

# CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT Statistics

## *Addendum: Child Deaths & Near Deaths*

State Fiscal Year 2006

*July 2005 – June 2006*



OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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# STATISTICS

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This statistical document is an addendum to the State Fiscal Year 2006 Child Abuse & Neglect Statistics and pertains solely to child deaths and near deaths that were investigated and confirmed to be the result of child abuse or neglect by the person responsible for the child's care. The 32 child death and 30 near death victims in this document were previously included in the overall total of 13,827 children confirmed to be victims of abuse and neglect in state fiscal year 2006.

The Oklahoma Department of Human Services (OKDHS) is charged with the responsibility of promptly investigating all reports of child deaths and near deaths alleged to be the result of abuse or neglect by the person responsible for the child's care. Persons responsible for the care of children are parents, guardians, custodians, foster parents, any other adult living in the home of the child, and operators, owners, or employees of child care facilities or homes.

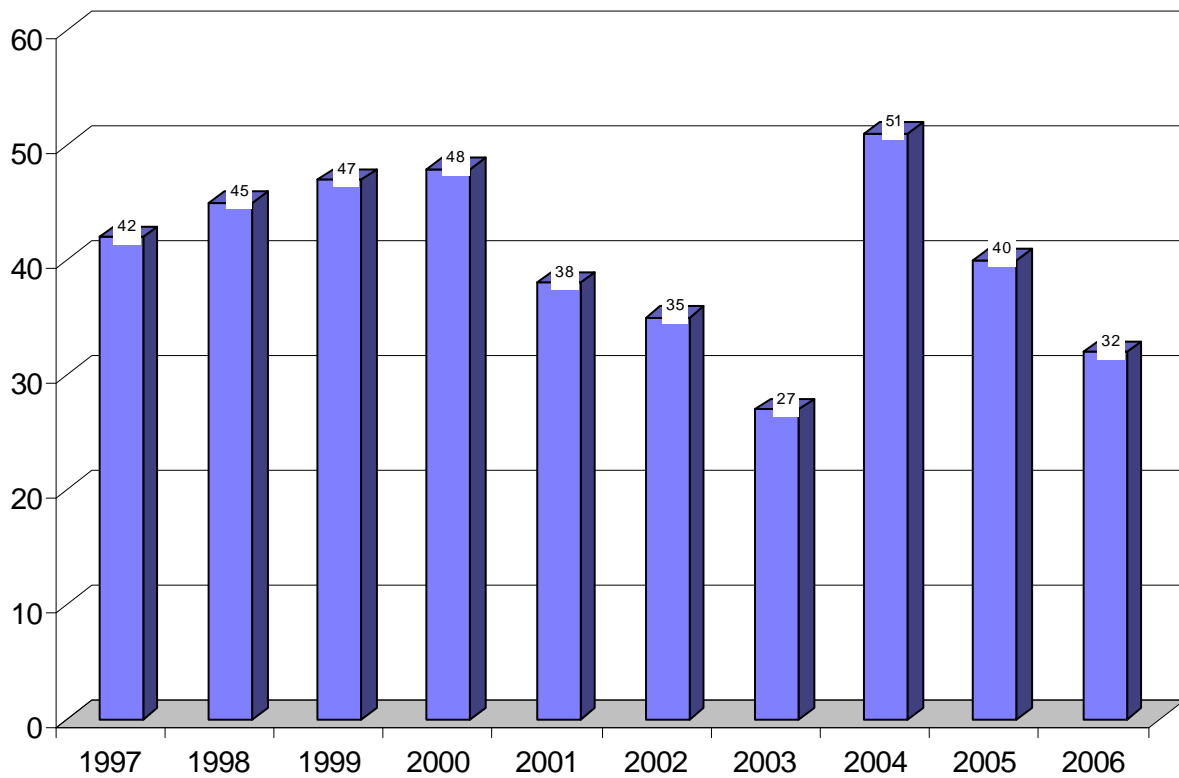
For purposes of this document, the definition of *near death* is when a child is admitted to a hospital in either serious or critical condition with injuries sustained from abuse or neglect by the person responsible for the child's care. OKDHS began publishing near death data in state fiscal year 2004.

**CHILD DEATH CONFIRMATIONS**  
**Statistics**  
**State Fiscal Year 2006**

# CHILD DEATH CONFIRMATIONS

In state fiscal year 2006, there were 32 deaths confirmed to be the result of child abuse or neglect. The chart below details the number of deaths that have occurred each year since 1997.

CONFIRMED CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT DEATHS BY YEAR			
<i>State Fiscal Years 1997-2006</i>			
Fiscal Year	Deaths	Fiscal Year	Deaths
1997	42	2002	35
1998	45	2003	27
1999	47	2004	51
2000	48	2005	40
2001	38	2006	32

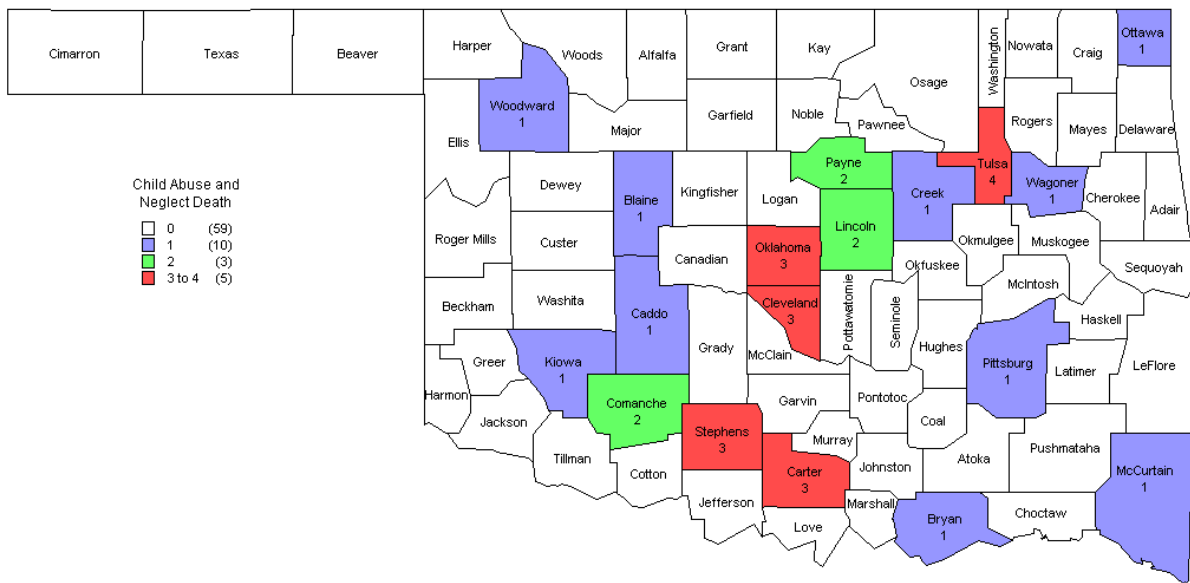


Source: OKDHS Children & Family Services Division

# CHILD DEATHS CONFIRMATIONS

The map below details the confirmed child abuse and neglect deaths by county.

