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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (PUBLIC AFFAIRS)
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
(CIVILIAN PERSONNEL AND QUALITY OF LIFE)
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
(MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL)
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE
(AIR FORCE MANAGEMENT INTEGRATION)

SUBJECT: Department of Defense (DoD) Family Advocacy Program Fiscal Year 2012 Data

Attached for your consideration are an information paper on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Family Advocacy Program (FAP) domestic and child abuse data, briefing slides on the FY12 FAP spouse and child abuse data, and key findings from the FY12 FAP spouse and child abuse data.

In FY12, 16,257 incidents met the DoD criteria for domestic and child abuse which is an increase of 185 incidents from the FY11 total of 16,072. The attached information paper tracks FAP data from FY01, which is referenced as a relative baseline prior to the start of combat operations following 9/11. Intimate partner violence was added as a category in FY06 to capture incidents involving a person (1) with whom the victim shares a child in common, or (2) is a current or former partner with whom the victim shares or has shared a common domicile.

There was an increase in both spouse abuse (to include intimate partners) and child abuse incidents that met criteria for abuse since FY11. The increase in FY12 reports and incidents that met criteria for child abuse primarily involved child neglect which accounted for 65 percent of all incidents.

The Office of the Secretary of Defense FAP is working in concert with your Service FAP leaders to identify at-risk communities and intensify prevention efforts. With your continued support, we hope to continue to ensure the safety and well-being of all of our military families.

Charles E. Milam
Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense
(Military Community and Family Policy)

Attachments:
As stated

INFORMATION PAPER

SUBJECT: Child Abuse and Domestic Abuse Data Trends from FY01 to FY12

- Spouse Abuse Reported to the Family Advocacy Program (FAP):

<u>Year</u>	<i>Couples</i>	<i>Total</i>		<i>Met Criteria</i>	
	<u>Population</u>	<u>Reports</u>	<u>Rate/1000</u>	<u>Reports</u>	<u>Rate/1000</u>
FY 01	664,701	18,398	27.7	10,967	16.5
FY 02	682,656	17,909	26.2	10,546	15.4
FY 03	694,527	17,072	24.6	9,845	14.2
FY 04	698,160	16,392	23.5	9,434	13.5
FY 05	702,727	15,894	22.6	8,306	11.8
FY 06	707,895	15,399	21.7	7,586	10.7
FY 07	708,178	15,260	21.5	7,257	10.2
FY 08	718,526	15,939	22.2	6,767	9.4
FY 09	738,067	18,208	24.7	7,476	10.1
FY 10	751,758	18,785	25.0	8,411	11.2
FY 11	753,110	19,277	25.6	8,386	11.1
FY 12	734,308	18,671	25.4	8,345	11.4

- Intimate Partner Abuse Reported to the FAP:

<u>Year</u>	<i>Unmarried</i>	<i>Met Criteria</i>	<i>Met Criteria</i>
	<u>Population</u>	<u>Reports</u>	<u>Rate/1000</u>
FY 06	617,848	340	0.5
FY 07	611,316	602	1.0
FY 08	622,858	619	0.9
FY 09	620,542	747	1.2
FY 10	618,549	721	1.2
FY 11	612,358	867	1.4
FY 12	609,723	909	1.5

- Child Abuse Reported to the FAP:

<u>Year</u>	<i>Child</i>	<i>Total</i>		<i>Met Criteria</i>	
	<u>Population</u>	<u>Reports</u>	<u>Rate/1000</u>	<u>Reports</u>	<u>Rate/1000</u>
FY 01	1,127,492	15,898	14.1	7,612	6.8
FY 02	1,145,001	16,683	14.6	7,556	6.6
FY 03	1,149,764	16,354	14.2	7,463	6.5
FY 04	1,120,590	16,704	14.9	7,881	7.0
FY 05	1,104,716	13,852	12.5	6,178	5.6
FY 06	1,103,362	12,612	11.4	5,603	5.1
FY 07	1,103,270	13,788	12.5	5,434	4.9
FY 08	1,122,098	12,661	11.3	5,406	4.8
FY 09	1,147,318	12,847	11.2	5,499	4.8
FY 10	1,166,079	14,986	12.9	6,633	5.7
FY 11	1,165,812	15,081	12.9	6,819	5.8
FY 12	1,140,024	15,656	13.7	7,003	6.1

- FY01 through FY12 data on spouse abuse includes only those incidents involving married individuals. Either the victim or the abuser may have been an active duty service member or the civilian spouse of an active duty service member. In FY06 and onward, an additional category, “intimate partner,” was added to capture incidents involving a person (1) with whom the victim shares a child in common, or (2) is a current or former partner with whom the victim shares or has shared a common domicile. In such cases, the victim or the abuser may have been an active duty service member or a civilian.
- Reports represent the number of incidents of alleged abuse; therefore, one or more reports may be submitted on a single victim. This allows for the identification of families in which repeated acts of family violence have occurred.
- The data only reflects child abuse and domestic abuse reported to the DoD FAP. It is not an estimate of the total amount of child abuse and domestic abuse that occurred in military families.
- The data includes physical abuse (including acts resulting in no injuries), sexual abuse, emotional abuse (including emotional abuse without any acts of physical or sexual abuse), and neglect.
- In reports that met the DoD criteria for abuse, the abuser may have been an active duty service member, a civilian family member, or (in child abuse incidents) a caregiver outside the family. However, in 95 percent of the met criteria child abuse incidents, the abuser was a parent or other family member.
- This data should not be compared to data from other studies unless:
 - Differences in military and civilian contexts have been addressed;
 - The studies’ design and methodologies were similar (e.g., reports to authorities should not be compared to estimates from surveys of the population);
 - The data elements were similar; and,
 - The demographics from the studies are standardized to the military population, which is much younger and more male than the general civilian population.
- The DoD rates of child abuse have remained relatively constant and are about half of their counterpart rates in the U.S. civilian population as compiled by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

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FAMILY ADVOCACY PROGRAM CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT (CAN) DATA FY12 Report



Reported CAN* Incidents FY01-12

Year	Child Population	Total Reports** Rate/1000	Met Criteria Reports** Rate/1000
FY01	1,127,492	15,898 14.1	7,612 6.8
FY02	1,145,001	16,683 14.6	7,556 6.6
FY03	1,149,764	16,354 14.2	7,463 6.5
FY04	1,120,590	16,704 14.9	7,881 7.0
FY05	1,104,716	13,852 12.5	6,178 5.6
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** Reports represent # incidents of abuse; 1 or more reports may be submitted on a single victim.



