

Domestic Violence

#NigeriaDHS



2024 Nigeria Demographic and Health Survey (NDHS)

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Terminology used in the 2024 NDHS

Husband: a man with whom a woman is married or living together

Intimate partner: a man with whom a never-married woman is in a relationship that involves physical and/or emotional intimacy and for which the relationship is or has the expectation of being longer lasting. Not a **husband** or **boyfriend**

Husband/Intimate partner: the current husband for currently married women, the most recent husband for divorced, separated, or widowed women, the current intimate partner for never-married women who currently have an intimate partner and the most recent intimate partner for never-married women who do not currently have an intimate partner but had one in the past

Boyfriend: a man with whom a woman has a casual relationship and who she did not mention as an intimate partner

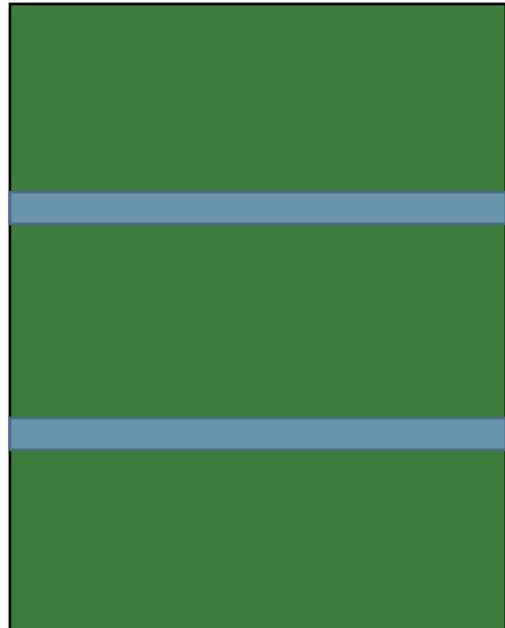
Terminology used in the 2024 NDHS

Physical violence: push, shake, or throw something at; slap; twist arm or pull hair; punch with fist or with something that could hurt; kick, drag, or beat up; try to choke or burn on purpose; or attack with a knife, gun, or other weapon

Sexual violence: physically force to have sexual intercourse; physically force to perform any other sexual acts; force with threats or in any other way to perform sexual acts

Emotional violence: say or do something to humiliate someone in front of others; threaten to hurt or harm that person or someone they care about; insult or make someone feel bad about themselves

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Experience of Physical Violence

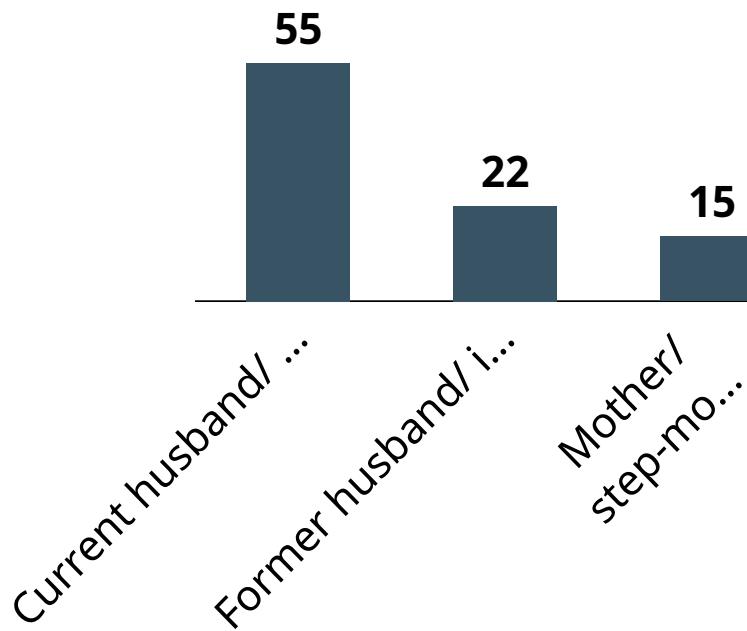
Percent of women age 15-49 who have:



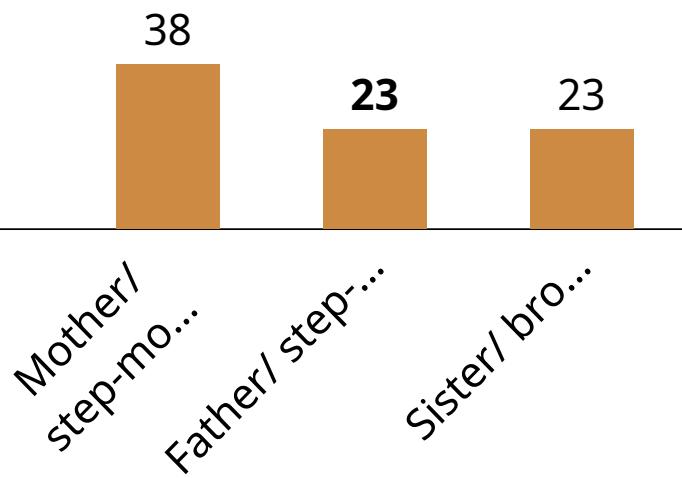
Persons Committing Physical Violence

Among women age 15-49 who have ever experienced physical violence since age 15, percent who report specific persons who committed the violence

