



# Changes and Trends in the Child Welfare Caseload in North Carolina

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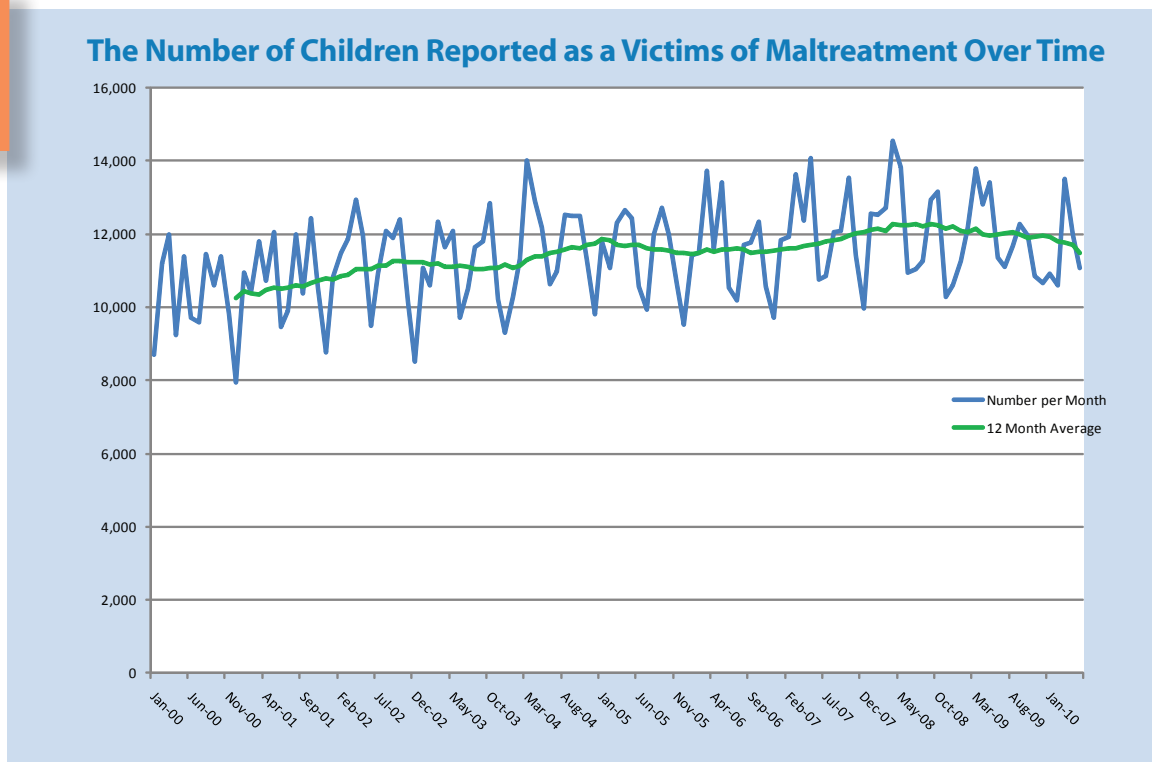
# Changes and Trends in the Child Welfare Caseload in North Carolina: September 2010



This report explores changes and trends in the child welfare caseload in North Carolina. This analysis is based on data extracted from the Services Information System (SIS) in early September 2010. These extracts are used to construct and maintain a longitudinal file that tracks the experiences of children and youth who have been involved with the child welfare system in North Carolina. The analysis explores changes in the number of children reported as victims of maltreatment, the number of those reports which are substantiated, and the number of children entering foster care. Long-term trends are also discussed.

Figure One illustrates the changes in the number of reports of maltreatment<sup>1</sup> over time (specific monthly numbers can be found in Appendix A, Table One). As the figure indicates, the number of reports of maltreatment received monthly has increased slightly over time and is illustrated by the twelve month average trend line. The number of children reported rose slightly from 12,037 in