FY01-12 CAN

Met Criteria Reports

Year	Incidents	Victims	Children	Rate Per 1000 Children	Victims Per 1000 Children
FY01	7,612	6,496	1,127,492	6.8	5.8
FY02	7,556	6,596	1,145,001	6.6	5.8
FY03	7,463	6,538	1,149,764	6.5	5.7
FY04	7,881	7,152	1,120,590	7.0	6.4
FY05	6,178	5,555	1,104,716	5.6	5.0
FY06	5,603	5,009	1,103,362	5.1	4.5
FY07	5,434	4,951	1,103,270	4.9	4.5
FY08	5,406	4,857	1,122,098	4.8	4.3
FY09	5,499	4,944	1,147,318	4.8	4.3
FY10	6,633	5,560	1,166,079	5.7	4.7
FY11	6,819	5,994	1,165,812	5.8	5.1
FY12	7,003	6,123	1,140,024	6.1	5.4



FY12 CAN

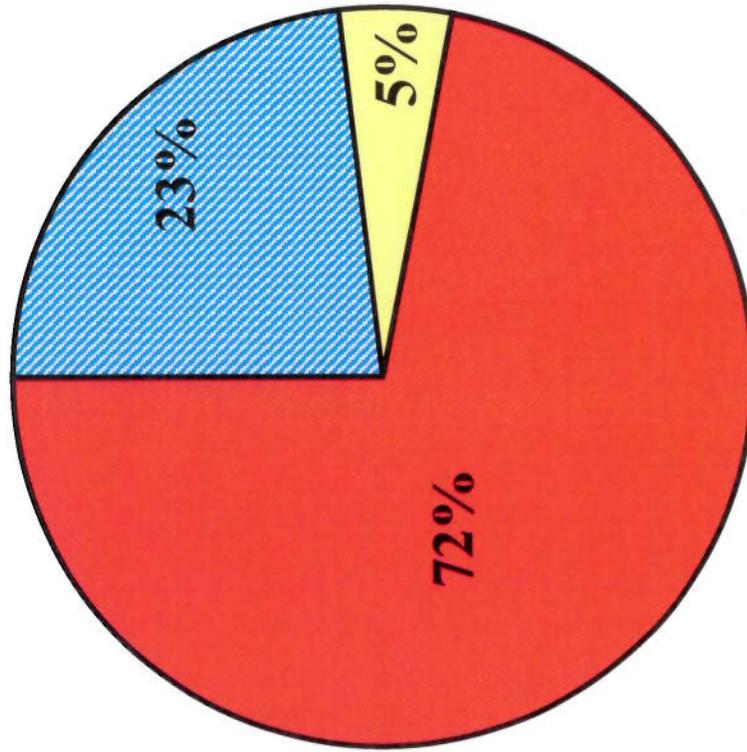
Fatalities Reported to FAP

- **38 Fatalities**
 - **12** Child Victims Previously Reported to FAP
 - **19** Alleged Abusers Previously Reported to FAP
- **Sex & Status of Alleged Abusers**
 - **Male** **63%**
 - **Active Duty** **50%**
- **Age of Victims**
 - **Age Range** **<1-15 yrs**
 - **Mean Age** **2 yrs**
 - **Median Age** **1 yr**
 - **Under One Year** **12**

(Fatality reviews to be conducted in FY14)



Type of CAN in Met Criteria Incidents

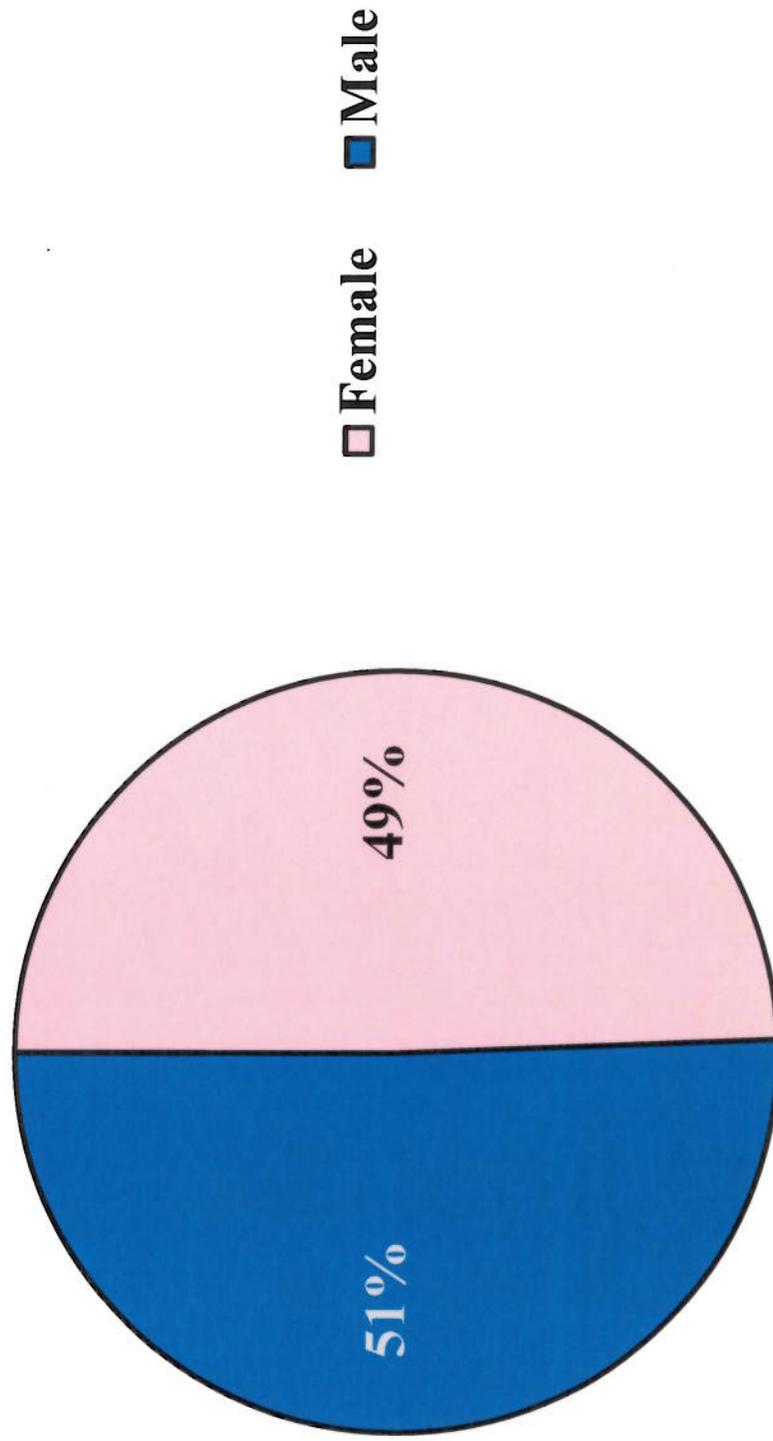


- Any physical abuse without sexual abuse
- Any sexual abuse
- Emotional abuse or neglect only

