

Adult Protective Services

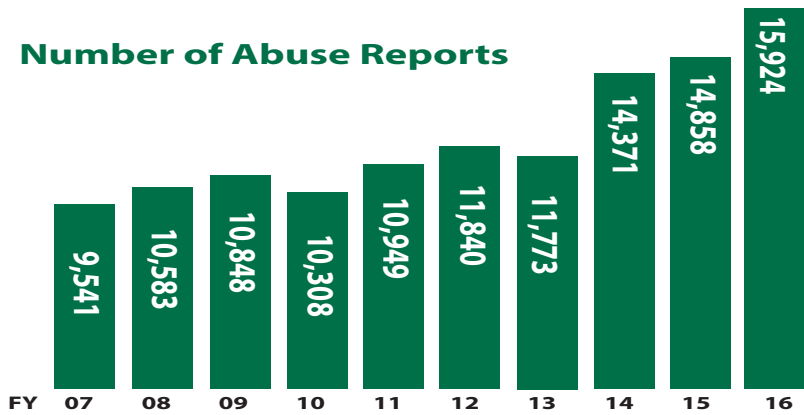
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29th Annual Conference. The Department hosted its 29th Annual Conference on August 20–22, 2015, at the Oak Brook Hills Resort in Oak Brook, Illinois. *Dr. Laura Mosqueda*, Professor of Family Medicine and Geriatrics at the University of Southern California, Keck School of Medicine was the keynote speaker. Dr. Mosqueda presented on red flags that should alert us to the possibility of mistreatment and the need for an interdisciplinary approach. *Shirley Pacey*, Director, Blue Tower Training, Decatur, Illinois, presented a session on a trauma-informed approach to abuse investigation and how trauma affects persons with a disability. *Megan Blomquist*, Rape Victims Advocates, and *Linda Sandman*, UIC Institute on Disability and Human Development, both from Chicago, presented on understanding sexual violence and how it impacts the lives of survivors with disabilities. *Theresa Covington*, MHP, National Center for the Review and Prevention of Child Deaths in

Washington, D.C., presented on improving the identification, diagnosis, systems response and prevention of fatal abuse in elders. *Jason E. Schillerstrom*, MD, Associate Professor, Director of Psychiatry Residency Training Program in Texas, discussed the process of assessing decisional capacity in elders referred to a physician for assessment. *Marty Richards*, MSW, LICSW, Affiliate Assistant Professor, University of Washington School of Social Work in Seattle, Washington presented at the conference luncheon and closing session on keeping hope and heart alive in difficult times and challenges for service providers. The conference was attended by over 400 participants in law enforcement, legal services, social services and long term care ombudsman. The Department also hosted its 3rd Annual Summit on Prevention of Elder Financial Fraud and Abuse. The summit was a full day, packed with information from experts on financial exploitation. Presenters included *Manual Flo?*

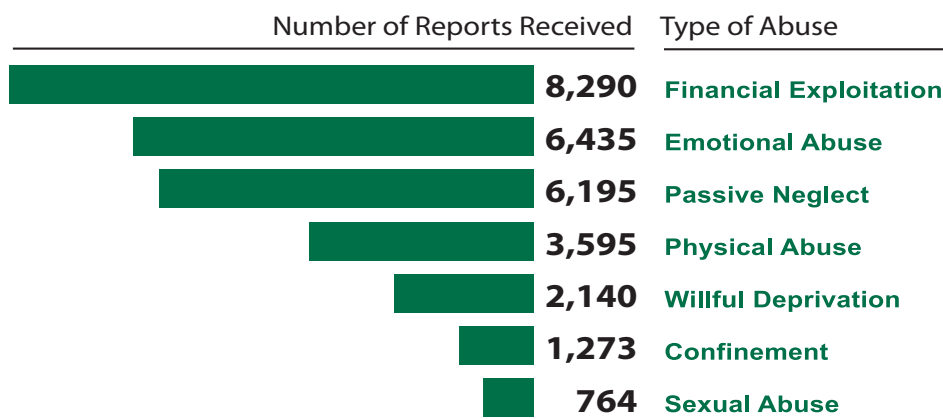
res, the Acting Secretary of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and *Nora Dowd Eisenhower*, who joined the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to serve as the Assistant Director of its Office of Financial Protection for Older Americans, which is dedicated to helping older consumers make sound financial decisions, protect their assets and avoid financial abuse. *Terry Savage*, nationally known expert on personal finance, the markets, and the economy was the luncheon speaker. Other presenters included *Ron Long*, with Wells Fargo, *Rayleen Pirmie*, the Director of Compliance and Fraud for the Electronic Payments Core of Knowledge, *C. Steven Baker*, the Director of the Federal Trade Commission's Midwest Region in Chicago and *Bruce Reppert*, the Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of Illinois and serves as the Chief of the Fraud & Corruption Section of the office.

