

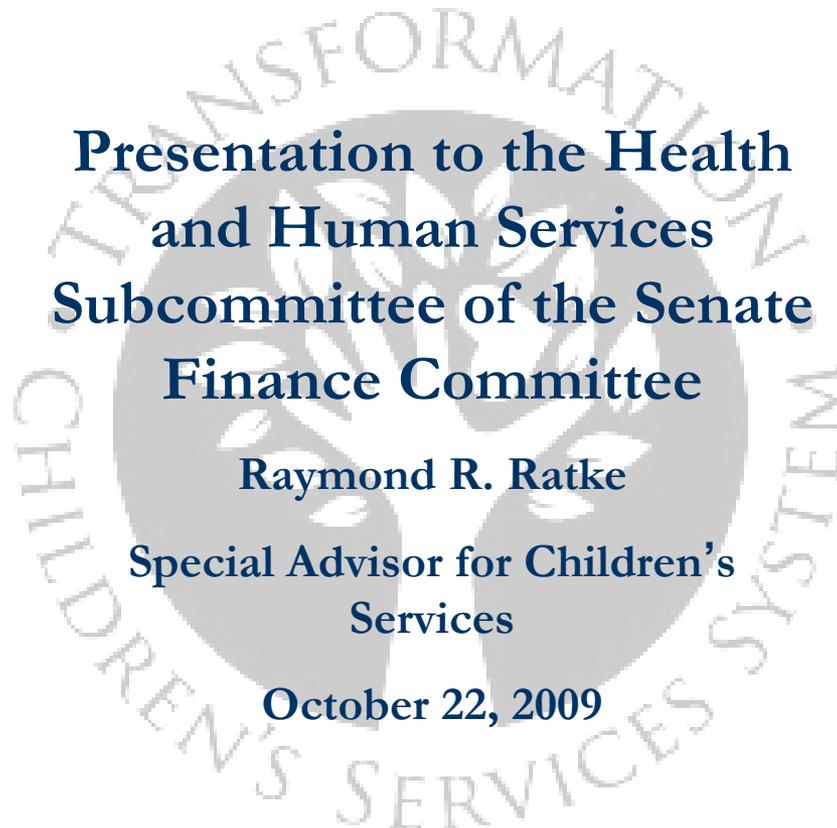
Virginia Children's Services System Transformation

**Presentation to the Health
and Human Services
Subcommittee of the Senate
Finance Committee**

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Key Events in Children's Services

2007

- Annie E. Casey Foundation's findings on child welfare made public
- First Lady Anne Holton spearheaded the "For Keeps" initiative
- "Systems of Care and Evidence-Based Practices" Conference for 600 people September, 2007
- JLARC Study of CSA Children in Residential Treatment
- Children's Services System Transformation began
- A new position, the Special Advisor for Children's Services, was created to lead the transformation.

2008

- The Inspector General issued its Review of Community Services Board Child and Adolescent Services in September 2008.
- "Hanger Commission" on the Comprehensive Services Act issues report and recommendations.

Transformation

Key Achievements to Date

- Foster Care Reimbursement, funding for training and resource family unit
- Approval and Implementation of CSA Match Rate Changes
- CSA Policy Clarifications and Training
- Implementation of Intensive Care Coordination
- Council on Reform (CORE)
- Development of Cross Agency Child Specific Outcomes
- Systemic Outcomes

Children's Service System Transformation

Virginia's child-serving agencies are improving the way we help at-risk children and their families to achieve:

Success in life;

Safety for children and communities;

Life in the community;

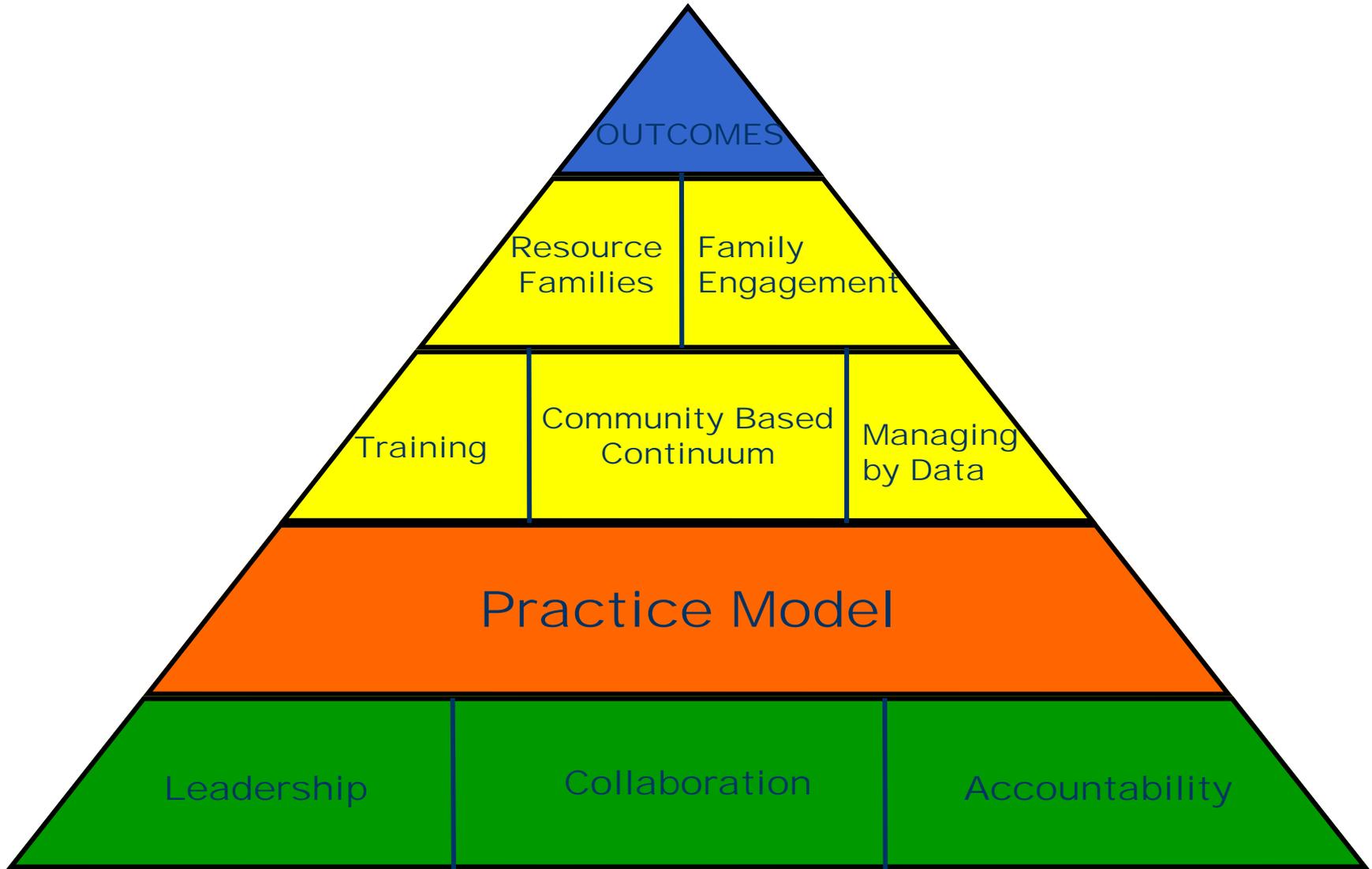
Family based placements; and

Life-long family connections.

