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# Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) Group Home Provider Survey Results

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## PURPOSE

The survey, conducted by the Office of Child Welfare, was intended to obtain input from DCF licensed group home providers regarding the department's current utilization of residential care service. The information and recommendations gathered from this survey will assist in the department's planning and implementation of the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) provisions related to residential care settings.

There were a total of 148 provider responses received, with a total of 199 active licenses. A single response may include feedback from providers who are located in more than one region with more than one home. Data provided is solely based on those providers who participated in the survey.

# PROVIDERS PER REGION\*

## Northwest

Anchorage Children's Home  
Boys Town North Florida  
Capital City Youth Services, Inc (Someplace Else Shelter)  
Center for Family and Child Enrichment, Inc.  
Children In Crisis, Inc.  
Children In Crisis, Inc  
Home of Dreams  
Inspire Group Inc.  
Lakeview Center Inc  
Lutheran Services Florida, Inc. - Northwest  
United Methodist Children's Home of AL and NW FL

## Northeast

Children's Home Society  
Daniel Kids  
Daniel Memorial Mills House Therapeutic Group Home  
Florida United Methodist Children's Home  
FL Sheriff Youth Ranch  
Haven's Open Arms, LLC  
Ignite Life Center - Ignite Refugio  
New Heaven Dominion Inc  
Panama Youth Services  
Safe Haven Academy  
Seamark Ranch  
St. Augustine Youth Services  
St. Gerard Campus Inc  
The Inspire U Group Inc.  
Unity House  
VMO Group Home

\* PROVIDERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE SURVEY



# PROVIDERS PER REGION

## Suncoast

A Second Chance  
Anonymous (Provider name optional)  
Brookwood Florida, Inc.  
Carlton Manor Inc.  
Children's Home Network  
CHOICE  
Cookson Hills Family Ministries of Florida  
Crossroads Hope Academy  
Education Advantage  
Everyday Blessings, Inc.  
Florida United Methodist Children's Home  
FL Sheriff Youth Ranch  
Hillsborough County Children's Services  
Home for kids Inc  
Joshua House, a Program of Children's Home Society of Florida  
Lutheran Services Florida- Oasis Youth Shelter  
Majesty's Palace Residential Home, Inc.  
Our Mother's Home of Southwest FL Inc.  
SUNSHINE FAMILY SERVICES  
The Salvation Army - Sallie House and Children's Village  
x (Provider name optional)



## Central

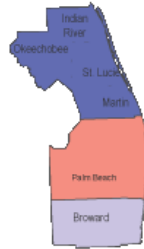
Anchor House Inc. of Polk County  
Arnette House, Inc  
**Arnette House, Inc.**  
Boys Town Central Florida  
Children Home Society  
Covenant Children's Home  
Covenant Kids Manor Inc  
Crosswinds Youth Services, Inc.  
Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health  
Devereux Viera  
Eckerd Connects E- Nini-Hassee  
Florida Institute for Neurologic Rehabilitation  
FL Sheriff Youth Ranch  
Hands of Mercy Everywhere, Inc  
Heart of Florida Youth Ranch  
Images Of Glory  
Lighthouse Youth Services Inc.  
North Carolina Outward Bound School  
Orange County Government  
Sarasota YMCA Youth Shelter  
TEST (Provider name optional)  
The Haven for Children, Inc.  
The Heart of Florida Youth Ranch  
The Key Haven Families Inc  
Vision Quest National



# PROVIDERS PER REGION

## Southeast

4KIDS  
ACTS  
Children's Harbor  
Children's Harbor, Inc  
Children's Home Society of Florida  
Covenant House Florida  
Education Advantage Boys Shelter  
Florida United Methodist Children's Home  
Grandma's Place, Inc.  
HCC  
Henderson Behavioral Health  
JAFCO - Jewish Adoption and Family Care Options  
Our Mother's Home of Southwest FL Inc  
Partnership for Community Health d/b/a Avidity  
Place of Hope  
Real life children's ranch  
Sheridan House Family Ministries  
SOS Children's Villages Florida  
Vision Quest National  
Vision Quest Sanctuary Ranch

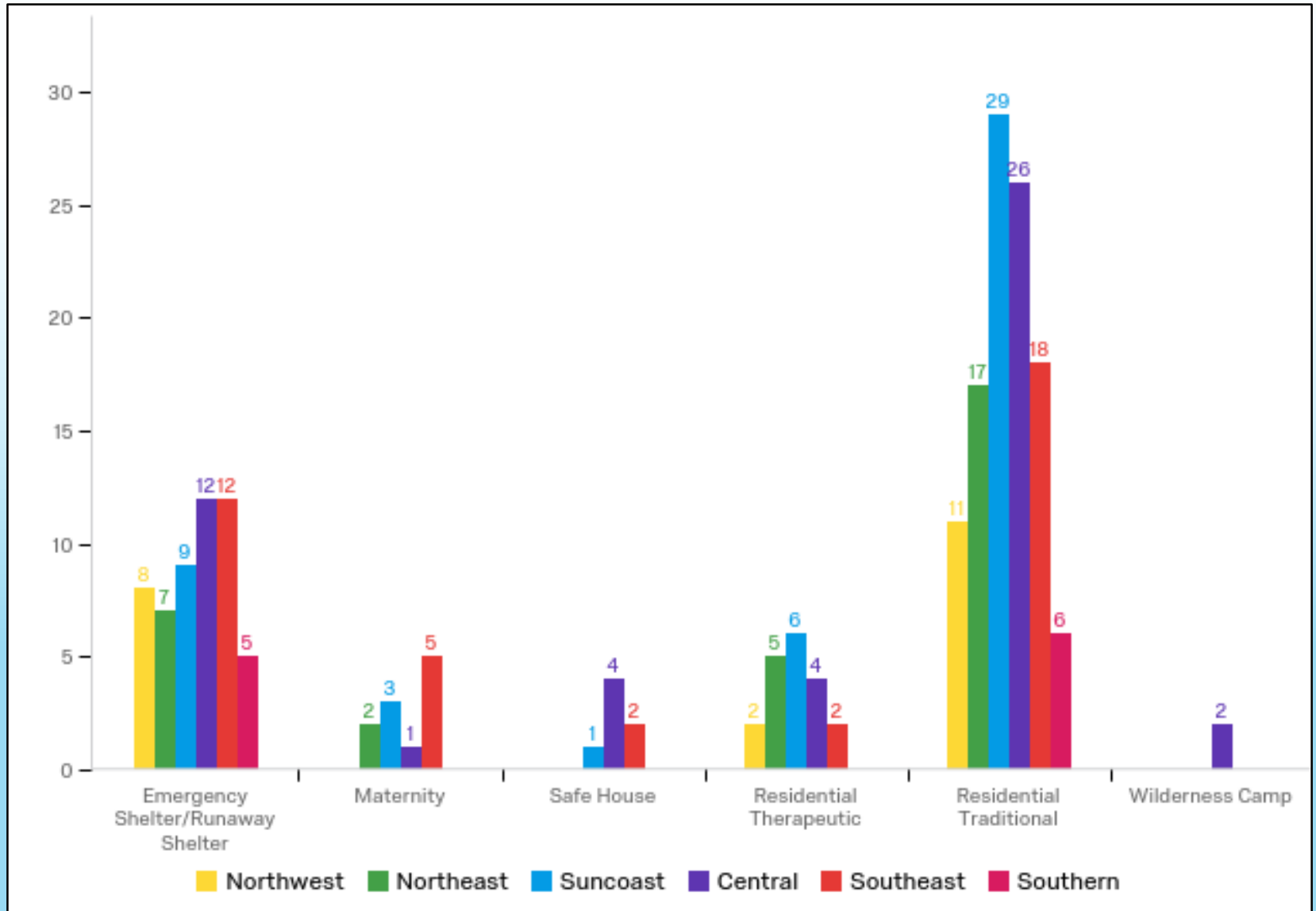


## Southern

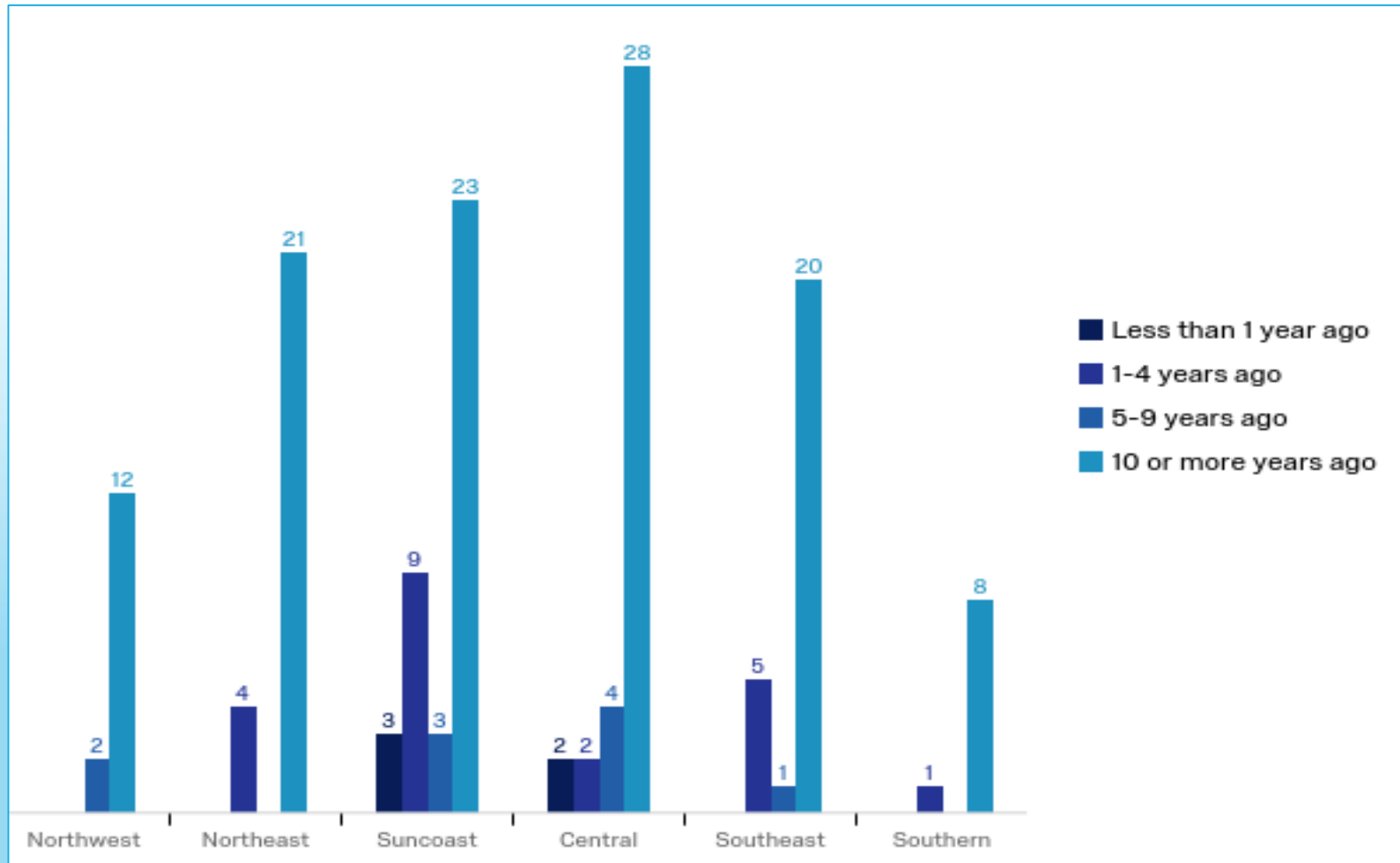
His House Children's Home  
His House Children's Home  
JAFCO - Jewish Adoption and Family Care Options  
Miami Bridge Youth & Family Services, Inc.  
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O Martinez Group Home



