



PRESS RELEASE

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SWAGAA May 2021 COUNSELING STATISTICS

The following statistics are a result of psychosocial services rendered by the Swatini Action Group Against Abuse (SWAGAA) to survivors of abuse May 2021 in four (4) sites: Manzini, Simunye, Hlatsi and Pigg's Peak. This also includes survivors who received post abuse care under Insika yakusasa project.

Overview of Statistics

SWAGAA's counseling department provided post abuse care services to a total of 206 clients who reported gender-based violence cases, that is, the client was either sexually, physically, neglect, financially or emotionally abused.

Note: The number of cases is higher than the number of clients because a client can report multiple types of abuse at the same time as we have 233 cases of abuse that happened to 206 survivors.

Region where abuse took place

There were 113 survivors in the Manzini region who reported abuse related cases, 53 in Hhohho, 27 in Lubombo and 13 in Shiselweni.

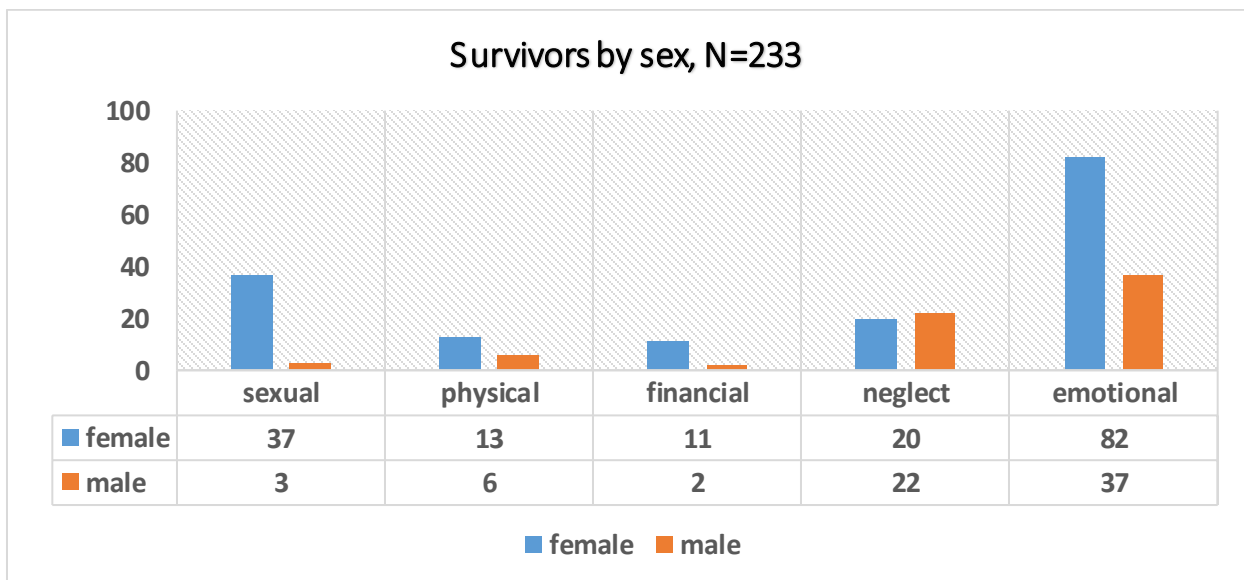
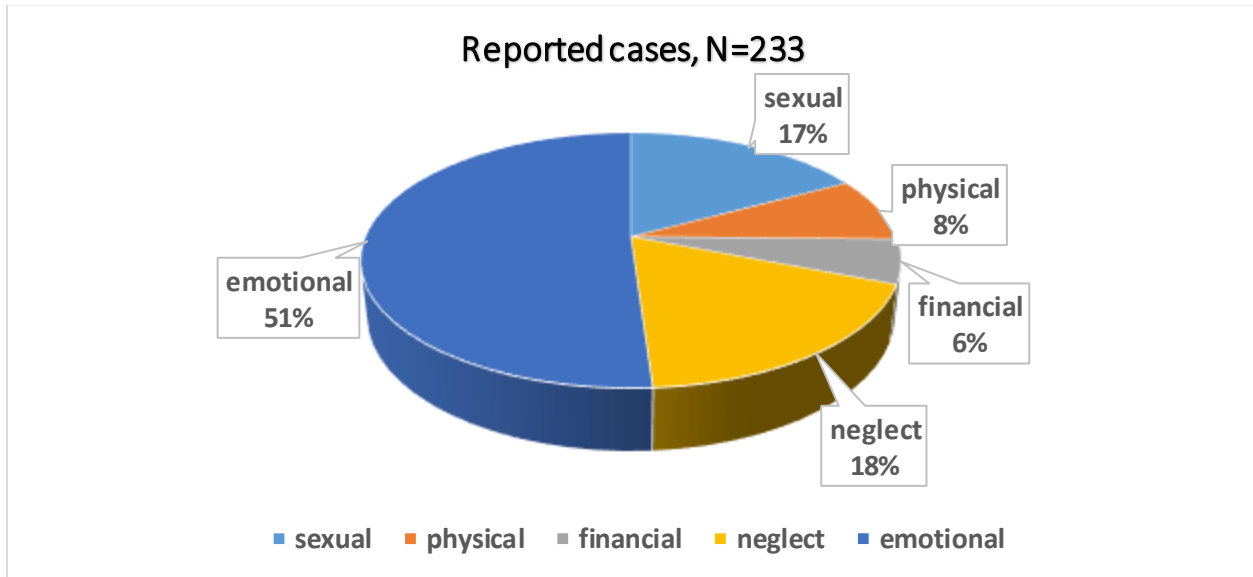
Type of abuse