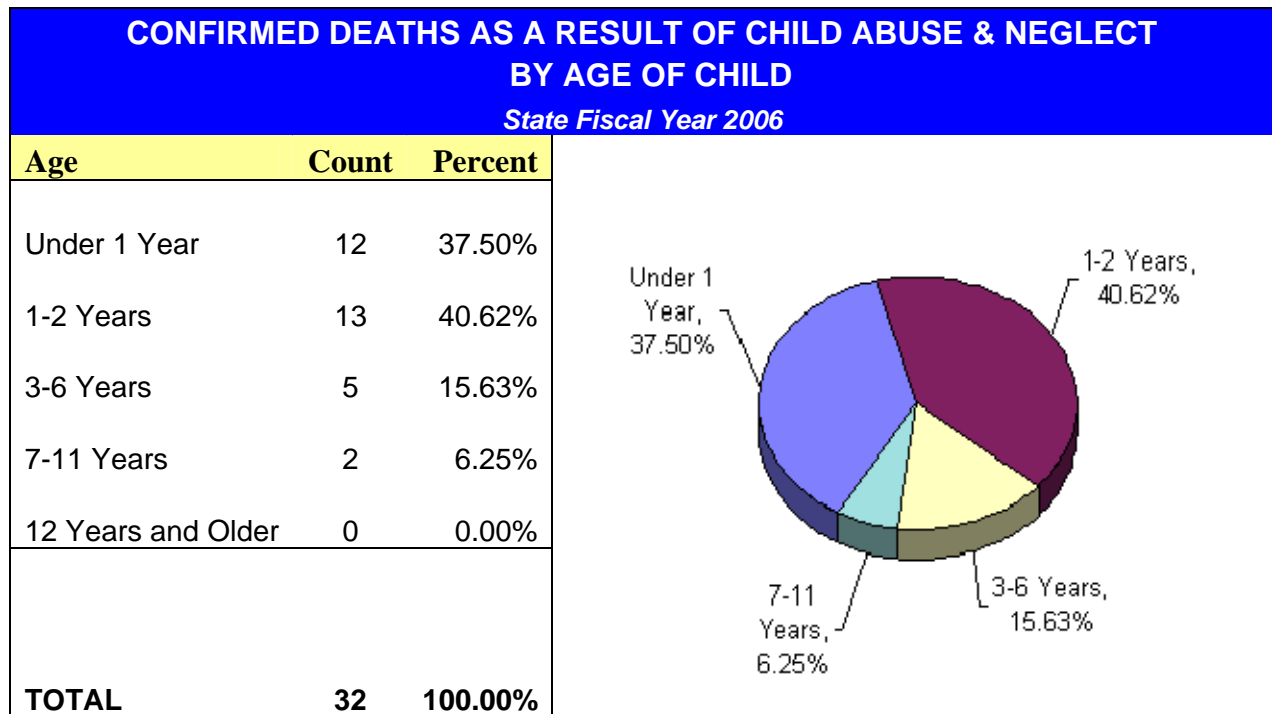
CONFIRMED CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT DEATHS BY COUNTY									
State Fiscal Year 2006									TOTAL: 32
Adair	0	Cotton	0	Jackson	0	McIntosh	0	Rogers	0
Alfalfa	0	Craig	0	Jefferson	0	Murray	0	Roger Mills	0
Atoka	0	Creek	1	Johnston	0	Muskogee	0	Seminole	0
Beaver	0	Custer	0	Kay	0	Noble	0	Sequoyah	0
Beckham	0	Delaware	0	Kingfisher	0	Nowata	0	Stephens	3
Blaine	1	Dewey	0	Kiowa	1	Okfuskee	0	Texas	0
Bryan	1	Ellis	0	Latimer	0	Oklahoma	3	Tillman	0
Caddo	1	Garfield	0	LeFlore	0	Okmulgee	0	Tulsa	4
Canadian	0	Garvin	0	Lincoln	2	Osage	0	Wagoner	1
Carter	3	Grady	0	Logan	0	Ottawa	1	Washington	0
Cherokee	0	Grant	0	Love	0	Pawnee	0	Washita	0
Choctaw	0	Greer	0	Major	0	Payne	2	Woods	0
Cimarron	0	Harmon	0	Marshall	0	Pittsburg	1	Woodward	1
Cleveland	3	Harper	0	Mayes	0	Pontotoc	0		
Coal	0	Haskell	0	McClain	0	Pottawatomie	0		
Comanche	2	Hughes	0	McCurtain	1	Pushmataha	0	<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>



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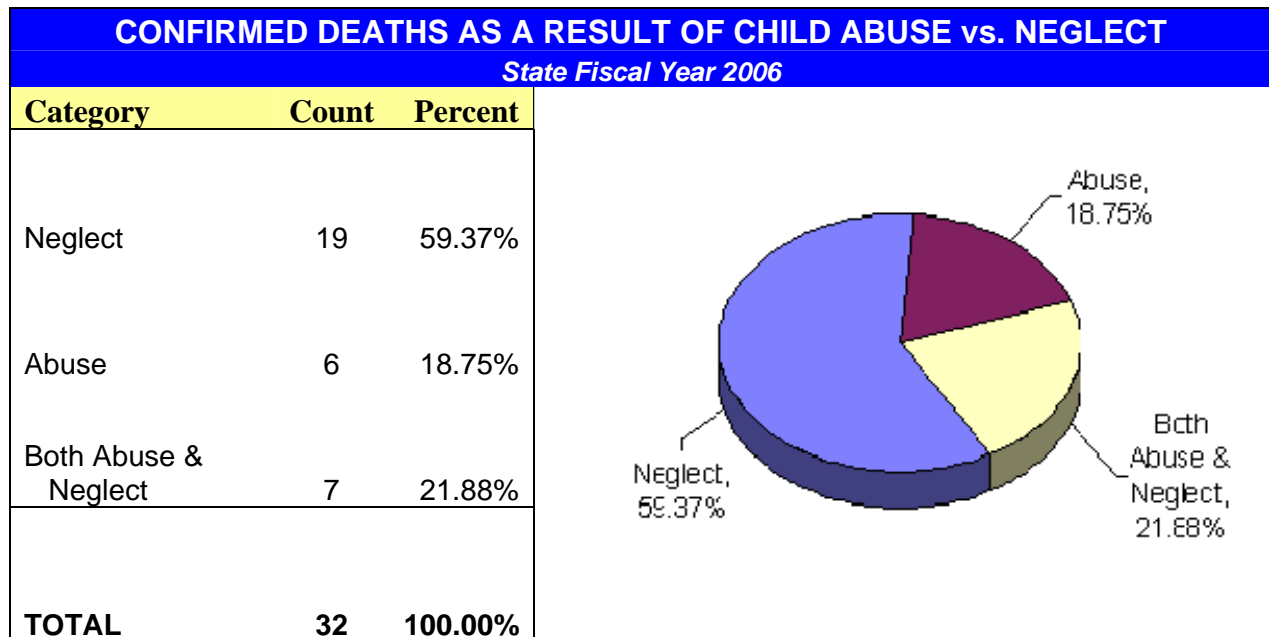
# CHILD DEATH CATEGORIES

As indicated on the chart below, children age two years and younger make up the majority of deaths by abuse and neglect by age.