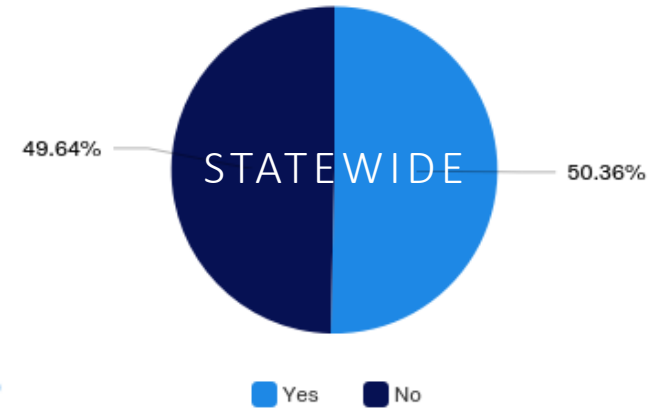
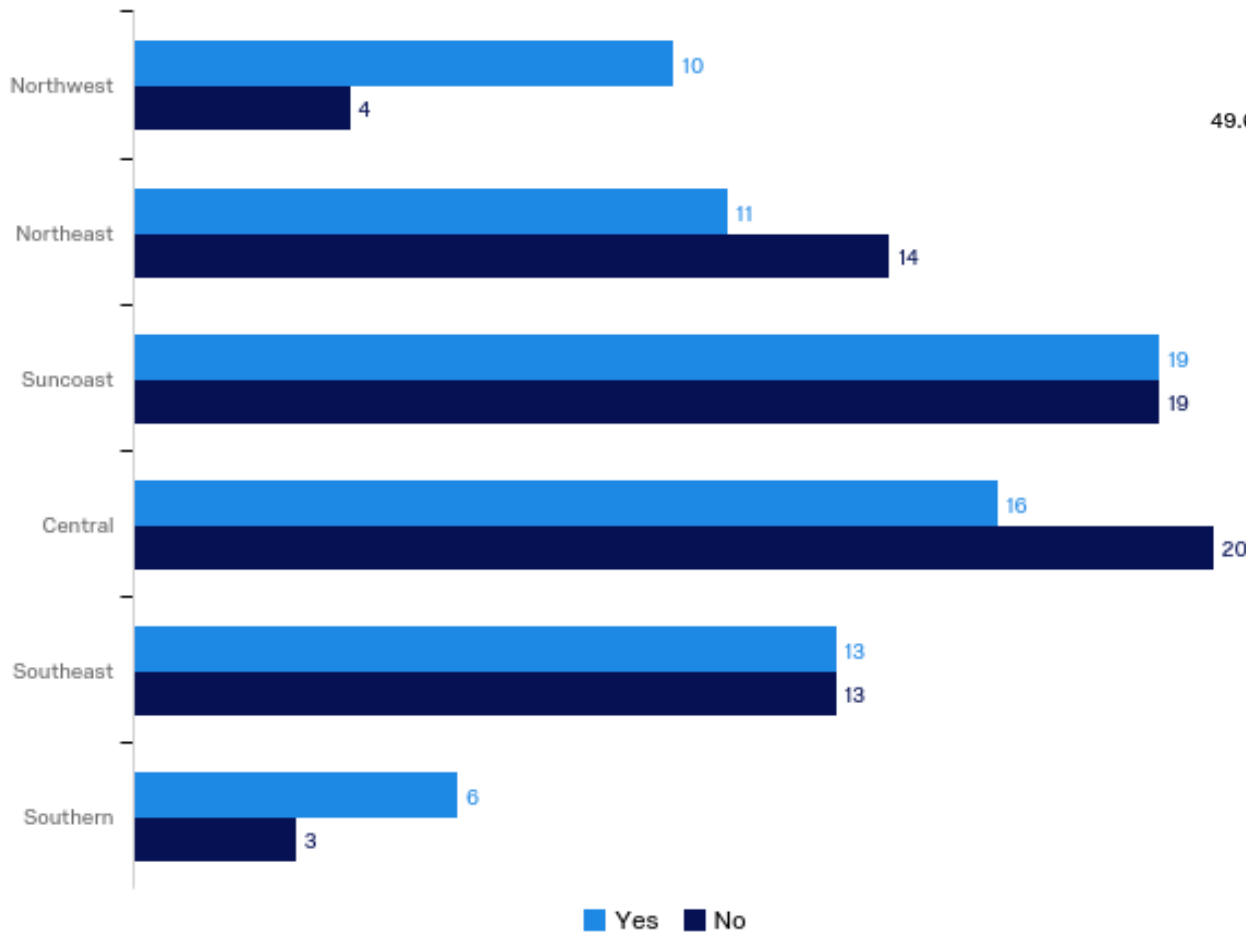
# STATEWIDE LICENSED GROUP CARE SETTING TYPE PER REGION



# PROVIDER INITIALLY LICENSED AS A CHILD CARING AGENCY (CCA) WITH DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN & FAMILIES



## BY REGION



PROVIDERS LICENSED AS CHILD-CARING AND CHILD-PLACING AGENCIES  
(CCA + CPA)

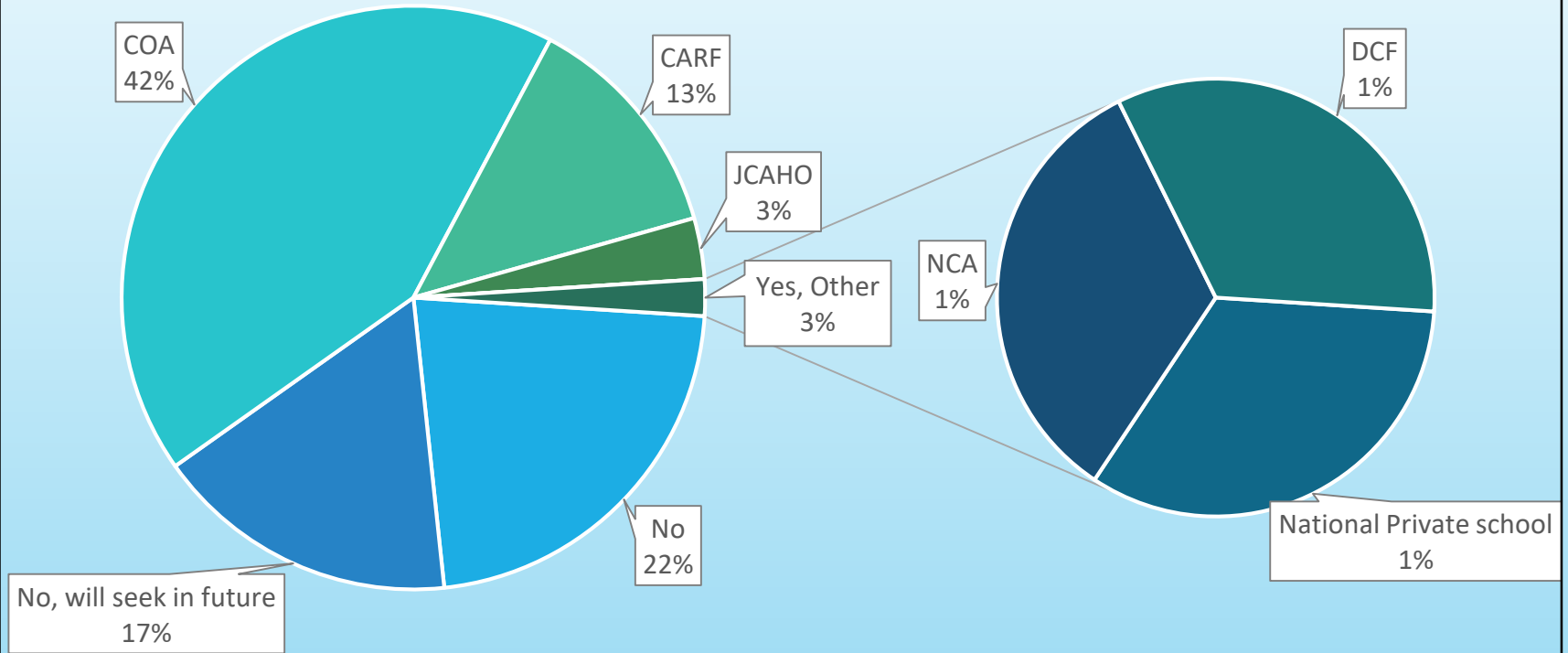


## BY REGION

	Northwest	Northeast	Suncoast	Central	Southeast	Southern
No	85.71% 12	84.00% 21	86.84% 33	72.22% 26	84.62% 22	88.89% 8
Yes, ACHA	7.14% 1	12.00% 3	7.89% 3	8.33% 3	7.69% 2	0.00% 0
Yes, APD	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3.85% 1	0.00% 0
Yes, DJJ	0.00% 0	4.00% 1	5.26% 2	13.89% 5	3.85% 1	0.00% 0
Yes, combination of the above	7.14% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	5.56% 2	0.00% 0	11.11% 1
	14	25	38	36	26	9