Number of Abuse Reports



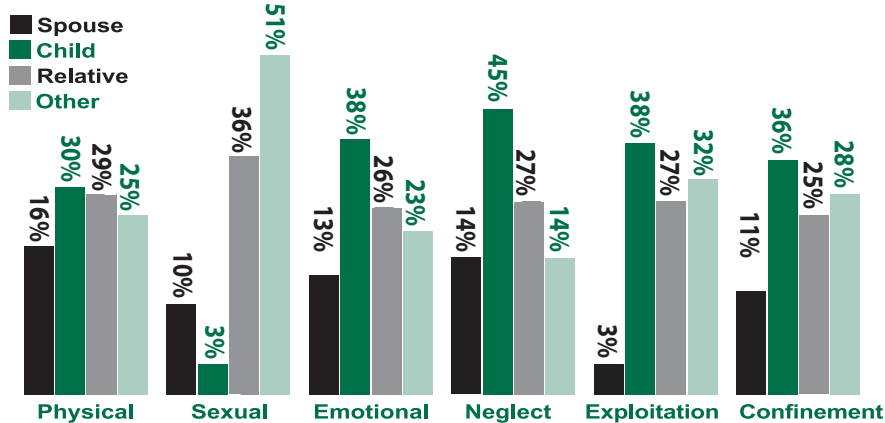
From Fiscal Year 2015 to Fiscal Year 2016, there was an increase of 7.2% in reports; 19% of the reports received involved persons age 18-59 with a disability.

Types of Abuse Reported



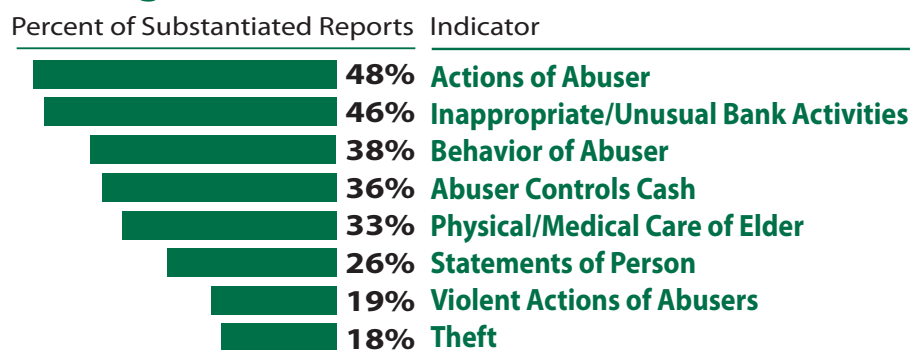
Victims generally experience more than one type of abuse, i.e., financial exploitation is the type of abuse most frequently reported (52% of reports), and is highly associated with emotional abuse, reported in 40% of cases.

