

# Wisconsin State Report

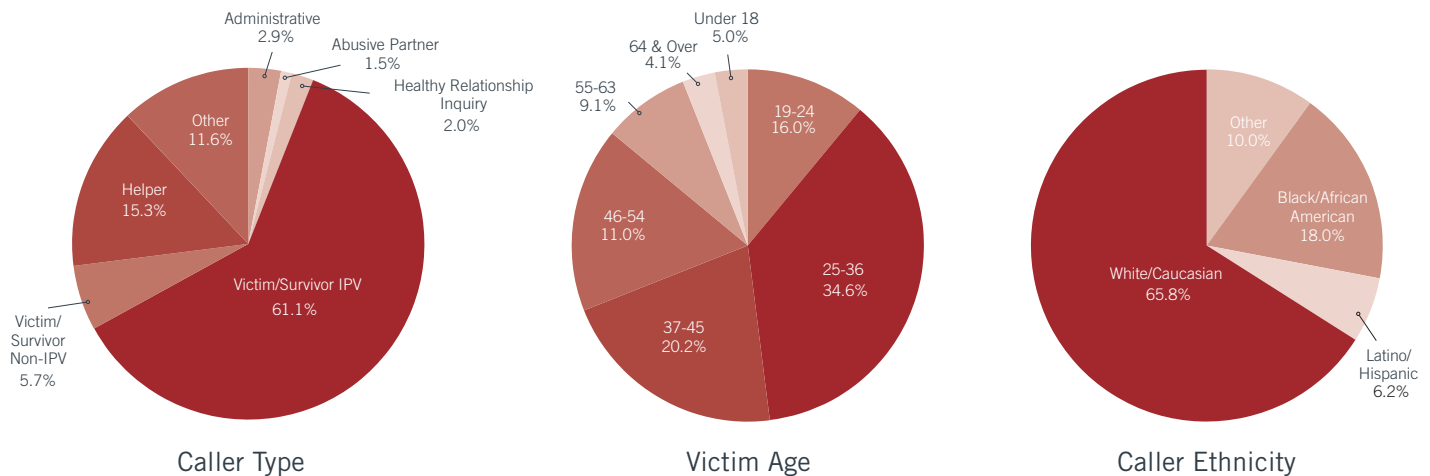
Based on Hotline contacts documented January–June 2018

In 2018, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented\* **1,012 contacts** from Wisconsin. The state ranks 39th 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	742
Chat	270
TTY	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,012</b>

## Who is contacting The Hotline from Wisconsin?



### 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. Milwaukee	28.0%
2. Madison	13.2%
3. Racine	3.0%
4. Kenosha	2.9%
5. Green Bay	2.6%
6. Appleton	2.6%
7. Waukesha	2.5%
8. La Crosse	2.4%
9. Oshkosh	1.4%
10. Eau Claire	1.2%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>59.8%</b>

## What are victims experiencing?

# 96%

### Emotional/Verbal Abuse

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

# 63%

### Physical Abuse

*hitting, biting, choking, etc.*

# 27%

### Economic/Financial Abuse

*control finances, ruin credit, etc.*

# 16%

### Digital Abuse

*steal passwords, constant texts, etc.*

# 12%

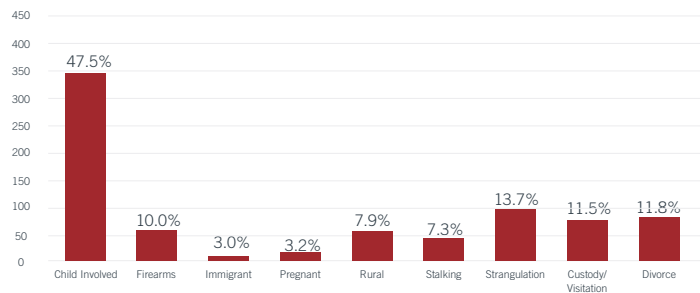
### Sexual Abuse

*rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.*



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## Most Commonly Disclosed Special Factors in Victims' Experiences



## What do victims need?

### Commonly Requested Hotline Services:

DV Shelter	188	25.2%
Legal Advocacy	215	28.9%
Individual Professional Counseling	168	22.6%
DV Support Groups	95	12.8%
Legal Representation	55	7.4%
Protective/Restraining Order	56	7.5%



### Referrals to Service Providers

## 1,409

### Offers to Direct Connect

## 254

### Referrals to Other Resources

## 1,352

## Most-Referred Resources

WomensLaw.org  
 211 - United Way  
 Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline  
 Aunt Bertha  
 Your Life Your Voice (Boys Town)

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