PROVIDERS DUALY LICENSED BY OTHER ENTITIES

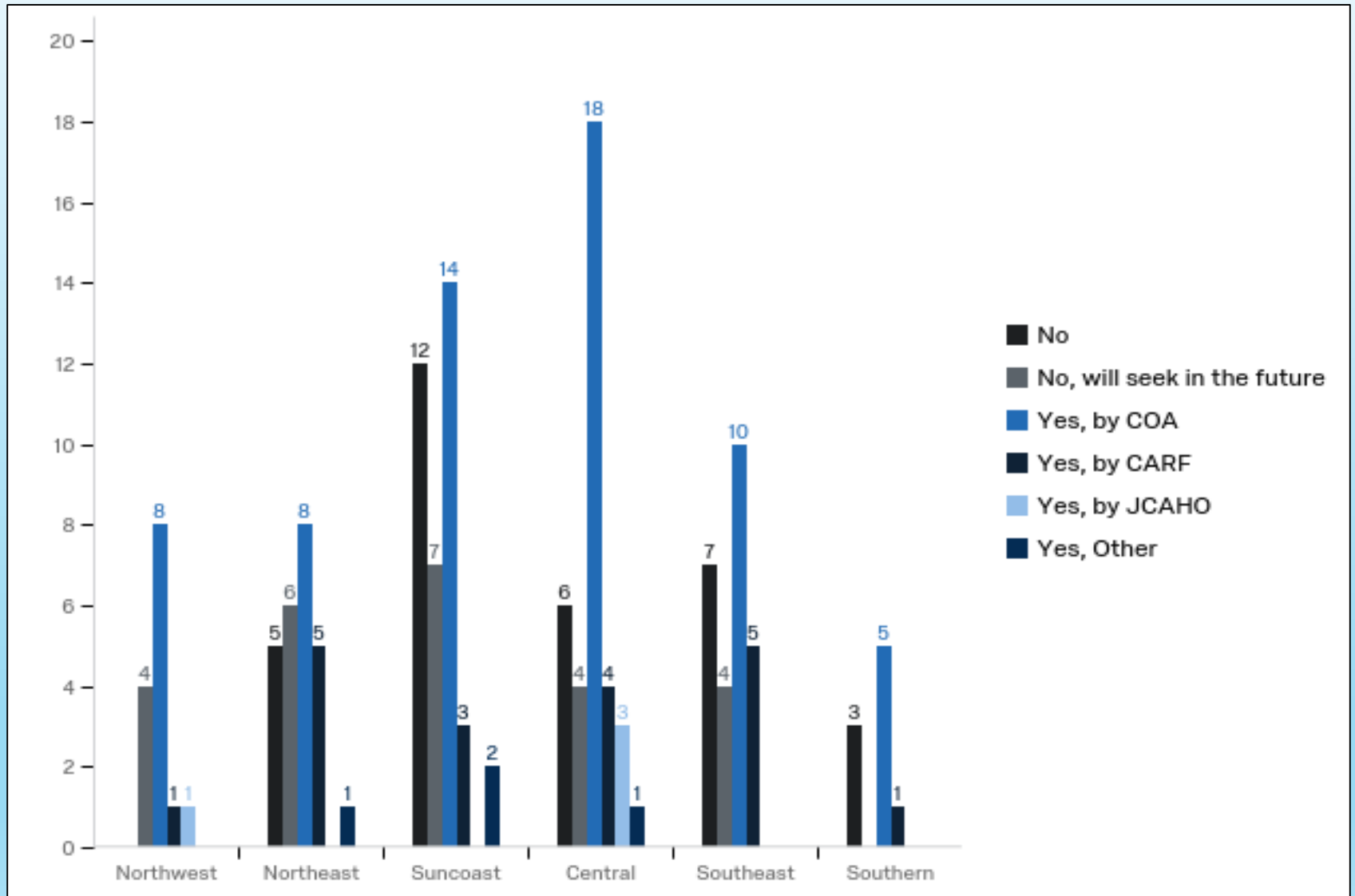
# STATEWIDE PROVIDER ACCREDITATION



**\* "Yes, Other" options are self reported and do not meet accreditation requirements for QRTP settings**

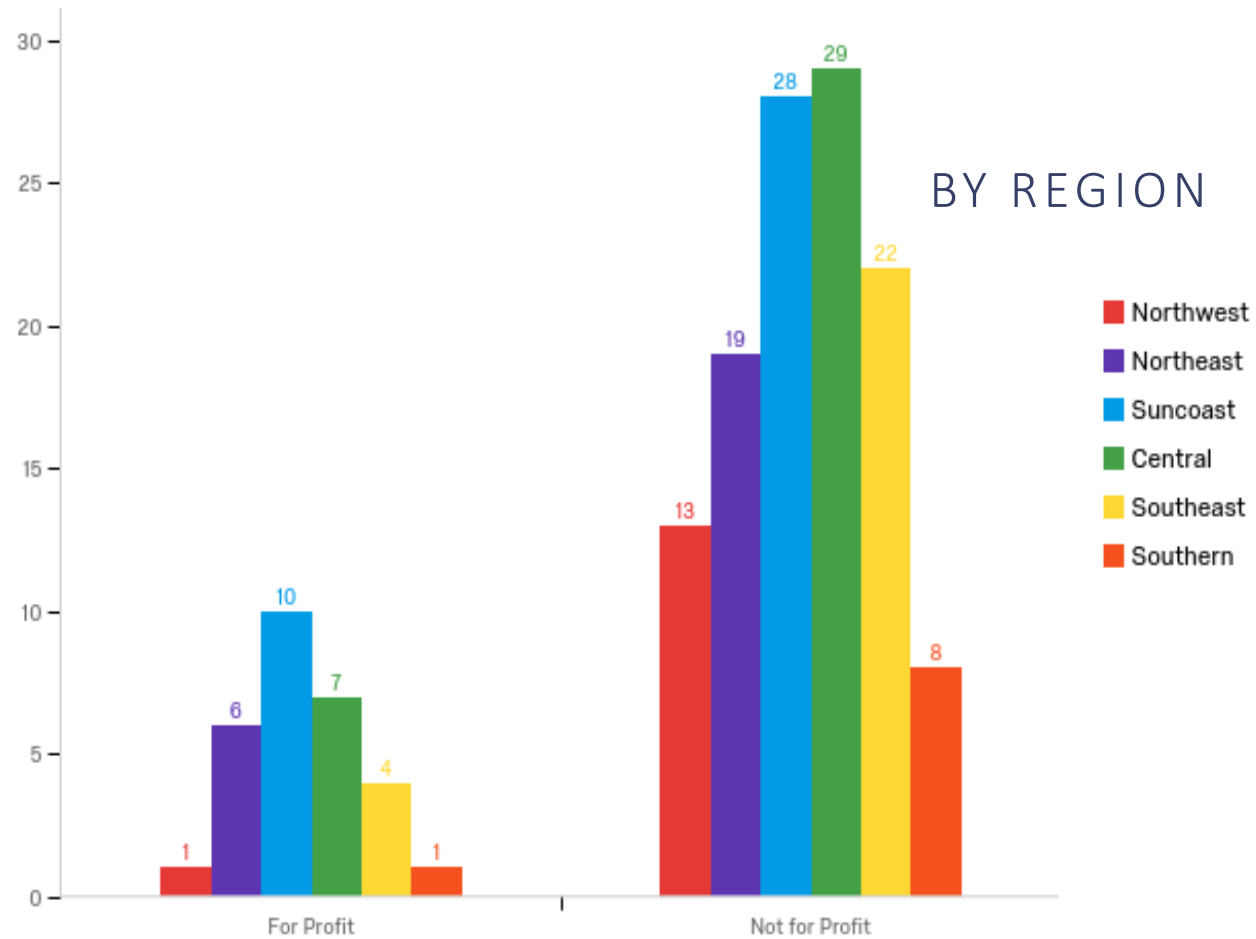
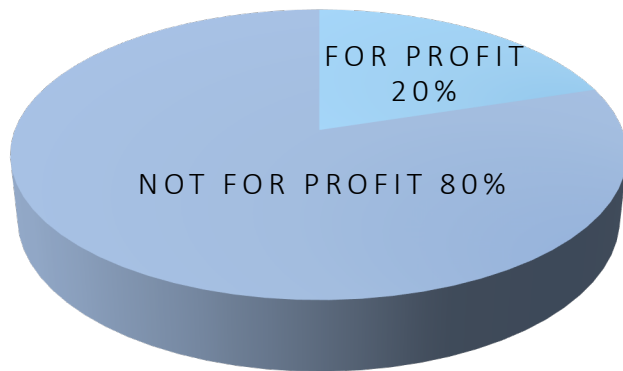
## PROVIDER ACCREDITATION BY REGION

\*1 OUT 4 "YES, OTHER" IS LISTED AS JOINT COMMISSION (JCAHO) AND REMAINS UNDER THE "YES, OTHER" CATEGORY FOR PURPOSES OF REGIONAL DATA