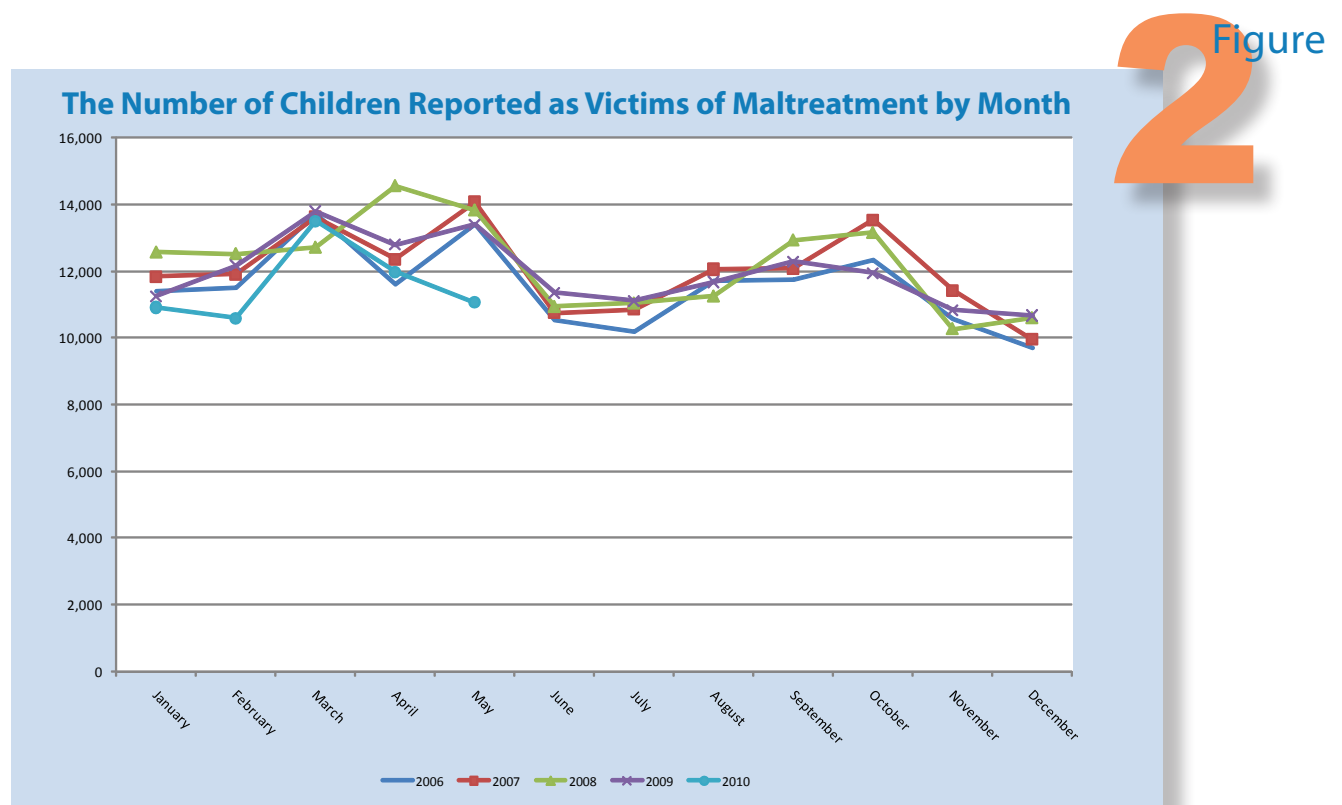
Figure 1



<sup>1</sup>The reports of maltreatment tracked in Figures One through Five of this report do not provide a unique count of children per year. There are a number of instances in which a child may have more than one report investigated within a calendar year. Also, there are some instances where two separate investigations—as indicated by date of case decision on the DSS-5104 form—about an individual child are concluded within a calendar month. Instances where there are separate allegations of maltreatment for an individual child—as indicated by the form identification number—with the same case decision date are collapsed into a single report. Also, state policies require that when a report of maltreatment is received, all children living in the home must be assessed as a possible victim of maltreatment. As a result, the number of children reported as victims of maltreatment could fluctuate based upon the size of families involved, even as the number of reports remains steady.

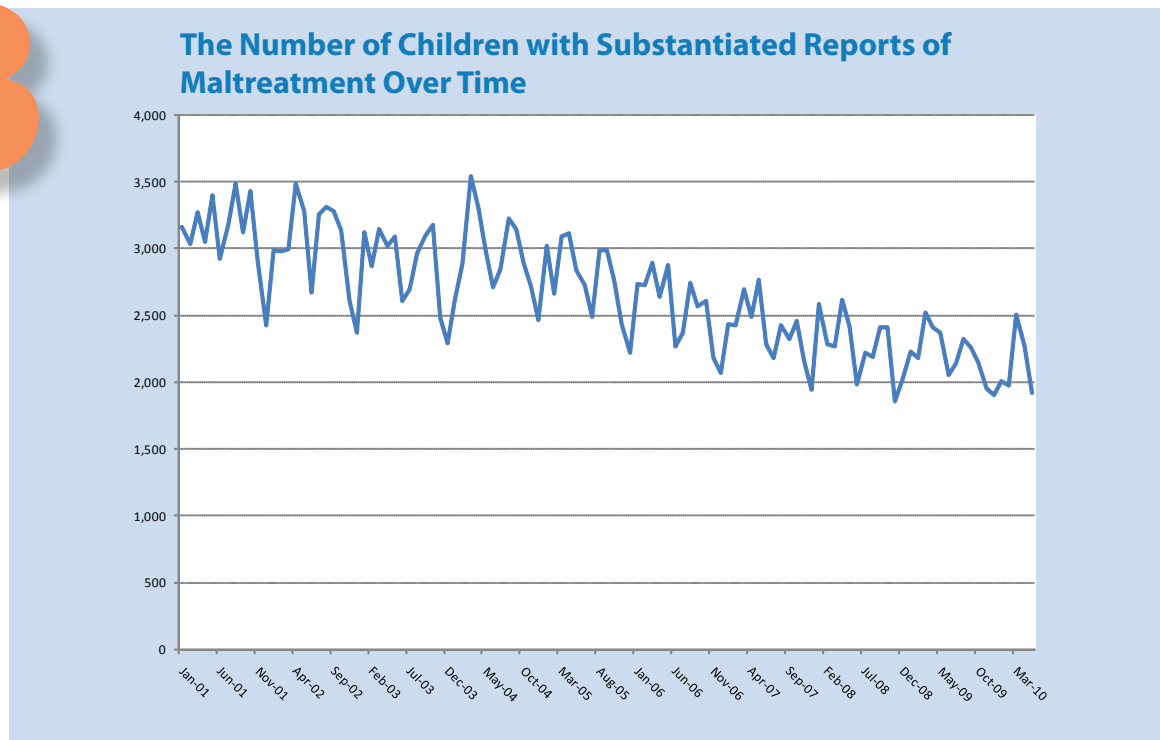
May 2001 to 12,170 in May 2004. By May 2006 the number of reports continued to rise to 13,408 before reaching 13,827 in May 2008. By May 2009, the number of reports had fallen to 13,400. By October 2009, the number of reports had fallen to 11,942. By February 2010, the number of reports had fallen to 10,592. The number of reports received each month rose in March 2010 to 13,500, but then dropped to 11,972 in April 2010 and fell even further in May 2010, to 11,061. However, the decline for more recent months may attenuate as data are updated over time.

Figure One also indicates that there is variation from month to month in the number of children reported. That variation is further illustrated in **Figure Two** which shows the pattern of the number of reports received each month by year from January 2006 through May 2010. As the figure indicates, the number of reports received generally peaks around May, then falls in June and July before beginning a slight rise through October. The number of reports then declines through December. One purpose of this figure is to gauge whether there has been a rise in the number of reports received corresponding to the downturn in the state's economy. The figure does not suggest that there has been a consistent and sustained increase in the number of reports, although the number of reports received in April 2008 was higher than that for previous years. The number of reports received in May 2008 was slightly lower than that for May 2007. In 2009, the number of reports received each month generally was lower than that for the three prior years. The figure also suggests that there is a decline in the number of reports between June 2009 and November 2009. Even though the number of reports was lower in November 2009, the number of reports received monthly in August 2009 through October 2009 was higher than the number of reports received in June 2009. The pattern for 2010 appears to follow that of prior years, although the number of reports was somewhat lower, especially for May 2010. Again this decline may attenuate as the data are updated over time.



**Figure Three** illustrates the number of children whose reports of maltreatment were substantiated. Specific monthly numbers can be found in **Appendix A, Table Two**. A report is considered substantiated if it has a finding of abuse, neglect, abuse and neglect, dependency, or services needed. It does not include instances where the finding was services provided, child protective services no longer needed. Again, these reports are not based on a unique count of children per year. As the figure indicates, the number of children whose report is substantiated has declined over time, from around 3,000 per month in 2000 to around 2,200 per month in 2009-2010. The decline generally corresponds to the implementation of the Multiple Response System (MRS) between 2001 and 2006<sup>2</sup>, which resulted in an increase in the number of instances where services were provided to the child or the child’s family but were no longer needed when the investigation was completed. Under MRS, investigations of reports of maltreatment can follow one of two tracks: investigative or family assessment. The investigative track is similar in most respects to the way maltreatment reports were handled prior to the implementation of MRS. The family assessment track, on the other hand, allows and encourages the provision of services to families that would build on their strengths and eliminate the risk of harm to their children. The apparent decline also could be associated with an increase in the number of instances where the finding is services provided, child protective services no longer needed.

