

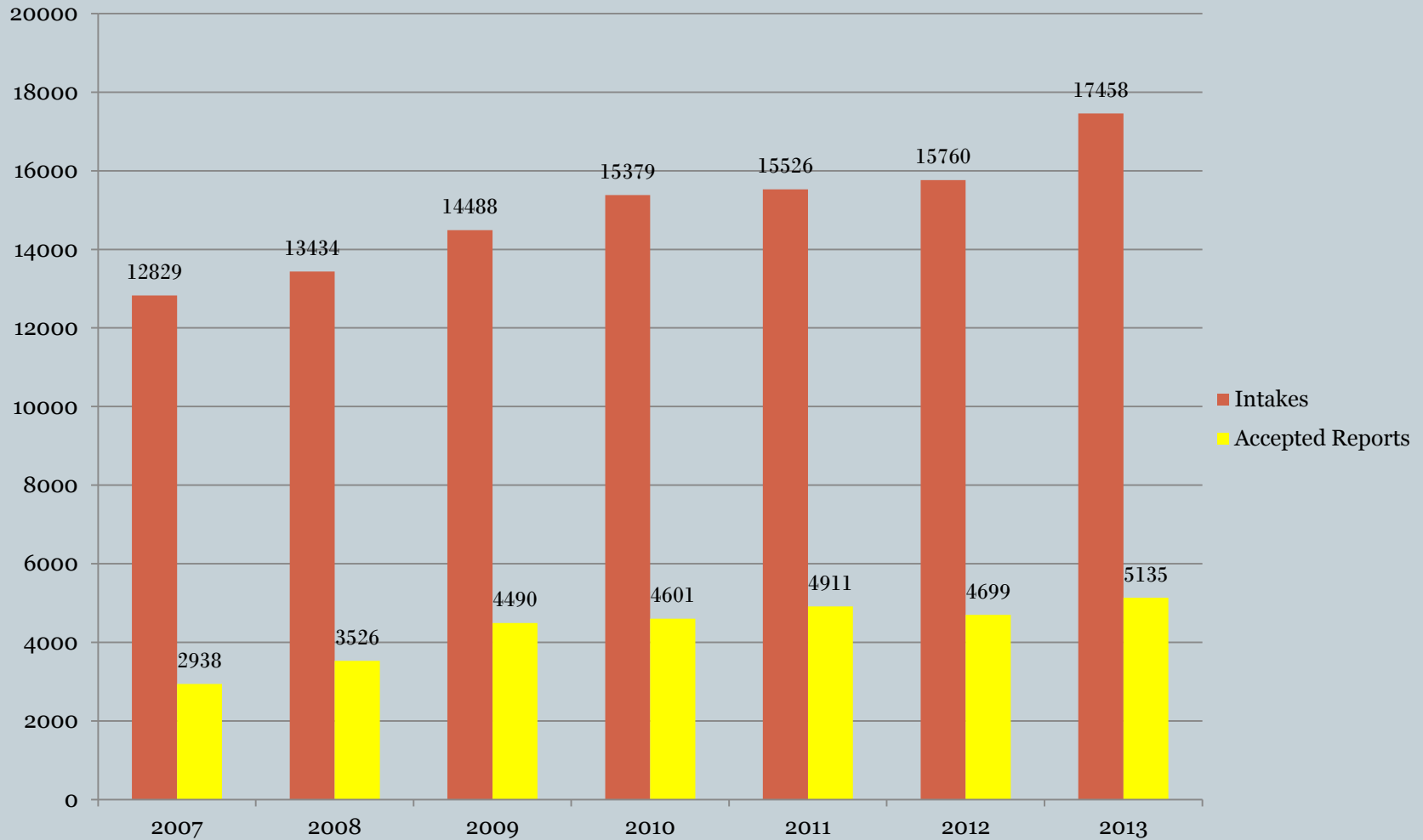
Legislative Committee on Child Protection

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RESPONSE TO DATA REQUESTS
AUGUST 2014

Intakes & Accepted Reports –Statewide Trends

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Intakes & Accepted Reports - Districts