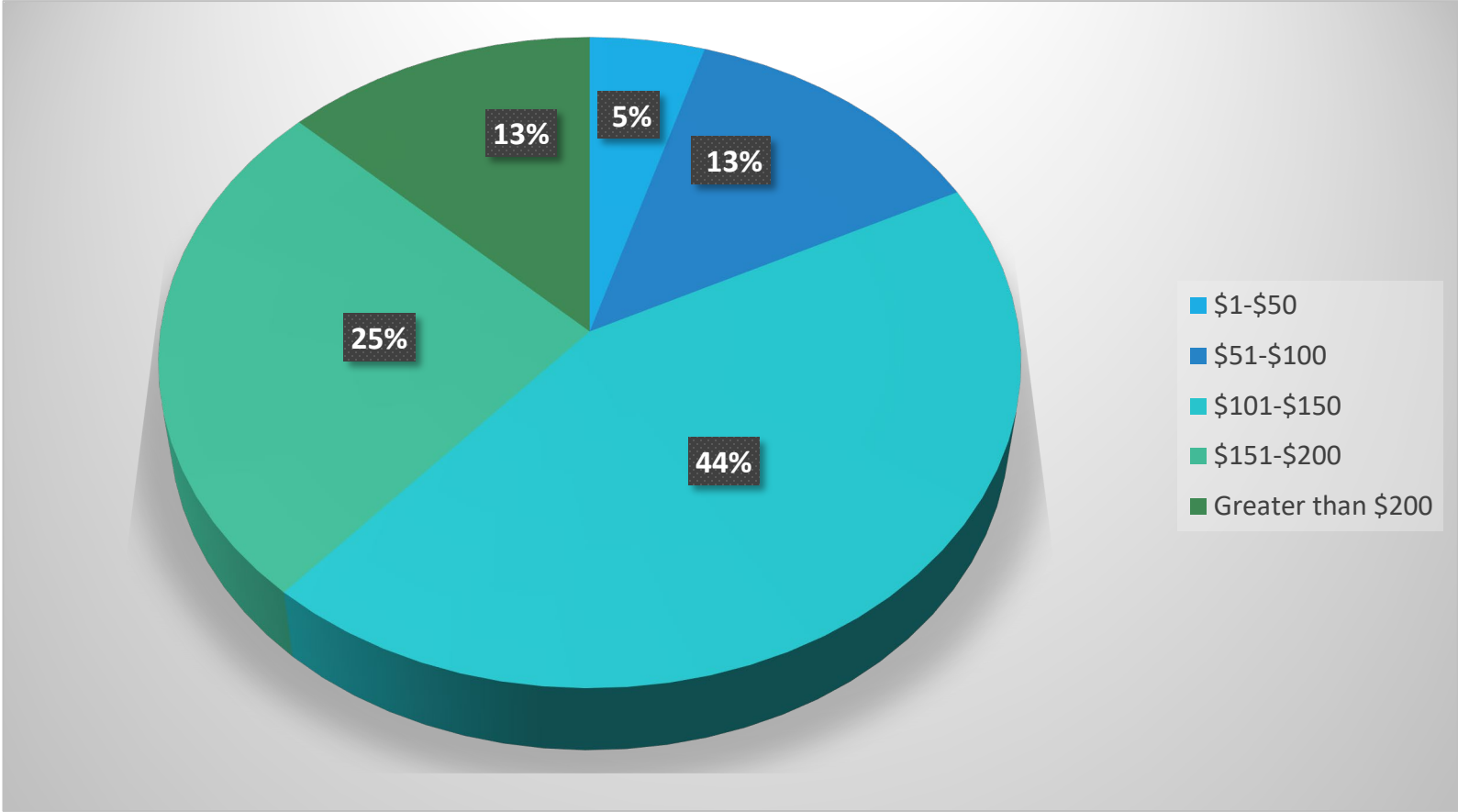
# NON-PROFIT AND FOR PROFIT PROVIDERS

## STATEWIDE

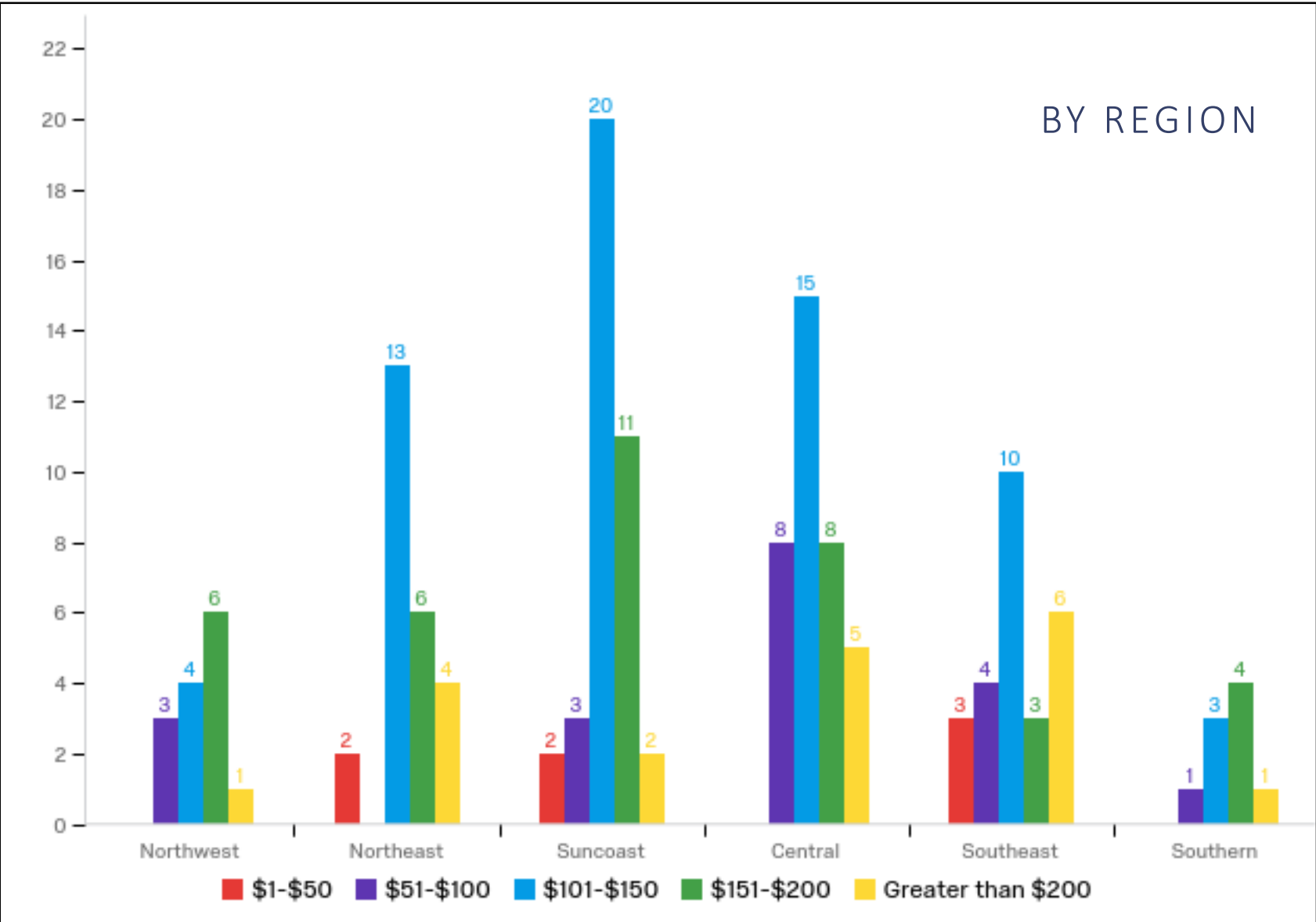


# STATEWIDE AVERAGE PROVIDER ROOM AND BOARD RATES

The term “foster care maintenance payments” also known as room and board means payments to cover the cost of (and the cost of providing) food, clothing, shelter, daily supervision, school supplies, a child’s personal incidentals, liability insurance with respect to a child, reasonable travel to the child’s home for visitation, and reasonable travel for the child to remain in the school in which the child is enrolled at the time of placement. In the case of institutional care, such term shall include the reasonable costs of administration and operation of such institution as are necessarily required to provide the items described in the preceding sentence. \*RATES ARE PER DAY/PER CHILD



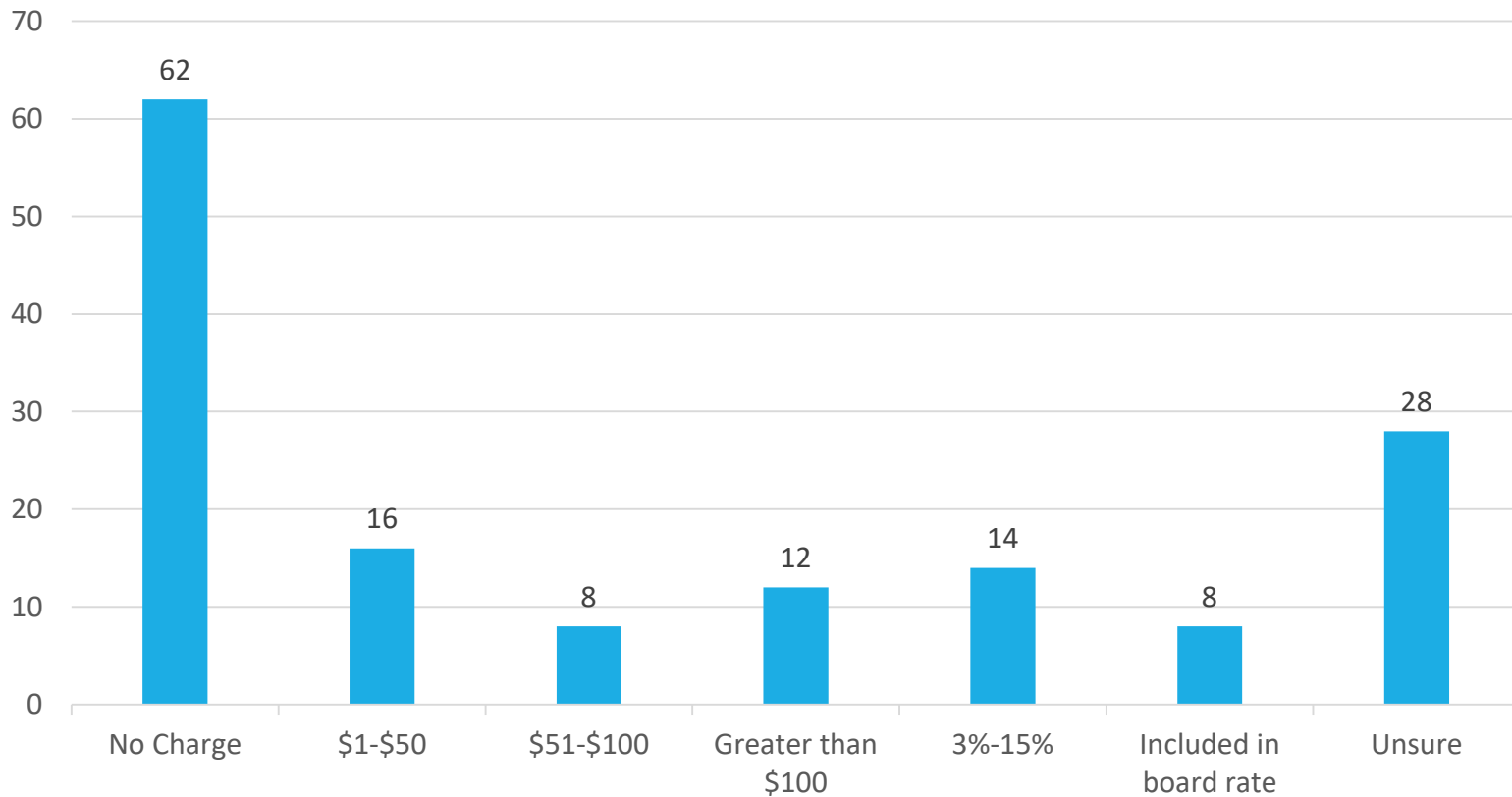
BY REGION



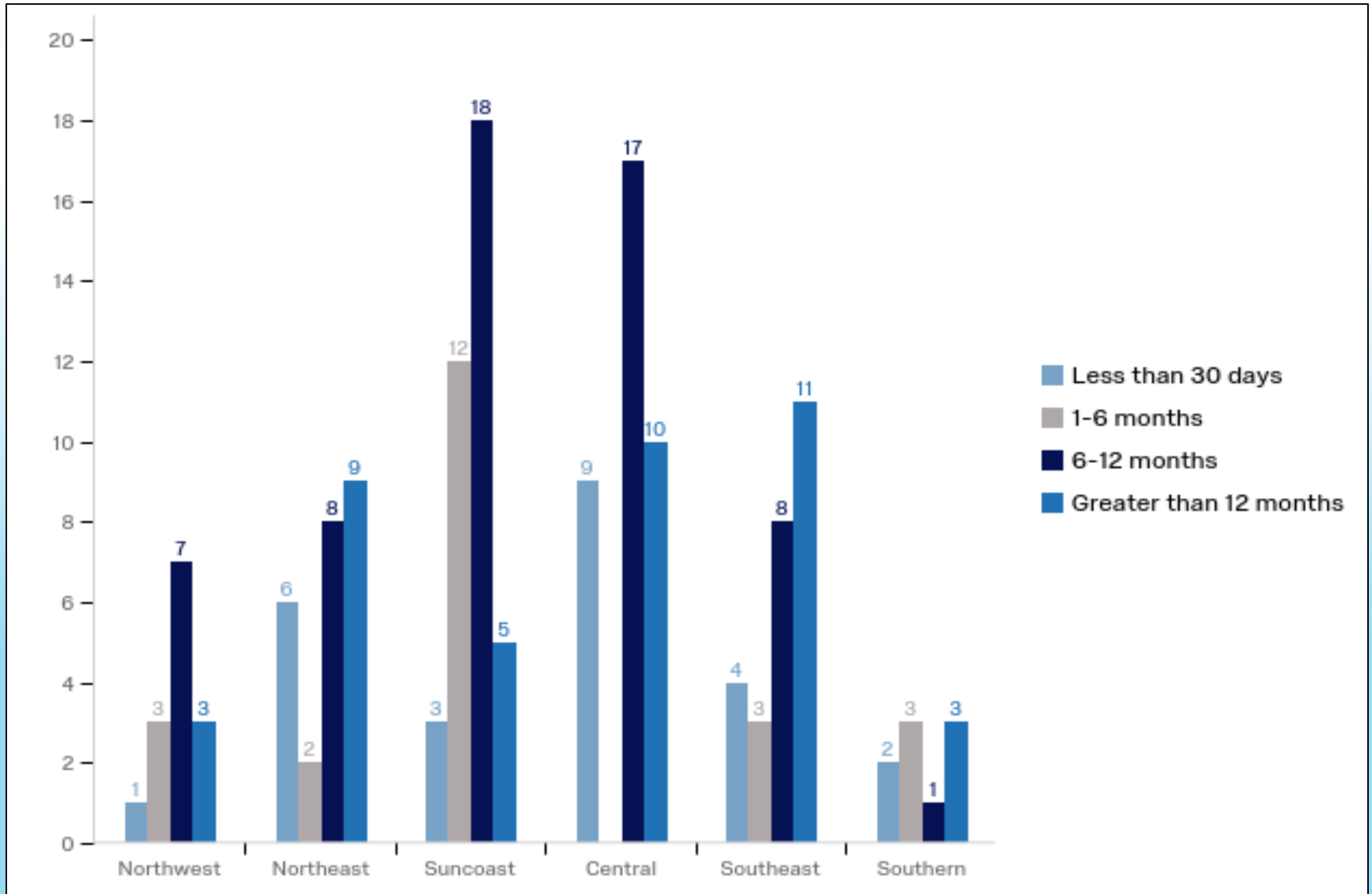
AVERAGE PROVIDER ROOM AND BOARD RATES

# AVERAGE PROVIDER ADMINISTRATION RATES

The following are examples of allowable administrative costs necessary for the administration of the foster care program: (i) Referral to services; (ii) Preparation for and participation in judicial determinations; (iii) Placement of the child; (iv) Development of the case plan; (v) Case reviews; (vi) Case management and supervision; (vii) Recruitment and licensing of foster homes and institutions; (viii) Rate setting; and (ix) A proportionate share of related agency overhead. (x) Costs related to data collection and reporting. Allowable administrative costs do not include the costs of social services provided to the child, the child's family or foster family which provide counseling or treatment to ameliorate or remedy personal problems, behaviors or home conditions. \*RATES ARE PER DAY/PER CHILD



