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Stalking—a dangerous and potentially lethal crime—is often misunderstood, minimized, or missed entirely. This webinar will address the prevalence and dynamics of stalking, the intersection of stalking and domestic violence, and the risk of violence and lethality in stalking cases. We will also discuss the effects of stalking on victims as well as considerations for law enforcement, prosecutors, victim service providers, and other allied professional responding to stalking crimes.

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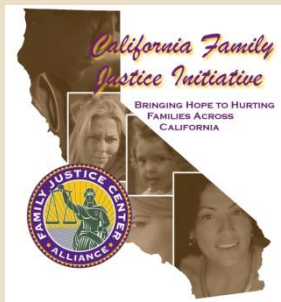


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Stalking and Intimate Partner Violence

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- Statutes
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- Videos
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The Stalking Resource Center is a program of the National Center for Victims of Crime. The mission of the Stalking Resource Center is to enhance the ability of professionals, organizations, and systems to effectively respond to stalking.

The Stalking Resource Center provides training, technical assistance, and resource materials for professionals working with and responding to stalking victims and offenders.

Who is in the Audience?

- Prosecutor
- Law enforcement (including community corrections)
- Victim service provider
- Other

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Overview



- Defining stalking
- Prevalence of stalking
- Stalking dynamics
- Intersection of stalking and domestic violence
- Effect on victims
- Responding to victims
- Q & A

Defining Stalking



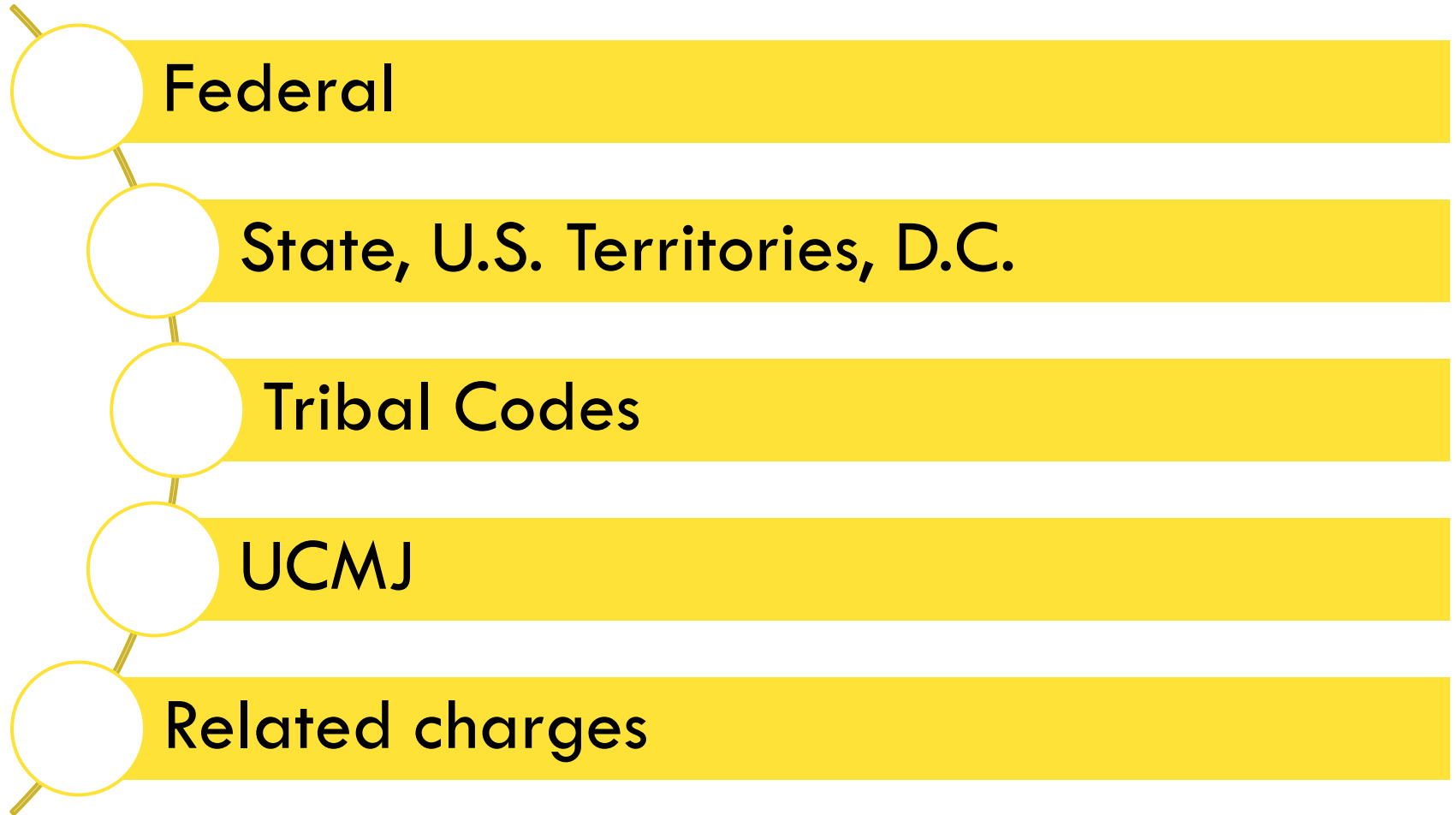
Behavioral



Stalking statutes



Criminal Charging



Stalking

A pattern of behavior directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to feel fear.

Stalking: Fear

What is challenging about this aspect of the crime of stalking?

- Subjective
- People don't admit to being fearful
- People react differently to fear
- Sometimes have to prove offender's intent to cause fear
- All about the context of the behaviors

