

Key Issues Impacting
Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault in Alaska

# What is the 2013 Dashboard?

The 2013 Alaska Dashboard is a broad overview of population indicators on key issues impacting domestic violence and sexual assault in Alaska. The Dashboard looks at reported incidents, service utilization, protective factors, offender accountability and victimization survey results since the beginning of Governor Parnell's *Choose Respect* Initiative to date. The Dashboard will be published each year through the life of the Initiative.

This is the Dashboard's second year of publication. While it is too early to conduct an in depth analysis on the data or predict trends, it is not too early to think about how we can change these numbers.

We encourage you to go beyond the numbers by reading through the indicator definitions to better understand what is being reviewed. The progress column is not meant to be a comment on the *rate* of domestic violence and sexual assault in Alaska, rather it is meant to comment on whether or not progress at turning the curve is being made at a satisfactory pace. Discuss what you see with your family, neighbors, friends, co-workers. How can *you* make a difference?

Each of the numbers in the Dashboard represents a life affected by these crimes. The level of domestic violence, sexual assault and sexual abuse of minors in our state remains unacceptably high--any amount of domestic violence or sexual assault is too much.

# Join Us!

We hope you will join us in our efforts to increase victim safety and hold offenders accountable for their actions. Call your local victim service provider to learn about your community's efforts to Choose Respect or visit the *Choose Respect* website at <u>http://gov.alaska.gov/parnell/priorities/public-safety/choose-respect.html</u> to find ways to get involved.

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Reports of harm, utilization of services, and reports to law enforcement are much lower than actual incident rates. As the stigma of reporting violence lessens and as victim safety increases, those experiencing violence will be more likely to report and seek help, causing some of these indicators to increase over time. Estimates based on self-disclosures to survey questions may also be lower than actual victimization rates.

	Key Population Indicators for Alaska	Starting AK Data	Current AK Data	Percent Change	Progress
	Childhood Exposure to Domestic Violenc	e			
1.	Percent of adults exposed to intimate partner violence of parent (BRFSS)	19.1%	19.2%	+1%	0
2.	Percent of mothers whose 3 year old child saw violence or physical abuse (CUBS)	4.0%	6.6%	+65%	
	Child and Youth Victimization				
3.	Percent of students experiencing physical dating violence in past year (YRBS)	13.3%	12.0%	-10%	
4.	Percent of students experiencing sexual violence in lifetime (YRBS)	10.1%	9.2%	-9%	
	Reports of Harm (Child and Youth)				
5.	Rate of reported child abuse and neglect per 10,000 (US DHHS)	190.1	153.6	-19%	
6.	Rate of reported child sexual maltreatment per 10,000 (OCS)	5.8	6.3	+9%	$\circ$
	Adult and Elder Victimization				
7.	Percent of women experiencing physical intimate partner violence in past year (AVS)	9.4%	N/A	N/A	$\bigcirc$
8.	Percent of women experiencing sexual violence in past year (AVS)	4.3%	N/A	N/A	$\circ$
9.	Percent of pregnant women experiencing intimate partner physical abuse (PRAMS)	3.6%	4.0%	+11%	
	Reports of Harm (Adult and Elder)				
10.	Number of vulnerable adults reporting abuse or neglect (APS)	176	167	-5%	<b>O</b>
11.	Number of vulnerable elders reporting abuse or neglect (APS)	73	85	+16%	$\bullet$
	Primary Prevention and Protective Factor	S			
12.	Percent of pregnant women whose health provider talked to them about DV (PRAMS)	60.0%	61.3%	+2%	<u> </u>
13.	Percent of students comfortable seeking help from 3 or more adults (YRBS)	44.6%	43.8%	-2%	<b>O</b>
14.	Percent of schools implementing Fourth R healthy relationship curriculum (DEED)	9.7%	18.1%	+87%	
15.	Percent of students who feel connected to their school (SCCS)	38%	40%	+5%	0
	Reports to Law Enforcement				
16.	Rate of forcible rape reported to law enforcement per 10,000 (UCR)	7.3	5.8	-21%	$\bigcirc$
17.	Number of domestic violence related homicides reported to law enforcement (DPS)	5	10	+100%	
18.	Number of elderly victims reporting DV-related sexual/physical assaults to AST (DPS)	176	153	-13%	
	Utilization of Services				
19.	Rate of children evaluated by child advocacy centers per 10,000 (ACA)	81.9	95.7	+17%	
20.	Rate of adults utilizing services for domestic violence per 10,000 (CDVSA)	81.6	83.1	+2%	0
21.	Rate of children with adults in domestic violence services per 10,000 (CDVSA)	72.8	75.0	+3%	$\bigcirc$
22.	Rate of adults utilizing services for sexual assault per 10,000 (CDVSA)	20.5	20.8	+1%	0
23.	Rate of youth utilizing services for domestic violence per 10,000 (CDVSA)	20.1	26.9	+34%	
24.	Rate of youth utilizing services for sexual assault per 10,000 (CDVSA)	39.2	27.8	-29%	0
	Offender Accountability				
25.	Percent of reported forcible rapes resulting in an arrest (DPS)	24.3%	27.0%	+11%	
26.	Rate of juveniles referred for sex offenses per 10,000 (DJJ)	13.6	11.5	-15%	0
27.	Rate of juveniles referred for a DV-related assault per 10,000 (DJJ)	38.5	39.2	+2%	0
28.	Number of sexual assault cases accepted for prosecution (DOL)	111	133	+20%	
29.	Percent of accepted sexual assault cases with a conviction (DOL)	63.0%	64.6%	+3%	0
30.	Number of sexual abuse of minor cases accepted for prosecution (DOL)	109	146	+34%	
31.	Percent of accepted sexual abuse of minor cases with a conviction (DOL)	84.4%	65.0%	-23%	
32.	Number of domestic violence cases accepted for prosecution (DOL)	2617	3191	+22%	
33.	Percent of accepted domestic violence cases with a conviction (DOL)	73.8%	74.8%	+1%	0
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Percent change is relative to starting data. See definition on page 3. Percent changes may or may not be statistically significant.

