

**2006 DOMESTIC  
MORTALITY REVIEW REPORT**

**AN EXAMINATION OF  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
HOMICIDES IN DUVAL COUNTY  
JANUARY 1, 2006 THROUGH  
DECEMBER 31, 2006**

**AND AN ANALYSIS OF  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOMICIDES  
DECEMBER 1996 THROUGH DECEMBER 2006**

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## **COMMITTEE GOALS**

The Domestic Mortality Review Subcommittee was initially formed by Jacksonville's Domestic Violence Intervention Project to study domestic homicides occurring in Jacksonville in 1997. The purpose of the first study was to examine these homicides to determine if our community could have helped to prevent them. The project has been continued every year resulting in an annual report. The committee has examined all domestic homicides that occurred in Jacksonville between December 1, 1996 and December 31, 2006. This committee does not examine child abuse homicides as there is a child death review team.

The following report outlines the facts of the sixteen incidents of domestic homicide in 2006 which resulted in sixteen domestic homicide victims. It then tracks patterns by evaluating specific information on a yearly basis. Finally, this report provides for an opportunity to examine trends by reviewing all domestic homicide incidents resulting in homicide victims between December 1, 1996 and December 31, 2006.

## FACTORS REVIEWED

In order to look at a comprehensive, community services based prevention, the following information was reviewed and considered by our committee:

1. Police reports involving the victim and suspect.
2. Department of Children and Families referrals involving victim and/or suspect.
3. Shelter services, hotline contact, court advocacy or other domestic violence services utilized by victim or suspect.
4. Civil proceedings including Marchman and Baker Acts, Dissolutions of Marriage, and Injunctions for Protection involving victim and/or suspect.
5. Criminal record of victim and suspect.
6. State Attorney files involving victim and/or suspect.
7. Batterers' Intervention Program (BIP) participation including performance, completion, violations and victim contact.
8. HARK (Helping At Risk Kids Program) attendance by children of victim and/or suspect.
9. Animal abuse or neglect complaints.
10. Other known services provided to victim and/or suspect.
11. Medical Examiner's report pertaining to the victim.

# ORDER OF EXAMINATION

## I. CRIME

- Relationship of parties
- Case summary
- Children of parties

## II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS

- Domestic violence
- Non-domestic violent crimes
- Substance abuse arrests

## III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

- Domestic Violence Injunctions
- Dissolutions of Marriage
- Department of Children and Families Referrals
- Baker, Marchman, and Myers Acts Commitments

## IV. SERVICES

- Shelter services/hotline calls
- HARK attendance (Helping At Risk Kids Program)
- Batterers' Intervention Program (BIP) (Hubbard House/Salvation Army)
- Substance abuse program

## V. OTHER CONCERNS

- Includes anything else pertinent to the cause of this incident that is not covered in the categories listed above.

Date of Homicide: 01/03/06

Victim: Hispanic Female, 44

Suspect: Hispanic Male, 54

**I. CRIME**

A. RELATIONSHIP: Husband/Wife

B. CASE SUMMARY: On January 3, 2006, suspect called 911 from family dwelling, stating he had stabbed his wife. Police responded and found the victim unresponsive on the bed with a knife wound to the neck and large quantities of blood on the bed. Rescue was called and they pronounced the victim dead. The suspect admitted to police that he stabbed his wife. He stated he stabbed her, then tried to revive her. He stated he believed his wife was having an affair and she had told him she did not love him anymore. The suspect pled guilty and was adjudicated guilty to Second Degree Murder and is serving a twenty-five year sentence.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: The couple did not have children. There were no children present at the time of the incident.

D. LOCATION: 32225 (Zone 3)

**II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

### **III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

### **IV. SERVICES**

- A. Victim – According to the pastor, the couple received counseling in Miami prior to moving to Jacksonville. The victim continued to receive counseling via phone after moving.
- B. Suspect – See services to victim above

### **V. OTHER CONCERNS**

According to the pastor, the suspect had previously accused the victim of infidelity and asked the victim to leave the marital home and she did. The couple eventually reconciled after this incident. The pastor indicated that the couple continuously had marital problems due to the controlling and jealous behavior on the part of the suspect. The pastor recommended that the suspect seek psychological help; however, he did not follow through. The pastor and classmates of the victim were aware of the controlling behavior exhibited by the suspect, but did not recognize the potential lethality.

Date of Homicide: 01/29/06
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Victim: Black Female, 29

Suspect: Black Male, 34

## I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Boyfriend/Girlfriend

B. CASE SUMMARY: On January 29, 2006, the victim was found lying in a pool of blood by homeowner, who is the parent of the child she was babysitting. The oldest child, age eight, said that the suspect, who is the boyfriend of the victim, had forced his way into the home, where he argued with the victim and then struck and shot her. Suspect was taken into custody and denied all knowledge of the homicide. Suspect provided a witness to claim alibi. After thorough investigation, the State made the decision not to charge the suspect with any crime at this time.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: There were four children under the age of ten inside the home. They were not related to either the suspect or the victim. The victim was babysitting them. The eight-year-old witnessed the homicide.

D. LOCATION: 32208 (Zone 5)

## II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS

### A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim – No record

2. Suspect –
- a) 02/16/02 - Domestic Battery on victim - Adjudicated guilty - 6 months jail and complete Batterers' Intervention Program
  - b) 03/05/01 - Domestic Battery on mother and victim - Adjudicated guilty - 6 months jail
  - c) 06/15/00 - Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon on victim and another female victim - Case not filed
  - d) 06/22/97 - Fighting against sister - Adjudicated guilty - 2 days jail and court costs

**B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES**

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect –
  - a) 12/31/99 - Aggravated Assault and Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon - Adjudicated guilty of Carrying a Concealed Firearm - 42 days jail and 6 months probation with community service hours
  - b) 02/27/99 - Simple Battery - Adjudicated Guilty - 33 days jail
  - c) 10/10/98 - Aggravated Battery on male victim - Case not filed
  - d) 06/24/92 - Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon on a male victim - Case not filed

**C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS**

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect –
  - a) 07/02/06 - Disorderly Intoxication - Adjudicated Guilty - 2 days jail
  - b) 01/29/06 - Possession of Cocaine - Adjudicated Guilty - 5 months jail and court costs
  - c) 02/27/99 - Disorderly Intoxication - Adjudicated Guilty - 2 days jail
  - d) 03/15/93 - Possession of Cannabis less than 20 grams - Adjudicated Guilty - 1 day jail and court costs

**III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**IV. SERVICES**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known
- C. Children – The children present during the incident are currently in counseling.

**V. OTHER CONCERNS**

Suspect had been violent against his mother and sister without any appropriate service referrals. Suspect had been previously violent toward this victim without appropriate service referral.

Date of Homicide/Suicide: 02/08/06

Victim: White Female, 80

Suspect: White Male, 80

**I. CRIME**

A. RELATIONSHIP: Husband/Wife

B. CASE SUMMARY: On February 8, 2006, the suspect checked his wife of fifty years out of the nursing home where she resided. The suspect took her to the back porch of their home, shot her in the head and then turned the gun on himself. The suspect left several notes stating that he had terminal illness. The victim had Alzheimer's disease and was unable to care for herself. Police were called by a Hospice worker who found the bodies.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: There were no children present at the time of the incident.

D. LOCATION: 32205 (Zone 4)

**II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

**III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**IV. SERVICES**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – Hospice services provided.

**V. OTHER CONCERNS**

After speaking with the suspect, there were some concerns from family and friends that if he ever became too sick to care for the victim that he would kill the victim and then kill himself. The suspect was worried that the victim would not be properly taken care of after his death.

Date of Homicide: 02/??/06
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Victim: White Female, 53

Suspect: White Male, 26

## I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Parent/Child

B. CASE SUMMARY: On an unknown date, the suspect beat his mother about the head and then buried her remains at the mother's home. Based on information provided by the suspect's girlfriend, the victim and suspect were arguing. The suspect's girlfriend pawned property of the victim after the homicide to purchase drugs. The suspect was arrested for heroin possession two days prior to his girlfriend reporting the location of the remains. Remains were not found until 02/21/06, when the suspect's girlfriend came forward and admitted her involvement in burying the remains. The suspect pled guilty and adjudicated guilty to Second Degree Murder and is awaiting sentencing.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: There were no children present at the time of the incident.

D. LOCATION: 32233 (Zone 3)

## II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – a) In Pennsylvania - 07/24/05 - Simple Assault -  
Disposition unknown

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – a) 02/19/06 - Possession of Heroin and Possession of  
Drugs without a Prescription - Case not filed

**III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**IV. SERVICES**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**V. OTHER CONCERNS**

The suspect moved to Florida to live with the victim after legal trouble in Pennsylvania related to his substance abuse. Suspect has an extensive history of substance abuse, specifically heroin. The motivation for the crime is believed to be financial in nature. There is no record of treatment for this addiction.

Date of Homicide/Suicide: 03/20/06
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Victim: Black Female, 24

Suspect: Black Male, 40

## I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Husband/Wife

B. CASE SUMMARY: On March 20, 2006, the police were called to a shooting at a local retail establishment. Upon arrival, the police found the victim dead from a single gunshot wound to the head. The victim was visiting the owner of the store when the suspect entered the business and confronted her about a sexual assault allegation that the victim had filed against the suspect. The suspect then produced a pistol and fatally shot the victim. The suspect fled. The suspect was later located in another part of town deceased from an apparent self-inflicted gun shot wound.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: The couple did not have children. There were no children present at the time of the incident.

D. LOCATION: 32210 (Zone 4)

## II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS

### A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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|----|-----------|----|---|
| 1. | Victim –  | a) | 08/15/04 - Domestic Battery on suspect - Adjudication Withheld - 12 months probation, Batterers' Intervention Program and court costs |
|    |           | b) | 06/06/01 - Domestic Battery on female cousin - Adjudication Withheld - Court Costs  |
| 2. | Suspect – | a) | 03/04/06 - Forcible Rape on victim - Investigation suspended due to homicide/suicide incident with the suspect and victim             |
|    |           | b) | 05/18/05 - Domestic Battery on victim - Case not filed due to uncooperative victim  |
|    |           | c) | 03/02/00 - Simple Assault on former girlfriend - Arrest warrant denied  |

**B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES**

1. Victim –
  - a) 01/24/00 - Battery on Law Enforcement Officer - Adjudication Withheld - 12 months probation and participate in Anger Control Classes
  - b) 04/18/99 - Battery on acquaintance - Adjudication Withheld - no sentence imposed (Juvenile)
2. Suspect – No record

**C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS**

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

**III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect –
  - a) 04/27/04 - Suspect petitioned for child support
  - b) 01/25/00 - Final Judgement of Dissolution of Marriage (prior marriage)

**IV. SERVICES**

- A. Victim –
  - a) 05/25/05 - Completed Batterers' Intervention Program
- B. Suspect – None known

**V. OTHER CONCERNS**

Based upon information provided by the suspect's brother, there was a history of domestic violence between the suspect and victim. The couple had recently separated and the victim was living with family while the suspect remained in the marital home. Reports were made to the police on two occasions by the victim, but there is no evidence that services were sought for domestic violence.

Date of Homicide: 04/06/06
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Victim: White Female, 74

Suspect: White Male, 77

**I. CRIME**

A. RELATIONSHIP: Husband/Wife

B. CASE SUMMARY: On April 6, 2006, the suspect called the police to report that he had shot his wife. The victim was transported to the hospital where she was pronounced deceased by hospital personnel. The suspect confessed to police to shooting his wife. The suspect elaborated by stating that the marriage started to deteriorate in the last year when the victim stopped having sex with him. Suspect also stated that the victim was "on my case 24/7." On the night of the incident the couple argued over the marriage. The suspect stated he killed his wife because she would not give him a divorce. The suspect was found to be incompetent to proceed on May 12, 2006. This case is pending review by the court.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: The couple has an adult daughter who does not reside in the home. The day of the incident, the daughter was present at the home earlier in the evening. She did not observe anything at that time outside of that household's norm.

D. LOCATION: 32210 (Zone 4)

**II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

**III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**IV. SERVICES**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**V. OTHER CONCERNS**

There was not a reported history of abuse. Family members did not disclose a history of domestic violence. The suspect's half brother stated that the suspect had been Baker Acted the week prior to this incident. However, a check of local police records could not confirm that the suspect had been involuntarily placed in a mental health facility.

According to the couple's daughter, the victim had been diagnosed with Dementia in 2004. The suspect was the victim's primary caregiver. On the night of the incident, the suspect spoke with their daughter about placing the victim in a nursing home or assisted living facility. In 2005, the suspect started exhibiting memory lapses. Both the suspect and their daughter feared that he was also developing Dementia.