FY12 FAP Data



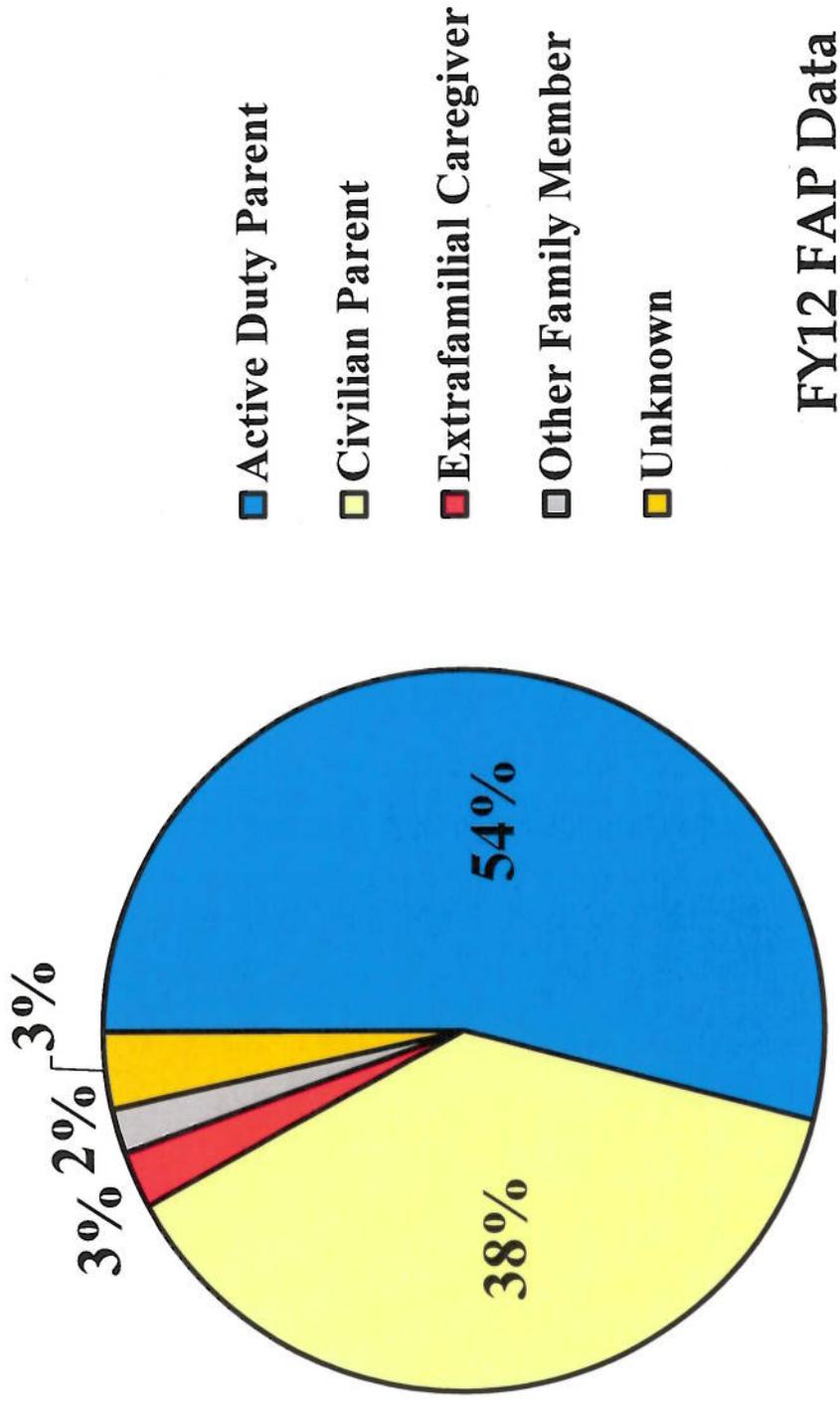
Sex of CAN Victim in Met Criteria Incidents



FY12 FAP Data



Status of Alleged Child Abuser in Met Criteria CAN Incidents



FY12 FAP Data

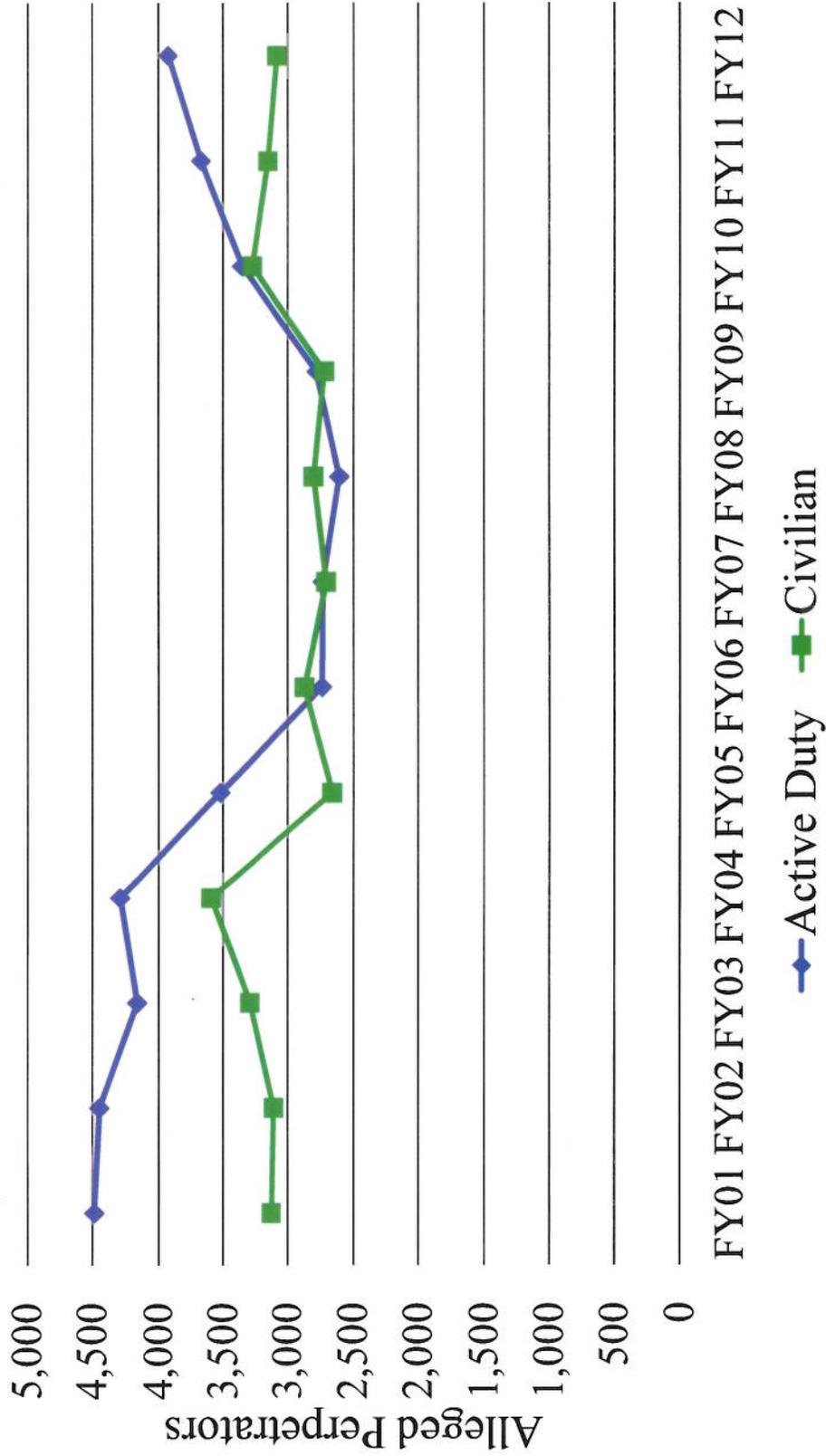


Status of Alleged Child Abuser

Status	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04	FY 05	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12
Civ	3,127	3,110	3,298	3,590	2,660	2,869	2,704	2,801	2,720	3,277	3,154	3,083
E1-3	868	882	792	854	650	448	551	561	547	631	687	697
E4-6	3,050	3,004	2,883	2,951	2,456	1,932	1,868	1,770	1,859	2,319	2,545	2,831
E7-9	367	396	329	297	250	202	212	171	217	219	259	271
O1-3	95	64	63	103	69	67	51	40	41	57	57	37
O4-10	93	85	64	44	47	46	24	29	33	57	52	38
WO 1-5	10	14	25	8	23	30	12	17	28	19	24	38
Unk	2	1	9	34	23	9	12	17	54	54	41	8
Total	7,612	7,556	7,463	7,881	6,178	5,603	5,434	5,406	5,499	6,633	6,819	7,003

