

VICTIM SUPPORT UNIT 2022 ANNUAL GBV DATA ANALYSIS

33,536 cases of Gender Based Violence were reported Countrywide in **2022** compared with **20,540** GBV cases recorded in **2021** showing an increase of **12,996** cases translating to **63.3%** increase. Out of the **33,536** reports, **24,290** were Criminal cases while **9,246** were non-criminal reports translating to **72.4%** and **27.6%** respectively.

103 Murder cases were recorded during the period under review. Lusaka Province recorded the highest GBV criminal cases with **5,548** cases.

The **2022** Annual Gender Based Violence Disaggregated Data indicates that **8,037** child victims were abused countrywide representing **24%** of all the victims of Gender Based Violence.

Out of the **8,037** children, **6,316** or **78.6%** were abused in the criminal case category comprising **1,289** boys representing **20.4%** and **5,027** girls representing **79.6%**.

1,721 representing **21.4%** were abused under the non-criminal case category comprising of **796** boys representing **46.3%** and **925** girls representing **53.7%**.

19,700 women and 5,799 men were abused countrywide representing 58.7% and 17.3% respectively. Out of the 19,700, 14,190 representing 72% were abused under the criminal case category while 5,510 representing 28% were under the non-criminal case category.

Out of the 5799 men abused, 3,784 or 65.3% were under the criminal case category whilst 2,015 or 34.7% were under non-criminal.

In terms of gender vulnerability, a total of 25,652 females representing 76.5% and 7,884 males representing 23.5% were abused during the period under review countrywide.

The Zambia Police Act No 14 of 1999 mandates VSU officers to provide professional counseling to victims of crime & to offenders. The 2022 Annual statistical report indicates that a total number of 28,407 representing 84.7% were counseled by Victim Support Unit officers countrywide.

19,919 representing 70.1% counseled were under the criminal case category whereas 8,488 representing 29.9% were under the non-criminal case category.

Out of the 19,919 counseled under the criminal case category 12,576 representing 63.1% were victims comprising 2,039 men representing 16.2% 7,065 women representing 56.2%, 817 boys representing 6.5% and 2,655 girls representing 21.1%.

7,343 representing 36.9% were offenders in which 1,284 men representing 17.5% were men, 4,015 representing 54.7% were women, 542 representing 7.4% were boys and 1,502 representing 20.4% were girls.

Out of 8,488 counseled in the non-criminal case category, 2,062 representing 24.3% were men, 4,839 representing 57% were women, 727 representing 8.6% were boys while 860 representing 10.1% were girls.

Further, 690 cases were recorded country wide during the 16 Days of Activism against Gender Activism compared with 793 cases of GBV recorded during the 2021 16 Days of Activism showing a decrease by 103 translating to a 13% decrease.

The 2022 16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence Disaggregated Data indicates that 77 men representing 11.1%, 409 women representing 59.3%, 48 boys representing 7% and 156 girls representing 22.6% reported GBV Cases.

In terms of psycho-social support, 97 offenders and 165 victims were counseled during the 16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence compared with 340 offenders and 417 victims counseled in 2021.

Below is a summary of the **2022** 16 days of Gender Activism against Gender Based Violence disaggregated data by forms of abuse;

Sexual Offences: **22** Women, **81** girls **totaling 103**

Physical Abuse: **67** Men, **364** Women, **30** Boys and **38** Girls **totaling 461**.

Economic Abuse: **1** Man, **38** Women, **16** Boys, **37** Gils **totaling 92**

Emotional Abuse: **9** Men, **23 Women** and **2** Boys **totaling 34**.

Under forms of abuse in the criminal case category, the highest reports filed were under the Physical form of abuse totaling **13,352** translating to **55%** against **10,049** cases recorded in **2021** showing an increase by **3,303** cases translating to a **32.9%** increase.

5,657 reports of Economic Abuse were recorded translating to **23.3%** compared with 3,481 **cases recorded in 2021** showing an increase by **2,176** cases translating to **62.5%** increase.

3,689 reports of Sexual Abuse representing **15.2%** were recorded compared with 3,083 cases in **2021** showing an increase by **606** cases translating to a **19.7%** reduction.

1,557 reports of Emotional Abuse translating to **6.4%** were recorded against **918** cases in **2021** showing an increase of **639** cases translating to a **69.6%** increase.

