

WHOA (HALTABUSE.ORG)
COMPARISON STATISTICS 2000-2008

# OF CASES	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	TOTAL	%
	353	256	218	198	196	443	372	249	234	2519	
VICTIM GENDER											
Female	87%	79.3%	71%	70%	69%	67%	70%	61%	71%	1819	72.5
Male	13%	16%	28%	27%	18%	25%	28.5%	21%	21%	553	22
UNKNOWN	0	4.7%	1%	3%	13%	8%	1.5%	18%	8%	150	5.5
HARASSER GENDER											
Female	27%	32.5%	35%	38%	23.5%	21.5%	27.5%	30%	31%	717	28.5
Male	68%	58.6%	52%	52.5%	52.5%	43.5%	36.5%	39%	42%	1238	49.5
Multiple/Gangs	0	0	0	0	0	2.5%	0	0	0	13	1.5
UNKNOWN	5%	8.9%	13%	9.5%	24%	32.5%	12.2%	31%	27%	415	21.5
VICTIM AGE											
Under 18	0	0	0	0	0	1%	0	0	2%	9	.25
18-30	54%	44.6%	50%	63.5%	48%	38%	40%	28%	35%	1097	44
31-40	27%	26.2%	36%	25%	27%	25%	29%	24%	23%	675	27.25
41+	19%	6.3%	2%	6%	23%	30%	28.5%	29%	32%	598	22.75
UNKNOWN	62.5%	22.9%	12%	5.5%	2%	6%	2.5%	19%	8%	210	6
VICTIM RACE											
CAUCASIAN	55%	60.6%	77%	75%	78%	73%	76.5%	66%	74%	1761	69.5
HISPANIC	1.5%	2.7%	4.5%	6%	3.5%	5.5%	4%	4%	6.5%	104	3.75
AFRO-AMERICAN	.5%	1.6%	3.5%	5%	3%	4%	2.5%	3%	3.5%	73	2.75
ASIAN	1%	4%	3%	2%	3%	4%	6%	5%	4%	91	3.75
NATIVE AMERICAN	1%	2%	1.5%	1.5%	1%	2.5%	1.5%	1%	2%	40	2
EAST INDIAN	1%	.8%	1.5%	.5%	1%	1%	0	0	0	14	.25
UNKNOWN	0	28.3%	9%	10%	10%	10%	9.5%	24%	10%	436	18

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VICTIM MARITAL STATUS	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	TOTAL	%
SINGLE	N/A	40.7%	48%	40.5%	44%	37.5%	46%	32%	31.5%	866	34.75
MARRIED	N/A	28.1%	32%	33%	28.5%	31.5%	29.5%	27%	18.5%	621	25.25
DIVORCED	N/A	5.9%	7%	10%	11%	11.5%	10.5%	8%	11.5%	209	8
LIFE PARTNER	N/A	2%	5%	8%	5.5%	4%	6%	3%	2%	98	4
SEPARATED	N/A	1.2%	2%	2%	4.5%	2.5%	2.5%	1%	2%	44	2
WIDOWED	N/A	0	.5%	1.5%	1%	1.5%	.5%	3%	.5%	21	.75
UNKNOWN	N/A	22.1%	5.5%	5%	4.5%	11.5%	5%	26%	34%	661	25.25
RELATIONSHIP TO VICTIM	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	TOTAL	%
YES	47%	45.3%	59%	58%	45%	49.5%	48.5%	44%	57%	1257	49
NO	53%	44.3%	41%	42%	54%	50.5%	51.5%	56%	43%	1233	50.75
UNKNOWN	0	10.4%	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	.25
IF YES, HOW?	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	TOTAL	%
EX	25.5%	N/A	28%	57%	53.5%	33.5%	47%	31%	45%	443	34
FRIEND	28%	N/A	16%	20%	9%	10.5%	12%	14%	6%	169	14.25
WORK	0	N/A	9%	9%	6%	11.5%	6.5%	7%	6.5%	80	6.25
ONLINE ACQUAINTANCE	0	N/A	28%	7.25%	20%	26.5%	25%	27%	8%	206	17.25
SCHOOL	0	N/A	1.5%	5%	6.5%	4%	5%	1%	.5%	35	3
FAMILY	25.5%	N/A	4%	1.75%	5%	3.25%	4.5%	13%	8%	94	7.25
ONLINE EX	0	0	0	0	0	5.5%	0	0	19.5%	38	1.75
OTHER	21%	N/A	13%	0	0	1.25%	0	7%	6.5%	186	16.255
TOP LOCATIONS	2000	VICTIMS		HARASSERS*							
CALIFORNIA	13%										
PENNSYLVANIA	7.5%										
FLORIDA	7%										
VIRGINIA, NEW YORK	5%										
CANADA	4%										
MASSACHUSETTS	3.5%										

