

COERCIVE CONTROL MONITORING REPORT

Preliminary report – July 2024

A new offence of coercive control commenced in NSW on 1 July 2024 ([s54D, Crimes Act 1900](#))

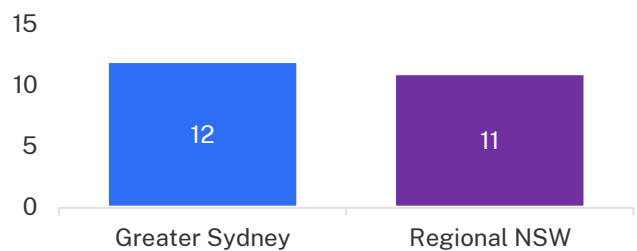
The offence of coercive control relates to the use of abusive behaviours directed towards a current or former intimate partner with the intention to coerce or control them. The criminal offence captures repeated patterns of physical or non-physical abuse used to hurt, scare, intimidate, threaten or control someone. The law applies to abusive behaviour from 1 July 2024.



Recorded incidents of coercive control

23 coercive control incidents were recorded by NSW Police in July 2024

12 occurred in Greater Sydney (52%)
11 occurred in Regional NSW (48%)



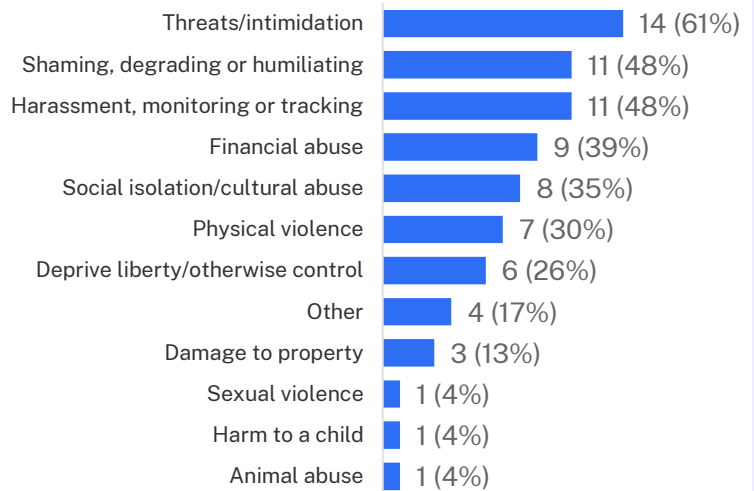
Nature of coercive control incidents

Coercive control incidents can include one or more types of controlling behaviour.

Coercive control incidents include **3.3** types of controlling behaviour on average.

The most common behaviours recorded:

- Threats or intimidation
- Shaming, degrading or humiliating
- Harassment, monitoring or tracking
- Financial abuse
- Social isolation or cultural abuse



Victims of coercive control



21 (91%) were female and 2 (9%) were male



4 victims were Aboriginal (17%) and 19 were Non-Aboriginal (83%)



Legal action for coercive control



1 incident had court legal actions commenced in July 2024. This matter has not yet been finalised in court