

## Recidivism after participation in men's nonviolence group, over 8 years

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- Last group attendance date 1/1/98 to 12/31/99. If offender enrolled more than once in program, reoffenses after the *earliest* last attendance date were used. If a program record had no attendance dates, it wasn't counted.
- Some offenders had two program records with the same *last* attendance date but different *start* dates, referral types or program completions. These constituted duplicate records with conflicting variables. To avoid duplicating offender counts, I selected the data in these cases as follows:
  - If there were different referral types, I ranked them and selected the minimum value. Referred by both criminal and civil court=1, criminal=2, civil=3, deferral=4, CPS=5, volunteer=6, all other=7.
  - If one record was "completed" and the other one was "closed" or some other incomplete, I selected the completion.
  - Selecting program data in this way could mean that the tables below use the completion status of *one* program record, and the referral type of the *other* program record, if an offender has two program records with the same last attendance date. For these figures, this is fine.
  - The data were also grouped in such a way that any duplicate, identical program records that haven't been cleaned out of the system were counted only once.
  - If there were two different start dates, I selected the first of the two. Start dates don't affect the figures presented here.
- Male offenders only.
- Reoffenses included arrests, non-arrests, citations and protection orders occurring in southern St. Louis County, Minn., within eight years of last class date. Only protection orders *granted* were counted. Matters of record—law enforcement calls where no charges were issued and no criminal case ensued—weren't counted.
- Intimate partner or ex only. This probably deflated the numbers somewhat, since we have some criminal incidents with no victim information and therefore no relationship information, and these incidents weren't counted.

# reoffenses	reoffenders, broken down by referral type						total	
	criminal	civil	both crim and civ referral	deferral	volunteer	other	# reoffenders	total reoffenses (# reoffenders x # reoffenses)
1	29	6	3	1	10	1	50	50
2	7	5	1		6	1	20	40
3	10	2	2		1		15	45
4	5				3		8	32
5	4						4	20
6	1		1				2	12
8			1		1		2	16
10	2						2	20
14	1						1	14
<b>total reoffenders</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>249</b>
<b>tot in group</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>353</b>
<b>% recidivism</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>0.71</b>