



# Sexual Assault

**Edmonton Police Commission  
Presentation**

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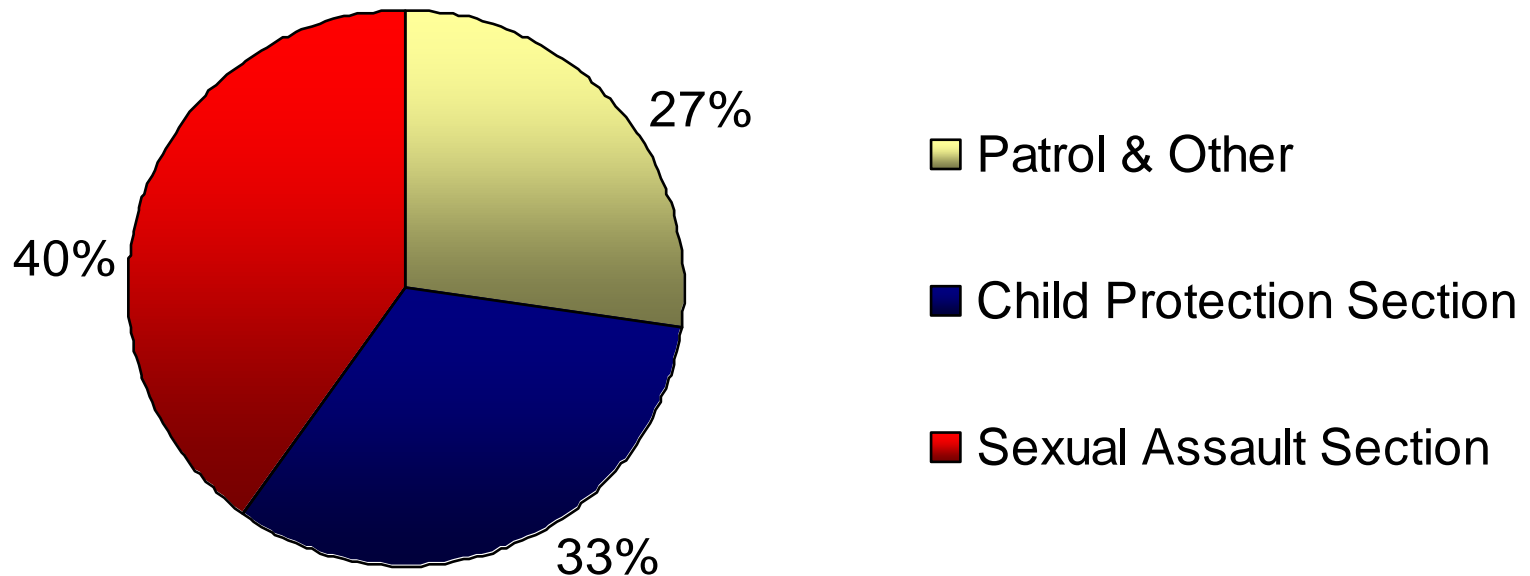


# Sexual Assault Section Mandate

- ❖ The Sexual Assault Section (SAS) investigates sexual offences involving complainants who are **16 years of age or older** at the **time of reporting**:
  - Aggravated sexual assault
  - Sexual assault with a weapon
  - Sexual assault involving threats to a third party
  - Sexual assault involving a serial offender
  - Sexual offences where a member of SAS has already approved the use of a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Collection Kit (SART Kit)
  - Investigations of sexual assaults that occurred within the jurisdiction of the City of Edmonton, but that are reported to the EPS via an outside police agency
  - Investigations of sexual assaults that have a multi-jurisdictional element
  - Investigations of 'historical' sexual assaults (occurred over one year prior to the reporting date)