# Figure 3



Counties have some flexibility in whether to use the investigative or the family assessment track. According to policy<sup>3</sup>, the choice of response should be based on the approach that best provides for the child’s safety, permanence, and well being. State policies require that all reports of abuse

<sup>2</sup>MRS was implemented as a pilot program in ten counties in 2001. In 2003, 42 additional counties began applying MRS policies. MRS was expanded statewide in January 2006.

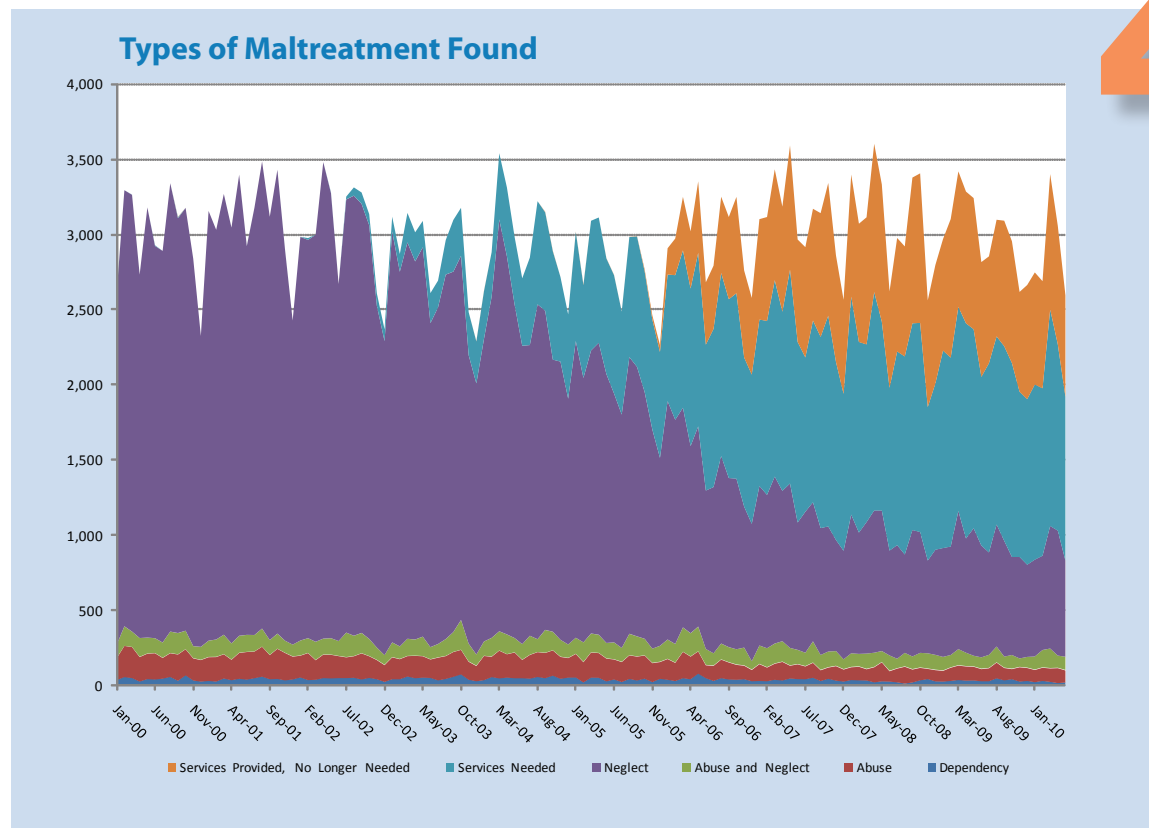
<sup>3</sup>The policies for investigations are found in Volume 1: Children’s Services, Chapter VIII: Child Protective Services, of the NC-DSS Family Services Manual available at <http://info.dhhs.state.nc.us/olm/manuals/dss/csm-60/man/>.

follow the investigative track. In addition, the policies require that certain reports of neglect—such as those involving a child fatality or where there is medical neglect of a disabled infant—follow the investigative track as well. For other neglect or dependency reports, county departments of social services may use the family assessment response. The family assessments incorporate System of Care (SOC) principles such as involving the family in decisions, developing an individualized plan which builds on the family’s strengths, fostering interagency collaboration to address the family’s needs, and developing culturally appropriate responses.

Just as the tracks differ in their approach, the findings differ as well. Under the investigative track, findings for abuse, neglect, or dependency are classified as either substantiated or unsubstantiated. For reports handled through the family assessment track, the findings can be services needed; services recommended; services provided, protective services no longer needed; and services not recommended. The finding of services needed is made when there are questions about the frequency and severity of maltreatment, current safety issues, if there is a risk of harm in the future, or if the child is in need of protective services. The finding of services provided, protective services no longer needed is used if, during the assessment, a determination was made that the threat to the child’s safety or the risk of future harm were great enough to require the provision of involuntary services, but the problems were addressed and services were no longer required at the end of the assessment period.

