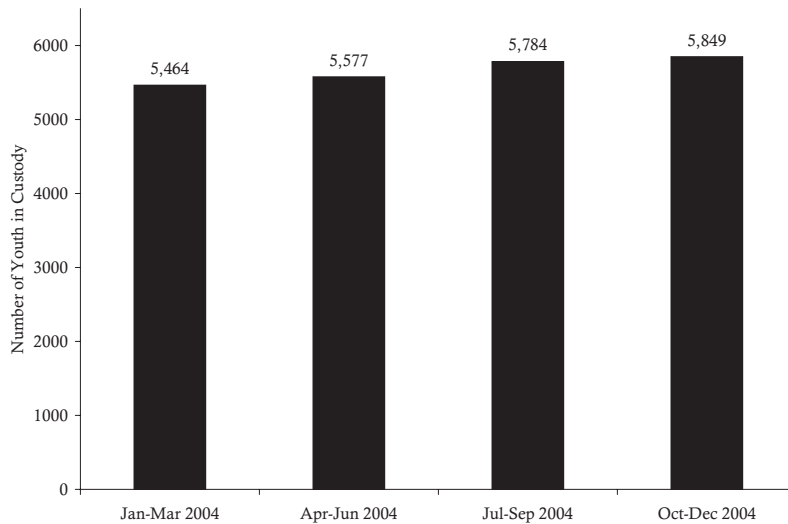


Substitute Care

Definition

Substitute Care involves temporary out-of-home placement for children found by a court to be in need of protection. Substitute care includes emergency shelter, foster family care (including placement with relatives), group-home care, therapeutic foster care, respite care, residential treatment care (both in-home and out-of-state), and independent living services (transitional services for youth who are age 18 at the time they leave foster care). These services may be provided through contract or community placement.¹

**Number of Nevada Youth in Custody Statewide:
Calendar Year 2004, Point in Time***



*Information about children/youth on a given day.
Source: State of Nevada Department of Human Resources, Division of Child and Family Services, March 2005, *2003-2004 Biennial Report*, available online at: <<http://nv.gov/Newsletters/2005/DCFS2003-2004BiennialReport.pdf>> as of 5/19/05.

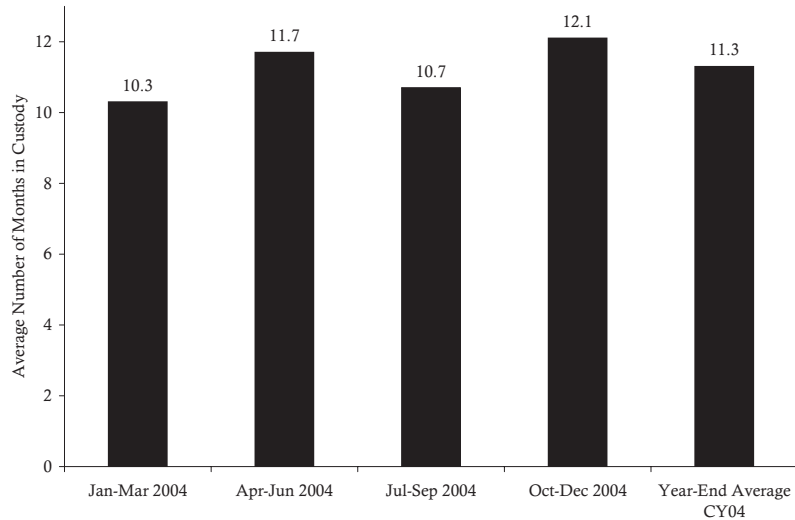
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The figure at the left displays “the number of children in out-of-home placements during any given quarter of calendar year 2004.”² Point-in-time data (information about children/youth on a given day) for October to December 2004 show that 5,849 youth were in the legal custody of the state or county (out-of-home placements). On average, children stayed in out-of-home care 11.3 months.

On a given day in December 2004, 1,267 foster-care and 190 relative foster-care licenses were issued. See pages 76 and 77, respectively.

