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# Missing and Exploited Children Clearinghouse – 2010 Annual Report

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Appreciation is expressed to the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) - Office of Justice Research and Performance (OJRP). Without their ongoing compilation and analysis of statistical information submitted by police agencies, preparation of these annual reports would not be possible. Appreciation is also extended to the Office of Justice Information Services (OJIS), which also played an important role in compiling statistical information contained in this report.

Pursuant to Executive Law §837-f (12), DCJS is pleased to provide the Governor and the Legislature with the 2010 Annual Report of missing children register statistical information and activities of the New York State Missing and Exploited Children Clearinghouse.

## Introduction

The New York State Missing and Exploited Children Clearinghouse (MECC) was established within the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) in 1987. MECC operates in accordance with §§ 837-e, 837-f and 838 of the Executive Law, and Part 6055 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations. Pursuant to the “Campus Safety Act of 1999,” MECC also is responsible for providing assistance in cases involving missing college students.

As described in more detail on pages 10-14, services provided include investigative support to law enforcement agencies in connection with missing child cases, providing assistance to left-behind family members and delivery of child safety programming. MECC staff work in close association many public and private sector organizations at local, state and national levels. These include law enforcement agencies, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, other state clearinghouses, not-for-profit organizations and the U.S. Department of State.

With regard to educational programming, MECC develops and distributes child safety literature and presentations. As a New York State Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force agency, staff deliver Internet safety programming to children and parents across the state. MECC also provides missing and abducted child investigative training to law enforcement officers. A very significant MECC achievement was participation in a joint effort with the New York State Police, New York State Broadcasters Association, and other public and private sector partner agencies to establish the New York State AMBER Alert Program. This innovative program provides a mechanism for rapid and widespread public dissemination of information in the event of child abduction. MECC also operates a “Missing Child/College Student Alert” program which is used when a case does not meet stringent AMBER Alert activation criteria.

## Major Findings 2010

- The number of children reported missing in New York State increased by 4% to 20,309.
- As in previous years, the number of children listed as runaways exceeded 90%, accounting for 19,026 disappearances (94%).
- Only two stranger abduction cases were reported.
- Six acquaintance abduction and 188 familial abduction cases were reported.
- Two AMBER Alert and one DCJS Missing Child/College Student Alert activations occurred. In comparison, in recent years the number of Alerts issued averaged 8-9 annually.
- DCJS Missing and Exploited Children Clearinghouse staff made presentations at 101 events to 12,358 attendees.

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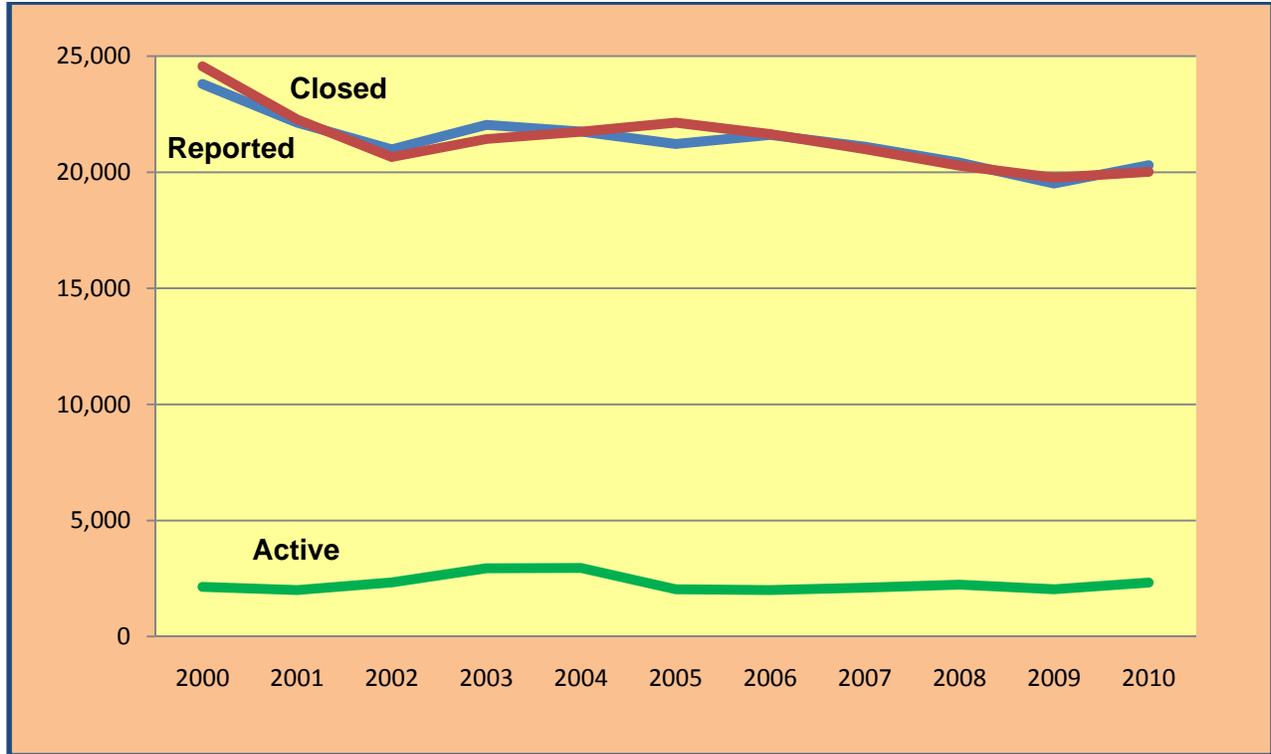
## Executive Summary

