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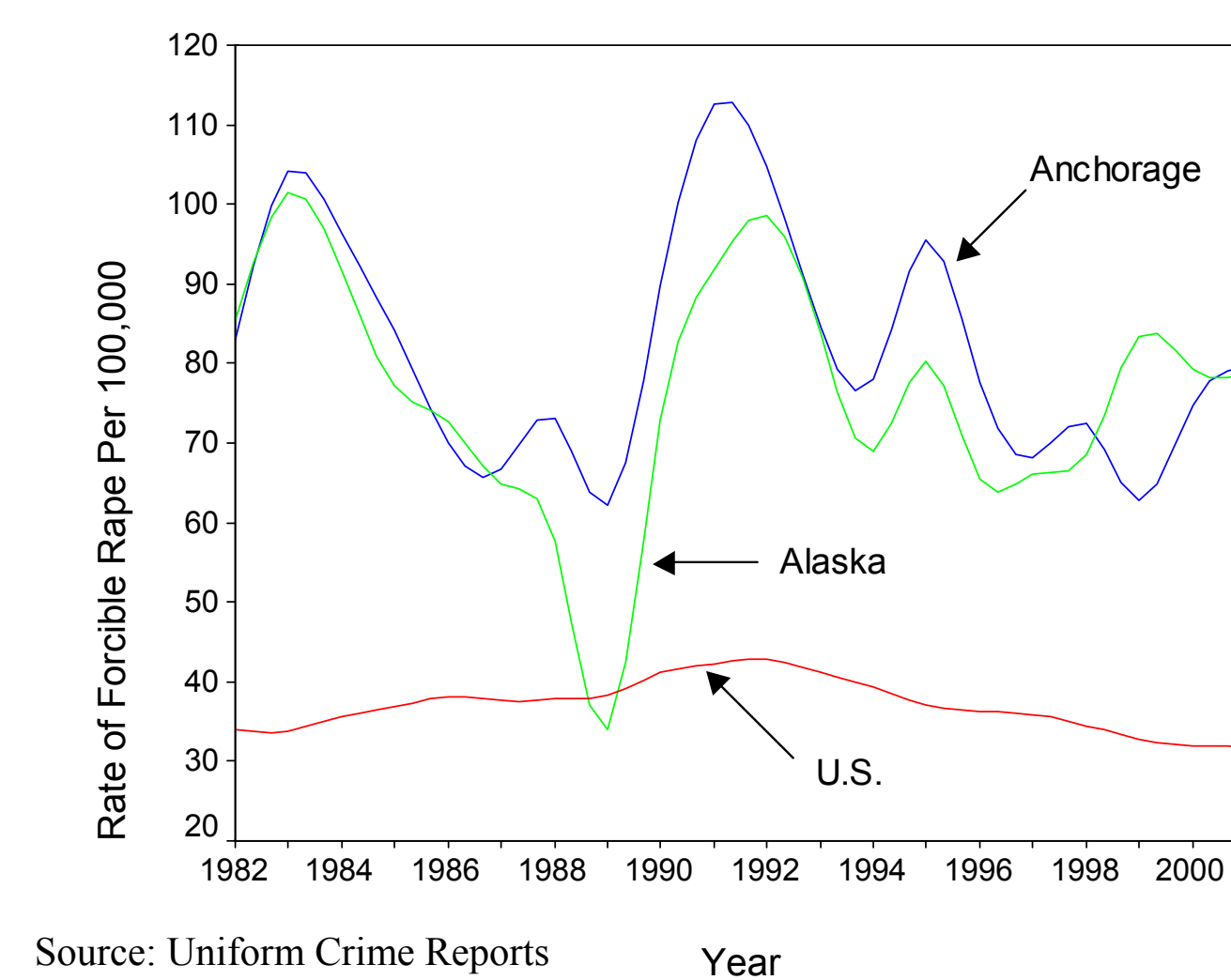
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Sexual Assault Study: Overview

