

Domestic violence related murder in NSW

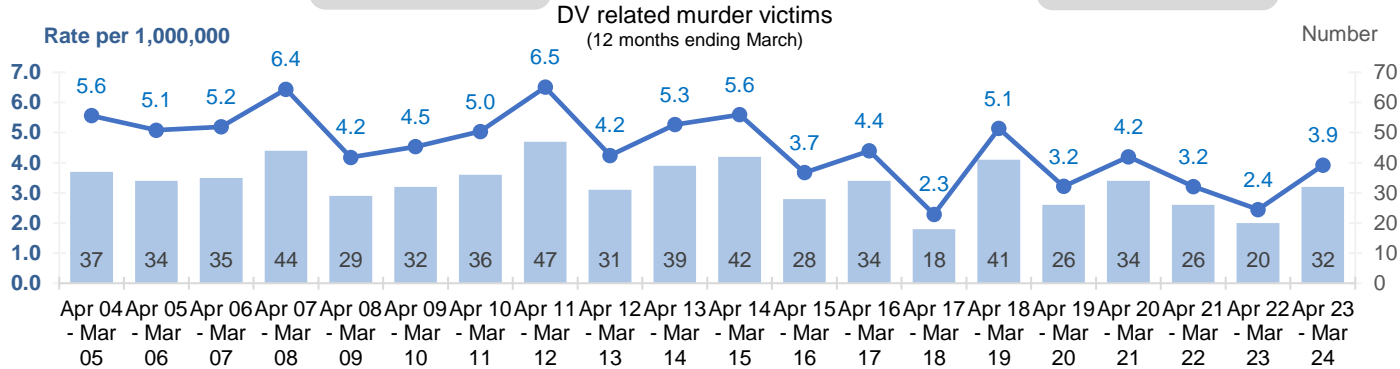
LONG TERM TREND: 20 YEARS FROM APRIL 2004 TO MARCH 2024

20 Year Trend*
DV murder

Stable

Number of victims
12 months to Mar 2024
DV murder

32 victims

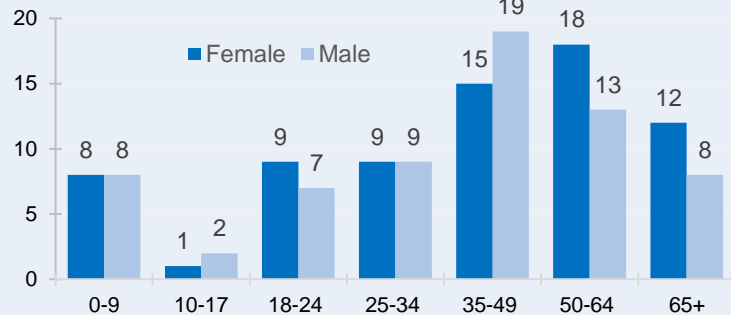


AGE OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RELATED MURDER VICTIMS (5 YEARS FROM APRIL 2019 TO MARCH 2024)

Domestic violence (DV) related murder victims

- 14% (19) of DV murder victims were children or young people aged under 18 years. Of these 47% were female. Of the 19 child victims, 16 were less than 10 years of age (84%).
- Adults accounted for 86% (119) of DV murder victims. Just over half (53% or 63 persons) were female.
- Of the adult DV murder victims, 57% (68) were aged 18 to 49, and 43% (51) were aged 50 years or over.

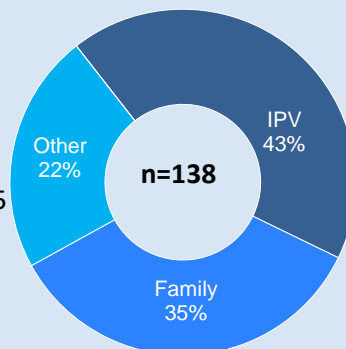
DV-related murder victims by age, n=138



RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN VICTIM AND PERPETRATOR (5 YEARS FROM APRIL 2019 TO MARCH 2024)

In the five years to March 2024:

- 45% of all NSW murders were DV related (138 of 309 total murder victims).
- 43% of DV murders involved intimate partner violence (IPV) (59 victims).
- 76% of IPV murder victims were adult females - 45 victims.
- More than one third of DV murders were Family violence – 35% or 48 victims.
- 44% of family murder victims were female - 21 victims.



Intimate Partner Violence (IPV): current & ex spouse/partner, current & ex boy/girl friend.

Family Violence: child, parent, sibling, other family.

Other: carer, housemate, persons in authority, other (e.g. ex-partner of partner).