- In 2010, the Register received 20,309 reports of children missing from New York State, an increase of four percent from the previous year. In addition, 20,017 cases were cancelled during the year, and 2,322 cases were active at the end of 2010.
- Nearly all missing children cases were reported as suspected runaways (94 percent). Abduction cases accounted for approximately 1 percent of the total reports, with abductions committed by family members as the most frequent form of abduction. There were two reports of a child abducted by a stranger in 2010\*.
- Every county in the State, except Hamilton, reported at least one missing child during the year, and approximately half the counties reported increases in the number of new cases as compared to 2009. Of the 28 counties reporting increases, 20 had double-digit increases. Reports of missing children were concentrated in the State's largest urban areas. Excluding New York City counties (which are not reported separately to the Register), Westchester County reported the highest volume of cases (2,160) followed by Suffolk, Erie, Albany and Monroe counties.
- Controlling for the under age 18 population by county, three counties in the Capital Region (Schenectady, Albany and Rensselaer) had the highest rates of case reporting in the State (21.1, 19.0, and 10.3 per 1,000 children, respectively). These counties were found to have unusually large numbers of repeat cases involving children who ran away from foster care or other facilities. The statewide rate of reporting was 4.4 missing children cases per 1,000 children in 2010.
- Ninety-five percent of the children reported missing were age 13 or older, 59 percent were female, and 44 percent were white. The single largest group of cases by age and gender was white females 13 years and older (25 percent of cases reported).
- Approximately 27 percent of the 20,017 cases closed during 2010 were resolved by the child voluntarily returning home. Law enforcement efforts were involved in the return of 20 percent of the cases. Five children who had been reported missing were found deceased. Exact circumstances associated with the recovery of missing children were not reported to DCJS by law enforcement in 53 percent of the cases closed during the year. The median number of days between the reporting and cancellation of a case on the Register was six days.

*\* Note: The number of non-family (stranger or acquaintance) abductions reported to the Register may be undercounted. One reason for this is that abduction cases are sometimes initially entered as "circumstances unknown," especially if no one actually witnessed the child being abducted. Even when subsequent investigation determines abduction is the cause, the case type may not be revised on the Register by an investigating law enforcement agency.*

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## ANNUAL REPORTING VOLUME: 2000-2010