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Rates of Forcible Rape in U.S., Alaska, and Anchorage, 1982-2001



Demographic Characteristics of Suspects

RACE	Suspects		Census 2001	Rate per 1,000 population
	N	%		
White	231	40.7 %	77.6 %	1.15
Native	126	22.2	10.6	4.60
Hispanic	47	8.3	6.0	3.05
Black	137	24.2	7.2	7.38
Asian	30	5.3	7.3	1.59
Pacific Islander	4	0.7	1.3	1.20

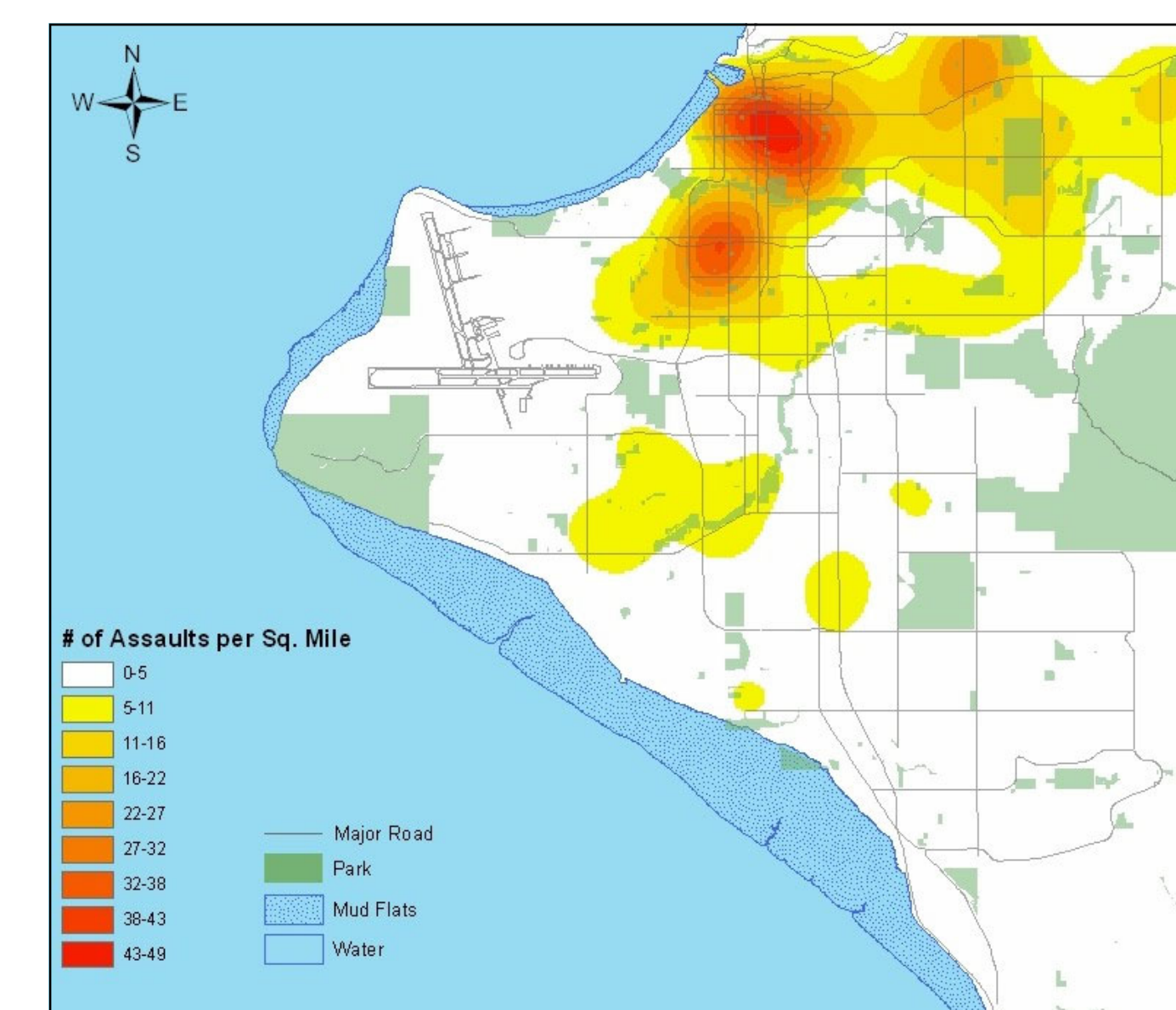
AGE	Suspects		Census 2001	Rate per 1,000 population
	N	%		
15 or less	9	2.9 %	24.8 %	0.14
15 to 19	56	18.2	7.9	2.74
20 to 24	61	19.8	6.3	3.75
25 to 34	82	26.6	14.5	2.19
35 to 44	63	20.5	17.9	1.37
45 to 54	29	9.4	15.6	0.72
55 or older	8	2.6	13.0	0.24