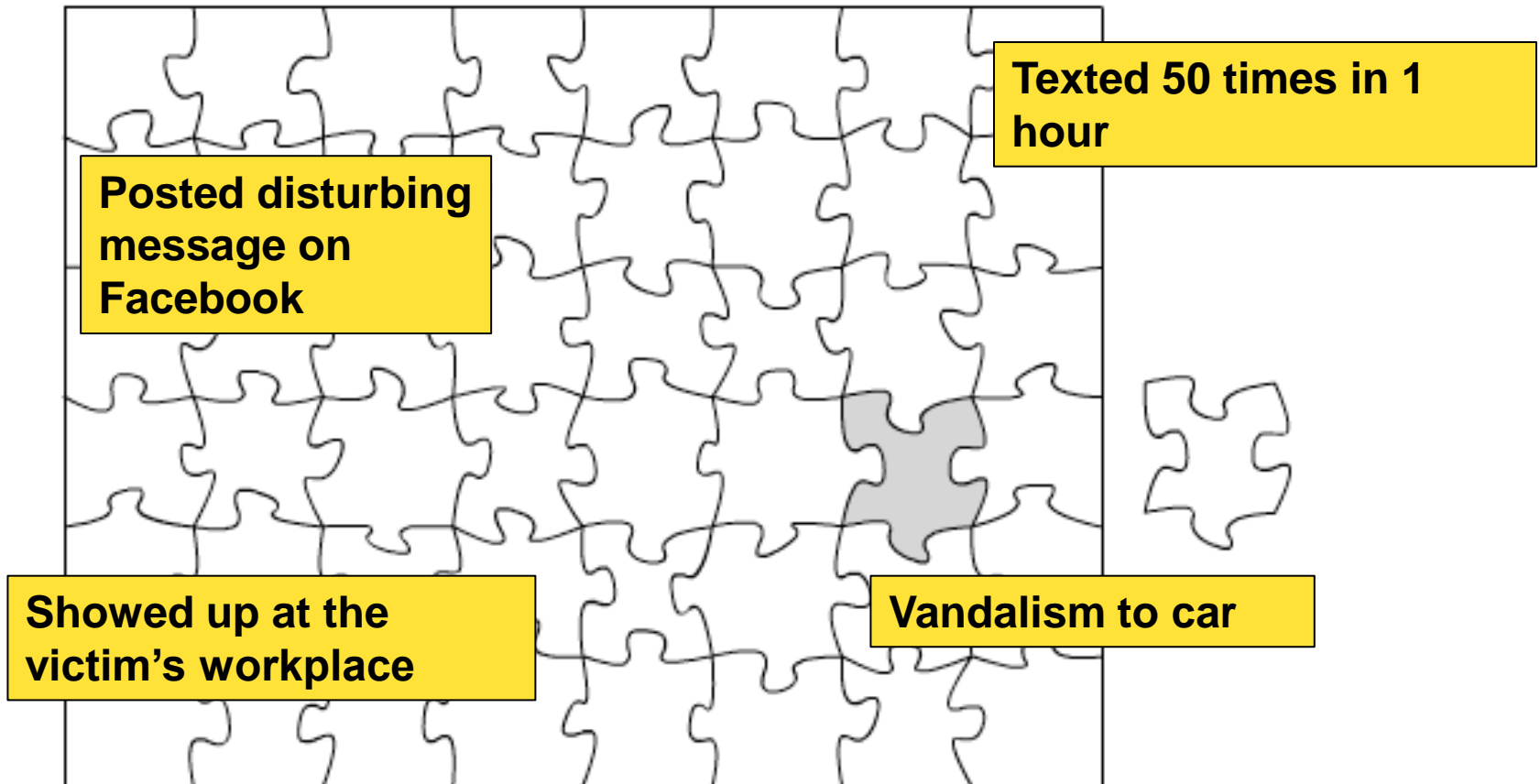
Understanding Stalking – Fear

- ❑ Something may be frightening for the victim but not to you
- ❑ Stalking behaviors often have specific meaning that is only understood between offender & victim
- ❑ Stalking criminalizes otherwise non-criminal behavior



Context

Context is critical in stalking cases



Prevalence of Stalking

How many people are stalked in one year in the United States?

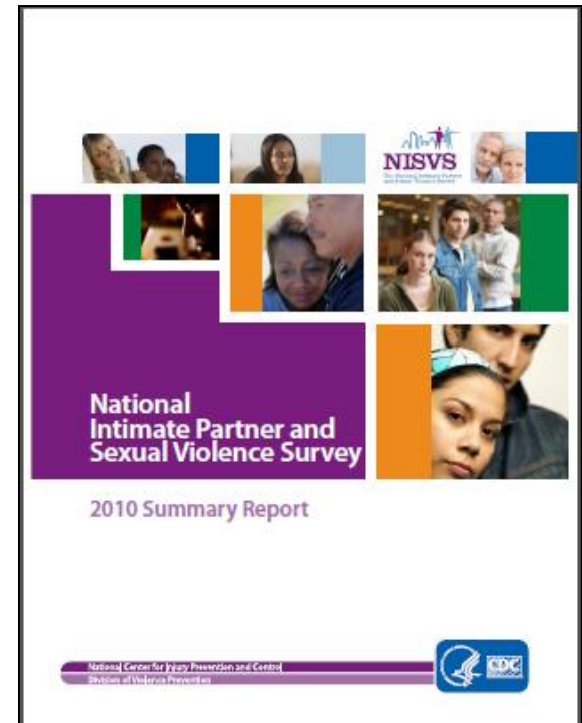
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- B. 3.4 million
- C. 4.5 million
- D. 6.6 million

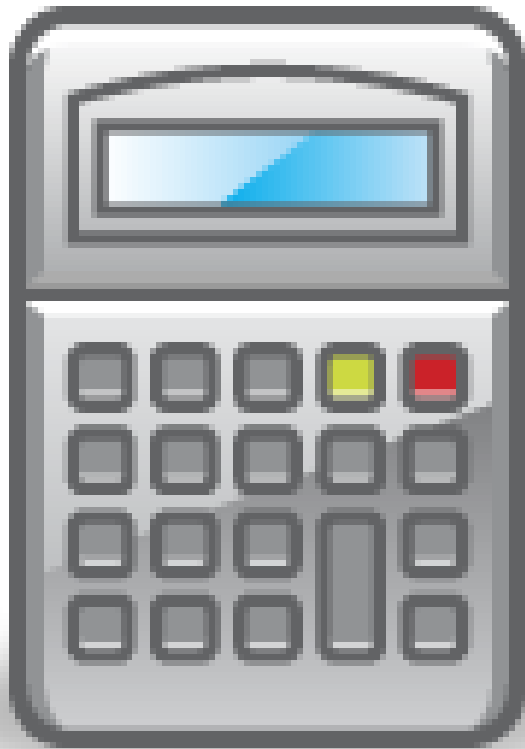
Prevalence of Stalking

6.6 million stalked in 1 year in U.S.

- By gender
 - ▣ 4% of women
 - ▣ 1.3% of men
- Lifetime
 - ▣ 1 in 6 women
 - ▣ 1 in 19 men



Do the Math



1. Take the population of your community
2. Divide by 1000
3. Multiply by 26.5
4. Equals statistical number of stalking cases in your community each year

