

**Boulder County Domestic Abuse Prevention Project**  
Half Year Statistical Report: January – June 2003



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## **About the Boulder County Domestic Abuse Prevention Project**

Since 1986, the Domestic Abuse Prevention Project (DAPP) has worked to improve the response to domestic violence in Boulder County. By treating domestic violence as a crime, we strive to raise awareness of the issues to prevent further abuse. The Project is a coordinated effort among law enforcement, the District Attorney's Office, the Judiciary, Community Justice Services, Probation, Social Services, battered women's shelters, perpetrator treatment providers and concerned individuals. DAPP acts as a liaison to all involved agencies, monitors the effectiveness of system-wide efforts, and maintains statistics on all reported cases of domestic violence in Boulder County.

Goals of the Project are to:

- Reduce the number of deaths and injuries from domestic violence;
- Increase interdepartmental communication;
- Improve interagency coordination;
- Raise community awareness of intimate partner violence and alternatives to violence; and
- Work with agencies and others to ensure that victims of domestic violence are provided the best possible services.

## **DAPP's Statistical Methodology**

DAPP maintains an electronic database containing over 16,000 domestic violence related incidents from 1994 to the present. Initially, DAPP receives domestic violence reports (verbal and arrest) from Boulder County Law Enforcement Agencies. From these reports, the Research Analyst and interns collect information about the incident information. Next, DAPP collects information about the defendant's demographics from the Tiburon computer system and the defendant's bond information from the Bond Commissioner's bond sheets and the state court computer ICON. Finally, DAPP collects information about sentencing from the DA's computer system CaseTrak and ICON. This information is stored in a county supported database; the information reported in this report is not exhaustive to the data that DAPP collects. If you would like more information on how you can obtain special reports, please contact the Research Analyst.

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## **DAPP Advisory Board**

The Board consists of members from within the criminal justice system as well as agencies and individuals from the community. The Board makes recommendations to the Project staff regarding the status of the Project and any changes needed to improve our community's response to domestic violence. DAPP staff would like to thank the current members of the Advisory Board for their continued support:

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## **Statistical Summary and Highlights, January-June 2003**

- **All Case Summary:**
  - For the first half of 2003, overall Boulder County experienced a 3% increase from the first half of last year in reported domestic violence cases.
  - Longmont is reporting **42%** of the formal domestic violence cases (arrest, book and release, summons, and warrant arrest) for Boulder County.
  - 15 more double arrests occurred this year compared to the same period last year.
- **Felonies and Misdemeanors:**
  - The rate of felony arrests dropped significantly. For the past three years, the ratio of felony arrests and misdemeanor arrests has fluctuated by one percent each year, staying around 22% for felony arrests and 78% for misdemeanor arrests; however, for the first half of this year, the ratio is 18% for felony arrest and 82% for misdemeanor arrests.
- **Demographics:**
  - For the first half of 2003, the female arrest rate was at 21%.
  - For the first half of 2003, the recidivism rate was 31%.
  - The majority of defendants and victims are in the age range of 18-29.
  - The majority of defendants has at least a high school diploma and is employed.
- **Incident Information:**
  - In over one third of the cases, the defendant and victim are no longer involved in a relationship at the time of the incident.
  - In approximately a third of the cases, defendants used alcohol and/or an illegal substance; in approximately one sixth of the cases, victims used alcohol and/or an illegal substance. In 11% of the cases, both defendants and victims used alcohol and/or an illegal substance.
  - In less than half of the cases, law enforcement reported documented offering victim advocate services (by either calling, presenting a brochure, etc.). However, this statistic should be interpreted with caution because this information comes directly from the police reports and does not document if the victim was offered services through follow up contact.
  - In a small portion of the cases, the defendant used a weapon (DAPP defines a weapon as something other than a part of the body used to threaten or harm the victim) and in the majority of those cases, defendants used something other than a knife or firearm (telephones, bottles, keys, rocks, baseball bats, etc.).
- **Children Who Witness:**
  - In a quarter of the formal cases there was at least one child present during the domestic violence incident. Of those cases, three quarters of the children either heard or saw the incident.
  - In over half of the formal cases where children were present during the time of the incident, the defendant was charged with child abuse.
  - Only 5% of the children that were present during the incident were not a child of either the defendant or victim.