Women ever-married/ever had an intimate partner



Women never-married/never had an intimate partner



Experience of Sexual Violence

Percent of women age 15-49 who have:

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Ever experienced sexual violence
by any perpetrator

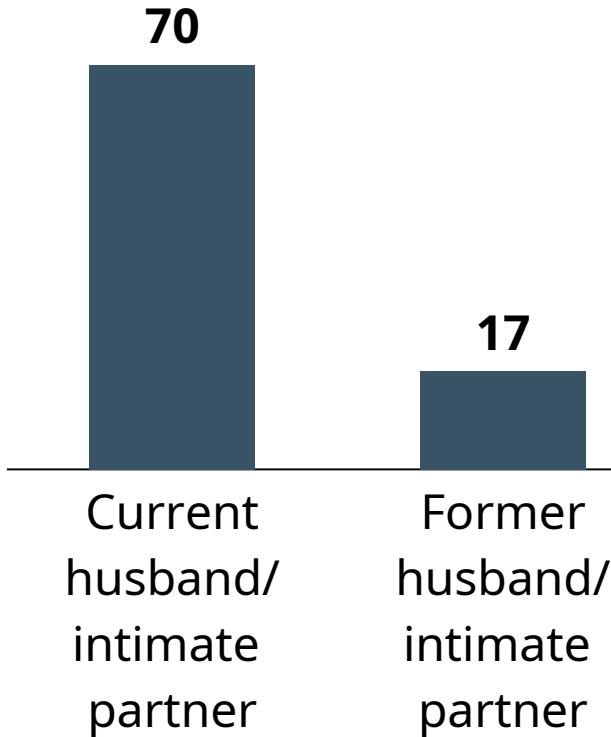
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Experienced sexual violence
by any perpetrator
in the last 12 months

Persons Committing Sexual Violence

*Among women age 15-49 who have ever experienced sexual violence,
percent who report specific persons who committed the violence*

*Women ever-married/ever
had an intimate partner*



*Women never-married/never
had an intimate partner*



Experience of Violence by Marital Status

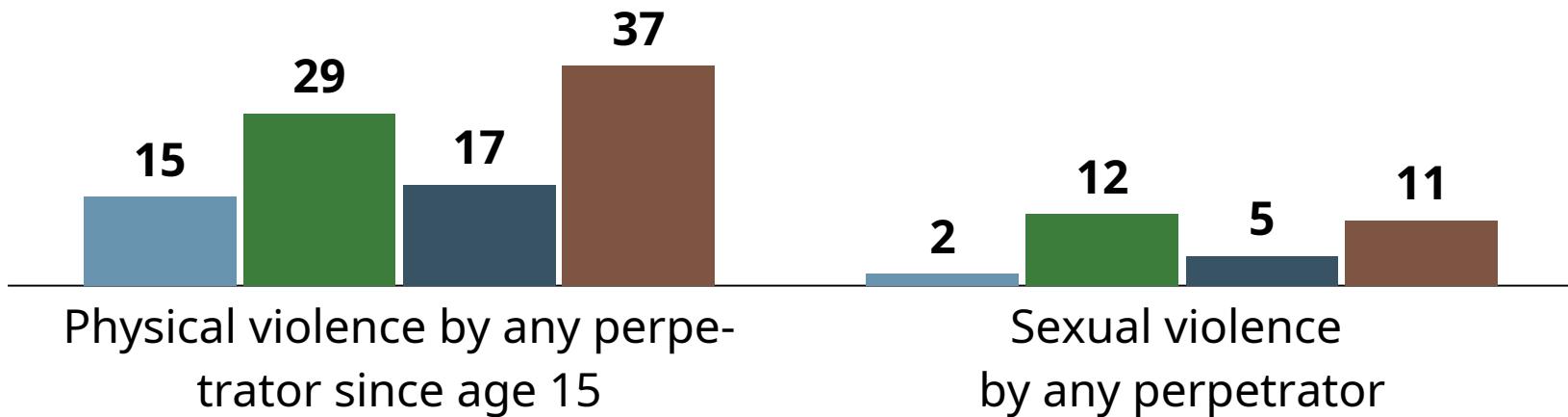
Percent of women age 15-49 who have ever experienced:

