

**STATISTICS FOR 2010**

**TOTAL NUMBER OF All ADOPTIONS.....50**

**TIME FRAME \***

Average (mean) time for adoptions measured from the time adoption search began until placement.... **11.5 months** (Minority program...6 months)

	%	Cumulative
% of families adopting within 6 months	37%	37%
Within 12 months	41%	84%
Within 18 months	6%	90%
Over 18 months	10%	100%

Once connected with a birthmother, the average wait until the birth was 1.9 months. 36% of clients waited less than 1 month, 27% waited between 1 and 2 months, 13% waited under 3 months and 24%waited over 3 months.

**METHODS USED\***

Direct Advertising (agency-assisted adoptions).....	7%
Personal Networking.....	10%
Traditional Placements.....	83%

(Minority Program: 37% of all placements)

**GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION\***

IL/IN.....90%                      Other.....10%

**FALL THROUGHS\***

14% of all connections fell through. A fall through is defined as the birthmother having a change of heart, typically occurring after the birth, although one fall through occurred because of a birth father contested. One couple experienced two fall throughs. As of January 2011, 20% of these couples had already adopted a baby. 60% are still searching and 20% dropped out of the process for personal reasons.

**TOTAL COST\***

Average cost of all adoptions.....\$21,280 (plus legal)  
 Average cost for clients in the Minority Program..... \$15,728 (plus legal)  
 Average Legal Fees in State.....\$2,492

	%	Cumulative
Under \$25,000.....	63%	63%
Under \$30,000.....	25%	88%
Under \$35,000.....	12%	100%

**Costs include agency, advertising, medical and other birth parent expenses.** Costs do not include travel, telephone, mailings, legal fees and court costs and other miscellaneous expenses.

\* These statistics reflect data for clients in our domestic program.