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Dear Ms Cook

Freedom of information application

I refer to your application under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (the Act), received by the Office of the Minister for Human Services on 12 October 2018 seeking access to:

Copies of any and all documents (including but not limited to physical and electronic material) regarding Ministerial Agenda item "Domestic Violence Report – Next Steps" from 24 April 2018.

Unfortunately, a determination was unable to be made within the 30 days, therefore it is considered to be a 'deemed refusal' under section 19(2)(b) of the Act. However, our office has continued to process your application outside of this timeframe. Section 19(2)(a) of the Act provides that an agency can release documents outside of the thirty-day timeframe, and this is still taken to be a determination under the Act.

Four documents have been identified as falling within the scope of your application and I have determined to release these documents in full.

Please find enclosed a copy of the documents, and a document schedule containing a brief description of the documents.

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access, may/will be published on the agency's disclosure log. A copy of PC045 can be found at <http://dpc.sa.gov.au/what-we-do/services-for-government/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Amanda Hockings, Office Manager, on telephone 8463 3388 or by email at amanda.hockings2@sa.gov.au. If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your FOI application, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman SA. Please contact the Ombudsman directly on (08) 8226 8699.

Yours sincerely



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ACCREDITED FOI OFFICER

14 / 3 / 2019

9SCHEDULE OF DOCUMENTS – MCOR/0095

Freedom of information application from the Ms Nat Cook seeking access to *Copies of any and all documents (including but not limited to physical and electronic material) regarding Ministerial agenda item "Domestic Violence Reform - Next Steps" from 24 April 2018.*

No	Author	Addressee	Date	Description of document	Determination	Reason
1.	Department of Human Services		24/4/2018	Agenda Item – Violence Against Women Action Framework/Agenda	Released in Full	
2.				Attachment to Agenda Item – Visual overview of proposed framework	Released in Full	
3.				Attachment to Agenda Item – National Violence Against Women Dashboard	Released in Full	
4.				Attachment to Agenda Item – SA Monitoring and evaluation dashboard information	Released in Full	



MINISTER FOR HUMAN SERVICES MEETING		
AGENDA ITEM		
TITLE OF PAPER:	VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACTION FRAMEWORK/AGENDA	
MEETING DATE	24 / 04 / 2018	NOTING <input type="checkbox"/> DISCUSSION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
KEY POINTS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Office for Women is proposing the development of a new overarching action-driven framework to address violence against women, with a working title of 'Preventing Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Against Women.' 2. The new overarching framework would feature the State Government's election commitments as a cornerstone, and include a range of other areas of focus relevant to the prevention of violence against women. 	

Minister's Comments:

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BACKGROUND

The Women's Safety Strategy was released by the previous Government in 2005. A Right to Safety 2011-22 (ARTS) was the next phase of the Women's Safety Strategy, and was released in 2011. To date, it has guided policy and action in South Australia related to violence against women (VAW).

ARTS outlined the former Government's response to violence against women, including sexual assault and domestic and family violence, and South Australia's commitment to the National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children 2010-2022 (the National Plan). It is recognised that significant work remains to be done to prevent violence against women.

The National Plan is being implemented via a series of Action Plans; the fourth Action Plan is currently being developed. As part of the National Plan work, the second phase of the 'Stop it at the Start' primary prevention campaign is expected to be released in July 2018.

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DISCUSSION

As you know, the recent Domestic Violence Roundtable raised a range of issues related to election commitments, specifically and broadly, as well as other issues and topics of interest. The Office for Women (OFW) is currently collating the feedback received from the Roundtable held in April and will provide further information on that feedback soon. However, there was clearly an appetite for work in this space to be heavily action oriented, rather than simply the creation of a new policy.

It is proposed that the new 'Preventing Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Against Women Action Framework' (the Framework), which is a working title only, be guided strongly by feedback from the Roundtable, as well as the planned women's sector survey and any additional Roundtables. Quotes from stakeholders as well as case studies could be included in the new Framework. There is also an opportunity to link the launch of the Framework with the commencement of the phase two of the Stop it at the Start campaign, by timing the release of the Framework for July 2018. This would also enable South Australia's participation in the COAG Violence Against Women Summit, which is to be hosted by Victoria in September 2018, to be driven by this new reform agenda and enable maximum leverage to be gained as the fourth action plan of the National Plan is finalised. There is also an opportunity to link to the current #metoo movement against sexual harassment, as well as the Our Watch #becausewhy digital campaign, which focuses on helping parents identify and counter rigid stereotypes in their children's daily lives.

