

Violence: Key results

Health Interview Survey 2023-2024

Definition World Health Organization

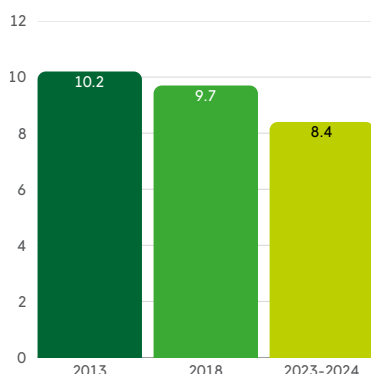


Deliberate use of physical force or power, threatened or actual, against oneself, another person, or against a group or community, which may result in physical or psychological harm, death, underdevelopment, or deprivation.

These results relate to **interpersonal violence** committed by another individual or a small group of individuals..

Evolution

The percentage of the population (aged 15+) who have been victims of violence in the past 12 months has decreased over the past 10 years.



Type



Verbal or psychological violence (e.g. insults, threats, isolation): **6.2%**



Burglary, or (armed) robbery: **3.5%**



Physical violence (e.g. being pushed over, being hit, sexual violence): **2.3%**



Economic violence (e.g. prohibited from working, paycheck): **1.2%**

Place



Violence at work or school (population 15-64 years): **6.2%**



Violence at home: **3.5%** (decline since 2013, when it was 4.3%)



Violence in a public place or on the public road: **2.3%**



Violence elsewhere: **1.8%**

Groups at risk



Type of violence:

Verbal/psych.: 10.6%
Robbery: 5.1%
Physical/sex.: 4.0%
Economic: 2.6%

Place of violence:

At home: 4.5%
Work/school: 5.1%



Verbal/psych.: 10.6%

Public place: 4.7%
Elsewhere: 3.3%



Robbery: 4.3%
Physical/sex.: 4.4%
Economic: 2.2%

Work/school: 4.2%
Elsewhere: 3.0%

Help

When someone is contacted, the top three are:



Family: 35.7%



Friends: 33.3%



Police: 32.4%

Perpetrator(s)

Top three:



Unknown: 56.1%



Family: 15.4%
(of which 8.3% the (ex-)partner)



Colleagues: (9.5%)

Domestic violence



1.0% of the population (aged 15+) had been a victim of domestic violence in the past 12 months; 0.7% (aged 18-74) had been a victim of partner violence.

More frequent: 1.4% of the women

2.3% of the young adults

Recommendations

Systematically defining and monitoring violence. Multidisciplinary approach at individual and societal level.

Preventive measures concerning risk factors such as alcohol and drugs.

Stop violence against women!

