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FORWARD

This report is a compilation of information pertaining to child abuse and neglect (CAN) reports received during calendar years 2006 and 2007. All information presented in this report is by calendar year unless noted and should not be compared to other reports that may use a different time period. The Department of Health and Human Services, Protection and Safety Section published a Protection and Safety Annual Report in 2006 and 2007. The information presented in those reports included much of the same information that was included in previous Child Abuse and Neglect Annual Reports.

This report includes CAN data for Calendar Years 2006 and 2007. The information for both years is as of May of the following year. Nebraska implemented a new Safety Intervention Program in Calendar Year 2007. The Nebraska Safety Intervention System (NSIS) is a comprehensive family assessment system and more thorough and in-depth than the previous assessment process. It is believed that the implementation of this new system may have impacted some of the data presented in this report but it is too early to make that determination.

This report includes information for 2004 through 2007 where trends are being presented. Previous years reports presented ten years of information. The Department has established many policy and procedure changes since 2003 and continues to make improvements. These improvements could show differences in counts and results. The Department does not feel that it is viable to compare more than four (4) years of data because of the impact these changes may have had on outcomes and results.

The Nebraska Safety Intervention System (NSIS) focuses primarily on the safety of the child and other children in the family household. The objective is that all children are safe and that services are in place to provide a child a safe family home environment.

Information on Child Abuse or Neglect for Calendar Years 2006 and 2007

This report provides information from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) about child abuse or neglect in Nebraska for calendar years 2006 and 2007. It also provides statutory child protective service references; responsibilities of law enforcement, the courts, and DHHS; an overview of steps followed as cases go through the DHHS Protection and Safety System; and a glossary of terms.

Statutory Child Protective Service References

- ❖ All citizens are required by state law to report suspected child abuse or neglect by calling 1-800-652-1999 or contacting law enforcement.
- ❖ Nebraska Revised Statutes sections 28-710 through 28-727 define the terms “abuse” and “neglect” and outline reporting responsibilities. Responsibilities for law enforcement and DHHS are described in those statutes.
- ❖ Nebraska Revised Statutes section 43-407 sets out the powers and duties of DHHS relating to the protection of children.

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is the state agency responsible for child welfare, child protection and Juvenile Offenders.

Services are provided to: children and families with issues involving abuse, neglect, and dependency; and youth that violate the law or have mental health issues.

The Department of Health and Human Services’ (DHHS), Law Enforcement, and the Courts’ Responsibilities in Child Abuse or Neglect Cases

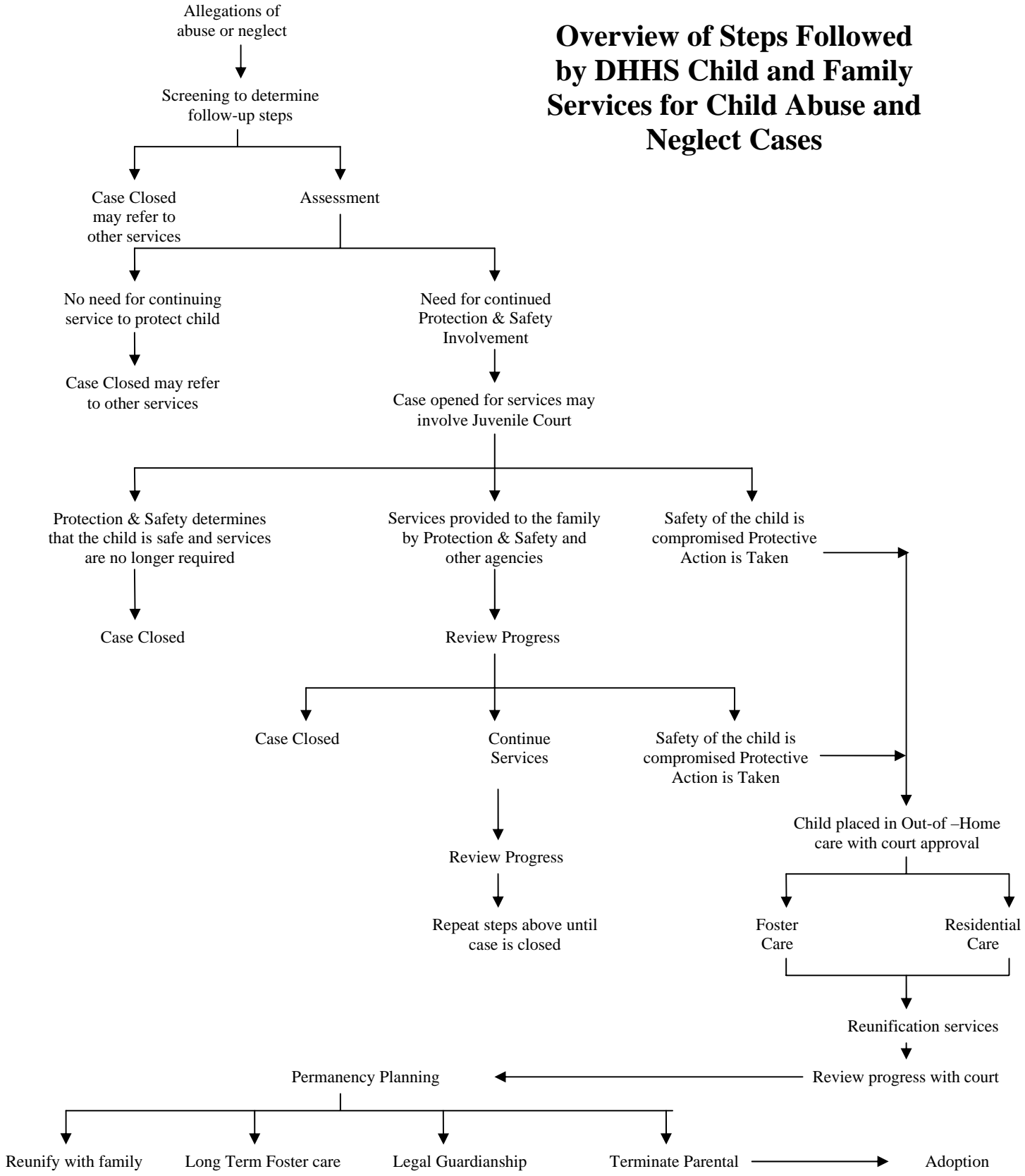
DHHS develops policy and guidelines to conduct work relating to abuse or neglect. In reports of child abuse and neglect where DHHS becomes involved, DHHS employees assess for child safety and the safety of other children in the family, and provide services to the child and family. If children are removed from their homes by law enforcement or the courts, DHHS is usually given custody and responds by finding an appropriate temporary placement for the children.

Different entities become involved at various times in child abuse cases. Only law enforcement or courts have the authority to remove children from their homes. County attorneys are responsible for filing charges against those who victimize children. Law enforcement may be involved in investigations in which DHHS does not become involved and vice versa depending on local protocols established between DHHS and law enforcement.

Context for the Data in This Report:

- ❖ *Data Source:* For trending purposes, this report includes information from 2004 – 2007. The data for this report was extracted at the time each year’s report was published. Information and data prior to 2004 can be found in previous years reports. Prior to 1998, state data was maintained on the Child Welfare Legacy Computer System, which is still maintained today when additional information is collected on those specific reports. All information since 1998 is from DHHS’ Nebraska Family On-Line Client User System (N-FOCUS), developed in part with Federal Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System (SACWIS) funding. All states are required to submit data on child abuse or neglect cases, foster care, and adoption.
- ❖ *Time period for this report:* The data relates to reports received during calendar years 2006 and 2007. However, not all assessments may have been completed in the same year they were received. The results reported are as of May 1st of the following year.

Overview of Steps Followed by DHHS Child and Family Services for Child Abuse and Neglect Cases

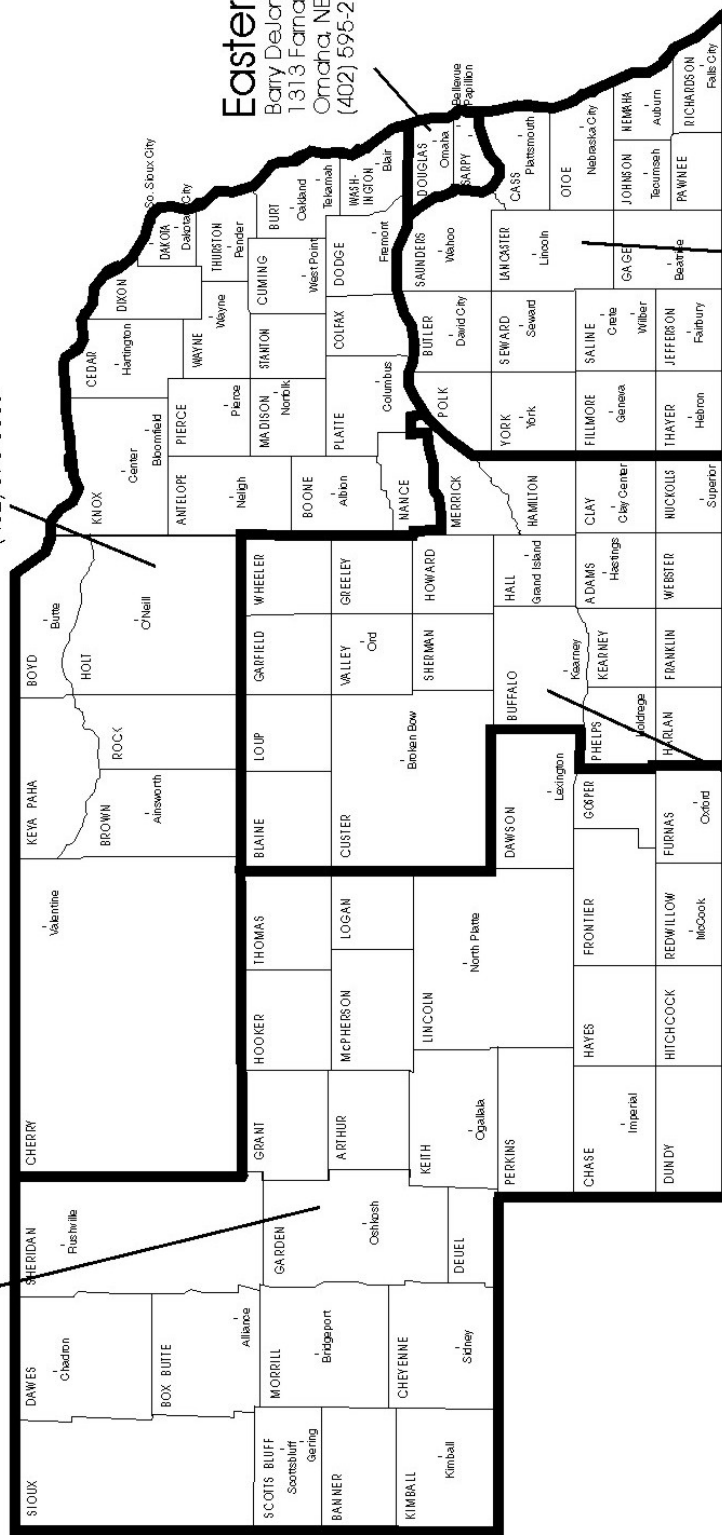


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Glossary of Terms

Allegation: A categorizing of reported actions into one of the six (6) child maltreatment types listed below. A report can contain more than one allegation and a child/victim or perpetrator could be involved in more than one allegation in the same or separate reports.

Central Register: A list of individuals identified as having been responsible for child abuse or neglect following an investigation and assessment either by law enforcement, the Department, the court or all three.

Central Registry: Data pertaining to child abuse or neglect.

Child Maltreatment: Maltreatment occurs when a child age birth through 17 years is physically, emotionally, or sexually harmed. The six maltreatment types fall within one of the two categories:

Abuse:

- ❖ **Physical:** Indicated by the existence of an injury that is unexplained, not consistent with the explanation given, or is non-accidental. The information may also only indicate a substantial risk of bodily injury.
- ❖ **Emotional:** Indicated by a psychopathological or disturbed behavior in a child, which is documented by a psychiatrist, psychologist, or licensed mental health practitioner to be the result of continual scapegoat, rejection, or exposure to violence by the child's parent/caretaker.
- ❖ **Sexual:** Any sexually oriented act, practice, contact, or interaction in which the child is or has been used for the sexual stimulation of a parent, the child, or other person.

Neglect:

- ❖ **Emotional Neglect:** When a child is suffering or has suffered severe negative effects due to a parent's failure to provide opportunities for normal experience which produce feelings of being loved, wanted, secure, and worthy. Lack of such opportunities may impair the child's ability to form healthy relationships with others.
- ❖ **Physical Neglect:** The failure of the parent to provide for the basic needs, or provide a safe and sanitary living environment for the child.
- ❖ **Medical Neglect of Handicapped Infant:** The withholding of medically indicated treatment (appropriate nutrition, hydration, and medication) from disabled infants with life-threatening conditions. Exceptions include those situations in which the infant is chronically and irreversibly comatose; the provision of this treatment would merely prolong dying or not be effective in ameliorating or correcting all of the infant's life-threatening conditions, and the provisions of the treatment itself under these conditions would be inhumane.

Child Welfare: Provides a broad spectrum of services that starts with taking child abuse and neglect reports, assessing safety and risk to the child, and providing needed intervention when indicated in the assessment. It includes services that help to preserve families and enhance family strengths and functioning by actively engaging families in decision making, assessing their needs, and linking with resources. It also includes services that children require when placed outside of the home in foster care and other levels of group home or therapeutic living arrangements. Finally, when children aren't able to return home safely, children are assisted to permanent living arrangements through services and supports such as adoption, guardianship, or other long-term arrangements.

Family Assessment: An in-depth assessment of critical issues that relate to the safety of the child. This assessment lays the foundation for a family-centered, child-focused approach to case planning and service delivery.

Findings: There are five categories of findings: Court substantiated; Court Pending; Inconclusive; Unable to Locate; and Unfounded.

- ❖ **Court Substantiated:** A District Court, County Court, or separate Juvenile Court has entered a judgment of guilty on a criminal complaint, indictment, or information, or an adjudication of jurisdiction on a juvenile petition under Section 43-247 (3)(a), and the judgment or adjudication relates or pertains to the same matter as the report of abuse or neglect.
- ❖ **Court Pending:** A criminal complaint, indictment, or information, or a juvenile petition under Section 247(3)(a), has been filed in District Court, County Court, or separate Juvenile Court, and the allegations of the complaint, indictment, information, or juvenile petition relate or pertain to the same subject matter as the report of abuse or neglect.
- ❖ **Inconclusive:** The evidence indicates it is more likely than not (preponderance of evidence standard) that child abuse or neglect occurred, and court adjudication did not occur.
- ❖ **Unable to Locate:** Subjects of the maltreatment report have not been located after a good-faith effort on the part of the Department.
- ❖ **Unfounded:** All reports not classified as “Court Substantiated,” “Court Pending,” “Inconclusive,” or “Unable to Locate” will be classified as “Unfounded.”

Intake: The process of documenting all reports of child abuse and neglect. Intake includes the activities associated with receiving and screening the referral, determining the appropriateness of accepting the referral for assessment, and if accepted, determining the correct priority for department response. Intake also may refer the reporter to other community agencies if the situation is not appropriate for DHHS intervention.

Initial Assessment: The gathering and analyzing of information in response to reports of suspected child abuse or neglect, to determine which families need further intervention. During this phase the Protection and Safety Worker is primarily concerned with child safety. The worker determines if child maltreatment did occur, determines if the child is safe, and arranges services as necessary to protect the child.

Perpetrator: The person who was found or identified to have committed an offense, as in abuse or neglect of a child.

Report: The record of an official account received from an individual that provides facts about a possible act of child abuse. Each report is assigned its own identification number. There may be multiple reports for an incident. A report may contain multiple allegations and multiple victims and/or perpetrators.

State Ward: When a court of competent jurisdiction gives custody of a child under the age of 18 to the Department; the child becomes a state ward. The State acts as the child’s parent.

Victim: For the purpose of child welfare and child abuse and neglect, a victim is always a child. A child involved in an allegation as being abused is identified as a victim. For the purpose of this report, victim refers to a child who was abused and the action has been substantiated with a finding of “Court Substantiated,” “Court Pending,” or “Inconclusive.”

SECTION I – CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT (CAN) REPORTS

A CAN report is the impetus that starts the child abuse and neglect process. The Department of Health and Human Services first becomes aware of a possible incident of child abuse or neglect when they receive information that an alleged action of abuse or neglect has occurred. All of the information gathered is entered into a report.

A report can and usually does include:

- More than one incident defined as an allegation;
- More than one child (victim) which would cause multiple allegations;
- More than one abuser (perpetrator) which would cause multiple allegations; and,
- One child with different abuse types which would cause multiple allegations.

In this section a case or report is considered substantiated if at least one allegation was substantiated. Counts of children are usually unique (each child is only counted once) unless otherwise specified.

REPORTS:

- ❖ **Assessments:** There were 13,319 cases assessed in 2007 compared to 12,629 in 2006. This is an increase of 690 (5.5%). Compared to the 13,291 cases assessed in 2004, this is an increase of 28 (0.21%) reports of child abuse or neglect assessed by DHHS.
- ❖ **Substantiated Reports:** 2,894 reports were substantiated in 2007 compared to 3,065 reports that were substantiated in 2006. This is a decrease of 171 (5.6%). Compared to 3,336 reports substantiated in 2004, this is a decrease of 442 (13.2%). As of May 2008 there are 1,775 reports still in process that if substantiated could change this percentage.
- ❖ **Number of Children Involved:** There were 4,440 children that were involved or identified as a victim in at least one of the substantiated reports in 2007. This is an increase of 105 (2.4%) compared to the 4,335 children identified in 2006. This is a 456 (9.3%) decrease when compared to the 4,896 children identified in 2004.

