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CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REPORT – 2007

In calendar year 2007, 92,268 reports of child abuse and neglect were made to county Departments of Family and Children Services. DFCS screened out or referred to other services 15,136 reports (16%) that did not meet the definition of maltreatment. An additional 33,366 reports (36%) were identified as Family Support (Diversions) and did not warrant a full investigation. Data for the remaining 43,766 reports (47%) were accepted for service, entered into the Protective Services Data System (PSDS) or Georgia SHINES and used to compile this report.

CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES DATA SYSTEM

The Georgia General Assembly established a child abuse information system in 1990 to collect data on child maltreatment. Each county Department of Family and Children Services (DFCS) enters data into the system. PSDS collects data on all relevant information except names of perpetrators. The Georgia Supreme Court has determined that keeping names is unconstitutional. PSDS/Georgia SHINES provides the information for this annual report and for the reporting required by Federal/State regulations, laws and program expectations.

DISPOSITION OF REPORTS

Reports. Reports of maltreatment are made to county Departments of Family and Children Services. When a report is made the department determines whether it meets the criteria for an investigation: **there is a child under 18 years alleged to be mistreated by the parent or caretaker.** A copy of every report DFCS receives is immediately shared with local law enforcement, as required by O.C.G.A. 19-7-5. In 2007, 92,268 reports were made to county DFCS offices.

Investigated Reports. Reports that meet the criteria for maltreatment are accepted for investigation. In 2007, 43,766 reports were accepted for investigation. After the circumstances are investigated, one of the following dispositions is assigned to the report:

Substantiated, case remains open. A case is substantiated when the preponderance of evidence supports the allegations. Cases rated high risk or moderate risk for recurring maltreatment remain open for ongoing CPS services.

Substantiated, case closed. A preponderance of evidence supports the allegations; however, the case is low risk for further maltreatment. Referrals to community resources are made as available and appropriate.

Unsubstantiated, case closed. There is either not a preponderance of evidence or no evidence to support the allegations, and the case is closed.

Unsubstantiated, case remains open. There is either not a preponderance of evidence or no evidence to support the allegations. The case remains open because of court-ordered CPS involvement.

An investigation may contain more than one alleged incident of maltreatment and may involve more than one child.

Screened-Out Reports. Reports that do not meet the criteria for maltreatment are screened out or referred to other resources. Reports that do not meet these basic criteria for an investigation are frequently referred to local resources (e.g., mental health, court system, early intervention and preventive programs) for assistance. In 2007, 15,136 reports were screened-out.

Family Support. Family Support (Diversions) allow caseworkers to help families find the right services. Family Support accounted for 33,366 cases in 2007.

DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED IN THIS REPORT

The information in this report refers to several types of counts:

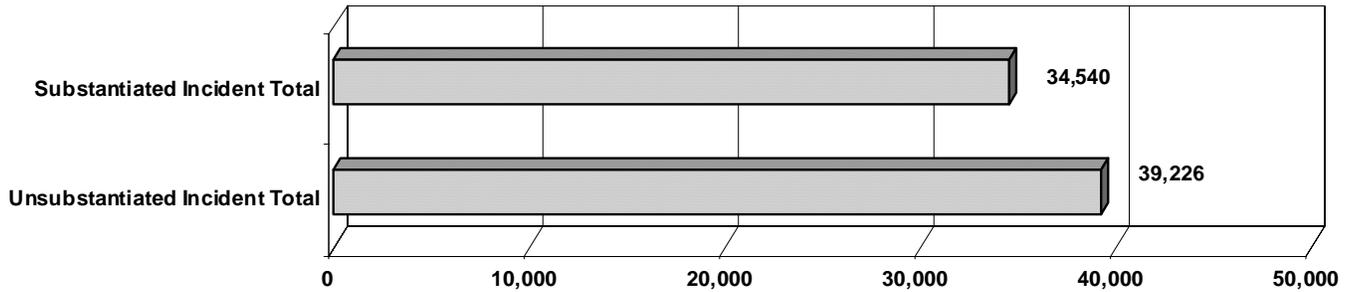
An **investigated report** (case count) represents the number of reports received. One report may contain more than one alleged incident of maltreatment and may involve more than one child.

An **incident count** represents the number of maltreatment types indicated for each child in a report. The maltreatment types include: Neglect, Physical, Sexual, Emotional and Other. The number of incidents in PSDS will be greater than the number of reports/cases. It will equal or exceed the number of children.

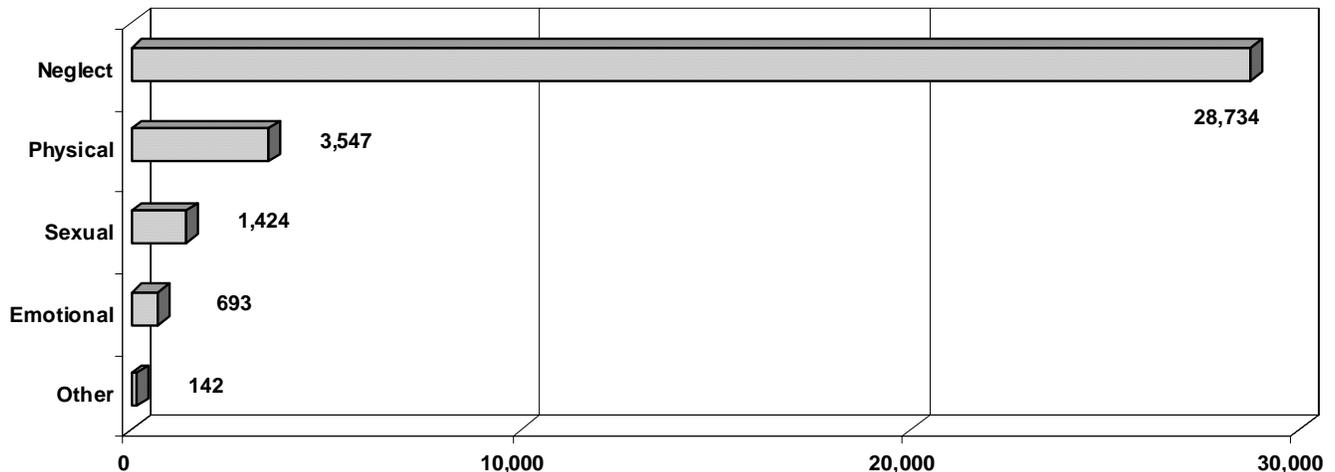
| Disposition | Investigations | Incidents |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Substantiated | 19,868 | 34,540 |
| Unsubstantiated | 23,898 | 39,226 |
| Total | 43,766 | 73,766 |

2007 INCIDENT DATA

A total of 73,766 incidents of maltreatment were reported in 2007. The number of **investigations** of alleged child maltreatment is less than the count of the **incidents** of alleged maltreatment, because there may be maltreatment reported on several children in one investigation. Also, for each child in an investigation, more than one type of maltreatment may be reported.



Substantiated Incidents of Maltreatment



REPORTERS

Suspected maltreatment is reported to county DFCS offices. While the agency encourages anyone who suspects maltreatment to report, the law requires certain people to report, by virtue of their profession; they are called “mandated reporters.” This includes teachers, school counselors, physicians, nurses, dentists, law enforcement personnel and Georgia Department of Human Resources staff members.

The table below shows the types of reporters by disposition: Substantiated or Unsubstantiated. Mandated Reporters submitted 70 percent of investigated reports. For Substantiated Dispositions, the five most prevalent sources of investigated reports were Law Enforcement/Court (24%), School Personnel (21%), Hospital/Clinic (11%), DHR Staff (10%) and Relative (8%). For Unsubstantiated Dispositions, the five most prevalent sources of investigated reports were School Personnel (29%), Law Enforcement/Court (12%), DHR Staff (10%), Relative (9%) and Anonymous (8%).

Disposition by Report Source

| Disposition by Report Source | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Report Source | Disposition | | Total |
| | Substantiated | Unsubstantiated | |
| Mandated Reporters | | | |
| School Personnel | 4,090 | 6,925 | 11,015 |
| Law Enforcement/Court | 4,822 | 2,937 | 7,759 |
| Hospital/Clinic | 2,134 | 1,421 | 3,555 |
| Physician, Dentist, Podiatrist, Nurse | 389 | 511 | 900 |
| Professional Counselor, Social Worker | 1,146 | 1,468 | 2,614 |
| DHR Staff | 1,937 | 2,309 | 4,246 |
| Day Care Center | 124 | 216 | 340 |
| TANF * | 28 | 31 | 59 |
| Total Mandated Reporters | 14,670 | 15,818 | 30,488 |
| Non-Mandated Reporters | | | |
| Custodial Parent/Guardian | 771 | 886 | 1,657 |
| Relative | 1,577 | 2,041 | 3,617 |
| Neighbor/Friend | 924 | 1,378 | 2,302 |
| Non-Custodial Parent | 373 | 889 | 1,262 |
| Religious Leader/Staff | 32 | 39 | 71 |
| Lawyer | 31 | 30 | 61 |
| Other Non-Mandated Person | 340 | 532 | 872 |
| Alleged Perpetrator | 26 | 11 | 37 |
| Victim | 71 | 64 | 135 |
| Total Non-Mandated Reporters | 4,145 | 5,870 | 10,015 |
| Unknown | | | |
| Unknown | 161 | 377 | 538 |
| Anonymous | 854 | 1,806 | 2,660 |
| Missing | 38 | 27 | 65 |
| Total Unknown | 1,053 | 2,210 | 3,263 |
| Total | 19,868 | 23,898 | 43,766 |

*A TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) case manager refers a family when there is a concern about maltreatment of a child resulting from a TANF Sanction.

LOCATION OF MALTREATMENT

The data system collects information about where the alleged maltreatment occurred. The numbers in the accompanying chart are based on incidents. Many children were victims of more than one type of maltreatment and were counted multiple times in each location. For example, a child may have been both neglected and sexually abused in the family home. This child is counted twice at that location.

| SUBSTANTIATED - LOCATION AND TYPE OF MALTREATMENT | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Location | Type of Maltreatment Incidents | | | | | |
| | NEGLECT | PHYSICAL | SEXUAL | EMOTIONAL | OTHER | TOTAL |
| Victim's Home | 26,134 | 3,117 | 1,041 | 603 | 104 | 30,999 |
| Other Private Home | 1,077 | 228 | 278 | 21 | 9 | 1,613 |
| Center Based Daycare | 42 | 23 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 67 |
| Family Based Daycare | 27 | 10 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 43 |
| Residential Foster Care Home | 17 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 29 |
| Group Home Foster Care | 70 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 80 |
| Family Foster Home-DFCS | 106 | 17 | 14 | 14 | 0 | 151 |
| Family Foster Home-Non DFCS | 59 | 13 | 4 | 11 | 0 | 87 |
| Other Institution | 86 | 36 | 15 | 15 | 2 | 154 |
| Other | 1,106 | 92 | 55 | 24 | 27 | 1,304 |
| Unknown/Missing | 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| Total | 28,734 | 3,547 | 1,424 | 693 | 142 | 34,540 |
| * 'Other' may include such locations as a park, shopping mall, automobile, place of business, etc. | | | | | | |

FOSTER PARENTS AND FOSTER HOMES

In 2007, there were 347 substantiated incidents of maltreatment to foster children in a foster home location. In 266 of the 347 incidents, the perpetrator was a foster parent or residential/group home staff member. The four types of foster care recorded in the data system are residential facilities, group home facilities, family foster care homes – DFCS and family foster homes – Non DFCS.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

DFCS began collecting information on substance abuse in reported cases in 1994. Caretaker substance abuse is a major factor in child abuse and neglect, and the department places strong emphasis on identifying families with this problem and referring them for treatment. This more aggressive approach by Child Protective Services includes:

- Asking the reporter specific questions regarding substance abuse.
- Responding immediately to a report from medical personnel that a mother of a newborn has tested positive for drugs. In this case, the agency refers the mother for a formal substance abuse assessment, checks for the safety of other children in the home, requests custody of the newborn and other children who may be at-risk, and requests court-ordered treatment for the mother, if the need is indicated.
- Assessing the need for treatment in all investigations where drug use was alleged in the original report and where abuse was substantiated.
- Attempting to obtain voluntary drug screens in cases where drug use is alleged and paying for drug screenings and assessments. (Note: If parents or caretakers refuse to have a drug screen, CPS can request the court to order one).
- Requiring repeat negative drug screens for a specified length of time in ongoing cases where drug use was substantiated. As a result of these protective services policies related to drug use (and case managers' increased ability to recognize its signs) drug abuse has been substantiated in increasing numbers of cases.

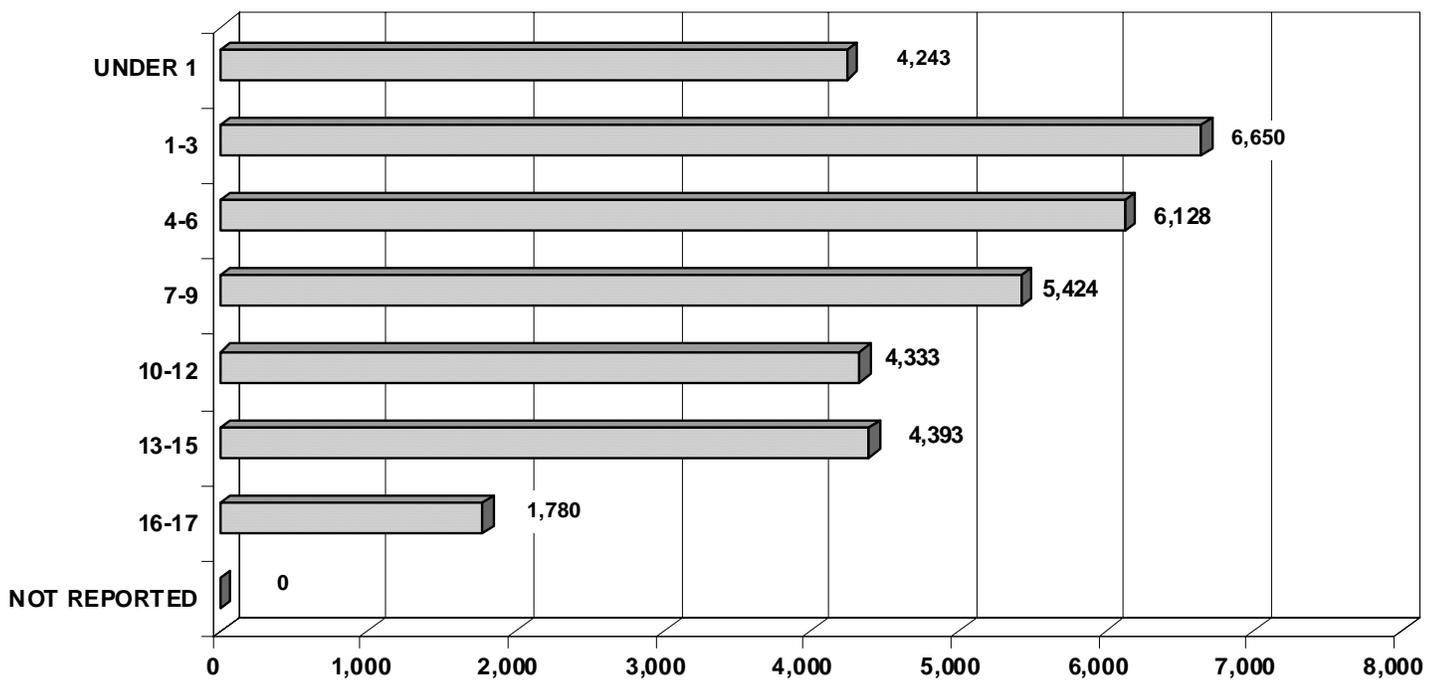
The numbers in the accompanying chart are based on the number of investigated reports.

| Adult Substance Abuse By Type | | | | |
|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Type | Alleged Unsubstantiated | Alleged Substantiated | Not Alleged But Substantiated | Total Investigations |
| Alcohol | 728 | 622 | 78 | 1,428 |
| Prescription Medicine | 378 | 229 | 21 | 628 |
| Controlled Substance | 3,809 | 4,267 | 492 | 8,568 |
| Alcohol and Prescribed Medicine | 54 | 50 | 1 | 105 |
| Alcohol and Controlled Substance | 346 | 264 | 36 | 646 |
| Prescribed Medicine and Controlled Substance | 175 | 262 | 30 | 467 |
| All Types | 173 | 106 | 11 | 290 |
| Type Unknown | 9 | 1 | 0 | 10 |
| Total | 5,672 | 5,801 | 669 | 12,142 |

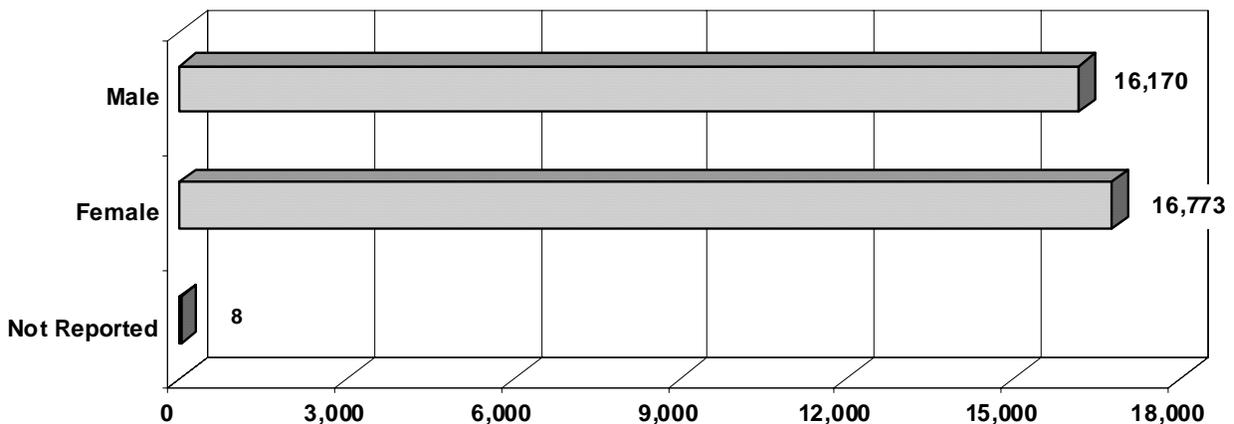
2007 VICTIM DATA

The graphs in this section identify all the children who were entered into the data system as substantiated victims of maltreatment (32,951 children). Children Ages 1- 3 years (20%) and 4-6 years (19%) accounted for the largest percentage of victims. Children who were younger than 1 year accounted for 13% of the victims. This was the largest single age category. The second largest single age category was Age 1 with 7% of the victims. Fifty-two percent of the victims were under the age of seven. In general, as age increased victimization decreased. More than half of all victims were White (55%) with African American victims accounting for 40%. The ethnicity of 7% of the victims was Hispanic. The percentages of Child victims were divided relatively evenly between Male (49%) and Female (51%).