Date of Homicide: 04/18/06
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Victim: Black Female, 24

Suspect: Black Male, 36

## I. CRIME

- A. RELATIONSHIP: Former Boyfriend/Girlfriend
- B. CASE SUMMARY: On April 18, 2006, the victim was reported missing. She was last seen going toward the suspect's house to pick up their four-month-old infant. The victim's remains were located after a female accomplice was interviewed and confessed to aiding the suspect in disposing of the victim's body. The suspect was interviewed and confessed to strangling the victim and then burying the remains. After a jury trial, the suspect was found guilty, adjudicated guilty and sentenced to life in prison.
- C. CHILDREN PRESENT: The couple has a four-month-old infant who was in the home at the time of the incident. The victim also had a five-year-old child who was not present at the time of the incident.
- D. LOCATION: 32277 (Zone 3)

## II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS

### A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect –
  - a) 03/22/06 - Domestic Battery on victim - Arrest warrant denied
  - b) 03/02/06 - Domestic Battery on former girlfriend - Case not filed due to uncooperative victim
  - c) 12/17/05 - Domestic Battery on former girlfriend - Case not filed due to uncooperative victim
  - d) 08/26/04 - Criminal Mischief on former girlfriend - Case not filed due to uncooperative victim
  - e) 03/26/02 - Domestic Battery on former wife - Charges dropped
  - f) 02/15/00 - Felony Battery with Two priors on former wife - Adjudicated Guilty - 6 months jail and court costs

- g) 10/27/99 - Domestic Battery on former wife - Charges dropped
- h) 10/11/98 - Domestic Battery on former wife - Adjudicated Guilty - 270 days jail
- i) 09/14/97 - Felony Battery with Two Priors on former wife - Adjudicated Guilty - 5 months jail, 3 years probation, 200 community service hours, and Batterers' Intervention Program (successfully completed in 2001)
- j) 01/20/94 - Domestic Battery on former girlfriend - Adjudicated Guilty - 225 days jail
- k) 01/26/93 - Domestic Battery on former girlfriend - Adjudicated Guilty - 60 days jail, 12 days probation, and court costs
- l) 6/19/92 - Aggravated Battery with a Deadly Weapon and Aggravated Assault - Adjudicated Guilty - 50 months community control, 12 months probation, Batterers' Intervention Program (did not successfully complete program) and court costs
- m) 03/08/92 - Domestic Battery on former girlfriend - Adjudicated Guilty - 2 days jail, 90 days probation, and Anger Management

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

- 1. Victim – No record
- 2. Suspect –
  - a) 09/04/03 - Burglary - Case not filed
  - b) 05/03/02 - Battery on male - Case not filed
  - c) 7/27/99 - Battery on male - Case not filed due to uncooperative victim
  - d) 02/06/98 - Battery on female - Case not filed due to uncooperative victim
  - e) 09/14/97 - Simple Battery on female - Adjudicated Guilty - 30 days jail
  - f) 01/12/91 - Discharge Firearm in Public - Adjudicated Guilty - 33 days jail

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

III. **CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim – a) 03/22/06 - Victim filed petition for injunction against suspect. Final judgement was granted.
- B. Suspect – a) 07/08/04 - Former girlfriend filed petition for injunction against suspect. It was dismissed because petitioner failed to appear.
- b) 06/15/04 - Dissolution of marriage to former wife
- c) 11/29/03 - Department of Children and Families Report involving a former girlfriend and her children - Case was closed with some indicators of family violence. No arrests were made.
- d) 05/01/03 - Former wife filed petition for child support.
- e) 06/22/01 - Suspect filed petition for injunction against former wife. It was denied.
- f) 11/30/00 - Suspect filed petition for injunction against former wife. It was denied.
- g) 08/14/98 - Former girlfriend filed petition for injunction against suspect. The petition was dismissed at the request of the petitioner.
- h) 07/21/98 - Suspect filed petition for injunction against former wife. It was denied.
- i) 04/15/98 - Suspect filed petition for injunction against former wife. It was dismissed because the petitioner failed to appear.
- j) 01/20/94 - Former girlfriend filed petition for child support.

IV. **SERVICES**

- A. Victim – a) 03/22/06 - Victim advocate accompanied victim to court.
- B. Suspect – None known

V. OTHER CONCERNS

Based upon information provided by the family members, the suspect had been verbally abusive to the victim and had on two previous occasions choked the victim to the point of unconsciousness. Approximately one month prior to the incident, the suspect went to the victim's place of employment and displayed a gun and threatened to kill her. Family members indicated that he had also physically abused victim's five-year-old child. According to other family members, they believed that the suspect was responsible for the victim's disappearance. They also believed that he had harmed her. They were aware of the injunction for protection against the suspect because he had threatened to kill her. The family felt that the suspect would have left the area with their child had he not been arrested.

As noted above, this suspect had an extensive history of violence against women. The suspect was ordered twice to complete Batterers' Intervention Program and once to Anger Management. There is no evidence that he ever completed these programs, nor evidence of any enforcement for noncompliance.

Date of Homicide: 04/20/06
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Victim: White Female, 18

Suspect: White Male, 24

## I. CRIME

- A. RELATIONSHIP: Boyfriend/Girlfriend
- B. CASE SUMMARY: On April 20, 2006, an anonymous caller notified authorities that he opened the door of the victim's residence and observed her dead body. The victim had been shot in the lower abdomen. The suspect and victim had been involved in a relationship for approximately a year, however, they were separated at the time of the incident. The suspect thought the victim had been cheating on him with an unknown male. The suspect went to the victim's house and thought he heard male voices inside. He then shot through the window at the voices. The suspect was charged with Second Degree Murder and the case is currently set for trial.
- C. CHILDREN PRESENT: The couple did not have children. There were no children present at the time of the incident.
- D. LOCATION: 32224 (Zone 2)

## II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS

- A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
1. Victim – No record
  2. Suspect – No record
- B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES
1. Victim – No record
  2. Suspect –
    - a) 01/13/05 - Attempted Robbery - Case not filed
    - b) 05/30/00 - Possession of a Firearm by a Minor - Adjudication Withheld - 6 months jail and 3 years probation, obtain substance abuse evaluation/treatment and complete After Care program (Juvenile)
    - c) 10/12/98 - Burglary - Adjudicated Delinquent - Committed to DCF High Risk Facility (Juvenile)

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

1. Victim – a) 04/06/03 - Possession of Liquor by a Person under the age of 21 - Referred to Youthful Offender Program (Juvenile)
2. Suspect – a) 03/29/03 - Possession of Cannabis less than 20 grams - Adjudicated Guilty - 10 days jail and court costs  
b) 11/21/02 - Possession of Cannabis less than 20 grams - Adjudication Withheld - 26 days jail  
c) 09/06/01 - Possession of Cannabis less than 20 grams - 2 days jail  
d) 03/13/00 - Possession of Cannabis more than 20 grams - Case not filed (Juvenile)  
e) 02/15/00 - Delivery of Cannabis less than 20 grams - Adjudicated Delinquent - Committed to DCF Low Risk Facility (Juvenile)

III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – a) 01/24/03 - Former girlfriend filed petition for child support  
b) 10/09/98 - Father of suspect filed petition for Involuntary Examination. Petition was dismissed at the request of the petitioner.

IV. SERVICES

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

V. OTHER CONCERNS

According to neighbors, family, and friends there were several domestic disturbances in the couple of months prior to the murder and both the victim and the suspect were heavily involved in drug abuse.

- c) In New Jersey - 03/31/92 - Sexual Assault - Adjudicated Guilty - 5 years prison and court costs

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

- 1. Victim – No record
- 2. Suspect –
  - a) In New Jersey - 10/21/03-Possession, Manufacture or Distribute Heroin/Cocaine - Charges were dismissed
  - b) In New Jersey - 05/04/02 - Simple Assault and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Adjudicated Guilty - 5 days jail

III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

IV. SERVICES

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

V. OTHER CONCERNS

The suspect has a history of drug and alcohol addiction. According to family and friends in New Jersey, he has a history of being violent. The victim's oldest daughter moved out of the residence due to the suspect's abusive behaviors. The victim's daughters report that there were previous reported incidences of domestic violence in which the local police were called but no arrests were made. However, a check of local police records could not confirm that the police were called to the residence regarding a domestic incident between the victim and the suspect. According to police reports, a neighbor spoke with the victim two days prior to the incident. The victim told the neighbor that she planned to leave that weekend due to the suspect's drug and alcohol use, and his abusive behavior toward her and the children.

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Date of Homicide: 06/17/06

Victim: White Female, 58

Suspect: White Female, 34

**I. CRIME**

A. RELATIONSHIP: Parent/Child

B. CASE SUMMARY: On June 17, 2006, the police were called to the victim's residence by the victim's older daughter and son-in-law after they found the victim lying on the bedroom floor. The victim had been stabbed several times, causing her death. The suspect was seen running from the scene by the older daughter and son-in-law. She was located nearby and was found to have several cuts to her hand and was incoherent. She was transported to the hospital and admitted under the Baker Act Provision. She was later interviewed and admitted to killing the victim and attempting to clean up the crime scene. The suspect stated that she had been confronted by the victim for stealing to support her drug addiction. The suspect pled guilty and was adjudicated guilty to Second Degree Murder and is serving a thirty-year sentence.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: There were no children present at the time of the incident.

D. LOCATION: 32218 (Zone 5)

**II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect– a) 12/02/05 - Three Counts of Obtaining or Attempting to Obtain a Controlled Substance by Fraud - Adjudicated Guilty - 3 years prison and court costs to run concurrent with the sentence on the homicide

### III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect –
  - a) 06/17/06 - Referred under the Baker Act prior to being arrested for this incident
  - b) 08/11/04 - Department of Children and Families report of substance exposed child and inadequate supervision by parent - Case closed with some indicators of maltreatment.
  - c) 05/05/04 - Department of Children and Families report of substance exposed child - Case closed with verified indicators of substance exposed child and no indicators of threatened harm.
  - c) 05/04/04 - Referred under the Baker Act for suicide attempt
  - d) 09/02/03 - Dissolution of marriage
  - e) 04/18/02 - Former husband filed petition for injunction against suspect. It was denied.

### IV. SERVICES

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect –
  - a) 09/08/04 - Referred to a substance abuse program by Department of Children and Families
  - b) 08/11/04 - Victim filed a petition for a Marchman Act against the suspect
  - c) 06/04/04 - Referred to a substance abuse program by Department of Children and Families

### V. OTHER CONCERNS

The family was aware of the suspect's increasing dependency on illegal drugs. The suspect was constantly stealing items from the victim to support her drug addiction. Less than a week prior to this incident, the victim had reported that while she was on vacation, the suspect had stolen jewelry and checks from her home.

Date of Homicide: 06/18/06
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Victim: Black Male, 18

Suspect: Black Male, 20

**I. CRIME**

- A. RELATIONSHIP: Brother/Brother
- B. CASE SUMMARY: On June 18, 2006, the victim and his mother got in an argument about the victim not contributing to the bills. During the argument, the victim threatened to shoot and kill his family. The suspect was upset at the victim because of his threats and retrieved a knife and stabbed the victim once in the chest. The suspect pled guilty and was adjudicated guilty to First Degree Manslaughter and was sentenced to one year jail and six years probation. During his sentence, he must complete twenty hours of community service a month.
- C. CHILDREN PRESENT: The victim and suspect's eleven-year-old sister was present at the time of the incident. There was a sixteen-year-old female neighbor that was also present at the time of the incident.
- D. LOCATION: 32257 (Zone 3)

**II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
1. Victim – No record
  2. Suspect – No record
- B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES
1. Victim – No record
  2. Suspect – No record
- C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS
1. Victim – No record
  2. Suspect – No record

**III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**IV. SERVICES**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**V. OTHER CONCERNS**

The family supported the suspect in this case. They specifically requested the suspect's sentence be a term of probation. The Assistant State Attorney requested that the suspect's sentence be ten years prison.

Children were not referred to HARK and it is unknown as to whether the children who witnessed this incident received other counseling.

Date of Homicide: 06/27/06

Victim: Black Female, 56

Suspect: Black Male, 60

**I. CRIME**

- A. RELATIONSHIP: Husband/Wife
- B. CASE SUMMARY: On June 27, 2006, the suspect called 911 and reported he had shot and killed his wife. He stated that his wife was already dead and he was going to commit suicide. During the investigation, the suspect stated that he had been drinking and the victim had the gun and that they fought over possession of the gun. The suspect stated that the gun went off twice, killing the victim. Investigation of the scene revealed no evidence of a fight or struggle between the suspect and victim. Autopsy results indicated that the victim was in a seated position when she was hit by one of the bullets. The suspect was charged with Second Degree Murder and the case is currently set for trial.
- C. CHILDREN PRESENT: The victim and suspect have three children in common. There were no children present at the time of the incident.
- D. LOCATION: 32210 (Zone 4)

**II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
1. Victim – No record
  2. Suspect – No record
- B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES
1. Victim – No record
  2. Suspect – No record
- C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS
1. Victim – No record
  2. Suspect – No record

**III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**IV. SERVICES**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**V. OTHER CONCERNS**

According to the family members of the suspect and victim, they knew this was going to happen one day because he was physically abusive to the victim. They constantly encouraged the victim to leave the suspect. The three daughters left the home at ages sixteen and seventeen because the suspect had been trying to sexually molest them and physically abusing them and the victim. The family indicated that the suspect was an alcoholic and had recently been in rehabilitation earlier in the year. The family also stated that the suspect had been the victim of severe physical and sexual abuse as a child.

Date of Homicide: 08/21/06

Victim: Black Male, 29

Suspect: Black Female, 28

**I. CRIME**

A. RELATIONSHIP: Husband/Wife

B. CASE SUMMARY: On August 21, 2006, a neighbor called 911 due to shots being fired. The victim was found lying in the street and had sustained multiple gunshot wounds. The suspect denied any involvement in the incident. However, the gun used in the incident was found in the room where the suspect was sleeping. After a jury trial, the suspect was found guilty of Second Degree Murder and is currently awaiting sentencing.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: The suspect's eight-year-old child and the suspect and victim's two-year-old child were present in the home at the time of the homicide.

D. LOCATION: 32216 (Zone 3)

**II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim –
  - a) 09/10/04 - Domestic Battery against suspect - Adjudicated Guilty - 5 days jail, 1 year probation, Batterers' Intervention Program (did not successfully complete) and court costs
  - b) 04/07/04 - Domestic Battery against suspect - Adjudicated Guilty - 5 days jail, 1 year probation, Batterers' Intervention Program (did not successfully complete) and court costs

2. Suspect – No record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim –
  - a) 02/09/97 - Strongarm Robbery - Charges dropped
2. Suspect –
  - a) 03/29/99 - Fighting - Adjudicated Guilty - 1 day jail
  - b) 03/06/03 - Armed Robbery with a Deadly Weapon - Adjudicated Guilty - 4 years prison, 2 years probation, Drug Evaluation and Treatment, and court costs

- c) 03/05/03 - Burglary and Dealing in Stolen Property - Adjudicated Guilty - 4 years prison, 2 years probation, Drug Evaluation and Treatment, and court costs (Sentence to run concurrent with case listed immediately above)
- d) 02/17/96 - Aggravated Battery with a Weapon on a male - Adjudicated Guilty - 31 months prison and court costs

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

- 1. Victim –
  - a) 07/07/05 - Possession of Cocaine - Charges dropped
  - b) 09/20/03 - Possession of Cocaine - Charges dropped
  - c) 04/03/02 - Consuming Alcoholic Beverage - Charges dropped
  - d) 02/27/01 - Possession of Cocaine - Adjudicated Guilty - 2 days jail and court costs
  - e) 05/31/00 - Possession of Cannabis less than 20 grams - Adjudication Withheld and court costs
  - f) 03/10/99 - Possession of Cocaine - Adjudicated Guilty - 1 year probation, Drug Evaluation and Treatment and court costs
  - g) 08/19/98 - Sale or Delivery of Cocaine - Adjudicated Guilty - 1 month jail
- 2. Suspect – No record

III. **CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim –
  - a) 08/30/04 - Department of Children and Families report of family violence and threatened harm to the children - Case was closed with verified findings of abuse.
  - b) 03/17/04 - Department of Children and Families report of family violence and threatened harm to the children - Case was closed with some indicators of family violence.
- B. Suspect –
  - a) 08/30/04 - Suspect filed petition for injunction against victim. It was not granted because petitioner failed to appear.

