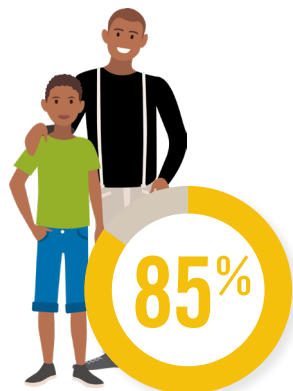


# CHILD WELFARE STIMULUS FUNDS: Who's Eligible in Your State?

A recently passed COVID-19 stimulus package includes \$400 million to help states support young people 14 through 26\* in and transitioning from foster care — nearly 900,000 young people nationwide. These data charts are designed to help states determine how to prioritize this spending.

## WHY THIS MATTERS



### NO LONGER IN CARE





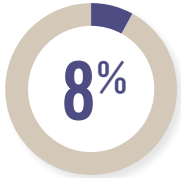
- With so many eligible youth no longer in care, states must ramp up efforts to reach and help as many as possible.
- \$400 million is more than 2.5 times the federal funding states usually receive for transition/independent living services.
- Eligibility is expanded during pandemic so youth can remain in or return to foster care beyond age 21. Resources that usually end at 21 or 23 (depending on state) are extended through 26.
- For a more equitable distribution, states might consider direct payments to young people who are transitioning from foster care or who recently exited.
- This stimulus requires and funds a national extension of foster care beyond age 21 until Sept. 30, 2021. Evidence shows this may especially help young people of color, who tend to fare better in extended care with work and educational attainment and are less likely to experience homelessness or young parenthood.



STATE	14–17 years old		18–23 years old		24–26 years old		No longer in care	TOTAL
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	PERCENT	NUMBER
US	157,122	18	382,174	43	341,671	39	85	880,967
AK	741	29	1,132	44	720	38	85	2,593
AL	2,339	22	4,620	43	3,808	36	85	10,767
AR	1,679	19	3,896	44	3,191	36	91	8,766
AZ	5,593	21	13,547	51	7,488	28	91	26,628
CA	16,455	15	48,729	44	46,812	42	85	111,996
CO	2,739	14	8,502	44	8,098	42	92	19,339
CT	1,296	12	3,847	37	5,258	51	56	10,401
DC	276	13	839	41	954	46	88	2,069
DE	316	16	787	40	853	44	83	1,956
FL	6,844	20	15,393	44	12,708	36	91	34,945
GA	4,839	22	9,829	44	7,447	34	90	22,115
HI	653	19	1,354	40	1,379	41	90	3,386
IA	2,341	14	7,339	44	7,021	42	87	16,701
ID	726	21	1,487	43	1,244	36	89	3,457
IL	3,748	19	7,558	39	7,921	41	59	19,227
IN	5,575	23	10,439	43	8,163	34	82	24,177
KS	3,177	22	6,352	44	4,801	34	88	14,330
KY	4,594	21	9,691	45	7,313	34	89	21,598
LA	1,861	19	4,456	45	3,481	36	91	9,798
MA	4,656	18	11,724	45	9,923	38	93	26,303
MD	1,606	13	4,690	39	5,612	47	81	11,908
ME	403	21	777	40	785	40	88	1,965
MI	3,605	13	11,364	42	11,945	44	86	26,914
MN	4,249	18	10,355	44	9,109	38	93	23,713
MO	4,721	24	8,978	46	5,870	30	87	19,569
MS	1,566	21	3,643	48	2,417	32	89	7,626
MT	1,067	32	1,377	41	934	28	87	3,378
NC	3,524	22	7,327	44	5,722	35	76	16,573
ND	629	17	1,715	47	1,344	36	92	3,688
NE	1,385	12	4,326	39	5,406	49	92	11,117
NH	646	20	1,698	53	841	27	80	3,185
NJ	1,702	14	5,377	43	5,464	44	93	12,543
NM	884	22	1,704	43	1,381	35	91	3,969
NV	1,443	20	3,309	46	2,491	34	91	7,243
NY	6,879	14	20,738	43	20,590	43	86	48,207
OH	7,085	20	16,365	46	11,959	34	91	35,409
OK	1,968	19	4,666	44	3,878	37	92	10,512
OR	2,292	20	4,997	44	3,979	35	81	11,268
PA	7,170	12	20,548	35	31,833	54	72	59,551
RI	856	15	2,372	42	2,485	44	90	5,713
SC	2,355	23	4,309	42	3,515	35	91	10,179
SD	541	22	998	41	890	37	91	2,429
TN	5,218	18	13,227	44	11,337	38	77	29,782
TX	9,319	25	17,387	46	10,745	29	87	37,451
UT	1,219	15	3,811	48	2,881	36	87	7,911
VT	557	19	1,291	44	1,109	38	86	2,957
VA	2,323	18	5,918	45	4,995	38	87	13,236
WA	2,933	19	6,504	43	5,819	38	86	15,256
WI	3,219	19	7,212	43	6,199	37	91	16,630
WV	3,295	21	7,321	47	5,040	32	87	15,656
WY	762	18	1,933	45	1,649	38	92	4,344

Note: Counts represent the number of young people ages 14 through 26 as of September 30, 2019, who spent at least one day in foster care after their 14th birthday. Adapted from Child Trends's analysis of the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) Foster Care File, 2006–2019.