- **Recidivism and Multiple Victimizations**
  - Both domestic violence recidivism rates and multiple victimization rates in Boulder County were 31%. Please note that since DAPP's conversion to their new database, recidivism and repeat victimization is no longer tracked from 1986, but now is tracked from 1994. By 2004, DAPP expects to have domestic violence information from 1986 to 1993 electronically converted. DAPP's definition of recidivism and repeat victimizations only includes domestic violence crimes committed in Boulder County.
  
- **Bonds:**
  - For the first half of 2003, 15% of the defendants did not post bond prior to the disposition of their case. Of those defendants who posted bonds, 71% of the defendants were held until the two o'clock hearings before posting bond. 2% or 9 defendants had no conditions attached to their bonds.
  
- **Disposition Information:**
  - There were a total of 744 cases that had disposition dates with the January to June period. Of those, **33%** (246) domestic violence cases came through Longmont County Court.
  - There were two defendants that were sentenced to deferred prosecutions.<sup>1</sup>
  - Only 77% of convicted first time offenders were sentenced to domestic violence treatment.
  - Only 4% of sentenced cases, where children were present and the defendant charged with child abuse resulted in a conviction for child abuse.
  
- **15 Year Overview:**
  - There was no percentage increase in domestic violence formal cases from the last half of 2002 to the first half of 2003.

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<sup>1</sup> Colorado Statute (18-6-801 (4)) states: no person accused or convicted of a crime, the underlying factual basis of which has been found by the court on the record to include an act of domestic violence, as defined in section 18-6-800.3 (1), shall be eligible for home detention in the home of the victim pursuant to section 18-1.3-105 or 18-1.3-106 or for **deferred prosecution** pursuant to section 18-1.3-101. Nothing in this subsection (4) is intended to prohibit a court from ordering a deferred sentence for a person accused or convicted of a crime, the underlying factual basis of which has been found by the court on the record to include an act of domestic violence, as defined in section 18-6-800.3 (1).

**Boulder County Domestic Abuse Prevention Project (DAPP)**

*All Case Summary*

*Half Year January - June 2003*

Total Formal Cases\* = 676 and Total Informal Cases\* = 287

Law Enforcement Agency	Report/ No Charges		Open (Under Investigation) & Outstanding Warrants		Book & Release		Warrant		Summons		Arrest		Total		Double Arrests (Both Parties Charged)	
	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD
Boulder	15	28	4	10	0	0	6	15	0	1	69	140	94	194	6	13
Boulder Sheriff	14	28	0	0	0	0	2	11	0	1	26	69	42	109	0	8
Erie	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	15	10	17	2	4
Lafayette	16	34	0	2	0	0	1	6	0	1	41	82	42	125	3	9
Longmont	77	148	20	34	0	0	24	46	0	2	117	238	238	468	10	20
Louisville	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	7	0	0	17	28	21	36	3	3
Nederland	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	0	0
University of Colorado	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	7	5	9	0	0
Ward	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	2	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>963</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>17%</b>

**Percent Change for all Domestic Violence Cases from YTD 2002 and YTD 2003**

	Report	Open (Under Investigation) & Outstanding Warrants	Book and Release	Warrant	Summon	Arrest	Total	Double Arrests (Both Parties Charged)
<b>YTD 2002</b>	250	33	1	36	16	601	937	42
<b>YTD 2003</b>	240	47	3	86	5	582	963	57
<b>Percent Change</b>	-4%	42%	200%	139%	-69%	-3%	3%	36%

\*Formal Cases are defined as full custody arrests, book and releases, warrants, and summons. Informal cases are defined as incident reports (no charges), open (cases needing further investigation), and outstanding warrants.

**Formal Cases**  
**January - June 2003**

**Formally-Charged Cases by Sex**

Law Enforcement Agency	Number of Male Defendants	Male Arrest Rate Percentage	Number of Female Defendants	Female Arrest Rate Percentage	Total	Percentage of Total Formal Cases
Boulder	125	80%	31	20%	156	23%
Boulder Sheriff	62	76%	20	24%	82	12%
CUPD	8	100%	0	0%	8	1%
Erie	11	73%	4	27%	15	2%
Lafayette	74	83%	15	17%	89	13%
Longmont	216	76%	70	24%	286	42%
Louisville	31	86%	5	14%	36	5%
Nederland	2	0%	0	0%	2	0%
Ward	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other	2	0%	0	0%	2	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Seriousness of Offense**

