

Federal Costs for Foster Care, Adoption Assistance, and Guardianship
CBO Baseline March 2012
Revised 3/30/12

(By fiscal year, in millions of dollars)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Foster Care											
Maintenance Payments											
Budget Authority	1,359	1,372	1,309	1,250	1,203	1,161	1,120	1,077	1,037	988	933
Outlays	1,387	1,379	1,317	1,260	1,211	1,168	1,126	1,084	1,043	995	942
Administrative Services											
Budget Authority	2,254	2,495	2,513	2,525	2,544	2,565	2,583	2,599	2,615	2,615	2,604
Outlays	2,229	2,457	2,503	2,523	2,542	2,561	2,580	2,597	2,613	2,614	2,605
Training											
Budget Authority	224	260	255	251	247	243	238	234	229	225	220
Outlays	220	254	255	252	247	243	239	234	230	226	221
Demonstrations											
Budget Authority	554	134	136	139	141	144	148	151	154	158	162
Outlays	570	193	149	138	141	144	147	150	154	157	161
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	4,393	4,263	4,217	4,167	4,139	4,116	4,092	4,064	4,039	3,989	3,922
Outlays	4,409	4,286	4,227	4,175	4,144	4,120	4,096	4,069	4,043	3,996	3,932
Guardianship											
Maintenance Payments											
Budget Authority	56	149	291	370	439	501	564	629	697	776	863
Outlays	50	135	270	355	428	491	554	619	686	763	849
Administrative Services											
Budget Authority	3	6	10	11	12	14	15	17	18	20	22
Outlays	3	6	9	11	12	13	15	16	18	20	22
Guardianship Subtotal											
Budget Authority	59	155	301	381	452	515	579	646	715	796	885
Outlays	53	141	279	366	440	504	568	635	704	783	871
Adoption Assistance											
Maintenance Payments											
Budget Authority	1,809	1,931	2,050	2,186	2,352	2,558	2,802	3,071	3,366	3,688	4,034
Outlays	1,850	1,931	2,035	2,169	2,331	2,533	2,772	3,038	3,329	3,648	3,991
Administrative Services											
Budget Authority	434	445	457	473	494	521	552	586	623	661	701
Outlays	433	443	456	471	491	517	548	582	618	656	696
Training											
Budget Authority	21	21	22	22	23	24	25	26	27	29	30
Outlays	21	21	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	30
Adoption Assistance Subtotal											
Budget Authority	2,264	2,396	2,529	2,681	2,868	3,103	3,379	3,683	4,016	4,377	4,765
Outlays	2,303	2,395	2,512	2,662	2,845	3,074	3,345	3,646	3,975	4,333	4,717
Independent Living											
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
Total Budget Authority	6,856	6,955	7,186	7,369	7,599	7,873	8,189	8,533	8,910	9,302	9,712
Total Outlays	6,905	6,962	7,158	7,344	7,569	7,838	8,149	8,489	8,862	9,252	9,660
Memorandum											
Average Monthly Caseload											
(in thousands)											
Foster Care	181	179	167	156	146	137	129	120	113	105	97
Adoption Assistance	446	463	477	493	513	536	563	593	623	656	689
Guardianship	6	14	25	31	35	39	42	45	49	53	57

The version of this table published on March 13, 2012, had incorrect data for average monthly caseloads for 2013 through 2022; the data for 2012 were correct. The correct data on caseloads for all years are provided in this version.