

Victim Offender Reconciliation Program Adult Recidivism Study (2011 Data)

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Demographics

Basic Demographics of Offenders

A total of one hundred (100) adult offenders participated in Victim Offender Reconciliation Program (VORP) from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011. Of these offenders, nineteen (19) or 19% participated in direct mediation while eighty-one (81) or 81% participated in indirect mediation [Table 1 and chart 1]. When examining the sex of the offenders, one finds that of the one hundred offenders, seventy-seven (77) or 77% were male while only twenty-three (23) or 23% were female [Table 2 and Chart 2]. The ages of the offenders ranged from sixteen to sixty-one (16 to 61) with forty-six percent (46%) belonging to the 18 to 24 age range [Table 3 and Chart 3]. Sixty-nine percent (69%) of the offenders involved in the program were white, eighteen percent (18%) black, twelve percent (12%) were Latino and one percent (1%) were of two or more races. [Table 4 and Chart 4].

Basic Demographics of Victims

There were a total of one hundred and sixteen (116) victims that participated in the Victim Offender Reconciliation Program from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011. Of these 116 victims, sixty-two percent (62%) were male and thirty-eight percent (38%) were female. [Table 5 and Chart 5]. The age of the victims ranged from eighteen to eighty-seven (18 to 87). The majority of victims, fifty-nine percent (59%), landed in the unknown age category. Of the data that was known, the thirty to thirty-seven (30 to 37) age range contained the most victims, with nineteen percent (19%) [Table 6 and Chart 6]. When looking at the race of the victims, one finds that thirty-four percent (34%) were white, two percent (2%) were Latino, less than one percent (1%) was black, and sixty-three (63%) were unknown, which includes victims that are businesses [Table 7 and Chart 7].

Contracts

Successful, Unsuccessful, Active

Of the one-hundred and sixteen (116) contracts signed, sixty-eight (68%) were labeled successful, twenty-two percent (22%) unsuccessful, and ten percent (10%) were still considered active [Table 8 and Chart 8].

Contract Stipulations

The results showed that the vast majority, seventy-three percent (73%), of the contract stipulations were monetary in nature [Table 9 and Chart 9]. When looking further into the restitution contracts, one can see that twenty-one percent (21%) agreed to pay

between one dollar and two hundred dollars (\$1-\$200). Twenty percent (20%) agreed to pay between two hundred and one dollars and five hundred dollars (\$201-\$500). Seventeen percent (17%) agreed to pay one thousand and one dollars and three thousand dollars (\$1001-\$3000). [Table 10 and Chart 10]. When looking at the amount of money actually paid by the offenders, one can see that twenty-eight percent (28%) of the offenders paid between one dollar and two-hundred dollars (\$1-\$200), and seventeen percent (17%) paid between two hundred and one dollars and five hundred dollars (\$201-\$500). Twelve percent (12%) paid between one thousand and one dollars and three thousand dollars (\$1,001-\$3,000) and twelve percent (12%) paid nothing on their contracts. Five percent (5%) paid between five hundred and one dollars and seven hundred dollars (\$501-\$700) and five percent (5%) paid between seven hundred and one dollars and one thousand dollars (\$701-\$1001) on their contracts. Three percent (3%) paid between six thousand and one dollars and fifteen thousand dollars (\$6001-\$15,000). One percent (1%) paid between three thousand and one dollars and six thousand dollars (\$3001-\$6000). Sixteen percent of the contracts were non-monetary and therefore had no payments made on them. [Table 11 and Chart 11].

Offenses

Offense Type, Offense Class, and Court Number

Of the one-hundred (100) offenders with one-hundred and sixteen (116) court cases between them, sixty-six percent (66%) were involved in burglary and theft, while ten percent (10%) were involved in criminal mischief, six percent (6%) were involved in a type of traffic violation, six percent (6%) fell into the “other” category, three percent (3%) each fell into the categories of operating while intoxicated, robbery, and assault and battery. One percent (1%) was an arson offense and one percent (1%) was a drug offense. [Table 12 and Chart 12]. Forty-four percent (44%) of crimes committed were D Felonies, twenty-one percent (21%) were C Felonies, and fifteen percent (15%) were B Felonies. Fourteen percent (14%) of offenses were A Misdemeanors—either originally or filed as a D Felony. Four percent (4%) were B Misdemeanors. A Felonies, C Misdemeanors, and Infractions each comprised one percent (1%) of offenses committed [Table 13 and Chart 13]. The results revealed that thirty-four percent (34%) of the offenders were sentenced in Superior Court II, twenty-nine percent (29%) were sentenced in Superior Court VI, fifteen percent (15%) were sentenced in Superior Court V, nine percent (9%) in Circuit Court, six (6%) in Superior Court I, four percent (4%) in Goshen City Court, and three (3%) in Superior Court IV. Elkhart City Court and Superior Court III made no referrals in this year [Table 14 and Chart 14].

Reoffenders

Of the one-hundred offenders who signed contracts through the VORP process, eighteen percent (18%) reoffended within three years while eighty-two percent (82%) did not [Table and Chart 15]. Of those that participated in indirect mediation, fifteen percent

(15%) of them re-offended and eighty-five percent (85%) did not. Of those that participated in direct mediation with their victim, thirty-two percent (32%) re-offended, while sixty-eight percent (68%) did not commit another crime. Because of the small sample size, this means that only six offenders that participated in direct mediation committed another crime within three years. **[Table 16]**. Of those that reoffended, sixty-one percent (61%) committed a lower level of offense, seventeen percent (17%) committed the same level of offense, and twenty-two percent (22%) committed a higher level offense **[Table 17 and Chart 17]**. When looking at the types of crime re-offenders committed, the results show that twenty-four percent (24%) of the crimes that were committed fell into the burglary and theft category while eighteen percent (18%) fell into the drug and alcohol offense category. Traffic and “other” types of offenses each accounted for twelve percent (12%) of re-offenses. Nine percent (9%) of re-offenders fell into each of the three categories of assault and battery, escape and resisting law enforcement, and operating while intoxicated. Only six percent (6%) were criminal mischief cases **[Table 18 and Chart 18]**. The classes of the re-offenses were forty-nine percent (49%) A Misdemeanor, forty-two percent (42%) D Felony, six percent (6%) C Misdemeanor and three percent (3%) C Felony **[Table and chart 19]**.

