



Calendar Year 2017

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Population^{1,2}

- **Westminster** is the 10th most populous city in **Orange County**: 91,635.
 - Ethnic breakdown: Asian 47.8%, Black 0.7%, Hispanic 24.0%, White 24.9%, Native American 0.3%, Other 2.3%.
 - Has the 12th greatest youth (under 18) population when compared to other cities: 19,088.
 - Median Family Income: \$59,493.

Social Services³

- Westminster children receiving financial assistance through CalWORKs: 956.

Child Abuse and Referral Details

- Number of referrals⁴ for abuse and neglect in Westminster was 1,097.
 - 10.4% of referrals were made by a non-mandated reporter.
 - 89.6% of referrals were made by the following mandated reporters:
 - Counselor/Therapist (19.3%), School Personnel/Teachers (28.3%), Other Professionals combined (24.0%), Law Enforcement (20.9%), and SSA, Probation, other Government Agency (7.5%).

- The 1,097 referrals⁴ represent 775 distinct children in Westminster identified below by Sex at Birth & Age:

| Sex at Birth ⁵ | | | Age in Years ⁵ | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------|--------|---------------------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Male | Female | Unknown | Under 1 | 1 to 5 | 6 to 12 | 13 & Up | Unknown |
| Count | 371 | 401 | * | 58 | 183 | 321 | 213 | 0 |
| Percent | 47.9% | 51.7% | * | 7.5% | 23.6% | 41.4% | 27.5% | 0.0% |

- Characteristics of Children brought into Protective Custody (PC) between 01/01/2017 and 12/31/2017.

Abuse Allegations^{6, 7}

| | Physical | Sexual | Emotional | Exploitation | General Neglect | Severe Neglect | Law Violation | Caretaker Absence / Incapacity | Status Offense |
|---------|----------|--------|-----------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Count | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| Percent | 3.7% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 74.1% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 22.2% | 0.0% |

| Sex at Birth ⁵ | | Age in Years ⁵ | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------|---------------------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|
| | Male | Female | Under 1 | 1 to 5 | 6 to 12 | 13 & Up |
| Count | 16 | 11 | 7 | 9 | 6 | 5 |
| Percent | 59.3% | 40.7% | 25.9% | 33.3% | 22.2% | 18.5% |

| Ethnicity ⁵ | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| | Asian | Black | Hispanic | White | Native American | Other |
| Count | * | * | 14 | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| Percent | * | * | 51.9% | 33.3% | 0.0% | 0.0% |

- Characteristics of Children placed in Out of Home Care in Westminster as of 12/31/2017.

Placement Type

| | Relative | Non-Relative | Guardian | Foster | Small Family | Foster Family Agency | Court Specified | Congregate Care |
|---------|----------|--------------|----------|--------|--------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Count | 13 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Percent | 72.2% | 16.7% | 5.6% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 5.6% | 0.0% | 0.0% |

Sex at Birth⁵

| | Male | Female |
|---------|-------|--------|
| Count | 12 | 6 |
| Percent | 66.7% | 33.3% |

Age in Years⁵

| | Under 1 | 1 to 5 | 6 to 12 | 13 & Up |
|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|
| Count | * | 6 | 8 | * |
| Percent | * | 33.3% | 44.4% | * |

Ethnicity⁵

| | Asian | Black | Hispanic | White | Native American | Other |
|---------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| Count | 5 | 0 | 9 | * | 0 | 0 |
| Percent | 27.8% | 0.0% | 50.0% | * | 0.0% | 0.0% |

- Children brought into Protective Custody (PC) and placed in Out of Home Care within that same community⁵.

| Area | PC | Placed Back | Placements by PC (Removal) Area |
|-------------|----|-------------|---------------------------------|
| Westminster | 27 | 6 | 22.2% |

Extended Foster Care (EFC) Program: Non-Minor Dependents⁵

The EFC Program, created by Assembly Bill 12 in January, 2012, allows foster youth to receive foster care benefits and services after age 18 and up to age 21. These young adults remain under the jurisdiction of the court and supervision of the county as they transition to independence.

- There are * non-minor dependents residing within Westminster as of 12/31/2017.

How can the Westminster Community help to Preserve and Reunite their Children and Families?

- Support community-based responses to protect children and preserve families.
- Become a resource family and encourage others to do so (short or longer term foster care).
- Participate in team decision making meetings that bring together people to help children at risk.
- Provide space for foster care orientation, training or family visitation.
- Help with community mentoring for birth parents working towards reunification.



Interested in Getting More Involved with Children in Your Community?

To find out more information about becoming a resource family, foster or adoptive parent: Call 1-888-871-KIDS (5437) or visit us at www.oc4kids.com

Based on received feedback, changes have been made to the 2017 City by City report. Inquiries and/or suggestions for continued improvements of this report is encouraged. Please submit email to: CWSReports@ssa.ocgov.com

¹ U.S. Census Bureau, 2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

² CA Dept. of Finance [2012-2016 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year Estimates].

³ 24th Annual Conditions of Children in Orange County.

⁴ Youth can have more than one referral within the calendar year.

⁵ When the count is less than 5, then an * will be shown to protect the identity.

⁶ A hierarchy is used to record the most 'severe' allegation for youth with multiple allegations.

⁷ Youth can have more than one Abuse Allegation within the calendar year.