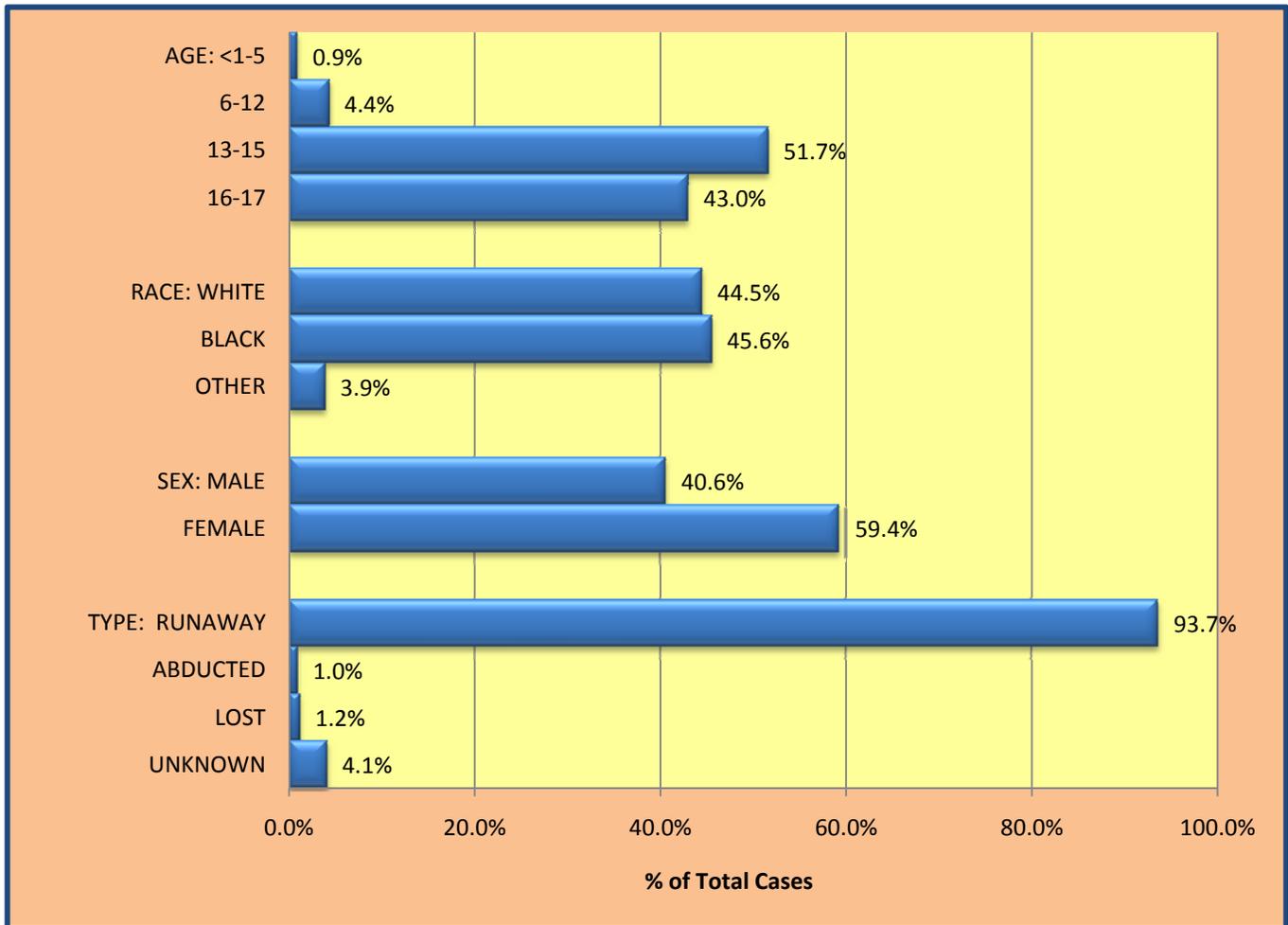


	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009*	2010
<b>NEW YORK STATE</b>											
Cases Entered	23,801	22,139	20,985	22,040	21,753	21,222	21,613	21,100	20,414	19,512	20,309
Cases Closed	24,562	22,273	20,654	21,431	21,745	22,139	21,646	20,999	20,283	19,763	20,017
Active End-of-Year	2,137	2,003	2,334	2,943	2,951	2,034	2,001	2,102	2,234	2,034	2,322
<b>NEW YORK CITY</b>											
Cases Entered	6,640	5,699	4,534	4,505	4,662	4,829	5,297	5,839	5,800	5,721	6,544
Cases Closed	7,220	5,916	4,219	4,041	4,590	5,808	5,346	5,826	5,790	5,730	6,320
Active End-of-Year	1,030	813	1,128	1,592	1,664	685	636	649	660	678	897
<b>NON-NEW YORK CITY</b>											
Cases Entered	17,161	16,440	16,451	17,535	17,091	16,393	16,316	15,261	14,614	13,791	13,765
Cases Closed	17,342	16,357	16,435	17,390	17,155	16,331	16,300	15,173	14,493	14,033	13,697
Active End-of-Year	1,107	1,190	1,206	1,351	1,287	1,349	1,365	1,453	1,574	1,356	1,425

\* Due to a system conversion that occurred in June 2009, the number of active cases at the end of 2009 did not balance with the case entered (2009), cases closed (2009) and active end-of-year (2008). While the number generated by the new reporting system was 2,034, independent calculation of statistics listed indicated that the number was 1,983. This was a one-time discrepancy.

