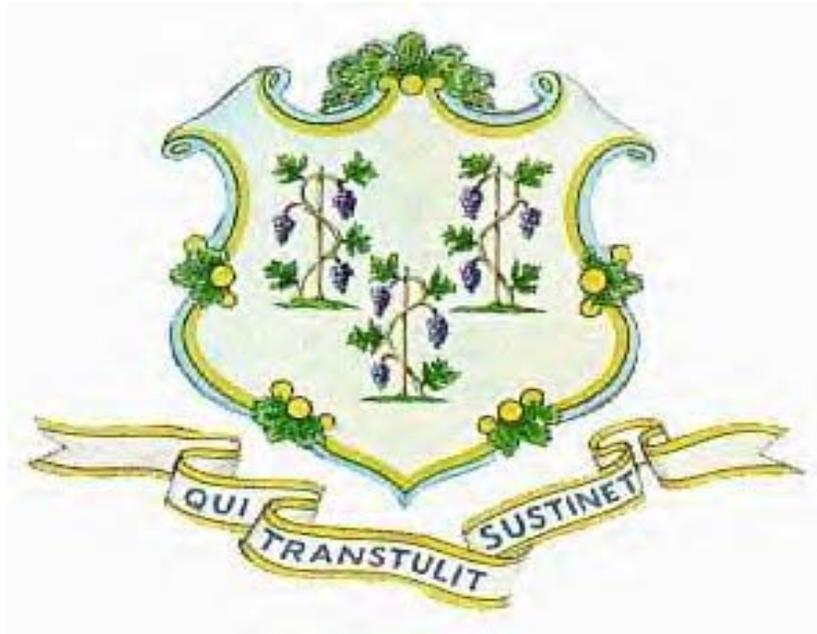


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DEFINITION

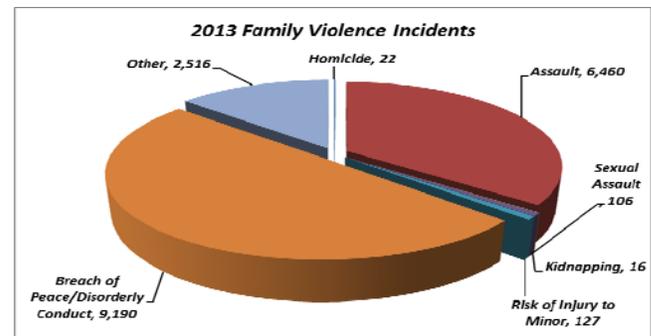
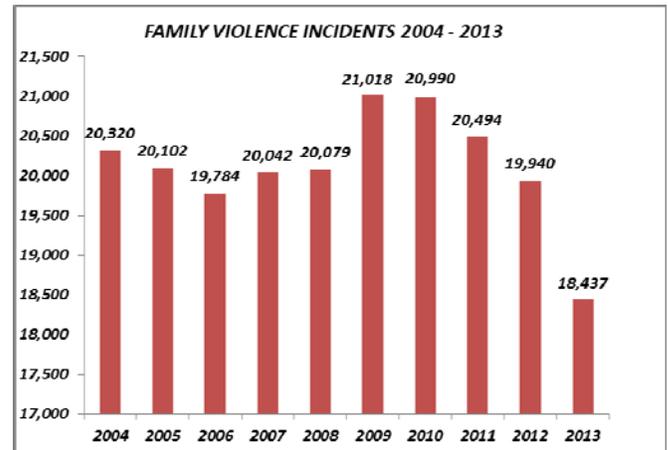
Police in Connecticut make an arrest whenever they respond to a call that involves family violence and there is sufficient probable cause to effect an arrest. Officers report each family violence arrest incident to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

In order for an offense to be classified as family violence, there must be either injury or present danger with the likelihood that physical violence will occur, and the relationship between parties conforms to the definition of "family or household members."¹ Verbal abuse or argument without violence or threatened violence does not constitute family violence. Acts of parents when disciplining minor children do not constitute family violence unless the actions are abusive.²

ANALYSIS

Volume

There were 18,437 incidents of family violence in which at least one person was arrested during 2013. This represents over an 8% decrease since 2012. For each incident one offense type was recorded following a hierarchy rule to ensure the most serious offense was counted. About 85% (15,650) of cases involved an arrest for assault, breach of peace or disorderly conduct, which is over an 8% decrease from 2012.