Law Enforcement Agency	Number of Misdemeanor Arrests	Misdemeanor Arrest Rate	Number of Felony Arrests	Felony Arrest Rate	Total	Percentage of Total Formal Cases
Boulder	129	83%	27	17%	156	23%
Boulder Sheriff	70	85%	12	15%	82	12%
CUPD	6	75%	2	25%	8	1%
Erie	11	73%	4	27%	15	2%
Lafayette	72	81%	17	19%	89	13%
Longmont	231	81%	55	19%	286	42%
Louisville	30	83%	6	17%	36	5%
Nederland	2	0%	0	0%	2	0%
Ward	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other	2	0%	0	0%	2	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Recidivism versus First Time Offenders**

Law Enforcement Agency	Number of Recidivists	Recidivist Rate	Number of First Time Offenders	First Time Offender Rate	Total	Percentage of Total Formal Cases
Boulder	41	26%	115	74%	156	23%
Boulder Sheriff	21	26%	61	74%	82	12%
CUPD	1	13%	7	88%	8	1%
Erie	3	20%	12	80%	15	2%
Lafayette	30	34%	59	66%	89	13%
Longmont	100	35%	186	65%	286	42%
Louisville	12	33%	24	67%	36	5%
Nederland	1	0%	1	0%	2	0%
Ward	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other	0	0%	2	0%	2	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Demographics**  
**January - June 2003**

**Age of Domestic Violence Defendants**

	<18*	18-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50+	Total
<b>Females</b>	2	42	19	16	20	23	17	6	<b>145</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	1%	29%	13%	11%	14%	16%	12%	4%	
<b>Males</b>	3	125	89	84	70	63	40	57	<b>531</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	1%	24%	17%	16%	13%	12%	8%	11%	
<b>Total</b>	5	167	108	100	90	86	57	63	<b>676</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	1%	25%	16%	15%	13%	13%	8%	9%	

\*State statute does not require law enforcement to charge juvenile offenses as "domestic violence"; therefore, the reports are not always flagged and DAPP does not consistently receive juvenile domestics.

**Age of Domestic Violence Victims**

	<18	18-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50+	Total
<b>Females</b>	24	147	66	71	67	60	54	20	<b>509</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	5%	29%	13%	14%	13%	12%	11%	4%	
<b>Males</b>	1	37	21	15	16	24	13	14	<b>141</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	1%	26%	15%	11%	11%	17%	9%	10%	
<b>Total</b>	25	184	87	86	83	84	67	34	<b>650</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	4%	28%	13%	13%	13%	13%	10%	5%	

Date of birth (DOB) for 26 victims during the 1st Half of 2003 could not be collected. Data reflects all defendants and victims with documented DOB in all formal cases (arrests, warrants, summons, and book and releases).

**Highest Level of Education for Domestic Violence Offenders\*\***

	< H.S. Degree	GED	High School Degree	Associate Degree	College Degree	Graduate Degree	PhD	Professional Degree	Unknown	Total
<b>Females</b>	30	2	66	4	15	2	1	0	20	<b>140</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	21%	1%	47%	3%	11%	1%	1%	0%	14%	
<b>Males</b>	111	10	242	28	27	10	6	1	93	<b>528</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	21%	2%	46%	5%	5%	2%	1%	0%	18%	
<b>Total</b>	141	12	308	32	42	12	7	1	113	<b>668</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	21%	2%	46%	5%	6%	2%	1%	0%	17%	

**Income of Domestic Violence Offenders\*\***

	<\$5,000	\$5,000 - \$9,999	\$10,000 - \$14,999	\$15,000 - \$24,999	\$25,000 - \$34,999	\$35,000 - \$49,999	\$50,000 or More	Unemployed	Total***
<b>Females</b>	2	6	8	4	1	2	3	38	<b>26</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	8%	23%	31%	15%	4%	8%	12%	27%	
<b>Males</b>	5	8	32	37	13	15	16	92	<b>126</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	4%	6%	25%	29%	10%	12%	13%	17%	
<b>Total</b>	7	14	40	41	14	17	19	130	<b>152</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	5%	9%	27%	27%	9%	11%	13%	35%	

\*\*The source of education and income data is from Bond Commissioner interviews and 668 defendants were eligible for an interview.

\*\*\*The annual income of 303 employed DV offenders varied or was unknown. 4 defendants were retired and 5 were disabled. The employment status of 74 defendants was unknown.

