

**Federal Costs for Foster Care, Adoption Assistance, and Guardianship  
CBO March 2011 Baseline**

(by fiscal year, in millions of dollars)

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
<b>Foster Care</b>											
Maintenance Payments											
Budget Authority	1,313	1,336	1,428	1,468	1,403	1,350	1,301	1,258	1,213	1,170	1,119
Outlays	1,344	1,337	1,416	1,460	1,411	1,359	1,309	1,265	1,220	1,177	1,127
Administrative Services											
Budget Authority	2,090	2,265	2,499	2,533	2,560	2,593	2,614	2,632	2,643	2,654	2,645
Outlays	2,133	2,246	2,465	2,522	2,556	2,588	2,611	2,629	2,641	2,652	2,646
Training											
Budget Authority	227	255	291	288	284	281	277	273	269	264	260
Outlays	226	251	286	287	285	281	278	273	269	265	261
Demonstrations											
Budget Authority	682	551	132	134	137	140	143	146	150	153	157
Outlays	681	568	190	146	136	139	143	146	149	153	156
Technical Assistance Grants											
Budget Authority	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Outlays	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Foster Care Subtotal											
Budget Authority	4,315	4,411	4,353	4,426	4,388	4,367	4,338	4,312	4,277	4,244	4,184
Outlays	4,386	4,405	4,360	4,418	4,390	4,370	4,342	4,316	4,282	4,249	4,192
<b>Guardianship</b>											
Maintenance Payments											
Budget Authority	15	73	167	295	364	425	482	539	600	664	728
Outlays	13	65	153	275	351	415	473	530	591	654	718
Administrative Services											
Budget Authority	1	3	6	9	10	11	13	14	16	18	20
Outlays	1	3	5	8	10	11	13	14	16	17	19
Guardianship Subtotal											
Budget Authority	15	76	173	303	374	436	495	553	616	682	748
Outlays	13	68	158	284	361	426	485	544	606	671	737
<b>Adoption Assistance</b>											
Maintenance Payments											
Budget Authority	1,649	1,755	1,983	2,230	2,374	2,549	2,769	3,038	3,332	3,653	4,004
Outlays	1,663	1,745	1,956	2,199	2,354	2,528	2,742	3,005	3,296	3,613	3,961
Administrative Services											
Budget Authority	428	437	447	461	477	498	525	556	588	623	659
Outlays	426	436	446	459	475	496	522	552	584	619	655
Training											
Budget Authority	22	23	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	32
Outlays	22	23	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	32
Demonstrations											
Budget Authority	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Outlays	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Adoption Assistance Subtotal											
Budget Authority	2,101	2,215	2,454	2,716	2,877	3,074	3,322	3,623	3,951	4,308	4,697
Outlays	2,113	2,204	2,426	2,684	2,855	3,050	3,292	3,586	3,910	4,263	4,648
<b>Independent Living</b>											
Budget Authority	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140
Outlays	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140
<b>Total Budget Authority</b>	<b>6,571</b>	<b>6,842</b>	<b>7,120</b>	<b>7,585</b>	<b>7,779</b>	<b>8,017</b>	<b>8,295</b>	<b>8,628</b>	<b>8,984</b>	<b>9,373</b>	<b>9,768</b>
<b>Total Outlays</b>	<b>6,652</b>	<b>6,817</b>	<b>7,085</b>	<b>7,525</b>	<b>7,747</b>	<b>7,986</b>	<b>8,259</b>	<b>8,586</b>	<b>8,938</b>	<b>9,323</b>	<b>9,718</b>
<b>Memorandum</b>											
<b>Average Monthly Caseload</b>											
<b>(in thousands)</b>											
Foster Care	171	171	167	157	146	136	127	118	109	101	93
Adoption Assistance	445	461	478	493	509	528	552	580	609	640	672
Guardianship	2	11	26	44	53	60	66	72	78	84	90