Stalking Dynamics

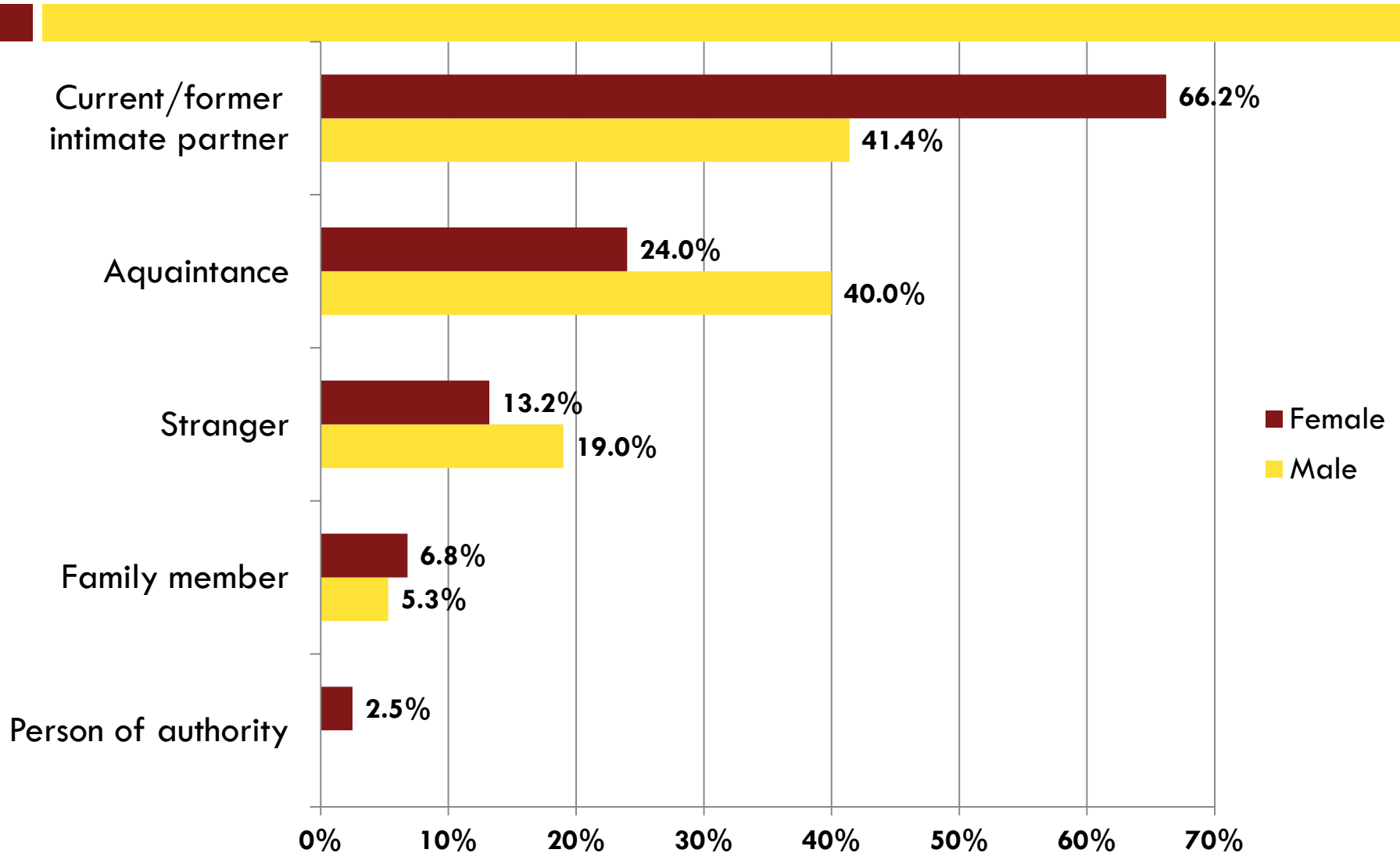
18 – 24 year olds
experience the
highest rates of
stalking

Women are more
likely to experience
stalking

Most stalkers are
male

The majority of
victims know the
stalker

Victim Offender Relationship



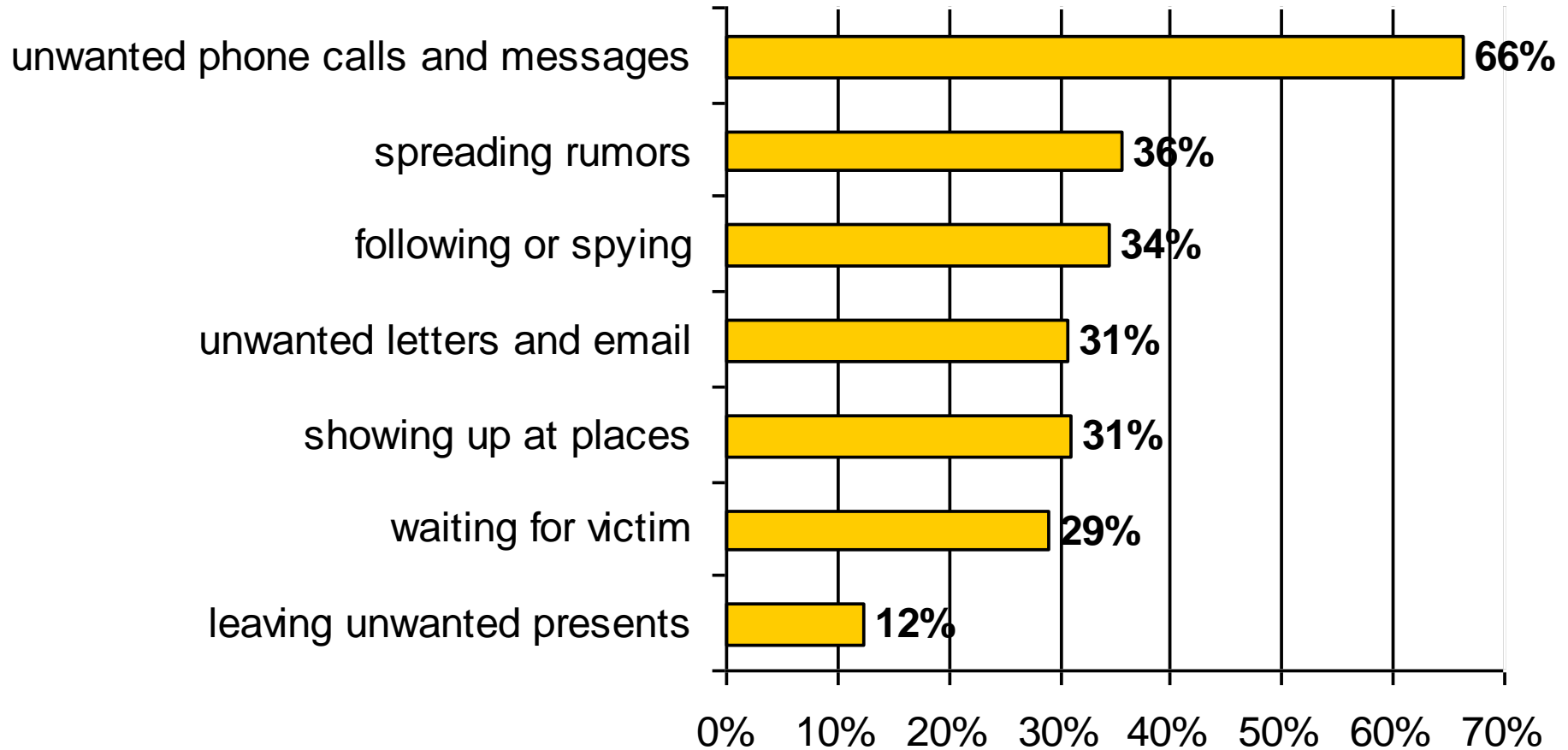
Common Stalking Behaviors

What stalking behaviors can you think of?

What stalking behaviors have you heard of or seen?

