# **Domestic Violence**

INDICATOR: Hospitalizations of Females Ages 13 and Over Due to Assaultive Injuries by Spouse or Partner

**DEFINITION:** The rate of hospitalizations due to assaultive injuries by spouse or partner (E976.3) per 100,000 females

(13 and over)

**NUMERATOR:** Total number of females (13 and over) hospitalized due to assaultive injuries by spouse or partner

(E976.3), by place of residence, in a calendar year

**DENOMINATOR:** The total female population (13 and over), by place of residence, in a calendar year

**HEALTHY PEOPLE 2010 OBJECTIVE:** 

None

Domestic Violence: Hospitalization due to violent injuries among females (ages 13 and over)

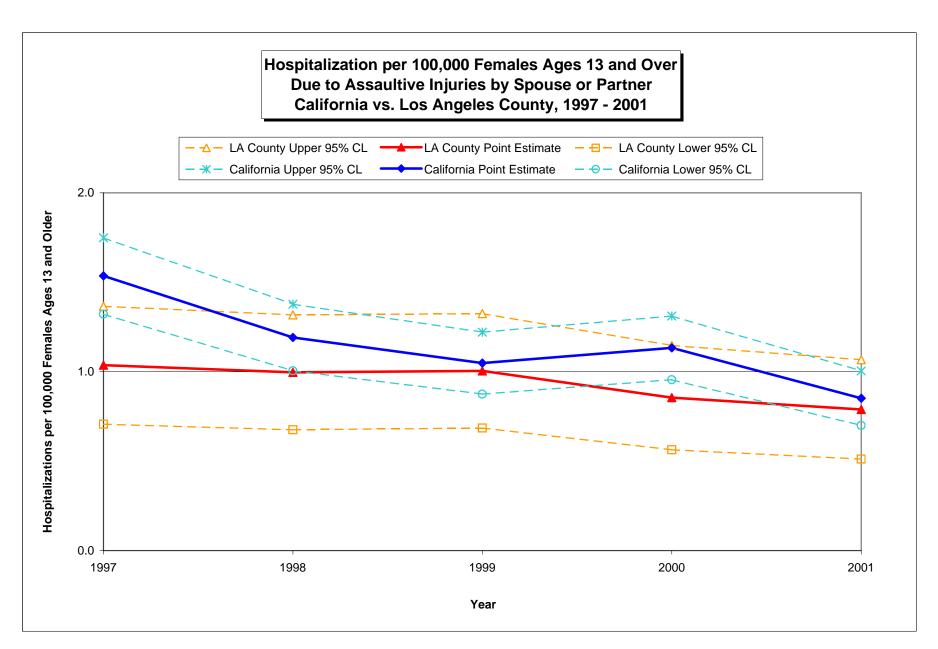
		Calif	ornia		LA County			
Year	Number	Rate	95% Confide	ence Interval	Number	Rate	95% Confide	ence Interval
I Gai	Number	Nate	Lower	Upper	Number	Nate	Lower	Upper
1997	199	1.5	1.3	1.7	38	1.0	0.7	1.4
1998	157	1.2	1.0	1.4	37	1.0	0.7	1.3
1999	141	1.0	0.9	1.2	38	1.0	0.7	1.3
2000	156	1.1	1.0	1.3	33	0.9	0.6	1.1
2001	120	0.9	0.7	1.0	31	0.8	0.5	1.1

Denominator: Total Female Population Ages 13 and Over							
Year	California	LA County					
1997	12,958,407	3,665,911					
1998	13,177,039	3,714,360					
1999	13,453,271	3,781,458					
2000	13,765,704	3,860,423					
2001	14,085,569	3,928,656					

Sources: California Department of Health Services, Epidemiology and Prevention for Injury Control (EPIC) Branch, Injury Surveillance and Epidemiology Section.

Denominator data: California Department of Finance, "Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 1970-2050",

Sacramento, California, May 2004.



