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Mission:
To prevent the abuse and neglect
of our nation's children

Vision:
We envision a world where all children grow up happy, healthy, and prepared to succeed in supportive families and communities.
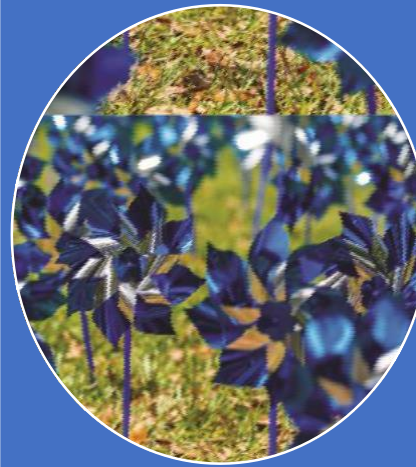
Healthy Families America

To promote child and family well-being, prevent child maltreatment, and strengthen communities, we make available the high-quality, evidence-based HFA home visiting model in communities throughout the US and worldwide

Policy

To advocate on behalf of the vulnerable children and families we serve, we advance federal and state policies that promote the well-being of children and families and strengthen communities

Public Engagement & Impact

To shift the conversation about child abuse and neglect to primary prevention and drive widespread action, we engage our nationwide chapter network, HFA affiliates, and policy and research partners to articulate, elevate, and amplify our mission

Chapter Network

To change public perception around child abuse and neglect prevention and promote healthy child development, we provide leadership and organize a coordinated effort throughout our nationwide state chapter network

Research & Evaluation

Strategic Partnerships

POLICY

Advocate for federal and state policies that will have a positive impact on the families we serve, including:
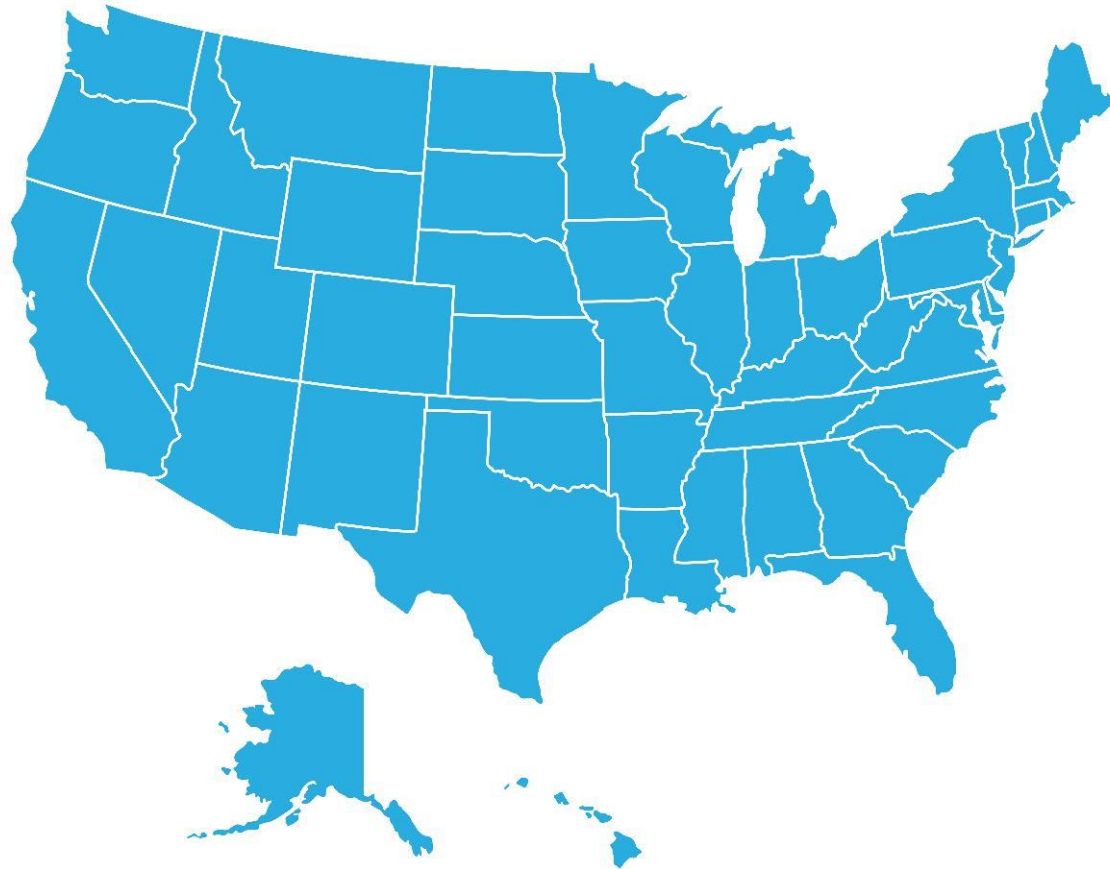
- Increasing support for evidenced-based programs