Table 1: Mediation Type

		Type of Mediation			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Direct	19	19.0	19.0	19.0
	Indirect	81	81.0	81.0	100.0
	Total	100	100.0	100.0	

Pie Chart 1: Mediation Type

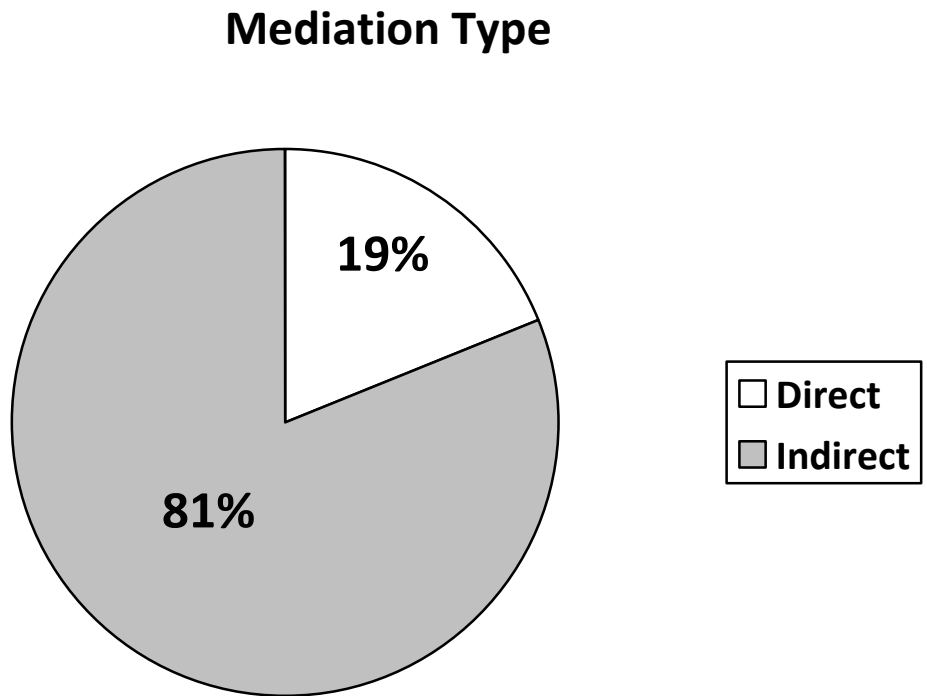


Table 2: Gender of Offender

		Offenders Gender			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Female	23	23.0	23.0	23.0
	Male	77	77.0	77.0	100.0
Total		100	100.0	100.0	

Pie Chart 2: Gender of Offender

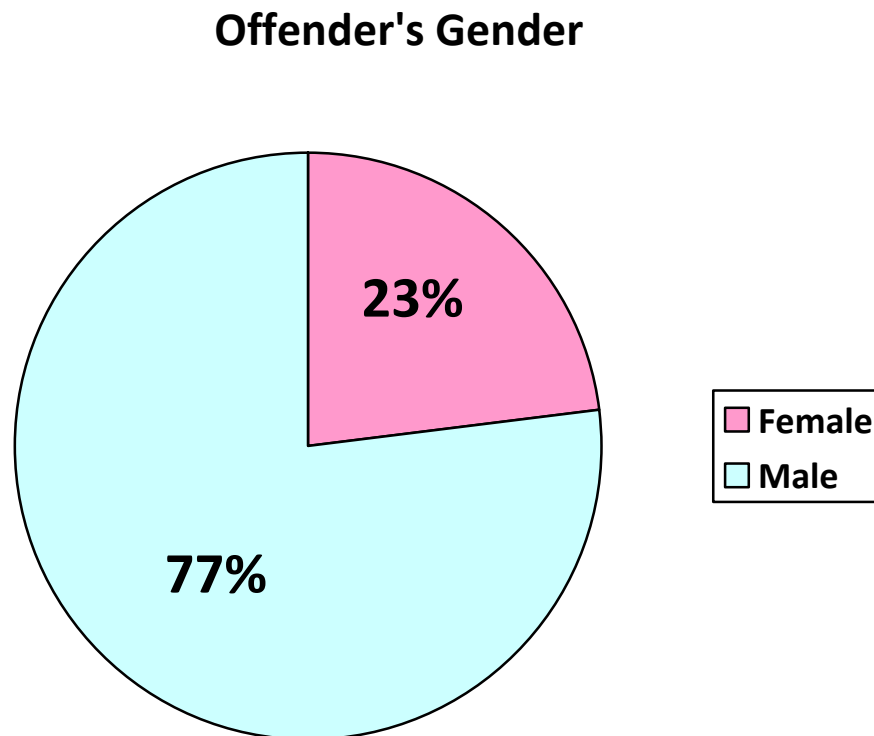


Table 3: Offender's Age

		Recoded Offender age			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Under 18	1	1.0	1.0	1.0
	18-24	46	46.0	46.0	47.0
	25-32	16	16.0	16.0	63.0
	33-40	17	17.0	17.0	80.0
	41-69	20	20.0	20.0	100.0
	Total	100			

Pie Chart 3: Offender's Age

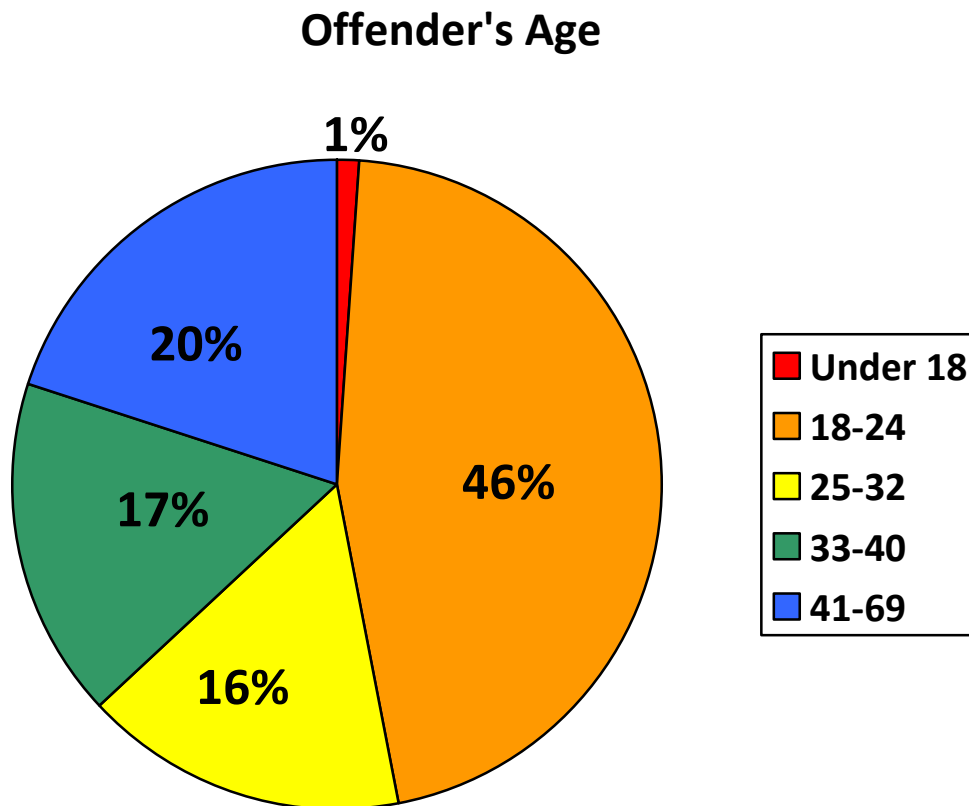


Table 4: Offender's Race

		Offenders Race			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Black	18	18.0	18.0	18.0
	White	69	69.0	69.0	87.0
	Hispanic	12	12.0	12.0	99.0
	Asian	0	0.0	0.0	99.0
	Two or More Races	1	1.0	1.0	100.0
	Other	0	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Total	100			

