

North Dakota Domestic Violence Statistics 2023

6,131 new victims

6,131 new victims* of domestic violence were served by 19 domestic violence advocacy centers across North Dakota.

83%

83% of victims were women.

105

105 women were pregnant at the time they were assaulted.

4,205

At least 4,205 children were directly impacted by these incidents.

13%

At least 13% of victims were under the age of 25; 3% were under the age of 18.

21%

21% of new victims were people with disabilities. Of those, 13% were people with developmental disabilities, 35% had physical disabilities, and 52% were people with mental health disabilities.



A closer look



At least 58% of victims were physically abused.



In at least 33% of cases, the abuser had a history of abusive behavior with other adults, including prior partners.



Weapons were used in at least 11% of cases. Of those, guns were used in 23% of cases, and knives were used in 17% of cases.



Alcohol use by the abuser was indicated in 23% of cases. Alcohol use by both the victim and abuser was indicated in 4% of cases.



Advocacy



29% of victims were self-referred to DV advocacy centers; 18% were referred by law enforcement.



Domestic violence advocacy centers provided victim assistance with 431 emergency protection orders.

*Statistics represent new victims served in 2023. New = unduplicated for calendar year.