# CHILD'S AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY IN GROUP HOME





# NUMBER OF PROVIDERS PER REGION OFFERING SOCIAL/CLINICAL SERVICES

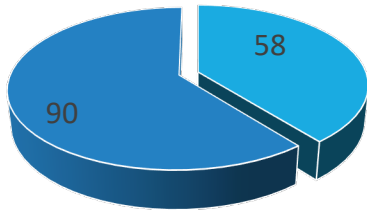
Social/Clinical Services	Northwest	Northeast	Suncoast	Central	Southeast	Southern
Aftercare Services and Supports	6	10	11	14	10	2
Case Management Services	8	11	14	21	12	3
CSEC Youth Services and Supports	1	2	4	8	5	0
Discharge Planning	10	14	20	20	15	3
Education Services and Supports	12	17	20	23	16	3
Family Counseling	5	11	11	17	15	3
Family Support Services	8	9	12	15	13	2
Individual Counseling	10	14	17	20	17	5
Life Skills/Independent Living	12	21	27	29	20	5
Medical/Nursing Services	3	8	10	10	5	4
Mental/Behavioral Health Services	8	12	18	16	14	3
Pregnant/Parenting Youth Services and Supports	0	3	4	2	5	1
Recreational Services	11	20	24	27	17	6
Vocational Services	4	10	11	15	9	0
Other	2	5	9	7	6	2

**Other services include:**

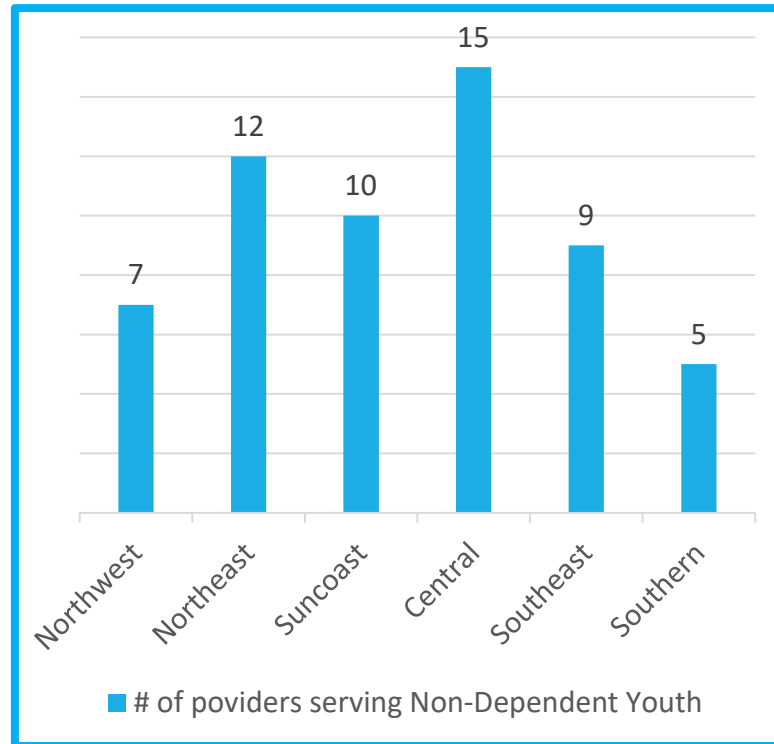
- Adoptions
- All Transport for teens, moms and babies
- BHOS
- Group Counseling
- Homeless unaccompanied youth 18-21
- Medication Management
- Mentoring
- Ongoing Assessments for appropriate referral
- On-Site Psychiatric Services
- Parent Training
- Private school
- Psychiatrist
- Seven Challenges (substance abuse)
- Single Parent Program
- Adoption Disruption Services
- Therapeutic Activities in Equine, Music, Yoga, Mindfulness
- Unbridled Hope Therapeutic Horsemanship

# PROVIDERS WHO SERVE NON-DEPENDENT YOUTH IN ADDITION TO DEPENDENT YOUTH

STATEWIDE  
Number of Providers



- Serves Dependent & Non-Dependent Youth
- Serves Dependent Youth Only



BY REGION

## COMMON BARRIERS TO FAMILY INVOLVEMENT IN TREATMENT PLANNING

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No access to family,  
limited information  
on parents at time of  
placement

No contact orders for  
parents

Distance between  
family, relative, or  
siblings

Lack of  
communication or  
participation from  
family

# COMMON BARRIERS TO PREPARING DISCHARGE SUMMARIES WITHIN 45 DAYS OF DISCHARGE

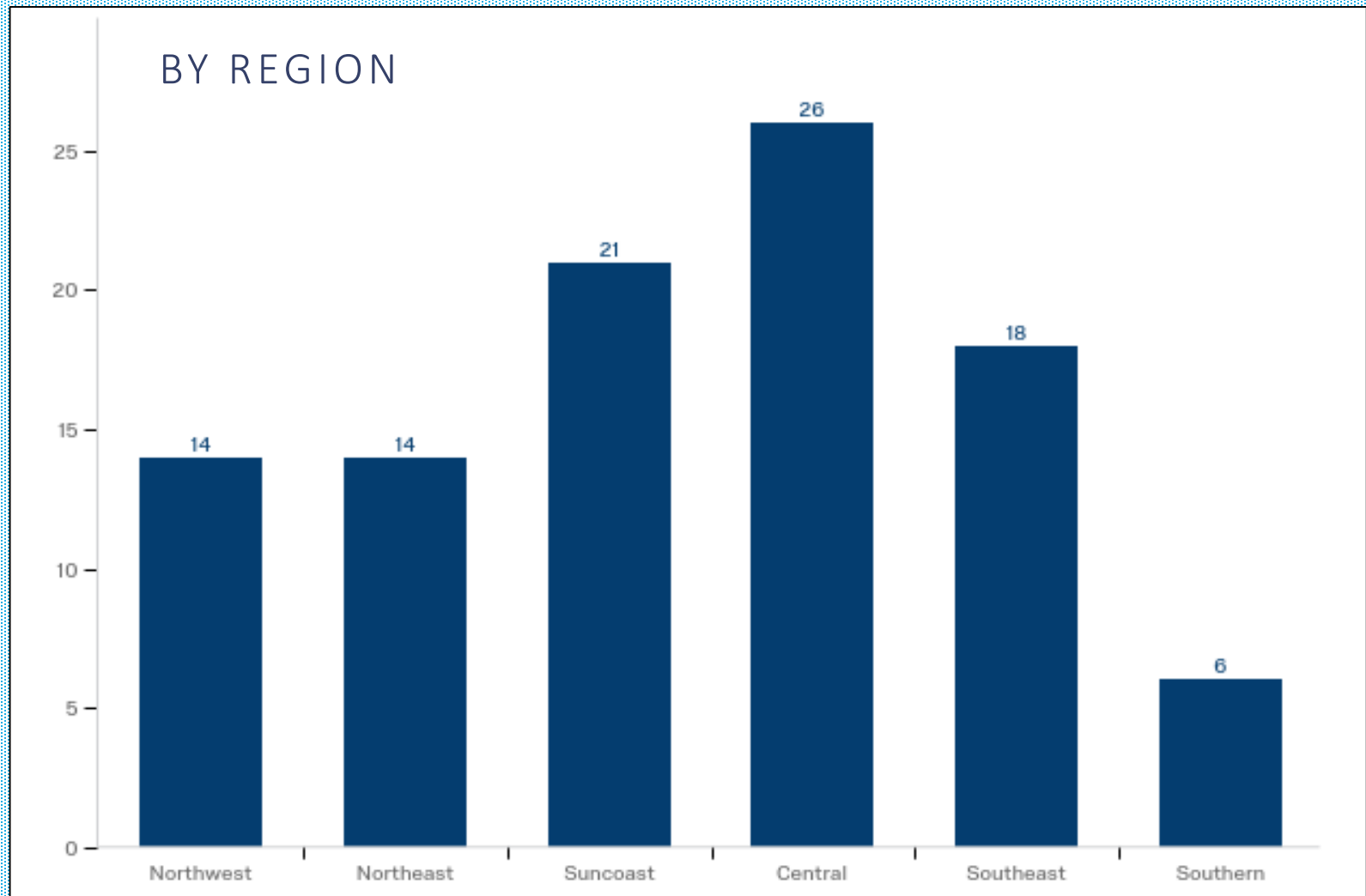
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Unexpected  
placement disruptions

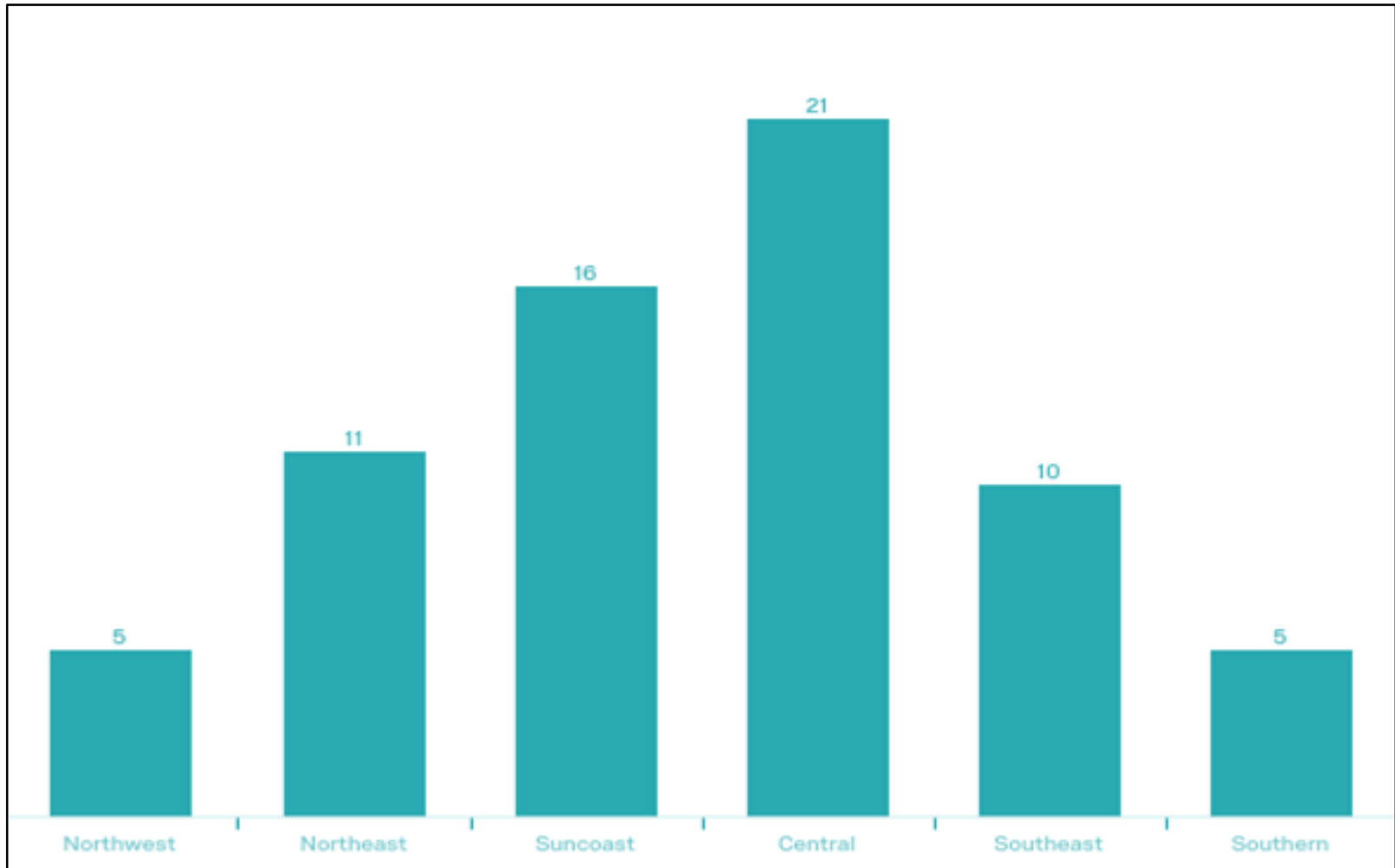
Last minute notification  
resulting from a court  
hearing