Pie Chart 4: Offender's Race

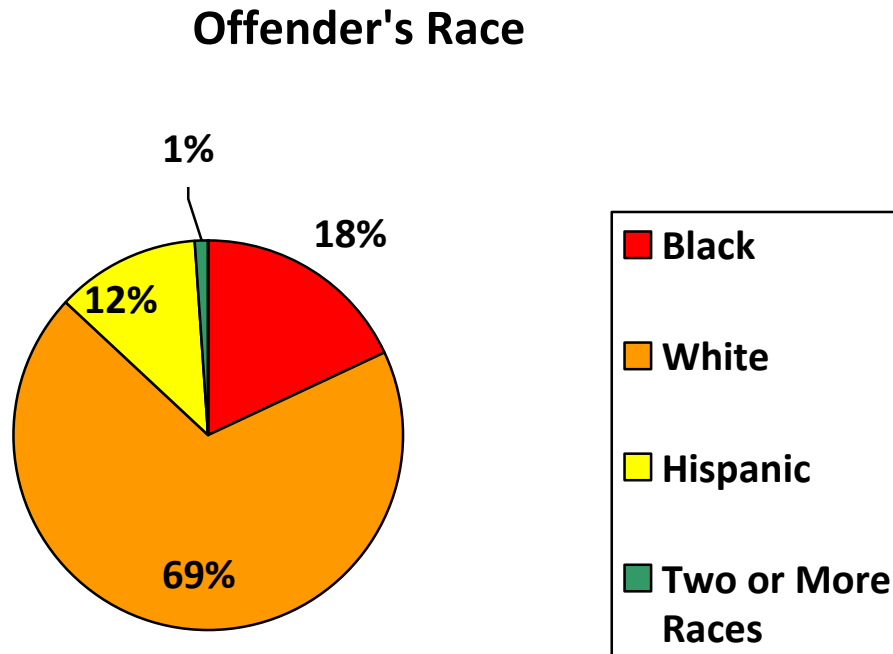


Table 5: Victim's Gender

		Victim's Gender			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Female	44	37.9	37.9	37.9
	Male	72	62.1	62.1	100.0
Total		116			

Pie Chart 5: Victim's Gender

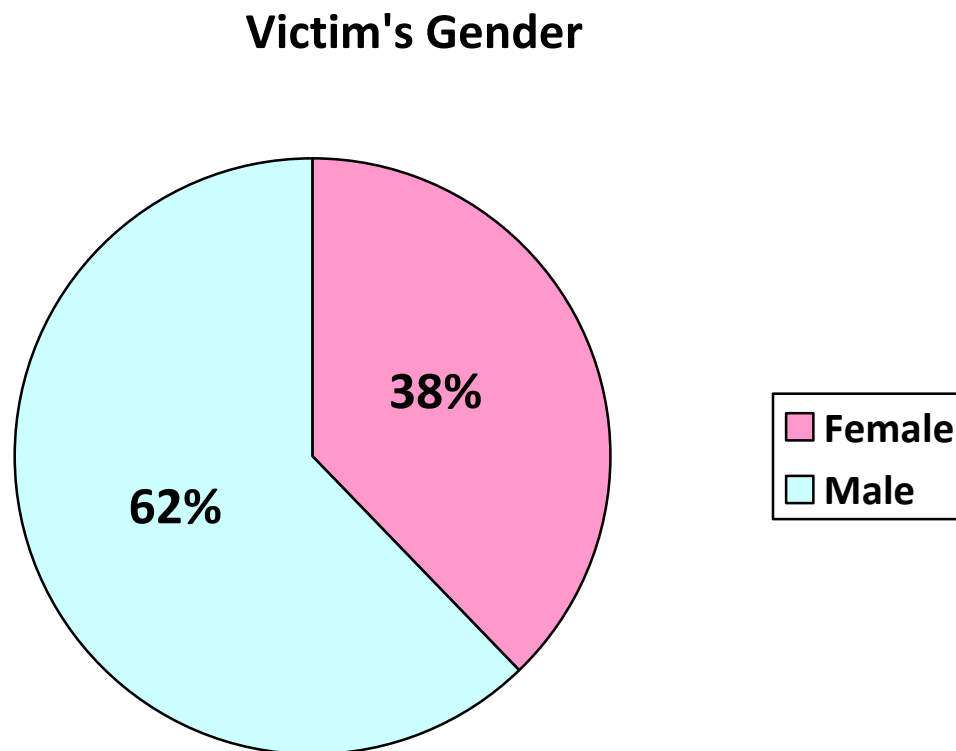


Table 6: Victim's Age

		Recoded Victim Age			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	16-22	5	4.3	10.6	10.6
	23-29	8	6.9	17.0	27.6
	30-37	9	7.8	19.1	46.7
	38-47	6	5.2	12.8	59.5
	48-56	6	5.2	12.8	72.3
	57-70	7	6.0	14.9	87.2
	70 plus	6	5.2	12.8	100.0
	Total	47	40.5	100.0	
Missing	Unknown	69	59.5		
Total		116	100.0		

Pie Chart 6: Victim's Age

Victim's Age

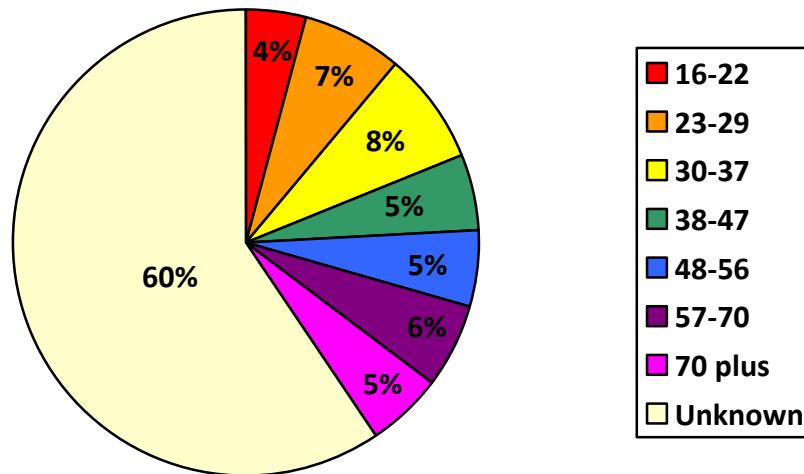


Table 7: Victim's Race

		Victim's Race			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Black	1	0.8	1.1	1.1
	White	39	33.6	43.3	44.4
	Hispanic	2	1.7	2.2	46.6
	Business	48	41.4	53.3	99.9
	Total	90	77.6	99.9	
Missing	Unknown	26	22.4		
Total		116	100.0		

