Division of Youth Services Arkansas Child Welfare Report Card In Compliance with Act 1222 of 1995 Report Period July 2008 – June 2009



#### **Executive Summary**

For FY 09 the age and gender of committed juvenile offenders remained overwhelmingly males between 15 and 17 years of age. In FY 09 there was a 7% decrease in Caucasian youth, a 3% increase in African-American youth, and a 4% increase in youth of other ethnicities committed to DYS. In FY 09 the number of youth recommitted to DYS decreased 3 percentage points and the number of youth committed for felony type offenses increased by 1%. The number of commitments to DYS from FY 2006 through FY 2009 averaged around 626 annually. In FY 2009 the number of commitments increased by 6% from the prior year.

### **Population Profiles July 2008 - June 2009**



\*Total Youth Population is based on the population count on the first day of the month.



Profiles of Juveniles Committed July 2008 - June 2009





\* Average Bed Days captures all releases from residential programs during the fiscal year.

#### Profiles of Juveniles Committed July 2008 - June 2009



## FY09 Commitments by Age



#### Profiles of Juveniles Committed July 2008 - June 2009



# FY09 Commitments by Gender



Profiles of Juveniles Committed July 2008 - June 2009



## FY09 Commitments by Race



#### Profiles of Juveniles Committed July 2008 - June 2009



## FY09 Commitments by Offense Group



### INCIDENTS Incidents Accepted by the Child Abuse Hotline July 2008 - June 2009

REFERRED TO HOT		INCIDENTS ACCEPTED BY HOTLINE				
85		50				
Incident Type	Cases Accepted by ASP	Cases Pending	Cases Founded	Cases Unfounded	Case Status Unknown*	
ASSAULT	2	0	0	0	2	
DEATH	1	0	0	0	1	
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	6	0	0	0	6	
FIGHT	2	0	0	0	2	
NEGLECT	1	0	0	0	1	
OTHER	6	0	0	0	6	
PHY SICAL ABUSE	10	0	0	0	10	
SEXUAL ABUSE/RAPE	16	0	0	0	16	
SEXUAL MISCONDUCT	6	0	0	0	6	
TOTAL	50	0	0	0	50	

\* Since the Hotline and the Investigations units are two separate sections within the Arkansas State Police, the Hotline may accept an incident called in, then later the incident will not be investigated by the Investigations Unit after review of the circumstances. The DYS IAU never receives a follow-up on these reports to know whether they were ever investigated. Some of these incidents occurred prior to the juvenile being committed to DYS. The IAU does not receive notification of the findings in these incidents. Some incidents that are reported in one quarter may not be finalized by the State Police until sometime within the next quarter.





### Incidents Reported to Hotline for FY 2009



### **COMMITMENTS**

### All Juveniles Committed During the Fiscal Year



Recommitments encompass all juveniles who have previously been committed to DYS and received another order of commitment during the fiscal year.

### Average Length of Stay in Days for Juveniles Released July 2008 - June 2009



### **Commitments by District**

### July 2008 – June 2009

District	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	District	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
1st	22	25	33	12th	38	37	40
2nd	38	59	55	13th	52	21	33
3rd	10	8	15	14th	2	5	7
4th	20	12	14	15th	10	7	4
5th	17	22	16	16th	14	11	20
6th	115	99	102	17th	4	6	7
7th	38	28	32	18th East	27	26	17
8th North	12	20	25	18th West	0	0	0
8th South	10	23	18	19th East	3	5	2
9th East	6	15	8	19th West	29	18	13
9th West	17	19	17	20th	20	25	19
10th	59	49	82	21st	16	15	7
11th East	10	9	2	22nd	16	18	17
11th West	9	8	25	23rd	8	8	6
				State Total	622	598	636

Commitments encompass all juveniles who have been committed to DYS including juveniles currently in custody who have received another order of commitment during the fiscal year.