

CHILD MALTREATMENT 2022 SUMMARY

This infographic presents key data from *Child Maltreatment 2022*, the 33rd edition of the annual report on child abuse and neglect produced by the Children's Bureau within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The report is based on data voluntarily submitted by child welfare agencies through the National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System (NCANDS). NCANDS collects case-level data on all children who received a child protective services response in the form of an investigation or an alternative response. The 2022 national data are based on data from all 50 States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia.

We encourage you to view the *Child Maltreatment 2022* report on the Children's Bureau website for more information.



4,276,000 REFERRALS ALLEGING MALTREATMENT THAT INCLUDE

7,530,000 children*

*National estimates

50.5%

were screened out



49.5%

were screened in

*Based on States reporting both screened-in and screened-out referrals

16.1%

VICTIMS

83.9%

NONVICTIMS*



*Including 13.9% of the total who received an alternative response
Note: For these data, children are counted each time they are the subject of a report.

VICTIMIZATION RATES PER 1,000 CHILDREN (2018–2022)

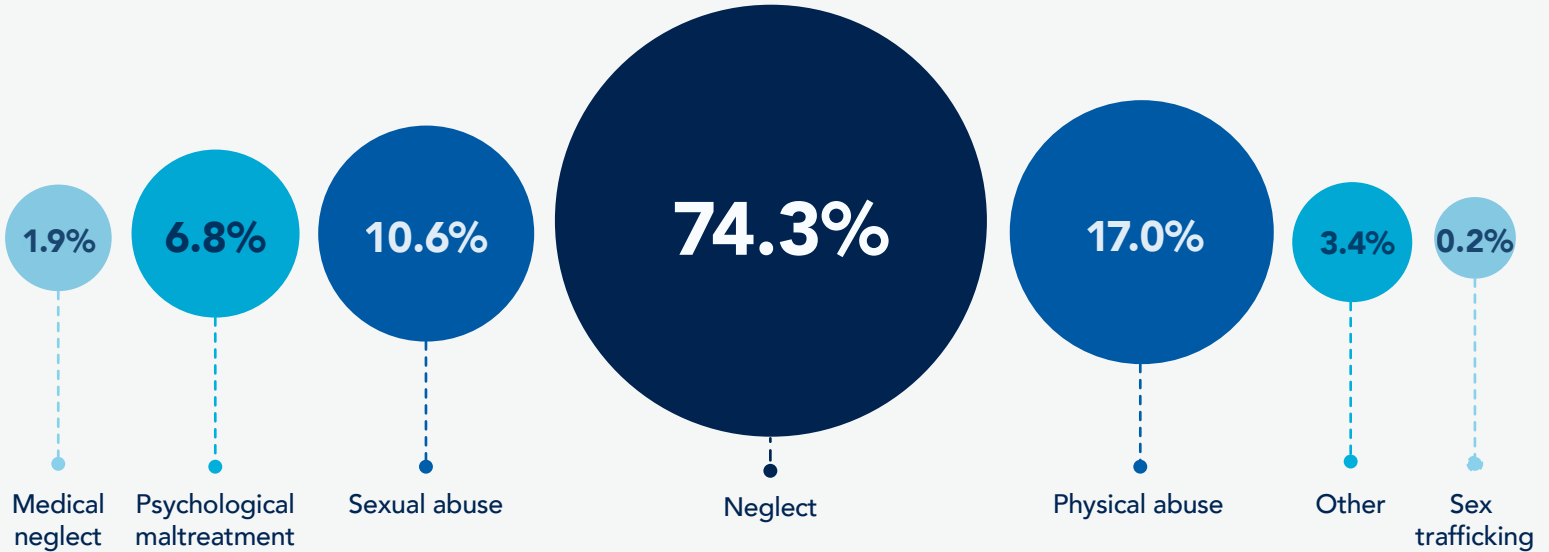


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Note: These data are for screened-in referrals.

TYPES OF MALTREATMENT



More than three-fifths of all victims are neglected only.

Note: A child may be a victim of multiple types of maltreatment. This graphic is not to scale.



27.3% of victims were birth through 2 years old
The youngest children are the most vulnerable to maltreatment.



1,990 fatalities due to child maltreatment*

*National estimate

RACIAL AND ETHNIC DISPROPORTIONALITY

Rates of Victimization per 1,000 Children



The rates for Black or African American and American Indian/Alaska Native children are about twice the rates for Hispanic and White children.



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