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2001	VICTIMS		HARASSERS*
CAL, NY, TEXAS	5.9%	TEXAS	5.5%
VA, FL	4.3%	NEW YORK	4.7%
MARYLAND	3.9%	CAL, IL, FL	4.3%
ILLINOIS	3.1%	MASSACHUSETTS	2.7%
MASSACHUSETTS	2.3%	ENGLAND	2.4%
2002			
CALIFORNIA	13%	CALIFORNIA	7.5%
CANADA	5.5%	NEW YORK	4%
NEW YORK	5%	CANADA	3%
TEXAS	4%	IL, GA	2.75%
IL, GA	3.75%	MISSOURI	2.25%
2003			
CALIFORNIA	14%	CALIFORNIA	7.5%
NEW YORK	8%	TEXAS, ENGLAND	4.5%
PENN, TX	5%	GEORGIA	3.5%
FLORIDA	4.5%	ILLINOIS, NY	3%
GEORGIA, CANADA	3.5%	MA, PENN, CANADA	2.5%
2004			
CALIFORNIA	13.5%	CALIFORNIA	11.75%
NEW YORK	7%	NEW YORK	4%
VIRGINIA	6.5%	VIRGINIA	3.5%
CANADA	5.5%	OHIO	3%
OHIO	5%	GA, IL, PA, TX	2.5%
PA, TX, MO, ENGLAND	3.5%		

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2005	VICTIMS		HARASSERS*
CALIFORNIA	9%	CALIFORNIA	12%
CANADA	8%	TEXAS	5%
FLORIDA	7%	NEW YORK	5%
NEW YORK	5%	GEORGIA	3%
PENNSYLVANIA	4%	FLORIDA	3%
MICHIGAN	4%	PENNSYLVANIA	3%
OHIO	3.5%	ENGLAND	2.5%
GEORGIA	3.5%	CANADA	2.5%
VIRGINIA	3.5%	NEW JERSEY	2.5%
TEXAS	3%	OHIO	2%
2006			
CALIFORNIA	10.5%	CALIFORNIA	7.5%
CANADA	7.5%	NEW YORK	4.5%
NEW YORK	7%	CANADA	4%
PENNSYLVANIA	5%	PENNSYLVANIA	4%
TEXAS	4.5%	TEXAS	4%
FLORIDA	4.5%	OHIO	2.5%
UNITED KINGDOM	4%	UNITED KINGDOM	2.5%
NORTH CAROLINA	4%	WASHINGTON	2.5%
WASHINGTON	4%	NORTH CAROLINA	2.5%
GEORGIA	3%	FLORIDA/GEORGIA	2.5%

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2007

CALIFORNIA	9%	CALIFORNIA	8%
NEW YORK	7%	NEW YORK	6%
FLORIDA	5%	FLORIDA	3%
ILLINOIS	5%	ILLINOIS	3%
GEORGIA	4%	GEORGIA	3%
UNITED KINGDOM	4%	TEXAS	3%
PENNSYLVANIA	3%	CANADA/OHIO	3%
WASHINGTON	3%	NEW JERSEY	3%
CANADA	3%	UNITED KINGDOM	2%
TEXAS/NEW JERSEY	3%	MARYLAND	2%