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District	2011		2012		2013	
	Intakes	Accepted Reports	Intakes	Accepted Reports	Intakes	Accepted Reports
Barre	1,968	599	1,886	560	2,037	578
Bennington	866	290	988	332	1,131	395
Brattleboro	833	252	861	266	1,021	336
Burlington	2,995	808	2,848	779	3,194	799
Hartford	924	284	1,084	317	1,363	383
Middlebury	661	249	616	202	699	262
Morrisville	795	269	784	212	847	237
Newport	817	282	797	281	808	249
Rutland	1,485	525	1,401	440	1,540	477
Springfield	1,138	438	1,284	435	1,191	393
St. Albans	1,619	556	1,687	545	1,857	612
St. Johnsbury	849	254	900	241	1,017	294
Central Office	576	105	624	89	753	120
Total	15,526	4,911	15,760	4,699	17,458	5,135

Intakes Accepted by District after Second Screen

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District	% Accepted on 2 nd Read
Barre	1.7%
Bennington	2.7%
Brattleboro	0.9%
Burlington	2.7%
Hartford	1.8%
Middlebury	7.4%
Morrisville	1.3%
Newport	5.2%
Rutland	0.8%
Springfield	0.9%
St. Albans	2.1%
St. Johnsbury	3.7%
Total	2.4%

Track Assignment - Statewide

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	2011		2012		2103	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Chapter 49 Investigation	2591	53%	2536	54%	2657	52%
Chapter 49 Assessment	1192	24%	1119	24%	1409	27%
CHINS Assessment (JPA)	1128	23%	1044	22%	1069	21%
Total	4911	100%	4699	100%	5135	100%

Track Assignment – Districts 2013

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District	Ch 49 Investigation		Ch 49 Assessment		CHINS (JPA) Assessment	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Barre	323	56%	142	25%	113	20%
Bennington	203	51%	107	27%	85	22%
Brattleboro	148	44%	86	26%	102	30%
Burlington	366	46%	270	34%	163	20%
Hartford	201	52%	104	27%	78	20%
Middlebury	150	57%	72	27%	40	15%
Morrisville	131	55%	60	25%	46	19%
Newport	133	53%	63	25%	53	21%
Rutland	246	52%	142	30%	89	19%
Springfield	171	44%	113	29%	109	28%
St. Albans	317	55%	155	20%	140	24%
St. Johnsbury	164	56%	82	28%	48	16%
Caretaker Lives						
Out of State	104	87%	13	11%	3	3%

Track Change – Assessment to Investigation

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- In 2013, 26 interventions which started as assessments were changed to investigations.

2013	26
2012	28
2011	40

Substantiation Rates – Statewide and District - 2013

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District	# Investigations	# Substantiations	% Substantiated
Barre	323	81	25%
Bennington	203	46	23%
Brattleboro	148	34	23%
Burlington	366	83	23%
Hartford	201	46	23%
Middlebury	150	23	15%
Morrisville	131	30	23%
Newport	133	32	24%
Rutland	246	33	13%
Springfield	171	62	36%
St. Albans	317	108	34%
St. Johnsbury	164	38	23%
Caretaker Lives Out of State	104	26	25%
State	2657	642	24%