Pie Chart 7: Victim's Race

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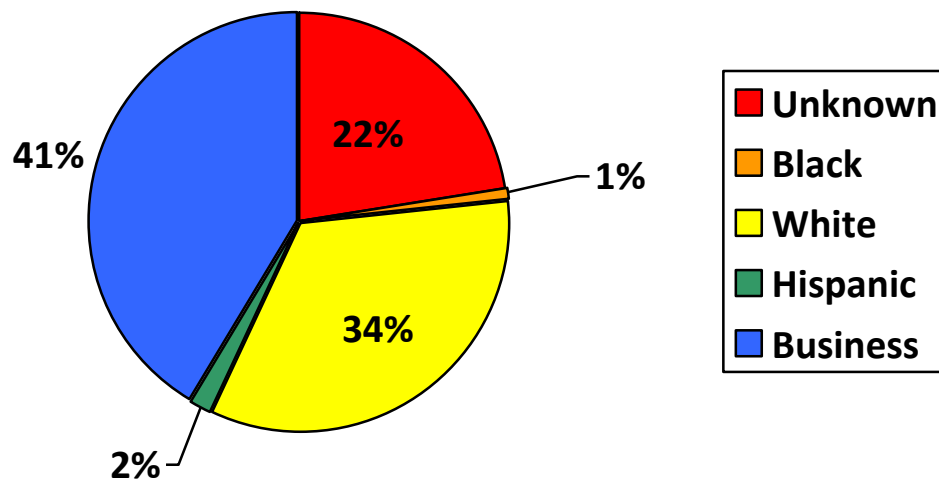
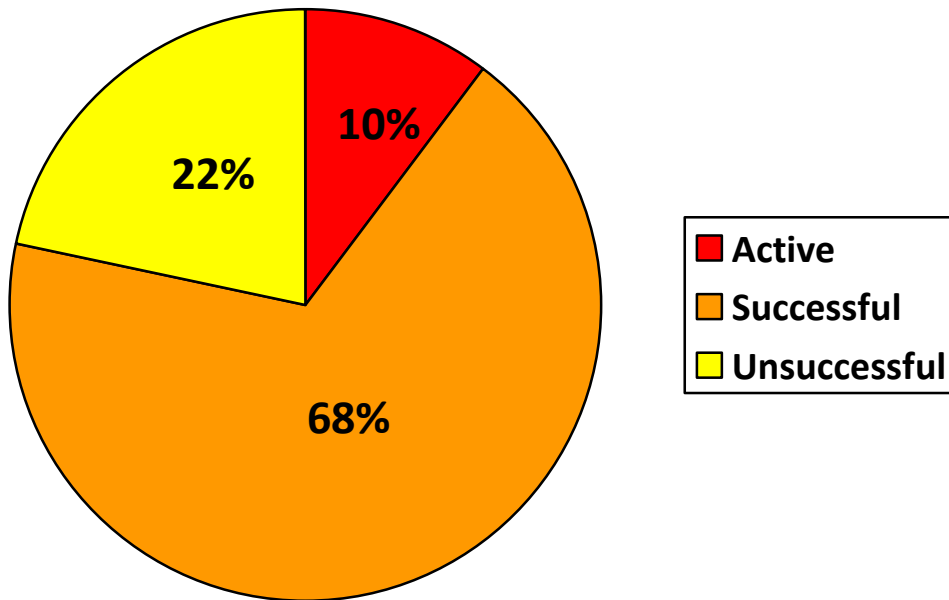


Table 8: Closure Status (Successful, Unsuccessful, Active)

		Close Status			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Active	12	10.3	10.3	10.3
	Successful	79	68.1	68.1	78.4
	Unsuccessful	25	21.6	21.6	100.0
	Total	116	100.0	100.0	

Pie Chart 8: Closure Status (Successful, Unsuccessful, Active)