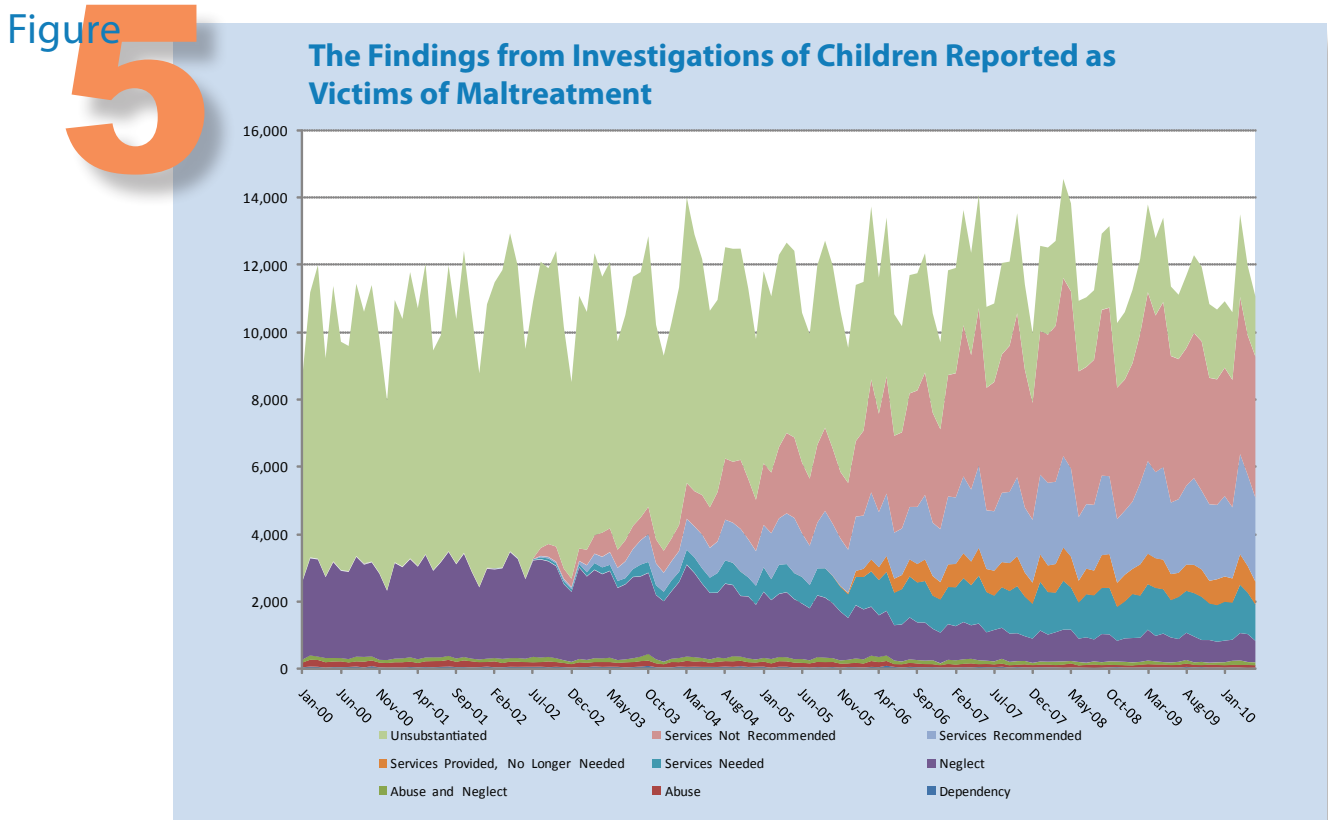
The changes in the type of maltreatment found over time are shown in **Figure Four**. In addition to the types presented in Figure Three (e.g., abuse, neglect, abuse and neglect, dependency, and services needed), this figure contains the count of children whose maltreatment investigation found that

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services were provided to the child or family during the protective services investigation but that child protective services were no longer needed. These reports do not provide a unique count of children per year. Specific monthly numbers can be found in **Appendix A, Table Three**. As the figure indicates, there has been a decline in the number of children found to be victims of neglect. This decline corresponds with an increase in the number of children where the investigation into the maltreatment concluded that services were needed. In mid-2006, there also was an increase in the number of maltreatment investigations that concluded that as the result of the services provided during the protective services investigation, no additional services were needed. In addition to the decrease in the number of instances where children and youth were found to be victims of neglect, there is a slight decrease over time in the number of children who were found to be victims of abuse.

**Figure Five** illustrates that findings from the investigation of maltreatment reports have changed over time. As the figure indicates, while there has been a decrease in the findings of abuse, neglect, abuse and neglect, and dependency, there has also has been a decrease in the

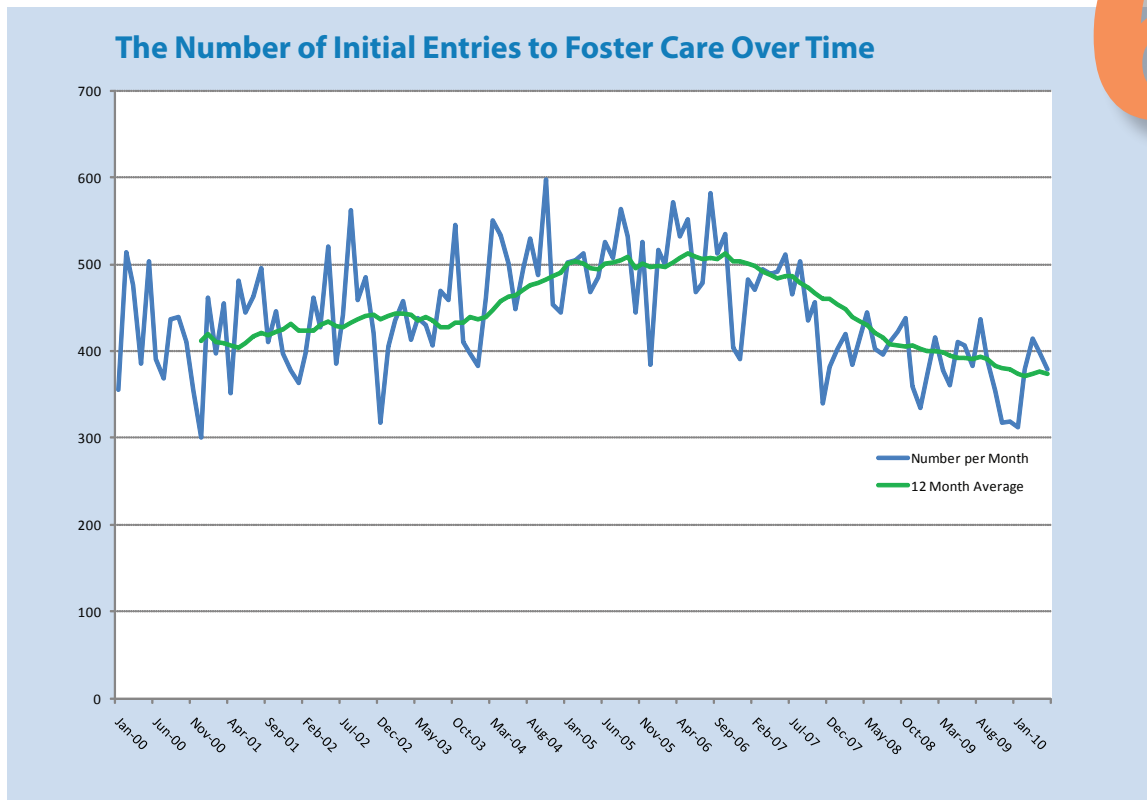


number of unsubstantiations. This decline in unsubstantiations is likely due to a decrease in the number of investigations routed through the investigative track. That notion is further supported by the increase in the number of findings of services not recommended, an outcome of the family assessment track. Figure Five also shows an increasing number of findings of services recommended. The increase reflects the growth of MRS. Even after the expansion of MRS statewide in 2006, the number of findings of services recommended has continued to grow. As Figure Four suggested earlier, the monthly sum of findings of abuse; neglect; abuse

and neglect; dependency; services needed; and services provided, protective services no longer needed, has remained fairly steady over time. With the expansion of MRS, there appears to have been an increase in the number of families and children recommended for services above the number of children determined to be victims of maltreatment.

