

The National Domestic Violence HOTLINE

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Maine State Report

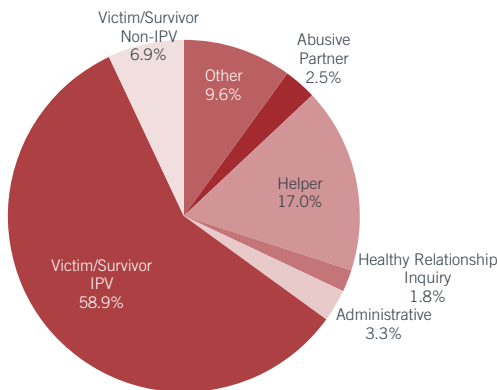
Based on Hotline contacts documented January–December 2016

In 2016, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented* **394 contacts** from Maine. The state ranks 46th in terms of contact volume to The Hotline. The Hotline provides crisis intervention, safety planning, referrals and DV education for these contacts.

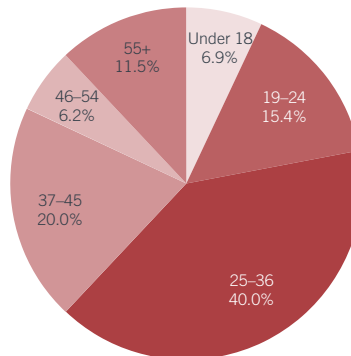
*Contacts documented refers to the calls and online chats where a location was self-disclosed by the caller or chatter.

Phone	338
Chat	56
TTY	0
Total	394

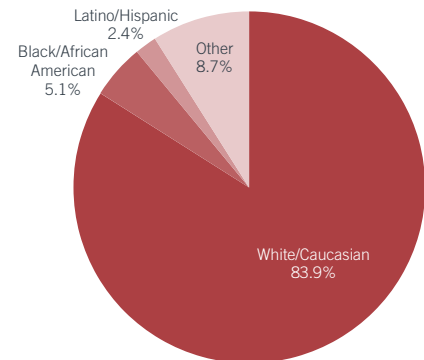
Who is contacting The Hotline from Maine?



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

Top 10 Cities in Contact Volume

1. Portland	18%
2. Bangor	7%
3. Lewiston	4%
4. Auburn	4%
5. Augusta	3%
6. Scarborough	3%
7. Brunswick	3%
8. Bath	2%
9. Westbrook	2%
10. Biddeford	2%
Total:	46%

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What are victims experiencing?

94%

Emotional/Verbal Abuse

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

62%

Physical Abuse

hitting, biting, choking, etc.

18%

Economic/Financial Abuse

control finances, ruin credit, etc.

11%

Sexual Abuse

rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.

7%

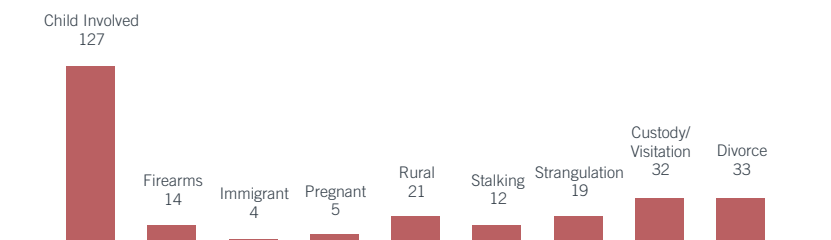
Digital Abuse

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	65	23%
Legal Advocacy	82	29%
Individual Professional Counseling	73	25%
DV Support Groups	49	17%
Legal Representation	23	8%
Protective/Restraining Order	24	8%



Referrals to Service Providers

415

Offers to Direct Connect

140

Referrals to Other Resources

109

Most-Referred Resources

Womenslaw.org
211 - United Way
Lundy Bancroft

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
Child Abuse Reporting - Maine

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