Average Time to Substantiation

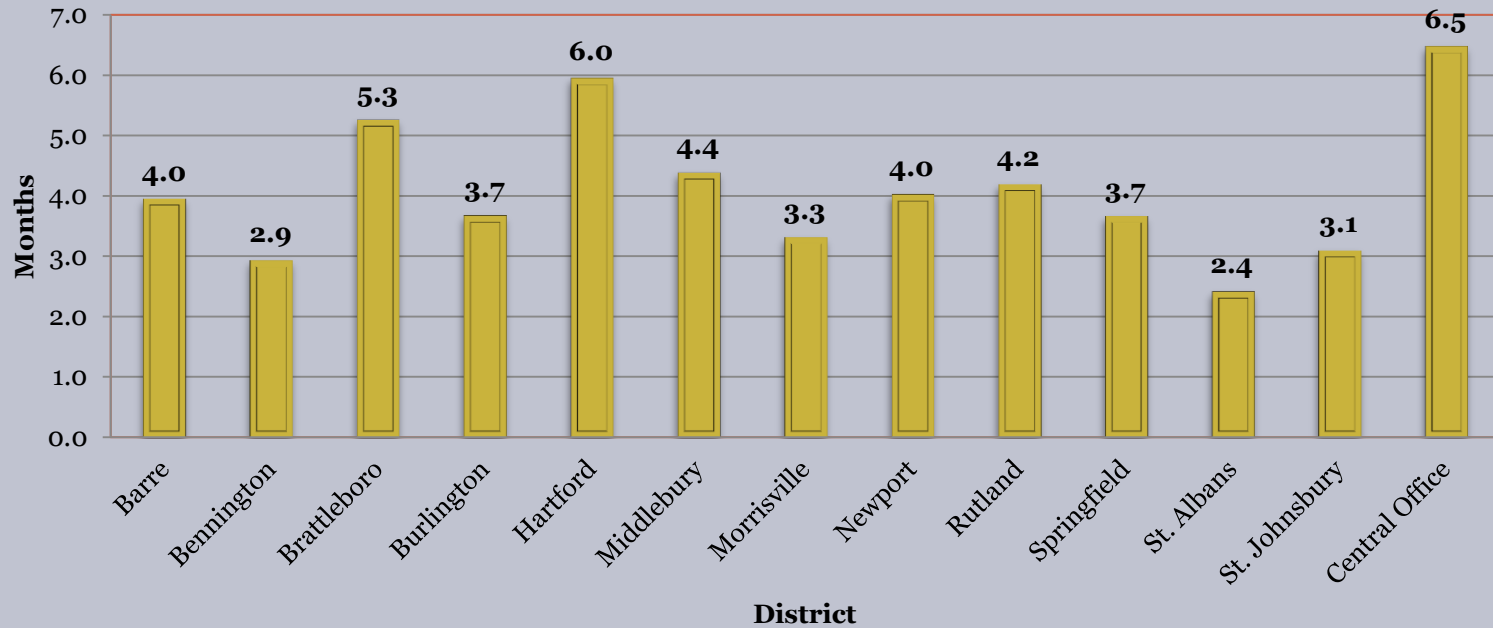
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- A person's name is not entered into the Child Protection Registry until he or she:
 - Has requested an independent review, and the reviewer has determined that the substantiation is correct; or
 - Not requested a review in the time frame specified.

Average Time to Substantiation

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Average Months to Substantiation



Law Enforcement Assistance Requested

- **Policy 52**
 - Assistance from law enforcement will be requested in all:
 - ✦ investigations of child sexual abuse by an alleged perpetrator age 10 or older;
 - ✦ investigations of serious physical abuse or neglect likely to result in criminal charges or requiring emergency medical care (examples include broken bones, head injuries, etc);
 - ✦ any accepted child safety intervention potentially dangerous to the child or social worker.
 - Assistance from law enforcement may also be requested in other situations, according to local protocols. When the social worker and law enforcement are jointly investigating a report of child abuse or neglect pursuant to state or local protocols, the officer will be considered a person assigned by the Commissioner to investigate child maltreatment under **33 VSA §4915(d)**. Under those circumstances, written information from the case record may be shared with the officer.

Law Enforcement Assistance Requested -- 2013

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District	Total Investigations	Police Assist	% Police Assistance	Total Assessments	Police Assist	% Police Assistance
Barre	323	93	28.8%	142	3	2.1%
Bennington	203	135	66.5%	107	42	39.3%
Brattleboro	148	59	39.9%	86	11	12.8%
Burlington	366	109	29.8%	270	25	9.3%
Hartford	201	21	10.4%	104	5	4.8%
Middlebury	150	5	3.3%	72	2	2.8%
Morrisville	131	53	40.5%	60	1	1.7%
Newport	133	47	35.3%	63	1	1.6%
Rutland	246	94	38.2%	142	14	9.9%
Springfield	171	77	45.0%	113	12	10.6%
St Albans	317	130	41.0%	155	20	12.9%
St Johnsbury	164	62	37.8%	82	4	4.9%
Out of State Caretaker	104	37	35.6%	13	2	15.4%
Statewide	2657	922	34.7%	1409	142	10.1%

Child Safety Interventions with Custody Resulting -- 2013

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	Custody – CC	Custody – UC
Chapter 49 Investigations	171	23
Chapter 49 Assessments	56	8
JPA Assessments	175	28
Totals	402	59

District Social Worker and Supervisors Intermittent View

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District FTEs	Social Workers	Supervisors
Mar 2005	126	26
Mar 2006	131	25
Jul 2008	131	25
Mar 2009	131	25
Aug 2011	144	27
Aug 2014	160	30

- Was there any year that DCF considered itself to be adequately staffed, and if so, what was that year and what were the number of social workers and supervisors?