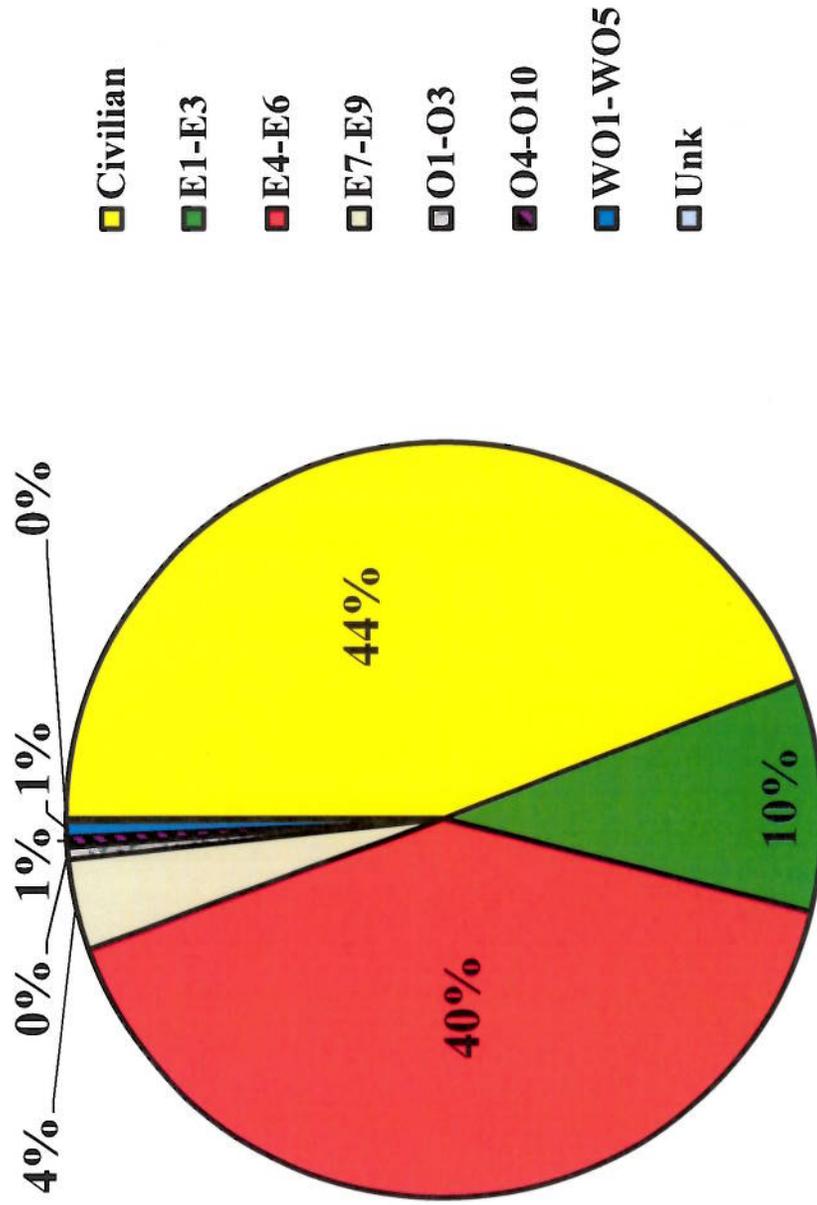


Status of Person Alleged to Have Abused/Neglected Child in Met Criteria Reports



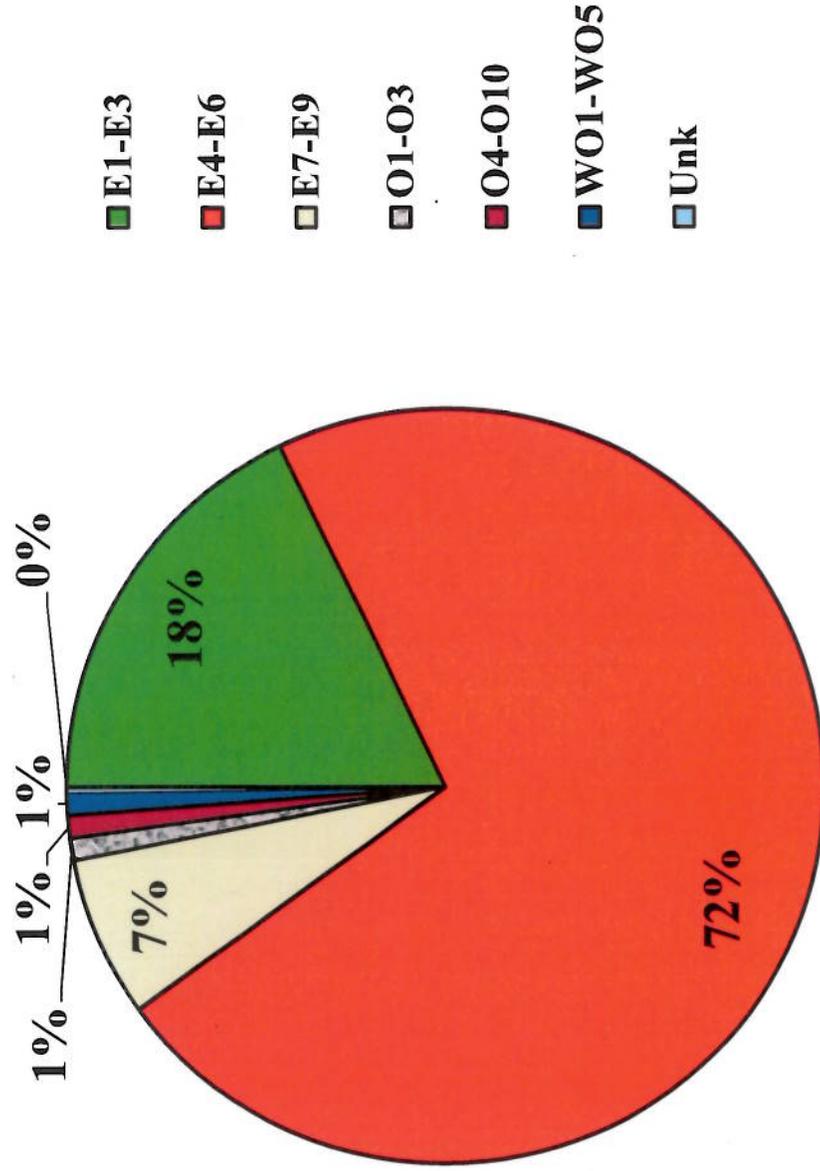


FY12 Met Criteria CAN Incidents Alleged Abuser by Status & Pay Grade





FY12 Met Criteria CAN Incidents by Alleged Active Component Abuser Pay Grade



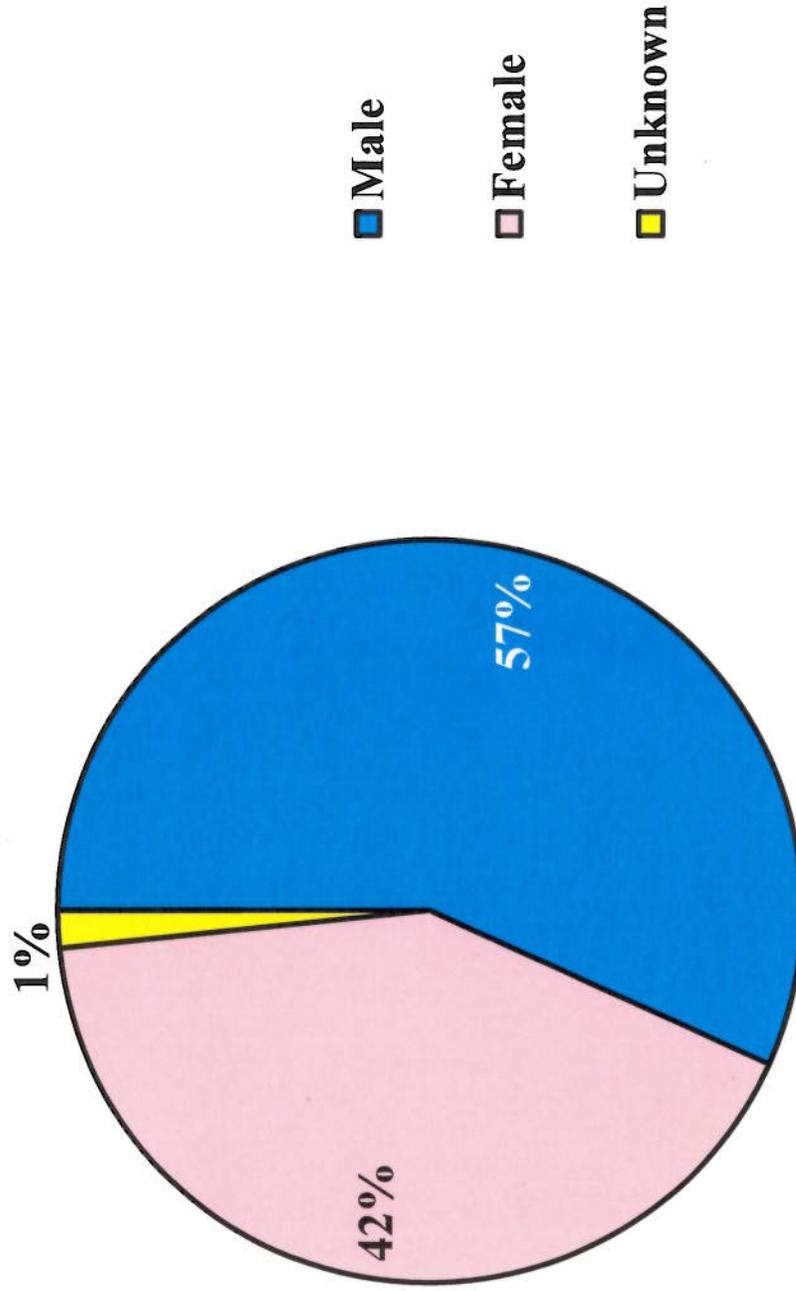


Sex of Alleged Child Abuser in Met Criteria Incidents

Year	Male	Female	Unknown	Total
FY01	4,516	2,871	225	7,612
FY02	4,373	2,951	232	7,556
FY03	4,112	3,130	221	7,463
FY04	4,220	3,423	238	7,881
FY05	3,418	2,611	149	6,178
FY06	2,910	2,573	120	5,603
FY07	2,850	2,520	64	5,434
FY08	2,753	2,585	68	5,406
FY09	2,907	2,499	93	5,499
FY10	3,458	3,038	137	6,633
FY11	3,671	3,062	86	6,819
FY12	3,955	2,934	114	7,003



Sex of Alleged Child Abuser in FY12 Met Criteria Incidents



FY12 FAP Data



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

FAMILY ADVOCACY PROGRAM DOMESTIC ABUSE (DA) DATA FY12 Report



FY01-12 Spouse Abuse*

Year	Couples Population	Total Reports** Rate/1000	Met Criteria Reports*** Rate/1000
FY01	664,701	18,398 27.7	10,967 16.5
FY02	682,656	17,909 26.2	10,546 15.4
FY03	694,527	17,072 24.6	9,845 14.2
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Former Spouse/Intimate Partner

