

## Appendix I: Pattern of Activity Data Analysis

The team read and analyzed all 259 cases sentenced pursuant to the sex crimes guidelines (§§2A3.1-2A3.4) in fiscal year 1998. The team used the broad definition of pattern of activity of sexual abuse in guideline §2G2.2 as a basis for the analysis.

- A. Multiple victims: Of the 259 cases, 41 offenders (15.8 percent) abused two or more victims while committing the instant offense.
- B. Repeated abuse of the same victim:
  - a. Average number of abusive sexual acts: 1.6; and
  - b. 116, or 44.8 percent, of the 259 offenders abused their victims more than once.
- C. 299 victims identified<sup>1</sup>
- D. 257 victims under the age of 18<sup>2</sup>
- E. Number of Contacts:
  - 1. One-Time Contact between victim and defendant - 149 victims (49.8 percent)
  - 2. Repeated abuse
    - i. for a period less than one month - 21 victims (7.0 percent)
    - ii. for a period of month or longer - 124 victims (41.5 percent)
- F. Length of Contact
  - 1. Maximum period of abuse: 13 years
  - 2. Average period of abuse: 22.3 months

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<sup>1</sup> Of the 259 cases, the number of victims was identified in 172 cases.

<sup>2</sup> Of the 299 victims, the age of only 272 victims was known.

2. Prior convictions for sexual abuse:
- a. 41 (15.8 percent) of the 259 offenders had at least one prior conviction of criminal sexual abuse;
  - b. 14 of the 41 offenders (34.1 percent) were convicted of more than one sexual abuse offense; and
  - c. average number of prior sexual abuse convictions for cases in which the offender had a prior history of sex convictions: 1.3 convictions.
- H. Prior history of sexual abuse without conviction:
- a. 39 (15.0 percent) of the offenders had at least one prior criminal sexual abuse episode that did not result in conviction;
  - b. 17 (43.6 percent) of the 39 offenders had more than one sexual abuse episode that did not result in conviction; and
  - c. average number of prior sexual abuse episodes that did not result in conviction: 1.4 episodes.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> This number is based on the cases in which the offender had at least one prior criminal sexual abuse episode that did not result in conviction.