Reflects most serious offense. Breach of Peace and Disorderly are combined, Criminal Mischief and Violation of Court Order are included in Other offense category. Threatening, Stalking, and Strangulation are included in Assault category.

In 2013 there were 23 homicide⁵ victims which is a 13% increase from 2012. Victims of assault decreased almost .1% to 5,579 from 5,586 in 2012 and victims of sexual assault decreased about .9% to 112 from 113 in 2012.

There were 38,413 participants involved in the incidents. There were 16,167 victims, 15,030 arrested offenders and 7,217 participants involved in incidents in which all participants were arrested (i.e. dual arrest incidents). Approximately 39% of the incidents were dual arrest incidents.

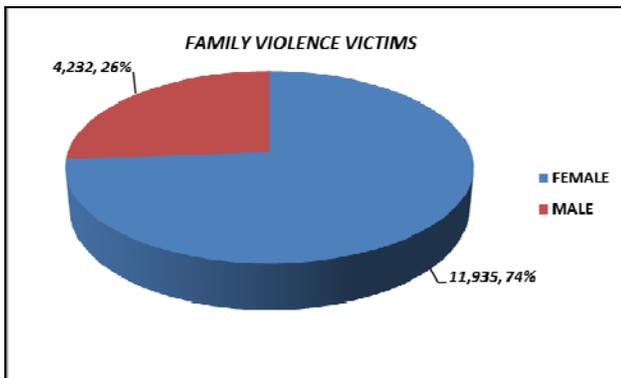
Family Violence Total	
Arrest Incidents	18,437
Victims	16,167
Offenders	15,029
Both/All Arrested ⁴	7,217

¹"Family or household member" means (A) spouses, former spouses; (B) parents and their children; (C) persons eighteen years of age or older related by blood or marriage; (D) persons sixteen years of age or older other than those persons in subparagraph (C) presently residing together or who have resided together; (E) persons who have a child in common regardless of whether they are or have been married or have lived together at any time; and (F) persons in, or have recently been in, a dating relationship. Connecticut General Statutes 46b-38a(2).
²Connecticut General Statutes 46b-38a(3).
³Includes incidents that resulted in an arrest and submitted to the Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection prior to October 20, 2014.
⁴An individual is assigned the status of BOTH/ALL when involved in a family violence incident in which all parties were arrested.
⁵Includes homicides cleared by death of the offender (i.e. murder-suicide).

Status of Participants and Number of Incidents by Offense			
	Victims	Offenders	Both/All Arrested
Homicide	23	24	N/A
Assault	5,579	5,146	2,813
Kidnapping	18	16	N/A
Sexual Assault	112	102	10
Risk of Injury to Minor	226	130	9
Breach of Peace/ Disorderly Conduct	7,701	7,202	4,157
Other	2,508	2,409	228
TOTAL	16,167	15,029	7,217

Of the 16,167 victims, 74% (11,935) were female and 26% (4,232) were male. There were 15,029 total offenders, 76% (11,497) of whom were male and 24% (3,532) were female. There were 7,217 dual arrests (both/all arrested), of whom approximately 50% (3,618) were male and almost 50% (3,599) were female.

Sex of Participants				
	Victims	Offenders	Both/All Arrested	TOTAL
Female	11,935	3,532	3,599	19,066
Male	4,232	11,497	3,618	19,347
TOTAL	16,167	15,029	7,217	38,413



For over 29% of victims, and 30% of “boths,” their relationship was “live-in” (people who live together, ever lived together or share a child) and 22% of victims and 23% “boths” were boyfriend/girlfriend. Spouses (current and former) made up 18% of victims and 19% of “both” arrested. Intimate partners⁶ overall made up 69% (11,111) of victims and 73% (5,242) of both/all parties arrested.

Relationship of Participants		
	Victim to Offender	Both/All Arrested
Spouse	2,467	995
Former Spouse	370	364
Live-in, or Child in Common ⁶	4,706	2,193
Relative*	5,056	1,975
Boyfriend / Girlfriend	3,568	1,690
TOTAL	16,167	7,217

*Includes relatives residing and not residing in the home.

⁶The “Live-in or child in common” category includes a small portion of participants that may not be intimate (e.g. roommates, children of boy/girlfriend or of spouse living in the home, etc.). However, due to the limitation of the database these participants are counted as intimates.

Of the victims 11% (1,765) were involved in assault incidents with a non-family live-in companion or had a child together. The highest percentages of both/all arrested were involved in disorderly conduct 34% (2,466) with participants that were relatives residing in the home.