## Incident Information

January - June 2003

### Relationship Between Perpetrator & Victim

	Married	Living Together	Dating	Common Law Married	Ex-Dating/Living Together	Separated	Divorced	Unknown	Total
<i>Number of Cases</i>	175	151	105	5	168	35	32	5	676
<b>Percent Total</b>	26%	22%	16%	1%	25%	5%	5%	1%	

40 percent of Boulder County domestic violence incidences involved couples that were separated, divorced or ex-dating.

### Who Contacted the Police

	Child	Defendant	Victim	Police*	Other**	Unknown	Total
<i>Number of Cases</i>	9	52	392	13	155	55	676
<b>Percent Total</b>	1%	8%	58%	2%	23%	8%	

\*This represents incidents where police witnessed the domestic in progress or made initial contact with the parties prior to them reporting the incident to the police.

\*\*This represents incidents reported by neighbors, witnesses, other family members, etc.

### Defendant's Use of Alcohol and/or an Illegal Substance at the Time of Incident

	BC Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
<i>Male</i>	36	15	3	4	28	62	12	1	1	162
<i>Female</i>	8	5	0	2	5	25	2	0	0	47
<b>Total</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>209</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>31%</b>

### Victim's Use of Alcohol and/or an Illegal Substance at the Time of Incident

	BC Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
<i>Male</i>	7	3	0	2	2	14	2	0	0	30
<i>Female</i>	19	5	3	1	7	20	8	1	0	64
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>94</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>14%</b>

### Both Defendant and Victim's Use of Alcohol and/or an Illegal Substance at the Time of Incident

	BC Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
<i>Total Number of Cases</i>	22	6	3	2	8	26	8	1	0	76
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>11%</b>

### Victim's Advocate Contacted

	BC Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
<i>Documentation of VA Services Offered or Contacted</i>	103	22	4	4	17	153	5	0	0	308
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>46%</b>

### Weapons Involved\*

	Mis-demeanor	Felony	Total
<i>Number of Cases</i>	66	27	93
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>14%</b>

### Type of Weapon Used

	Mis-demeanor	Felony	Total	Percent of Cases
Firearm	5	4	9	1%
Knife	8	12	20	3%
Something Else	54	12	66	10%

\*DAPP defines weapon as anything other than the body used to harm or threaten a victim. Besides knives and firearms, the category of *Something Else* can include phones, rocks, baseball bats, bottles, etc.



**Children Who Witness Domestic Violence In Boulder County**

January - June 2003

**Children Present in Formal Domestic Violence Cases**

	Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
<i>Number of Children Present</i>	41	27	1	17	39	154	22	0	2	303
<i>Number of Cases Involving Children</i>	27	21	1	10	20	87	11	0	1	178
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>26%</b>

**Age of Children Present in Formal Domestic Violence Cases\***

	< 1	1-3	4-5	6-7	8-9	10-11	12-13	14-15	16-17	Average
<i>Number of Children</i>	34	74	26	28	25	18	16	7	14	6

\*In the first half of 2003, 51 children's ages were not documented by law enforcement officers.

**Information of the Children Present in Formal Domestic Violence Cases**

	Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
<i>Number of Children that live with either defendant or victim</i>	40	26	1	17	29	151	21	0	2	287
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>95%</b>
<i>Number of Children that witnessed the incident</i>	29	25	1	8	32	114	17	0	2	228
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>75%</b>
<i>Number of Children that were injured during the incident</i>	3	0	0	0	5	7	1	0	0	16
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>5%</b>

**Number of Domestic Violence Cases Involving Children and Child Abuse Arrest Charges**

	Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
<i>Number of Cases Where Children Were Present</i>	27	21	1	10	20	87	11	0	1	178
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>26%</b>
<i>Number of Cases Where Children were Present &amp; the Defendant was Charged With Child Abuse Crime</i>	15	14	1	6	15	36	3	0	0	90
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>51%</b>

## Defendant and Victim Histories

January - June 2003

### Information about First Time Offenders and Recidivists in Domestic Violence Offenses in Boulder County

For the first half of 2003, of the 676 formal arrests **467 (69%)** were first time offenders and **209 (31%)** were recidivists or had committed a previous domestic violence crime in Boulder County. Of those recidivists, **126 (60%)** of the defendants committed their second domestic violence offense and **83 (40%)** of defendants committed their third or more domestic violence offense.

