

Washington DC State Report

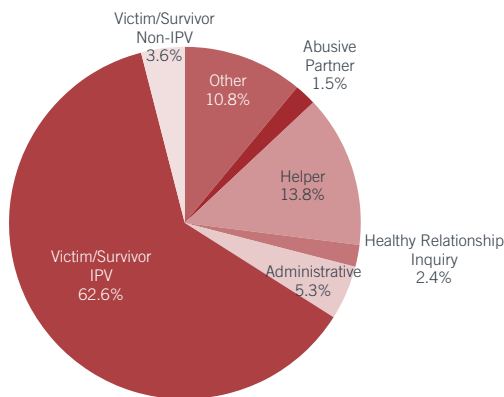
Based on Hotline contacts documented January–December 2016

In 2016, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented* **1,170 contacts** from Washington DC. The state ranks 31st in terms of contact volume to The Hotline. The Hotline provides crisis intervention, safety planning, referrals and DV education for these contacts.

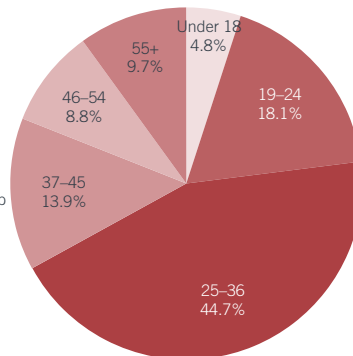
*Contacts documented refers to the calls and online chats where a location was self-disclosed by the caller or chatter.

Phone	1,096
Chat	74
TTY	0
Total	1,170

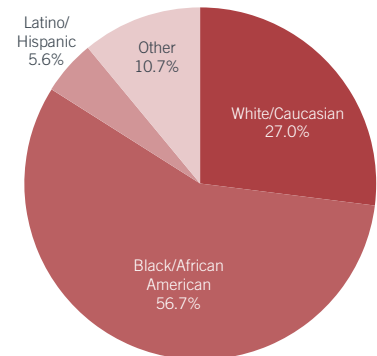
Who is contacting The Hotline from Washington DC?



Caller Type



Victim Age



Caller Ethnicity

Caller Type Definitions:

Victim/Survivor: IPV (Intimate Partner Violence) – a victim or survivor of abuse from his/her partner or spouse

Victim/Survivor: Non-IPV – a victim or survivor of abuse by anyone else: parent, sibling, caregiver, etc.

Helper – a caller reaching out to help another including: family/friend, service provider, law enforcement, medical/health, religious leader/program or teacher

Healthy Relationship Inquiry – anyone with questions about healthy relationships, where no abuse is present

Administrative – someone seeking basic information, rather than advocacy

Abusive Partner – a caller who identifies as abusive or who an Advocate believes to be an abusive partner

Other – any caller about whom an Advocate is able to gather info, but who does not fit into an above category; this includes off target callers, non-DV calls, hang-ups, prank calls and feedback

What are victims experiencing?

93%

Emotional/Verbal Abuse

degradation, threats, insults, humiliation, isolation, etc.

71%

Physical Abuse

hitting, biting, choking, etc.

17%

Economic/Financial Abuse

control finances, ruin credit, etc.

7%

Sexual Abuse

rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.

6%

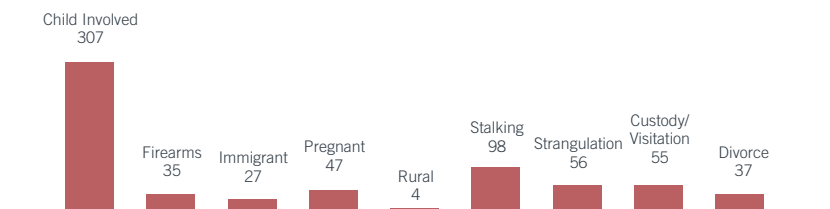
Digital Abuse

steal passwords, constant texts, etc.



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Most Commonly Disclosed Special Factors in Victims' Experiences



What do victims need?

Commonly Requested Hotline Services:

DV Shelter	331	39%
Legal Advocacy	178	21%
Individual Professional Counseling	182	22%
DV Support Groups	84	10%
Legal Representation	59	7%
Protective/Restraining Order	74	9%



Referrals to Service Providers

1,897

Offers to Direct Connect

541

Referrals to Other Resources

265

Most-REFERRED Resources

Womenslaw.org
211 - United Way
Aunt Bertha
GoodTherapy.org
Lundy Bancroft

This report reflects only data that was self-disclosed by the contact and does not necessarily represent every contact from the state.