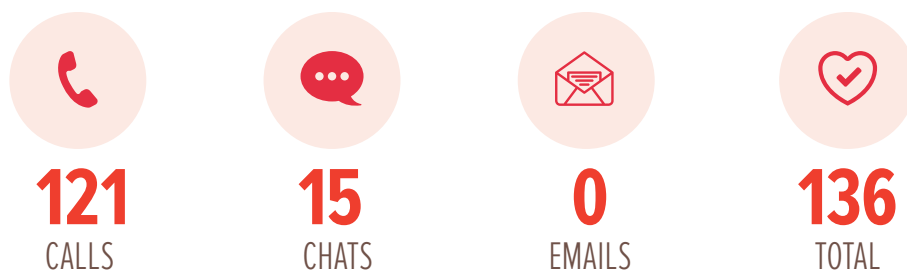


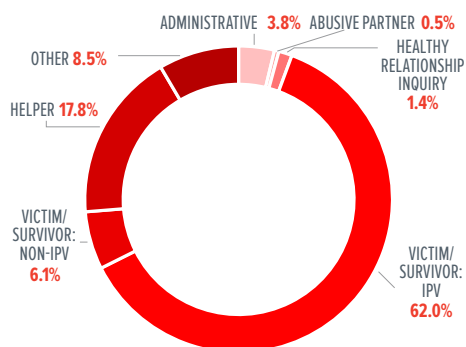


## BASED ON THE NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE CONTACTS DOCUMENTED JANUARY–JUNE 2017

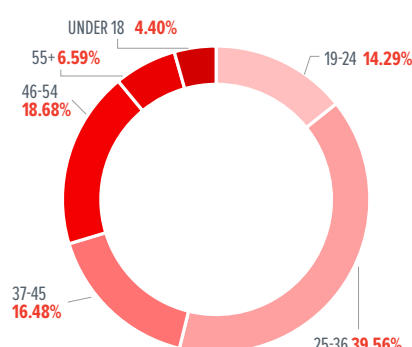
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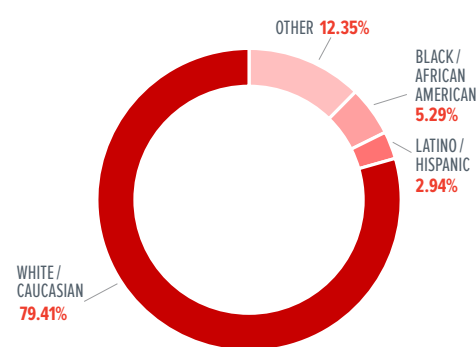
## WHO IS CONTACTING THE NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE FROM MAINE



CONTACT TYPE



VICTIM AGE



CONTACT ETHNICITY

### 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. PORTLAND	21.93%	7. WATERVILLE	2.14%
2. LEWISTON	7.49%	8. BATH	2.14%
3. AUGUSTA	6.42%	9. BRUNSWICK	2.14%
4. BANGOR	5.35%	10. BELFAST	1.60%
5. SCARBOROUGH	3.74%		
6. AUBURN	3.21%		

**TOTAL 56.15%**

CHAT: 24/7/365 • CALL: 1.800.799.SAFE (7233)

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT [WWW.THEHOTLINE.ORG](http://WWW.THEHOTLINE.ORG)



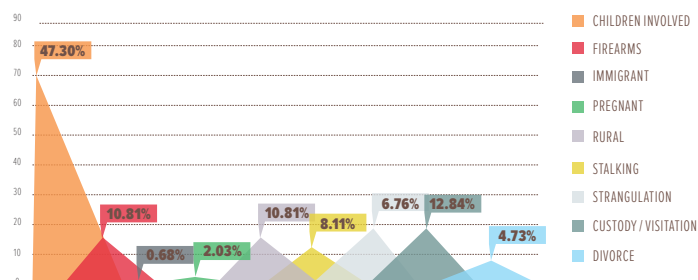
\*Contacts documented refers to the calls, online chats or texts where a location was self-disclosed by the contact.



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## MOST COMMON DISCLOSED SPECIAL FACTORS



## WHAT ARE VICTIMS EXPERIENCING

**91%**  
EMOTIONAL/  
VERBAL ABUSE  
*degradation, threats, insults,  
humiliation, isolation, etc.*

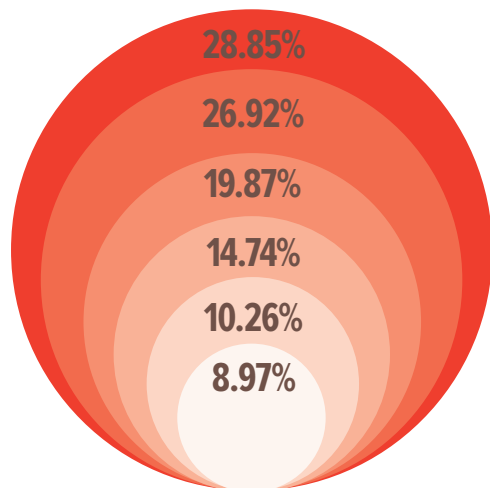
**56%**  
PHYSICAL  
ABUSE  
*hitting, biting, choking, etc.*

**17%**  
SEXUAL  
ABUSE  
*rape, exploitation,  
coercion, etc*

**25%**  
ECONOMIC/  
FINANCIAL  
ABUSE  
*control finances,  
ruin credit, etc.*

**12%**  
DIGITAL  
ABUSE  
*steal passwords,  
constant texts, etc..*

## WHAT DO VICTIMS NEED



- **45** Legal Advocacy
- **42** Domestic Violence Shelter
- **31** Individual Professional Counseling
- **23** Domestic Violence Support Groups
- **16** Legal Representation
- **14** Protective/Restraining Order Assistance

## THEHOTLINE.ORG

theline.org is a comprehensive online resource for those affected by abuse.

Visits Jan. – June 2017:

**984,242**

New Visitors Jan. – June 2017:

**772,966**

### Most Viewed Pages on thehotline.org in 2017

Relationship Spectrum  
Setting Boundaries  
Healthy Conflict Resolution  
Help a Friend or Family Member  
Abuse Defined

"Why Don't They Just Leave?"  
Resource For Victims &  
Survivors  
Survivor Series  
Get Help Today

## TOP RESOURCE REFERRALS

Womenslaw.org  
211 - United Way  
Scarleteen



REFERRALS TO  
SERVICE PROVIDERS

Legal Resource  
Center on Violence  
Against Women



OFFERS TO DIRECT  
CONNECT

Maine Statewide  
Hotline



REFERRALS TO  
OTHER RESOURCES