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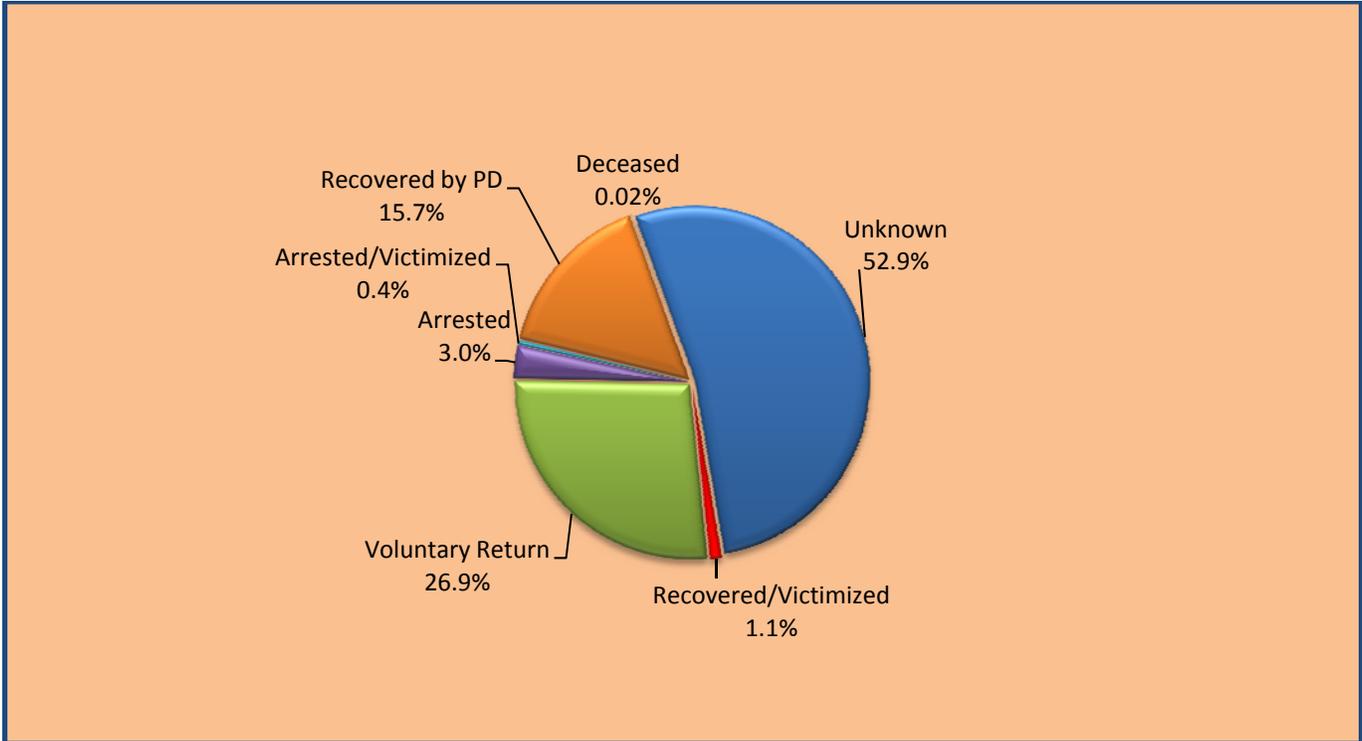
**CHARACTERISTICS OF CASES ENTERED**



	TOTAL	AGE WHEN REPORTED MISSING				GENDER		RACE	
		< 1 - 5	6 - 12	13 - 15	16 - 17	Male	Female	White	Non-White
<b>Runaway</b>	19,026	0	744	9,895	8,738	7,669	11,357	8,437	10,589
<b>Familial Abduction</b>	188	135	35	10	8	91	97	70	118
<b>Acquaintance Abduction</b>	6	1	3	1	1	2	4	5	1
<b>Stranger Abduction</b>	2	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	1
<b>Lost</b>	250	4	24	131	91	127	123	142	108
<b>Unknown</b>	837	50	83	454	250	365	472	391	446
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20,309</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>889</b>	<b>10,492</b>	<b>8,738</b>	<b>8,254</b>	<b>12,055</b>	<b>9,046</b>	<b>11,263</b>

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**CHARACTERISTICS OF CASES CLOSED**



Circumstances of Recovery	TOTAL	AGE WHEN FOUND					GENDER		RACE	
		< 1-5	6-12	13-15	16-17	>17	Male	Female	White	Non-White
Voluntary Return	5,388	17	192	2,781	2,398	0	2,524	2,864	2,948	2,440
Recovered by Law Enforcement	3,133	30	153	1,658	1,292	0	1,432	1,701	1,835	1,298
Recovered/Victimimized	217	9	10	112	86	0	97	120	145	72
Arrested	607	0	12	232	363	0	310	297	356	251
Arrested/Victimimized	86	0	0	36	50	0	48	38	49	37
Deceased	5	1	0	3	1	0	2	3	3	2
Other*	10,581	111	453	5,183	4,539	295	3,742	6,839	3,623	6,958
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20,017</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>10,005</b>	<b>8,729</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>8,155</b>	<b>11,862</b>	<b>8,959</b>	<b>11,058</b>

\* "Other" is an authorized reporting category that can mean the reporting law enforcement agency either did not know the circumstances associated with the recovery of a child, or did not use one of the more specific categories for reasons that are not known.

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## LENGTH OF TIME ON THE REGISTER

### MEDIAN DAYS TO CANCELLATION (Cases Closed During 2010)



DAYS BETWEEN CASE ENTRY AND CANCELLATION FOR CASES ENTERED DURING 2010		
No. of Days	No. of Cases Closed	Cumulative Percent Closed
< 1	3,744	18.4
1	2,831	32.4
2	1,126	37.9
3	788	41.8
4	645	45.0
5	562	47.7
6	551	50.5
7	507	53.0
8	469	55.3
9	409	57.3
10	416	59.3
11	374	61.2
12	366	63.0
13	333	64.6
14	280	66.0
15	251	67.2
16 - 29	2,532	79.7
30 - 60	1,822	88.7
61 - 90	546	91.3
91 - 120	343	93.0
121 or more	405	95.0
Still Active	1,009	5.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20,309</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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**REPORTING VOLUME BY COUNTY**