99.4% of suspects were male.

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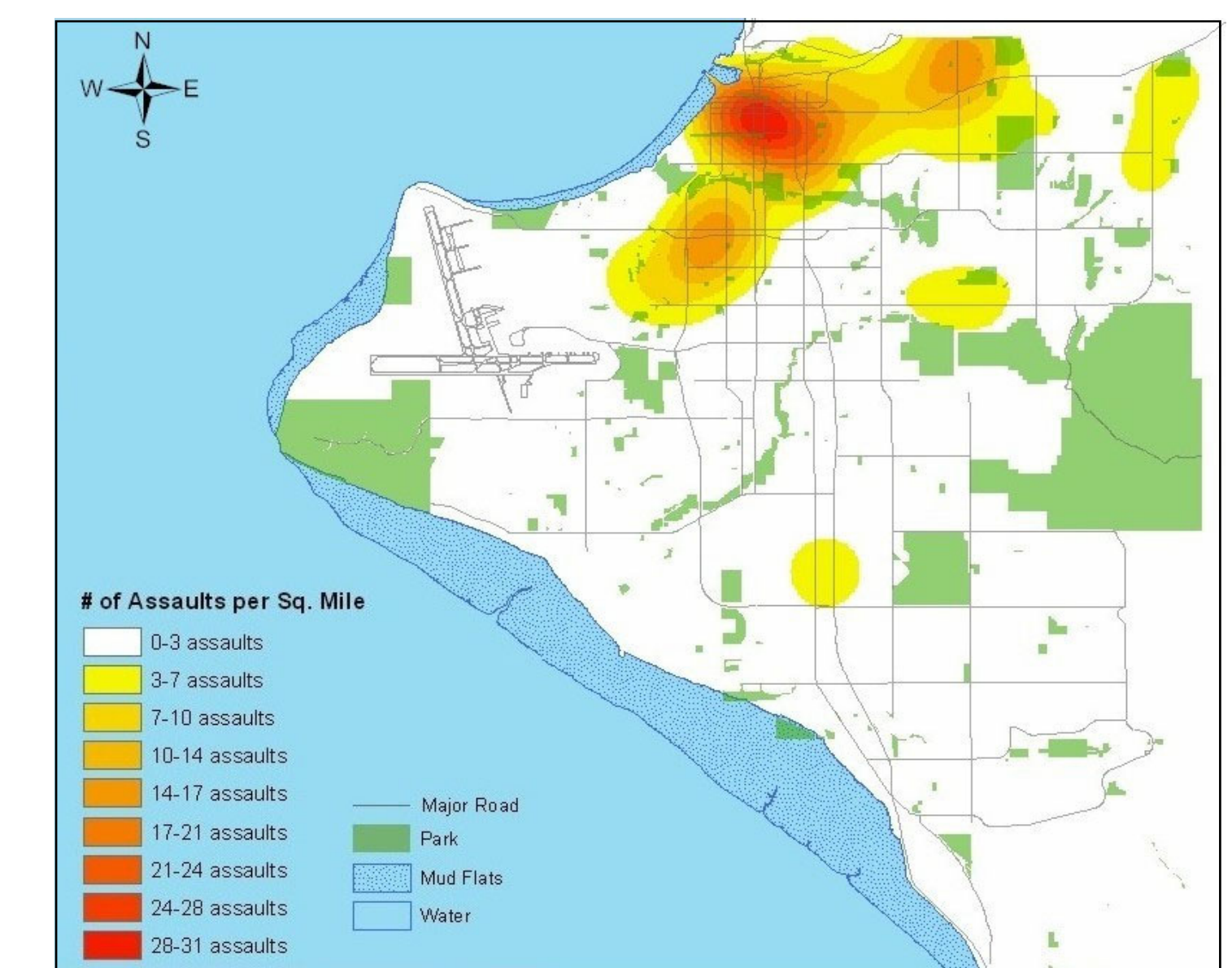
Incident Locations

