



Femicides in Ontario
September 2023

WE COUNT FEMICIDE BECAUSE...

SEPTEMBER 1ST - SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2023

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MONTHLY FEMICIDE IN ONTARIO FACTSHEET



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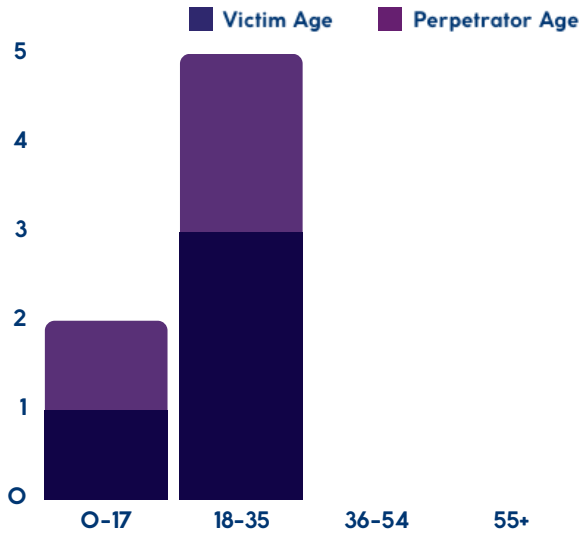
Quick Facts

- OAITH's femicide definition includes a gender-based killing of a woman, child, trans woman, 2-Spirited Person, or gender non-conforming individual where a man has been charged in relation to the death

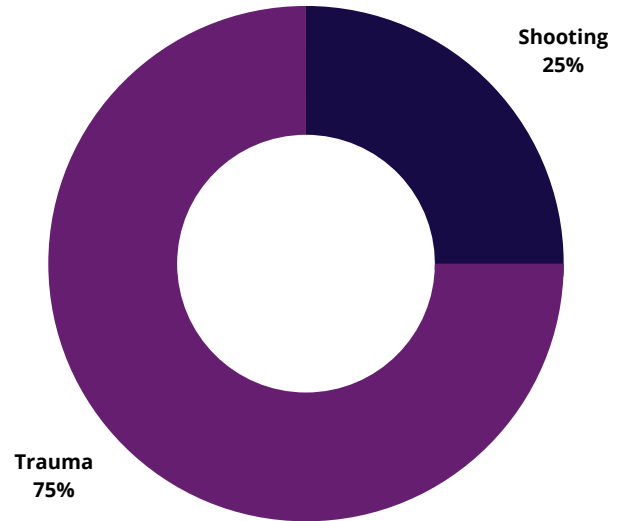
OAITH Femicide Data- Femicide Type (Year to Date)

Intimate Partner	Family	Known	Relationship Not Reported	No Prior Relationship	Total
14	10	9	10	3	46

