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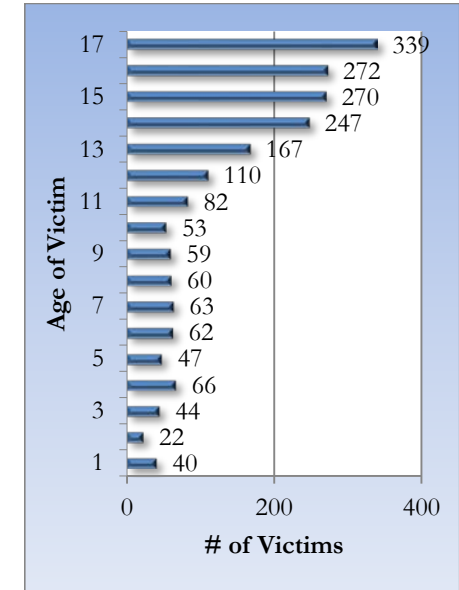
Juvenile Victims of Violent Crime

- Of the **19,628** violent offenses* reported in 2014, **11%** of the victims were juveniles. There were **2,126** juvenile victims: **15** juvenile homicide victims; **893** juvenile rape victims; **218** juvenile robbery victims; and **1,000** juvenile victims of aggravated assault.
- There were **6,446** juvenile victims of simple assault, representing **8%** of all victims of simple assaults reported in 2014.
- **45%** of the victims were males, and **55%** were females. **47%** of the victims were black, and **53%** were white.
- A firearm was the weapon used in **17%** of the offenses; hands, fists, or feet were used as a weapon in **59%**; a knife was the weapon used in **5%**; and other dangerous weapons were used in **19%**.
- **77%** of the victims were acquainted with or related to the offender; **4%** of the offenders were strangers; and in **19%** of the offenses the offender was unknown.
- **63%** of the offenses occurred at a residence; **13%** occurred in a street or alley; **7%** occurred at a school; **3%** occurred in a parking lot; and **14%** occurred in other locations.

*Excluding simple assaults

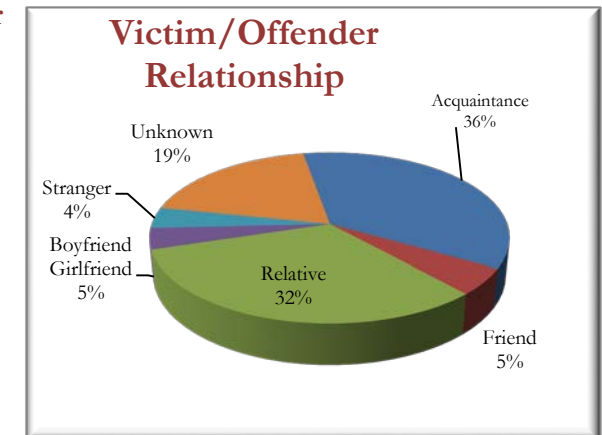
Juvenile Victims of Violent Crime

Victim's Age	Number
<1	113
1	40
2	22
3	44
4	66
5	47
6	62
7	63
8	60
9	59
10	63
11	82
12	110
13	167
14	247
15	270
16	272
17	339



Relationship of Victim and Offender

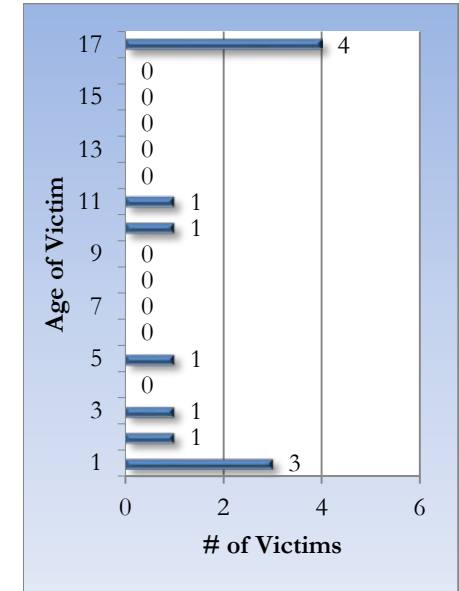
The Victim was:	Percent
Acquaintance	36%
Friend	5%
Relative	32%
Boyfriend/Girlfriend	4%
Stranger	4%
Unknown	19%



