

Family Violence in Cuyahoga County: Annual Update

These data describe some of the violence perpetrated by family members or caregivers in our county from 2007 to 2009 (the most recent available data). These figures cover only part of the prevalence of family violence, because many cases never come to the attention of authorities.

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>% change, 2007-08</u>	<u>% change, 2008-09</u>
Petitions for domestic-violence-related civil protection orders	334	339	361	+1.5%	+6.5%
Adults sheltered in domestic violence shelters	174	203	210	+16.7%	+3.4%
Children sheltered in domestic violence shelters	168	179	220	+6.5%	+22.9%
Domestic disturbance calls reported by Cleveland Police Dept.	1,324	1,249	n/a	-5.7%	n/a
Reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation filed for seniors in long term care facilities	592	614	548	+3.7%	-10.7%

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- Most types of agency reports related to family violence have increased since 2007.
 - Cleveland Police Department did not report domestic disturbance calls in 2009.
 - For a detailed description of the sources and methods used to calculate these figures, please visit: www.hpio.net/familyviolence

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Last year, how did we compare to other counties?

	Cuyahoga County	Mean of 5 other major metro counties	State mean
Petitions for domestic-violence-related civil protection order (per 10,000 adults)	3.7	28.8	26.3
Reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation in long term care facilities (per 100 resident beds)	3.0	2.7	2.3

- Cuyahoga County had a **much lower rate** of petitions for civil protection orders compared to similar counties in Ohio.
- Cuyahoga County had **about the same rate** of reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation in LTC facilities compared to similar counties in Ohio.
- Differences over time or across counties may be due to differences in the underlying scope of family violence, differences in agencies' capacity and/or differences in agencies' reporting procedures. For more information on how to interpret these findings, please visit www.hpio.net/familyviolence



To talk with someone about family violence, contact:

Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-4-A-CHILD
Ohio Domestic Violence Network 1-800-934-9840
Ohio Area Agencies on Aging: 1-866-243-5678