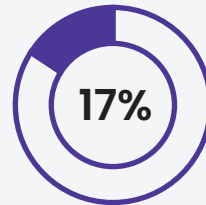


DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

IS THERE A RISK OF DEATH?

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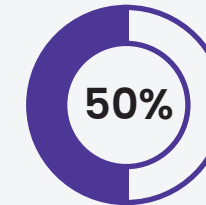
The number of domestic homicides in Ontario between 2002 and 2007 [1]



The number of domestic homicides that make up the number of solved homicides in Canada 47% of all family homicides [2]



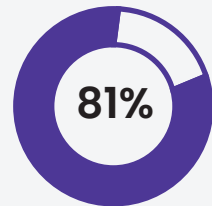
Victims are most vulnerable and at risk for death when they have left or plan to leave the abuser [3]



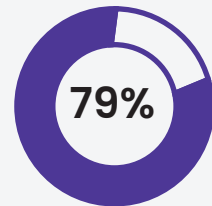
The approximate number of women who did not recognize risk factors before they were killed or almost killed [4]

HOW CAN I LEAVE AN ABUSIVE RELATIONSHIP?

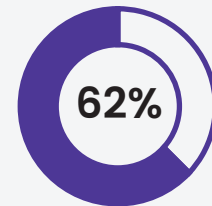
- Know the risk
- Don't let on about your plan or intentions to leave your abuser
- Build a support network
- Have a safety plan
- Create safety around the children
- Get a protection order, if necessary



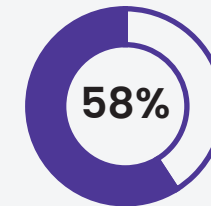
percent couple was either separated or in the process of separating



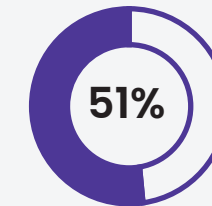
percent there was a prior history of domestic violence reported



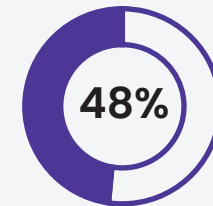
percent obsessive behavior displayed by perpetrator



percent perpetrator depressed in the opinions of professionals (e.g., physician, counsellor) and/or non-professionals (e.g., family, friends, etc)



percent there is an escalation of violence



percent perpetrators have made prior threats to kill victim

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Neighbours, Friends & Families