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Abstract

Every year thousands of kids relocate to new homes and to new parents. This process is very life altering and can have deep effects on children. When kids are moved around from one place to another, they struggle to adjust to their surroundings. Adoption can deeply affect people in both positive and negative ways.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE FIGURES					
Top countries of origin		Most adoptions by state		Average number o days to complete	
China	1,905	Texas	406	Peru	15
Ethiopia	313	California	333	New Zealand	l 17
South Korea	276	Illinois	214	China	19
Haiti	227	North Carolina	194	Lithuania	22
India	221	New York	192	Romania	23
Ukraine	215	Georgia	191	1111	. 4
Colombia	181	Tennessee	186	Dominican R	ep67
Nigeria	176	Virginia	183	Italy	67
Bulgaria	147	Florida	166	Togo	69
Philippines	111	Minnesota	160	Kenya	87

The infographic above shows the intercountry adoption rate. (2018b).

Key Points

- Many orphanages do not have the right resources to meet the needs of their orphans.
- They can be overcrowded causing there to be scarce resources for everyone.
- Some orphanages have their orphans living in very poor conditions.
- These situations can create trauma in the lives of orphan children.
- Adjustment can be especially hard for internationally adopted kids.

Conclusions and Discussion

Adoption can be a tough situation for many people. Both the adoptee and the adopting parents have to go through a rigorous journey. Adjusting from one place to another is challenging for everyone, especially children. The deep effects adoption has on a child can be either good or bad. Although the process of adoption is long, it can bring hope and new opportunities to a child's life. Future research should be done to show the effects that adoption can have on adulthood.

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