TABLE 1-1: STATEWIDE REPORTS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

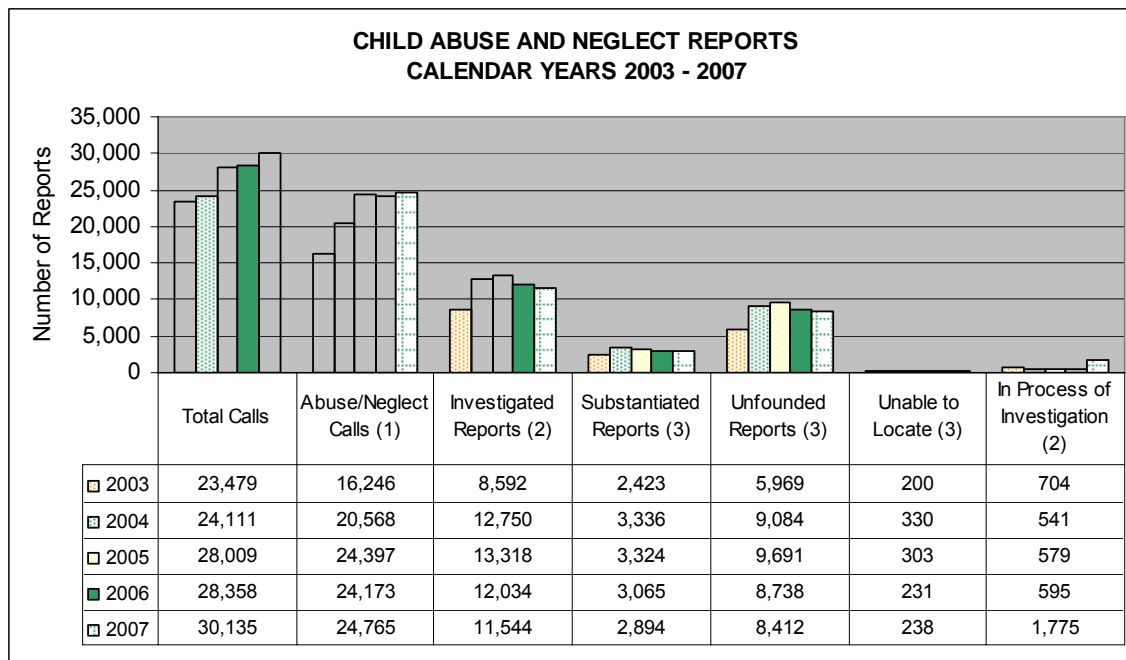
STATEWIDE STATISTICS, CALENDAR YEARS 2004 – 2007				
CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL REPORTS ASSESSED	NUMBER OF SUBSTANTIATED REPORTS	INVOLVED CHILDREN	18 AND UNDER POPULATION ESTIMATES
2004	13,291	3,336 (25.1%)	4,896	470,415
2005	13,897	3,324 (23.9%)	4,841	470,046
2006	12,629	3,065 (24.3%)	4,335	469,771
2007	13,319	2,894 (21.7%)	4,440	470,391

The information in Table 1-1 shows that the total number of reports assessed has been stabilizing some over the last three years although there is an increase from 2006 to 2007.

The number of children involved in substantiated reports had a slight increase in 2007. There was a small increase of 105 unique children involved in substantiated reports from 2006 to 2007 compared to a decrease of 171 substantiated reports. The number of substantiated victims in each report determines the victim rate. This means the child will be counted more than once (once for each report they are a victim). The victim rate for 2006 was 1.72. There was a count of 5,597 victims in the 2,894 substantiated reports for 2007. The victim rate for 2007 was 1.93. This is an increase of 0.21.

Tables 1-2 and 1-3 show an increase of 1,777 total calls received between 2006 (28,358) and 2007 (30,135). Table 1-3 puts the State's profile and trends into perspective. When the percentages are added and compared across the years it is evident that a change in policy that occurred in 2003 had a major impact on the amount and percentages of Calls received and assessed and the substantiation rate. The implementation of NSIS in 2007 may have caused these percentages to decrease some since the focus has changed more to Safety instead of risk.

TABLE 1-2: CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REPORTS TRENDS BY CALENDAR YEAR



Note that the number of reports in process of investigation for 2007 is nearly three times as many there were for 2006 at the same time for the previous year. This may be a result of the newly implemented Nebraska Safety Intervention System (NSIS) and the learning curve in changing work processes.

When the reports in process of investigation are added to the Investigated report count for both 2006 and 2007 this actually reflects an increase of 690 reports assessed and a percentage increase of 1.54%. The combined total for 2006 is 12,629/52.24% and for 2007 it would be 13,319/53.78%.

The results of the in process of investigation reports cannot be determined.

TABLE 1-3: CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REPORTS PERCENTAGE AND COUNTS

Calendar Year	Total Reports Received	Reports Alleging Abuse or Neglect (CAN)	CAN Reports Assessed	CAN Reports Substantiated	CAN Reports Unfounded	CAN Reports Unable to Locate	CAN Reports In Process
2004	24,111	20,568 85.3%	12,750 62.0%	3,336 26.2%	9,084 71.2%	330 2.6%	541 2.6%
2005	28,009	24,397 87.1%	13,318 54.6%	3,324 25.0%	9,691 72.8%	303 2.3%	579 2.4%
2006	28,358	24,173 85.2%	12,034 49.8%	3,065 25.5%	8,738 72.6%	231 1.9%	595 2.5%
2007	30,135	24,765 82.2%	11,544 46.6%	2,894 25.0%	8,412 72.7%	238 2.1%	1,775 7.2%

Table 1-4 displays Child Abuse and Neglect Reports by service area. (Refer to the map on page 3.)

This information is also presented at the county level in Tab B ‘Reports Charts and Tables.’

TABLE 1-4: CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REPORTS PERCENTAGE AND COUNTS BY SERVICE AREA

Calendar Year	Report Status	Central		Eastern		Northern		Southeast		Western		Grand Total	
		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
2006	Reports Received	3,590		10,623		2,839		7,790		3,516		28,358	
	Reports Alleging Abuse	2,823	78.6%	8,866	83.5%	2,399	84.5%	6,749	86.6%	3,336	94.9%	24,173	85.2%
	Reports Assessed	1,551	54.9%	3,810	43.0%	1,492	62.2%	3,022	44.8%	2,159	64.7%	12,034	49.8%
	Reports Substantiated	229	14.8%	1,069	28.1%	238	16.0%	1,216	40.2%	313	14.5%	3,065	25.5%
	Reports Unfounded	1,291	83.2%	2,628	69.0%	1,228	82.3%	1,771	58.6%	1,820	84.3%	8,738	72.6%
	Unable to Locate Family	31	2.0%	113	3.0%	26	1.7%	35	1.2%	26	1.2%	231	1.9%
2007	Investigation In Process	101	6.5%	129	3.4%	132	8.8%	68	2.3%	165	7.6%	595	4.9%
	Reports Received	3,976		14,157		3,029		5,317		3,656		30,135	
	Reports Alleging Abuse	3,176	79.9%	10,879	76.8%	2,550	84.2%	4,718	88.7%	3,442	94.1%	24,765	82.2%
	Reports Assessed	1,601	50.9%	3,778	34.8%	1,600	62.8%	2,762	58.7%	1,803	52.5%	11,544	46.6%
	Reports Substantiated	253	15.7%	1,051	27.8%	300	18.7%	974	35.2%	316	17.5%	2,894	25.0%
	Reports Unfounded	1,314	81.4%	2,633	69.6%	1,260	78.7%	1,749	63.1%	1,456	80.6%	8,412	72.7%
Unable to Locate Family	34	2.1%	94	2.5%	40	2.5%	39	1.4%	31	1.7%	238	2.1%	
	Investigation In Process	156	9.7%	354	9.4%	194	12.1%	541	19.5%	530	29.3%	1,175	15.3%

SOURCE OF REPORTS:

Table 1-5 presents the source of the reports that are captured when a Child Abuse and Neglect Report is received. This table lists the sources in the order of greatest amount of reports to lowest for 2007 and compares calendar years 2007 and 2006. The total number of reports and number of those reports that actually led to assessments are used to determine the percentage of reports assessed.

A review of the data shows that Law Enforcement continues to be the state’s primary source of reports that lead to an assessment. The most noticeable difference is that there is a decrease in the percentage of reports that led to an assessment.

The “Unknown” category represents callers that either did not provide their name or requested to remain anonymous. The “Other” category is callers that did provide their name but did not provide any information that would identify them as any of the sources listed as one of the predetermined selections.

TABLE 1-5: REPORT SOURCE COMPARING CALENDAR YEAR 2006 – 2007

Report Source	2006					2007				
	Total Reports Alleging Abuse		Total Abuse and Neglect Reports Assessed		Percent of Reports Assessed	Total Reports Alleging Abuse		Total Abuse and Neglect Reports Assessed		Percent of Reports Assessed
	Count	%	Count	%		Count	%	Count	%	
Law Enforcement Personnel	4,386	18.14%	2,305	19.15%	52.55%	3,881	12.88%	1,885	16.28%	48.57%
Educational Personnel	3,054	12.63%	1,636	13.59%	53.57%	3,620	12.01%	1,831	15.82%	50.58%
Parent/Legal Guardian	2,389	9.88%	925	7.69%	38.72%	2,536	8.42%	951	8.22%	37.50%
Friend/Neighbor	2,488	10.29%	1,242	10.32%	49.92%	2,503	8.31%	1,172	10.12%	46.82%
Relative	2,219	9.18%	1,075	8.93%	48.45%	2,212	7.34%	1,028	8.88%	46.47%
Unknown	2,006	8.30%	992	8.24%	49.45%	2,128	7.06%	947	8.18%	44.50%
Public Social Services Personnel	1,728	7.15%	902	7.50%	52.20%	1,764	5.85%	945	8.16%	53.57%
Hosp/Clinic/Public Health Personnel	1,613	6.67%	871	7.24%	54.00%	1,489	4.94%	779	6.73%	52.32%
Private Mental Health Personnel	1,092	4.52%	521	4.33%	47.71%	1,208	4.01%	469	4.05%	38.82%
Other	1,112	4.60%	535	4.45%	48.11%	1,077	3.57%	467	4.03%	43.36%
Private Social Services Personnel	578	2.39%	251	2.09%	43.43%	726	2.41%	302	2.61%	41.60%
Private Doctor/Nurse	362	1.50%	195	1.62%	53.87%	421	1.40%	243	2.10%	57.72%
Child Care Personnel	254	1.05%	146	1.21%	57.48%	281	0.93%	149	1.29%	53.02%
Public Mental Health Personnel	169	0.70%	79	0.66%	46.75%	161	0.53%	66	0.57%	40.99%
Day Care Center Personnel	138	0.57%	73	0.61%	52.90%	158	0.52%	77	0.67%	48.73%
Alleged Victim	141	0.58%	55	0.46%	39.01%	143	0.47%	56	0.48%	39.16%
Private Residential Facility Personnel	99	0.41%	35	0.29%	35.35%	126	0.42%	43	0.37%	34.13%
Foster Parent	91	0.38%	39	0.32%	42.86%	119	0.39%	38	0.33%	31.93%
Court/Judge	45	0.19%	34	0.28%	75.56%	57	0.19%	45	0.39%	78.95%
Public Residential Facility Personnel	70	0.29%	29	0.24%	41.43%	54	0.18%	21	0.18%	38.89%
Prosecutor	88	0.36%	71	0.59%	80.68%	53	0.18%	38	0.33%	71.70%
Private Attorney	35	0.14%	16	0.13%	45.71%	28	0.09%	13	0.11%	46.43%
Alleged Perpetrator	13	0.05%	6	0.05%	46.15%	13	0.04%	8	0.07%	61.54%
Public Defender	3	0.01%	1	0.01%	33.33%	7	0.02%	3	0.03%	42.86%
Coroner		0.00%		0.00%	NA	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	NA
Grand Total	24,173		12,034		49.78%	24,765		11,576		46.74%

ALLEGATIONS IN REPORTS:

A report could contain one to many allegations. An allegation is counted no matter how many times it is reported in one single report. The purpose of presenting the information this way is to provide a better indication of the impact of the allegation or how often a specific allegation is reported to DHHS.

EXAMPLE: A report involves a single perpetrator and two (2) children. The perpetrator is alleged to have physically abused both children. Although there are two (2) physical abuse allegations the physical abuse allegation count will be one (1). If only one of those allegations are substantiated then the allegation type is considered substantiated.

An allegation is categorized in one of the six maltreatment types listed in the Glossary of Terms on page 4. Table 1-6 provides the counts by report by Service Area and if any one of the allegations of that type in the report was substantiated. An allegation type is considered substantiated as long as one allegation of the same type in the report was substantiated. Allegations are presented independently and in more detail in Section II of this report.

Table 1-6 can be used in different ways to analyze the impact of certain types of allegations. To better clarify how this table is developed the following analysis was conducted for the statewide counts:

- ❖ In 2006, 24,173 (85.2%) reports of the 28,358 reports received contained one or more allegations. There was a slight decrease to 82.2% (24,765) of the 30,135 reports containing one or more allegations in 2007.
- ❖ Physical neglect continues to be the most reported maltreatment type with 42.68% of the reports in 2007 and 41.8% of the reports in 2006. Most of the percentages by maltreatment type remain the same or have changed little when the two years are compared.
- ❖ The substantiation rate decreased for every maltreatment type from 2006 to 2007 except for emotional neglect. This may have been impacted by the number of reports still in the process of investigation.

TABLE 1-6: ALLEGATION TYPES IN REPORTS BY SERVICE AREA COMPARING CALENDAR YEAR 2006 – 2007

Calendar Year	Categories	Central		Eastern		Northern		Southeast		Western		Statewide		State Ranking
		Count	PCT	Count	PCT	Count	PCT	Count	PCT	Count	PCT	Count	PCT	
2006	Report	3,590		10,623		2,839.00		7,790		3,516		28,358		
	With Allegations	2,823	78.6%	8,866	83.5%	2,399.00	84.5%	6,749	86.6%	3,336	94.9%	24,173	85.2%	
	Physical Abuse	303	10.7%	742	8.4%	283.00	11.8%	596	8.8%	488	14.6%	2,412	10.0%	2
	Substantiated	57	18.8%	232	31.3%	40.00	14.1%	206	34.6%	67	13.7%	602	25.0%	
	Emotional Abuse	43	1.5%	39	0.4%	48.00	2.0%	446	6.6%	17	0.5%	593	2.5%	1
	Substantiated	4	9.3%	6	15.4%	8.00	16.7%	146	32.7%	2	11.8%	166	28.0%	
	Sexual Abuse	255	9.0%	525	5.9%	270.00	11.3%	256	3.8%	314	9.4%	1,620	6.7%	4
	Substantiated	45	17.6%	124	23.6%	33.00	12.2%	86	33.6%	58	18.5%	346	21.4%	
	Emotional Neglect	32	1.1%	152	1.7%	47.00	2.0%	200	3.0%	96	2.9%	527	2.2%	5
	Substantiated	2	6.3%	21	13.8%	2.00	4.3%	58	29.0%	6	6.3%	89	16.9%	
Physical Neglect	1,222	43.3%	3,155	35.6%	1,203.00	50.1%	2,751	40.8%	1,764	52.9%	10,095	41.8%	3	
Substantiated	145	11.9%	829	26.3%	175.00	14.5%	1,084	39.4%	215	12.2%	2,448	24.2%		
Medical Neglect		0.0%	8	0.1%	3.00	0.1%		0.0%	2	0.1%	13	0.1%		
Handicapped Infant	Substantiated		NA	2	25.0%		0.0%		NA		0.0%	2	15.4%	6
2007	Report	3,976		14,157		3,029		5,317		3,656		30,135		
	With Allegations	3,176	79.88%	10,879	76.85%	2,550	84.19%	4,718	88.73%	3,442	94.15%	24,765	82.18%	
	Physical Abuse	294	9.26%	801	7.36%	332	13.02%	559	11.85%	521	15.14%	2,507	10.12%	2
	Substantiated	41	13.95%	228	28.46%	59	17.77%	160	28.62%	71	13.63%	559	22.30%	
	Emotional Abuse	38	1.20%	45	0.41%	26	1.02%	169	3.58%	32	0.93%	310	1.25%	1
	Substantiated	4	10.53%	8	17.78%	3	11.54%	63	37.28%	4	12.50%	82	26.45%	
	Sexual Abuse	287	9.04%	501	4.61%	249	9.76%	360	7.63%	373	10.84%	1,770	7.15%	5
	Substantiated	50	17.42%	122	24.35%	32	12.85%	44	12.22%	49	13.14%	297	16.78%	
	Emotional Neglect	28	0.88%	170	1.56%	36	1.41%	175	3.71%	92	2.67%	501	2.02%	4
	Substantiated	4	14.29%	31	18.24%	6	16.67%	45	25.71%	5	5.43%	91	18.16%	
Physical Neglect	1,322	41.62%	3,366	30.94%	1,408	55.22%	2,812	59.60%	1,662	48.29%	10,570	42.68%	3	
Substantiated	187	14.15%	830	24.66%	240	17.05%	864	30.73%	216	13.00%	2,337	22.11%		
Medical Neglect	1	0.03%	4	0.04%	2	0.08%	2	0.04%	1	0.03%	10	0.04%		
Handicapped Infant	Substantiated		NA		NA		NA		NA		NA		NA	6

TABLE 1-7: REPORTS CONTAINING MORE THAN ONE ALLEGATION TYPE

State Service Area	2006			2007		
	Reports With Allegations	Reports With More Than One Allegation Type	%	Reports With Allegations	Reports With More Than One Allegation Type	%
Central	2,823	188	6.66%	3,176	188	5.92%
Eastern	8,866	651	7.34%	10,879	716	6.58%
Northern	2,399	211	8.80%	2,550	234	9.18%
Southeast	6,749	1,041	15.42%	4,718	713	15.11%
Western	3,336	340	10.19%	3,442	329	9.56%
Grand Total	24,173	2,431	10.06%	24,765	2,180	8.80%

- ❖ Table 1-7 demonstrates how reports may have more than one allegation. A little over eight (8.8%) percent of the reports that have allegations contain more than one type of maltreatment; meaning that around 92% of the reports contain only one allegation type.
- ❖ One interesting point is that the Southeast Service Area has a higher percentage of reports with multiple allegations than other service areas. They exceed the next highest service area by nearly 6 % in 2006 and 2007. All of the Service areas had a decrease in percentages except for the Northern Service Area with a .38% increase.

