



Relationship Violence Statistics

- On average, nearly 20 people per minute are physically abused by an intimate partner in the United States. That means that in a period of one year, more than 10 million women and men experience physical abuse.¹
- More than 1 in 3 women (35.6%) and more than 1 in 4 men (28.5%) in the United States have experienced rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner in their lifetime.¹
- 1 in 10 women have been raped by an intimate partner.¹
- 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men have been victims of severe physical violence (e.g. beating, burning, strangling) by an intimate partner in their lifetime.¹
- The presence of a gun in a relationship violence situation increases the risk of homicide by 500%.²
- On a typical day, there are more than 20,000 phone calls placed to relationship violence hotlines nationwide.³
- Intimate partner violence accounts for 15% of all violent crime.⁴
- 19% of relationship violence involves a weapon.⁴
- Only 34% of people who are injured by intimate partners receive medical care for their injuries.⁴
- A study of intimate partner homicides found that 20% of victims were not the intimate partners themselves, but family members, friends, neighbors, persons who intervened, law enforcement responders, or bystanders.⁵
- 1 in 15 children are exposed to intimate partner violence each year, and 90% of these children are eyewitnesses to this violence.⁶
- 30 to 60% of perpetrators of intimate partner violence also abuse children in the household.⁷
- About 1 in 5 women and nearly 1 in 7 men who ever experienced rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner, first experienced some form of partner violence between 11 and 17 years of age.⁸
- Victims of intimate partner violence lose a total of 8.0 million days of paid work each year.⁹
- The cost of intimate partner violence exceeds \$8.3 billion per year.⁹
- Between 21-60% of victims of intimate partner violence lose their jobs due to reasons stemming from the abuse.⁹
- 1 in 4 men have been physically abused (slapped, pushed, shoved) by an intimate partner.¹



- 1 in 7 men have been *severely* physically abused (hit with a fist or hard object, kicked, slammed against something, choked, burned, etc.) by an intimate partner at some point in their lifetime.¹
- 1 in 18 men are severely injured by intimate partners in their lifetimes.¹
- Nearly 20.9% of female high school students and 13.4% of male high school students report being physically or sexually abused by a dating partner.¹⁰
- Nearly 1.5 million high school students in the United States are physically abused by dating partners every year.¹¹
- 57% of teens know someone who has been physically, sexually, or verbally abusive in a dating relationship.¹²
- 43% of dating college women reported experiencing abusive behaviors from their partner.¹³
- In 2014, 16,700 people reported one or more relationship violence crimes to Colorado law enforcement. Many other relationship violence victims/survivors did not contact law enforcement.¹⁴

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