Council on Reform (CORE)

- Partnership since December, 2007 with thirteen targeted localities to develop a shared vision for Children's Services and implement best practices at the state and local level
- **Membership:** Representatives from thirteen geographically diverse localities:
 - Charlottesville, Chesterfield, Dinwiddie, Fairfax, Henrico, Newport News, Norfolk, Prince William, Richmond City, Roanoke County, Roanoke City, Virginia Beach and Washington County
 - These localities account for almost 50% of statewide foster care population
- Workgroups focused on the development of a Practice Model and implementation of "Building Blocks" of Transformation
- The Annie E. Casey Foundation has been providing extensive financial and consultative assistance in this work.

Transformation Strategy for Change



Virginia Children's Services Practice Model

We have developed a common philosophy that has helped to shift practice to achieve better outcomes for youth and families.

We believe:

All children and communities deserve to be safe.

In family, child, and youth-driven practice.

Children do best when raised in families.

All children and youth need and deserve a permanent family.

In partnering with others to support child and family success in a system that is family-focused, child-centered, and community-based.

How we do our work is as important as the work we do.

Building Blocks of the Transformation

Community-Based Continuum – Developing, funding and sustaining a continuum of services that will meet the needs of every child and ensure that when at all possible children receive the services that they need within their own home and community.

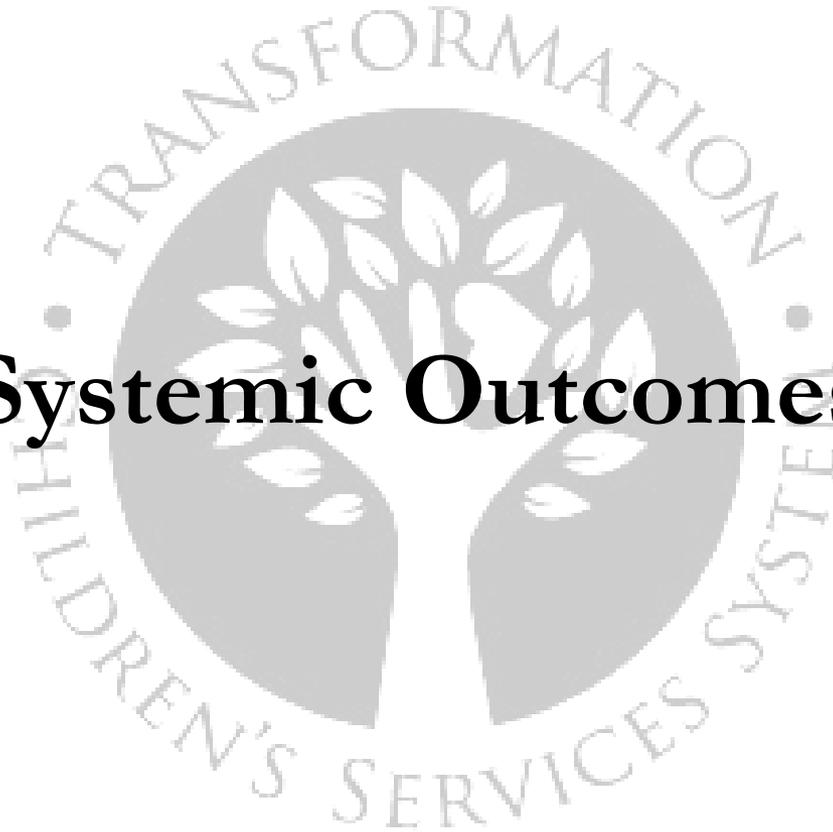
Statewide Training System – A comprehensive, competency based training system built on the practice model and accessible across Virginia

Resource Family Recruitment, Development and Support – Finding, training and supporting resource and adoptive families to provide permanent connections for youth in foster care

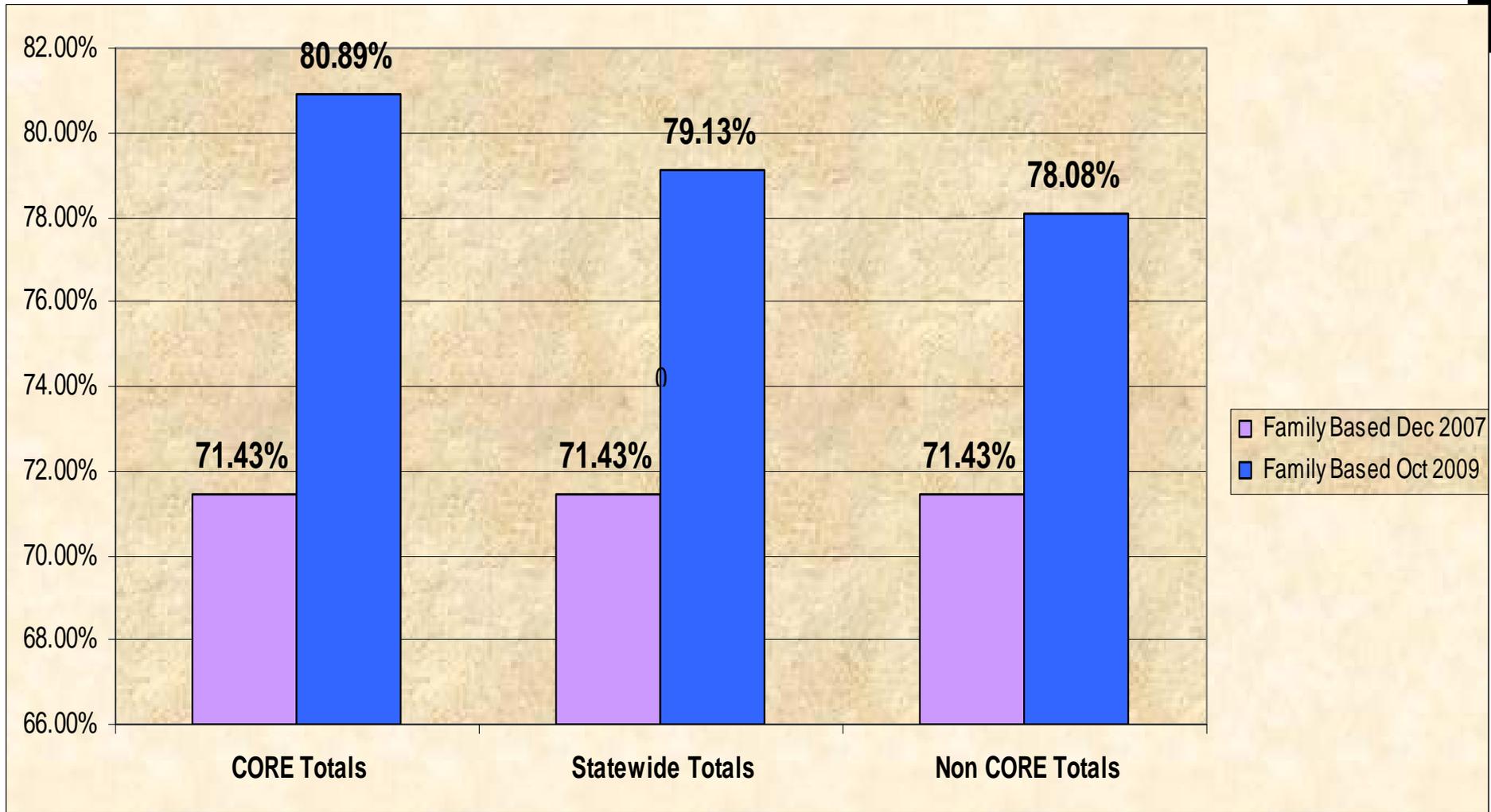
Managing by Data – Using data to guide our decision making and using our desired outcomes to drive practice

Family Engagement Model – Engaging families in a deliberate way by giving them a voice in what happens to their families and their children.