SECTION II – ALLEGATIONS

This section provides information and tables based upon allegations. Section I – Reports included some measurements about allegation types at the report level. This section will present data and information about all allegations that were substantiated. An allegation type may be counted more than once if a child is an alleged victim in the same or another report for that allegation type.

A report can contain more than one allegation and a child/victim or perpetrator could be a involved in more than one allegation type in the same or separate report. The six types of allegations are as follows:

- ❖ **Physical Abuse:** Indicated by the existence of an injury that is unexplained, not consistent with the explanation given, or is non-accidental. The information may also only indicate a substantial risk of bodily injury.
- ❖ **Emotional Abuse:** Indicated by a psychopathological or disturbed behavior in a child, which is documented by a psychiatrist, psychologist, or licensed mental health practitioner to be the result of continual scapegoat, rejection, or exposure to violence by the child’s parent/caretaker.
- ❖ **Sexual Abuse:** Any sexually oriented act, practice, contact, or interaction in which the child is or has been used for the sexual stimulation of a parent, the child, or other person.
- ❖ **Emotional Neglect:** When a child is suffering or has suffered severe negative effects due to a parent’s failure to provide opportunities for normal experience which produce feelings of being loved, wanted, secure, and worthy. Lack of such opportunities may impair the child’s ability to form healthy relationships with others.
- ❖ **Physical Neglect:** The failure of the parent to provide for the basic needs, or provide a safe and sanitary living environment for the child.
- ❖ **Medical Neglect of Handicapped Infant:** The withholding of medically indicated treatment (appropriate nutrition, hydration, and medication) from disabled infants with life-threatening conditions. Exceptions include those situations in which the infant is chronically and irreversibly comatose; the provision of this treatment would merely prolong dying or not are effective in ameliorating or correcting all of the infant’s life-threatening conditions, and the provisions of the treatment itself under these conditions would be inhumane.

TABLE 2-1: SUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATION TYPES AND VICTIM COUNT

Calendar Year	Physical Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Physical Neglect	Emotional Neglect	Medical Neglect of a Handicapped Infant	Sexual Abuse	Total Allegation Counts	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports of Abuse
2004	969	374	5,787	332	2	441	7,905	4,896
2005	809	481	5,892	231	4	540	7,957	4,840
2006	734	440	5,984	176	2	439	7,775	4,335
2007	805	196	6,860	280	0	449	8,590	4,440

The count of allegation types reflects the number of allegations that were substantiated. Because a child may be a victim in more than one type of allegation and/or may be a victim of the same type of allegation in one or more reports the total number of allegations types will greater than the number of children involved in substantiated reports of abuse. The count of children reflects the unique count of victims for that year.

Table 2-1 indicates that the number of substantiated allegations from 2006 to 2007 has increased significantly except for Emotional Abuse which decreased by 244. The largest increase seems to be for Physical Neglect with an increase of 896 substantiated allegations. The total number of substantiated allegations had an increase of 815 (10.48%) more in 2007 than 2006 with a total of 8,590.

TABLE 2-2: SUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATIONS TYPES AND VICTIM COUNT

Calendar Year	Allegation	Total Allegations	Gender		Children Involved
			Female	Male	
2006	Physical Abuse	734	288	304	592
	Emotional Abuse	440	141	146	287
	Sexual Abuse	439	292	76	368
	Emotional Neglect	176	58	53	111
	Physical Neglect	5,984	1,919	2,005	3,924
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	2		2	2
	Total	7,775	2,698	2,586	5,284
2007	Physical Abuse	805	309	333	642
	Emotional Abuse	196	77	66	143
	Sexual Abuse	449	281	71	352
	Emotional Neglect	280	82	83	165
	Physical Neglect	6,860	2,075	2,220	4,295
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	0			
	Total	8,590	2,824	2,773	5,597

Table 2-2 shows the total count of allegations and each victim by gender by abuse types.

- ❖ If a child is a victim of more than one perpetrator for the same allegation type in the same report then they are only counted once for that allegation type. This accounts for the total number of children involved being less than the total number of allegations.
- ❖ If a child is a victim for the same allegation type in a different report then the child is counted for each report where the child was a victim of that type of allegation. This accounts for the total number of children involved being higher than the number of children involved presented in Table 2-1.

- ❖ Table 2-3 tracks allegation types by gender and determine which gender specific types of allegations may impact the most.

TABLE 2-3: SUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATIONS TYPES BY GENDER

Calendar Year	Allegation	Gender		Total Allegations
		Female	Male	
2006	Physical Abuse	343	391	734
	Emotional Abuse	216	224	440
	Sexual Abuse	346	93	439
	Emotional Neglect	95	81	176
	Physical Neglect	2,908	3,076	5,984
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant		2	2
	Total	3,908	3,867	7,775
2007	Physical Abuse	396	409	805
	Emotional Abuse	102	94	196
	Sexual Abuse	358	91	449
	Emotional Neglect	147	133	280
	Physical Neglect	3,328	3,532	6,860
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant			
	Total	4,331	4,259	8,590

- ❖ Both Tables 2-2 and 2-3 reflect that sexual abuse tends to involve females victims more than male victims whereas physical neglect seems to have a greater number of male victims than female victims.
- ❖ Table 2-3 indicates that more females were involved in allegations in 2006 and in 2007. There is an increase in the count of allegations of 815 from 2006 to 2007.

**TABLE 2-4: TYPES OF ABUSE OR NEGLECT IN SUBSTANTIATED CASES
BY SERVICE AREA – CY 2006 AND 2007**

Calendar Year	Service Area	Abuse	Neglect	Sexual Abuse	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports	Percentage of Children Involved
2006	Central	84	430	75	329	7.60%
	Eastern	303	1,891	146	1,551	35.80%
	Northern	73	426	37	353	8.10%
	Southeast	631	2,861	115	1,665	38.40%
	Western	83	554	66	437	10.10%
	Total	1,174	6,162	439	4,335	
2007	Central	62	603	79	430	9.68%
	Eastern	356	2,490	179	1,529	34.44%
	Northern	86	746	47	494	11.13%
	Southeast	383	2,740	80	1,534	34.55%
	Western	114	561	64	453	10.20%
	Total	1001	7,140	449	4,440	

- ❖ Table 2-4 presents this information by service areas. Physical abuse and emotional abuse are rolled up into the category 'Abuse.' Physical and emotional neglect and medical neglect of a handicapped infant are consolidated into the 'Neglect' category. Sexual abuse remains to be reported out on its own.
- ❖ Eastern and Southeast Service Areas have a majority of the victims and allegations, as would be expected since the two largest cities in Nebraska reside in those areas.
- ❖ Tab C contains additional charts and tables for research references to include tables by county.

SECTION III – VICTIMS

Victims are defined as children 18 years of age and younger that were maltreated and that maltreatment was either substantiated by a court having jurisdiction over the case or by the Department of Health and Human Services through a fact-finding assessment process.

This section will provide information, demographics, and data pertaining to victims involved in reports received during calendar years 2006 and 2007. Some of the information presented in this section may have been included in previous sections but are repeated here to introduce and compare other charts and tables.

Information is presented only as facts or as points of interest.

TABLE 3-1: VICTIMS BY GENDER AND SERVICE AREA – CY 2006 AND 2007

Calendar Year	State Service Area	Gender		Total
		Female	Male	
2006	Central	177	152	329
	Eastern	816	735	1,551
	Northern	181	172	353
	Southeast	823	842	1,665
	Western	240	197	437
	Total	2,237	2,098	4,335
2007	Central	229	201	430
	Eastern	764	765	1,529
	Northern	244	250	494
	Southeast	756	778	1,534
	Western	227	226	453
	Total	2,220	2,220	4,440

Table 3-2 indicates that younger children are victimized more frequently than older children. In both 2007 and 2006 the highest percentage of victims are less than two years old; the percentage of victims in this age group increased by nearly 4% between the two years. Other age groups had very minor changes when the two years are compared and most of them show a slight decrease.

According to Table 3-3 over 40% of the child victims are under the age of 4 and the percentage has a downward trend with the increase of the age group. Table 3-3 also includes the children’s race. Additional information comparing population and victimization rates by race is presented later in this section.

TABLE 3-2: VICTIMS BY GENDER AND AGE – CY 2006 AND 2007

AGE IN YEARS	2006					2007				
	GENDER		Total	%	Cumulative	GENDER		Total	%	Cumulative
	Female	Male				Female	Male			
<2	390	371	761	17.60%	17.60%	427	504	931	20.97%	20.97%
2	164	160	324	7.50%	25.00%	172	186	358	8.06%	29.03%
3	145	151	296	6.80%	31.90%	124	168	292	6.58%	35.61%
4	150	168	318	7.30%	39.20%	145	143	288	6.49%	42.09%
5	154	149	303	7.00%	46.20%	131	144	275	6.19%	48.29%
6	133	144	277	6.40%	52.60%	131	147	278	6.26%	54.55%
7	123	132	255	5.90%	58.50%	129	127	256	5.77%	60.32%
8	102	117	219	5.10%	63.50%	105	125	230	5.18%	65.50%
9	126	122	248	5.70%	69.20%	98	113	211	4.75%	70.25%
10	91	84	175	4.00%	73.30%	96	80	176	3.96%	74.21%
11	74	94	168	3.90%	77.10%	85	98	183	4.12%	78.33%
12	86	72	158	3.60%	80.80%	83	86	169	3.81%	82.14%
13	95	87	182	4.20%	85.00%	94	83	177	3.99%	86.13%
14	115	68	183	4.20%	89.20%	128	67	195	4.39%	90.52%
15	95	60	155	3.60%	92.80%	121	66	187	4.21%	94.73%
16	97	55	152	3.50%	96.30%	90	51	141	3.18%	97.91%
17	63	47	110	2.50%	98.80%	55	29	84	1.89%	99.80%
>17	34	17	51	1.20%	100%	6	3	9	0.20%	100.00%
Total	2,237	2,098	4,335			2,220	2,220	4,440		

TABLE 3-3: VICTIMS BY RACE AND AGE GROUP – CY 2006 AND 2007

Calendar Year	Race	AGE												Total	%
		0 to 4		5 to 9		10 to 14		15 to 18		Over 18		Total	%		
		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%				
2006	White	1,070	63.0%	739	56.8%	531	61.3%	287	62.0%	2	40.0%	2,629	60.6%		
	Black or African American	227	13.4%	214	16.4%	138	15.9%	64	13.8%	0	0.0%	643	14.8%		
	American Indian or Alaska Nation	85	5.0%	66	5.1%	44	5.1%	25	5.4%	0	0.0%	220	5.1%		
	Asian	7	0.4%	16	1.2%	9	1.0%	2	0.4%	0	0.0%	34	0.8%		
	Multiple Races	37	2.2%	7	0.5%	6	0.7%	4	0.9%	0	0.0%	54	1.2%		
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1	0.1%	3	0.2%	1	0.1%		0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.1%		
	Other	177	10.4%	187	14.4%	82	9.5%	50	10.8%	1	20.0%	497	11.5%		
Unidentified	95	5.6%	70	5.4%	55	6.4%	31	6.7%	2	40.0%	253	5.8%			
Total		1,699	39.2%	1,302	30.0%	866	20.0%	463	10.7%	5	0.1%	4,335			
2007	White	1,167	62.4%	780	62.4%	565	62.8%	262	63.6%	7	77.8%	2,781	62.6%		
	Black or African American	200	10.7%	157	12.6%	113	12.6%	49	11.9%	1	11.1%	520	11.7%		
	American Indian or Alaska Nation	118	6.3%	76	6.1%	53	5.9%	20	4.9%	1	11.1%	268	6.0%		
	Asian	6	0.3%	8	0.6%	9	1.0%	8	1.9%	0	0.0%	31	0.7%		
	Multiple Races	41	2.2%	14	1.1%	10	1.1%	5	1.2%	0	0.0%	70	1.6%		
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%		
	Other	203	10.9%	169	13.5%	111	12.3%	44	10.7%	0	0.0%	527	11.9%		
Unidentified	134	7.2%	46	3.7%	38	4.2%	24	5.8%	0	0.0%	242	5.5%			
Total		1,869	42.1%	1,250	28.2%	900	20.3%	412	9.3%	9	0.2%	4,440			

Table 3-4 indicates the victim rate per 1,000. The U.S. Census report population estimates published in May 2008 was the source for the populations presented in this table. The rate per 1,000 was calculated by dividing the count of victims by race, divided by the race population for that year, and multiplied by 1,000.

The victim rate presented provides a different perspective than just looking at the raw count. The ranking nearly flip-flops, White children are the highest *counts* of victims but are third out of the six races when comparing the victim *rate*. The highest victim rates are the American Indian and Black or African American categories.

The Native American Indian victim rate did show a major increase of 7% in 2007 from 2006. The population only increased slightly by 1.2% and the number of victims increased by 21%.

TABLE 3-4: VICTIM RATE BY RACE – CY 2006 AND 2007

Race	Calendar Year 2006		Victim Rate Per 1,000	Calendar Year 2007		Victim Rate Per 1,000
	*Population (Pct)	Victims		*Population (Pct)	Victims	
American Indian and Alaskan Native	6,621 (1.4%)	220	33.23	6,690 (1.4%)	268	40.06
Asian	7,577 (1.6%)	34	4.49	8,565 (1.8%)	31	3.62
Black or African American	27,769 (5.9%)	643	23.16	28,194 (6.0%)	520	18.44
Multiple Races	11,333 (2.4%)	54	4.76	12,297 (2.6%)	70	5.69
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	290 (0.1%)	5	17.24	358 (0.1%)	1	2.79
White	416,181 (88.6%)	2,629	6.32	414,827 (88.1%)	2,781	6.70
Grand Total	469,771	4,335	9.23	470,931	4,440	9.43

* Population Source: Estimates U.S. Census May 2008

Table 3-5 uses the same method to determine the victim rate by age and the results are quite different. Table 3-5 shows that younger children are victimized more often than older children. The ranking follows the same trend for victim rate as it does for the raw count. There was a slight increase of 0.20 in the victim rate for 2007 from 2006.

TABLE 3-5: VICTIM RATE BY AGE GROUP – CY 2006 AND 2007

Age	Calendar Year 2006		Victim Rate Per 1,000	Calendar Year 2007		Victim Rate Per 1,000
	*Population/(Pct)	Victims		*Population/(Pct)	Victims	
0 to 4	127,665 (27.2%)	1,699	13.31	129,796 (27.6%)	1,869	14.40
5 to 9	117,832 (25.1%)	1,302	11.05	119,370 (25.3%)	1,250	10.47
10 to 14	121,644 (25.9%)	866	7.12	119,401 (25.4%)	900	7.54
15 to 18	102,630 (21.8%)	463	4.51	102,364 (21.7%)	412	4.02
Grand Total	469,771	4,335	9.23	470,931	4,440	9.43

* Population Source: Estimates U.S. Census May 2008

RELATIONSHIP OF PERPETRATOR TO VICTIM:

Table 3-6 shows that non-relatives and stepparents rank second and third and occur more often than others or another relative. Biological parents were identified as the perpetrator for over 75% of victimized children in both 2007 and 2006. This percentage had a slight increase between the two years and an increase of 135.

TABLE 3-6: PERPETRATOR’S RELATIONSHIP TO VICTIM – CY 2006 AND 2007

Perpetrator's Relationship to Victim	Calendar Year				Grand Total	
	2006		2007		Count	%
	Count	%	Count	%		
Biological Parent	3,305	76.24%	3,440	77.48%	6,745	76.87%
Non-Relative	205	4.73%	229	5.16%	434	4.95%
Stepparent	155	3.58%	151	3.40%	306	3.49%
Other	172	3.97%	113	3.40%	285	3.25%
Relative	98	2.26%	100	2.55%	198	2.26%
Other Relative	122	2.81%	92	2.25%	214	2.44%
Child Day Care Provider	66	1.52%	90	2.07%	156	1.78%
Unmarried Partner of Parent	96	2.21%	72	2.03%	168	1.91%
Unknown	20	0.46%	51	1.62%	71	0.81%
Adoptive Parent	29	0.67%	45	1.15%	74	0.84%
Sibling (Bio)	26	0.60%	28	1.01%	54	0.62%
Foster Parent	26	0.60%	20	0.63%	46	0.52%
Residential Facility Staff	10	0.23%	5	0.45%	15	0.17%
Legal Guardian	2	0.05%	2	0.11%	4	0.05%
Sibling (Adoptive)	1	0.02%	1	0.05%	2	0.02%
Sibling (Step)	2	0.05%	1	0.02%	3	0.03%
Grand Total	4,335		4,440		8,775	

SECTION IV – PERPETRATORS

Table 4-1 displays the gender demographics for perpetrators by Calendar Year. Both years indicate that women tend to be perpetrators more than men. There was an increase of 433 perpetrators between 2007 and 2006. This is a 13.13% increase.

A perpetrator is any person that is involved with a substantiated allegation. Their name and pertinent information related to the offense is entered on the State’s Central Register.

TABLE 4-1: PERPETRATOR BY GENDER AND SERVICE AREA – CY 2006 AND 2007

Calendar Year	State Service Area	Gender		Grand Total
		Female	Male	
2006	Central	129	121	250
	Eastern	664	511	1,175
	Northern	160	124	284
	Southeast	647	614	1,261
	Western	165	162	327
	Total	1,765	1,532	3,297
2007	Central	188	150	338
	Eastern	804	510	1,314
	Northern	241	167	408
	Southeast	718	566	1,284
	Western	209	177	386
	Total	2,160	1,570	3,730

- ❖ Table 4-2 is a race and age table that presents a cross tabulation of the race and Age Groups for perpetrators. The data shows that the highest percentage of all perpetrators is white and that the trend by age group peaks for the age group 20-29 and then trends downward when moving up the age group scale. The Under 20 Age Group consists of ages 18-20. This is the age grouping that is used in the census data when presenting populations by age group. A perpetrator can be under 18 but were not included in the perpetrator counts for the tables in this section.

