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Violence against women: the global picture

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Key figures

840 M
women have experienced partner or sexual violence in their lifetime: nearly 1 in 3

316 M
experienced violence from a partner in the past 12 months

47,000
women and girls killed by a partner or family member in 2025: 5 every hour

7%
of survivors report to the police

63-97% of reported cases, depending on the country, end without a conviction

Six forms of violence

Intimate partner violence
316 million women in one year

Sexual violence
263 million women, by non-partners

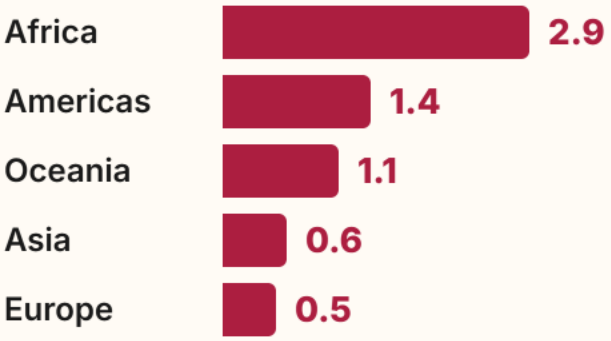
Femicide
78,000 in 2025, 60% by partners or family

Female genital mutilation
Over 230 million survivors

Online violence
70% of women in public life

Violence in war
Sudan, DRC: widespread sexual violence

Femicides per 100,000 women (2025)



Survivors who seek help

Asia	16%
Africa	31%
Latin America	40%
EU (police)	14%

AI translation · Sources: WHO (2025) · UNODC and UN Women (24 Nov 2026) · UNICEF · Human Rights Watch

And yet, things are changing

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Africa

TREATY
African Union Convention
Ratified by The Gambia and Ghana in 2026.

LAWS
Ending child marriage
Burkina Faso: minimum age 18. Sierra Leone: banned.

Europe

LAW
France: consent
Since 2025, lack of consent defines rape.

TREATIES
Hungary and the EU
Ratification of the Istanbul Convention announced.

Americas

LAWS
20 countries
criminalise femicide in Latin America and the Caribbean.

TRIAL
Brazil
May 2026: actor Juan Darthés's conviction upheld.

Asia and Middle East

JUSTICE
Afghanistan
The ICC pursues Taliban leaders for persecuting women.

LAW
Thailand
Sexual harassment now punished, online too.

The world

JUSTICE
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convictions in 13 countries, thanks to the Spotlight Initiative.

RIGHTS
3.1 bn
women and girls gained new legal rights (2022-2025).

Days of action against violence against women

25 November – 10 December 2026 · "Ensure justice, protect survivors, end impunity" (UN campaign 2026)

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