#### Days Between Reported Domestic Violence Offenses

	Number of Recidivists*	Low Days**	High Days	Average Days
<b>1st &amp; 2nd Offenses</b>	126	0	3125	616
<b>Subsequent Offenses</b>	83	0	2323	372

#### Recidivists and Number of Days Between Current and Previous Offense

	Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
<b>Number of Recidivist</b>	40	21	1	3	30	100	12	1	0	208
<b>Low Days**</b>	0	2	0	350	1	1	18	616	N/A	0
<b>High Days</b>	2210	1381	0	1935	3129	3049	1540	616	N/A	3129
<b>Average Days</b>	406	429	0	1110	640	548	429	616	N/A	519

\*Recidivists are defendants with a prior **domestic violence** offense in Boulder County (criminal histories outside of Boulder County are unavailable). These formal contacts are arrests (including warrants), summonses, and book and releases. Recidivism is based on information collected by the Domestic Abuse Prevention Project since 1994, when electronic data collection began. DAPP recidivist statistics include both technical violations (e.g., violation of restraining order, bond conditions, etc.) and "new" incidents.

\*\*While some recidivists may have many years between offenses, some reoffend on the same day as their initial arrest. This feat may be accomplished, for example, by telephoning the victim from the jail - in violation of bond conditions, temporary protective order, or both.

### Information about First Time Victims and Victims in Prior Domestic Violence Offenses in Boulder County

For the first half of 2003, of the 676 formal arrests **467 (69%)** were first time victims and **209 (31%)** were prior victims of a domestic violence crime in Boulder County. Of those prior victims, **122 (58%)** of the victims were victims of a second domestic violence offense and **88 (42%)** of victims were victims of their third or more domestic violence offense.

#### Days Between Reported Domestic Violence Victimization

	Number of Victims	Low Days****	High Days	Average Days
<b>1st &amp; 2nd Victimization***</b>	122	0	3129	644
<b>Subsequent Victimizations***</b>	88	0	2860	434

#### Repeat Victims and Number of Days Between Current and Previous Victimization

	Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
<b>Number of Victims</b>	45	19	1	2	26	103	12	1	0	209
<b>Low Days****</b>	0	2	0	350	1	1	18	616	N/A	0
<b>High Days</b>	2240	2943	0	1935	3129	3037	2576	616	N/A	3129
<b>Average Days</b>	457	573	0	1143	582	604	391	616	N/A	556

\*\*\*Victimization are victims of a domestic violence incident with a prior domestic violence victimization in Boulder County (criminal histories outside of Boulder County are unavailable). These contacts are arrests (including warrants), summonses, and book and releases. Victimization is based on information collected by the Domestic Abuse Prevention Project since 1994, when electronic data collection began. DAPP victimization statistics include both technical violations (e.g., violation of restraining order, bond conditions, etc.) and "new" incidents.

\*\*\*\*While some victims may have many years between incidents, some are revictimized on the same day as their initial victimization. For instance, the defendant may, for example, telephone the victim from the jail - in violation of bond conditions, temporary protective order, or both.

## Bond Information

January - June 2003

In the first half of 2003, there were **668** defendants eligible for bond (full custody arrests and warrant arrest). Of those, **588 (85%)** defendants posted bond and **80 (15%)** defendants did not post bond.

In the first half of 2003, **420** (288 first time offenders and 132 recidivists) or **71%** of the defendants that posted bond were held until the two o'clock bond hearings and **168** (142 first time offenders and 26 recidivists) or **29%** of the defendants that posted bond were not held until the two bond hearings.

### Bond Amount Information

	Felonies	Mis-demeanors	Male	Female	First Time Offenders	Recidivists	Overall
<i>Lowest Amount</i>	\$500	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
<i>Highest Amount</i>	\$25,000	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
<i>Average Amount</i>	\$4,338	\$1,541	\$2,177	\$1,339	\$1,656	\$2,892	\$1,988

### Bond Conditions of Defendants Held Until Two O'Clock Hearings

	No Contact	Interim Supervision	No Weapons	Substance Abuse Monitoring	Alcohol Monitoring	Criminal Restraining Order	No Conditions
<i>First Time Offenders</i>	279	59	17	58	77	28	4
<i>Recidivists</i>	129	33	11	25	28	8	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>1%</b>