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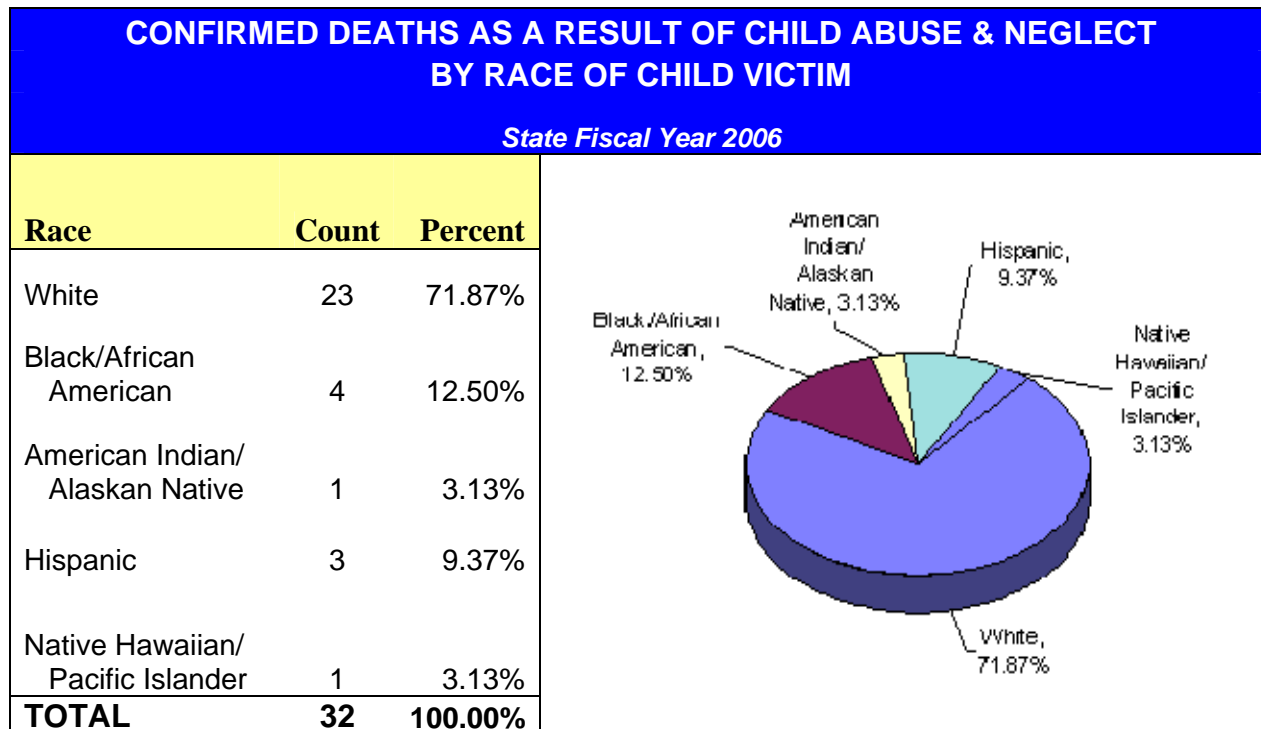
As shown in the chart below, neglect accounts for more deaths than those resulting either from abuse or both abuse and neglect.



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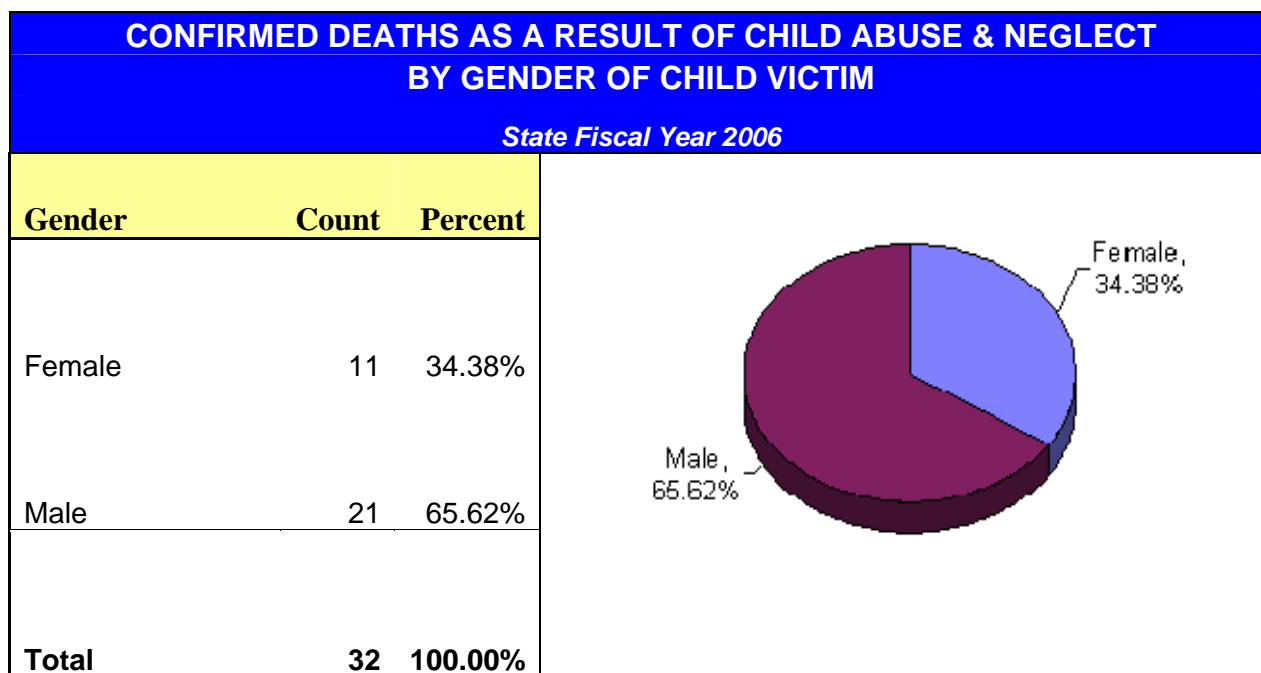
# CHILD DEATH CATEGORIES

The race of the child victim in confirmed child abuse and neglect deaths is shown on the chart below.



Source: OKDHS Children & Family Services Division

The gender of the child victim in confirmed child abuse and neglect deaths is shown on the chart below.