Definitions for each population indicator and dates for current and starting data are found starting on page 4. Alaska Dashboard, January 2013. State of Alaska, Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, http://dps.alaska.gov/cdvsa/.

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### National Comparisons

National data for comparison purposes is only available for a few of the population indicators on the Alaska dashboard for key issues impacting domestic violence and sexual assault in Alaska. Few of the data sources on the Alaska dashboard are available nationally or in other states. When they are available, data is rarely directly comparable. In particular, different states have different definitions for domestic violence and sexual assault. Listed below are the few indicators that are directly comparable to national data.

Key Population Indicators for Alaska		Current	Starting	Current		
		U.S. Data	AK Data	AK Data		
Child and Youth Victimization						
3. Percent of students experiencing physical dating violence in past year (YRBS)	9.9%	9.5%	13.3%	12.0%		
4. Percent of students experiencing sexual violence in lifetime (YRBS)	7.8%	8.0%	10.1%	9.2%		
Reports of Harm (Child and Youth)						
5. Rate of reported child abuse and neglect per 10,000 (US DHHS)	93.0	91.5	190.1	153.6		
Reports to Law Enforcement						
16. Rate of forcible rape reported to law enforcement per 10,000 (UCR)	2.9	2.7	7.3	5.8		

#### Percent of students experiencing physical dating violence in the past year (YRBS)

In 2011 (current AK data), the percentage of Alaska high school students experiencing physical dating violence in the past year was 12.0%, compared to 9.5% of high school students in the U.S. The percentage of high school students experiencing physical dating violence in the past year was 1.3 times higher in Alaska than in the U.S. However Alaska has made more progress than the U.S. since the starting year; between 2009 and 2011, the percent of students experiencing physical dating violence decreased in the US by 4%, and it decreased in Alaska by 10%.

#### Percent of students experiencing sexual violence in lifetime (YRBS)

In 2011 (current AK data), the percentage of Alaska high school students experiencing sexual violence in their lifetime was 9.2%, compared to 8.0% of high school students in the U.S. The percentage of high school students experiencing sexual violence in their lifetime was 1.2 times higher in Alaska than in the U.S. However since the starting year, Alaska has made progress while the U.S. has not; between 2009 and 2011, the percent of students experiencing sexual violence in their lifetime increased in the US by 3% while it decreased in Alaska by 9%.