- Providing funding for interventions that help keep families together

- Advocating for family-friendly policies

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We have broad reach, helping families in communities nationwide through our extensive **network of chapters in nearly 50 states.**

State Chapter Network promotes prevention strategies and services that improve child well-being and develops programs to help parents raise happy, healthy children
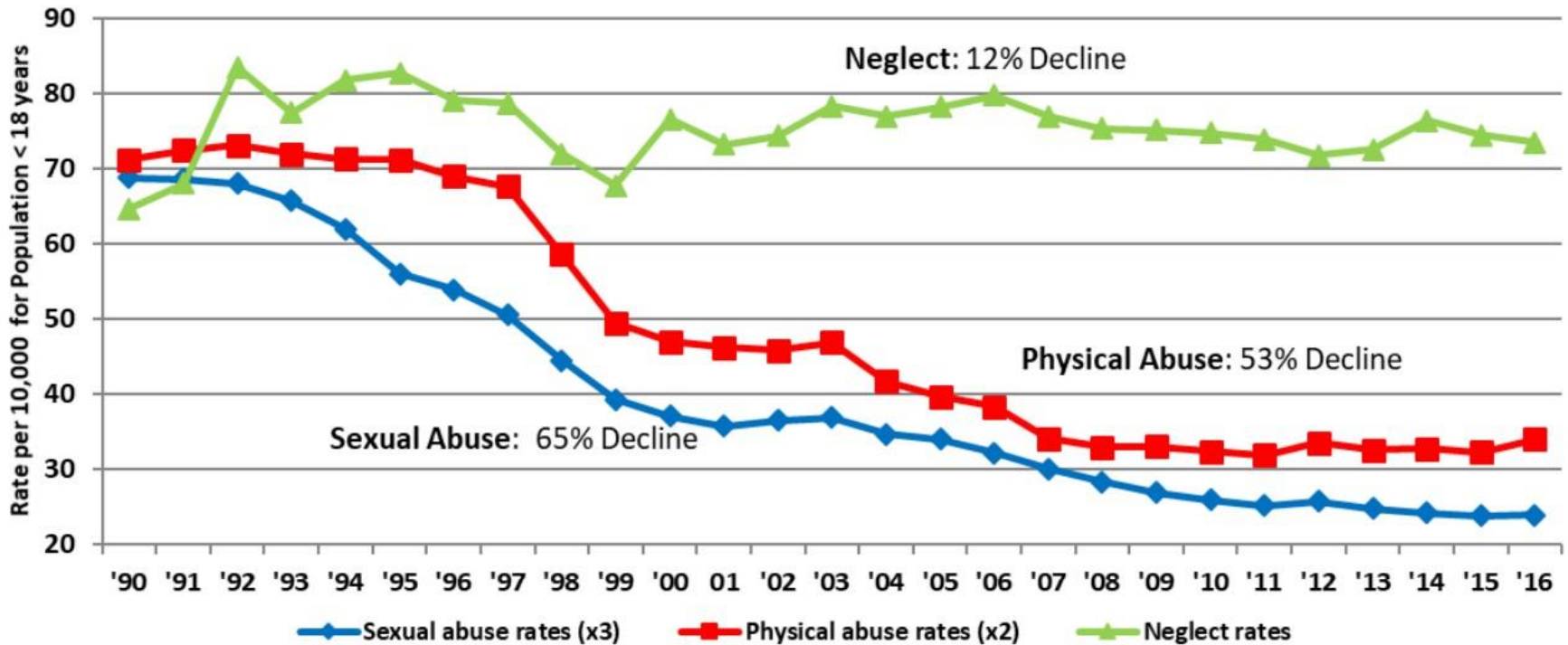