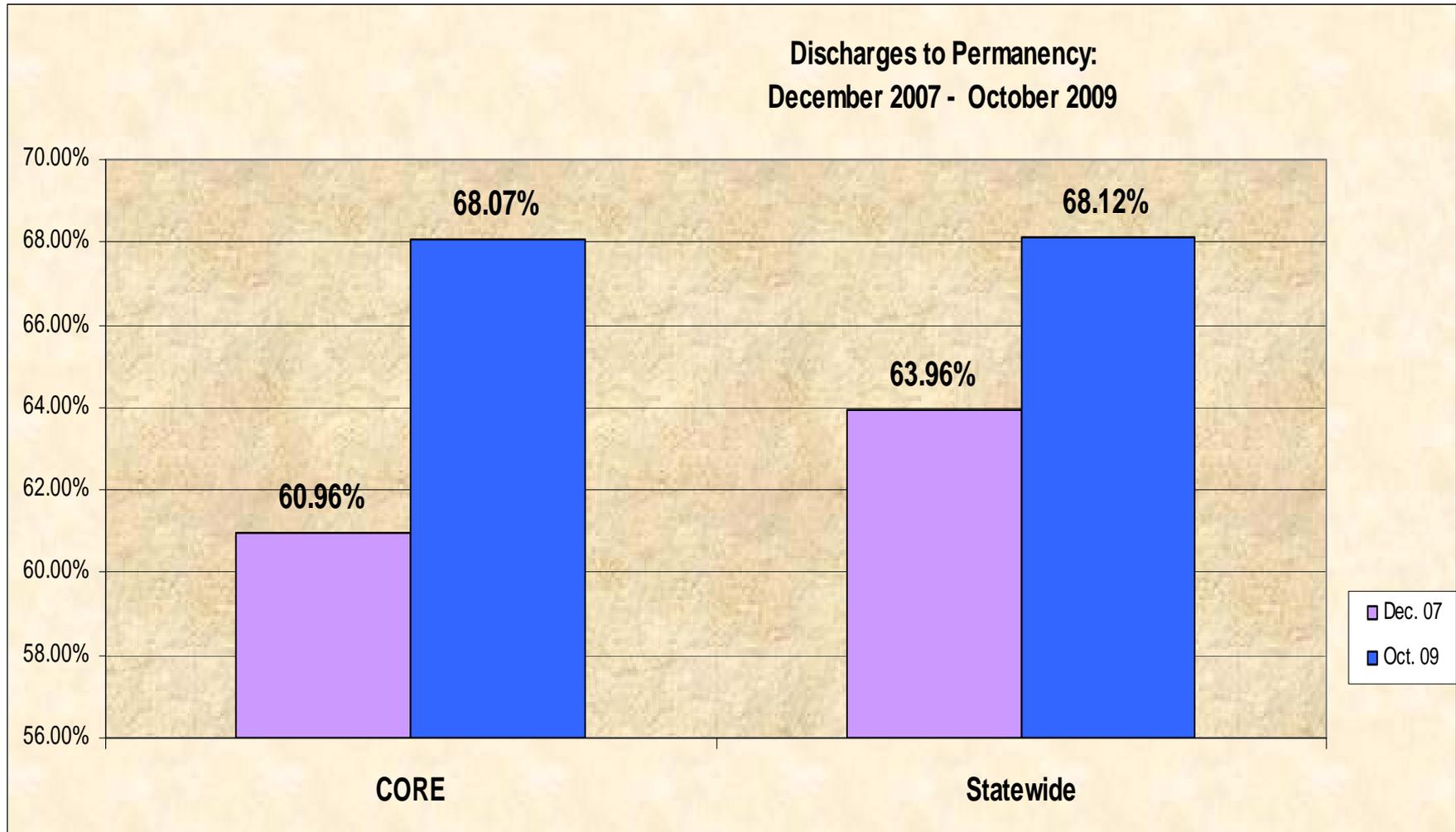
Systemic Outcomes



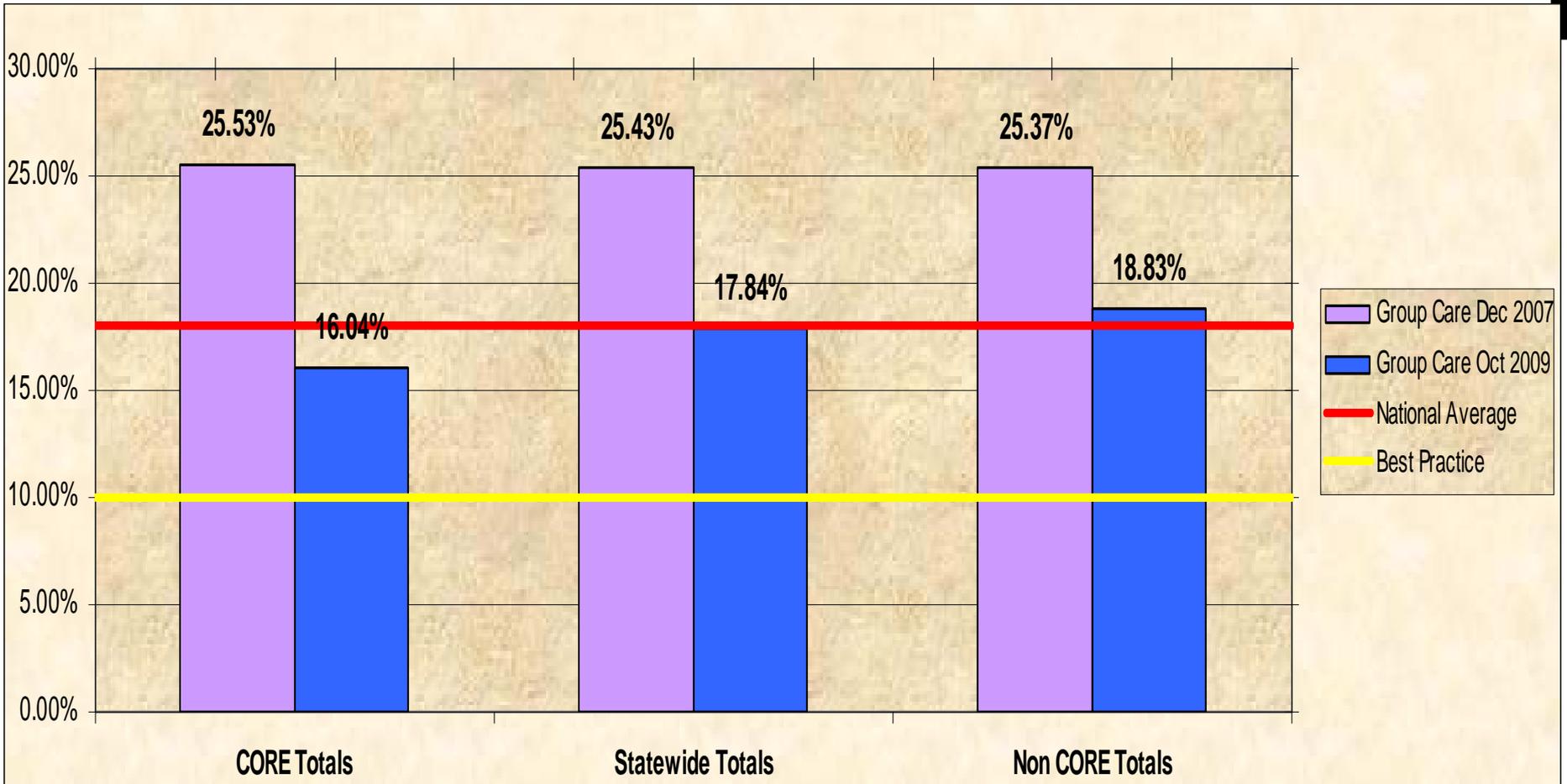
Family Based Placements



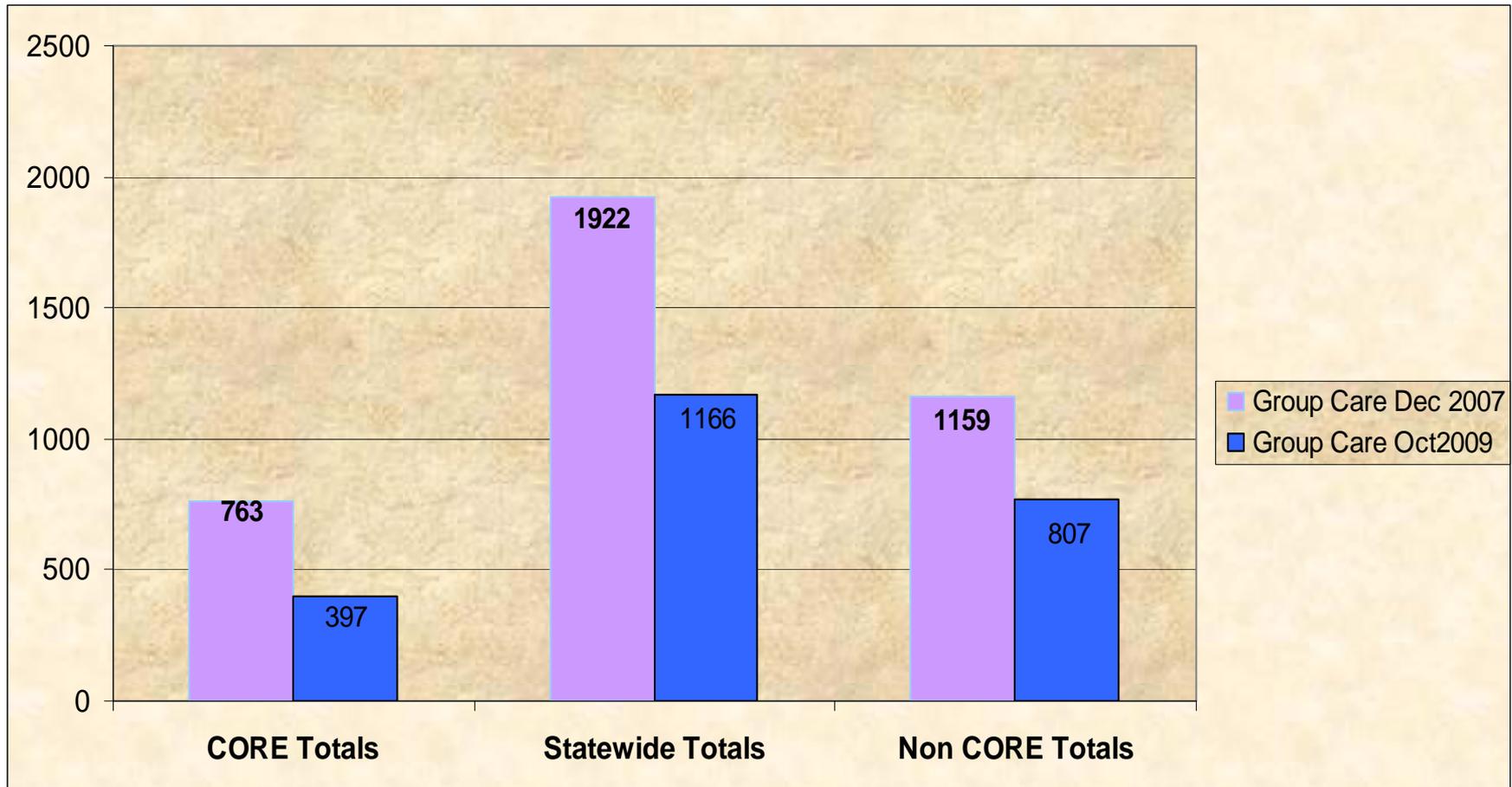
Discharges to Permanency