Abuser's Relationship to Victim by Abuse Type



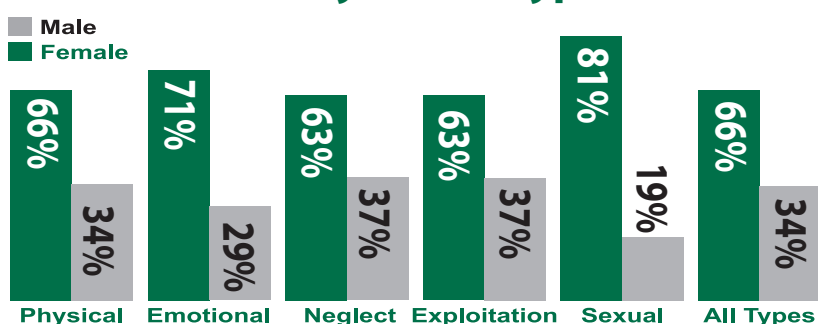
80% of abusers were either the spouse, child or other relative.

Leading Abuse Indicators



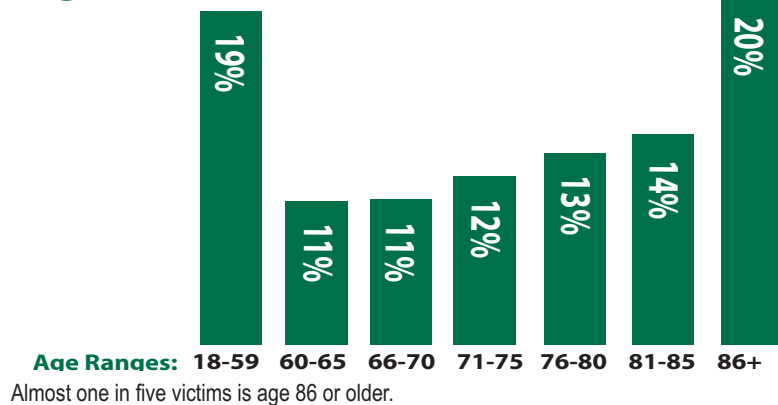
Major indicators of abuse that were evident during the assessment process are documented by the APS caseworker using hundreds of abuse indicator codes. Actions of the abuser, i.e., inappropriate supervision for the person, not providing needed assistance, (withholding food, water, and/or medications, and refusing services) were found in almost all cases. Controlling the person's finances and unusual financial transactions were documented in 36% and 46% of the reports, respectively.

Sex of Victims by Abuse Type



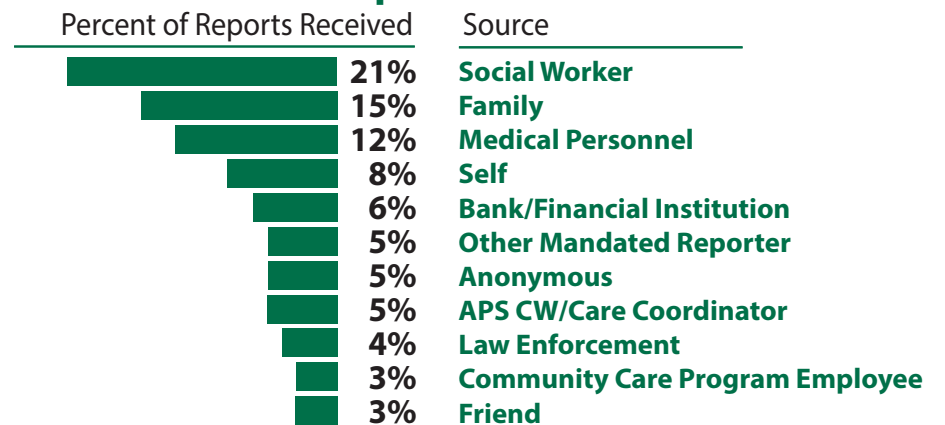
68% of the victims were female and 32% were male.

