

2016

PREA ANNUAL REPORT

PREA
Prison Rape Elimination Act

Wyoming
Department of
Corrections

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of September 5, 2003 (Public Law 108-79) was enacted by Congress to address the problem of sexual assault in all U.S. penal facilities. PREA supports the elimination, reduction and prevention of sexual assault/rape within our prisons, community corrections centers, and local jails. PREA applies to Offender-on-Offender and Staff-on-Offender sexual misconduct. Major provisions of PREA include the development of standards for detection, prevention, reduction, and punishment of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement settings. On August 20, 2012, the PREA standards final rule became effective.

The Wyoming Department of Corrections (WDOC) supports the reduction of sexual violence. It is the WDOC's position that only full compliance with National Standards is acceptable and significant progress to this standard has been accomplished. In accordance with 28 CFR §115.88, this report is being made available to the public via the WDOC website, <http://corrections.wy.gov/>. Each instance of a reported violation is investigated, categorized and noted as substantiated or unsubstantiated. This report contains statistical information on reported cases of the various types of sexual activity in both the WDOC facilities as well as contract housing. The WDOC utilizes various methods of reporting to identify and prevent sexual incidents. There are four (4) categories which the WDOC uses to determine and categorize sexual acts which align with the Department of Justice (DOJ) definitions. These categories are:



- Sexual Abuse (Offender on Offender)
- Sexual Abuse (Staff on Offender)
- Sexual Harassment (Staff on Offender and/or Offender on Offender)
- Voyeurism (Staff on Offender)

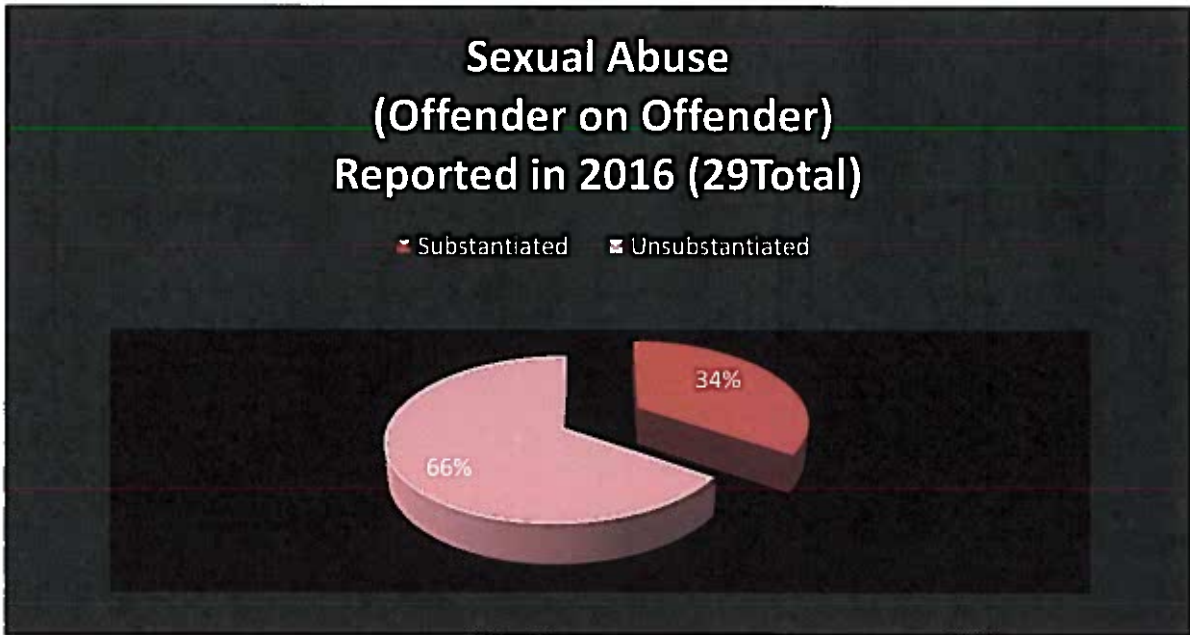
Each year one third (1/3) of WDOC's facilities are audited by a certified independent auditor qualified through the Department of Justice (DOJ) training program. Two (2) WDOC facilities underwent the Department of Justice PREA audit process and were found to be compliant with the National Standards. The Wyoming State Penitentiary (WSP) and the Wyoming Honor Farm (WHF) were audited in August of 2016 by independent auditors. The table below identifies the auditors' findings for both facilities.