Victim/Offender Relationship by Offense Type						
	Spouse	Former Spouse	Relative residing in the home	Relative not residing in the home	Live-in or child in common	Boyfriend / Girlfriend
Homicide	1	0	5	3	7	7
Assault	877	95	1,258	404	1,765	1,366
Kidnapping	2	0	3	1	9	8
Sexual Assault	9	0	35	17	32	21
Risk of Injury	4	2	152	22	37	3
Breach of Peace/ Disorderly Conduct	1,430	181	2,466	610	2,410	1,762
Other	401	129	361	196	984	893
Total	2,724	407	4,280	1,253	5,244	4,060

Relationship of Both/All Arrested by Offense Type						
	Spouse	Former Spouse	Relative residing in the home	Relative not residing in the home	Live-in or child in common	Boyfriend / Girlfriend
Homicide	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Assault	333	126	515	191	868	639
Kidnapping	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sexual Assault	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Risk of Injury	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Breach of Peace/ Disorderly Conduct	688	250	1,024	344	1,381	1,081
Other	37	20	38	10	104	113
Total	1,058	396	1,577	545	2,353	1,833

Reflects most serious offense. Breach of Peace and Disorderly are combined, Criminal Mischief and Violation of Court Order are included in Other offense category. Threatening, Stalking, and Strangulation are included in Assault category.

Of the participants, 59% (22,599) were between the ages of 21 and 44. Over 27% (10,292) of all participants were over the age of 45.

64% (12,124). There were 26% (5,068) where no weapons were involved. Serious injury occurred in 280 incidents and minor physical injury in 7,128 incidents. No physical injury occurred in 11,007 and fatal injuries occurred in 22 incidents (23 victims).

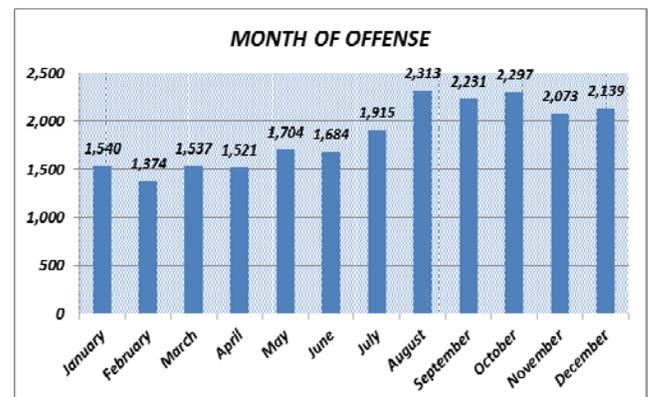
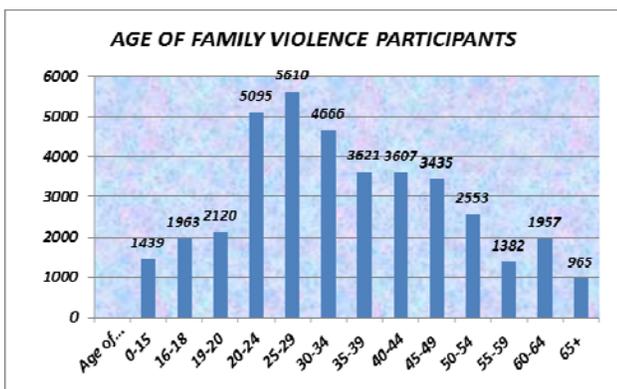
Age of Participants				
	Victims	Offenders	Both/All Arrested	Total
0-15	873	464	102	1,439
16-18	695	807	461	1,963
19-20	775	832	513	2,120
21-24	1,882	2,082	1,131	5,095
25-29	2,219	2,318	1,073	5,610
30-34	1,865	1,926	875	4,666
35-39	1,461	1,461	699	3,621
40-44	1,566	1,386	655	3,607
45-49	1,453	1,383	599	3,435
50-54	1,142	976	435	2,553
55-59	722	448	212	1,382
60-64	906	715	336	1,957
65+	608	231	126	965
TOTAL	16,167	15,029	7,217	38,413

Time of Day	
Time	No. of Incidents
12: 01 a.m.- 6:00 a.m.	3,410
6:01 a.m. - Noon	2,841
12: 01 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	4,900
6: 01 p.m. - Midnight	6,898
Unknown	388