Year	Unmarried Population	Met Criteria Reports	Met Criteria Rate/1,000
FY06	617,848	304	0.5
FY07	611,316	602	1.0
FY08	622,858	619	0.9
FY09	620,542	747	1.2
FY10	618,549	721	1.2
FY11	612,358	867	1.4
FY12	609,723	909	1.5

In FY 06 an additional category was added to capture met criteria incidents involving a (1) former spouse, a person (2) with whom the victim shares a child in common or (3) is a current or former intimate partner with whom the victim shares or has shared a common domicile.



Met Criteria Spouse Abuse Reports FY01-12

Year	Incidents	Victims	Couples	Incidents Per 1000 Couples	Victims Per 1000 Couples
FY01	10,967	9,351	664,701	16.5	14.1
FY02	10,546	9,159	682,656	15.4	13.4
FY03	9,845	8,610	694,527	14.2	12.3
FY04	9,434	8,467	698,160	13.5	12.1
FY05	8,306	7,538	702,727	11.8	10.7
FY06	7,586	7,047	707,895	10.7	9.9
FY07	7,257	6,707	708,178	10.2	9.5
FY08	6,767	6,299	718,526	9.4	8.7
FY09	7,467	6,834	738,067	10.1	9.3
FY10	8,411	7,618	751,758	11.2	10.1
FY11	8,386	7,485	753,110	11.1	9.9
FY12	8,345	7,422	734,308	11.4	10.1



Domestic Abuse Fatalities Reported to FAP FY12

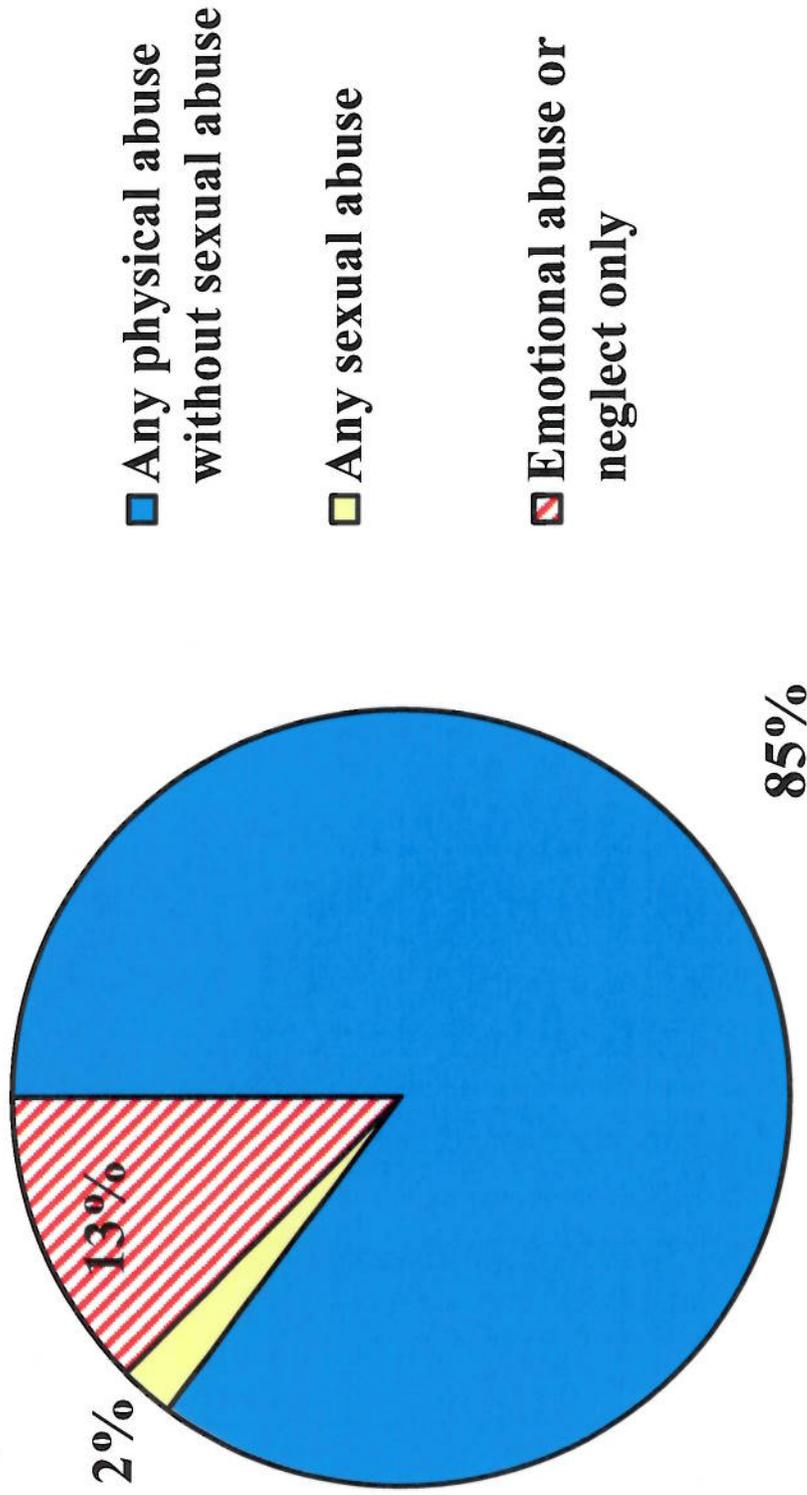
- **17 Fatalities**
 - **6** Victims Previously Reported to FAP
 - **10** Alleged Abusers Previously Reported to FAP

