

Adult Protective Services Program Data Report for February 2013

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Attached please find the monthly data on reports and investigations of abuse, neglect and exploitation by the Adult Protective Services unit. We have changed the formatting in response to feedback from the House Human Services Committee and trust it is more responsive to your interest.

In summary, February saw a slightly higher number of intakes than January. APS received 188 reports of abuse, neglect and exploitation compared to 150 reports for January 2013.

In February, 52% of the total intakes entered and completely screened were closed contacts (90) (i.e., reports in which either the alleged victim did not meet the statutory definition of vulnerable adult, or the alleged conduct did not meet the statutory definition of abuse, neglect or exploitation, or both). This is comparable to January and to our historic average over the past 6 years. In January 2013, 51% of completed intakes were closed contacts. From July 2012 through December 2012, the average for closed contacts was 55%.

This month investigators completed 70 investigations and substantiated 14% (10) of these cases. This is consistent with the overall substantiation of 14% for calendar year 2012. In January 2013 substantiations were 10%.

The weekly caseloads for investigators increased from 13 in January 2013 to 14 in February 2013.

APS Program Data for 2013

		JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
Intakes Entered		150		188			
Closed Contacts (Upon Screening)		73	51%	90	52%		
Investigations Assigned		69	49%	84	48%		
Completed Investigations		90		70			
Substantiated		9		10			
Unsubstantiated		81		60			
Perpetrators placed on registry		20		3			
Total Open Cases (Weekly Average)		173		187			
Case Load (Weekly Average)		13		14			
SFY	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	CY12	2013YTD
% of Intake Investigated	63%	44%	50%	40%	45%	48%	49%

APS Program Data CY 2013

		JANUARY		FEBRUARY	
		Sub	Unsub	Sub	Unsub
Victim Demographics					
Female		6	45	5	40
Male		4	25	3	16
Victim's Age - Approximate if necessary					
18-59		5	25	3	25
60-79		3	25	3	17
80+		2	20	2	14
Allegation					
Abuse		5	31	3	29
Neglect		0	22	0	12
Exploitation		7	31	7	26
Victim's Vulnerability					
Physically Disabled		5	16	5	15
Elderly and/or Frail		1	25	3	16
Mentally Disabled		4	47	2	29
County Totals					
Addison		0	5	0	2
Bennington		1	4	0	5
Caledonia		0	3	1	4
Chittenden		3	16	2	10
Essex		0	0	0	1
Franklin		2	2	2	4
Grand Isle		0	0	0	0
Lamoille		0	2	0	2
Orange		0	3	0	2

Orleans	1	1	0	4
Rutland	1	10	0	4
Washington	1	6	2	6
Windham	1	13	1	4
Windsor	0	5	0	8

Living Arrangements				
Own Home	8	30	6	30
ALR, RCH, NH, TCR	1	11	2	11
Hospital	0	2	0	2
Shared Living Home	0	3	0	3
Relative's home	1	3	0	3
Other	0	7	0	7

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Relative	2	9	0	3
Staff in Licensed Facility	0	12	4	10
Other Professional -	6	35	1	28
Home Health Staff	1	7	0	7
Other	1	3	3	6
Friend	0	4	0	2

Victims Relationship to Perp				
Family Member	3	40	5	27
Caregiver	3	8	0	1
Licensed Facility Staff	0	3	1	5
Friend	1	10	0	8
Neighbor	0	3	0	0
Licensed Facility Resident	1	4	0	1
Other	2	2	2	14

Referred for Investigation				
Police	0	1	1	1
S&C	1	4	0	4
OPR	0	3	0	3
VNA	0	1	0	1
AAA	0	1	0	1
HHA	0	1	0	1
Other	0	2	0	2

Protective Services				
Alerted Financial Institutions of misappropriation of Funds	0		0	0
Change of Rep Payee	0	1	1	0
Close or Change Banking or other Account	0		0	0
Conducted joint investigations with law enforcement	0	4	1	1
Filed No Trespass Order	0		0	0

Filed Temporary Relief from Abuse Order	0	1	0	1
Intervening in cases of Identity Theft	0		0	0
Misuse of Funds reported to Social Security	0		0	0
Petitioning for Guardianship	0		0	0
Removal from Court Appointed Guardian	0		0	0
Other	0	3	0	0