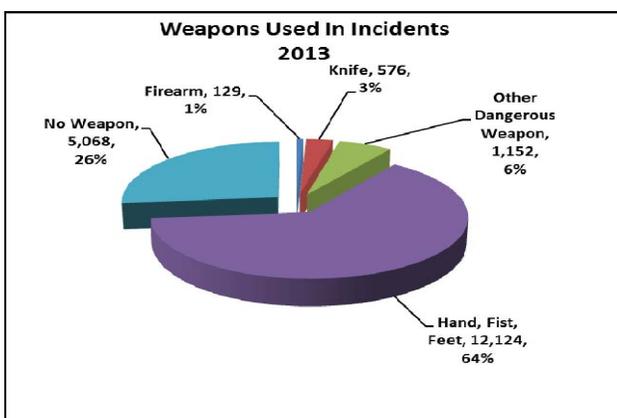
More Family Violence Incidents occurred between 6:01p.m. and Midnight in 2013.

Day of Week	
	# of Incidents
Sunday	3,232
Monday	2,370
Tuesday	2,441
Wednesday	2,369
Thursday	2,387
Friday	2,606
Saturday	3,032

Sunday was the highest count for Family Violence incidents for 2013.



A prior court order either a Temporary Restraining Order issued by the civil court or a Protective Order issued by the criminal court⁷ was issued in 3,496 of the cases. Liquor or drugs were known to be involved in 6,399 of the cases.



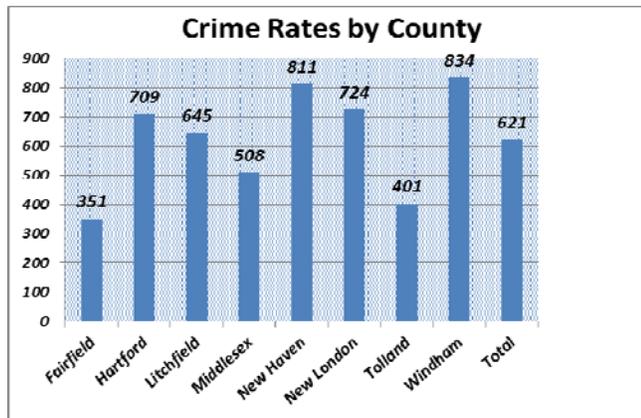
Includes number of all types of weapons used in Family Violence incidents. More than one weapon can be used within an incident. Arrestees used guns in 1% (129) of all weapons used, knives in 3% (576), other dangerous weapons in 6% (1,152) and physical force in

⁷Temporary Restraining Orders are usually issued at the request of the person to be protected. See C.G.S. 46b-15. Protective Orders are generally issued at the arraignment of a family violence arrestee. See C.G.S.46b-38c.

In over 11% (2,077) of the incidents, children were directly involved as either victims or offenders. In an

additional 20% (3,758) of the incidents, children were present in the household, but were not involved in the incident. In 68% (12,602) of the incidents children were neither involved nor present.

Windham County had the highest rate of Family Violence crimes with 834 incidents per 100,000 inhabitants. Fairfield County had the lowest Family Violence crime rate with 351 incidents per 100,000 inhabitants.



***Offense Type by County									
	Fairfield	Hartford	Litchfield	Middlesex	New Haven	New London	Tolland	Windham	Total
Homicide	2	7	0	2	5	3	1	2	22
**Assault	1257	2150	262	193	2,262	541	213	278	7,156
Kidnapping	6	4	0	0	9	1	1	0	21
Sexual Assault	16	32	9	7	36	3	5	4	112
Risk of Injury	21	36	10	8	52	16	4	13	160
**Breach of Peace/									
**Disorderly Conduct	1,564	3,191	743	501	3,763	1,167	268	501	11,698
**Other	402	997	217	121	926	249	85	162	3,159
Total	3,268	6,417	1,241	832	7,053	1,980	577	960	22,328
Population*	931,568	904,776	192,309	163,682	869,759	273,482	143,932	115,141	3,594,649
Crime Rate per 100,000	351	709	645	508	811	724	401	834	621

* The 2013 population estimates were provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigations.

** For 2013 "Breach of Peace/Disorderly Conduct" count was combined. "Criminal Mischief" count is included in "Other" total. "Stalking," "Strangulation," and "Threatening" count is included in "Assault" Total. Partial "Threatening" and "Violation Court Order" count is included in "Other."