No advanced notice of  
discharge from the CBC

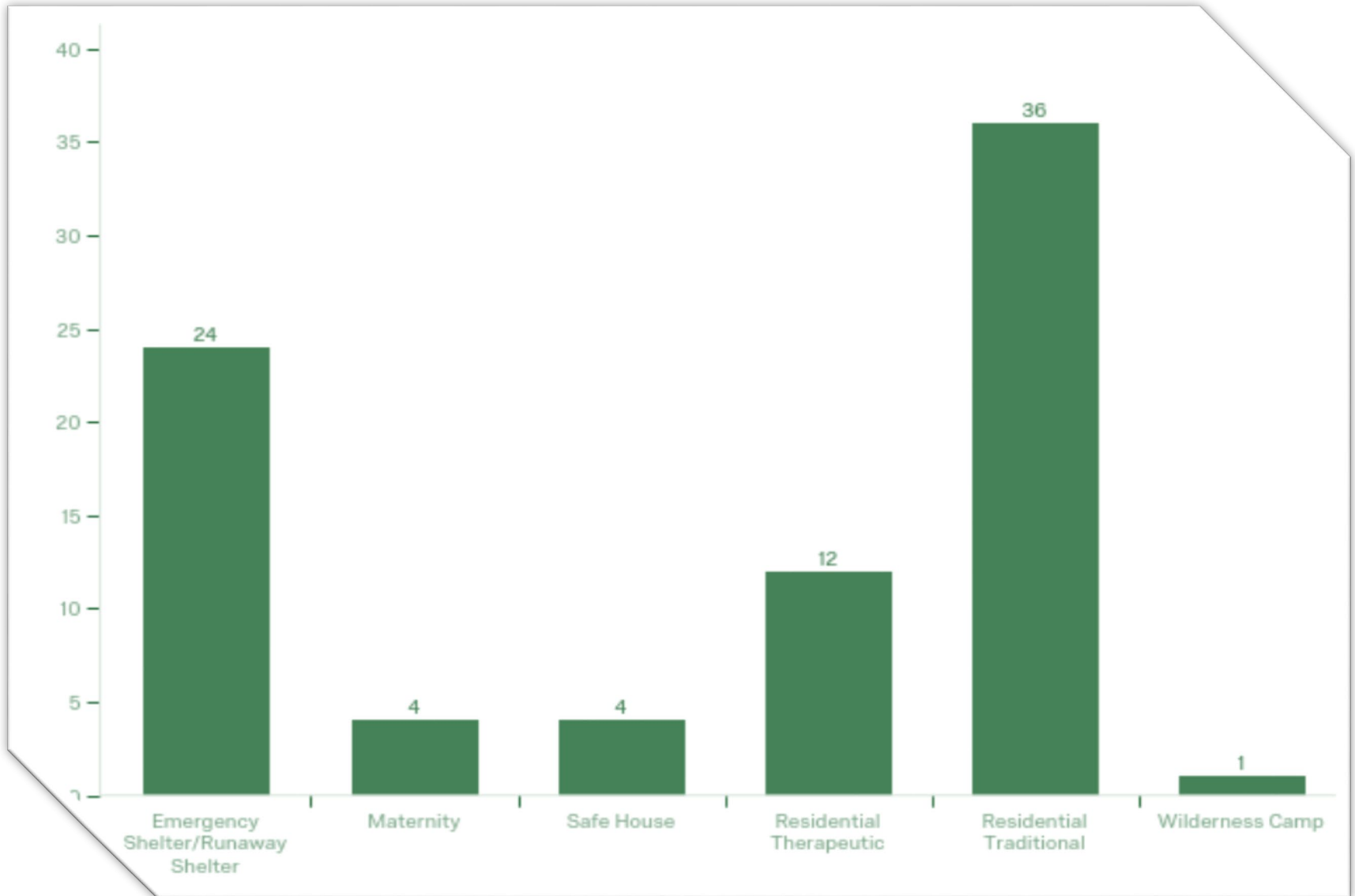
# NUMBER OF PROVIDERS WHO UTILIZE A TRAUMA INFORMED TREATMENT MODEL

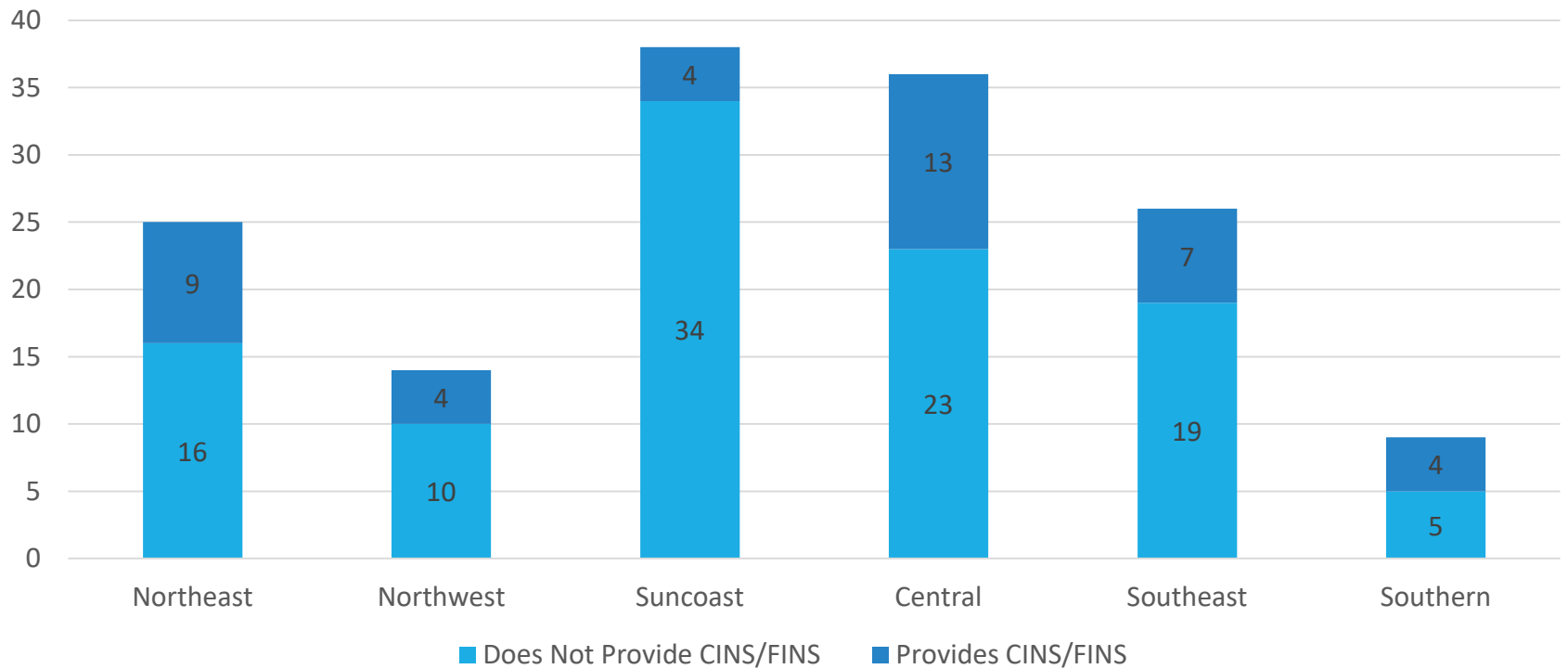


# NUMBER OF PROVIDERS BY REGION WITH LICENSED CLINICAL/NURSING STAFF



# STATEWIDE GROUP HOME SETTINGS WITH LICENSED CLINICAL/NURSING STAFF

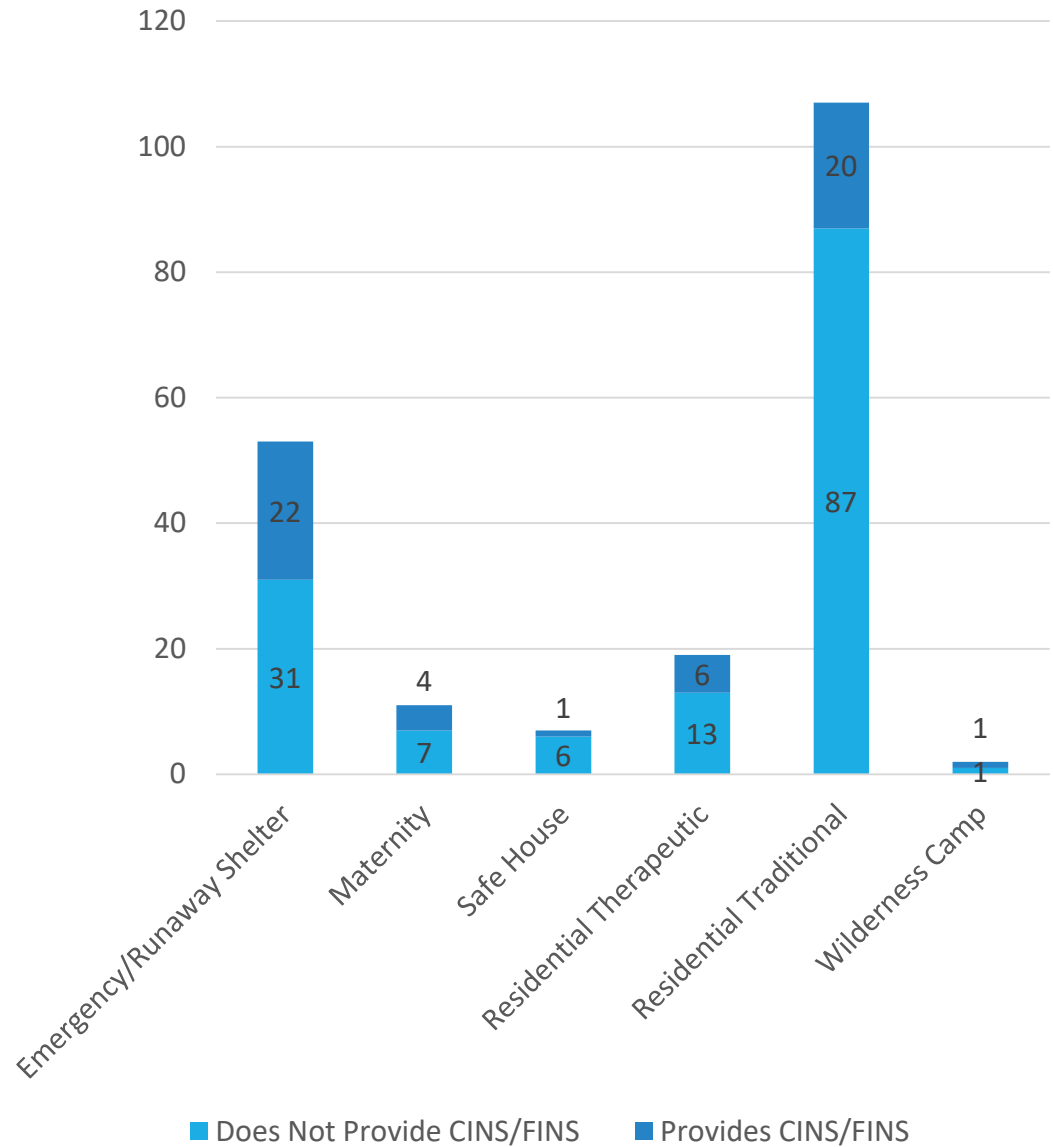




## NUMBER OF PROVIDERS BY REGION WHO UTILIZE CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES/FAMILY IN NEED OF SERVICES MODEL (CINS/FINS)