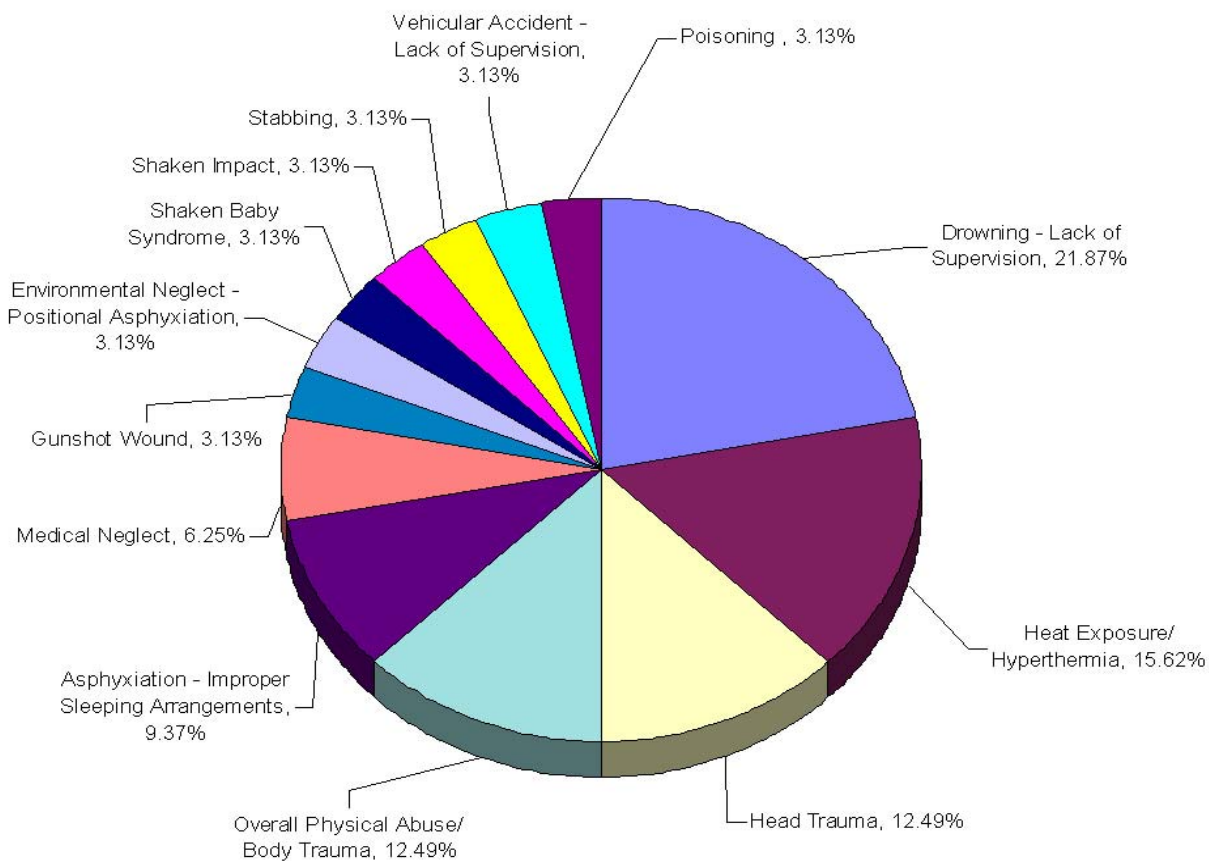


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# CHILD DEATH CATEGORIES

The cause of death of the child victim in confirmed child abuse and neglect deaths is shown on the chart below.

CONFIRMED DEATHS AS A RESULT OF CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT BY CAUSE OF DEATH					
State Fiscal Year 2006					
Category	Count	Percent	Category	Count	Percent
Drowning - Lack of Supervision	7	21.87%	Environmental Neglect – Positional Asphyxiation	1	3.13%
Heat Exposure/ Hyperthermia	5	15.62%	Shaken Baby Syndrome	1	3.13%
Head Trauma	4	12.49%	Shaken Impact	1	3.13%
Overall Physical Abuse/ Body Trauma	4	12.49%	Stabbing	1	3.13%
Asphyxiation - Improper Sleeping Arrangements	3	9.37%	Vehicular Accident - Lack of Supervision	1	3.13%
Medical Neglect	2	6.25%	Poisoning	1	3.13%
Gunshot Wound	1	3.13%	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



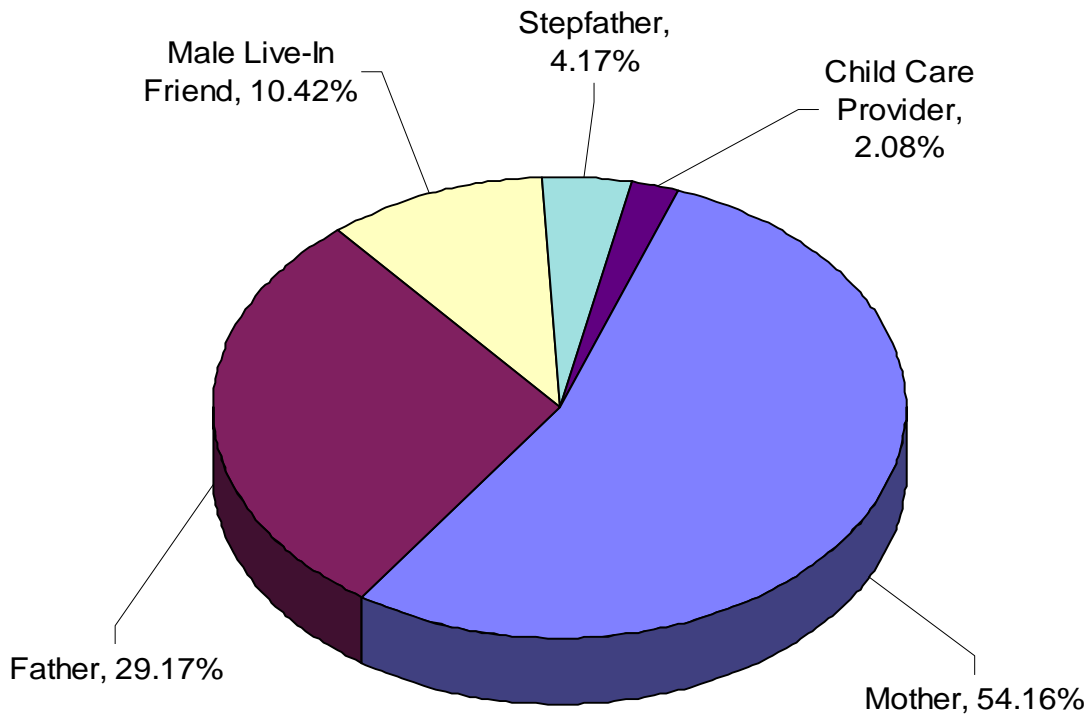
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# CHILD DEATH PERPETRATORS

The relationship of the perpetrator to the child victim in confirmed child abuse and neglect deaths is shown on the chart below.