*** During 2013, reporting protocol changed allowing collection of more than one offense per incident.

Family Violence Homicides

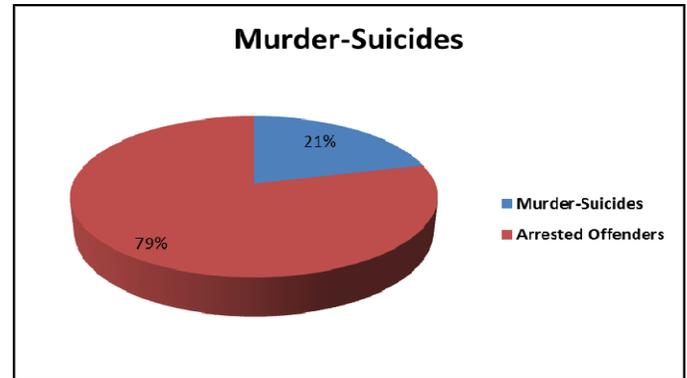
There were 22 family violence homicide incidents in 2013. This number does not include homicides from previous years for which the offender was arrested in 2013. 21 Family Violence homicide incidents involved one victim (one involved three victims, but only one was a victim of Family Violence), and one incident involved two victims. There were 24 offenders where most incidents involved one offender, but one incident reported had three offenders (one offender did not commit homicide). 19 offenders were arrested and 5 offenders committed suicide.

Spouses were victims in 4% (1) of the homicides. Relatives residing and not residing in the home were victims in 35% (8) of the homicides, presently or recently in a dating relationship with the offender were victims in 30% (7), and live-ins presently living together or have lived together or had a child in common with the offender were victims in 30% (7) of the homicides. Relatives residing in the home and not in the home were victims in 35% (8) which was the highest count.

Relationship of Homicide Victim to Offender			
	Victims	Arrested Offender	Murder-Suicide
Spouse	1	0	1
Former Spouse	0	0	0
Live in, Or Child in Common	7	7	2
Relative *	8	6	1
Boyfriend/ Girlfriend	7	6	1
TOTAL	23	19	5

*Includes relatives residing and not residing in the home.

(21%) 5 offenders committed suicide. Of the victims involved in murder-suicide incidents 60% (3) were in intimate relationships with the offender. (Intimates included in this report are live-in or child in common not roommates). 40% (2) victims were not in an intimate relationship with the offender.

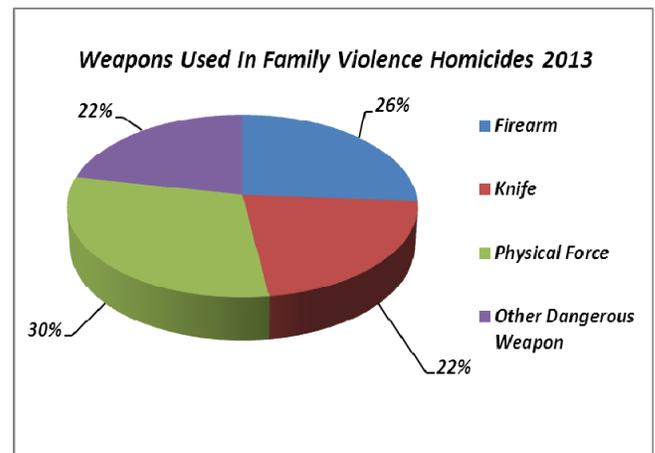


Firearms were used in 26% (6) of the deaths, knives or cutting instruments in 22% (5) and physical force which included strangulation, blunt force trauma and shaken baby in 30% (7). Additional weapons used were: Needle (Drugs/Narcotics), Automobile, Blunt Objects, and Cord (Strangulation) 18% (5).

Of the five murder-suicides 60% (3) involved a firearm. 50% (3) of the Family Violence homicide incidents involving firearms were murder-suicides.