Never married

- ...Never had an intimate partner
- ...Ever had an intimate partner

Ever married

- ...Married/living together
- ...Divorced/ separated/ widowed

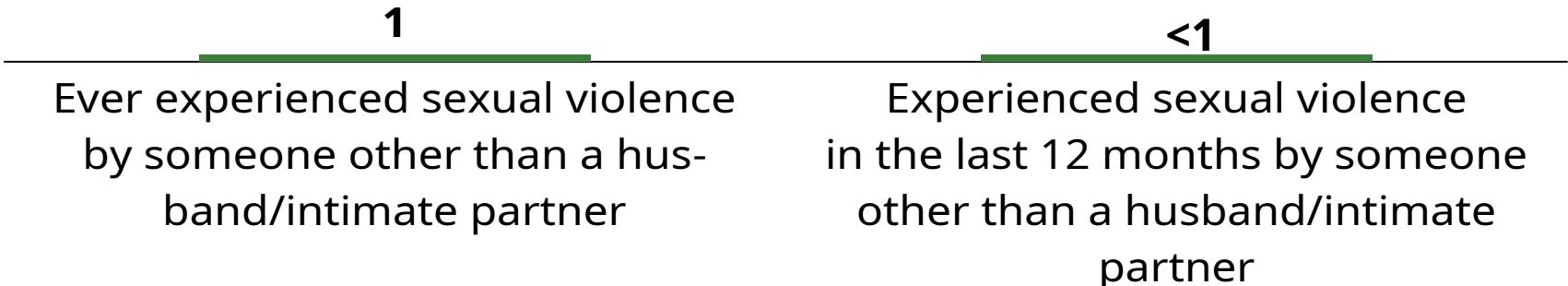


Age at First Experience of Sexual Violence

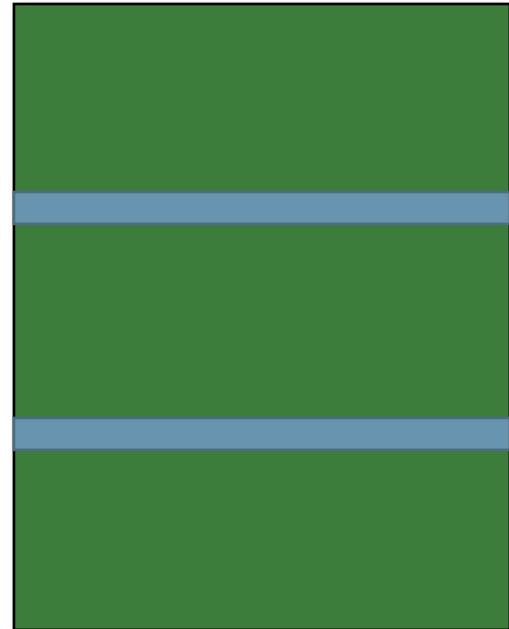
2% of women age 18-29 experienced sexual violence by age 18.

Experience of Sexual Violence by a Non-Intimate Partner

Percent of women age 15-49 who have:



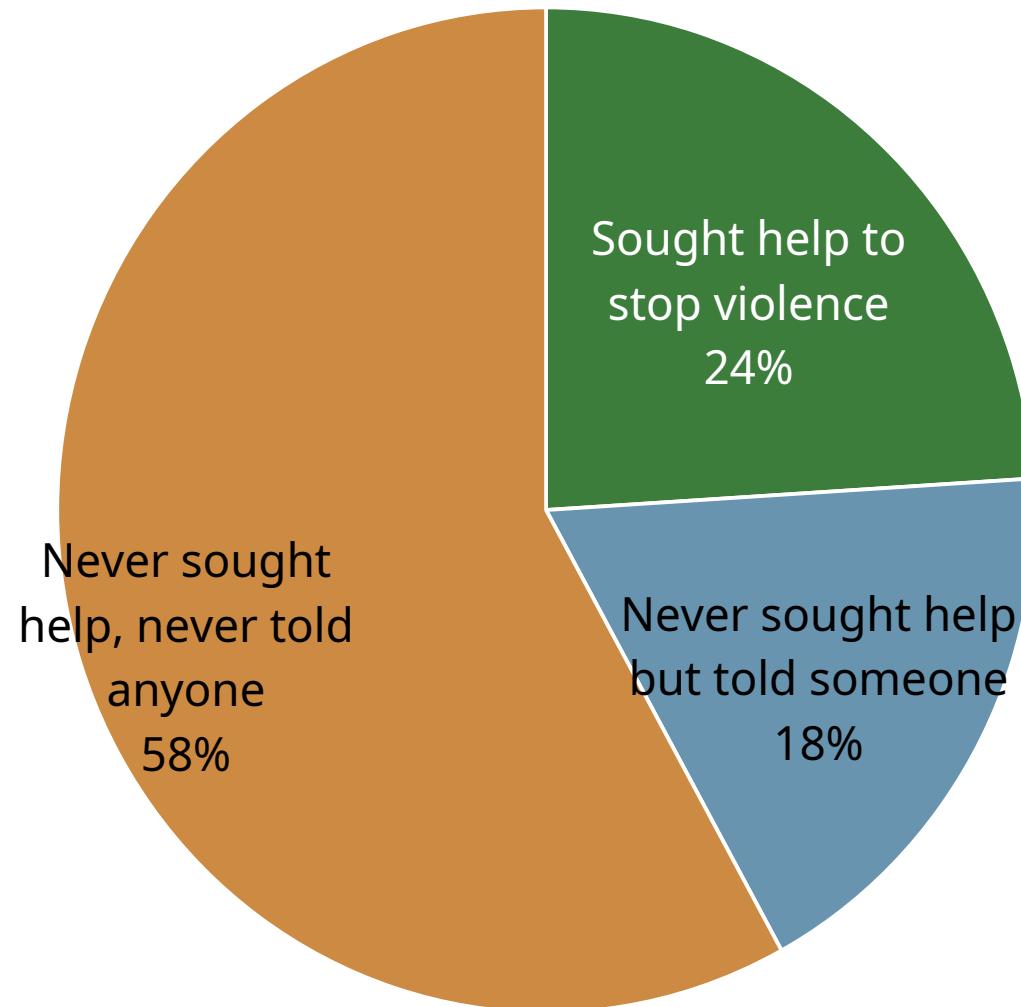
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Help Seeking to Stop Violence