Use the chat box to enter your answers

Stalking Behaviors



Use of Technology to Stalk

- ❑ Phones – calls, SMS, MMS
- ❑ Fax machines
- ❑ Cameras
- ❑ Global Positioning Systems (GPS)
- ❑ Location based services
- ❑ Computers
- ❑ Spyware
- ❑ Email & IM
- ❑ Social networking sites
- ❑ Assistive technologies



Use of Technology to Stalk



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THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY TO STALK AN ONLINE COURSE

Cell phones. GPS. Computers. Did you know that these technologies can be dangerous weapons in a stalker's arsenal? This self-paced, interactive course will give you a better understanding of how stalkers use these and other technologies to locate, harass, and surveil their victims. You will also identify steps to assist in investigating stalking crimes and supporting victims of stalking.

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Proxy
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Legal
system
harassment

Stalking
Behaviors

Other
crimes

OP
violations

Stalking by Proxy

- Third party stalking
 - Unintentional
 - Intentional
- 50% - 60% of partner stalking victims say others were involved in stalking - Logan et al. (2006)

Pattern of Behavior

2/3 of stalkers pursue their victim at least once per week

78% of stalkers use more than one means of approach

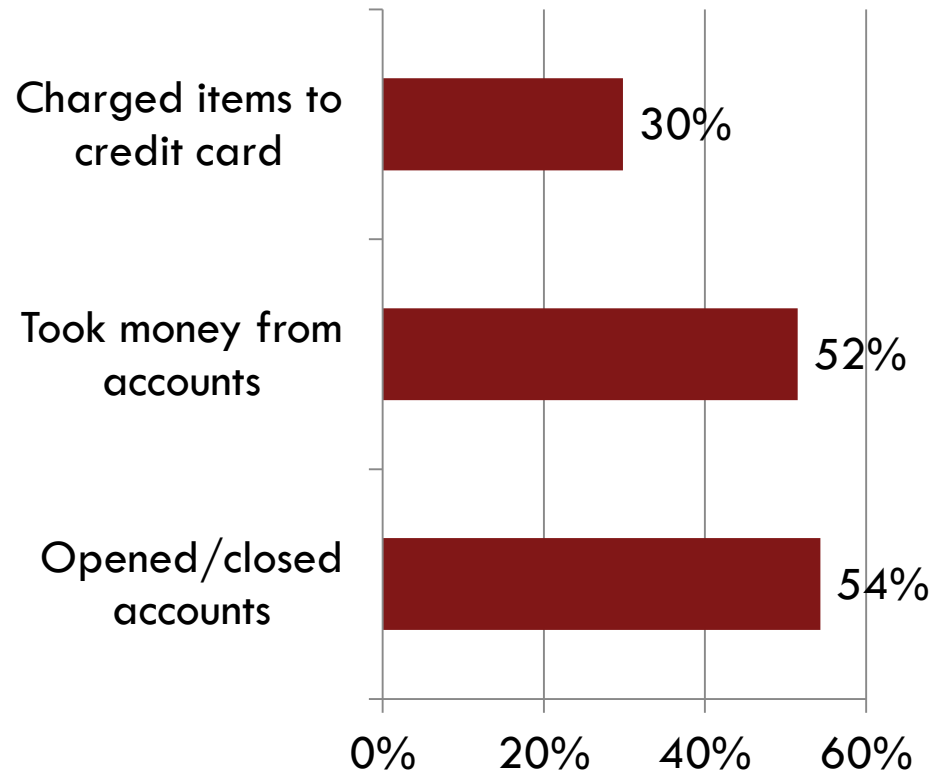
Weapons used to harm or threaten victims in about 20% of cases

Stalking and Other Crimes

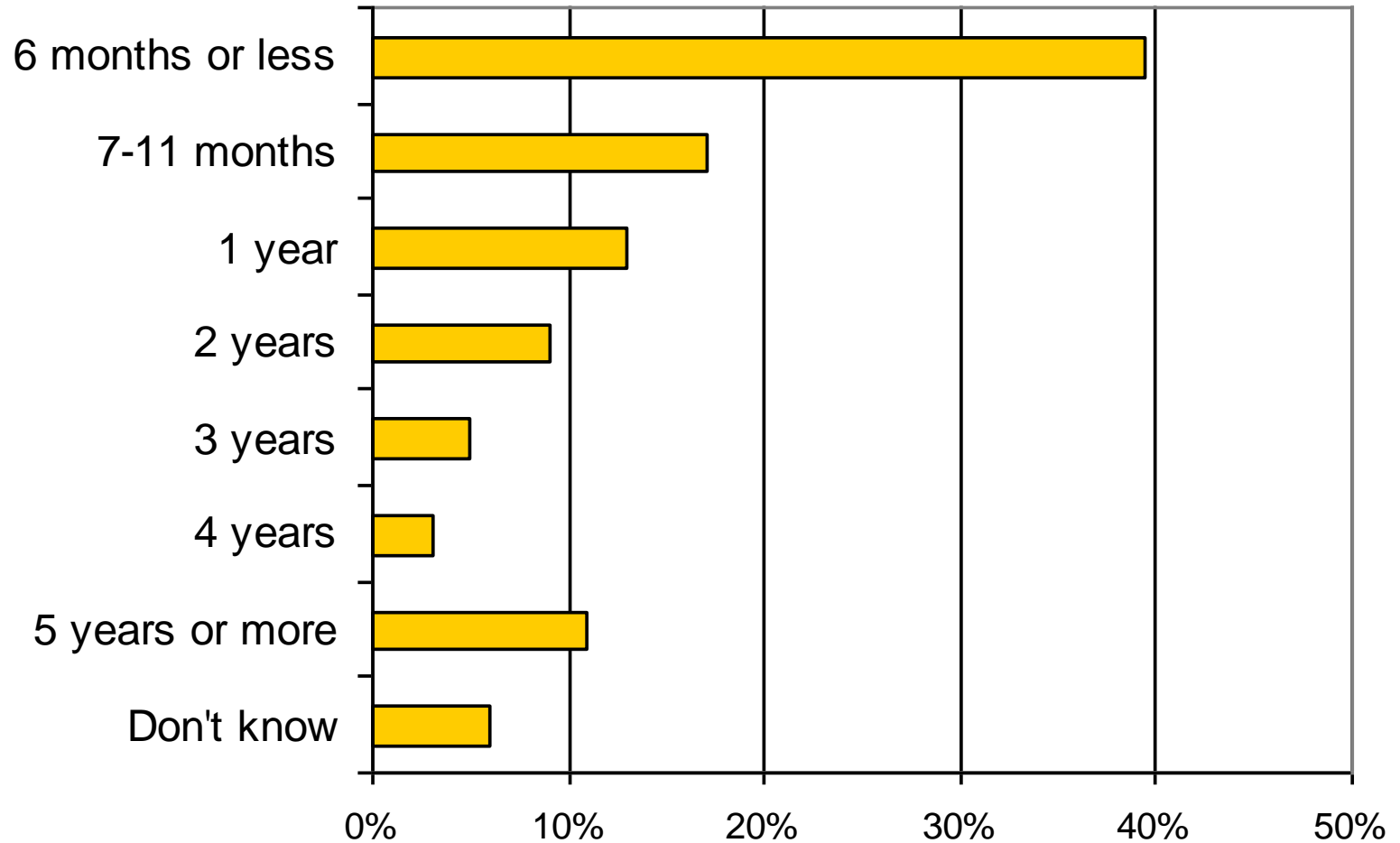
Among stalking cases...