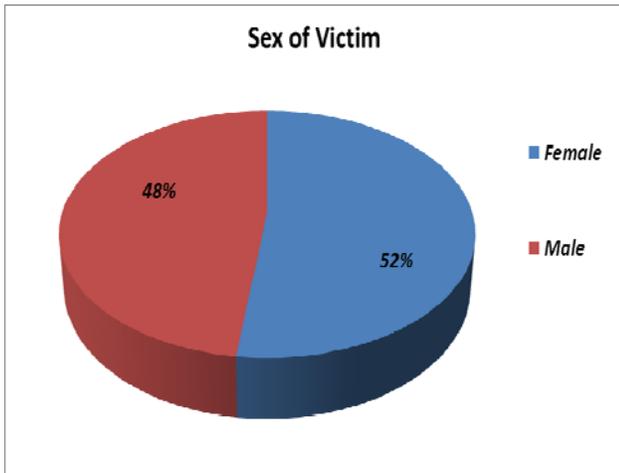
Weapons Used in Homicides		
Weapon	Arrested Offender	Murder-Suicide
Firearm	3	3
Knife	4	1
Other Dangerous Weapon	5	0
Physical Force	6	1

Reflects most serious weapon per incident. *Count includes weapon for two victims in one incident.

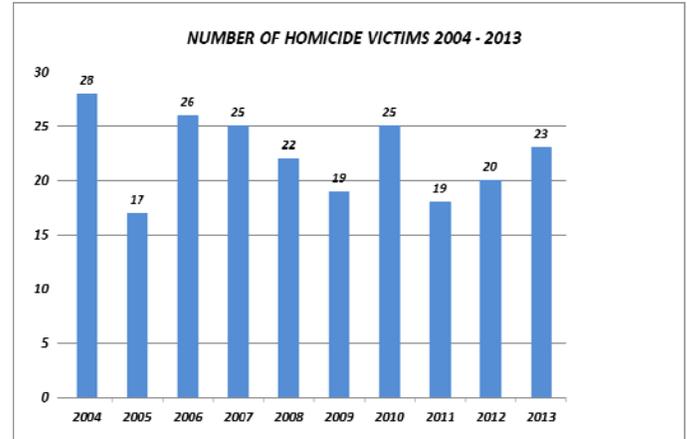


Of the homicide victims 52% (12) were female and 48% (11) were male. There were 83% (20) male offenders and 17% (4) female offenders.

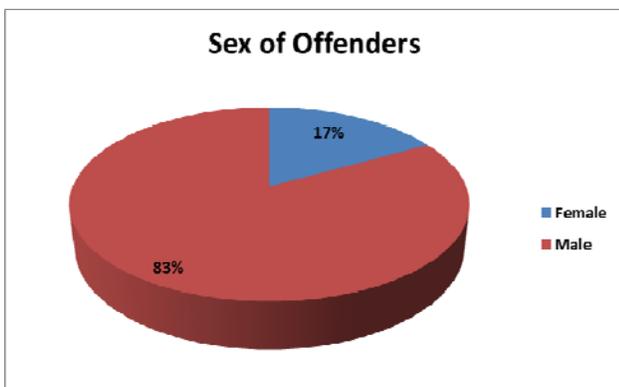
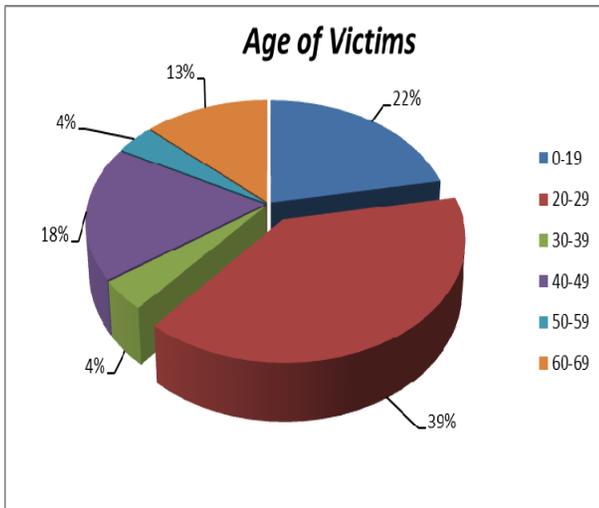
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The numbers listed below may be different from previously published reports. In some cases the offenders were arrested after publication of the data.



13% (3) of the victims were under the age of 1. The youngest victim was 1-1/2 Months old and 13% (3) were over 60. The oldest victim was 67 Years old.



In the past ten years the number of family violence homicide victims ranged from 17 to 28 with Year 2005 being the lowest.

