

2016 BRIGHT SPOTS DATA PACKAGE ADOPTION

NOTE: This document contains one chapter of the 2016 Bright Spots package. More information regarding how to use and interpret the figure and tables contained here can be found in the complete 2016 Bright Spots package and technical appendix available at http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/Professionals_data_reports.asp or by emailing data.warehouse@ocfs.ny.gov.

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Question 12: Time to Adoption from Freed Date

Question: How long does it take for children to be adopted after being freed? How many have been waiting for a year or more to be adopted?



Answer: For children adopted in 2016, the statewide median time to adoption from freed date was 10.6 months (Figure 12a). Time varied considerably across districts, from a low of 2.1 to a high of 36.1 months.

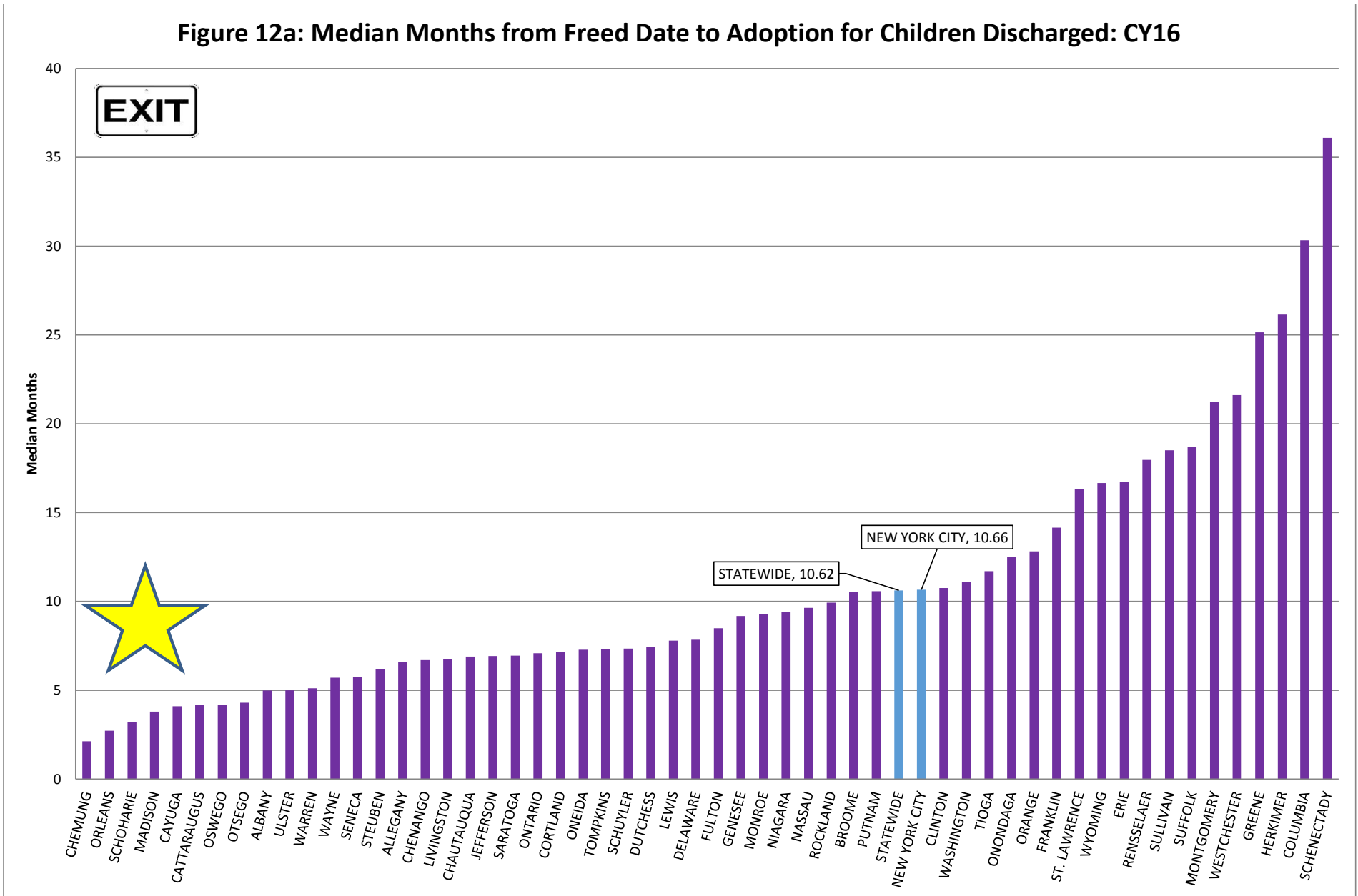
On 12/31/16, there were 1,921 freed children living in foster care statewide. 46.0% (N=883) had been freed and awaiting adoption for a year or more (Figure 12b).