There were 119 recorded cases of emotional abuse, 42 cases of neglect, 19 cases of physical abuse, 13 cases of financial abuse and 40 cases of sexual abuse.

Type of abuse	Cases	
	Female	Male
Sexual	37	3
Physical	13	6
Financial	11	2
Neglect	20	22
Emotional_Verbal	82	37
Total	163	70

Emotional/verbal abuse continues to record the highest number of cases; followed by neglect, sexual, physical and lastly financial.







SWAGAA CLIENTS: SURVIVOR AND PERPETRATOR PROFILE

There were 140 female and 66 male clients who reported abuse and received post abuse care services this month. In relation to perpetrator profile, there were 115 male perpetrators and 66 female perpetrators reported and there were 22 incidents where both sexes were perpetrators. Lastly, there were 3 incidents where the sex of the perpetrator was not stated.

Relationship between Survivor and Perpetrator

The table below illustrates the relationship between survivor and perpetrator:

Number of Survivors	Relationship with perpetrator
16	Husband
11	Wife
32	(ex) Boyfriend
9	(ex) Girlfriend
23	Father
19	Mother
11	Both parents
75	Relatives (children, cousins, in-laws, uncle aunts, stepparents etc.)
2	Person from neighborhood
8	Stranger/ unknown person

This month relatives were the main perpetrators of violence, that is, (75) survivors reported to be abused by their relatives. Intimate partner violence is as follows, 16 survivors reported to be abused by their husbands and 11 by their wives, 32 by their (ex)boyfriends and 9 by their (ex)girlfriends. Furthermore, 11 survivors reported to be abused by their parents (mother and father).

Location of abuse

Place where abuse occurred	Number of survivors
Home	182
Open field	13
Work place	1
Other	9
Not stated	1

Home continues to be the predominant place where most of the reported abuse cases took place as the table above illustrates. This could be the survivor's or perpetrator's home which shows that most of the abuse is brought by people who stay with and are known to the survivor.





Reporting places

This table indicates where clients first reported their cases

DSW	39
Health facility	2
Police	70
SWAGAA	81
Other	12
Not stated	2

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