

Violence against women and girls is DEVASTATINGLY PERVASIVE

in the Region of the Americas, with enormous health and social consequences.

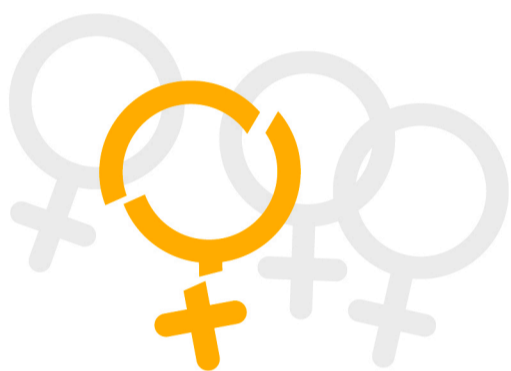


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can rely on prevalence estimates on violence against women. Population-based data is critical to showcase the magnitude of violence and to inform policies and practices.



of women aged 15-49 have experienced **physical and/or sexual partner violence or non-partner sexual violence** in their lifetime.



1 in 4

of ever-married/partnered women aged 15-49 have experienced **physical and/or sexual violence from their partner** at least once in their lifetime.

This works out to an average of **53 million women** in the Americas.



of women aged 15 years and older have experienced **non-partner sexual violence** at least once in their lifetime.



There is no protected time in a woman's life.



of women aged 15-24 years who have been in a relationship will have already experienced **violence by a partner** by the time they reach their mid-twenties.

28% of older women aged 65+ report having experienced **violence by a partner.**



Violence against women and girls can and must be prevented.



With strategies to:

- Strengthen access to health and other essential services;
- Empower women and address gender and social inequalities;
- Promote access to education, safe work and safe environments; and
- Challenge inequitable gender and social norms and the impunity for violence.

End violence against women and girls now!