**IV. SERVICES**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – a) 09/28/04 - Suspect was referred to Hubbard House through the Department of Children and Families and refused services.
- C. Children -- The children received counseling through their guardian's employer and their church.

**V. OTHER CONCERNS**

According to local police reports, there was a prior history of domestic violence between the suspect and victim. The victim also had several drug related arrests.

Date of Homicide: 09/07/06
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Victim: Black Male, 23

Suspect: Black Male, 45

## I. CRIME

- A. RELATIONSHIP: Step-father/Step-son
- B. CASE SUMMARY: On September 7, 2006, the victim's mother became upset and told everyone in the house to leave. When the suspect got his belongings, he picked up his gun. He was upset that the victim's mother allowed the victim to stay, but the suspect had to leave. He opened the victim's bedroom door and shot the victim several times. He threw the gun on the couch and left the house. The suspect was apprehended a short time later. The suspect admitted to shooting the victim. The suspect pled guilty and was adjudicated guilty to Second Degree Murder and is serving a twenty-two-year sentence.
- C. CHILDREN PRESENT: The suspect's eleven-year-old daughter was present during the incident.
- D. LOCATION: 32206 (Zone 1)

## II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS

### A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect –
  - a) In Volusia County - 05/22/02 - Domestic Battery - Charges dropped
  - b) In Volusia County - 01/28/01 - Domestic Battery on victim's mother - Adjudicated Guilty - 6 days jail
  - c) In Volusia County - 06/08/00 - Domestic Battery - Charges dropped
  - d) In Volusia County - 07/31/95 - Aggravated Assault and Domestic Battery - Charges dropped
  - e) In Volusia County - 12/31/94 - Aggravated Battery on a Pregnant Female on victim's mother - Adjudicated Guilty - 3 years probation
  - f) In Volusia County - 12/3/94 - Aggravated Domestic Battery - Charges dropped

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect –
  - a) In New Jersey - 06/29/87 - 2 Counts of Possessing a Weapon and Attempt to Commit Homicide - Case Dismissed
  - b) In Volusia County - 04/06/99 - Aggravated Battery - Adjudicated Guilty - 6 months jail
  - c) In Volusia County - 03/08/99 - Sexual Battery - Charges dropped
  - d) In Volusia County - 09/19/95 - Aggravated Assault with a Weapon - Charges dropped
  - e) In Volusia County - 11/13/94 - Aggravated Battery - Adjudicated Guilty - 3 years probation
  - f) In Volusia County - 07/28/94 - Aggravated Battery - Adjudicated Guilty - 30 months probation

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

III. **CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect –
  - a) 04/25/02 - Department of Children and Families report of family violence and threatened harm to child - Case closed with some indicators of family violence.

IV. **SERVICES**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**V. OTHER CONCERNS**

According to reports, there is an extensive history of domestic violence between the suspect and the victim's mother. Most of this violence took place in front of the children. The children indicated that the suspect was an alcoholic.

According to reports from the Department of Children and Families, after one of the domestic violence arrests in 2001, the suspect was ordered to get a domestic violence evaluation. No further information to indicate that this was ever completed. In 2005, the suspect stated he completed Anger Management and a domestic violence class. He said he was court ordered to complete marriage counseling. There is no further information to indicate that this was ever completed.

Date of Homicide: 09/23/06

Victim: Black Male, 38

Suspect: Black Male, 17

**I. CRIME**

A. RELATIONSHIP: Step-father/Step-son

B. CASE SUMMARY: On September 23, 2006, the victim and the suspect's mother were arguing. The suspect's mother attempted to leave the residence and the victim physically restrained her. The suspect became angry at the way that the victim was treating his mother. The suspect and the victim began to physically fight. The suspect then shot the victim multiple times. The victim sustained gunshot wounds to the chest, neck, and head. The suspect was charged with Manslaughter and the case is currently pending.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: There were no children present at the time of the incident.

D. LOCATION: 32221 (Zone 4)

**II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – a) 03/26/04 - Battery on a student and Trespassing - Case sent to diversion program (Juvenile)

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

**III. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

- A. Victim –
  - a) 07/20/94 - Former girlfriend #2 filed petition for injunction against victim. Final judgement was granted.
  - b) 11/21/91 - Former girlfriend #1 filed petition for injunction against victim. Final judgement was granted.
- B. Suspect – None known

**IV. SERVICES**

- A. Victim – None known
- B. Suspect – None known

**V. OTHER CONCERNS**

According to the suspect's mother, the victim had been physically abusive toward her on many previous occasions. However, she never reported any of the violence to authorities. Other family members were aware of the domestic violence between the victim and the suspect's mother.

Date of Homicide: 12/20/06

Victim: Black Female, 49

Suspect: Black Male, 44

**I. CRIME**A. RELATIONSHIP: Estranged Husband/Wife

B. CASE SUMMARY: On December 20, 2006, the suspect called 911 from a neighbor's house because the victim lost consciousness. The victim was transported to the hospital where she was pronounced dead. The victim died as a result of strangulation. During the interview with the suspect, he confessed to being in a fight with the victim and physically restraining the victim until she lost consciousness. He also said they had been arguing that day and the entire week prior to this incident. The victim and suspect had been married for two months and were estranged. The suspect was charged with Second-Degree Murder and the case is currently set for trial.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: The couple did not have children. There were no children present at the time of the incident.

D. LOCATION: 32208 (Zone 5)**II. CRIMINAL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

## A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim - No record

2. Suspect - a) 04/24/01 - Aggravated Battery Upon a Pregnant Female on former girlfriend - Case not filed

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim - No record

2. Suspect - a) In Mississippi - 07/28/87 - Armed Robbery - Adjudicated Guilty - Life in prison

b) In Mississippi - 04/15/85 - Armed Robbery - Adjudicated Guilty - 6 years prison

c) 12/25/82 - Burglary - Adjudicated Guilty - 6 months jail and 4 years probation

C. SUBSTANCE ABUSE ARRESTS

1. Victim – No record
2. Suspect – No record

III. **CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS**

A. Victim – None known

B. Suspect – a) 12/10/01 - Former wife filed petition for child support. Petition was voluntarily dismissed.

b) 05/01/07 - Former wife filed petition for child support. Suspect is in contempt for non-payment of child support.

IV. **SERVICES**

A. Victim – None known

B. Suspect – None known

V. **OTHER CONCERNS**

According to the victim's family, she had a history of drug abuse. Family members also indicated that there was a history of unreported physical abuse between the suspect and the victim.

## PATTERNS/2006 ONLY

### GENDER

- 10 males killed female partners
- 1 female killed male partner
- 1 male killed step-son
- 1 male killed brother
- 1 male killed mother
- 1 male killed step-father
- 1 female killed mother

### RACE

- Victims
  - 5 White
  - 10 Black
  - 1 Hispanic
- Suspects
  - 5 White
  - 10 Black
  - 1 Hispanic

### RELATIONSHIP

#### Intimate homicides

- 5 married and co-habiting
- 2 married but separated
- 2 not married and co-habiting
- 2 not married and not co-habiting

#### Non-Intimate homicides

- 1 step-father killed step-son
- 1 brother killed brother
- 1 son killed mother
- 1 step-son killed step-father
- 1 daughter killed mother

## METHOD

- 9 gunshot wounds
- 3 stabbed
- 2 strangulation
- 1 blunt trauma to head
- 1 blunt trauma to head and strangulation

## CHILDREN

- In six cases there were children present. In two of these cases, the child(ren) witnessed the homicide.

## CRIMINAL HISTORY - DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- Victims
  - 1 female with 2 domestic violence arrests
  - 1 male with 2 domestic violence arrests
- Suspects
  - 1 male with 1 domestic violence arrest
  - 1 male with 3 domestic violence arrests
  - 1 male with 4 domestic violence arrests
  - 1 male with 6 domestic violence arrests
  - 1 male with 12 domestic violence arrests

## INJUNCTIONS AND OTHER CIVIL MATTERS

- Victims
  - 1 female had an injunction in place against male suspect
  - 1 male had two previous injunctions granted against him (not by suspect)
- Suspects
  - 1 female filed for an injunction against male suspect but failed to appear
  - 1 male had multiple injunctions granted against him by multiple females. This male also applied for injunctions multiple times, but they were not granted.

### CHILD ABUSE REFERRALS

- Two male suspects had one Department of Children and Families case for family violence and threatened harm.
- One female suspect had two Department of Children and Families cases. One for substance exposed children and inadequate supervision. The other report was for substance exposed children.
- One male victim had two Department of Children and Families cases for family violence and threatened harm.

### SHELTER SERVICES

- 1 female victim received court advocacy services

### HARK

- No record of HARK

### INTERVENTION

- Victims
  - 1 female completed Batterers' Intervention Program
  - 1 female victim and male suspect received marital counseling
  - 1 male was ordered to Batterers' Intervention Program, but did not complete
- Suspects
  - 1 male was ordered twice to Batterers' Intervention Program, but completed only once
  - 1 male completed Anger Management

### ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE

- Victims
  - 1 female with 1 substance abuse arrest
  - 1 male with 6 substance abuse arrests
- Suspects
  - 1 female with 1 substance abuse arrest
  - 1 male with 1 substance abuse arrest
  - 1 male with 2 substance abuse arrests
  - 1 male with 4 substance abuse arrests
  - 1 male with 5 substance abuse arrests

MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

- Suspects
  - 1 female with mental health issues
  - 1 male with mental health issues

ZIP CODES

- 32205 - 1
- 32206 - 1
- 32208 - 2
- 32210 - 3
- 32216 - 1
- 32218 - 1
- 32219 - 1
- 32221 - 1
- 32224 - 1
- 32225 - 1
- 32233 - 1
- 32257 - 1
- 32277 - 1

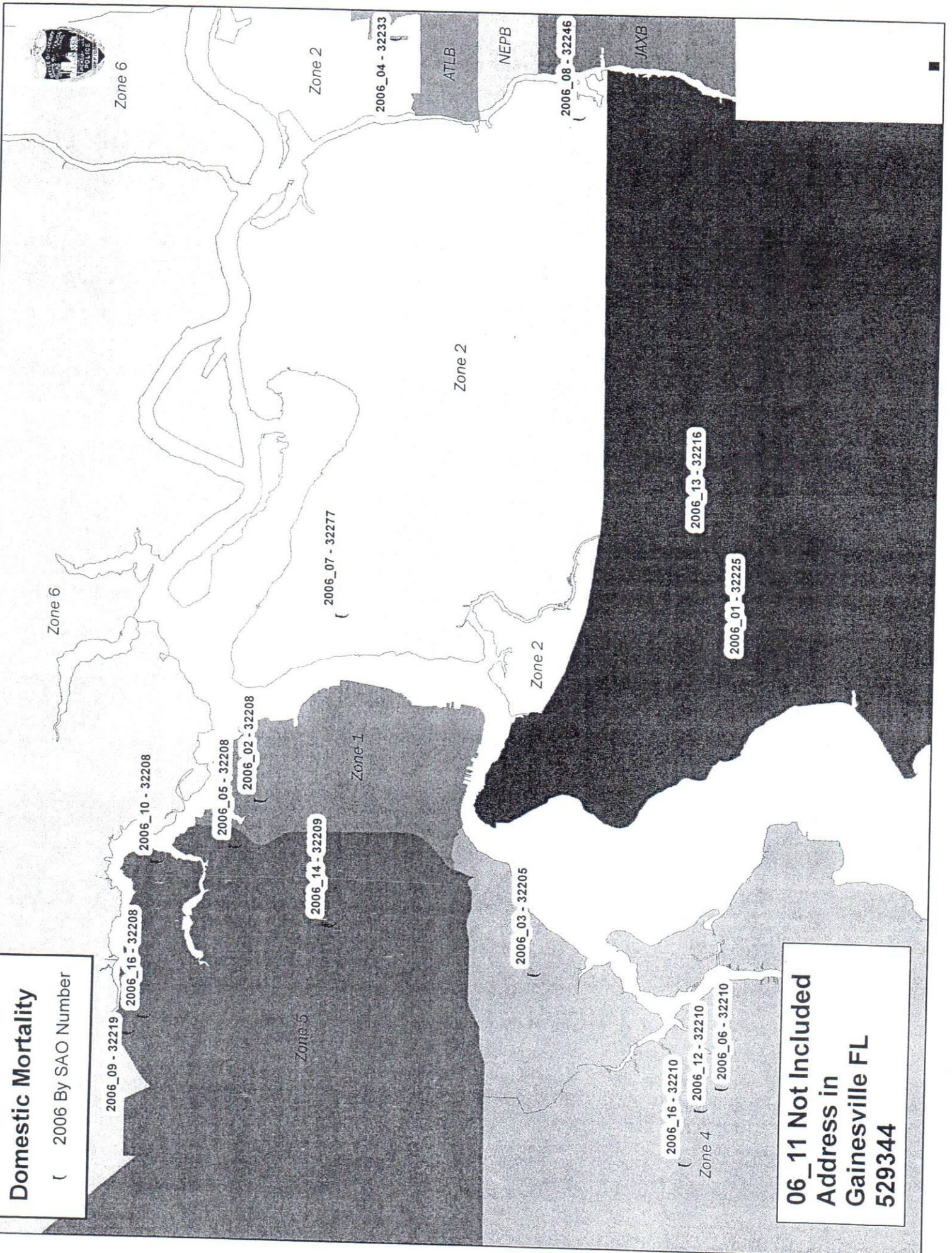
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AGENCY ZONES

- Zone 1 - 1
- Zone 2 - 1
- Zone 3 - 5
- Zone 4 - 5
- Zone 5 - 4

**MAPS**  
**ZIP CODES AND ZONES OF VICTIMS' RESIDENCES**  
**2006**

# Domestic Mortality

( 2006 By SAO Number



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Address in  
Gainesville FL  
529344

## PATTERNS DATE (1997 - 2006)

(121 Months, Includes December 1996)