- 24% involve property damage
- 21% involve a direct attack on the victim
- 15% involve an attack on another person or pet

□ Identity theft



Duration of Stalking



Recidivism

- Domestic violence reabuse occurs in 24% to 60% of cases
 - The majority of offenders do so within 6 months of beginning probation and/or a batterer program

- Occurs in 60% of stalking cases
 - Time between intervention and recidivism was about 2 months
 - Ranged from 1 day to 6 years

- Klein et al, (2005)

- The RECON Typology of Stalking (2006)

Stalking & Domestic Violence



Stalking and Other Violence

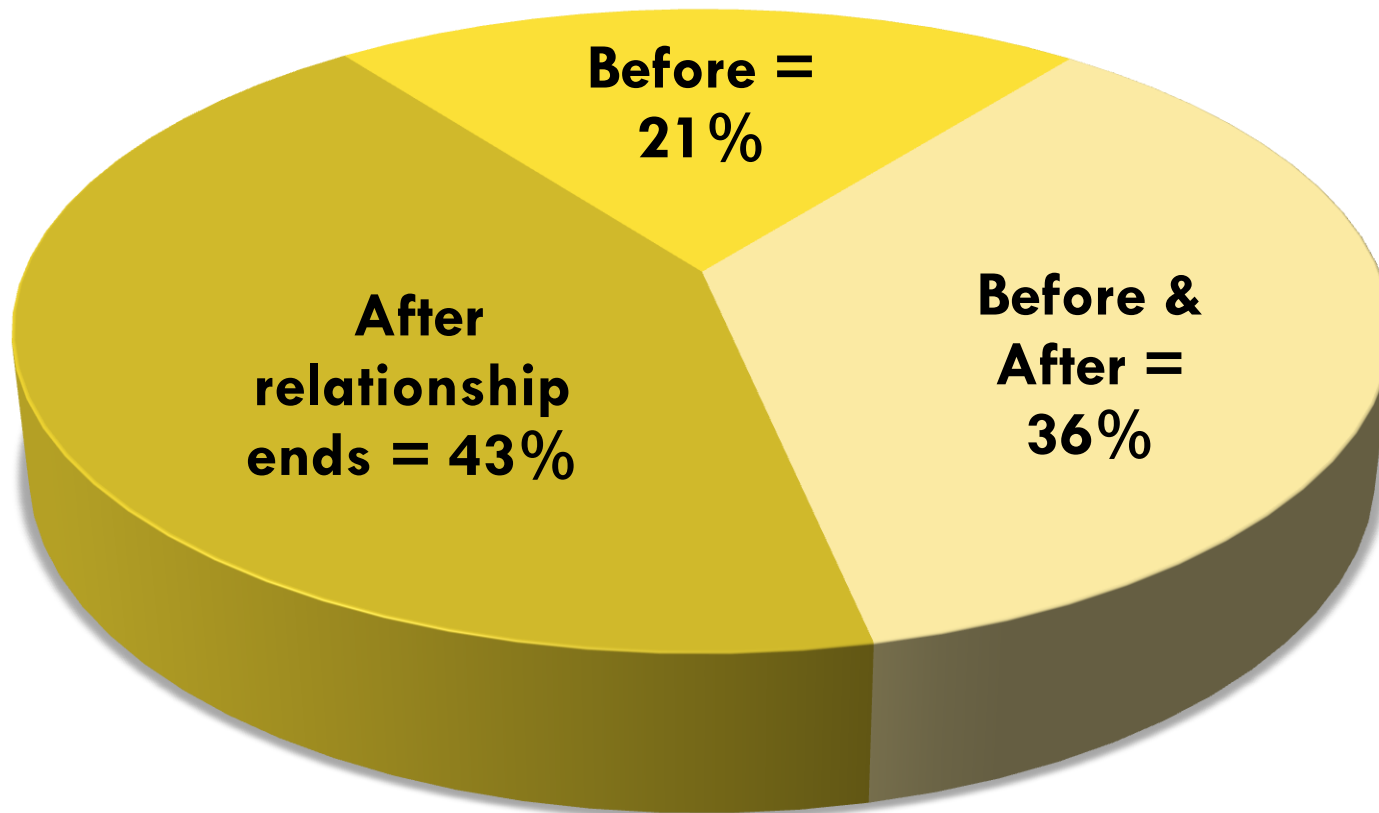
81% of stalking victims who were stalked by an intimate partner reported that they had also been physically assaulted by that partner.

- *National Violence Against Women Survey (1998)*

3/4 of women who experienced stalking-related behaviors experienced other forms of victimization (sexual, physical, or both)

- *Stalking acknowledgement and reporting among college women experiencing intrusive behaviors (2007)*

Point in Intimate Relationship when Stalking of Women Occurs



Intimate Partner Stalkers: Increased Risk for Victims

More likely to physically approach victim

More insulting, interfering and threatening

More likely to use weapons

Behaviors more likely to escalate quickly

More likely to re-offend

Intimate Partner Stalking Risk

More separation attempts than victims of intimate partner violence alone

- Logan et al, *Stalking victimization on the context of intimate partner violence* (2007)

Intimate partner stalkers are more likely to assault third parties than non-intimate stalkers

- Sheridan and Davies *Criminal Behavior and Mental Health*, (2001)

IP Stalking Violence

- When is the greatest risk of stalking violence?
 - Issued direct threats of violence
 - Was jealous of the victim's relationships with others during the relationship
 - User of drugs
- Where there is evidence of the presence of all of these factors, the risk of stalking violence is heightened.

Lethality

- 76% of femicide cases involved at least one episode of stalking within 12 months prior to the murder
- 85% of attempted femicide cases involved at least one episode of stalking within 12 months prior to the attempted murder

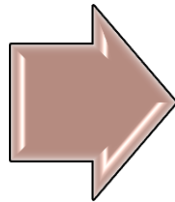
Lethality

- 67% of femicide victims had been physically abused by their intimate partner in the 12 months before the murder.
- 89% of the femicide victims who had been physically abused had also been stalked in the 12 months before the murder.

