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National Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Indicators for Wales: Technical document

National Indicators for Wales as required by section 11(1) of the Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Act 2015

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This document is also available in Welsh.

How to measure progress?

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Technical Information

Table 1 below provides additional technical information to the indicators laid in the National Assembly for Wales under section 11(1) Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Act 2015. The Act can be found here <https://livefearfree.gov.wales/policies-and-guidance/vawdasv-wales-act-2015?lang=en>

All indicators are to be measured at the Wales level.

Note:

The national indicators set out in this document are the first stage indicators. Further development work will take place during 2019-2020 with stakeholders to build upon the indicators, measures and data sources. This is in line with the provision set out in section 11(3) of the Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Act 2015.

Examples of the kind of data and other outcomes frameworks that might provide supporting narrative to these indicators has been referenced under 'Contextual Information'. However, it is not expected that they will all be used at any one time and other data may also be used as contextual information for the indicators.

Where possible, the data may be disaggregated to different areas within Wales. However, not all data will be available to the same geographical level, and the robustness of those data will be dependent on the data sources.

Similarly, where available, data may be disaggregated by the different protected characteristics (as set out in the Equality Act 2010). However, not all data will be available for each of the protected characteristics. The indicators will be analysed where data are robust and appropriate to be used in that context.

The future development work referenced above will also provide further indications of whether or not data can be disaggregated according to local area, equality group and other contextual information that will aid analysis.

The final set of national indicators will be laid before the National Assembly by spring 2020.

Table 1:

The National Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Indicators have been designed to report progress made towards the implementation of the Act. The VAWDASV National Strategy outlines the six key objectives that Welsh Ministers expect to achieve by November 2021 and are aligned to deliver against the purpose of the Act which is to improve: Arrangements for the **Prevention** of violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence; Arrangements for the **Protection** of victims of violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence; **Support** for people affected by violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence.

Indicator Number	Measurement (This is the indicator as laid before the National Assembly for Wales)	Technical Measurement Number	Technical Measurement (This is the full technical description of the indicator, where appropriate)	Source of data	Contextual Information
1	Increase in reporting of all forms of Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (VAWDASV)	1.1	Numbers of rape / sexual assault crimes recorded by police forces in Wales.	Police Recorded Crime Data, Home Office	Estimates of the number of victims of domestic abuse and the prevalence of domestic abuse in Wales sourced from the Crime Survey for England and Wales.
		1.2	Number of domestic abuse incidents and crimes recorded by police forces in Wales.		

2	Increase in awareness across all sections of society that violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence is unacceptable	2.1	Percentage of people aged 16 and over who think that it is always unacceptable to hit or slap their partner – split by age group	Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics	
		2.2	Percentage of people aged 16 and over who are aware of Welsh Government initiatives to reduce violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence. Note: Further exploratory work required to scope and finalise the definition of this measure.	National Survey for Wales and/or further research activity (to be agreed)	Number of calls to the Live Fear Free website (data provided by Welsh Women's Aid)
3	Increase in awareness amongst children and young people in Wales of the importance of safe, equal and healthy	3.1	Percentage/number of school children and young people in Wales attending sessions intended to raise awareness of VAWDASV issues. Note: Further work is required to identify	Spectrum data / Pupil Level Annual Schools Census (PLASC) / Welsh Women's Aid	

	relationships		relevant providers/stakeholders and determine how data can be captured / enumerated.		
4	Increase in awareness amongst children and young people that abuse is always wrong.	4.1	Percentage of young people aged 16 to 24 who think that it is always unacceptable to hit or slap their partner	Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics	
5	Increase in VAWDASV related incidents which result in an arrest, prosecution and conviction.	5.1	Percentage of domestic abuse related prosecutions resulting in a conviction in Wales	Crown Prosecution Service (CPS)	Data on outcomes assigned to crimes flagged as domestic abuse-related sourced from the Home Office Data Hub.
		5.2	Arrests per 100 domestic abuse related crimes in Wales	Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue (HMICFRS)	