111 Cases (86 of these Intimate Cases)  
122 Murders (91 of these Intimate Murders)  
23 Suicides

### GENDER

#### Intimate homicides

- 63 males killed their female partners resulting in 71 murders
  - 1 also killed the wife's boyfriend
  - 1 also killed his grown daughter and son-in-law
  - 1 also killed his ex-girlfriend's minor daughter and current boyfriend
  - 1 also killed his ex-girlfriend
  - 1 also killed his father-in-law and brother-in-law
- 20 women killed their male partners
  - in one case the current boyfriend is also a suspect
- 2 men killed same sex partners
- 1 man killed former girlfriend's current boyfriend

#### Non-Intimate homicides

- 20 men killed other family members resulting in 21 murders
- 3 women killed other family members resulting in 3 murders
- 2 men killed ex-partner's current boyfriend resulting in 2 murders (intimate partners were injured but not killed)
- 1 man killed his infant son (intimate partner was injured but not killed)

#### Homicide Suicides

- 20 men committed suicide
- 3 women committed suicide

## RACE

- Victims
  - 67 White
  - 50 Black
  - 3 Asian
  - 2 Hispanic
- Suspects
  - 60 White
  - 49 Black
  - 2 Asian
  - 1 Hispanic

## RELATIONSHIP

- 85 cases with 93 victims involved intimate relationships
  - 33 married and co-habiting
  - 11 married and separated
  - 24 not married and co-habiting
  - 15 not married and not co-habiting
  - 2 divorced but co-habiting
- 26 cases with 29 victims involved non-intimate relationships
  - 12 males killed parents/step-parents/grandparents
    - 2 cases where son killed both parents
    - 3 cases where son killed mother
    - 2 cases where son killed father
    - 2 cases where step-son killed step-father
    - 3 cases where grandson killed grandparent, one also killed companion
  - 1 female killed parent/step-parents/grandparents
    - 1 female killed mother
  - 6 males killed children/step-children
    - 2 cases where step-father killed step-son
    - 1 case where step-father killed step-daughter
    - 1 case where father killed infant son
    - 2 cases where father killed adult son
  - 2 males killed their brothers

**GRAPHS**  
**1997 THROUGH 2006**

- 2 males killed boyfriend of ex-partner\*
- 1 female killed her son
- 1 female killed her brother
- 1 male killed sister-in-law

\* Though the relationship does not fit the definition in statute for domestic violence, the Committee counted these cases in our study since they happened during an attack on an intimate partner. In both cases, the intimate partner was injured but not killed.

#### METHOD

- 65 gunshot wounds
- 28 stabbings
  - 1 was also suffocated
  - 1 was also beaten
- 11 strangulations
- 11 blunt trauma
  - 1 was also strangled
- 1 thrown off bridge
- 1 died of a heart attack during the crime
- 1 rectal trauma
- 1 bombing
- 1 hit by car
- 1 asphyxiation

#### CHILDREN

- 43 cases involved individuals with children. In 30 of these cases, the children were present during the homicide. All were intimate cases.
  - In one case victim's 16 year old daughter was killed
  - In one case victim's 16 year old sister was killed
  - In one case suspect killed infant son

## CRIMINAL HISTORY - DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- Victims
  - 21 males had prior arrest(s) for domestic violence
  - 1 male named as domestic violence suspect by different victim
  - 7 females had prior arrest(s) for domestic violence
  
- Suspects
  - 29 males had prior arrest(s) for domestic violence
  - 1 male had prior arrest for domestic violence against different victim
  - 4 females had prior arrest(s) for domestic violence

## INJUNCTIONS

- Victims
  - 10 females had Injunctions in place
    - 2 reported violations
  - 4 females had a prior Injunction
  - 4 females had Temporary Injunctions dismissed for failure to appear
  - 1 female had Injunction against husband's girlfriend
  - 1 male was respondent of two injunctions (not by suspect)
  
- Suspects
  - 1 female filed for injunction against victim but failed to appear
  - 3 males were respondents of an Injunction
  - 1 male was respondent of an Injunction as part of divorce
  - 1 male was respondent of multiple injunctions by multiple females. This male also petitioned for an injunction multiple times, but was denied.

## CHILD ABUSE REFERRALS

- Victims
  - 3 females had child neglect reports against them
  - 1 female had a child abuse report against her
  - 1 child victim's mother had a child neglect report against her
  - 1 male had two family violence and threatened harm reports against him

- Suspects
  - 4 males had child neglect reports against them
  - 6 males had child abuse reports against them
  - 2 males had family violence and threatened harm reports against them
  - 1 female had two substance exposed children and inadequate supervision reports against her

#### SHELTER SERVICES

- Victims
  - 3 females stayed briefly in a shelter years before homicide
  - 5 females were provided court advocacy services (2 of these were sheltered above)
  - 2 females received safety planning
- Suspects
  - 1 female went through domestic violence education class
  - 2 females received outreach services

#### HARK

- 2 HARK referrals even though children were living in the home in 28 of the cases and actually present and/or witnessed the homicide in 19 of the cases

#### INTERVENTION

- Victims
  - 4 males were ordered into Batterers' Intervention Program as a result of domestic violence arrests
  - 1 male ordered to generic counseling for previous domestic battery
  - 4 males ordered as part of earlier domestic violence cases to Anger Management
  - 1 female completed Batterers' Intervention Program
- Suspects
  - 12 males ordered into Batterers' Intervention Program
    - 1 ordered twice, but completed once
  - 1 male ordered to marriage counseling as part of Injunction
  - 2 male ordered into Anger Management
    - 1 for previous domestic battery

ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE

Police reports indicate alcohol or drug use at time of homicide by 9 victims and 11 suspects

- 40 cases noted suspects had a substance abuse history

MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

- 22 cases noted mental health issues with suspects (1 of these males with 3 suicide attempts)

ZIP CODES (2006 Only)

- 32205 - 1
- 32206 - 1
- 32208 - 2
- 32210 - 3
- 32216 - 1
- 32218 - 1
- 32219 - 1
- 32221 - 1
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- 32233 - 1
- 32257 - 1
- 32277 - 1

LAW ENFORCEMENT  
AGENCY ZONES (2006 Only)

- Zone 1 - 1
- Zone 2 - 1
- Zone 3 - 5
- Zone 4 - 5
- Zone 5 - 4

## **CONCLUSIONS** **(1997-2006)**

Although there was a higher than usual number of homicides this year, there has been a decrease in the number of intimate domestic homicides since the inception of the INVEST program at the end of 1999. In the three years prior to INVEST, there was a steady increase from eight in 1997 to thirteen in 1999. The Committee feels that INVEST is important to the Jacksonville community and recommends that the collaboration of agencies through INVEST continues.

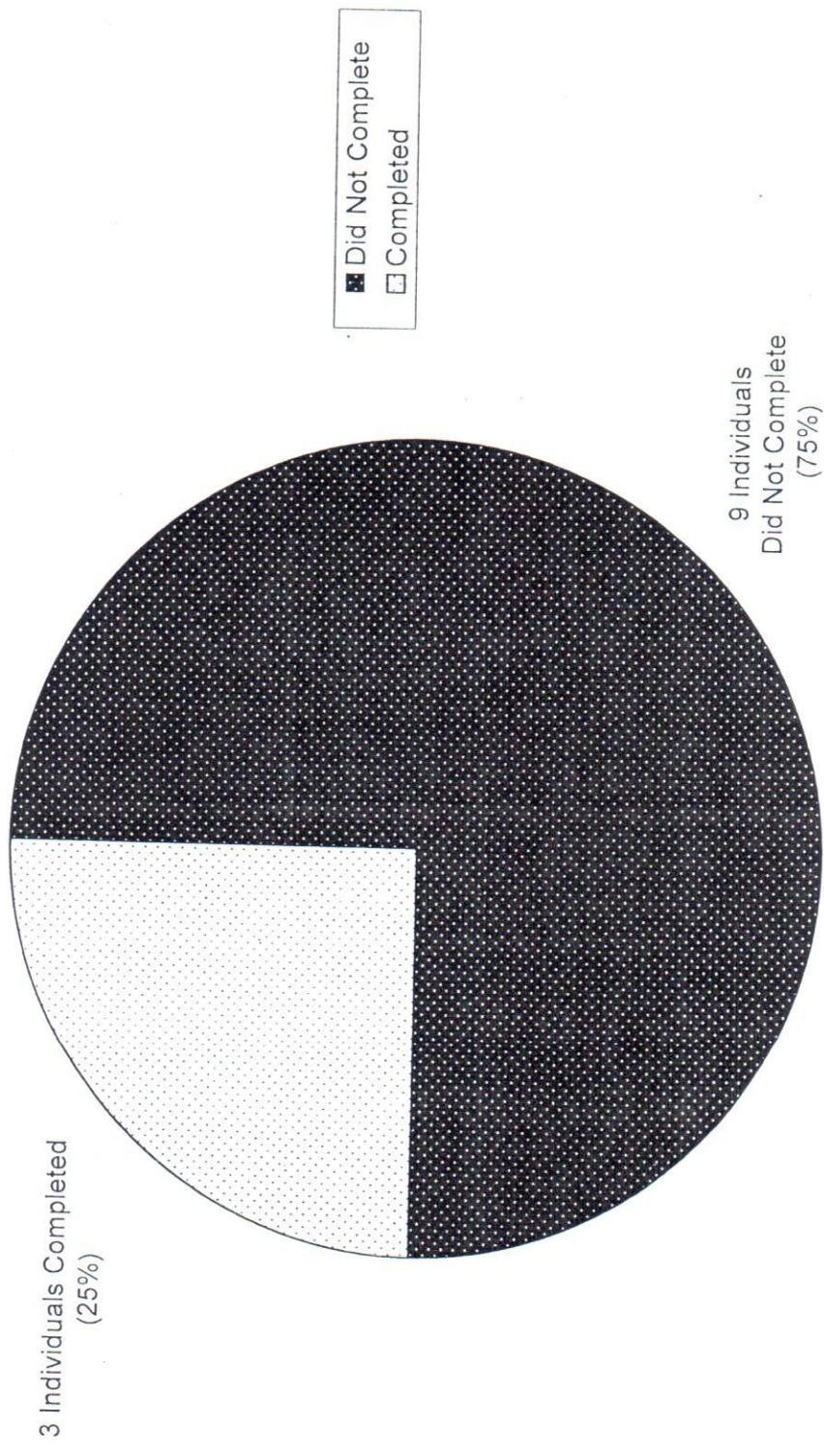
In 2004, there was a significant increase in the number of non-intimate homicides and an unusually high percentage of elderly victims. This pattern was not repeated in 2005, nor in 2006 and may have been an anomaly. The Committee will continue to track the number of elderly victims.

The Committee noted that in several cases in 2006, as in previous years, family members and friends were aware of on-going domestic violence but did not alert any authorities. Without notification to any of the community agencies or law enforcement, no intervention was ordered. It would be beneficial to launch a Community Awareness Campaign to stress the benefits of reporting suspected domestic violence. In 2006, 64% of all intimate homicides had no previous reports of domestic violence. Until family members, friends, and neighbors recognize the importance of reporting suspected domestic violence to the appropriate authorities, these homicides will continue.

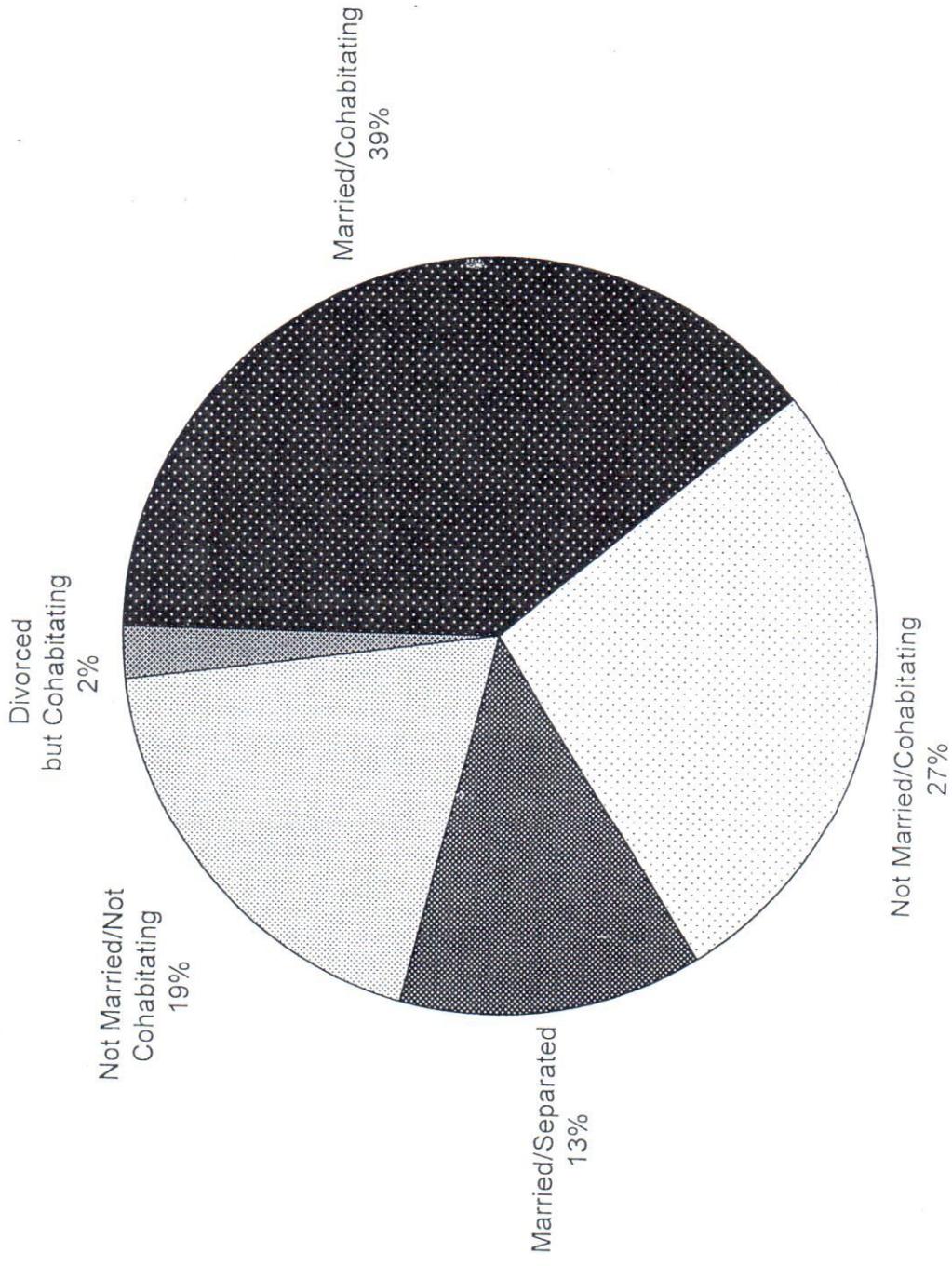
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The Committee continues to be concerned that not enough batterers are ordered into statutorily mandated state certified Batterers' Intervention Programs (BIP). BIP has clearly proven to be the most effective method we have as a community for changing batterers' behavior. It is critical for those working in the criminal justice system to receive more training about these programs. Eighty-eight percent of participants who completed BIP were not re-arrested for another domestic crime for three year tracking period yet, during the period of this study, only twelve suspects were ordered to BIP. Of these, seventy-five percent failed to complete the program. When BIP is ordered, there must be stricter enforcement and accountability for non-compliance.

