# Minnesota Department of Health

# Attachment E: Data Sources Sexual Violence Prevention Grant Request for ProposalS

Applicants for the Sexual Violence Prevention Grant Program are not required to justify the need for funds by including data on prevalence of sexual violence in their applications. However, different kinds of data can be helpful for organizations and agencies to better understand and propose effective strategies for violence prevention. This attachment lists several data sources that are available for applicants to reference and use while drafting applications if desired.

Quantitative data about sexual violence is not always available or sufficient. There are several reasons for this:

* Sexual violence is a broad term that includes many forms and contexts that are not consistently defined or well-tracked.
* It is not always safe or supportive for people to disclose the sexual violence they have experienced, which contributes to the under-reporting of sexual violence.
* Disparities in rates of sexual violence victimization among different groups have continued over time due to ongoing societal root causes.
* Many gaps exist in data collection, analysis, and distribution, which makes it difficult to obtain relevant and/or specific community data.

In many cases, the qualitative and quantitative data, stories, and community wisdom collected by partner organizations about their own communities are more useful than larger quantitative government data sources. Some of these resources are listed below.

More information on data sources on sexual violence and intimate partner violence in Minnesota is available at: [Sexual Violence and Intimate Partner Violence Data (https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/svp/data/index.html)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/svp/data/index.html)

Minnesota Department of health (MDH) staff are available to respond to requests for data about sexual violence in Minnesota. Requests can be submitted to health.violenceprev@state.mn.us with the subject line *Data Request*.[[1]](#footnote-1)

## Reports

The following are one-time or ongoing studies and data summaries related to sexual violence in Minnesota:

* [A Report on Violence Against Asian Women and Children in Minnesota (https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/equity/reports/violence/finalreport.pdf)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/equity/reports/violence/finalreport.pdf)

* [College Student Health Survey (https://boynton.umn.edu/college-student-health-survey)](https://boynton.umn.edu/college-student-health-survey)
* [Comprehensive Plan for the Prevention of Abuse and Neglect of People with Disabilities (https://mn.gov/olmstead/assets/2018-01-22 Comprehensive Plan for Prevention of Abuse and Neglect of People with Disabilities Report - Final 2-23-18\_tcm1143-468155.pdf)](https://mn.gov/olmstead/assets/2018-01-22%20Comprehensive%20Plan%20for%20Prevention%20of%20Abuse%20and%20Neglect%20of%20People%20with%20Disabilities%20Report%20-%20Final%202-23-18_tcm1143-468155.pdf)
* [Garden of Truth: The Prostitution and Trafficking of Native Women in Minnesota (https://www.niwrc.org/sites/default/files/images/resource/Garden-of-Truth.pdf)](https://www.niwrc.org/sites/default/files/images/resource/Garden-of-Truth.pdf)
* [Homicide Reports: Relationship Abuse in Minnesota (https://www.vfmn.org/reports)](https://www.vfmn.org/reports)
* [Latinas and Intimate Partner Violence: Evidence-based Facts (https://esperanzaunited.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/3.11.73-Factsheet\_GeneralIPV2021.pdf)](https://esperanzaunited.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/3.11.73-Factsheet_GeneralIPV2021.pdf)
* [Minnesota Adolescent Sexual Health Reports (https://prc.umn.edu/training/minnesota-adolescent-sexual-health-report)](https://prc.umn.edu/training/minnesota-adolescent-sexual-health-report)
* [Minnesota Homeless Study (https://www.wilder.org/mnhomeless)](https://www.wilder.org/mnhomeless)
* [Missing and Murdered African American Women Task Force: Final Report (https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/ojp/forms-documents/Documents/MMAAW%20full%20report%20final.pdf)](https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/ojp/forms-documents/Documents/MMAAW%20full%20report%20final.pdf)
* [Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Task Force: A Report to the Minnesota Legislature (https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/ojp/Documents/missing-murdered-indigenous-women-task-force-report.pdf)](https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/ojp/Documents/missing-murdered-indigenous-women-task-force-report.pdf)
* [Native American Women and Incarceration in Minnesota (https://www.vfmn.org/\_files/ugd/f4bdb8\_15e146e352924cb3abdca109e1c46b5b.pdf)](https://www.vfmn.org/_files/ugd/f4bdb8_15e146e352924cb3abdca109e1c46b5b.pdf)
* [Shattered Hearts: The Commercial Sexual Exploitation of American Indian Women and Girls in Minnesota (https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5ac26062506fbee9f6d08994/t/5b846304c2241b8b6232900f/1535402767253/Shattered-Hearts-Full.pdf)](https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5ac26062506fbee9f6d08994/t/5b846304c2241b8b6232900f/1535402767253/Shattered-Hearts-Full.pdf)
* [Status of Women and Girls in Minnesota Reports (https://www.wfmn.org/research/status-of-women-and-girls-in-minnesota/)](https://www.wfmn.org/research/status-of-women-and-girls-in-minnesota/)
* [Transgender Latina Survivors of Gender-based Violence (https://esperanzaunited.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/TransLatinas-factsheet-ENG-1.pdf)](https://esperanzaunited.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/TransLatinas-factsheet-ENG-1.pdf)
* [U.S. Transgender Survey: 2015 Minnesota State Report (https://transequality.org/sites/default/files/docs/usts/USTSMNStateReport(1017).pdf)](https://transequality.org/sites/default/files/docs/usts/USTSMNStateReport%281017%29.pdf)
* [Voices of Health Survey (https://rainbowhealth.org/voices-of-health-survey/)](https://rainbowhealth.org/voices-of-health-survey/)

