



Femicides in Ontario
October 2025

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OCTOBER 1ST - OCTOBER 31ST 2025

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MONTHLY FEMICIDE IN ONTARIO FACTSHEET



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(since Nov. 26 2024)

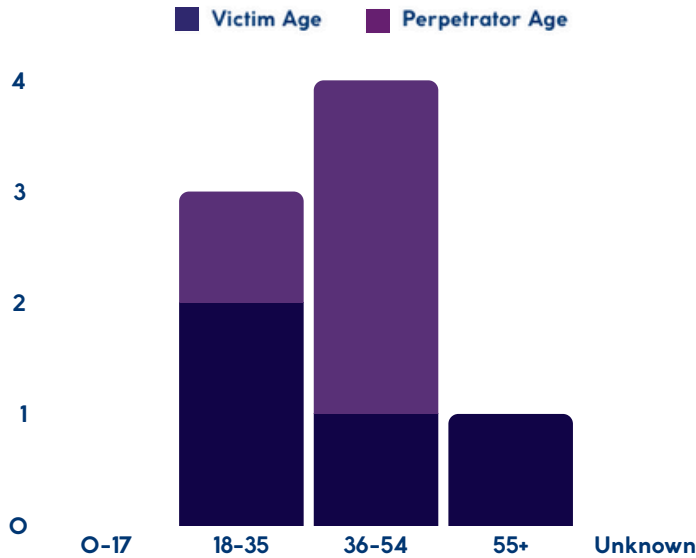
Quick Facts

- OAITH's femicide definition includes a gender-related 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

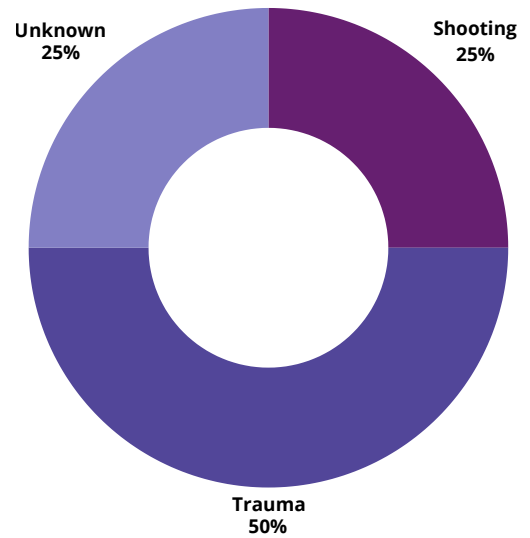
OAITH Femicide Data- Femicide Type (Year to Date)

Intimate Partner	Family	Known	Relationship Not Reported	No Prior Relationship	Total
12	12	7	6	3	40