#### Rate of reported child abuse and neglect per 10,000 (US DHHS)

In 2011 (current AK data), the rate of reported and substantiated child abuse and neglect was 153.6 per 10,000 children (ages 0 to 17) in Alaska, compared to 91.5 per 10,000 children in the U.S. The Alaska rate was 1.7 times higher than the U.S. rate. Rates of reporting in the U.S. have remained steady since the starting year, 2009, but Alaska levels have decreased by 19%.

#### Rate of forcible rape reported to law enforcement per 10,000 (UCR)

In 2011 (current AK data), the rate of forcible rape reported to law enforcement was 5.8 per 10,000 in Alaska, compared to 2.7 per 10,000 in the U.S. The Alaska rate was 2.1 times higher than the U.S. rate. Comparisons are uncertain because the drop in Alaska's current data may be due to data collection errors in one region.

## **Forthcoming Indicators**

	Reports to Law Enforcement				
1.	Number of sexual assaults reported to law enforcement (DPS)				
2.	Number of sexual abuses of minors reported to law enforcement (DPS)				
Offender Accountability					
3.	Percent of juvenile sex offenders who recidivate (DJJ)				
4.	Percent of adult sex offenders who recidivate (DOC)				

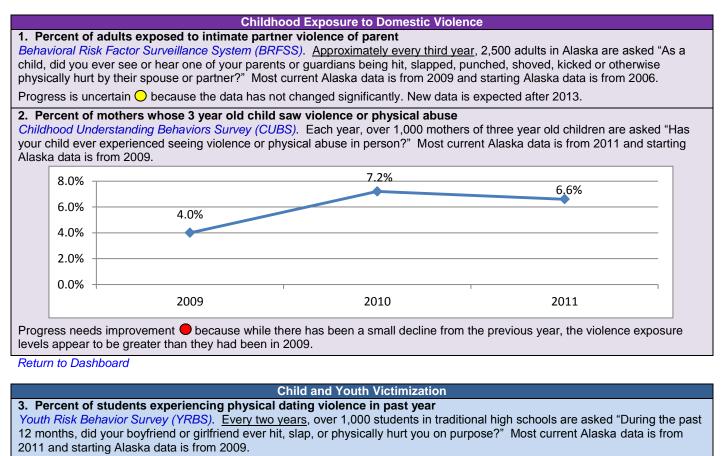
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## **Percent Change**

Percent change is the increase or decrease in the current Alaska data relative to the start date, most of which is pre-Initiative data. Percent change is not an absolute difference in percent. For example, indicator #2 has increased from 4.0% to 6.6%. The absolute difference in percent is 2.6, but the percent change from the starting to the current Alaska data is +65%, because 2.6 is 65% of the starting Alaska data. \*\* Percent changes may or may not be statistically significant since some change randomly occurs from year to year.

Percent Change is Current AK data - Starting AK data Starting AK data x 100

## **Dashboard Indicator Definitions**

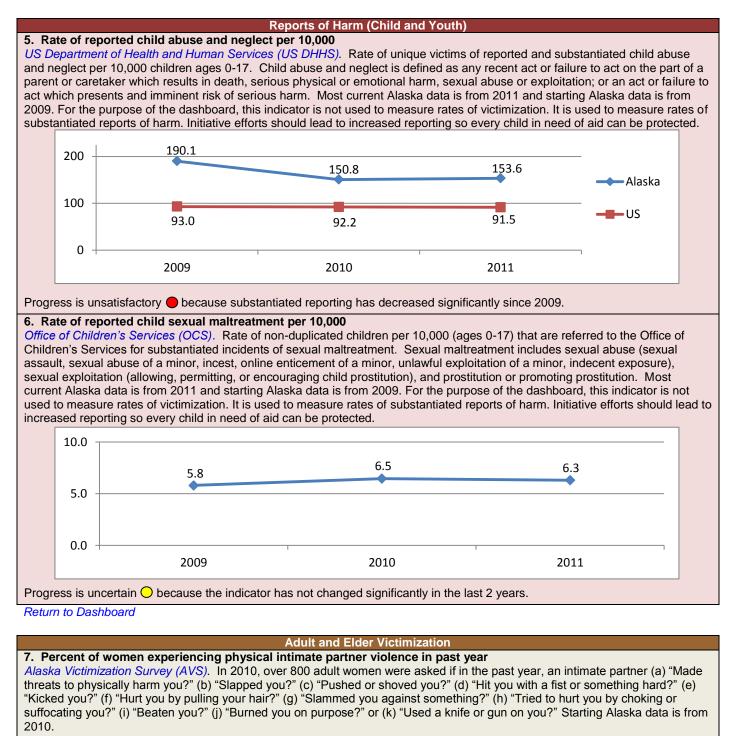


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4. Percent of students experiencing sexual violence in lifetime

Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS). Every two years, over 1,000 students in traditional high schools are asked "Have you ever been physically forced to have sexual intercourse when you did not want to?" Most current Alaska data is from 2011 and starting Alaska data is from 2009.

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#### 8. Percent of women experiencing sexual violence in past year

Alaska Victimization Survey (AVS). In 2010, over 800 adult women were asked "When you were drunk, high, drugged, or passed out and unable to consent" in the past year, has anyone (a) "Had vaginal sex with you?" (b) "Made you receive anal sex?" (c) "Made you perform oral sex?" or (d) "Made you receive oral sex?" and has anyone in the past year "used physical force or threats to physically harm you to" (a) "Make you have vaginal sex" (b) "Make you receive anal sex?" (c) "Make you perform oral sex?" (d) "Make you receive oral sex?" (e) "Put their fingers or an object in your vagina or anus?" or (f) "Try to have vaginal, oral, or anal sex with you, but sex did not happen?" Starting Alaska data is from 2010.

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#### 9. Percent of pregnant women experiencing intimate partner physical abuse

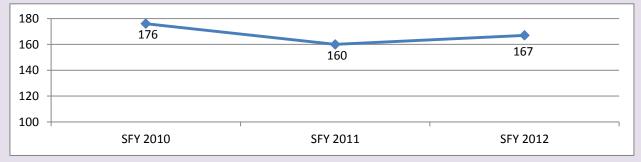
*Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS).* Each year, one of every six women who delivered a live-born infant is asked "During your most recent pregnancy, did your husband or partner push, hit, slap, kick, choke, or physically hurt you in any other way?" Most current Alaska data is from 2010 and starting Alaska data is from 2009.

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 because the indicator has increased. Satisfactory progress would cause this indicator to decrease.

#### **Reports of Harm (Adult and Elder)**

#### 10. Number of vulnerable adults reporting abuse or neglect

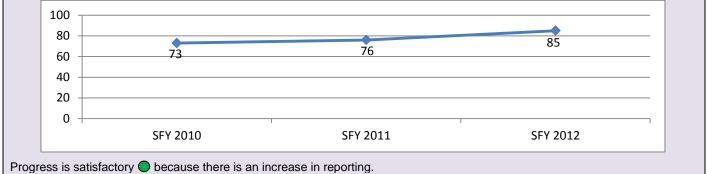
Adult Protective Services (APS). Number of vulnerable adults with a substantiated allegation of abuse or neglect reported to Adult Protective Services during the fiscal year, which was also closed during the fiscal year. Vulnerable adults are people 18 years of age or older who, because of physical or mental impairment, are unable to meet their own needs or to seek help without assistance. Abuse includes the willful, intentional, or reckless nonaccidental, and nontherapeutic infliction of physical pain, injury, or mental distress; or sexual assault in the first or second degree. Neglect includes the intentional failure by a caregiver to provide essential care or services necessary to maintain the physical and mental health of the vulnerable adult (self-neglect is not included). Most current Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2012 and starting Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2010. For the purpose of the dashboard, this indicator is not used to measure rates of victimization. It is used to measure rates of substantiated reports of harm. Initiative efforts should lead to increased reporting so each vulnerable adult in need of aid can be protected.



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#### 11. Number of vulnerable elders reporting abuse or neglect

Adult Protective Services (APS). Number of vulnerable elders with a substantiated allegation of abuse or neglect reported to Adult Protective Services during the fiscal year, which was also closed during the fiscal year. Vulnerable elders are people 65 years of age or older who, because of physical or mental impairment, are unable to meet their own needs or to seek help without assistance. Abuse includes the willful, intentional, or reckless nonaccidental, and nontherapeutic infliction of physical pain, injury, or mental distress; or sexual assault in the first or second degree. Neglect includes the intentional failure by a caregiver to provide essential care or services necessary to maintain the physical and mental health of the vulnerable adult (self-neglect is not included). Most current Alaska data is from 2012 and starting Alaska data is from 2010. For the purpose of the dashboard, this indicator is not used to measure rates of victimization. It is used to measure rates of substantiated reports of harm. Initiative efforts should lead to increased reporting so each vulnerable elder in need of aid can be protected.