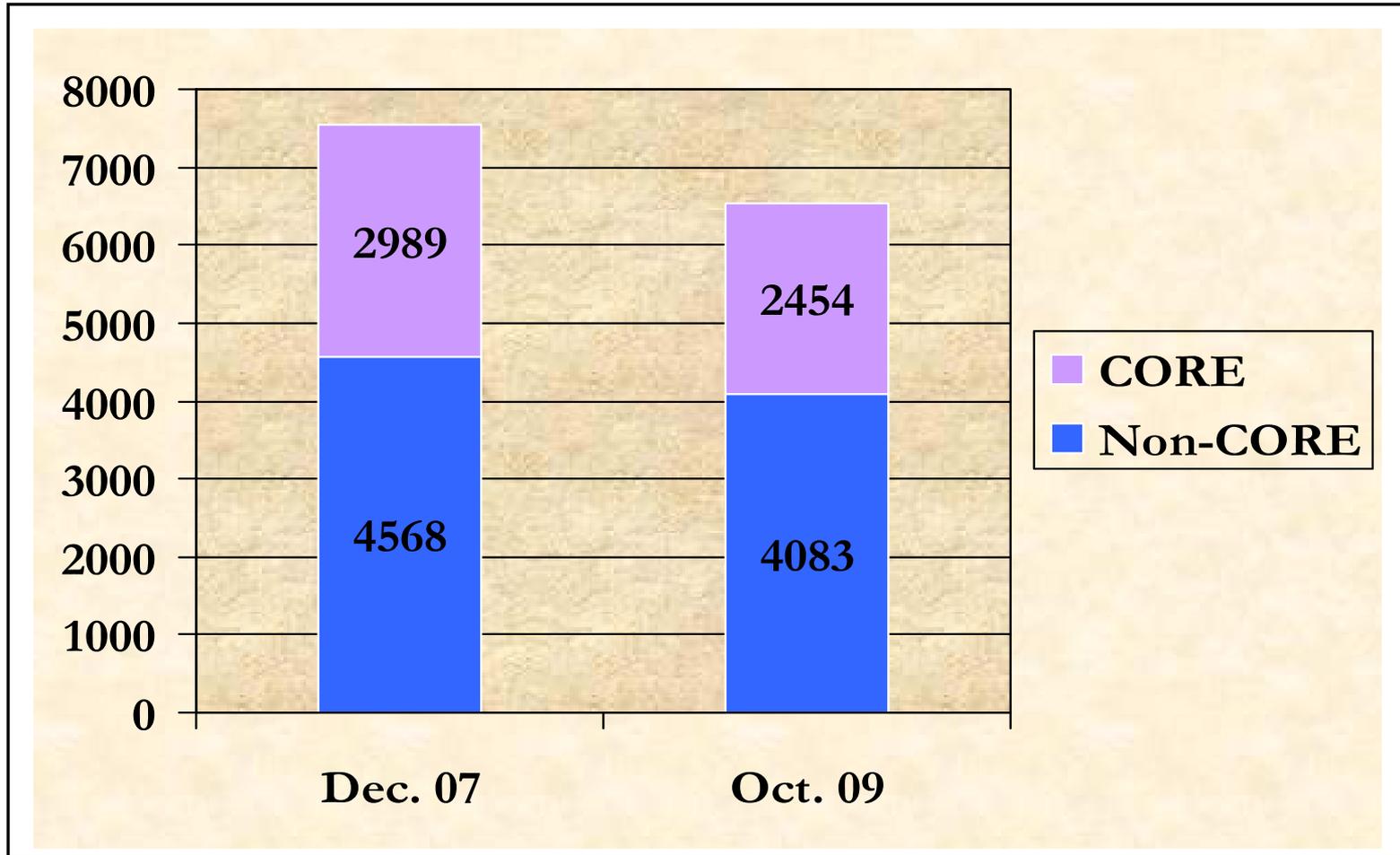
Group Care Placements



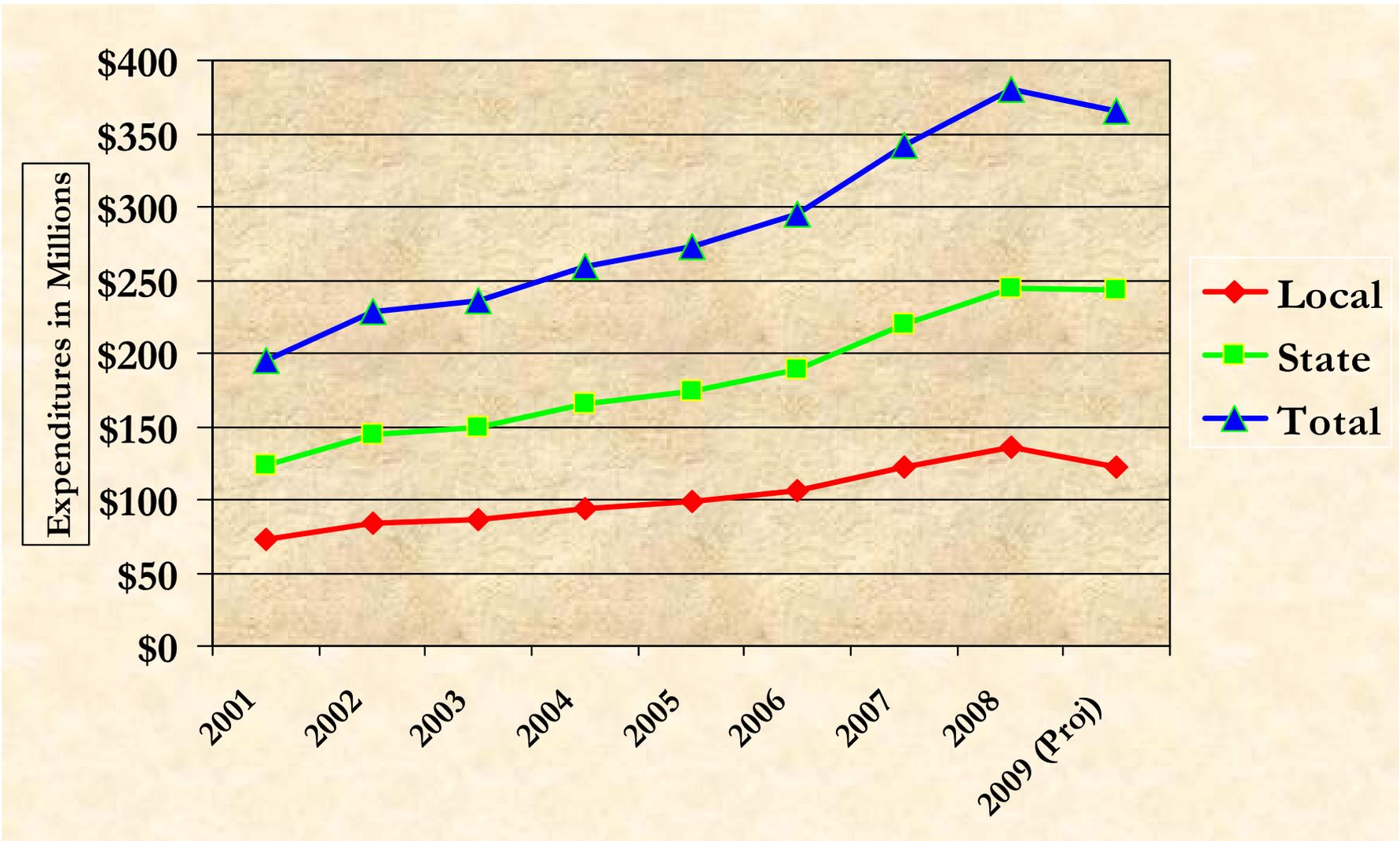
Numbers of Children in Group Care



Number of Children in Foster Care



CSA Expenditures 2001 - 2009