# NUMBER OF GROUP HOME SETTINGS STATEWIDE WHO OFFER CINS/FINS



# SPECIALIZED SERVICES OFFERED BY GROUP HOME PROVIDERS PER REGION

## Northeast

- Behavior analyst
- DJJ/DCF Cross over kids. T4c and restorative justice
- Domestic Violence Respite
- Employment Assistance, Provide supervised visitation if required
- Trauma Treatment Program (Group care for sexually reactive male population)

## Northwest

- Early intervention services
- FCM, primary health, Nurse Family Partnership and behavioral health
- Foster Home Development, Family Preservation services
- LMHC and RN on-site
- Mentoring
- SNAP program; Intensive Case Management Program
- Transitional Living and Street Outreach services

# SPECIALIZED SERVICES OFFERED BY GROUP HOME PROVIDERS

## Central

- 20 day wilderness expeditionary learning with case management services up to 6 months.
- Art Therapy, Psychosexual, DBT, TFCBT, Substance Abuse,
- Crisis Support Services
- Domestic Violence Respite and Probation Respite
- Psychiatric services, wilderness adventure, parent groups, specialized trauma groups, adventure based activities
- School, Drop In Center and Food Pantry
- Specialized services for intellectual and developmental disabilities
- Therapeutic Equine Services
- Tutoring, On-site OT and ST
- Vocational Hospitality School to open in 2020.
- Contracted services with DJJ for kids on probation

## Suncoast

- 2 vocational certificate programs and Charter school on campus
- Behavior Analyst
- Behavioral
- Certified Behavior Analyst services, PBIS evidence based practice
- Clinical Outpatient Services
- Set of life skill packets created by clinicians
- sexual trauma treatment services
- Trauma Treatment Program (Group care for sexually reactive male population)

# SPECIALIZED SERVICES OFFERED BY GROUP HOME PROVIDERS

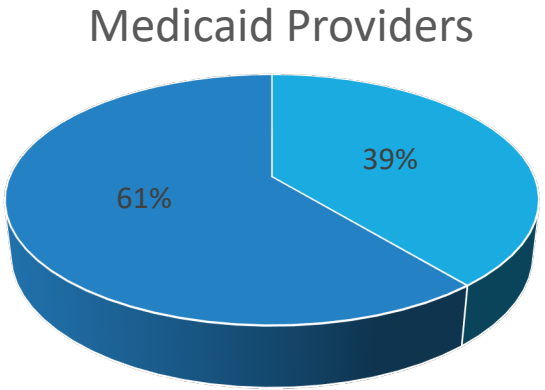
## Southeast

- High Fidelity Wraparound; Trauma CBT as needed
- Life Skills Coach/ Clinical therapist and therapists on site
- Sexual abuse treatment
- Supervised care for court ordered child of teen mother.
- Trauma Treatment Program (Group care for sexually reactive male population)
- Tutoring
- We have our own case management program, we support our youth till age 24, we help them with an apartment and vehicle and anything else they need
- We provide strength based gender responsive programming

## Southern

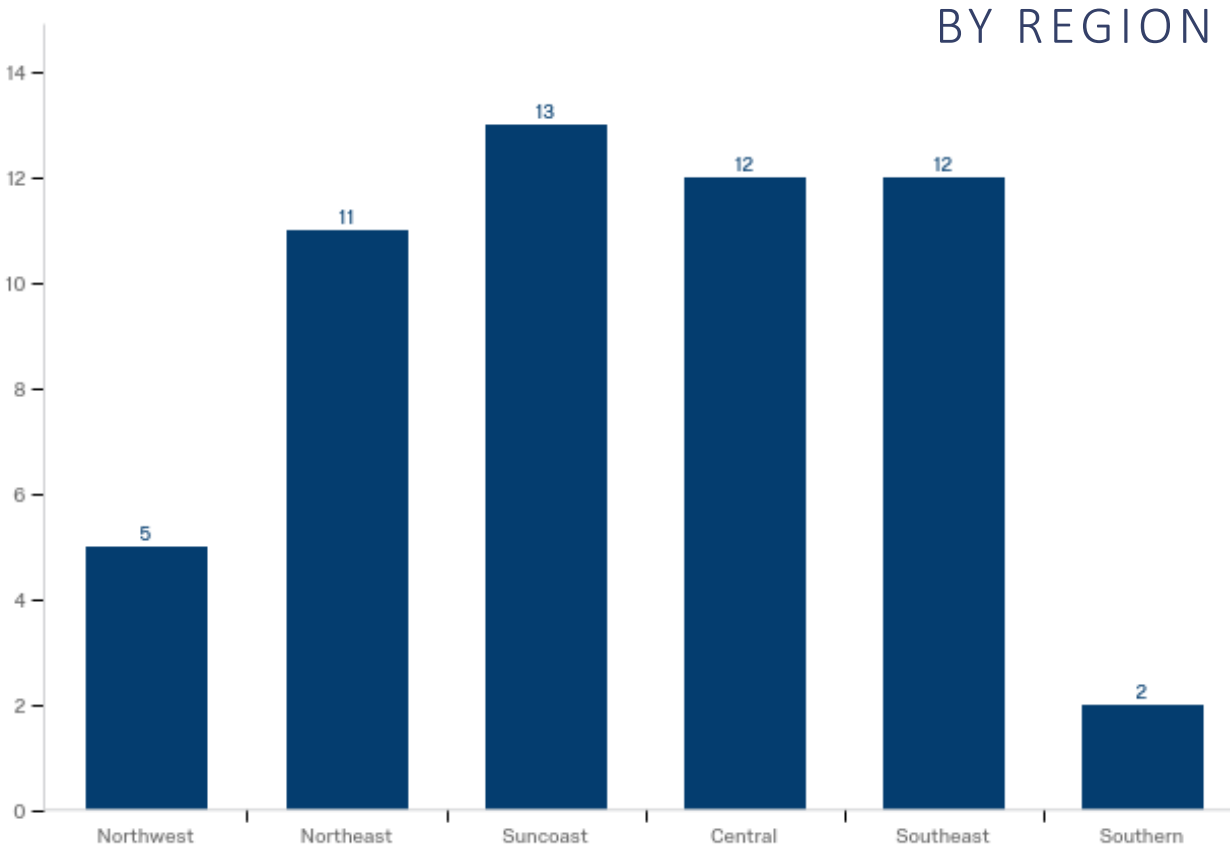
- License and Train Foster Parents
- Nurturing Parent Program
- Respite, DV, Civil Citation
- We have our own case management program, we support our youth till age 24, we help them with an apartment and vehicle and anything else they need

# NUMBER OF CHILD CARING AGENCIES WHO ARE MEDICAID PROVIDERS

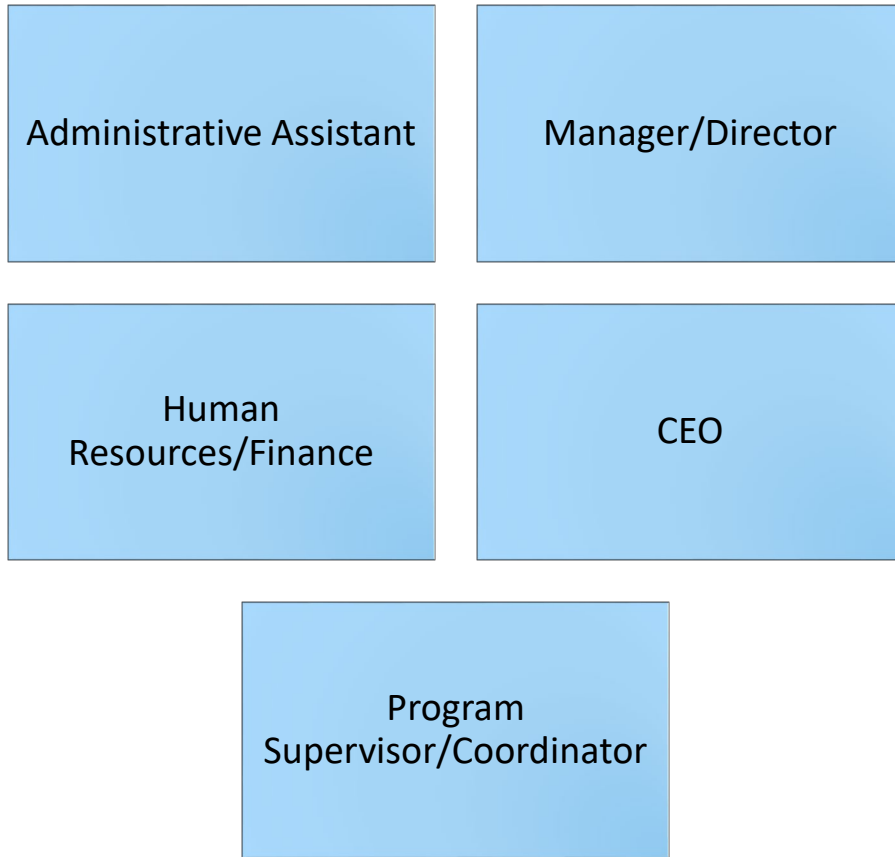


■ Yes ■ No

STATEWIDE



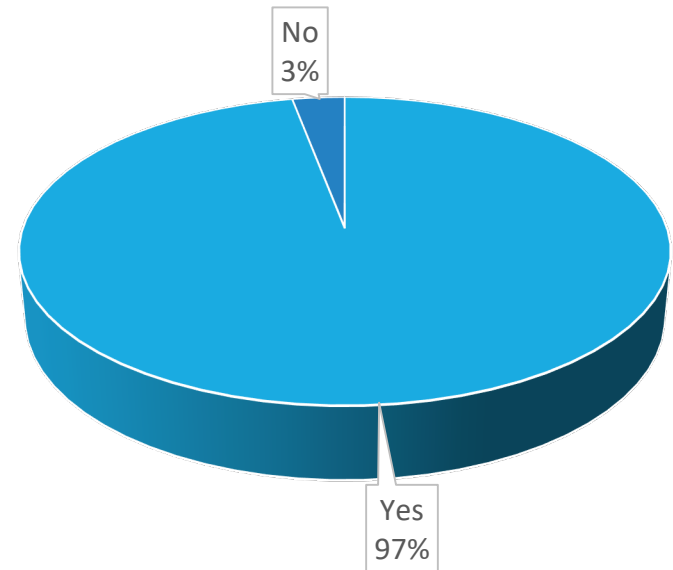
# PROVIDERS WITH DESIGNATED STAFF CONDUCTING BACKGROUND SCREENINGS FOR EMPLOYEES



