



# Crime in Oklahoma, 2015

## Selected Findings

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## Domestic Abuse in Oklahoma

According to Uniform Crime Reporting requirements, domestic abuse is defined as “the threatening, causing or attempting to cause serious physical harm between family members or household members.”

Domestic abuse includes murder, sex crimes, assault, and assault and battery.

Family or household members are defined as “spouses, former spouses, present spouses of former spouses, parents, and foster parents as well as children and other persons otherwise related by blood or marriage. Also included are persons in dating relationships or someone with whom they had a child. It also includes the elderly and handicapped.”

**The most common offense for domestic abuse reports were assault and battery.**

Oklahoma law enforcement agencies reported 20,993 incidents of assault and battery, representing 86.8% of all domestic abuse calls. Domestic abuse resulting in homicide accounted for less than one percent of all reported offenses.

**Thirty-one percent of all reports of domestic abuse occurred on the weekend.**

Of those reported to law enforcement, 3,849 domestic abuse reports occurred on Sunday, and 3,789 domestic abuse reports occurred on Saturday accounting for a combined 31% of the total domestic abuse reports. The majority of domestic abuse calls (66%) occurred between 1 pm and 12 am.

**Oklahoma law enforcement reported 49 domestic abuse-related homicides in 2015.**

Eighteen percent of domestic abuse-related homicides occurred on a Monday. Thursday and Saturday were the least deadly in 2015 with five and six abuse-related homicides reported for each day respectively. Abuse-related homicides increased 4.3% from 2014.

**Law enforcement reported 873 incidents of domestic abuse-related sex crimes in 2015.**

Seventeen percent (145) of domestic abuse-related sex crimes were reported on Monday. Saturday had the least amount (93) of reported domestic abuse-related sex crimes in 2015. Abuse-related sex crimes increased 9.8% from the previous year.

**Law enforcement reported 2,268 incidents of domestic abuse-related assaults in 2015.**

Of all incidents of abuse-related assaults, 16.8% were reported on a Monday. Abuse-related assaults decreased 17.5% from 2015.

### Domestic Abuse by Offense, 2014

Offense	Total
Total	24,183
Murder	49
Sex Crimes	873
Assault	2,268
Assault and Battery	20,993