Age

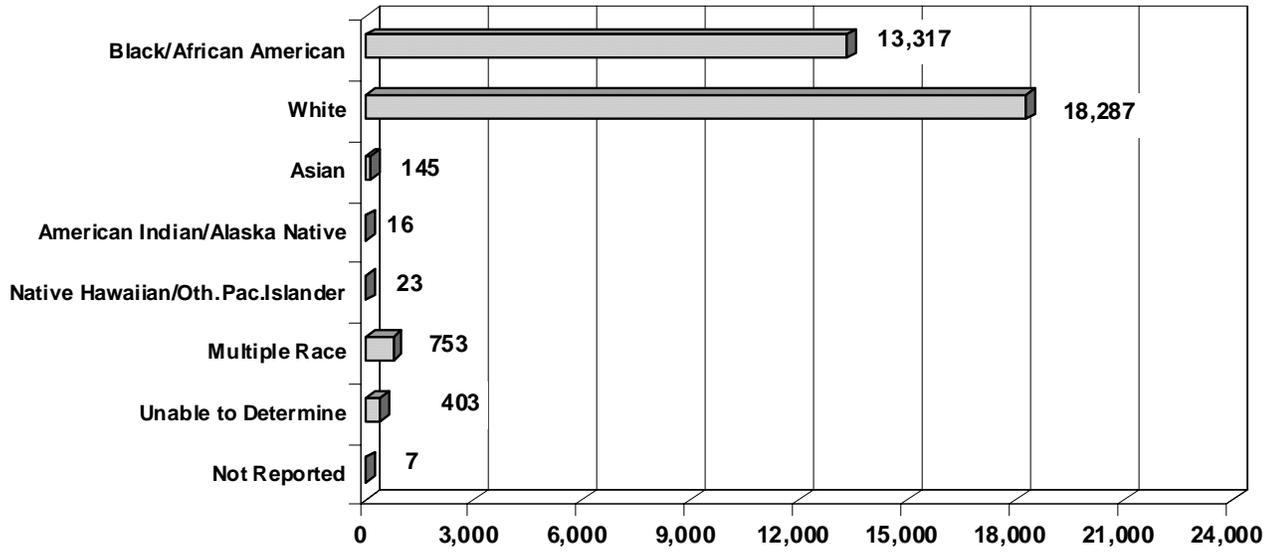


Gender

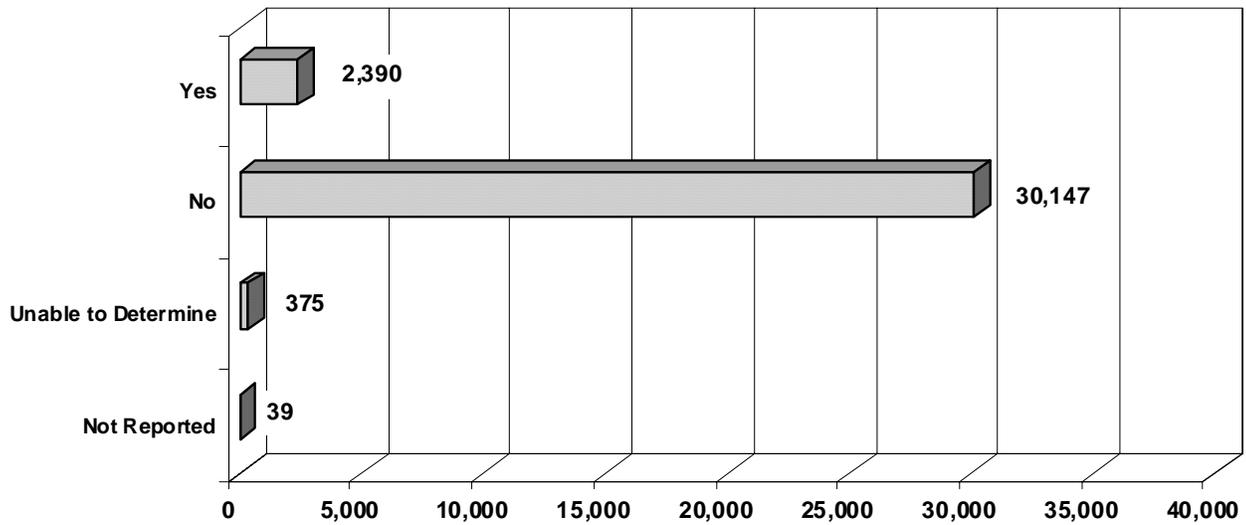


2007 VICTIM DATA

Race



Hispanic / Latino Origin



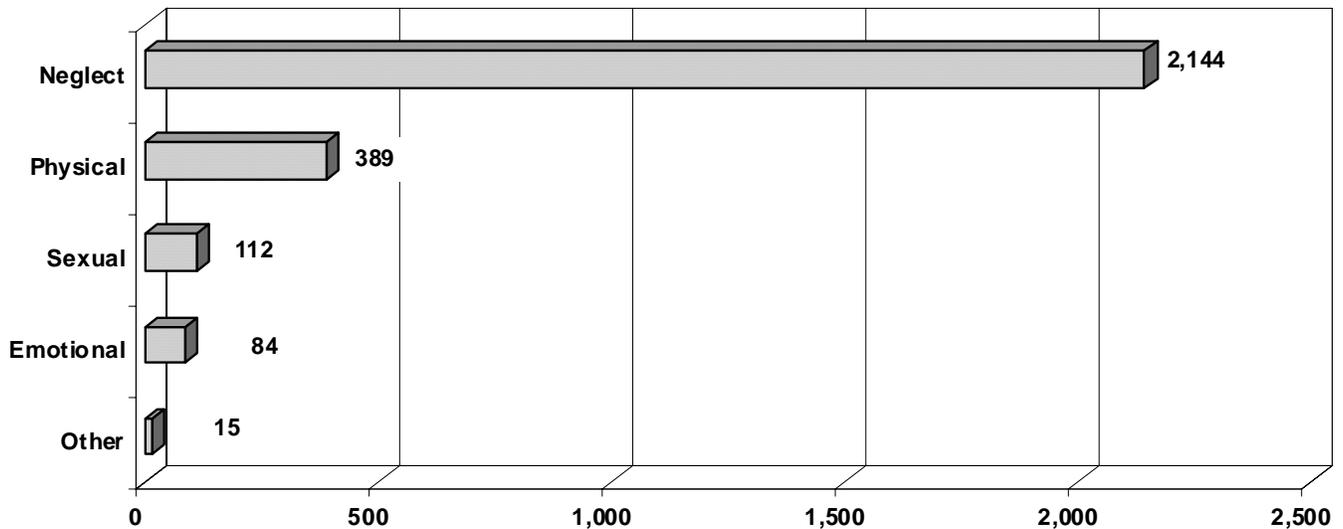
CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

The following chart depicts the type of substantiated maltreatment that occurred to children with special characteristics. There were 2,554 children with special characteristics. These children accounted for 2,744 incidents of maltreatment.

Children are considered to have a special characteristic when they have a diagnosis of an emotional disorder, mental retardation, vision or hearing impairment, physical disability, a behavioral disorder, or alcohol/substance abuse.

A child may have more than one special characteristic. Therefore, the total by type (3,203) is greater than the number of incidents.

Substantiated Maltreatment of Children with Special Characteristics



Substantiated Maltreatment of Children by Type of Special Characteristic

| Type of Special Characteristic | Neglect | Physical Abuse | Sexual Abuse | Emotional Abuse | Other | Total |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------|
| Diagnosed Emotionally Disturbed | 270 | 38 | 26 | 12 | 1 | 347 |
| Diagnosed Mental Retardation Mild | 121 | 27 | 19 | 5 | 0 | 172 |
| Diagnosed Mental Retardation Moderate | 69 | 13 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 91 |
| Diagnosed Mental Retardation Severe | 22 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 29 |
| Diagnosed Mental Retardation Profound | 18 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 25 |
| Diagnosed Vision/Hearing Impaired | 62 | 13 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 83 |
| Diagnosed Physically Disabled | 83 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 97 |
| Other Medically Diagnosed Condition | 743 | 100 | 27 | 21 | 9 | 900 |
| Behavior | 826 | 243 | 37 | 56 | 7 | 1,169 |
| Alcohol Abuse - Child | 18 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| Drugs/Other Sub. Abuse -Child | 257 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 268 |
| Total | 2,489 | 455 | 137 | 104 | 18 | 3,203 |

2007 PERPETRATOR DATA

Since DFCS is mandated to investigate reports involving children who are maltreated by their caretakers, the majority of the perpetrators for all types of incidents are biological parents. There are 16 relationship categories, but the categories are grouped for readability. Detailed perpetrator information is not always available by age/gender.

| Perpetrators | Substantiated |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Biological Parents | 27,581 |
| Non-Biological Parents | 1,541 |
| Other Relatives | 1,899 |
| Live-in Boyfriend | 578 |
| Live-in Girlfriend | 109 |
| Live-in Gender Unknown | 1 |
| Other, Non-Relatives | 620 |
| Sitter/Child Care | 101 |
| School Personnel | 85 |
| Residential Facility Staff | 125 |
| Unknown | 311 |
| Total | 32,951 |

| Perpetrators by Age and Gender | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| | Gender Male | Gender Female | Total |
| Under 20 Years Old | 328 | 1,156 | 1,484 |
| 20 – 29 Years Old | 1,949 | 11,136 | 13,085 |
| 30 – 39 Years Old | 3,215 | 8,793 | 12,008 |
| 40 – 49 Years Old | 1,619 | 2,702 | 4,321 |
| 50 Years Old and Over | 635 | 1,009 | 1,644 |
| Not Reported | 43 | 42 | 85 |
| Total | 7,789 | 24,838 | 32,627 |

* Note: For 324 children, perpetrators did not have age/gender information reported.

FATALITIES

In 2007, 60 children in Georgia died as a result of substantiated abuse or neglect. Deaths that are entered into the Protective Services Data System (PSDS) are those for which DFCS investigated and substantiated either abuse or neglect. In some situations where a child died at the hands of a caregiver, only law enforcement and the courts may have been involved. These cases are not recorded in PSDS.

Forty children died as a result of inadequate supervision or of other forms of parental neglect. While these deaths were unintentional, the parents or caretakers were determined to be negligent. Twenty children died from physical abuse.

Of the 60 children, 35 had no current or prior history with Child Protective Services; 25 were from families that had been investigated at some time prior to the child's death. Some of the families with previous investigations involved different children and the investigation occurred many years prior to the current involvement.

Georgia law requires a multi-agency Child Fatality Review Sub-Committee to operate in every Georgia County. These sub-committees, which include a representative from DFCS, are required to review the deaths of all children in the county who die unexpectedly. For example, the death of a child in a car accident is reviewed by the sub-committee but probably is not investigated by DFCS or entered in the data system unless neglect or abuse was indicated.

Fatalities Resulting from Neglect

| Child Fatalities | | Fatalities by Perpetrator Relationship to Child | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|---|--------|-----------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------|----------------|
| | | Mother | Father | Boyfriend | Mother and Father | Mother and Boyfriend | Childcare | Other Relative |
| Drowning | 12 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| SIDS/SUIDS/Suffocation | 7 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Gunshot | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Inadequate Medical Care | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vehicular Accident | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Birth Exposed/Birth Addiction | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Co-Sleeping | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Undetermined | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Blunt Force -Head/Internal | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Blunt Force Trauma -Head | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Dog Attack | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Drug Exposure | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Fire | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Stabbing | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 40 | | | | | | | |
| Criminal Charges Filed | 6 | | | | | | | |

Fatalities Resulting from Abuse

| Child Fatalities | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Blunt Force Trauma -Head | 5 |
| Blunt Force -Head/Internal | 4 |
| Shaken Baby Syndrome | 4 |
| Undetermined | 2 |
| Beatings/Multiple Abuse | 1 |
| Birth Exposed/Birth Addiction | 1 |
| Burn/Scalding | 1 |
| Co-Sleeping | 1 |
| Gunshot | 1 |
| Total | 20 |
| Criminal Charges Filed | 15 |

| Fatalities by Perpetrator Relationship to Child | | | | | |
|---|--------|--------|-----------|-------------------|----------------------|
| | Mother | Father | Boyfriend | Mother and Father | Mother and Boyfriend |
| Beatings/Multiple Abuse | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Birth Exposed/Birth Addiction | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Blunt Force Trauma -Head | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Blunt Force -Head/Internal | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Burn/Scalding | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Co-Sleeping | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gunshot | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Shaken Baby Syndrome | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Undetermined | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

Victim Data

The following numbers identify the children who died from confirmed maltreatment by the categories of race, age and gender.

| Race | |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Black..... | 35 |
| White..... | 21 |
| Multiple Race..... | 2 |
| Unable to Determine..... | 2 |
| <i>Hispanic/Latino Origin</i> | 6 |

| Age | |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Under Age One | 26 |
| One to Three Years | 21 |
| Four to Five Years..... | 7 |
| Six to Thirteen Years | 5 |
| Fourteen to Seventeen..... | 1 |

| Gender | |
|-------------|----|
| Male..... | 39 |
| Female..... | 21 |

NEGLECT

This and the following sections of this report give a breakdown of incidents by type of maltreatment. Neglect is the most commonly reported and most often substantiated type of maltreatment. Neglect occurs if a parent or caretaker, either deliberately or by chronic disregard, permits a child to suffer and/or fails to provide one or more of the elements necessary for the child's physical, intellectual, social and emotional development.

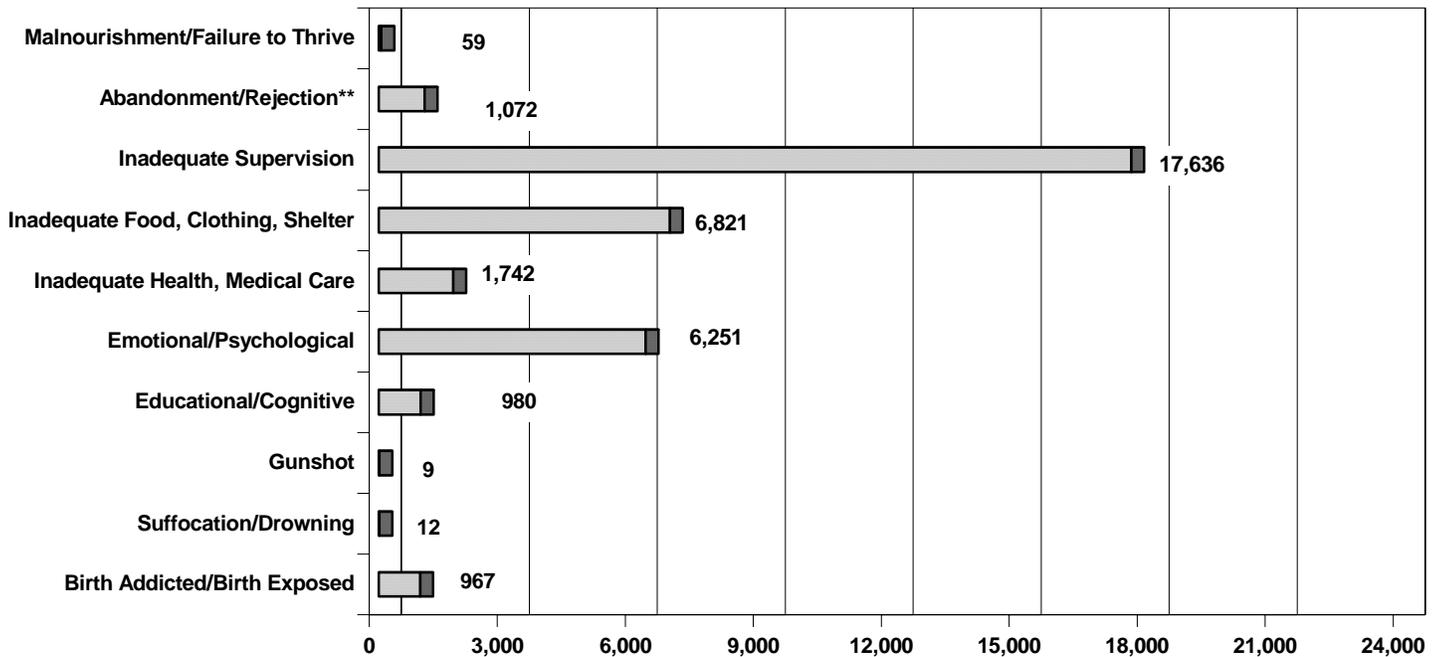
Incidents of neglect are frequently reported with other types of maltreatment, because it is often assumed that the child who is physically or sexually abused was also not adequately supervised or was neglected in some way that contributed to the other reported maltreatment.

In 2007, 56,693 incidents of neglect were reported. Of these, 28,734 were substantiated. The most common type of substantiated neglect is inadequate supervision. This ranges from a child staying home alone after school to children locked overnight in an apartment without adult supervision. Inadequate supervision is also frequently cited in sexual abuse cases, as it is commonly believed that the perpetrator might not have had access to the child if the child had been adequately supervised by a responsible parent.

When families do not have adequate food, clothing or shelter, DFCS may provide services or refer them to a more appropriate community resource. Some families, where neglect is a result of poverty, may be eligible for DFCS Prevention of Unnecessary Placement (PUP) services to help alleviate the problems causing the neglect without removing the children from the home.

| <u>Determination</u> | <u>Number of Incidents</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Substantiated | 28,734 |
| Unsubstantiated | 27,951 |
| Total | 56,693 |

Substantiated Neglect Categories*



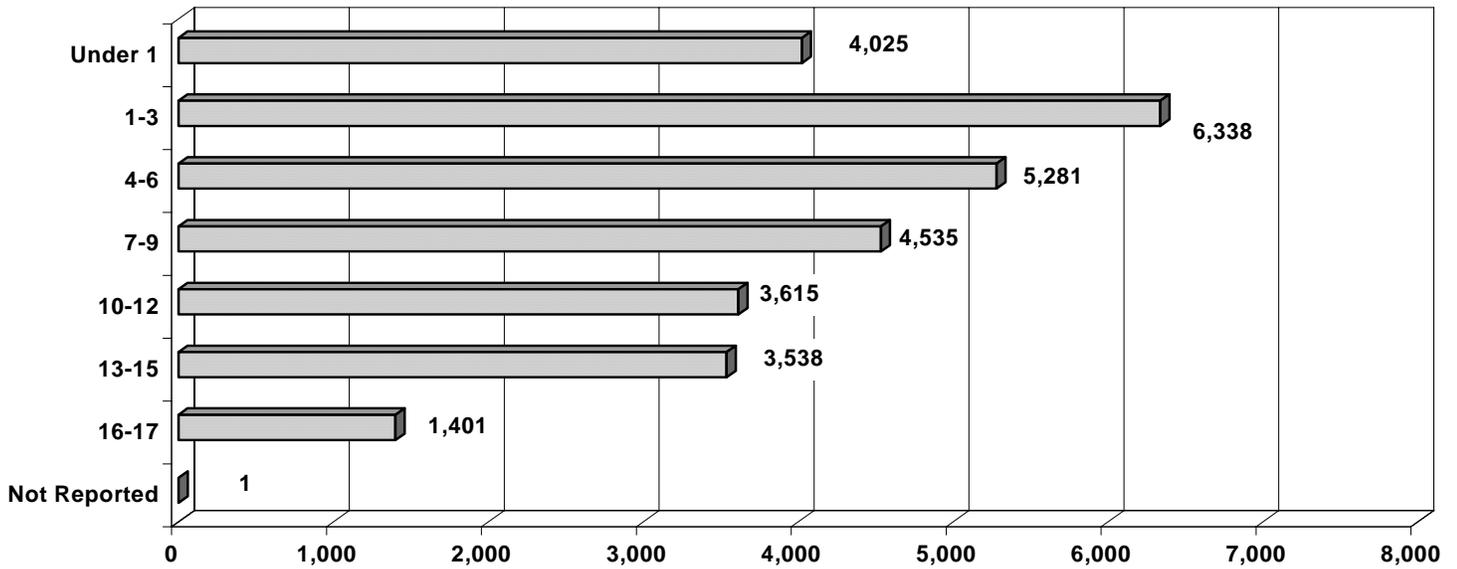
* The total of all categories of neglect will be greater than the total number of substantiated incidents because a child may be indicated in more than one category of neglect.

