



Virginia State Report

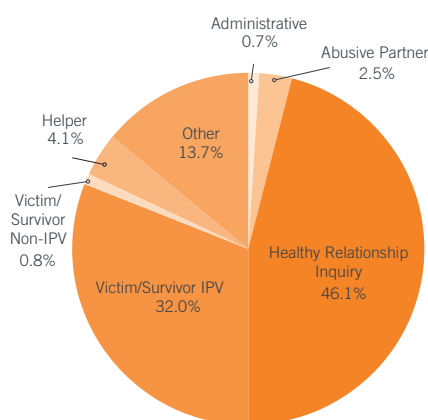
Based on loveisrespect contacts documented January–December 2017

In 2017, loveisrespect documented* **590 contacts** from Virginia. The state ranks 14th in terms of contact volume. loveisrespect provides crisis intervention, safety planning, referrals and DV and healthy relationship education for these contacts.

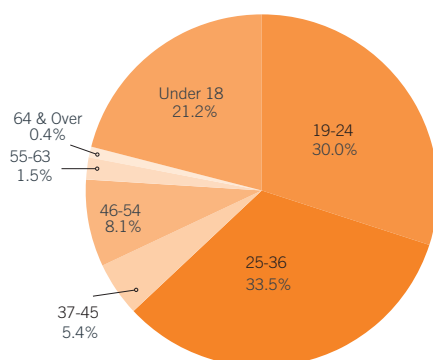
**Contacts documented refers to the calls, online chats and texts where a location was self-disclosed by the caller, chatter or texter.*

	Phone	258
	Chat	269
	Text	63
	Total	590

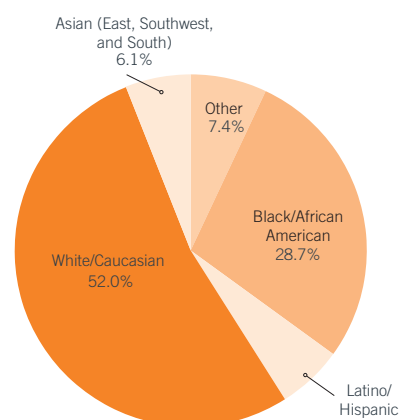
Who is contacting loveisrespect from Virginia?



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 (domestic violence) calls, hang-ups, prank calls and feedback

Top 10 Cities in Contact Volume

1. Richmond	18.5%
2. Fairfax	6.9%
3. Arlington	4.5%
4. Virginia Beach	4.1%
5. Alexandria	3.2%
6. Suffolk	3.2%
7. Woodbridge	2.6%
8. Norfolk	2.4%
9. Chesapeake	2.2%
10. Newport News	2.2%
Total:	49.8%

The National Domestic Violence Hotline is a 501c3 organization that relies on generous contributions from the public, government and corporations to continue operation. loveisrespect is a project of the National Domestic Violence Hotline.

What are victims experiencing?

95%

Emotional/Verbal Abuse

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

44%

Physical Abuse

hitting, biting, choking, etc.

21%

Sexual Abuse

rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.

18%

Digital Abuse

steal passwords, constant texts, etc.

16%

Economic/Financial Abuse

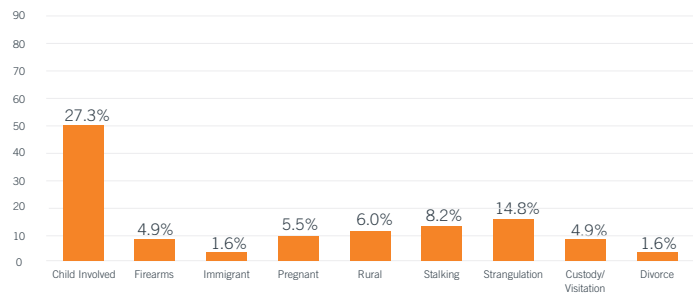
control finances, ruin credit, etc.



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Most Commonly Disclosed Special Factors in Victims' Experiences



What do victims need?

Commonly Requested Hotline Services:

DV Shelter	20	17.4%
Legal Advocacy	35	30.4%
Individual Professional Counseling	88	76.5%
DV Support Groups	46	40.0%
Legal Representation	5	4.3%
Protective/Restraining Order	9	7.8%



Referrals to Service Providers

661

Offers to Direct Connect

36

Referrals to Other Resources

724

Most-Referred Resources

Scarleteen
 GoodTherapy.org
 WomensLaw.org
 Your Life Your Voice (Boys Town)
 211 - United Way

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