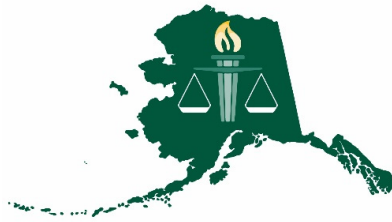


# UAA Justice Center's Ongoing DVSA Research

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## Status Updates for the June 2017 CDVSA Quarterly Council Meeting:



- **Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Knowledge, Attitudes, and Beliefs**
- **Results First and Batterer Intervention Programs**
- **Psychological and Physical Abuse Against Elders**
- **Alaska Victimization Survey**

# UPDATE: Survey on Alaskans' Knowledge, Attitudes, and Beliefs

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- **Reviewed in May 2017 and revised in June 2017**
- **Three key findings:**
  - Majority of adults agree that DV/SA are problems
  - Majority of adults recognize they have a responsibility to intervene
  - 1 in 5 believe that rape victims are partially responsible if they are drunk
- **Now ready for release**
  - Report will be posted on Justice Center website
  - CDVSA media release

## UPDATE: Results First and Batterer Intervention Programs

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- **“Results First”** is an innovative cost-benefit analysis approach designed to help us invest in policies and programs that are proven to work
- **Analysis includes batterer intervention programs that receive state general funds**
- **Results are not yet public but were shared with Diane Casto and will be presented at Alaska Criminal Justice Commission on June 15**

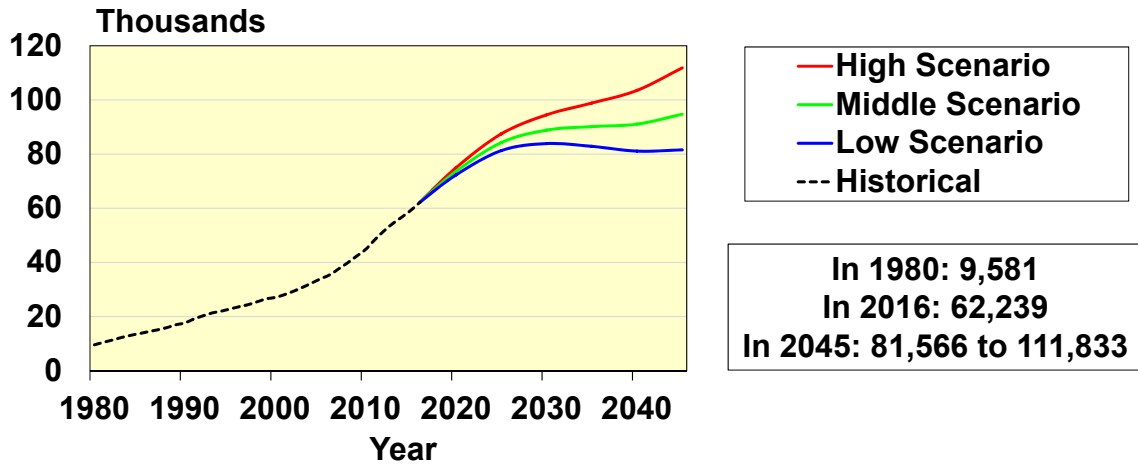
## UPDATE: Psychological and Physical Abuse Against Elders

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- **Data:**
  - Alaska Victimization Survey (2010-2015):  
3,483 women in Alaska who were 60 years old or older
  - National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey (2010):  
3,049 women in the United States who were 60 years old or older
- **Measures:**
  - Psychological Abuse (expressive aggression by intimate partners and coercive control by intimate partners)
  - Physical Abuse (physical violence by intimate partners and sexual violence)
  - Other forms of abuse are not included (e.g., financial exploitation)