** The abandonment/rejection category includes not only children for whom a parent no longer wants responsibility; it also includes children who may not be picked up as scheduled from school, children left with a babysitter beyond planned pick-up times, etc.

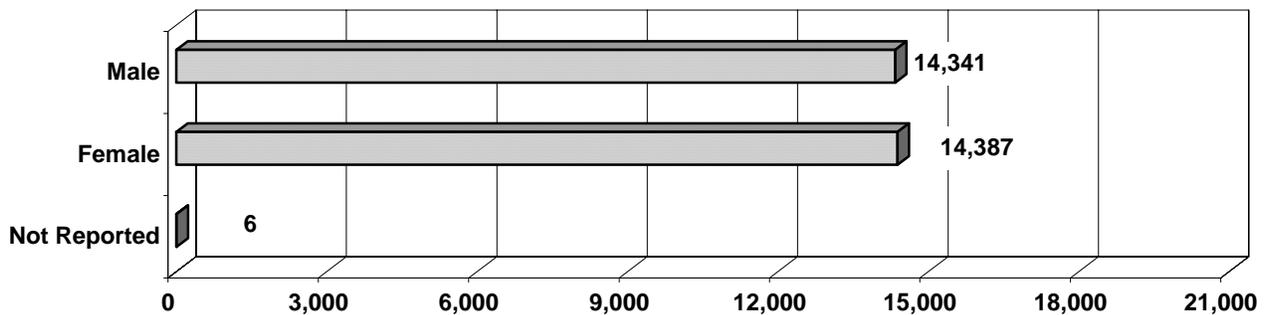
NEGLECT – VICTIM DATA

The following tables identify characteristics of children who were victims of substantiated neglect. Children Ages 1-3 years accounted for the largest percentage of victims (22%). Children who were younger than 1 year accounted for 14% of the victims. In general, as age increased victimization decreased. More than half of all victims were White (56%) with African American victims accounting for 39%. The ethnicity of 7% of the victims was Hispanic. Percentages of victims were divided evenly between Male (50%) and Female (50%).

Age of Victims

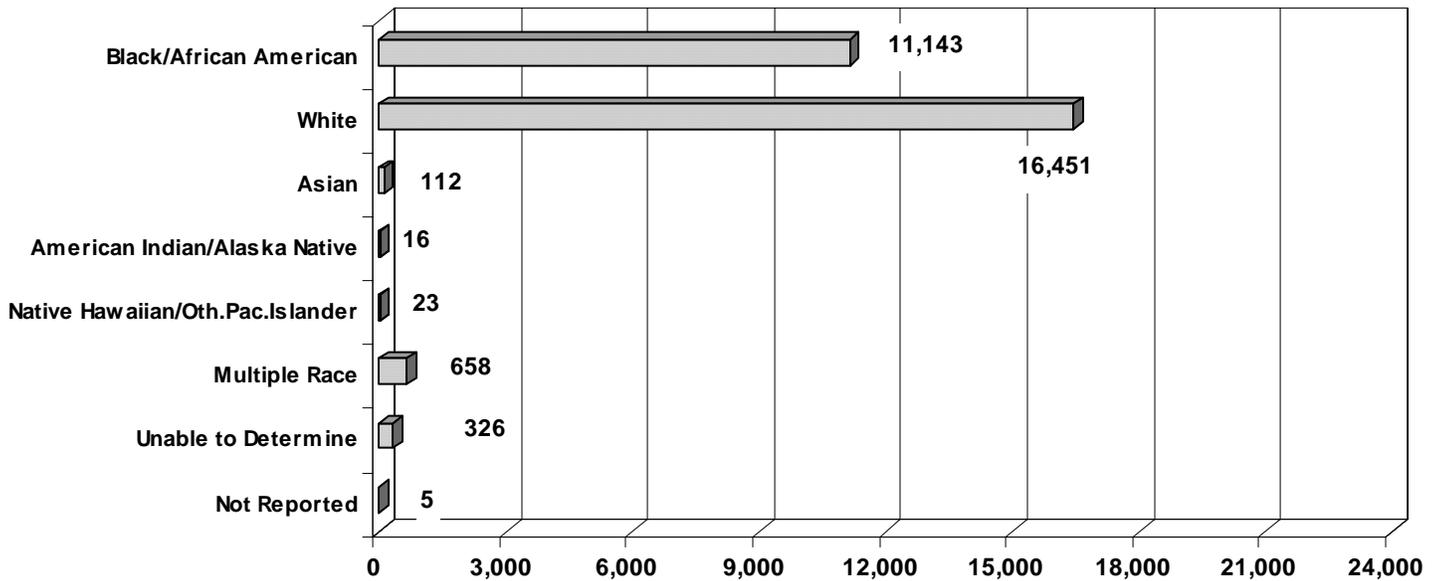


Gender of Victims

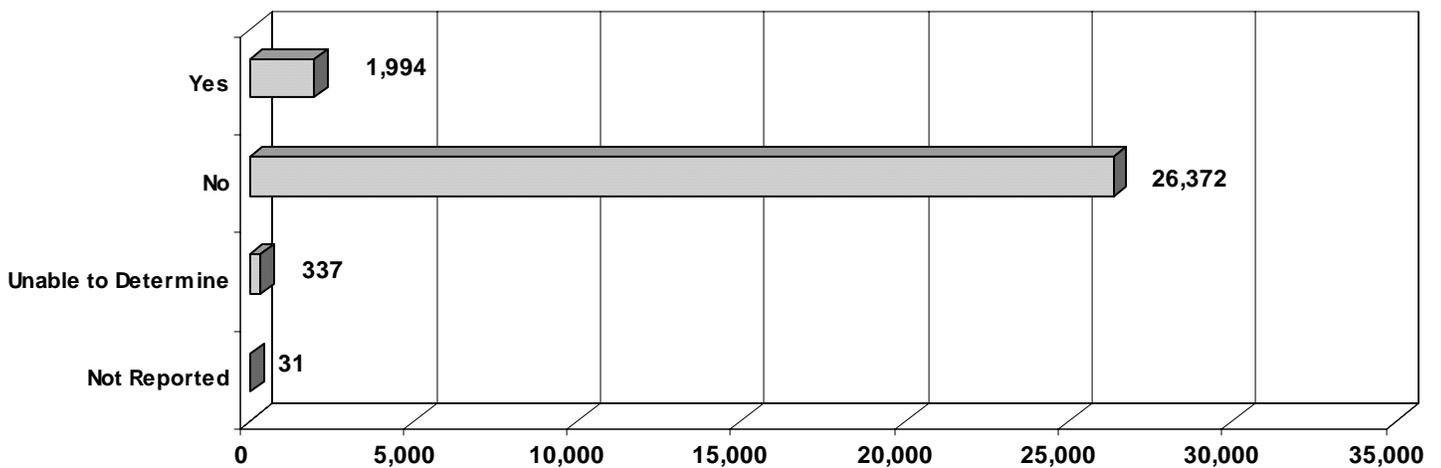


NEGLECT – VICTIM DATA

Race of Victims



Hispanic / Latino Origin of Victims

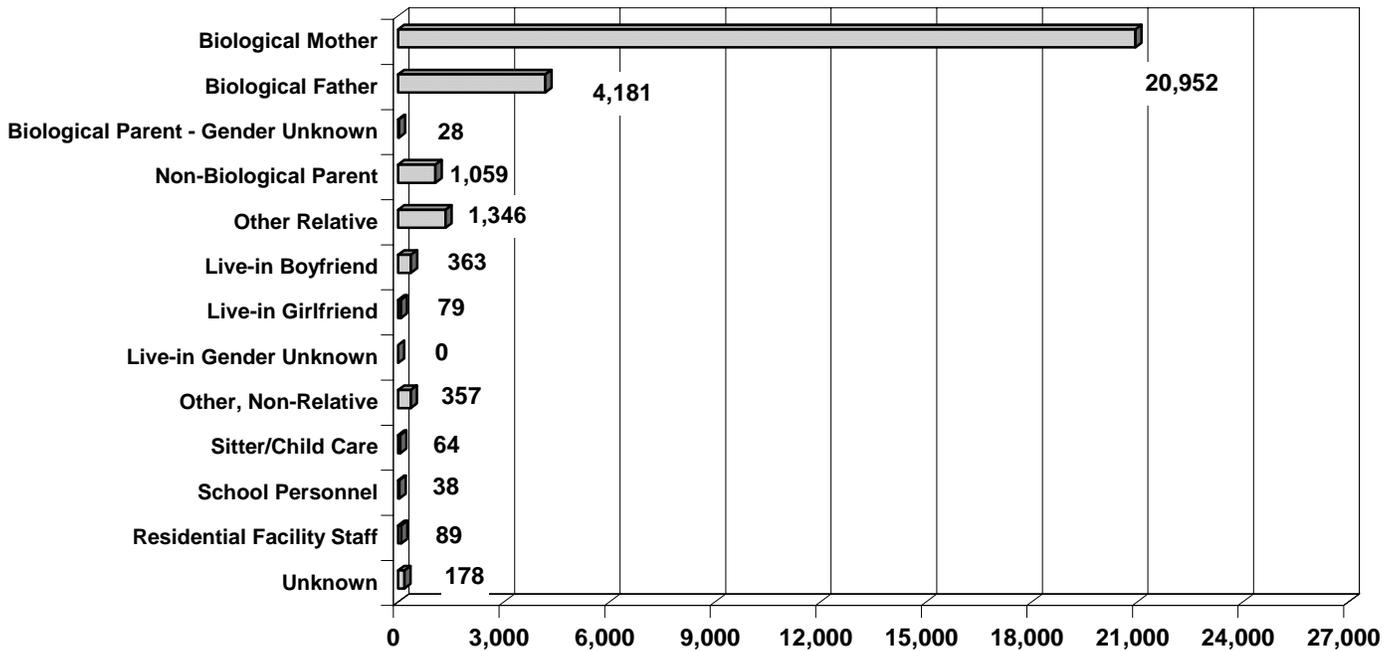


NEGLECT – PERPETRATOR DATA

In 2007, there were 28,734 substantiated incidents of neglect. The biological mother was the perpetrator in seventy-three percent of the incidents.

The table shows the perpetrator’s relationship to the child at the time the neglect occurred. A perpetrator who was involved in more than one incident of neglect is counted more than once.

Perpetrator’s Relationship to Victim



Substantiated Neglect – Characteristics of Perpetrators

| | Gender Male | Gender Female | Total |
|---|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Black/African American | 1,682 | 9,404 | 11,086 |
| White | 3,781 | 13,149 | 16,930 |
| Asian | 42 | 80 | 122 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 6 | 25 | 31 |
| Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander | 2 | 16 | 18 |
| Multiple Race | 7 | 74 | 81 |
| Unable to Determine | 82 | 192 | 274 |
| Total | 5,602 | 22,940 | 28,542 |
| <i>Perpetrator Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino</i> | <i>402</i> | <i>894</i> | <i>1,296</i> |

*192 incidents did not have perpetrator race/gender reported.

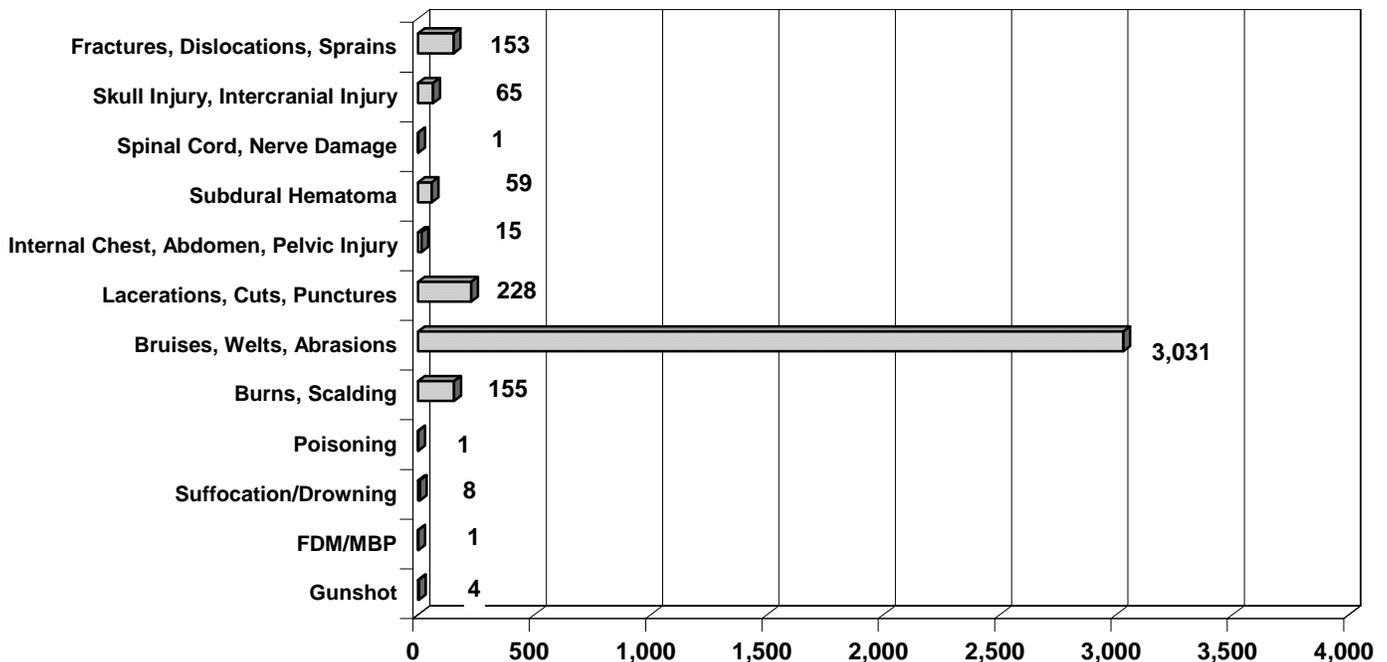
PHYSICAL ABUSE

Physical abuse is injury to a child under the age of 18 by other than accidental means by a parent or caretaker which results in bruises, welts, fractures, burns, cuts, internal injuries, etc. Physical abuse often occurs in the name of discipline or punishment and may involve the use of the hand or the use of objects. Physical injury is defined as bodily harm or hurt, excluding mental distress, fright or emotional disturbance.

In 2007, 10,936 incidents of physical abuse were reported; 3,547 were substantiated. Bruises, welts and abrasions, which often results from inappropriate discipline, is the most common type of physical abuse.

| <u>Determination</u> | <u>Number of Incidents</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Substantiated | 3,547 |
| Unsubstantiated | 7,389 |
| Total | 10,936 |

Substantiated Physical Abuse Categories*

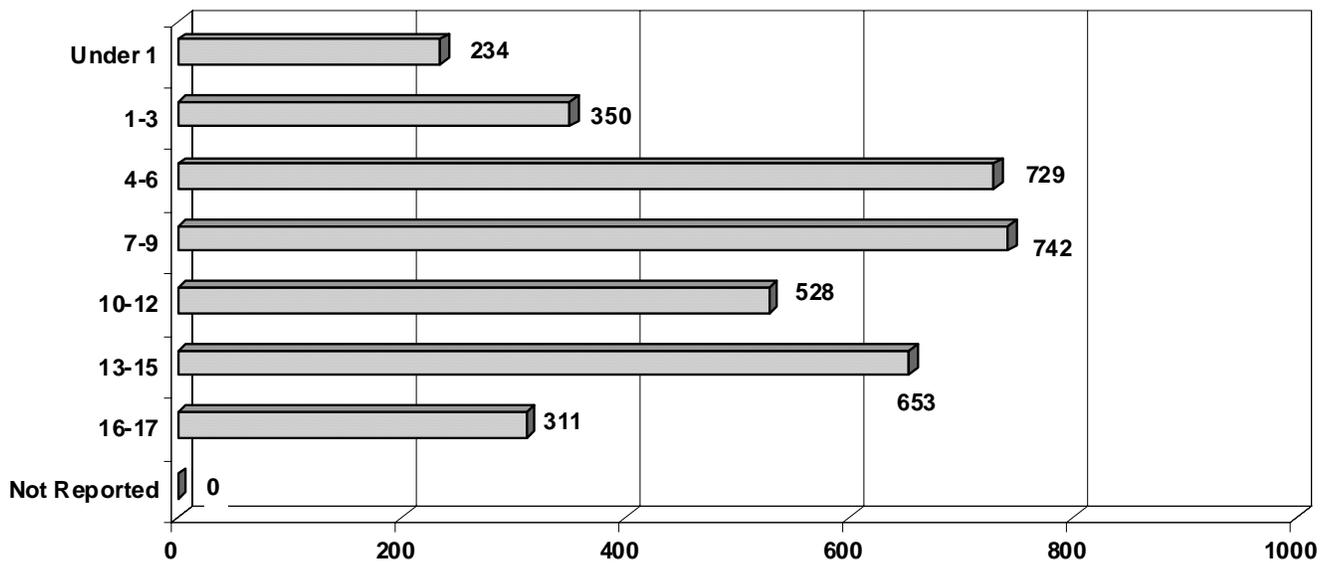


* The total of all categories of abuse will be greater than the total number of substantiated incidents because a child may be indicated in more than one category of physical abuse.

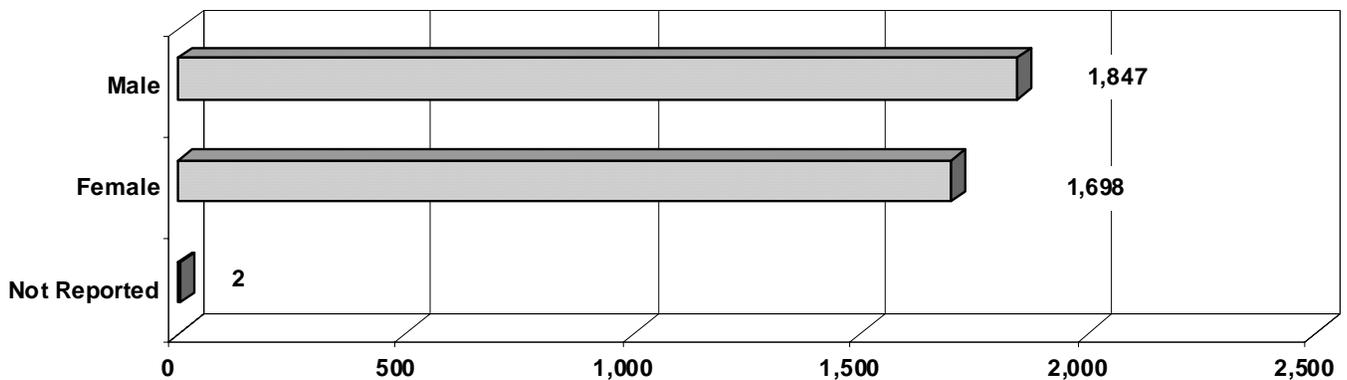
PHYSICAL ABUSE – VICTIM DATA

The following tables identify characteristics of children who were victims of physical abuse. In general, school-aged children were predominantly the victims of physical abuse: Ages 4-6 (20%), Ages 7-9 (20%), Ages 10-12 (17%) and Ages 13-15 (20%). For physical abuse, 55% were African-American while 41% were White. The ethnicity of 8% of the victims was Hispanic. Males accounted for 52% of the victims.