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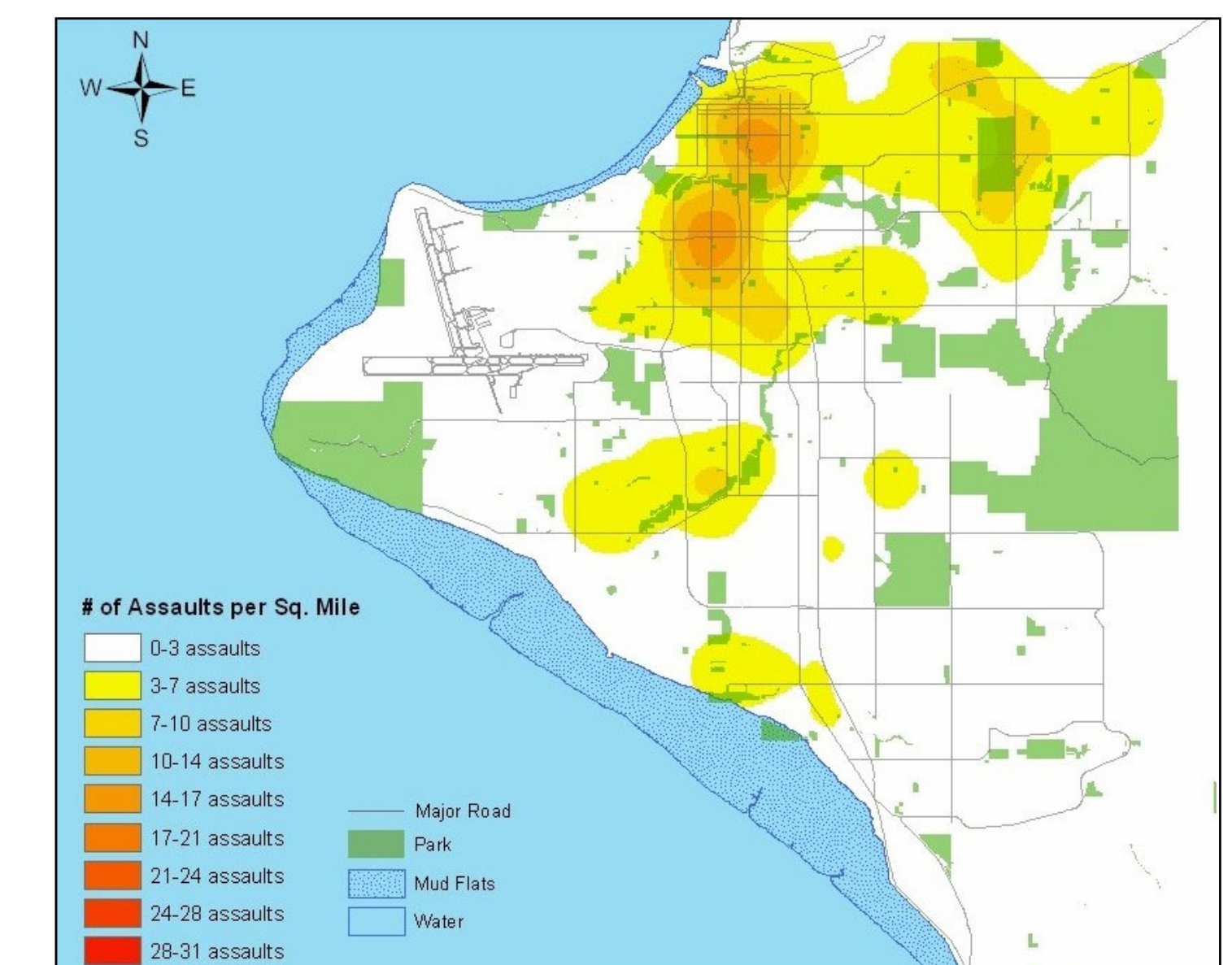