### Bond Conditions of Defendants Not Held Until Two O'Clock Hearings

	No Contact	Interim Supervision	No Weapons	Substance Abuse Monitoring	Alcohol Monitoring	Criminal Restraining Order	No Conditions
<i>First Time Offenders</i>	139	8	6	11	17	2	2
<i>Recidivists</i>	24	2	5	4	6	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>

### Type of Bond Ordered

	Cash/Property Secured	Security	Personal Recognizance	Co-Personal Recognizance
<i>First Time Offenders</i>	173	41	210	6
<i>Recidivists</i>	112	32	11	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Percent Total</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>1%</b>

### Type of Bond Ordered and Bond Conditions

	No Contact	Interim Supervision	No Weapons	Substance Abuse Monitoring	Alcohol Monitoring	Criminal Restraining Order	No Conditions
<i>Cash/Property Secured</i>	279 (98%)	73 (26%)	20 (7%)	70 (25%)	76 (27%)	26 (9%)	3 (1%)
<i>Security</i>	69 (95%)	13 (15%)	9 (12%)	12 (16%)	15 (21%)	7 (10%)	3 (4%)
<i>Personal Recognizance</i>	208 (97%)	15 (7%)	10 (5%)	17 (8%)	36 (16%)	6 (3%)	3 (1%)
<i>Co-Personal Recognizance</i>	8 (100%)	1 (13%)	0 (0%)	1 (13%)	1 (13%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>570 (97%)</b>	<b>102 (17%)</b>	<b>39 (7%)</b>	<b>100 (17%)</b>	<b>128 (22%)</b>	<b>39 (7%)</b>	<b>9 (2%)</b>

**Disposition Information**  
**January - June 2003**

**All Dispositions**

**Total Convictions = 544 Total Dismissals = 200**

There were 744 cases with disposition for the first half 2003. 143 (19%) female defendants and 601 (81%) male defendants. Sentencing was as follows:

	<i>Number of Sentences</i>		<i>Percent of Total Sentences</i>		<i>Low (Days)</i>		<i>High (Days)</i>		<i>Average Sentence Length (Days)</i>	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
<b>Deferred Prosecution*</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>453</b>
<i>Deferred Sentence</i>	52	149	36%	25%	180	180	730	1460	482	527
<i>Probation</i>	29	228	20%	38%	90	180	730	1460	483	621
<i>Jail</i>	20	186	14%	31%	2	2	270	1460	79	156
<i>Dismissed</i>	42	102	29%	17%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Dismissed w/plea bargain</i>	11	41	8%	7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Dismissed Warrant Expired</i>	1	3	1%	0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total**</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>108%</b>	<b>118%</b>						

**Double Arrest Dispositions**

**Total Convictions = 42 Total Dismissals = 22**

There were 64 cases with disposition for the first half 2003. 27 (42%) female defendants and 37 (58%) male defendants. Sentencing was as follows:

	<i>Number of Sentences</i>		<i>Percent of Total Sentences</i>		<i>Low (Days)</i>		<i>High (Days)</i>		<i>Average Sentence Length (Days)</i>	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
<b>Deferred Prosecution*</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<i>Deferred Sentence</i>	9	14	33%	38%	365	365	730	730	586	455
<i>Probation</i>	5	10	19%	27%	365	180	540	730	400	545
<i>Jail</i>	1	7	4%	19%	11	7	11	100	11	53
<i>Dismissed</i>	9	6	33%	16%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Dismissed w/plea bargain</i>	3	3	11%	8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Dismissed Warrant Expired</i>	0	1	0%	3%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total**</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>111%</b>						

**First Time Offender Dispositions**

**Total Convictions = 374 Total Dismissals = 132**

There were 506 cases with disposition for the first half of 2003. 106 (21%) female defendants and 400 (79%) male defendants. Sentencing was as follows:

	<i>Number of Sentences</i>		<i>Percent of Total Sentences</i>		<i>Low (Days)</i>		<i>High (Days)</i>		<i>Average Sentence Length (Days)</i>	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
<b>Deferred Prosecution*</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>453</b>
<i>Deferred Sentence</i>	50	133	47%	33%	180	180	730	1460	472	524
<i>Probation</i>	17	143	16%	36%	90	180	730	1460	432	606
<i>Jail</i>	7	87	7%	22%	2	2	180	1460	71	103
<i>Dismissed</i>	34	74	32%	19%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Dismissed w/plea bargain</i>	2	19	2%	5%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Dismissed Warrant Expired</i>	0	3	0%	1%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total**</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>104%</b>	<b>115%</b>						