Age of Victims

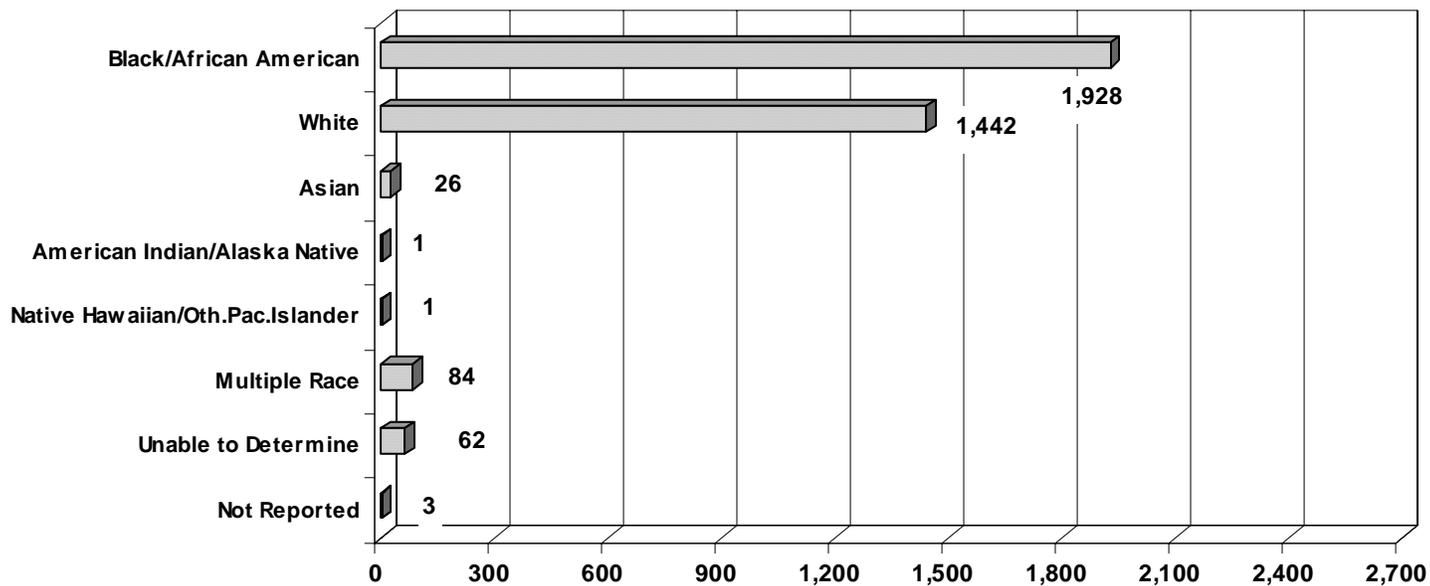


Gender of Victims

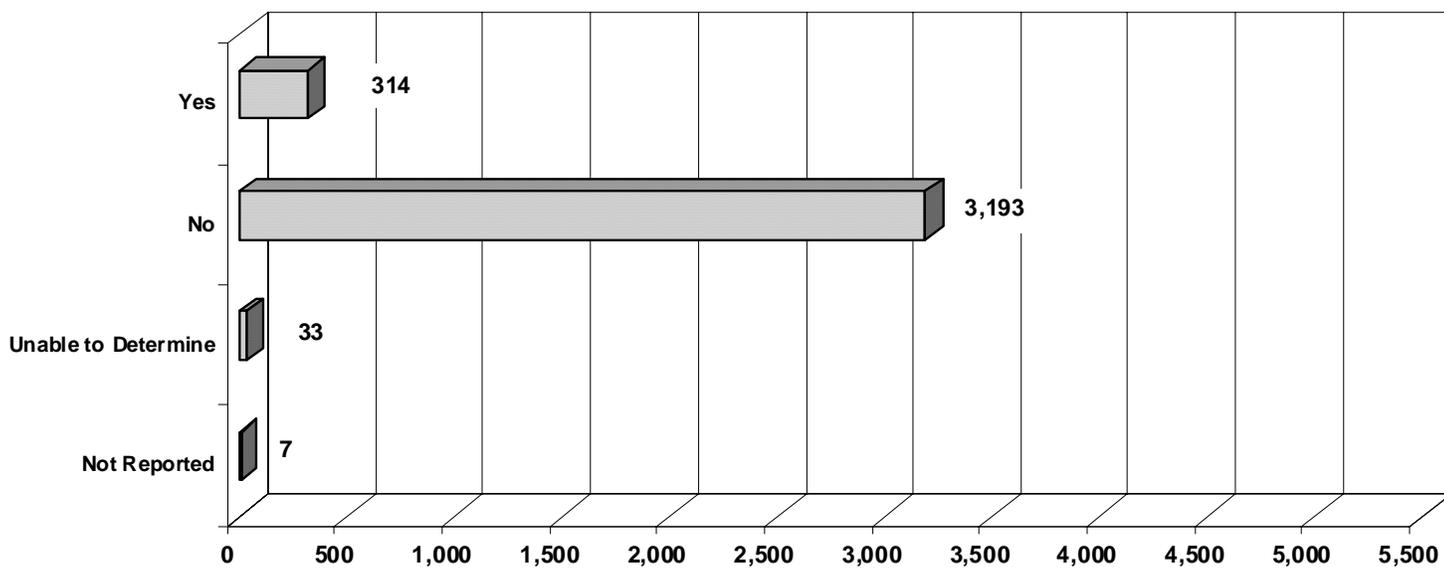


PHYSICAL ABUSE – VICTIM DATA

Race of Victims



Hispanic / Latino Origin of Victims

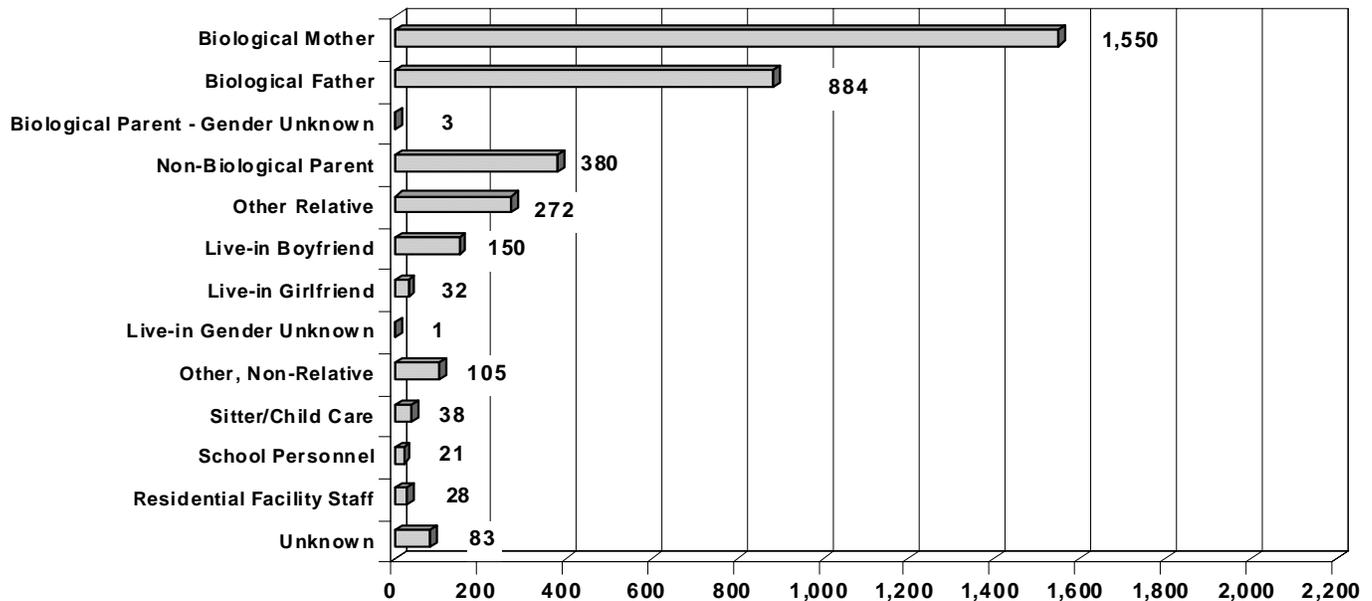


PHYSICAL ABUSE – PERPETRATOR DATA

In 2007, there were 3,547 substantiated incidents of physical abuse. The biological mother was the perpetrator in forty-four percent of the incidents. The biological father was the perpetrator in twenty-five percent of the incidents.

The following chart shows the perpetrator's relationship to the child at the time the physical abuse occurred. A perpetrator who was involved in more than one incident of physical abuse is counted more than once.

Perpetrator's Relationship to Victim



Substantiated Physical Abuse – Characteristics of Perpetrators

| | Gender Male | Gender Female | Total |
|---|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Black/African American | 713 | 1,234 | 1,947 |
| White | 729 | 690 | 1,419 |
| Asian | 15 | 12 | 27 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Multiple Race | 2 | 5 | 7 |
| Unable to Determine | 20 | 37 | 57 |
| Total | 1,480 | 1,981 | 3,461 |
| <i>Perpetrator Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino</i> | 104 | 115 | 219 |

* 86 incidents did not have perpetrator race/gender reported.

SEXUAL ABUSE

Sexual abuse is a form of child maltreatment in which contacts or interactions (such as fondling, sodomy, penetration) occur between a child under 18 and the parent or caretaker, during which the child is being used for the sexual stimulation of that adult or another person.

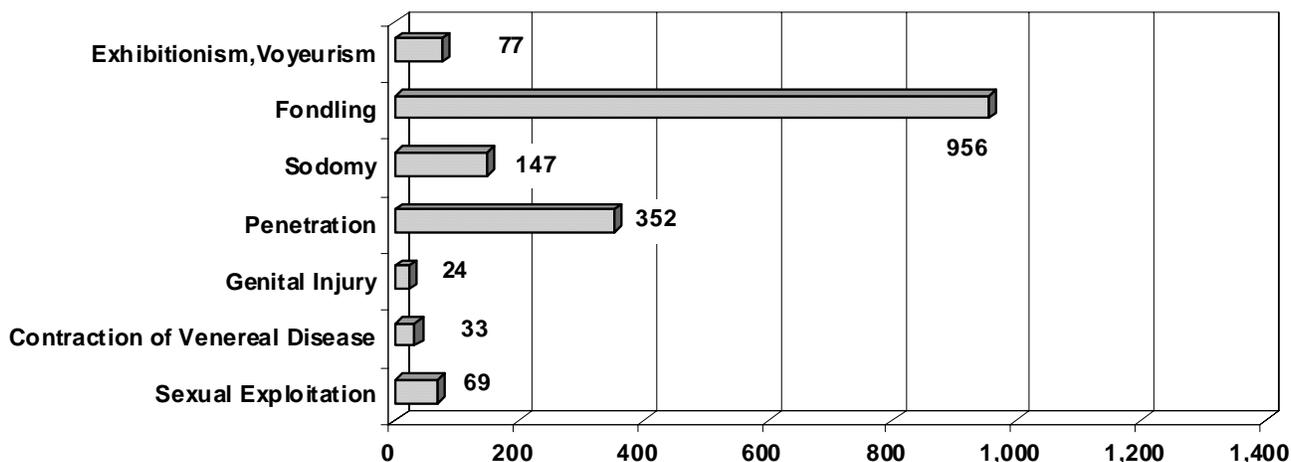
Sexual abuse may also be committed by a person under the age of 18 when that person is either significantly older than the victim or when the abuser is in a position of power or control over another child. When someone outside the child's family abuses a child, CPS must evaluate whether the parents permitted this to happen or neglected to supervise the child adequately.

Sexual exploitation is a form of maltreatment in which a child's parent or caretaker allows, permits, encourages or requires a child under the age of 18 to engage in sexual acts for the stimulation and/or gratification of adults or in prostitution as defined in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA, Section 16-6-9); allows, permits, encourages or requires such child to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purposes of producing any visual or print medium (OCGA, Section 16-1-100).

In 2007, 3,721 incidents of sexual abuse were reported and 1,424 incidents substantiated. Fondling is the most often substantiated form of sexual abuse.

| <u>Determination</u> | <u>Number of Incidents</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Substantiated | 1,424 |
| Unsubstantiated | 2,297 |
| Total | 3,721 |

Substantiated Sexual Abuse Categories*

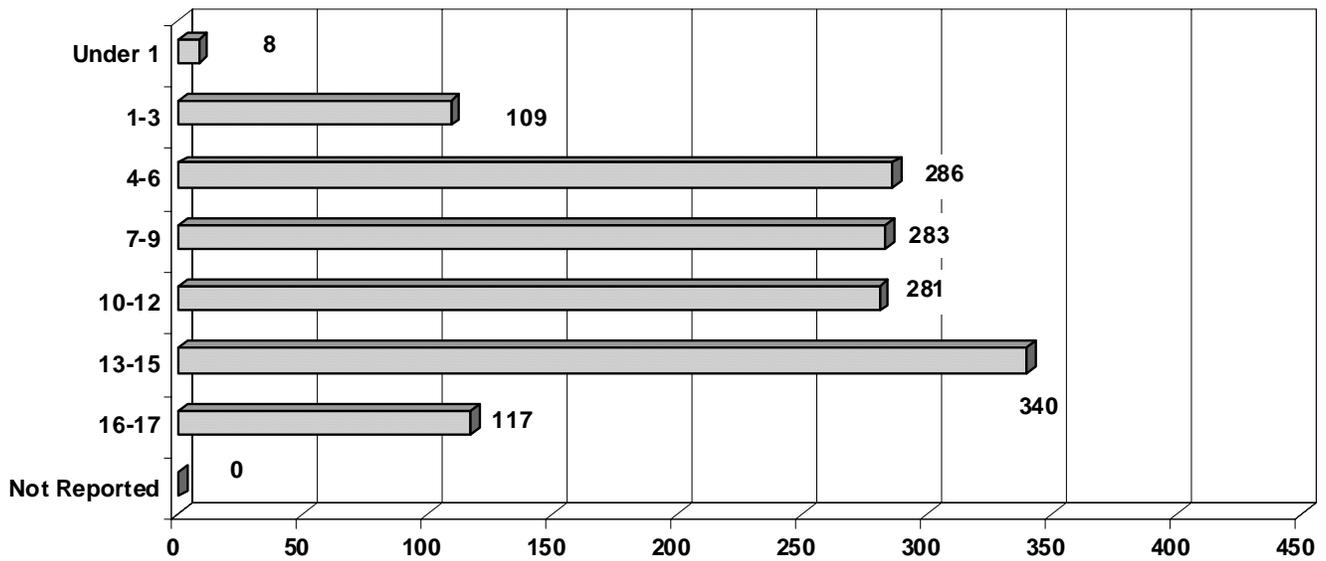


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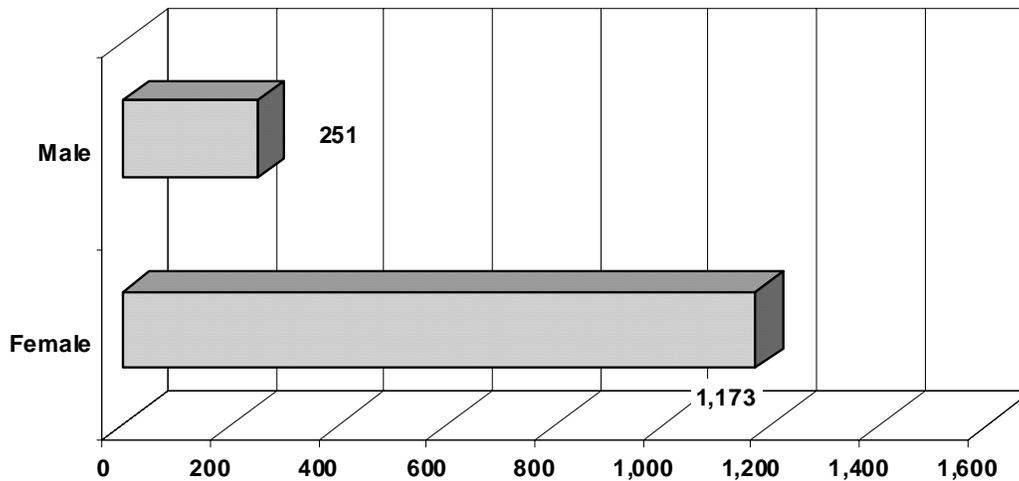
SEXUAL ABUSE – VICTIM DATA

The following tables identify characteristics of children who were victims of sexual abuse. In general, school-aged children were predominantly the victims of sexual abuse: Ages 4-6 (20%), Ages 7-9 (20%), Ages 10-12 (20%) and Ages 13-15 (24%). More than half of all victims were White (59%) with African-American victims accounting for 38%. The ethnicity of 11% of the victims was Hispanic. For sexual abuse, 82% of the victims were Females while only 18% were Males.