2016 Certified PREA Audit Results

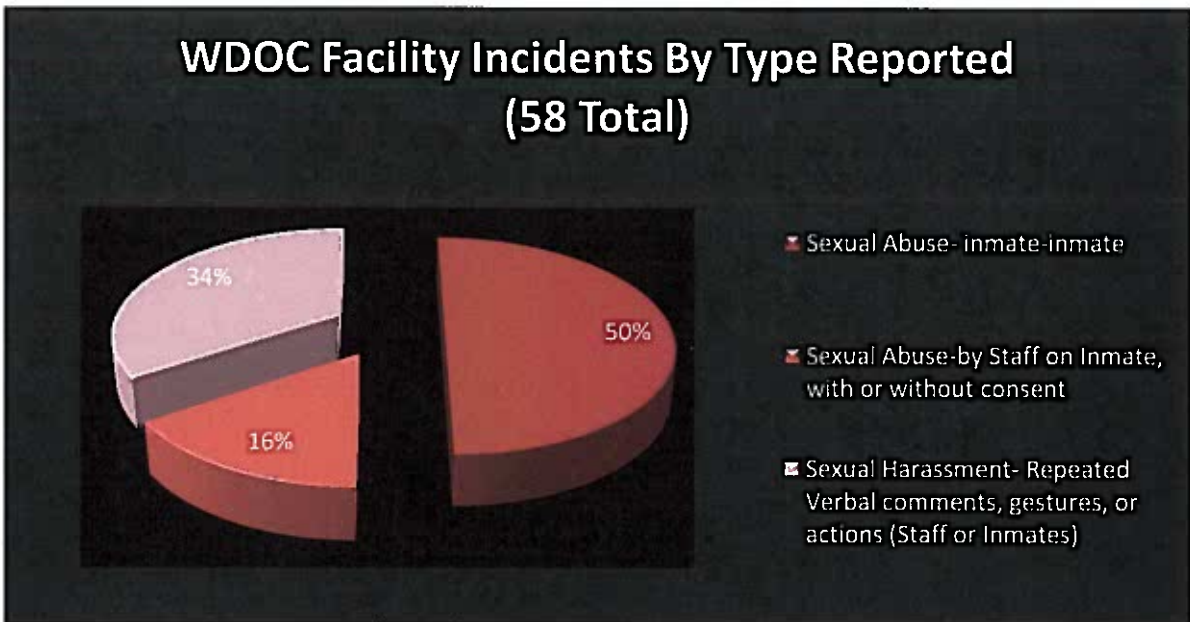
Facility	Exceeds National Standards	Meets National Standards	Standards Not Met	Standards Not Applicable
WSP	0	42	0	1
WHF	0	41	0	2

The three (3) year cycle will begin again in 2017 starting with the Wyoming Honor Conservation Camp (WHCC) and the Wyoming Women's Center (WWC) as both facilities were originally certified in 2014.