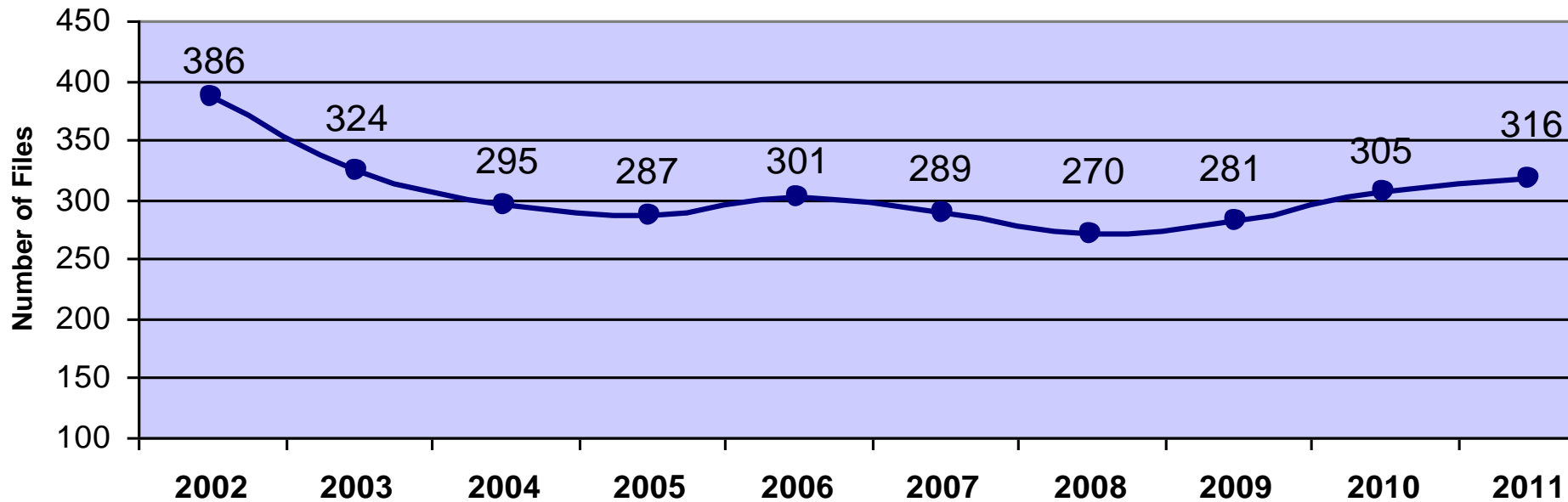
# City-Wide File Breakdown

## 2011 Sexual Assault Investigations





# Files Assigned in the Sexual Assault Section

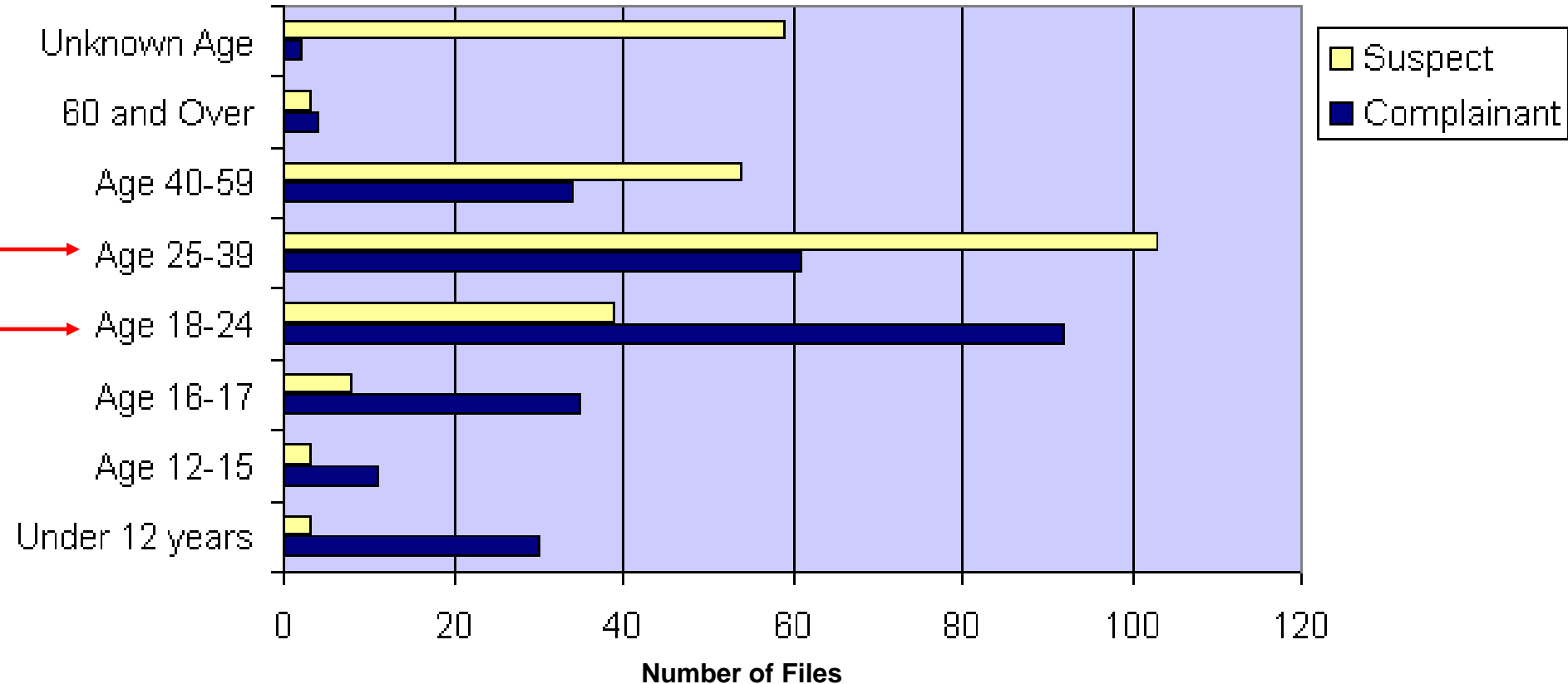


- 17% increase in assigned files since 2008
- 17% (n=52) of the files assigned in 2011 were 'historical' sexual assaults, which is an increase of 3% from 2010



# Victim & Offender Data

(Based on 2011 Data from the Sexual Assault Section)



**Victims:** 92% female, 44% White, 27% Aboriginal, 34% 18-24 years

**Offenders:** 99% male, 33% White, 18% Aboriginal, 14% Black, 48% prior criminal record



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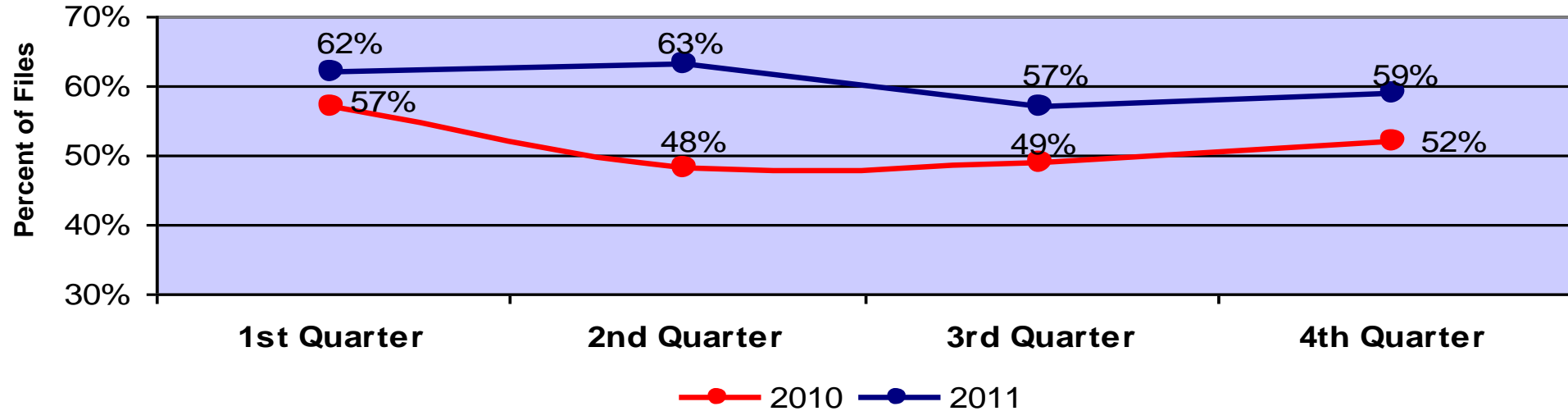
UCR Coding "Relationship" Categories	2011	2010	2009
Stranger ←	36%	25%	32%
Casual Acquaintance ←	20%	27%	26%
Criminal Relationship	4%	2%	0.8%
Business Relationship	2%	4%	2%
Neighbour	<1%	0%	0%
Friend	7%	9%	5%
Intimate Partner Relationship	11%	13%	8%
Authority Figure	1%	1%	0.8%
Extended Family	4%	3%	7%
Other Immediate Family	2.5%	3%	3%
Parent	2.5%	3%	3%
Step-Parent	2.5%	1%	0%
Unknown	8%	9%	11%

**Caveat/ Please Note:** The totals may not exactly equal 100% as the numbers have been rounded-up.



# Alcohol

(Based on Data from the Sexual Assault Section)



**Note:** The number of alcohol-facilitated sexual assault files investigated within the 18-24 year old age category is notably higher than other age categories.

