



Violence Against Children

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Mechanism of Injury

- Assault with a blunt object
- Assault with a sharp instrument
- Sexual Assault / Rape
- Human Bites
- Other Assault
- Firearm

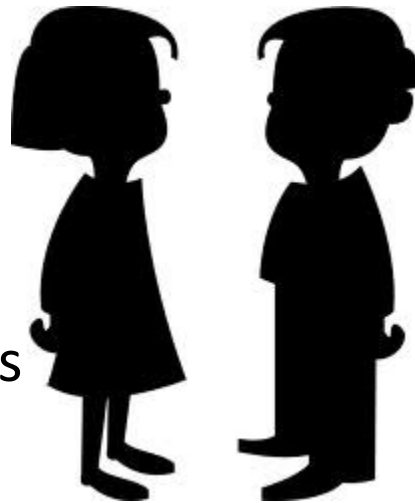


Results

6415 children assaulted

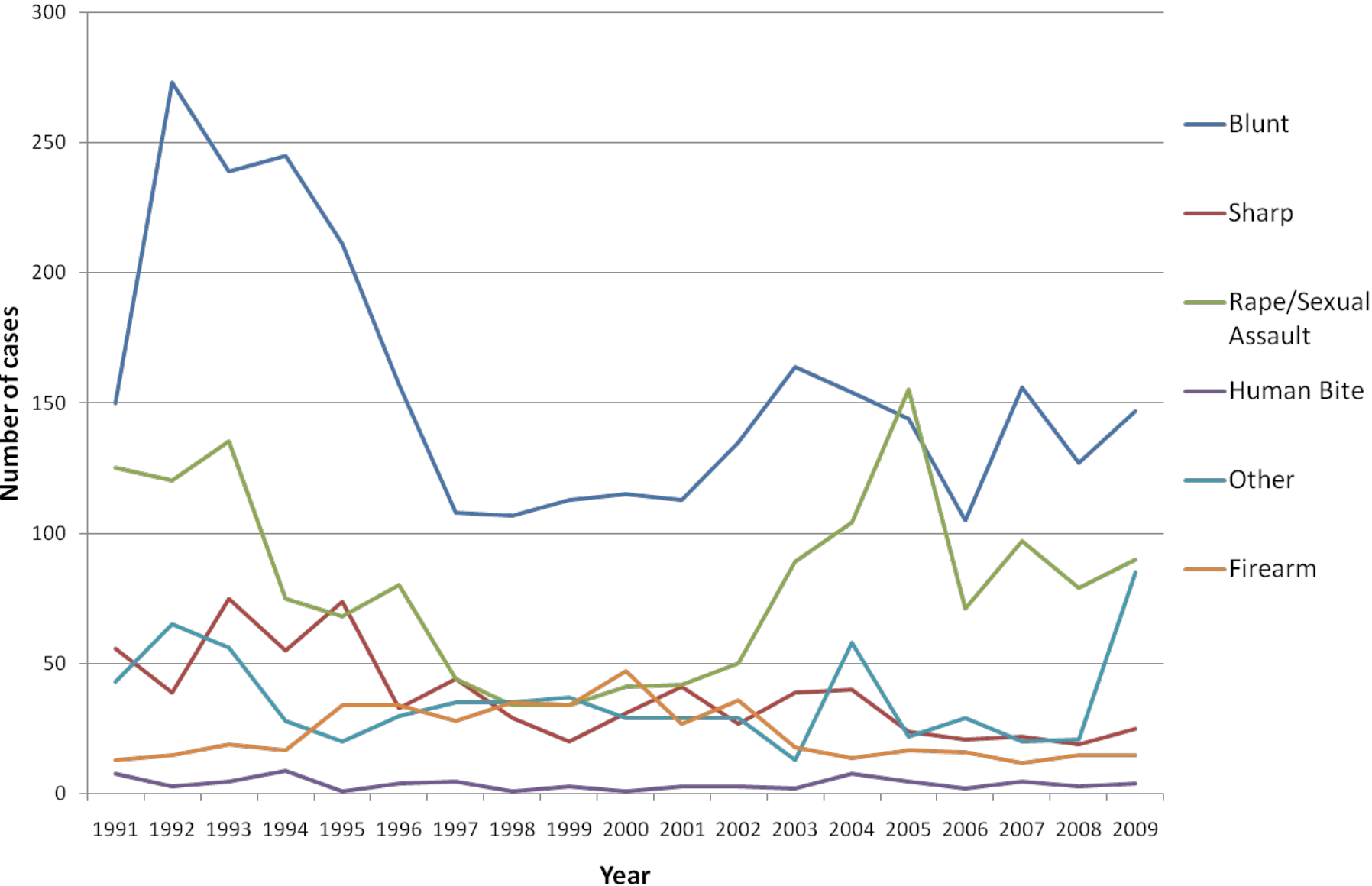
4.2% of all cases

45.5% females

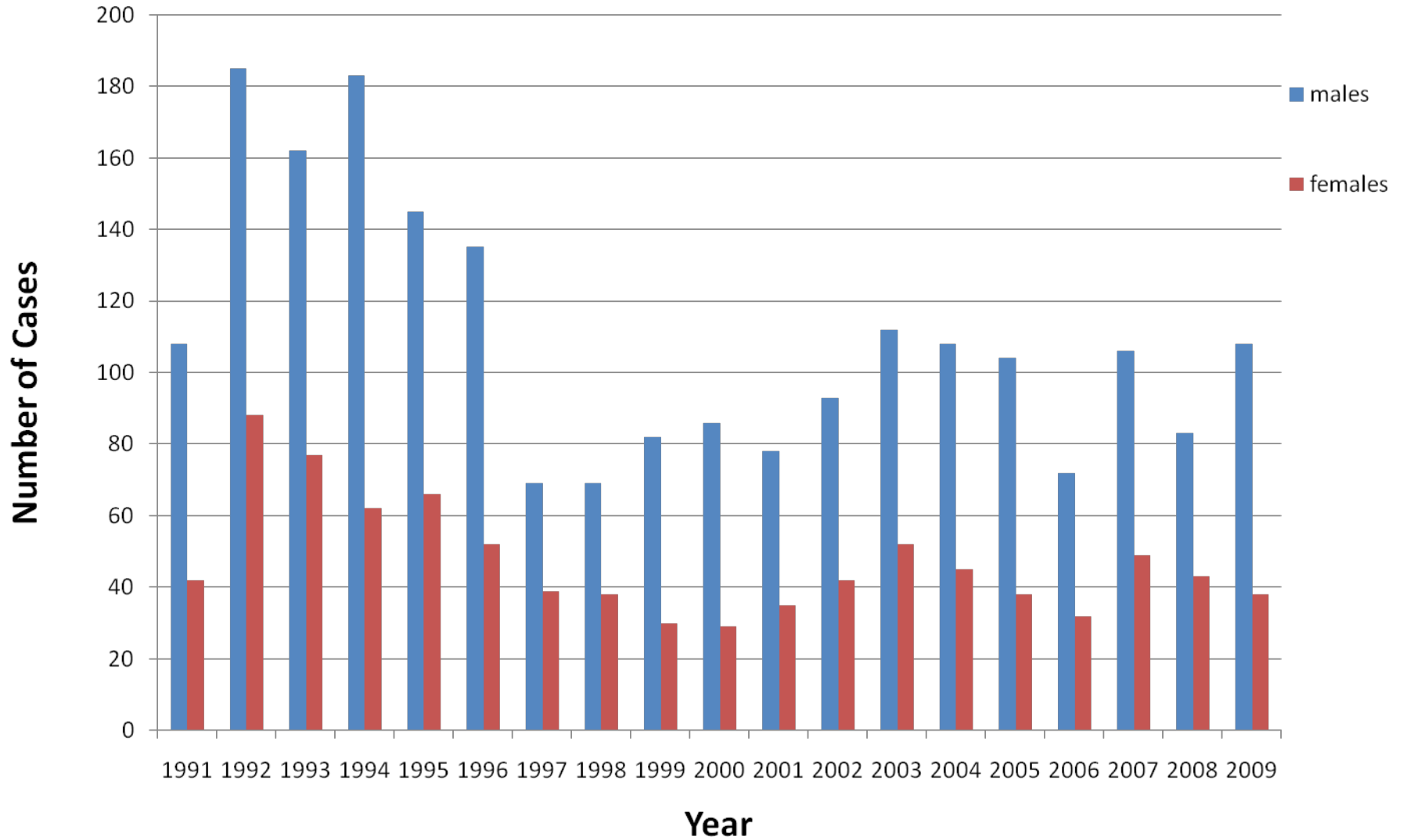


54.4% males

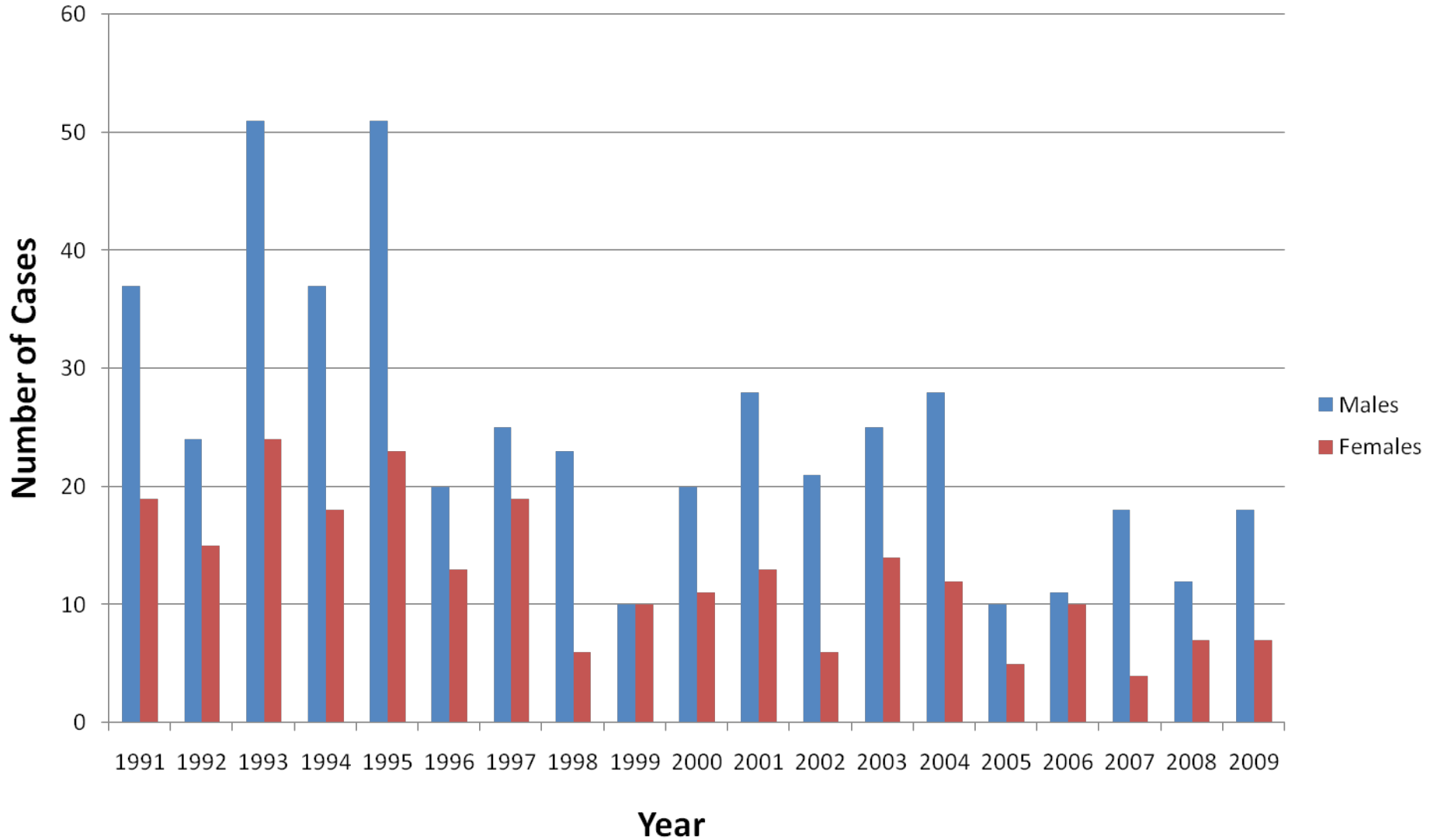
Number of Assault Cases per Year at RXH



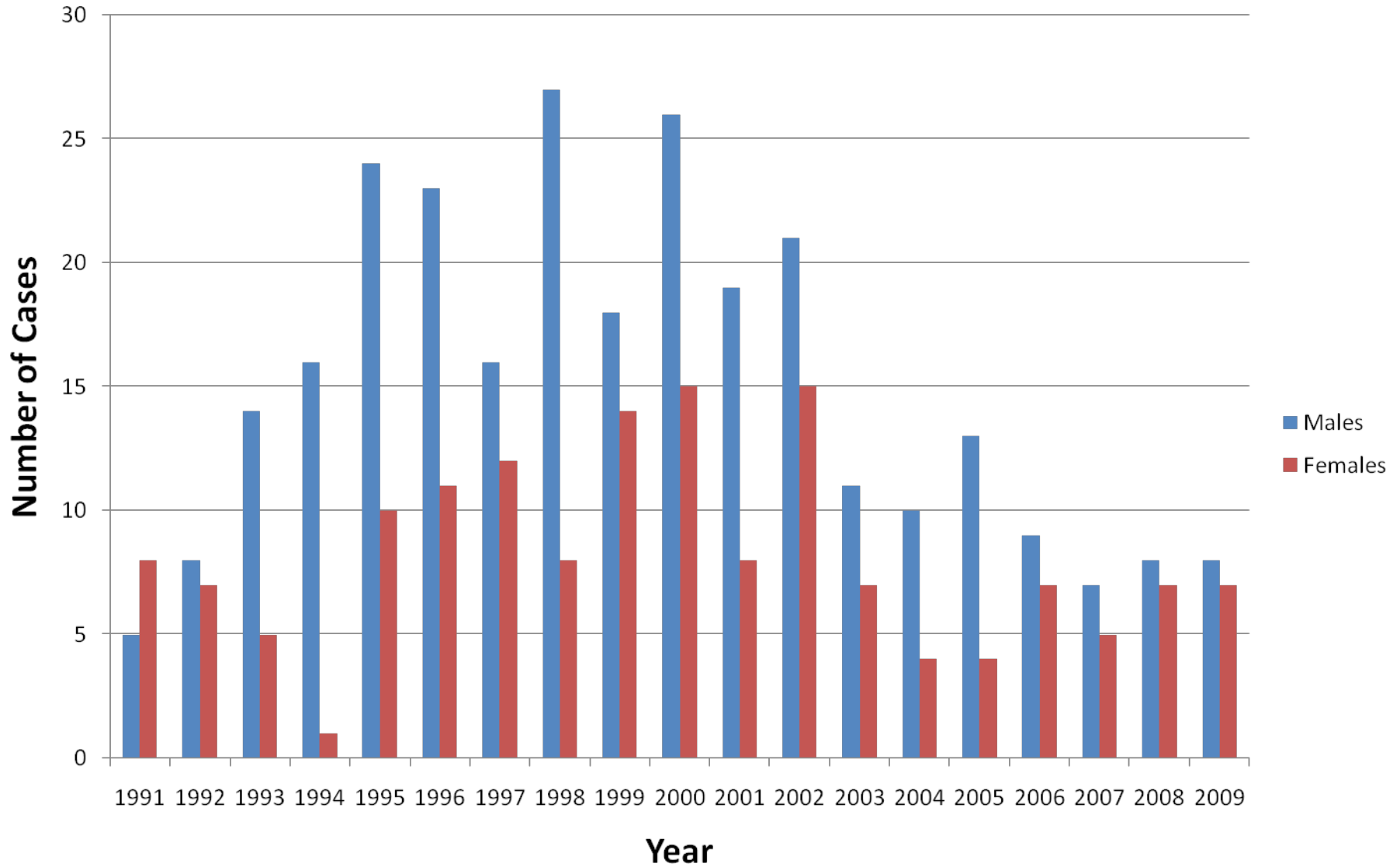
Blunt Objects



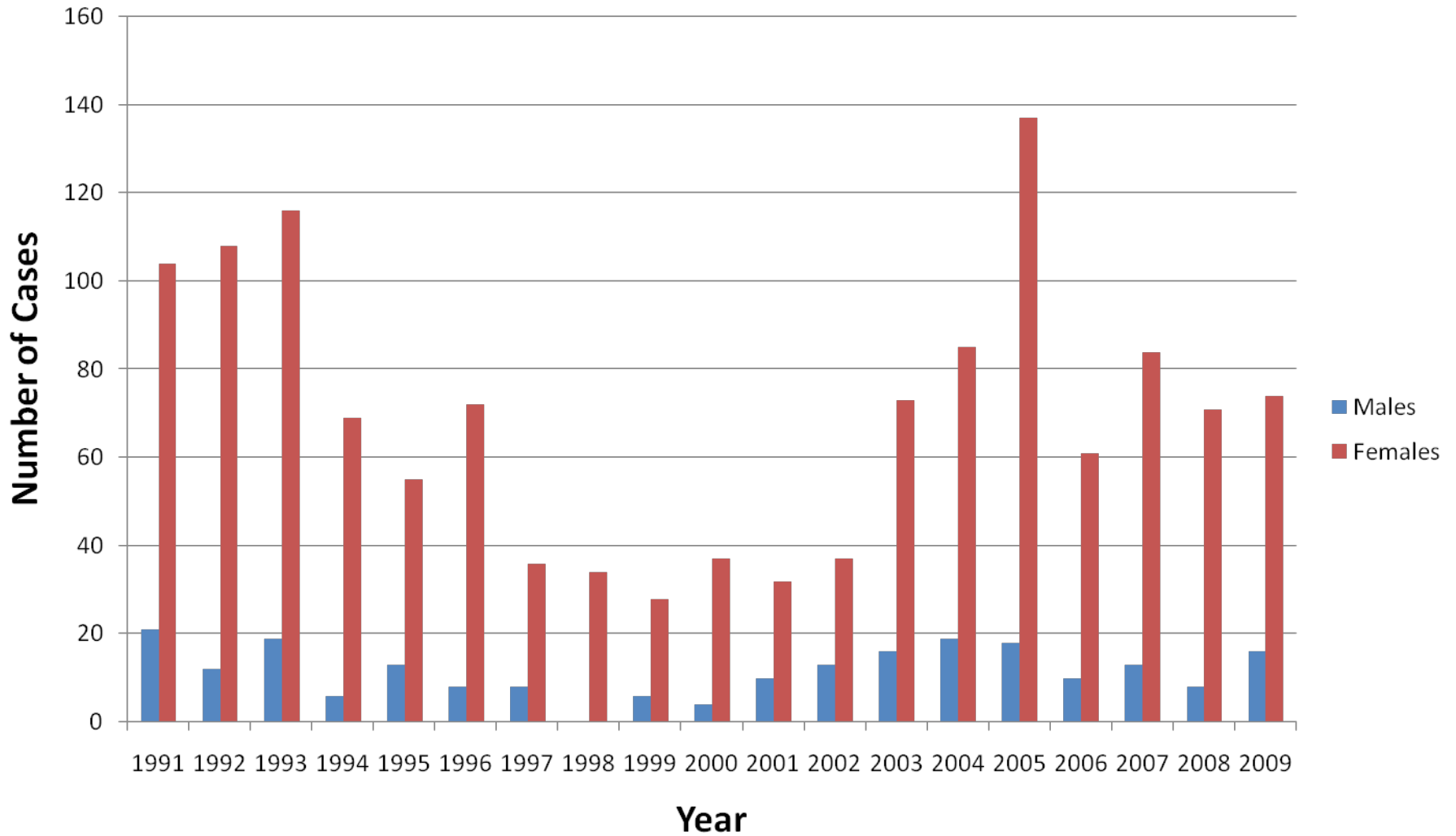
Sharp Objects



Firearm Related Injuries



Rape/Sexual Assault



Convention of the Rights of the Child

“all appropriate legislative, administrative, social and educational measures to protect the child from all forms of *physical or mental violence, injury or abuse, neglect or negligent treatment, maltreatment or exploitation, including sexual abuse*”
must be ensured by the State



Recommendations

- Reliable and accurate data
- Real time data capturing
- Trained Health Care Professional
- Perpetrator Info

Conclusion

- Increased focus on prevention of violence against children
- Curb the increasing trend of assaults on children.
- Multisectoral cooperation and collaboration
- Causes and risk factors for violence against children varied
- Funding for programmes aimed at prevention
- Address underlying risk factors for violence in society
 - poor socio-economic status
 - unemployment
 - gender inequality