	CASES REPORTED									CASES CLOSED							CASES ACTIVE
	Total	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Runaway	Familial	Acquaint.	Stranger	Lost	Other	Total	Voluntary	Returned	Arrested	Victimized	Deceased	Unknown	End-of-Year	
				Abduction	Abduction	Abduction				Return	by P.D.				Active Cases		
Albany	1,167	19.0	1,140	3	2	0	10	12	1,156	193	60	47	8	0	848	101	
Allegany	5	0.5	4	0	0	0	0	1	5	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	
Broome	309	7.7	295	2	0	1	5	6	316	215	78	11	2	0	10	8	
Cattaraugus	82	4.5	79	0	0	0	2	1	77	24	44	7	1	0	1	8	
Cayuga	69	4.0	59	0	0	0	4	6	69	21	43	2	1	0	2	0	
Chautauqua	133	4.7	126	0	0	0	2	5	136	67	53	7	5	0	4	5	
Chemung	187	9.6	183	0	0	0	1	3	186	108	58	8	1	0	11	10	
Chenango	17	1.6	17	0	0	0	0	0	18	8	9	0	0	0	1	0	
Clinton	40	2.6	38	0	0	0	2	0	40	11	14	8	0	0	7	0	
Columbia	41	3.1	38	0	0	0	3	0	42	14	18	7	1	0	2	2	
Cortland	25	2.4	20	0	0	0	1	4	24	8	10	2	1	0	3	1	
Delaware	21	2.4	21	0	0	0	0	0	19	7	7	5	0	0	0	4	
Dutchess	246	3.7	224	3	0	0	7	12	254	117	87	16	6	0	28	12	
Erie	1,230	5.9	1,157	16	0	0	3	54	1,217	99	193	52	16	0	857	231	
Essex	10	1.4	9	1	0	0	0	0	11	1	2	7	1	0	0	0	
Franklin	50	5.3	47	1	0	0	1	1	50	20	23	3	1	0	3	1	
Fulton	52	4.6	44	0	0	0	7	1	52	26	17	6	1	0	2	1	
Genesee	55	4.3	52	0	0	0	2	1	53	22	22	7	1	0	1	2	
Greene	10	1.1	8	0	0	0	1	1	10	2	4	2	2	0	0	0	
Hamilton	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Herkimer	13	1.0	13	0	0	0	0	0	14	6	1	2	1	0	4	1	
Jefferson	115	4.3	108	1	0	0	0	6	113	45	51	4	7	0	6	5	
Lewis	7	1.2	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	
Livingston	18	1.4	15	1	0	0	1	1	19	6	8	2	2	0	1	0	
Madison	33	2.3	27	0	0	0	4	2	34	16	11	2	0	0	5	0	
Monroe	1,063	6.2	1,045	2	0	1	3	12	1,052	269	215	52	3	0	513	89	
Montgomery	30	2.7	28	0	0	0	1	1	32	12	14	4	1	0	1	1	
Nassau	867	2.7	753	15	0	0	40	59	817	427	166	48	46	0	130	174	
New York City <sup>2</sup>	6,544	3.3	6,412	121	1	0	5	5	6,320	16	1	0	0	0	6,303	897	
Niagara	259	5.5	248	1	0	0	5	5	253	138	75	18	4	0	18	38	
Oneida	426	8.9	392	1	0	0	25	8	425	229	104	47	12	0	33	31	

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Onondaga	550	5.1	173	0	0	0	0	377	547	155	362	14	5	1	10	29	
Ontario	51	2.3	46	0	1	0	3	1	49	24	17	4	0	0	4	2	
Orange	485	4.9	463	1	0	0	10	11	497	282	103	29	13	1	69	45	
Orleans	46	4.7	45	0	0	0	0	1	46	32	12	1	0	0	1	3	
Oswego	98	3.5	95	0	0	0	1	2	100	49	39	5	2	0	5	0	
Otsego	7	0.6	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	
Putnam	34	1.4	31	0	0	0	2	1	35	15	14	2	0	0	4	1	
Rensselaer	340	10.3	323	0	0	0	1	16	340	167	36	13	4	1	119	19	
Rockland	249	3.0	218	2	1	0	12	16	249	133	36	18	8	1	53	54	
St. Lawrence	68	3.1	66	0	0	0	2	0	69	25	25	15	3	0	1	1	
Saratoga	95	1.9	82	0	0	0	8	5	100	35	49	8	2	0	6	5	
Schenectady	696	21.1	675	3	0	0	7	11	682	339	100	29	7	0	207	41	
Schoharie	4	0.6	2	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	
Schuyler	15	3.9	9	0	0	0	3	3	13	5	4	0	2	0	2	2	
Seneca	15	2.2	12	1	0	0	0	2	16	7	6	1	1	0	1	0	
Steuben	56	2.5	52	0	0	0	1	3	56	34	14	3	4	0	1	1	
Suffolk	1,559	4.1	1,414	4	0	0	2	139	1,554	963	365	41	5	0	180	86	
Sullivan	56	3.5	51	1	0	0	3	1	53	30	13	4	4	0	2	6	
Tioga	25	2.2	25	0	0	0	0	0	25	14	9	0	1	0	1	0	
Tompkins	67	4.1	63	0	0	0	3	1	69	27	22	7	1	0	12	2	
Ulster	267	7.2	244	2	0	0	12	9	267	96	115	17	6	0	33	28	
Warren	81	6.4	79	0	0	0	1	1	81	34	32	13	1	0	1	1	
Washington	64	5.4	59	0	0	0	1	4	63	20	35	4	2	0	2	2	
Wayne	65	2.9	61	0	0	0	1	3	65	27	24	6	2	1	5	1	
Westchester	2,160	9.1	2,093	6	1	0	41	19	2,178	736	288	74	16	0	1,064	370	
Wyoming	12	1.5	12	0	0	0	0	0	11	3	6	1	1	0	0	1	
Yates	20	3.6	17	0	0	0	0	3	20	7	6	1	2	0	4	0	
<b>New York State</b>	<b>20,309</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>19,026</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>20,017</b>	<b>5,388</b>	<b>3,133</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10,581</b>	<b>2,322</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Rate per 1,000 children