**Figure Six** reports the number of children entering foster care for the first time. According to the figure, the number of children entering foster care generally ranged between 400 and 500 per month between 2000 and 2004. There appears to have been an increase between 2005 and 2007, when the number of children entering care centered around 500 per month. In mid 2007, the number entering each month began to fall and has ranged between a high of 511 children in June 2007 to a low of 313 in January 2010. The twelve month average trend demonstrates these variations. The figure indicates there is month-to-month as well as seasonal variation. The number of children entering foster care for the first time tends to reach a low point in December. In December 2000, only 301 children entered foster care for the first time. In December 2002, 318 children entered care for the first time. In December 2005, 384 children entered care for the first time. In December 2009, 319 entered care for the first time. Also, according to the chart, October seems to be associated with a large number of children entering care for the first time. In October 2004, 597 entered foster care. That compares with 545 entering care for the first time in October 2003 and 535 entering care for the first time in October 2006. In recent years, the number of children entering care for the first time has spiked in August as well as October. This was especially true in August 2007, when 503 children entered care for the first time, and August 2009, when 436 children entered care for the first time.

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# Initial Entries to Foster Care Across the State



Given the recent decline in foster care entries for state level data, we decided to explore variations that might exist at the county level. It is possible that certain counties contributed disproportionately to the downward trend, especially more populous counties given their greater contribution to the statewide totals. If this were the case, then this trend may be more reflective of influential counties and less so for most counties. To explore this possibility, the following analysis looks at changes in the initial entry into foster care rate per 1000 child population based upon U.S. Census Bureau county population estimates<sup>4</sup>. For this analysis, the foster care entries were organized by the state fiscal year (SFY) that children initially entered foster care. For example, 6,096 children entered care for the first time in North Carolina between July 1, 2005, and June 30, 2006, thus comprising the SFY 2006 entry cohort. The entry cohort was compared to the child population estimate to obtain the entry rate per 1000. The rate per 1000 is helpful when comparing counties that vary significantly in population size as is true for North Carolina.

**Table 1** shows the initial entries for the state and counties by size<sup>5</sup> from SFY 2006 to SFY 2009. The table also includes the census child population estimates and entry rates per 1000. SFY 2006 marked a highpoint for entries into foster care for the state and served as a comparison for SFY 2007 to SFY 2009 in this analysis. It is interesting to note that the entry rates declined for the state and counties by size even as the child population estimates increased.

**Table 1 Initial Foster Care Entries and Rates per 1000 for State and Counties by Size.**

Geographic Area	State Fiscal Year	Child Population Estimate	Initial Foster Care Entries	Entry Rate per 1000
North Carolina	2006	2,111,366	6,096	2.89
	2007	2,152,937	5,842	2.71
	2008	2,208,479	5,050	2.29
	2009	2,243,677	4,704	2.10
Small	2006	314,424	1,147	3.65
	2007	315,985	1,108	3.51
	2008	318,750	1,001	3.14
	2009	318,954	837	2.62
Medium	2006	895,495	2,669	2.98
	2007	906,636	2,601	2.87
	2008	925,189	2,206	2.38
	2009	936,313	2,020	2.16
Large	2006	901,447	2,280	2.53
	2007	930,316	2,133	2.29
	2008	964,540	1,843	1.91
	2009	988,410	1,847	1.87

<sup>4</sup> See <http://www.census.gov/popest/counties/asrh/>.

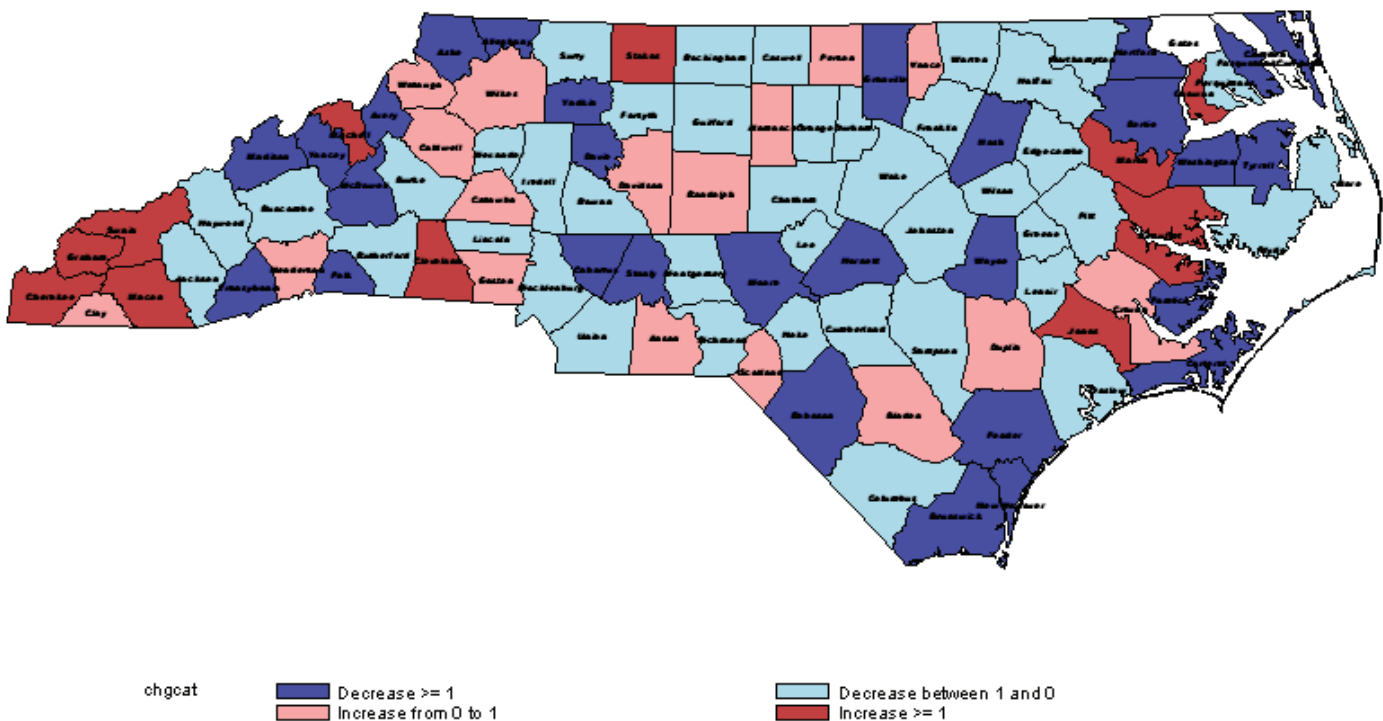
<sup>5</sup>The county sizes correspond to NC-DSS level designations of level I (small), level II (medium), and level III (large). Please visit our website for a list of the counties in each level: [http://sasweb.unc.edu/cgi-bin/broker?\\_service=default&program=wrkfirst.help.sas&county=North%20Carolina&label=&help=countysize&anchor=&entry=4](http://sasweb.unc.edu/cgi-bin/broker?_service=default&program=wrkfirst.help.sas&county=North%20Carolina&label=&help=countysize&anchor=&entry=4).

