

Offences known to the Police

Types of GBV

- ✓ Intimate Partner Violence
 - ✓ Rape
 - ✓ Sexual Assault (excl. rape)
 - ✓ Sexual Harassment
 - ✗ Stalking
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Issues in terms of retrieving raw data

- No
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Draw also on survey data

- Yes
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Used as indicator

- Yes
- ✓ Monitoring (trend data)
- ✓ Evaluation

Other: Monitoring and evaluation for criminal policy purposes

Data available on

Victim

Background information

- Age
 - Sex
 - Nationality
 - ID
 - Name
 - Ethnicity
 - Marital status
 - Dependants
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Relationship with perpetrator

- Yes
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Perpetrator

Background information

- Age
- Sex
- Nationality
- ID
- Name

- Ethnicity
 - Marital status
 - Dependants
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Incident

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Other content: Statistics on the representation of females and males as victims and offenders, number of violent incident against women by crime category, e.g. family violence, rape, sexual violence, gender of offender for family violence, homicides. Proportion of women who were victims of violence by type of violence, number of violent incidents against women by violence category, prevalence of family violence, homicides recorded for all victims by relationship of victim to suspect. In addition, numbers and types of detected offences, as well as numbers of offences solved and reported to the prosecutor. In respect of solved offences, the statistics contain data on the age and gender of the suspected persons and whether they were under the influence of intoxicants.

Criminal statistics on sexual violence

Criminal statistical data included

- Yes

Additional information: Key trends.

Characteristics

Reference period

1 year

Additional information:

Quarterly data in the third week from the end of the quarter. Preliminary annual statistics in May. Final data by the end of the year.

Frequency of updating

Quarterly

Validation

- Yes

Additional information: The police records data used in statistics goes through a variety of validation and consistency checks. The principle is that statistical data are based on the best available data and information concerning the statistical phenomenon. On the other hand, the revisions are communicated as transparently as possible in advance. Advance communication ensures that the users can prepare for the data revisions.

Compilation

Main source: data submitted by individual police officers by local police forces.

Quality assurance process

- Yes

Brief description: Statistics Finland has pledged to observe in its activity the European Statistics Code of Practice and the quality assurance procedures based on it. The Code of Practice defines the framework for the production of high-quality statistics for the statistical authorities within the European Statistical System. The Code of Practice puts the emphasis on statistical authorities' independence and legal mandate to collect data. The principles relate to the social rights and obligations of a statistical authority, the quality of statistics production and statistical products as well as to the releasing of statistical data

Accuracy

Problems. Efforts to improve. Limitations: The data is not collected primarily for statistical purposes. The data is extracted from police officials. Care should be taken to ensure data collection processes and their inevitable limitations. The data collected is subjected to inaccuracies inherent to any large scale recording system. The prosecution data and data on outcomes are not included. Data is not collected because the phenomenon of VAW is not recognized in many institutions. Strengths: For implementing the projects of the Plan of Action of the Government, Statistics Finland has co-operated with the Council for Equality and the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health. This has resulted in progress in basic statistics on violence, a survey on violence against women, and the Gender Barometer.

Reliability

Limitations. Occasionally errors can occur in statistical processes and in reporting information.

Timeliness

Good. The databases is updated daily and the data is reported quarterly.

Comparability

- ✗ Geographical
 - ✓ Over time
 - ✗ None
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Current developments

The development of new data system is going on. There will be more information reported concerning the relationship between victims and offenders.

External link

● No

Website

Link to website



Metadata

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