

**Facts About Sexual Assault In North Dakota
January – December 2007**

- ✘ **850 primary victims** and **694 secondary victims** were served by 18 sexual assault crisis centers throughout North Dakota.
- ✘ At least **353 (42%)** of primary victims were under the age of 18 years old at the time of the assault/s.
- ✘ At least **758 (89%)** of the **victims** were **female**.
- ✘ At least **800 (94%)** of the **assailants** were **male**.
- ✘ At least **10 (1%)** of the **assailants** were **female**.
- ✘ **71% of the crimes were reported to law enforcement.**
- ✘ At least **44% of adult victims contacted** a sexual assault center about the crime **within 2 days** of the assault. **23% of adult victims contacted** a sexual assault center within **3-30 days** after the assault.
- ✘ At least **85% (720)** of the cases were **male assailant/female victim**.
- ✘ At least **9% (80)** of the cases were **male assailant/male victim**.
- ✘ At least **68%** of the adult assaults were **rape**, **5% attempted rape**, and **27%** were **sexual contact** other than rape or attempted rape.
- ✘ In adult cases **12%** of the **assailants were strangers**. In child cases **2%** of the **assailants were strangers**.
- ✘ In at least **40%** of all cases the **assailant was a friend/acquaintance/date** of the victim.
- ✘ At least **26%** of all cases were **incest or indicated a history of incest**. In at least **9%** of adult sexual assault cases reported, the victim also experienced **sexual abuse/incest as a child**.
- ✘ At least **8,464** services to **primary victims** were provided by crisis center advocates from January to December 2007.
- ✘ At least **47%** of the **assaults occurred in the victim's or assailant's home**.
- ✘ At least **33%** of the victims were **referred** to sexual assault service providers by **themselves, friends, or family members**.

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