6	Perpetrators are able to receive appropriate intervention	6.1	<p>Proven re-offending rate for domestic abuse related offences</p> <p>Note: Further liaison with the Ministry of Justice will be required to determine whether reoffending rates can be provided specifically for domestic abuse related offences in Wales.</p>	<p>Ministry of Justice (MoJ) Proven Reoffending Statistics</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/proven-reoffending-statistics</p>	
		6.2	<p>Numbers of perpetrators in Wales accessing intervention programmes</p> <p>Note: Further work is required to identify relevant providers/stakeholders and determine how data can be captured / enumerated.</p>	<p>To be determined but may include information from the following stakeholders:</p> <p>Relate Cymru Choose2Change programme</p> <p>https://www.relate.org.uk/cymru/help-domestic-violence</p> <p>Phoenix Domestic Abuse Service voluntary perpetrator programme</p> <p>https://phoenixdas.co.uk/about-us/</p>	<p>Data on offenders completing accredited programmes in custody – HMMPPS Annual Digest:</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/annual-hm-prison-and-probation-service-digest-2017-to-2018</p>

				Respect Phonline domestic violence perpetrator programmes http://respectphonline.org.uk	
7	Enable equal access to & availability of effective, evidence based early interventions for victims and survivors.	7.1	Number of Domestic Violence Protection Orders (DVPOs) issued in Wales	Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS)	Numbers of 'Right to Know' and 'Right to Ask' applications and disclosures in Wales (HMICFRS)
		7.2	Numbers of Forced Marriage Protection Orders made in Wales	Family Court Statistics, Ministry of Justice (MoJ)	National Safeguarding Team (NHS Wales) FGM Health Leads Report http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/documents/888/FGM%20Annual%20report%202017-18%20Final.pdf
		7.3	Numbers of Female Genital Mutilation Protection Orders made in Wales	https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/family-court-statistics-quarterly	

8	Those in relevant job roles are trained to recognise and appropriately respond to VAWDASV	8.1	Number of professionals employed at Local Authorities, Health Boards, NHS Trusts and Fire & Rescue Authorities in Wales who have completed relevant training at each group level of the National Training Framework on VAWDASV	National Training Framework data, Welsh Government https://livefearfree.gov.wales/guidance-for-professionals/national-training-framework/?lang=en	Numbers of Domestic Abuse Practitioners in Wales sourced from SafeLives Practitioner Survey http://www.safelives.org.uk/news-views/practitioner-survey
		8.2	Number and percentage of professionals working in the VAWDASV sector in Wales who have completed relevant, specialist training	Further work is required to scope and evaluate potential data sources for this measure.	
9	Ensure victims receive appropriate support	9.1	Number of referrals to refuges or other community services in Wales	Women's Aid Annual Survey https://www.womensaid.org.uk/womens-aid-annual-survey-reports/	Data on the numbers and types of domestic abuse services in Wales (including number of refuge bedspaces) sourced from Welsh Womens Aid / Routes to Support (the UK violence against women and girls service directory)

		9.2	Number of cases discussed at Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARACs) in Wales	SafeLives Multi-Agency Support Hub Data http://www.safelives.org.uk/practice-support/resources-marac-meetings/latest-marac-data	https://www.womensaid.org.uk/routes-to-support/ Data on reasons why referrals to refuges in Wales were refused (sourced from Women’s Aid Annual Survey)
		9.3	Number of cases referred to Independent Domestic Violence Advisors (IDVA)(referrals and repeat referrals) in Wales.	Insights IDVA dataset, Safelives http://www.safelives.org.uk/latest-insights-national-datasets	Numbers of IDVAs in Wales sourced from SafeLives Practitioner Survey http://www.safelives.org.uk/news-views/practitioner-survey
10	Increase victim confidence and access to justice	10.1	Percentage of victims of partner abuse who felt very or fairly satisfied with the outcome following their experience with the police and the Crown Prosecution Service.	Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics	