

The State of Violence in California

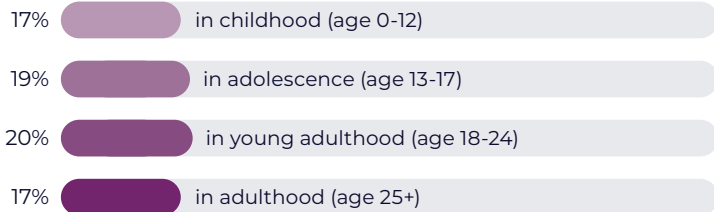
CALIFORNIA VIOLENCE EXPERIENCES SURVEY (CaIVEX) 2023



1 in 20 Californians (5%) have experienced **physical violence** in the past year.

- In 2023, **more than 550,000 women and 900,000 men** in California were victims of **physical violence**.
- In 2023, **more than 1.5 million women and 900,000 men** in California were victims of **sexual harassment or assault**.

Physical violence experiences were common across the lifespan.



Sexual violence experiences were most common in adolescence through adulthood.

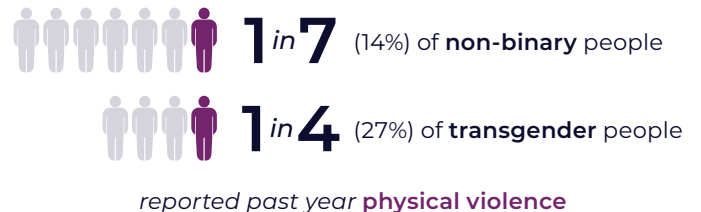


1 in 2 California adults (46%) have experienced some form of **IPV*** in their lifetime.

- **6% of both women and men and 16% of non-binary people** reported experiencing at least one of 22 assessed forms of **IPV** in the past year.
- 1 in 30 California adults (3%)—**almost 1 million**—experienced **physical or sexual IPV** in the past year.

**Intimate partner violence includes emotional, controlling, threatening, physical, or sexual violence.*

NON-BINARY and TRANSGENDER PEOPLE EXPERIENCE VERY HIGH RATES OF PHYSICAL and SEXUAL VIOLENCE



THE HEALTH CONSEQUENCES of VIOLENCE ARE DIRE

People who experience physical or sexual violence are:



- 4x** more likely to report serious consideration of suicide
- 2x** more likely to report recent substance misuse
- 2x** more likely to report severe depression and/or anxiety symptoms

About the survey The final sample included 3,560 respondents—2,013 women; 1,483 men; 64 people who identify as non-binary, genderqueer, gender fluid, or other self-described gender identity. The survey was conducted online by NORC at the University of Chicago from March to May 2023.