**Recidivist Dispositions**

**Total Convictions = 170 Total Dismissals = 68**

There were 238 cases with disposition for the first half of 2003. 37 (16%) female defendants and 201 (84%) male defendants. Sentencing was as follows:

	<i>Number of Sentences</i>		<i>Percent of Total Sentences</i>		<i>Low (Days)</i>		<i>High (Days)</i>		<i>Average Sentence Length (Days)</i>	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
<b>Deferred Prosecution*</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<i>Deferred Sentence</i>	2	16	5%	8%	730	180	730	730	730	557
<i>Probation</i>	12	86	32%	43%	90	180	730	1460	555	647
<i>Jail</i>	13	99	35%	49%	4	2	270	1460	83	203
<i>Dismissed</i>	7	26	19%	13%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Dismissed w/plea bargain</i>	10	24	27%	12%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Dismissed Warrant Expired</i>	1	0	3%	0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total**</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>122%</b>	<b>125%</b>						

\*Colorado State Law prohibits deferred prosecutions in domestic violence cases; however, they are still occasionally given to DV defendants in Boulder County.

\*\*Total number of sentences handed down by the courts. Some defendants receive multiple sanctions; therefore, number of sentences may not equal number of individuals.

## Disposition Information

January - June 2003

Disposition information is based on the date of disposition; thus all reported material reflects cases that were sentenced during January to June 2003 (regardless of the date of arrest). During this period, there was a total of **744** dispositions (**544** convictions and **200** dismissals).

### Court Ordered Treatment

	Domestic Violence Treatment	Percent of Convictions	Anger Management	Percent of Convictions	Alcohol/ Substance Abuse Treatment	Percent of Convictions	Mental Health Treatment	Percent of Convictions
<i>First Time Offenders</i>	288	77%	9	2%	106	28%	35	9%
<i>Recidivists</i>	84	49%	4	2%	44	26%	22	13%
<b>Total</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>10%</b>

### Defendant Use of Alcohol/Illegal Substance and Court Ordered Treatment

	Defendant Used Alcohol/ Illegal Substance	Percent of Cases	Defendant Sentenced to Alcohol/Substance Treatment	Percent of Convictions
<i>First Time Offenders</i>	141	28%	75	20%
<i>Recidivists</i>	61	26%	28	16%
<b>Total</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>19%</b>

### Dispositions Involving Children and Defendant Charged with Child Abuse

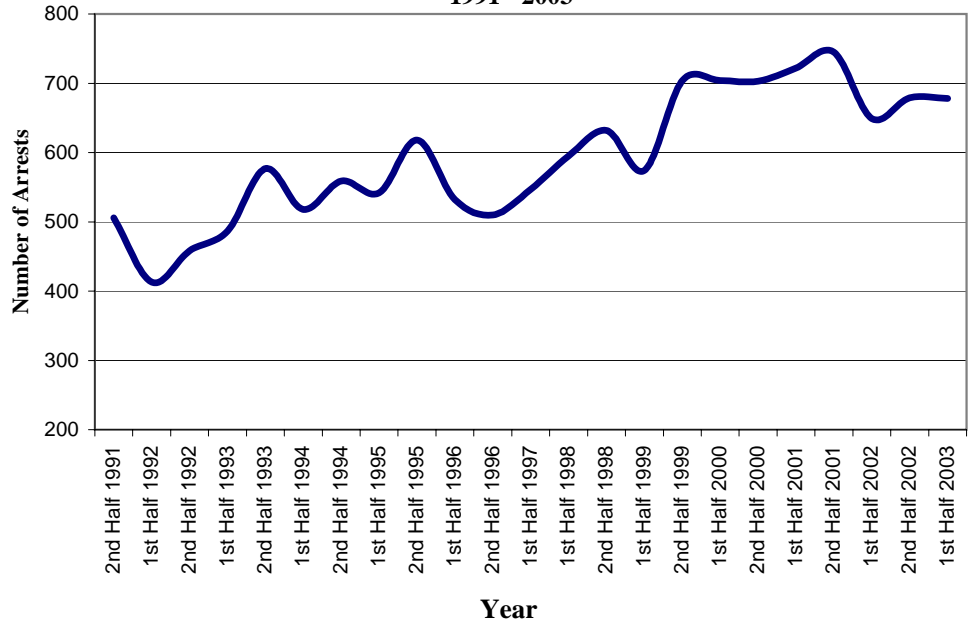
	Children Present at Domestic Violence Incident	Percent of Total Sentenced Cases	Defendant Charged with Child Abuse	Percent of Sentenced Cases Involving Children	Defendant Convicted of Child Abuse	Percent of Cases Where Defendant Charged with Child Abuse
<i>First Time Offenders</i>	116	23%	65	56%	3	5%
<i>Recidivists</i>	44	18%	20	45%	0	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4%</b>