Incident Locations for Native Victims

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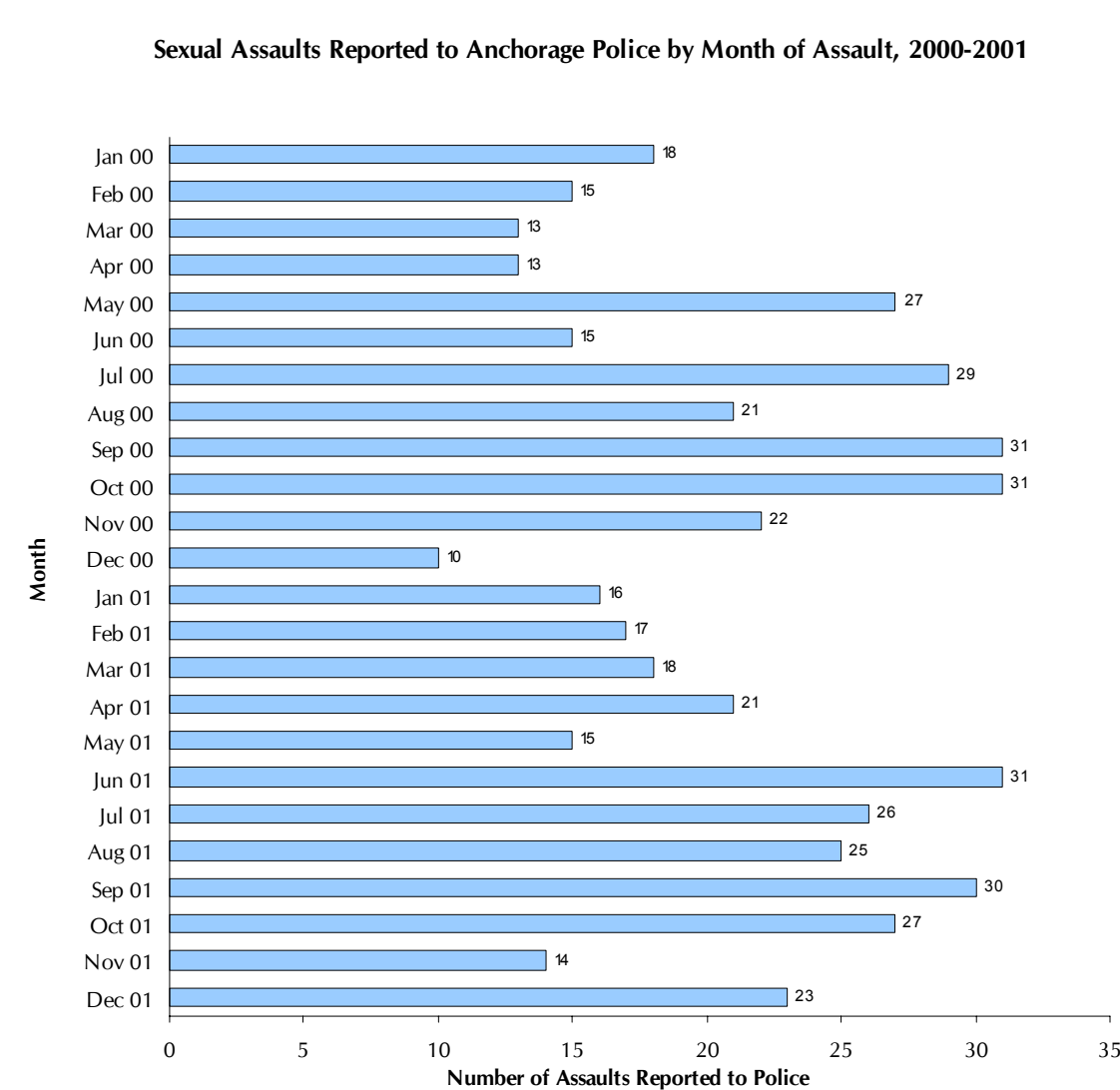