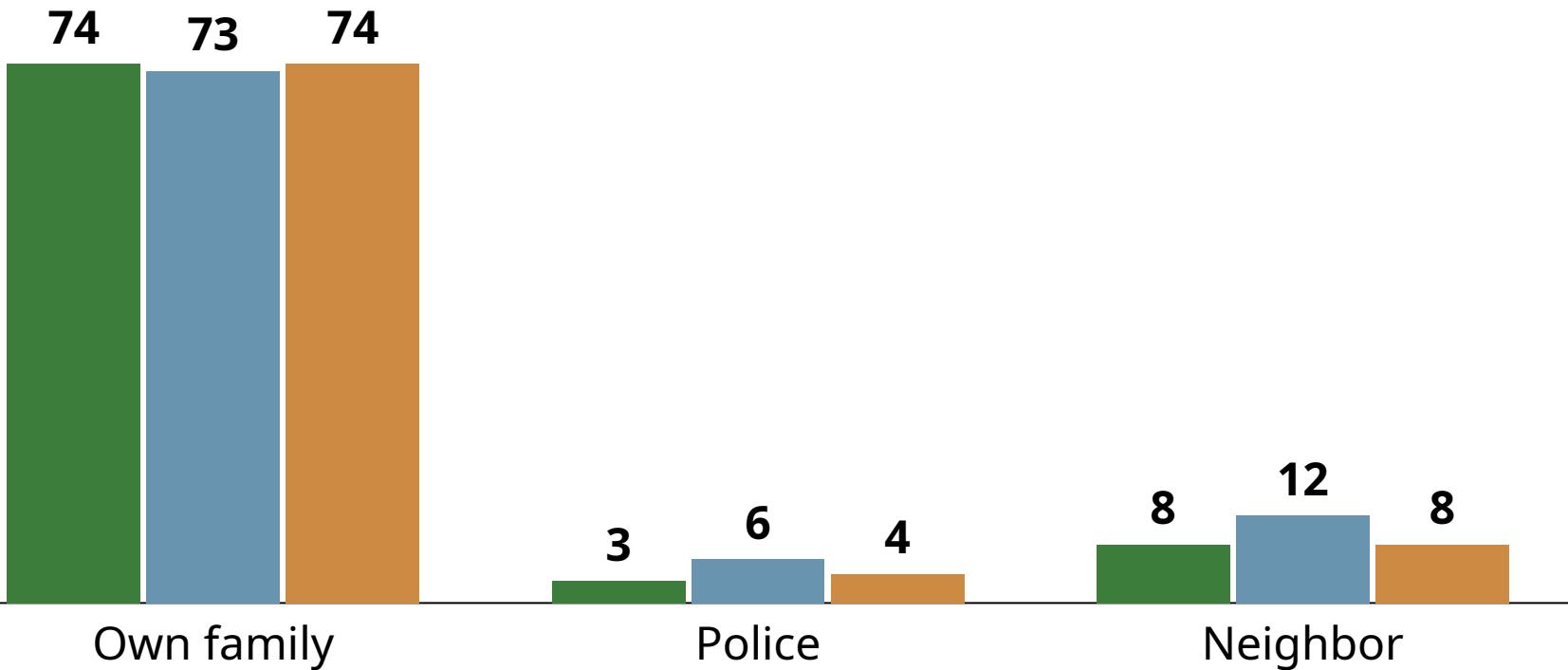
Percent distribution of women age 15-49 who ever experienced physical or sexual violence by their help-seeking behaviour



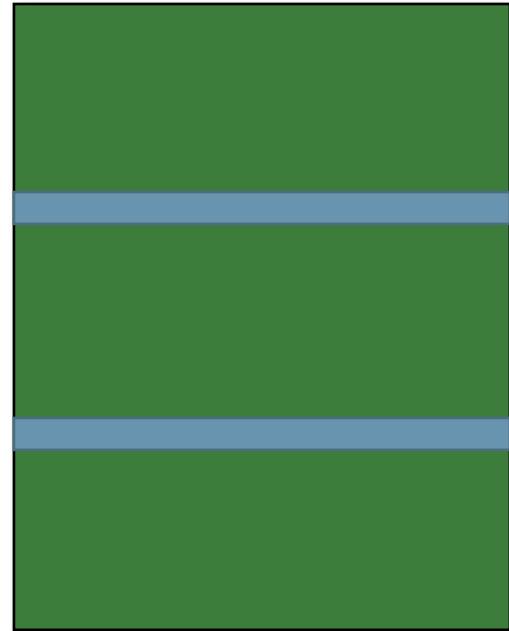
Sources for Help to Stop the Violence by Type of Violence Experienced

Among women age 15-49 who ever experienced physical or sexual violence and sought help, percent who report specific sources of help sought to stop the violence

