

### **The most serious outcome: Domestic homicide**

Women account for more than 80% of victims killed by their partners (and most of the time, the partner is male). Over the last 10 years there was an average of 82 female victims a year killed by a partner or ex-partner.

During the first month after the lockdown began in late March, sixteen women and girls were killed in suspected domestic homicides — more than triple the number from the same period in 2019. At least 10 more have died in the following two months. The public health need for social isolation has been weaponized by abusive partners, sometimes with deadly consequences.