TABLE 4-2: PERPETRATORS BY RACE AND AGE GROUP – CY 2006 AND 2007

Calendar Year	Perpetrator Race	Age Group												Grand Total	
		18 to 19		20 to 29		30 to 39		40 to 49		Over 50		Unknown		Count	PCT
		Count	PCT	Count	PCT	Count	PCT	Count	PCT	Count	PCT	Count	PCT		
2006	White	94	59.5%	793	62.0%	668	60.7%	321	62.6%	107	58.8%		0.0%	1,983	60.1%
	Black or African American	27	17.1%	177	13.8%	156	14.2%	70	13.6%	22	12.1%	2	3.1%	454	13.8%
	American Indian or Alaska Native	6	3.8%	59	4.6%	47	4.3%	14	2.7%	9	4.9%		0.0%	135	4.1%
	Asian	1	0.6%	3	0.2%	17	1.5%	2	0.4%		0.0%		0.0%	23	0.7%
	MULTIPLE	2	1.3%	20	1.6%	7	0.6%	4	0.8%	1	0.5%		0.0%	34	1.0%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific		0.0%		0.0%	2	0.2%		0.0%		0.0%		0.0%	2	0.1%
	Other	17	10.8%	173	13.5%	134	12.2%	44	8.6%	16	8.8%	1	1.6%	385	11.7%
	Unidentified	11	7.0%	54	4.2%	70	6.4%	58	11.3%	27	14.8%	61	95.3%	281	8.5%
	Total	158	4.8%	1,279	38.8%	1,101	33.4%	513	15.6%	182	5.5%	64	1.9%	3,297	
2007	White	53	58.89%	772	62.61%	653	60.63%	354	64.72%	98	61.64%	41	32.54%	1,971	60.98%
	Black or African American	8	8.89%	168	13.63%	138	12.81%	57	10.42%	19	11.95%	10	7.94%	400	12.38%
	American Indian or Alaska Native	9	10.00%	66	5.35%	47	4.36%	22	4.02%	4	2.52%	2	1.59%	150	4.64%
	Asian	0	0.00%	6	0.49%	8	0.74%	4	0.73%	1	0.63%	0	0.00%	19	0.59%
	MULTIPLE	2	2.22%	25	2.03%	15	1.39%	4	0.73%	0	0.00%	1	0.79%	47	1.45%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1	0.09%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1	0.03%
	Other	13	14.44%	143	11.60%	146	13.56%	62	11.33%	14	8.81%	11	8.73%	389	12.04%
	Unidentified	5	5.56%	53	4.30%	69	6.41%	44	8.04%	23	14.47%	61	48.41%	255	7.89%
	Total	90	2.78%	1,233	38.15%	1,077	33.32%	547	16.92%	159	4.92%	126	3.90%	3,232	

- ❖ Table 4-3 below uses the population for each race independently to calculate the perpetrator rate by race and shows that the white race is third out of the five races and falls below the total rate per 1,000 by 0.84. The ranking for perpetrator rate nearly matches exactly the ranking for the victim rate. (see table 3-4)

TABLE 4-3: PEREPTRATOR RATE BY RACE – CY 2006 AND 2007

Perpetrator Race	Calendar Year 2006		Perpetrator Rate Per 1000	Calendar Year 2007		Perpetrator Rate Per 1000
	Population (PCT)	Perpetrators		Population (PCT)	Perpetrators	
White	1,206,501 (92.9%)	1,983	1.64	1,210,317(92.8%)	1,971	1.63
Black or African American	49,867 (3.8%)	454	9.10	50,387 (3.9%)	400	7.94
American Indian or Alaska Native	10,482 (0.8%)	135	12.88	10,886 (0.8%)	150	13.78
Asian	21,676 (1.7%)	23	1.06	21,752 (1.7%)	19	0.87
MULTIPLE	9,099 (0.7%)	34	3.74	9,386 (0.7%)	47	5.01
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific	935 (0.1%)	2	2.14	912 (0.1%)	1	1.09
Total	1,298,560	3,297	2.54	1,303,640	3,232	2.48

Table 4-4 looks at the perpetrator rate by age. This table also provides a different perspective and conclusion than just looking at the raw numbers.

- ❖ Age Group 30 to 39 has the highest rate with the Age Group 20 to 29 being just 0.09 less. Age Group 20 to 29 is identified as the highest percentage of the population in table 4-2

TABLE 4-4: PEREPTRATOR RATE BY AGE GROUP – CY 2006 AND 2007

Age Group	Calendar Year 2006		Perpetrator Rate Per 1000	Calendar Year 2007		Perpetrator Rate Per 1000
	Population (PCT)	Perpetrators		Population (PCT)	Perpetrators	
18 to 19	27,708 (2.1%)	158	5.70	27,711 (2.2%)	90	3.25
20 to 29	253,656 (19.5%)	1,279	5.04	256,113 (20.0%)	1,233	4.81
30 to 39	222,083 (17.1%)	1,101	4.96	219,852 (17.2%)	1,077	4.90
40 to 49	256,230 (19.7%)	513	2.00	250,245 (19.6%)	547	2.19
Over 50	538,883 (41.5%)	182	0.34	523,919 (41.0%)	159	0.30
Grand Total	1,298,560	3,297	2.54	1,277,840	3,232	2.53

SERVICE AREAS

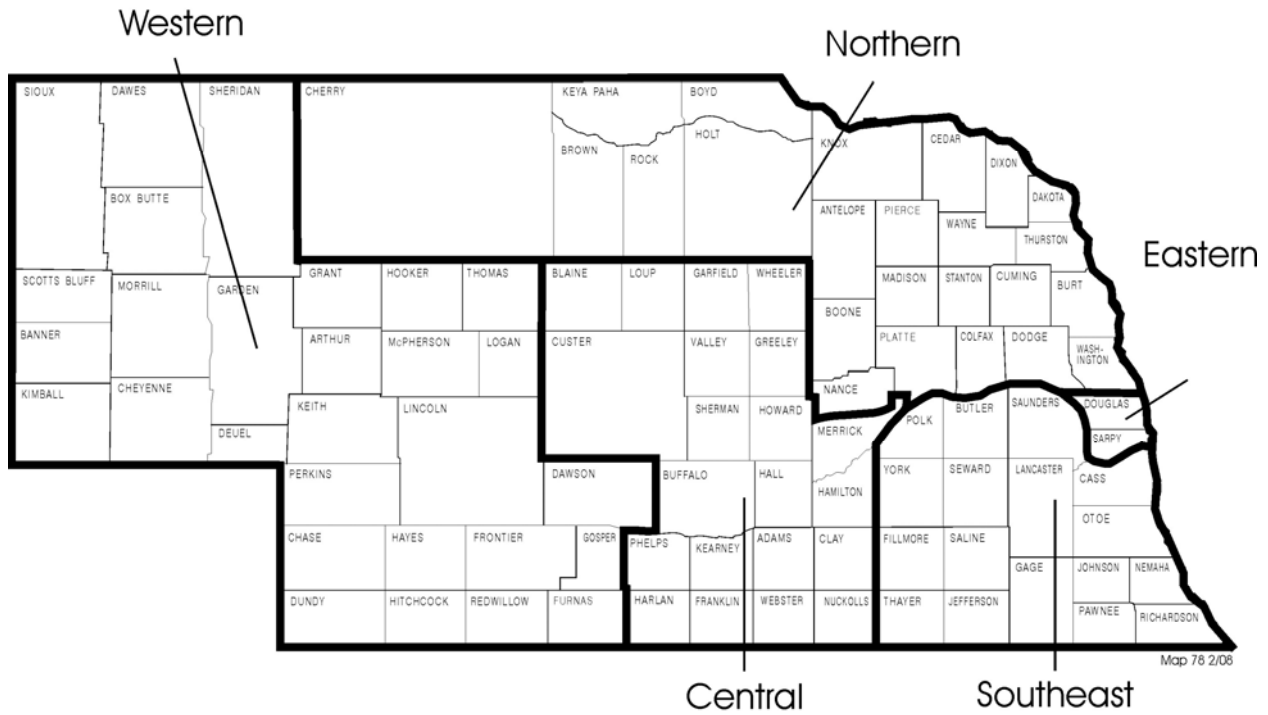
There are five (5) Service Areas designated for the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services. They are designated as:

Central
Eastern
Northern

Southeast
Western

This section provides information particular about each of those service areas that are not presented in the main section of this report. The map below shows the boundaries for these service areas and what counties are included in these service areas.

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CENTRAL SERVICE AREA (CSA)

Central Service Area is made up of the following twenty-one (21) counties:

Adams	Howard
Blaine	Kearney
Buffalo	Loup
Clay	Merrick
Custer	Nuckolls
Franklin	Phelps
Garfield	Sherman
Greeley	Valley
Hall	Webster
Hamilton	Wheeler
Harlan	

The following are some highlights about this Service Area that are supported by the charts and tables on the next several page:

- ❖ There was a decrease of 37 (2.2%) CAN reports assessed between 2006 and 2007. The 1,615 CAN reports assessed in 2007 reflect 36 less reports than the 1,651 assessed in 2004.
- ❖ The 253 CAN reports substantiated in 2007 show an increase of 24 (10.5%) from the 229 CAN reports substantiated in 2006.
- ❖ The number of children involved in substantiated reports continued to fluctuate each year. The count of 329 in 2006 was at its lowest since 2003 but increased back to 430 in 2007. This is a 30.7% increase.
- ❖ The top two sources of CAN reports for the CSA are educational persons or institutions and unknown persons.
- ❖ Central Service Area is in line with the rest of the state in that younger children are victims of substantiated abuse more than older children and physical neglect is the primary type of maltreatment.

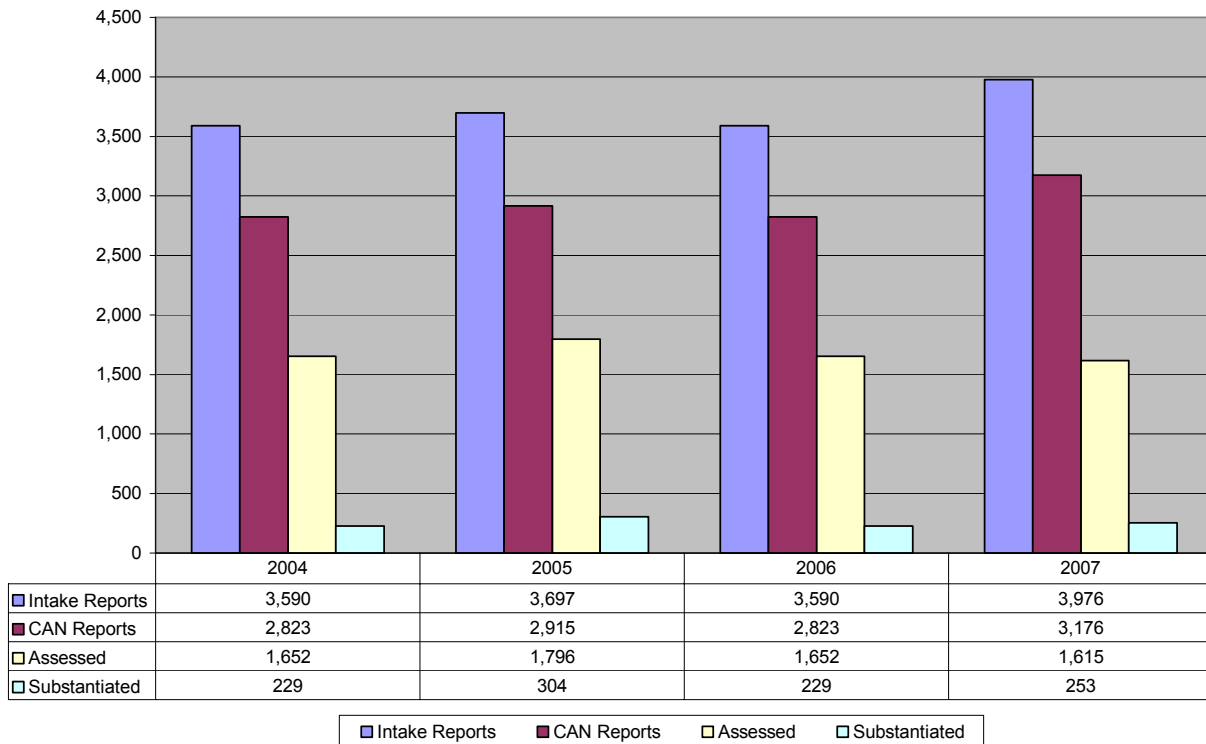
CENTRAL SERVICE AREA (CSA)

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT ASSESSMENT STATISTICS

CALENDAR YEARS 2004 - 2007

Calendar Year	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Assessed	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Substantiated	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports
2004	1,651	248	369
2005	1,795	304	453
2006	1,652	229	329
2007	1,615	253	430

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CENTRAL SERVICE AREA (CSA)

Source of Abuse or Neglect Reports – CY 2006 and 2007

Under Nebraska law, citizens are required to report suspected child abuse or neglect to their local law enforcement agencies or the Department. The following table shows the source of reports assessed in the Central Service Area.

Source of Report	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Assessed			
	Calendar Year 2006		Calendar Year 2007	
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
Educational Personnel	242	15.60%	327	20.25%
Unknown	244	15.70%	237	14.67%
Friend/Neighbor	192	12.40%	157	9.72%
Public Social Services Personnel	165	10.60%	154	9.54%
Relative	153	9.90%	141	8.73%
Parent/Legal Guardian	157	10.10%	128	7.93%
Law Enforcement Personnel	65	4.20%	115	7.12%
Private Mental Health Personnel	63	4.10%	85	5.26%
Hosp/Clinic/Public Health Personnel	76	4.90%	60	3.72%
Private Social Services Personnel	32	2.10%	51	3.16%
Other	70	4.50%	50	3.10%
Private Doctor/Nurse	24	1.50%	29	1.80%
Child Care Personnel	17	1.10%	20	1.24%
Public Mental Health Personnel	9	0.60%	15	0.93%
Private Residential Facility Personnel	2	0.10%	13	0.80%
Alleged Victim	10	0.60%	8	0.50%
Day Care Center Personnel	10	0.60%	6	0.37%
Public Residential Facility Personnel	10	0.60%	6	0.37%
Alleged Perpetrator	2	0.10%	3	0.19%
Court/Judge	2	0.10%	3	0.19%
Foster Parent	2	0.10%	3	0.19%
Prosecutor	3	0.20%	3	0.19%
Public Defender	0	0.00%	1	0.06%
Private Attorney	1	0.10%	0	0.00%
Grand Total	1,551		1,615	

Central Service Area (CSA)
Types of Abuse or Neglect in Substantiated Cases – CY 2004 Thru CY 2007

In a single case a child (or children) could have been involved with one or more substantiated types of abuse or neglect so the number of substantiated allegations is larger than the total number of children involved in these instances.

Calendar Year	Physical Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Physical Neglect	Emotional Neglect	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	Sexual Abuse	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports
2004	68	30	438	8	1	39	369
2005	78	16	475	14	1	78	453
2006	77	7	427	3	0	75	329
2007	52	10	593	10	0	79	430

Children Involved in Substantiated Reports of Abuse or Neglect
By Gender and Type of Allegation Abuse or Neglect Type – CY 2006 and 2007

Calendar Year	Allegation Type	Child Gender		Grand Total
		Female	Male	
2006	Physical Abuse	41	36	77
	Emotional Abuse	5	2	7
	Physical Neglect	199	228	427
	Emotional Neglect	0	3	3
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	0	0	0
	Sexual Abuse	60	15	75
	Total	305	284	589
2007	Physical Abuse	28	24	52
	Emotional Abuse	9	1	10
	Physical Neglect	296	297	593
	Emotional Neglect	5	5	10
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	0	0	0
	Sexual Abuse	69	10	79
	Total	407	337	744

CENTRAL SERVICE AREA (CSA)

Characteristics of Children Involved in Abuse or Neglect Gender and Age of Involved Children

Victims Age	2006				2007			
	Gender		Total	PCT	Gender		Total	PCT
	Female	Male			Female	Male		
<02	33	33	33	14.40%	40	47	87	20.23%
2	18	18	18	7.90%	16	18	34	7.91%
3	13	13	13	5.70%	12	16	28	6.51%
4	22	22	22	9.60%	17	14	31	7.21%
5	14	14	14	6.10%	8	12	20	4.65%
6	14	14	14	6.10%	17	14	31	7.21%
7	13	13	13	5.70%	11	13	24	5.58%
8	16	16	16	7.00%	11	11	22	5.12%
9	9	9	9	3.90%	11	8	19	4.42%
10	11	11	11	4.80%	12	4	16	3.72%
11	7	7	7	3.10%	12	6	18	4.19%
12	9	9	9	3.90%	8	4	12	2.79%
13	9	9	9	3.90%	5	4	9	2.09%
14	8	8	8	3.50%	18	11	29	6.74%
15	12	12	12	5.20%	12	9	21	4.88%
16	13	13	13	5.70%	14	7	21	4.88%
17	4	4	4	1.70%	4	3	7	1.63%
>17	4	4	4	1.70%	1	0	1	0.23%
Grand Total	229	229	229		229	201	430	

EASTERN SERVICE AREA (ESA)

Eastern Service Area is made up of the following two counties:

Douglas
Sarpy

The following are some highlights about this Service Area that are reflected in the charts and tables on the next several page:

- ❖ There was a decrease of 156 (3.96%) CAN reports assessed between 2006 and 2007. The 3,783 CAN reports assessed in 2007 are 1,382 (26.7%) less than the 5,165 CAN reports assessed in 2004.
- ❖ The 1,051 CAN reports substantiated in 2007 is 18(1.7%) less than the 1,069 CAN reports substantiated in 2006.
- ❖ The 1,529 victims in 2007 are 22 (1.4%) less than the 1,551 victims in 2006. This is a decrease of 453 (22.8%) victims compared to the 1,982 in 2004.
- ❖ The top source of CAN reports for the ESA is Law Enforcement. The Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline is collocated with the Omaha Police Department Child Victim/Sexual Assault Unit.
- ❖ Eastern Service Area is in line with the rest of the state in that younger children are victims of substantiated abuse more than older children and physical neglect is the primary type of maltreatment.

