Intimate Partner Violence in West Medicaid MC Region

Intimate partner violence involves physical, sexual and/or emotional violence that occurs in the context of a current or former relationship. A perpetrator often abuses power in order to control his partner. The most serious injuries and adverse consequences of intimate partner violence are disproportionately experienced by women. To illustrate the scope and consequences of intimate partner violence, we present the most accurate and recent available data. Nonetheless, they omit many cases that never come to the attention of the authorities.

Each year, among the 1,302,818 women (18-64) in our area...

- >23,400 are physically assaulted by an current or former partner*
- 2,153 take shelter in a local domestic violence shelter**

Each year, among the 147,131 teenage females (15-19) in our area...

- >11,800 experience physical dating violence*
- >10,800 are forced to do sexual things by someone they are dating*

Each year, among the 995,647 children (0-17) in our area...

- >17,900 live in homes where intimate partner violence is occurring*
- 1,925 take shelter in a local domestic violence shelter**

In addition, across the area...

- 9,914 petitions for domestic violence civil protection orders are filed
- n/a victims are involved in domestic violence incidents handled by law enforcement***

Some quick notes about these figures

* Rounded estimate, based on the 95% lower confidence limit of survey data
** Figures for domestic violence shelters only include those located in West Medicaid MC Region. Some residents may use shelters elsewhere. “n/a” indicates there are no shelters in this area. Figures for adults may include a small number of victims 65+.
*** Includes incidents recorded through the Ohio Incident Based Reporting System. “n/a” indicates that there were insufficient data to compute a figure for this area. Do not compare figures to data published previously: the methods and definitions have changed.

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For more information and a description of how we calculated these figures, please visit: grc.osu.edu/familyviolenceprevention

To talk with someone about intimate partner violence, contact: Ohio Domestic Violence Network 1-800-934-9840


Family Violence is COMMON, CONSEQUENTIAL and CHANGEABLE!
New Cancer Cases 2,968
Motor Vehicle Crash Injuries 8,928
Current Cigarette Use* 15,400
Sexual Dating Violence* 10,800
Physical Dating Violence* 11,800

*Rounded, conservative estimate, based on the 95% lower confidence limit of survey data

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35.1 32.1
33.8 30.9
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Comparing Dating Violence to Other Threats to Female Teenagers' Health in West Medicaid MC Region

# cases per year among females 15-19 years old
Physical Dating Violence* 11,800
Sexual Dating Violence* 10,800
Current Cigarette Use* 15,400
Pregnancies 8,928
Motor Vehicle Crash Injuries 2,968

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Petitions for Domestic Violence Civil Protection Orders (DVCPOs)

Some victims use DVCPOs to seek protection from an abusive partner for themselves and endangered loved ones. For years, Ohio counties have tallied DVCPOs in a similar manner, so these data are useful to examine trends and geographic differences. The chart at left suggests that the rate of DVCPOs in West Medicaid MC Region has decreased over time. And the chart to the right suggests that the current rate is higher than the rate elsewhere in Ohio. These findings could be due to the ability of victims to request CPOs as well as the underlying incidence of violence. For a discussion of when differences and changes are noteworthy, please refer to our methods report.

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