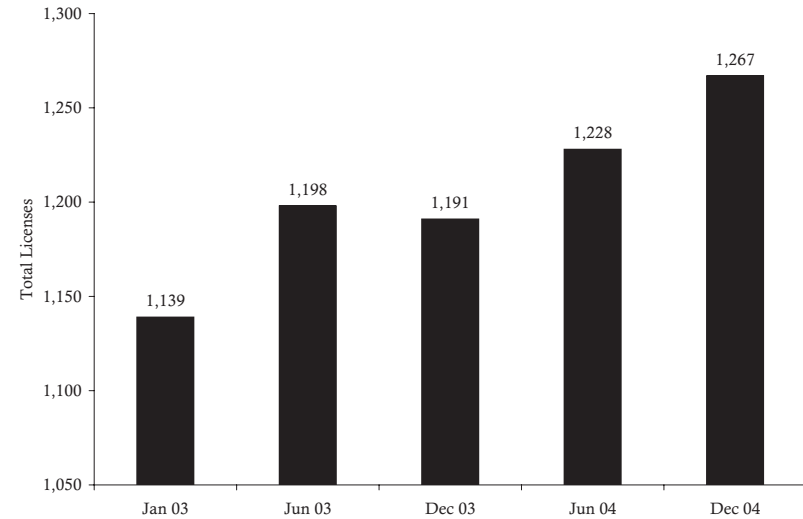
Substitute Care Continued

Average Number of Months Nevada Children Stay in Custody: Calendar Year 2004



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Total Foster-Care Licenses* in Nevada: 2003 and 2004**



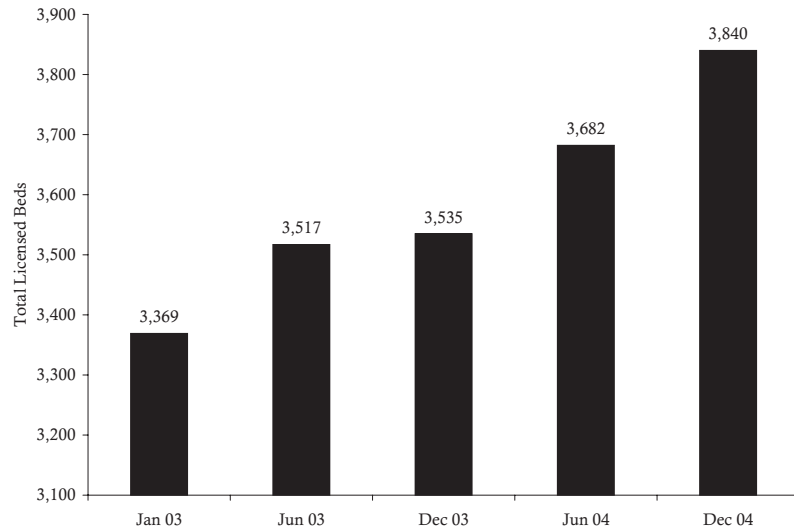
*“Foster care licenses include resource families who are providing foster care, emergency shelter care, group (higher level) care, interstate compact, and adoption.”

**Point-in-time data, information about children/youth on a given day.

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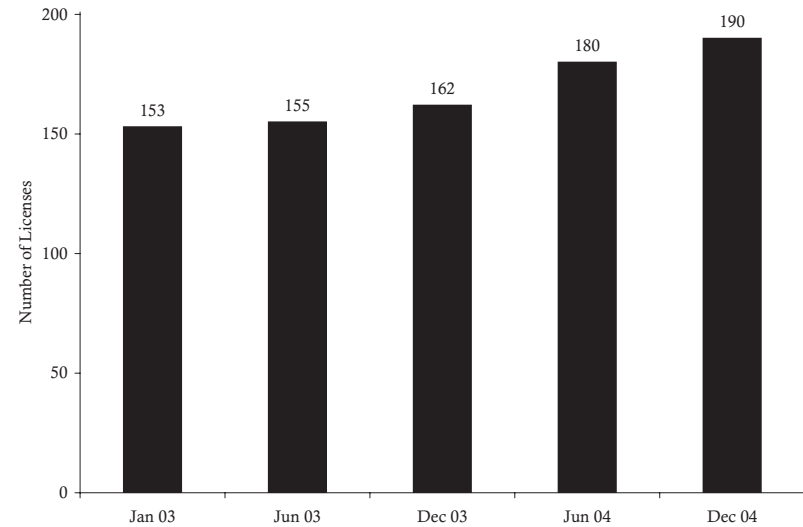
Substitute Care Continued

Total Licensed Foster-Care Beds in Nevada: 2003 and 2004*



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Number of Relative* Foster-Care Licenses in Nevada: 2003 and 2004**



*Kinship care. Could include a(n) noncustodial parent, aunt, uncle, or grandparent.
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 Source: State of Nevada Department of Human Resources, Division of Child and Family Services, March 2005, *2003-2004 Biennial Report*, available online at: <<http://nv.gov/Newsletters/2005/DCFS2003-2004BiennialReport.pdf>> as of 5/19/05.