

OHIO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FATALITIES



The comprehensive resource on domestic violence

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In an attempt to better understand the prevalence and circumstances of domestic violence fatalities in Ohio, the Ohio Domestic Violence Network reviewed media reports identified by staff members or local member programs. Fatalities included targeted victims, perpetrators, and others at incidents involving intimate partner relationships.

INVOLVED A SUICIDE



COMPLETED HOMICIDE/ SUICIDES WERE PERPETRATED BY MALES AGAINST FEMALES

BY LAW ENFORCEMENT

ALL BY MALE PERPETRATORS

21 FATALITIES WERE SUICIDES,

FATALITES IN 69 CASES INCLUDING VICTIMS AND DETAILS **VICTIMS AND PERPETRATORS**

46 DECEASED MALES, 45 DECEASED FEMALES. ALL DECEASED FEMALES WERE VICTIMS

71% OF FATAL INCIDENTS **INVOLVED GUNS***

LAW ENFORCEMENT **OFFICERS KILLED BY** A PERPETRATOR

22% OF CASES INVOLVED **CHILDREN** AT THE SCENE **73**

PEOPLE WERE INJURED OR KILLED BY GUNS

12% **OF CASES REQUIRED SWAT RESPONSE**

CHILDREN KILLED IN FATAL **INCIDENTS**

2 GIRLS AGE 4, 1 BOY AGE 1

2 VICTIMS WERE PREGNANT AT THE TIME OF DEATH

1 CHILD DELIVERED ALIVE AS HER MOTHER DIED









69 CASES REVIEWED

MULTIPLE FATALITIES



1 incident involved 3 fatalities SAME SEX RELATIONSHIP



1 case involved a same sex relationship

3RD PARTY FATALITIES



8 people died who were 3rd parties to the incident

KILLED BY 3RD PARTY



8 attackers were killed by an intervening 3rd party

DECEASED VICTIMS RANGED IN AGE FROM 1-74



INCIDENTS OCCURRED IN HOMES, PUBLIC PLACES AND ROADSIDES IN 28 OF OHIO'S 88 COUNTIES.

CALCULATING THE RISK OF STAYING OR LEAVING

46%

OF FATALITY CASES, THE VICTIM OF INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE HAD ENDED THE RELATIONSHIP OR WAS IN THE PROCESS OF ENDING THE RELATIONSHIP

Evidence collected during the investigation reportedly included a "Pros and Cons" list, authored by the 18-year-old victim, that listed the perpetrator as being a "liar, disrespectful, bad temper, big ego and back stabber." The list was believed to have been compiled near the time of Baylee Williams' death and supported claims their relationship had been terminated by the victim.

A .357-Ruger was found lying on a coffee table in the living room. The gun was reportedly loaded and a holster was also found lying on the table."

— The Daily Jeff, Feb. 13, 2018

Previous violence against victims prior to fatal incident:

KIDNAPPING
STRANGULATION
STALKING
POISONING
POINTING GUN TO HEAD
CHASING/RAMMING WHILE DRIVING
PUSHING FROM MOVING CAR
RAPE

The safety of others:

Among others killed by perpetrators were three minor children, an adult daughter, three law enforcement officers, a new husband, new fiancee, new partner, and a victim's dog.

Remember these losses, strive to understand the issue, and support advances toward long-term solutions.

ODVN will be working with legislators, domestic violence programs, public officials and others to design more effective responses that can prevent these tragedies.