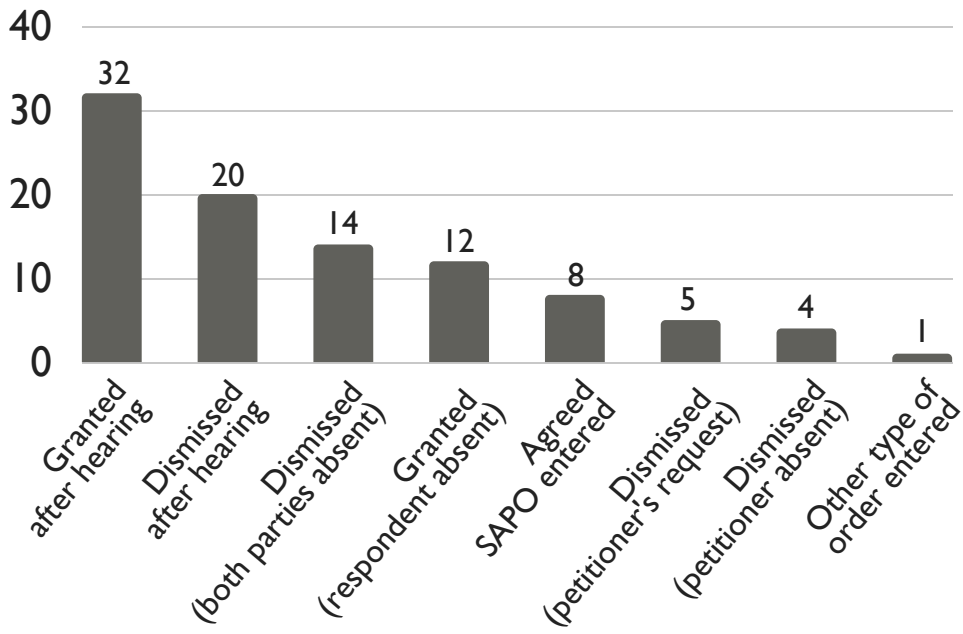
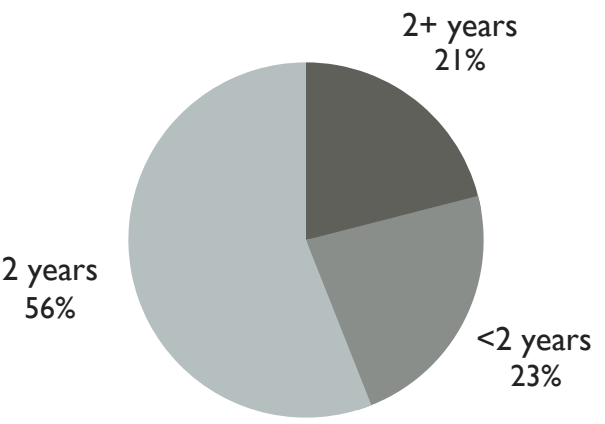


Sexual Assault Protection Order (SAPO) Cases in King County

CourtWatch tracked 107 Sexual Assault Protection Order (SAPO) cases filed or transferred to King County Superior Court in 2017

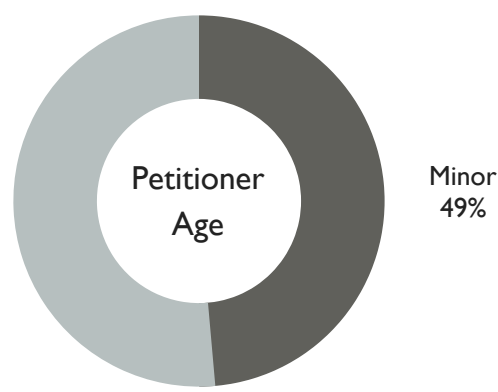
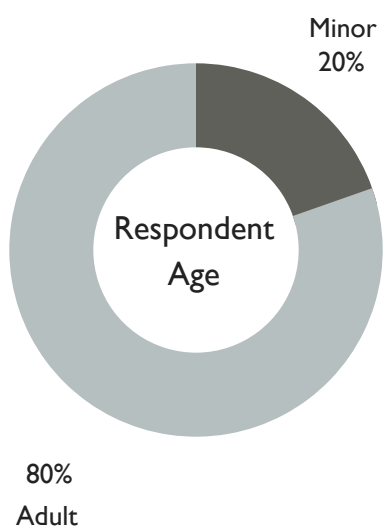
As of May 2018, 10% of these cases were still pending. The other 90% of cases were resolved by:

Duration of Granted SAPOs



- The school transfer remedy was granted in 53% of cases where a SAPO was issued against a minor respondent
- The cases that have been resolved averaged 2 hearings before a resolution was reached. There were 16 cases where there were 4 or more hearings held before a resolution was reached¹

