

Proposal

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Title

Trends of domestic abuse incidents and crimes in Scotland over the last 19 years.

Introduction

According to UK Office for National Statistics, 26% of women and 15% of men experience some kind of domestic abuse between the ages of 16 to 59. (1) Extensive research is needed to inform new policies in prevention of domestic violence. (2) It is vital to highlight any trends in domestic violence over the last 19 years in Scotland to identify any noticeable patterns and create awareness among policymakers.

Target Audience

Create awareness about the rising prevalence of domestic violence among law enforcement and policymakers.

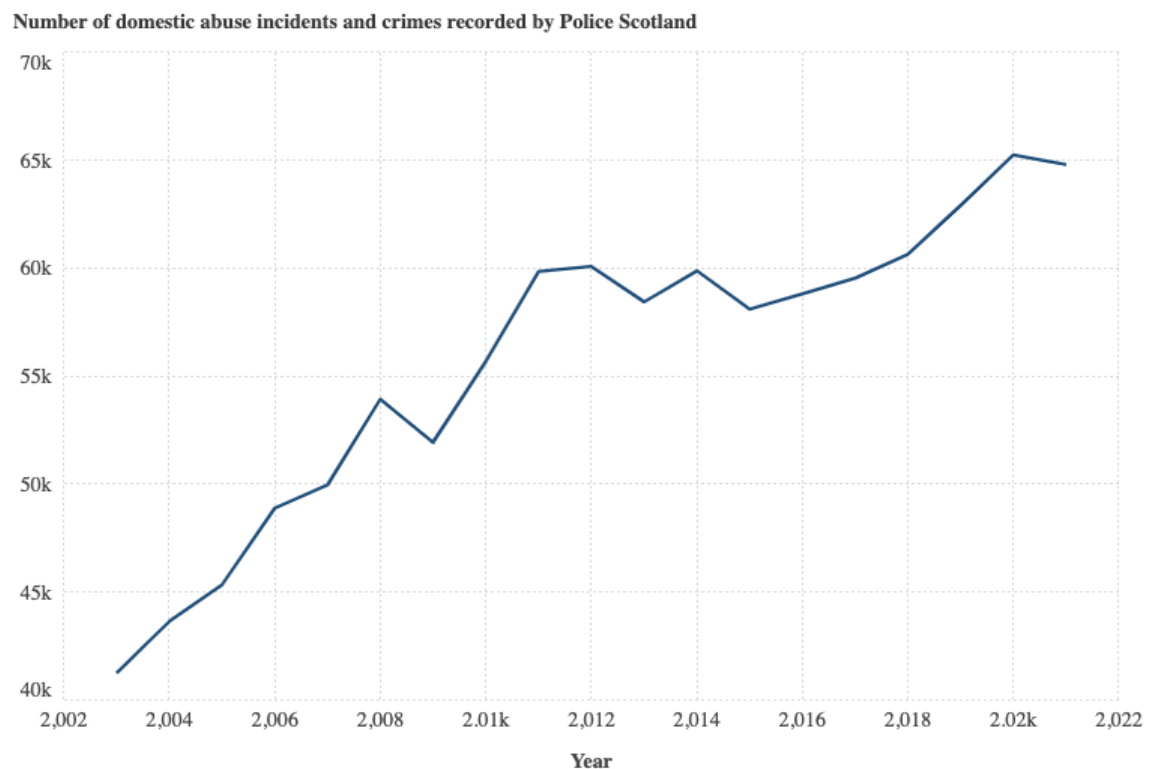
Data Set

Domestic abuse data set from the Scottish Government (Scottish Crime Statistics) available on [Scottish Public Health Observatory](#) which contains the prevalence of domestic abuse in Scotland in the past 19 years.

Data Visualisation

Time-Series Line Chart: Trends in police-recorded domestic abuse incidents and crimes.

- X-axis: Years
- Y-axis: Number of domestic abuse incidents and crimes recorded by Police Scotland



References

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