

## Missing Child Program Information for Parents

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### STATISTICS

- Based on the following statistics, the Clearinghouse documented 23,466 persons reported missing in 2015. Of those, 18,688 were children, with 9,972 females and 8,716 males reported missing. Authorities reported that 97 percent — a total of 18,099 children — were recovered safely.
- The complete report can be accessed at Ohio Attorney General’s website:
  - <http://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/getattachment/e3277b0b-8c3f-4888-aad0-0cd4f12a9f10/2015-Missing-Children-Clearinghouse-Annual-Report.aspx>

### REPORTING MISSING CHILDREN IN OHIO

- In 2011, the Ohio Missing Persons Unit (MPU) was relocated to better coordinate and convey information about services related to missing children and adults.
- The MPU has a toll-free hotline, 800-325-5604, to field calls from law enforcement, parents, community members, and the media. The hotline is answered 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.
- The MPU’s website, [www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov/MissingPersons](http://www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov/MissingPersons), is also available to provide visibility for missing person cases and as a central location for families and the public seeking resources and guidance

### REPORTING MISSING CHILDREN TO YOUR SCHOOL

- Under State’s “Missing Child Law”, parents or guardians must notify the school by the morning of any school day their child is not attending.