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Mission

The Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence seeks to engage all people in a movement to change the social and political systems that perpetuate violence against women. We do this through education, advocacy and quality victim services.

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Crime Victims Assistance Division Data

	2008	2009	2010
Domestic Abuse Victims Served	22,508	24,273	24,067

Crisis Calls and Shelter Services	2008	2009	2010
Victim Service Crisis Calls	82,077	77,555	72,033
Nights of Shelter Provided	100,814	109,584	99,585
Shelter for Domestic Abuse	4,416	6,721	4,939

16 to 25 year olds accounted for the largest percent of perpetrators of domestic violence 2608, or 36.1%. 26 to 35 year olds accounted for 2329, or 32.2%*

Incidences of domestic abuse were reported most frequently on weekends.* In 2009, boyfriend or girlfriend relationships recorded the highest number of domestic abuse relationships accounting for 51.7%, followed by spouses at 26.8%.*

In 18% of the reported incidents, weapons (other than hands, feet, and teeth) were used. i.e. guns and knives*

In 2009, the use of drugs and alcohol during a domestic violence incident was fewer than 19%.*

*Uniform Crime Report, Department of Public Safety 2009