

Intimate Partner Violence And Sexual Violence Data Source Inventory



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The purpose of this document is to make data sources related to intimate partner violence, domestic violence, and sexual violence more accessible to local and state level agencies in North Carolina doing work related to these topics. In this inventory, each key, relevant data source and the type of data it offers has been summarized so that practitioners can quickly identify which data sources will be most useful to their work. Information included in the following report are based on information available through January, 2010.

INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE (IPV), also called domestic violence, is a pattern of coercive behavior in which one person attempts to control another through threats or actual use of tactics, which may include any or all of the following: physical, sexual, verbal, economic, psychological abuse and stalking. The behavior may occur during the relationship or after the relationship has ended.¹

SEXUAL VIOLENCE (SV) is any sexual act that is perpetrated against someone's will. SV encompasses a range of offenses, including a completed nonconsensual sex act (i.e., rape), an attempted nonconsensual sex act, abusive sexual contact (i.e., unwanted touching), and non-contact sexual abuse (e.g., threatened sexual violence, exhibitionism, verbal sexual harassment). All types involve victims who do not consent, or who are unable to consent or refuse to allow the act.²

Data Source Criteria

Data sources related to IPV and SV were selected for inclusion in this inventory based on 5 criteria:

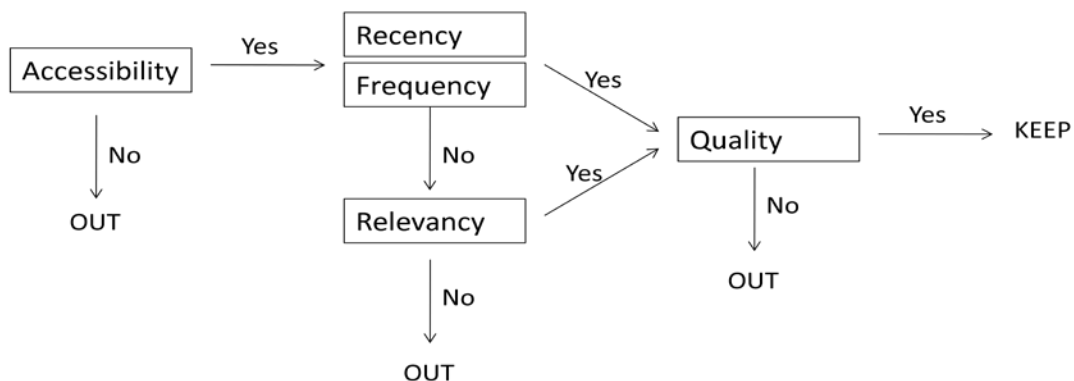
1. Accessibility: The data are publically available or available upon request.
2. Recentness: Data have been collected in the last 5 years.
3. Frequency: Data are collected at least every 2 years.
4. Relevance: Data are particularly relevant to IPV and SV and may provide a unique or in-depth perspective on these health topics.
5. Quality: Data are collected, analyzed, and reported consistently and completely.

The evaluation process for including a data source is depicted in Figure 1.

¹ Definition developed by the North Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NCCADV).

² Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. "Sexual Violence: Definitions." Atlanta, GA. Accessed 4/8/10 from: <http://www.cdc.gov/ViolencePrevention/sexualviolence/definitions.html>

Figure 1: Data Source Selection Process



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**NC Administrative Office of the Courts:
Domestic Violence Protective Order Information
State, Local**

Purpose: To provide yearly reports of domestic violence-related trials from district court civil cases
Access: Public

Contact: National State Local

<http://www.nccourts.org/Citizens/SRPlanning/Statistics/DVCivilCase.asp>

Format in which data are available:

- Prepared report? Yes
- Customized report? Yes
- Record level data? Yes

Query capability? No **Data collection instrument available?** No

Demographic Variables

- age, county

Primary Outcomes

- DV-related restraining orders
- trial status
- ex parte restraining issue
- dispositions

<u>Data Collection</u>		<u>Sampling Method</u>	
Frequency: Yearly reports		n=N/A	
	National	State	Sample Description:
Year started		1999	▪ N/A
Year ended			
Data Collection method: District court reports			

Comments: Need data codes to understand raw data

NC Attorney General Domestic Violence Statistics

State

Purpose: To provide annual statistics on domestic violence related homicides in North Carolina

Access: Public

Contact: National State Local
(919) 716-6400
<http://www.ncdoj.gov/Home/ContactNCDOJ.aspx>
<http://www.ncdoj.gov/Help-for-Victims/Domestic-Violence-Victims/Domestic-Violence-Statistics.aspx>

Format in which data are available:

- Prepared report? Yes
- Customized report? No
- Record level data? No

Query capability? No

Data collection instrument available? No

Demographic Variables

- relationship of victim to offender, protection order status, criminal status

Primary Outcomes

- domestic violence related homicide

<p><u>Data Collection</u> Frequency: Constantly collected</p> <table><tr><td></td><td>National</td><td>State</td></tr><tr><td>Year started</td><td></td><td>2008</td></tr><tr><td>Year ended</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> <p>Data Collection method: Reports from all state and local law enforcement agencies, required by NC law</p>		National	State	Year started		2008	Year ended			<p><u>Sampling Method</u> n=N/A</p> <p>Sample Description:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ N/A
	National	State								
Year started		2008								
Year ended										

Comments: Report for 2008 available at: <http://www.ncdoj.gov/getdoc/b3b17042-810c-4cf6-9756-f33c6d13b227/2009-DV-Homicide-Report-Final.a>

North Carolina Sex Offender and Public Protection Registry database

State, Local

Purpose: To protect the public, keeping them informed and helping ensure safety in their communities

Access: Public

Contact: National State Local

<http://sexoffender.ncdoj.gov/contact.aspx>

<http://sexoffender.ncdoj.gov/stats.aspx>

Format in which data are available:

- Prepared report? Yes
- Customized report? No
- Record level data? Yes

Query capability? Yes

Data collection instrument available? No

Demographic Variables

- county, address, birthdate, name, race, sex, height, weight, scare/mark/tattoo

Primary Outcomes

- offense
- violation of parole
- release date
- conviction date
- sentence
- victim age

<p><u>Data Collection</u></p> <p>Frequency: Constantly collected</p> <table><tr><td></td><td>National</td><td>State</td></tr><tr><td>Year started</td><td></td><td>1996</td></tr><tr><td>Year ended</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> <p>Data Collection method: Information entered by North Carolina Sheriff's Offices into Registry</p>		National	State	Year started		1996	Year ended			<p><u>Sampling Method</u></p> <p>n=N/A</p> <p>Sample Description:</p>
	National	State								
Year started		1996								
Year ended										

Comments: Not all offenders are included in this report because of different registration requirements. Offenders whose status is listed as "pending" are not included in this report.

Vital Statistics System (Death Certificates)

Nationa, State, Local

Purpose: To describe total and cause-specific deaths at the national, state, and county level

Access: Limited

Contact:	<u>National</u> (800) 232-4636 cdcinfo@cdc.gov	<u>State</u> (919) 733-4728 vitalrecords@dhhs.state.nc.us http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/deaths/dms/2008/	<u>Local</u>
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Format in which data are available:

- Prepared report? No
- Customized report? Yes
- Record level data? No

Query capability? Yes

Data collection instrument available? Yes

Demographic Variables

- Age, sex, race, hispanic origin, marital status, education

Primary Outcomes

- assault (homicide)
- sexual assault (homicide)

<u>Data Collection</u> Frequency: Constantly collected <table><tr><td></td><td>National</td><td>State</td></tr><tr><td>Year started</td><td>1967</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Year ended</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> Data Collection method: Death certificates		National	State	Year started	1967		Year ended			<u>Sampling Method</u> n=N/A Sample Description: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ all deaths
	National	State								
Year started	1967									
Year ended										

Comments: Death certificates may not include the ultimate cause of death, as this may be determined by courts long after death of individual.

Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS)

National, State

Purpose: CDC initiative to reduce infant mortality and low birth weight

Access: Public

Contact:	<u>National</u> (800) CDC-INFO cdcinfo@cdc.gov www.cdc.gov/prams	<u>State</u> PRAMSstaff@dhhs.nc.gov www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/prams/index.html	<u>Local</u>
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Format in which data are available:

- Prepared report? Yes
- Customized report? Yes
- Record level data? No

Query capability? No

Data collection instrument available? Yes

Demographic Variables

- Age, race, ethnicity, education, marital status, income, WIC and Medicaid

Primary Outcomes

- Physical abuse before pregnancy

<u>Data Collection</u> Frequency: monthly <table><tr><td></td><td>National</td><td>State</td></tr><tr><td>Year started</td><td>1987</td><td>1997</td></tr><tr><td>Year ended</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> Data Collection method: Mailed questionnaires; Telephone follow up		National	State	Year started	1987	1997	Year ended			<u>Sampling Method</u> n=2400 women/year Sample Description: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Randomly selected birth certificates▪ Stratified by birthweight▪ Sample is drawn 2 to 3 months after the infant's date of birth▪ Women whose infant died after birth are included
	National	State								
Year started	1987	1997								
Year ended										

Comments: Data excludes out-of-state births to residents; in-state births to non-residents; multiple gestations of 4 or more siblings; births to mothers 12 years old and younger; birth certificates missing the mother's last name

Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS)

National, State, (Local)

Purpose: To monitor trends in health-risk behaviors and conditions among youth and young adults

Access: Public

Contact: National

<http://www.cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/contact/index.htm>

<http://www.cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/yrbss/index.htm>

State

Local

lbrewste@nhcs.k12.nc.us

New Hanover County:

http://www.capefearteenth.org/cfthc.php?section=statistics&record_id=2

Format in which data are available:

- Prepared report? Yes
- Customized report? Yes
- Record level data? Yes

Query capability? No

Data collection instrument available? Yes

Demographic Variables

- Sex, race/ethnicity, grade

Primary Outcomes

- dating physical abuse in past 12 mos
- sexual abuse
- physical fight in past 12 mos
- frequency of carrying a weapon

Data Collection

Frequency: Spring every 2 years

	National	State
Year started	1991	1993

Year ended

Data Collection method: School or home-based questionnaire; used cassette players and written answer sheets

Sampling Method

n=195 US schools

Sample Description:

- US: random cluster sample by county, school, class
- NC: Randomly selected classes from high schools
- Only public schools in state and local data

Comments: The national sample is not an aggregation of the state and local surveys; Local data for Charlotte-Mecklenburg County from 2007 and New Hanover County from 2005 are available

Supplementary Homicide Report (Bureau of Justice Statistics)

National

Purpose: To examine how domestic violence cases are handled by the justice system

Access: Public

Contact: National State Local
(202) 307-1241
askbjs@usdoj.gov
<http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/index.cfm?ty=pbdetail&iid=2024>

Format in which data are available:

- Prepared report? Yes
- Customized report? No
- Record level data? Yes

Query capability? No

Data collection instrument available? Yes

Demographic Variables

- age, sex, race, ethnicity

Primary Outcomes

- types of assault charge filed
- victim injury
- defendant weapon use
- location of incident
- case processing outcomes
- alcohol or drug use
- history of abuse
- witness of incident

Data Collection

Frequency: One time pilot study

	National	State
Year started		2002
Year ended		2002

Data Collection method: Prosecutor files, court records

Sampling Method

n=3,750 cases

Sample Description:

- Cases in state courts of 16 large urban counties
- Not a nationally representative sample
- All cases with a DV-related arrest from May 2002

Comments: sexual assault report: <http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/scpdvc.pdf>; intimate partner violence report: <http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/pipvcluc.pdf>; <http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/ipvus.pdf>

National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS)

National, State

Purpose: To provide communities with a clearer understanding of violent deaths so they can be prevented

Access: Public

Contact:	<u>National</u> (800) CDC-INFO cdcinfo@cdc.gov http://www.cdc.gov/ViolencePrevention/NVDRS/index.html	<u>State</u> (919) 707-5432 tammy.norwood@ncmail.net	<u>Local</u>
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Format in which data are available:

- Prepared report? No
- Customized report? Yes
- Record level data? No

Query capability? Yes

Data collection instrument available? No

Demographic Variables

- Age, race, sex, region, marital status, military status, pregnancy status

Primary Outcomes

- intimate partner homicide
- homicide by victim injured by IPV
- homicide by acquaintance or friend
- homicide by other relationship
- mechanism of death
- circumstances of crime

<u>Data Collection</u> Frequency: Constantly collected <table><tr><td></td><td>National</td><td>State</td></tr><tr><td>Year started</td><td>2002</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Year ended</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> Data Collection method: death certificates, police reports, medical examiner/coroner reports, and crime labs		National	State	Year started	2002		Year ended			<u>Sampling Method</u> n=N/A Sample Description: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ An incident-based, relational database▪ link records on deaths that occurred at same time
	National	State								
Year started	2002									
Year ended										

Comments: Only accessible through WISQARS database.

APPENDIX

Other Data Sources

Other data sources related to IPV and SV were identified but not included in this inventory. While many of these sources provide valuable and useful data, they did not meet our selection criteria.

Other data sources considered include:

- County Health Department Community Health Assessments
- DPI Injury Report
- EMS (PreMIS)
- Healthy People 2010
- Healthy Carolinians
- Homicide Research Data - UNC Injury Prevention Research Center (IPRC)
- National Electronic Injury Surveillance System
- North Carolina Injury and Violence Prevention Branch, NC Division of Public Health (NC-DPH)
- North Carolina Trauma Registry
- Office of the Medical Examiner
- State Bureau of Investigation
- State Indicator Reports (CDC-DACHSII)
- Suicide and Homicide Research Data - UNC Injury Prevention Research Center (IPRC)
- Uniform Crime Report – National Bureau of Justice statistics

Contact

Please contact us to report errors. If you or your agency frequently use a data source that is not summarized in this inventory but you think should be included, please let us know and/or provide the relevant information about the data source so we can include it in this report.

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