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#### Primary Prevention and Protective Factors

Primary prevention includes approaches before violence has occurred to prevent initial perpetration or victimization 12. Percent of pregnant women whose health provider talked to them about DV

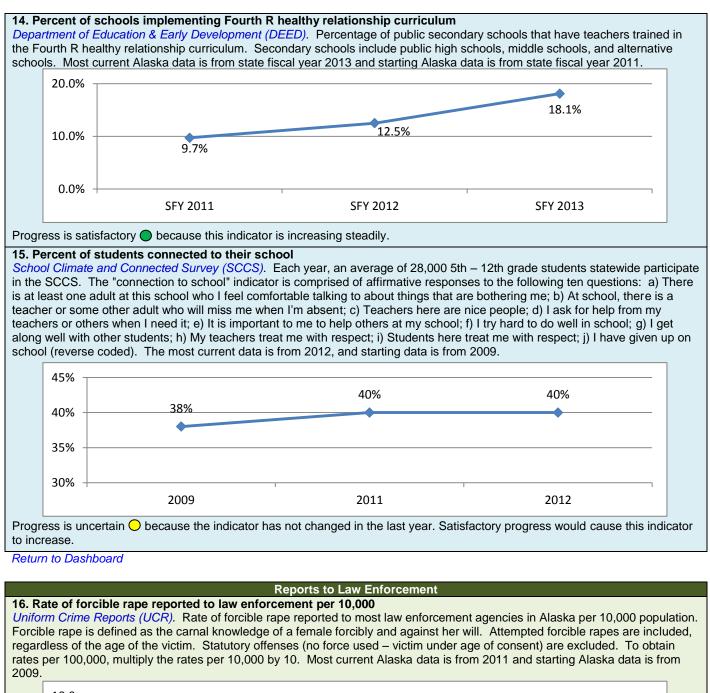
Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS). Each year, one of every six women who delivered a live-born infant is asked "During any of your prenatal care visits, did a doctor, nurse, or other health care worker talk with you about physical abuse to women by their husbands or partners?" Most current Alaska data is from 2010 and starting Alaska data is from 2009.

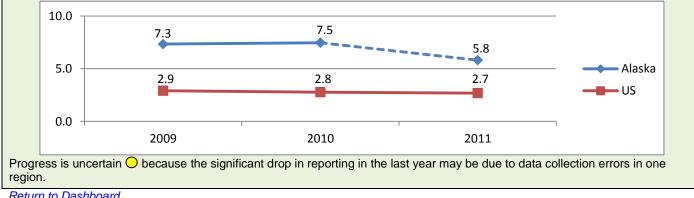
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#### 13. Percent of students comfortable seeking help from 3 or more adults

Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS). Every two years, over 1,000 students in traditional high schools are asked "Besides your parents, how many adults would you feel comfortable seeking help from if you had an important question affecting your life?" Most current Alaska data is from 2011 and starting Alaska data is from 2009.

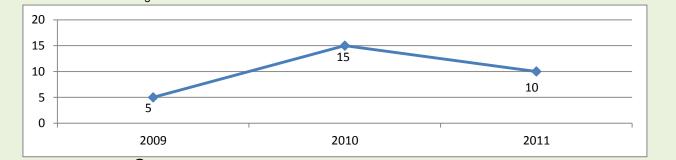
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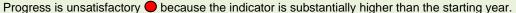




#### 17. Number of domestic violence related homicides reported to law enforcement

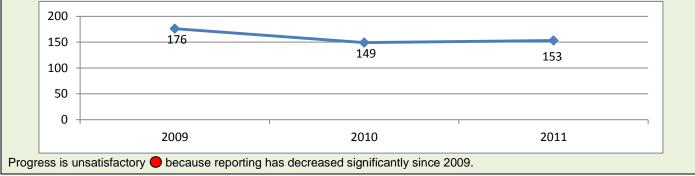
Alaska Department of Public Safety (DPS). Number of homicides (willful nonnegligent killings) known to law enforcement that occurred in Alaska where the homicide was committed by a household member against another household member. Household members include adults or minors who are current or former spouses, who live together or who have lived together, who are dating or who have dated, who are engaged in or who have engaged in a sexual relationship, who are related to each other up to the fourth degree of consanguinity, who are related or formerly related by marriage, who have a child of the relationship. Household members also include children of a person in any of these relationships. In some cases, the relationship of the victim to the offender is unknown. These cases are not included in the number of domestic violence related homicides. Most current data is from 2011 and starting Alaska data is from 2009.



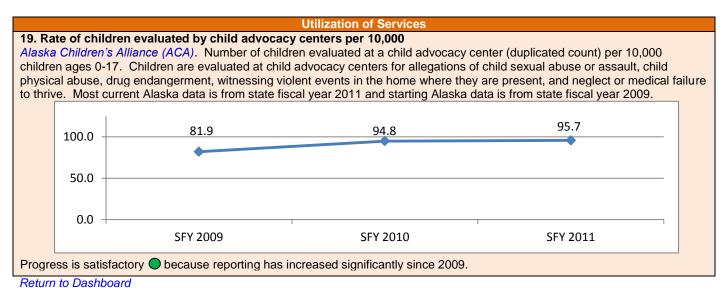


#### 18. Number of elderly victims reporting DV-related sexual/physical assaults to AST

Alaska Department of Public Safety (DPS). Number of elderly victims (age 60 or older) who reported an assault involving domestic violence or a sexual assault involving domestic violence to Alaska State Troopers. This is the unduplicated count of victims, not the count of offenses or cases. In addition, each victim is counted only once per year. This number does not include offenses reported to local or municipal police departments. This number also does not include other domestic violence offenses (other crimes against the person, burglary, criminal trespass, arson or criminally negligent burning, criminal mischief, terrorist threatening, violating a protective order, and harassment). Crimes are domestic violence related if they occur between household members (i.e., adults or minors who are current or former spouses, who live together or who have lived together, who are dating or who have dated, who are engaged in or who have engaged in a sexual relationship, who are related to each other up to the fourth degree of consanguinity, or who are related or formerly related by marriage; persons who have a child of the relationship; and minor children of a person in any of these relationships). Most current data is from 2011 and starting Alaska data is from 2009.



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#### 20. Rate of adults utilizing services for domestic violence per 10,000

*Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA).* Number of unduplicated adults per 10,000 adults (age 18 and older) who utilized services from a CDVSA-funded domestic violence and sexual assault service agency, and who were recorded at that agency as being a primary victim of domestic violence. Primary victims are adults who are directly harmed, either physically or emotionally, by the actions of another. Domestic violence is defined as any pattern of coercive behavior that is used by one person to gain power and control over a current or former intimate partner. Domestic violence includes dating violence, which is violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the program participant. Most current Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2012 and starting Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2010.



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#### 21. Rate of children with adults in domestic violence services per 10,000

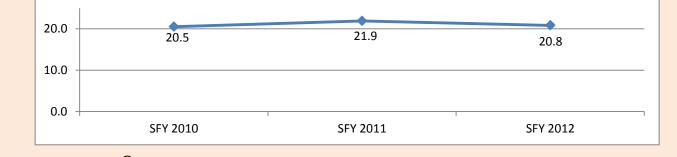
*Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA).* Number of unduplicated minors per 10,000 minors (ages 0-17) who utilized services from a CDVSA-funded domestic violence or sexual assault service agency, and who were recorded as being a secondary victim of domestic violence. Secondary victims are minors beyond the immediate victim who have been affected by the repercussions of an event or events. These may include child witnesses who although not the direct target of abuse, have been affected. This number does not include minors who were primary victims of domestic violence (even if they were also secondary victims). Domestic violence is defined as any pattern of coercive behavior that is used by one person to gain power and control over a current or former intimate partner. Domestic violence includes dating violence, which is violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the program participant. Most current Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2012 and starting Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2010.