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INDICATOR: Deaths Due to Assaultive Injuries (Homicides) Among Adolescent and Adult Females Ages 10-44

**DEFINITION:** The three year average rate per 100,000 females (ages 10-44) of deaths due to homicide

(E-Codes 960.0-969.0)

**NUMERATOR:** The number of deaths due to homicide among females (ages 10-44), by place of residence

(three year average)

**DENOMINATOR:** The total female population age 10 through 44 for the middle year of the three year time period of interest

**HEALTHY PEOPLE 2010 OBJECTIVE:** 

Reduce homicides to no more than 3.0 per 100,000 population. (Age-adjusted to year 2000 std. pop.)

(Baseline: 6.5 per 100,000 in 1998) (Objective 15-32) - (include all age groups)

Risk Factors: Low income; gender (male); age (teens, young adults); race/ethnicity (African American, Hispanic); history

of abuse (victim of spousal/intimate, or child abuse); easy access to firearms; presence of firearms at

home

Domestic Violence: Deaths due to homicide among females (ages 10 to 44 years)

		Calif	ornia			LA (	County	
Three-Year	Number	Rate	95% Confid	ence Interval	Number	Rate	95% Confid	ence Interval
Average	Number	Rate	Lower	Upper	Number	Nate	Lower	Upper
1991-1993	511	6.1	5.6	6.6	214	8.5	7.4	9.7
1992-1994	475	5.6	5.1	6.2	191	7.6	6.6	8.7
1993-1995	459	5.4	4.9	5.9	174	7.0	5.9	8.0
1994-1996	387	4.6	4.1	5.0	146	5.9	4.9	6.8
1995-1997	350	4.1	3.7	4.6	129	5.2	4.3	6.1
1996-1998	300	3.5	3.1	3.9	114	4.6	3.7	5.4
1997-1999	277	3.2	2.8	3.6	96	3.8	3.1	4.6
1998-2000	256	2.9	2.6	3.3	98	3.9	3.1	4.6
1999-2001	253	2.9	2.5	3.2	93	3.6	2.9	4.4
2000-2002	257	2.9	2.5	3.2	99	3.9	3.1	4.6

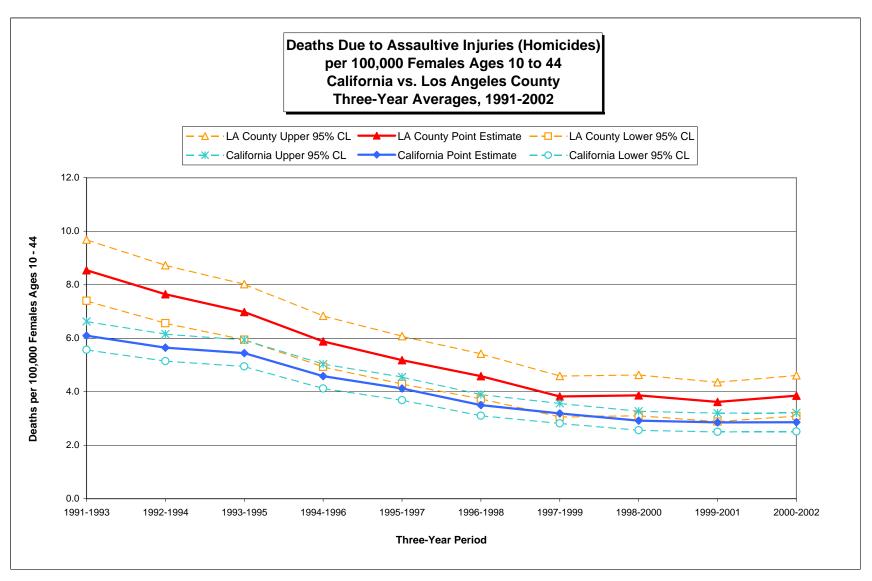
Numerator: Homicides to Females Ages 10-44								
Year	California	LA County						
1991	514	211						
1992	479	207						
1993	539	225						
1994	408	142						
1995	429	155						
1996	323	141						
1997	297	90						
1998	280	112						
1999	253	87						
2000	234	96						
2001	272	95						
2002	265	106						

