

# What the Research Says

Understanding the facts is the first step to preventing child sexual abuse.



## 1 in 4 Girls

report experiencing sexual abuse by age 18



## 1 in 20 Boys

report experiencing sexual abuse by age 18



## Children under the age of 9

are most likely to be sexually abused



## In 90% of cases,

sexually abused children know their abuser

## There's no one type of offender

It can be a friend, family member, neighbor, teacher, or coach—of any gender.



## Nearly 36%

of offenders are older children or teenagers



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