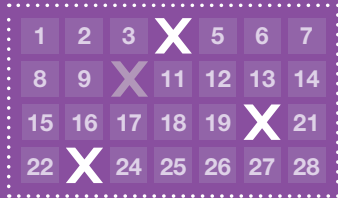


# Living in fear



**1 in 4** Australian women experience intimate partner violence



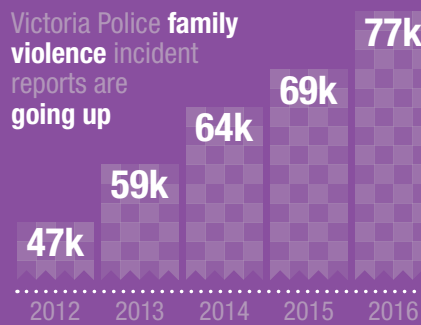
**One woman is killed** in Australia by a partner or ex almost every week



A woman faces an **increased risk of being killed** or seriously injured when **she leaves** or is separating from an **abusive partner**



**3 women** are hospitalised each week in Australia with a **traumatic brain injury** caused by their partner or ex



**Children** are present in **1 out of every 3** family violence cases reported to police



**Aboriginal women** are **35x** more likely to be hospitalised by **family violence** than other women



**Women and girls** with **disabilities** are **twice** as likely to **experience violence** as those without

**CALD women** face additional barriers to **safety**:

- language .....
- isolation .....
- strict cultural beliefs .....
- fear of police & courts .....
- immigration risks .....
- financial support .....



Of clients accessing specialist homelessness services ... **33%** are escaping family violence

Intimate **partner violence** is the **leading contributor** to **death, disability & illness** in **Victorian women** aged 15-44

**Violence against women** costs the **Australian economy**



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