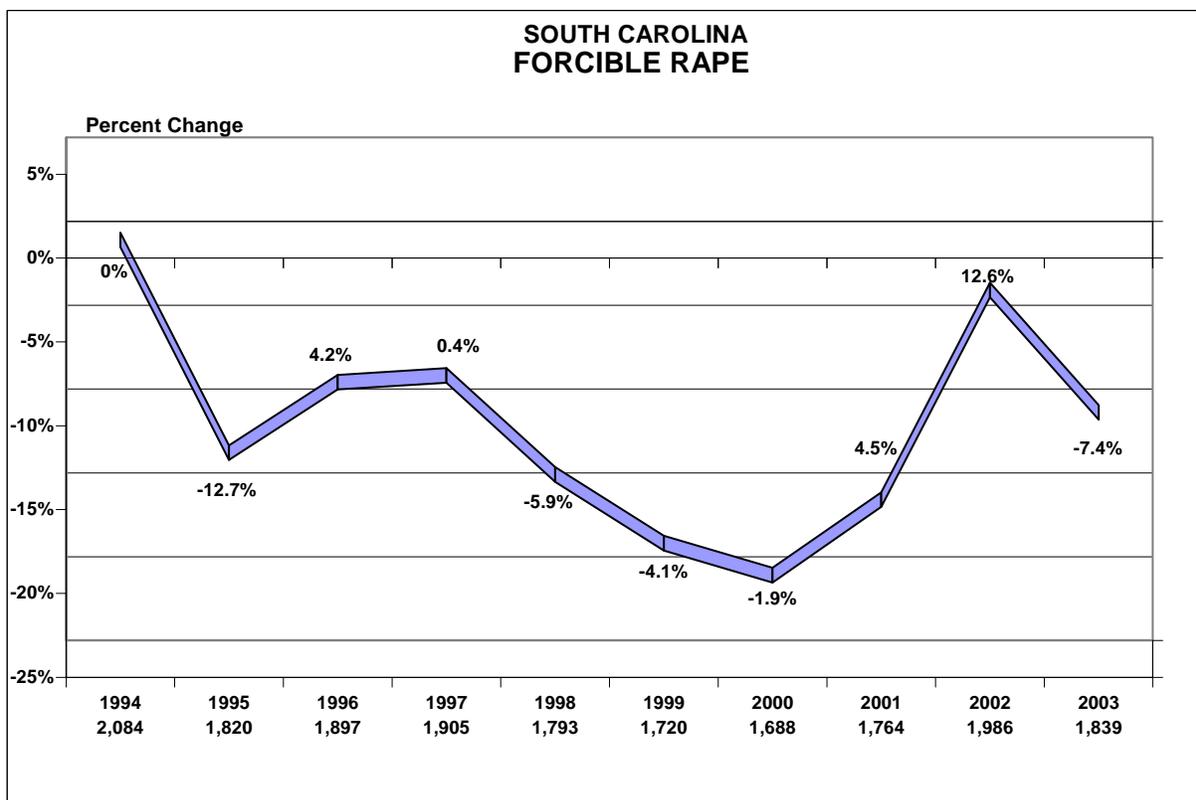


FORCIBLE RAPE

DEFINITION

Forcible Rape, by UCR definition, is the carnal knowledge of a person forcibly or against that person's will, or when a victim is mentally or physically incapable of giving consent. Attempts to commit rape are included in this category. One offense is counted for each victim of rape. Statutory rapes and other types of sexual assaults are not counted as rape under the UCR program.



2003 SUMMARY

There were 1,839 forcible rapes reported in the 2003 crime index. During this year, rapes decreased 7.4 percent compared to those reported in 2002.

There were 907 rapes cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, amounting to a clearance rate of 49.3 percent statewide.

The number of forcible rapes committed per 10,000 persons was 4.5 statewide. The rate per 10,000 females was 8.7, based on a state female population projection of 2,123,500, as of July 1, 2003.

Of all persons arrested for rape, 70.0 percent were 34 years of age or younger. With regard to race, 41.0 percent were white, 58.1 percent were black, and 1.0 percent were other races.