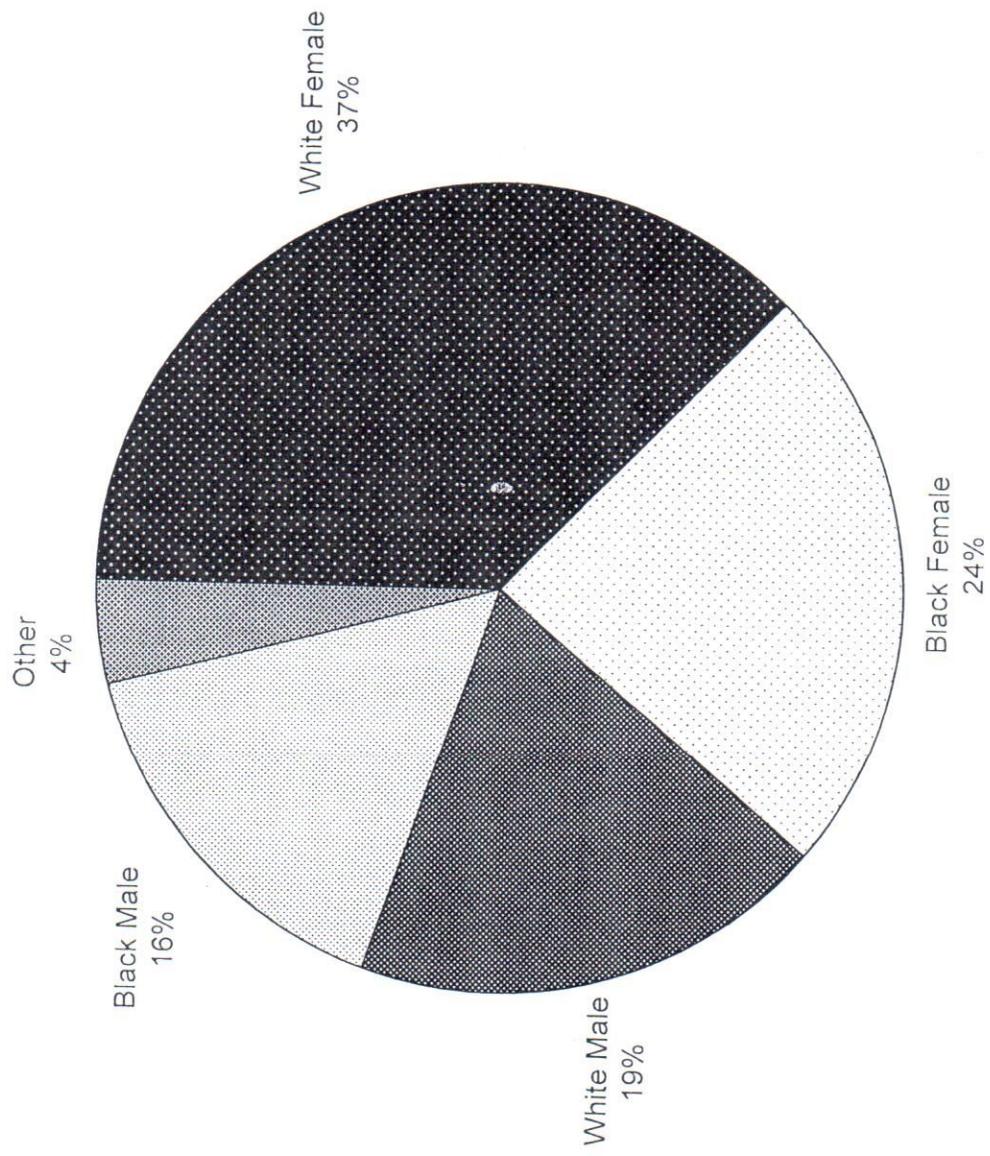
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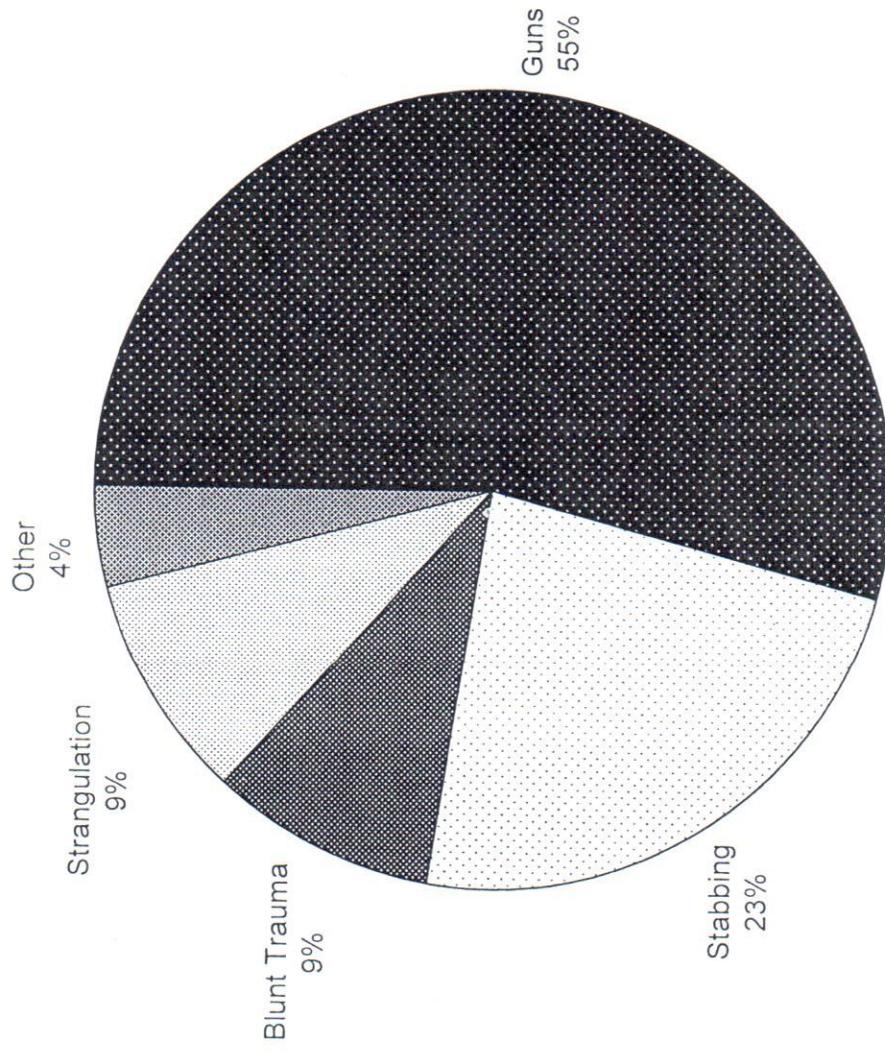
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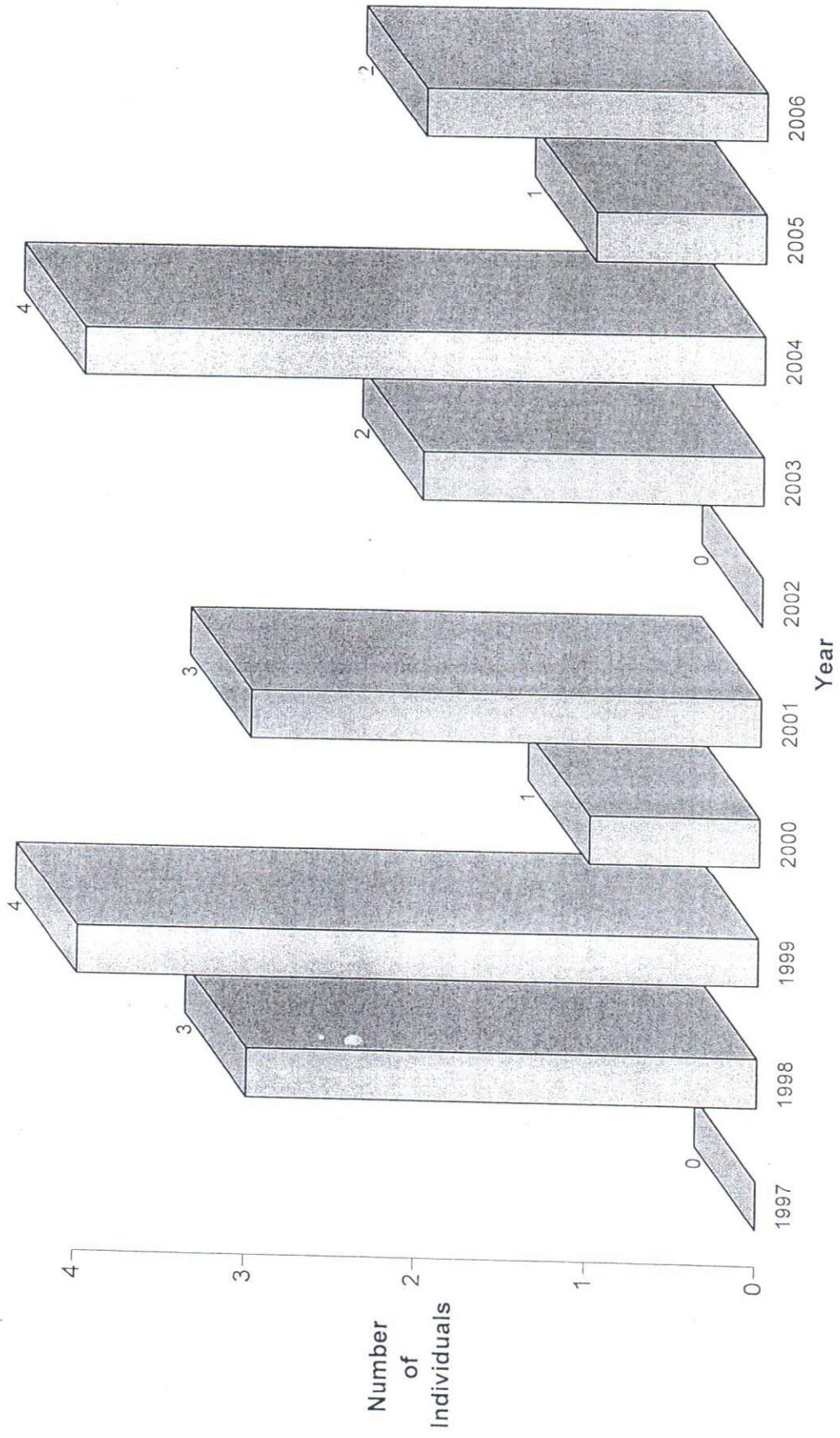
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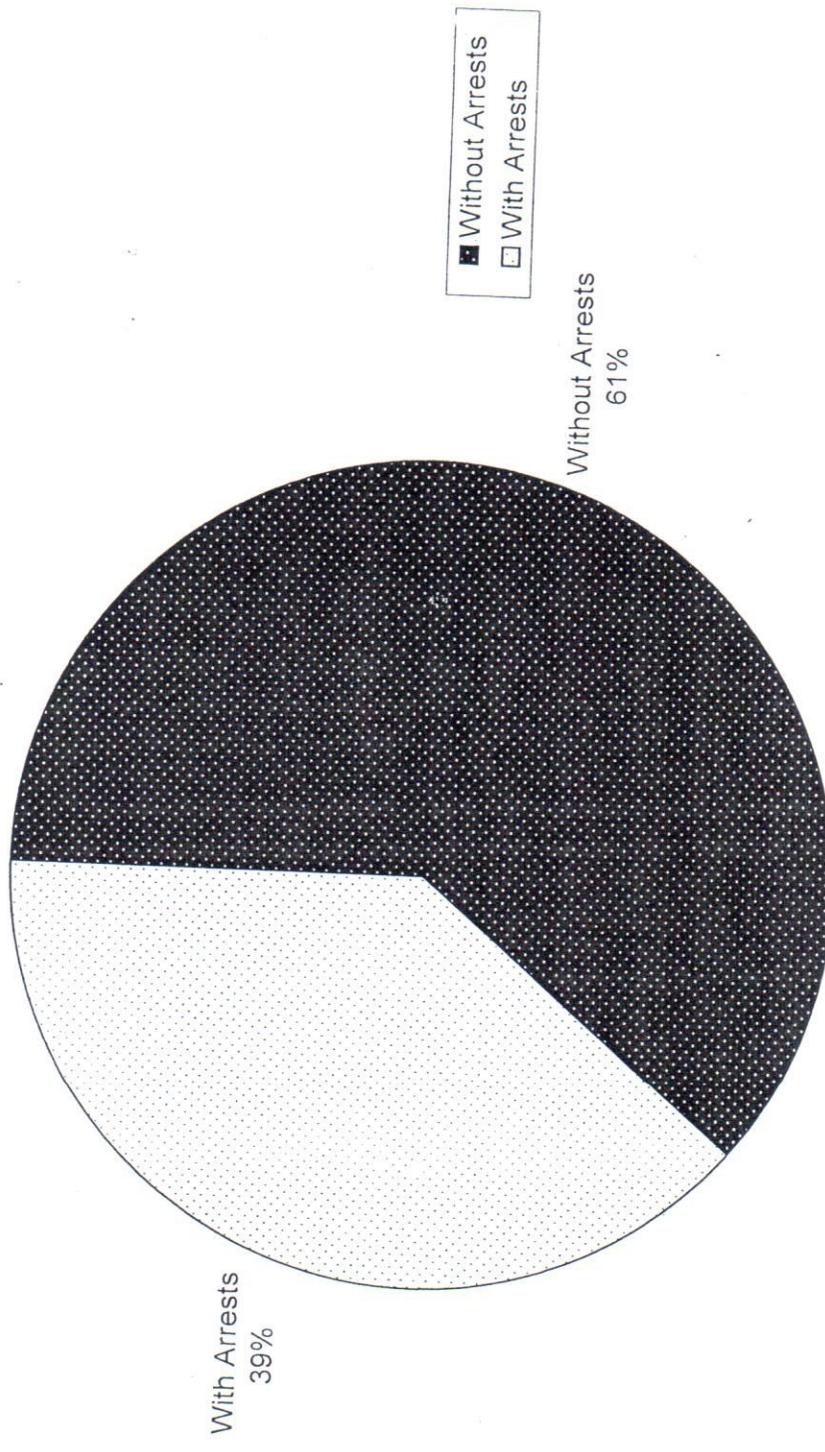
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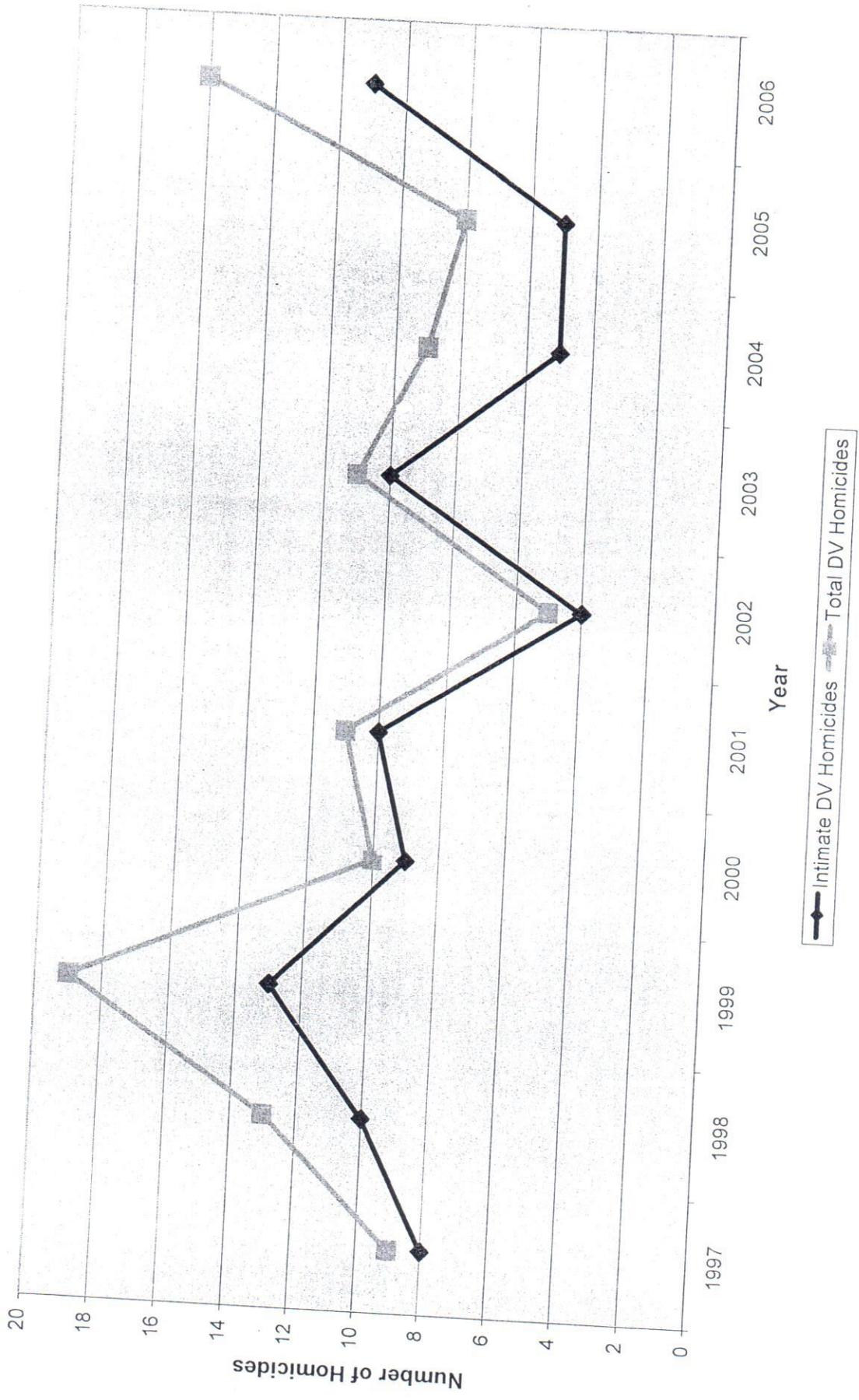
