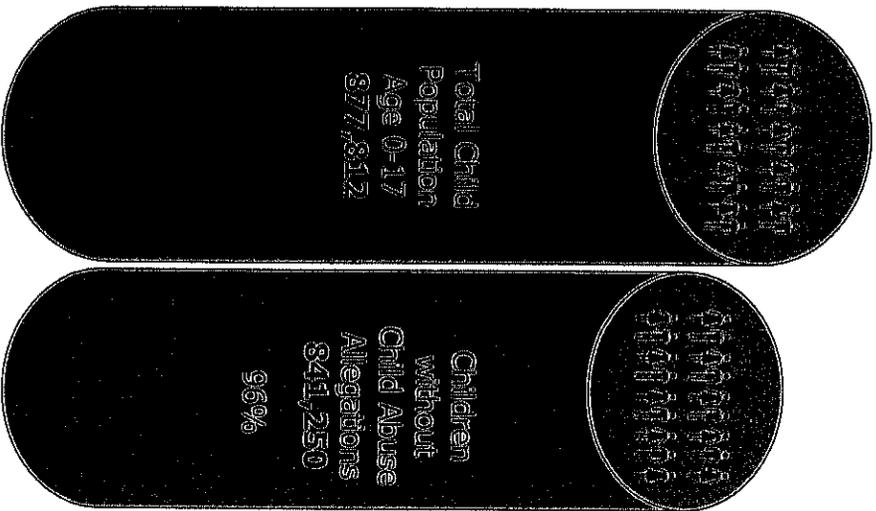


Who Received DCFS Services and Who Did Not

Most Utahns rely on their family, community and church when they need help and assistance. However, for some people the services they need are beyond the scope and capacity of these resources. Here is a look at the children and families who receive assistance from the Division of Child and Family Services. Figures are for Fiscal Year 2011.

Division of Child and Family Services



The vast majority (**96%**) of Utah's **877,812** children live in a safe and nurturing family. Only **36,562 (4%)** were brought to the attention of the Division of Child and Family Services. Abuse and neglect investigations were conducted regarding **26,767** children (**3%**). Only **11,543 (1%)** were found to be victims of abuse and neglect. The referrals that were not investigated were either requesting information or determined not to fit the Utah definition of abuse or neglect, many of which were referred to community resources.

Only in extreme cases, when the child cannot be maintained safely in their home, will a child be temporarily placed in foster care. Less than one percent (**4,664**) of the child population of Utah are placed in foster care. The majority of these children are eventually reunified with their parent(s) or placed with relatives. Only one-tenth of one percent of children served through In-Home or Foster Care Services were not reunified with family and were adopted.



Percentages exceed 100% because some children received more than one service.