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CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT IMPACTS EVERYONE

- Abuse and neglect happen **across the socioeconomic and geographic spectrum.**

- **34% of children** will experience a child protective services investigation by age 18.

- **Millions** of children are reported for allegations of abuse and neglect each year; over **600,000 reported cases** are determined to be victims of child maltreatment.

Trends in Child Maltreatment

U.S. Maltreatment Trends: 1990-2016

Neglect: 12% Decline

Physical Abuse: 53% Decline

Sexual Abuse: 65% Decline

Sexual abuse rates (x3)   Physical abuse rates (x2)   Neglect rates

http://unh.edu/ccrc/pdf/Updated%20trends%202016.pdf

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Child Maltreatment–2018

National Child Abuse & Neglect Data System (NCANDS)

- 678,000 unique victims
  - 62% neglect
  - 11% physical abuse
  - 7% sexual abuse
  - 2% psychological abuse
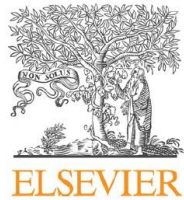 - 16% multi-type abuse/neglect

- 1,770 deaths

https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/cb/cm2018.pdf

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT IS COSTLY

- The total lifetime economic burden of child abuse and neglect in one year is **$2 trillion**

- On an annual basis, **child maltreatment is more costly than the two leading health concerns** in the country: stroke and type 2 diabetes

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Economic Burden of Child Maltreatment

The economic burden of child maltreatment in the United States, 2015

Cora Peterson*, Curtis Florence, Joanne Klevens

National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Atlanta, GA, USA

$830,928 per child victim

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Economic Burden of Known Cases of Child Maltreatment from 2018 in Each State

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Abstract

Child abuse and neglect are a major public health problem with significant effects for individual victims and for society. Previous research has estimated the economic burden of child maltreatment at a national level but has not provided social work advocates with state-level estimates or provided information regarding the correct interpretation of these estimates. Using data from the National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System (NCANDS) from 2018 and per victim estimates of the economic burden of fatal and non-fatal cases of child maltreatment, this study calculates state-level estimates of the economic burden of known cases of child maltreatment from the year 2018. Rationale for estimating the economic burden of investigated versus substantiated cases is discussed, as is interpretation of study findings. The findings of this study provide social work and other advocates with state-level estimates of the economic burden of child maltreatment and facilitate the interpretation of the findings to be used in advocacy efforts. Limitations of NCANDS data and economic burden estimation are discussed.

Keywords Child maltreatment · Economic burden · Cost · Child abuse

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Table 2 Economic burden estimates for each state using NCANDS data from 2018

