

Report on Violence against Women in Slovakia (Správa o násilí páchanom na ženách na Slovensku)

The content of the report is set up according to the types of indicators:

1. Indicators of outcomes (lifelong and one year long prevalence data of violence against women by their partner and expartner, feminicides – police registered murders of women by their partner)
2. Process indicators, i.e. administrative data of reported crime by police, prosecution offices, justice system, health and social system provide number of committed crimes, number of accused and prosecuted husbands/partners for violent crime against women, also the workload of professionals and their remuneration, gender balance of the respective institutions, number of examined women surviving violence within the health system, number and capacity of social institution providing support of women searching help, etc.
3. Structural indicators provide information of relevant approved documents in terms of DV – VAW (strategies, NAPs and their implementation), amendments of act relevant to DV elimination or prosecution, significant projects and initiatives on national, regional and international level.
4. Contextual indicators of VAW emphasise the societal circumstances making the DV-VAS residing in society, i.e. gender equality indicators (gender gaps in labour market, in decision making, gender pay gaps etc.); social exclusion indicators (women and men in risk of poverty, unemployment rates, gender gaps in pensions); indicators of crime and societal anomy (e.g. number of new permissions to own and use guns, new incidents in psychiatry, etc.); indicators of violent tolerance (public opinion on VAW – DV, physical punishment of children, etc.)

Aims and objectives

The report is compiled in terms of NAPs for prevention and elimination of violence against women for the years 2009 – 2012. The aims of the report are:

To give a comprehensive picture on trends and effectiveness of the support system in Slovakia.

To collect all relevant prevalence and administrative data on VAW (of all forms including partner violence)

To propose recommendations to improvement and policy measures

Results and impact

The report is submitted to the Department of Gender Equality and Equal Opportunities at the Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family every year since 2009.

The data and information from the report are the source for further decisions and interventions of the respective stakeholders.

The report provide information of effectiveness of respective support and intervention systems and gives recommendation for improvement or point out to the main failures and defections of the system (e.g. the femicides are the result of state and public systems failing to protect the women)

The findings are disseminated to relevant experts (from NGOs, state agencies, etc.) for further usage, to give them broad comprehensive picture about the problems of DV – VAW and also to give notice to respective particularities discovered by the report.

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