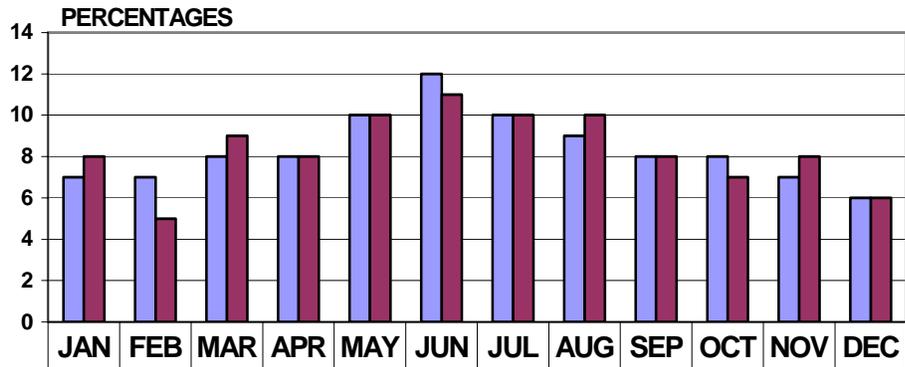
Of the total rapes reported in 2003, approximately 6.3 percent were attempted.

Victims were known to have been using alcohol at the time of the offense in 9.5 percent of the cases, drugs in 1.7 percent, and alcohol and drugs in 1.4 percent.

Offenders were known to have been using alcohol at the time of the offense in 12.2 percent of the cases, drugs in 1.3 percent, and alcohol and drugs in 2.3 percent.

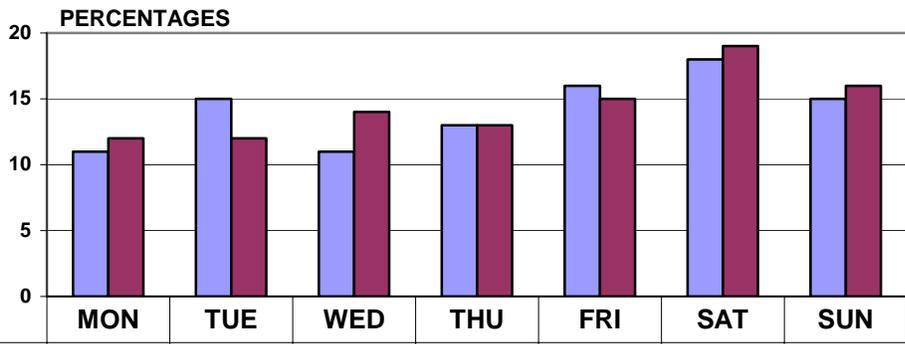
The relationships of victims to offenders within the family represented 18.0 percent of the total, outside the family but known to the victim 59.6 percent, strangers 13.8 percent, and unknown relationships 8.7 percent.