## Quantitative data from MDH

The following table describes some public health data sources that MDH staff frequently use to answer questions about the prevalence of sexual violence in Minnesota. These are data systems that are either administered by MDH staff or accessible to MDH staff for analysis.

To make a custom data request, email MDH staff at health.violenceprev@state.mn.us using the subject line *Data Request.* **Data requests may take up to two weeks to process, or longer if the request is complex in nature.** In compliance with MDH data privacy policies, findings with smaller counts may not be available.

Quantitative data sources

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| **Data source** | **Outcomes** | **Available breakdowns** | **Access options** |
| Minnesota Student Survey (MSS) | Sexual violence perpetrated by a family member, sexual violence perpetrated by a non-family member, physical, verbal, and sexual intimate partner violence, sexual exploitation, Adverse Childhood experiences (ACEs), and various protective factors | Grade, sex assigned at birth, gender identity, sexual orientation, race and ethnicity, detailed race and ethnicity, and socioeconomic difficulty | Online interactive reports and downloadable PDF tables on the Minnesota Department of Education webpage for the [Minnesota Student Survey (https://education.mn.gov/MDE/dse/health/mss)](https://education.mn.gov/MDE/dse/health/mss/) |
| Minnesota Injury Data Access System | Hospital-treated assault injuries and sexual abuse among children, adults, and pregnant patients | Year, treatment type (Emergency room vs. inpatient), age, sex, and type of assault/abuse | Interactive dashboard of [hospital data (https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/injury/midas/ipvhospital.html)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/injury/midas/ipvhospital.html) |
| Minnesota Violent Death Reporting System (MNVDRS) | Homicides perpetrated by an intimate partner | Year, age, sex, race, ethnicity, weapon type, and location type | Interactive dashboard of [violent death data (https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/injury/midas/mnvdrs.html)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/injury/midas/mnvdrs.html) |

## Data from other government entities

Sources of sexual violence data that are administered by other government entities include:

* [Child Welfare Data Dashboard (https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/news-initiatives-reports-workgroups/child-protection-foster-care-adoption/child-welfare-data-dashboard/)](https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/news-initiatives-reports-workgroups/child-protection-foster-care-adoption/child-welfare-data-dashboard/)
* [National Crime Victimization Survey (https://bjs.ojp.gov/programs/ncvs)](https://bjs.ojp.gov/programs/ncvs)
* [National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey (https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/datasources/nisvs/index.html)](https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/datasources/nisvs/index.html)
* [Vulnerable Adult Protection Dashboard (https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/news-initiatives-reports-workgroups/adult-protection/dashboard.jsp)](https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/news-initiatives-reports-workgroups/adult-protection/dashboard.jsp)

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To obtain this information in a different format, call: 651-201-5484

1. MDH staff may not advise any grantees on their application or review drafts of proposals. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)