- **Sex & Status of Alleged Abusers**
 - **Male** **88%**
 - **Active Duty** **71%**

(Fatality reviews to be conducted in FY 14)



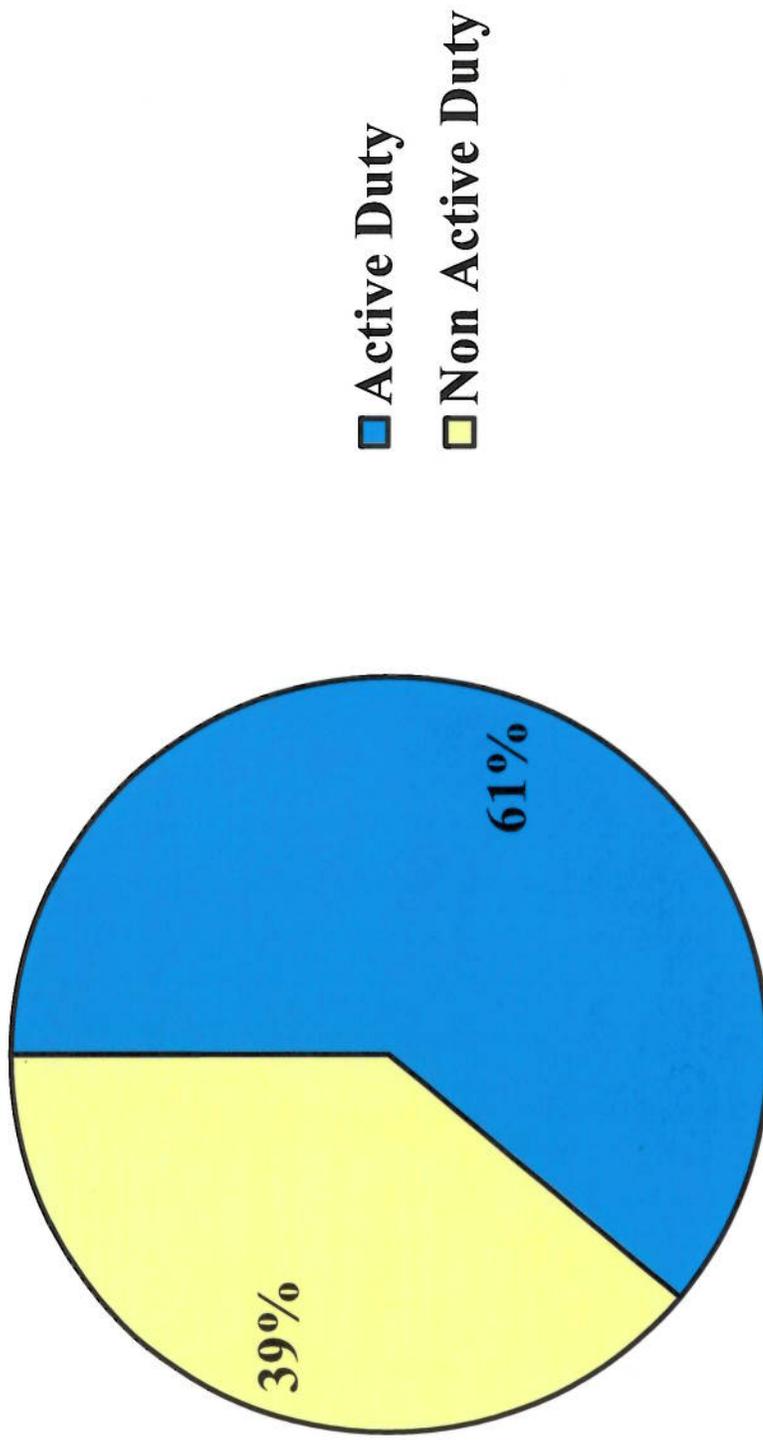
Type of Spouse Abuse in Met Criteria Incidents