Age of Victims

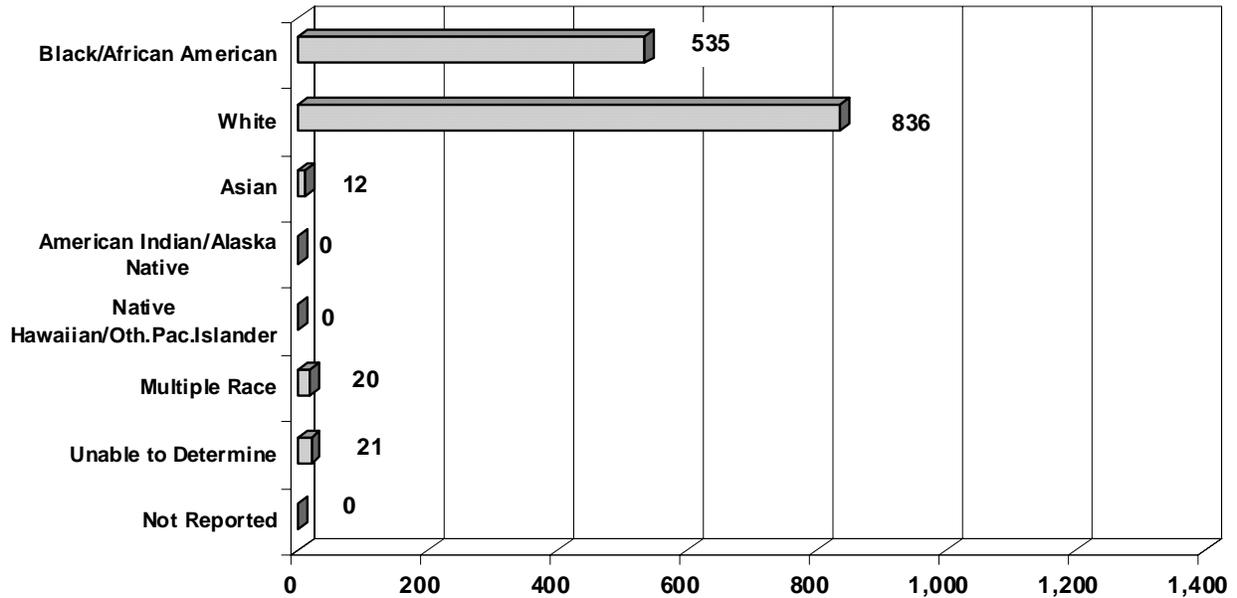


Gender of Victims

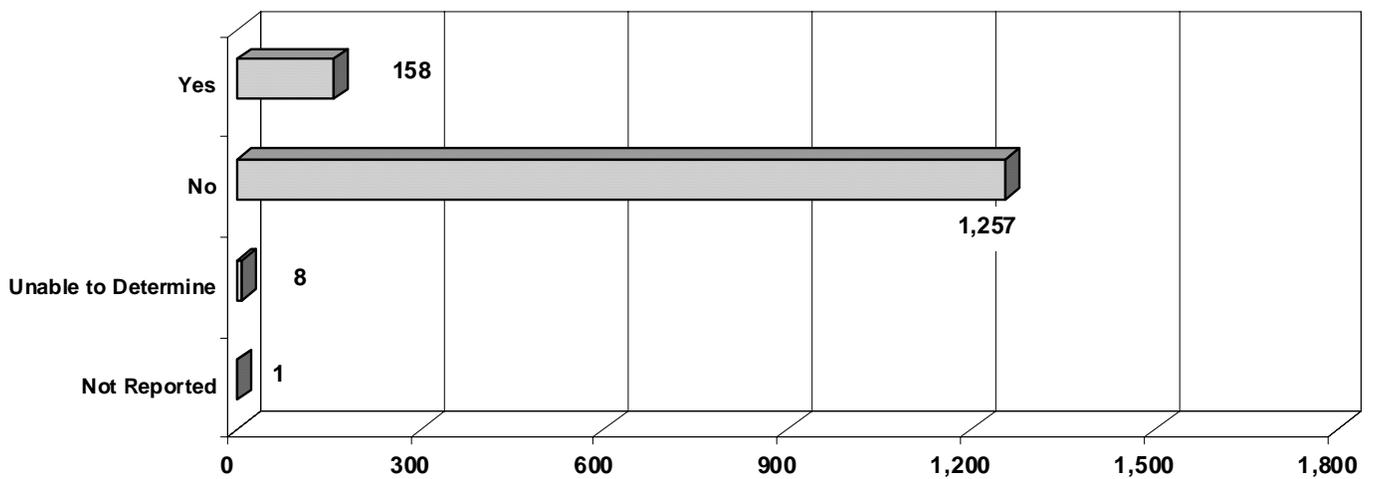


SEXUAL ABUSE – VICTIM DATA

Race of Victims

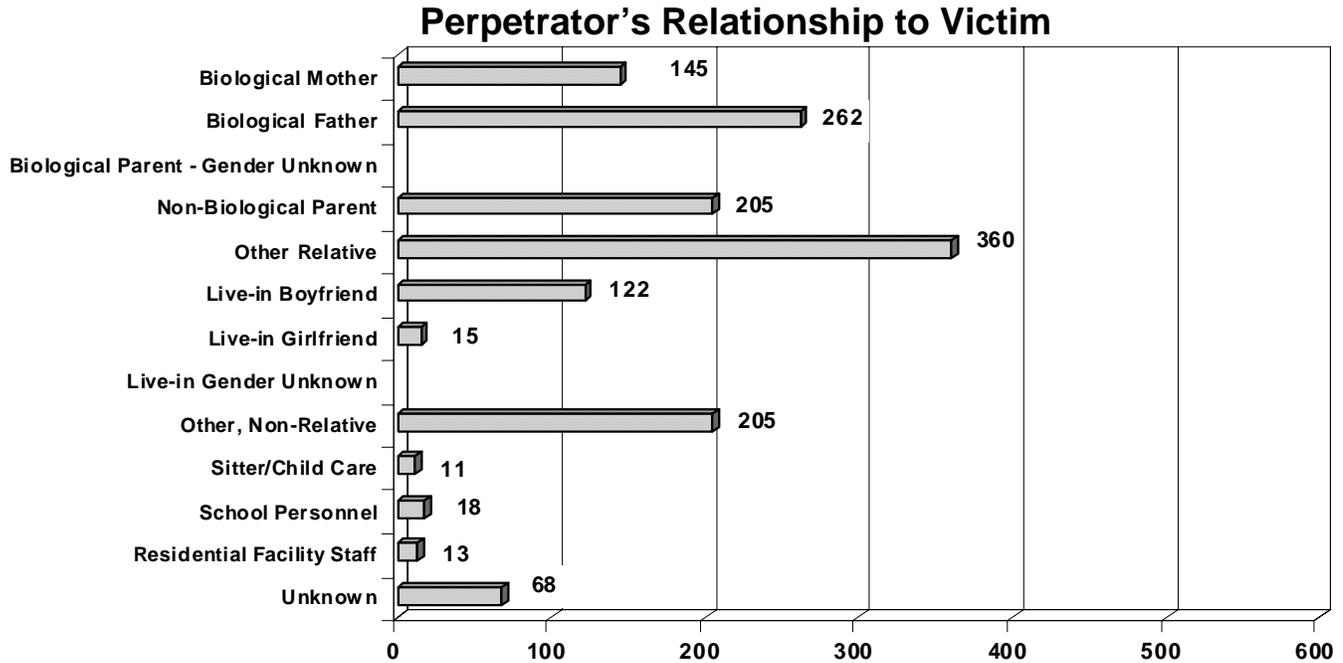


Hispanic / Latino Origin of Victims



SEXUAL ABUSE – PERPETRATOR DATA

In 2007, there were 1,424 substantiated incidents of sexual abuse. The four most prevalent perpetrators were: Other Relative (25%), Biological Father (18%), Non- Biological Father (14%) and Other Non-Relative (14%). The following chart shows the perpetrator’s relationship to the child at the time the sexual abuse occurred. A perpetrator who was involved in more than one incident of sexual abuse is counted more than once.



| Substantiated Sexual Abuse – Characteristics of Perpetrator | | | |
|--|--------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| | Gender Male | Gender Female | Total |
| Black/African American | 403 | 117 | 520 |
| White | 656 | 133 | 789 |
| Asian | 7 | 2 | 9 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Multiple Race | 5 | 0 | 5 |
| Unable to Determine | 32 | 2 | 34 |
| Total | 1,105 | 255 | 1,360 |
| <i>Perpetrator Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino</i> | 119 | 15 | 134 |

* 64 incidents did not have perpetrator race/gender reported.

EMOTIONAL ABUSE

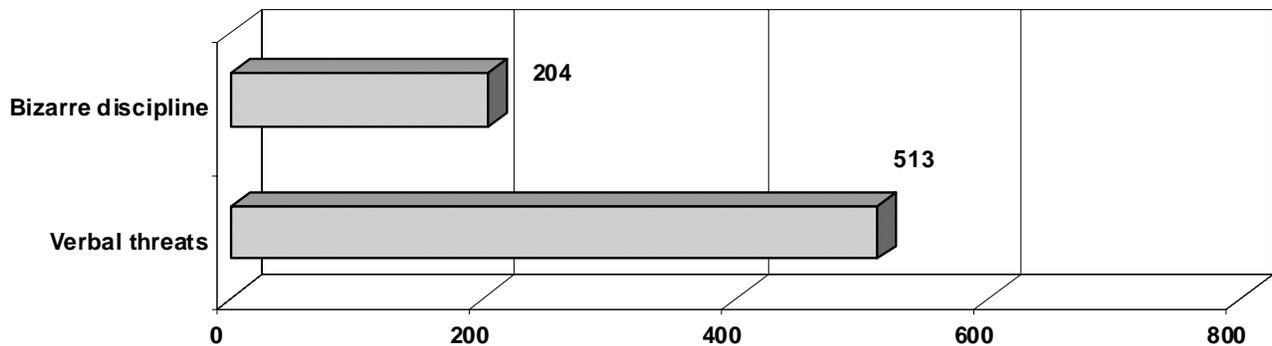
Psychological or emotional abuse is a form of maltreatment that results in impaired psychological growth and development. It frequently occurs as verbal abuse or excessive demands on a child's performance and may cause the child to have a negative self-image and disturbed behavior. It can occur with or without other forms of maltreatment. Emotional maltreatment is not recognized and defined by Georgia law as a form of child abuse.

Verbal threats/humiliation was the most commonly reported type of emotional abuse. Emotional Abuse is difficult to substantiate, as there are no physical indicators. In a substantiated emotional abuse case the parent has usually admitted to verbally abusing the child; the child was old enough to give a precise, detailed account of the abuse incidents; or there were others, such as family members or neighbors, who could substantiate the report.

In 2007, 1,766 incidents of emotional abuse were reported. Of these, 693 incidents were substantiated.

| <u>Determination</u> | <u>Number of Incidents</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Substantiated | 693 |
| Unsubstantiated | 1,073 |
| Total | 1,766 |

Substantiated Emotional Abuse Categories*

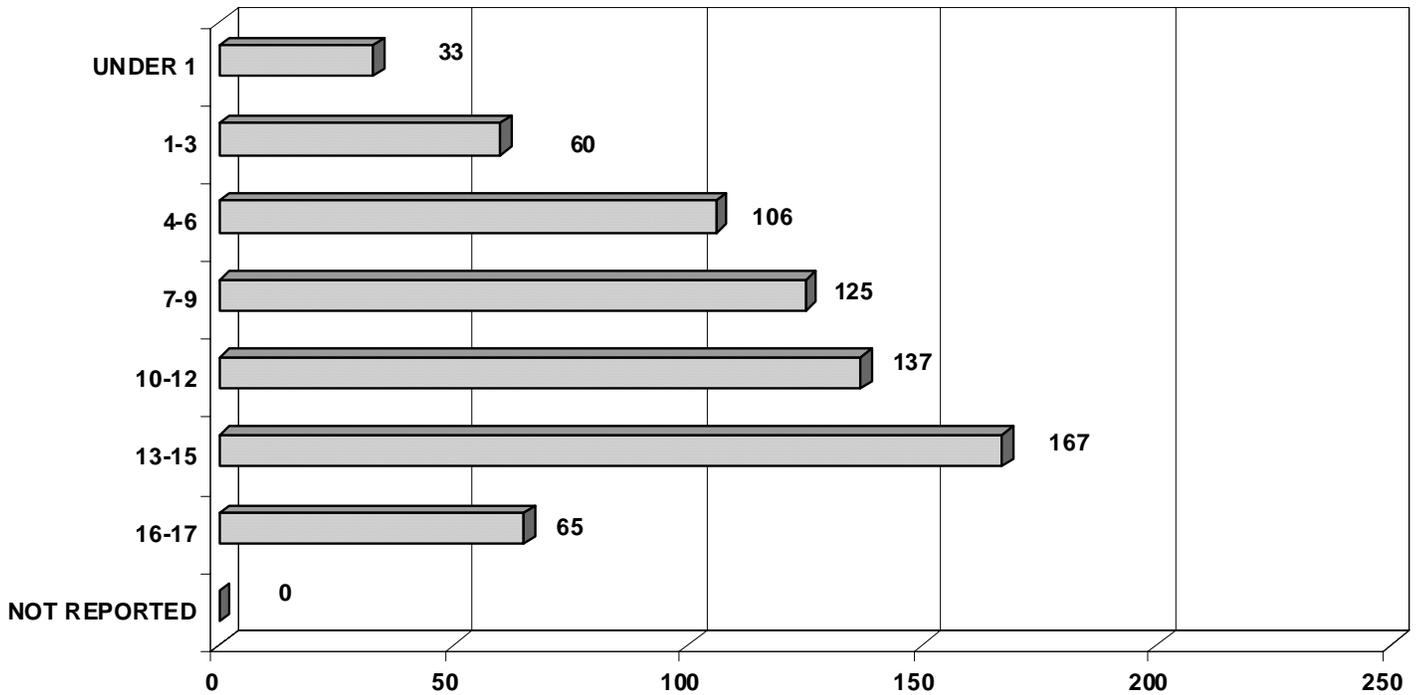


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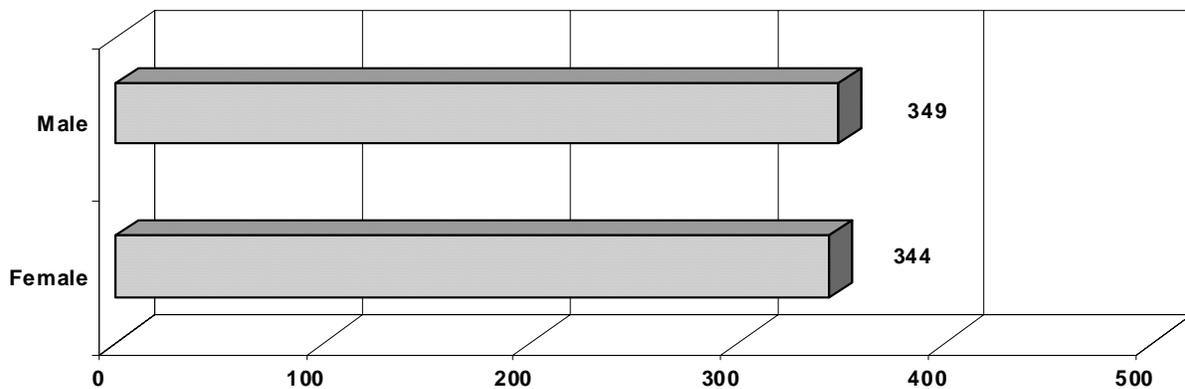
EMOTIONAL ABUSE – VICTIM DATA

In general, school-aged children were predominantly the victims of emotional abuse: Ages 4-6 (15%), Ages 7-9 (18%), Ages 10-12 (20%) and Ages 13-15 (24%). The majority of victims were White (59%). The ethnicity of 6% of the victims was Hispanic. For emotional abuse, Percentages of victims were divided evenly between Male (50%) and Female (50%).

Age of Victims

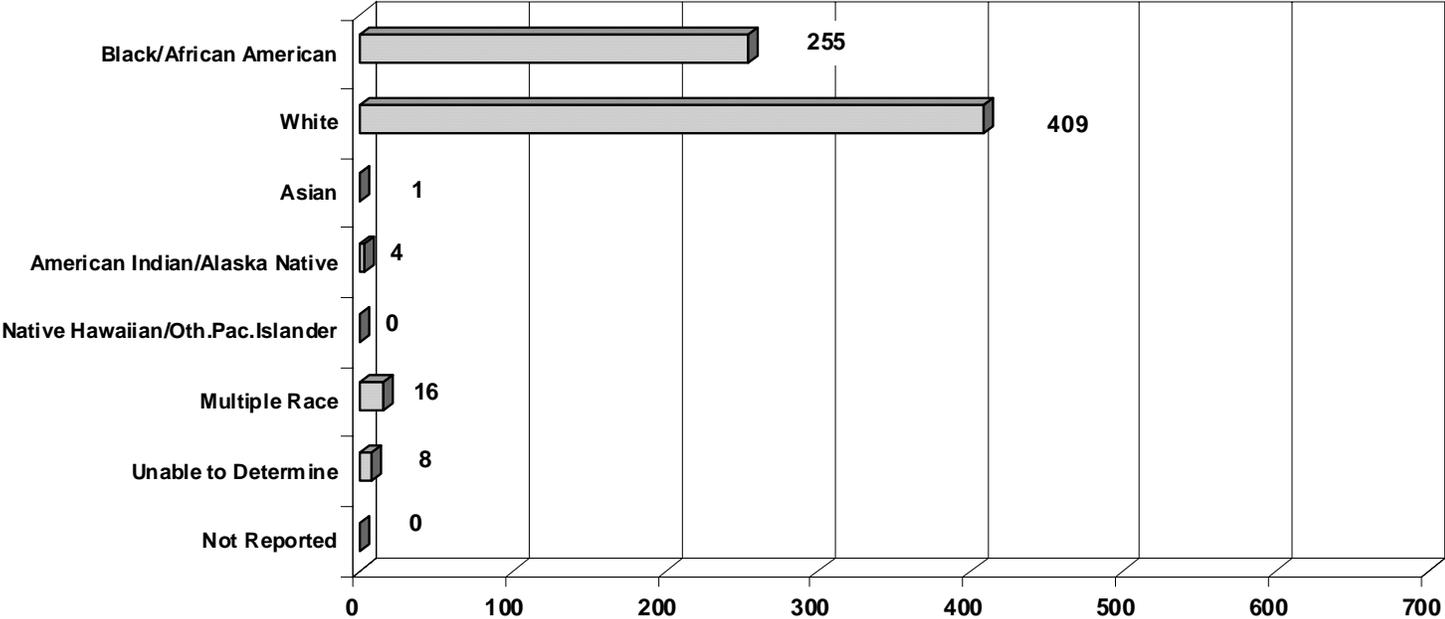


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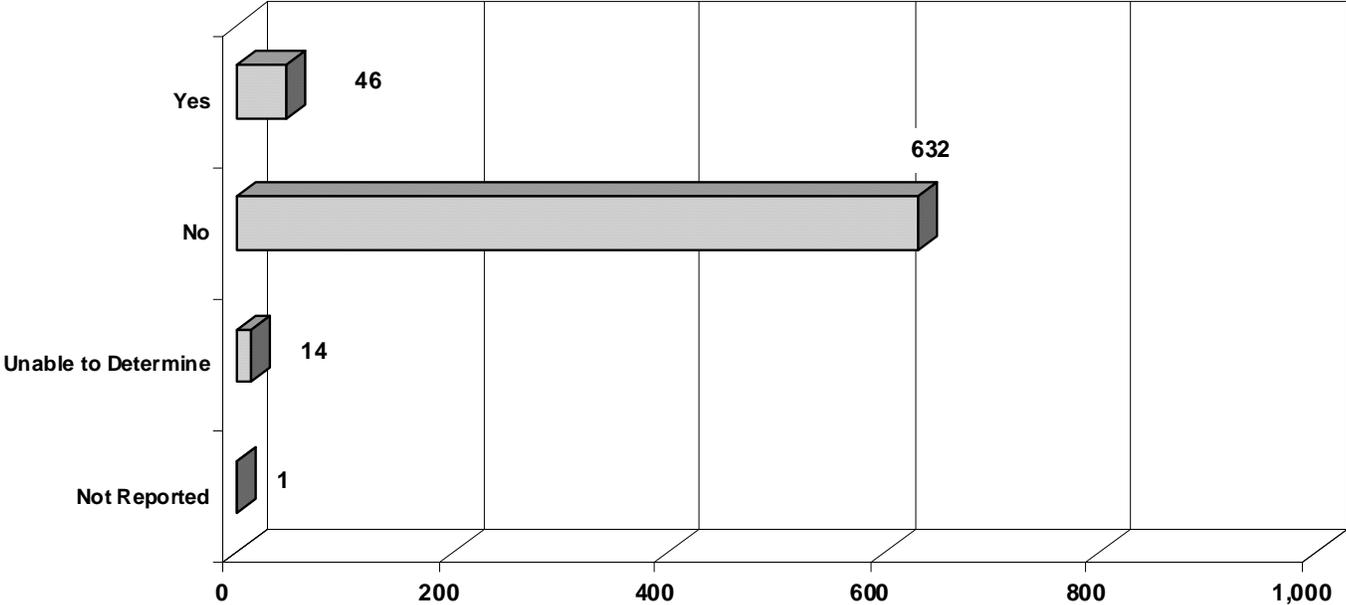


EMOTIONAL ABUSE – VICTIM DATA

Race of Victims



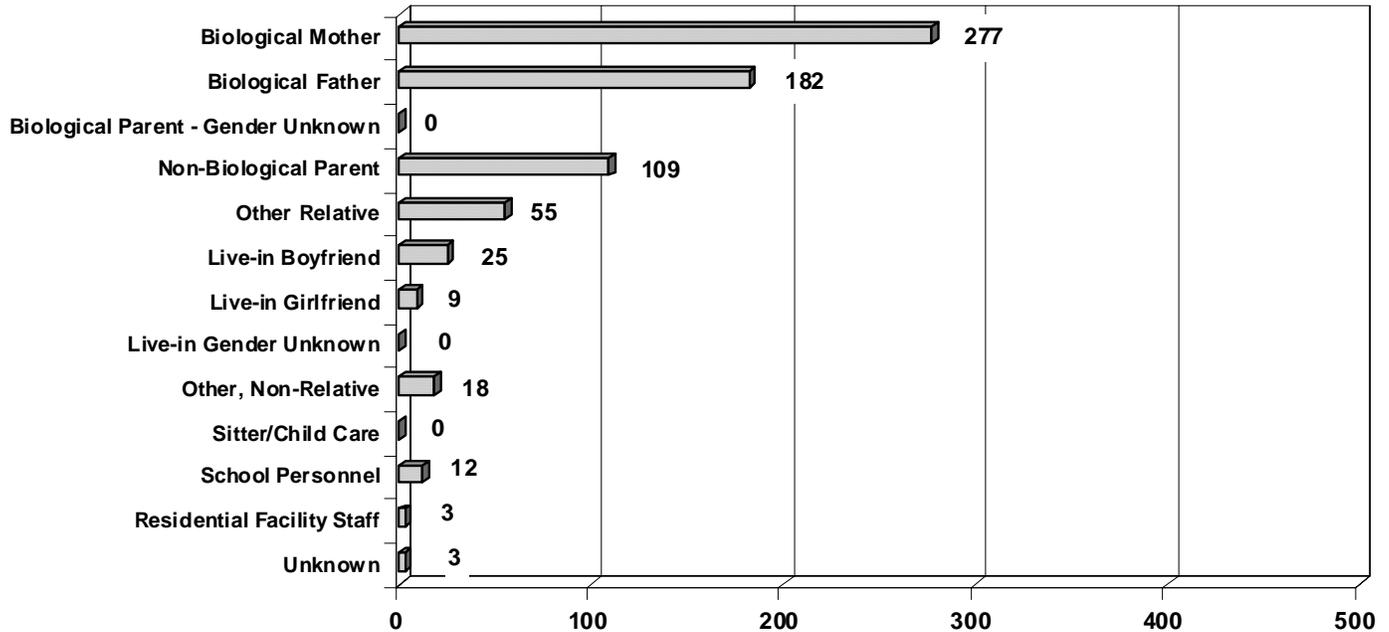
Hispanic / Latino Origin of Victims



EMOTIONAL ABUSE – PERPETRATOR DATA

In 2007, there were 693 substantiated incidents of emotional abuse. The following chart shows the perpetrator's relationship to the child at the time the emotional abuse occurred. A perpetrator who was involved in more than one incident of emotional abuse is counted more than once. The Biological Mother (40%) and the Biological Father (26%) were the perpetrators in 66% of the incidents.

