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Adult Sexual Assault Monthly Report (by Cause #) September 2026[1]

Case Staffing Snapshot: 09/1/26 to 09/30/26[2]

	APD Cases	Total
Cases Staffed	27	30
Cases Not Filed by LEA	13	13
Cases Declined by TCDA	0	0
Cases Pending Further Investigation	10	11
Cases Accepted	4	6

Case Prosecution Snapshot: 09/1/26 to 09/30/26

Cases Received for Prosecution	17
Cases Rejected or Dismissed	13
Defendant prosecuted in another case	*8*
Insufficient Evidence	*1*
The state cannot prove the elements of sexual assault beyond a reasonable doubt	*1*
Pending Further Investigation	*1*
Unable to Locate or Necessary Witness Failed to Appear/Cooperate	*2*
Cases Indicted	7
Cases No Billed	0
Cases Pled	3
Cases Tried	0

[1] The data summarized in this report was retrieved for analysis on October 15, 2026
[2] The case staffing totals included in this table represent sexual assault-related investigations that law enforcement detectives choose to staff with TCDA's Sexual Assault Unit. Law enforcement agencies are not required to staff a case with TCDA before suspending an investigation or filing a case for prosecution.

Pending Cases by Year Received (as of 09/30/26)

Year	#	Year	#
2016	1	**2023**	13
2019	3	**2024**	12
2020	0	**2025**	54
2021	3	**2026**	81
2022	6	**--**	--

Cases Pled by Offense: 09/1/26 to 09/30/26

ASSAULT CAUSES BODILY INJ	1
SEXUAL ASSAULT	1
UNLAWFUL RESTRAINT	1

Trial Outcomes: 09/1/26 to 09/30/26

NA	NA

About this Report

The Adult Sexual Assault Monthly Report endeavors to provide a monthly snapshot of adult sexual assault cases that are handled by the Travis County District Attorney's Office (TCDA). For the purposes of this report, an adult sexual assault case can be any sexual assault case that is either staffed by TCDA's Sexual Assault Unit before it is accepted for prosecution, or that is assigned to TCDA's Sexual Assault Unit and is submitted, accepted, indicted, or otherwise prosecuted as one of the following offenses:

- Aggravated Kidnapping with Intent to Inflict Bodily Injury/Sexual Abuse
- Aggravated Sexual Assault
- Burglary of a Habitation with the Intent to Commit a Sexual Offense
- Improper Sexual Activity with a Person in Custody or Under Supervision
- Improper Sexual Activity with a Committed Person
- Indecent Assault
- Failure to Comply/Duty to Register as a Sex Offender[‡]
- Hindering the Apprehension/Prosecution of a Known Felon/Sex Offender[§]
- Prohibited Sexual Conduct
- Sex Trafficking of Persons
- Sexual Assault
- Sexual Exploitation by a Mental Health Services Provider
- Sexual Coercion

This includes cases submitted, accepted, indicted or otherwise prosecuted as preparatory offenses for the above-listed crimes (e.g. attempt to commit sexual assault).

Please note: The criminal case data compiled in this report is not longitudinal. For example, cases resolved during the month that is the subject of this report may have been referred to TCDA for prosecution in a previous month or year. Except for case staffing data, all totals in this report derive from counting unduplicated cause numbers. Multiple cause numbers may be associated with the prosecution of a particular criminal investigation and those cause numbers may change during the period that the accused is prosecuted by TCDA. If a case is refiled or consolidated under a new cause number, any case associated with a previous cause number is rejected or dismissed. Thus, dismissal and rejection totals included in this report may include cases that continue to be prosecuted by TCDA under a new cause number.

Glossary of Terms

Case Staffings occur when a detective with a local law enforcement agency asks a TCDA prosecutor to review a case that is under investigation. TCDA prosecutors are available to staff cases with detectives from any law enforcement agency in Travis County. After staffing a case, a case may get accepted, declined, referred to the County Attorney's Office, or a case detective may continue with their investigation. Law enforcement agencies are not required to staff a case with TCDA before arresting a suspect and filing a case for prosecution. Because a case is not assigned a cause number until it is referred for prosecution, the case totals represented in the Case

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[‡] This offense is usually referred to TCDA's Trial Court Division for prosecution but may be handled by TCDA's Sexual Assault Unit if SAU requests for the case to be transferred. For example, the Sexual Assault Unit may request the transfer of a Failure to Comply/Duty to Register case if it relates to another pending sexual assault case that the unit is prosecuting.
[§] Cases prosecuted for this offense are also typically handled by TCDA's Trial Court Division unless the Sexual Assault Unit requests that the case be transferred. Like Failure to Comply/Duty to Register cases, this transfer is usually only requested if the case is related to another matter that is pending in the Sexual Assault Unit.

Staffing Snapshot derive from counting unduplicated offense report numbers.

Cases Staffed represent the total number of adult sexual assault cases reviewed by a TCDA prosecutor through the case staffing process during the reporting period. The same case may be staffed multiple times. Cases staffed during the reporting period may also have been staffed in a previous month. Unlike other totals reflected in this report, case totals represented in the Case Staffing Snapshot derive from unduplicated offense report numbers. This is because a case is not assigned a cause number until it is referred for prosecution.