It is proposed that the Framework contain detail on a range of complementary areas, including those being highlighted in the Fourth Action Plan of the National Plan (for example, sexual violence will be a crucial area of focus in the Action Plan).

Based on an initial analysis of the feedback from the Domestic Violence Roundtable, the following areas would form the focus of the framework:

- Primary Prevention – including education, increasing women's participation and leadership, and the elimination of sexism and the role of sexism itself, as well as settings for change, such as workplaces, popular culture, sport and so on;
- Legislation and general justice responses;
- Service & System Responses for both victims/survivors and perpetrators, including early intervention, crisis and post crisis services, and the role of first responders, such as police.

The Framework would also outline your role and the role of the Assistant Minister for Domestic and Family Violence Prevention, as well as emphasising the Government's continuing support for the National Plan, and include aspects related to Accountability and Monitoring (including Coronial Processes and Findings and data as evidence for change, and other key matters such as research and communications).

The current Youth Safety Strategy, which provides a framework for action to prevent and respond to young people's experiences of violence with a focus on gender based violence, could be recast to be entirely action focused, and included in the new action oriented Framework. OFW is of the view that aligning work in the youth space with the Framework would ensure that relevant issues related to young people sit firmly within a national framework on gendered violence and enable work on respectful relationships to be driven through this lens and by the new Framework. Similarly, there is scope to focus on other key demographic groups. Like the youth-focused actions, these could align with national work. These priority population groups could include culturally and linguistically diverse women, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their communities, women with disabilities, women in rural and remote areas and older women.

Finally, there are issues which could be included that enable this reform agenda to be achieved. These 'enablers' include improved databases, the timely sharing of information between these databases and the collation and analysis of data that provides evidence of change and/or the need to change responses to achieve the best outcomes.

Ongoing oversight of the Framework, including the election commitments, will also be required and work is currently being progressed by OFW to recast the role of the existing Chief Executives Group and the associated Working Group. A briefing will be provided to you on this recasting proposal shortly, recommending redevelopment of the working group to be a partner network and to be co-chaired by OFW and the Coalition of Women's Domestic and Aboriginal Family Violence Services.

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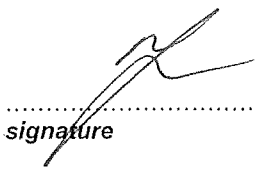
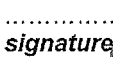
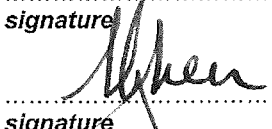
If supported, a detailed communications plan will be developed to ensure consistent messaging and means of communication with the community and sector about progress made under the Framework.

An initial diagram outlining key components of the framework is attached for discussion, as well as some examples of data and information collection being undertaken at the national level that formed the basis of previous discussion about data collection in South Australia.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (if relevant)

Some election commitments are unfunded.

There may also be funding implications attached to some actions included in the Framework, as the Framework is developed.

Division	Office for Women		
Director	Fiona Mort	 signature	19.4.18
Director, Office of the Chief Executive	Nancy Rogers	 signature	20.4.18
Chief Executive	Tony Harrison	 signature	20.4.18

ATTACHMENTS

1. Visual overview of proposed framework
2. National Violence Against Women Dashboard
3. South Australia Monitoring and evaluation dashboard information

