


# Gender issues and the impact on health



## Family violence

In 2020, the number of family violence incidents reported to police increased  by 24% to 1040.

70%

of family violence incidents reported to police were **between current or former partners**.



In 70%

of **family violence cases** in Stonnington, females were affected. Those aged 25-34 are the largest age group affected.



The **most frequent type of abuse/violence** reported was verbal abuse followed by emotional abuse and physical abuse.

Family violence is the leading driver of homelessness for women.

88.6%

took place at a **residential location**. Children were present at 14.1% of incidents.

72% 

of **calls to the Seniors Rights Victoria Helpline** are from women and 28% are from men.



## Gender and health

27.2%

of residents have low levels of support for gender equality.

83.6%

of single parent families are female led.



In 2020, approximately **3 out of every 4 suicides** were males. Those aged 25-34 years were the largest age group for suicides.



**Hospital admissions for falls** is higher in Stonnington than Greater Melbourne and Victoria.



**During COVID-19 restrictions:**

Women were more likely than men to have experienced high or very high levels of **psychological distress**.



There was an increase in **elder abuse incidents**.