

Mississippi State Report

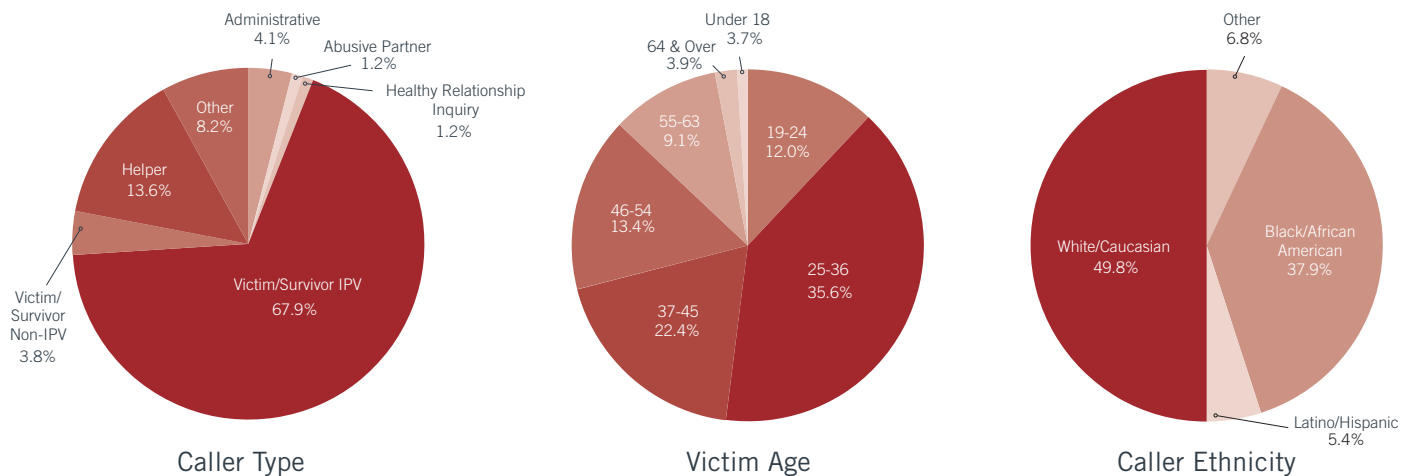
Based on Hotline contacts documented January–June 2018

In 2018, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented* **582 contacts** from Mississippi. The state ranks 35th in terms of contact volume to The Hotline. 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	482
Chat	100
TTY	0
Total	582

Who is contacting The Hotline from Mississippi?



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 (domestic violence) calls, hang-ups, prank calls and feedback

Top 10 Cities in Contact Volume

1. Jackson	11.2%
2. Hattiesburg	5.9%
3. Biloxi	4.1%
4. Gulfport	3.3%
5. Tupelo	3.1%
6. Brandon	2.9%
7. Pascagoula	2.8%
8. Meridian	2.4%
9. Columbus	2.4%
10. Southaven	2.4%
Total:	40.5%

What are victims experiencing?

96%

Emotional/Verbal Abuse

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

76%

Physical Abuse

hitting, biting, choking, etc.

29%

Economic/Financial Abuse

control finances, ruin credit, etc.

18%

Digital Abuse

steal passwords, constant texts, etc.

11%

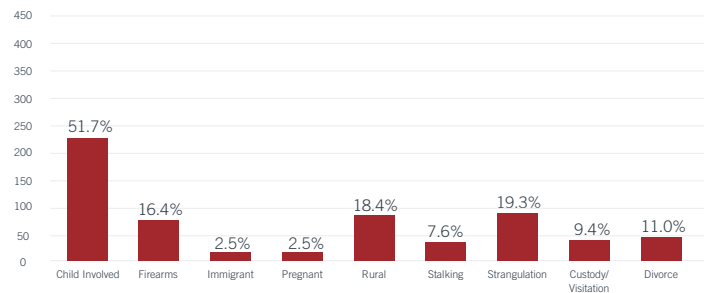
Sexual Abuse

rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.



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Most Commonly Disclosed Special Factors in Victims' Experiences



What do victims need?

Commonly Requested Hotline Services:

DV Shelter	169	37.6%
Legal Advocacy	132	29.4%
Individual Professional Counseling	94	20.9%
DV Support Groups	51	11.4%
Legal Representation	37	8.2%
Protective/Restraining Order	41	9.1%



Referrals to Service Providers

711

Offers to Direct Connect

182

Referrals to Other Resources

735

Most-Referred Resources

211 - United Way

WomensLaw.org

Aunt Bertha

Custody Prep for Moms

Mississippi Coalition Against Domestic Violence

This report reflects only data that was self-disclosed by the contact and does not necessarily represent every contact from the state.