2016 Statistics by Category

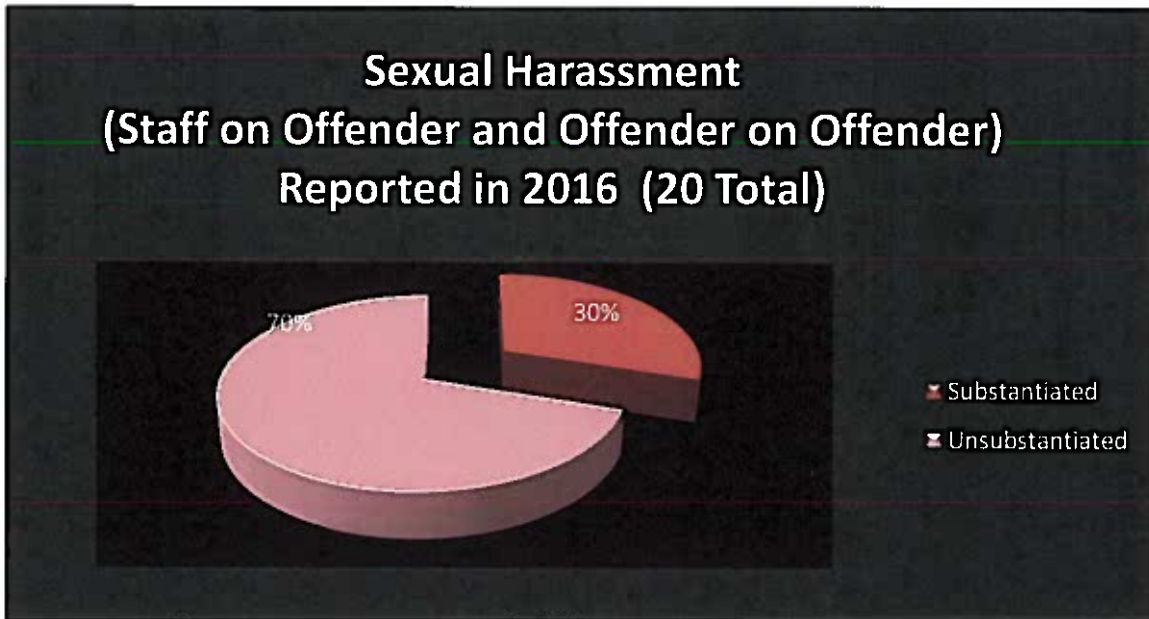


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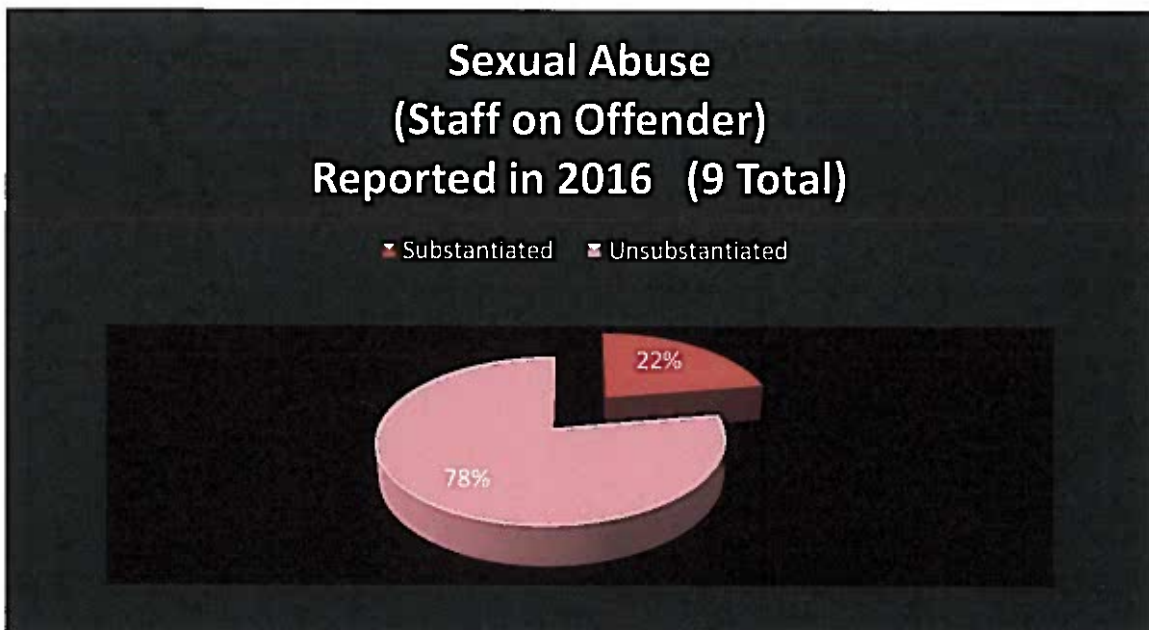


