

STRANGULATION IN INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE

FACT SHEET

STRANGULATION: the obstruction of blood vessels and/or airflow in the neck resulting in asphyxia.

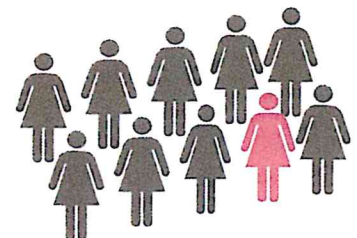


1 in 4

women will experience intimate partner violence (IPV) in their lifetime.

Of women who experience IPV...

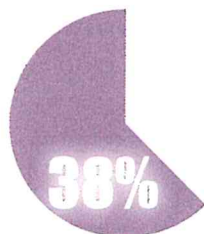
10% experience near-fatal strangulation by their partner.



Loss of consciousness can occur within 5 - 10 seconds. Death within minutes.¹



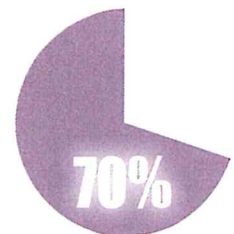
are strangled manually (with hands).¹



report losing consciousness.²



are strangled along with sexual assault/abuse.³
9% are also pregnant.²



of strangled women believed they were going to die.⁴

And odds for homicide increase **750%**

for victims who have been previously strangled, compared to victims who have never been strangled.⁵

HOWEVER...

Oftentimes, even in fatal cases, there are **NO EXTERNAL SIGNS** of injury.¹



Only half of victims have visible injuries



Of these, only 15% could be photographed