**NOTE:** *In some incidents of confirmed child abuse and neglect, more than one perpetrator is identified so the chart reflects information on both primary and secondary perpetrators.*

CONFIRMED DEATHS AS A RESULT OF CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT BY PERPETRATOR					
State Fiscal Year 2006					
Perpetrator	Count	Percent	Perpetrator	Count	Percent
Mother	26	54.16%	Stepfather	2	4.17%
Father	14	29.17%	Child Care Provider	1	2.08%
Male Live-In Friend	5	10.42%	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



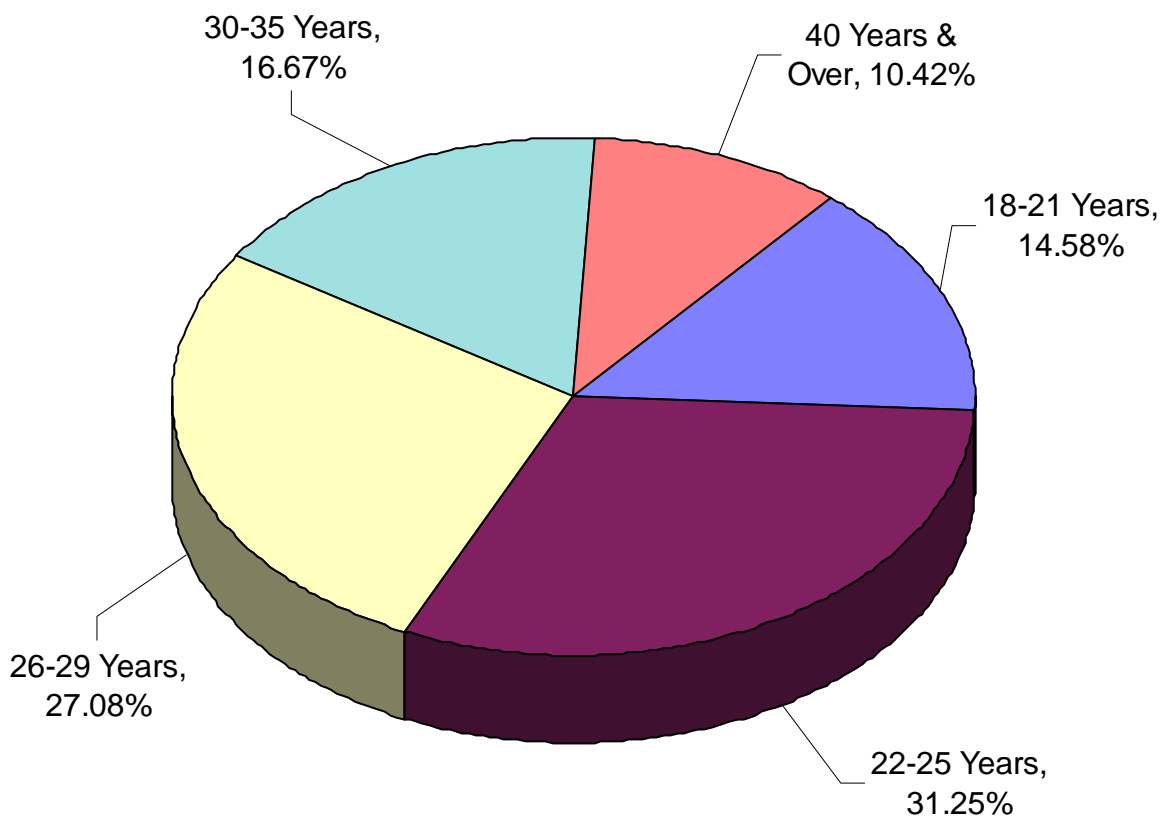
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The age range of the perpetrators in confirmed child abuse and neglect deaths is shown on the chart below.

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CONFIRMED DEATHS AS A RESULT OF CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT BY AGE OF PERPETRATOR State Fiscal Year 2006					
Perpetrator	Count	Percent	Perpetrator	Count	Percent
Under 18 Years	0	0.00%	30-35 Years	8	16.67%
18-21 Years	7	14.58%	36-39 Years	0	0.00%
22-25 Years	15	31.25%	40 Years & Over	5	10.42%
26-29 Years	13	27.08%	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



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# **CHILD NEAR DEATH CONFIRMATIONS**

## **Statistics**

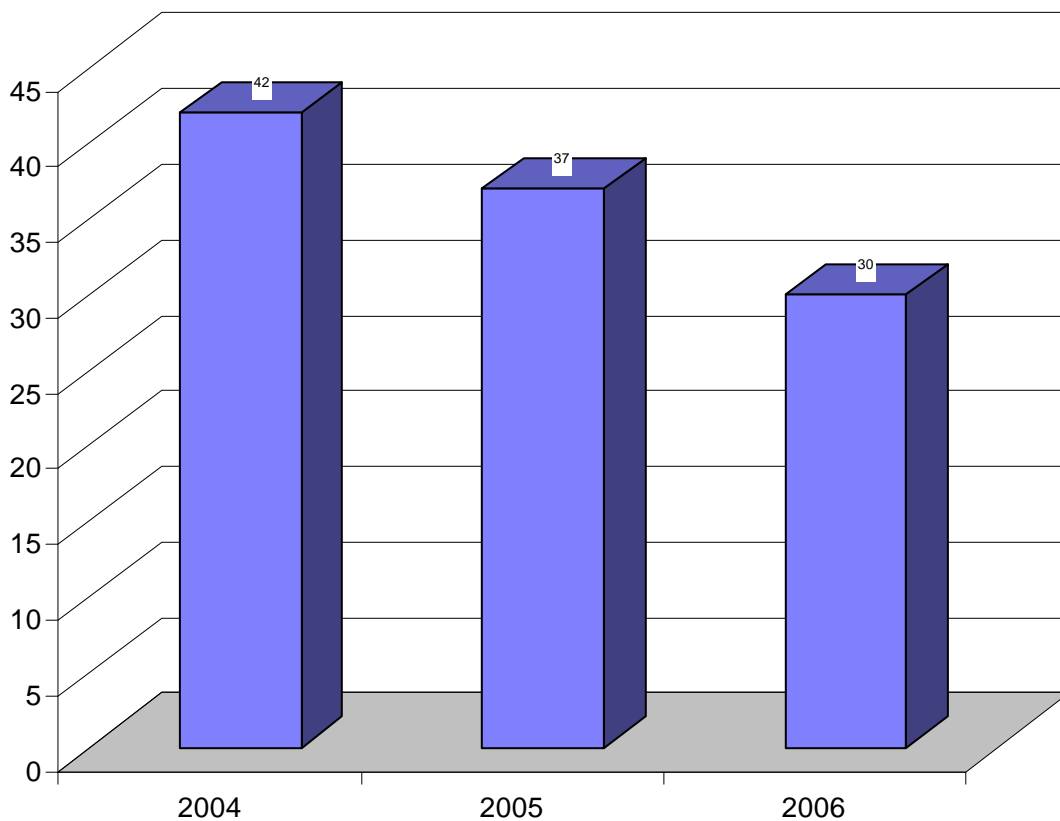
**State Fiscal Year 2006**

# CHILD NEAR DEATH CONFIRMATIONS

In state fiscal year 2006, there were 30 near deaths confirmed to be the result of child abuse or neglect.

The chart below details the number of near deaths that have occurred each year since 2004.

