

REPORTS OF MISSING CHILDREN IN CALIFORNIA

REPORT TYPE	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
RUNAWAY Missing child who has left home without the knowledge or permission of parents or guardian.	90,076	89,095	81,161	83,850	
LOST Any child who has strayed away or whose whereabouts are unknown.	216	274	245	259	
CATASTROPHE Any child who is missing after a catastrophe (e.g., plane crash, boating accident, fire, flood, etc.).	12	10	2	13	
STRANGER ABDUCTION Any witnessed abduction of a child by a stranger / non-family member.	25	30	26	25	
PARENTAL / FAMILY ABDUCTION Any child taken by a parent / family member.	981	1,271	1,198	1,309	
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES Any child missing under suspicious circumstances that may indicate a stranger abduction.	248	301	298	263	
UNKNOWN CIRCUMSTANCES Any child who disappears under circumstances unknown.	2,594	2,716	2,603	2,497	
TOTALS	94,152	93,697	85,533	88,216	

GENDER OF MISSING CHILDREN	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Male	44,047	43,792	40,012	42,233	
Female	50,105	49,905	45,521	45,983	