

2025 Alaska Victimization Survey: Budget, Timeline, Researcher(s)

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Goals for Today

- 1. (Very) quick reminder of what AVS is
- 2. Rough budget overview for AVS 2025
- 3. Expected timeline
- 4. Discussion of research team



What is the AVS?

- · Purpose: Provide estimates for the lifetime and past-year prevalence of violence against women in Alaska
 - Documents the scope of the problem over time.
 - o Increases awareness about the problem and fosters the collective movement to address these types of violence.
 - Validates the experiences of the victim-survivors and communicates that they are not alone, not unseen, and not forgotten.
- Joint effort between the Alaska Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA; funders) and the University of Alaska Anchorage Justice Center (research implementation)
- General methodology
 - o General population survey of adult women residing in Alaska.
 - Respondents randomly selected and contacted by landlines and cell phones.
 - o Modeled after the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey (NISVS) administered by the CDC
 - o Questions about victimization are "behaviorally specific" and include a wide range of violence against womer
 - o Survey procedures designed to maximize the safety and confidentiality of respondents.
- Conducted statewide surveys in 2010, 2015, and 2020 (quinquennially)
 - 13 regional surveys were conducted 2011 2015
- Almost 13,000 Alaskan women have participated (Appendix A includes sample geographic details)



What could a 2025 AVS tell us?

- Statewide Prevalence (lifetime and past-year)
 - Are we still treading water?
 Have we improved since 2020?
 Have we gotten worse?
- More information on relationships between health and VAW
- New information on:
 - Protective factors
 - Resiliency
 - Help-seeking behaviors and experiences
 - o Justice definitions and expectations (What do victims want?)



Rough budget overview (FY25 & FY26)

125,000	Principal investigator + UA research support staff salary & benefits					
	 Review and revise survey instrument in partnership with CDVSA 					
	 Explore alternative recruitment methodologies 					
	 Engage in IRB approval process 					
	 Developing AVS-specific training for phone interviewers 					
	 Serve on-call during survey implementation to resolve issues such as IRB complaints and field questions and comments from participants/potential participants 					
	 Finalize data and conduct analyses (and cross validate results) 					
	 Prepare and disseminate final report(s) 					
5,000	Research team travel (to lower 48 to meet with subcontractors; to Juneau to meet with CDVSA & other stakeholders)					
450,000	Subawardee					
	 Programming CATI (computer assisted telephonic interviewing) system 					
	 Training, supervising, and paying phone interviewers 					
	 Acquisition of Alaska-based phone lists 					
	 Paying for and distributing payments to participants (\$35-45 per) 					
95,000	UA F&A (53.1% with 400,000 of 450,000 subaward exempt)					
675,000	[can be split 50/50 over the two fiscal years: 340-350K in each]					



2025 AVS Timeline

- August 2024 May 2025: Design and Preparation
 - Revise survey instrument with CDVSA (revising may require additional analyses of past data)
 - Explore multi-method recruitment (phone and text?)
 - Hire sub-contractor to conduct survey (likely GMA)
 - Engage in IRB approval process
 - o Programing and pre-testing of survey in CATI (computer assisted telephone interviewing) system
 - Update and develop training materials for phone interviewers
 - o Train phone interviewers
- June September 2025: Data collection (N = 2000)
- October 2025 February 2026: Data cleaning, weighting, analyses and preparation of final report
- March 2026 ->: Dissemination of Final Results and Additional Analyses



Research team

- Historically, AVS has been partnership between CDVSA and UAA Justice Center
 - o Dr. Andre Rosay was PI from 2010-2018
 - $_{\odot}$ Dr. Ingrid Johnson transitioned into role in 2018 for 2020 AVS forward
- Dr. Johnson will be transitioning from UAA Justice Center to UAF Justice Department this fall (August 2024)
 - Still willing and would be honored to serve as PI
 - O Unclear who at UAA Justice Center would take on role as PI if CDVSA wishes to maintain this partnership (Andre Rosay no longer in Justice Center; research faculty are almost all gone)





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Appendix A: AVS Participants