2013 FAMILY VIOLENCE INCIDENT BREAKDOWN BY AGENCY

Agency Name	*Homicide	**Assault	Kidnapping	Sexual Assault	Risk of Injury	BOP/ Dis Cond	***Other	2013 Totals	2012 Totals	% Change 2012-2013
AMTRAK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A
Ansonia	0	73	0	0	4	43	8	128	137	-7%
Avon	0	13	0	0	0	21	2	36	41	-12%
Berlin	0	23	0	1	0	15	4	43	56	-23%
Bethel	0	13	0	0	0	44	16	73	52	40%
Bloomfield	1	36	0	0	2	72	16	127	151	-16%
Branford	0	37	0	2	0	92	36	167	175	-5%
Bridgeport	1	383	2	10	3	267	83	749	770	-3%
Bristol	1	165	0	3	1	139	50	359	441	-19%
Brookfield	0	8	0	0	0	15	1	24	32	-25%
Canton	0	1	0	0	0	17	2	20	34	-41%
CCSU	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	4	1	N/A
Cheshire	0	7	0	0	0	53	3	63	106	-41%
Clinton	1	19	0	4	2	55	17	98	85	15%
CVH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A
Coventry	1	20	0	1	0	14	2	38	41	-7%
Cromwell	0	8	0	0	0	41	13	62	58	7%
Capitol Police	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A
Danbury	1	165	2	2	5	144	34	353	308	15%
Darien	0	7	0	0	0	18	13	38	24	58%
DEEP	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	5	N/A
Derby	0	47	0	0	3	32	13	95	65	46%
DMHAS	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	N/A
East Hampton	0	6	0	1	0	27	6	40	41	-2%
East Hartford	0	147	1	2	3	205	45	403	400	1%
East Haven	0	62	0	1	0	96	32	191	193	-1%
East Windsor	0	32	0	0	0	45	16	93	69	35%
ECSU	0	2	0	0	0	6	0	8	9	N/A
Easton	0	4	0	0	1	7	1	13	21	-38%
Enfield	0	144	0	2	3	88	49	286	332	-14%
Fairfield	0	58	0	0	0	64	9	131	168	-22%
Farmington	0	15	0	0	0	40	17	72	80	-10%
Glastonbury	0	21	0	0	0	65	13	99	106	-7%
Granby	0	6	0	1	0	21	6	34	29	17%
Greenwich	0	34	0	0	1	41	17	93	122	-24%
Groton City	0	23	0	0	1	70	19	113	73	55%
Groton L Pt.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	N/A
Groton Town	0	58	0	1	1	59	17	136	128	6%
Guilford	0	19	0	0	1	26	10	56	67	-16%
Hamden	0	71	0	1	0	125	22	219	207	6%
Hartford	4	501	0	10	9	527	154	1,205	1,944	-38%
Madison	0	4	0	0	0	32	9	45	46	-2%

2013 FAMILY VIOLENCE INCIDENT BREAKDOWN BY AGENCY (Continued)

Agency Name	*Homicide	**Assault	Kidnapping	Sexual Assault	Risk of Injury	BOP/Dis Cond	***Other	2013 Totals	2012 Totals	% Change 2012-2013
Manchester	1	134	0	5	4	285	85	514	541	-5%
Meriden	0	178	0	1	4	258	83	524	482	9%
Metro North	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	N/A
Middlebury	0	2	0	0	0	7	1	10	10	N/A
Middletown	0	101	0	1	2	181	47	332	330	1%
Milford	0	57	0	1	2	113	44	217	218	0%
Monroe	0	5	0	0	0	13	11	29	54	-46%
Naugatuck	0	81	0	1	2	132	24	240	239	0%
New Britain	0	281	1	1	4	316	97	700	745	-6%
New Canaan	0	4	0	0	0	7	5	16	40	-60%
New Haven	1	792	3	10	18	712	179	1,715	1,396	23%
New London	2	93	0	1	2	218	41	357	422	-15%
New Milford	0	29	0	2	0	94	33	158	159	-1%
Newington	0	52	0	0	1	66	19	138	153	-10%
Newtown	0	19	0	0	0	24	5	48	55	-13%
North Branford	0	11	0	1	0	20	6	38	48	-21%
North Haven	0	22	0	3	1	43	8	77	76	1%
Norwalk	0	144	0	3	1	281	62	491	577	-15%
Norwich	0	146	1	0	5	176	46	374	402	-7%
Old Saybrook	0	6	0	0	0	31	0	37	35	6%
Orange	0	10	0	0	0	11	4	25	25	0%
Plainfield	0	35	0	0	4	36	20	95	91	4%
Plainville	0	50	0	1	0	49	33	133	139	-4%
Plymouth	0	16	0	2	2	48	11	79	73	8%
Portland	0	3	0	0	0	11	1	15	17	-12%
Putnam Mun.	0	29	0	2	0	52	18	101	114	-11%
Redding	0	4	0	0	0	8	4	16	17	-6%
Ridgefield	0	9	0	0	0	31	4	44	51	-14%
Rocky Hill	0	23	1	0	0	39	16	79	73	8%
Seymour	0	25	0	1	3	55	16	100	77	30%
Shelton	0	22	0	0	0	36	15	73	111	-34%
Simsbury	0	18	0	0	0	27	4	49	57	-14%
South Windsor	0	7	0	0	0	46	8	61	75	-19%
SCSU	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	3	N/A
Southington	0	45	0	3	0	89	26	163	212	-23%
Stamford	0	151	1	1	4	147	20	324	304	7%
Stonington	0	25	0	1	0	49	11	86	124	-31%
Stratford	0	54	0	0	0	51	15	120	282	-57%
Suffield	0	2	0	0	0	22	7	31	47	-34%
Thomaston	0	10	0	0	0	13	5	28	41	-32%
Torrington	0	105	0	0	1	203	78	387	385	1%
Trumbull	0	36	0	0	0	21	9	66	88	-25%