Lusaka Province recorded the highest GBV criminal cases with **5,548** cases representing **22.8%**; followed by **Copperbelt Province** with **3,549** cases representing **14.6%**.

Tazara Division recorded the lowest GBV criminal cases with **195** cases representing **0.8%**.

Gender Based Violence Criminal Statistics from the rest of the Provinces are as follows;

Central Province **2,906** cases representing **11.9%**, **Western Province** **2,329** representing **9.6%**, **Eastern Province** **2,226** cases representing **9.2%**, **Southern Province** **1,620** cases representing **6.7%**, **North-Western Province** **1,599** cases representing **6.6%**, **Luapula Province** **1,427** cases representing **5.9%**, **Northern Province** **1,326** cases representing **5.4%**, **Muchinga Province** **1,254** cases representing **5.2%** and **Airport Division** **311** cases representing **1.3%**.

383 cases were recorded during Operation Basadi compared with **409** cases recorded in **2021** showing a decrease by **26** cases translating to **6.4%** decrease.

Operation Basadi is a female led Simultaneous Code Named Bi-Annual Regional Operation targeted at combating Gender Based Violence Operation conducted by Women's Networks in all Southern African Regional Police Chiefs Cooperation Organization SARPPCO member states. This year's Basadi Operation was conducted from the 18th - 20th May and 5th - 7th December, **2022**.

Below is a summary of Basadi Operation GBV disaggregated data;

Sexual Abuse: 42 Girls, 15 Women, 0 Boy and 0 Men totaling 57 Victims.

Physical Abuse: 186 Women, 41 Men, 14 Boys and 15 Girls totaling 256 Victims.

Economic Abuse: 14 Women, 19 Girls, 8 Men and 21 Boys totaling 62 Victims.

Emotional Abuse: 4 Women, 3 Men, 1 Boy and 0 Girl totaling 8 Victims.

The **2022** GBV Criminal Report shows that **3,689** Sexual Offenses representing **15.2%** were recorded compared with 3,083 cases reported in **2021** showing an increase by **606** cases translating to **19.7%** increase.

Out of **3,689** cases, **2,778** victims representing **75.3%** were girls, **830** victims representing **22.5%**, were women, **61** victims representing **1.7%** were boys whilst **20** victims representing **0.5%** were men.

2,570 cases of Child defilement representing **69.7%** of all reported sexual offences recorded comprising **2,566** girls and **4** boys, representing **99.8%** and **0.2%** of all victims of sexual abuse.

Lusaka Province recorded the highest number of child defilement cases with **678** cases representing **26.4%** of all child defilement cases reported country wide.

Eastern Province recorded **387** cases representing **15.1%**, followed by **Southern Province** with **329** cases representing **12.8%**, **Central Province** recorded **272** cases representing **10.6%**, **Copper belt Province** recorded **212** cases representing **8.2%** of all the reported defilement cases.

Northern Province recorded **200** representing **7.8%**, **North-Western Province** recorded **169** representing **6.6%**, and **Western Province** recorded **142** representing **5.5%**. **Muchinga Province** recorded **93** representing **3.6%**. **Luapula Province** recorded **80** representing **3.1%** cases. **Airport Division** recorded **8** cases of Defilement representing **0.3%** while **Tazara** recorded **nil**.

Still under Sexual Offences; 510 rape cases representing **13.8%** comprising **476** translating to **93.3%** were women and **34** translating to **6.7%** were girls.

99 attempted rape cases representing **2.7%** were recorded during the period under review comprising **98** women translating to **99%** and **1** girl translating to **1%**.

In addition, the country recorded **233** cases of indecent Assault representing **6.3%** in which **141** translating to **60.5%** women victims, **79** translating to **33.9%** girls, **12** translating to **5.2%** boys and **1** translating to **0.4%** victim was a man. **76** cases of incest representing **2.1%** were recorded in which **38** victims translating to **50%** were women, **37** were girls translating to **48.7%**, while **1** was a boy translating **1.3%** of the reported cases of incest.

Under Physical Abuse, the country recorded **13,352** cases representing **55%** compared with **10,049** cases recorded in **2021** showing an increase by **3,303** cases translating to a **32.9%** increase. **2,244** victims were men translating to **16.8%**,

9,818 were women translating to 73.5%, 661 were boys translating to 5%, 629 were girls translating to 4.7%.