Juvenile Victims of Homicide

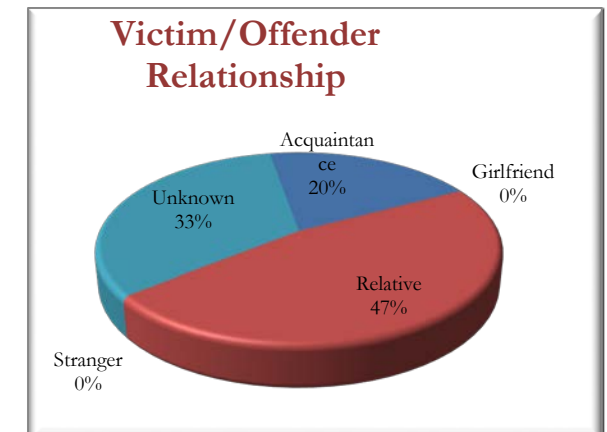
- There were **15** juvenile homicide victims in 2014, representing **6%** of the victims of the **270** homicides reported in Alabama for that year.
- **87%** of the victims were males, and **13%** were females. **53%** of the victims were black, and **47%** were white.
- A firearm was the weapon used in **33%** of the homicides; hands, fists, or feet were used as a weapon in **33%**; a knife was the weapon used in **0%**; and other dangerous weapons were used in **34%**.
- In **67%** of the homicides the victim was related to or acquainted with the offender; in **0%** the victim and offender were strangers; and in **33%** the offender was unknown.
- **53%** of the homicides occurred at a residence; **27%** occurred in a street or alley; and **20%** occurred in other locations.

Victim's Age	Number
<1	3
1	3
2	1
3	1
4	0
5	1
6	0
7	0
8	0
9	0
10	1
11	1
12	0
13	0
14	0
15	0
16	0
17	4



Relationship of Victim and Offender

The Victim was:	Percent
Acquaintance	20%
Girlfriend	0%
Relative	47%
Stranger	0%
Unknown	33%



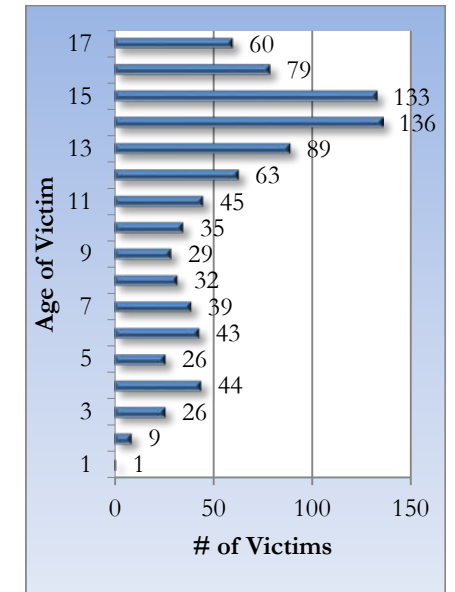
Juvenile Victims of Rape*

- There were **893** juvenile female rape victims in 2014, representing **47%** of the **1,890** rapes reported in Alabama for that year.
- **288** juvenile victims were 10 years of age or younger. **85%** of the victims were females and **15%** were males. **67%** were white and **33%** were black.
- A firearm was the weapon used in **1%** of the rapes; hands, fists, or feet were used as a weapon in **82%**; a knife was the weapon used in **1%**; and unknown weapons were used in **16%**.
- **90%** of the victims were acquainted with or related to the offender; **1%** of the offenders were strangers; and in **9%** of the rapes the offender was unknown.
- **83%** of the offenses occurred at a residence; **2%** occurred in a street or alley; **3%** occurred at a school; and **12%** occurred in other locations.