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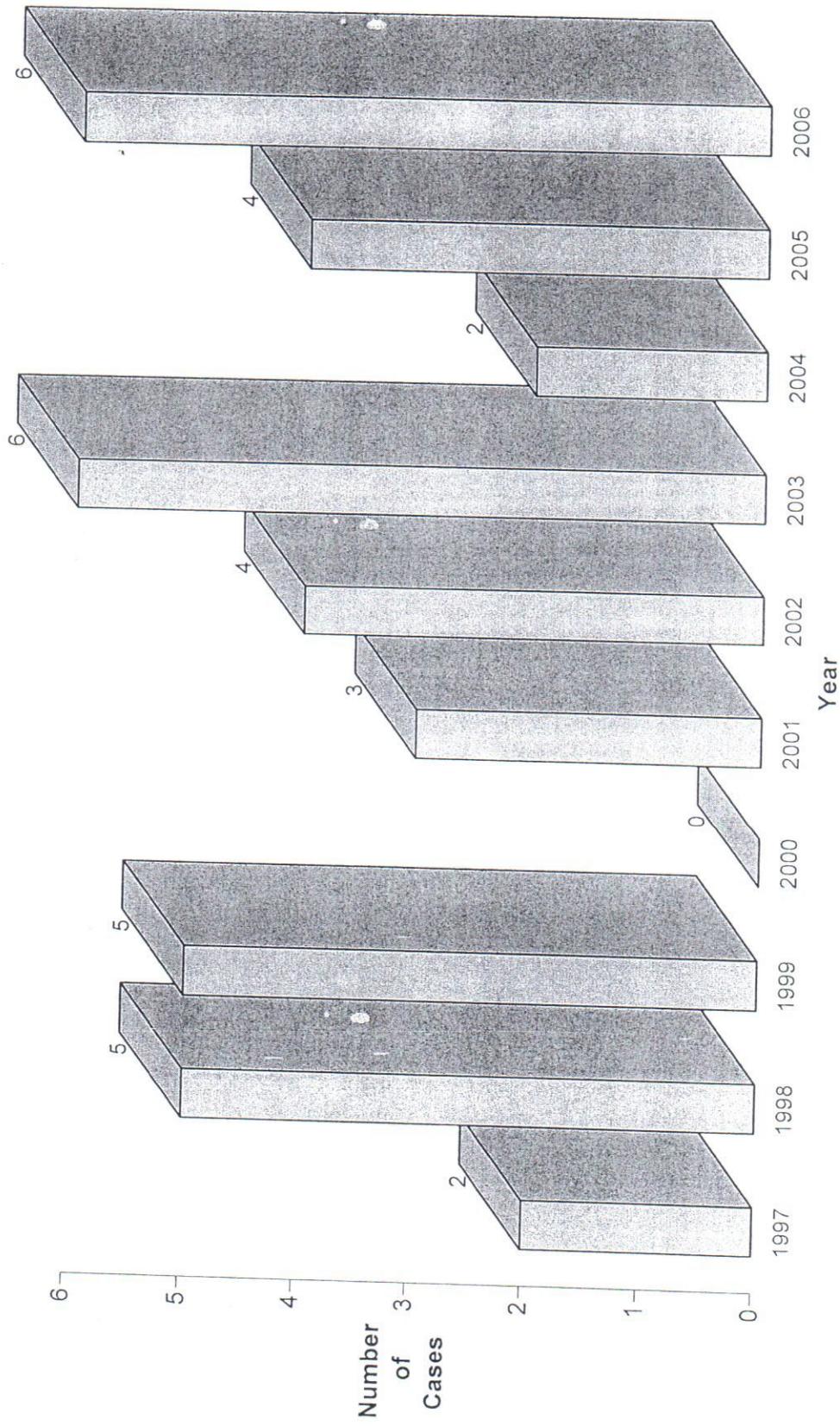
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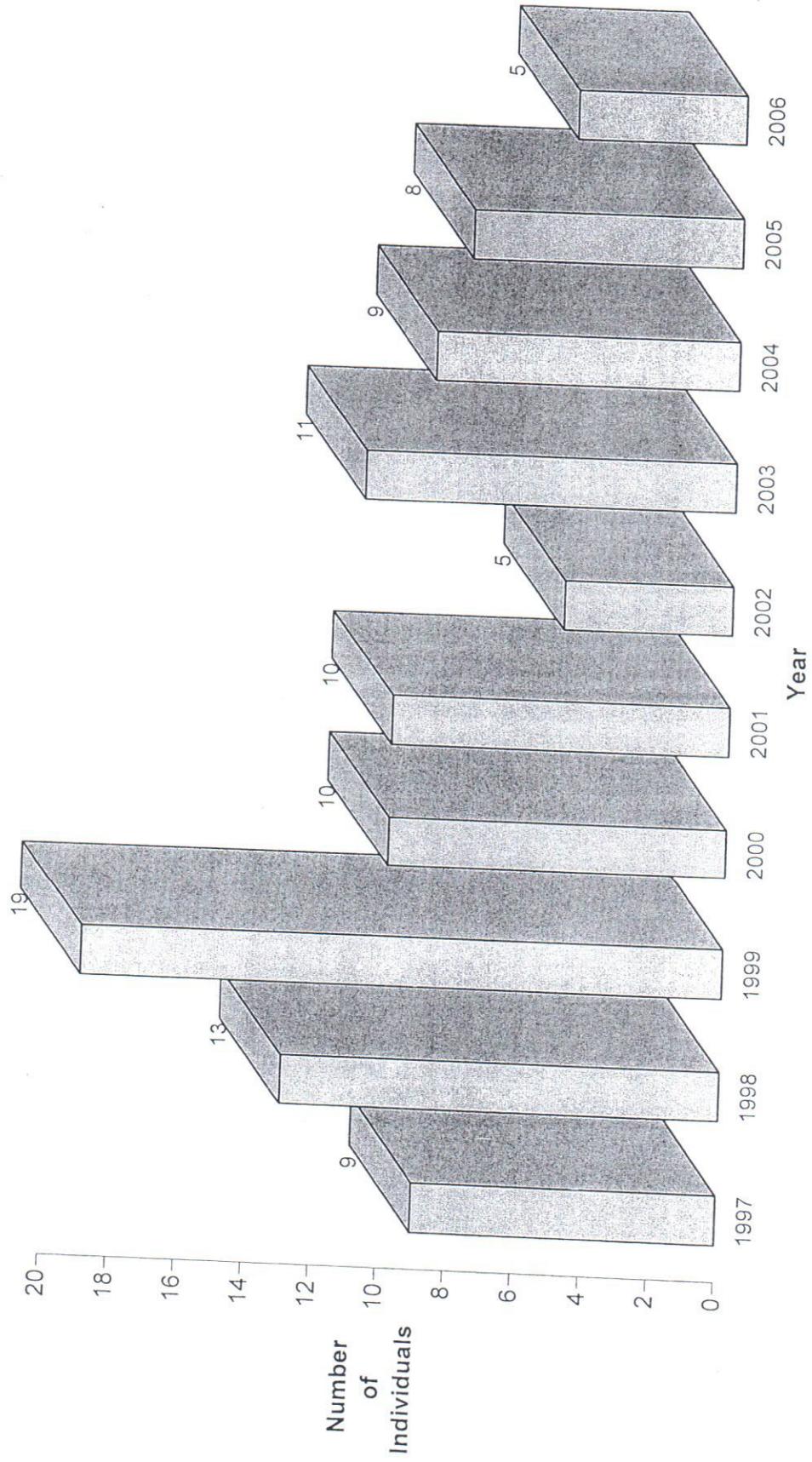
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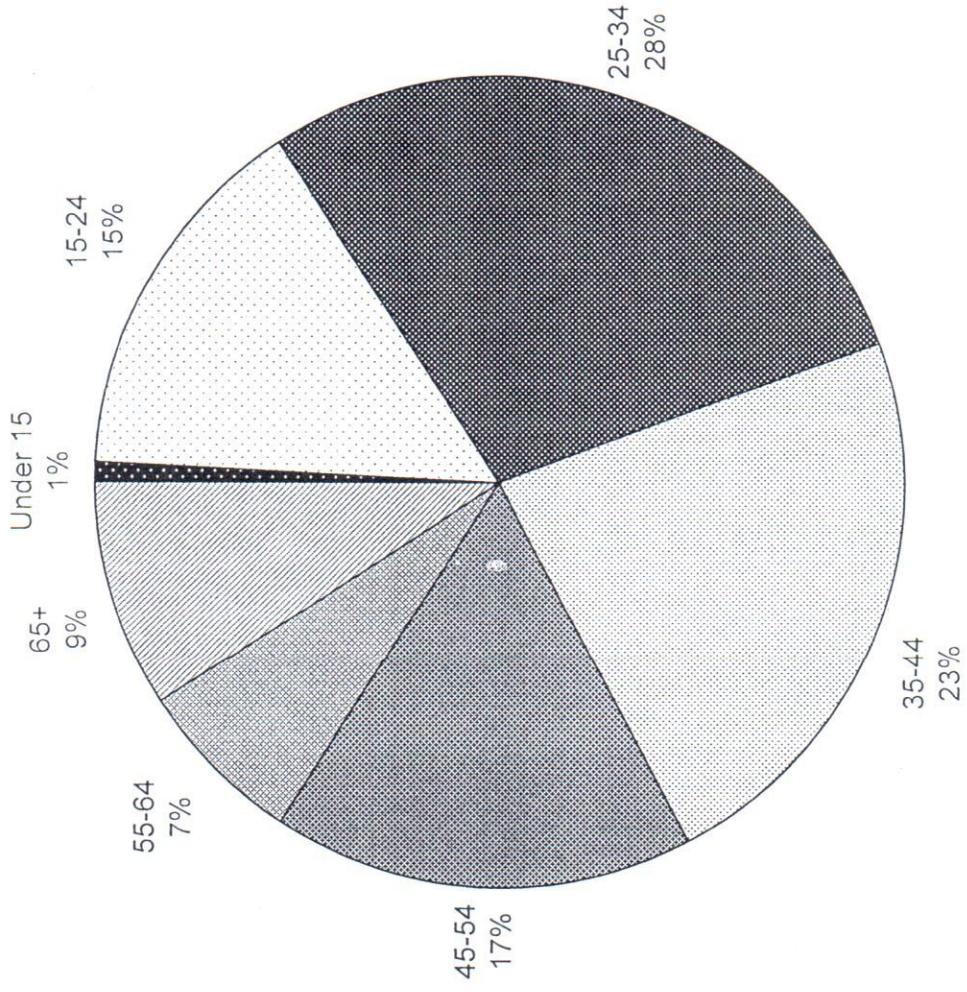
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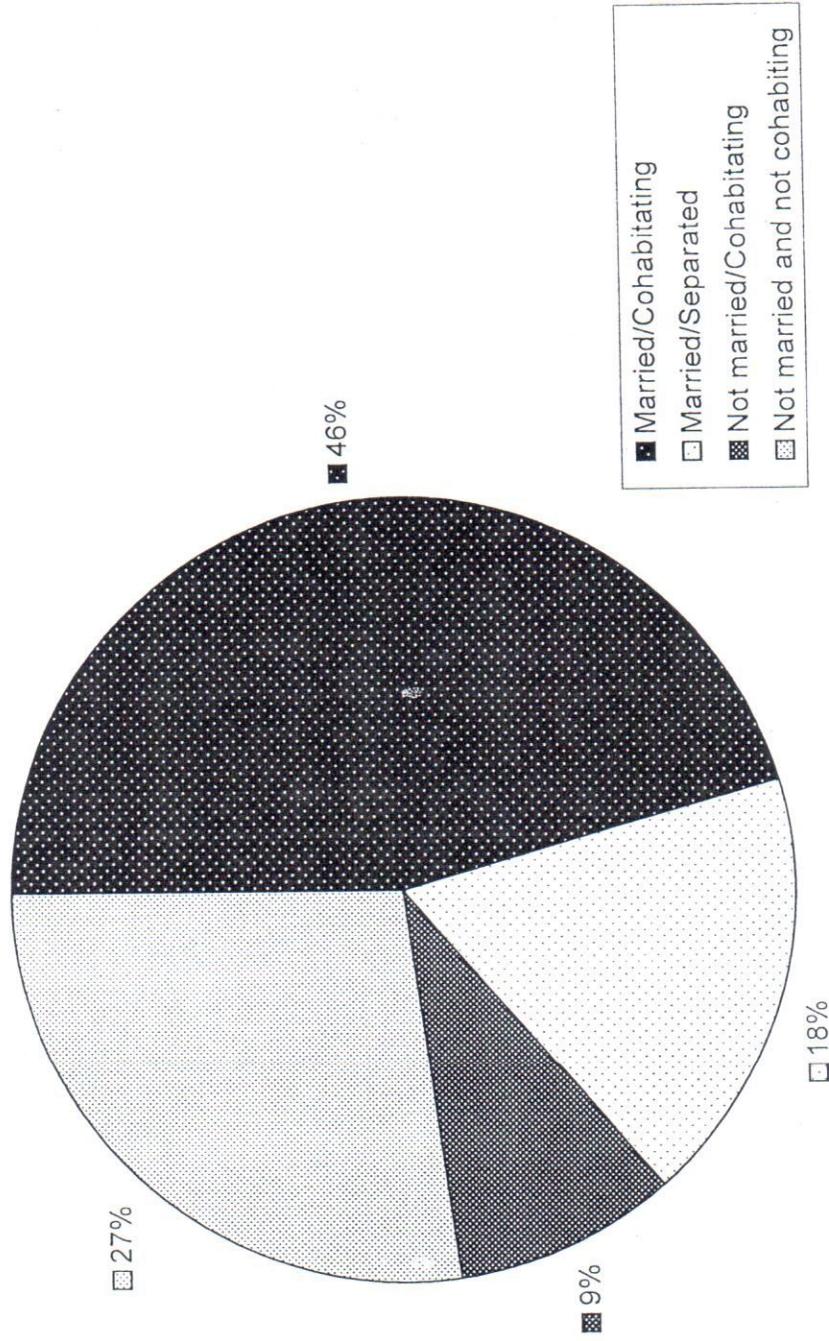