Denominator: Total Female Population Ages 10-44								
Year	California	LA County						
1991	8,310,713	2,510,169						
1992	8,393,875	2,514,402						
1993	8,416,685	2,502,392						
1994	8,428,463	2,493,542						
1995	8,429,079	2,479,646						
1996	8,466,327	2,474,954						
1997	8,573,923	2,494,656						
1998	8,667,757	2,519,513						
1999	8,767,487	2,546,269						
2000	8,855,206	2,562,965						
2001	8,993,989	2,571,217						
2002	9,089,318	2,577,846						

Note: Because there is no domestic violence-specific external cause of injury (E-Code) in the current International Classification of Diseases (ICD) codebook, the numerator in this template reflects deaths due to all types of assaults except data for California 2000. Prior to 1999, ICD-9 codes E960-E969 were used; after 1999, ICD-10 codes X85-Y09 and Y87.1 were used. Data from California Department of Health Services, Epidemiology and Prevention for Injury Control (EPIC) Branch does not include ICD-10 code Y87.1 for assault (homicide) by all other and unspecified means and their sequelae.

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INDICATOR: Domestic Violence-Related Calls for Assistance

**DEFINITION:** The rate per 1,000 adult population (ages 18 and over) of domestic violence calls to law enforcement

agencies

NUMERATOR: Total domestic violence-related calls for assistance to law enforcement agencies, by place of

residence, in a calendar year

**DENOMINATOR:** The total adult population (ages 18 and over), by place of residence, in a calendar year

#### **HEALTHY PEOPLE 2010 OBJECTIVE:**

Reduce the rate of physical assault directed by current or former intimate partners to 3.3 per 1,000 persons aged 12 or over.

(Baseline: 4.4 physical assaults per 1,000 persons aged 12 and over in 1998) (Objective 15-34)

## Domestic Violence-related calls for assistance in the adult population (ages 18 and over)

		Califo	rnia			LA C	ounty	
Year	Number of	Rate	95% Confidence Interval		Number of	Rate	95% Confidence Interval	
i eai	Calls	Nate	Lower	Upper	Calls	Nate	Lower	Upper
1993	236,895	10.5	10.5	10.6	67,732	10.5	10.4	10.5
1994	250,439	11.1	11.0	11.1	72,991	11.3	11.2	11.4
1995	246,315	10.9	10.8	10.9	75,639	11.7	11.6	11.8
1996	227,899	10.0	9.9	10.0	72,725	11.3	11.2	11.3
1997	220,156	9.5	9.4	9.5	67,805	10.4	10.3	10.5
1998	196,832	8.3	8.3	8.4	62,278	9.4	9.4	9.5
1999	186,406	7.7	7.7	7.7	59,834	8.9	8.8	9.0
2000	196,880	7.9	7.9	8.0	60,960	8.9	8.8	8.9
2001	198,031	7.8	7.8	7.8	59,661	8.5	8.4	8.6
2002	196,569	7.6	7.6	7.6	56,452	7.9	7.8	8.0

Denominator: Total Adult Population Ages 18 and Over							
Year	California	LA County					
1993	22,495,233	6,479,252					
1994	22,598,204	6,470,046					
1995	22,692,845	6,453,618					
1996	22,876,297	6,454,454					
1997	23,263,077	6,517,055					
1998	23,649,525	6,600,520					
1999	24,170,378	6,727,477					
2000	24,780,249	6,885,518					
2001	25,376,414	7,026,166					
2002	25,902,332	7,155,806					

