

**Facts About Sexual Assault In North Dakota
January – December 2008**

- ❖ **854 primary victims** and 409 **secondary victims** were served by 18 sexual assault crisis centers throughout North Dakota.
- ❖ At least **351 (41%)** of primary victims were under the age of 18 years old at the time of the assault/s.
- ❖ At least **761 (89%)** of the **victims** were **female**.
- ❖ At least **814 (95%)** of the **assailants** were **male**.
- ❖ At least **6 (1%)** of the **assailants** were **female**.
- ❖ **70% of the crimes were reported to law enforcement.**
- ❖ At least **42% of adult victims contacted** a sexual assault center about the crime **within 2 days** of the assault. **21% of adult victims contacted** a sexual assault center within **3-30 days** after the assault.
- ❖ At least **85% (727)** of the cases were **male assailant/female victim**.
- ❖ At least **10% (86)** of the cases were **male assailant/male victim**.
- ❖ At least **65%** of the adult assaults were **rape, 7% attempted rape, and 28%** were **sexual contact** other than rape or attempted rape.
- ❖ In adult cases **9%** of the **assailants were strangers**. In child cases **2%** of the **assailants were strangers**.
- ❖ In at least **46%** of all cases the **assailant was a friend/acquaintance/date** of the victim.
- ❖ At least **29%** 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 **9,429** services to **primary victims** were provided by crisis center advocates from January to December 2008.
- ❖ At least **49%** 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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