Perpetrator's Relationship to Victim



Substantiated Emotional Abuse – Characteristics of Perpetrators

| | Gender Male | Gender Female | Total |
|---|-------------|---------------|------------|
| Black/African American | 80 | 168 | 248 |
| White | 222 | 207 | 429 |
| Asian | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 0 | 4 | 4 |
| Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Multiple Race | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Unable to Determine | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Total | 304 | 386 | 690 |
| <i>Perpetrator Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino</i> | 25 | 11 | 36 |

*3 incidents did not have perpetrator race/gender reported.

OTHER ABUSE

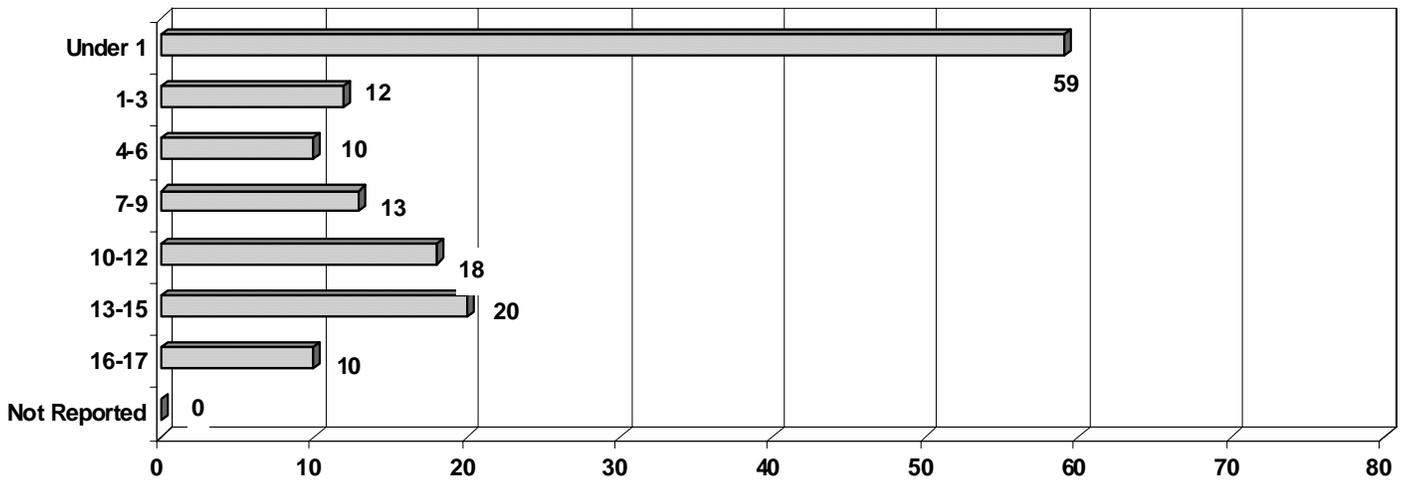
When a report is received that does not fit clearly in any other category, the report is classified as “other.” In 2007, 658 incidents were reported under this category, and 142 incidents were substantiated.

| <u>Determination</u> | <u>Number of Incidents</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Substantiated | 142 |
| Unsubstantiated | 516 |
| Total | 658 |

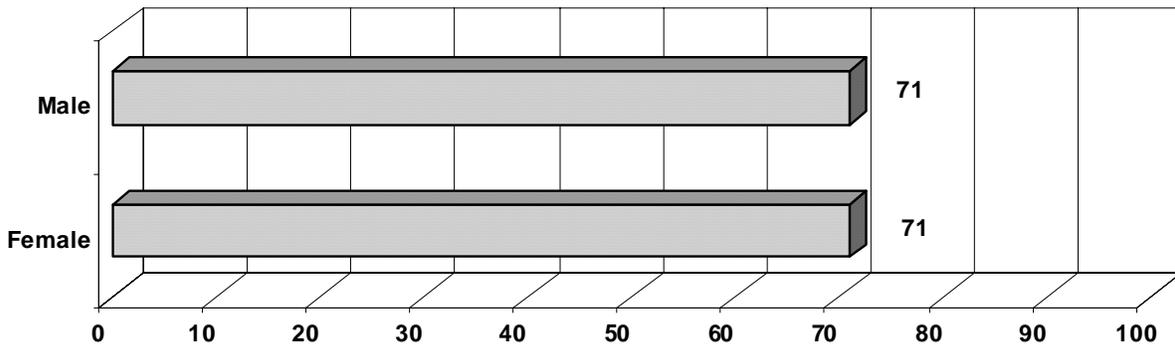
OTHER ABUSE – VICTIM DATA

The following graphs identify the children who were victims of substantiated other maltreatment. The children most at risk of other maltreatment are under the age of one.

Age of Victims

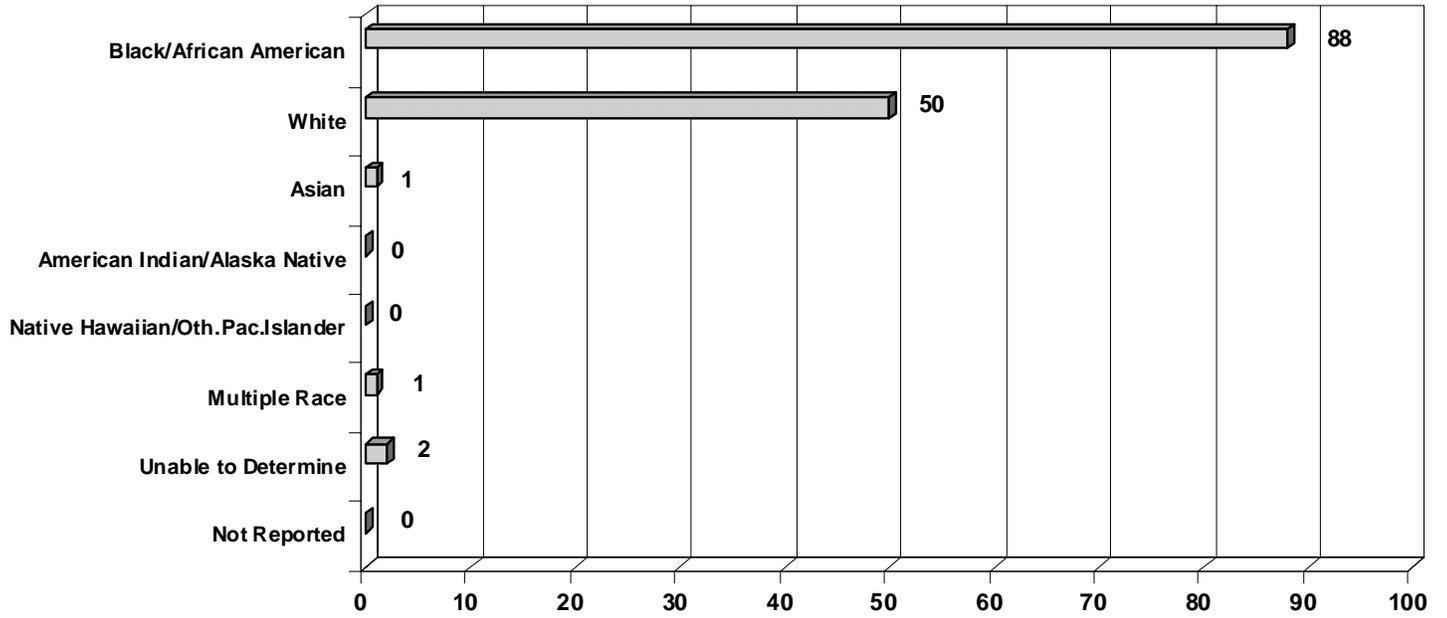


Gender of Victims

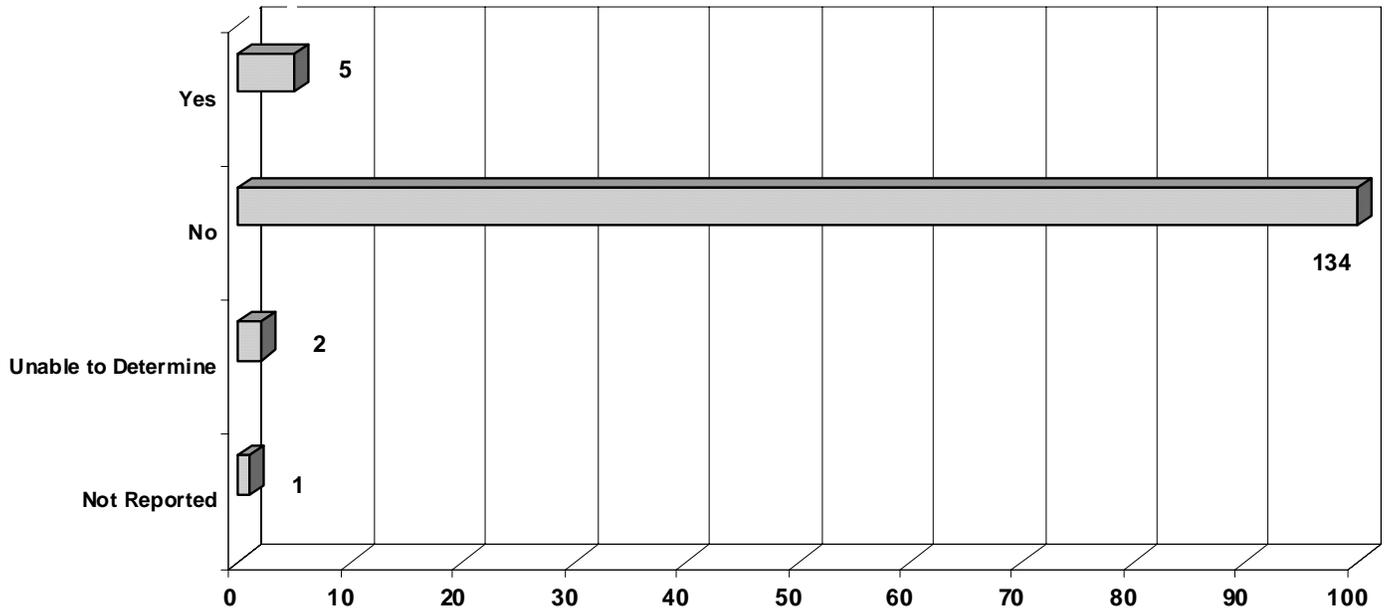


OTHER ABUSE – VICTIM DATA

Race of Victims



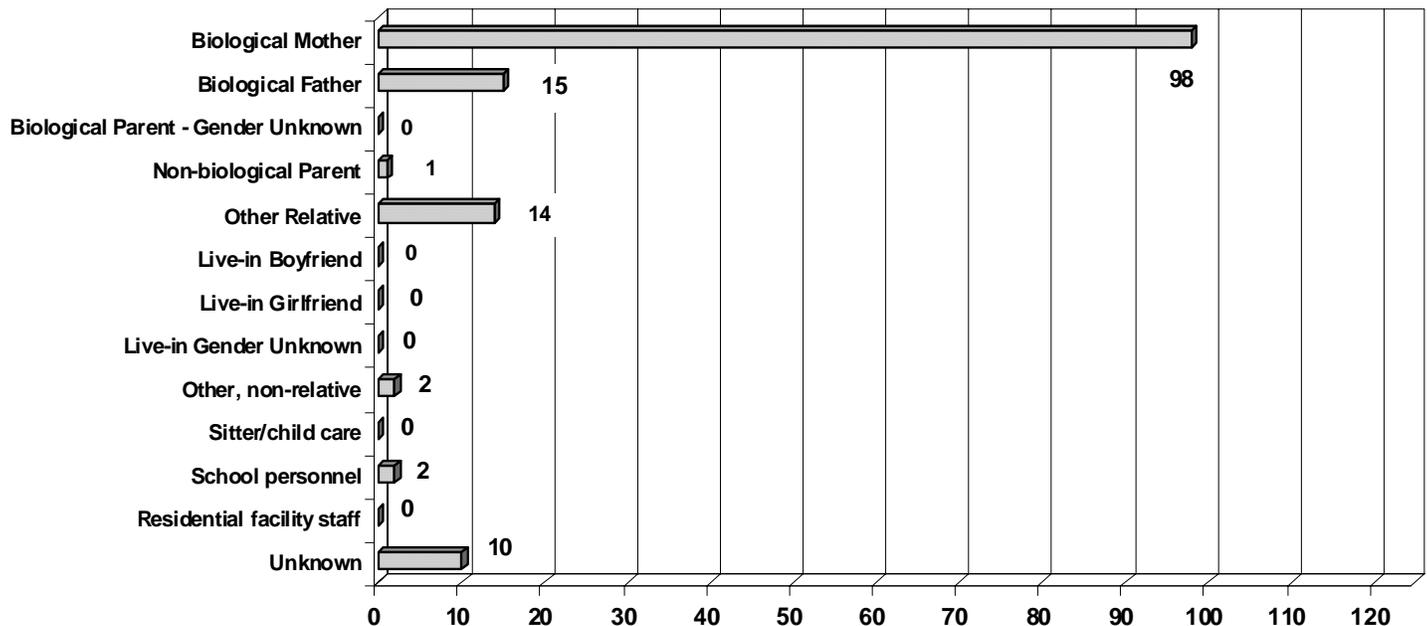
Hispanic / Latino Origin of Victims



OTHER ABUSE – PERPETRATOR DATA

In 2007, there were 142 substantiated incidents of “other” maltreatment. The biological mother is the most frequently reported perpetrator. The chart shows the perpetrator’s relationship to the child when the incident of other maltreatment occurred.

Perpetrator’s Relationship to Victim



Substantiated Other Abuse – Characteristics of Perpetrators

| | Gender Male | Gender Female | Total |
|---|-------------|---------------|------------|
| Black/African American | 16 | 67 | 83 |
| White | 4 | 42 | 46 |
| Asian | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Multiple Race | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Unable to Determine | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Total | 21 | 111 | 132 |
| <i>Perpetrator Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino</i> | 1 | 3 | 4 |

* 10 incidents did not have perpetrator race/gender reported.

