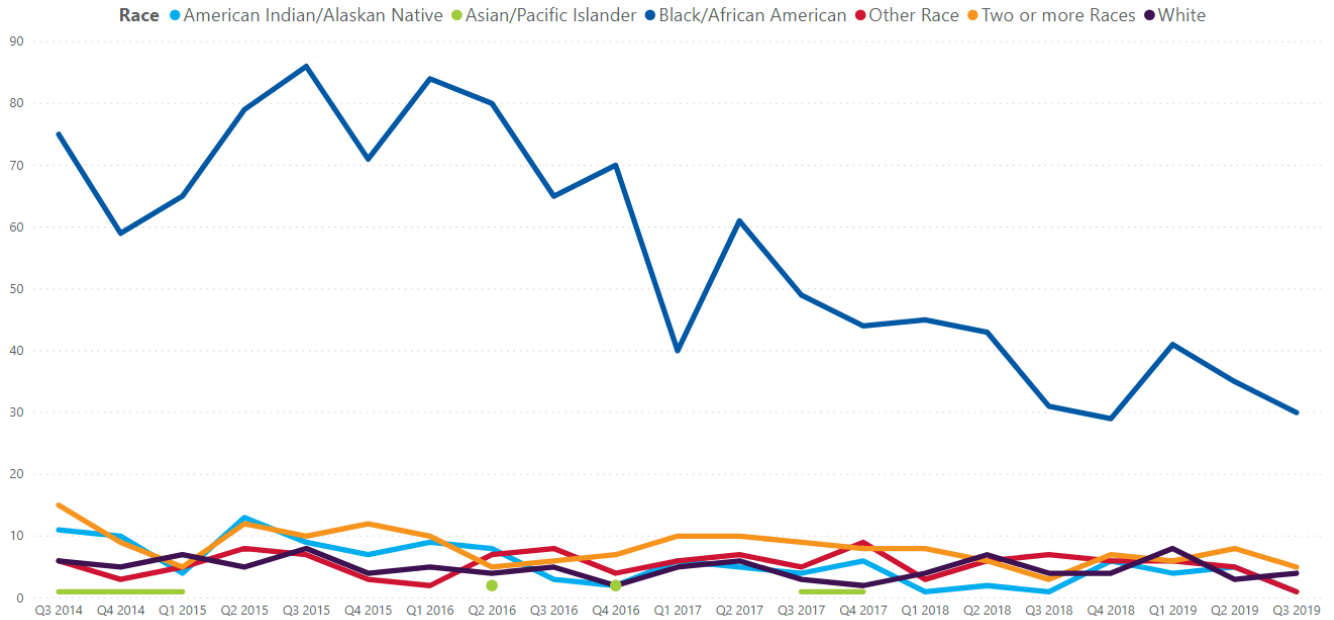


Figure 15. Placement screenings by type and race

Recommended	Q3 2015	Q4 2015	Q1 2016	Q2 2016	Q3 2016	Q4 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	Q3 2017	Q4 2017	Q1 2018	Q2 2018	Q3 2018	Q4 2018	Q1 2019	Q2 2019	Q3 2019
Evaluation	2	2		1	1	1	3	8	2	5	2	6	4	3	2	4	2
Of Color	2	2		1	1	1	3	7	2	5	1	3	4	3	2	4	2
White								1			1	3					
Foster Home	2	7	3	2	1		2	4	2	3	1	2		1	1		
Of Color	1	7	3	2	1		2	4	2	3	1	1		1	1		
White	1											1					
Group Homes	23	17	18	13	11	11	7	7	11	9	9	6	7	12	15	17	10
Of Color	22	16	17	13	11	11	7	7	11	9	9	6	6	11	14	15	9
White	1	1	1											1	1	2	1
RTC	59	49	54	52	49	46	35	38	41	28	33	31	29	21	30	20	21
Of Color	54	47	53	51	48	46	33	36	40	28	32	30	27	19	27	19	18
White	5	2	1	1	1		2	2	1		1	1	2	2	3	1	3
Sexual Offense Tx	6	4	11	9	7	3	7	6	4	3	3	5	1	4	4	2	1
Of Color	6	4	11	9	6	2	5	4	4	3	2	3	1	3	2	2	1
White					1	1	2	2			1	2		1	2		
Shelters	3	1		2	3	1		2	1	1	3	1	2	1	4	1	
Of Color	3	1		1	3	1		2	1	1	3	1	2	1	4	1	
White																	
Short Term	22	12	18	24	15	19	12	17	10	16	9	10	4	9	6	10	6
Of Color	21	11	16	23	12	18	11	17	9	14	8	10	3	9	6	10	6
White	1	1	2	1	3	1	1		1	2	1		1				
Transition	5	4	5	4	4	9	1	6	4	3	2	5		1	4	2	1
Of Color	5	4	4	3	4	9	1	6	3	3	2	5		1	2	2	1
White			1	1					1						2		
Total	120	96	109	106	87	87	67	88	71	68	60	64	46	52	65	56	41

Staff began recording parental attendance at placement screenings in Q2 2018. To increase parent participation, parents were given the opportunity to attend via phone, beginning in Q3 2018. In Q3 2019 parents were in attendance at 49% (N=20) of placement screenings.

Figure 16. Parental attendance at placement screening

