

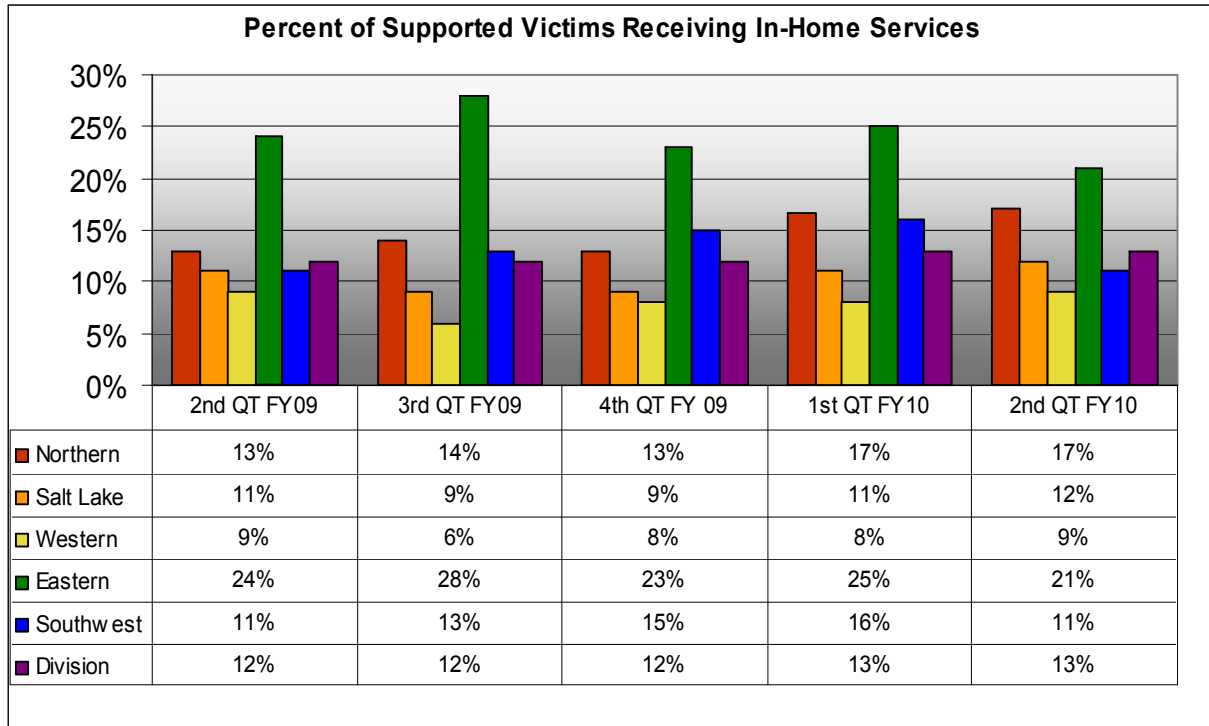
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As you might recall from the last quarterly report, there were two models being considered as possible enhancers of the In-Home model. One model is the Homebuilders Model. **HOMEBUILDERS** is a home and community-based intensive family preservation services designed to avoid unnecessary placement of children and youth into foster care, group care, psychiatric hospitals, or juvenile justice facilities. The second model is one that has been prototyped by the Division of Child and Family Services in the Eastern Region. The System of Care Model is based on five principles: Interagency Collaboration, Individualized Care, Cultural Competence, Child and Family Involvement, Community-Based Services, and Accountability. In addition to the System of Care, the Eastern Region has added a Creative Interventions Program. This program supports those families that are at risk of being separated by an out of home placement through intensive case management that can require a worker to be in the home up to three times per week. The outcomes for families involved in these programs are quite promising.

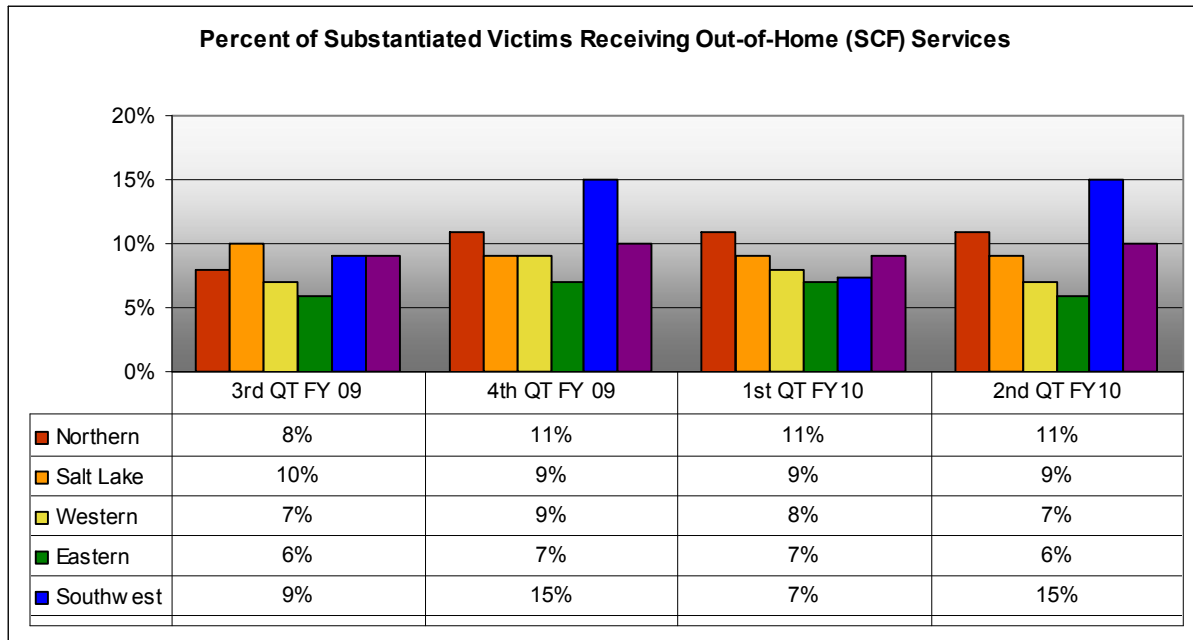
Currently, the System of Care seems to be gaining in popularity. The model developed and piloted in Eastern Region is continuing to have success in preventing children from coming into care. As you can see in the graph below, the Eastern Region has a significant amount of In-



Home Services being offered to victims of abuse and neglect.



Comparatively, the following graph shows a lower amount of Out of Home placements being made in Eastern Region.



The six remaining subcommittees have identified members and are awaiting a decision from the Executive Committee as to which direction the State of Utah will be going on the In-Home Program. Once the go ahead is given, the subcommittees will be working feverishly to prepare for statewide implementation.

A major part of enhancing In-Home Services is enhancing the tools that support the work we do. The State of Utah is working with the National Family Preservation Network to bring the North Carolina Family Assessment Scale-General (NCFAS-G) to the In-Home programming. The initial plan is calling for three transformational zones (Eastern, Western and Northern Regions). These three sites will volunteer ten In-Home workers to test the NCFAS-G for a yet to be determined period of time.