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2007 COUNTY DATA

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| | | | | | | | | Substantiated | | | | Unsubstantiated | | | |
| | | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Open | Closed | Total | % Inv. | Open | Closed | Total | % Inv. |
| STATE TOTAL | 92,268 | 15,136 | 16% | 33,366 | 36% | 43,766 | 47% | 10,729 | 9,139 | 19,868 | 45% | 1,427 | 22,471 | 23,898 | 55% |
| Appling | 345 | 91 | 26% | 126 | 37% | 128 | 37% | 51 | 29 | 80 | 63% | 5 | 43 | 48 | 38% |
| Atkinson | 94 | 6 | 6% | 27 | 29% | 61 | 65% | 16 | 14 | 30 | 49% | 1 | 30 | 31 | 51% |
| Bacon | 114 | 8 | 7% | 43 | 38% | 63 | 55% | 19 | 13 | 32 | 51% | 2 | 29 | 31 | 49% |
| Baker | 33 | 7 | 21% | 9 | 27% | 17 | 52% | 6 | 3 | 9 | 53% | 0 | 8 | 8 | 47% |
| Baldwin | 644 | 171 | 27% | 135 | 21% | 338 | 52% | 94 | 61 | 155 | 46% | 19 | 164 | 183 | 54% |
| Banks | 259 | 62 | 24% | 119 | 46% | 78 | 30% | 30 | 6 | 36 | 46% | 1 | 41 | 42 | 54% |
| Barrow | 1,549 | 376 | 24% | 872 | 56% | 301 | 19% | 119 | 80 | 199 | 66% | 11 | 91 | 102 | 34% |
| Bartow | 1,262 | 263 | 21% | 415 | 33% | 584 | 46% | 175 | 135 | 310 | 53% | 19 | 255 | 274 | 47% |
| Ben Hill | 282 | 29 | 10% | 89 | 32% | 164 | 58% | 36 | 15 | 51 | 31% | 3 | 110 | 113 | 69% |
| Berrien | 307 | 20 | 7% | 75 | 24% | 212 | 69% | 70 | 46 | 116 | 55% | 4 | 92 | 96 | 45% |
| Bibb | 1,801 | 0 | 0% | 835 | 46% | 966 | 54% | 289 | 172 | 461 | 48% | 85 | 420 | 505 | 52% |
| Bleckley | 183 | 44 | 24% | 62 | 34% | 77 | 42% | 23 | 12 | 35 | 45% | 7 | 35 | 42 | 55% |
| Brantley | 317 | 29 | 9% | 114 | 36% | 174 | 55% | 69 | 32 | 101 | 58% | 5 | 68 | 73 | 42% |
| Brooks | 132 | 5 | 4% | 61 | 46% | 66 | 50% | 35 | 11 | 46 | 70% | 0 | 20 | 20 | 30% |
| Bryan | 199 | 18 | 9% | 68 | 34% | 113 | 57% | 26 | 17 | 43 | 38% | 10 | 60 | 70 | 62% |
| Bulloch | 252 | 4 | 2% | 143 | 57% | 105 | 42% | 52 | 15 | 67 | 64% | 0 | 38 | 38 | 36% |
| Burke | 280 | 34 | 12% | 139 | 50% | 107 | 38% | 27 | 11 | 38 | 36% | 1 | 68 | 69 | 64% |
| Butts | 267 | 30 | 11% | 84 | 31% | 153 | 57% | 56 | 17 | 73 | 48% | 3 | 77 | 80 | 52% |
| Calhoun | 58 | 11 | 19% | 25 | 43% | 22 | 38% | 7 | 1 | 8 | 36% | 1 | 13 | 14 | 64% |
| Camden | 519 | 158 | 30% | 169 | 33% | 192 | 37% | 20 | 49 | 69 | 36% | 6 | 117 | 123 | 64% |
| Candler | 125 | 30 | 24% | 44 | 35% | 51 | 41% | 13 | 11 | 24 | 47% | 2 | 25 | 27 | 53% |
| Carroll | 1,275 | 317 | 25% | 523 | 41% | 435 | 34% | 88 | 80 | 168 | 39% | 5 | 262 | 267 | 61% |
| Catoosa | 1,153 | 283 | 25% | 162 | 14% | 708 | 61% | 108 | 68 | 176 | 25% | 43 | 489 | 532 | 75% |
| Charlton | 221 | 18 | 8% | 63 | 29% | 140 | 63% | 21 | 29 | 50 | 36% | 2 | 88 | 90 | 64% |
| Chatham | 1,608 | 91 | 6% | 786 | 49% | 731 | 45% | 134 | 266 | 400 | 55% | 12 | 319 | 331 | 45% |
| Chattahoochee | 97 | 17 | 18% | 45 | 46% | 35 | 36% | 4 | 14 | 18 | 51% | 0 | 17 | 17 | 49% |
| Chattooga | 528 | 107 | 20% | 212 | 40% | 209 | 40% | 86 | 23 | 109 | 52% | 8 | 92 | 100 | 48% |
| Cherokee | 1,917 | 347 | 18% | 711 | 37% | 859 | 45% | 188 | 206 | 394 | 46% | 39 | 426 | 465 | 54% |
| Clarke | 1,074 | 104 | 10% | 553 | 51% | 417 | 39% | 88 | 90 | 178 | 43% | 8 | 231 | 239 | 57% |
| Clay | 30 | 2 | 7% | 13 | 43% | 15 | 50% | 8 | 3 | 11 | 73% | 0 | 4 | 4 | 27% |
| Clayton | 1,802 | 343 | 19% | 532 | 30% | 927 | 51% | 295 | 228 | 523 | 56% | 20 | 384 | 404 | 44% |
| Clinch | 91 | 1 | 1% | 34 | 37% | 56 | 62% | 14 | 17 | 31 | 55% | 2 | 23 | 25 | 45% |
| Cobb | 4,521 | 690 | 15% | 2,752 | 61% | 1,079 | 24% | 332 | 442 | 774 | 72% | 21 | 284 | 305 | 28% |
| Coffee | 732 | 105 | 14% | 200 | 27% | 427 | 58% | 129 | 62 | 191 | 45% | 0 | 236 | 236 | 55% |
| Colquitt | 668 | 102 | 15% | 283 | 42% | 283 | 42% | 119 | 51 | 170 | 60% | 19 | 94 | 113 | 40% |
| Columbia | 863 | 189 | 22% | 334 | 39% | 340 | 39% | 107 | 81 | 188 | 55% | 2 | 150 | 152 | 45% |
| Cook | 247 | 21 | 9% | 61 | 25% | 165 | 67% | 55 | 13 | 68 | 41% | 16 | 81 | 97 | 59% |
| Coweta | 532 | 22 | 4% | 191 | 36% | 319 | 60% | 108 | 80 | 188 | 59% | 37 | 94 | 131 | 41% |
| Crawford | 224 | 50 | 22% | 68 | 30% | 106 | 47% | 48 | 16 | 64 | 60% | 2 | 40 | 42 | 40% |

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| | | | | | | Substantiated | | | | Unsubstantiated | | | | | |
| | | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Open | Closed | Total | % Inv. | Open | Closed | Total | % Inv. |
| Crisp | 371 | 95 | 26% | 79 | 21% | 197 | 53% | 49 | 36 | 85 | 43% | 3 | 109 | 112 | 57% |
| Dade | 166 | 44 | 27% | 55 | 33% | 67 | 40% | 32 | 11 | 43 | 64% | 2 | 22 | 24 | 36% |
| Dawson | 318 | 48 | 15% | 163 | 51% | 107 | 34% | 16 | 27 | 43 | 40% | 3 | 61 | 64 | 60% |
| Decatur | 441 | 51 | 12% | 165 | 37% | 225 | 51% | 71 | 44 | 115 | 51% | 6 | 104 | 110 | 49% |
| Dekalb | 3,182 | 390 | 12% | 691 | 22% | 2,101 | 66% | 253 | 571 | 824 | 39% | 48 | 1,229 | 1,277 | 61% |
| Dodge | 419 | 97 | 23% | 131 | 31% | 191 | 46% | 52 | 12 | 64 | 34% | 13 | 114 | 127 | 66% |
| Dooly | 97 | 17 | 18% | 33 | 34% | 47 | 48% | 10 | 8 | 18 | 38% | 0 | 29 | 29 | 62% |
| Dougherty | 941 | 81 | 9% | 283 | 30% | 577 | 61% | 169 | 121 | 290 | 50% | 16 | 271 | 287 | 50% |
| Douglas | 1,327 | 245 | 18% | 437 | 33% | 645 | 49% | 144 | 166 | 310 | 48% | 23 | 312 | 335 | 52% |
| Early | 132 | 10 | 8% | 80 | 61% | 42 | 32% | 7 | 9 | 16 | 38% | 2 | 24 | 26 | 62% |
| Echols | 46 | 1 | 2% | 21 | 46% | 24 | 52% | 14 | 1 | 15 | 63% | 4 | 5 | 9 | 38% |
| Effingham | 400 | 38 | 10% | 189 | 47% | 173 | 43% | 34 | 33 | 67 | 39% | 6 | 100 | 106 | 61% |
| Elbert | 286 | 76 | 27% | 59 | 21% | 151 | 53% | 24 | 18 | 42 | 28% | 3 | 106 | 109 | 72% |
| Emanuel | 301 | 55 | 18% | 121 | 40% | 125 | 42% | 16 | 39 | 55 | 44% | 2 | 68 | 70 | 56% |
| Evans | 230 | 82 | 36% | 71 | 31% | 77 | 33% | 26 | 3 | 29 | 38% | 7 | 41 | 48 | 62% |
| Fannin | 347 | 85 | 24% | 84 | 24% | 178 | 51% | 41 | 24 | 65 | 37% | 16 | 97 | 113 | 63% |
| Fayette | 739 | 44 | 6% | 397 | 54% | 298 | 40% | 98 | 67 | 165 | 55% | 13 | 120 | 133 | 45% |
| Floyd | 1,625 | 223 | 14% | 504 | 31% | 898 | 55% | 223 | 128 | 351 | 39% | 73 | 474 | 547 | 61% |
| Forsyth | 1,187 | 237 | 20% | 508 | 43% | 442 | 37% | 111 | 99 | 210 | 48% | 10 | 222 | 232 | 52% |
| Franklin | 378 | 93 | 25% | 187 | 49% | 98 | 26% | 47 | 12 | 59 | 60% | 2 | 37 | 39 | 40% |
| Fulton | 4,562 | 480 | 11% | 1,163 | 25% | 2,919 | 64% | 600 | 707 | 1,307 | 45% | 83 | 1,529 | 1,612 | 55% |
| Gilmer | 495 | 152 | 31% | 116 | 23% | 227 | 46% | 42 | 20 | 62 | 27% | 20 | 145 | 165 | 73% |
| Glascocock | 52 | 10 | 19% | 21 | 40% | 21 | 40% | 9 | 2 | 11 | 52% | 0 | 10 | 10 | 48% |
| Glynn | 869 | 117 | 13% | 452 | 52% | 300 | 35% | 61 | 63 | 124 | 41% | 6 | 170 | 176 | 59% |
| Gordon | 809 | 132 | 16% | 292 | 36% | 385 | 48% | 136 | 72 | 208 | 54% | 18 | 159 | 177 | 46% |
| Grady | 273 | 30 | 11% | 115 | 42% | 128 | 47% | 38 | 24 | 62 | 48% | 3 | 63 | 66 | 52% |
| Greene | 239 | 82 | 34% | 90 | 38% | 67 | 28% | 22 | 21 | 43 | 64% | 0 | 24 | 24 | 36% |
| Gwinnett | 4,072 | 804 | 20% | 1,041 | 26% | 2,227 | 55% | 281 | 513 | 794 | 36% | 35 | 1,398 | 1,433 | 64% |
| Habersham | 579 | 66 | 11% | 248 | 43% | 265 | 46% | 69 | 60 | 129 | 49% | 2 | 134 | 136 | 51% |
| Hall | 1,804 | 178 | 10% | 775 | 43% | 851 | 47% | 224 | 153 | 377 | 44% | 3 | 471 | 474 | 56% |
| Hancock | 108 | 10 | 9% | 49 | 45% | 49 | 45% | 18 | 11 | 29 | 59% | 4 | 16 | 20 | 41% |
| Haralson | 594 | 113 | 19% | 232 | 39% | 249 | 42% | 53 | 16 | 69 | 28% | 9 | 171 | 180 | 72% |
| Harris | 173 | 23 | 13% | 62 | 36% | 88 | 51% | 24 | 23 | 47 | 53% | 1 | 40 | 41 | 47% |
| Hart | 305 | 40 | 13% | 78 | 26% | 187 | 61% | 116 | 23 | 139 | 74% | 3 | 45 | 48 | 26% |
| Heard | 261 | 50 | 19% | 128 | 49% | 83 | 32% | 28 | 8 | 36 | 43% | 13 | 34 | 47 | 57% |
| Henry | 2,183 | 223 | 10% | 791 | 36% | 1,169 | 54% | 230 | 232 | 462 | 40% | 50 | 657 | 707 | 60% |
| Houston | 829 | 104 | 13% | 314 | 38% | 411 | 50% | 120 | 170 | 290 | 71% | 5 | 116 | 121 | 29% |
| Irwin | 183 | 46 | 25% | 42 | 23% | 95 | 52% | 20 | 28 | 48 | 51% | 0 | 47 | 47 | 49% |
| Jackson | 911 | 290 | 32% | 294 | 32% | 327 | 36% | 89 | 55 | 144 | 44% | 11 | 172 | 183 | 56% |
| Jasper | 129 | 18 | 14% | 73 | 57% | 38 | 29% | 8 | 10 | 18 | 47% | 1 | 19 | 20 | 53% |

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| | | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Open | Closed | Total | % Inv. | Open | Closed | Total | % Inv. |
| Jeff Davis | 268 | 52 | 19% | 118 | 44% | 98 | 37% | 19 | 20 | 39 | 40% | 3 | 56 | 59 | 60% |
| Jefferson | 208 | 34 | 16% | 66 | 32% | 108 | 52% | 35 | 14 | 49 | 45% | 7 | 52 | 59 | 55% |
| Jenkins | 137 | 6 | 4% | 38 | 28% | 93 | 68% | 36 | 11 | 47 | 51% | 3 | 43 | 46 | 49% |
| Johnson | 191 | 44 | 23% | 74 | 39% | 73 | 38% | 26 | 5 | 31 | 42% | 0 | 42 | 42 | 58% |
| Jones | 313 | 40 | 13% | 65 | 21% | 208 | 66% | 82 | 27 | 109 | 52% | 5 | 94 | 99 | 48% |
| Lamar | 215 | 50 | 23% | 54 | 25% | 111 | 52% | 47 | 16 | 63 | 57% | 2 | 46 | 48 | 43% |
| Lanier | 197 | 19 | 10% | 76 | 39% | 102 | 52% | 44 | 24 | 68 | 67% | 0 | 34 | 34 | 33% |
| Laurens | 575 | 93 | 16% | 184 | 32% | 298 | 52% | 77 | 47 | 124 | 42% | 11 | 163 | 174 | 58% |
| Lee | 294 | 30 | 10% | 96 | 33% | 168 | 57% | 43 | 22 | 65 | 39% | 4 | 99 | 103 | 61% |
| Liberty | 1,005 | 103 | 10% | 403 | 40% | 499 | 50% | 91 | 110 | 201 | 40% | 29 | 269 | 298 | 60% |
| Lincoln | 86 | 9 | 10% | 56 | 65% | 21 | 24% | 4 | 2 | 6 | 29% | 4 | 11 | 15 | 71% |
| Long | 167 | 7 | 4% | 57 | 34% | 103 | 62% | 23 | 20 | 43 | 42% | 2 | 58 | 60 | 58% |
| Lowndes | 1,066 | 95 | 9% | 389 | 36% | 582 | 55% | 142 | 135 | 277 | 48% | 19 | 286 | 305 | 52% |
| Lumpkin | 450 | 84 | 19% | 203 | 45% | 163 | 36% | 80 | 46 | 126 | 77% | 1 | 36 | 37 | 23% |
| Macon | 216 | 32 | 15% | 87 | 40% | 97 | 45% | 20 | 23 | 43 | 44% | 1 | 53 | 54 | 56% |
| Madison | 453 | 80 | 18% | 198 | 44% | 175 | 39% | 19 | 23 | 42 | 24% | 7 | 126 | 133 | 76% |
| Marion | 96 | 14 | 15% | 49 | 51% | 33 | 34% | 9 | 9 | 18 | 55% | 1 | 14 | 15 | 45% |
| McDuffie | 308 | 26 | 8% | 124 | 40% | 158 | 51% | 56 | 24 | 80 | 51% | 14 | 64 | 78 | 49% |
| McIntosh | 162 | 19 | 12% | 25 | 15% | 118 | 73% | 11 | 21 | 32 | 27% | 4 | 82 | 86 | 73% |
| Meriwether | 345 | 94 | 27% | 103 | 30% | 148 | 43% | 67 | 12 | 79 | 53% | 3 | 66 | 69 | 47% |
| Miller | 87 | 5 | 6% | 51 | 59% | 31 | 36% | 4 | 5 | 9 | 29% | 3 | 19 | 22 | 71% |
| Mitchell | 217 | 25 | 12% | 58 | 27% | 134 | 62% | 34 | 15 | 49 | 37% | 1 | 84 | 85 | 63% |
| Monroe | 342 | 64 | 19% | 108 | 32% | 170 | 50% | 62 | 27 | 89 | 52% | 0 | 81 | 81 | 48% |
| Montgomery | 149 | 20 | 13% | 47 | 32% | 82 | 55% | 21 | 23 | 44 | 54% | 4 | 34 | 38 | 46% |
| Morgan | 225 | 24 | 11% | 82 | 36% | 119 | 53% | 25 | 13 | 38 | 32% | 1 | 80 | 81 | 68% |
| Murray | 588 | 111 | 19% | 180 | 31% | 297 | 51% | 75 | 33 | 108 | 36% | 9 | 180 | 189 | 64% |
| Muscogee | 1,535 | 84 | 5% | 451 | 29% | 1,000 | 65% | 138 | 256 | 394 | 39% | 9 | 597 | 606 | 61% |
| Newton | 1,245 | 198 | 16% | 463 | 37% | 584 | 47% | 106 | 111 | 217 | 37% | 18 | 349 | 367 | 63% |
| Oconee | 423 | 142 | 34% | 134 | 32% | 147 | 35% | 54 | 20 | 74 | 50% | 0 | 73 | 73 | 50% |
| Oglethorpe | 194 | 36 | 19% | 117 | 60% | 41 | 21% | 10 | 10 | 20 | 49% | 9 | 12 | 21 | 51% |
| Paulding | 1,540 | 365 | 24% | 394 | 26% | 781 | 51% | 140 | 172 | 312 | 40% | 20 | 449 | 469 | 60% |
| Peach | 183 | 20 | 11% | 59 | 32% | 104 | 57% | 26 | 8 | 34 | 33% | 6 | 64 | 70 | 67% |
| Pickens | 612 | 225 | 37% | 168 | 27% | 219 | 36% | 88 | 43 | 131 | 60% | 15 | 73 | 88 | 40% |
| Pierce | 305 | 68 | 22% | 114 | 37% | 123 | 40% | 23 | 29 | 52 | 42% | 2 | 69 | 71 | 58% |
| Pike | 193 | 38 | 20% | 67 | 35% | 88 | 46% | 22 | 23 | 45 | 51% | 4 | 39 | 43 | 49% |
| Polk | 829 | 140 | 17% | 244 | 29% | 445 | 54% | 141 | 58 | 199 | 45% | 27 | 219 | 246 | 55% |
| Pulaski | 151 | 13 | 9% | 45 | 30% | 93 | 62% | 32 | 11 | 43 | 46% | 8 | 42 | 50 | 54% |
| Putnam | 194 | 13 | 7% | 85 | 44% | 96 | 49% | 30 | 9 | 39 | 41% | 11 | 46 | 57 | 59% |
| Quitman | 17 | 3 | 18% | 9 | 53% | 5 | 29% | 2 | 2 | 4 | 80% | 0 | 1 | 1 | 20% |
| Rabun | 364 | 43 | 12% | 166 | 46% | 155 | 43% | 56 | 26 | 82 | 53% | 2 | 71 | 73 | 47% |

