

WHOA (HALTABUSE.ORG)
COMPARISON STATISTICS 2000-2007

# OF CASES	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	TOTAL	%
	353	256	218	198	196	443	372	249	2285	
VICTIM GENDER										
Female	87%	79.3%	71%	70%	69%	67%	70%	61%	1651	72.5
Male	13%	16%	28%	27%	18%	25%	28.5%	21%	503	22
UNKNOWN	0	4.7%	1%	3%	13%	8%	1.5%	18%	134	5.5
HARASSER GENDER										
Female	27%	32.5%	35%	38%	23.5%	21.5%	27.5%	30%	644	28.5
Male	68%	58.6%	52%	52.5%	52.5%	43.5%	36.5%	39%	1141	49.5
Multiple/Gangs	0	0	0	0	0	2.5%	0	0	13	1.5
UNKNOWN	5%	8.9%	13%	9.5%	24%	32.5%	12.2%	31%	351	21.5
VICTIM AGE										
Under 18	0	0	0	0	0	1%	0	0	4	.25
18-30	54%	44.6%	50%	63.5%	48%	38%	40%	28%	1015	44
31-40	27%	26.2%	36%	25%	27%	25%	29%	24%	622	27.25
41+	19%	6.3%	2%	6%	23%	30%	28.5%	29%	523	22.75
UNKNOWN	62.5%	22.9%	12%	5.5%	2%	6%	2.5%	19%	191	6
VICTIM RACE										
CAUCASIAN	55%	60.6%	77%	75%	78%	73%	76.5%	66%	1587	69.5
HISPANIC	1.5%	2.7%	4.5%	6%	3.5%	5.5%	4%	4%	88	3.75
AFRO-AMERICAN	.5%	1.6%	3.5%	5%	3%	4%	2.5%	3%	65	2.75
ASIAN	1%	4%	3%	2%	3%	4%	6%	5%	81	3.75
NATIVE AMERICAN	1%	2%	1.5%	1.5%	1%	2.5%	1.5%	1%	35	2
EAST INDIAN	1%	.8%	1.5%	.5%	1%	1%	0	0	14	.25
UNKNOWN	0	28.3%	9%	10%	10%	10%	9.5%	24%	415	18

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VICTIM MARITAL STATUS	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	TOTAL	%
SINGLE	N/A	40.7%	48%	40.5%	44%	37.5%	46%	32%	792	34.75
MARRIED	N/A	28.1%	32%	33%	28.5%	31.5%	29.5%	27%	578	25.25
DIVORCED	N/A	5.9%	7%	10%	11%	11.5%	10.5%	8%	182	8
LIFE PARTNER	N/A	2%	5%	8%	5.5%	4%	6%	3%	94	4
SEPARATED	N/A	1.2%	2%	2%	4.5%	2.5%	2.5%	1%	46	2
WIDOWED	N/A	0	.5%	1.5%	1%	1.5%	.5%	3%	20	.75
UNKNOWN	N/A	22.1%	5.5%	5%	4.5%	11.5%	5%	26%	580	25.25
RELATIONSHIP TO VICTIM	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	TOTAL	%
YES	47%	45.3%	59%	58%	45%	49.5%	48.5%	44%	1123	49
NO	53%	44.3%	41%	42%	54%	50.5%	51.5%	56%	1133	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	TOTAL	%
EX	25.5%	N/A	28%	57%	53.5%	33.5%	47%	31%	384	34
FRIEND	28%	N/A	16%	20%	9%	10.5%	12%	14%	161	14.25
WORK	0	N/A	9%	9%	6%	11.5%	6.5%	7%	71	6.25
ONLINE ACQUAINTANCE	0	N/A	28%	7.25%	20%	26.5%	25%	27%	195	17.25
SCHOOL	0	N/A	1.5%	5%	6.5%	4%	5%	1%	34	3
FAMILY	25.5%	N/A	4%	1.75%	5%	3.25%	4.5%	13%	83	7.25
ONLINE EX	0	0	0	0	0	5.5%	0	0	12	1.75
OTHER	21%	N/A	13%	0	0	1.25%	0	7%	177	16.255
TOP LOCATIONS										
2000	VICTIMS	HARASSERS*								
CALIFORNIA `	13%	N/A								
PENNSYLVANIA	7.5%	N/A								
FLORIDA	7%	N/A								
VIRGINIA, NEW YORK	5%	N/A								
CANADA	4%	N/A								
MASSACHUSETTS	3.5%	N/A								

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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%
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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%

*We didn't calculate this statistic until 2001

HOW DID HARASSMENT BEGIN?	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	TOTAL	%
EMAIL	39.5%	40.3%	47.5%	35%	41.5%	35%	31%	36%	822	36
MSG BOARD*	17.5%	16.9%	14%	16.5%	13.5%	16.5%	16.5%	11%	359	15.75
IM	13%	5.9%	11.5%	17%	17.5%	16%	17%	11%	311	13.5
CHAT	15.5%	14.1%	7.5%	8%	5.5%	8.5%	7.5%	5%	200	8.75
WEB SITE	7.5%	6.3%	8.5%	7.5%	6%	3.5%	8%	6%	133	9.25
OTHER**	7%	16.5%	11%	16%	16%	20.5%	38%	31%	416	16.25

*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	TOTAL	%
YES	N/A	39.4%	34%	62.5%	40.5%	60%	44%	55%	1213	62.5
NO	N/A	60.6%	66%	37.5%	59.5%	40%	56%	45%	719	37.5

OFFLINE THREATS?*

YES	N/A	35.9%	34%	38%	40.5%	22%	22%	24%	561	29
NO	N/A	64.1%	66%	62%	59.5%	78%	78%	76%	1371	71

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DID VICTIM REPORT IT?*

YES	N/A	81.7%	78%	66.5%	66%	59.5%	72.5%	59%	1300	67.5
NO	N/A	18.3%	22%	33.5%	34%	40.5%	27.5%	41%	632	32.5

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IF SO, TO WHO?

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

REPORTED TO HARASSER'S ISP(S)

REPORTED LAW ENFORCEMENT

REPORTED TO WEB ADMIN OR MODERATOR

REPORTED TO EBAY

OTHER

RESOLUTION BY WHOA

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

CONTACTED HARASSER'S ISP(S)

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

REFERRED VICTIM TO LAW ENFORCEMENT

VICTIM STOPPED RESPONDING TO HARASSMENT

REFERRED VICTIM TO LAWYER

VICTIM CHANGED PHONE NUMBER

VICTIM CHANGED PROFILE(S)

VICTIM DIDN'T RESPOND TO WHO@ ADVOCATE*

VICTIM DIDN'T TAKE WHO@'S ADVICE

WAS NOT A CASE

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)*