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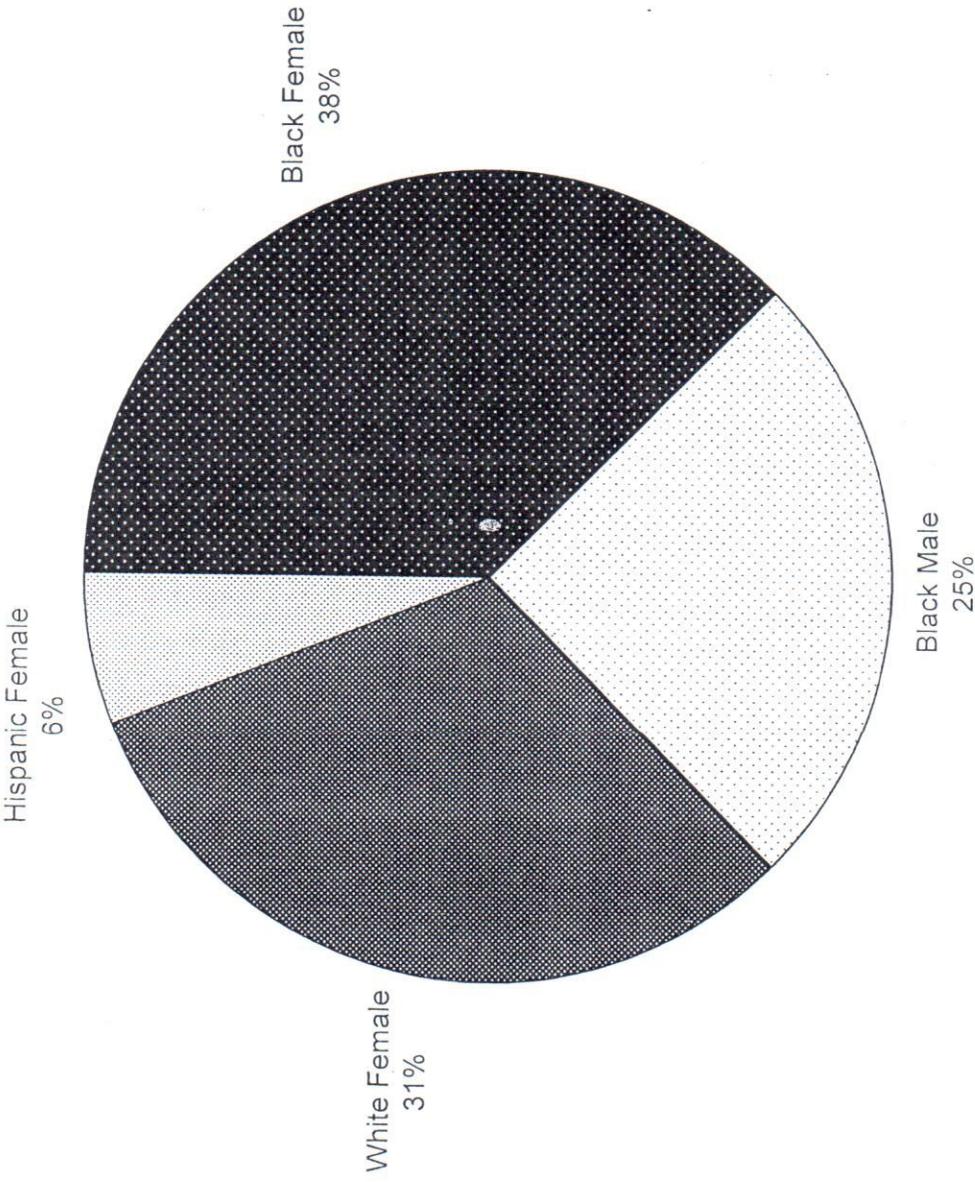
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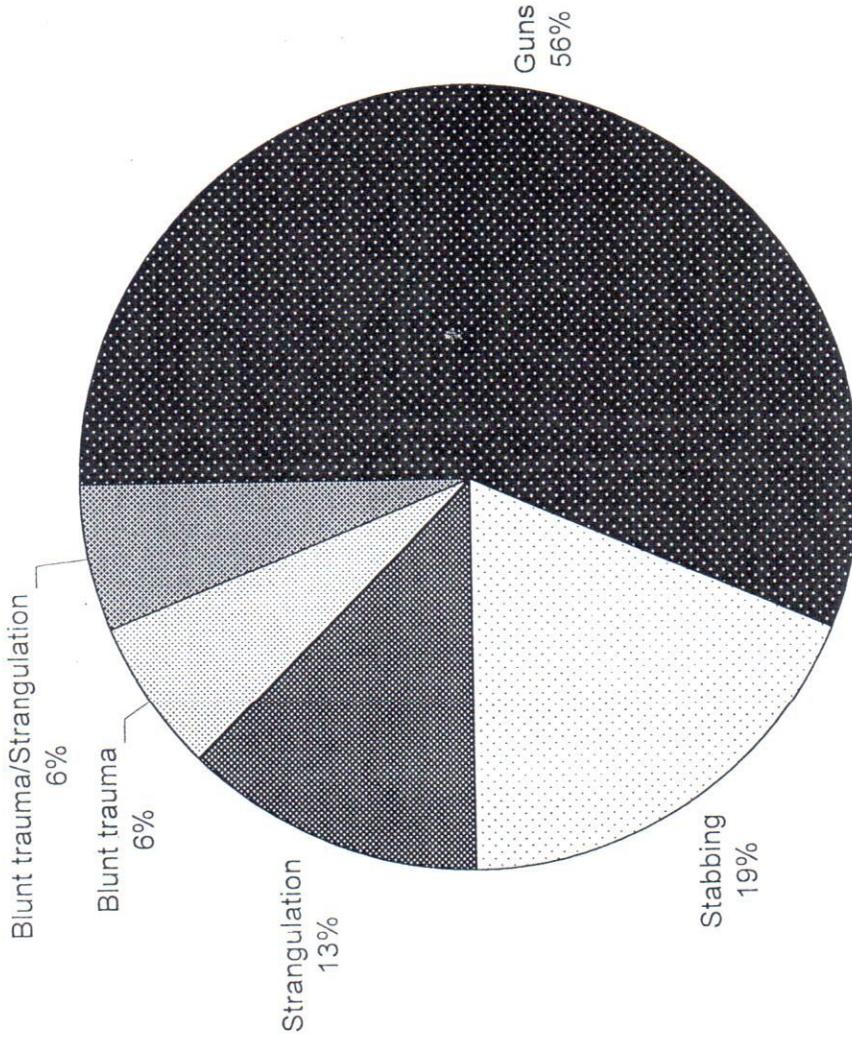
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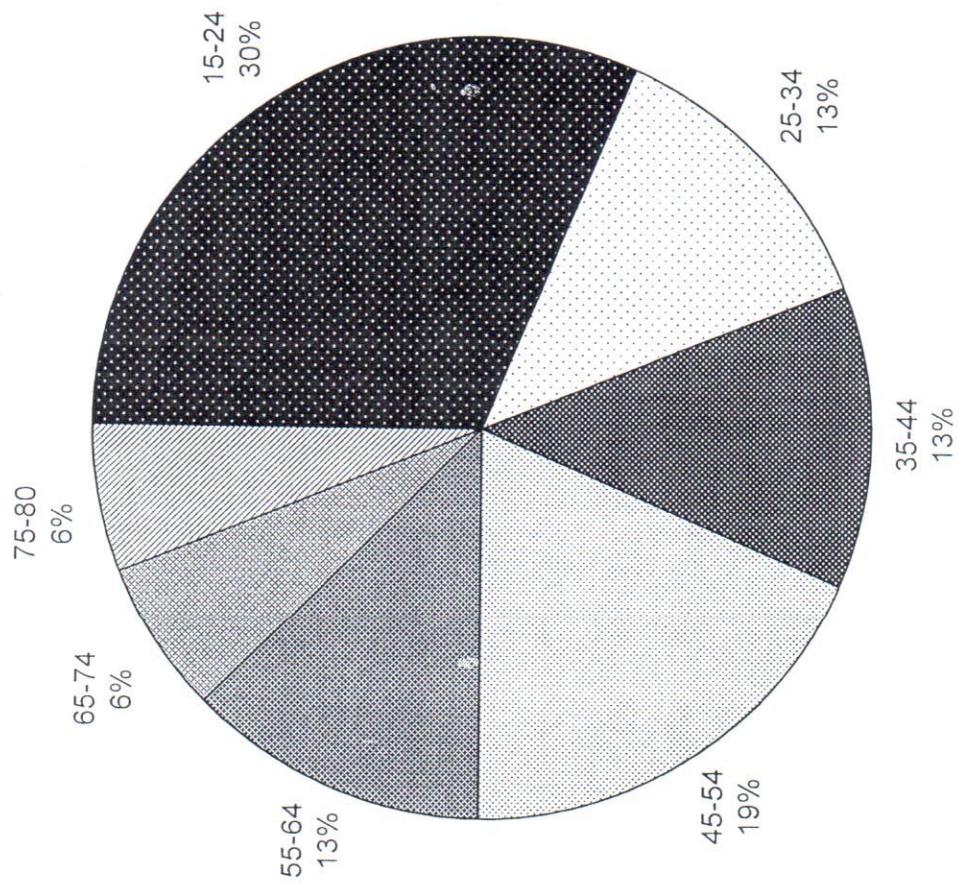
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# Method of Homicide 2006