2008

CALIFORNIA	14%	CALIFORNIA	13%
NEW YORK	7%	NEW YORK	12%
FLORIDA	5%	FLORIDA	3%
TEXAS	4.5%	TEXAS	3%
PENNSYLVANIA	4%	PENNSYLVANIA	3%
NORTH CAROLINA	4%	NORTH CAROLINA	2.5%
CANADA	3.5%	UK	2.5%
MASSACHUSETTS	7%	CANADA	2%
WASHINGTON	3%	OHIO	2%
UK	2.5%	MASSACHUSETTS	2%

*We didn't calculate this statistic until 2001

HOW DID HARASSMENT BEGIN?	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	TOTAL	%
EMAIL	39.5%	40.3%	47.5%	35%	41.5%	35%	31%	36%	36%	906	36
MSG BOARD*	17.5%	16.9%	14%	16.5%	13.5%	16.5%	16.5%	11%	11.5%	386	15.5
IM	13%	5.9%	11.5%	17%	17.5%	16%	17%	11%	8%	338	13.25
CHAT	15.5%	14.1%	7.5%	8%	5.5%	8.5%	7.5%	5%	5%	212	8.5

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WEB SITE	7.5%	6.3%	8.5%	7.5%	6%	3.5%	8%	6%	5%	145	5.75
PHONE	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7%	17	.5
MYSPACE	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5.5%	13	.5
OTHER**	7%	16.5%	11%	16%	16%	20.5%	38%	31%	22%	455	20

*Includes Message boards, groups, usenet

**Includes auctions, personals, online dating, virus, hacking, greeting cards, gaming, mailing list, webcam, blogs, guestbook, spyware, trojans, etc

DID IT ESCALATE ONLINE?*	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	TOTAL	%
YES	N/A	39.4%	34%	62.5%	40.5%	60%	44%	55%	71%	1379	63.5
NO	N/A	60.6%	66%	37.5%	59.5%	40%	56%	45%	29%	787	36.5

OFFLINE THREATS?*

YES	N/A	35.9%	34%	38%	40.5%	22%	22%	24%	25%	620	29
NO	N/A	64.1%	66%	62%	59.5%	78%	78%	76%	75%	1546	71

DID VICTIM REPORT IT?*

YES	N/A	81.7%	78%	66.5%	66%	59.5%	72.5%	59%	70%	1464	67.75
NO	N/A	18.3%	22%	33.5%	34%	40.5%	27.5%	41%	30%	702	32.25

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IF SO, TO WHO?

(In order of importance - some victims reported to multiple)

REPORTED LAW ENFORCEMENT

REPORTED TO HARASSER'S ISP(S)

REPORTED TO WEB ADMIN OR MODERATOR

REPORTED TO MYSPACE

REPORTED TO EBAY

REPORTED TO CRAIGSLIST

OTHER (includes Facebook, Livejournal, Youtube, JuicyCampus, Apartment Manager, Linked In, Photo Site, Employer, Xbox Live moderator)

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RESOLUTION BY WHOA

(In order of importance, some cases were resolved utilizing several of these options)

VICTIM CHANGED E-MAIL/ISP/USERNAME AND/OR PASSWORD

CONTACTED HARASSER'S ISP(S)

VICTIM DIDN'T RESPOND TO WHO@ ADVOCATE*

REFERRED VICTIM TO LAW ENFORCEMENT

REPORTED TO WEB SITE HOST/OWNER

REPORTED TO MYSPACE

WAS NOT A CASE

REPORTED TO MODERATOR

REPORTED TO CRAIGSLIST

REFERRED VICTIM TO LAWYER

REPORTED TO EBAY

OTHER**

**Usually means the harassment either stopped on its own, stopped because the victim followed our initial advice or the victim stopped responding to the harasser)*

***Reported to cell phone provider/phone provider; reported to Facebook, Youtube, Encyclopedia Dramatica*