The next phase in this analysis involved looking at changes in entry rate at the individual county level. First, the average rate per 1000 was calculated from three years, SFY 2007 to SFY 2009, for each of the 100 counties. Then the SFY 2006 entry rate was deducted from the three year average so that negative values indicated a decrease from SFY 2006 while positive values indicated an increase. Two counties (Camden and Gates) with no foster care entries in SFY 2006 were excluded from the analysis. **Figure Seven** displays the results of this analysis in a color-coded map of North Carolina counties. The counties in blue had a decline in the average entry rate compared to the rate for SFY 2006; in other words, fewer children per 1000 entered foster care. Darker blue counties showed a decrease by one or more children per 1000 while lighter blue counties had a decline between one and zero. In contrast, counties in red had an increase or stayed the same in the rate of children entering care when compared to SFY 2006, with lighter red counties increasing between zero and one children per 1000 while darker red counties increased by one or more children.

The most striking trend from this analysis was that the rate of entry per 1000 declined for most counties during this period. Over 70% of counties experienced a decrease which suggests a truly statewide trend for declines in foster care entries. Regional patterns were not particularly evident; in other words, decreases or increases in the rate of entry did not tend to cluster in geographical areas, such as northeastern or central counties. Less populous counties tended to comprise more of both the darker blue and darker red categories, which is likely due to greater fluctuation in yearly rates given the small foster care and child populations despite attempts to account for this variation with the use of rate per 1000 and the three year average.

Figure **7**

**Average Change in Foster Care Entry Rate per 1000 since SFY 2006**



# Summary



Since 2000, there has been a gradual increase in the monthly number of children with reports of maltreatment. In comparing patterns across months for the last several years, there does not appear to have been a sharp increase associated with the current economic downturn. There has been a gradual decrease in the number of reports that are classified as substantiations. That decrease is not as apparent when MRS assessments with a finding of services provided, services no longer needed are included. Also, following the implementation of MRS, there has been a gradual decrease in the combined number of assessments with a finding of unsubstantiated or services not recommended. There has been an increase in the number of cases with an MRS finding of services recommended. Initial entries into foster care increased until 2006 and declined thereafter. An analysis at the individual county level suggested that this downward trend was statewide with over 70% of counties experiencing a decline since 2006.

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Additional information on the child welfare program at the state or county level is available through the Management Assistance for Child Welfare, Work First, and Food and Nutrition Services web site, <http://sww.unc.edu/ma/>.

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# Appendix A



Table 1

The Number of Children Reported As Maltreated

Month	Number of Children Reported
Jan-01	10,956
Feb-01	10,393
Mar-01	11,785
Apr-01	10,712
May-01	12,037
Jun-01	9,457
Jul-01	9,912
Aug-01	11,983
Sep-01	10,390
Oct-01	12,416
Nov-01	10,548
Dec-01	8,775
Jan-02	10,830
Feb-02	11,483
Mar-02	11,848
Apr-02	12,941
May-02	11,964
Jun-02	9,500
Jul-02	10,917
Aug-02	12,094
Sep-02	11,900
Oct-02	12,412
Nov-02	10,164
Dec-02	8,515
Jan-03	11,080
Feb-03	10,600
Mar-03	12,345
Apr-03	11,649
May-03	12,092

Jun-03	9,728
Jul-03	10,504
Aug-03	11,647
Sep-03	11,786
Oct-03	12,851
Nov-03	10,221
Dec-03	9,302
Jan-04	10,269
Feb-04	11,335
Mar-04	14,004
Apr-04	12,905
May-04	12,170
Jun-04	10,637
Jul-04	10,961
Aug-04	12,525
Sep-04	12,479
Oct-04	12,483
Nov-04	11,295
Dec-04	9,794
Jan-05	11,810
Feb-05	11,066
Mar-05	12,297
Apr-05	12,660
May-05	12,417
Jun-05	10,578
Jul-05	9,942
Aug-05	11,995
Sep-05	12,718
Oct-05	11,974
Nov-05	10,623
Dec-05	9,537
Jan-06	11,405
Feb-06	11,495
Mar-06	13,734

Month	Number of Children Reported
Apr-06	11,618
May-06	13,408
Jun-06	10,534
Jul-06	10,176
Aug-06	11,696
Sep-06	11,751
Oct-06	12,344
Nov-06	10,560
Dec-06	9,701
Jan-07	11,839
Feb-07	11,909
Mar-07	13,632
Apr-07	12,356
May-07	14,086
Jun-07	10,751
Jul-07	10,853
Aug-07	12,057
Sep-07	12,096
Oct-07	13,535
Nov-07	11,417
Dec-07	9,958
Jan-08	12,564
Feb-08	12,517
Mar-08	12,711
Apr-08	14,555
May-08	13,827
Jun-08	10,933
Jul-08	11,037
Aug-08	11,247
Sep-08	12,928
Oct-08	13,152
Nov-08	10,271
Dec-08	10,597
Jan-09	11,254
Feb-09	12,177
Mar-09	13,796
Apr-09	12,794

May-09	13,400
Jun-09	11,357
Jul-09	11,112
Aug-09	11,682
Sep-09	12,287
Oct-09	11,942
Nov-09	10,834
Dec-09	10,673
Jan-10	10,919
Feb-10	10,592
Mar-10	13,500
Apr-10	11,972
May-10	11,061