Things to Consider:

- What factors might contribute to your district having a faster or slower time to adoption than others?
- Analysis Tips: How many children are contributing to your adoption outcomes? Compare your mean and median time to adoption. Cases that move extremely quickly or very slowly impact average time, but not the median.

For More Information: See 2016 Monitoring and Analysis Profiles (MAPs)

Figure 12a: Median Months from Freed Date to Adoption for Children Discharged: CY16

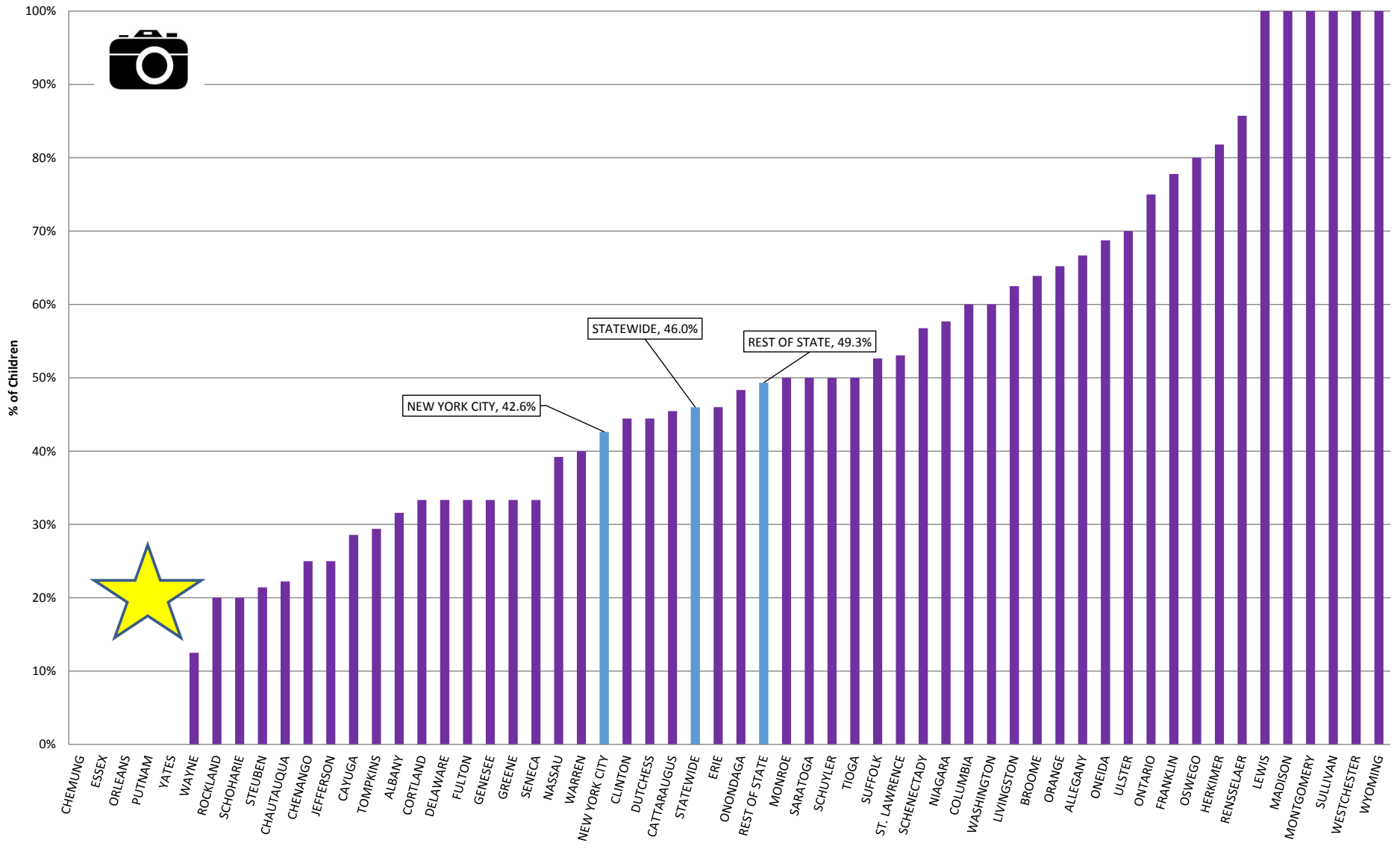


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Table 12a: Median Months from Free Date to Adoption for Children Discharged: CY16			
Location	# of Children Discharged to Adoption in CY 2016	Time from Freed to Date of Adoption for Adoptions in 2016	
		Mean Time (In Months)	Median Time (In Months)
Statewide	1,923	15.17	10.62
New York City	958	15.46	10.66
Rest of State	965	13.60	N/A
Albany	19	5.33	4.98
Allegany	10	11.89	6.59
Broome	33	12.36	10.52
Cattaraugus	17	4.31	4.16
Cayuga	10	5.25	4.10
Chautauqua	25	7.69	6.89
Chemung	19	8.04	2.13
Chenango	2	6.70	6.70
Clinton	29	11.65	10.75
Columbia	14	24.04	30.33
Cortland	7	10.14	7.15
Delaware	16	9.64	7.84
Dutchess	41	15.11	7.41
Erie	111	22.68	16.72
Essex	0	N/A	N/A
Franklin	2	14.15	14.15
Fulton	4	7.75	8.49
Genesee	24	11.26	9.18
Greene	10	41.99	25.15
Hamilton	0	N/A	N/A
Herkimer	4	25.06	26.15
Jefferson	27	8.75	6.92
Lewis	3	7.79	7.79
Livingston	9	6.49	6.75
Madison	8	9.67	3.80
Monroe	43	14.43	9.28
Montgomery	1	21.25	21.25
Nassau	24	14.88	9.64
Niagara	21	11.46	9.38
Oneida	29	10.61	7.28
Onondaga	41	15.19	12.49
Ontario	10	9.78	7.08
Orange	42	18.21	12.82
Orleans	1	2.72	2.72
Oswego	7	4.87	4.18
Otsego	1	4.30	4.30
Putnam	4	12.23	10.57
Rensselaer	19	15.89	17.97
Rockland	3	9.93	9.93
St. Lawrence	16	18.78	16.33
Saratoga	7	6.63	6.95
Schenectady	12	38.03	36.10
Schoharie	3	9.04	3.21
Schuyler	3	7.34	7.34
Seneca	13	8.04	5.74
Steuben	14	6.79	6.20
Suffolk	91	19.55	18.69
