

The National Domestic Violence HOTLINE

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Indiana State Report

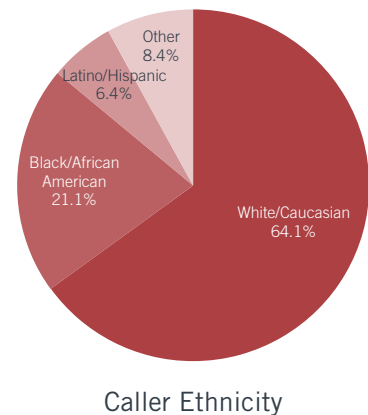
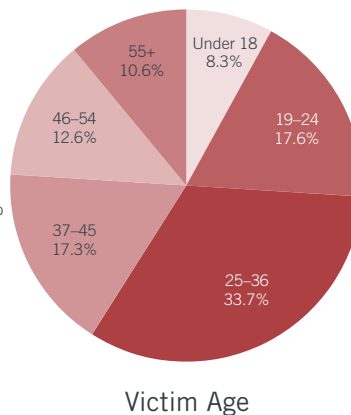
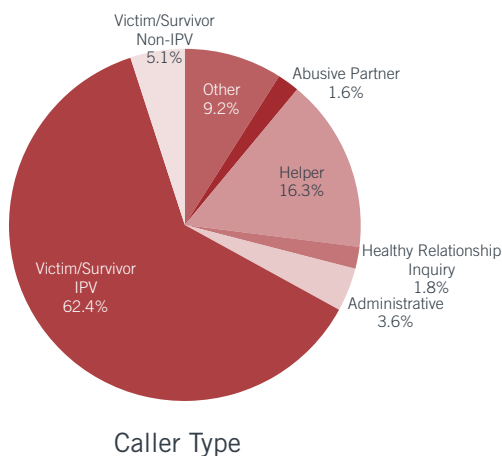
Based on Hotline contacts documented January–June 2016

In the first half of 2016, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented * **1,188 contacts** from Indiana. The state ranks 20th 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	1,102
Chat	86
TTY	0
Total	1,188

Who is contacting The Hotline?



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. Indianapolis	33%
2. Fort Wayne	5%
3. Hammond	5%
4. South Bend	3%
5. Gary	3%
6. Lafayette	2%
7. Evansville	2%
8. Greenwood	2%
9. Columbus	1%
10. Bloomington	1%
Total:	57%

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What are victims experiencing?

92%

Emotional/Verbal Abuse

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

62%

Physical Abuse

hitting, biting, choking, etc.

24%

Economic/Financial Abuse

control finances, ruin credit, etc.

7%

Sexual Abuse

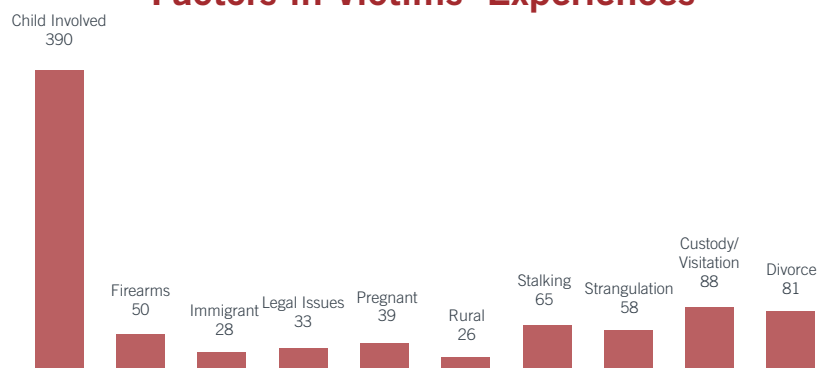
rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.

6%

Digital Abuse

steal passwords, constant texts, etc.

Most Commonly Disclosed Special Factors in Victims' Experiences



What do victims need?

Commonly Requested Hotline Services:

DV Shelter	193	24%
Legal Advocacy	285	35%
Individual Professional Counseling	177	22%
DV Support Groups	83	10%
Legal Representation	87	11%
Protective/Restraining Order	117	14%



Referrals to Service Providers

1,544

Offers to Direct Connect

555

Referrals to Other Resources

347

Most-Referred Resources

Womenslaw.org

211 - United Way

Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline

Custody Prep for Moms



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As of January 2016, The Hotline began using a new data collection system to more accurately reflect the needs of contacts. This report reflects only data that was self-disclosed by the contact and does not necessarily represent every contact from the state.