

WA Outcomes by Age Entering Care in 2009

Permanency outcomes vary drastically by age. Reunification is always the most common outcome, but while adolescents are quick to reunify, their adoption rate is low. However, young children are adopted quickly--especially infants. **Please note:** Reunification and adoption are the two most common permanency outcomes and together, the graphs below represent cumulative outcomes for most of the children who enter the child welfare system. Other outcomes may include guardianship, emancipation, etc.