Sullivan	7	15.67	18.51
Tioga	1	11.70	11.70
Tompkins	14	10.91	7.30
Ulster	12	12.64	5.00
Warren	13	6.36	5.11
Washington	6	10.83	11.08
Wayne	11	13.65	5.70
Westchester	47	22.15	21.61
Wyoming	5	16.66	16.66
Yates	0	N/A	N/A
St. Regis	0	N/A	N/A

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Figure 12b: % of Freed Children Remaining in Foster Care for One or More Years After Freed Date, as of 12/31/16



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Table 12b: % of Freed Children Remaining in Foster Care for One or More Years After Freed Date, as of 12/31/16			
Location	Total Freed and in Care on 12/31/16	Free and In Care for More Than 1 Year Since Freed Date	
		#	%
Statewide	1,921	883	45.97%
New York City	962	410	42.62%
Rest of State	959	473	49.32%
Albany	19	6	31.58%
Allegany	9	6	66.67%
Broome	36	23	63.89%
Cattaraugus	11	5	45.45%
Cayuga	14	4	28.57%
Chautauqua	18	4	22.22%
Chemung	11	0	0.00%
Chenango	8	2	25.00%
Clinton	18	8	44.44%
Columbia	20	12	60.00%
Cortland	6	2	33.33%
Delaware	6	2	33.33%
Dutchess	18	8	44.44%
Erie	187	86	45.99%
Essex	1	0	0.00%
Franklin	9	7	77.78%
Fulton	3	1	33.33%
Genesee	9	3	33.33%
Greene	3	1	33.33%
Hamilton	0	0	N/A
Herkimer	11	9	81.82%
Jefferson	4	1	25.00%
Lewis	1	1	100.00%
Livingston	8	5	62.50%
Madison	2	2	100.00%
Monroe	26	13	50.00%
Montgomery	2	2	100.00%
Nassau	51	20	39.22%
Niagara	26	15	57.69%
Oneida	16	11	68.75%
Onondaga	60	29	48.33%
Ontario	4	3	75.00%
Orange	23	15	65.22%
Orleans	7	0	0.00%
Oswego	5	4	80.00%
Otsego	0	0	N/A
Putnam	2	0	0.00%
Rensselaer	7	6	85.71%
Rockland	5	1	20.00%
St. Lawrence	49	26	53.06%
Saratoga	4	2	50.00%
Schenectady	37	21	56.76%
Schoharie	5	1	20.00%
Schuyler	2	1	50.00%
Seneca	3	1	33.33%
Steuben	14	3	21.43%
Suffolk	95	50	52.63%
Sullivan	9	9	100.00%
Tioga	2	1	50.00%
Tompkins	17	5	29.41%
Ulster	10	7	70.00%
Warren	5	2	40.00%
Washington	10	6	60.00%
Wayne	8	1	12.50%
Westchester	18	18	100.00%
Wyoming	2	2	100.00%
Yates	3	0	0.00%
St. Regis	0	0	N/A

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