# Age of Domestic Homicide Victims 2006



**APPENDIX A**  
**1997 PATTERNS**

## APPENDIX A

### 1997 PATTERNS

#### GENDER

- Six of the homicides were committed by women who killed their male partners. Two were committed by men who killed their female partners. One was committed by an adult male who killed his parents.

#### RACE

- Six of the victims were black; four were white; seven of the suspects were black; two were white.

#### RELATIONSHIP

- Three of the parties were married and cohabitating at the time of the homicide; three were non-married partners who were not currently cohabitating; two were non-married partners cohabitating, one was an adult man and his parents, thus non-intimate partners.

#### METHOD

- Five of the homicides were the result of gunshot wounds. Three of the homicides were the result of stab wounds, one victim died as the result of strangulation and one victim died of a heart attack during the crime.

#### CRIMINAL HISTORY

- Four male victims had prior arrests for domestic violence. One male suspect had a prior arrest for domestic violence. Additionally, four male victims were named as suspects in other domestic violence police reports.

- No females had arrest records for domestic violence, but one female suspect was named as the suspect in a domestic violence report.

#### CHILDREN

- Children were eyewitnesses to two of the murders. In one other murder, a one year old child was present in the home.

#### CHILD ABUSE REFERRALS

- One family had an HRS referral for child neglect before the murder.

#### SHELTER SERVICES

- None of the victims used local shelter services.

#### HARK

- No children attended the HARK Program.

#### INJUNCTIONS

- In the nine domestic homicides, one female suspect filed a prior injunction against the victim.

#### INTERVENTION

- Three male victims were ordered in the Batterers' Intervention Program and one appears to have completed the program. No male suspects were ordered in a Batterers' Intervention Program and thus none completed one.

**APPENDIX B**  
**1998 PATTERNS**

## APPENDIX B

### 1998 PATTERNS

#### GENDER

- Seven of the homicides were committed by men who killed their female partners. During one of these homicides, the man also killed his wife's boyfriend. Two of the homicides were committed by women who killed their male partners. One man killed his same sex partner. One man killed his father. One man killed his stepdaughter during a fight with his wife. One woman killed her brother. Four of the men subsequently killed themselves as did one of the women.

#### RACE

- Six of the victims were black, six were white, and two of the victims were Asian. Eight of the suspects were white, four of the suspects were black, and one of the suspects was Asian.

#### RELATIONSHIP

- Three of the parties were married and cohabitating. Three of the parties were married and separated. Two of the parties were not married and cohabitating. One of the parties was not married and currently not cohabitating. Three of the parties were in a non-intimate relationship.

#### METHOD

- Ten of the homicides were the result of gunshot wounds. Three were the result of knife wounds. One was the result of strangulation.

## CHILDREN

- Five of the cases had children present during the homicide, one additional case involved an infant who may or may not have been present.

## CRIMINAL HISTORY

- Two male victims had prior arrests for domestic violence; four male suspects had prior arrests for domestic violence. Additionally, one male victim and one male suspect were named as suspects in other domestic violence police reports.
- Three female victims had prior arrests for domestic violence; two female suspects had prior arrests for domestic violence.

## INJUNCTIONS

- In the 13 domestic homicides, three of the female victims had injunctions in place during the murder. Two of them had reported violations in these existing injunctions. One of the aforementioned victims had a separate injunction two and one-half years prior to her death which resulted in the suspect being violated with the court dismissing the case because the victim failed to appear.

## CHILD ABUSE REFERRALS

- Two families had referrals to the Department of Children and Families.

## SHELTER SERVICES

- One female victim received shelter and court advocacy. Two additional female victims sought court advocacy services. One female suspect went through the Safe Choices class twice.

## HARK

- In one case the children were referred to HARK.

## INTERVENTION

- One male suspect was ordered to attend a Batterers' Intervention Program two years prior to the murder; he was violated for failure to enroll. Another male suspect was ordered to attend a Batterers' Intervention Program in the month preceding the murder. Other intervention was ordered as follows: one suspect was ordered into marriage counseling as part of an injunction. One male victim had been ordered into generic counseling for a previous domestic battery. Three male victims were previously ordered as part of an earlier domestic violence case to attend Anger Control.

**APPENDIX C**  
**1999 PATTERNS**

## APPENDIX C

### 1999 PATTERNS

#### GENDER

- Nine of the homicides were committed by men who killed their female partners. Three of the homicides were committed by women who killed their male partners. One man killed his same sex partner. One man killed his brother, one man killed his son, one man killed his mother, and one man killed his grandmother. One man killed his estranged wife's boyfriend. One elderly woman killed her disabled son and then herself. Two of the men subsequently killed themselves, and one man shot himself in the face, but lived. Two men attempted suicide after their incarceration.

#### RACE

- Five of the victims were black, thirteen were white, and one was hispanic. Five of the suspects were black, and four were white.

#### RELATIONSHIP

- Four of the parties were married and cohabitating. Two of the parties were married and separated. Six of the parties were not married and cohabitating. One of the parties was not married and currently not cohabitating. In one case, the boyfriend of the suspect's estranged wife was murdered and the wife was injured. Five of the parties were in a non-intimate relationship.

#### METHOD

- Seven of the homicides were the result of gunshot wounds. Seven were the result of knife wounds. Two were the result of strangulation, two were the result of blunt trauma to the head, and one was thrown off a bridge and drowned.

## CHILDREN

- Five of the cases had children present during the homicide.

## CRIMINAL HISTORY

- Seven male victims had prior arrests for domestic violence, four male suspects had prior arrests for domestic violence. One female victim had an arrest for domestic violence. One male suspect had an arrest for child abuse.

## INJUNCTIONS

- Three female victims had temporary injunctions that were dismissed for their failure to appear. One male suspect was the respondent of an injunction, and one male suspect was the respondent of an injunction as part of a prior divorce.

## CHILD ABUSE REFERRALS

- One male suspect had a child abuse referral.

## SHELTER SERVICES

- One female victim stayed briefly in a shelter years before her death, but did not attend counseling sessions.

## HARK

- There were no HARK referrals, though children were present in five of the homicides.

## INTERVENTION

- Two male suspects were terminated for failure to attend Batterers' Intervention. One male completed Batterers' Intervention, but later killed his mother. One male suspect was ordered to attend Batterers' Intervention, but murdered his victim before enrolling. Three male suspects completed anger management.

## ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE

- Two victims had history of illegal drug arrests, and four had history of alcohol-related arrests. Seven suspects had a history of alcohol-related arrests, and two had a history of illegal drug arrests. Reports indicated alcohol or drug use at the time of the homicide by three victims and two suspects.

**APPENDIX D**  
**2000 PATTERNS**

## APPENDIX D

### 2000 PATTERNS

#### GENDER

- Seven of the homicides were committed by men who killed their female partners, resulting in eight deaths (as one man murdered his wife and ex-girlfriend). Two of the homicides were committed by women who killed their male partners. One man killed his parents. Six of the male suspects subsequently killed themselves as did one of the female suspects.

#### RACE

- Seven of the victims were white and five were black. Seven of the suspects were white, and three were black.

#### RELATIONSHIP

- Five of the cases involved parties who were married and co-habiting. One of these cases also involved a victim (ex-girlfriend) who was not married or co-habiting with the suspect. Four of the cases involved parties who were not married and were co-habiting. One case involved a non-intimate relationship where a mother and father and adult son were living in one household.

#### METHOD

- Eight of the homicides were the result of gunshot wounds. All six suicides were the result of gunshot wounds. Three of the homicides were the result of strangulation and one homicide was the result of rectal trauma.

#### CHILDREN

- None of the cases reported the presence of children during the homicide.

CRIMINAL HISTORY -  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- One male suspect had a prior arrest for domestic violence.

INJUNCTIONS

- One female victim had a permanent injunction against her husband's ex-girlfriend.

CHILD ABUSE REFERRALS

- No victims nor suspects were named in any child abuse reports.

SHELTER SERVICES

- No victims nor suspects sought any shelter services.

HARK

- There were no HARK referrals and no children were present during the homicides.

INTERVENTION

- Only one suspect had a prior domestic violence arrest. No intervention was ordered as the case was dropped.

ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE

- There were no victims with a history of illegal drug arrests; one victim had a history of alcohol-related arrests. One suspect had a history of alcohol-related arrests; two suspects had a history of illegal drug arrests. Reports indicated alcohol or drug use at the time of the homicide by two victims and two suspects.

**APPENDIX E**  
**2001 PATTERNS**

## APPENDIX E

### 2001 PATTERNS

#### GENDER

- Seventy percent (70%) of the homicides were committed by men who killed their female partners, resulting in nine homicides as one man also murdered his daughter and son-in-law. Two (20%) of the cases were committed by women who killed their male partners (in one of the cases, a male boyfriend is also a suspect). One man (10%) killed his former girlfriend's current boyfriend. Two suspects committed suicide.

#### RACE

- Nine of the victims were white and three were black. Five of the suspects were white, and six were black.

#### RELATIONSHIP

- Five (50%) of the cases involved parties who were married and co-habiting (one of these cases also involved the homicide of the daughter and son-in-law). In one case, the couple were married and separated (10%) and in one case the couple were divorced (10%). Three (30%) of the cases involved parties who were not married and were co-habiting. One case involved a former boyfriend striking his former girlfriend and killing her current boyfriend. All the cases this year involved intimate relationships, though in one case the person killed was not the one who had been in an intimate relationship.

#### METHOD

- Three of the cases resulting in five homicides (50%) were the result of gunshot wounds, as were the two suicides. Two cases (20%) were knife wounds; one of these also involved blunt trauma and burns. In addition, one case involved blunt trauma; one was a bombing; and one case involved hitting the victim with a car.

#### CHILDREN

- Three of the cases (30%) reported the presence of children during the homicide.

CRIMINAL HISTORY -  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- Three male suspects and one female suspect had a prior arrest for domestic violence.

INJUNCTIONS

- One female victim had an injunction.

CHILD ABUSE REFERRALS

- One victim and two suspects were named in child abuse reports.

SHELTER SERVICES

- One victim stayed in shelter services and received court advocacy services.

HARK

- There was one HARK referral. Six children were present during the homicides. As to three children, it is unknown if they were present.

INTERVENTION

- One suspect was ordered to complete a batterer's intervention program but failed to do so.

ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE

- There were two victims with a history of illegal drug arrests. Three victims had a history of alcohol-related arrests. One suspect had a history of alcohol-related arrests; two suspects had a history of illegal drug arrests and one suspect had both alcohol and drug-related arrests.

**APPENDIX F**  
**2002 PATTERNS**

- Suspect
  - 1 male with three domestic violence arrests

#### INJUNCTIONS AND OTHER CIVIL MATTERS

- No Injunctions
- 1 couple divorced but living together

#### CHILD ABUSE REFERRALS

- 1 report against victim and suspect for neglect
- 1 report against suspect

#### SHELTER SERVICES

- No record of services

#### HARK

- No record of HARK

#### INTERVENTION

- Suspects
  - 1 male ordered to Batterers' Intervention but had not enrolled

#### ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE

- Victims
  - 1 female with two DUI's
- Suspects
  - 1 male with two DUI's
  - 1 male with seven substance abuse arrests and no treatment

#### MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

- No record of mental health issues

**APPENDIX G**  
**2003 PATTERNS**

# APPENDIX G

## 2003 PATTERNS

### GENDER

- 7 males killed female partners; in one of these cases, the male also killed his father-in-law and brother-in-law
- 1 male killed his infant son, during altercation with intimate female partner
- 3 females killed male partners

### RACE

- Victims
  - 8 White
  - 5 Black
- Suspects
  - 6 White
  - 5 Black

### RELATIONSHIP

#### Intimate homicides

- 4 married and co-habiting; in one of these, 2 relatives were also killed
- 3 not married and co-habiting
- 1 married but separated
- 2 not married but formerly co-habiting

#### Non-Intimate homicides

- 1 father killed son

### METHOD

- 8 gunshot wounds
- 2 stabbed
- 3 beaten/blunt trauma (one against wall, one with a bedpost, and one with a shotgun and fists)

## CHILDREN

- In one case there were three children present; one of the children was killed (5 month old male)
- In one case there were two children on the premises but neither witnessed the homicides
- In one case a 17 year old female (daughter of the suspect) witnessed the homicide

## CRIMINAL HISTORY - DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- Victims
  - 1 male with one domestic battery conviction
- Suspects
  - 3 males with one domestic violence conviction each
  - 1 male with three domestic violence convictions and one domestic battery arrest with the case dropped
  - 1 female with one domestic violence arrest
  - 1 male with a domestic violence case, adjudication withheld

## INJUNCTIONS AND OTHER CIVIL MATTERS

- 1 Injunction petition filed against a male victim, but Injunction dismissed
- 1 suspect with two Baker Act commitments; 1 suspect with one Baker Act commitment
- 2 Injunctions in place against male suspects

## CHILD ABUSE REFERRALS

- 1 report against suspect and victim's mother for neglect and domestic violence
- 1 report against suspect

## SHELTER SERVICES

- Victims
  - Safety planning done with 1 female
- Suspects
  - 2 females received services through the local shelter

## HARK

- No record of HARK

## INTERVENTION

- Suspects
  - 1 male ordered to Batterers' Intervention but terminated for excess absences
  - 1 male ordered to Batterers' Intervention but was allowed to enroll 3 times while only attending one class, order was changed to require only Anger Management
  - 1 suspect enrolled twice in Batterers' Intervention and once in Anger Control
  - 1 male ordered to Batterers' Intervention but failed to enroll

## ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE

- Victims
  - 1 female with three DUI's and two drug arrests
- Suspects
  - 2 males with two drug possession arrests each
  - 1 male with one DUI arrest
  - 1 male with one juvenile alcohol possession arrest
  - 1 male with one drug conviction
  - 1 male with two DUI arrests

## MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

- Suspects
  - 4 males with mental health issues (1 of these males with three suicide attempts)

**APPENDIX H**  
**2004 PATTERNS**

## CHILDREN

- In 2 cases there were children present

## CRIMINAL HISTORY - DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- Victims
  - 1 male with three domestic violence arrests
- Suspects
  - 1 male with one domestic violence battery on a person 65 years
  - 1 male with one domestic battery conviction and one violation of probation
  - 1 male with one domestic violence police report against another family member
  - 1 male with one domestic battery arrest

## INJUNCTIONS AND OTHER CIVIL MATTERS

- 1 Injunction petition filed against a male victim, but Injunction dismissed
- 1 suspect with two Baker Act commitments
- 1 Injunction in place against male suspect
- 1 suspect reported to Adult Protective Services

## CHILD ABUSE REFERRALS

- No record

## SHELTER SERVICES

- Victims
  - Safety planning done with 1 female

## HARK

- No record of HARK

## INTERVENTION

- No record of Intervention