RAPE INCIDENTS BY MONTH



2002	7	7	8	8	10	12	10	9	8	8	7	6
2003	8	5	9	8	10	11	10	10	8	7	8	6

RAPE INCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK

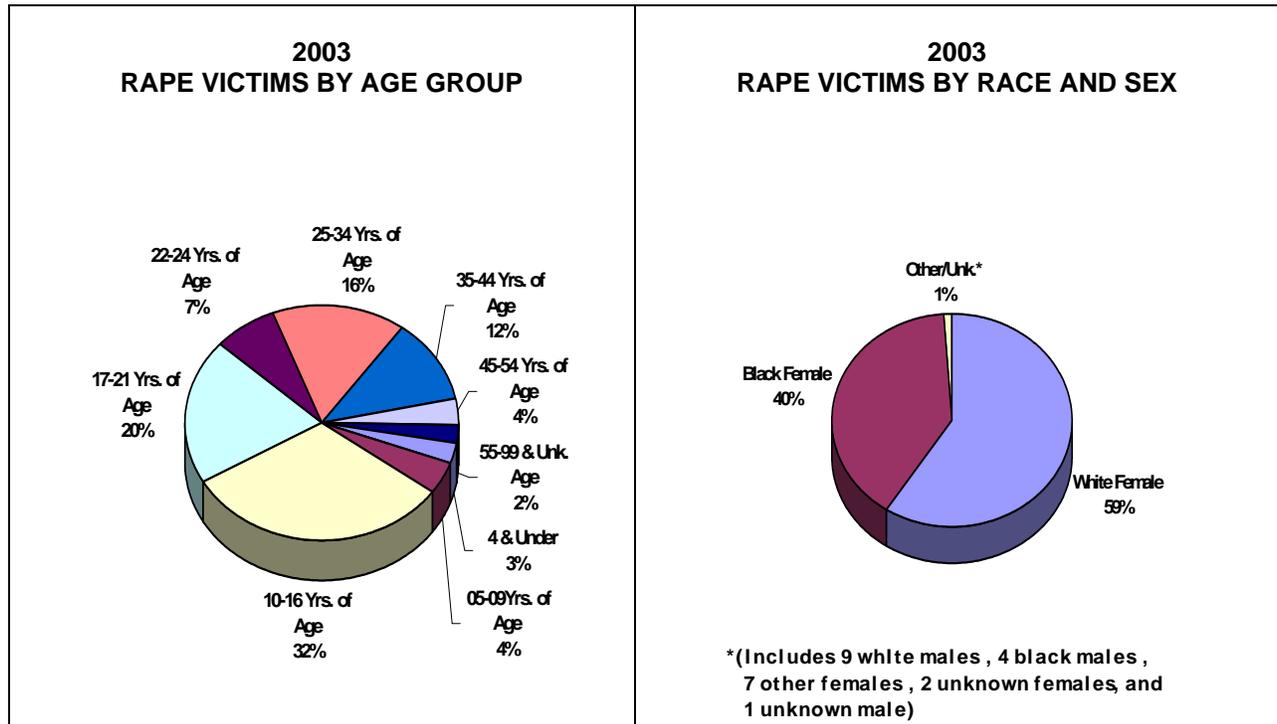


2002	11	15	11	13	16	18	15
2003	12	12	14	13	15	19	16

2003 RAPE VICTIMS BY AGE, SEX, RACE

Age Group	Total	White Female	Black Female	Other/Unknown	White Male	Black Male
Infant	2	2	0	0	0	0
01 – 04	51	33	15	0	2	1
05 – 09	79	36	39	1	1	2
10 – 16	589	321	263	2	2	1
17 – 21	373	237	133	1	2	0
22 – 24	139	93	45	1	0	0
25 – 34	291	172	115	2	2	0
35 – 44	218	139	77	2	0	0
45 – 54	68	40	28	0	0	0
55 – 64	22	12	10	0	0	0
65 – 99	12	5	7	0	0	0
Unknown, Other	11	7	3	1	0	0
State Total	1855	1097	735	10	9	4

NOTE: The victim counts shown here have not been subjected to the “hierarchy rule” (explained elsewhere); therefore, all victims linked to this offense type are counted.