- Physical only
- Both physical and sexual
- Physical or sexual



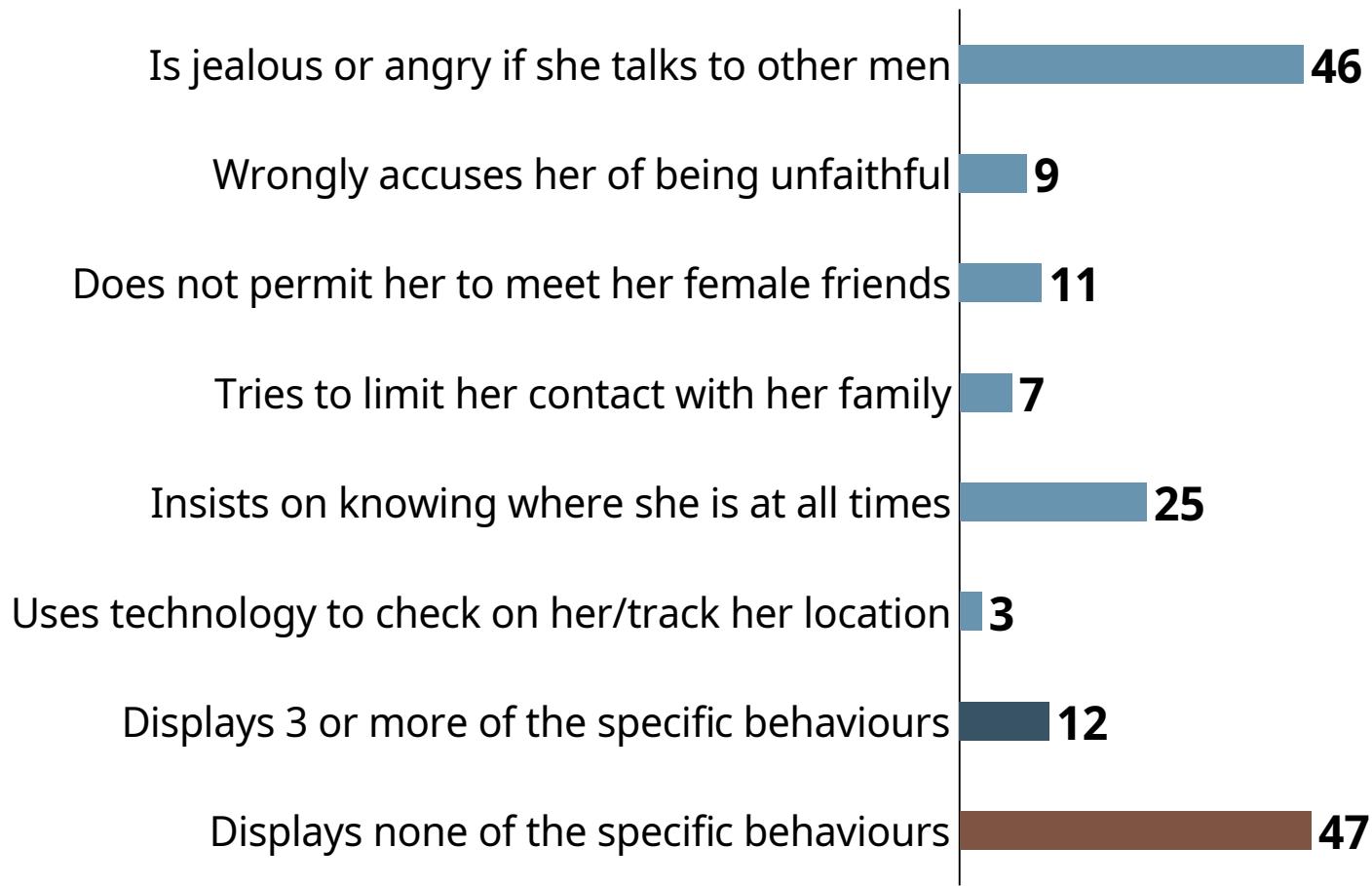
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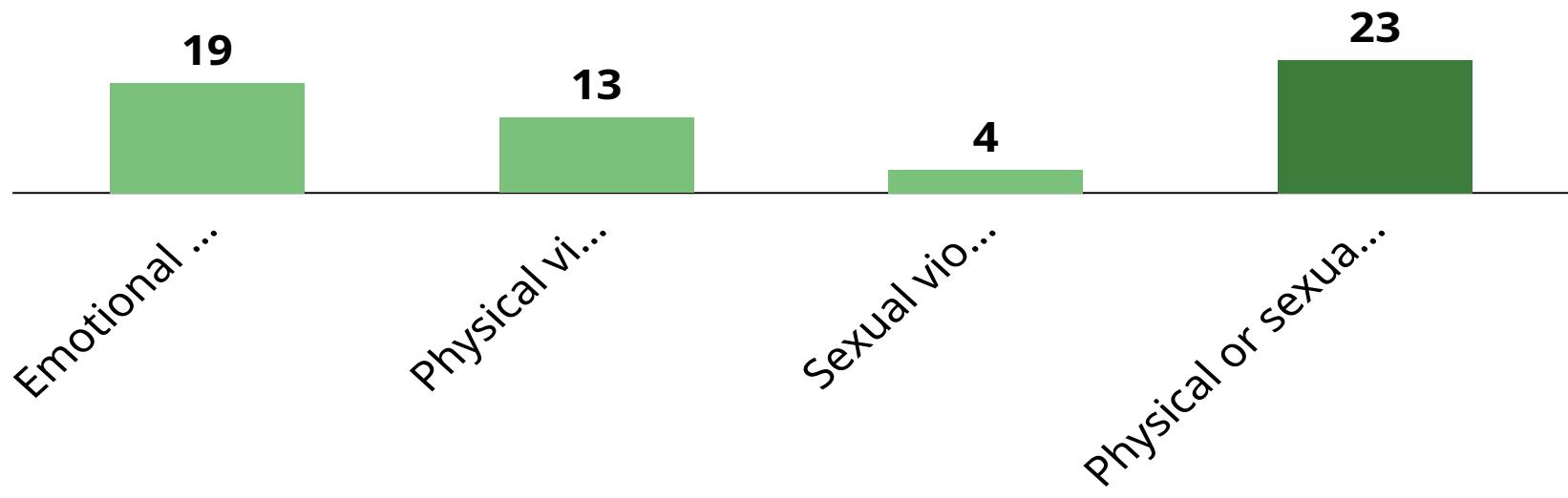
Controlling Behaviours of Husband/ Intimate Partner