<b>CONFIRMED CHILD ABUSE &amp; NEGLECT NEAR DEATHS BY YEAR</b>	
<i>State Fiscal Years 2004-2006</i>	
<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Near Deaths</b>
2004	42
2005	37
2006	30

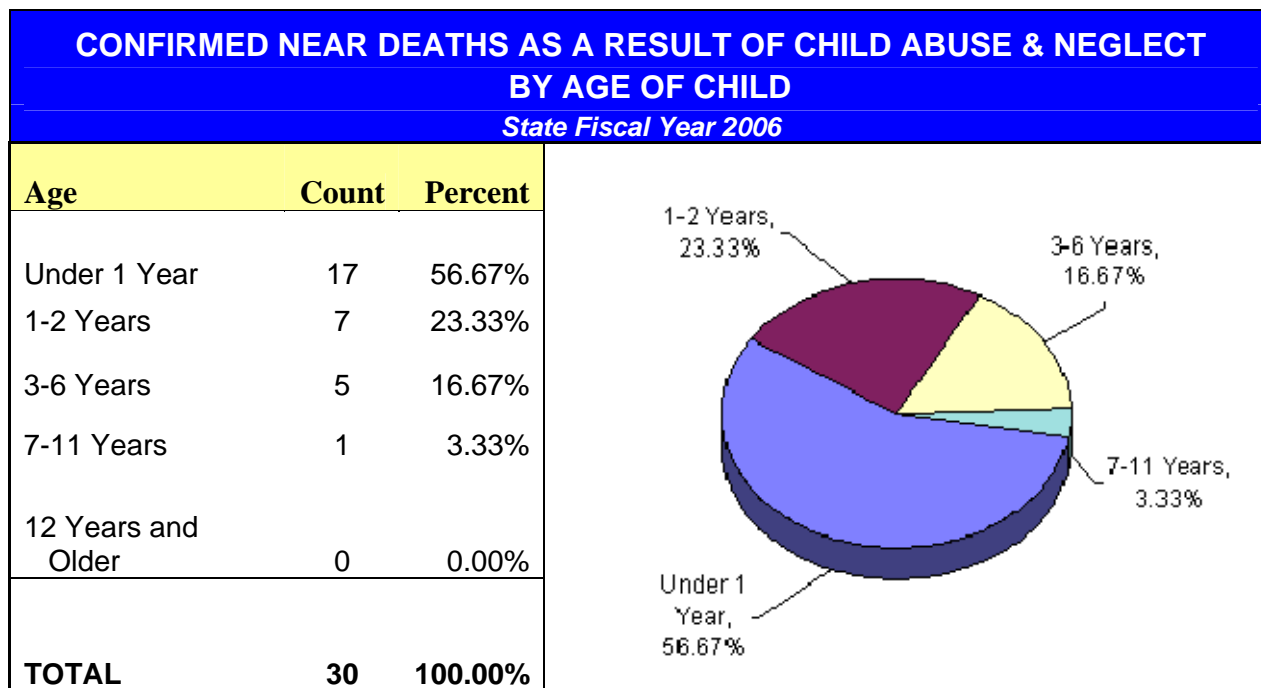


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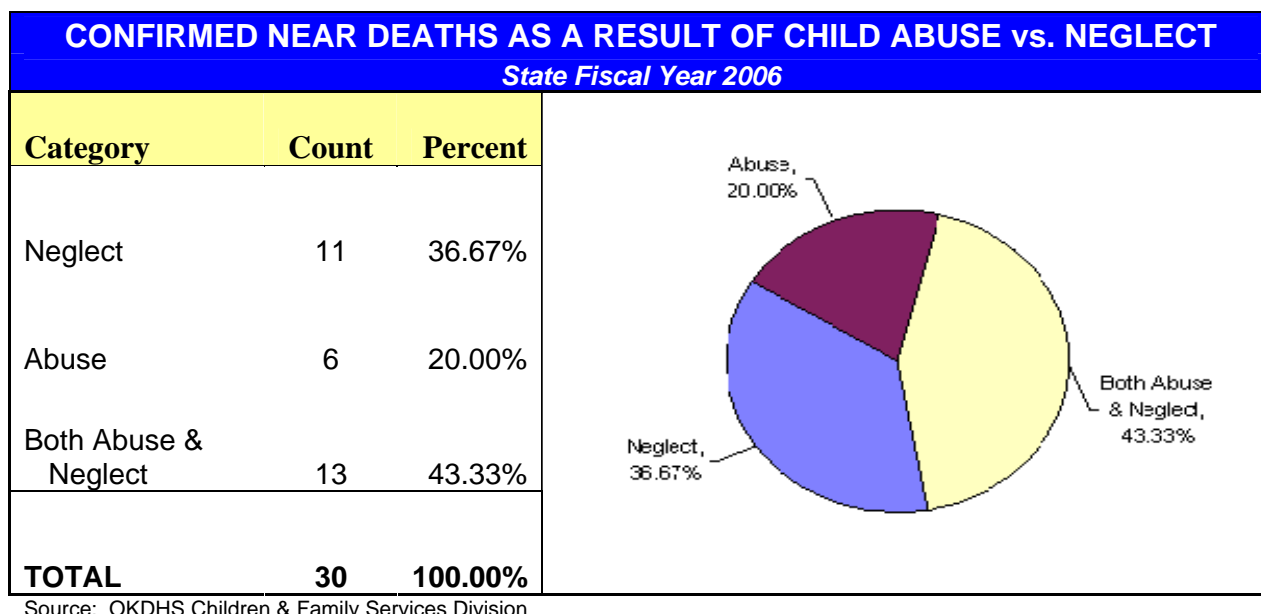


# CHILD NEAR DEATH CATEGORIES

As indicated on the chart below, the highest category of child near deaths is children under one year of age.