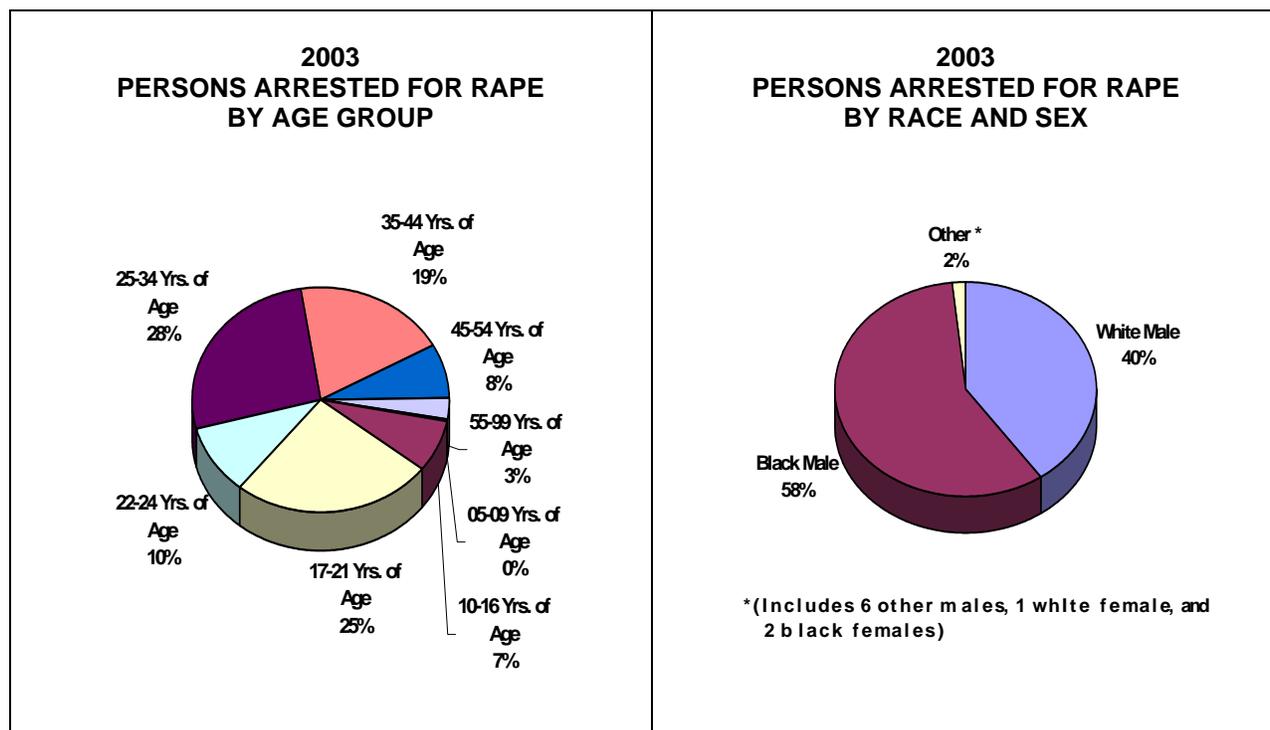


White females accounted for 59 percent of rape victims in 2003, 57 percent of these were 21 years of age or younger; black females accounted for 40 percent of rape victims, 61 percent of those were 21 years of age or younger.

2003 PERSONS ARRESTED FOR RAPE BY AGE, SEX, RACE

Age Group	Total	White Male	Black Male	Other Male	White Female	Black Female	Other Female
01 – 04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
05 – 09	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
10 – 16	43	13	28	1	0	1	0
17 – 21	148	63	84	1	0	0	0
22 – 24	57	19	38	0	0	0	0
25 – 34	156	62	90	3	0	1	0
35 – 44	113	44	67	1	1	0	0
45 – 54	45	21	24	0	0	0	0
55 – 64	15	12	3	0	0	0	0
65 – 99	3	1	2	0	0	0	0
State Total	582	235	338	6	1	2	0

NOTE: The arrest counts shown here have not been subjected to the “hierarchy rule” (explained elsewhere); therefore, all persons arrested that are linked to this offense type are counted.

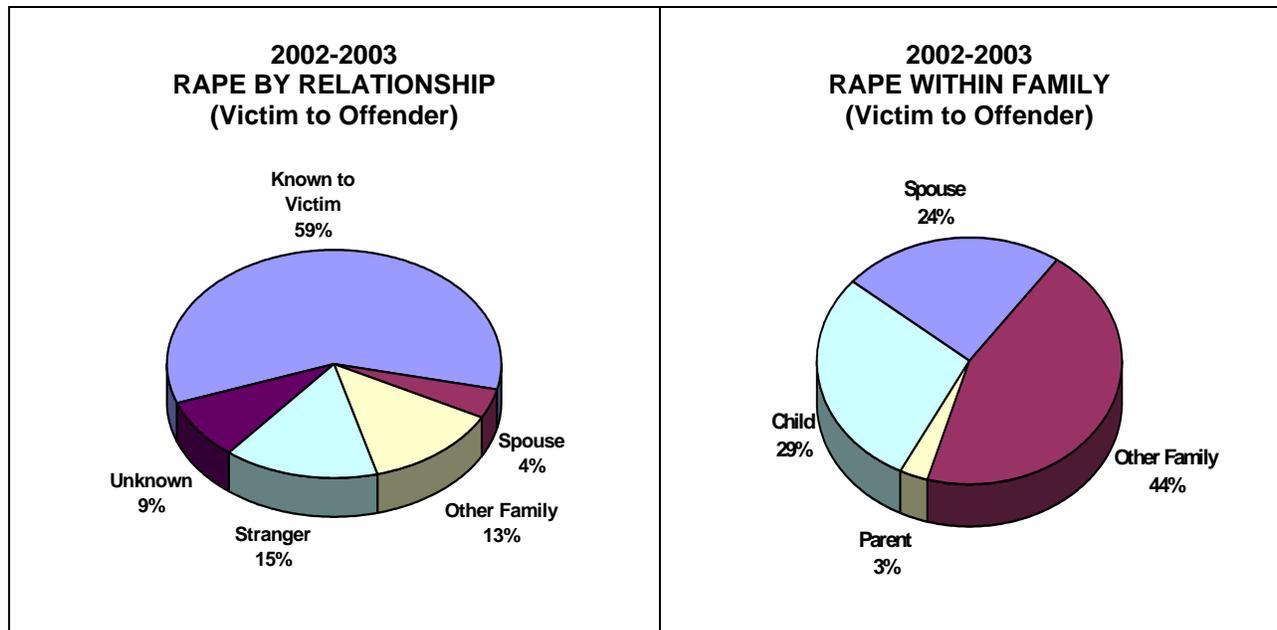


Forty percent of persons arrested for rape in 2003 were white males, 32 percent of those were 21 years of age or younger; 58 percent were black males, 34 percent of those were 21 years of age or younger. White females accounted for 0.2 percent of persons arrested for rape, while black females accounted for 0.3 percent.

