

# North Texas Regional Computer Forensic Laboratory



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# NTRCFL Participating Agencies

- **Allen PD**
- **Carrollton PD**
- **Dallas PD**
- **Farmers Branch PD**
- **Federal Bureau of Investigation**
- **Garland PD**
- **Grand Prairie PD**
- **Plano PD**
- **Richardson PD**
- **Texas Internet Bureau – Legal Advice**
- **United States Attorney’s Office – Legal Advice**

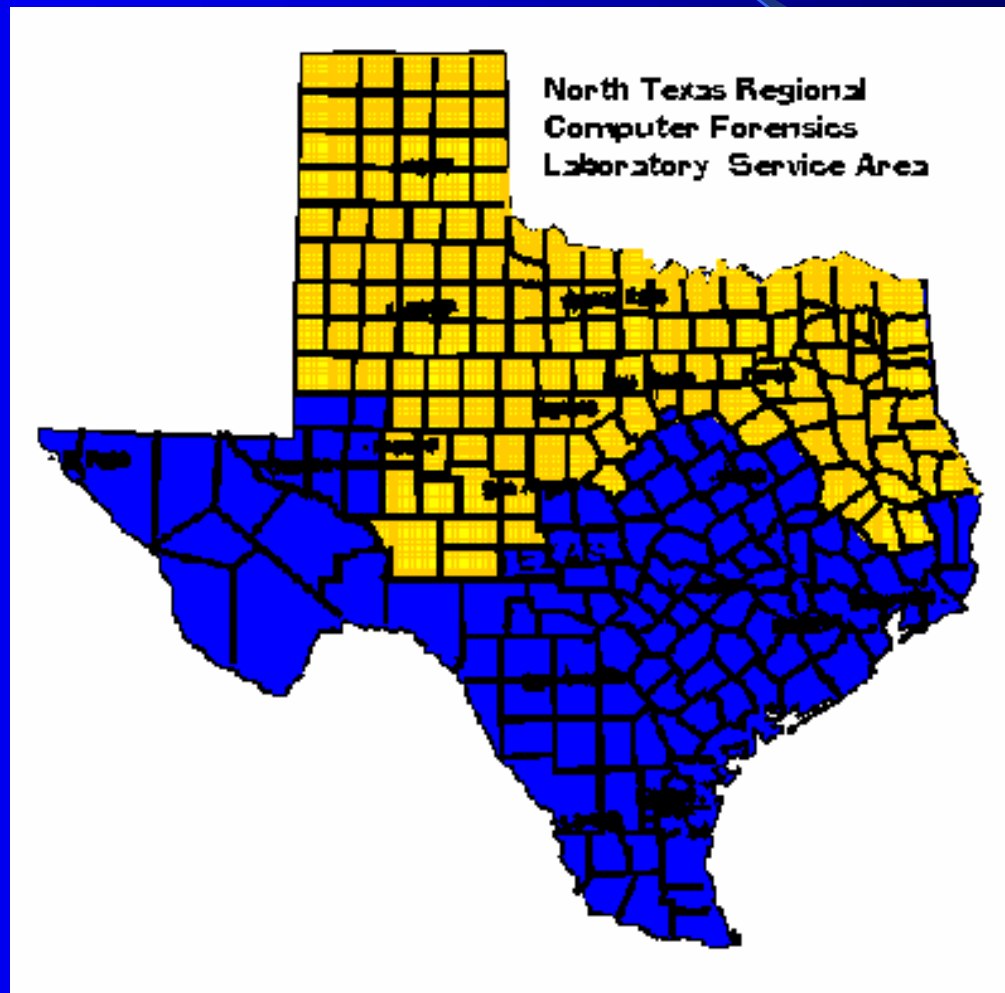
# The North Texas Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory

- **Consists of a Board of Directors, a Laboratory Administrator and 12 examiners from local and federal agencies.**
- **The examiners are trained in the latest techniques of seizing, imaging and examining computerized evidence.**
- **The examiners are equipped with the best tools and devices available.**
- **The laboratory is designed to safeguard the integrity of evidence, as well as to maximize the efficiency of the examination process.**

# The North Texas Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory

- We are the only American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors (ASCLD) certified Computer Lab in the Nation.
- Examiners work with technically robust and legally defensible protocols.
- Examiners are responsive to the sensitivities of law enforcement for timely and complete examination of evidence.
- Examiners provide unsurpassed documentation and a repeatable forensic process of examinations for court testimony.