Closure Status

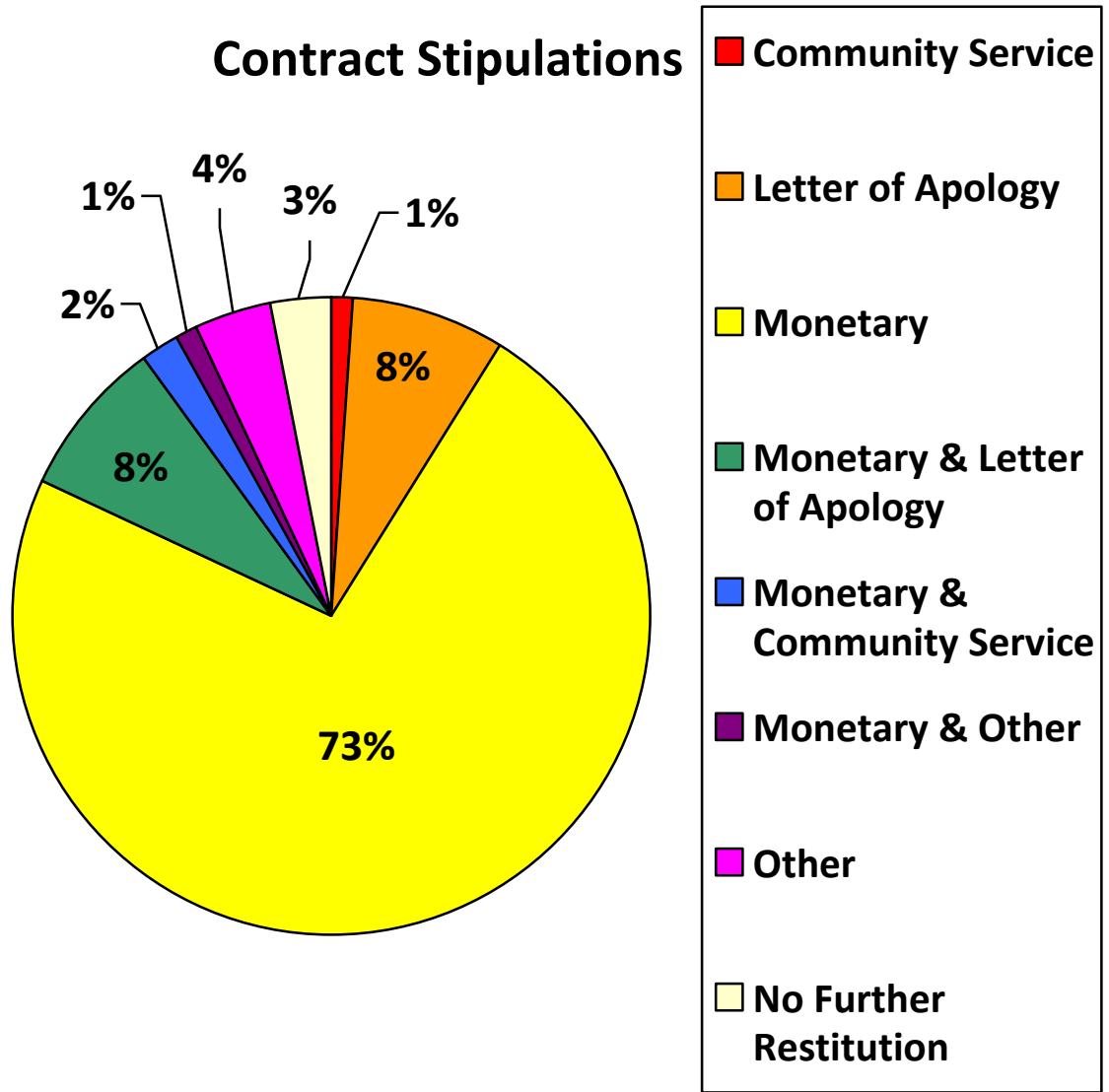


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Table 9: Contract Stipulations

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		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Community Service	1	0.8	0.8	0.8
	Letter of Apology	9	7.8	7.8	8.6
	Monetary	85	73.3	73.3	81.9
	Monetary & Letter of Apology	9	7.8	7.8	89.7
	Monetary & Community Service	2	1.7	1.7	91.4
	Monetary & Other	1	0.8	0.8	92.2
	Other	5	4.3	4.3	96.5
	No Further restitution	4	3.4	3.4	99.9
	Total	116	99.9	99.9	

Pie Chart 9: Contract Stipulations



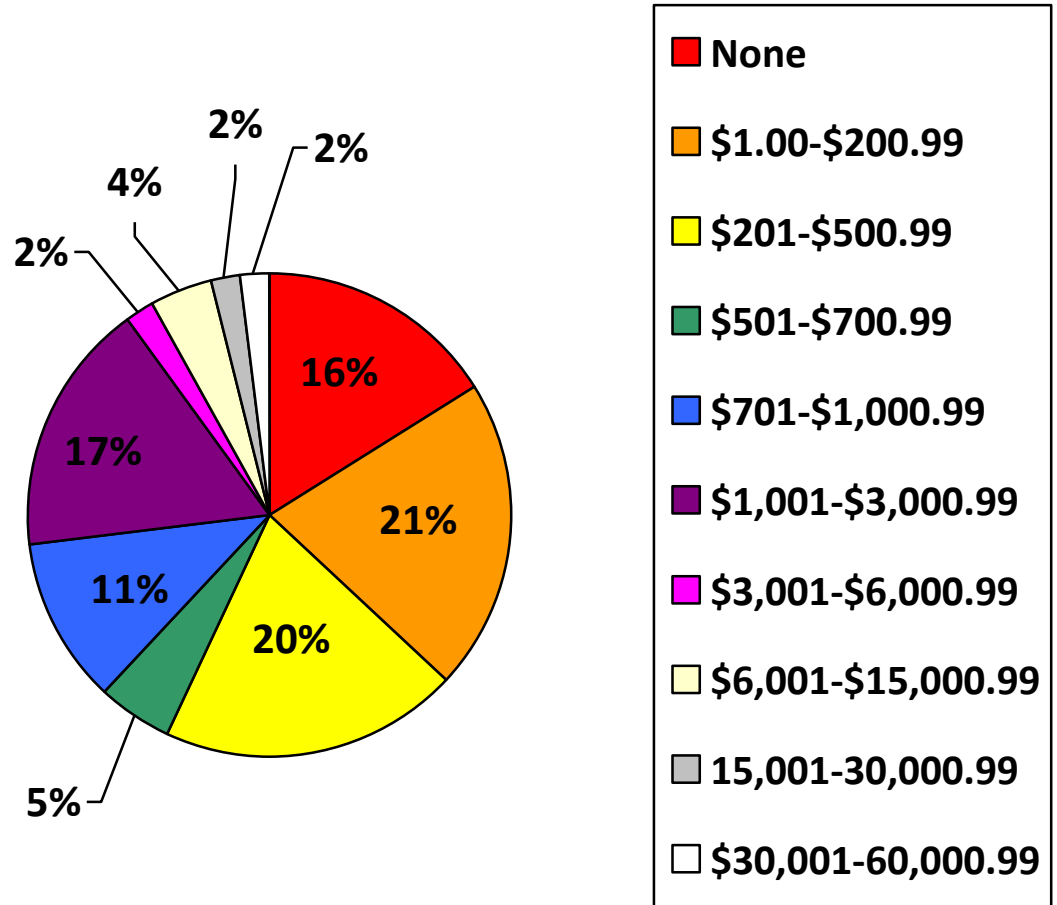
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Table 10: Amount of Monetary Restitution Ordered

		Restitution Amount			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	None	19	16.4	16.4	16.4
	\$1.00-\$200.99	24	20.7	20.7	37.1
	\$201-\$500.99	23	19.8	19.8	56.9
	\$501-\$700.99	6	5.2	5.2	62.1
	\$701-\$1,000.99	13	11.2	11.2	73.3
	\$1,001-\$3,000.99	20	17.2	17.2	90.5
	\$3,001-\$6,000.99	2	1.7	1.7	92.2
	\$6,001-\$15,000.99	5	4.3	4.3	96.5
	\$15,001-\$30,000.99	2	1.7	1.7	98.2
	\$30,001-\$60,000.99	2	1.7	1.7	99.9
	Total	116	99.9	99.9	

Pie Chart 10: Amount of Monetary Restitution Ordered

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Table 11: Amount of Monetary Restitution Paid

Amount of Monetary Restitution Paid					
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	\$0.00-0.99	14	12.0	14.4	14.4
	\$1.00-\$200.99	32	27.6	33.0	47.4
	\$201-\$500.99	20	17.2	20.6	68
	\$501.00-\$700.99	6	5.2	6.2	74.2
	\$701.00-\$1,000.99	6	5.2	6.2	80.4
	\$1,001-\$3,000.99	14	12.1	14.4	94.8
	\$3,001-\$6,000.99	1	0.8	1.0	95.8
	\$6,001-15,000.99	4	3.4	4.1	99.9
	\$15,001-30,000.99	0	0.0	0.0	99.9
	Total	97	83.6	99.9	
Missing	Unknown	19	16.4		
Total		116	100.0		

