



Crime in Oklahoma, 2014

Selected Findings

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Domestic Abuse in Oklahoma

According to Uniform Crime Reporting requirements, domestic abuse is defined as “the threatening, causing or attempting to cause serious physical harm between family members or household members.”

Domestic abuse includes murder, sex crimes, assault, and assault and battery.

Family or household members are defined as “spouses, former spouses, present spouses of former spouses, parents, and foster parents as well as children and other persons otherwise related by blood or marriage. Also included are persons in dating relationships or someone with whom they had a child. It also includes the elderly and handicapped.”

The most common offense for domestic abuse reports were assault and battery.

Oklahoma law enforcement agencies reported 20,635 incidents of assault and battery, representing 85% of all domestic abuse calls. Domestic abuse resulting in homicide accounted for less than one percent of all reported offenses.

Thirty percent of all reports of domestic abuse occurred on the weekend, and a majority occurred in the early to late evening.

Of those reported to law enforcement, 3,748 domestic abuse reports occurred on Sunday, and 3,531 domestic abuse reports occurred on Saturday accounting for a combined 30% of the total domestic abuse reports. Law enforcement responded to the most domestic abuse calls (58%) between 3 pm and 1 am.

Oklahoma law enforcement reported 47 domestic abuse-related homicides in 2014.

Twenty-eight percent of domestic abuse-related homicides occurred on a Tuesday. Sunday and Friday were the least deadly in 2014 with four and three abuse-related homicides reported for each day respectively. Abuse-related homicides were lower than the previous year. There were 49 domestic abuse-related homicides in 2013.

Law enforcement reported 795 incidents of domestic abuse-related sex crimes in 2014.

Eighteen percent (142) of domestic abuse-related sex crimes were reported on Tuesday. Domestic abuse-related sex crimes were least likely to be reported on Saturday (9.8%) or Sunday (10.3%).

Law enforcement reported 2,749 incidents of domestic abuse-related assaults in 2014.

Of all incidents of abuse-related assaults, 15% (423) were reported on a Monday. Abuse-related assaults reported to law enforcement were lowest on Sundays, representing 13% (360) of all assaults.

Domestic Abuse by Offense, 2014

Offense	Total
Total	24,226
Murder	47
Sex Crimes	795
Assault	2,749
Assault and Battery	20,635