<sup>2</sup> includes the counties of Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens and Richmond.

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## The Missing and Exploited Children Clearinghouse

As highlighted on page two, services generally fall into three categories: support for law enforcement, assistance provided to left-behind family members, and community education programs.

To ensure that services are available at all times, MECC operates the 1-800-FIND-KID hotline (365 days/year; 24 hours/day) and an e-mail address - [missingchildren@dcjs.state.ny.us](mailto:missingchildren@dcjs.state.ny.us). In addition to case intake (initial collection of information needed to publicize a missing child case), lead information received on the hotline is immediately disseminated to investigating law enforcement agencies.

### Urgent Services Offered by MECC

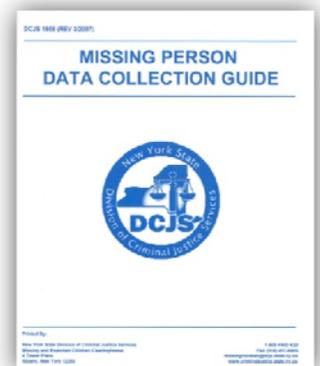
- General investigative support includes:

- Offering case management advice to investigating law enforcement agencies (i.e., assessment of case details, entry of information into state and national databases) and helping to obtain other available urgent services (i.e., National Center for Missing and Exploited Children - NCMEC - Team Adam, other state clearinghouses.)



- Preparing and electronically distributing missing child posters to public and private sector entities. NY Alert and LOCATER (Law Enforcement Alert Technology Resource) systems allow for rapid electronic dissemination of high-quality photographic images, biographical information and case details. Information can be sent via broadcast fax, email and text messaging to every law enforcement agency; Thruway service areas/toll booths; bus, train, and airport terminals; and public subscription service enrollees across the state in a matter of minutes.

- Placing missing child photographs and biographical information on the DCJS and NCMEC web sites.
- Developing lead information by conducting searches through informational databases, including *Accurint*, the *Federal Parent Locator Service* and the Internet (i.e., social networking sites).
- Assisting with entry of missing and unidentified person information into NCIC and DCJS databases used by law enforcement agencies for investigative purposes. (This includes assisting law enforcement agencies and medical examiners with coding and entering dental and other anatomical information.)



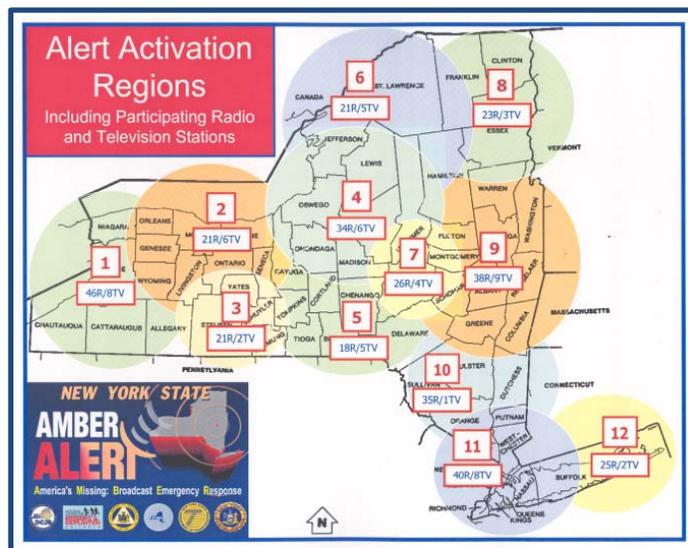
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- When a missing child case involves significant endangerment, Alert programs are used to ensure the most rapid and widespread dissemination of information possible.

