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IN THE UNITED STATES:

1 in 2 females

2 in 5 males

Report experiencing physical violence, contact sexual violence, or stalking by an intimate partner during their lifetime

IN VIRGINIA IN 2024:

208,871 HOURS

OF

ADVOCACY SERVICES WERE

PROVIDED TO

19,135 ADULTS

35.8%

In the U.S. in 2023, 35.8% of all female homicides were committed by an intimate partner

231,179

Total nights of emergency shelter provided to adults and children by Virginia's domestic violence agencies

29%

Of all aggravated assaults in Virginia during 2023, 29% were committed by intimate partners

Domestic violence describes when an intimate partner attempts to gain and maintain control and power over another. It includes physical, emotional, financial, sexual, and psychological acts of abuse.



If you or someone you know is a victim of domestic violence, please contact
Virginia Family Violence & Sexual Assault Hotline
1-800-838-8238 (24-hours/day, toll-free)
www.vsdvalliance.org

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39,317

Domestic violence hotline calls were received by Virginia's domestic violence agencies

Domestic violence can result in injury or death. Survivors of domestic violence experience health issues, such as diabetes and hypertension at a higher rate, as well as anxiety, depression, and post-traumatic stress disorder.

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https://vanetwork.org



Additional information is available from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, Victims Services at www.dcjs.virginia.gov/victims-services

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