### Dispositions Involving Children and Court Ordered Treatment

	Domestic Violence Treatment	Percent of Sentenced Cases Involving Children	Parenting Classes	Percent of Sentenced Cases Involving Children	Cooperate with Department of Social Services	Percent of Sentenced Cases Involving Children	Mental Health Treatment	Percent of Sentenced Cases Involving Children
<i>First Time Offenders</i>	90	78%	11	9%	37	32%	10	9%
<i>Recidivists</i>	27	61%	0	0%	12	27%	1	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7%</b>

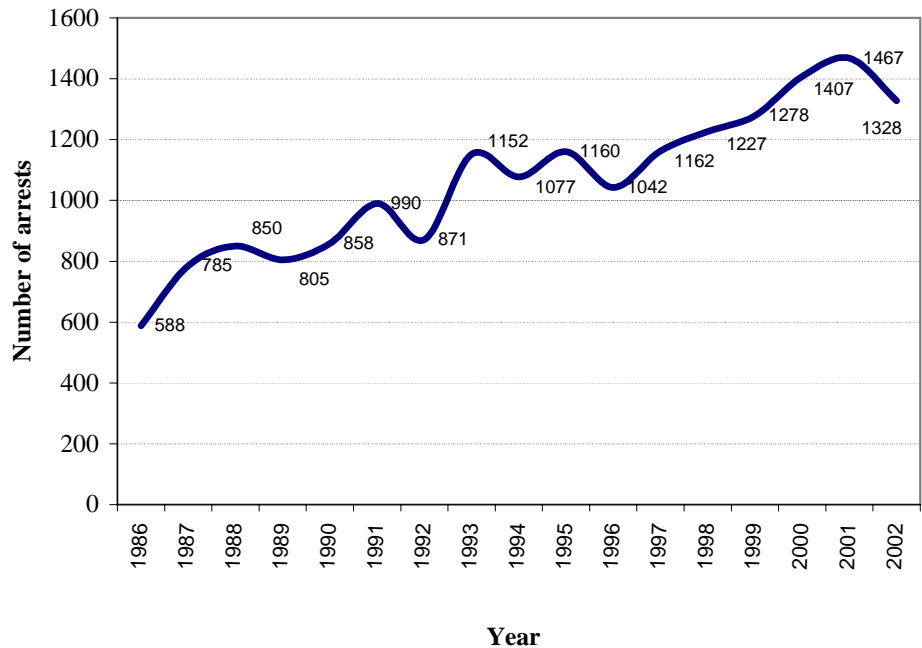
17 Year Overview of Boulder County Domestic Violence Arrest Rate

**Boulder County Bi-Annual Domestic Violence Arrest Trend  
1991 - 2003**



	# Arrests	Percent Change
1st Half 1991	487	
2nd Half 1991	506	4%
1st Half 1992	413	-18%
2nd Half 1992	458	11%
1st Half 1993	487	6%
2nd Half 1993	577	18%
1st Half 1994	518	-10%
2nd Half 1994	559	8%
1st Half 1995	542	-3%
2nd Half 1995	618	14%
1st Half 1996	532	-14%
2nd Half 1996	510	-4%
1st Half 1997	547	7%
2nd Half 1997	615	12%
1st Half 1998	595	-3%
2nd Half 1998	632	6%
1st Half 1999	574	-9%
2nd Half 1999	704	23%
1st Half 2000	704	0%
2nd Half 2000	703	0%
1st Half 2001	722	3%
2nd Half 2001	745	3%
1st Half 2002	649	-13%
2nd Half 2002	679	5%
1st Half 2003	676	0%

**Boulder County Annual Domestic Violence Arrest Trend  
1986 - 2002**



\*Broomfield Law Enforcement Domestic Violence Numbers are included for the bi-annual and annual totals for the period it was a part of Boulder County .