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INTIMATE PARTNER MURDER

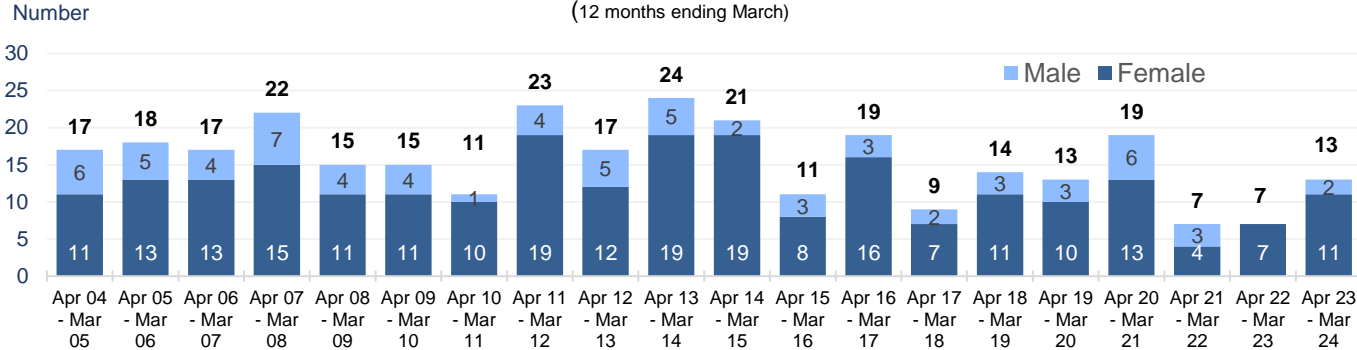
20 Year Trend*
Intimate partner murder

Down 1.4% per year on average

Number of victims 12 months to March 2024
Intimate partner murder

13 victims

Intimate partner violence related murder
(12 months ending March)



FAMILY MURDER

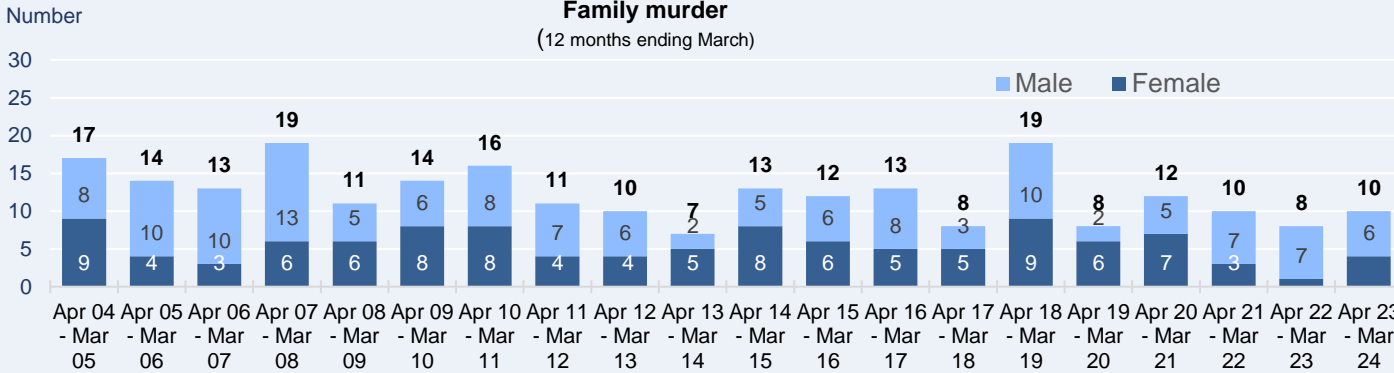
20 Year Trend*
Family murder

Down 2.8% per year on average

Number of victims 12 months to March 2024
Family murder

10 victims

Family murder
(12 months ending March)



OTHER DOMESTIC RELATIONSHIP MURDER

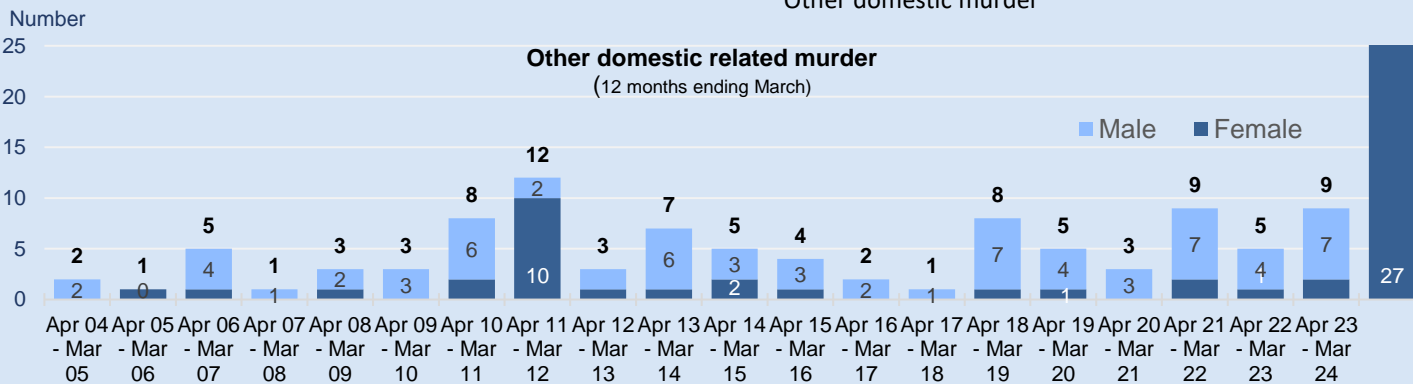
20 Year Trend*
Other domestic murder

Stable

Number of victims 12 months to March 2024
Other domestic murder

9 victims

Other domestic related murder
(12 months ending March)