# Table 2

## The Number of Substantiations

Month	Number of Children with a Substantiated Report
Jan-01	3,158
Feb-01	3,032
Mar-01	3,271
Apr-01	3,047
May-01	3,399
Jun-01	2,924
Jul-01	3,179
Aug-01	3,487
Sep-01	3,119
Oct-01	3,432
Nov-01	2,900
Dec-01	2,428
Jan-02	2,985
Feb-02	2,977
Mar-02	2,999
Apr-02	3,483
May-02	3,281
Jun-02	2,671
Jul-02	3,253
Aug-02	3,314
Sep-02	3,280
Oct-02	3,136
Nov-02	2,609
Dec-02	2,370
Jan-03	3,119
Feb-03	2,871
Mar-03	3,144
Apr-03	3,015
May-03	3,091
Jun-03	2,611
Jul-03	2,694
Aug-03	2,964
Sep-03	3,098

Oct-03	3,178
Nov-03	2,484
Dec-03	2,289
Jan-04	2,624
Feb-04	2,882
Mar-04	3,541
Apr-04	3,312
May-04	2,985
Jun-04	2,709
Jul-04	2,847
Aug-04	3,222
Sep-04	3,148
Oct-04	2,889
Nov-04	2,718
Dec-04	2,469
Jan-05	3,017
Feb-05	2,664
Mar-05	3,092
Apr-05	3,114
May-05	2,841
Jun-05	2,730
Jul-05	2,488
Aug-05	2,984
Sep-05	2,988
Oct-05	2,756
Nov-05	2,435
Dec-05	2,219
Jan-06	2,734
Feb-06	2,730
Mar-06	2,895
Apr-06	2,641
May-06	2,879
Jun-06	2,268
Jul-06	2,373
Aug-06	2,745
Sep-06	2,570
Oct-06	2,610
Nov-06	2,183
Dec-06	2,069

Month	Number of Children with a Substantiated Report
Jan-07	2,435
Feb-07	2,426
Mar-07	2,697
Apr-07	2,487
May-07	2,767
Jun-07	2,286
Jul-07	2,183
Aug-07	2,429
Sep-07	2,320
Oct-07	2,461
Nov-07	2,154
Dec-07	1,941
Jan-08	2,588
Feb-08	2,286
Mar-08	2,270
Apr-08	2,618
May-08	2,421
Jun-08	1,981
Jul-08	2,223
Aug-08	2,190
Sep-08	2,410
Oct-08	2,413
Nov-08	1,853
Dec-08	2,011
Jan-09	2,229
Feb-09	2,182
Mar-09	2,520
Apr-09	2,410
May-09	2,371
Jun-09	2,054
Jul-09	2,145
Aug-09	2,323
Sep-09	2,258
Oct-09	2,146
Nov-09	1,955
Dec-09	1,906

Jan-10	2,004
Feb-10	1,978
Mar-10	2,503
Apr-10	2,270
May-10	1,921

# Table 3

**The Number of Reports by Type of Finding (Not Based on a Unique Count of Children; Some Children May Have Multiple Reports Investigated at the Same Time)**

Month	Dependency	Abuse	Abuse and Neglect	Neglect	Services Needed	Services Provided, No Longer Needed	Services Recommended	Services Not Recommended	Unsubstantiated
Jan-00	39	143	89	2,342	5	0	2	3	6,090
Feb-00	58	205	130	2,903	0	0	7	0	7,879
Mar-00	52	204	102	2,907	1	0	1	0	8,725
Apr-00	29	161	125	2,419	0	0	0	0	6,491
May-00	45	167	106	2,863	0	0	0	9	8,183
Jun-00	43	172	99	2,611	4	0	0	0	6,785
Jul-00	48	136	101	2,607	0	0	0	2	6,695
Aug-00	59	156	143	2,984	0	0	0	2	8,094
Sep-00	34	173	141	2,761	6	2	1	7	7,481
Oct-00	70	171	123	2,814	0	0	1	0	8,221
Nov-00	36	145	80	2,579	0	0	1	0	6,967
Dec-00	29	141	86	2,069	0	0	0	0	5,630
Jan-01	33	156	108	2,861	0	0	0	0	7,798
Feb-01	29	161	115	2,727	0	0	0	0	7,361
Mar-01	49	159	129	2,934	0	0	1	2	8,511
Apr-01	38	134	107	2,768	0	0	0	2	7,663
May-01	47	170	113	3,069	0	0	0	1	8,637
Jun-01	42	181	113	2,587	1	0	1	1	6,531
Jul-01	51	175	109	2,844	0	0	0	0	6,733
Aug-01	61	197	120	3,109	0	0	0	0	8,496
Sep-01	44	159	98	2,818	0	0	0	0	7,271
Oct-01	46	198	100	3,088	0	0	4	3	8,977
Nov-01	37	180	80	2,602	1	0	0	4	7,644
Dec-01	43	150	78	2,157	0	0	0	2	6,345
Jan-02	56	143	99	2,687	0	0	0	9	7,836
Feb-02	39	177	98	2,651	12	0	0	10	8,496
Mar-02	41	128	121	2,709	0	0	0	1	8,848
Apr-02	52	154	105	3,172	0	0	0	0	9,458
May-02	50	155	109	2,963	4	0	4	2	8,677
Jun-02	52	144	99	2,376	0	0	4	4	6,821
Jul-02	52	136	163	2,883	19	0	0	25	7,639
Aug-02	54	141	135	2,929	55	0	38	234	8,508
Sep-02	43	171	135	2,856	75	0	42	380	8,198
Oct-02	53	142	114	2,753	74	0	44	445	8,787

