

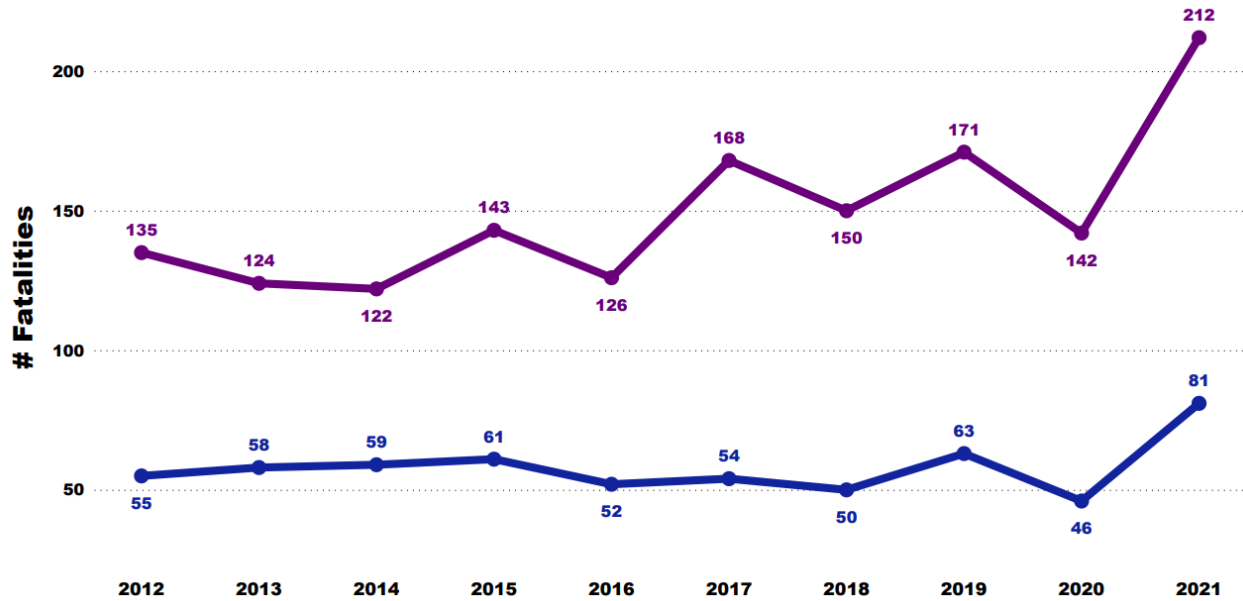


FAMILY VIOLENCE is a pattern of abusive behavior in any relationship that is used by one partner to gain or maintain power and control over another intimate partner.¹

Family Violence: Georgia Statistics

2012-2021 Fatalities

● Family Violence Fatalities ● Murder-Suicide Fatalities



1,493

Known family violence-related fatalities in Georgia totaled 1,493; a 57% increase from 2012-2021.²

212

Known family violence-related fatalities in Georgia in 2021.²

42,031 There were 42,031 family violence incidents reported to law enforcement in 2020.³

69% In 2020, 69% of victims in family violence incidents reported to law enforcement were female and 31% were male.³

114,640 In 2021, there were 114,640 crisis calls to Georgia's certified family violence and sexual assault agencies, a 20% increase from 2020 crisis calls.⁴

27,894 There were 27,894 family violence and stalking Temporary Protective Orders (TPOs) issued in 2020.⁵

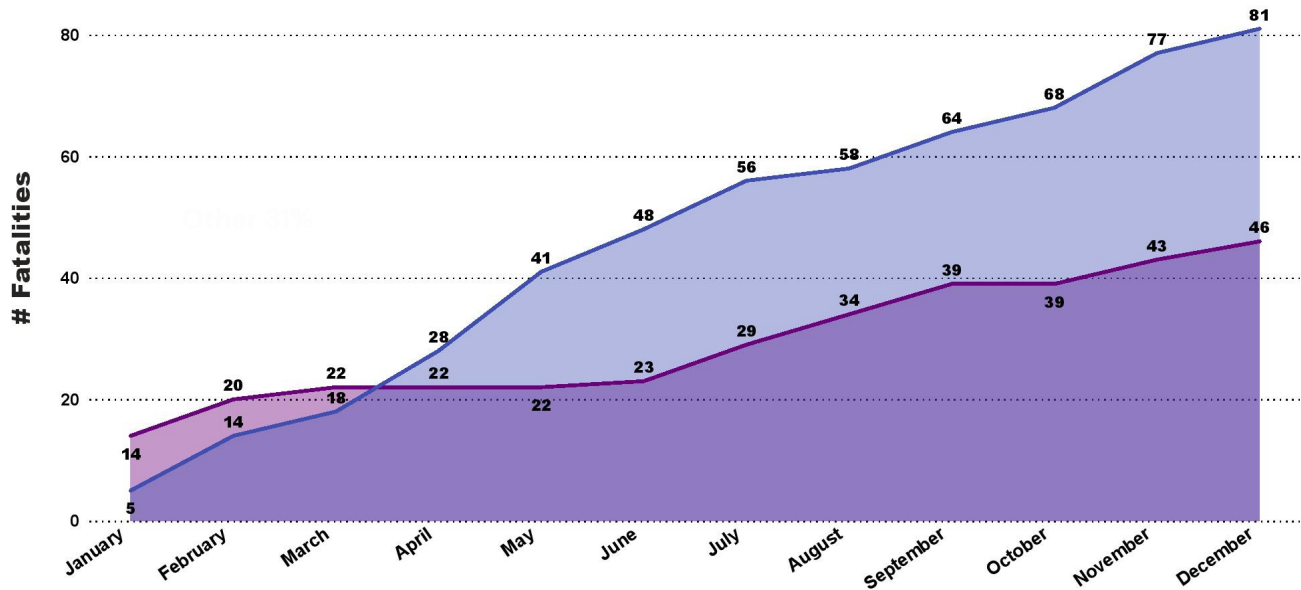
39% In 2020, the overall "extension rate," or the rate at which Ex Parte (emergency) TPOs were extended into a longer-term TPO (6-month, 12-month, 3-year), was 39%.⁵

49% There was a 49% increase in family violence-related fatalities from 2020 to 2021.²

85% In 2021, firearms were the cause of death in 85% of all family violence-related fatalities.²

Murder-Suicide Fatalities By Month 2020-2021

Year ● 2020 ● 2021



Family violence-related murder-suicide fatalities increased 76% from 2020 to 2021.²

Gender in Murder-Suicide Incidents

In 2021, 95% (40) of family violence-related murder-suicide incidents were perpetrated by a male and 5% (2) were perpetrated by a female.²

Weapons in Murder-Suicide Fatalities

A firearm was the cause of death in 94% of all family violence-related murder-suicide fatalities in 2021.²

National Statistics



Over their lifetime, 1 in 5 of women and 1 in 7 men experience severe physical violence by an intimate partner.⁶



Over their lifetime, 1 in 3 (31%) women and 1 in 6 (16%) men have been stalked by an intimate partner placing them in fear for their own life or the lives of those close to them.⁶



Half of women seen in emergency departments report a history of abuse, and approximately 40% of those killed by their abuser sought help in the 2 years before the fatal incident.⁷



The presence of a gun in domestic violence situations increases the risk of homicide by 500%.⁸



41% of sexual and gender minority high school students and 10.5% of heterosexual students, report experiencing physical and/or sexual dating violence.⁹

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