- **The New York State AMBER Alert Program.** Established in 2002, this program is a voluntary partnership between the DCJS MECC, NYSP, NYS Broadcasters Association, law enforcement, local broadcasters and others to immediately involve the public in the search for an abducted child (under age 18). Investigating agencies submit case information directly to the NYSP Communications Section (COMSEC) in Albany. In turn, through use of electronic distribution systems, Alert posters are sent to broadcasters, law enforcement agencies and other entities in the area of the abduction. Details can be seen or heard on television and radio stations; highway variable message signs; lottery in-store ticket terminals; Thruway Authority service area televisions; NYSP, DCJS and NCMEC web sites; and via email, cell phones and PDAs. DCJS and NYSP staff works closely during Alert activations, with MECC responsible for preparing posters, uploading case information to the DCJS and NCMEC web sites and activating law enforcement agency license plate readers (LPRs) across the state.



- **The DCJS Missing Child/College Student Alert Program.** When a missing child or college student is deemed to be endangered, but the case does *not* meet AMBER Alert activation criteria, an alternative known as a Missing Child/College Student Alert is available. While the distribution mechanisms are generally identical, unlike an AMBER Alert, television and radio station managers decide if and when to broadcast Alert information. Also, highway variable message signs and lottery terminals are not used. Requests for a Missing Child/College Student Alert are made by contacting MECC, and also are submitted to MECC by the NYSP whenever an AMBER Alert request does not meet activation criteria. MECC handles all related responsibilities, including selection of activation regions and distribution of posters.



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Missing Child Information Distribution Mechanisms	Case Type		
	Missing Child (No Alert)	Missing Child/College Student Alert	AMBER Alert
NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services Website	X	X	X
NYS AMBER Alert Website			X
National Center for Missing and Exploited Children Website	X	X	X
Variable Message Signs: Thruway (62); Other Highways (345)			X
NY Alert Public Subscriber Lists (12,500)		X	X
NYS Thruway Toll Barrier Printers (59)		X	X
NYS Thruway Service Area - Televisions (27)		X	X
Thruway Service Area - Posters (28)	X	X	X
Media Outlets - Radio/Television (659)		X	X
Greyhound/Trailways/Other Bus Terminals (108)	X	X	X
AMTRAK Stations (13)	X	X	X
Airports/Transportation Safety Administration (40)	X	X	X
NYS/County Probation Agencies (59)	X	X	X
Hospitals (382)	X	X	X
Police Agencies - Local, State and Federal (1,328)	X	X	X
Canadian Law Enforcement Authorities	X	X	X
NYS/NYC Department of Health/School Records Flagged	X	X	X
Law Enforcement License Plate Readers - LPRs (320)		X	X
NYS AMBER Alert Partner Agencies		X	X
NYS Lottery Terminal Message Boards - stores (16,000)			X
NYC Taxis (13,000) and Limousines (12,000) – Alert Region 11 Only		X	X

Alert Activations		
AMBER Alert	Year	Missing Child/College Student Alert
3	2003	0
6	2004	6
5	2005	4
3	2006	5
2	2007	7
4	2008	5
3	2009	5
2	2010	1
28	TOTALS	33

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## Non-Urgent Services Offered by MECC

- Continuously prepares and electronically distributes non-Alert missing child posters to private and public entities statewide, including police agencies, schools, legislators and others.
- Administers the mandated statewide missing person repository. Case information in this database is submitted by law enforcement agencies via the *eJusticeNY* Integrated Justice Portal and the New York Statewide Police Information Network. “Flagging” missing child birth and educational records (as mandated by law) is facilitated through the use of this data.
- Develops and distributes investigative guides and presentation material. For example, electronic versions of the NCMEC *“Missing and Abducted Children: A Law Enforcement Guide to Case Investigation and Program Management,”* DCJS *“Missing College Student Investigative Guide,”* *“Missing Person Data Collection Guide,”* and *“Unidentified Person Data Collection Guide,”* as well as many other publications and training videos, are available to law enforcement officers who subscribe to *eJusticeNY*.
- Collaborates with NCMEC and other state clearinghouses. The established network of clearinghouses and related organizations can directly provide nationwide and if necessary, international assistance to law enforcement agencies and family members. Also, MECC works with the U.S. Department of State to locate and return internationally abducted children to their country of origin in accordance with the *“Hague Treaty on the Civil Aspects of International Abduction.”*
- Develops child and Internet safety educational programs and literature. This includes developing web site content, including downloadable safety publications and presentation material in *PowerPoint* format.
- MECC has an ongoing community outreach program that includes:
  - Presenting missing and abducted child investigative training to law enforcement officers.
  - Presenting Internet safety programs at school assemblies, Parent-Teacher Association meetings and professional conferences.



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During 2010, MECC provided the following Internet safety presentations and training for law enforcement officers:

Name of Presentation/Training Program	Number of Presentations	Number of Attendees
Internet Safety – A Parent’s Guide to the Internet	14	412
Internet Safety for Middle and High School Students	74	11,370
Internet Safety – A Teacher’s Guide to the Internet	9	478
Missing Person Investigations/AMBER Alert Training	4	98
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>12,358</b>

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## **NYS AMBER and NYS DCJS Missing Child/College Student Alerts**

During 2010, two AMBER Alerts and one DCJS Missing Child/College Student Alert were issued.