State	Lifetime economic burden, investigated cases, 2018	Lifetime economic burden, substantiated cases, 2018	Economic burden, child death, 2018	Economic burden, investigated & child deaths, 2018	Economic burden, substantiated cases & child deaths, 2018
Alabama	$ 32,102,072,352	$ 10,102,422,624	$ 714,452,998	$ 32,816,525,350	$ 10,816,875,622
Alaska	$ 10,593,501,072	$ 2,172,876,720	$ 33,230,372	$ 10,626,731,444	$ 2,206,107,092
Arizona	$ 73,006,995,936	$ 12,882,707,712	$ 797,528,928	$ 73,804,524,864	$ 13,680,236,640
Arkansas	$ 48,877,677,744	$ 7,094,463,264	$ 731,068,184	$ 49,608,745,928	$ 7,825,531,448
California	$ 299,167,317,120	$ 53,009,051,760	$ 2,193,204,552	$ 301,360,521,672	$ 55,202,256,312
Colorado	$ 37,140,819,744	$ 9,870,593,712	$ 664,607,440	$ 37,805,427,184	$ 10,535,201,152
Connecticut	$ 16,363,465,104	$ 6,358,261,056	$ 132,921,488	$ 16,496,386,592	$ 6,491,182,544
Delaware	$ 10,120,703,040	$ 1,039,490,928	$ 66,460,744	$ 10,187,163,784	$ 1,105,951,672
District of Columbia	$ 11,910,521,952	$ 1,411,746,672	$ 83,075,930	$ 11,993,597,882	$ 1,494,822,602
Florida	$ 243,061,396,704	$ 30,573,995,760	$ 1,844,285,646	$ 244,905,682,350	$ 32,418,281,406
Georgia	$ 136,325,371,392	$ 9,214,991,520	$ 1,428,905,996	$ 137,754,277,388	$ 10,643,897,516
Hawaii	$ 3,171,652,176	$ 1,051,123,920	$ 16,615,186	$ 3,188,267,362	$ 1,067,739,106
Idaho	$ 10,656,651,600	$ 1,594,550,832	$ 49,845,558	$ 10,706,497,158	$ 1,644,396,390
Illinois	$ 121,432,648,848	$ 26,186,695,920	$ 1,163,063,020	$ 122,595,711,868	$ 27,349,758,940
Indiana	$ 134,061,923,520	$ 21,380,608,368	$ 1,329,214,880	$ 135,391,138,400	$ 22,709,823,248
Iowa	$ 32,099,579,568	$ 9,775,036,992	$ 265,842,976	$ 32,365,422,544	$ 10,040,879,968
Kansas	$ 23,113,093,248	$ 2,648,998,464	$ 149,536,674	$ 23,262,629,922	$ 2,798,535,138
Kentucky	$ 69,716,521,056	$ 19,736,201,856	$ 99,691,116	$ 69,816,212,172	$ 19,835,892,972
Louisiana	$ 21,657,307,392	$ 7,794,104,640	$ 415,379,650	$ 22,072,687,042	$ 8,209,484,290
Maine	$ 9,165,966,768	$ 2,892,460,368	$ 49,845,558	$ 9,215,812,326	$ 2,942,305,926
Maryland	$ 26,792,442,432	$ 6,433,875,504	$ 664,607,440	$ 27,457,049,872	$ 7,098,482,944
Massachusetts	$ 63,353,274,432	$ 21,447,913,536	–	$ 63,353,274,432	$ 21,447,913,536
Michigan	$ 131,845,838,544	$ 31,328,478,384	$ 814,144,114	$ 132,659,982,658	$ 32,142,622,498
Minnesota	$ 32,888,961,168	$ 6,468,774,480	$ 498,455,580	$ 33,387,416,748	$ 6,967,230,060
Mississippi	$ 33,803,812,896	$ 8,310,941,856	$ 498,455,580	$ 34,302,268,476	$ 8,809,397,436
Missouri	$ 67,354,192,752	$ 4,704,714,336	$ 598,146,696	$ 67,952,339,448	$ 5,302,861,032
Montana	$ 12,713,198,400	$ 3,126,782,064	$ 33,230,372	$ 12,746,428,772	$ 3,160,012,436
Nebraska	$ 20,215,647,312	$ 2,189,495,280	$ –	$ 20,215,647,312	$ 2,189,495,280
Nevada	$ 25,159,668,912	$ 4,289,250,336	$ 315,688,534	$ 25,475,357,446	$ 4,604,938,870
New Hampshire	$ 11,539,928,064	$ 1,105,965,168	$ –	$ 11,539,928,064	$ 1,105,965,168
New Jersey	$ 64,530,699,408	$ 4,992,215,424	$ 299,073,348	$ 64,829,772,756	$ 5,291,288,772
New Mexico	$ 21,416,338,272	$ 6,667,366,272	$ 199,382,232	$ 21,615,720,504	$ 6,866,748,504
New York	$ 181,710,658,752	$ 57,155,382,480	$ 1,960,591,948	$ 183,671,250,700	$ 59,115,974,428
North Carolina	$ 93,280,808,208	$ 5,402,693,856	$ 232,612,604	$ 93,513,420,812	$ 5,635,306,460
North Dakota	$ 6,061,619,760	$ 1,742,456,016	$ 132,921,488	$ 6,194,541,248	$ 1,875,377,504
Ohio	$ 91,859,090,400	$ 20,904,486,624	$ 1,761,209,716	$ 93,620,300,116	$ 22,665,696,340
Oklahoma	$ 48,989,853,024	$ 12,758,899,440	$ 780,913,742	$ 49,770,766,766	$ 13,539,813,182
Oregon	$ 41,811,466,032	$ 10,453,905,168	$ 431,994,836	$ 42,243,460,868	$ 10,885,900,004
Pennsylvania	$ 35,144,099,760	$ 3,901,206,960	$ 747,683,370	$ 35,891,783,130	$ 4,648,890,330
Puerto Rico	$ 12,507,959,184	$ 3,640,295,568	$ 49,845,558	$ 12,557,804,742	$ 3,690,141,126
Rhode Island	$ 9,008,090,448	$ 3,027,901,632	$ 16,615,186	$ 9,024,705,634	$ 3,044,516,818
South Carolina	$ 68,648,778,576	$ 15,895,652,640	$ 647,992,254	$ 69,296,770,830	$ 16,543,644,894

