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This data comes from the Clark County Family Court, Juvenile Division, specialty diversion court. This specialty court began in August of 2005. All Commercially Sexually Exploited Children youth identified are seen in this specialty calendar and adjudicated by Judge William Voy.

**Definitions:**

- CSEC: Commercially Sexually Exploited Children. The sexual exploitation of children through commercial sexual activity (e.g. prostitution, stripping or pornography).

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## 2016 CSEC Court Profile

This research brief presents the demographic information for the children being detained in 2016 for their involvement in commercial sexual exploitation in Clark County, Nevada. The source of information is from the Specialty Juvenile Court - the Girls' Court Calendar, which weekly adjudicates all delinquency cases for sexually exploited children (CSEC).

**Demographics:** The Girls' Court Calendar had 689 hearings in 2016 involving 187 youth.

**Gender:** Female: 187

**Age:** The average age was 15.9 (9 were 13, 25 were 14, 23 were 15, 52 were 16, and 74 were 17).

**Charges:**

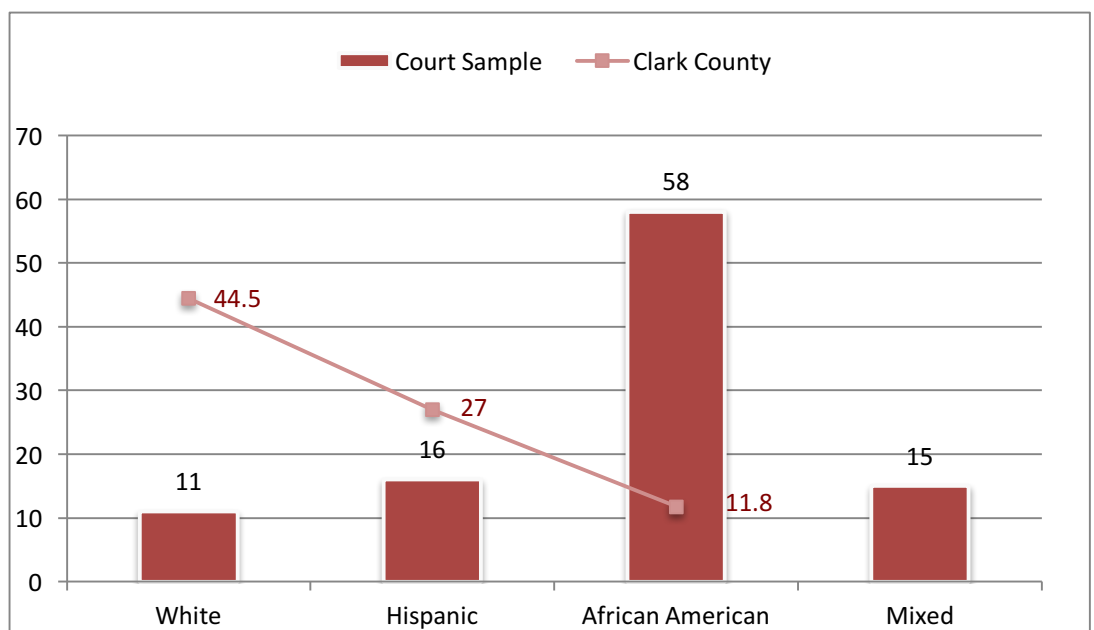
*Newly charged in 2016: 110*

(59%) of the children were new to the calendar.

*Continuing Minors: 77*

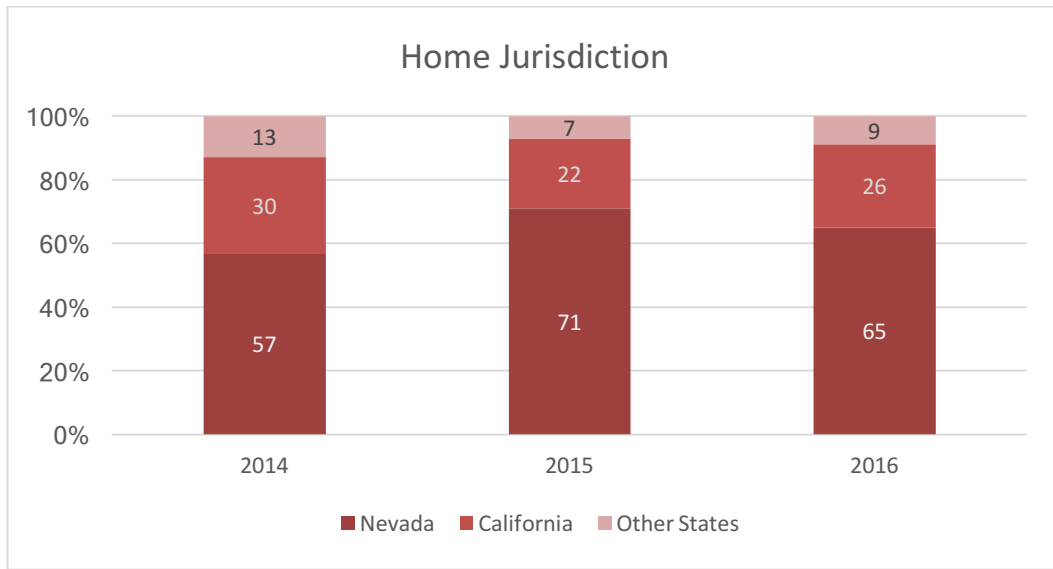
43 of the minors were follow-ups, without new charges related to sexual exploitation in 2016. 34 of the girls were detained with new charges or violations in 2016.

Most children received court advocacy from the Embracing Project (85%).



Note: Hispanic represents White Hispanic. 3 of the 106 African American were Hispanic as well. 4 of the 28 mixed race were Hispanic.

**Home Jurisdiction:** Most the children arrested for prostitution in 2016 came from the state of Nevada.



**Nevada's Estimate: 5,687 unidentified CSEC victims**

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING IMPACT IN TEXAS**



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The University of Texas at Austin released in December 2016 a formula for estimating the prevalence of human trafficking (see page 54 of their report for the formula). Their prevalence estimates were based on research and a survey of the literature nationally. Applying their formula to Nevada's same populations (child maltreatment, at-risk youth served by child protection, and homeless youth), the number of victims in Nevada could be **5,687** minor victims of sex trafficking.

High-Risk Sex Trafficking Community Segments	Size of Community Segment	Victimization Rate	Estimated Victims
Child Abuse/maltreatment <sup>a</sup>	15,9000	25%	<b>3,975</b>
At-risk youth being served by DCFS/ CPS <sup>b</sup>	4,543	25%	<b>1,135</b>
Homeless youth <sup>c</sup>	2,310	25%	<b>577</b>

For the Texas report, visit <http://sites.utexas.edu/idvsa>

<sup>a</sup> Nevada screened-in 2015 child maltreatment numbers (not including 52% of reports screened out). Source: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/resource/child-maltreatment-2015>

<sup>b</sup> Nevada's children in out-of-home care in 2014. Source: <http://www.cwla.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Nevada.pdf>

<sup>c</sup> Nevada's 2015 homeless unaccompanied youth. Source: <https://www.hudexchange.info/onecpd/assets/File/2015-AHAR-Part-2.pdf>