**Physical
Abuse**



Stalking



**Greater
indicator of
potential
lethality than
either behavior
alone**

“Red Flags”



More Dangerous Times

Separation

Protective order served/criminal arrest

Offender's loss of job, other life events

Multiple incidents in a short period of time – increase in quantity of contacts as well as escalation in behaviors

More Dangerous Offenders

History of substance
abuse

History of mental
illness (narcissistic
personality
disorders—you hurt
me bad, you will fix it)

History of violence,
esp. towards victim

Threats of
murder/murder-suicide

More Dangerous Offenders

Actual pursuit

Possession and/or fascination with weapons

Vandalism, arson

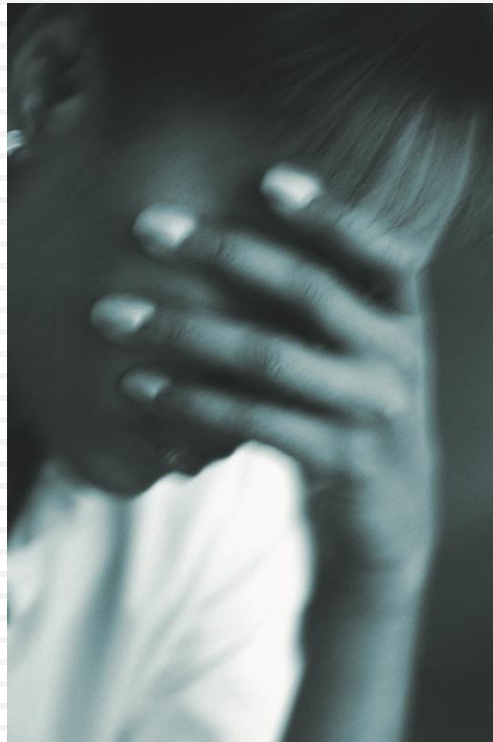
Tendency towards emotional outbursts and rage

History of violating POs

Previous Abuse - Lethality Indicator

- Previous abuse indicates higher lethality risk
- Previous abuse arrest indicates higher lethality risk
 - **Lack of previous arrest does not indicate reduced risk!**

Victims of Stalking



Impact of Stalking

- Minimization; Self-blame
- Guilt, shame or embarrassment
- Frustration, Irritability, Anger
- Shock and confusion
- Fear and anxiety
- Depression
- Emotional numbness
- Flashbacks
- Isolation/disconnection from other people
- Difficulties with concentration or attention
- Feeling suicidal
- Decreased ability to perform at work or school, or accomplish daily tasks
- Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)
- Sleep disturbances, nightmares
- Sexual dysfunction
- Fatigue
- Fluctuations in weight
- Self-medication with alcohol/drugs
- Feeling on guard most of the time - hypervigilance

Impact on Victims

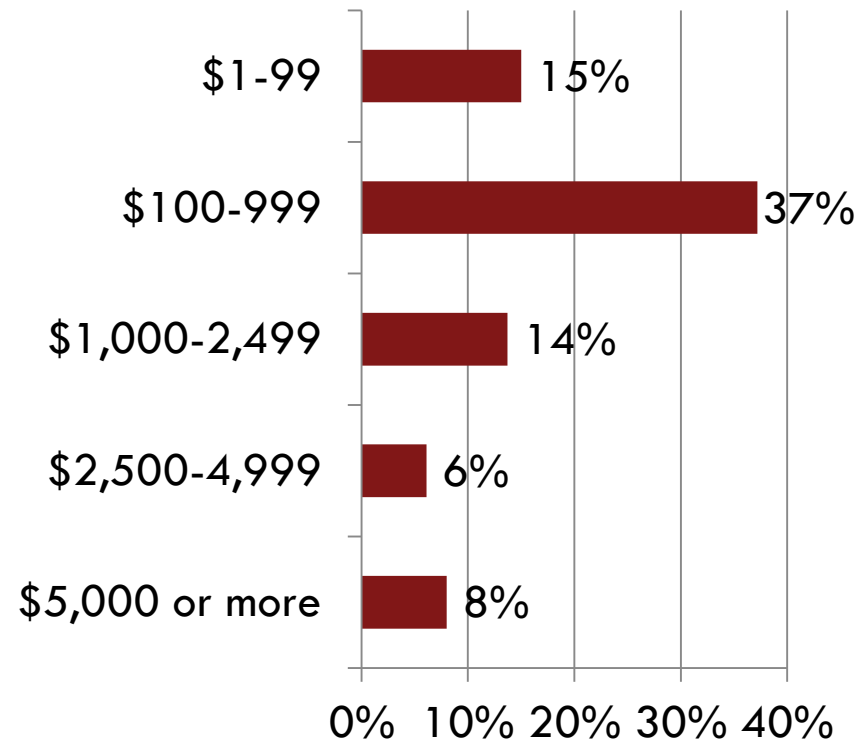
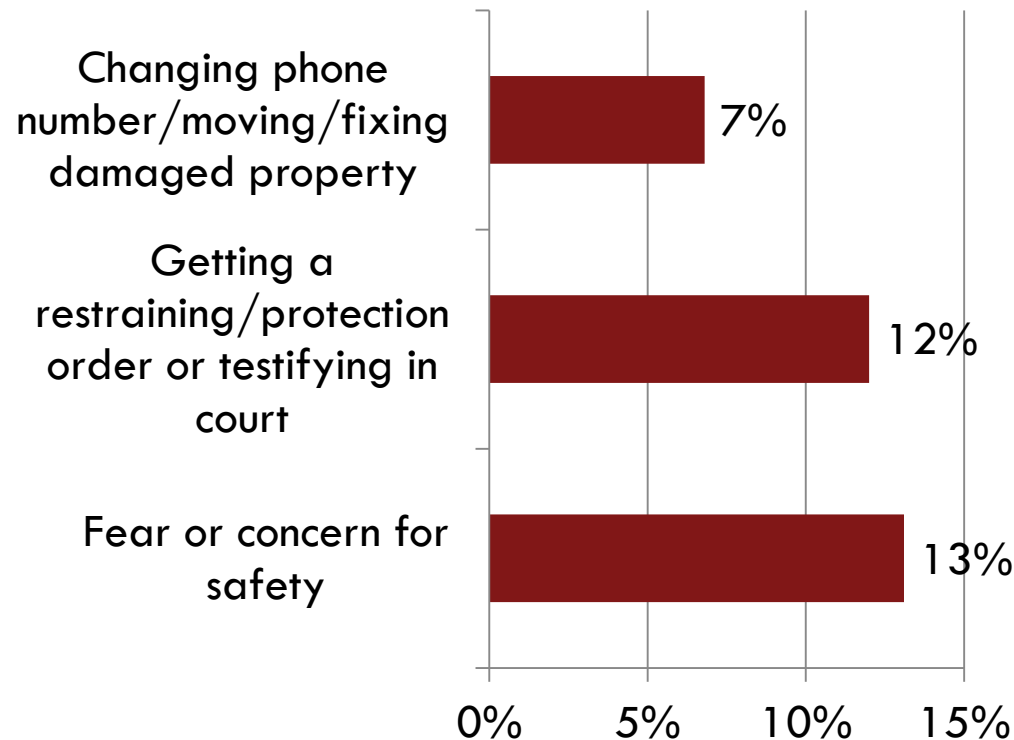
Afraid of:

- 46% not knowing what would happen next
- 30% bodily harm
- 29% behavior would never stop
- 13% harm or kidnap a child
- 10% loss of freedom
- 9% death
- 4% losing one's mind

Impact on Victims

1 in 8 of employed victims lost time from work

□ More than half lost 5 days or more



What Percent of Stalking Victims Report to Law Enforcement?