*trend calculated on annual rate per 1,000,000

CHILD VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RELATED MURDER

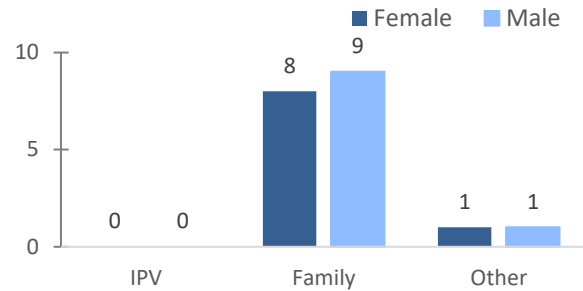
In the five years to March 2024:

- There were 19 victims of domestic violence related murder aged under 18 years.

Of these 19 child victims:

- There were slightly more male than female victims (10 v 9).
- The majority (17 victims or 89%) of child victims were murdered by a family member. 63% (12) of child victims of DV murder are murdered by a parent/step-parent.

Child victims of DV murder, Apr 2019 – Mar 2024, n=19



ADULT VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RELATED MURDER

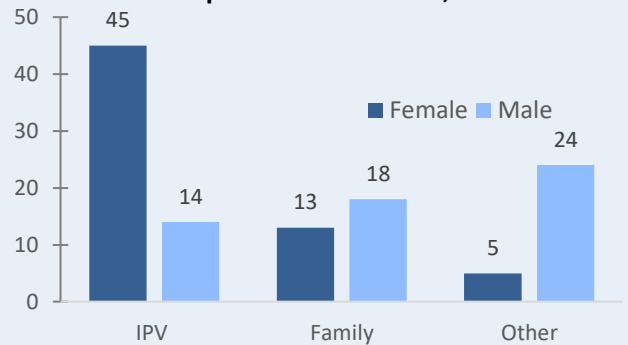
In the five years to March 2024:

- There were 119 adult victims of domestic violence related murder.

Among adult domestic violence related murder victims:

- Just over half were female (53%, 63 women)
- 50% (59) were murdered by an intimate partner: 76% (45) of adult IPV victims were female.
- 26% (31) of adult domestic violence victims were murdered by a family member. Over half of adult family murder victims were male – 58% (18).
- Victims with ‘other’ known domestic relationship were overwhelmingly men – 83% (24) (including carer, housemate, persons in authority, ex-partner of partner).

Adult victims of DV murder, Apr 2019 – Mar 2024, n=119



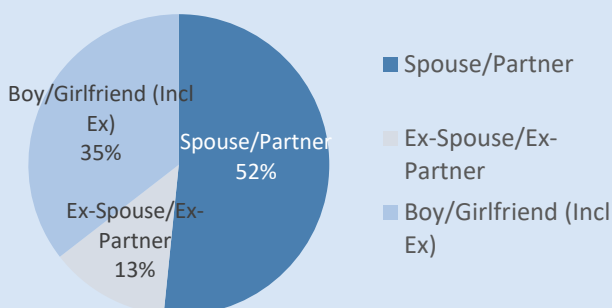
INTIMATE PARTNER MURDER

Victims of IPV murder:

In the five years to March 2024, NSW Police recorded 59 intimate partner murder victims:

- 51% (30) were a current spouse /partner
- 34% (20) were a current or ex-boyfriend/girlfriend

IPV murder victim relationship to perpetrator, Apr 2019 – Mar 2024, n=59

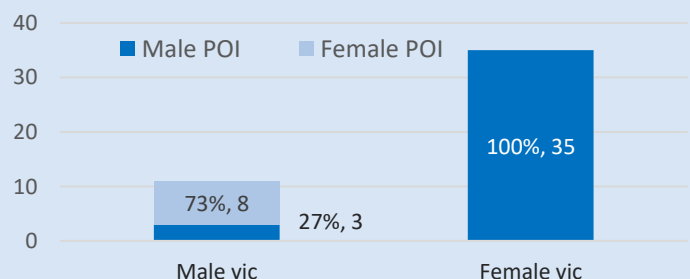


Perpetrators of IPV murder

Police commenced legal proceedings against 46 POIs* for the IPV murder of 59 victims in the five years to March 2024:

- Female victims – 100% of POIs* were male
- Male victims – 73% of POIs* were female

Gender of victim of IPV murder by gender of POI*, Apr 2019 – Mar 2024, n=46



*Persons of interest (POIs) are suspected offenders recorded by police in connection with a criminal incident.