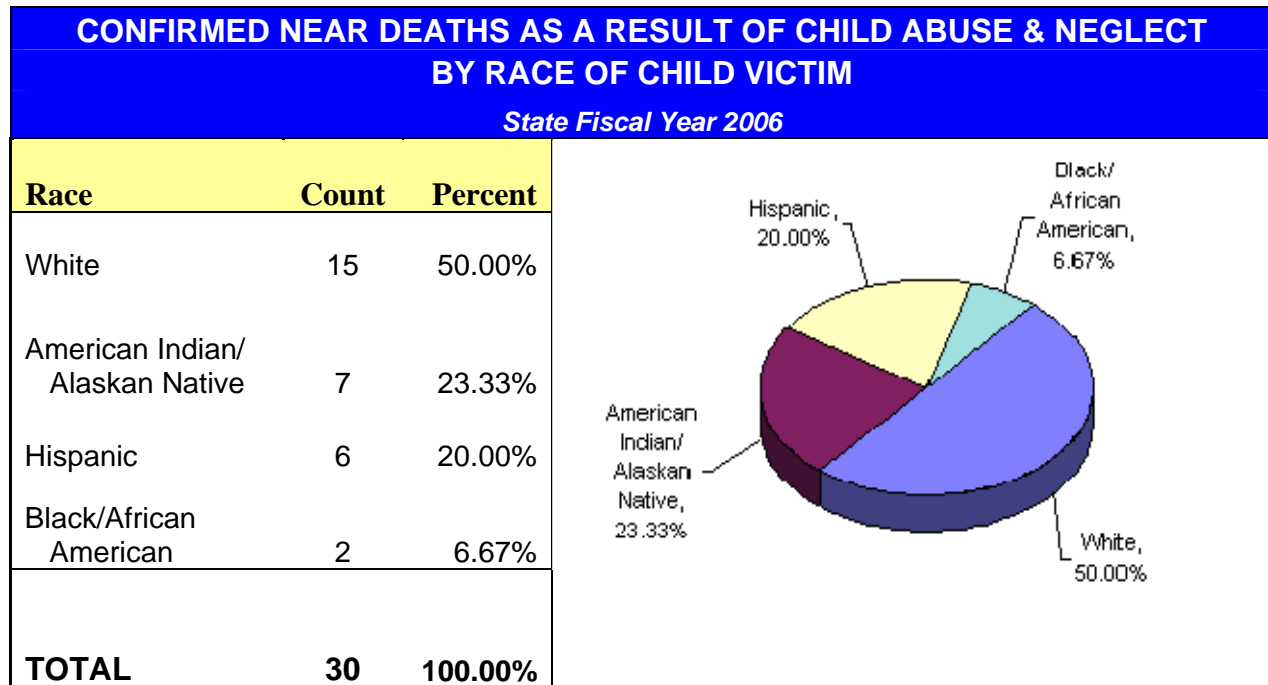


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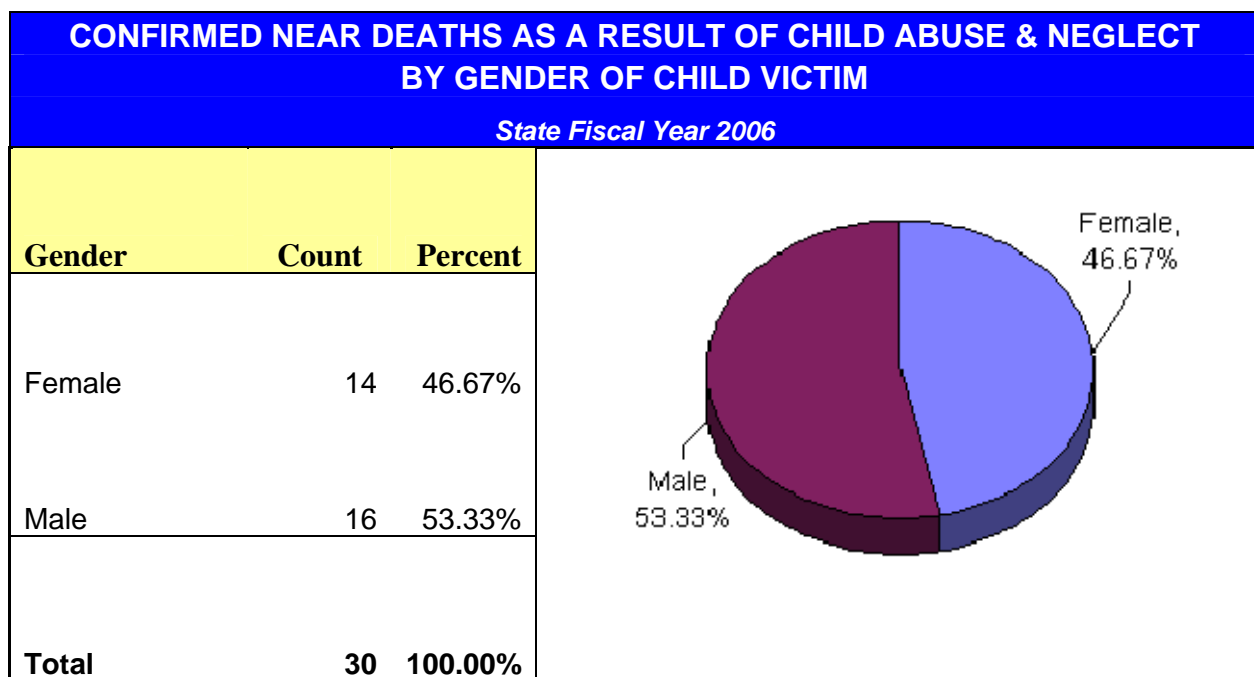
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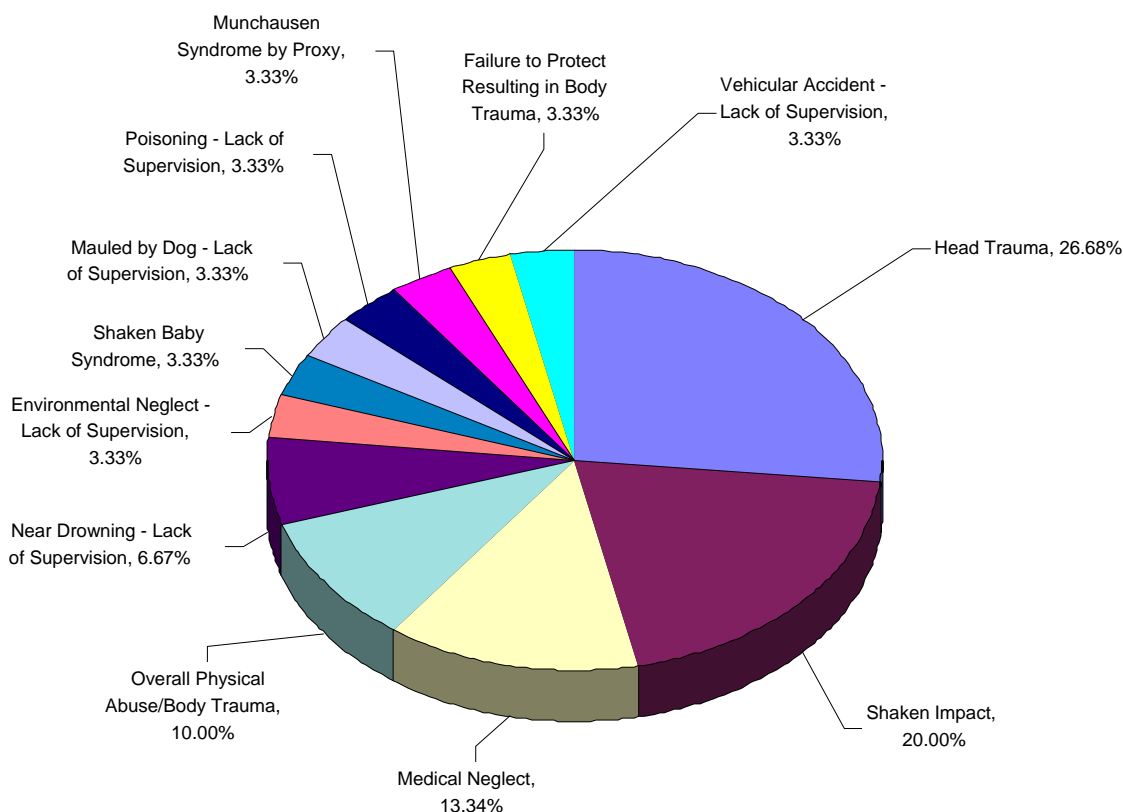


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# CHILD NEAR DEATH CATEGORIES

The cause of near death of the child victim in confirmed child abuse and neglect near deaths is shown on the chart below.