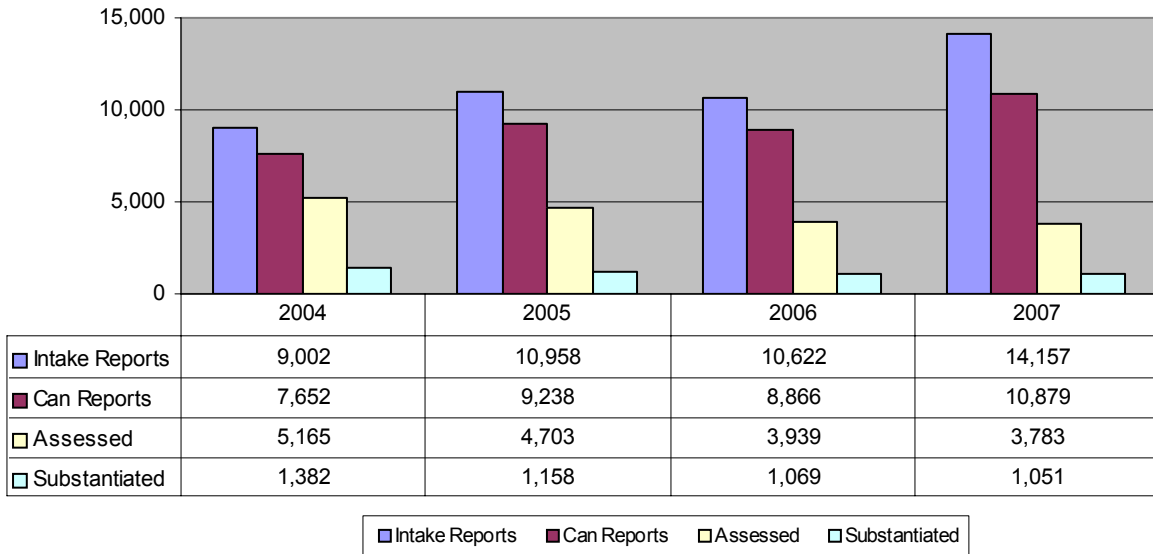
EASTERN SERVICE AREA (ESA)

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT ASSESSMENT STATISTICS

CALENDAR YEARS 2004 - 2007

Calendar Year	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Assessed	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Substantiated	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports
2004	5,165	1,382	1,982
2005	4,703	1,158	1,607
2006	3,939	1,069	1,551
2007	3,783	1,051	1,529

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EASTERN SERVICE AREA (ESA)

Source of Abuse or Neglect Reports – CY 2006 and 2007

Under Nebraska law, citizens are required to report suspected child abuse or neglect to their local law enforcement agencies or the Department. The following table shows the source of reports assessed in the Eastern Service Area.

Source of Report	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Assessed			
	Calendar Year 2006		Calendar Year 2007	
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
Law Enforcement Personnel	798	20.90%	654	17.29%
Educational Personnel	448	11.80%	503	13.30%
Friend/Neighbor	430	11.30%	431	11.39%
Hosp/Clinic/Public Health Personnel	419	11.00%	391	10.34%
Relative	373	9.80%	356	9.41%
Parent/Legal Guardian	270	7.10%	301	7.96%
Public Social Services Personnel	232	6.10%	290	7.67%
Unknown	169	4.40%	150	3.97%
Other	139	3.60%	141	3.73%
Private Mental Health Personnel	158	4.10%	139	3.67%
Private Social Services Personnel	114	3.00%	125	3.30%
Private Doctor/Nurse	67	1.80%	82	2.17%
Child Care Personnel	41	1.10%	43	1.14%
Day Care Center Personnel	27	0.70%	33	0.87%
Court/Judge	22	0.60%	27	0.71%
Alleged Victim	11	0.30%	25	0.66%
Public Mental Health Personnel	25	0.70%	24	0.63%
Private Residential Facility Personnel	12	0.30%	18	0.48%
Foster Parent	18	0.50%	15	0.40%
Private Attorney	9	0.20%	12	0.32%
Prosecutor	20	0.50%	9	0.24%
Public Residential Facility Personnel	7	0.20%	8	0.21%
Alleged Perpetrator	1	0.00%	5	0.13%
Public Defender		0.00%	1	0.03%
Grand Total	3,810		3,783	

Eastern Service Area (ESA)
Types of Abuse or Neglect in Substantiated Cases – CY 2004 Thru CY 2007

In a single case a child (or children) could have been involved with one or more substantiated types of abuse or neglect so the number of substantiated allegations is larger than the total number of involved children in these instances.

Calendar Year	Physical Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Physical Neglect	Emotional Neglect	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	Sexual Abuse	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports
2004	400	19	2,297	77	1	15	1,982
2005	301	15	1,757	73	1	189	1,607
2006	290	13	1,847	42	2	146	1,551
2007	336	20	2,386	104	0	179	1,529

Children Involved in Substantiated Reports of Abuse or Neglect
By Gender and Type of Allegation Abuse or Neglect Type – CY 2006 and 2007

Calendar Year	Allegation Type	Child Gender		Grand Total
		Female	Male	
2006	Physical Abuse	139	151	290
	Emotional Abuse	6	7	13
	Physical Neglect	915	932	1,847
	Emotional Neglect	23	19	42
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	0	2	2
	Sexual Abuse	116	30	146
	Total	1,199	1,141	2,340
2007	Physical Abuse	159	177	336
	Emotional Abuse	6	14	20
	Physical Neglect	1,207	1,179	2,386
	Emotional Neglect	57	47	104
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	0	0	0
	Sexual Abuse	144	35	179
	Total	1,573	1,452	3,025

EASTERN SERVICE AREA (ESA)

**Characteristics of Children Involved in Abuse or Neglect
Gender and Age of Involved Children**

Victims Age	2006				2007			
	Gender		Total	PCT	Gender		Total	PCT
	Female	Male			Female	Male		
<02	134	121	255	16.40%	135	190	325	26.99%
2	56	52	108	7.00%	59	47	106	8.80%
3	45	52	97	6.30%	40	52	92	7.64%
4	50	66	116	7.50%	44	56	100	8.31%
5	66	52	118	7.60%	52	45	97	8.06%
6	52	45	97	6.30%	35	45	80	6.64%
7	39	44	83	5.40%	43	50	93	7.72%
8	39	40	79	5.10%	37	40	77	6.40%
9	45	45	90	5.80%	35	35	70	5.81%
10	35	32	67	4.30%	28	29	57	4.73%
11	29	31	60	3.90%	29	33	62	5.15%
12	28	27	55	3.50%	35	29	64	5.32%
13	35	32	67	4.30%	42	33	75	6.23%
14	45	25	70	4.50%	40	25	65	5.40%
15	36	26	62	4.00%	50	28	78	6.48%
16	39	22	61	3.90%	34	16	50	4.15%
17	26	16	42	2.70%	23	11	34	2.82%
>17	17	7	24	1.50%	3	1	4	0.33%
Grand Total	816	735	1,551		629	575	1,204	

NORTHERN SERVICE AREA (NSA)

Northern Service Area is made up of the following twenty-four (24) counties:

Antelope	Holt
Boone	Keya Paha
Boyd	Knox
Brown	Madison
Burt	Nance
Cedar	Pierce
Cherry	Platte
Colfax	Rock
Cuming	Stanton
Dakota	Thurston
Dixon	Washington
Dodge	Wayne

The following are some highlights about this Service Area that are reflected in the charts and tables on the next several page:

- ❖ There was a decrease of 22 (1.4%) of CAN reports assessed between 2006 and 2007. The 1,602 CAN reports assessed in 2007 are 16 (0.98%) less than the 1,618 CAN reports assessed in 2004.
- ❖ The 300 substantiated CAN reports in 2007 are 62 (26.1%) more than the 238 CAN reports substantiated in 2006.
- ❖ The 494 victims in 2007 are 141 (39.9%) more than the 353 victims in 2006. This is a decrease of 50 (9.2%) victims compared to 544 in 2004.
- ❖ The top two sources of CAN reports for the NSA are Educational Persons or Institutions and Friends and Neighbors.
- ❖ Northern Service Area is in line with the rest of the state in that younger children are victims of substantiated abuse more than older children and physical neglect is the primary type of maltreatment.

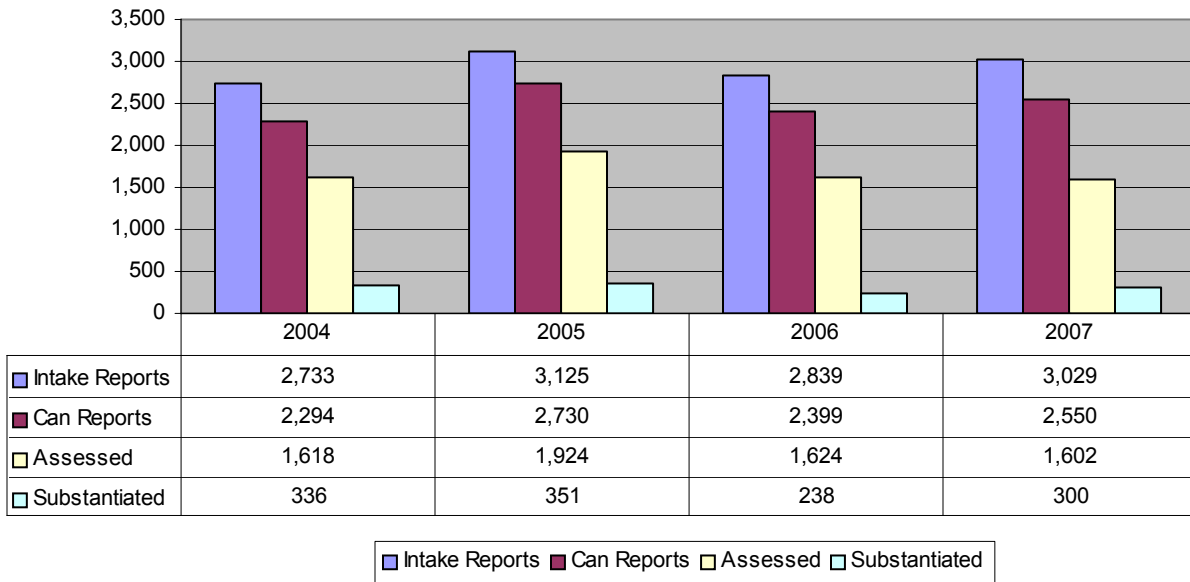
NORTHERN SERVICE AREA (NSA)

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT ASSESSMENT STATISTICS

CALENDAR YEARS 2004 - 2007

Calendar Year	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Assessed	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Substantiated	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports
2004	1,618	336	544
2005	1,925	351	569
2006	1,624	238	353
2007	1,602	300	494

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NORTHERN SERVICE AREA (NSA)

Source of Abuse or Neglect Reports – CY 2006 and 2007

Under Nebraska law, citizens are required to report suspected child abuse or neglect to their local law enforcement agencies or the Department. The following table shows the source of reports assessed in the Northern Service Area.

Source of Report	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Assessed			
	Calendar Year 2006		Calendar Year 2007	
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
Educational Personnel	262	17.60%	296	18.79%
Friend/Neighbor	191	12.80%	198	12.57%
Public Social Services Personnel	109	7.30%	166	10.54%
Parent/Legal Guardian	149	10.00%	163	10.35%
Relative	145	9.70%	162	10.29%
Law Enforcement Personnel	146	9.80%	149	9.46%
Unknown	107	7.20%	107	6.79%
Other	103	6.90%	85	5.40%
Hosp/Clinic/Public Health Personnel	77	5.20%	83	5.27%
Private Mental Health Personnel	88	5.90%	80	5.08%
Private Doctor/Nurse	26	1.70%	34	2.16%
Child Care Personnel	17	1.10%	24	1.52%
Private Social Services Personnel	18	1.20%	18	1.14%
Public Mental Health Personnel	5	0.30%	9	0.57%
Day Care Center Personnel	12	0.80%	7	0.44%
Prosecutor	11	0.70%	7	0.44%
Foster Parent	3	0.20%	6	0.38%
Private Residential Facility Personnel	2	0.10%	5	0.32%
Alleged Victim	11	0.70%	3	0.19%
Alleged Perpetrator	1	0.10%	0	0.00%
Court/Judge	3	0.20%	0	0.00%
Private Attorney	3	0.20%	0	0.00%
Public Defender	1	0.10%	0	0.00%
Public Residential Facility Personnel	2	0.10%	0	0.00%
Coroner		0.00%		0.00%
Grand Total	1,492		1,575	

NORTHERN SERVICE AREA (NSA)
Types of Abuse or Neglect in Substantiated Cases – CY 2004 Thru CY 2007

In a single case a child (or children) could have been involved with one or more substantiated types of abuse or neglect so the number of substantiated allegations is larger than the total number of involved children in these instances.

Calendar Year	Physical Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Physical Neglect	Emotional Neglect	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	Sexual Abuse	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports
2004	135	52	481	20	0	71	544
2005	92	34	625	6	1	63	569
2006	57	16	421	5	0	37	353
2007	83	3	733	13	0	47	494

**Children Involved in Substantiated Reports of Abuse or Neglect
By Gender and Type of Allegation Abuse or Neglect Type – CY 2006 and 2007**

Calendar Year	Allegation Type	Child Gender		Grand Total
		Female	Male	
2006	Physical Abuse	23	34	57
	Emotional Abuse	6	10	16
	Physical Neglect	195	226	421
	Emotional Neglect	4	1	5
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	0	0	0
	Sexual Abuse	28	9	37
	Total	256	280	536
2007	Physical Abuse	40	43	83
	Emotional Abuse	3	0	3
	Physical Neglect	330	403	733
	Emotional Neglect	8	5	13
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	0	0	0
	Sexual Abuse	45	2	47
	Total	426	453	879

NORTHERN SERVICE AREA (NSA)

**Characteristics of Children Involved in Abuse or Neglect
Gender and Age of Involved Children**

Victims Age	2006				2007			
	Gender		Total	PCT	Gender		Total	PCT
	Female	Male			Female	Male		
<02	32	25	57	16.10%	43	59	102	20.65%
2	14	17	31	8.80%	20	29	49	9.92%
3	8	11	19	5.40%	11	18	29	5.87%
4	14	15	29	8.20%	16	11	27	5.47%
5	12	8	20	5.70%	19	16	35	7.09%
6	9	16	25	7.10%	18	14	32	6.48%
7	11	11	22	6.20%	12	10	22	4.45%
8	4	10	14	4.00%	9	13	22	4.45%
9	11	10	21	5.90%	12	18	30	6.07%
10	9	3	12	3.40%	13	5	18	3.64%
11	6	9	15	4.20%	10	12	22	4.45%
12	6	11	17	4.80%	9	13	22	4.45%
13	5	6	11	3.10%	13	9	22	4.45%
14	12	2	14	4.00%	13	8	21	4.25%
15	6	6	12	3.40%	10	5	15	3.04%
16	12	6	18	5.10%	13	7	20	4.05%
17	10	5	15	4.20%	3	3	6	1.21%
>17	0	1	1	0.30%	0	0	0	0.00%
Grand Total	181	172	353		244	250	494	

SOUTHEAST SERVICE AREA (SESA)

Southeast Service Area is made up of the following seventeen (17) counties:

Butler	Pawnee
Cass	Polk
Fillmore	Richardson
Gage	Saline
Jefferson	Saunders
Johnson	Seward
Lancaster	Thayer
Nemaha	York
Otoe	

The following are some highlights about this Service Area that are reflected in the charts and tables on the next several page:

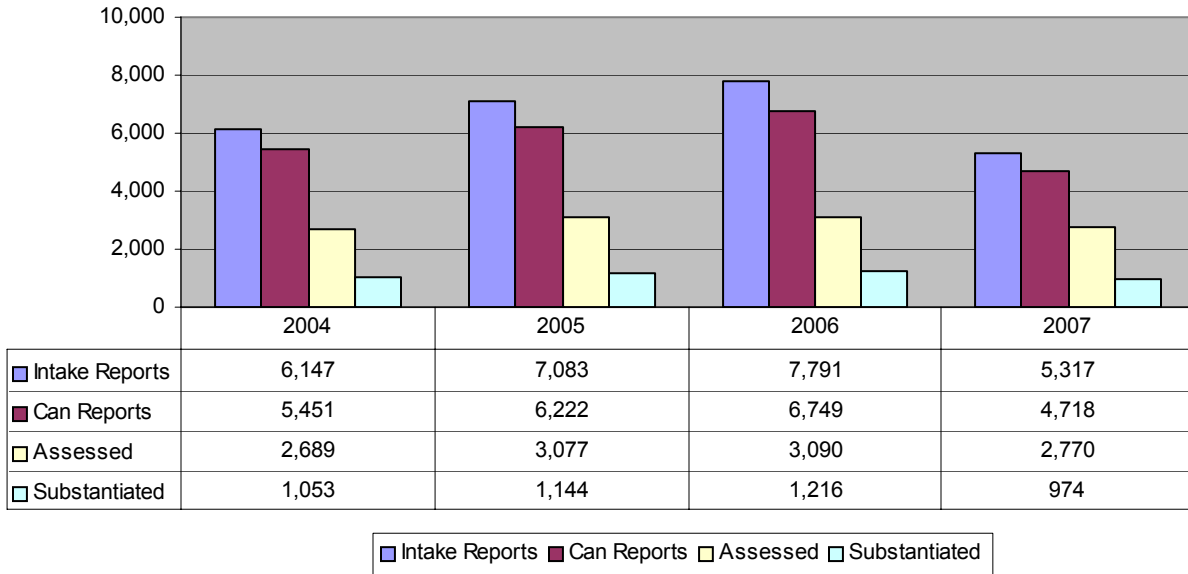
- ❖ There was a decrease of 320 (10.4%) CAN reports assessed between 2006 and 2007. The 2,770 CAN reports assessed in 2007 are 81(3.01%) more than the 2,689 CAN reports assessed in 2004.
- ❖ The 974 substantiated CAN reports in 2007 are 242 (19.9%) less than the 1,216 CAN reports substantiated in 2006.
- ❖ The 1,534 victims in 2007 are 131(7.9%) less than the 1,665 victims in 2006. This is a decrease of 65 (4.1%) victims compared to the 1,599 in 2004.
- ❖ The top source of reports for the SESA is Law Enforcement personnel. Nearly 30% of the reports received in this Service Area come from Law Enforcement personnel.
- ❖ Southeast Service Area is in line with the rest of the state in that younger children are victims of substantiated abuse more than older children and physical neglect is the primary type of maltreatment.

