

# The National Domestic Violence HOTLINE

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## Rhode Island State Report

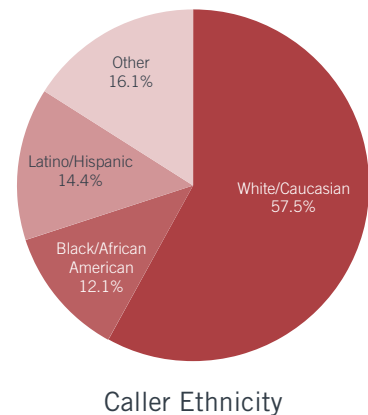
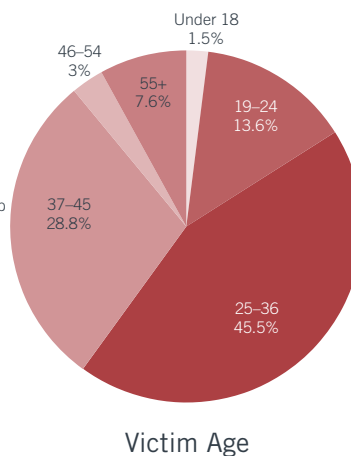
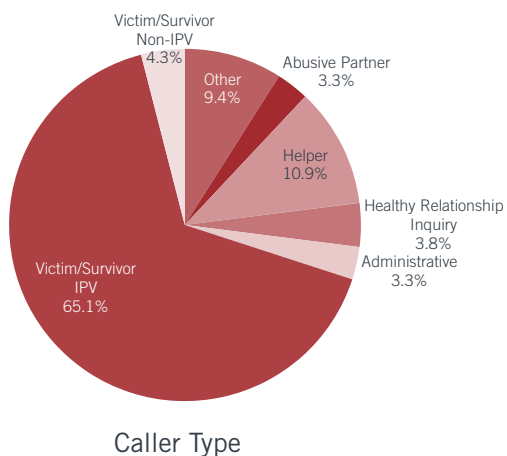
Based on Hotline contacts documented January–June 2016

In the first half of 2016, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented \* **212 contacts** from Rhode Island. The state ranks 43rd 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	197
Chat	15
TTY	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>

### 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. Providence	47%
2. Woonsocket	8%
3. East Providence	6%
4. Pawtucket	5%
5. Newport	5%
6. Cranston	4%
7. Warwick	3%
8. North Providence	2%
9. East Greenwich	2%
10. Westerly	2%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>84%</b>

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## What are victims experiencing?

93%

### Emotional/Verbal Abuse

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

68%

### Physical Abuse

*hitting, biting, choking, etc.*

22%

### Economic/Financial Abuse

*control finances, ruin credit, etc.*

7%

### Sexual Abuse

*rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.*

9%

### 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	53	38%
Legal Advocacy	36	26%
Individual Professional Counseling	25	18%
DV Support Groups	11	8%
Legal Representation	14	10%
Protective/Restraining Order	6	4%



### Referrals to Service Providers

283

### Offers to Direct Connect

111

### Referrals to Other Resources

59

## Most-Referred Resources

Womenslaw.org

Rhode Island United Way

211 - United Way

Massachusetts Statewide Bed Line/Hotline

Connecticut Statewide Bed Line



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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.*