**Table 1: Child Abuse and Neglect Annual Report
Reports by County
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| | TOTAL REPORTS | Screened-Out Reports | | Family Support (Diversion) | | Reports Accepted for Service (Investigations) | | Investigations by Disposition | | | | | | | |
|------------|---------------|----------------------|-----|----------------------------|-----|---|-----|-------------------------------|--------|-----------------|--------|------|--------|-------|--------|
| | | | | | | Substantiated | | | | Unsubstantiated | | | | | |
| | | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Open | Closed | Total | % Inv. | Open | Closed | Total | % Inv. |
| Randolph | 139 | 13 | 9% | 74 | 53% | 52 | 37% | 22 | 9 | 31 | 60% | 2 | 19 | 21 | 40% |
| Richmond | 2,160 | 481 | 22% | 941 | 44% | 738 | 34% | 127 | 236 | 363 | 49% | 7 | 368 | 375 | 51% |
| Rockdale | 882 | 157 | 18% | 301 | 34% | 424 | 48% | 87 | 77 | 164 | 39% | 16 | 244 | 260 | 61% |
| Schley | 101 | 20 | 20% | 36 | 36% | 45 | 45% | 15 | 5 | 20 | 44% | 2 | 23 | 25 | 56% |
| Screven | 154 | 12 | 8% | 44 | 29% | 98 | 64% | 32 | 21 | 53 | 54% | 2 | 43 | 45 | 46% |
| Seminole | 134 | 14 | 10% | 58 | 43% | 62 | 46% | 8 | 16 | 24 | 39% | 4 | 34 | 38 | 61% |
| Spalding | 950 | 149 | 16% | 243 | 26% | 558 | 59% | 158 | 105 | 263 | 47% | 5 | 290 | 295 | 53% |
| Stephens | 462 | 56 | 12% | 195 | 42% | 211 | 46% | 94 | 48 | 142 | 67% | 6 | 63 | 69 | 33% |
| Stewart | 59 | 6 | 10% | 26 | 44% | 27 | 46% | 8 | 10 | 18 | 67% | 0 | 9 | 9 | 33% |
| Sumter | 412 | 86 | 21% | 162 | 39% | 164 | 40% | 31 | 29 | 60 | 37% | 5 | 99 | 104 | 63% |
| Talbot | 53 | 0 | 0% | 22 | 42% | 31 | 58% | 15 | 4 | 19 | 61% | 1 | 11 | 12 | 39% |
| Taliaferro | 16 | 1 | 6% | 12 | 75% | 3 | 19% | 1 | 0 | 1 | 33% | 2 | 0 | 2 | 67% |
| Tattnall | 294 | 88 | 30% | 114 | 39% | 92 | 31% | 40 | 25 | 65 | 71% | 2 | 25 | 27 | 29% |
| Taylor | 153 | 47 | 31% | 61 | 40% | 45 | 29% | 14 | 10 | 24 | 53% | 2 | 19 | 21 | 47% |
| Telfair | 176 | 23 | 13% | 103 | 59% | 50 | 28% | 28 | 13 | 41 | 82% | 2 | 7 | 9 | 18% |
| Terrell | 156 | 34 | 22% | 62 | 40% | 60 | 38% | 13 | 14 | 27 | 45% | 2 | 31 | 33 | 55% |
| Thomas | 398 | 37 | 9% | 164 | 41% | 197 | 49% | 54 | 60 | 114 | 58% | 5 | 78 | 83 | 42% |
| Tift | 660 | 92 | 14% | 143 | 22% | 425 | 64% | 156 | 87 | 243 | 57% | 3 | 179 | 182 | 43% |
| Toombs | 583 | 97 | 17% | 126 | 22% | 360 | 62% | 83 | 51 | 134 | 37% | 13 | 213 | 226 | 63% |
| Towns | 112 | 12 | 11% | 39 | 35% | 61 | 54% | 20 | 6 | 26 | 43% | 0 | 35 | 35 | 57% |
| Treutlen | 113 | 23 | 20% | 38 | 34% | 52 | 46% | 14 | 15 | 29 | 56% | 2 | 21 | 23 | 44% |
| Troup | 958 | 151 | 16% | 336 | 35% | 471 | 49% | 80 | 97 | 177 | 38% | 5 | 289 | 294 | 62% |
| Turner | 159 | 13 | 8% | 64 | 40% | 82 | 52% | 17 | 13 | 30 | 37% | 4 | 48 | 52 | 63% |
| Twiggs | 86 | 7 | 8% | 23 | 27% | 56 | 65% | 16 | 10 | 26 | 46% | 0 | 30 | 30 | 54% |
| Union | 291 | 42 | 14% | 173 | 59% | 76 | 26% | 22 | 14 | 36 | 47% | 2 | 38 | 40 | 53% |
| Upson | 576 | 132 | 23% | 227 | 39% | 217 | 38% | 77 | 49 | 126 | 58% | 1 | 90 | 91 | 42% |
| Walker | 1,193 | 301 | 25% | 415 | 35% | 477 | 40% | 159 | 78 | 237 | 50% | 24 | 216 | 240 | 50% |
| Walton | 1,150 | 379 | 33% | 312 | 27% | 459 | 40% | 95 | 47 | 142 | 31% | 12 | 305 | 317 | 69% |
| Ware | 587 | 84 | 14% | 251 | 43% | 252 | 43% | 80 | 42 | 122 | 48% | 3 | 127 | 130 | 52% |
| Warren | 71 | 14 | 20% | 25 | 35% | 32 | 45% | 6 | 4 | 10 | 31% | 0 | 22 | 22 | 69% |
| Washington | 333 | 57 | 17% | 111 | 33% | 165 | 50% | 35 | 21 | 56 | 34% | 9 | 100 | 109 | 66% |
| Wayne | 551 | 153 | 28% | 227 | 41% | 171 | 31% | 34 | 19 | 53 | 31% | 3 | 115 | 118 | 69% |
| Webster | 36 | 5 | 14% | 20 | 56% | 11 | 31% | 3 | 1 | 4 | 36% | 0 | 7 | 7 | 64% |
| Wheeler | 109 | 20 | 18% | 46 | 42% | 43 | 39% | 12 | 18 | 30 | 70% | 0 | 13 | 13 | 30% |
| White | 462 | 57 | 12% | 196 | 42% | 209 | 45% | 83 | 14 | 97 | 46% | 2 | 110 | 112 | 54% |
| Whitfield | 1,670 | 366 | 22% | 371 | 22% | 933 | 56% | 110 | 154 | 264 | 28% | 53 | 616 | 669 | 72% |
| Wilcox | 150 | 63 | 42% | 39 | 26% | 48 | 32% | 8 | 8 | 16 | 33% | 2 | 30 | 32 | 67% |
| Wilkes | 114 | 6 | 5% | 74 | 65% | 34 | 30% | 7 | 4 | 11 | 32% | 3 | 20 | 23 | 68% |
| Wilkinson | 90 | 6 | 7% | 35 | 39% | 49 | 54% | 17 | 8 | 25 | 51% | 0 | 24 | 24 | 49% |
| Worth | 402 | 79 | 20% | 139 | 35% | 184 | 46% | 38 | 33 | 71 | 39% | 12 | 101 | 113 | 61% |

**Table 2: Child Abuse and Neglect Annual Report
Substantiated Child Maltreatment Victims and Incidents By County
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| | Population Under 18 Years of Age | Substantiated Child Maltreatment Victims* | | Substantiated Incidents of Maltreatment | | | | | |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------|---|--------------|--------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| | | Victims | Rate Per 1,000 Children | Neglect | Physical | Sexual | Emotional | Other | Total |
| STATE TOTAL | 2,455,020 | 32,951 | 13.4 | 28,734 | 3,547 | 1,424 | 693 | 142 | 34,540 |
| Appling | 4,621 | 144 | 31.2 | 127 | 10 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 148 |
| Atkinson | 2,472 | 61 | 24.7 | 50 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 64 |
| Bacon | 2,701 | 58 | 21.5 | 55 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 58 |
| Baker | 1,018 | 19 | 18.7 | 15 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| Baldwin | 9,289 | 232 | 25.0 | 207 | 25 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 244 |
| Banks | 4,149 | 73 | 17.6 | 72 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 78 |
| Barrow | 17,417 | 320 | 18.4 | 298 | 21 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 330 |
| Bartow | 25,069 | 511 | 20.4 | 451 | 39 | 30 | 8 | 2 | 530 |
| Ben Hill | 4,840 | 88 | 18.2 | 79 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 89 |
| Berrien | 4,374 | 215 | 49.2 | 193 | 10 | 10 | 6 | 1 | 220 |
| Bibb | 42,130 | 733 | 17.4 | 614 | 67 | 64 | 26 | 2 | 773 |
| Bleckley | 3,063 | 56 | 18.3 | 37 | 6 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 62 |
| Brantley | 3,839 | 172 | 44.8 | 160 | 10 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 178 |
| Brooks | 4,134 | 76 | 18.4 | 67 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 77 |
| Bryan | 8,176 | 61 | 7.5 | 49 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 61 |
| Bulloch | 13,387 | 108 | 8.1 | 95 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 116 |
| Burke | 6,906 | 92 | 13.3 | 89 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 94 |
| Butts | 5,303 | 150 | 28.3 | 141 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 152 |
| Calhoun | 1,367 | 11 | 8.0 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| Camden | 14,167 | 101 | 7.1 | 80 | 20 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 106 |
| Candler | 2,879 | 46 | 16.0 | 38 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 47 |
| Carroll | 27,021 | 248 | 9.2 | 207 | 31 | 9 | 0 | 6 | 253 |
| Catoosa | 15,254 | 296 | 19.4 | 280 | 18 | 12 | 3 | 1 | 314 |
| Charlton | 2,507 | 100 | 39.9 | 93 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 104 |
| Chatham | 61,662 | 633 | 10.3 | 545 | 91 | 25 | 8 | 0 | 669 |
| Chattahoochee | 3,972 | 32 | 8.1 | 25 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 32 |
| Chattooga | 5,961 | 186 | 31.2 | 174 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 190 |
| Cherokee | 53,092 | 598 | 11.3 | 536 | 68 | 33 | 22 | 1 | 660 |
| Clarke | 19,965 | 297 | 14.9 | 258 | 41 | 19 | 5 | 0 | 323 |
| Clay | 785 | 24 | 30.6 | 20 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Clayton | 81,630 | 929 | 11.4 | 811 | 120 | 26 | 21 | 4 | 982 |
| Clinch | 1,954 | 49 | 25.1 | 43 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 55 |
| Cobb | 179,373 | 1,316 | 7.3 | 1,102 | 181 | 44 | 20 | 3 | 1,350 |
| Coffee | 11,181 | 301 | 26.9 | 253 | 39 | 11 | 17 | 0 | 320 |
| Colquitt | 12,216 | 300 | 24.6 | 278 | 17 | 14 | 2 | 1 | 312 |
| Columbia | 28,052 | 335 | 11.9 | 306 | 30 | 9 | 9 | 0 | 354 |
| Cook | 4,384 | 111 | 25.3 | 105 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 118 |
| Coweta | 31,006 | 305 | 9.8 | 274 | 19 | 11 | 5 | 0 | 309 |
| Crawford | 3,185 | 107 | 33.6 | 98 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 110 |

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|-----------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------|---|----------|--------|-----------|-------|-------|
| | | Victims | Rate Per 1,000 Children | Neglect | Physical | Sexual | Emotional | Other | Total |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Crisp | 6,166 | 149 | 24.2 | 133 | 17 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 151 |
| Dade | 3,553 | 79 | 22.2 | 78 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 86 |
| Dawson | 4,944 | 55 | 11.1 | 35 | 13 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 56 |
| Decatur | 7,737 | 224 | 29.0 | 194 | 30 | 10 | 13 | 2 | 249 |
| Dekalb | 182,796 | 1,096 | 6.0 | 793 | 258 | 53 | 31 | 14 | 1,149 |
| Dodge | 4,889 | 96 | 19.6 | 80 | 16 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 104 |
| Dooly | 2,884 | 25 | 8.7 | 19 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 28 |
| Dougherty | 26,333 | 481 | 18.3 | 416 | 58 | 24 | 0 | 1 | 499 |
| Douglas | 32,703 | 490 | 15.0 | 411 | 74 | 12 | 12 | 0 | 509 |
| Early | 3,447 | 23 | 6.7 | 18 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 24 |
| Echols | 1,179 | 21 | 17.8 | 19 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 |
| Effingham | 12,917 | 111 | 8.6 | 97 | 5 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 114 |
| Elbert | 4,945 | 67 | 13.5 | 64 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 67 |
| Emanuel | 5,872 | 77 | 13.1 | 70 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 81 |
| Evans | 3,073 | 51 | 16.6 | 48 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 51 |
| Fannin | 4,533 | 102 | 22.5 | 95 | 10 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 115 |
| Fayette | 25,315 | 259 | 10.2 | 232 | 25 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 268 |
| Floyd | 23,599 | 617 | 26.1 | 550 | 32 | 45 | 4 | 0 | 631 |
| Forsyth | 41,454 | 342 | 8.3 | 298 | 45 | 9 | 18 | 1 | 371 |
| Franklin | 5,015 | 109 | 21.7 | 103 | 9 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 118 |
| Fulton | 242,854 | 2,002 | 8.2 | 1,633 | 306 | 86 | 36 | 49 | 2,110 |
| Gilmer | 6,695 | 104 | 15.5 | 96 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 115 |
| Glascocok | 608 | 18 | 29.6 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 18 |
| Glynn | 18,147 | 186 | 10.2 | 161 | 24 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 192 |
| Gordon | 13,399 | 371 | 27.7 | 352 | 26 | 9 | 6 | 0 | 393 |
| Grady | 6,659 | 95 | 14.3 | 76 | 12 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 100 |
| Greene | 3,580 | 104 | 29.1 | 95 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 105 |
| Gwinnett | 215,360 | 1,253 | 5.8 | 1,036 | 199 | 62 | 25 | 3 | 1,325 |
| Habersham | 9,633 | 208 | 21.6 | 180 | 30 | 15 | 8 | 0 | 233 |
| Hall | 48,649 | 624 | 12.8 | 552 | 72 | 23 | 13 | 2 | 662 |
| Hancock | 2,045 | 40 | 19.6 | 31 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 41 |
| Haralson | 7,090 | 114 | 16.1 | 108 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 119 |
| Harris | 6,623 | 75 | 11.3 | 65 | 11 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 86 |
| Hart | 5,528 | 226 | 40.9 | 197 | 20 | 10 | 12 | 0 | 239 |
| Heard | 3,106 | 77 | 24.8 | 72 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 81 |
| Henry | 49,798 | 763 | 15.3 | 647 | 96 | 27 | 33 | 1 | 804 |
| Houston | 34,002 | 508 | 14.9 | 441 | 55 | 30 | 5 | 1 | 532 |
| Irwin | 2,604 | 80 | 30.7 | 47 | 5 | 10 | 22 | 0 | 84 |
| Jackson | 14,149 | 256 | 18.1 | 234 | 15 | 16 | 7 | 1 | 273 |
| Jasper | 3,421 | 35 | 10.2 | 32 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 36 |

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|------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------|---|----------|--------|-----------|-------|-------|
| | | Victims | Rate Per 1,000 Children | Neglect | Physical | Sexual | Emotional | Other | Total |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Jeff Davis | 3,634 | 62 | 17.1 | 50 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 65 |
| Jefferson | 4,550 | 85 | 18.7 | 78 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 87 |
| Jenkins | 2,370 | 75 | 31.6 | 66 | 6 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 77 |
| Johnson | 2,472 | 43 | 17.4 | 37 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 48 |
| Jones | 6,550 | 183 | 27.9 | 172 | 9 | 12 | 3 | 0 | 196 |
| Lamar | 3,914 | 113 | 28.9 | 102 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 121 |
| Lanier | 2,003 | 119 | 59.4 | 111 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 126 |
| Laurens | 12,137 | 239 | 19.7 | 205 | 15 | 21 | 3 | 0 | 244 |
| Lee | 8,306 | 115 | 13.8 | 103 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 117 |
| Liberty | 21,681 | 352 | 16.2 | 309 | 33 | 11 | 4 | 0 | 357 |
| Lincoln | 1,793 | 7 | 3.9 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Long | 3,557 | 79 | 22.2 | 72 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 83 |
| Lowndes | 25,609 | 466 | 18.2 | 397 | 53 | 31 | 6 | 0 | 487 |
| Lumpkin | 5,868 | 224 | 38.2 | 209 | 17 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 234 |
| Macon | 3,558 | 69 | 19.4 | 55 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 69 |
| Madison | 6,855 | 87 | 12.7 | 80 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 89 |
| Marion | 2,010 | 24 | 11.9 | 20 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 27 |
| McDuffie | 5,801 | 121 | 20.9 | 113 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 123 |
| McIntosh | 2,895 | 54 | 18.7 | 47 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 55 |
| Meriwether | 5,763 | 149 | 25.9 | 139 | 11 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 158 |
| Miller | 1,527 | 19 | 12.4 | 15 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 25 |
| Mitchell | 6,035 | 83 | 13.8 | 75 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 86 |
| Monroe | 5,642 | 158 | 28.0 | 146 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 160 |
| Montgomery | 2,228 | 73 | 32.8 | 63 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 75 |
| Morgan | 4,402 | 65 | 14.8 | 57 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 66 |
| Murray | 11,331 | 184 | 16.2 | 164 | 15 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 192 |
| Muscogee | 51,809 | 624 | 12.0 | 525 | 101 | 27 | 3 | 0 | 656 |
| Newton | 25,277 | 379 | 15.0 | 339 | 30 | 23 | 9 | 0 | 401 |
| Oconee | 8,084 | 148 | 18.3 | 138 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 150 |
| Oglethorpe | 3,474 | 28 | 8.1 | 18 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 29 |
| Paulding | 35,565 | 540 | 15.2 | 480 | 58 | 17 | 22 | 0 | 577 |
| Peach | 6,060 | 51 | 8.4 | 42 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 54 |
| Pickens | 6,531 | 222 | 34.0 | 208 | 21 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 239 |
| Pierce | 4,399 | 88 | 20.0 | 82 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 92 |
| Pike | 4,084 | 71 | 17.4 | 56 | 12 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 75 |
| Polk | 10,902 | 341 | 31.3 | 323 | 14 | 19 | 7 | 0 | 363 |
| Pulaski | 2,160 | 73 | 33.8 | 66 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 75 |
| Putnam | 4,406 | 58 | 13.2 | 50 | 8 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 67 |
| Quitman | 583 | 4 | 6.9 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Rabun | 3,580 | 147 | 41.1 | 141 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 150 |

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|------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------|---|----------|--------|-----------|-------|-------|
| | | Victims | Rate Per 1,000 Children | Neglect | Physical | Sexual | Emotional | Other | Total |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Randolph | 1,908 | 46 | 24.1 | 34 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 47 |
| Richmond | 53,225 | 637 | 12.0 | 555 | 74 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 648 |
| Rockdale | 21,390 | 273 | 12.8 | 241 | 33 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 278 |
| Schley | 1,147 | 32 | 27.9 | 32 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 33 |
| Screven | 3,981 | 95 | 23.9 | 80 | 12 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 102 |
| Seminole | 2,275 | 36 | 15.8 | 35 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 40 |
| Spalding | 16,960 | 477 | 28.1 | 443 | 31 | 17 | 5 | 0 | 496 |
| Stephens | 5,828 | 252 | 43.2 | 219 | 22 | 12 | 18 | 0 | 271 |
| Stewart | 1,137 | 25 | 22.0 | 15 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 27 |
| Sumter | 9,015 | 89 | 9.9 | 63 | 20 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 90 |
| Talbot | 1,548 | 26 | 16.8 | 21 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 27 |
| Taliaferro | 411 | 1 | 2.4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Tattnall | 5,345 | 128 | 23.9 | 110 | 10 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 131 |
| Taylor | 2,274 | 34 | 15.0 | 25 | 6 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 36 |
| Telfair | 2,610 | 88 | 33.7 | 83 | 13 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 101 |
| Terrell | 2,895 | 45 | 15.5 | 38 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 46 |
| Thomas | 11,347 | 172 | 15.2 | 132 | 31 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 178 |
| Tift | 11,264 | 472 | 41.9 | 456 | 19 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 489 |
| Toombs | 7,587 | 255 | 33.6 | 245 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 260 |
| Towns | 1,670 | 39 | 23.4 | 34 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 40 |
| Treutlen | 1,647 | 37 | 22.5 | 26 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 38 |
| Troup | 16,930 | 279 | 16.5 | 244 | 30 | 17 | 1 | 0 | 292 |
| Turner | 2,579 | 53 | 20.6 | 49 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 56 |
| Twiggs | 2,440 | 43 | 17.6 | 34 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 48 |
| Union | 3,804 | 64 | 16.8 | 58 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 65 |
| Upson | 6,796 | 213 | 31.3 | 203 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 221 |
| Walker | 15,071 | 416 | 27.6 | 396 | 30 | 11 | 5 | 0 | 442 |
| Walton | 20,845 | 229 | 11.0 | 200 | 19 | 15 | 3 | 2 | 239 |
| Ware | 8,671 | 215 | 24.8 | 195 | 23 | 12 | 2 | 1 | 233 |
| Warren | 1,472 | 17 | 11.5 | 16 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Washington | 5,108 | 94 | 18.4 | 82 | 9 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 98 |
| Wayne | 7,018 | 80 | 11.4 | 70 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 82 |
| Webster | 539 | 6 | 11.1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Wheeler | 1,286 | 39 | 30.3 | 29 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 43 |
| White | 5,442 | 162 | 29.8 | 150 | 10 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 169 |
| Whitfield | 28,051 | 429 | 15.3 | 400 | 23 | 11 | 5 | 2 | 441 |
| Wilcox | 1,805 | 28 | 15.5 | 22 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| Wilkes | 2,293 | 18 | 7.8 | 14 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Wilkinson | 2,526 | 51 | 20.2 | 43 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 51 |
| Worth | 5,670 | 127 | 22.4 | 116 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 129 |

The number of victims represents a duplicated count of children since a child may be in more than one investigation during the year. Rates are based on 2006 Census Estimates for the child population under 18 years of age.