Age of Victims



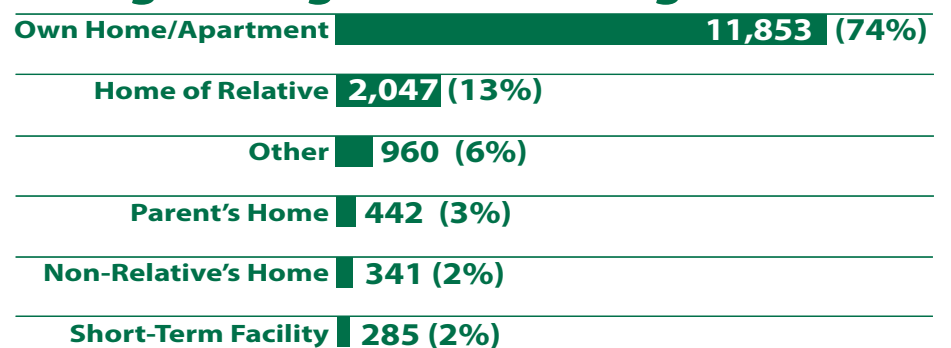
Almost one in five victims is age 86 or older.

Source of Abuse Reports



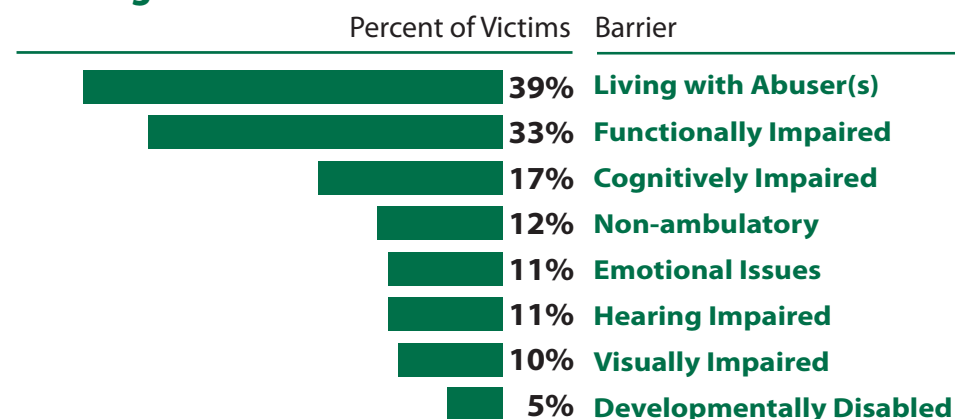
33% of cases were reported by social workers or medical personnel. Family members were responsible for 15% of all reports, and victims self reported in 8% of all cases. Self reports were most likely to occur in physical, sexual, emotional and financial exploitation cases.

Living Arrangement of Alleged Victim



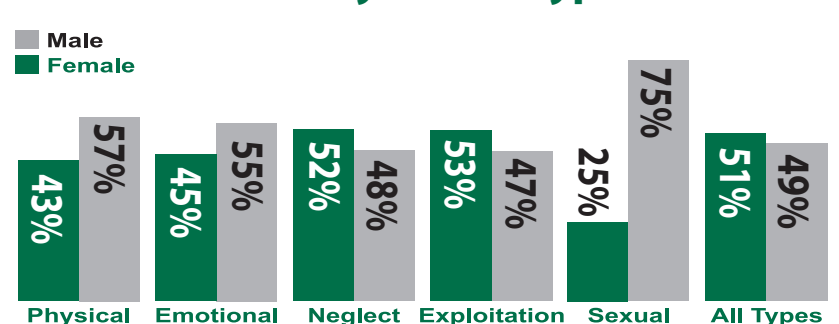
In over 74% of cases, the victim lived in his/her own home or apartment; 13% lived in the home of a relative.

Leading Barriers of Victims



Three out of five victims suffered from one or more barriers to independent living; 33% of victims were functionally impaired, meaning they had difficulty performing daily tasks such as walking, personal care, meal preparation, laundry and housecleaning. Many of these persons were victims of neglect and deprivation.

Sex of Abuser by Abuse Type



49% of the abusers were male and 51% were female.