

2018 NEVADA PROFILE TRANSITION-AGE YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE

The transition from adolescence to adulthood is a pivotal developmental stage as young people learn the skills needed to be healthy and productive adults. This process can be complicated for youth with foster care experience. Here's what we know about the experiences of these youth in Nevada.



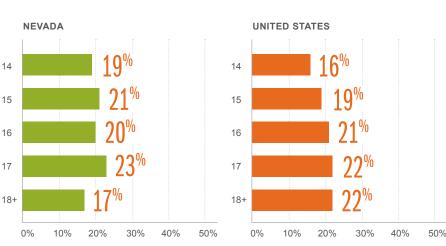
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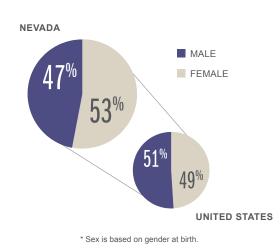
United States Nevada Nevada Foster Care Population **Foster Care Population General Population** 100% 80% 42% 60% 40% 38% 39% 28% 26% 40% **)1**% **)1**% **9**% 20% 0 White Latino White African Latino African White African Latino American American American

Above charts are based on the three largest racial and ethnic groups in this state for foster care. For additional data, please visit the KIDS COUNT Data Center, http://datacenter.kidscount.org.



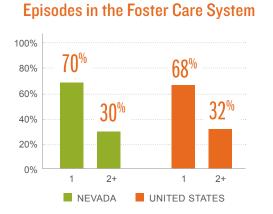
Youth in Foster Care by Age

Youth in Foster Care by Sex*



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In addition to the trauma of abuse or neglect that resulted in being removed from their homes and placed in the foster care system, experiences while in foster care - including frequent moves - can lead to worse outcomes for youth. Looking at these indicators helps us understand how youth with foster care experience in Nevada are faring and provides insight into the changes needed to improve the lives of these young people.



NEVADA 2+ Foster Care Episodes



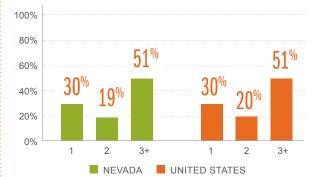


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Number of Placements During Most Recent Foster Care Episode



NEVADA 3+ Foster Care Placements



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UNITED STATES 3+ Foster Care Placements



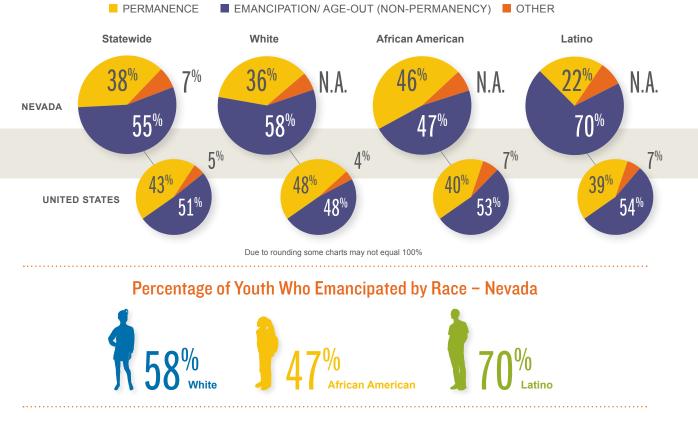
The percentage of young people in each racial and ethnic group who have experienced multiple foster care episodes and placements.

Time in Foster Care by Exit Outcome or Type NEVADA 13 months 2 months PERMANENCY **36** months 34 months **EMANCIPATION** 2 months 17 months OTHER

Placement Type NEVADA UNITED STATES ₹% % % Family based Trial home visit Supervised Group Runaway (includes: pre-adoptive, (includes: group independent living relative and nonrelative) home, institution)

Reasons for Leaving Foster Care

Lingering in foster care, experiencing unstable placement settings while in foster care and leaving foster care without a permanent, legal connection to family are important indicators of how youth in Nevada are faring.



Number of Young People in Care on Their 18th and 19th Birthdays

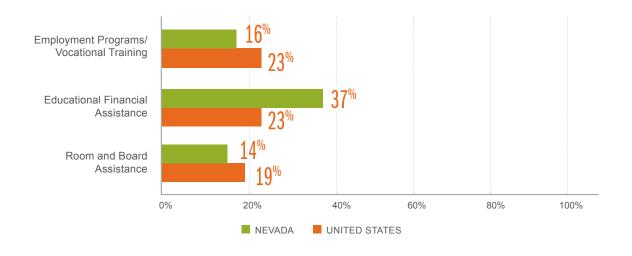
| | 18TH | 19TH | | 18TH | 19TH |
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| NEVADA | 170 | N.A. | UNITED STATES | 24,797 | 6,489 |

Percentage Still in Care on Their 19th Birthday



Services

Transition services, such as vocational training and housing assistance, are designed to help young people with foster care experience transition to adulthood. Participation in federally funded transition services provides a window into how well young people are being equipped for employment, education and housing.



Young Adult Outcomes by Age 21

Research shows that young adults who experienced foster care have worse outcomes than their peers in the general population across a variety of spectrums — from education to employment to housing to early parenthood. Examining data on these outcomes in Nevada is important as we strive to improve the practices, programs and policies that help ensure these young people have the relationships, resources and opportunities they need for well-being and success.