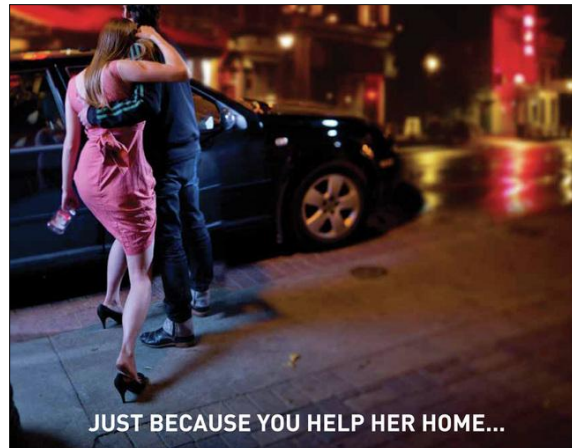
# The “Don’t be that Guy” Poster Campaign



JUST BECAUSE SHE ISN'T SAYING NO...

DOESN'T MEAN SHE'S SAYING YES.

sex without consent = sexual assault  
**DON'T BE THAT GUY.**  
sexualassaultvoices.com



JUST BECAUSE YOU HELP HER HOME...

DOESN'T MEAN YOU GET TO HELP YOURSELF.

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Just because  
she's drunk,  
doesn't mean  
she wants  
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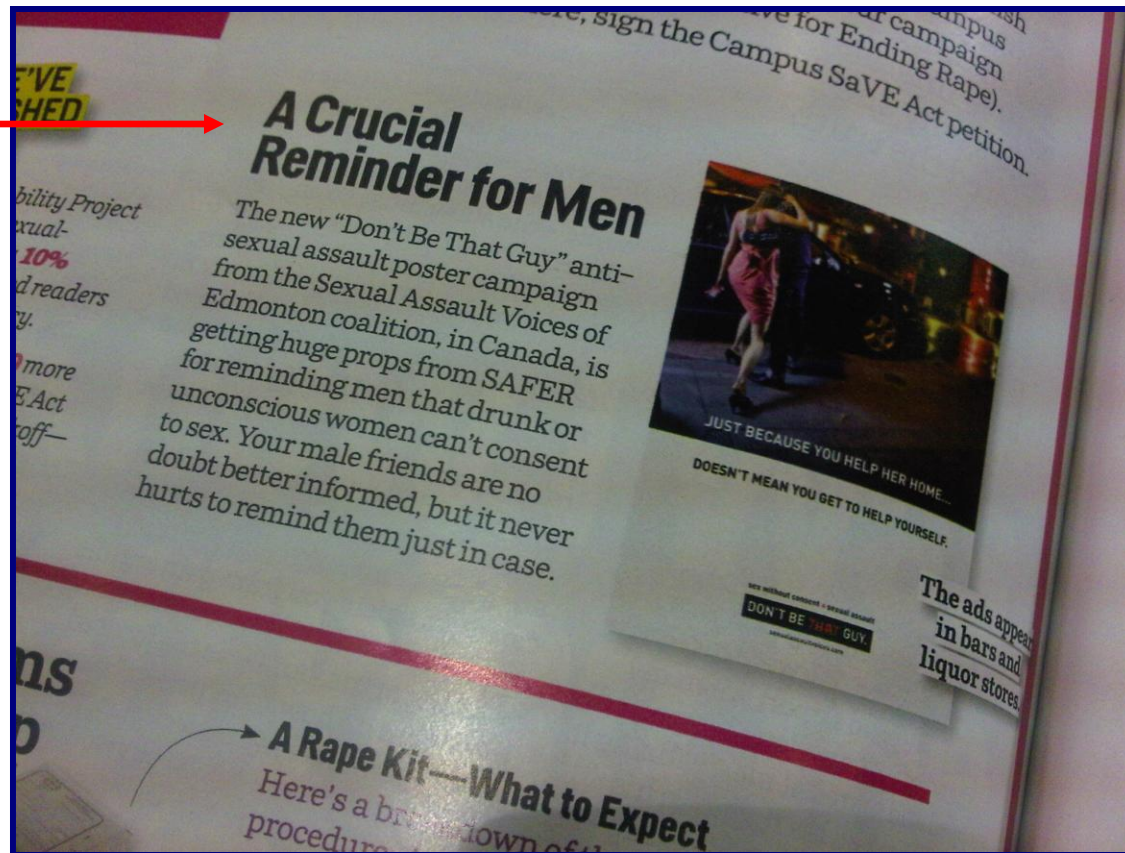


# Professional Development

- Scenario Training (Post-Foundational)
- General Deployment Model Service-Wide Training
- Divisional Sexual Assault Development
- Historical Assistance Team
- Sexual Assault Investigator's Course

# Thank You.

## Are there any questions?



**Cosmopolitan Magazine Article:  
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