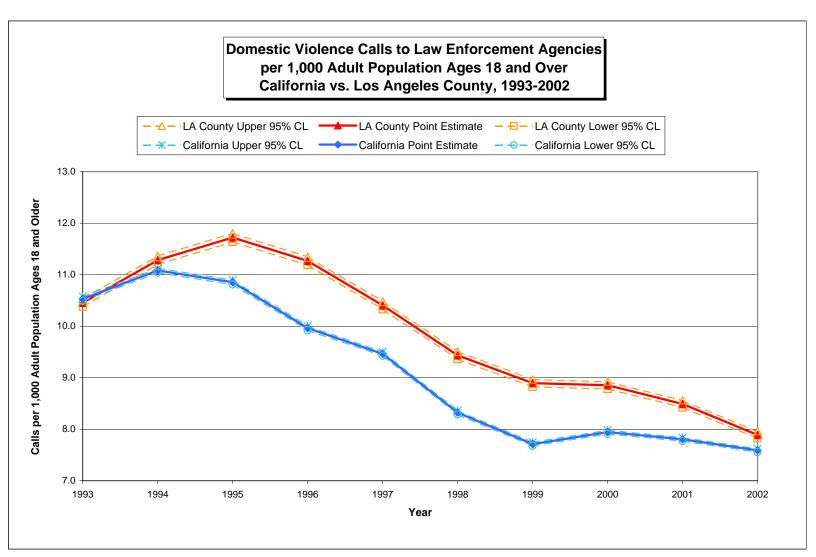
Note: Currently, there is no standard definition of or reporting system for domestic violence. Domestic violence is a complex issue involving many social and psychological forces. Therefore, reliance on a single indicator does not present a complete picture of the problem. To begin addressing these barriers, it is important to identify the existing data sources and understand their advantages and limitations. Local police jurisdictions's mandated reporting on "domestic violence-related calls for assistance" is one data source commonly used to describe the frequency of domestic violence in California, because it is population-based and easily accessible. However, these data only illustrate local law enforcement practices and response to domestic violence calls and are not an adequate source for measuring either the prevalence or incidence of domestic violence injuries.

Sources: California Department of Justice, Division of Law Enforcement, Law Enforcement Information Center Special Report,

"Total Domestic Violence Calls Received by Type of Weapon, by County, 1990-2001".

California Department of Justice, Criminal Justice Statisitics Center, California Criminal Justice Profile 1998-2002.

Denominator data: California Department of Finance, "Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 1970-2050", Sacramento, California, May 2004.



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INDICATOR: Domestic Violence-Related Calls for Assistance: Proportion of Cases with Weapons

**DEFINITION:**The number and proportion of domestic violence-related calls to law enforcement agencies that

involved weapons

NUMERATOR: Number of domestic violence-related calls with weapons

**DENOMINATOR:** Total number of domestic violence calls to law enforcement agencies

**HEALTHY PEOPLE 2010 OBJECTIVE:** 

None

Domestic Violence-Related Calls for Assistance: Cases with weapons

	LA County									
Year	Domestic vi	olence-related calls for	assistance	Number by Type of Weapon						
rear	Number of Calls	Number with Weapons	Percent	Firearm	Knife or Cutting Instrument	Other Dangerous Weapon	Hands, Fist, Feet, etc.			
1993	67,732	51,809	76.5	1,418	2,612	5,507	42,272			
1994	72,991	55,203	75.6	1,371	2,634	6,058	45,140			
1995	75,639	56,129	74.2	1,178	2,573	6,035	46,343			
1996	72,725	52,729	72.5	958	2,474	6,168	43,129			
1997	67,805	48,559	71.6	781	2,122	5,558	40,098			
1998	62,278	43,619	70.0	622	1,852	5,055	36,090			
1999	59,834	42,573	71.2	612	1,706	5,034	35,221			
2000	60,960	44,029	72.2	682	1,846	5,568	35,933			
2001	59,661	42,798	71.7	637	1,639	5,760	34,762			
2002	56,452	40,017	70.9	753	1,657	5,758	31,849			

Sources: California Department of Justice, Division of Law Enforcement, Law Enforcement Information Center Special Report,

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INDICATOR: Domestic Violence: Arrest Rate for Spousal Abuse

