

Department of Human Services
Dependent Adult Abuse Statistical Report
For Division DHS
Through Periods 1/1/2016 -- 6/30/2016

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Dependent Adult Abuse Program

The numbers reported in this report represent:

- Number of reports of suspected abuse the Department receives according to type of abuse defined in Iowa Code 235B.
- Number of reports of abuse accepted or rejected for evaluation or assessment.
- Whether the person who reported the abuse was required to report.
- Of those who were required to report the abuse, how many of each profession made reports.
- How many reports found the abuse occurred, did not occur or it occurred, but because the abuse was minor, isolated and not likely to reoccur was not placed on the central abuse registry.
- The number of reports founded, unfounded or confirmed, not registered of each type of abuse.
- How many dependent adults received which type of service after the report was completed.
- The number of persons responsible for the abuse held responsible legally or received services after the report was completed.

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| Intake | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Accepted | Rejected | Unknown | Total |
| 1189 | 2198 | 228 | 3615 |

Column Name **Definition**

Accepted Total number of reports of alleged abuse or neglect accepted for a social worker to go and evaluate or assess to determine if the dependent adult was in fact abused or neglected.

Rejected Total number of reports of alleged abuse or neglect rejected due to the allegation not fitting the definitions of abuse found in Iowa Code 235B, or there was not a caretaker or the adult was not dependent.

Unknown Open cases where the intake has not been accepted or rejected.

| Evaluation or Assessment | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Founded | Unfounded | Confirmed, Not Registered | Unknown | Total |
| 173 | 966 | 50 | 11 | 1200 |

Column Name **Definition**

Founded Total number of reports evaluated or assessed that were found to have occurred.

Unfounded Total number of reports evaluated or assessed that were determined to have not occurred.

Confirmed, Not Registered Total number of reports evaluated or assessed that were determined to have occurred, but were not placed on the Registry.

Unknown Open cases where the evaluation has not been accepted.

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| Summary of Intake Allegations | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Type of Abuse | Total | Total Accepted | Total Rejected | % Accepted | % Rejected |
| Physical | 435 | 176 | 259 | 40.46 % | 59.54 % |
| Sexual | 109 | 25 | 84 | 22.94 % | 77.06 % |
| Exploitation | 684 | 184 | 500 | 26.90 % | 73.10 % |
| Denial of Care - Caretaker | 1293 | 495 | 798 | 38.28 % | 61.72 % |
| Denial of Care - Adult | 960 | 341 | 619 | 35.52 % | 64.48 % |
| Total Allegations | 3481 | 1221 | 2260 | 35.08 % | 64.92 % |

Column Name **Definition**

Type of Abuse Iowa Code 235B defines what abuse is. The types of abuse recognized in the Code are: Physical, sexual, exploitation, denial of critical care when there is a caretaker and denial of critical of care when the dependent adult is responsible.

Total Total number of accepted/rejected allegations made to the Department.

Total Accepted The number of reports of alleged abuse or neglect accepted for a social worker to evaluate or assess circumstances surrounding the allegation of abuse to determine if the dependent adult was in fact abused or neglected.

Total Rejected The number of reports of alleged abuse or neglect rejected due to the allegation not fitting the definitions of abuse found in Iowa Code 235B, or there was not a caretaker or the adult was not dependent.

% Accepted The percentage of the total number of reports accepted for evaluation or assessment for each category of abuse.

% Rejected The number of reports of alleged abuse or neglect rejected due to the allegation not meeting the definitions of abuse found in Iowa Code 235B, or there was not a caretaker or the adult was not dependent.

* This report is a Summary of Allegations and not a summary of reports. If a reported incident has more than one allegation, that report will be counted multiple times in the totals above.

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| Types of Reporters | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|------------|------------|
| Type of Reporter | Total | Total Accepted | Total Rejected | % Accepted | % Rejected |
| Anonymous | 299 | 73 | 226 | 24.41 % | 75.59 % |
| Mandatory | 2064 | 842 | 1222 | 40.79 % | 59.21 % |
| Permissive | 999 | 266 | 733 | 26.63 % | 73.37 % |
| Mandatory Reporting Permissively | 47 | 8 | 39 | 17.02 % | 82.98 % |
| Total Reporters | 3409 | 1189 | 2220 | 34.88 % | 65.12 % |

Column Name **Definition**

Types of Reporter Anyone may report suspected abuse or neglect, however, IA Code 235B mandates professionals who work with dependent adults to report suspected abuse. These reporters are called 'mandatory reporters'. All other reporters are called 'permissive reporters'. A 'Mandatory Reporter Reporting Permissively' is a person who is mandatory reporter due to their employment, but they are reporting suspected abuse that occurred outside of their employment.

Total Total number of accepted/rejected reports of suspected abuse made to the Department.

Total Accepted The number of reports of alleged abuse or neglect accepted for a social worker to go and evaluate or assess to determine if the dependent adult was in fact abused or neglected.

Total Rejected The number of reports of alleged abuse or neglect rejected due to the allegation not fitting the definitions of abuse found in Iowa Code 235B, or there was not a caretaker or the adult was not dependent.

% Accepted The percentage of the total number of reports accepted for evaluation or assessment for each category of abuse.

% Rejected The percentage of the total reports rejected due to there not being an allegation of abuse, the person responsible for abuse is not a caretaker, or the adult was not dependent.

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| Types of Mandatory Reporters | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Type | Total | Total Accepted | Total Rejected | % Accepted | % Rejected |
| AAA/ADRC | 44 | 12 | 32 | 27.27 % | 72.73 % |
| Social Work | 797 | 358 | 439 | 44.92 % | 55.08 % |
| Health Care | 954 | 351 | 603 | 36.79 % | 63.21 % |
| Law Enforcement | 185 | 75 | 110 | 40.54 % | 59.46 % |
| Mental Health | 84 | 46 | 38 | 54.76 % | 45.24 % |
| Other | 1323 | 347 | 976 | 26.23 % | 73.77 % |
| Totals Mandatory Reporters | 3387 | 1189 | 2198 | 35.10 % | 64.90 % |

Column Name Definition

Types of Mandatory Reporter The types of professionals who are required by Code to report suspected abuse fall into the following general categories: social work, health care, law enforcement, mental health and other.

Total Total number of accepted/rejected reports of suspected abuse received from each identified professionals.

Total Accepted Total number of reports of suspected abuse made by identified professionals that were accepted for evaluation or assessment.

Total Rejected Total number of reports of suspected abuse made by identified professionals that were rejected for evaluation or assessment due to not being a Code defined allegation of abuse, of the persons responsible for the abuse was not a caretaker, or the adult was not dependent.

% Accepted Percentage of number of reports of suspected abuse made by identified professionals accepted for evaluation or assessment.

% Rejected Percentage of number of reports of abuse made by identified professionals rejected for evaluation or assessment.

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| Outcomes of Accepted Allegations for Evaluation or Assessment | | | | | | |
|---|------------|------------|-------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|
| Type of Abuse | Founded | | Unfounded | | Confirmed, Not Registered | |
| | Total | Percentage | Total | Percentage | Total | Percentage |
| Physical | 14 | 7.7% | 155 | 85.6% | 12 | 6.6% |
| Sexual | 9 | 36.0% | 16 | 64.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Exploitation | 46 | 24.7% | 140 | 75.3% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Denial of Care - Caretaker | 46 | 9.1% | 421 | 83.2% | 39 | 7.7% |
| Denial of Care - Adult | 72 | 20.8% | 274 | 79.2% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Total | 187 | | 1006 | | 51 | |

Column Name **Definition**

Founded Total The total number of reports of abuse evaluated or assessed that were found to have occurred in each category

Founded Percentage Percentage of the total number of reports evaluated or assessed for this category of abuse that were determined to have occurred.

Unfounded Total Total number of reports evaluated or assessed for this category of abuse that were determined to have not occurred.

Unfounded Percentage Percentage of total number of reports evaluated or assessed for this category of abuse that were determined to have not occurred.

Confirmed, Not Registered Total Total number of reports of abuse evaluated or assessed in this category of abuse that were determined to have occurred, but were not placed on the Registry.

Confirmed, Not Registered Percentage Percentage of total number of reports of abuse evaluated or assessed in this category of abuse founded, but were not registered in this category.

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| Interventions - Dependent Adult | | |
|--|----------------------------|--|
| Interventions DA Evaluation | Total Interventions | Total Assessments w/o Interventions |
| Guardian - Conservator | 50 | 1139 |
| Protective Order | 30 | 1159 |
| Removed from Living Arrangement | 60 | 1129 |
| Referred for Services | 116 | 1073 |
| Services Not Needed | 298 | 891 |

Column Name Definition

Interventions – Dependent Adult After the evaluation or assessment report is completed the outcomes for the adult, tell how many times DHS intervened in the dependent adult’s life beyond just determining if the suspected abuse occurred.

The interventions for the dependent adult provide the number of times:

- A guardian was appointed for the dependent adult;
- A local judge court-ordered the dependent adult to receive protective services or be removed from their current living arrangements;
- The dependent adult was referred to receive services; and
- The dependent adult was determined to not be in need of services.

Total Interventions Number of times the specific interventions for the dependent adult occurred

Total Assessment w/o Interventions Total number of times specified interventions did not occur.

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| Interventions - Person Responsible for Abuse | | |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| Interventions PRA Evaluation | Total Interventions | Total Assessments w/o Interventions |
| Referred to Law Enforcement | 72 | 1117 |
| Court Order requested to prevent further Abuse | 18 | 1171 |
| Charged with Crime | 21 | 1168 |
| Sentenced | 0 | 1189 |
| Offender Program | 0 | 1189 |
| Service Provided | 46 | 1143 |
| No Services Provided | 366 | 823 |

Column Name Definition

Interventions – Person Responsible for Abuse After the evaluation or assessment report is completed, tell how many times DHS intervened in the life of the person responsible for abuse other than the person’s name going on the registry if it was found the abuse occurred.

The interventions for the person responsible for the abuse provide the number of times the person was

- Referred to law enforcement;
- Affected by something a local judge court-ordered to stop or prevent further abuse;
- Charged with a crime;
- Sentenced for a crime;
- Court-ordered to attend an offender program in exchange for not being charged with a crime;
- Provided with services; and
- Not provided services?

Total Interventions Number of times the specified intervention for the person responsible for abuse occurred.

Total Assessment w/o Interventions Total number of times the specified intervention for the person responsible for the abuse did not occur.