

## ACE scores of Florida juvenile offenders

Researchers at the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice have examined the prevalence of ACEs in a population of 64,329 juvenile offenders in Florida.

They found:

**“...increased ACE scores correlate with increased risk to reoffend. Furthermore, and more importantly, we show that juvenile offenders are a special population with a particularly high rate of ACEs.”**

Source: The Prevalence of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) in the Lives of Juvenile Offenders, OJJDP Journal of Juvenile Justice, Spring 2014

<http://www.journalofjuvjustice.org/JOJJ0302/article01.htm>

 **27.4% of the males reported five or more ACEs**  
**45.1% of the females reported five or more ACEs**

**the average composite ACE score for males was 3.48**  
**the average composite ACE score for females was 4.29** 