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Child Molester Statistics

The following statistics were taken from the U. S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Statistics.

- * In one year alone, approximately 4,300 child molesters in 15 states were released from confinement.
- * Of the 4,300 child molesters released, approximately 3.3% were rearrested within three years for another sex offense against a child.
- * Child molesters were on average approximately five years older than those sex offenders whose victims were adults.
- * Approximately 25% of child molesters were age 40 or older.
- * Among those child molesters who were released in that one year, 60% had been confined for molesting a child 13 years of younger.

Sex Offender and Child Molester Statistics

According to the U. S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Statistics, on any given day there are approximately 234,000 sex offenders who were convicted of rape or sexual assault and are in the custody or control of correction agencies. Consider the following statistics:

- * The median age of the victims of convicted sex offenders was less than 13 years old.
- * Approximately 24% of those offenders confined for rape and 19% of those imprisoned for sexual assault had been on parole or probation at the time of the crime.
- * In one year alone, approximately 4,300 child molesters in 15 states were released from imprisonment.
- * Of the 4,300 child molesters released, approximately 3.3% were rearrested within three years for another sex offense against a child.

Characteristics of Offenders Who Commit Violent Crimes Against Children

The following statistics were taken from the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Statistics' Survey of Inmates of State Correctional Facilities concerning the characteristics of offenders who commit violent crimes against children. They include the following:

- * More than three-fourths of violent crimes against children occurred either in the offender's home or the victim's place of residence.
- * More than half of the negligent manslaughter offenders' crimes occurred in a public place, such as a park or a street.
- * Eight out of ten crimes by convicted sex offenders and/or child molesters in their own homes were forcible rapes or sexual assaults.
- * Only one in seven offenders reported using a weapon to perpetrate the offense against the child victim.

* More than 40% of the child victims of convicted offenders suffered forcible, rape, injury or death as a result of the crime.

Characteristics of Child Victims

U. S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Statistics has combined a study of characteristics among those child victims of convicted sex offenders and child molesters. These statistics are based on the reports of offenders in the Survey of Inmates of State Correctional Facilities, and include the following:

- * Three out of four children who were victimized were female.
- * One-third of the convicted offenders had committed a crime against their own child.
- * About half of the convicted offenders had a relationship with the child, either through friends or family.
- * Only one out of seven inmates reported that their child victim was a stranger.
- * Four out of ten child victims suffered forcible rape or another injury from child molesters.

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According to the U. S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Statistics, there were 9,700 convicted sex offenders who were released in one year alone.

- * Nearly 4,300 of the 9,700 were labeled child molesters.
- * Of the 4,300 child molesters that were released in that one year, 3.3% were rearrested for another sex crime against a child within three years of their release.
- * A Bureau of Justice Statistics survey shows that the victims of approximately 70% of the convicted sex offenders were children.
- * In almost half of the child molestation cases, the child was the convicted sex offender's son, daughter, or relative.
- * The average sentence given to the 4,300 child molesters was approximately seven years, with three of seven years typically being served.