

# OFFICE OF REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT

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## Facts and Data

### General Statistics

Data provided by fiscal year (October 1 – September 30)

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### Age

Age breakdown of unaccompanied alien children by fiscal year (October 1 – September 30)

AGE	FY2018	FY2017	FY2016	FY2015	FY2014	FY2013	FY2012
0-12	15%	17%	18%	17%	21%	14%	11%
13-14	12%	13%	14%	14%	16%	13%	11%
15-16	37%	37%	37%	38%	36%	40%	39%
17	35%	32%	31%	30%	27%	34%	38%

### Country of Origin

The top three countries of origin shifted from FY2017, with the highest percentage of children in FY2018 coming from Guatemala, followed by Honduras and El Salvador.

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	FY2018	FY2017	FY2016	FY2015	FY2014	FY2013	FY2012
HONDURAS	26%	23%	21%	17%	34%	30%	27%
GUATEMALA	54%	45%	40%	45%	32%	37%	34%
EL SALVADOR	12%	27%	34%	29%	29%	26%	27%
MEXICO	3%	<3%	3%	6%	<2%	3%	8%
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	<5%	3%	2%	3%	<3%	5%	4%

### Gender

The demographic breakdown in FY18 changed slightly from FY17 to reflect a small increase in male UAC arrivals and decrease in female UAC arrivals.

YEAR	MALES	FEMALES
FY2018	71%	29%
FY2017	68%	32%
FY2016	67%	33%
FY2015	68%	32%
FY2014	66%	34%
FY2013	73%	27%
FY2012	77%	23%

### Home Studies and Post-Release Services

Number of home studies conducted by ORR and number of unaccompanied alien children served by post-release services (PRS).

YEAR	HOME STUDIES	UAC SERVED BY PRS
FY2018	3,641	14,088
FY2017	3,173	13,381

YEAR	HOME STUDIES	UAC SERVED BY PRS
FY2016	3,540	10,546
FY2015	1,895	8,618

## Length of Care

Average length of time a UAC remained in ORR care\* in FY2018 was 60 days.

## Referrals

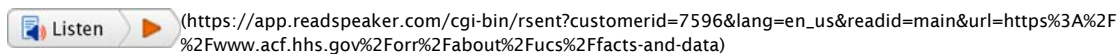
This reflects the number of referrals ORR receives from the Department of Homeland Security each fiscal year. Read more about **referrals to ORR and initial placement** (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/orr/resource/children-entering-the-united-states-unaccompanied-section-1#1.3>).

YEAR	REFERRALS
FY2018	49,100
FY2017	40,810
FY2016	59,170
FY2015	33,726
FY2014	57,496
FY2013	24,668
FY2012	13,625

## Release to Sponsors

View the number of unaccompanied alien children released to sponsors by **state** (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/orr/resource/unaccompanied-alien-children-released-to-sponsors-by-state>) and by **county** (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/orr/resource/unaccompanied-alien-children-released-to-sponsors-by-county>)

**View ORR Fact Sheet on Unaccompanied Alien Children's Services** ([https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/orr/unaccompanied\\_alien\\_children\\_program\\_fact\\_sheet\\_december\\_2018.pdf](https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/orr/unaccompanied_alien_children_program_fact_sheet_december_2018.pdf))



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