Pie Chart 11: Amount of Monetary Restitution Paid

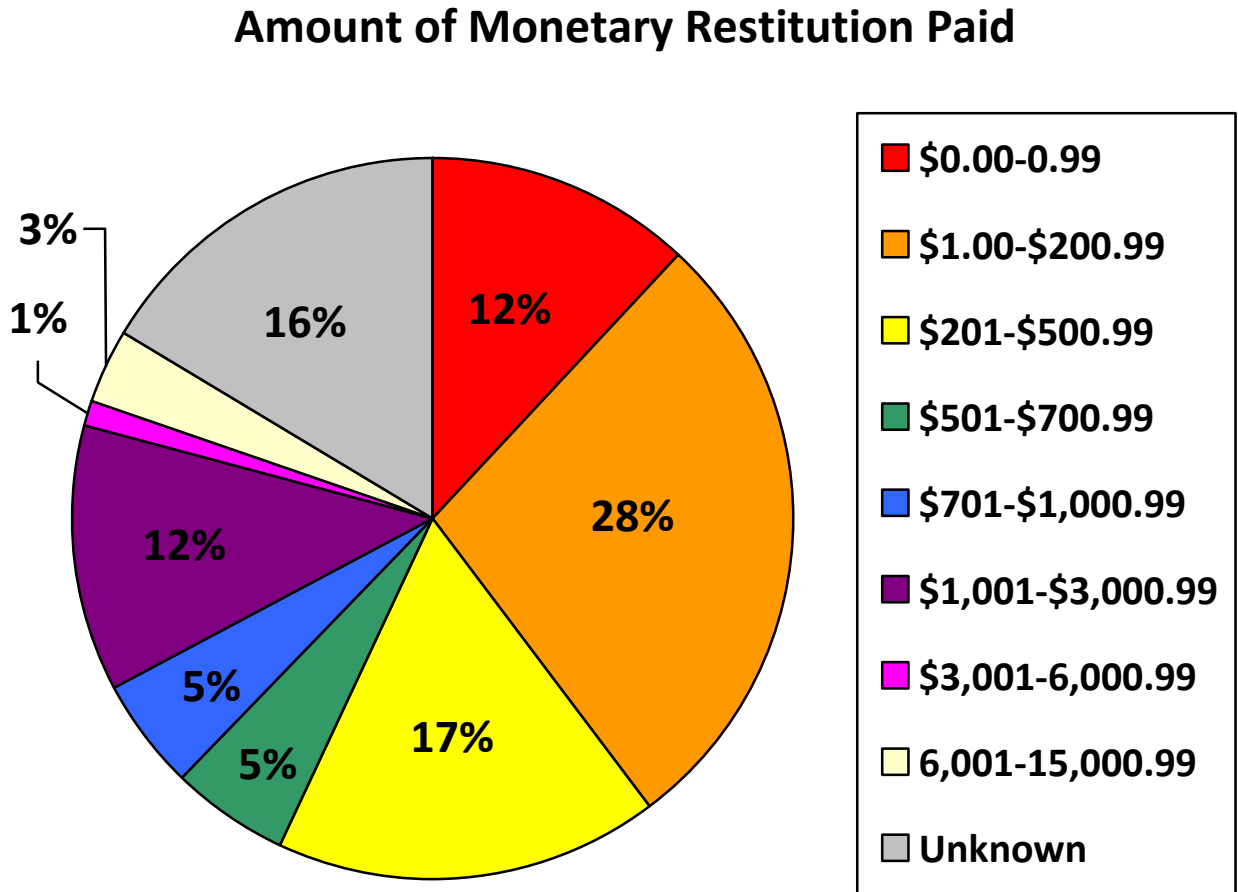


Table 12: Offense Type

		Offense Type			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Arson	1	0.8	0.8	0.8
	Assault & Battery	4	3.4	3.4	4.2
	Burglary & Theft	76	66.5	66.5	70.7
	Criminal Mischief	12	10.3	10.3	81
	Drug	1	0.8	0.8	81.8
	Other	7	6.0	6.0	87.8
	OWI	4	3.4	3.4	91.2
	Robbery	4	3.4	3.4	94.6
	Traffic	7	6.0	6.0	100.6
	Total	116	100.6	100.6	

*There are 13 offenders who committed multiple crimes, with several cause numbers, so the total is 16 more than the number of offenders.

Pie Chart 12: Offense Type

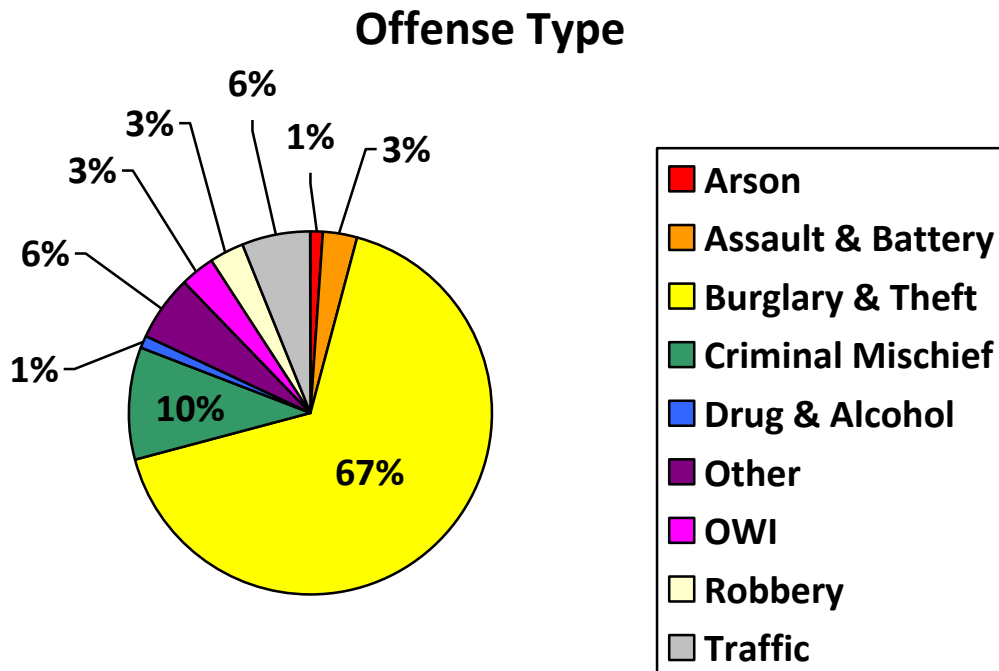


Table 13: Offense Class

		Offense Class			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A-Fel	1	0.8	0.8	0.8
	A- Mis	16	13.8	13.8	14.6
	B-Fel	17	14.7	14.7	29.3
	B-Mis	5	4.3	4.3	33.6
	C-Fel	24	20.7	20.7	54.3
	C-Mis	1	0.8	0.8	55.1
	D-Fel	51	44.0	44.0	99.1
	Infraction	1	0.8	0.8	99.9
	Total	116	99.9	99.9	

