

# AFCARS FY2021 Adoption File

## Notes

- Documentation for the 2021 Adoption file conforms with Federal standards ("Section 508") for accessibility

## Contents

1. The **Documentation** folder contains:
  1. *AFCARS User Guide.pdf* is the User Guide for both the Foster Care and Adoption files. It describes the history and purpose of AFCARS, the data collection process, the file structure, and contains other important contextual information.
  2. *AFCARS Adoption Codebook.pdf* contains details about the AFCARS Adoption variables
2. The **Data** folder contains:
  - Folder **SAS** contains 3 files; these are:
    1. *Ad2021v1.sas7bdat* is a SAS native file with no variable or value labels.
    2. *Ad20v1F.sas7bdat* is a SAS native file linked to the catalogue containing the variable and value labels. It uses the "formats" file.
    3. *formats.sas7bcat* is a SAS catalogue with the variable and value labels. It's used by the formatted versions of the data.
  - Folder SPSS Files :
    1. *Ad2021v1.sav* is the 2021 AFCARS Adoption File as an SPSS data set.
  - Folder Stata Files
    1. *Ad2021v1.dta*, a native Stata dataset.
  - Folder **Text Files** has
    1. The 2021 AFCARS Adoption data in tab-delimited format (*Ad2021v1.tab*)
    2. Syntax files for SAS, SPSS, and Stata for reading the tab-delimited data file.