*Percent of women age 15-49 who have ever had a husband/intimate partner
whose husbands/intimate partners have ever demonstrated specific behaviours*



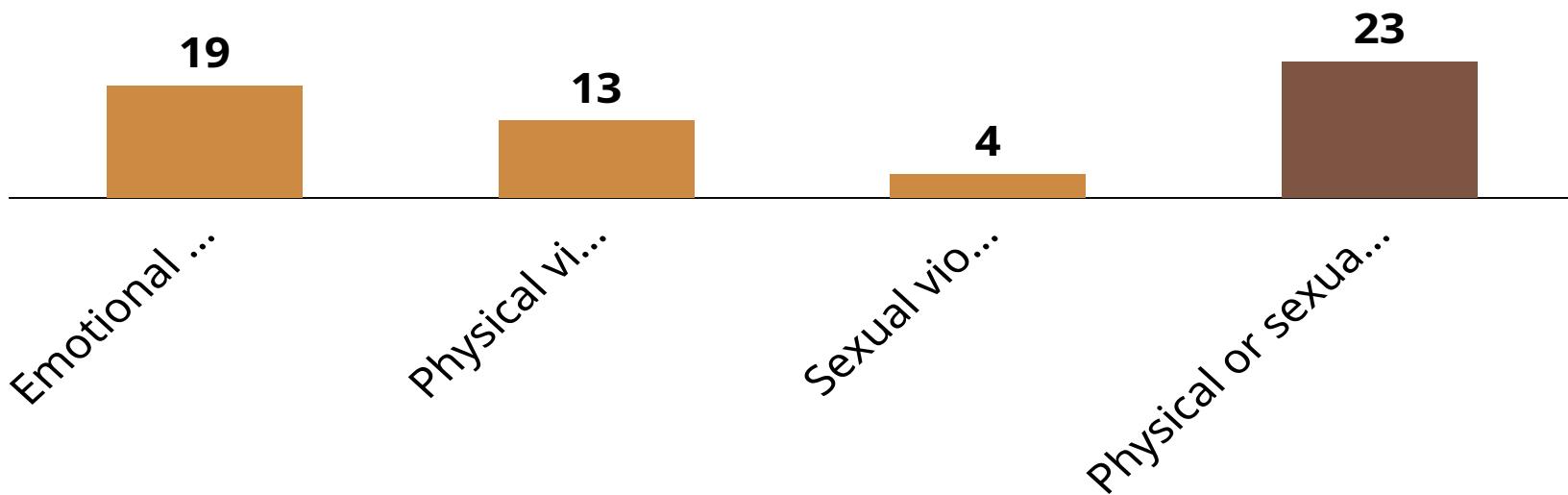
Any Violence by Most Recent Husband/ Intimate Partner

Percent of women age 15-49 who have ever had a husband or intimate partner who have ever experienced violence committed by their current or most recent husband/intimate partner