FY12 FAP Data



Status of Alleged Spouse Abuser in Met Criteria Incidents



FY12 FAP Data

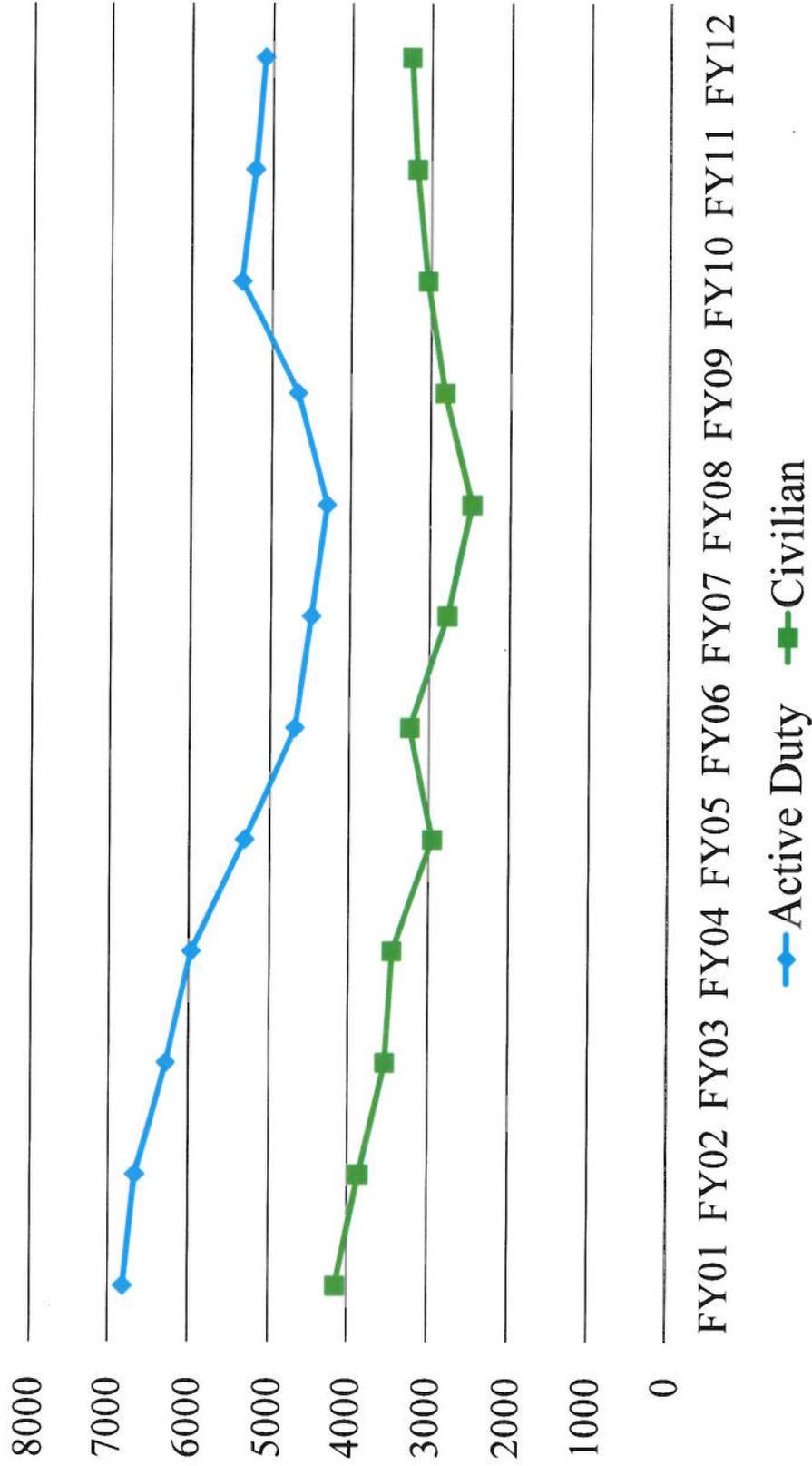


Status of Alleged Spouse Abuser in Met Criteria Incidents

Status	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04	FY 05	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12
Civ	4,149	3,869	3,550	3,464	2,995	3,244	2,776	2,477	2,817	3,037	3,175	3,250
E1-3	1,987	2,106	1,948	1,768	1,516	1,253	1,318	1,335	1,415	1,645	1,439	1,278
E4-6	4,293	4,069	3,889	3,769	3,371	3,016	2,808	2,614	2,798	3,248	3,290	3,414
E7-9	355	335	301	283	252	244	203	201	239	278	243	275
O1-3	104	98	94	84	103	82	83	56	63	87	88	46
O4-10	57	52	42	38	43	48	37	30	38	58	55	46
WO 1-5	19	14	20	18	18	17	16	23	27	18	27	29
Unk	3	3	1	10	8	22	16	31	79	40	69	7
Total	10,967	10,546	9,845	9,434	8,306	7,926	7,257	6,767	7,476	8,411	8,386	8,345