Out of 13,352 Physical Abuse cases 11,625 Assault OABH cases were recorded country wide representing 87.1% of all reported GBV cases compared with 8,741 recorded in 2021 showing an increase by 2,884 translating to a 33% increase.

Out of the 11,625 cases of Assault OABH, 9,522 translating to 82% were women while 2,103 translating to 18% were men.

55 cases of Grievously Bodily Harm (G.B.H) were also reported during the period under review by 10 men, 44 women, and 1 boy translating to 18.2%, 80% and 1.8% respectively.

103 Murder cases were recorded during the period under review representing 0.8% compared with 107 cases of murder recorded in 2021 showing a decrease by 4 cases translating to a 3.7% decrease.

Out of 103 cases of murder recorded country wide, 66 victims were women translating to 64.1%, 28 were men translating to 27.2%, 7 were girls translating 6.8% and 2 were boys translating to 1.9% respectively.

14 cases of attempted murder comprising 10 women, 3 boys and 1 girl were recorded during the period under review compared with 10 cases recorded in 2021 showing an increase by 4 cases translating to 40% increase.

Lusaka province recorded **2,253** cases of Assault OABH representing **19.4%** of all Assault OABH cases reported countrywide. **Central Province** recorded **1,858** representing **15.9%** **Copper belt** Province recorded **1,200** representing **10.3%** **Western** recorded **1,137** representing **9.8%** and **Eastern** **1,115** cases representing **9.6%**.

Further, **North-Western** Province recorded 979 cases representing **8.4%**, **Southern Province** **924** representing **7.9%**, **Muchinga Province** **828** cases representing **7.1%**, **Northern Province** recorded **751** cases representing **6.5%**, **Luapula Province** **379** cases representing **3.3%**, **Tazara** recorded **182** cases representing **1.6%** and **Airport Division** recorded **19** cases representing **0.2%** of all reported Assault OABH cases.

19 cases of Human **Trafficking** were recorded during the period under review comprising **13** women translating to **68.4%**, **3** girls translating to **15.8%**, **2** boys translating to **10.5%** and **1** Man translating **5.3%** compared to **10** cases reported in **2021** showing an increase of **9** cases translating to a **90%** increase.

Under Economic Abuse, **5,658** cases were recorded country wide representing **23.3%**. **2,876** cases of Failing to Provide Necessaries of life and **2,007** cases of Neglecting to Provide Necessaries were recorded representing **50.6%** and **35.5%** of all reported cases respectively.

Finally, under Emotional or Psychological abuse, VSU recorded 1,558 cases representing 6.4%. 593 cases of the use of Insulting language were recorded against 393 women, 198 men, and 2 boys translating to 66.3%, 33.4%, and 0.3% respectively. In addition, a total of 273 cases of Threatening Violence were reported by 210 women, 60 men, 2 boys and 1 girl translating to 76.9%, 22%, 0.7% and 0.4% respectively.

Table 1 and 2 below are a summary of the Annual GBV Gender Disaggregated statistical data.

Table 1 Showing **Criminal Statistical Data** Disaggregated by sex according to forms of abuse.

PERIOD	FORMS OF ABUSE	MALES	FEMALE	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
2022 ANNUAL GBV	SEXUAL	20	830	61	2,778	3,689
	PHYSICAL	2,244	9,818	661	629	13,352
	ECONOMIC	987	2,552	538	1,580	5,657
	EMOTIONAL	529	967	27	35	1,558
	UNCLASSIFIED	4	23	2	5	34
	TOTAL	3,784	14,190	1,289	5,027	24,290

Table 2 Showing **Non-Criminal Statistical** Data Disaggregated by Sex according to forms of disputes.

PERIOD	FORMS OF DISPUTES	MALES	FEMALES	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
2022 ANNUAL GBV	FAMILY	733	1,405	146	189	2,473
	MARITAL	903	2,976	0	0	3,879
	CHILD	0	0	355	353	708
	ECONOMIC	288	958	181	181	1,608
	EMOTIONAL	91	171	114	202	578
	TOTAL	2,015	5,510	796	925	9,246