

2015 Wisconsin State Report

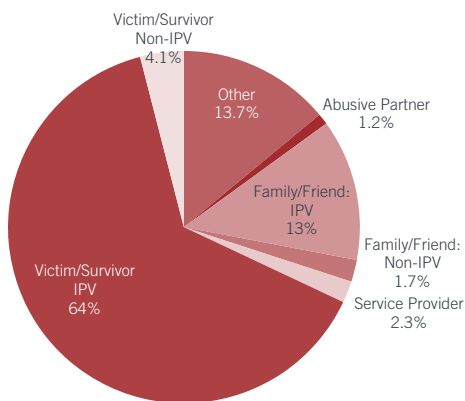
Based on Hotline contacts documented January–December 2015

In 2015, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented **1,687 contacts** from Wisconsin. The state ranks 26 in terms of Hotline contact volume. The Hotline provides Crisis Intervention, Safety Planning, Referrals and DV Education for these contacts.

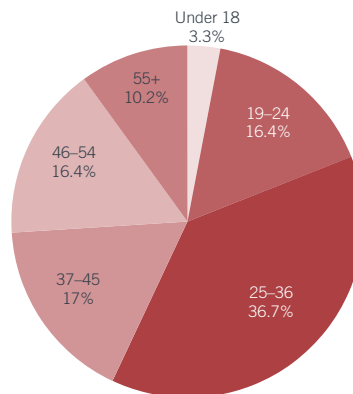
**Contacts documented refers to the calls and online chats where a location was self-disclosed by the caller or chatter.*

Phone	1,547
Chat	139
TTY	0
Total	1,687

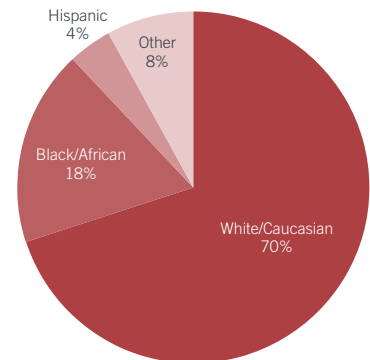
Who is calling The Hotline?



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
 Friend/Family: IPV (Intimate Partner Violence) – a friend or family member of a victim/survivor of IPV or abusive partner
 Victim/Survivor: Non-IPV – a victim or survivor of abuse by anyone else: parent, sibling, caretaker, etc.
 Friend/Family: Non-IPV – a friend or family member of a victim of any other type of abuse, such as child or elder abuse
 Service Provider – a caller from any agency, including other domestic violence agencies, which provides social services
 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 might include callers like law enforcement or medical professionals

Top 10 Cities in Contact Volume

1. Milwaukee	32%
2. Madison	12%
3. Green Bay	3%
4. Racine	3%
5. Waukesha	3%
6. Sheboygan	2%
7. Kenosha	2%
8. Appleton	2%
9. La Crosse	2%
10. Beloit	2%
Total:	64%

What are victims experiencing?

94%

Emotional/Verbal Abuse

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

67%

Physical Abuse

hitting, biting, choking, etc.

18%

Economic/Financial Abuse

control finances, ruin credit, etc.

9%

Sexual Abuse

rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.

2%

Digital Abuse

steal passwords, constant texts, etc.



Referrals to Service Providers

1,752

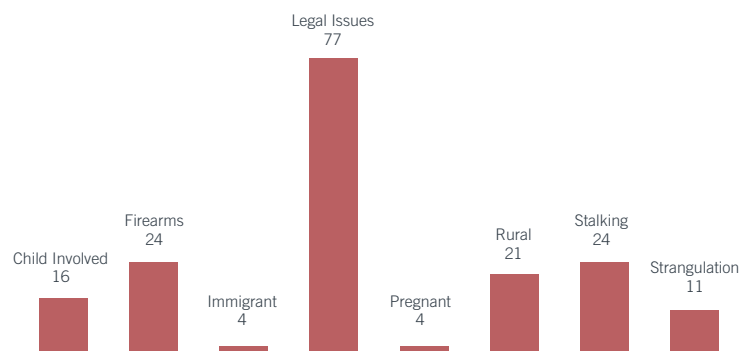
Offers to Direct Connect

623

Referrals to Other Resources

388

Most Commonly Disclosed Special Factors in Victims' Experiences



Those disclosing legal issues:

Protective Orders	180	34%
Other	254	47%
Custody/Visitation	111	21%
Divorce	88	16%
Citizenship/Documentation	9	2%
Interstate Custody	15	3%

Commonly Requested Hotline Services:

Domestic Violence Shelter	289	26%
Legal Advocacy	249	23%
Individual Professional Counseling	247	22%
DV Support Groups	185	17%
DV Nonresidential Services	150	14%
Legal Representation	98	9%

Most-Referred Resources

Womenslaw.org
 211 - United Way
 Community Advocates
 Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline
 Custody Prep for Moms



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