



# JOURNAL OVERVIEW & DEMOGRAPHICS

*Families in Society* serves as a forum for new research and emerging trends in the delivery and management of social services and related programs in the medical and mental health systems. *Families in Society* offers an interdisciplinary editorial calendar to further the effectiveness and value of this forum.

Ancillaries such as a companion website, *Practice & Policy Focus* newsletter, quarterly E-Alerts, Facebook and Twitter announcements, monthly Web resource postings, special print issues, online CEU program, podcasts, and webinars contribute additional opportunities to advance knowledge and capacity in the field.

**Readership is estimated at approximately 20,000-plus based on a pass-a-long average of at least seven readers per issue. The journal has wide-ranging content and appeals to practitioners, educators, and allied professionals.**

### Geographic Profile of Readership

North America: 83%  
Europe: 4%  
Asia: 10%  
Oceanic Region: 3%

### Academic & Research Orientation

Educational institutions:  
76% of total circulation

### Clinical Service Orientation

Nonprofit agencies and medical facilities:  
24% of total circulation

### Clinical Service Subcategories

Government agencies subtotal: 2.5%  
Hospitals and other medical facilities: 16%  
Social service agencies: 81.5%

### Demographics of the Alliance for Children and Families Membership (17% total circulation)

Alliance members represent a significant force in the human services sector:

- Cumulative operating budget of \$3.6 billion
- Almost 53,000 FTEs; 7,000 board members
- Serve over 8,000 communities in more than 2,700 locations
- 3.4 million clients participate in Alliance member services annually

### History and Prestige

*Families in Society* is the oldest and one of the most respected social service journals in North America. Editorial content links scholarship in social work and the social sciences to the world of practice. Originally published as *The Family* by Mary E. Richmond, widely considered the founder of social casework practice, the journal celebrated its 90th anniversary in 2009.

### Visibility and Impact

- 2008 Impact Factor: 0.211; 2009 Impact Factor: 0.317
- 5-Year Impact Factor: 0.45
- Eigenfactor Score: 0.00092017 (2007); 0.00108 (2008); (2009: TBD)

*Families in Society* is one of five journals that routinely comprise the “core of the social work journal network” with exemplary information on social work education and research.

### Influence and Reach

*Families in Society* content and website links are routinely distributed via national and international partners to supplement research compilations on a variety of topics.

Examples include:

- Administration on Aging (U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services)
- Children’s Bureau (U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services)
- Veterans Health Administration (U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs)
- Foster Family-based Treatment Association (FFTA)
- International Foster Care Organisation (IFCO)
- Better Care Network (UNICEF/Child Protection Sect.)
- Integrated Policy & Legislation Team (Canadian Ministry of Children and Family Development)
- Australian Association of Social Workers
- The Center for Victims of Torture
- The Pennsylvania Child Welfare Training Program
- Protective Services Training Institute of Texas
- Milwaukee Public Schools

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