

The National Domestic Violence HOTLINE

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Vermont State Report

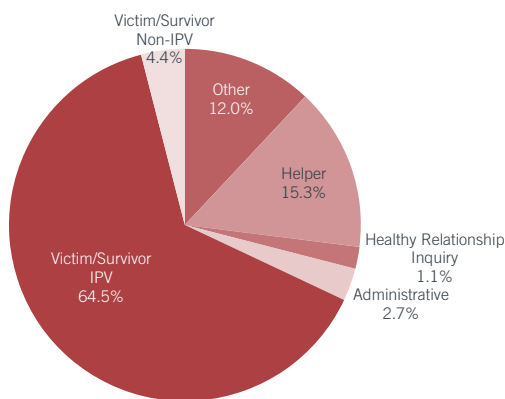
Based on Hotline contacts documented January–December 2016

In 2016, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented* **182 contacts** from Vermont. The state ranks 49th in terms of contact volume to The Hotline. The Hotline provides crisis intervention, safety planning, referrals and DV education for these contacts.

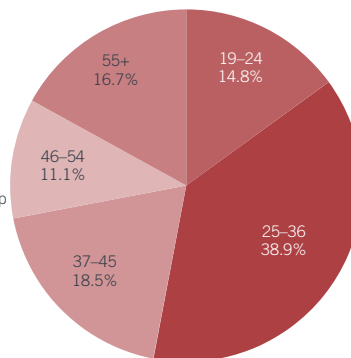
*Contacts documented refers to the calls and online chats where a location was self-disclosed by the caller or chatter.

Phone	166
Chat	16
TTY	0
Total	182

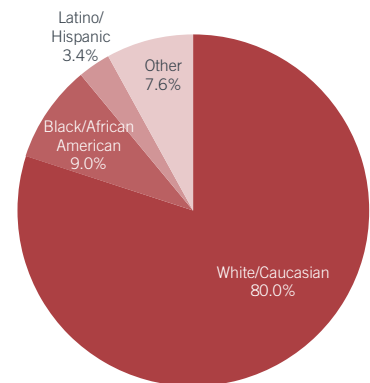
Who is contacting The Hotline from Vermont?



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. Burlington	25%
2. Rutland	8%
3. Barre	7%
4. Brattleboro	5%
5. Bennington	4%
6. Colchester	4%
7. Center Rutland	2%
8. Williston	2%
9. South Burlington	2%
10. Bellows Falls	2%
Total:	61%

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What are victims experiencing?

95%

Emotional/Verbal Abuse

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

55%

Physical Abuse

hitting, biting, choking, etc.

22%

Economic/Financial Abuse

control finances, ruin credit, etc.

7%

Sexual Abuse

rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.

8%

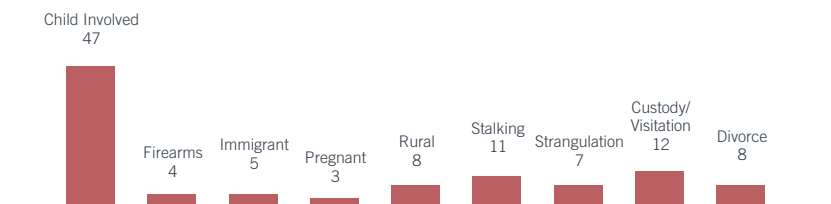
Digital Abuse

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	50	34%
Legal Advocacy	36	24%
Individual Professional Counseling	35	24%
DV Support Groups	10	7%
Legal Representation	7	5%
Protective/Restraining Order	14	9%



Referrals to Service Providers

206

Offers to Direct Connect

88

Referrals to Other Resources

51

Most-Referred Resources

Womenslaw.org
GLBT National Help Center
Custody Prep for Moms
Lundy Bancroft
Undox.me

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