Domestic Violence Homicide

Red flags and considerations



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Overview of Domestic Violence

- Domestic violence (DV) is a pattern of abusive behaviors used by one partner to gain or maintain power and control over another intimate partner. It can include physical, sexual, emotional, economic, or psychological actions or threats.
- Importance of Awareness: Recognizing red flags and understanding statistics can help prevent DV and save lives.



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What is it?

- Domestic violence is any behavior that causes physical, psychological, or sexual harm to those in an intimate relationship.
- Types of Abuse: Physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, economic abuse, and psychological abuse.
- Myths: "DV only happens to certain types of people" or "It's a private matter."





Red Flags of Domestic Violence



 Behavioral Changes in the Abuser: Increased jealousy, controlling behavior isolating the victim from friends and family, and sudden changes in mood.



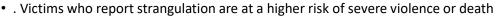
 Physical Signs of Abuse: Unexplained bruises, broken bones, or other injúries.



 Emotional and Psychological Signs: Victim shows signs of anxiety, depression, or PTSD; sudden changes in behavior or self-esteem.



• Examples of Red Flags: Strangulation is a major predictor of homicide





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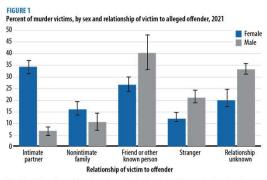
Statistics on Domestic Violence

- National and Local Statistics: According to the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV), millions of people seek help from domestic violence programs each vear
- **Gender Disparity**: Women are disproportionately affected by domestic violence homicides. Globally, an estimated 35% of all murders of women are committed by intimate partners.

Frequency: On average, more than three women and one man are murdered by their intimate partners in the United States every day.

- Domestic Violence-Related Homicides: Nearly half of all women killed in the past decade died at the hands of an intimate partner
- Demographics: Data on the age, gender, and socioeconomic status of victims and perpetrations.

Who is killing whom?



Note: Bars indicate the confidence interval around each point estimate. For example, the estimated percentage of female murders perpetrated by an intimate partner in 2021 was 34%, plus or minus 18%. Findings are based on national estimates derived from National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). See Estimation Procedures for Grimes in the United States Based on NIBRS Data (NCJ 305108, BJS/FBJ, August 2022) for more information.

Source: National crime estimates based on data from the FBI's National Incident-Based Reporting System, 2021.

https://bjs.ojp.gov/female-murder-victims-and-victim-offender-relationship-2021

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The person who is suppose to care most about you!!

• In 2021, about 34% of female murder victims were killed by an intimate partner, compared to about 6% of male murder victims.



Case Studies

- Gabby Petito Case: Gabby Petito was murdered by her partner, Brian Laundrie, during a cross-country trip.
- This case highlighted the importance of recognizing and acting on red flags
- Lessons Learned: The need for better training for law enforcement and public awareness about the signs of DV.



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Impact of Domestic Violence

- Physical Impact: Injuries, chronic health problems, and long-term disabilities.
- Emotional and Psychological Impact: Anxiety, depression, PTSD, and other mental health issues.
- Impact on Families and Communities: Economic costs, social disruption, and intergenerational trauma.

Resources and Support

- Ky River Foothills Family at 311 Spangler Dr I, Richmond, KY 40475
- <u>Ampersand Sexual Violence Resource Center</u> at st.100, 2025 Regency Rd, Lexington, KY 40503
- Fayette County Domestic Violence at 200 E Main St #6, Lexington, KY 40507
- <u>Kentucky Coalition Against Domestic Violence</u> at 111 Darby Shire Cir, Frankfort, KY 40601
- <u>Center For Women & Families</u> at 927 S 2nd St, Louisville, KY 40203
- These are just a few of the many resources available in Kentucky. You can find more information on the <u>Kentucky Coalition Against Domestic Violence</u> website.

Many other!!



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Questions

- Thoughts?
- Ideas?

