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1. How many foster care contractors does SRS work with?

- SRS works with five foster care contractors. Please see **Attachment A and B** for information on the contractors. You can also find this information on page 62 of your Finger Tip Facts.

2. How many administrators, area directors, office managers and case workers does each contractor employ?

- Because these are performance-based contracts, we do not require the contractors to provide this information to us. Please see **Attachment C** for a discussion of the qualifications staff hired by the contractors must have.

3. Since privatization began, what has been the cost of operation of each contractor per year?

Since privatization began, how much in funding per year has SRS provided to the contractors?

- Please see **Attachment C** for a discussion of contract funding.

4. What percent of total funding to the contractors comes from SRS and how much from other sources. What are those sources?

- This information is not readily available to us. However, please see **Attachment C** which provides an example of one contractor's sources of funding.

5. How many children have been in foster care custody at the end of each calendar year since the beginning of privatization? How many are forecast for 2003?

- Please see **Attachment C** for a breakdown of the number of children served in foster care, adoption and family preservation since the beginning of privatization. Please also see the document "A Decade in Kansas Child Welfare" for additional information at **Attachment K**.

6. How many employees did SRS employ at the beginning of FY 2003? How many will SRS employ at the end of FY 2003? How many SRS employees have been laid off in FY 2003?

- Please see **Attachment D** for a breakdown of the number of SRS FTE at the beginning of FY 2003 and currently. There is no way to predict how many SRS employees there will be at the end of FY 2003.
- Please see **Attachment E** for the FTE graph.

- Please see **Attachment G**, page 1 for information regarding the number of positions which will need to remain open in FY 2003 throughout the SRS system.
- 7. How many SRS offices did SRS have at the beginning of FY 2003?**
 - SRS had an office in each of the 105 counties at the beginning of FY 2003. On October 8, 2002, SRS announced that 23 offices would close in FY 03. Please see **Attachment H** for a list of the 23 offices which will be closed.
 - 8. How many programs have been cut or reduced during FY 2003?**
 - Please see **Attachment F and G** for a list of FY 2003 program cuts.
 - 9. Please provide the cost of child care for a child including direct care, transportation, meals and other expenses.**
 - Please see **Attachment L**
 - 10. Please provide a copy of the child welfare circle chart.**
 - Please see **Attachment M**
 - 11. Please see Attachments I and J for additional information on the Governor's 2003/2004 budget.**