### **NYS AMBER Alerts (2)**

- On April 30, an AMBER Alert was issued at the request of the New York City Police Department after investigation determined that a 12-year-old female had taken her four-year-old sister while other family members were asleep. The 12-year old was described as having a significant diminished mental capacity and unable to care for the young sister. The Alert was broadcast in the New York City metropolitan area. The children were located the following afternoon at an area school by NYPD staff assigned to security, who had seen the Alert.
  
- On July 3, an AMBER Alert was issued at the request of the New York State Police (Troop B) after investigation determined that a five-month old female was forcibly abducted from court ordered foster care in Jay (Essex County) by her non-custodial parents. The Alert was broadcast in the northeastern region of New York State. By tracking cell phone use, NYSP investigators developed information that the abducting parents and child were likely in Virginia. Recognizing that the abductors may be travelling to family located in Texas, it was believed that they may use Interstate 40 through Tennessee and Arkansas. State police in those states were notified of case details, including vehicle information. The Tennessee Highway Patrol subsequently located the vehicle travelling on Interstate 40 near Memphis. The child was recovered unharmed and the abductors were taken into custody based upon arrest warrants issued in New York.

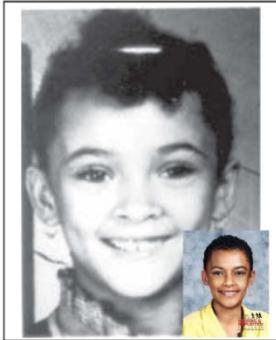
### **NYS DCJS Missing Child/College Student Alerts (1)**

- On January 24, a DCJS Missing Child/College Student Alert was issued at the request of the New York City Police Department. A seven-year-old male was missing from foster care in Brooklyn. The Alert was broadcast in the New York City metropolitan area. On February 9, the Alert was discontinued (after the maximum 14-day Alert period had elapsed) and the case was converted to a non-Alert missing child case. The case has received extensive publicity. However, to date investigation by the NYPD has failed to determine the exact circumstances behind the child's disappearance and he has not been located.

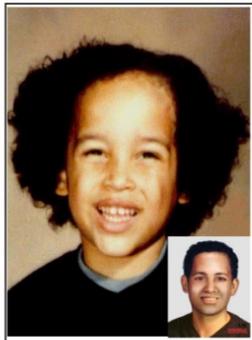
<b>NYS MISSING CHILD ALERT</b>	
Missing From: Brooklyn, New York	Date Missing: 01/22/2010
<b>Patrick Alford</b>	
Date of Birth: 11/28/2002	Sex: Male
Race: Black/Hispanic	Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black	Weight: 65 lbs.
Height: 4'08"	
<b>Other Information:</b> Patrick is a missing child under unknown circumstances. He was last seen in the area of 130 Vandalla Ave, Brooklyn, NY. He was wearing a red t-shirt, blue jeans, and blue and black Jordan sneakers. Patrick has a scar on his left eyelid. He may be in the Brooklyn area.	
	
Investigating Agency: New York City Police Department	
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	NYS DCJS 01/24/10 Case#

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Equilla Lynn Hodrick  
Date of Birth: 08/19/1976  
Missing From: Bronx, NY  
Date Missing: 08/12/1985  
Non Family Abduction  
(Age Progressed to 33 years)



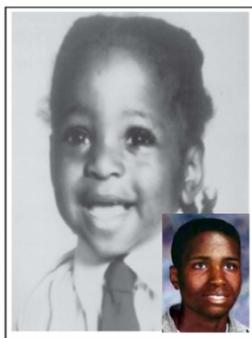
Jeremiah George Huger  
Date of Birth: 12/10/1980  
Missing From: Bronx, NY  
Date Missing: 06/25/1985  
Non Family Abduction  
(Age Progressed to 24 years)



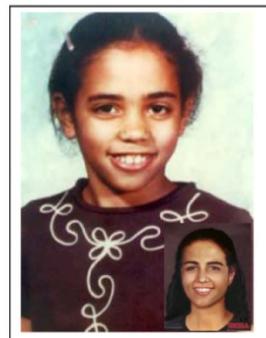
Holly Hughes  
Date of Birth: 01/23/1974  
Missing From: Staten Island, NY  
Date Missing: 07/15/1981  
Non Family Abduction  
(Age Progressed to 28 years)



Andre Bryant  
Date of Birth: 02/17/1989  
Missing From: Brooklyn, NY  
Date Missing: 03/29/1989  
Non Family Abduction  
(Age Progressed to 15 years)



Shane Walker  
Date of Birth: 12/07/1987  
Missing From: New York, NY  
Date Missing: 08/10/1989  
Non Family Abduction  
(Age Progressed to 18 years)



Cesilia Pena  
Date of Birth: 09/04/1962  
Missing From: New York, NY  
Date Missing: 10/06/1978  
Non Family Abduction  
(Age Progressed to 42 years)



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