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#### 22. Rate of adults utilizing services for sexual assault per 10,000

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Alaska Dashboard, January 2013. State of Alaska, Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

#### 23. Rate of youth utilizing services for domestic violence per 10,000

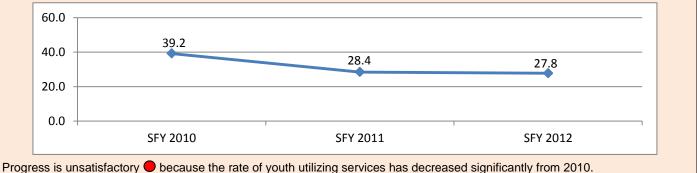
*Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA).* Number of unduplicated youth per 10,000 youth (ages 12-17) who utilized services from a CDVSA-funded domestic violence and sexual assault service agency, and who were recorded at that agency as being a primary victim of domestic violence. Primary victims are youth who are directly harmed, either physically or emotionally, by the actions of another. Domestic violence is defined as any pattern of coercive behavior that is used by one person to gain power and control over a current or former intimate partner. Domestic violence includes dating violence, which is violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the program participant. Most current Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2012 and starting Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2010.



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#### 24. Rate of youth utilizing services for sexual assault per 10,000

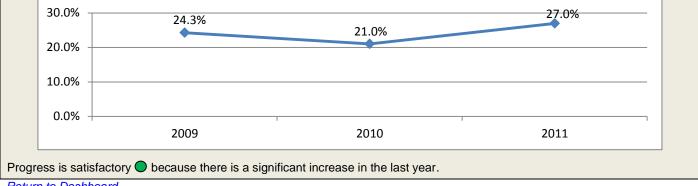
*Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA).* Number of unduplicated youth per 10,000 youth (ages 12-17) who utilized services from a CDVSA-funded domestic violence and sexual assault service agency, and who were recorded at that agency as being primary victims of sexual assault. Primary victims are youth who are directly harmed, either physically or emotionally, by the actions of another. Sexual assault includes both assaults committed by offenders who are strangers to the program participants and assaults committed by offenders who are known to, related by blood or marriage to, or in a dating relationship with the program participant. Most current Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2012 and starting Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2010.



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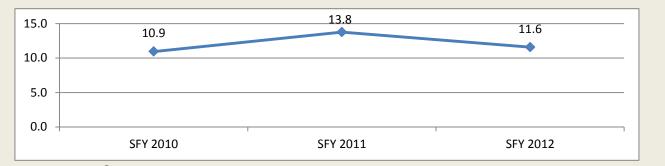
#### Offender Accountability

#### **25.** Percent of reported forcible rapes resulting in an arrest Alaska Department of Public Safety (Crime Reported in Alaska). Number of offenses cleared by arrest or exceptional means per actual offenses reported or known to law enforcement. Unfounded complaints are excluded. Most current Alaska data is from 2011 and starting Alaska data is from 2009.



#### 26. Rate of juveniles referred for sex offenses per 10,000

Alaska Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ). Rate of non-duplicated juveniles per 10,000 (ages 11-17) that are referred to the Alaska Division of Juvenile Justice for sexual assault in the first to fourth degree or sexual abuse of a minor in the first to fourth degree. Most current Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2012 and starting Alaska data is from state fiscal year 2009.



Progress is uncertain O because while the current rate is higher than the starting year, it is a significant decrease from last year's rate of 13.8

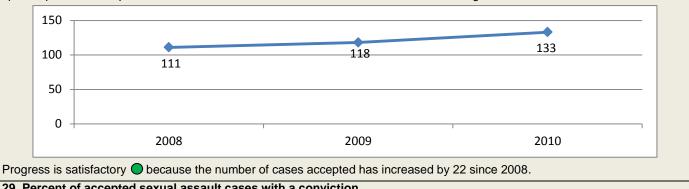
#### 27. Rate of juveniles referred for a DV-related assault per 10,000

Alaska Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ). Rate of non-duplicated juveniles per 10,000 (ages 11-17) that are referred to the Alaska Division of Juvenile Justice for domestic violence related assault in the first to fourth degree. An assault is domestic violence related if it occurred between household members (i.e., minors who are current or former spouses, who live together or who have lived together, who are dating or who have dated, who are engaged in or who have engaged in a sexual relationship, who are related to each other up to the fourth degree of consanguinity, or who are related or formerly related by marriage; persons who have a child of the relationship; and minor children of a person in any of these relationships). Most current Alaska data is for fiscal year 2012. The earliest data available, from fiscal year 2011, were extrapolated from data ranging from 2/23/11 to 6/30/11. These data were not collected prior to 2/23/11.

