MsVEX
MISSISSIPPI VIOLENCE EXPERIENCES SURVEY

2025 Key Findings
FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH VIOLENCE

VICTIMIZATION AND PERPETRATION

Those who experienced physical violence in the past year were **32x more likely to report perpetrating physical violence** in the past year.

Those who had experienced sexual violence in the past year were **23x more likely to have perpetrated sexual violence** in the past year.

Those who had experienced intimate partner violence (IPV) in the past year were **18x more likely to have perpetrated IPV** in the past year.

SUICIDALITY & PAST YEAR VIOLENCE

Those who experienced physical violence in the past year were **2x more likely** than those without these experiences **to be suicidal** in the past year.

Those who experienced sexual violence in the past year were almost **2x more likely** than those without these experiences **to be suicidal** in the past year.

Those who experienced IPV in the past year were **4x more likely** than those without these experiences **to be suicidal** in the past year.

ABOUT THE SURVEY

The Mississippi Study on Violence Experiences across the Lifespan (MsVEX) survey is conducted with a statewide sample of Mississippi adults to provide population-level estimates of experiences of physical, sexual, and intimate partner violence (IPV) across the lifespan and within the past year. It also examines economic hardship, discrimination, policing experiences, and mental health outcomes linked to violence. Data were collected by NORC at the University of Chicago from approximately 1000 adults across the state from their existing panels. These data were then statistically weighted using NORC generated sampling weights to yield population estimates for the state as a whole.

ECONOMIC SHOCKS & PAST YEAR VIOLENCE

1 *in* **3 Mississippians**—37% of women and 32% of men— ***lacked sufficient money for food and other basic needs*** in the past year. Those who experienced this economic insecurity in the past year were:

- **3x** *more likely* to have experienced past year **physical violence**
- **2x** *more likely* to have experienced past year **sexual violence**
- **2x** *more likely* to have experienced past year **IPV**

1 *in* **20 Mississippians**—4% of women and 6% of men—***experienced eviction*** in the past year. Those who were evicted in the past year were:

- **5x** *more likely* to have experienced past year **physical violence**
- **3x** *more likely* to have experienced past year **sexual violence**
- **3x** *more likely* to have experienced past year **IPV**

1 *in* **20 Mississippians**—5% of women and 6% of men—***experienced homelessness*** in the past year. Those reporting homelessness in the past year were:

- **6x** *more likely* to have experienced past year **physical violence**
- **3x** *more likely* to have experienced past year **sexual violence**
- **5x** *more likely* to have experienced past year **IPV**

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