

Statistics

- Adult retrospective studies show that 1 in 4 women and 1 in 6 men were sexually abused before the age of 18 (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2006). This means there are more than 42 million adult survivors of child sexual abuse in the U.S.
- 1 in 5 children are solicited sexually while on the internet. (2,3)
- Children who are abused are over 50% more likely to be arrested as juveniles. (4)
- Children who are abused are 30% more likely to be arrested for a violent crime as an adult. (4)
- Nearly 70% of all reported sexual assaults (including assaults on adults) occur to children ages 17 and under. (5)
- An estimated 39 million survivors of childhood sexual abuse exist in America today. (6)
- 95% of sexually abused children are abused by a family member or someone they know and trust. (7)
- Approximately 40% are abused by older or larger children whom they know. (8,9)
- The median age for reported abuse is 9 years old. (10)
- More than 20% of children are sexually abused before the age of 8. (10)
- Over 30% of victims never disclose the experience to ANYONE. (11)
- More than 75% of teenage prostitutes have been sexually abused. (12,13,14,15)
- Nearly 50% of women in prison state that they were abused as children. (11)

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