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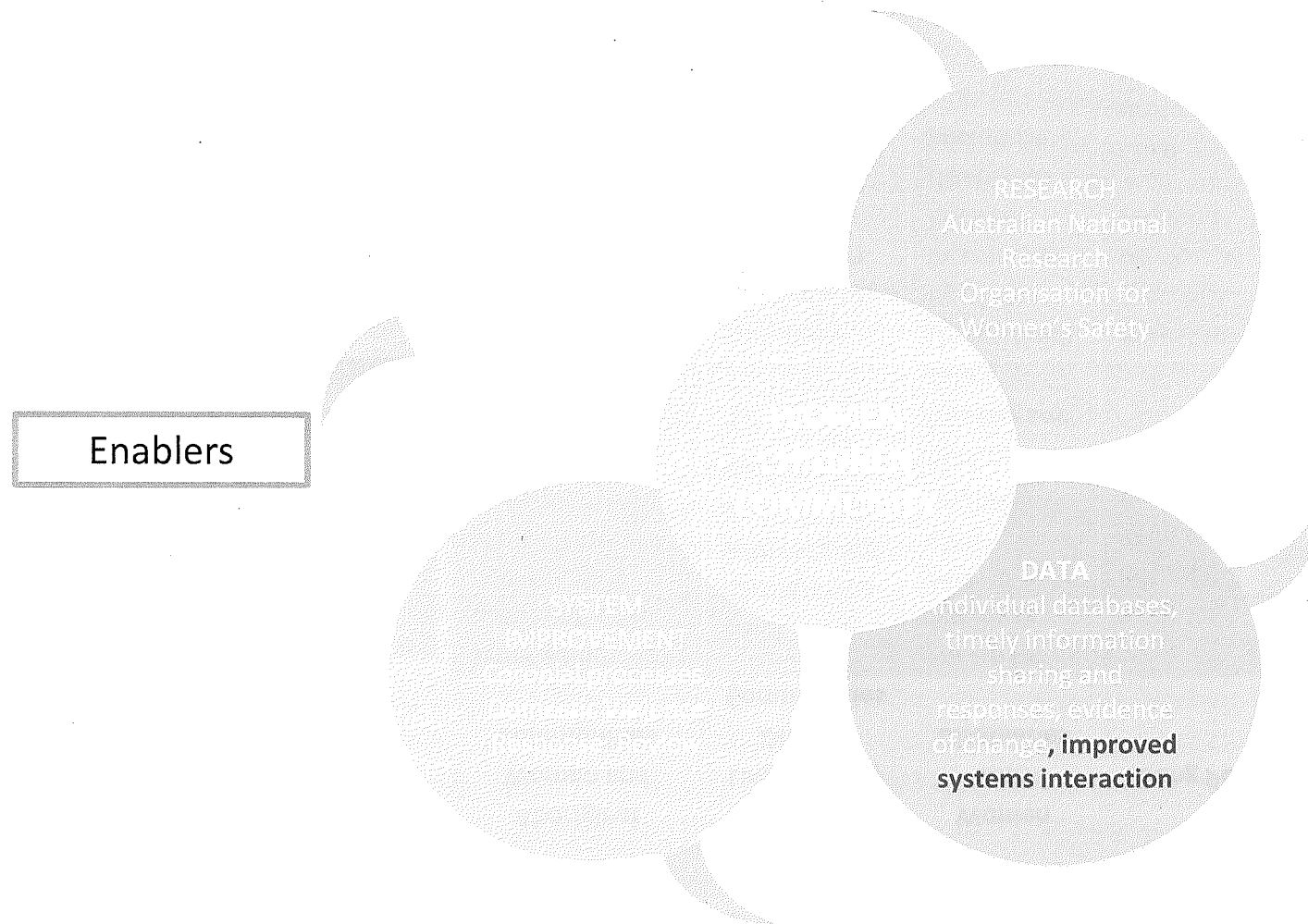
Women, Children and Communities

Communities		Aboriginal Women and Communities	Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Communities	Women with Disabilities	Young People	Older Women	Regional & Remote
Primary Prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Role of workplaces, sport, media, education (primary, secondary, tertiary) Learnings from the Public Sector Women's Leadership & Participation Our Watch & their campaigns Education Stop it At the Start #metoo movement 	Work with communities to deliver safety plans ; cultural appropriateness (eg Far West Coast Intervention)	Build partnerships with religious and cultural leaders	Forum for feedback from women with disability health, housing and safety	Respectful Relationships, financial literacy	Housing options for older women	Locale specific programs (eg school based education)
Services & Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perpetrator Responses, Children and Young people Safe Housing, Police and first responders, and the Welfare system, Family Separation, Family Drugs, Alcohol, and mental health Women's Safety App, Peak Body funding, Safety Hubs, No Interest Loans for Shelters, 24/7 Crisis Line, Crisis Accommodation, Affordable Housing initiatives 	Culturally appropriate, community led and co-designed services and supports	Culturally appropriate programs in safe spaces	Understanding of the intersection between disabilities and abuse	Access to specialist services as required Child protection interface	Homelessness and safe at home services Employment & Reskilling Elder abuse intersection	Access to services where people live
Legislation & Justice Responses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attorney General – legislation reviews Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme Responding to IO Breaches & Keeping Victims Informed - Police Correctional Services Courts Administration Authority Family & Federal Courts 	Provocation Defence Increased perpetrator programs in prison Family Court / Federal risk assessment guidelines Equal Opportunity Legislation					