*Prior to 2013, Rape included only female victims. In 2013 the definition of rape was expanded by the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting Program to include male victims and other types of sexual assault offenses. Because of this change, the number of reported rapes increased in 2014 compared to 2012.

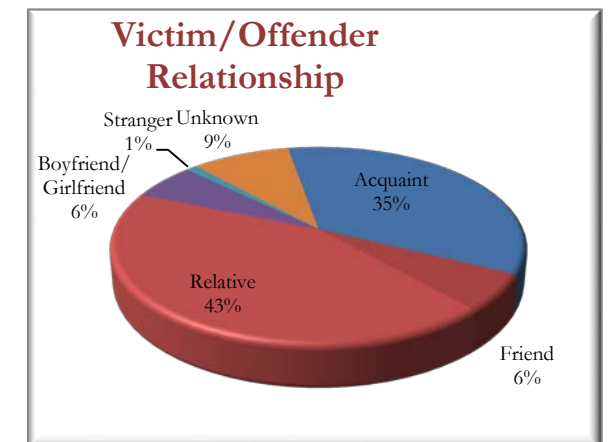
Juvenile Victims of Rape

Victim's Age	Number
<1	4
1	1
2	9
3	26
4	44
5	26
6	43
7	39
8	32
9	29
10	35
11	45
12	63
13	89
14	136
15	133
16	79
17	60



Relationship of Victim and Offender

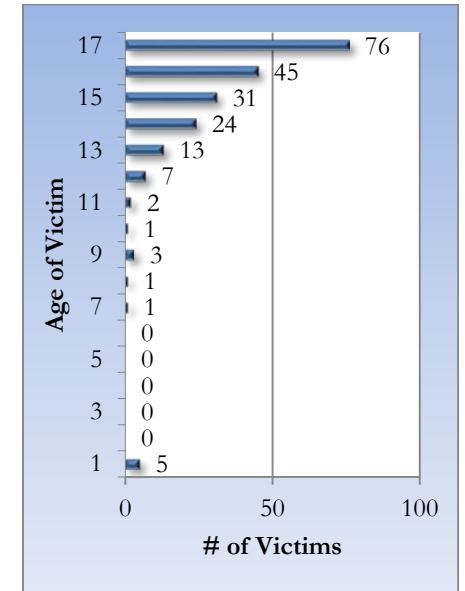
The Victim was:	Percent
Acquaintance	35%
Friend	6%
Relative	43%
Girlfriend/Boyfriend	6%
Stranger	1%
Unknown	9%



Juvenile Victims of Robbery

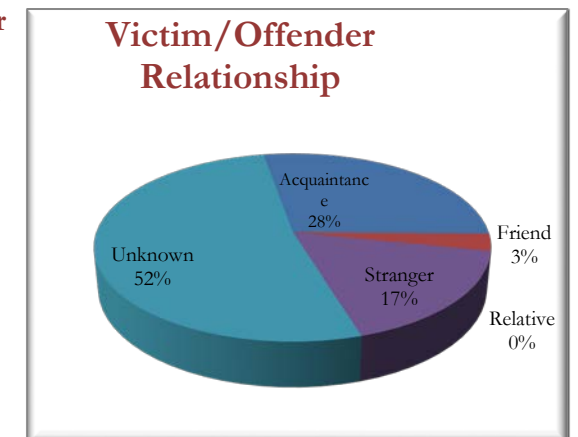
- There were **4,481** robberies reported in 2014, and **218** juveniles were robbery victims, representing **5%** of all robbery victims in Alabama for that year.
- **72%** of the victims were black and **28%** were white; **84%** were males, and **16%** were females.
- A firearm was the weapon used in **52%** of the robberies; hands, fists, or feet were used as a weapon in **39%**; a knife was the weapon used in **3%**; and other dangerous weapons were used in **6%**.
- **31%** of the victims were acquainted with or related to the offender; **17%** of the offenders were strangers; and in **52%** of the offenses the offender was unknown.
- **18%** of the offenses occurred at a residence; **44%** occurred in a street or alley; **8%** occurred at a school; **9%** occurred in a parking lot; **1%** occurred in a park or playground; and **20%** occurred in other locations.