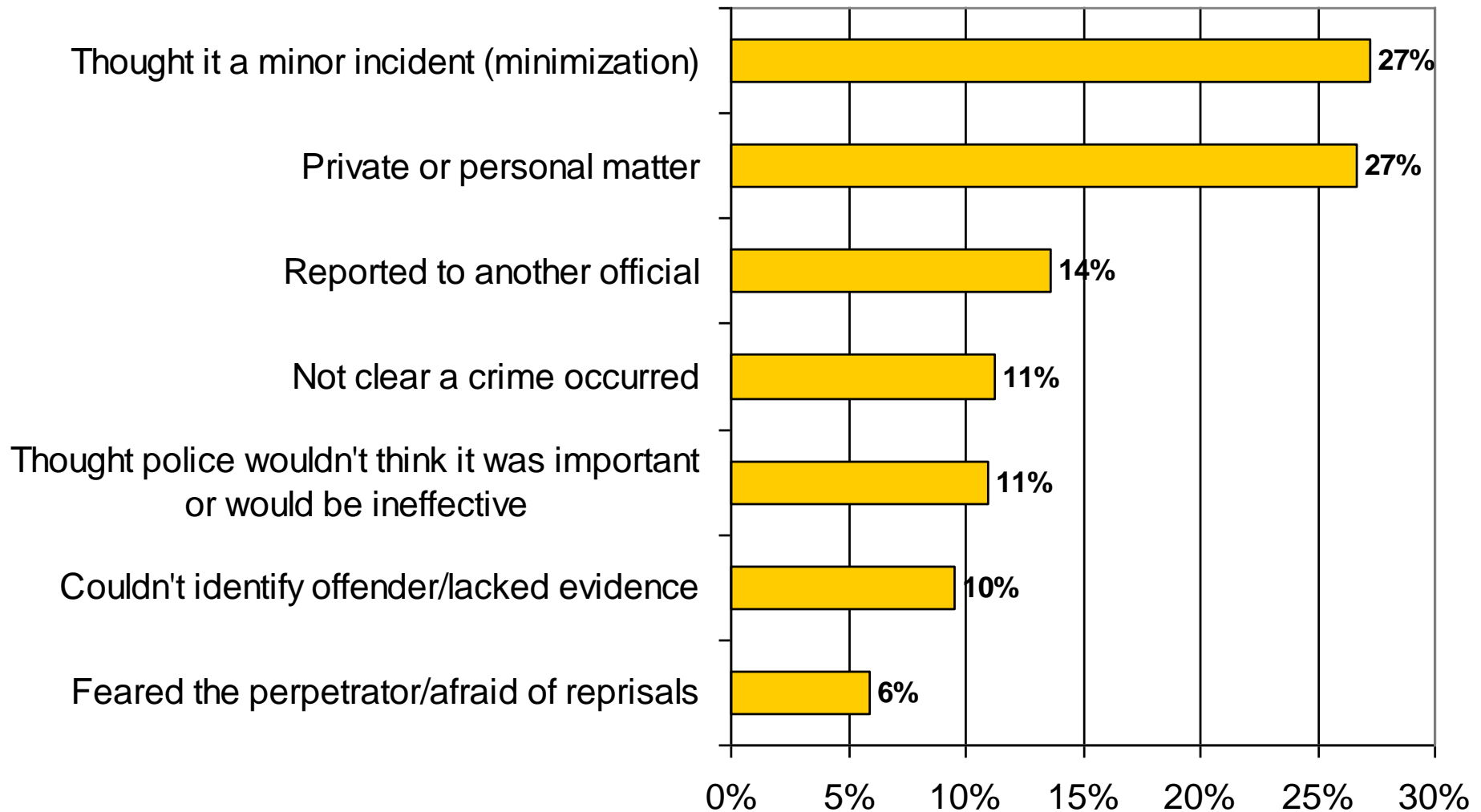
- Less than 10%
- 10% - 25%
- 25% - 50%
- 50% - 70%
- More than 70%

Reporting to Law Enforcement

37% of male
stalking victims

41% of
female
stalking victims

Reasons For Not Reporting



Reporting



By the time victims report to police, the stalking behavior has been well established and... victim-initiated countermeasures have failed.

- Klein et al., (2009). *A Statewide Study of Stalking and Its Criminal Justice Response*.

**Stalking is one
of the few
crimes where
early
intervention
can prevent
violence and
death.**

Responding to Victims

Encourage disengagement

Provide safety resources

Encourage victim to document all stalking behavior, including dates, times, witnesses, and evidence

Documentation

STALKING INCIDENT LOG

Date	Time	Description of Incident	Location of Incident	Witness Name(s) (Attach Address and Phone #)	Police Called (Report #)	Officer Name (Badge #)

Documentation Apps



Prosecutor

- Communicate elements/evidence needs to LE
- Keep victim informed about status of case



Victim advocate

- Providing options
- Working with victim to document
- Safety planning



Law enforcement

- Investigation
- Conducting threat assessment
- Connecting victim with advocates

Resources for Victims

- ❑ Are You Being Stalked? (Brochure for Victims)
- ❑ Stalking Questions and Answers
- ❑ Stalking Incident Behavior Log
- ❑ Safety Plan Guidelines
- ❑ Cyberstalking: Dangers on the Information Superhighway
- ❑ Ten Things You Should Know About Stalking

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Training

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Resources

- ❑ In person training
- ❑ Webinars
- ❑ Individual & organizational assistance
- ❑ Fact sheets, brochures, manuals, guides
- ❑ Policy/protocol development & consultation
- ❑ Videos
- ❑ Online resources
- ❑ Stalking Awareness Month materials

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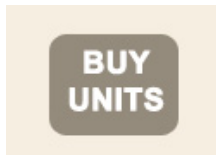
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Outreach Tools



Are You Being Stalked? Brochure *

This brochure provides stalking victims with information about stalking and steps they can take to feel safer. It also provides space on the back for contact information for local organizations. Available in English and Spanish.

Stalking Fact Sheet *

This one-page fact sheet provides statistics and information about stalking victimization. Available in English, Spanish, and Polish (electronic copy only).



National Stalking Awareness Month



January is National Stalking Awareness Month

Visit www.stalkingawarenessmonth.org for resources to help you plan events and outreach on stalking throughout the year. The website includes an interactive quiz on stalking, downloadable posters and web banners, social media tools, and other resources to help you raise awareness about stalking in your community.

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Resources for Practitioners



The Use of Technology to Stalk DVD and Discussion Guide *

This 15-minute DVD is designed to enhance awareness among professionals working with stalking victims of how stalkers use a vast array of technologies available.

The Use of Technology to Stalk Online Course

This self-paced, interactive, online training will increase the ability of criminal justice professionals and victim service providers to recognize how stalkers use technology, how to document these behaviors and collect evidence, and considerations for victim safety.

Visit www.tech2stalk.com to register.

Statistics

6.6 million people are stalked each year in the United States.

- 1 in 6 women and 1 in 19 men have experienced stalking victimization at some point during their lifetime in which they felt very fearful or believed that they or someone close to them would be harmed or killed.

