

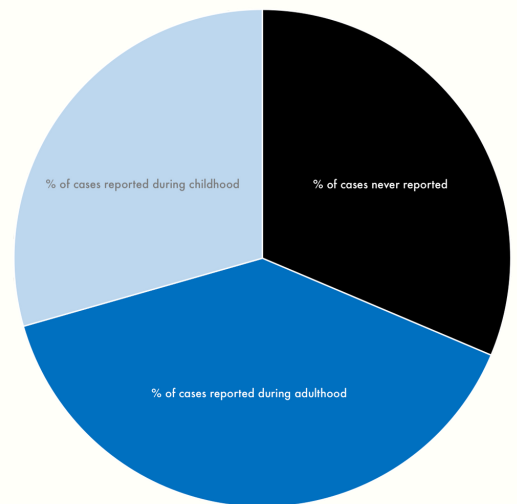
What's the cost of child sex abuse?

THE AVERAGE LIFETIME COST OF CHILD MALTREATMENT IS \$830,928.00 PER VICTIM

Child maltreatment includes: physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse (psychologic abuse), and neglect. **The toxic stress and trauma associated with childhood sexual abuse (CSA) are even higher for CSA victims than those who experience other forms of child maltreatment.***

ESTIMATES PLACE THE ECONOMIC BURDEN OF ABUSE AT \$2 TRILLION ANNUALLY.

This number is based on the estimated incidence of *investigated* annual cases and is likely significantly higher when taking into consideration the high incidence of unreported cases. As the black section of the pie chart graphic shows, nearly 1/3 of cases are never reported.



HOW TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM

Cure the injustice of unfair SOLs to: (1) identify hidden child predators, (2) shift the cost of abuse from the victims and the taxpayers to those that caused it, and (3) educate the public and prevent future abuse.

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