Victim's Age	Number
<1	9
1	5
2	0
3	0
4	0
5	0
6	0
7	1
8	1
9	3
10	1
11	2
12	7
13	13
14	24
15	31
16	45
17	76



Relationship of Victim and Offender

The Victim was:	Percent
Acquaintance	28%
Friend	3%
Relative	0%
Stranger	17%
Unknown	52%



Juvenile Victims of Assault

Aggravated

- There were **1,000** juvenile assault victims in 2014, representing **8%** of all victims of the **12,987** aggravated assaults reported in Alabama for that year. **62%** of the victims were males, and **38%** were females. **52%** of the victims were black, and **48%** were white.
- A firearm was the weapon used in **23%** of the assaults; hands, fists, or feet were used as a weapon in **42%**; a knife was the weapon used in **9%**; and other dangerous weapons were used in **26%**.
- **77%** of the victims were acquainted with or related to the offender; **2%** of the offenders were strangers; and in **21%** of the assaults the offender was unknown.
- **56%** of the assaults occurred at a residence; **16%** occurred in a street or alley; **11%** occurred at a school; and **17%** occurred in other locations.

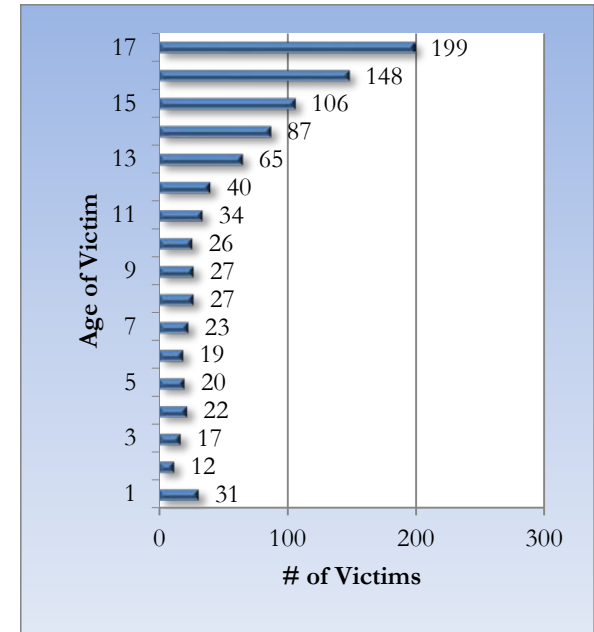
Simple

- There were **6,446** juvenile victims of simple assault in 2014, or **8%** of all victims of simple assaults for that year. **51%** of the victims were females and **49%** were males; **50%** were black and **50%** were white.
- **84%** of the victims were acquainted with or related to the offender; **2%** were strangers; and in **14%** of the offenses the offender was unknown.

By definition, a simple assault is an assault which did not involve the use of a firearm, knife, cutting instrument or other dangerous weapon and in which the victim did not sustain serious or aggravated injuries.

Juvenile Victims of Aggravated Assault

Victim's Age	Number
<1	97
1	31
2	12
3	17
4	22
5	20
6	19
7	23
8	27
9	27
10	26
11	34
12	40
13	65
14	87
15	106
16	148
17	199



Relationship of Victim and Offender

The Victim was:	Percent
Acquaintance	40%
Friend	4%
Relative	29%
Boyfriend/Girlfriend	4%
Stranger	2%
Unknown	21%