\* The age range "14–26" means young people ages 14 through 26

STATE	American Indian/ Alaskan Native		Black		Hispanic		White		Other	
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
US	 14,630		 243,887		 174,067		 380,968		 66,185	
AK	1,227	47	106	4	130	5	727	28	400	15
AL	18	<1	4,227	39	403	4	5,703	53	416	4
AR	20	<1	1,874	21	543	6	5,523	63	806	9
AZ	942	4	3,275	12	10,339	39	9,758	37	2,314	9
CA	743	<1	24,886	22	55,756	50	22,955	21	7,320	7
CO	124	<1	2,528	13	7,162	37	8,606	45	919	5
CT	12	<1	2,934	28	3,453	33	3,397	33	605	6
DC	▲	▲	1,701	84	243	12	12	1	69	3
DE	▲	▲	1,089	56	166	8	638	33	62	3
FL	67	<1	12,689	36	5,219	15	15,627	45	1,335	4
GA	14	<1	10,898	49	1,483	7	8,923	40	797	4
HI	790	23	72	2	130	4	506	15	2,652	79
IA	238	1	2,445	15	1,496	9	11,008	66	1,449	9
ID	153	4	68	2	474	14	2,575	74	187	5
IL	18	<1	10,483	55	1,363	7	6,780	35	566	3
IN	19	<1	5,908	24	1,735	7	15,026	65	1,482	6
KS	153	1	2,202	15	1,766	12	9,559	67	650	4
KY	13	<1	3,061	14	794	4	16,393	76	1,321	6
LA	30	<1	5,345	55	245	3	3,920	40	258	3
MA	36	<1	4,358	17	7,905	30	11,453	44	2,500	10
MD	13	<1	7,923	67	592	5	2,870	24	493	4
ME	21	1	66	3	128	7	1,491	76	257	13
MI	246	1	12,025	45	1,718	6	10,984	41	1,924	7
MN	2418	10	4,980	21	2,349	10	10,860	46	3,093	13
MO	64	<1	4,402	22	816	4	13,722	70	565	3
MS	10	<1	3,501	46	173	2	3,681	49	248	3
MT	853	25	60	2	213	6	1,967	59	261	8
NC	302	2	6,026	37	1,337	8	8,091	49	816	5
ND	886	24	194	5	179	5	2,111	57	316	9
NE	642	6	1,854	17	1,643	15	6,298	57	663	6
NH	▲	▲	156	5	305	10	2,431	76	285	9
NJ	18	<1	5,684	45	2,297	18	3,456	28	1,087	9
NM	304	8	156	4	2,167	55	1,150	29	171	4
NV	73	1	1,867	26	1,672	23	2,892	40	739	10
NY	178	<1	18,195	38	8,841	18	11,610	24	9,351	19
OH	18	<1	13,357	38	1,400	4	17,982	51	2,429	7
OK	707	7	1,373	13	1,573	15	4,254	41	2,605	25
OR	580	5	550	5	1,594	14	6,645	59	1,866	17
PA	96	<1	26,674	45	7,142	12	23,131	39	2,508	4
RI	52	<1	964	17	1,644	29	2,583	45	464	8
SC	32	<1	4,343	43	499	5	4,777	47	527	5
SD	1,140	47	115	5	179	7	800	33	191	8
TN	51	<1	8,470	29	1,556	5	18,044	61	1,574	5
TX	50	<1	8,314	22	15,113	40	12,286	33	1,681	4
UT	265	3	404	5	1,886	24	4,976	63	379	5
VT	▲	▲	89	3	29	1	2,772	95	42	1
VA	▲	▲	4,518	34	1,209	9	6,584	50	916	7
WA	877	6	1,423	9	2,713	18	8,081	53	2,117	14
WI	796	5	4,973	30	1,441	9	8,413	51	955	6
WV	▲	▲	906	6	213	1	13,475	86	1,031	7
WY	68	2	141	3	696	16	3,280	76	159	4

▲ Too few to report (<10) ■ This data is Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander NOT American Indian/Alaskan Native

Note. Age data in AFCARS are required and therefore complete in this table. Race/ethnicity information is not always provided.