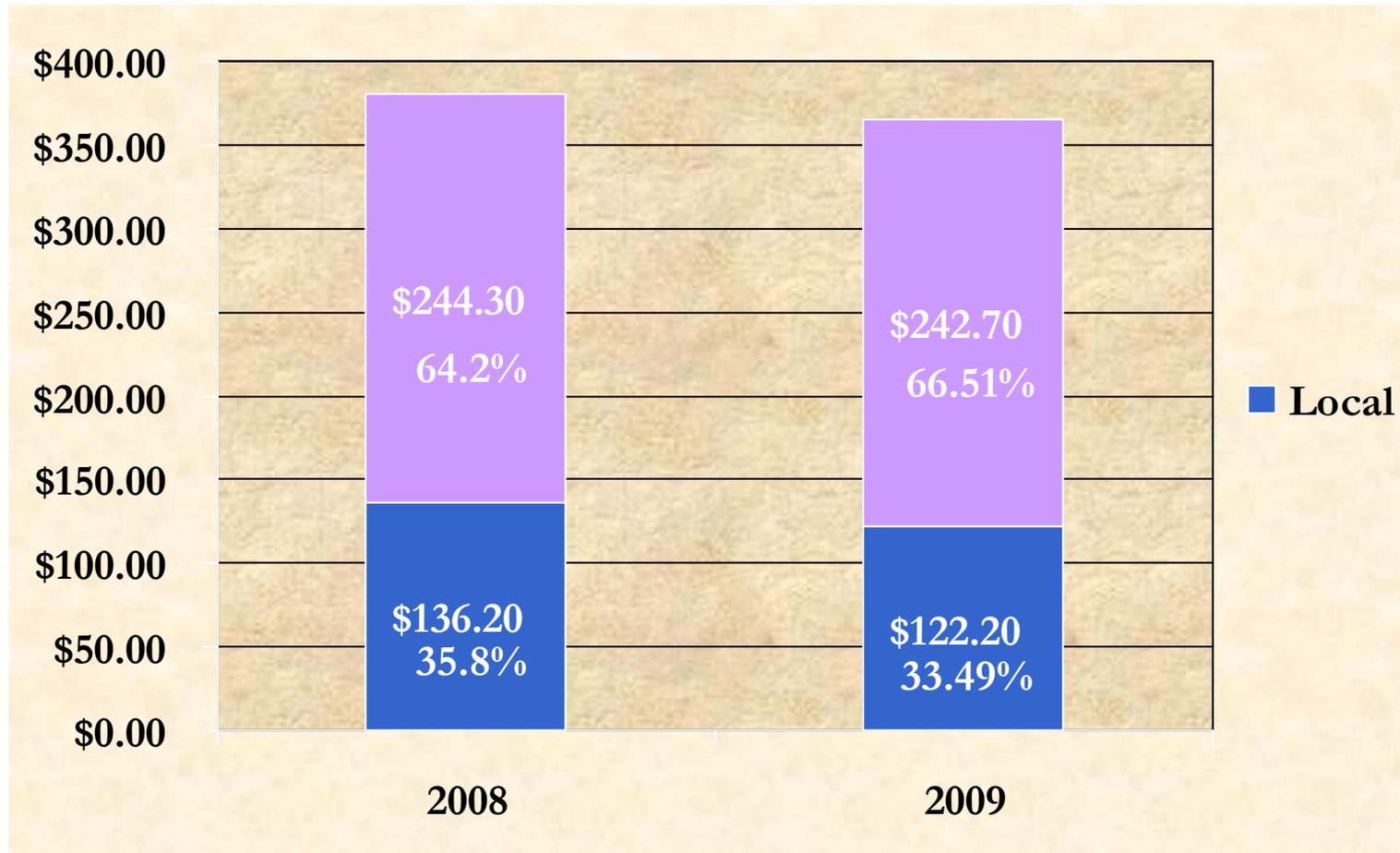


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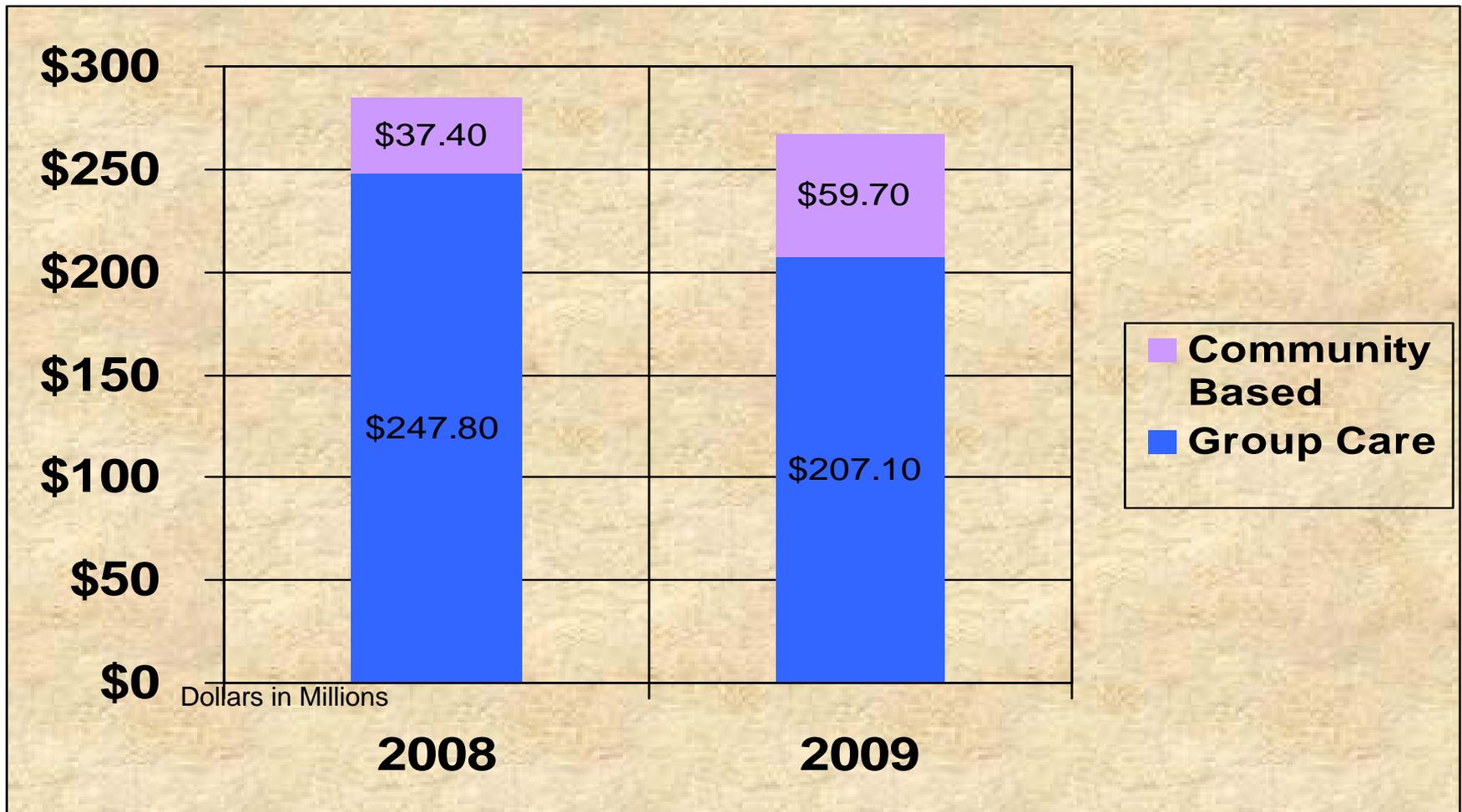
Dollars in Millions

	Total CSA	CSA State	CSA Local
2001	195.50	123.21	72.33
2002	227.80	144.45	83.36
2003	235.50	149.55	85.96
2004	259.30	165.26	94.25
2005	273.20	174.22	98.95
2006	295.00	189.16	105.85
2007	342.20	219.56	122.68
2008	380.50	244.29	136.24
2009 (proj)	364.90	242.7	122.20