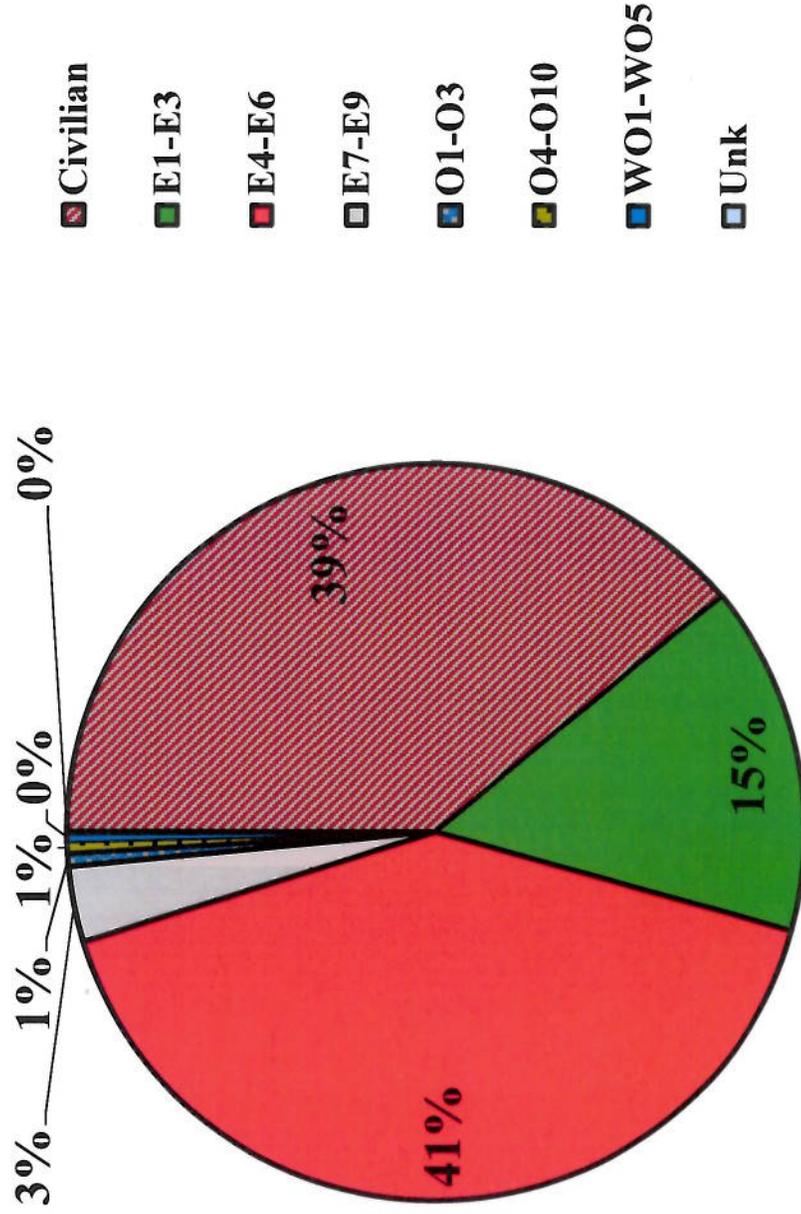


Status of Alleged Spouse Abuser in Met Criteria Incidents



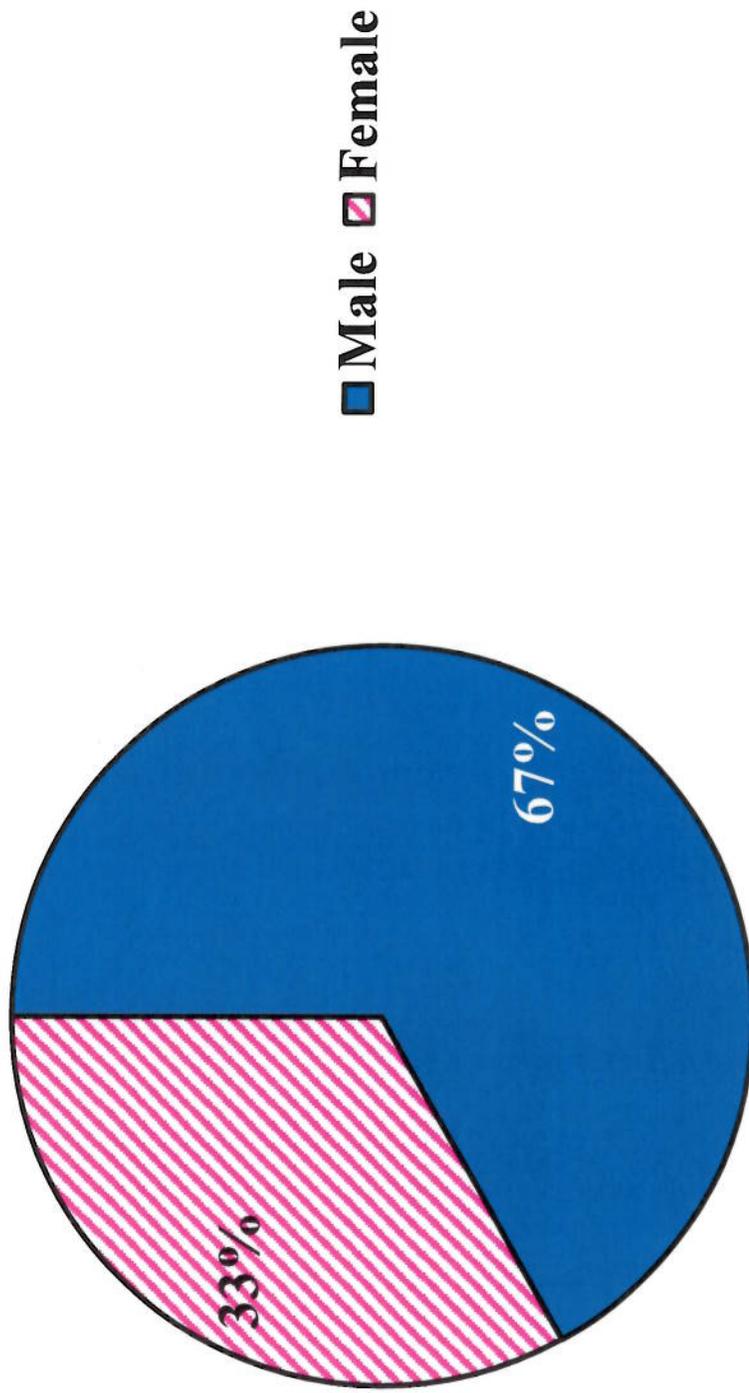


Met Criteria Spouse Abuse Incidents by Status and Pay Grade FY12





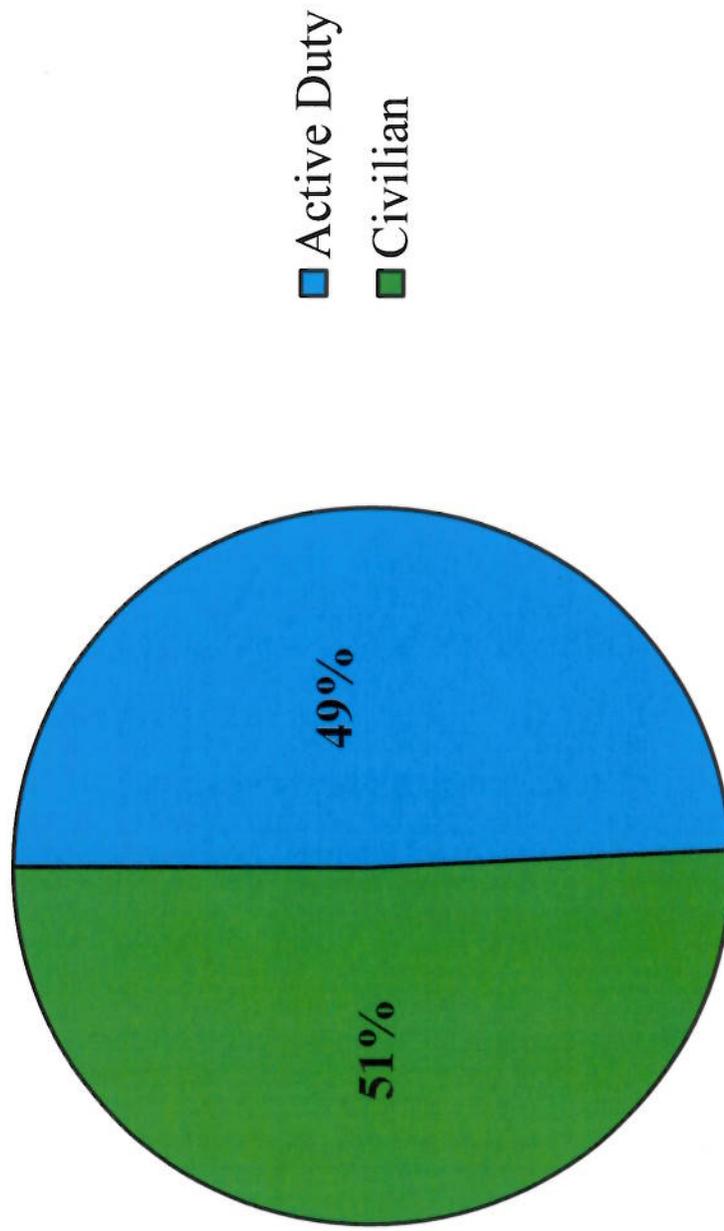
Sex of Alleged Spouse Abuser in Met Criteria Incidents



FY12 FAP Data



Status of Spouse Abuse Victim in Met Criteria Incidents



FY12 FAP Data

KEY FINDINGS OF FY12 FAMILY ADVOCACY PROGRAM (FAP)
DATA ON SPOUSE AND CHILD ABUSE

1. Spouse Abuse:

- The number of reports of suspected spouse abuse to the FAP decreased 3.1 percent from FY11 but increased 1.5 percent over FY01. The rate of reported spouse abuse per 1,000 couples decreased .8 percent from FY11 and declined 8.3 percent below FY01 rates. The number of reports can be indicative of the effectiveness of military public awareness campaigns and early intervention programs, the willingness of victims to report abuse, the ongoing impact of military operations on military personnel and family members or some combination of these and other factors.
- The number of spouse abuse reports that met the DoD criteria for abuse and entry into the FAP Central Registry fell .5 percent from FY11 and have declined 23.9 percent since FY01. The rate of incidents that met criteria per 1,000 couples increased by 2.7 percent above FY11 rates but is 30.9 percent less than FY01 rates.
- Seventeen domestic abuse fatalities were reported to the FAP in FY12 of which six victims and ten alleged abusers were previously known to the FAP. In the domestic abuse fatalities, 88 percent of the alleged abusers were male and 71 percent were on active duty.
- In FY12, alleged abusers who were on active duty in incidents that met criteria for abuse represented 61 percent of all alleged abusers.
- Of the active duty alleged abusers in incidents that met criteria, 67 percent are in the E4-6 pay grades with E4-5 pay grades accounting for over half, 57 percent, of all alleged abusers.
- In FY12, 51 percent of the victims in incidents that met criteria were not on active duty. Of all adult spouse abuse victims in incidents that met criteria, 42 percent were between the ages of 18 and 24, and 46 percent were between the ages of 25 and 35.

2. Child Abuse:

- The number of reports of suspected child abuse and/or neglect to the FAP increased 3.8 percent from FY11 but decreased 1.5 percent from FY01. The rate of reported child abuse/neglect per 1,000 children increased 6.2 percent over FY11 rates, but decreased 2.8 percent below FY01 rates.
- The number of incidents of child abuse/neglect that met criteria increased 2.7 percent over FY11, but decreased 8 percent from FY01. The rate of incidents that met criteria

per 1,000 children increased 5.2 percent over FY11 rates, but is down by 10.3 percent from FY01 rates.

- The increase in FY12 reports and incidents that met criteria primarily involved incidents of child neglect. For those incidents of child abuse and neglect that met criteria in FY12, 65 percent involved child neglect without child emotional, physical or sexual abuse.
- There were 38 child abuse-related fatalities reported to FAP in FY12, of which twelve victims and nineteen abusers were previously known to the FAP. In the child fatality reports, 63 percent of the alleged abusers were male and 50 percent were active duty.
- In FY12, the percentage of active duty alleged abusers in incidents that met criteria has remained relatively stable at 56 percent of all alleged abusers. The largest cluster is in the E4-6 pay grades. This cluster comprises 72 percent of all active duty alleged abusers. Within the E4-6 cluster, E4-5 pay grades account for the majority, 58 percent, of all active duty alleged abusers.
- In FY12, 56.4 percent of the alleged abusers in incidents that met criteria were male. Ninety two percent of the alleged abusers were parents. The ratio of male to female alleged abusers and the percentage of parent alleged abusers in incidents that met criteria have remained relatively constant since FY01.

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