South Australian Reform Agenda

National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women

Document 2
Attachment 1

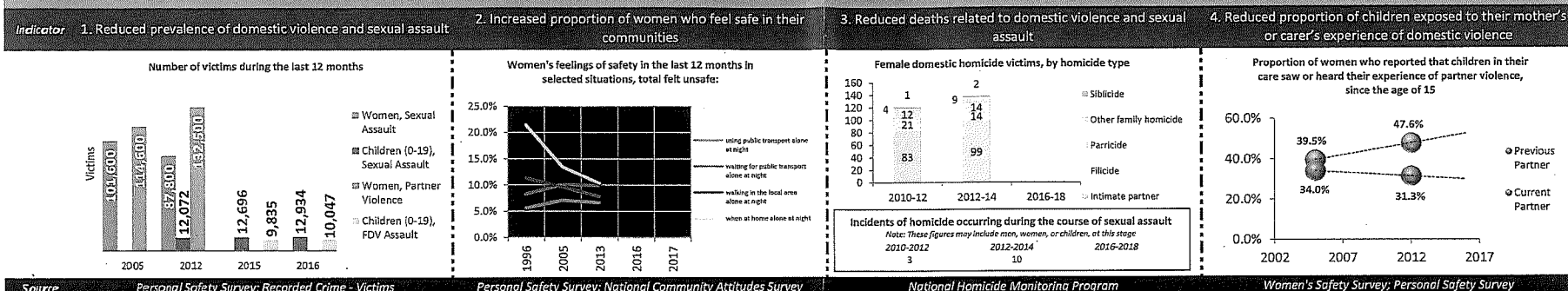


National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and their Children 2010-2022

