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2012 Cyberstalking Statistics

Number of cases used for statistical purposes: 394

Age of Victim

18-30	141	36%
31-40	150	38%
41+	103	26%

Gender of Victim

Female	316	80%
Male	78	20%

Race of victim

Caucasian	318	81%
Hispanic	32	8%
Asian	24	6%
African-Am	16	4%
Native Amer	4	1%

Marital Status of Victim

Single	271	69%
Married	99	25%
Divorced	4	1%
Life Part.	16	4%
Separated	4	1%

Gender of Harasser

Male	194	49%
Female	123	31%
Unk	77	20%

Prior relationship with harasser?

No	145	37%
Yes	249	63%

If yes, what was the relationship?

Ex	95	24%
Online Acq	74	19%
Work	32	8%
Family	24	6%
Friend	16	4%
School	8	2%

How did harassment begin?

Email	123	31%
Facebook	63	16%
Web site**	40	10%
IM	28	7%
Msg board*	24	6%
Texting	20	5%
Impersonation	20	5%

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Gaming	18	4%
Chat	16	4%
Twitter	16	4%
Blogs	12	3%
Youtube	4	1%
Auctions	4	1 %
Craigslist	4	1%
Webcam	4	1%
Hacking	2	.5%
Keylog/Virus	2	.5%

*(*includes Yahoo Groups, newsgroups)*
*** includes Encyclopedia Dramatica)*

How many cases escalated?

327	**83%**

How did it escalate?
(Many cases escalated to several of these, not just one thing, but for statistical purposes, listed the primary way they escalated)

Online

Facebook	72	22%
Phone	88	17%
Text Message	36	11%
Web Site	36	11%
Multiple	26	8%
Postal	23	7%
Msg Board*	20	6%
Forged profiles	20	6%
Email	17	5%
IM	17	5%
Twitter	10	3%
Chat	7	2%
Skype	7	2 %
Hacking	3	1%

*(*includes forums, groups, usenet, newsgroups, etc)*

Were there threats of offline/physical violence?

Yes	20	6%

Did victim report the harassment?

Yes	328	81%
No	66	19%

To Whom

ISP*	194	58%
Police	130	41%
Lawyer	4	1%

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How was it resolved?

WHOA*	264	67%
Referred to LE	48	12%
Referred to Atty	36	9%
No reply**	48	12%

*(*WHOA contacted the ISP, web admin/host or victim changed username, email address, profile, options or preferences)*
*(**Either the harassment stopped, victim took our advice or email bounced, which meant the victim changed their email address)*

Where was victim/harasser located?

How many cases involved victims and harassers in the same state/country?
236 60%

	Victim		Harasser	
Alabama	0		0	
Alaska	0		0	
Arizona	4		11	2.75%
Arkansas	0		4	
California	63	16%	50	12.5%
Colorado	0		0	
Connecticut	16	4%	8	
Delaware	0		0	
Florida	20	5%	4	
Georgia	4		4	
Hawaii	0		0	
Idaho	0		0	
Illinois	7		5	
Indiana	0		1	
Iowa	0		0	
Kansas	0		0	
Kentucky	4		4	
Louisiana	11	2.75%	8	
Maine	8		8	
Maryland	8		4	
Massachusetts	11	2.75%	0	
Michigan	4		4	
Minnesota	0		0	
Mississippi	4		0	
Missouri	8		4	
Montana	4		4	
Nebraska	0		0	
Nevada	0		4	
New Hampshire	8		4	
New Jersey	4		4	
New Mexico	0		0	
New York	12	3%	4	

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	Victim		Harasser	
North Carolina	16	4%	12	3%
North Dakota	0		0	
Ohio	8		4	
Oklahoma	4		8	
Oregon	12	3%	4	
Pennsylvania	11	2.75%	8	
Rhode Island	0		0	
South Carolina	4		4	
South Dakota	0		0	
Tennessee	8		0	
Texas	28	7%	36	9%
Utah	0		0	
Vermont	0		0	
Virginia	4		11	2.75%
Washington	4		0	
Wash., DC	0		0	
West Virginia	4		0	
Wisconsin	8		8	
Wyoming	0		0	
Outside the USA				
Canada	24	6%	24	6%
England	4		0	
Australia	4		8	
India	4		8	
Thailand	8		0	
New Zealand	4		0	
Scotland	0		4	
Romania	0		4	
Philippines	4		0	
Portugal	0		1	
Belize	1		1	
Italy	0		4	
Dom Republic	0		1	

TOP 10 LOCATIONS

	VICTIMS	HARASSERS
1.	California	California
2.	Texas	Texas
3.	Canada	Canada
4.	Florida	N. Carolina
5.	N. Carolina	Arizona
6.	New York	Virginia
7.	N. Carolina	Pennsylvania
8.	Oregon	Australia
9.	Pennsylvania	India
10.	Louisiana/Massachusetts	Louisiana