SOUTHEAST SERVICE AREA

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT ASSESSMENT STATISTICS
CALENDAR YEARS 2004 - 2007

Calendar Year	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Assessed	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Substantiated	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports
2004	2,689	1,053	1,599
2005	3,077	1,144	1,707
2006	3,090	1,216	1,665
2007	2,770	974	1,534

**SOUTHEAST SERVICE AREA CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
REPORTS CY 2004 - 2007**



SOUTHEAST SERVICE AREA (SESA)

Source of Abuse or Neglect Reports – CY 2006 and 2007

Under Nebraska law, citizens are required to report suspected child abuse or neglect to their local law enforcement agencies or the Department. The following table shows the source of reports assessed in the Southeast Service Area.

Source of Report	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Assessed			
	Calendar Year 2006		Calendar Year 2007	
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
Law Enforcement Personnel	1,091	36.10%	796	28.74%
Educational Personnel	328	10.90%	416	15.02%
Friend/Neighbor	250	8.30%	232	8.38%
Parent/Legal Guardian	157	5.20%	217	7.83%
Relative	200	6.60%	177	6.39%
Public Social Services Personnel	225	7.40%	174	6.28%
Unknown	127	4.20%	158	5.70%
Hosp/Clinic/Public Health Personnel	170	5.60%	142	5.13%
Private Mental Health Personnel	127	4.20%	105	3.79%
Private Social Services Personnel	61	2.00%	83	3.00%
Other	86	2.80%	76	2.74%
Private Doctor/Nurse	44	1.50%	63	2.27%
Child Care Personnel	39	1.30%	39	1.41%
Day Care Center Personnel	14	0.50%	23	0.83%
Prosecutor	34	1.10%	18	0.65%
Court/Judge	3	0.10%	14	0.51%
Public Mental Health Personnel	25	0.80%	11	0.40%
Alleged Victim	12	0.40%	8	0.29%
Foster Parent	14	0.50%	6	0.22%
Private Residential Facility Personnel	11	0.40%	5	0.18%
Public Residential Facility Personnel	3	0.10%	5	0.18%
Private Attorney	1	0.00%	1	0.04%
Public Defender	0	0.00%	1	0.04%
Alleged Perpetrator	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Grand Total	3,022		2,770	

SOUTHEAST SERVICE AREA (SESA)
Types of Abuse or Neglect in Substantiated Cases – CY 2004 Thru CY 2007

In a single case a child (or children) could have been involved with one or more substantiated types of abuse or neglect so the number of substantiated allegations is larger than the total number of involved children in these instances.

Calendar Year	Physical Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Physical Neglect	Emotional Neglect	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	Sexual Abuse	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports
2004	244	267	2,156	204	0	110	1,599
2005	247	412	2,505	121	0	102	1,707
2006	230	401	2,746	115	0	115	1,665
2007	230	153	2,596	144	0	80	1,534

Children Involved in Substantiated Reports of Abuse or Neglect
By Gender and Type of Allegation Abuse or Neglect Type – CY 2006 and 2007

Calendar Year	Allegation Type	Child Gender		Grand Total
		Female	Male	
2006	Physical Abuse	99	131	230
	Emotional Abuse	196	205	401
	Physical Neglect	1,318	1,428	2,746
	Emotional Neglect	62	53	115
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	0	0	0
	Sexual Abuse	91	24	115
	Total	1,766	1,841	3,607
2007	Physical Abuse	112	118	230
	Emotional Abuse	78	75	153
	Physical Neglect	1,224	1,372	2,596
	Emotional Neglect	72	72	144
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	0	0	0
	Sexual Abuse	56	24	80
	Total	1,542	1,661	3,203

SOUTHEAST SERVICE AREA (SESA)

Characteristics of Children Involved in Abuse or Neglect Gender and Age of Involved Children

Victims Age	2006				2007			
	Gender		Total	PCT	Gender		Total	PCT
	Female	Male			Female	Male		
<02	161	150	311	18.70%	170	160	330	21.51%
2	66	71	137	8.20%	59	74	133	8.67%
3	61	67	128	7.70%	49	69	118	7.69%
4	58	64	122	7.30%	52	46	98	6.39%
5	50	59	109	6.50%	41	60	101	6.58%
6	43	56	99	5.90%	45	56	101	6.58%
7	46	55	101	6.10%	46	42	88	5.74%
8	33	50	83	5.00%	39	47	86	5.61%
9	47	48	95	5.70%	29	41	70	4.56%
10	29	32	61	3.70%	37	34	71	4.63%
11	28	36	64	3.80%	26	38	64	4.17%
12	30	24	54	3.20%	26	25	51	3.32%
13	40	41	81	4.90%	25	30	55	3.59%
14	36	28	64	3.80%	37	16	53	3.46%
15	32	22	54	3.20%	33	14	47	3.06%
16	34	18	52	3.10%	22	14	36	2.35%
17	18	16	34	2.00%	18	10	28	1.83%
>17	11	5	16	1.00%	2	2	4	0.26%
Grand Total	823	842	1,665		756	778	1,534	

WESTERN SERVICE AREA (WSA)

Western Service Area is made up of the following twenty-nine (29) counties:

Arthur	Hitchcock
Banner	Hooker
Box Butte	Keith
Chase	Kimball
Cheyenne	Lincoln
Dawes	Logan
Dawson	McPherson
Deuel	Morrill
Dundy	Perkins
Frontier	Red Willow
Furnas	Scotts Bluff
Garden	Sheridan
Gosper	Sioux
Grant	Thomas
Hayes	

In previous years the Western Service Area was reported out as two separate Service Areas: Western and Southwest Service Areas. These service areas were combined to form one Service Area known as the Western Service Area in 2006.

The following are some highlights about this Service Area that are reflected in the charts and tables on the next several page:

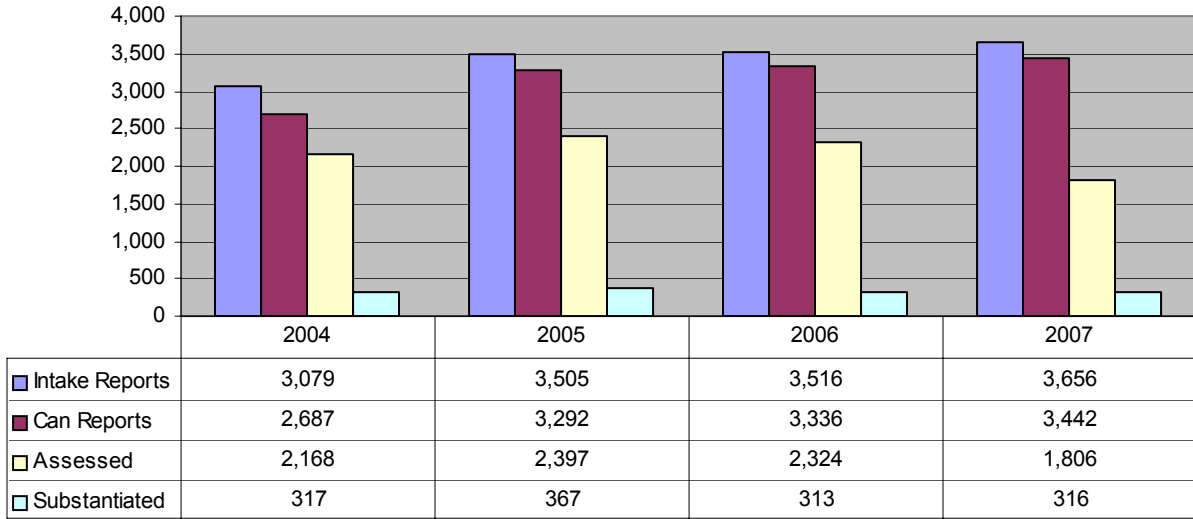
- ❖ There was a decrease of 518 (23.2%) CAN reports assessed between 2006 and 2007. The 1,806 CAN reports assessed in 2007 are 362 (16.7%) less than the 2,168 CAN reports assessed in 2004.
- ❖ The 316 substantiated CAN reports in 2007 are 3 (0.96%) less than the 313 CAN reports substantiated in 2006.
- ❖ The 453 victims in 2007 are 16 (3.7%) more than the 437 victims in 2006. This is an increase of 17 (3.9%) victims compared to the 436 in 2004.
- ❖ The top source of reports for the WSA is “Unknown”. The second highest source is Educational Personnel.
- ❖ Western Service Area is in line with the rest of the state in that younger children are victims of substantiated abuse more than older children and physical neglect is the primary type of maltreatment.

WESTERN SERVICE AREA (WSA)

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT ASSESSED STATISTICS CALENDAR YEARS 2004 - 2007

Calendar Year	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Assessed	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Substantiated	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports
2004	2,168	317	436
2005	2,397	367	504
2006	2,324	313	437
2007	1,806	316	453

WESTERN SERVICE AREA CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REPORTS CY 2004 - 2007



■ Intake Reports
 ■ Can Reports
 ■ Assessed
 ■ Substantiated

WESTERN SERVICE AREA (WSA)

Source of Abuse or Neglect Reports – CY 2006 and 2007

Under Nebraska law, citizens are required to report suspected child abuse or neglect to their local law enforcement agencies or the Department. The following table shows the source of reports assessed in the Western Service Area.

Source of Report	Total Abuse or Neglect Reports Assessed			
	Calendar Year 2006		Calendar Year 2007	
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
Unknown	345	16.00%	295	16.33%
Educational Personnel	356	16.50%	289	16.00%
Relative	204	9.40%	192	10.63%
Law Enforcement Personnel	205	9.50%	171	9.47%
Public Social Services Personnel	171	7.90%	161	8.91%
Friend/Neighbor	179	8.30%	154	8.53%
Parent/Legal Guardian	192	8.90%	142	7.86%
Other	137	6.30%	115	6.37%
Hosp/Clinic/Public Health Personnel	129	6.00%	103	5.70%
Private Mental Health Personnel	85	3.90%	60	3.32%
Private Doctor/Nurse	34	1.60%	35	1.94%
Private Social Services Personnel	26	1.20%	25	1.38%
Child Care Personnel	32	1.50%	23	1.27%
Alleged Perpetrator	2	0.10%	12	0.66%
Day Care Center Personnel	10	0.50%	8	0.44%
Foster Parent	2	0.10%	8	0.44%
Public Mental Health Personnel	15	0.70%	7	0.39%
Private Residential Facility Personnel	8	0.40%	2	0.11%
Public Residential Facility Personnel	7	0.30%	2	0.11%
Court/Judge	4	0.20%	1	0.06%
Prosecutor	3	0.10%	1	0.06%
Alleged Victim	11	0.50%	0	0.00%
Private Attorney	2	0.10%	0	0.00%
Grand Total	2,159		1,806	

WESTERN SERVICE AREA (WSA)
Types of Abuse or Neglect in Substantiated Cases – CY 2004 Thru CY 2007

In a single case a child (or children) could have been involved with one or more substantiated types of abuse or neglect so the number of substantiated allegations is larger than the total number of involved children in these instances.

Calendar Year	Physical Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Physical Neglect	Emotional Neglect	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	Sexual Abuse	Children Involved in Substantiated Reports
2004	122	6	415	23	0	31	436
2005	91	4	530	17	1	108	504
2006	80	3	543	11	0	66	437
2007	104	10	552	9	0	64	453

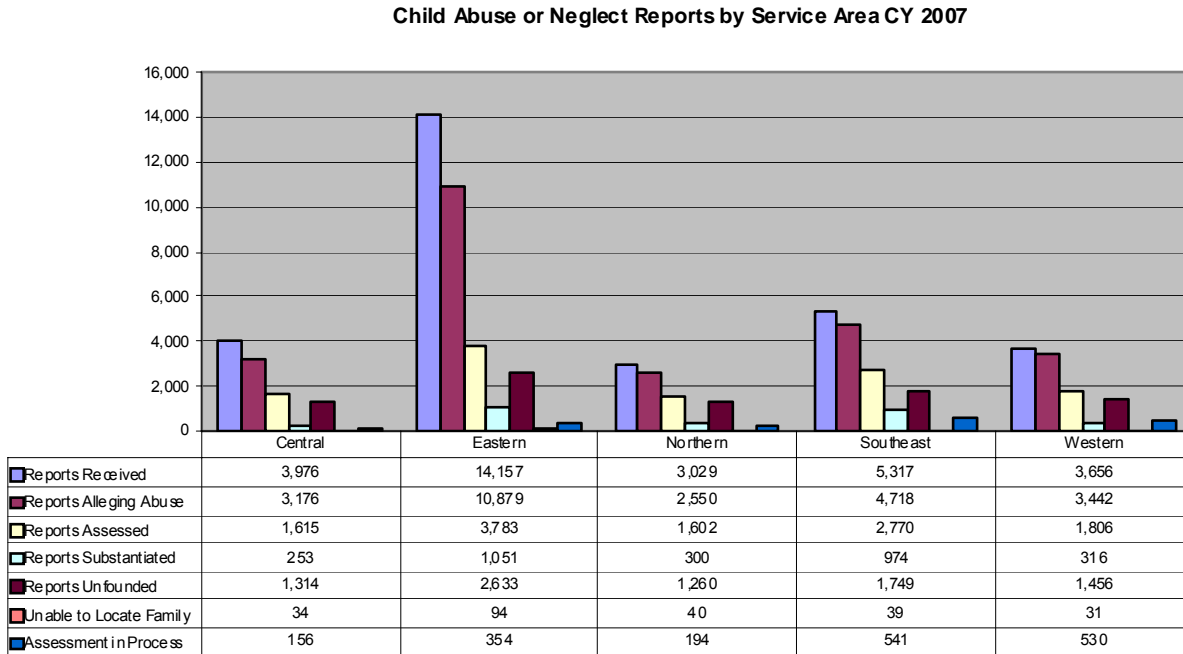
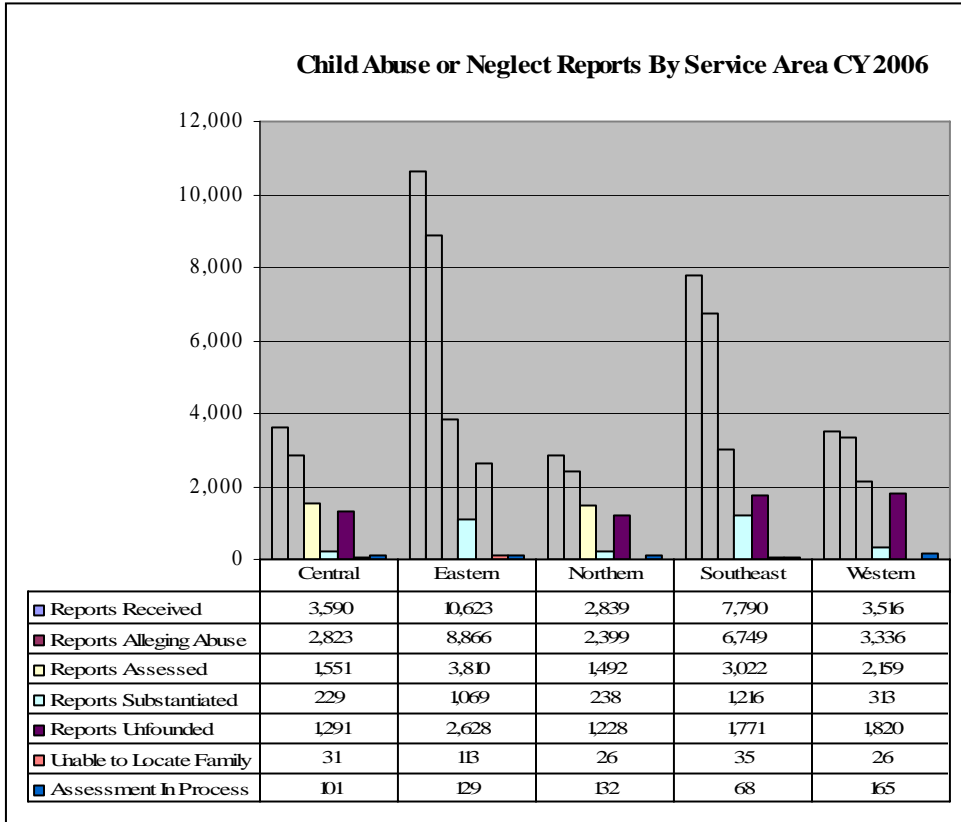
**Children Involved in Substantiated Reports of Abuse or Neglect
By Gender and Type of Allegation Abuse or Neglect Type – CY 2006 and 2007**

Calendar Year	Allegation Type	Child Gender		Grand Total
		Female	Male	
2006	Physical Abuse	41	39	80
	Emotional Abuse	3		3
	Physical Neglect	281	262	543
	Emotional Neglect	6	5	11
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant			
	Sexual Abuse	51	15	66
	Total	382	321	703
2007	Physical Abuse	57	47	104
	Emotional Abuse	6	4	10
	Physical Neglect	271	281	552
	Emotional Neglect	5	4	9
	Med Neg Hndcp Infant	0	0	0
	Sexual Abuse	44	20	64
	Total	383	356	739