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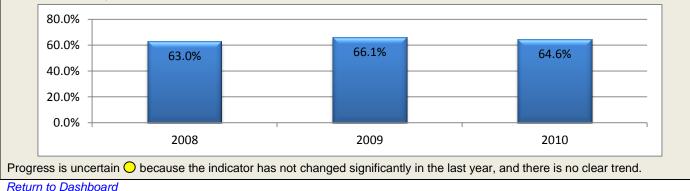
#### 28. Number of sexual assault cases accepted for prosecution

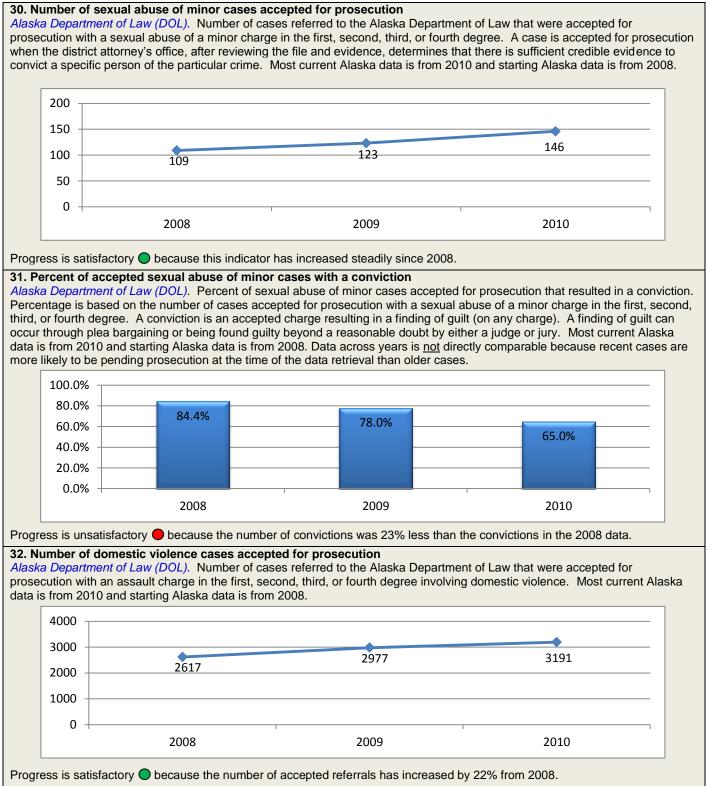
Alaska Department of Law (DOL). Number of cases referred to the Alaska Department of Law that were accepted for prosecution with a sexual assault charge in the first, second, third, or fourth degree. A case is accepted for prosecution when the district attorney's office, after reviewing the file and evidence, determines that there is sufficient credible evidence to convict a specific person of the particular crime. Most current Alaska data is from 2010 and starting Alaska data is from 2008.



#### 29. Percent of accepted sexual assault cases with a conviction

Alaska Department of Law (DOL). Percent of sexual assault cases accepted for prosecution that resulted in a conviction. Percentage is based on the number of cases accepted for prosecution with a sexual assault charge in the first, second, third, or fourth degree. A conviction is an accepted charge resulting in a finding of guilt (on any charge). A finding of guilt can occur through plea bargaining or being found guilty beyond a reasonable doubt by either a judge or jury. Most current Alaska data is from 2010 and starting Alaska data is from 2008. Data across years are not directly comparable because recent cases are more likely to be pending prosecution at the time of the data retrieval than older cases.





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#### 33. Percent of accepted domestic violence cases with a conviction

Alaska Department of Law (DOL). Percent of assault cases involving domestic violence accepted for prosecution that resulted in a conviction, which may or may not be a domestic violence assault conviction. Percentage is based on the number of cases accepted for prosecution with an assault charge in the first, second, third, or fourth degree involving domestic violence. Most current Alaska data is from 2010 and starting Alaska data is from 2008. Data across years is not directly comparable because recent cases are more likely to be pending prosecution at the time of the data retrieval than older cases. 80.0% 74.8% 73.8% 73.1% 60.0% 40.0% 20.0% 0.0% 2008 2009 2010 Progress is uncertain O because the indicator has not changed significantly.