



## West Virginia State Report

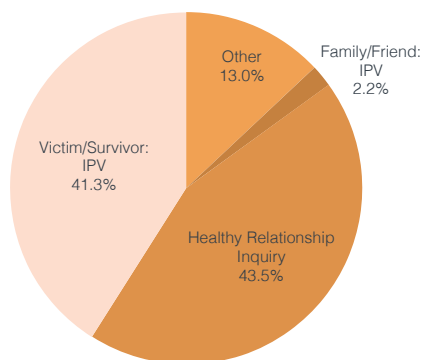
Based on loveisrespect contacts documented Jan.–Dec. 2015

In 2015, loveisrespect documented **46 contacts\*** from West Virginia. The state ranks 42 in terms of contact volume. Loveisrespect provides Crisis Intervention, Safety Planning, Referrals and DV Education for these contacts.

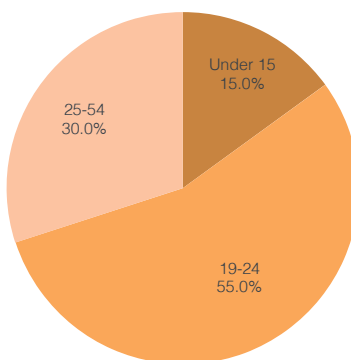
*\*Contacts documented refers to the calls and online chats where a location was self-disclosed by the caller or chatter.*

Phone	9
Chat	35
Text	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>46</b>

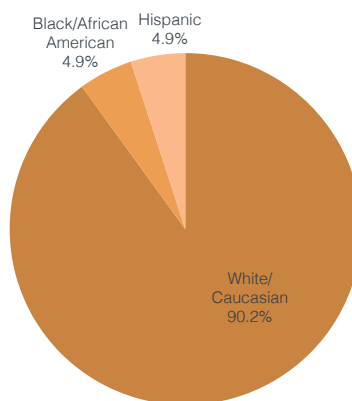
### Who is contacting us from West Virginia?



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

Friend/Family: IPV (Intimate Partner Violence) – a friend or family member of a victim/survivor of IPV

Healthy Relationship Inquiry – person who has contacted loveisrespect to clarify the differences between healthy relationships and abusive relationships

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. Charleston	24%
2. Parkersburg	11%
3. Princeton	7%
4. Morgantown	7%
5. Wheeling	7%
6. Beckley	4%
7. Buckhannon	2%
8. Huntington	2%
9. Martinsburg	2%
10. Harpers Ferry	2%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>67%</b>

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

**chat** at loveisrespect.org | **text** love to 22522 | **call** 1.866.331.9474

## What are victims experiencing?

**86%**

### Emotional/Verbal Abuse

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

**41%**

### Physical Abuse

*hitting, biting, choking, etc.*

**18%**

### Sexual Abuse

*rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.*

**9%**

### Economic/Financial Abuse

*control finances, ruin credit, etc.*

**18%**

### Digital Abuse

*steal passwords, constant texts, etc.*



Referrals to Service Providers

**40**

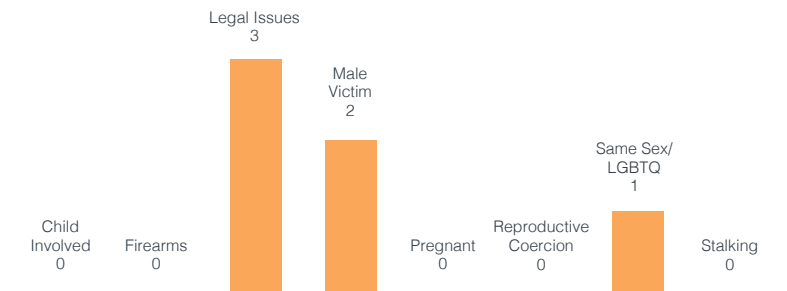
Referrals to Other Resources

**34**

## Top Resource Referrals

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

## Most Commonly Disclosed Special Factors in Victims' Experiences



### Those disclosing legal issues:

Custody/Visitation	0	0%
Divorce	0	0%
Immigration	0	0%
Interstate Custody	0	0%
Other	5	71%
Protective Orders	2	29%

## loveisrespect.org

In 2011, the National Domestic Violence Hotline partnered with Break the Cycle to launch [loveisrespect.org](http://loveisrespect.org), a comprehensive online resource for teens and young adults affected by dating abuse.

Visits in 2015:

**42,033**

New Visitors in 2015:

**34,368**

(82% of total visits)

## Most Viewed Pages on [loveisrespect.org](http://loveisrespect.org)

### Types of Abuse

Healthy Relationships  
Building Trust After Cheating  
Healthy Relationships Quiz  
How Can We Communicate Better?  
Why Do People Stay in Abusive Relationships?  
Dating Abuse Statistics  
What Should I Look For in a Partner?  
Am I a Good Partner? Quiz  
Power and Control Wheel