# The NTRCFL Service Area 137 Counties in North Texas



# Computer Forensic Examiners

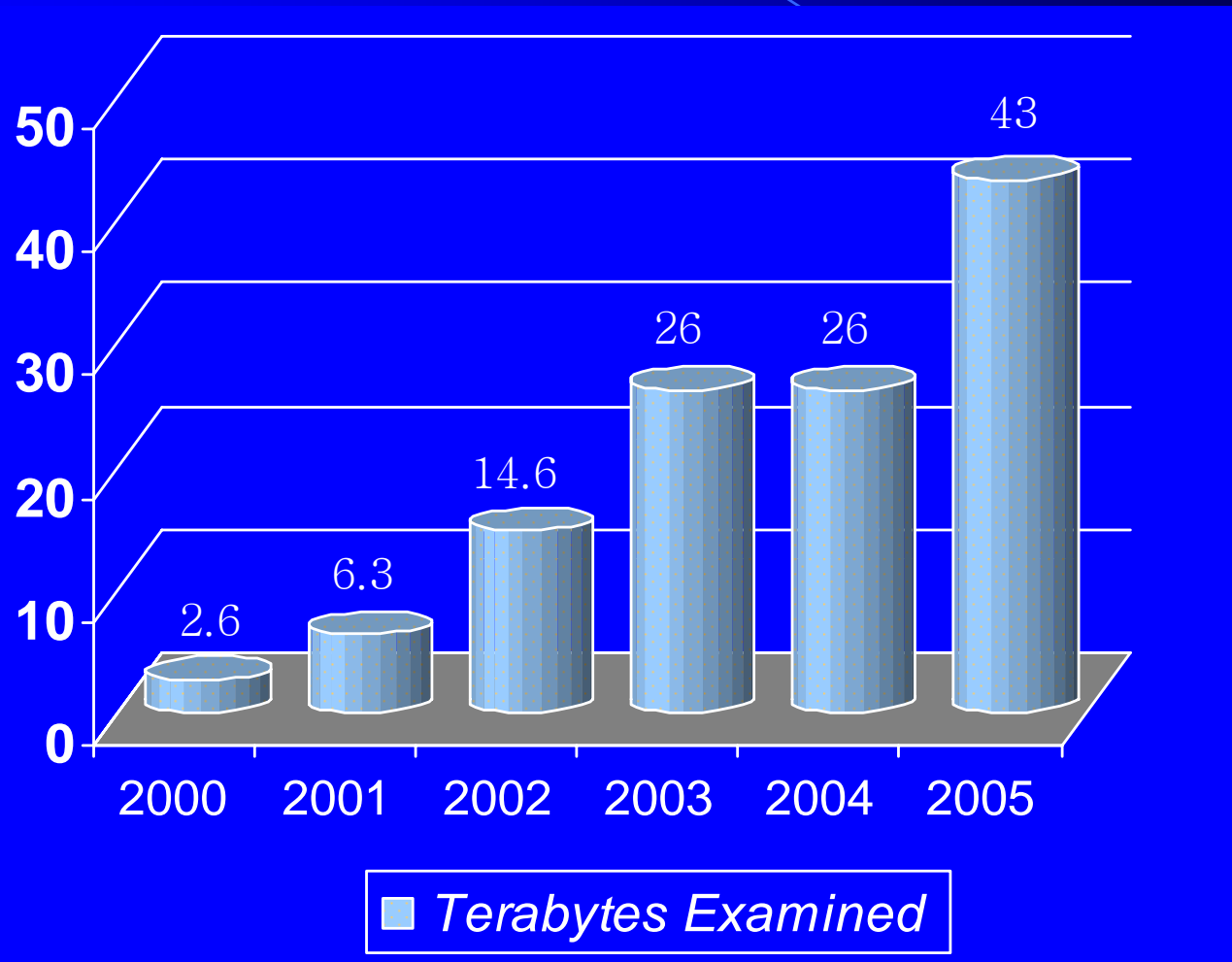
**Computer Forensic Examiners are Experienced and highly trained to:**