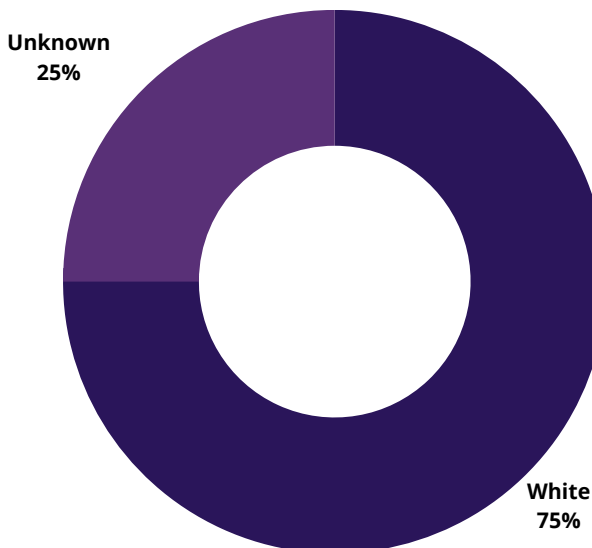
Victim & Perpetrator Age Comparison



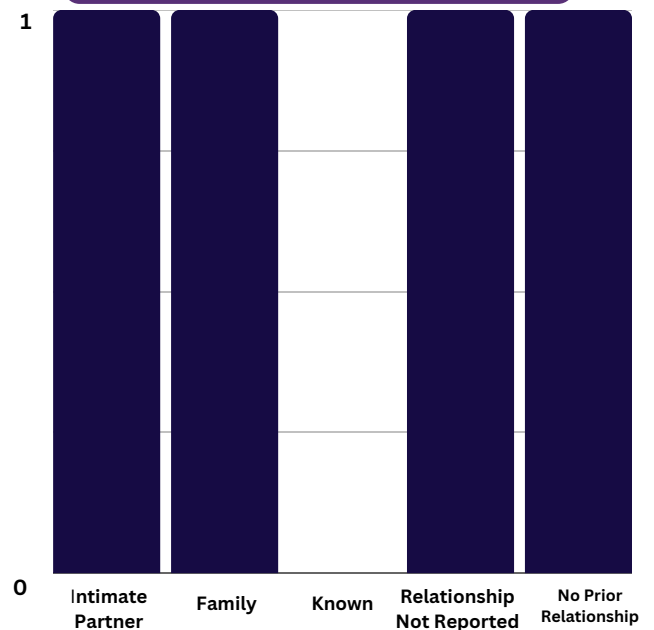
Cause of Death



Victim Race



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Femicide Victims

Confirmed Total: 4



East Region

Cynara Lewis 27 - Peterborough, ON

National Media: No report available at time of publication

Local Media: <https://bit.ly/CynaraLewisPeterboroughExaminer>

Television Media: <https://bit.ly/CynaraLewisGlobalNews>

North Region

Taylor Marshall, 22 - Sault Ste Marie, ON

National Media: No report available at time of publication

Local Media: <https://bit.ly/TaylorMarshallSudburyStar>

Television Media: <https://bit.ly/TaylorMarshallCTVNews>



Toronto Region

Jane Doe (Toronto) 12 - Toronto, ON

National Media: <https://bit.ly/JaneDoeTorontoGlobeAndMail>

Local Media: <https://bit.ly/JaneDoeTorontoTheTorSun>

Television Media: <https://bit.ly/JaneDoeTorontoGlobal>



West Region

Tiffany Gates, 30 - London, ON

National Media: No report available at time of publication

Local Media: <https://bit.ly/TiffanyGatesLondonFreePress>

Television Media: <https://bit.ly/TiffanyGatesCBCNews>



Unconfirmed Femicides

Total: 2



Crystale Brown Pelland, 36 - Toronto, ON

National Media: <https://bit.ly/CrystaleBrownPellandTorStar>

Local Media: <https://bit.ly/CrystaleBrownPellandTorontoSun>

Television Media: <https://bit.ly/CrystaleBrownPellandCBCNews>



Samantha Osypchuk, 54 - Quinte-West, ON

National Media: No report available at time of publication

Local Media: <https://bit.ly/SamanthaOsypchukOttawaCitizen>

Television Media: <https://bit.ly/SamanthaOsypchukCBCNews>

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MONTHLY HIGHLIGHT



Meaningful Action and Investments into Gender-Based Violence Prevention Initiatives Needed to Address High Rates of Femicide

In the last 44 weeks 46 femicides have been confirmed across Ontario. Four cases have been confirmed for the month of September while two cases remain unconfirmed pending further police investigation.

The majority of femicide victims this month are between the ages of 18 and 35 (75%) and one victim (25%) has been reported to be under the age of 17. Although the age of one perpetrator has not yet been released (25%), half of the named perpetrators are between the ages of 18 and 35 (50%) and one perpetrator is under the age of 17 (25%). The age of both femicide victims and perpetrators highlights the need for earlier education and prevention initiatives that address the harmful ideologies, attitudes and behaviours that perpetuate gendered violence, before the escalation to physical, and lethal violence. This need has also emerged through the inquest into the deaths of Carol Culleton, Anastasia Kuzyk and Nathalie Warmerdam. Inquest recommendation #26 calls for increased training on an IPV curriculum for teachers and increased collaboration with GBV service providers to support in the delivery of prevention programming among all levels of education. This would be a meaningful and measurable step towards addressing gender-based violence and preventing future femicides from occurring.

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To locate phone/chat/text support
through gender-based violence
services in Ontario

training.oaith.ca

To locate competency-based training
to effectively respond and support
those experiencing and impacted by
gender-based violence

Media Tips:

bit.ly/FemicideMediaTips

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bit.ly/MonthlyFemicideReports

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