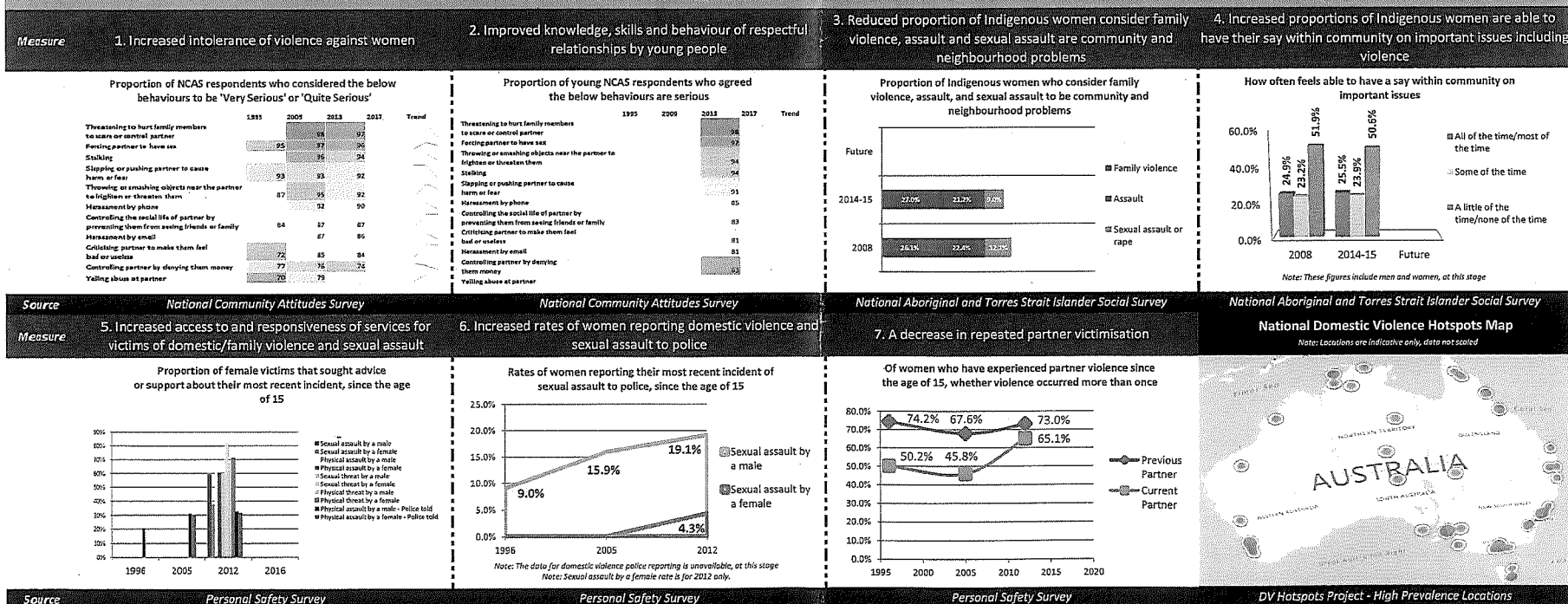
Monitoring and Evaluation Dashboard

Version 2 - August 2017
Research and Data Section, Family Safety Branch
Director: Dr Marian Esler, 02 6146 2774
Policy Officer: Jacob Siddall, 02 6146 6514

Indicators of Change



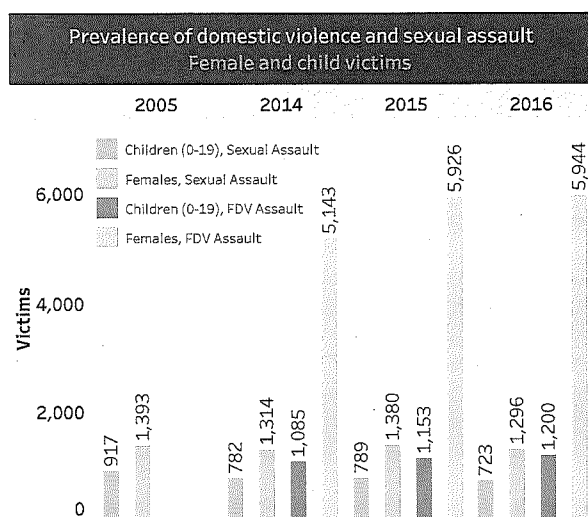
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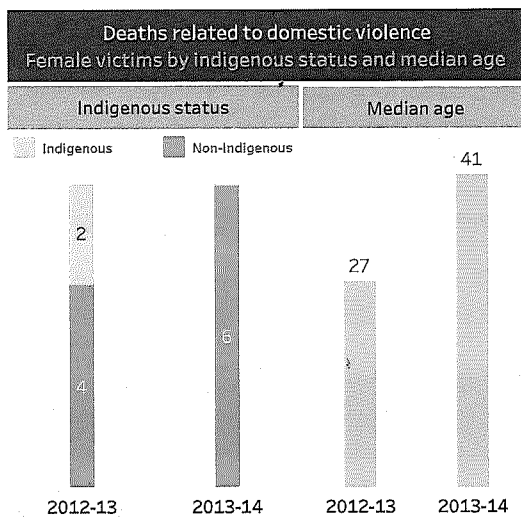


National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and their Children 2010-2022
Monitoring and Evaluation Dashboard - South Australia

