

# Family Violence

## At a Glance

### Family Violence

Family violence is a term used for violence that occurs within family relationships.

Family violence usually occurs between parents and children, siblings, intimate partners or kinship relationships.



### Behaviours

Family violence include a range of behaviour types such as:

- physical violence (for example, hitting, choking, or burning)
- sexual violence (for example, rape, penetration by objects, unwanted touching)
- emotional abuse, also known as psychological
- abuse (for example, intimidating, humiliating)

### How Common?

Results from the 2021–22 PSS show that an estimated 3.8 million Australian adults (20% of the population) reported experiencing physical and/or sexual family and domestic violence since the age of 15.



### Long and Short-term Impacts

- Homicide
- Violence
- Suicide
- Early pregnancy loss
- Depressive disorders
- Anxiety disorders
- Alcohol abuse

### Supports Available

- Lifeline - 13 11 14.
- 1800 Respect - 1800 737 732.
- MensLine Australia - 1300 789 978.
- Financial Counselling Australia- 1800 007 007.
- 13 Yarn- 13 92 76
- KidsHelpLine - 1800 55 1800.
- BeyondBlue - 1300 22 4636.