**DEFINITION:** The rate per 1,000 adult population (ages 18 and over) of arrest for domestic violence incidence

NUMERATOR: The total number of arrests for spousal abuse (violation of Penal Code Section 273.5, male and female

perpetrators), by place of residence, in a calendar year

**DENOMINATOR:** The total adult population (ages 18 and over), by place of residence, in a calendar year

**HEALTHY PEOPLE 2010 OBJECTIVE:** 

None

Domestic Violence: Arrests for spousal abuse

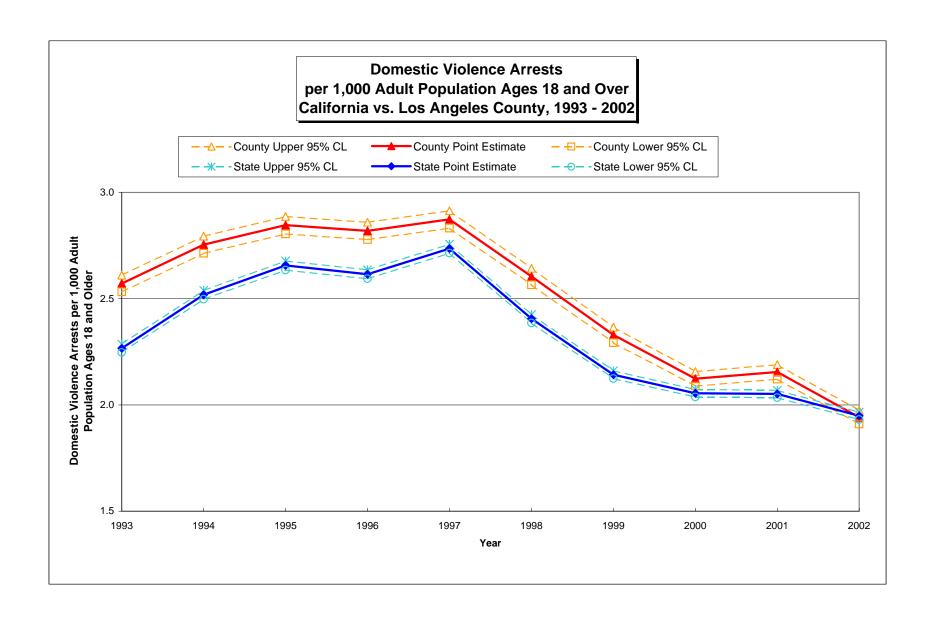
	California								LA C	ounty		
Year	Total	Male	Female	Rate	Lower 95% CI	Upper 95% CI	Total	Male	Female	Rate	Lower 95% CI	Upper 95% CI
1993	50,982	46,063	4,919	2.3	2.2	2.3	16,663	14,983	1,680	2.6	2.5	2.6
1994	56,919	50,473	6,446	2.5	2.5	2.5	17,820	15,778	2,042	2.8	2.7	2.8
1995	60,279	52,394	7,885	2.7	2.6	2.7	18,369	15,945	2,424	2.8	2.8	2.9
1996	59,828	51,219	8,609	2.6	2.6	2.6	18,197	15,639	2,558	2.8	2.8	2.9
1997	63,636	53,778	9,858	2.7	2.7	2.8	18,726	15,819	2,907	2.9	2.8	2.9
1998	56,892	47,519	9,373	2.4	2.4	2.4	17,190	14,330	2,860	2.6	2.6	2.6
1999	51,782	42,874	8,908	2.1	2.1	2.2	15,673	12,959	2,714	2.3	2.3	2.4
2000	50,928	41,680	9,248	2.1	2.0	2.1	14,620	11,852	2,768	2.1	2.1	2.2
2001	52,072	42,439	9,633	2.1	2.0	2.1	15,143	12,290	2,853	2.2	2.1	2.2
2002	50,479	40,885	9,594	1.9	1.9	2.0	13,899	11,234	2,665	1.9	1.9	2.0

Denominator: Total Adult Population Ages 18 and Over						
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