WESTERN SERVICE AREA (WSA)

**Characteristics of Children Involved in Abuse or Neglect
Gender and Age of Involved Children**

Victims Age	2006				2007			
	Gender		Total	PCT	Gender		Total	PCT
	Female	Male			Female	Male		
<02	34	46	80	18.30%	39	48	87	19.21%
2	15	11	26	5.90%	18	18	36	7.95%
3	19	10	29	6.60%	12	13	25	5.52%
4	17	12	29	6.60%	16	16	32	7.06%
5	15	19	34	7.80%	11	11	22	4.86%
6	20	12	32	7.30%	16	18	34	7.51%
7	14	16	30	6.90%	17	12	29	6.40%
8	12	9	21	4.80%	9	14	23	5.08%
9	16	8	24	5.50%	11	11	22	4.86%
10	11	9	20	4.60%	6	8	14	3.09%
11	8	12	20	4.60%	8	9	17	3.75%
12	18	3	21	4.80%	5	15	20	4.42%
13	8	3	11	2.50%	9	7	16	3.53%
14	10	7	17	3.90%	20	7	27	5.96%
15	12	2	14	3.20%	16	10	26	5.74%
16	6	6	12	2.70%	7	7	14	3.09%
17	3	8	11	2.50%	7	2	9	1.99%
>17	2	4	6	1.40%	0	0	0	0.00%
Grand Total	240	197	437		227	226	453	



CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REPORTS BY COUNTY CALENDAR YEAR 2007

County	Total Calls	Abuse/Neglect Calls ¹		Investigated Reports ²		Substantiated Reports ³		Unfounded Reports ³		Unable to Locate ³		In Process of Investigation ²	
Adams	382	337	88.2%	248	73.6%	33	13.3%	203	81.9%	12	4.8%	22	6.5%
Antelope	30	30	100.0%	26	86.7%	6	23.1%	20	76.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Arthur	2	2	100.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Banner	3	3	100.0%	1	33.3%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	1	33.3%
Boone	22	22	100.0%	19	86.4%	5	26.3%	13	68.4%	1	5.3%	0	0.0%
Box Butte	145	137	94.5%	121	88.3%	27	22.3%	92	76.0%	2	1.7%	2	1.5%
Boyd	10	10	100.0%	9	90.0%	2	22.2%	7	77.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Brown	38	38	100.0%	32	84.2%	5	15.6%	27	84.4%	0	0.0%	3	7.9%
Buffalo	2,343	1,664	71.0%	451	27.1%	43	9.5%	405	89.8%	3	0.7%	17	1.0%
Burt	34	34	100.0%	29	85.3%	4	13.8%	25	86.2%	0	0.0%	3	8.8%
Butler	77	71	92.2%	44	62.0%	24	54.5%	20	45.5%	0	0.0%	18	25.4%
Cass	208	192	92.3%	168	87.5%	24	14.3%	140	83.3%	4	2.4%	10	5.2%
Cedar	10	10	100.0%	7	70.0%	1	14.3%	6	85.7%	0	0.0%	1	10.0%
Chase	12	12	100.0%	7	58.3%	0	0.0%	7	100.0%	0	0.0%	4	33.3%
Cherry	80	74	92.5%	57	77.0%	11	19.3%	46	80.7%	0	0.0%	4	5.4%
Cheyenne	122	119	97.5%	86	72.3%	10	11.6%	75	87.2%	1	1.2%	29	24.4%
Clay	30	30	100.0%	27	90.0%	3	11.1%	24	88.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Colfax	36	36	100.0%	30	83.3%	6	20.0%	23	76.7%	1	3.3%	4	11.1%
Cuming	35	35	100.0%	28	80.0%	9	32.1%	19	67.9%	0	0.0%	3	8.6%
Custer	129	114	88.4%	94	82.5%	12	12.8%	82	87.2%	0	0.0%	5	4.4%
Dakota	267	245	91.8%	196	80.0%	41	20.9%	149	76.0%	6	3.1%	14	5.7%
Dawes	104	101	97.1%	78	77.2%	15	19.2%	58	74.4%	5	6.4%	13	12.9%
Dawson	221	213	96.4%	121	56.8%	24	19.8%	95	78.5%	2	1.7%	76	35.7%
Deuel	4	4	100.0%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	3	75.0%
Dixon	18	18	100.0%	17	94.4%	4	23.5%	13	76.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Dodge	344	317	92.2%	231	72.9%	37	16.0%	192	83.1%	2	0.9%	44	13.9%
Douglas	13,336	10,136	76.0%	3,192	31.5%	873	27.3%	2,231	69.9%	88	2.8%	301	3.0%
Dundy	6	6	100.0%	6	100.0%	1	16.7%	5	83.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Fillmore	26	25	96.2%	16	64.0%	4	25.0%	12	75.0%	0	0.0%	5	20.0%
Franklin	19	19	100.0%	14	73.7%	2	14.3%	12	85.7%	0	0.0%	1	5.3%
Frontier	13	13	100.0%	6	46.2%	0	0.0%	6	100.0%	0	0.0%	7	53.8%
Furnas	33	33	100.0%	24	72.7%	3	12.5%	21	87.5%	0	0.0%	6	18.2%
Gage	256	237	92.6%	167	70.5%	34	20.4%	131	78.4%	2	1.2%	19	8.0%
Garden	5	5	100.0%	4	80.0%	3	75.0%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Garfield	8	8	100.0%	6	75.0%	1	16.7%	5	83.3%	0	0.0%	2	25.0%
Gosper	17	17	100.0%	6	35.3%	0	0.0%	6	100.0%	0	0.0%	10	58.8%
Grant	3	3	100.0%	1	33.3%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	2	66.7%
Greeley	12	12	100.0%	7	58.3%	1	14.3%	6	85.7%	0	0.0%	2	16.7%
Hall	737	676	91.7%	501	74.1%	128	25.5%	354	70.7%	19	3.8%	77	11.4%
Hamilton	43	43	100.0%	29	67.4%	2	6.9%	27	93.1%	0	0.0%	9	20.9%
Harlan	13	13	100.0%	12	92.3%	1	8.3%	11	91.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Hayes	4	4	100.0%	3	75.0%	0	0.0%	3	100.0%	0	0.0%	1	25.0%
Hitchcock	16	16	100.0%	10	62.5%	0	0.0%	10	100.0%	0	0.0%	6	37.5%
Holt	115	115	100.0%	106	92.2%	15	14.2%	91	85.8%	0	0.0%	3	2.6%
Hooker	1	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

Notes. 1 denotes percent when compared to "Total Calls." 2 denotes percent when compared to "Abuse/Neglect Calls." 3 denotes percent when compared to "Investigated Reports." "Substantiated Reports" indicates reports in which a finding of Court Substantiated, Court Pending, or Inconclusive was made.

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REPORTS BY COUNTY CALENDAR YEAR 2007 (CONT.)

County	Total Calls	Abuse/Neglect Calls ¹		Investigated Reports ²		Substantiated Reports ³		Unfounded Reports ³		Unable to Locate ³		In Process of Investigation ²	
Howard	33	33	100.0%	25	75.8%	4	16.0%	21	84.0%	0	0.0%	4	12.1%
Jefferson	82	68	82.9%	44	64.7%	13	29.5%	31	70.5%	0	0.0%	7	10.3%
Johnson	27	27	100.0%	21	77.8%	6	28.6%	15	71.4%	0	0.0%	2	7.4%
Kearney	39	39	100.0%	34	87.2%	4	11.8%	30	88.2%	0	0.0%	2	5.1%
Keith	65	64	98.5%	33	51.6%	4	12.1%	27	81.8%	2	6.1%	26	40.6%
Keya Paha	2	2	100.0%	2	100.0%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Kimball	50	50	100.0%	43	86.0%	6	14.0%	37	86.0%	0	0.0%	4	8.0%
Knox	81	67	82.7%	48	71.6%	10	20.8%	35	72.9%	3	6.3%	7	10.4%
Lancaster	3,939	3,459	87.8%	1,848	53.4%	756	40.9%	1,060	57.4%	32	1.7%	356	10.3%
Lincoln	1,761	1,646	93.5%	495	30.1%	87	17.6%	401	81.0%	7	1.4%	181	11.0%
Logan	6	6	100.0%	2	33.3%	1	50.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	4	66.7%
Loup	3	3	100.0%	2	66.7%	1	50.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Madison	1,227	868	70.7%	305	35.1%	45	14.8%	249	81.6%	11	3.6%	48	5.5%
Merrick	40	40	100.0%	31	77.5%	3	9.7%	28	90.3%	0	0.0%	5	12.5%
Morrill	68	66	97.1%	58	87.9%	11	19.0%	46	79.3%	1	1.7%	2	3.0%
Nance	30	30	100.0%	27	90.0%	5	18.5%	21	77.8%	1	3.7%	0	0.0%
Nemaha	22	22	100.0%	19	86.4%	1	5.3%	18	94.7%	0	0.0%	1	4.5%
Nuckolls	20	20	100.0%	18	90.0%	2	11.1%	16	88.9%	0	0.0%	1	5.0%
Otoe	116	97	83.6%	74	76.3%	8	10.8%	66	89.2%	0	0.0%	12	12.4%
Pawnee	13	13	100.0%	9	69.2%	3	33.3%	6	66.7%	0	0.0%	1	7.7%
Perkins	13	13	100.0%	8	61.5%	2	25.0%	6	75.0%	0	0.0%	5	38.5%
Phelps	54	54	100.0%	48	88.9%	5	10.4%	43	89.6%	0	0.0%	3	5.6%
Pierce	80	70	87.5%	54	77.1%	7	13.0%	46	85.2%	1	1.9%	1	1.4%
Platte	341	315	92.4%	236	74.9%	46	19.5%	177	75.0%	13	5.5%	18	5.7%
Polk	12	12	100.0%	6	50.0%	4	66.7%	2	33.3%	0	0.0%	6	50.0%
Red Willow	157	150	95.5%	113	75.3%	18	15.9%	92	81.4%	3	2.7%	30	20.0%
Richardson	60	55	91.7%	51	92.7%	5	9.8%	45	88.2%	1	2.0%	1	1.8%
Rock	8	8	100.0%	8	100.0%	0	0.0%	8	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Saline	76	71	93.4%	53	74.6%	8	15.1%	45	84.9%	0	0.0%	10	14.1%
Sarpy	821	743	90.5%	586	78.9%	178	30.4%	402	68.6%	6	1.0%	53	7.1%
Saunders	131	129	98.5%	86	66.7%	29	33.7%	57	66.3%	0	0.0%	34	26.4%
Scotts Bluff	763	696	91.2%	523	75.1%	98	18.7%	418	79.9%	7	1.3%	111	15.9%
Seward	104	91	87.5%	52	57.1%	26	50.0%	26	50.0%	0	0.0%	30	33.0%
Sheridan	56	56	100.0%	47	83.9%	5	10.6%	41	87.2%	1	2.1%	6	10.7%
Sherman	18	18	100.0%	12	66.7%	4	33.3%	8	66.7%	0	0.0%	3	16.7%
Sioux	3	3	100.0%	3	100.0%	1	33.3%	2	66.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Stanton	22	22	100.0%	18	81.8%	1	5.6%	17	94.4%	0	0.0%	2	9.1%
Thayer	27	27	100.0%	21	77.8%	7	33.3%	14	66.7%	0	0.0%	5	18.5%
Thomas	3	3	100.0%	2	66.7%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%	0	0.0%	1	33.3%
Thurston	102	89	87.3%	35	39.3%	24	68.6%	11	31.4%	0	0.0%	33	37.1%
Valley	27	27	100.0%	22	81.5%	1	4.5%	21	95.5%	0	0.0%	1	3.7%
Washington	79	77	97.5%	66	85.7%	14	21.2%	52	78.8%	0	0.0%	4	5.2%
Wayne	18	18	100.0%	14	77.8%	2	14.3%	11	78.6%	1	7.1%	2	11.1%
Webster	26	26	100.0%	20	76.9%	3	15.0%	17	85.0%	0	0.0%	2	7.7%
York	141	122	86.5%	83	68.0%	22	26.5%	61	73.5%	0	0.0%	24	19.7%
Total	30,135	24,765	82.2%	11,544	46.6%	2,894	25.1%	8,412	72.9%	238	2.1%	1,775	7.2%

Notes. 1 denotes percent when compared to "Total Calls." 2 denotes percent when compared to "Abuse/Neglect Calls." 3 denotes percent when compared to "Investigated Reports." "Substantiated Reports" indicates reports in which a finding of Court Substantiated, Court Pending, or Inconclusive was made.

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County	Total Calls	Abuse/Neglect Calls ¹		Assessed Reports ²		Substantiated Reports ³		Unfounded Reports ³		Unable to Locate ³		In Process of Assessment ²	
Adams	396	330	83.3%	253	76.7%	30	11.9%	216	85.4%	7	2.8%	12	3.6%
Antelope	28	28	100.0%	23	82.1%	6	26.1%	17	73.9%	0	0.0%	2	7.1%
Blaine	1	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%
Boone	8	8	100.0%	7	87.5%	1	14.3%	6	85.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Box Butte	138	132	95.7%	113	85.6%	30	26.5%	81	71.7%	2	1.8%	8	6.1%
Boyd	7	7	100.0%	7	100.0%	3	42.9%	4	57.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Brown	40	40	100.0%	35	87.5%	2	5.7%	33	94.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Buffalo	1999	1383	69.2%	439	31.7%	52	11.8%	386	87.9%	1	0.2%	16	1.2%
Burt	37	34	91.9%	28	82.4%	2	7.1%	26	92.9%	0	0.0%	5	14.7%
Butler	84	82	97.6%	72	87.8%	29	40.3%	43	59.7%	0	0.0%	2	2.4%
Cass	152	146	96.1%	134	91.8%	30	22.4%	104	77.6%	0	0.0%	3	2.1%
Cedar	12	12	100.0%	12	100.0%	0	0.0%	12	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Chase	16	16	100.0%	13	81.3%	4	30.8%	9	69.2%	0	0.0%	1	6.3%
Cherry	74	72	97.3%	59	81.9%	6	10.2%	51	86.4%	2	3.4%	0	0.0%
Cheyenne	134	132	98.5%	90	68.2%	13	14.4%	75	83.3%	2	2.2%	26	19.7%
Clay	29	29	100.0%	26	89.7%	3	11.5%	22	84.6%	1	3.8%	0	0.0%
Colfax	24	24	100.0%	21	87.5%	4	19.0%	16	76.2%	1	4.8%	0	0.0%
Cuming	32	32	100.0%	23	71.9%	3	13.0%	20	87.0%	0	0.0%	2	6.3%
Custer	150	131	87.3%	96	73.3%	16	16.7%	79	82.3%	1	1.0%	8	6.1%
Dakota	218	206	94.5%	171	83.0%	37	21.6%	133	77.8%	1	0.6%	13	6.3%
Dawes	119	111	93.3%	97	87.4%	9	9.3%	87	89.7%	1	1.0%	3	2.7%
Dawson	241	237	98.3%	209	88.2%	20	9.6%	182	87.1%	7	3.3%	4	1.7%
Deuel	9	9	100.0%	5	55.6%	0	0.0%	5	100.0%	0	0.0%	4	44.4%
Dixon	19	19	100.0%	16	84.2%	4	25.0%	12	75.0%	0	0.0%	3	15.8%
Dodge	320	307	95.9%	250	81.4%	32	12.8%	215	86.0%	3	1.2%	6	2.0%
Douglas	9917	8229	83.0%	3,274	39.8%	907	27.7%	2265	69.2%	102	3.1%	118	1.4%
Dundy	10	10	100.0%	10	100.0%	1	10.0%	9	90.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Fillmore	34	34	100.0%	30	88.2%	12	40.0%	18	60.0%	0	0.0%	2	5.9%
Franklin	14	14	100.0%	11	78.6%	0	0.0%	11	100.0%	0	0.0%	1	7.1%
Frontier	7	7	100.0%	6	85.7%	0	0.0%	6	100.0%	0	0.0%	1	14.3%
Furnas	41	41	100.0%	39	95.1%	4	10.3%	35	89.7%	0	0.0%	1	2.4%
Gage	147	143	97.3%	133	93.0%	31	23.3%	101	75.9%	1	0.8%	2	1.4%
Garden	5	5	100.0%	5	100.0%	1	20.0%	4	80.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Garfield	8	8	100.0%	7	87.5%	2	28.6%	5	71.4%	0	0.0%	1	12.5%
Gosper	11	11	100.0%	9	81.8%	2	22.2%	7	77.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Grant	4	4	100.0%	4	100.0%	0	0.0%	4	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Greeley	10	10	100.0%	8	80.0%	1	12.5%	7	87.5%	0	0.0%	1	10.0%
Hall	706	640	90.7%	471	73.6%	91	19.3%	367	77.9%	13	2.8%	40	6.2%
Hamilton	35	35	100.0%	27	77.1%	3	11.1%	24	88.9%	0	0.0%	6	17.1%
Harlan	17	17	100.0%	16	94.1%	5	31.3%	10	62.5%	1	6.3%	0	0.0%
Hayes	2	2	100.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	1	50.0%
Hitchcock	18	18	100.0%	14	77.8%	0	0.0%	14	100.0%	0	0.0%	2	11.1%
Holt	100	100	100.0%	83	83.0%	12	14.5%	71	85.5%	0	0.0%	2	2.0%
Howard	30	30	100.0%	24	80.0%	4	16.7%	18	75.0%	2	8.3%	5	16.7%
Jefferson	60	60	100.0%	51	85.0%	11	21.6%	40	78.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