CONFIRMED NEAR DEATHS AS A RESULT OF CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT BY CAUSE OF NEAR DEATH State Fiscal Year 2006					
Category	Count	Percent	Category	Count	Percent
Head Trauma	8	26.68%	Shaken Baby Syndrome	1	3.33%
Shaken Impact	6	20.00%	Mauled by Dog - Lack of Supervision	1	3.33%
Medical Neglect	4	13.34%	Poisoning - Lack of Supervision	1	3.33%
Overall Physical Abuse/Body Trauma	3	10.00%	Munchausen Syndrome by Proxy	1	3.33%
Near Drowning - Lack of Supervision	2	6.67%	Failure to Protect Resulting In Body Trauma	1	3.33%
Environmental Neglect – Lack of Supervision	1	3.33%	Vehicular Accident - Lack of Supervision	1	3.33%
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



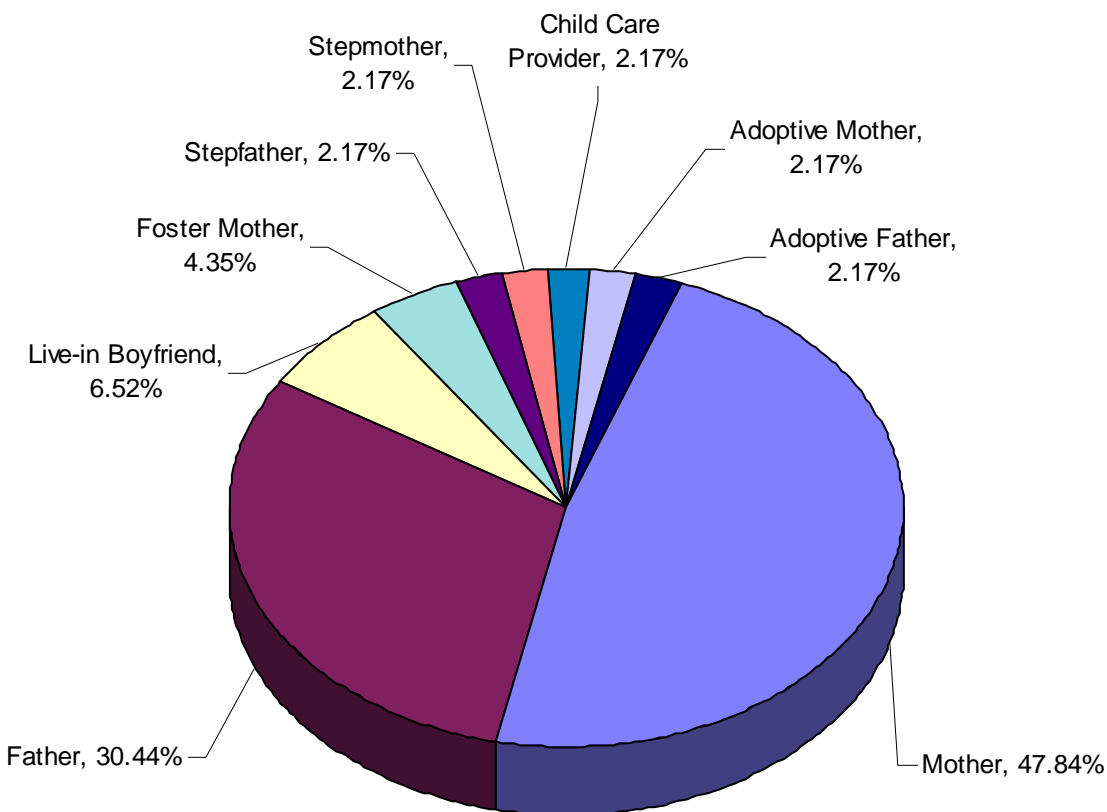
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BY PERPETRATOR					
State Fiscal Year 2006					
Perpetrator	Count	Percent	Perpetrator	Count	Percent
Mother	22	47.84%	Stepmother	1	2.17%
Father	14	30.44%	Child Care Provider	1	2.17%
Live-in Boyfriend	3	6.52%	Adoptive Mother	1	2.17%
Foster Mother	2	4.35%	Adoptive Father	1	2.17%
Stepfather	1	2.17%	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



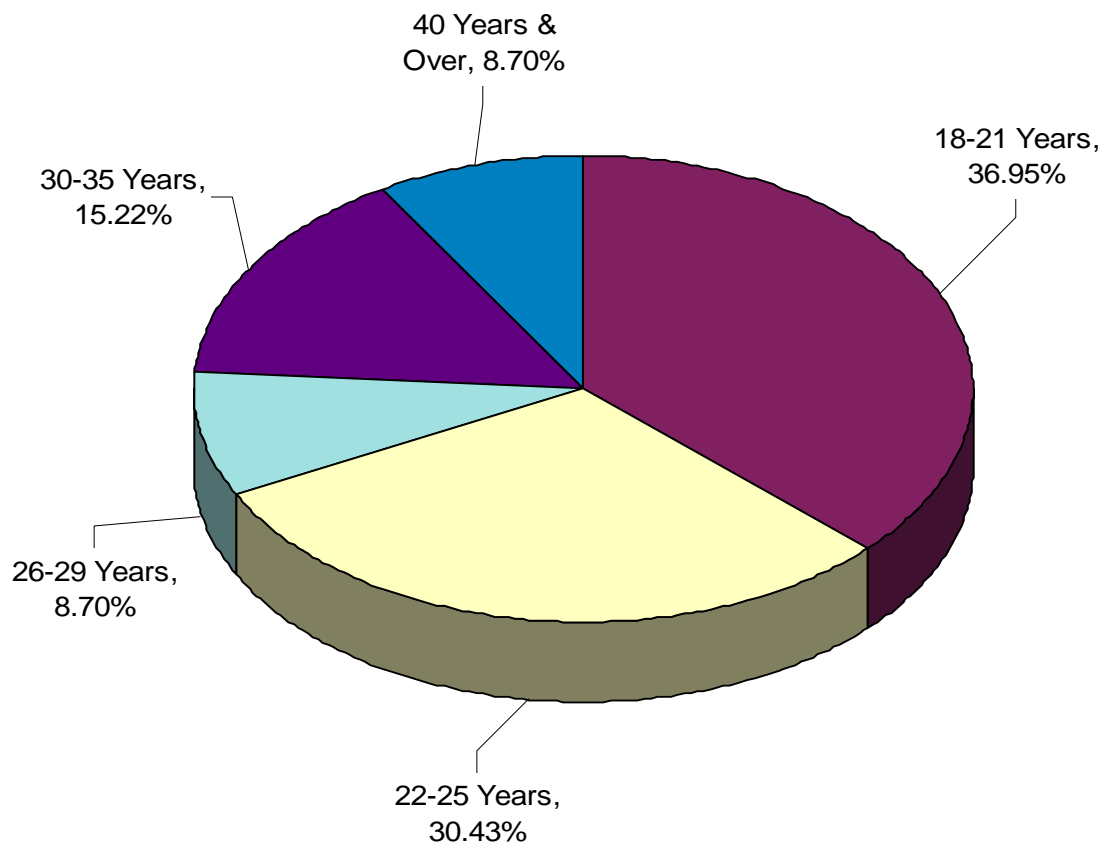
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22-25 Years	14	30.43%	40 Years & Over	4	8.70%
26-29 Years	4	8.70%	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



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