Ages of the Parties Involved



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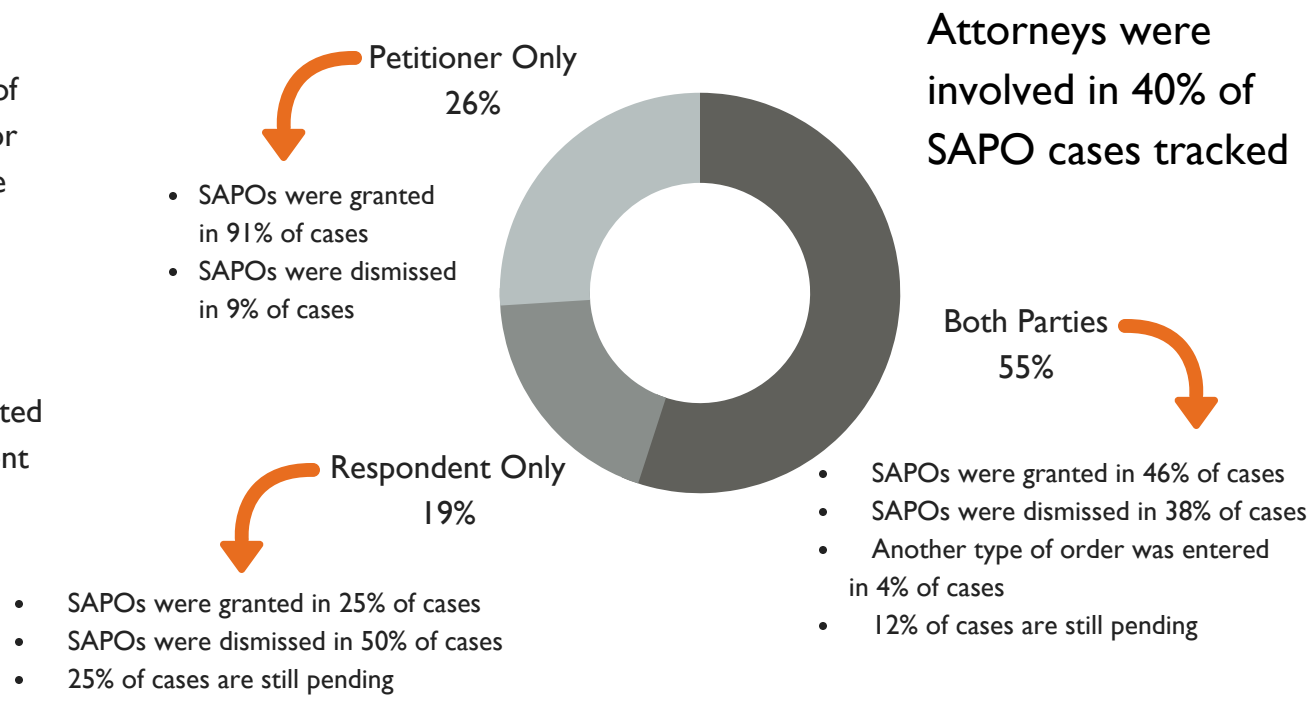


¹ 68% of those cases involved attorneys

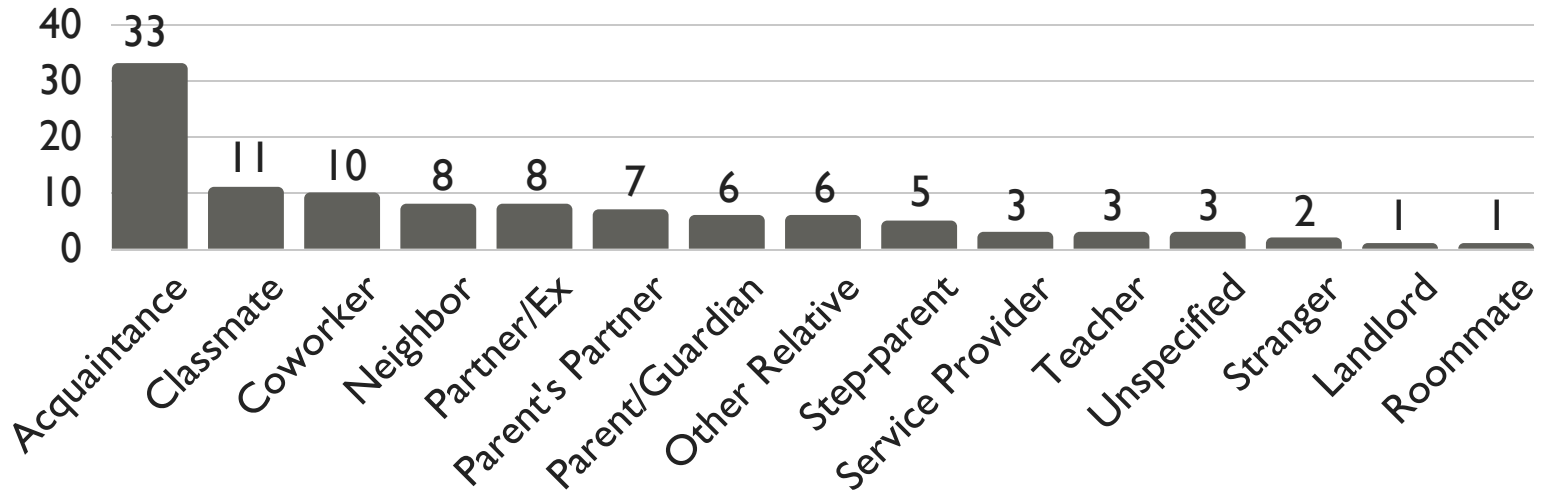
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- 52% of cases were filed or transferred to the Maleng Regional Justice Center and 48% of cases were filed or transferred to the King County Courthouse
- In at least 71% of cases, the sexual assault was reported to law enforcement

Legal Representation



Relationship² Between Petitioner and Respondent



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² A Sexual Assault Protection Order (SAPO) may be filed by someone who is experiencing nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration by someone who is not a family or household member. Victims of nonconsensual sexual conduct or penetration by family or household members are typically instructed to apply for a Domestic Violence Protection Order (DVPO) under RCW 26.50 rather than a SAPO; DVPO filings are not included in this report.