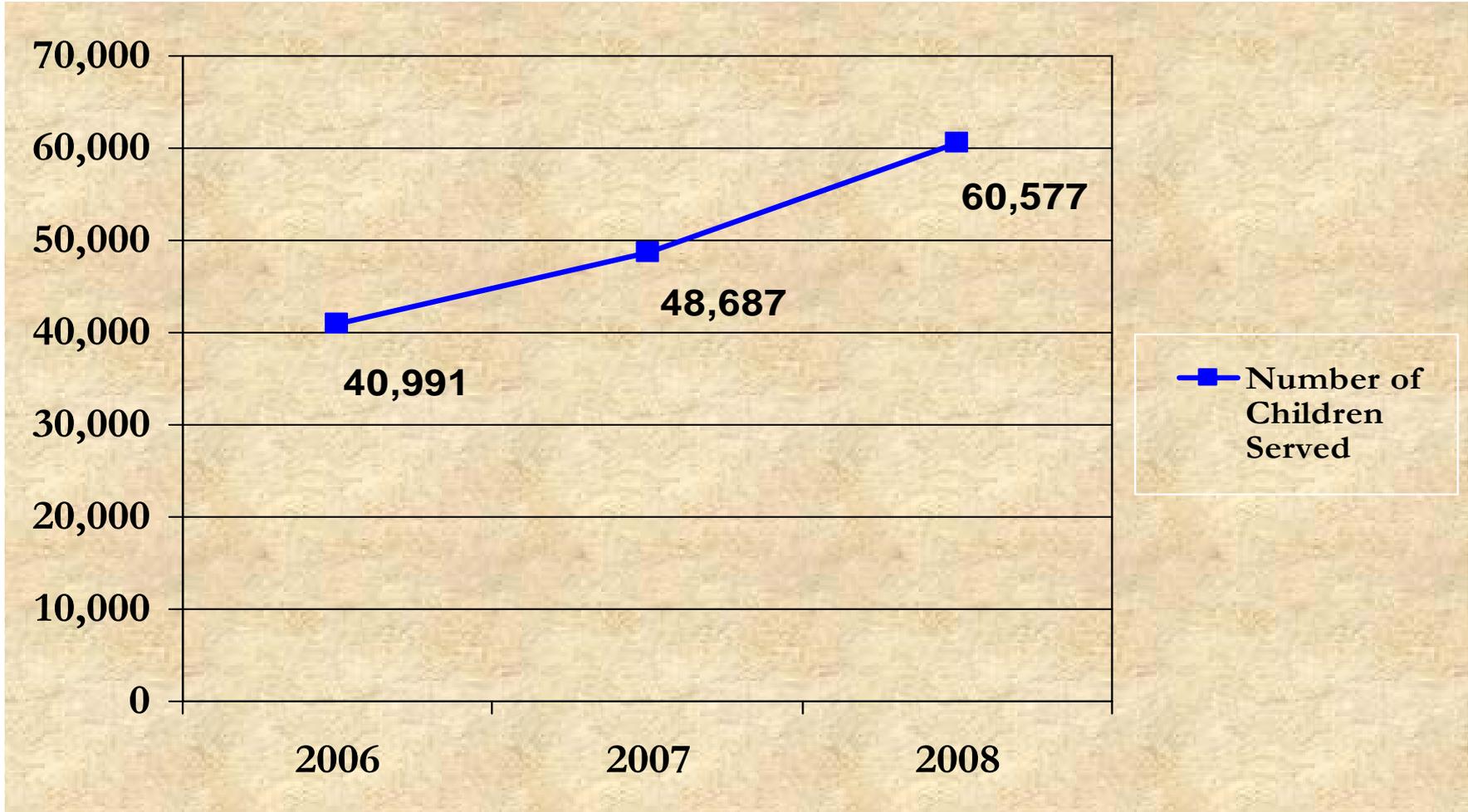
Shift in Effective State/Local Match Rate



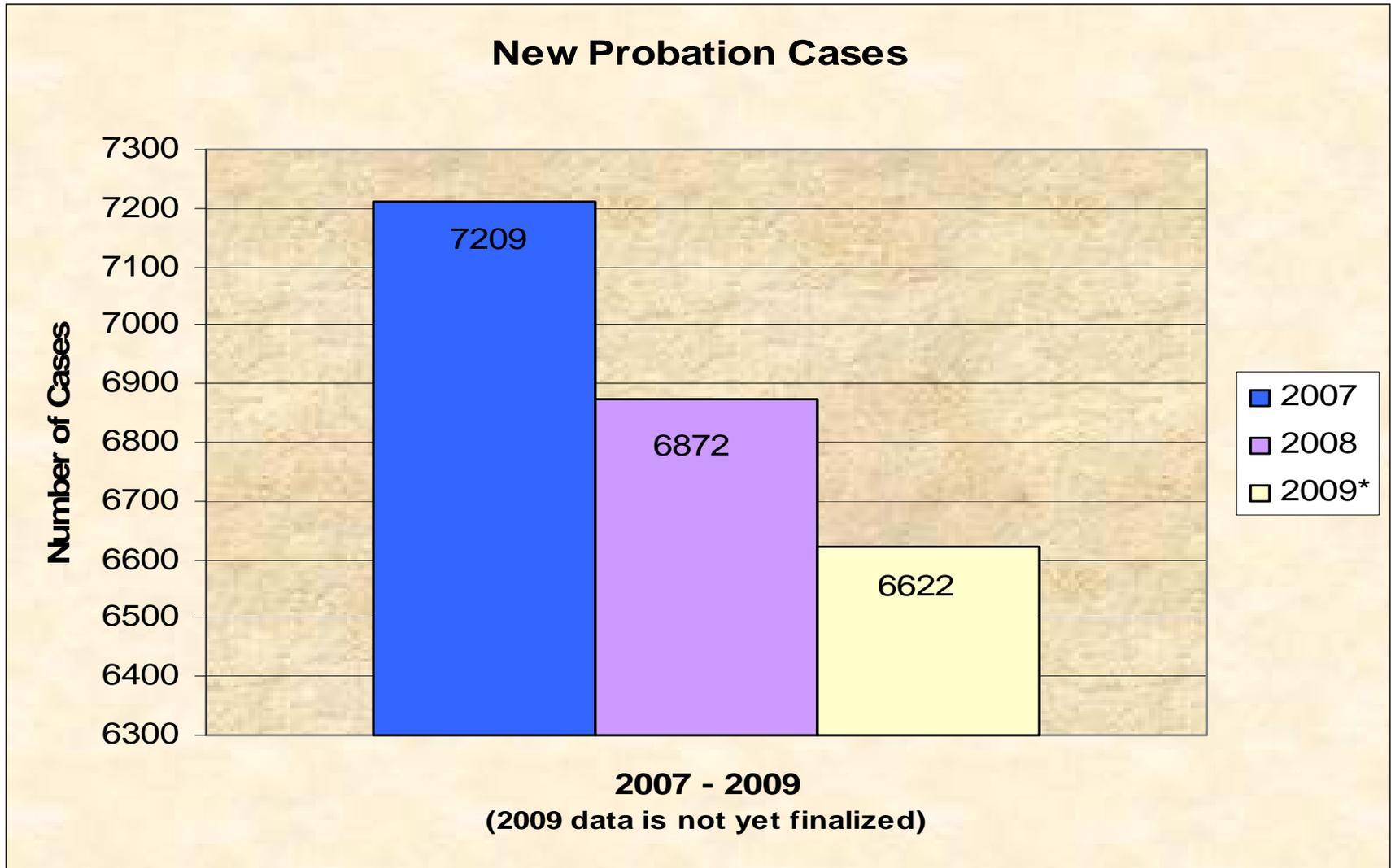
CSA Expenditures: Group Care vs. Community Based Care