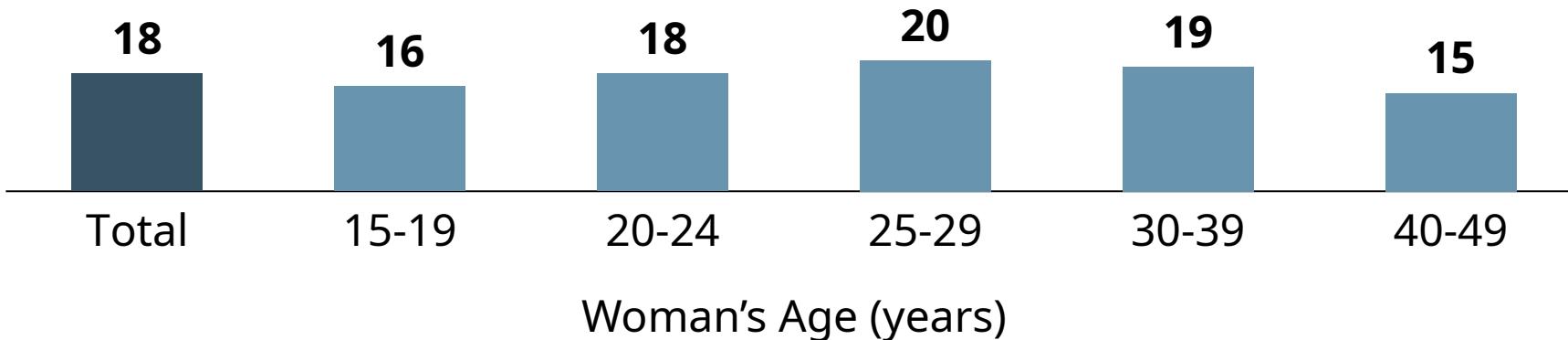
Recent Violence by Any Husband/Intimate Partner

Percent of women age 15-49 who have ever had a husband or intimate partner who have experienced violence by any husband/intimate partner in the last 12 months



Recent Violence by Any Husband/ Intimate Partner by Woman's Age

Percent of women age 15-49 who have ever had a husband or intimate partner who have experienced physical or sexual or emotional violence by any husband/ intimate partner in the last 12 months



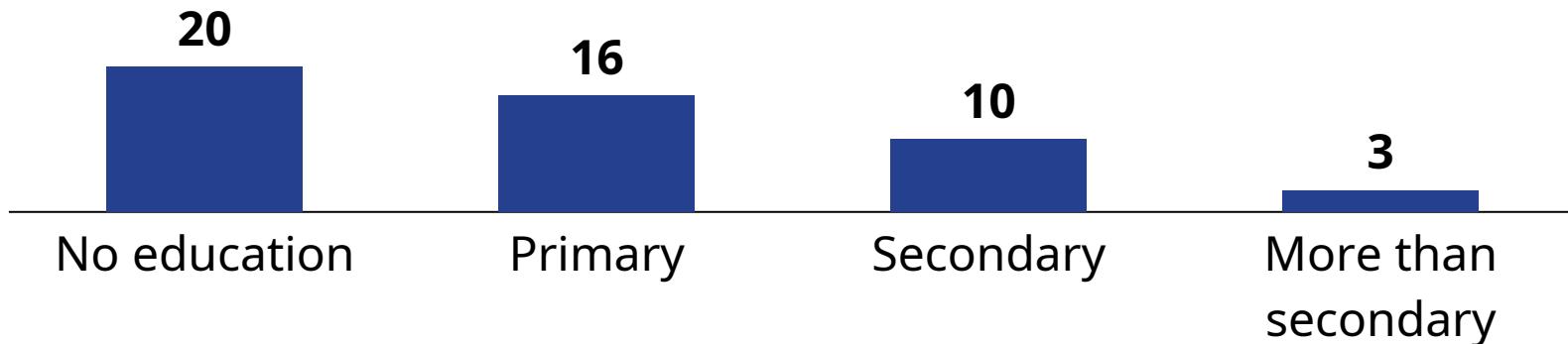
Recent Violence by Any Husband/ Intimate Partner by Woman's Education



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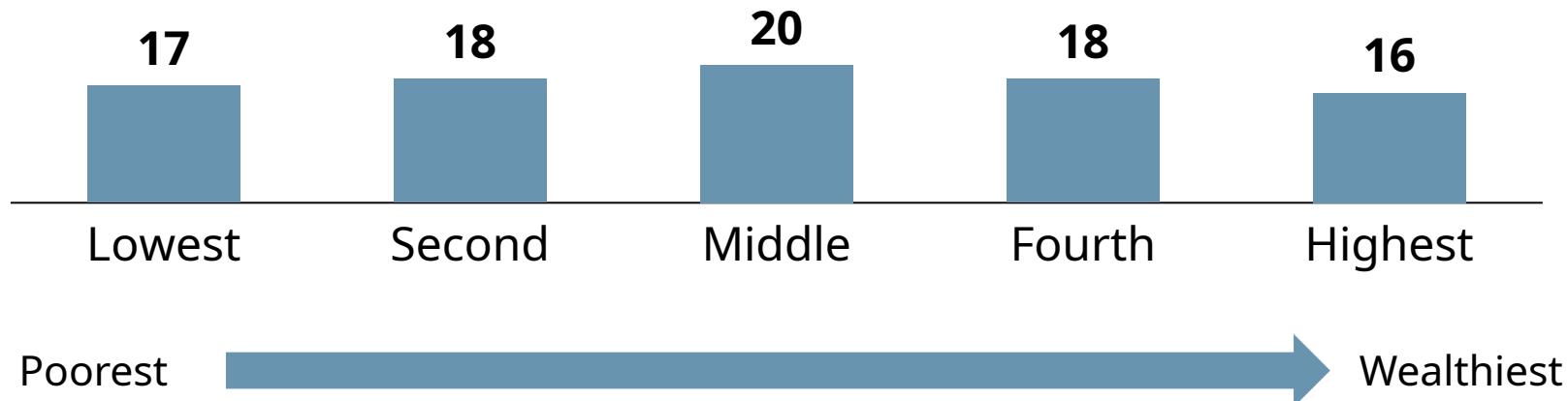
Intimate Partner by Woman's Education