Pie Chart 13: Offense Class

Offense Class

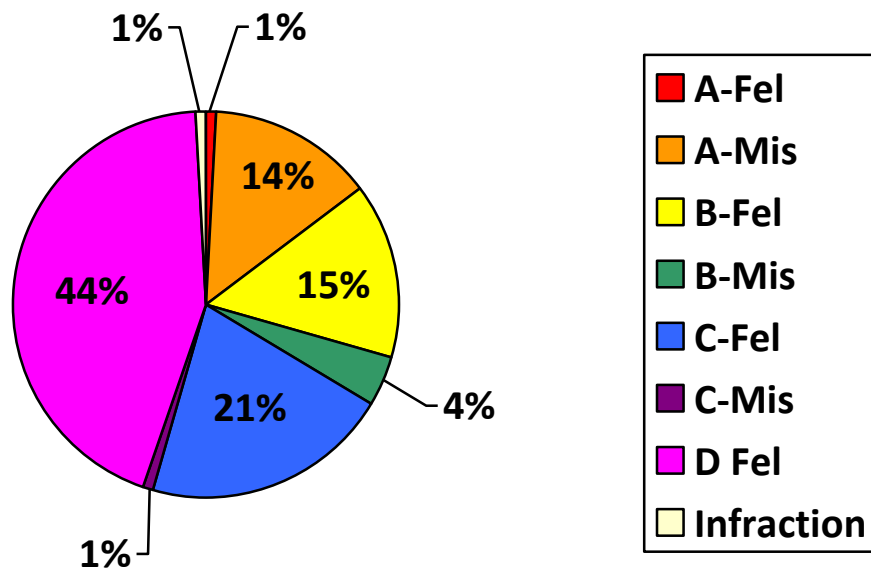


Table 14: Court

		Court			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Circuit Court	10	8.6	8.6	8.6
	Goshen City Court	5	4.3	4.3	12.9
	Elkhart City Court	0	0	0	12.9
	Sup. 1	7	6.0	6.0	18.9
	Sup. 2	39	33.6	33.6	52.5
	Sup. 3	0	0	0	52.5
	Sup. 4	4	3.4	3.4	55.9
	Sup. 5	17	14.7	14.7	70.6
	Sup. 6	34	29.3	29.3	99.9
	Total	116	99.9	99.9	

Pie Chart 14: Court

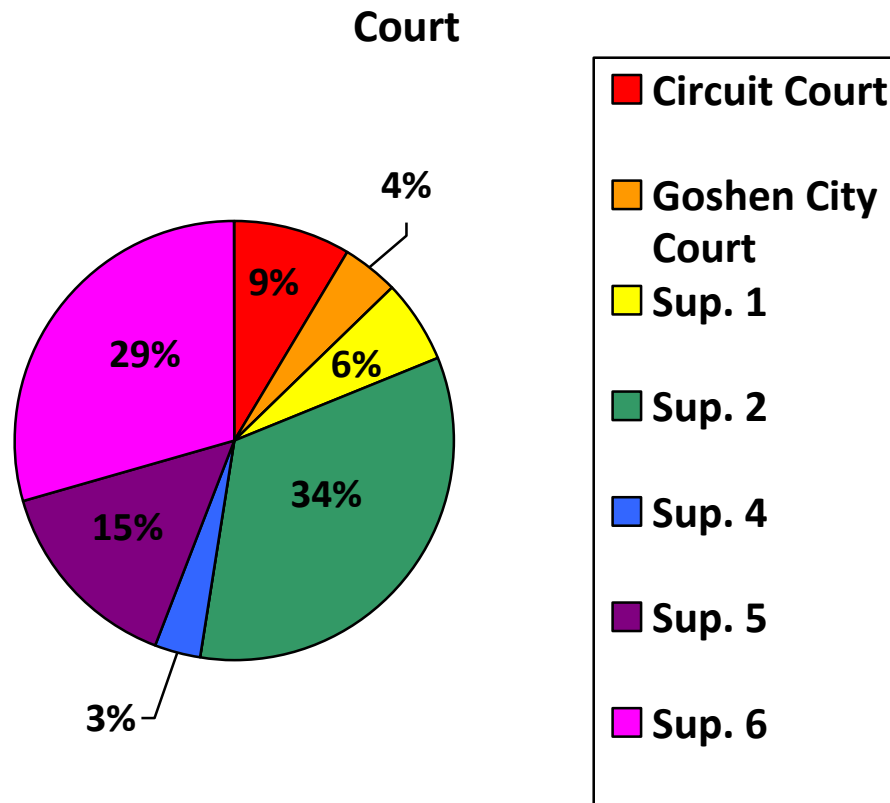


Table 15: Did Offender Re-offend?

		Re-offense?			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No	82	82.0	82.0	82.0
	Yes	18	18.0	18.0	100.0
Total		100	100.0	100.0	

Pie Chart 15: Did Offender Re-offend?