12,985

Alaskan women

participated in regional or statewide

Alaska Victimization Surveys

between 2010 and 2020

Year	Location/Region	Sample Size
2010	Statewide	871
2011	Municipality of Anchorage	718
2011	Bristol Bay Region	373
2011	Fairbanks North Star Borough	745
2011	City and Borough of Juneau	604
2012	Kodiak Island Borough	415
2012	City and Borough of Sitka	282
2012	Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta	509
2013	Kenai Peninsula Borough	987
2013	Ketchikan Gateway Borough	648
2013	Matanuska-Susitna Borough	1,190
2014	Nome Census Area	265
2014	North Slope Borough	169
2014-2015	Aleutian/Pribilof Island Region	82
2015	Statewide ^a	3,027
2020	Statewide	2,100

Notes

a. The 2015 statewide sample included enough cases to also generate Municipality of Anchorage specific prevalence estimates and to add an additional 38 cases to the Aleutian/Pribilof Island sample to generate estimates for that region.



Appendix B: Is VAW in Alaska getting better or worse (2010-2020)?

Type of Violence	Lifetime (%)			Past Year (%)		
	2010	2015	2020	2010	2015	2020
Physical intimate partner violence (composite)	47.6	40.4*	48.0†	9.4	6.4	6.9
Threats of physical violence	31.0	25.6	28.5	5.8	3.0	2.6
Physical violence	44.8	39.6	46.8†	8.6	5.9	6.5
Rape (composite)	37.1	33.1	40.5†	4.3	2.9	3.4
Alcohol- or drug-involved sexual penetration	26.8	22.6	27.5	3.6	2.0	2.1
Forcible sexual penetration	25.6	23.6	27.7	2.5	1.6	2.2
IPV, rape, or both (composite)	58.6	50.3*	57.7†	11.8	8.1	8.1

* Significant change between 2010 and 2015

† Significant change between 2015 and 2020

(No significant changes between 2010 and 2020)

See Appendix D for confidence interval details.



Appendix C: Changes over time: 2010-2020 with confidence intervals

Type of Violence		Lifetime % [CI]			Past Year % [CI]	
	2010	2015	2020	2010	2015	2020
Physical intimate partner violence	47.6	40.4	48.0	9.4	6.4	6.9
	[43.4 – 51.9]	[37.7 – 43.1]	[45.1 – 51.0]	[6.7 – 12.1]	[4.9 – 7.9]	[5.0 – 8.8]
Threats of physical violence	31.0	25.6	28.5	5.8	3.0	2.6
	[27.1 – 34.9]	[23.2 – 28.0]	[25.9 – 31.1]	[3.5 – 8.0]	[2.0 – 4.0]	[1.4 – 3.8]
Physical violence	44.8	39.6	46.8	8.6	5.9	6.5
	[40.6 – 49.0]	[36.9 – 42.3]	[43.8 – 49.8]	[6.1 – 11.2]	[4.5 – 7.3]	[4.7 – 8.3]
Rape	37.1	33.1	40.5	4.3	2.9	3.4
	[33.0 – 41.3]	[30.5 – 35.8]	[37.5 – 43.4]	[2.6 – 6.0]	[1.9 – 4.0]	[1.9 – 4.8]
Alcohol- or drug-	26.8	22.6	27.5	3.6	2.0	2.1
involved	[23.0 – 30.5]	[20.2 – 25.0]	[24.7 – 30.2]	[2.0 – 5.2]	[1.1 – 2.9]	[1.0 – 3.2]
Forcible	25.6	23.6	27.7	2.5	1.6	2.2
	[22.0 – 29.3]	[21.2 – 26.0]	[25.1 – 30.4]	[1.2 – 3.8]	[0.8 – 2.3]	[1.0 – 3.4]
IPV, rape, or both	58.6	50.3	57.7	11.8	8.1	8.1
	[54.4 – 62.8]	[47.5 – 53.1]	[54.8 – 60.6]	[8.8 – 14.7]	[6.4 – 9.8]	[6.1 – 10.2]