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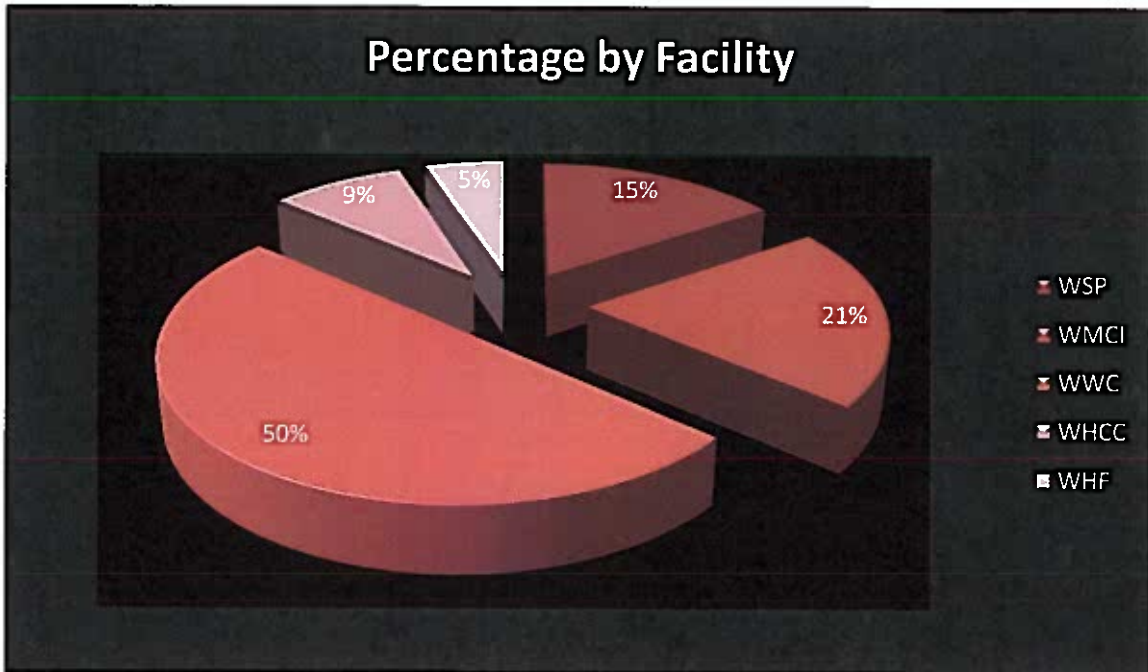


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Percentages by Facility All Reported Cases



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Incidents by Facility

REPORTED INCIDENTS 2016

WDOC Facility	Sexual Abuse-inmate-inmate		Sexual Abuse-by Staff on Inmate, with or without consent		Voyeurism- by staff-contractor-volunteer		Sexual Harassment- Repeated Verbal comments, gestures, or actions (Staff or Inmates)	
	S	U	S	U	S	U	S	U
Substantiated=S Unsubstantiated=U								
Wyoming State Penitentiary	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Wyoming Medium Correctional Institution	2	5	0	1	0	0	3	1
Wyoming Honor Conservation Camp	1	2	0	1	0	0	1	0
Wyoming Honor Farm	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Wyoming Women's Center	5	9	1	4	0	0	2	8
Field Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sum	10	19	2	7	0	0	6	14
Total Incidents	29		9		0		20	

Corrective Actions For 2016

Inmates charged with rule violations

Inmate conflicts validated

Staff resigned during investigation

Staff termination and referred to prosecutor for charges

Inmate education and orientation

Annual In-service raining

Data compiled for grant reporting

Staff re-assignment during investigation

2016 Ongoing Significant Efforts

Site inspections

Pre-Audit conducted at the WSP and WHF

Identify sources for outside confidential reporting

Respond to inmate PREA concerns

Modified showers with privacy screens

PREA coordinators' meetings

Assisted other agencies with training and PREA compliance

Ongoing screening for vulnerable Inmates

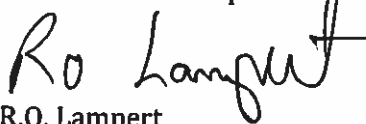
Incidents by Contract Facility

The WDOC contracts with community agencies to provide housing and substance abuse treatment for inmates who are returning to the community and in need of treatment. In turn, each of these facilities is responsible to record and report incidents of sexual acts similar to that of the WDOC facilities. During 2016 the Gillette facility, Volunteers of America (VOA), was audited and became certified under the DOJ National Standards. 2016 marked the end of the three (3) year cycle and all programs were certified as in compliance. Recertification will begin with the Casper Reentry Center and Therapeutic Community (CRCTC) in 2017.

Contract Facility Reporting 2016

<u>Contract Facility</u>	Sexual Abuse-by Staff on Inmate, with or without consent		Sexual Abuse-inmate-inmate		Voyeurism- by staff-contractor-volunteer		Sexual Harassment-Repeated Verbal comments, gestures, or actions	
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Cheyenne Transitional Center (CTC)	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	0
Casper Reentry Center and Therapeutic Community	2	2	1	1	0	0	2	1
Volunteers of America Gillette	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
Totals	9		3		0		8	

This report is made available to the public through the WDOC website, <http://corrections.wy.gov/>, as required by the Prison Rape Elimination Act National Standards. This report is to inform the public about the Department's efforts to reduce and/or eliminate sexual acts within its facilities. As part of our mission, we strive to ensure the protection of all inmates from sexual harassment and/or abuse by employing best practice standards in our operations.



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