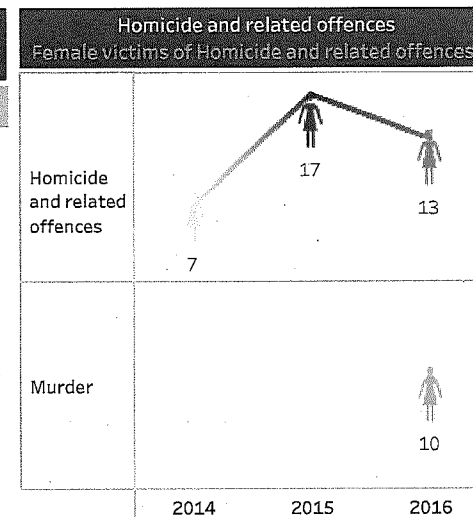
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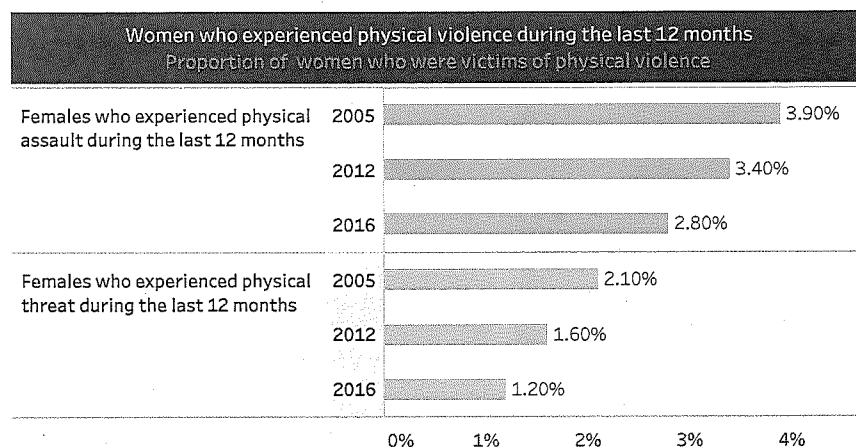
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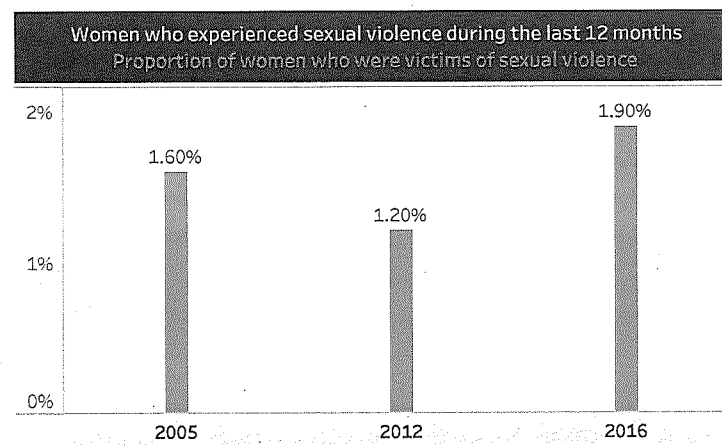
Source: National Homicide Monitoring Program



Source: Recorded Crime - Victims, ABS 2016



Source: Personal Safety Survey



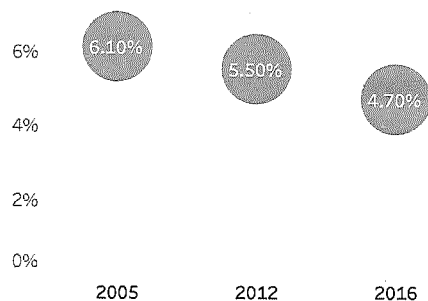
Source: Personal Safety Survey

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Monitoring and Evaluation Dashboard - South Australia

Measures of success

Reduced prevalence of violence against women
Proportion of women who experienced violence during the last 12 months



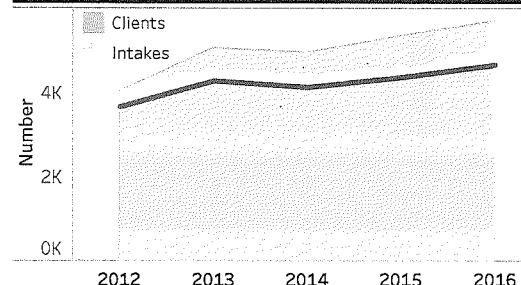
Source: Personal Safety Survey

Increased access to and responsiveness of services for women and children
Victims of sexual assault - intakes and clients that sought support



Source: Homeless to Home (H2H) System

Increased access to support services provided for women and children
Victims of family and domestic violence - Intakes and clients that sought support



Source: Homeless to Home (H2H) System

Increased access to support services provided for women and children
Victims of family and domestic violence - clients that sought support

	Average	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Safety service(s)	1,604	2,743	2,693	2,838	3,131	
Accommodation & Housing service(s)	987	1,253	1,348	1,625	1,764	
Health & Mental Health service(s)	92	169	188	178		
Finance & Justice service(s)	937	806	772	846		
		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016

Source: Homeless to Home (H2H) System

Domestic Violence Hotspots Map
Local Service Areas (LSA) of SACAD taskings

Map is based on the originating Local Service Area (LSA) locations of the South Australian Computer Aided Dispatch (SACAD) system taskings (telephone calls) received by SAPOL. Includes LSA locations of SACAD taskings received during 2014-2015 financial year.

Areas with high reported rates of domestic violence are shown on the National Domestic Violence Hotspots Map. Elizabeth is highlighted as the region in SA with high reported rates and is identified as a region which will benefit from the establishment of a new specialist domestic violence unit.

Source: SAPOL, National Domestic Violence Hotspots Map

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