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2005 Cyberstalking Statistics

Number of cases used for statistical purposes: 443

Age of Victim

Under 18	4	1%
18-30	168	38%
31-40	113	25%
41+	133	30%
Unk	25	6%

Gender of Victim

Female	299	67%
Male	108	25%
Unk	36	8%

Race of victim

Caucasian	322	73%
Hispanic	23	5.5%
African-Am	19	4%
Asian	18	4%
Native Amer	12	2.5%
E. Indian	4	1%
Other	45	10%

Marital Status of Victim

Single	167	37.5%
Married	139	31.5%
Divorced	51	11.5%
Life Part.	19	4%
Separated	10	2.5%
Widowed	6	1.5%
Unk	51	11.5%

Gender of Harasser

Male	192	43.5%
Female	95	21.5%
Multiple	13	2.5%
Unk	143	32.5%

Prior relationship with harasser?

No	223	50.5%
Yes	220	49.5%

If yes, what was the relationship?

Ex	74	33.5%
Online Acq	58	26.5%
Work	26	11.5%
Friend	23	10.5%
Online Ex	12	5.5%
School	9	4%

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Ebay	14	5.5%
Blog site	10	3.75%
Chat admin	8	3%
Yahoo	8	3%
Lawyer	5	1.75%
Other*	15	6%

*(*includes cell phone, work, school, family, media, friends, FTC)*

How was it resolved?

(some victims followed multiple avenues of advice, but the top ones in order were)

WHOA*	266	60%
Stopped responding to harasser	58	13%
Referred to LE	48	11%
Refused to take our advice	21	4.75%
Harasser banned**	12	2.75%
Not harassment	12	2.75%
eBay resolved	5	1%
Resolved on its own	5	1%
Other	16	3.75%

*(*WHOA contacted the ISP, web admin or victim changed username, email address, profile, options or preferences)*

*(**By ISP, chat room, group or other admin)*

Where was victim/harasser located?

How many cases involved victims and harassers in the same state/country?

138 30.75%

	Victim		Harasser	
Alabama	6		1	
Alaska	1		1	
Arizona	9	2%	5	
Arkansas	5		2	
California	39	9%	27	12%
Colorado	5		4	
Connecticut	2		3	
Delaware	0		0	
Florida	32	7%	14	3%
Georgia	16	3.5%	14	3%
Hawaii	2		1	
Idaho	0		0	
Illinois	9	2%	7	
Indiana	9	2%	5	
Iowa	3		1	
Kansas	5		2	
Kentucky	3		1	
Louisiana	5		1	
Maine	3		3	
Maryland	5		6	
Massachusetts	14	3%	9	

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Michigan	18	4%	10	
Minnesota	6		2	
Mississippi	3		0	
Missouri	5		4	
Montana	0		0	
Nebraska	0		0	
Nevada	3		0	
New Hampshire	0		1	
New Jersey	7		11	2.5%
New Mexico	5		2	
New York	22	5%	21	5%
North Carolina	8		2	
North Dakota	4		2	
Ohio	16	3.5%	9	2%
Oklahoma	3		1	
Oregon	7		3	
Pennsylvania	19	4%	13	3%
Rhode Island	1		2	
South Carolina	9		8	2%
South Dakota	0		1	
Tennessee	6		3	
Texas	14	3%	23	5%
Utah	1		0	
Vermont	2		1	
Virginia	15	3.5%	7	
Washington	5		2	
Wash., DC	0		0	
West Virginia	2		3	
Wisconsin	3		3	
Wyoming	0		0	
Outside the USA				
Canada	36	8%	11	2.5%
England	7		11	2.5%
Australia	5		2	
India	5		1	
South Africa	3		2	
Netherlands	2		2	
Spain	2		1	
Pakistan	2		0	
France	1		0	
Germany	1		3	
Singapore	1		0	
Jamaica	1		0	
Lebanon	1		1	
Amsterdam	1		0	
Belgium	1		0	
Libya	1		0	
Argentina	1		0	

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Algeria	1	0
Bahamas	1	0
Latvia	1	0
Kuwait	1	0
Switzerland	1	0
Greece	1	1
Africa	1	1
Japan	0	1
Poland	0	1
Uzbekhistan	0	2
Holland	0	1
Vatican City	0	1
Yugoslavia	0	1
Norway	0	1
Nigeria	0	1
Philippines	0	1
Unknown	6	156

TOP 10 LOCATIONS

VICTIMS

1. California
2. Canada
3. Florida
4. New York
5. Pennsylvania
6. Michigan
7. Ohio
8. Georgia
9. Virginia
10. Texas

HARASSERS

- California
- Texas
- New York
- Georgia
- Florida
- Pennsylvania
- England
- Canada
- New Jersey
- Ohio

We had 32 spam scam cases broken down as follows:

Lottery	20
Nigerians	10
eBay	1
Money Order	1