Cases Not Filed by LEA represents staffed cases that do not move forward because the detective has decided not to file the case for prosecution. Law enforcement may choose not to file a case because the detective determines there is not probable cause or because a victim has requested that the case not proceed. When a law enforcement agency suspends its investigation, TCDA may still choose to accept the case for prosecution through the "no complaint" process, although this happens very rarely.

Cases Declined by TCDA represents staffed cases that do not move forward because a prosecutor determines that there is not probable cause or that it will not be possible to prove the case beyond a reasonable doubt. If TCDA chooses to decline a case, a law enforcement agency may still "direct file" the case for prosecution.

Cases Pending Further Investigation describes the number of cases staffed during the reporting period that are "pending further investigation". At this stage, additional investigative steps are being taken to collect and review evidence. These steps may be necessary to determine whether there is probable cause to justify an arrest and/or to support the successful prosecution of the case in the future.

Cases Accepted describes cases accepted for prosecution that were referred to TCDA through the case staffing process. This includes cases where law enforcement and TCDA both agree that prosecution is appropriate as well as cases accepted by TCDA as a "no complaint".

Cases Accepted Previously Returned for Investigation are cases accepted through the staffing process during this reporting period that had been staffed previously and marked "Pending Further Investigation."

Cases Received for Prosecution describes all cases referred to TCDA for prosecution during the reporting period. This includes cases that are accepted through the case staffing process, cases accepted as a "no complaint", and cases that are directly filed by law enforcement and not previously staffed with a TCDA prosecutor. After a case is received by TCDA, it may take a few weeks before the case is input into TCDA's case management system. This total does not represent cases previously received that are refiled under a new cause number as part of a prosecutor's preparations for trial.

Cases Rejected or Dismissed describes instances where TCDA has previously accepted a case yet decided during the reporting period to not proceed with its prosecution. If this decision happens before the case has been presented to a grand jury, TCDA considers the case "rejected." If this decision happens after the case has been indicted, TCDA considers the case "dismissed." This total does not include instances in which a case is "no billed" by a grand jury or dismissed based on a motion filed by a judge or the defendant's attorney. This total does include instances in which a case is rejected or dismissed, but TCDA proceeds in its prosecution of the defendant under a different cause number:

- *Case Has Been Refiled* means that the case has been rejected or dismissed and refiled under a new cause number. This usually happens because TCDA has previously presented the case to grand jury and obtained an indictment but would like to "clean up" the charging language included in the indictment in preparation for trial. To accomplish this, TCDA refiles the case under a new cause number and re-presents the case to a grand jury using revised indictment language. If the grand jury re-indicts the defendant with the updated charging language, TCDA

proceeds in its prosecution of the defendant under this new cause number and the cause number associated with the initial indictment is dismissed.

- *Defendant Prosecuted in Another Case* can mean that a case is refiled or consolidated under a different cause number, the State has chosen to proceed in its prosecution of the defendant under a different charge, or the defendant has plead guilty in a different case. In some instances, TCDA's Sexual Assault Unit may reject or dismiss a sexual assault-related charge, but another unit at TCDA (e.g. Trial Court or Family Violence) proceeds in its prosecution of the defendant for a different offense related to the same criminal investigation. This monthly report only denotes convictions secured by TCDA's Sexual Assault Unit and would not reflect whether a different unit's prosecution of the defendant resulted in a conviction.

Cases Indicted are cases presented to a grand jury during the reporting period where the grand jury has issued a "true bill", agreeing that there is probable cause to support the offense(s) charged. A grand jury may indict on multiple counts under a single cause number. Sometimes, a case that had previously been indicted will be re-presented to a grand jury to fix technical issues in the original charging language ahead of trial. When the reindictment occurs under the same cause number as the original indictment, the subsequent indictment is not included in this total. When a case that had previously been indicted is refiled under a new cause number, the reindictment associated with the new cause number is included in this total.

Cases No Billed are cases presented to a grand jury during the reporting period where the grand jury has issued a "no bill" also known as a "no true bill". If a grand jury returns a no bill, the charges against the defendant are dismissed.

Cases Pled are cases resolved through a plea agreement reached between the defense and the prosecution. When a person pleads guilty, they waive their right to a trial and, often, their right to appeal their conviction in the future.

Cases Tried are cases that a TCDA prosecutor has litigated before a judge or jury that have concluded during the reporting period. Any trial that is ongoing at the end of this reporting period will not appear in this report.

Pending Cases By Year Received reflects the number of cases received by TCDA for prosecution each year that remain pending as of the end of the reporting period. Pending cases do not include: (1) cases that have been disposed; (2) cases where the defendant is at large; and (3) cases where a defendant has failed to appear while on bond and a warrant has been issued for their arrest.

Cases Pled by Offense lists the offenses convicted during the reporting period pursuant to a plea agreement reached between the prosecution and the defense. A defendant may plead guilty to multiple offenses under a single cause number.

Trial Outcomes lists the criminal offense(s) prosecuted in any trial that occurred during the reporting period and the outcome of that trial. Trials that have not concluded during this reporting period will be documented in a subsequent month's report.