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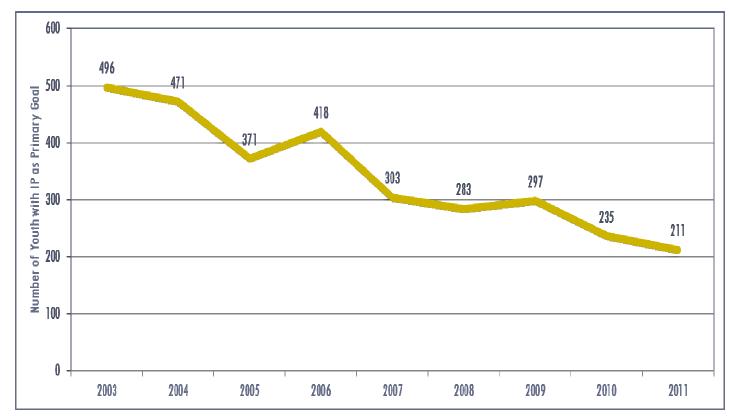
2012 Court Improvement Summit

### Children with Individualized Permanency Goals

Judge Decker
Utah Juvenile Court

### Number of Youth With Individualized Permanency As Primary Goal

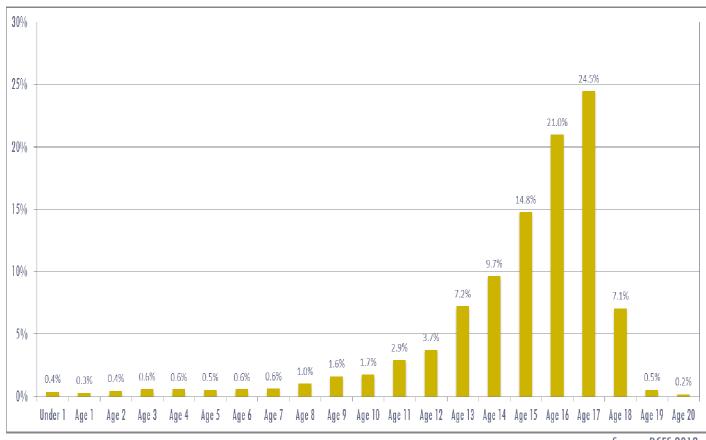
The number of youth with individual permanency as the primary goal has generally declined between 2003 and 2011.



Source: DCFS 2012

#### Individualized Permanency As Primary Goal by Age

Nearly 25
percent of
children with
permanency as
their primary
goal are age 17
while 21 percent
are age 16 and
nearly 15
percent are age
15.



Source: DCFS 2012

## Final Case Outcomes for Youth with Individualized Permanency Goals

Case Closure Reason	Number of Youth	Percent of Youth
Case still Open	559	17%
Adoption Final	153	5%
Age of Majority/ Emancipation	1,419	44%
Child Ran Away	188	6%
Custody to Juvenile Justice Services	188	6%
Custody to Relative	48	1%
Custody to Relative/ Guardian	15	0%
Custody/Guardian to Foster Parent/ Other nonrelated	75	2%
Death of child	7	0%
Non-Petitional Release	20	1%
Permanent Custody and Guardianship to Relative	69	2%
Petition for temporary custody Denied/ Dismissal	2	0%
Referred Outside Organization	63	2%
Reunification with Parent(s)/ Primary caretaker(s)	361	11%
Temporary Custody and Guardianship to Relative	23	1%
Voluntary Custody Terminated	20	1%
Total	3,210	100%

Source: DCFS 2012