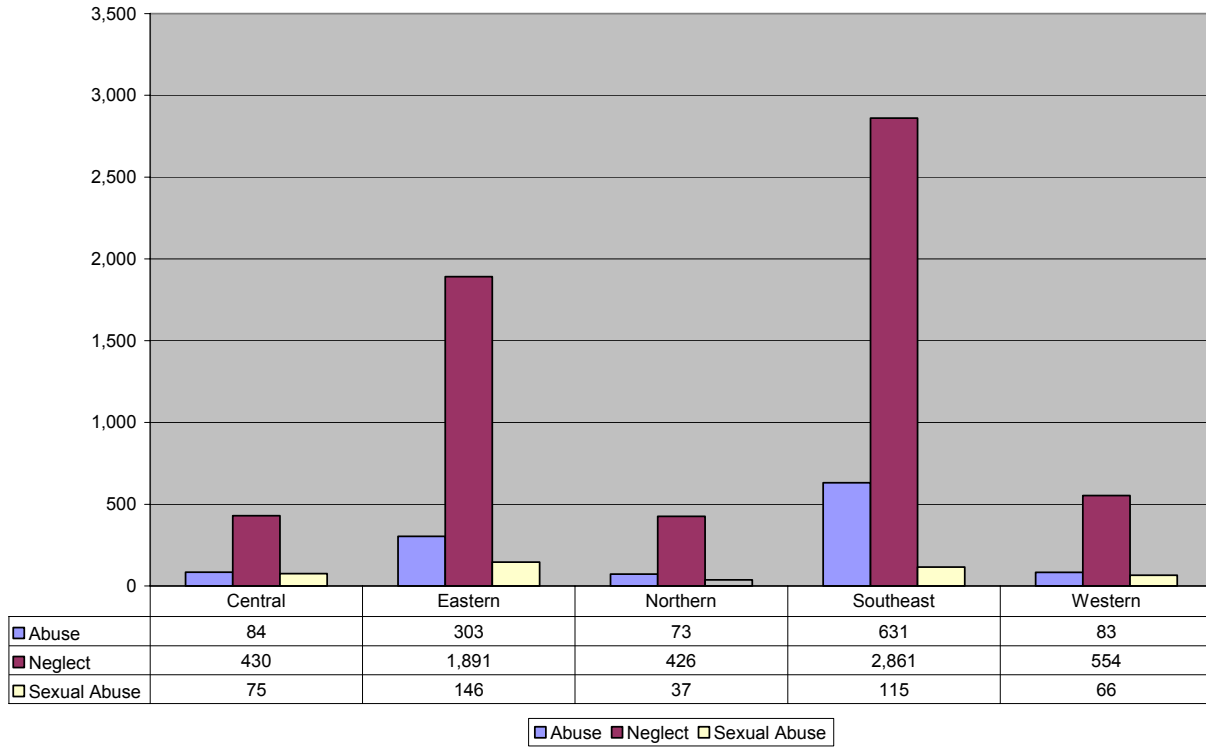
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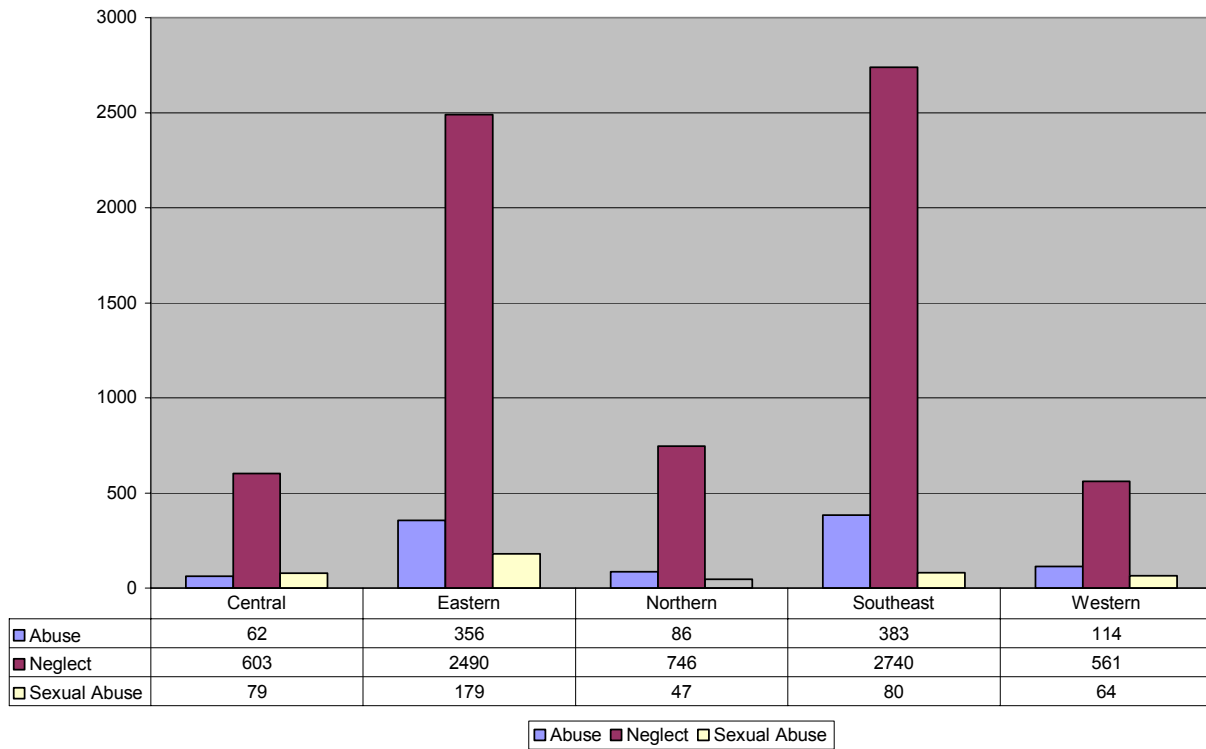
County	Total Calls	Abuse/Neglect Calls ¹		Assessed Reports ²		Substantiated Reports ³		Unfounded Reports ³		Unable to Locate ³		In Process of Assessment ²	
Johnson	20	20	100.0%	20	100.0%	5	25.0%	15	75.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Kearney	37	37	100.0%	28	75.7%	1	3.6%	26	92.9%	1	3.6%	6	16.2%
Keith	100	99	99.0%	92	92.9%	7	7.6%	83	90.2%	2	2.2%	2	2.0%
Keya Paha	2	2	100.0%	2	100.0%	1	50.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Kimball	46	45	97.8%	35	77.8%	2	5.7%	33	94.3%	0	0.0%	5	11.1%
Knox	45	41	91.1%	31	75.6%	2	6.5%	28	90.3%	1	3.2%	4	9.8%
Lancaster	6730	5712	84.9%	2,071	36.3%	972	46.9%	1071	51.7%	28	1.4%	52	0.9%
Lincoln	1604	1504	93.8%	628	41.8%	98	15.6%	526	83.8%	4	0.6%	41	2.7%
Logan	11	11	100.0%	8	72.7%	0	0.0%	8	100.0%	0	0.0%	2	18.2%
Loup	2	2	100.0%	2	100.0%	1	50.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Madison	1250	895	71.6%	296	33.1%	46	15.5%	246	83.1%	4	1.4%	31	3.5%
McPherson	1	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Merrick	25	25	100.0%	21	84.0%	3	14.3%	16	76.2%	2	9.5%	0	0.0%
Morrill	66	65	98.5%	60	92.3%	16	26.7%	44	73.3%	0	0.0%	2	3.1%
Nance	15	15	100.0%	12	80.0%	3	25.0%	6	50.0%	3	25.0%	1	6.7%
Nemaha	40	40	100.0%	37	92.5%	2	5.4%	35	94.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Nuckolls	17	17	100.0%	17	100.0%	1	5.9%	15	88.2%	1	5.9%	0	0.0%
Otoe	126	124	98.4%	119	96.0%	11	9.2%	108	90.8%	0	0.0%	1	0.8%
Pawnee	2	2	100.0%	2	100.0%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Perkins	14	14	100.0%	13	92.9%	0	0.0%	12	92.3%	1	7.7%	1	7.1%
Phelps	52	52	100.0%	50	96.2%	7	14.0%	42	84.0%	1	2.0%	0	0.0%
Pierce	66	59	89.4%	53	89.8%	6	11.3%	47	88.7%	0	0.0%	1	1.7%
Platte	307	286	93.2%	239	83.6%	45	18.8%	183	76.6%	11	4.6%	5	1.7%
Polk	6	6	100.0%	6	100.0%	1	16.7%	5	83.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Red Willow	139	135	97.1%	115	85.2%	10	8.7%	105	91.3%	0	0.0%	7	5.2%
Richardson	56	54	96.4%	51	94.4%	9	17.6%	38	74.5%	4	7.8%	0	0.0%
Rock	4	4	100.0%	3	75.0%	0	0.0%	3	100.0%	0	0.0%	1	25.0%
Saline	67	65	97.0%	62	95.4%	16	25.8%	46	74.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Sarpy	705	637	90.4%	536	84.1%	162	30.2%	363	67.7%	11	2.1%	11	1.7%
Saunders	77	77	100.0%	68	88.3%	32	47.1%	36	52.9%	0	0.0%	3	3.9%
Scotts Bluff	727	674	92.7%	546	81.0%	93	17.0%	447	81.9%	6	1.1%	53	7.9%
Seward	74	72	97.3%	68	94.4%	27	39.7%	41	60.3%	0	0.0%	1	1.4%
Sheridan	47	47	100.0%	41	87.2%	3	7.3%	37	90.2%	1	2.4%	1	2.1%
Sherman	18	18	100.0%	16	88.9%	3	18.8%	13	81.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Sioux	1	1	100.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Stanton	22	22	100.0%	18	81.8%	2	11.1%	16	88.9%	0	0.0%	2	9.1%
Thayer	20	20	100.0%	19	95.0%	4	21.1%	14	73.7%	1	5.3%	0	0.0%
Thomas	5	5	100.0%	5	100.0%	0	0.0%	5	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Thurston	118	95	80.5%	22	23.2%	12	54.5%	10	45.5%	0	0.0%	49	51.6%
Valley	23	23	100.0%	20	87.0%	4	20.0%	16	80.0%	0	0.0%	3	13.0%
Washington	65	65	100.0%	59	90.8%	7	11.9%	52	88.1%	0	0.0%	3	4.6%
Wayne	26	26	100.0%	22	84.6%	2	9.1%	20	90.9%	0	0.0%	2	7.7%
Webster	20	20	100.0%	18	90.0%	2	11.1%	16	88.9%	0	0.0%	1	5.0%
Wheeler	1	1	100.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
York	96	92	95.8%	79	85.9%	24	30.4%	54	68.4%	1	1.3%	2	2.2%
Total	28,358	24,173	85.2%	12,034	49.8%	3,065	25.5%	8,738	72.6%	231	1.9%	595	2.5%

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Types of Abuse or Neglect in Substantiated Cases by Service Area - CY 2006



Types of Abuse or Neglect in Substantiated Cases By Service Area - CY 2007



CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT TYPES IN SUBSTANTIATED CASES BY COUNTY CALENDAR YEAR 2006

County	Abuse	Neglect	Sexual Abuse	Children Involved In Substantiated Reports	Percentage of Children
Adams	10	49	3	43	1.0%
Antelope	9	6	4	9	0.2%
Boone	0	2		2	0.0%
Box Butte	3	52	10	43	1.0%
Boyd	0	5	1	4	0.1%
Brown	0	1	1	2	0.0%
Buffalo	15	88	16	65	1.5%
Burt	1	1		2	0.0%
Butler	7	94	8	46	1.1%
Cass	15	57	3	38	0.9%
Chase	1	4		4	0.1%
Cherry	0	8		3	0.1%
Cheyenne	9	12		13	0.3%
Clay	2	18		3	0.1%
Colfax	0	10	3	9	0.2%
Cuming	0	10	1	6	0.1%
Custer	7	19	7	21	0.5%
Dakota	16	76	5	57	1.3%
Dawes	1	21	3	17	0.4%
Dawson	5	33	6	24	0.6%
Dixon	3	9		8	0.2%
Dodge	9	38	4	37	0.9%
Douglas	253	1,647	118	1,331	30.7%
Dundy	0	1		1	0.0%
Fillmore	16	35		21	0.5%
Furnas	1	12	1	7	0.2%
Gage	21	67		36	0.8%
Garden	0	3	2	3	0.1%
Garfield	0	2		2	0.0%
Gosper	0	3	1	4	0.1%
Greeley	2	2		1	0.0%
Hall	33	168	13	144	3.3%
Hamilton	0	14		10	0.2%
Harlan	2	1	2	5	0.1%
Holt	3	34		17	0.4%
Howard	1	8	1	4	0.1%
Jefferson	0	20	5	13	0.3%

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**CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT TYPES IN SUBSTANTIATED CASES BY COUNTY CALENDAR YEAR 2006
(CONT.)**

County	Abuse	Neglect	Sexual Abuse	Children Involved In Substantiated Reports	Percentage of Children
Johnson	5	10	3	10	0.2%
Kearney	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Keith	3	4	3	10	0.2%
Keya Paha	1	1		1	0.0%
Kimball	0	4		4	0.1%
Knox	4	0	1	3	0.1%
Lancaster	541	2,328	59	1,335	30.8%
Lincoln	27	138	24	122	2.8%
Loup	0	0	2	1	0.0%
Madison	6	77	7	67	1.5%
Merrick	0	3		2	0.0%
Morrill	7	18	3	16	0.4%
Nance	2	5	2	4	0.1%
Nemaha	0	5		2	0.0%
Nuckolls	0	2	2	2	0.0%
Otoe	5	9	2	11	0.3%
Phelps	4	26	13	15	0.3%
Pierce	0	16		11	0.3%
Platte	9	84	5	69	1.6%
Red Willow	5	17	4	14	0.3%
Richardson	2	13	5	11	0.3%
Saline	3	28	4	28	0.6%
Sarpy	50	244	28	220	5.1%
Saunders	5	79	4	44	1.0%
Scotts Bluff	20	210	9	145	3.3%
Seward	7	51	13	35	0.8%
Sheridan	1	22		10	0.2%
Sherman	2	11		5	0.1%
Stanton	0	4	1	3	0.1%
Thayer	1	16		4	0.1%
Thurston	9	23	1	26	0.6%
Valley	3	18	11	1	0.0%
Washington	1	9	1	9	0.2%
Wayne	0	7		4	0.1%
Webster	3	1	4	4	0.1%
York	3	49	9	31	0.7%
Total	1,174	6,162	439	4,335	

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Child Abuse and Neglect Types in Substantiated Cases by County Calendar Year 2007

County	Abuse	Neglect	Sexual Abuse	Children Involved In Substantiated Reports	Percentage of Children
Adams	13	123	19	59	1.33%
Antelope	1	8	3	8	0.18%
Boone	4	11	0	7	0.16%
Box Butte	12	53	6	41	0.92%
Boyd	0	6	1	4	0.09%
Brown	0	9	2	5	0.11%
Buffalo	5	87	13	68	1.53%
Burt	0	4	1	4	0.09%
Butler	5	84	23	31	0.70%
Cass	19	40	2	35	0.79%
Cedar	0	3	0	3	0.07%
Cherry	6	17	0	17	0.38%
Cheyenne	6	28	4	13	0.29%
Clay	0	8	1	9	0.20%
Colfax	3	10	4	12	0.27%
Cuming	0	31	9	11	0.25%
Custer	9	26	5	21	0.47%
Dakota	17	94	4	61	1.37%
Dawes	6	29	2	28	0.63%
Dawson	16	19	5	33	0.74%
Dixon	1	9	1	7	0.16%
Dodge	15	80	4	65	1.46%
Douglas	294	2,151	146	1,276	28.74%
Dundy	0	1	0	1	0.02%
Fillmore	3	7	0	4	0.09%
Franklin	0	0	3	3	0.07%
Furnas	4	8	0	6	0.14%
Gage	17	64	2	45	1.01%
Garden	0	8	0	7	0.16%
Garfield	0	0	1	1	0.02%
Greeley	0	8	0	4	0.09%
Hall	29	307	30	225	5.07%
Hamilton	0	5	0	2	0.05%
Harlan	1	4	0	4	0.09%
Holt	8	22	2	18	0.41%
Howard	1	13	0	8	0.18%
Jefferson	2	41	0	23	0.52%
Johnson	2	25	1	12	0.27%
Kearney	0	5	2	5	0.11%
Keith	2	9	1	7	0.16%

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**CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT TYPES IN SUBSTANTIATED CASES BY COUNTY CALENDAR YEAR 2007
(CONT.)**

County	Abuse	Neglect	Sexual Abuse	Children Involved In Substantiated Reports	Percentage of Children
Kimball	2	15	0	8	0.18%
Knox	0	81	2	28	0.63%
Lancaster	289	2,232	39	1,216	27.39%
Lincoln	28	155	25	112	2.52%
Logan	0	1	0	1	0.02%
Loup	0	0	2	1	0.02%
Madison	17	99	2	72	1.62%
Merrick	0	6	0	4	0.09%
Morrill	2	22	1	21	0.47%
Nance	0	31	1	17	0.38%
Nemaha	2	0	0	2	0.05%
Nuckolls	1	0	1	2	0.05%
Otoe	3	9	0	11	0.25%
Pawnee	0	7	0	5	0.11%
Perkins	2	2	0	2	0.05%
Phelps	1	4	0	5	0.11%
Pierce	1	18	1	14	0.32%
Platte	5	102	10	73	1.64%
Polk	7	14	0	6	0.14%
Red Willow	8	32	3	27	0.61%
Richardson	1	3	3	6	0.14%
Saline	5	4	3	7	0.16%
Sarpy	62	339	33	253	5.70%
Saunders	13	70	4	39	0.88%
Scotts Bluff	20	169	17	136	3.06%
Seward	4	46	1	42	0.95%
Sheridan	3	7	0	7	0.16%
Sherman	1	2	2	4	0.09%
Sioux	3	3	0	3	0.07%
Stanton	1	1	0	1	0.02%
Thayer	1	23	0	11	0.25%
Thurston	5	72	0	44	0.99%
Valley	0	2	0	1	0.02%
Washington	2	36	0	21	0.47%
Wayne	0	2	0	2	0.05%
Webster	1	3	0	4	0.09%
York	10	71	2	39	0.88%
Total	1,001	7,140	449	4,440	

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