

Annual adoption statistics for States of origin

State: United States of America
Year: 2010 [a]

Receiving State	Total number of completed adoptions or entrustments [1]	Age [d] and gender [e] of child at adoption or entrustment [2]				Number of adoptions or entrustments of special needs children [3] [f]	Location of child prior to adoption or entrustment [g]		
		<1	1 to 4	5 to 9	>10		Institution	Foster care	Family of origin
<i>Austria</i>	1								
<i>Canada</i>	19								
<i>Germany</i>	2								
<i>The Netherlands</i>	18								
<i>United Kingdom</i>	2								
<i>South Africa</i>	1								
Total number of intercountry adoptions	43 [b]								
Total number of domestic adoptions	53,547 [c]	1,126	24,220	16,220	11,318	45,943			
Total number of adoptions	53,590								

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Note [3]: Children with special needs are those who may be suffering from a behaviour disorder or trauma, physically or mentally disabled, older children (usually above 7 years of age), or part of a sibling group.

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Note [c]: These statistics include the number of children adopted domestically with public agency involvement in FY 2010 as reported by U.S. states to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in regular and revised submissions of the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) by June 1, 2011. Further details in this regard can be found at <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/cb/afcarsreport18.pdf>.

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Note [e]: Statistics on the gender of children in an outgoing intercountry adoption is not compiled by the Department of State's Office of Children's Issues. The gender of children adopted domestically in FY 2010 is not available broken down by age group. However, in FY 2010, the total number of domestic adoptions included the adoption of 26,750 males and 26,132 females. Data not provided by U.S. states to the Department of Health and Human Services as part of the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) by June 1, 2011 was excluded in HHS' reporting and therefore the total number of children in each category may differ slightly from the total number of domestic adoptions.

Note [f]: The term "children with special needs" is not defined in the U.S. implementing legislation for the Convention or in U.S. implementing regulations. For this reason the total number of intercountry adoptions involving special needs children is not available. The term "children with special needs" is defined differently by different U.S. federal and state government institutions and jurisdictions for different purposes. According to Child Welfare Gateway, there is no Federal definition of special needs, and the guidelines for classifying a child as special needs vary by state. The term is used in state law to indicate eligibility for Federal financial assistance, and most frequently refers to children who are school-aged, part of a sibling group, children of color, or those with special physical, emotional, or developmental needs. The phrase "special needs" can apply to almost any child or youth adopted from foster care. The preferred term is "children with special needs." (<https://www.childwelfare.gov/glossary/glossary/>). The number of domestic adoptions involving children with special needs is reported by U.S. states to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in regular and revised submissions of the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS).

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Year: 2011 [a]

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<i>Austria</i>	1								
<i>Canada</i>	31								
<i>Curacao</i>	1								
<i>Germany</i>	2								
<i>Ireland</i>	5								
<i>Mexico</i>	1								
<i>The Netherlands</i>	27								
<i>Spain</i>	1								
<i>Switzerland</i>	2								
<i>United Kingdom</i>	2								
Total number of intercountry adoptions	73 [b]								
Total of number of domestic adoptions	50,901 [c]	1,059	23,503	15,136	10,811	41,246			
Total number of adoptions	50,974								

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Annual adoption statistics for States of origin

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Year: 2012 [a]

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<i>Austria</i>	5								
<i>Canada</i>	41								
<i>Ireland</i>	14								
<i>Mexico</i>	1								
<i>Netherlands</i>	28								
<i>Switzerland</i>	4								
<i>United Kingdom</i>	6								
Total number of intercountry adoptions	99 [b]								
Total of number of domestic adoptions	52,042 [c]	1,113	24,364	15,788	10,769	41,584			
Total number of adoptions	52,141								

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<i>Austria</i>	1								
<i>Canada</i>	35								
<i>Ireland</i>	5								
<i>Netherlands</i>	38								
<i>Switzerland</i>	2								
<i>Tanzania</i>	1								
<i>United Kingdom</i>	2								
Total number of intercountry adoptions	84 [b]								
Total number of domestic adoptions	50,608 [c]	1,161	23,571	15,554	10,317	41,381			
Total number of adoptions	50,692								

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<i>Austria</i>	4								
<i>Canada</i>	47								
<i>Ireland</i>	3								
<i>Mexico</i>	5								
<i>Netherlands</i>	31								
<i>New Zealand</i>	1								
<i>Switzerland</i>	2								
<i>United Arab Emirates</i>	1								
<i>United Kingdom</i>	1								
Total number of intercountry adoptions	96 [b]								
Total number of domestic adoptions	[c]								
Total number of adoptions									

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Suriname	1									
*Taiwan	59									
Thailand	47									
*Timor-Leste	4									
*Trinidad and Tobago	4									
*Tunisia	1									
*Uganda	202									
*Ukraine	303									
United Kingdom, The	2									
*Uzbekistan	1									
*Zambia	9									
Total number of intercountry adoptions	5648	26	9	1505	1510	654	705	611	628	
Total number of domestic adoptions										
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*Tonga	2										
*Trinidad and Tobago	3										
*Tunisia	1										
*Uganda	187										
*Ukraine	303										
United Kingdom	3										
Vietnam	13										
Zambia	4										
Total number of intercountry adoptions	5372	60	63	1268	1156	802	759	642	822		
Total number of domestic adoptions											
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Note [f]: The term "children with special needs" is not defined in the U.S. implementing legislation for the Convention or in U.S. implementing regulations. For this reason the total number of intercountry adoptions involving special needs children is not available. The term "children with special needs" is defined differently by different U.S. federal and state government institutions and jurisdictions for different purposes. According to Child Welfare Gateway, there is no Federal definition of special needs, and the guidelines for classifying a child as special needs vary by state. The term is used in state law to indicate eligibility for Federal financial assistance, and most frequently refers to children who are school-aged, part of a sibling group, children of color, or those with special physical, emotional, or developmental needs. The phrase "special needs" can apply to almost any child or youth adopted from foster care. The preferred term is "children with special needs." (<https://www.childwelfare.gov/glossary/glossarys/>). The number of domestic adoptions involving children with special needs is reported by U.S. states to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in regular and revised submissions of the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS).

Note [g]: The Department of State's Office of Children's Issues nor the Department of Health and Human Services compile statistics on the location of a child prior to adoption or entrustment.