

## Persons Who May Be Alaska Mental Health Trust Beneficiaries had more Adverse Childhood Experiences

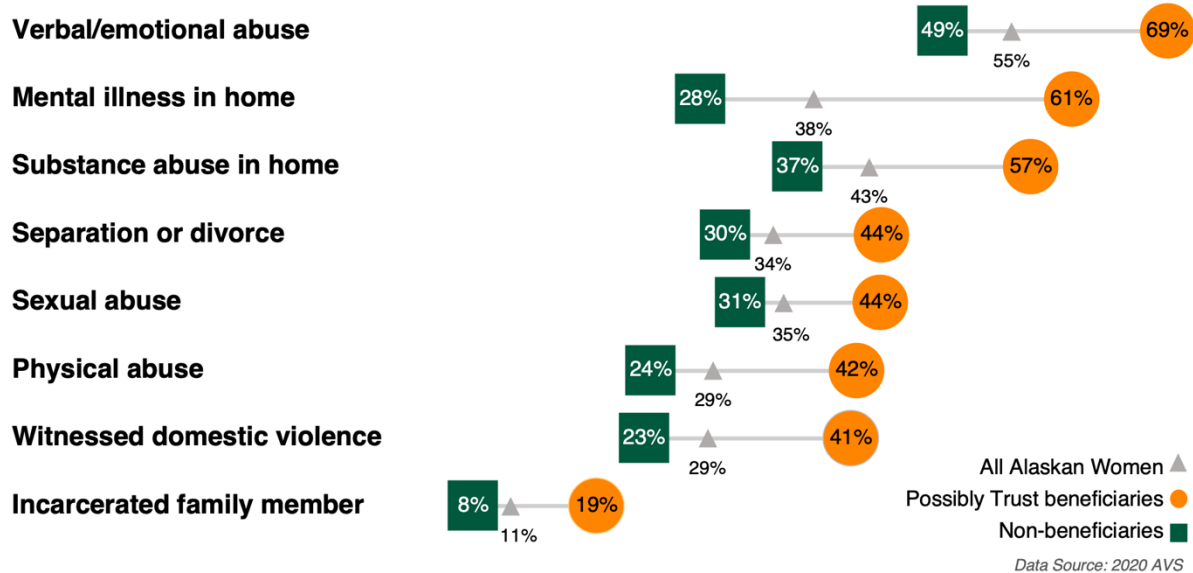
Alaska Mental Health Trust beneficiaries include Alaskans with mental illness, developmental disabilities, chronic alcohol or drug addiction, Alzheimer’s disease and related dementia, and traumatic brain injuries.

Women who were possibly  
**Alaska Mental Health Trust beneficiaries**  
were **2x** more likely  
to have experienced

Four or more total **Adverse Childhood Experiences**  
than women who were **non-beneficiaries**

Total number of ACEs domains (0-8)  
Data Source: 2020 AVS

Women in Alaska who were possibly **Trust beneficiaries**  
were **more likely** to have experienced each type of **adverse childhood experience** compared to women who were **non-beneficiaries**



## The Alaska Victimization Survey

The Alaska Victimization Survey (AVS) is funded by the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault and conducted by the University of Alaska Anchorage Justice Center. A total of 2,100 English-speaking women in Alaska aged 18 or older participated by telephone in the AVS between July 2020 and November 2020. The 2020 AVS asked respondents about their mental health history to determine if they may be an Alaska Mental Health Trust beneficiary, identifying Alaskans with mental illness, developmental disabilities, chronic alcohol or drug addiction, Alzheimer’s disease and related dementia, and traumatic brain injuries. For more details on how Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and possible Trust beneficiary status were measured in the AVS, see the full report at <http://hdl.handle.net/11122/12259>.

## The Alaska Justice Information Center

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