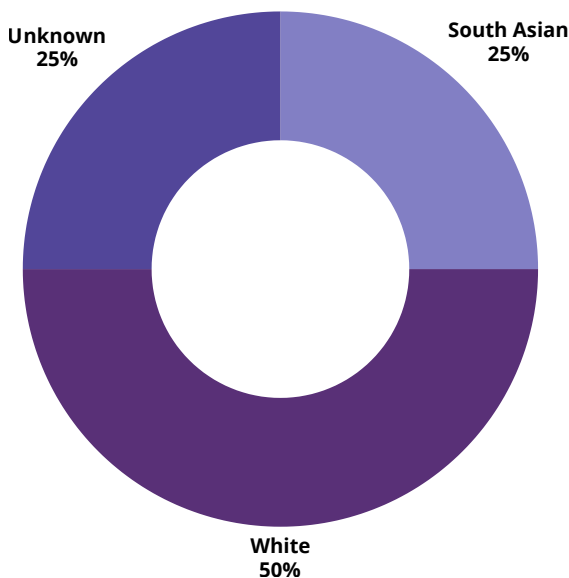
Victim & Perpetrator Age Comparision



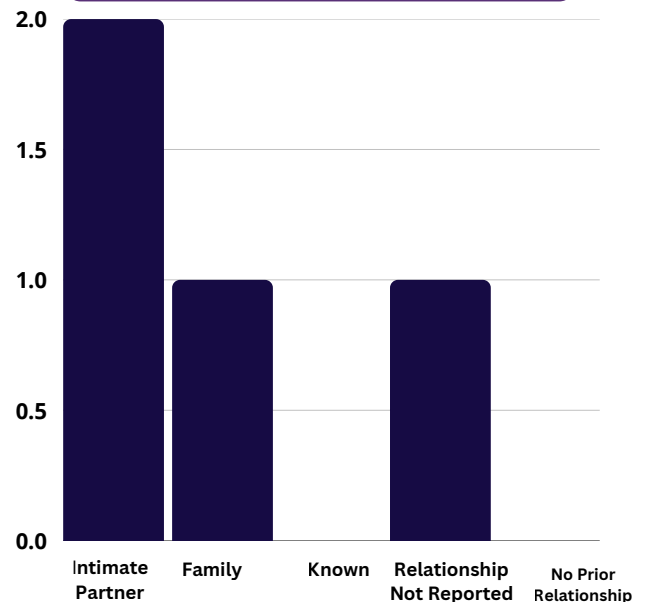
Cause of Death



Victim Race



Victim & Perpetrator Relationship Comparison





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Femicide Victims

Confirmed Total: 4

Central Region

Barbara Morgan, 71 - Simcoe, ON

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

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

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

Savannah Kulla, 29 - Brampton, ON

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

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

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

Sacha Charles, 46 - Barrie, ON

National Media: No report available at time of publication

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

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

West Region

Amanpreet Saini, 27 - Lincoln, ON

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

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

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



Newly Confirmed Femicides From Previous Months Total: 1

Mikaila Straatsma, 30 - Sault Ste. Marie, ON

National Media: No report available at time of publication

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

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

Unconfirmed Femicides

Total: 2

Jane Doe (Niagara), 22 - Niagara, ON

National Media: No report available at time of publication

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

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

Unknown Victim, 3 months old - North Bay, ON

National Media: No report available at time of publication

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

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



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Risk Doesn't End When She Leaves

In October, four femicides were confirmed and one previously unconfirmed case has been newly confirmed, following further police investigation and disclosure. Two deaths that were reported this month in the media remain unconfirmed pending further information. Since November 26, 2024, 40 femicides have been confirmed in the province. According to media reported data, the accused was most commonly reported to be the victim's family member or an intimate partner. In twelve cases the accused is a family member and twelve cases involved a current or former intimate partner. In seven cases the victim and accused perpetrator were reported to be known to each other, while there was no prior relationship between the victim and perpetrator in three cases. In six cases, the relationship between the accused and victim has not been made public. Media reports have indicated that the men accused and/or deemed responsible for these killings in October, included an adult son and a current and former intimate partner. The relationship between the victim and accused has not been reported in one of the cases, however, media reports suggest the killing was targeted.

One of the intimate partner femicides that occurred this month one case prompted significant media attention following police issuing an AMBER Alert following the femicide and abducting of the victim's child by the child's father and accused perpetrator. This case has once again drawn attention to the ongoing risk posed to women even following separation. Since 2020, media reports have identified 17 AMBER Alerts in Ontario (Government of Canada, 2025), the majority of which involved the abduction of a child, often a young girl, by her father, another male family member or a man known to her. The gendered nature of these cases highlight the ongoing and persistent risk of violence that may occur even after a relationship has ended, expanding into the lives and safety of shared children. When shared custody or access arrangements require continued communication and interactions, women may be at risk for ongoing harassment, coercion and violence. In the Domestic Violence Death Review Committee's 2022-2023 Report, they noted that of the intimate partner femicides reviewed, seven cases involved active or pending legal proceedings (Domestic Violence Death Review Committee, 2025). This data not only illustrates how the risk for violence can continue post separation but also identifies opportunities within family court proceedings to consider and prioritize survivor safety.

While details are still emerging from this particular case, the media has released information pertaining to the accused's prior criminal history and violence towards the victim (Golding & Lavoie, 2025), calling into question what safeguards were in place to ensure the victim and her child could remain safe, despite the identified risk of harm. This case further highlights the need for ongoing collaborative risk assessment and management that involves multiple systems, including criminal court, family court and community based GBV organizations to ensure that strategies are taken to mitigate and reduce the risk of harm or lethality. Existing systems must evaluate how information sharing practices and intersectoral risk management could be enhanced to prevent further lives from being lost to femicide.

Domestic Violence Death Review Committee. 2025. Domestic Violence Death Review Committee 2022 - 2023 Annual Report. <https://www.oaith.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/2022-2023-DVDRC-Annual-Report-final-English-1.pdf>

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Government of Canada. 2025. AMBER Alert Activations in Canada. <https://canadasmissing.ca/pubs/amber-eng.htm>

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