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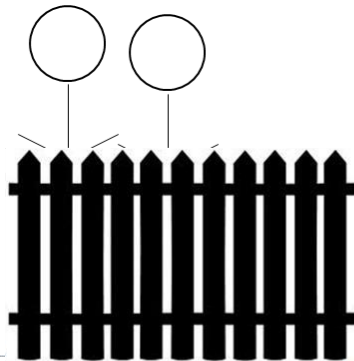**Table 2** Economic burden estimates for each state using NCANDS data from 2018

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- Interpretation:

"Children who had substantiated cases for child abuse and neglect in the state of Kentucky in the year 2018 will incur costs of over $19 trillion over their lifetime."

- ➢ Productivity losses
- ➢ Child welfare
- ➢ Special education
- ➢ Juvenile justice
- ➢ Healthcare

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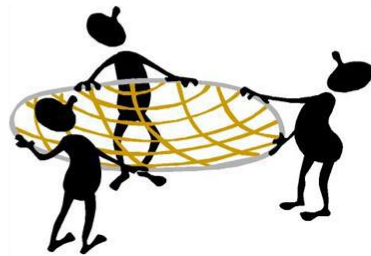# Child Maltreatment Prevention

Primary Prevention

- Preventing children from being abused or neglected
- Addressing systemic factors that place children/families at-risk

Secondary Prevention

- Identifying & working with those at-risk for maltreatment

Tertiary Prevention

- Helping victims of child maltreatment
- Stop maltreatment
- Treatment & services

Prevention Strategies

- Expanding voluntary home visiting (i.e. HANDS)
- Quality funded child care and early education
- Support for parenting teens
- Promoting positive fatherhood engagement
- Parent training and education
- Family Resource Centers

- Increasing economic supports for families (e.g. Earned Income Tax Credit)
- Banning corporal punishment in public institutions
- Promoting family-friendly workplace policies (e.g. paid family leave)
- Evidence-based child sexual abuse prevention programs

PCA America 2020 State Public Policy Priorities: https://preventchildabuse.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/2020-State-Policy-Agenda_Final.pdf

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