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**Date:** 7/17/2018 3:13:41 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Research Request

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Good Afternoon, Catherine:

I apologize for the delay in responding to the data inquiry you sent on July 3. I received a response from our Accountability, Data and Research unit advising that this is not data that is captured by our system.

Thanks, Catherine, and please let me know if you require additional assistance. Have a pleasant afternoon.

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**Cc:** 'Dexter Lee (C013424)'  
**Subject:** RE: Research Request

Hi Catherine,

I hope you enjoyed the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. I'm emailing to acknowledge receipt of your email regarding the research request and to advise that I have forwarded it to our Accountability, Data and Research unit for review and follow up. I am not sure of the extent to which this data is collected, but expect to have an answer soon. Many staff members are on leave this week, so I appreciate your patience to await a response.

Thanks so much.

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[Good Morning Dexter and Pam,](#)

I'm not sure if either of you can help with this or know who might be able to help with this.  
How many times last year in South Carolina were children placed into protective custody upon the arrest of a parent?

We would also be interested in a breakdown of protective custody vs. hand off to other parent or family member.

Also, if either of you have this information and have a lead on where to locate national data, that would be great.

Thank you for your assistance.

*Best Regards,*  
*Catherine McNicoll*  
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