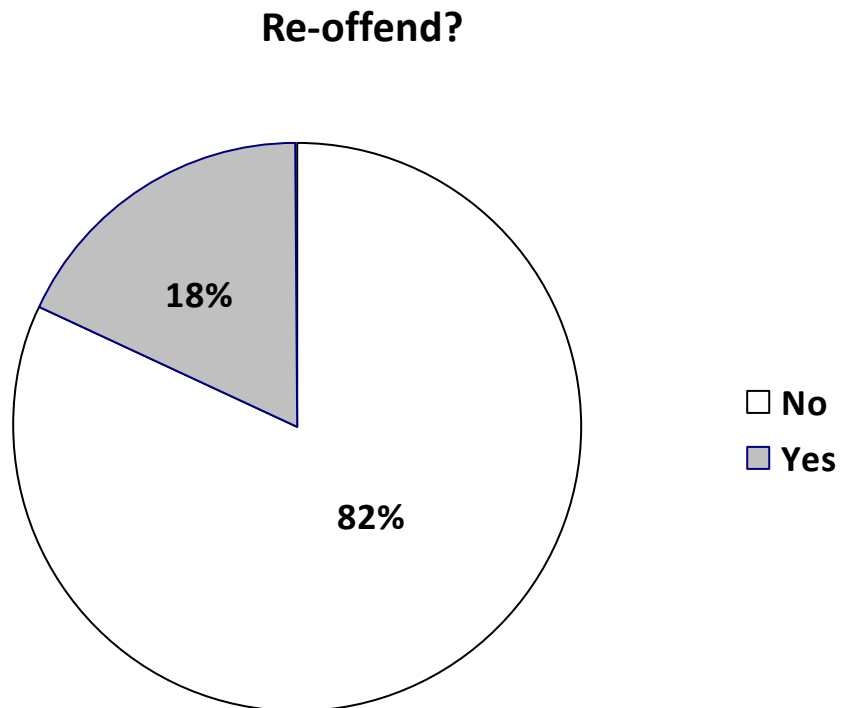


Table 16: Re-offense/Type of Mediation Crosstabulation

			Type of Mediation		Total
			Direct	Indirect	
Re-offense?	No	Count	13	69	82
		% within Type of Mediation?	68.4%	85.2%	
	Yes	Count	6	12	18
		% within Type of Mediation?	31.6%	14.8%	
Total		Count	19	81	100
		% within Type of Mediation?	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 17: Re-offending Crime (Higher, Lower, Same)

		Higher, lower, same offense			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Higher	4	22.2	22.2	22.2
	Lower	11	61.1	61.1	83.3
	Same	3	16.6	16.6	99.9
	Total	18	99.9	99.9	

Pie Chart 17: Re-offending Crime (Higher, Lower, Same)

Higher, Lower, Same

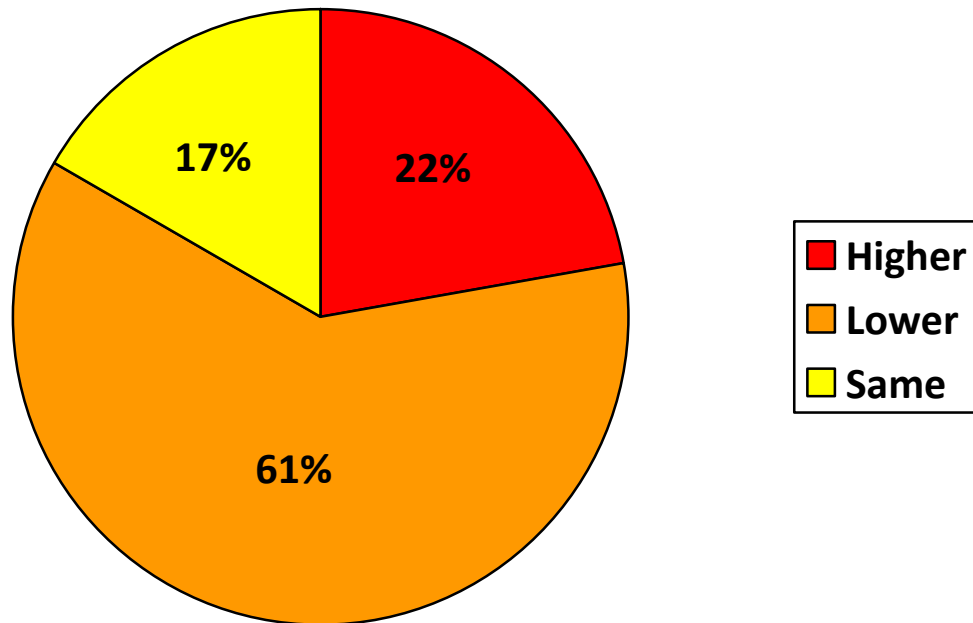


Table 18: Re-offense Type

		Re-offense Type			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Assault & Battery	3	9.1	9.1	9.1
	Burglary and Theft	8	24.2	24.2	33.3
	Criminal Mischief	2	6.0	6.0	39.3
	Drugs	6	18.2	18.2	57.5
	Escape & Resisting Law Enforcement	3	9.1	9.1	66.6
	Operating While Intoxicated	3	9.1	9.1	75.7
	Traffic	4	12.1	12.1	87.8
	Other	4	12.1	12.1	99.9
	Total	33	99.9	99.9	

Pie Chart 18: Re-offense Type

Re-offense Type

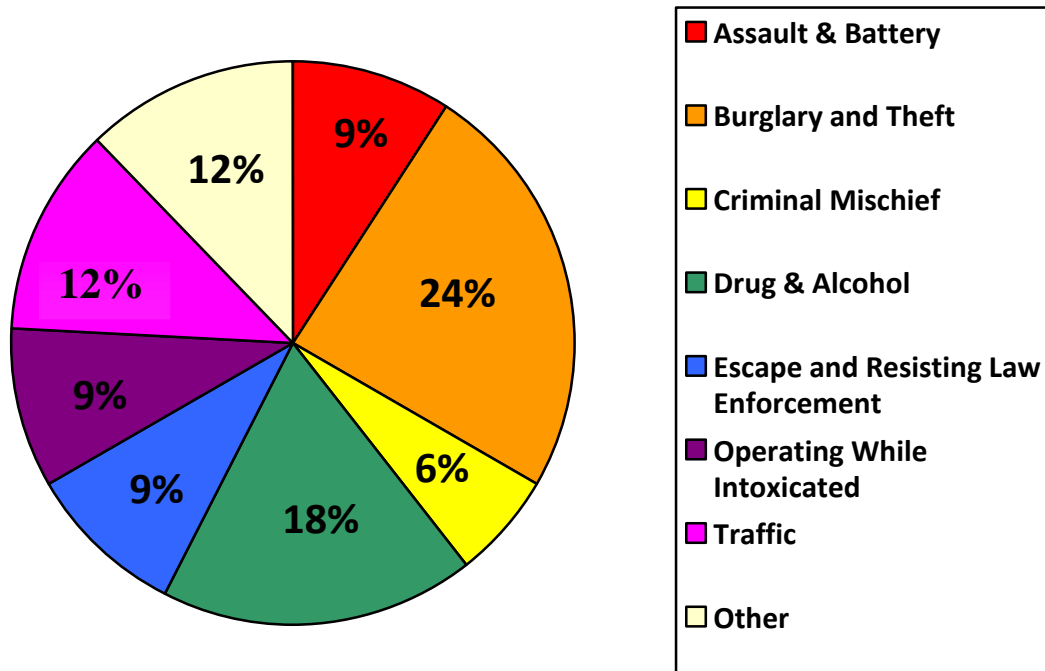


Table 19: Re-offense Class

		Reoffense Class			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A Mis	16	48.5	48.5	48.5
	B Fel	0	0.0	0.0	48.5
	B Mis	0	0.0	0.0	48.5
	C Fel	1	3.0	3.0	51.5
	C Mis	2	6.0	6.0	57.5
	D Fel	14	42.4	42.4	99.9
	Total	33	99.9	99.9	

Pie Chart 19: Re-offense Class

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