Incident Locations for White Victims



Alaska generally and Anchorage specifically have a long history of sexual assault as a significant problem.

To begin to understand this problem, we analyzed all sexual assault incidents (N=541) that were reported to the Anchorage Police Department from January 2000 to



Victim-Suspect Relationship

Suspect's relationship to victim	N	% of total	% of non-stranger
Total non-stranger	181	35.8 %	100.0 %
Spouse	8	1.6	4.4
Parent	2	0.4	1.1
Sibling	5	1.0	2.8
Grandchild	1	0.2	0.6
Stepparent	3	0.6	1.7
Other family	9	1.8	5.0
Acquaintance	55	10.9	30.4
Friend	49	9.7	27.1
Neighbor	2	0.4	1.1
Babysitter	2	0.4	1.1
Boy/girlfriend	22	4.3	12.2
Ex-spouse	5	1.0	2.8
Employer	1	0.2	0.6
Otherwise known	17	3.4	9.4
Stranger	144	28.5 %	--
Total	506	100.0	

Drug and Alcohol Use by Victim and Suspect

VICTIM	N	%	Total	SUSPECT	N	%	Total
Alcohol	161	59.9	269	Alcohol	157	76.2	206
Marijuana	24	9.7	247	Marijuana	21	15.0	140
Cocaine	8	3.3	242	Cocaine	4	2.8	142
Other drug	11	4.5	242	Other drug	6	4.2	142

Alcohol use by suspect	Alcohol use by victim		Total
	Yes	No	
Yes	105	23	128
No	3	45	48
Total	108	68	176

Demographic Characteristics of Victims

RACE	Victims		Census 2001	Rate per 1,000 population
	N	%		
White	257	47.7 %	77.6 %	1.28
Native	243	45.1	10.6	8.86
Hispanic	8	1.5	6.0	0.52
Black	27	5.0	7.2	1.45
Asian	8	1.5	7.3	0.42
Pacific Islander	0	0.0	1.3	0.00

AGE	Victims		Census 2001	Rate per 1,000 population
	N	%		
15 or less	42	8.8 %	24.8 %	0.66
15 to 19	138	28.9	7.9	6.76
20 to 24	77	16.1	6.3	4.74
25 to 34	104	21.8	14.5	2.78
35 to 44	77	16.1	17.9	1.67
45 to 54	31	6.5	15.6	0.77
55 or older	8	1.7	13.0	0.24

95.5% of victims were female.

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Assault Locations

Location type	N	%
Doctor's office	16	2.7 %
Field, woods, park	44	7.5
Road, street	52	8.9
Parking lot	31	5.3
Victim's hotel	17	2.9
Suspect's hotel	25	4.3
Victim and suspect's hotel	4	0.7
Other's hotel	11	1.9
Victim's residence	129	22.1
Suspect's residence	121	20.7
Victim and suspect's residence	15	2.6
Other's residence	58	9.9
Other	20	3.3
Unknown	42	7.2
Total	585	100.0

Incident Locations and Bar Locations