2001-2003 RELATIONSHIP OF RAPE VICTIMS TO OFFENDERS

Relationship Of Victim To Offender	Number of Victims 2001	% Distr.	Number of Victims 2002	% Distr.	Number of Victims 2003	% Distr.
Within Family	N/A	N/A	331	16.6	336	18.1
Spouse	N/A	N/A	55	2.8	52	2.8
Common-Law Spouse	N/A	N/A	18	0.9	32	1.7
Parent, Stepparent	N/A	N/A	12	0.6	9	0.5
Child, Stepchild	N/A	N/A	106	5.3	85	4.6
Sibling, Stepsib.	N/A	N/A	30	1.5	32	1.7
Other Family	N/A	N/A	110	5.5	126	6.8
Known to Victim	N/A	N/A	1,180	59.1	1,100	59.3
Acquaintance	N/A	N/A	1,024	51.3	946	51.0
Ex-Spouse	N/A	N/A	10	0.5	9	0.5
Boy/Girlfriend	N/A	N/A	146	7.3	145	7.8
Stranger	N/A	N/A	311	15.6	258	13.9
Unknown, Other	N/A	N/A	174	8.7	161	8.7
State Total	N/A	N/A	1,996	100.0	1,855	100.0

NOTE: The victim counts in this table have not been subjected to the "hierarchy rule" (explained elsewhere), therefore, all victims linked to this offense type are counted. For simplicity, only one relationship category has been counted for each victim. (If there was more than one offender related to a victim, only the relationship "closest" to that victim was counted.)

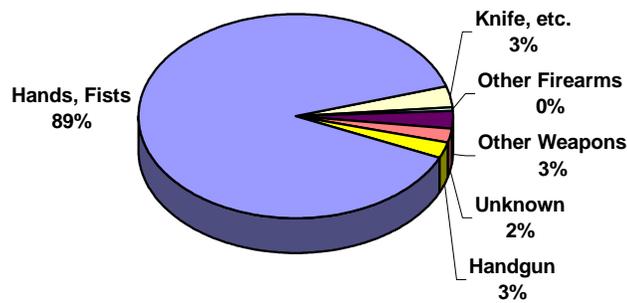


2001-2003 RAPE INCIDENT WEAPON DISTRIBUTION

Weapons	2001 Incidents	% Distr.	2002 Incidents	% Distr.	2003 Incidents	% Distr.
Handgun	N/A	N/A	53	2.7	43	2.4
Shotgun	N/A	N/A	3	0.2	4	0.2
Rifle	N/A	N/A	0	0.0	1	0.1
Other Firearm	N/A	N/A	4	0.2	6	0.3
Knife, Cutting Instr.	N/A	N/A	72	3.7	57	3.2
Hands, Fists	N/A	N/A	1,718	88.1	1,601	88.9
Other Weapons	N/A	N/A	51	2.6	52	2.9
Unknown	N/A	N/A	48	2.5	37	2.1
State Total	N/A	N/A	1,949	100.0	1,801	100.0

NOTE: The incident counts in this table have not been subjected to the "hierarchy rule" (explained elsewhere), therefore, all incidents in this category are counted. For simplicity, only one weapon type has been counted for each incident. (If there was more than one weapon type used in an incident, only the primary weapon - as listed in order in this table - was counted.)

**2002-2003
RAPE WEAPON DISTRIBUTION**



2001-2003 RAPE INCIDENTS BY PREMISE

Premise	2001 Incidents	% Distr.	2002 Incidents	% Distr.	2003 Incidents	% Distr.
Residences, Apts.	N/A	N/A	1,377	70.7	1,282	71.2
Roads, Parking Lots, etc.	N/A	N/A	175	9.0	149	8.3
Commercial	N/A	N/A	41	2.1	41	2.3
Nightclubs, Bars	N/A	N/A	20	1.0	19	1.1
Hotels, Motels	N/A	N/A	103	5.3	115	6.4
Convenience Stores, etc.	N/A	N/A	7	0.4	8	0.4
Schools, Churches	N/A	N/A	48	2.5	42	2.3
Woods, etc.	N/A	N/A	87	4.4	82	4.6
Other	N/A	N/A	91	4.6	63	3.5
State Total	N/A	N/A	1,949	100.0	1,801	100.0

NOTE: The counts in this table have not been subjected to the "hierarchy rule" (explained elsewhere).

**2002-2003
RAPE INCIDENTS BY PREMISE**