Month	Dependency	Abuse	Abuse and Neglect	Neglect	Services Needed	Services Provided, No Longer Needed	Services Recommended	Services Not Recommended	Unsubstantiated
Nov-02	44	126	81	2,276	82	0	62	302	7,191
Dec-02	27	110	64	2,090	79	0	53	247	5,845
Jan-03	44	144	98	2,735	98	0	84	366	7,511
Feb-03	44	132	83	2,494	118	0	204	457	7,068
Mar-03	62	134	114	2,638	196	0	274	543	8,384
Apr-03	51	147	107	2,517	193	0	311	714	7,609
May-03	55	140	129	2,592	175	0	374	704	7,923
Jun-03	53	121	80	2,157	200	0	389	531	6,197
Jul-03	37	149	89	2,241	178	0	495	624	6,691
Aug-03	46	150	112	2,426	230	0	596	682	7,405
Sep-03	60	163	132	2,399	344	0	719	674	7,295
Oct-03	76	161	198	2,424	319	0	822	810	8,041
Nov-03	41	118	118	1,921	286	0	648	709	6,380
Dec-03	31	100	74	1,804	280	2	563	646	5,802
Jan-04	38	159	95	2,014	318	2	565	669	6,409
Feb-04	58	134	124	2,271	295	0	618	769	7,066
Mar-04	50	182	128	2,741	440	0	915	1,060	8,488
Apr-04	55	153	131	2,515	458	0	915	1,047	7,631
May-04	51	169	95	2,220	450	0	1,001	1,172	7,012
Jun-04	51	120	103	1,986	449	0	884	1,200	5,844
Jul-04	48	156	126	1,935	582	0	933	1,466	5,715
Aug-04	59	163	85	2,229	686	0	1,206	1,816	6,281
Sep-04	51	166	152	2,124	655	3	1,188	1,810	6,330
Oct-04	68	166	123	1,811	721	3	1,263	2,050	6,278
Nov-04	47	144	112	1,852	563	0	1,127	1,790	5,660
Dec-04	55	128	89	1,636	561	0	1,027	1,522	4,776
Jan-05	56	154	107	1,975	725	3	1,253	1,829	5,708
Feb-05	23	133	130	1,760	618	4	1,358	1,803	5,237
Mar-05	55	165	125	1,884	863	0	1,373	2,118	5,714
Apr-05	54	162	121	1,943	834	0	1,503	2,386	5,657
May-05	30	150	102	1,790	769	2	1,638	2,392	5,544
Jun-05	43	131	112	1,657	787	2	1,291	2,100	4,455
Jul-05	26	131	92	1,553	686	1	1,169	1,989	4,295
Aug-05	46	155	142	1,842	799	1	1,358	2,314	5,338
Sep-05	36	157	133	1,794	868	2	1,699	2,472	5,557
Oct-05	48	152	110	1,643	803	13	1,535	2,234	5,436
Nov-05	25	125	94	1,459	732	28	1,407	1,978	4,775

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Dec-05	47	110	106	1,251	705	47	1,271	1,982	4,018
Jan-06	41	136	128	1,587	842	175	1,613	2,241	4,642
Feb-06	32	120	123	1,493	962	243	1,578	2,520	4,424
Mar-06	51	173	162	1,462	1,047	355	1,991	3,355	5,138
Apr-06	44	149	154	1,246	1,048	380	1,633	2,923	4,041
May-06	81	146	164	1,333	1,155	474	1,852	3,480	4,723
Jun-06	51	85	106	1,055	971	415	1,361	2,879	3,611
Jul-06	33	99	81	1,107	1,053	420	1,375	2,857	3,151
Aug-06	51	122	105	1,249	1,218	506	1,556	3,375	3,514
Sep-06	43	111	100	1,126	1,190	546	1,693	3,461	3,481
Oct-06	41	98	101	1,136	1,234	640	1,915	3,637	3,542
Nov-06	44	89	118	939	993	578	1,579	3,268	2,952
Dec-06	31	74	55	915	994	510	1,569	2,967	2,586
Jan-07	33	110	122	1,062	1,108	667	2,016	3,609	3,112
Feb-07	31	90	126	1,021	1,158	690	1,976	3,690	3,127
Mar-07	41	105	132	1,112	1,307	736	2,284	4,491	3,424
Apr-07	36	122	136	1,001	1,192	698	2,139	4,000	3,032
May-07	49	84	116	1,095	1,423	824	2,451	4,669	3,375
Jun-07	45	97	94	848	1,202	681	1,739	3,643	2,402
Jul-07	44	84	89	939	1,027	733	1,766	3,839	2,332
Aug-07	54	98	141	926	1,210	742	2,055	4,117	2,714
Sep-07	32	71	99	845	1,273	822	2,112	4,344	2,498
Oct-07	47	74	104	833	1,403	881	2,350	4,871	2,972
Nov-07	35	95	98	740	1,186	708	1,929	4,099	2,527
Dec-07	29	79	65	723	1,045	625	1,861	3,473	2,058
Jan-08	39	84	90	924	1,451	810	2,366	4,269	2,531
Feb-08	37	89	83	808	1,269	786	2,453	4,408	2,584
Mar-08	36	74	101	876	1,183	844	2,442	4,637	2,518
Apr-08	24	99	94	947	1,454	984	2,720	5,292	2,941
May-08	30	125	73	936	1,257	912	2,619	5,264	2,611
Jun-08	29	68	102	698	1,084	641	1,883	4,332	2,096
Jul-08	24	90	63	757	1,289	754	1,915	4,078	2,067
Aug-08	16	110	90	655	1,319	731	1,948	4,315	2,063
Sep-08	23	85	84	842	1,376	968	2,361	4,926	2,263
Oct-08	37	82	97	805	1,392	993	2,314	5,013	2,419
Nov-08	45	67	101	618	1,022	710	1,883	3,909	1,916
Dec-08	30	74	99	700	1,108	787	1,898	3,899	2,002
Jan-09	29	70	90	725	1,315	741	1,994	4,115	2,175

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Feb-09	33	87	82	722	1,258	921	2,406	4,453	2,215
Mar-09	39	95	107	920	1,359	899	2,752	5,018	2,607
Apr-09	35	93	89	761	1,432	875	2,556	4,660	2,293
May-09	36	90	71	849	1,325	871	2,752	4,904	2,502
Jun-09	31	80	75	745	1,123	763	2,121	4,358	2,061
Jul-09	31	85	87	682	1,260	710	2,183	4,166	1,908
Aug-09	50	103	105	813	1,252	775	2,340	4,090	2,154
Sep-09	37	81	73	771	1,296	834	2,572	4,316	2,307
Oct-09	44	67	91	653	1,291	809	2,333	4,442	2,212
Nov-09	29	94	56	676	1,100	664	2,269	3,758	2,188
Dec-09	33	85	71	614	1,103	759	2,204	3,733	2,071
Jan-10	25	80	87	645	1,167	744	2,384	3,813	1,974
Feb-10	33	87	115	628	1,115	712	2,107	3,788	2,007
Mar-10	27	88	130	816	1,442	898	2,979	4,667	2,453
Apr-10	19	98	81	832	1,240	787	2,701	4,155	2,059
May-10	23	79	88	640	1,091	675	2,483	4,199	1,783