

Table 11.25-- FOSTER CARE: 1995 AND 1996

[Number of foster homes covers only licensed, certified and approved foster homes. Out-of-home care includes children placed into family foster care, kinship (relative) foster care, group homes, and residential group care]

Subject	1995	1996
Number of foster homes	1,086	(NA)
Children in out-of-home care	1,652	1,921
Rate per 1,000 children	5.2	6.3
Rank (50 states, from highest to lowest)	32	28

NA Not available.

Source: Data from the Child Welfare League of America, Washington, D.C., as cited in *Statistical Abstract of the United States* for 1998 (p. 395), and 1999 (p. 403).