

An “Adoptive Placement” occurs when a child is placed in a home with parent(s) who are planning to adopt the child. During the adoptive placement, DSS provides supervision to allow the child and family time to adjust to one another. “Adoptive Placement Disruption” describes when a child is removed from an adoptive placement (at the request of the child or the family) prior to the finalization of the adoption, resulting in the parent(s) **NOT** adopting the child.

The chart below shows an increase in the department’s disruption rate these past years after a significant decrease during the previous four state fiscal years. However, we still are significantly below the national average for disruption, which is 10-12%.