2013 FAMILY VIOLENCE INCIDENT BREAKDOWN BY AGENCY (Continued)

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UCONN Storrs	0	1	0	0	0	11	0	12	17	N/A
Vernon	0	71	0	1	0	65	27	164	185	-11%
Wallingford	1	30	0	3	1	121	28	184	201	-8%
Waterbury	2	308	0	0	3	539	111	963	1009	-5%
Waterford	0	5	0	0	0	53	15	73	81	-10%
Watertown	0	22	0	1	1	54	15	93	109	-15%
West Hartford	0	80	0	0	0	89	37	206	200	3%
West Haven	1	90	1	4	1	180	42	319	376	-15%
WCSU	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	2	N/A
Weston	0	2	0	0	0	7	0	9	12	-25%
Westport	0	7	0	0	0	40	1	48	46	4%
Wethersfield	0	27	0	0	0	12	17	56	94	-40%
Willimantic	0	42	0	0	1	126	23	192	201	-4%
Wilton	0	8	0	0	0	20	6	34	30	13%
Winchester	0	19	0	2	1	46	11	79	90	-12%
Windsor	0	38	0	0	0	76	10	124	137	-9%
Windsor Locks	0	45	0	0	0	36	27	108	115	-6%
Wolcott	0	15	0	0	0	62	14	91	112	-19%
Woodbridge	0	5	0	0	0	8	0	13	12	N/A
Yale	0	2	0	0	0	5	1	8	8	N/A
Troop A CSP	0	39	0	2	0	60	25	126	153	-18%
Troop B CSP	0	23	0	2	1	62	10	98	108	-9%
Troop C CSP	0	84	1	3	4	91	36	219	199	10%
Troop D CSP	0	117	0	2	5	153	63	340	340	0%
Troop E CSP	1	104	0	0	2	183	27	317	287	10%
Troop F CSP	1	30	0	0	1	57	13	102	119	-14%
Troop G CSP	0	23	1	1	0	8	7	40	45	-11%
Troop H CSP	0	26	0	0	2	19	15	62	59	5%
Troop I CSP	0	31	1	1	0	42	12	87	89	-2%
Troop K CSP	2	60	0	1	3	134	30	230	286	-20%
Troop L CSP	0	28	0	0	0	105	16	149	136	10%
Troop R CSP	0	7	0	0	1	66	0	74	72	3%
PD Totals	18	5,888	13	94	108	8,210	2,262	16,593	18,047	-8%
CSP Totals	4	572	3	12	19	980	254	1,844	1,893	-3%
CT Totals	22	6,460	16	106	127	9,190	2,516	18,437	19,940	-8%

*In 2013 there were 23 Homicide Victims.

**Strangulation, Threatening, and Stalking are included in Assault count.

***Criminal Mischief and Violation of Probation are included in Other count.

****Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Tribal are included in Troop R (Casino Unit) for 2013.

Note: 2012 Incident Breakdown by Agency Total is most current data.

Effective March 9, 2012 CSP Troop W merged with CSP Troop H. All incidents handled by CSP Troop W were reported by CSP Troop H in this report.

(Percent changes not calculated for agencies with less than 15 Family Violence incidents in either year).