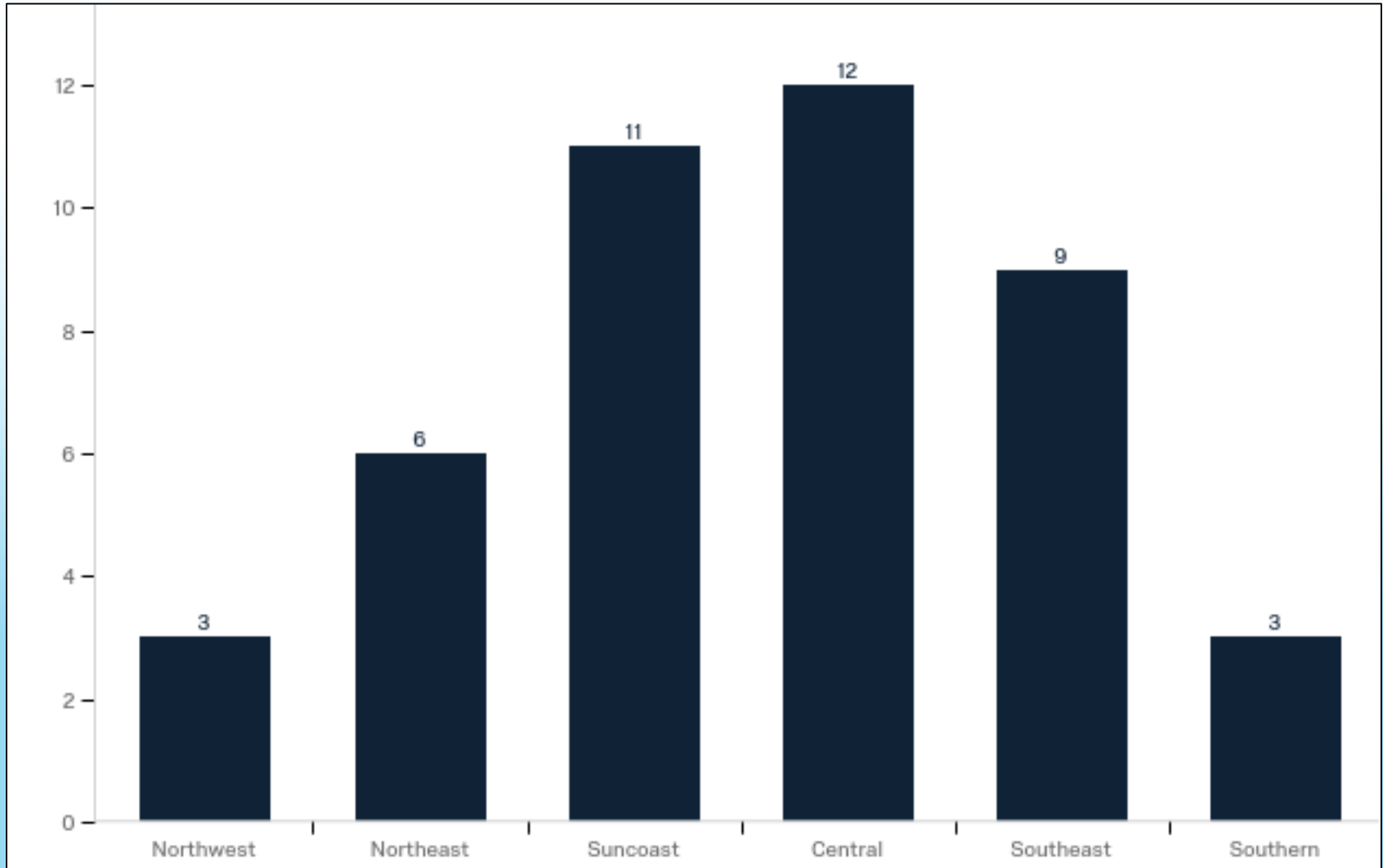
DESIGNATED STAFF

## STATEWIDE

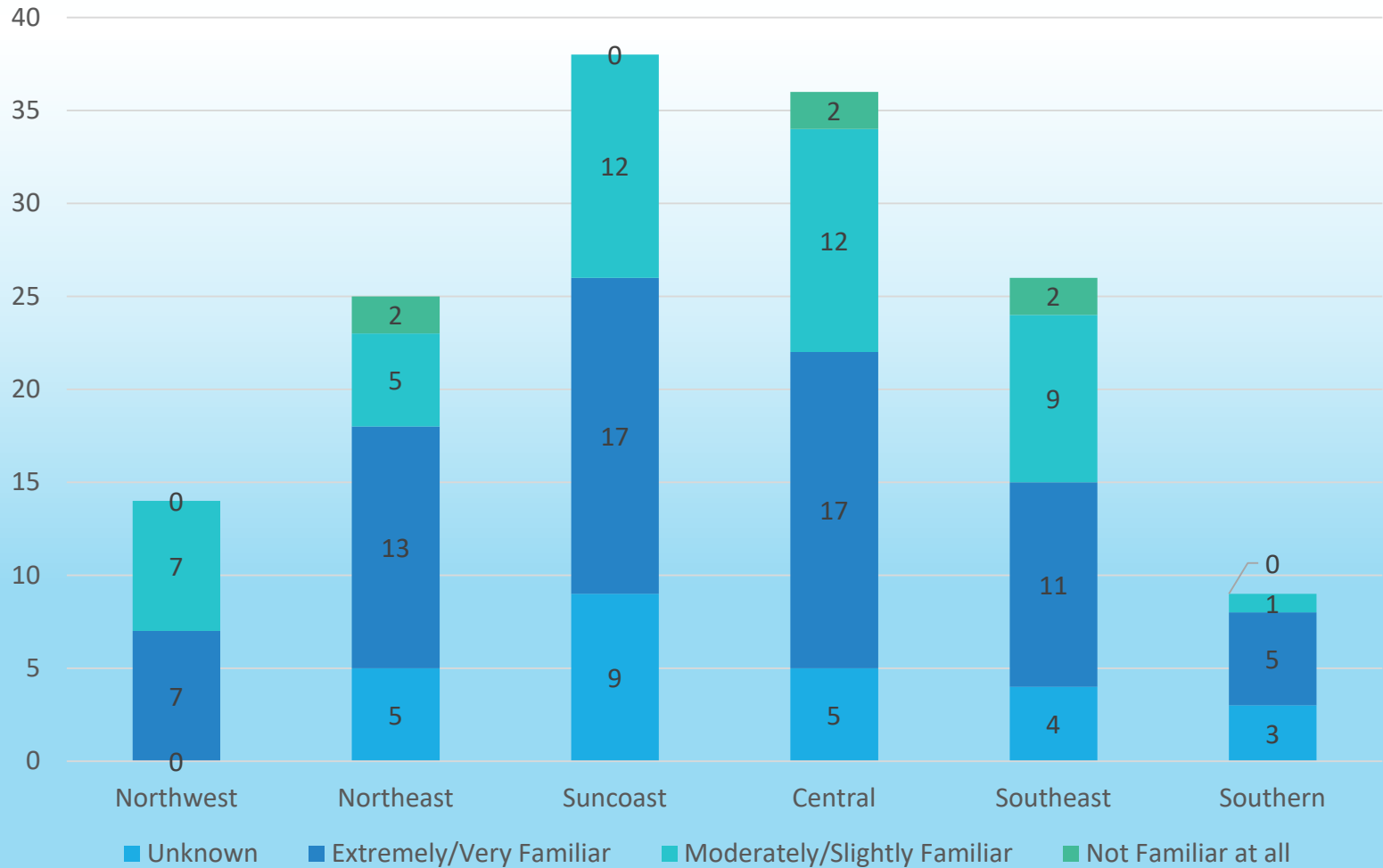
Providers with designated staff



# NUMBER OF PROVIDERS WHO UTILIZE THE HOUSE PARENT MODEL PER REGION



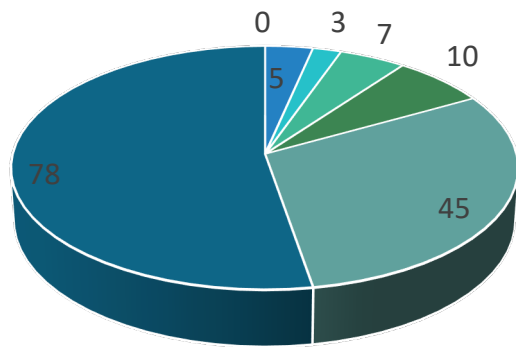
# PROVIDER FAMILIARITY WITH FFPSA CHANGES





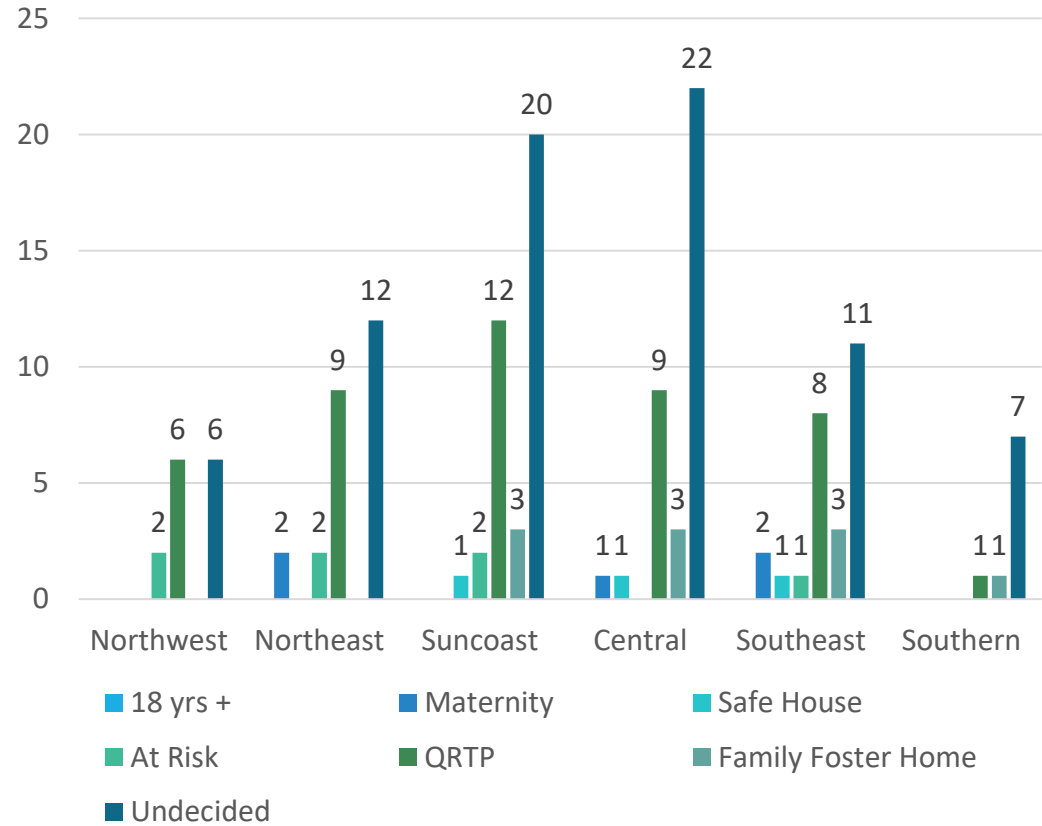
# PROVIDER'S SETTING TYPE OF INTEREST FOR FFPSA

## Statewide



- 18+
- Safe House
- Family Foster Home
- Undecided
- Maternity
- At Risk
- Q RTP

## Region



- 18 yrs +
- At Risk
- Family Foster Home
- Q RTP
- Maternity
- Safe House
- Undecided

\*Family Foster Home is not a FFPSA option but a desire of the provider to convert their parent model group home to a foster home

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