



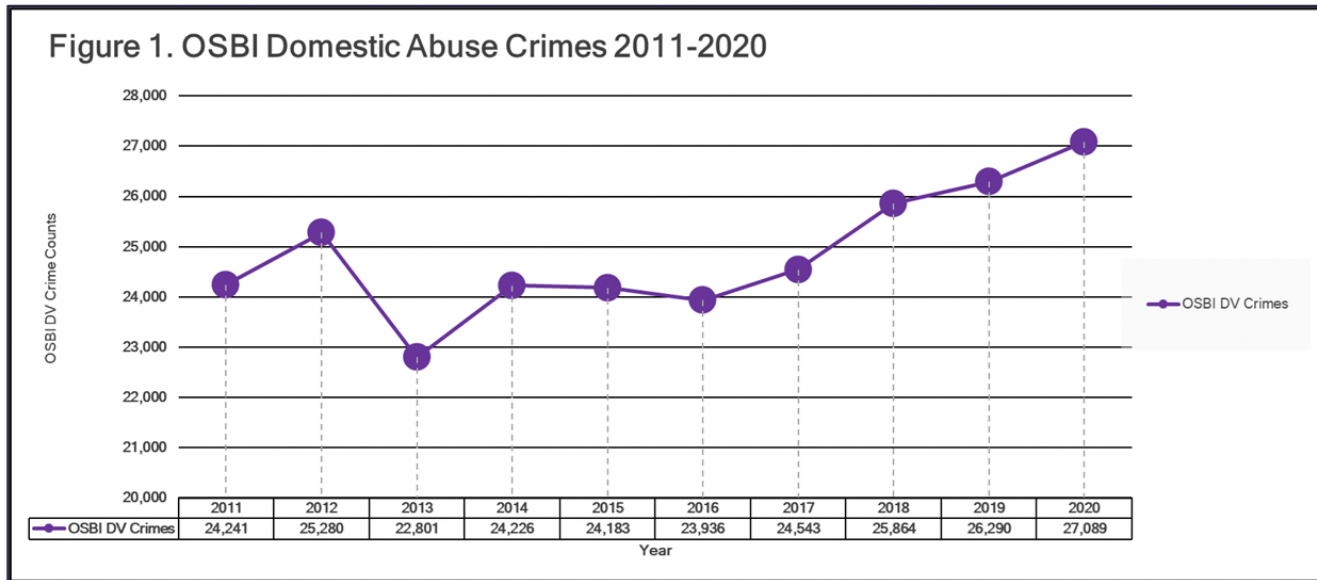
The Victimization of Women in Oklahoma

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Domestic Violence Reports- Statewide

From 2011-2020 an average of 24,845 domestic abuse incidents were reported per year. These figures are likely lower than the actual number of domestic abuse incidents in Oklahoma as they are based on police reports and victims of domestic abuse may not contact law enforcement for a myriad of reasons.



When Men Murder Women, VPC (2020)



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66 females were murdered by males in Oklahoma in 2020

The homicide rate among females murdered by males in Oklahoma was 3.28 per 100,000 in 2020

Ranked 2nd in the United States

Cause of Death: Guns (65%)

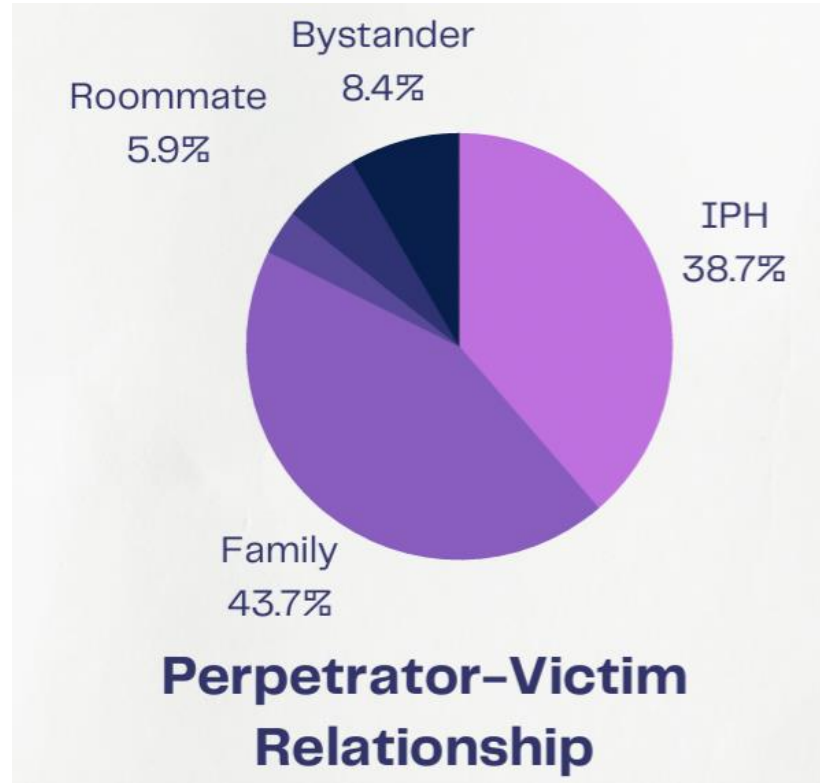
Relationship to Perpetrator

- 78% knew their offender
 - 67% were wives, common-law wives, ex-wives, or girlfriends of the offenders

Oklahoma DV Fatality Review Board (2020)

138 total fatalities

- 119 victim deaths
- 19 perpetrator deaths



Murder-Suicides



An event is defined as a homicide-suicide when someone murders an individual and then kills themselves, usually within 72 hours following the homicide.

In 2020, the Review Board identified 19 homicide-suicide cases resulting in the death of 24 victims (Figures 10 and 11). A total of four (4) children were killed in homicide-suicide events in 2020.

The majority of victims in domestic violence homicide-suicides are killed by an intimate partner, which includes current or former spouses, dating partners, or romantic partners, and individuals with whom they have a child. Of the 24 victims who died in homicide-suicide events, **45.8% were killed by their current or former intimate partner.**

Implications for Policy Change

- Increase in awareness of AND access to victim service agencies
- Sustainable funding stream from the state budget to OAG Certified agencies to ensure providers have the resources necessary to serve clients experiencing domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and/or human trafficking
- DVFRB Recommendation: ensure county clerk's offices statewide adopt a uniform policy that provides victims filing a protective order with information on filing and resources available to them if seeking VPO for domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and/or human trafficking
- Ensure law enforcement officers are implementing the lethality assessment protocol and connecting victims to service providers to prevent escalation of violence

Resources



- <https://vpc.org/when-men-murder-women-oklahoma/>
- https://www.oag.ok.gov/sites/g/files/gmc766/f/2021_annual_report_official_revised_03.2022_0.pdf
- <https://osbi.ok.gov/file/10091/download?token=8SuW41G8>

DVFRB Handout:

https://www.oag.ok.gov/sites/g/files/gmc766/f/2021_annual_report_infographics_0.pdf

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