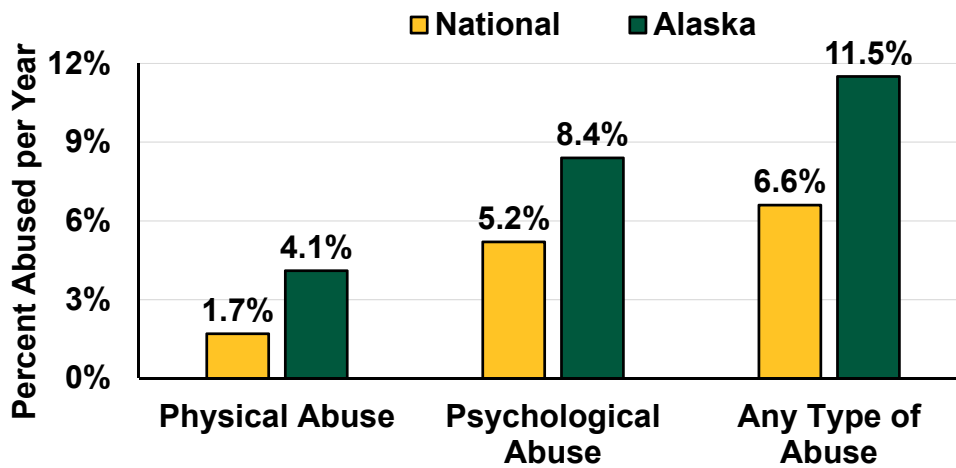
# From 1980 to 2016, the number of Alaskan women age 60+ increased by 550%

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# One in nine experienced psychological or physical abuse in the past year

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## Psychological abuse is more prevalent than physical abuse

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Type of Abuse	% Abused Nationally	% Abused in Alaska
<b>Physical Abuse</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
Physical Violence by Intimate Partners	1.0%	1.5%
Sexual Violence	0.9%	2.8%
<b>Psychological Abuse</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>8.4%</b>
Expressive Aggression by Intimate Partners	3.3%	5.0%
Coercive Control by Intimate Partners	3.6%	4.9%
<b>Any Type of Abuse</b>	<b>6.6%</b>	<b>11.5%</b>

## Plans for Dissemination and Public Education

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- **Blog posts and media releases**
- **World Abuse Awareness Day, June 15**
- **Video with L. Diane Casto & Andre Rosay**
- **Article in Alaska Justice Forum, July 2017**
- **Dissemination with state agencies including DHSS**
- **Working with media including *Senior Voice*, published monthly by Older Persons Action Group, Inc.**

## UPDATE: Alaska Victimization Survey

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- Surveyed more than 10,000 women from 2010 to 2015
- Over 350 media mentions
- 37 media mentions in 2017 (approx. 1 every 4 days)
- Recent results:
  - 1 in 3 adult women in Alaska were stalked in their lifetime
  - 1 in 9 adult women age 60+ experienced psychological or physical abuse in the past year
  - From 2010 to 2015, violence against women dropped by more than 30%

## One in three adult women in Alaska were stalked in their lifetime

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*Among all adult women in the State of Alaska:*

**1 in 3**

(more than 80,800)  
were stalked in their lifetime

**1 in 17**

(more than 15,300)  
were stalked in the past year

*Among women who experienced intimate partner violence or sexual violence  
in their lifetime:*

**50%**

(more than 66,800)  
were also stalked in their lifetime

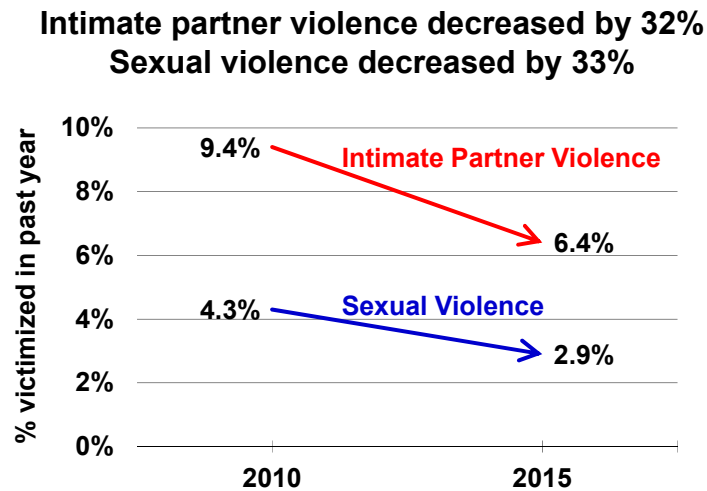
**27%**

(more than 5,800)  
were also stalked in the past year

These estimates come from a 2015 survey of adult women in the State of Alaska.  
Source: UAA Justice Center, Alaska Victimization Survey, <http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/justice/avs>.

## From 2010 to 2015, violence against women dropped by more than 30%

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## Next Steps: Alaska Victimization Survey

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- Release results on psychological and physical abuse against women aged 60 and older
- Release results for the North Slope Borough, in partnership with Arctic Women in Crisis
- Release results for the Aleutian/Pribilof Island Region, in partnership with Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence (USAFV)
- Compute estimates for service needs (legal, advocacy, and housing)