CSB Community Services to Children

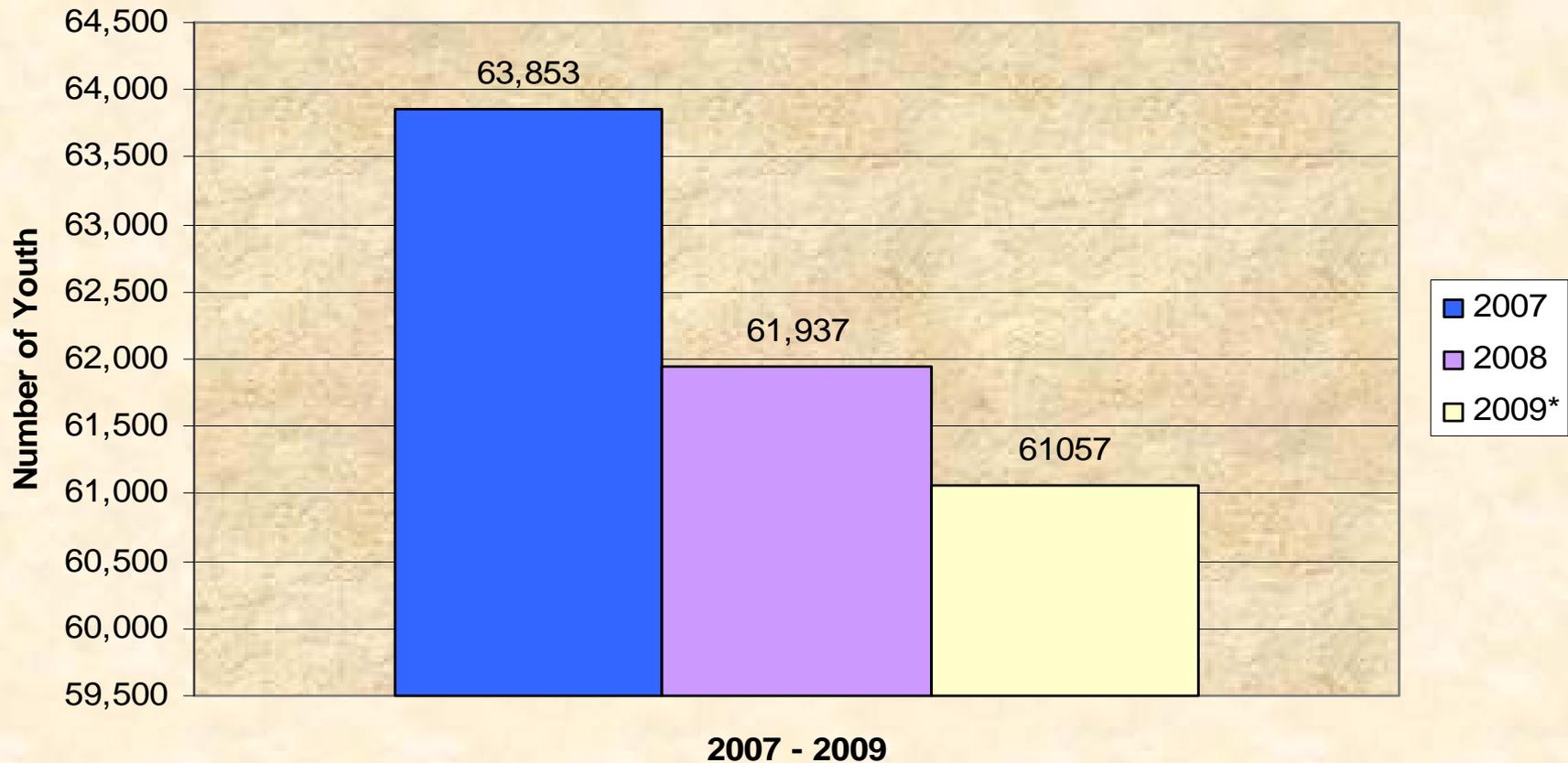


Total Number of Probation Cases

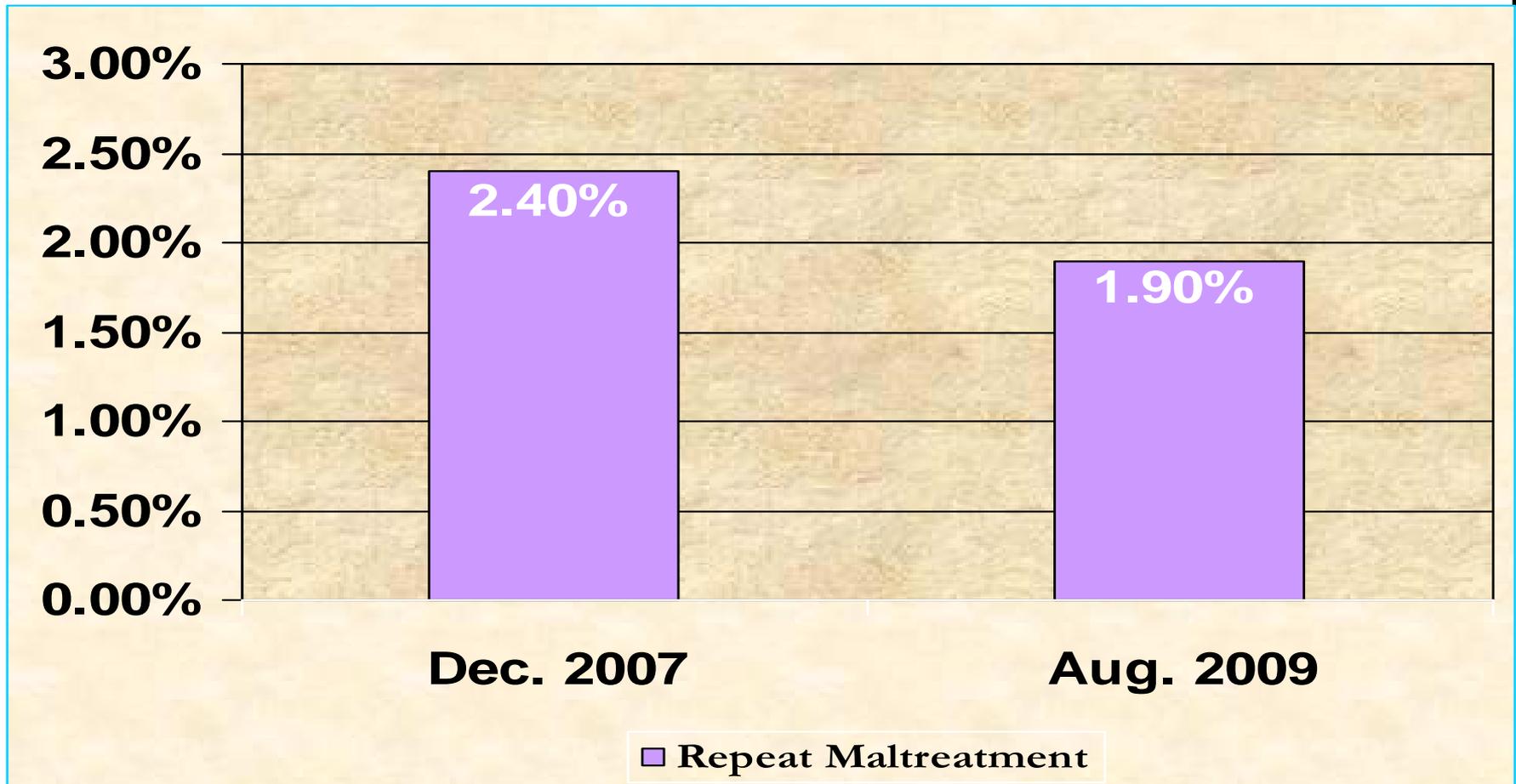


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Incidence of Repeat Maltreatment of Children in Foster Care



Transformation – Moving Forward

- **Training and Technical Assistance**
 - Transformation Academy and Regional Training
 - Agents of Change – Leadership Development Training
 - Governor's Conference on Children's Services Transformation – December 16-17
 - Meetings of CORE localities
 - Intensive Care Coordinator Network
- **Targeted Supports**
 - Consultations and assistance to individual communities
 - Support for intensive care coordination
- **Policy Directions to assure continued progress**