Percent of Women age 15-49 who have ever had a husband or partner who have experienced physical or sexual or emotional violence by any husband/intimate partner in the last 12 months



Recent Violence by Any Husband/ Intimate Partner by Wealth

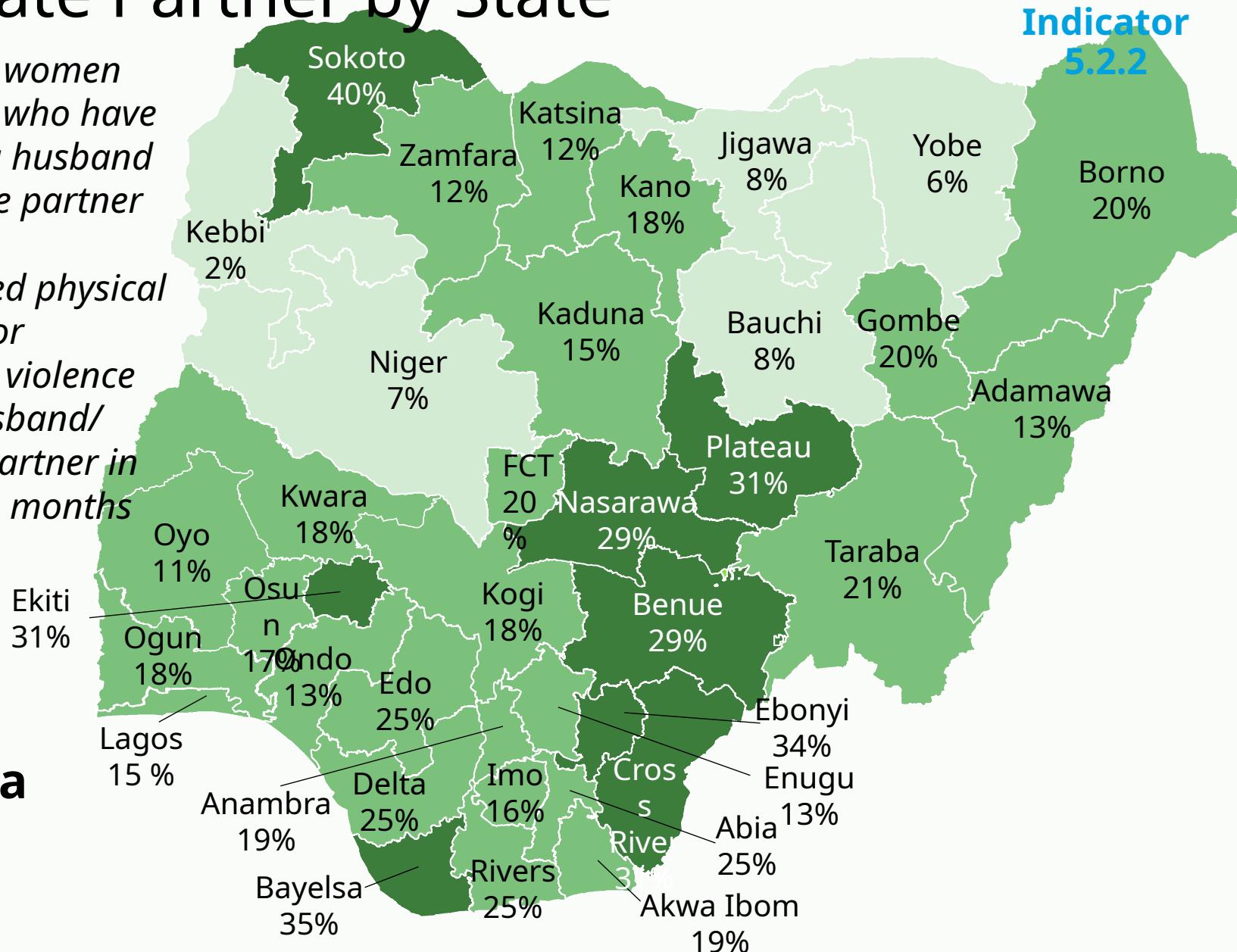
Percent of women age 15-49 who have ever had a husband or intimate partner who have experienced physical or sexual or emotional violence by any husband/ intimate partner in the last 12 months



Recent Violence by Any Husband/ Intimate Partner by State

*Percent of women
age 15-49 who have
ever had a husband
or intimate partner
who have
experienced physical
or sexual or
emotional violence
by any husband/
intimate partner in
the last 12 months*

**Nigeria
18%**



Key Results

Among women age 15-49:

- 19% of women have **ever experienced physical violence since age 15.**
- 5% of women have **ever experienced sexual violence.**
- 24% of women who have ever experienced physical or sexual violence **sought help to stop the violence.**

Among women age 15-49 who ever had a husband/intimate partner:

- 23% of women **ever experienced physical or sexual or emotional violence** by their current or most recent husband/intimate partner.
- 23% of women **experienced physical or sexual or emotional violence in the last 12 months** by any husband/intimate partner.