

2015 Kentucky State Report

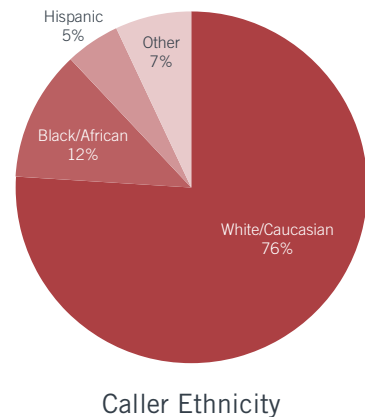
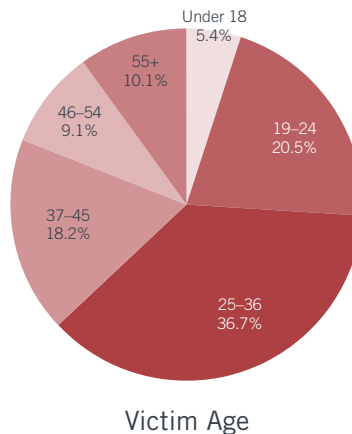
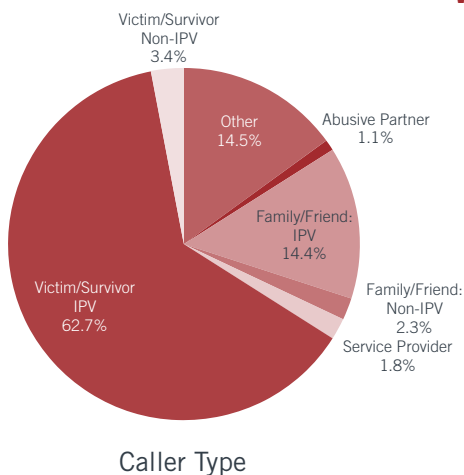
Based on Hotline contacts documented January–December 2015

In 2015, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented **1,323 contacts** from Kentucky. The state ranks 30 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	1,199
Chat	123
TTY	1
Total	1,323

Who is calling The Hotline?



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. Louisville	30%
2. Lexington	13%
3. Bowling Green	3%
4. Paducah	3%
5. Owensboro	2%
6. Covington	2%
7. Richmond	1%
8. Elizabethtown	1%
9. Frankfort	1%
10. Fort Campbell	1%
Total:	58%

What are victims experiencing?

92%

Emotional/Verbal Abuse

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

71%

Physical Abuse

hitting, biting, choking, etc.

17%

Economic/Financial Abuse

control finances, ruin credit, etc.

8%

Sexual Abuse

rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.

3%

Digital Abuse

steal passwords, constant texts, etc.



Referrals to Service Providers

1,212

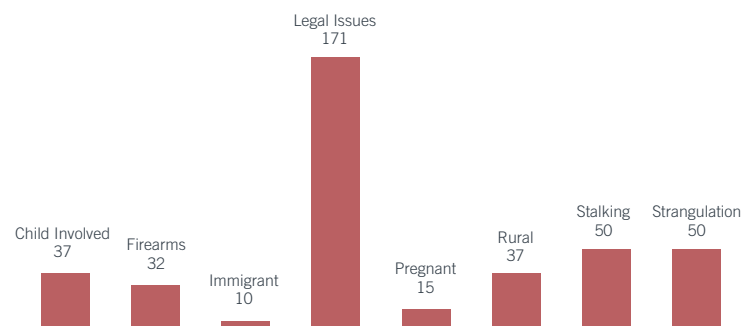
Offers to Direct Connect

485

Referrals to Other Resources

307

Most Commonly Disclosed Special Factors in Victims' Experiences



Those disclosing legal issues:

Protective Orders	197	42%
Other	190	41%
Custody/Visitation	112	24%
Divorce	65	14%
Citizenship/Documentation	9	2%
Interstate Custody	13	3%

Commonly Requested Hotline Services:

Domestic Violence Shelter	237	26%
Legal Advocacy	229	26%
Individual Professional Counseling	182	20%
DV Support Groups	145	16%
DV Nonresidential Services	125	14%
Legal Representation	97	11%

Most-Referred Resources

Womenslaw.org
 211 - United Way
 Access to Justice Foundation
 Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline
 Kentucky Domestic Violence Association



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