Using a less conservative definition of stalking, which considers any amount of fear (i.e., a little fearful, somewhat fearful, or very fearful), 1 in 4 women and 1 in 13 men reported being a victim of stalking in their lifetime. (Black et al., 2011: *The National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey (NISVS): 2010 Summary Report*)
- 66% of female victims and 41% of male victims of stalking are stalked by a current or former intimate partner. (Ibid.)
- More than half of female victims and more than 1/3 of male victims of stalking indicated that they were stalked before the age of 25. (Ibid.)
- About 1 in 5 female victims and 1 in 14 male victims experienced stalking between the ages of 11 and 17. (Ibid.)
- Repeatedly receiving unwanted telephone calls, voice, or text messages was the most commonly experienced stalking tactic for both female and male victims of stalking. (Ibid.)
- 46% of stalking victims experience at least one unwanted contact per week. (Baum et al., 2009: "Stalking Victimization in the United States")
- 11% of victims have been stalked for 5 years or more. (Ibid.)
- Almost 1/3 of stalkers have stalked previously. (Mohande, et al., 2006: "The RECON Typology of Stalking")

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Mission

The Stalking Resource Center is a program of the National Center for Victims of Crime. The mission of the Stalking Resource Center is to enhance the ability of professionals, organizations, and systems to effectively respond to stalking. The Stalking Resource Center envisions a future in which the criminal justice system and its many allied community partners will effectively collaborate and respond to stalking, improve victim safety and well-being, and hold offenders accountable.

The Stalking Resource Center provides training, technical assistance, and resource materials for professionals working with and responding to stalking victims.

Technical Assistance

The Stalking Resource Center provides direct assistance to criminal justice and victim service organizations to build their capacity to respond effectively to stalking.

The Stalking Resource Center can assist with:

- Developing and enhancing services for victims of stalking
- Developing and implementing effective stalking protocols and policies
- Assessing civil and criminal remedies for stalking
- Developing a coordinated community response to stalking

Training

The Stalking Resource Center provides training that is victim-centered, research-informed, and practice-based. Stalking Resource Center staff is available to participate in training events sponsored by practitioners on the local, state, and national level.

Training topics include:

- Stalking: Prevalence, Lethality, and Impact
- Stalking and Intimate Partner Violence
- Stalking and Sexual Assault
- The Use of Technology to Stalk
- Stalking on Campus
- Teens and Stalking
- Analyzing Your Stalking Law
- Investigating Stalking
- Prosecuting Stalking
- Threat Assessment
- Safety Planning
- Working with Stalking Victims
- Developing a Coordinated Community Response to Stalking

The Stalking Resource Center can develop training content and integrate topics to meet specific training needs. Trainings can vary in length from 1 hour to 2-½ days. The Stalking Resource Center often partners with local and nationally recognized law enforcement officers, prosecutors, and other criminal justice professionals to provide training, and is committed to meeting the individualized needs of communities working to enhance their response to stalking.

Website

www.ncvc.org/src

A continually growing resource for practitioners and victims, the Stalking Resource Center website provides an array of information and materials, including stalking statutes, statistical overviews, videos, practitioner profiles, online training, and more.

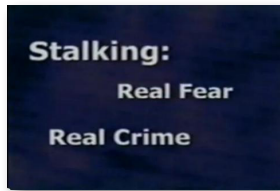
Also available through the Stalking Resource Center website is an information clearinghouse on stalking. This searchable index provides a wide range of useful information and materials for practitioners, including:

- Statistics on the prevalence of stalking
- Practitioner-specific educational tools
- Promising practices and innovative strategies
- Model protocols, forms, and procedures
- Research articles on stalking and related issues

For more information about the Stalking Resource Center or its services, contact us at:

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Resources for Practitioners (cont.)



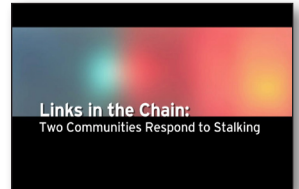
Stalking: Real Fear, Real Crime [‡]

This awareness raising video was created in response to the murder of stalking victim Peggy Klinke by a former partner. It also provides considerations for law enforcement when working with stalking cases.

Links in the Chain:

Two Communities Respond to Stalking [‡]

This DVD features two jurisdictions that successfully use multidisciplinary, collaborative responses to stalking: The New York Anti-Stalking Task Force and The Family Violence Center, a unit of the San Jose, CA Police Department.



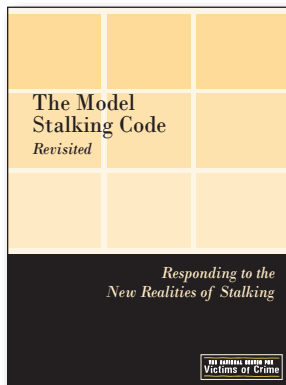
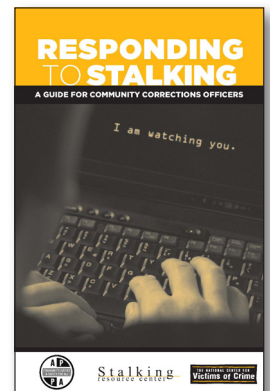
How to Start and Facilitate a Support Group for Victims of Stalking

A guide on how to initiate and run a stalking support group in your agency or community. The guide includes information about designing a support group for stalking victims, recommendations for group membership, tips for facilitators, a sample curriculum, and more.

Responding to Stalking:

A Guide for Community Correction Officers ^{*}

This guide is designed to enhance the ability of probation and parole officers to supervise offenders engaged in stalking. Sections include screening offenders, contact with victims, and suggested conditions of supervision.



Model Stalking Code Revisited:

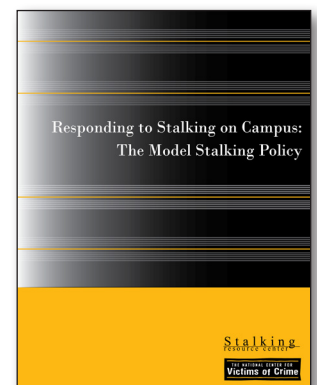
Responding to the New Realities of Stalking

This publication contains statutory language and accompanying commentary to help policymakers, advocates, criminal justice professionals and others create stronger, more effective stalking laws and protocols.

Responding to Stalking on Campus:

The Model Stalking Policy

This guide was developed to help universities and colleges create or revise their campus policy on stalking. It provides useful language about defining stalking and important safety considerations for victims. It also includes sample policies that administrators can use in their entirety or adapt for schools' specific needs.



^{*} Contact the Stalking Resource Center at src@ncvc.org or 202-467-8700 to order.

[‡] View on YouTube or contact the Stalking Resource Center to order.



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Ms. Garcia joined the Stalking Resource Center at the National Center for Victims of Crime in April 2006 and has served as the Director of the Stalking Resource Center since October 2006. The mission of the Stalking Resource Center is to enhance the ability of professionals, organizations, and systems to effectively respond to stalking. The Stalking Resource Center envisions a future in which the criminal justice system and its many allied community partners will effectively collaborate and respond to stalking, improve victim safety and well-being, and hold offenders accountable.

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Michelle has trained internationally on various topics, including stalking, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and dismantling oppression. She currently serves on the Editorial Board of the *Sexual Assault Report*, the American Bar Association Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence, and the Advisory Board of School and College Organization for Prevention Educators (SCOPE). Michelle received her Master of Public Policy degree from the University of Chicago.



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