- **Consult prior to the seizure of digital evidence**
- **Preserve the integrity of digital evidence**
- **Extract data using tested utilities**
- **Present objective findings in court proceedings**

# Resource Contributions from DPD

- **2 officers are assigned to NTRCFL**
- **Each officer is assigned a vehicle per the Memorandum of Understanding.**
- **All other equipment, training, and overtime is supplied by the NTRCFL.**

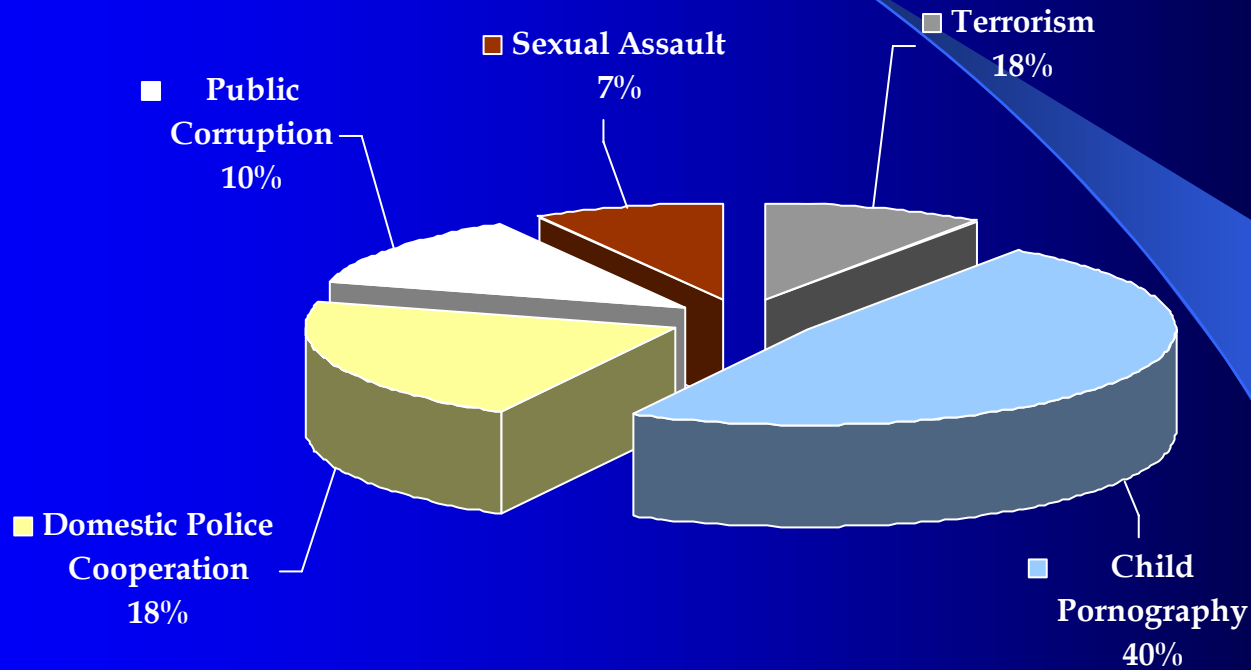
# NTRCFL Workload History



# Cases worked for DPD

- Dallas PD is the largest local contributor of caseload. DPD is responsible for over 30% of the cases examined.
- Out of the 447 cases in 2005, DPD was responsible for 134.

# 2005 Statistics



Customer Requests by Crime Classification

# NTRCFL Funding

- RCFL – NPO (direct from Congress)
- Line Item in the Federal Budget
- Department of Justice has budgeted for \$600,000.00 of overtime for all the RCFL's
- Participating Agencies (Officers)
- Applications for State Grants
- FBI Computer Analysis Response Team (CART) Headquarters
- FBI – DALLAS Field Office

# Partnerships



- **Texas Attorney General's Office  
Texas Internet Bureau**
- **Internet Crimes Against Children  
Task Force (Innocent Images)**

# Questions?