

Family Violence in Ohio: Annual Statewide Update

These data describe some of the violence perpetrated by family members or caregivers in our county from 2007 to 2009 (the most recent available data). These figures cover only part of the prevalence of family violence, because many cases never come to the attention of authorities.

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>% change, 2007-08</u>	<u>% change, 2008-09</u>
Petitions for domestic-violence-related civil protection orders	18,862	19,386	20,551	+2.8%	+6.0%
Adults sheltered in domestic violence shelters	3,402	3,558	3,599	+4.6%	+1.2%
Children sheltered in domestic violence shelters	2,974	3,097	3,183	+4.1%	+2.8%
Domestic disturbance calls reported by police	62,486	64,861	60,230	+3.8%	-7.1%
Reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation filed for seniors in long term care facilities	3,006	3,383	3,094	+12.5%	-8.5%

- Most agency reports related to family violence have increased since 2007.
- Shelter totals are limited to the 48 shelters that provided data in 2007, 2008 and 2009.
- Domestic disturbance call totals are limited to the 507 law enforcement agencies with adequate data for 2007, 2008 and 2009.
- For a detailed description of the sources and methods used to calculate these figures, please visit: www.hprio.net/familyviolence

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How did different counties compare last year?

County type (# of counties)	Petitions for domestic-violence-related civil protection orders			Reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation in long term care facilities		
	2008	2009	% change	2008	2009	% change
Major metropolitan (6)	7,120	7,987	12.2%	1,814	1,599	-11.8%
Suburban (18)	4,786	5,119	7.0%	515	499	-3.1%
Smaller metropolitan (7)	2,141	2,189	2.2%	383	324	-15.4%
Appalachian (29)	3,387	3,302	-2.5%	337	378	+12.2%
Non-Appalachian rural (28)	1,952	1,954	0.0%	334	294	-12.0%

- **Last year**, petitions for civil protection orders increased in major metropolitan and suburban counties but were relatively stable elsewhere.
- Last year, reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation in long term care facilities decreased in most counties, but increased in Appalachian counties.
- Differences over time or across counties may be due to differences in the underlying scope of family violence, differences in agencies' capacity and/or differences in agencies' reporting procedures. For more information on how to interpret these findings, please visit www.hprio.net/familyviolence



To talk with someone about family violence, contact:

Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-4-A-CHILD
 Ohio Domestic Violence Network 1-800-934-9840
 Ohio Area Agencies on Aging: 1-866-243-5678