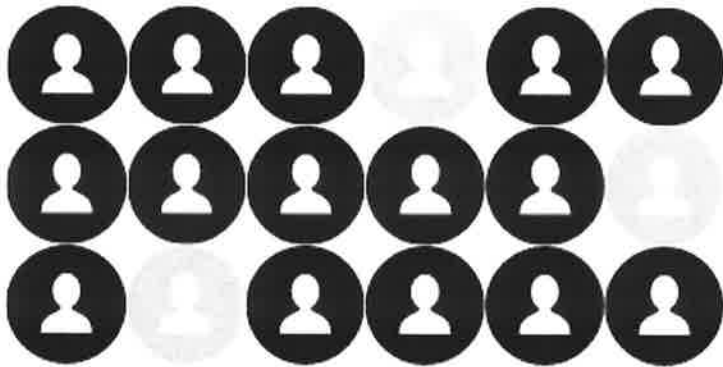


# Stalking Prevalence

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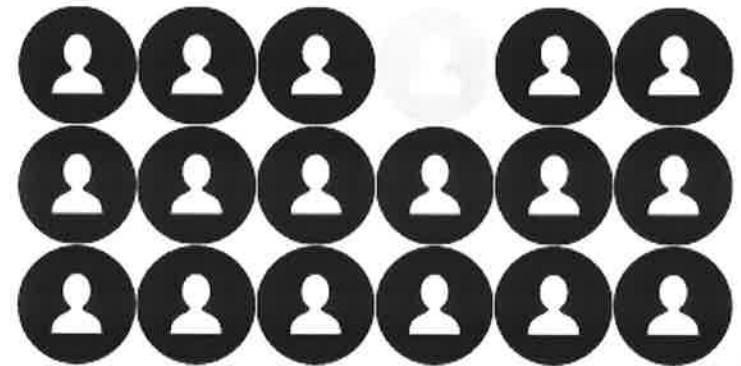
**1 in 6 women**



**&**

More than

**1 in 17 men**



**experience stalking in their lifetimes.**

# Unwanted Pursuit Victimization

(over a 6 month period)

	Sexual Minority Students	Heterosexual Students	All Students
WOMEN	55.5%	39.9%	43.3%
MEN	42.7%	29.5%	30.8%
BOTH	53.1%	36%	39.1%

Edwards, K.M., Sylaska, K.M., Barry, J.E., Moynihan, M.M., Banyard, V.L., Cohn, E.S., Walsh, W.A., & Ward, S.K. (2014). Physical Dating Violence, Sexual Violence, and Unwanted Pursuit Victimization: A Comparison of Incidence Rates Among Sexual-Minority and Heterosexual College Students. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence* 30(4): 580-600.

# Stalking Prevalence

## Lifetime Victims

**53.8% of female victims and  
47.7% of male victims  
were first stalked  
before age 25 years.**

# Stalking Dynamics

**Women are more likely than men to experience stalking.**



**The majority of victims report that the offender is male.**

**The majority of victims know the offender.**

**18-24 year olds experience the highest rates of stalking (among adults).**

# Image Results for "Stalking"

Google stalking



All News **Images** Videos Books More

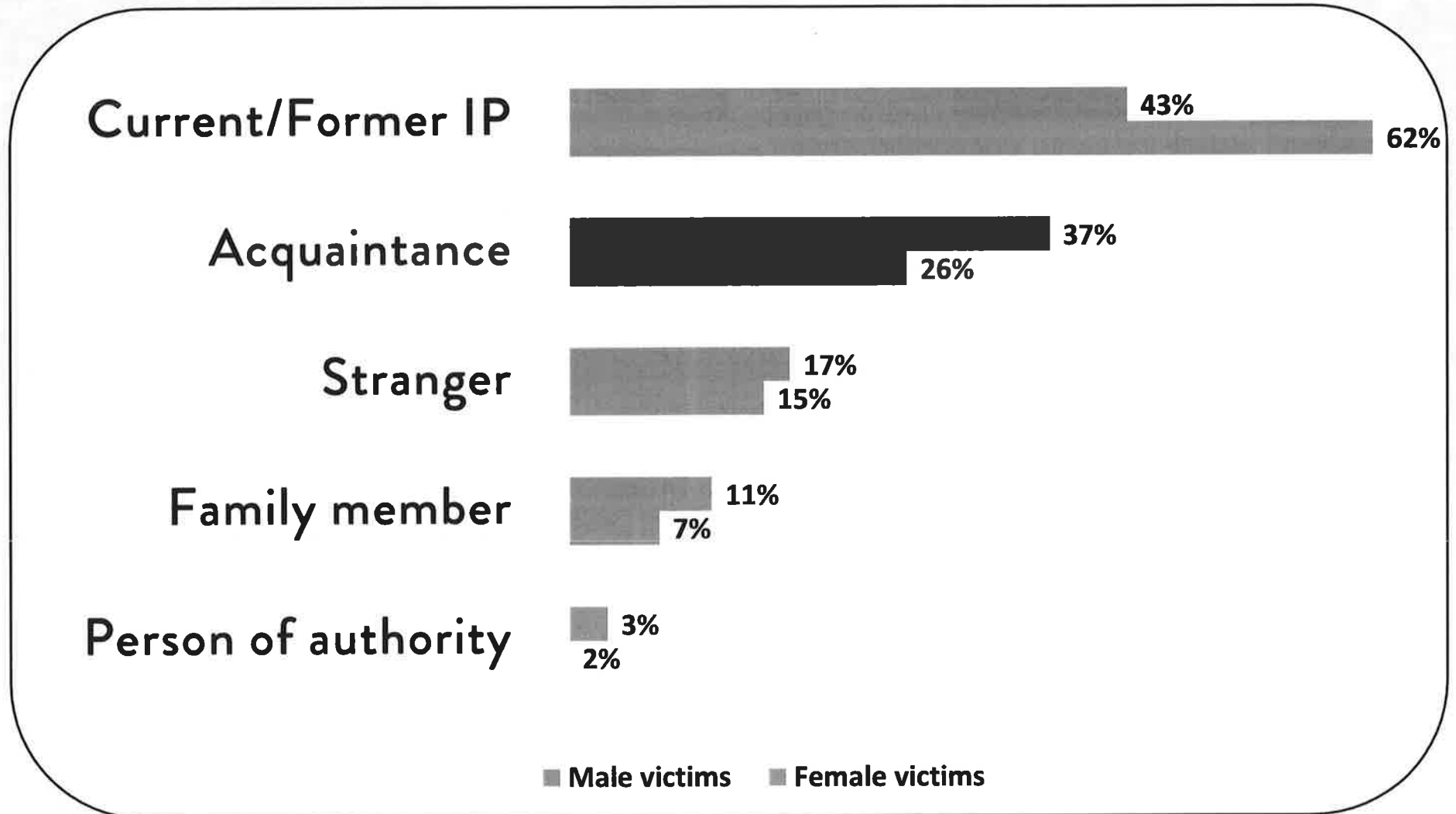
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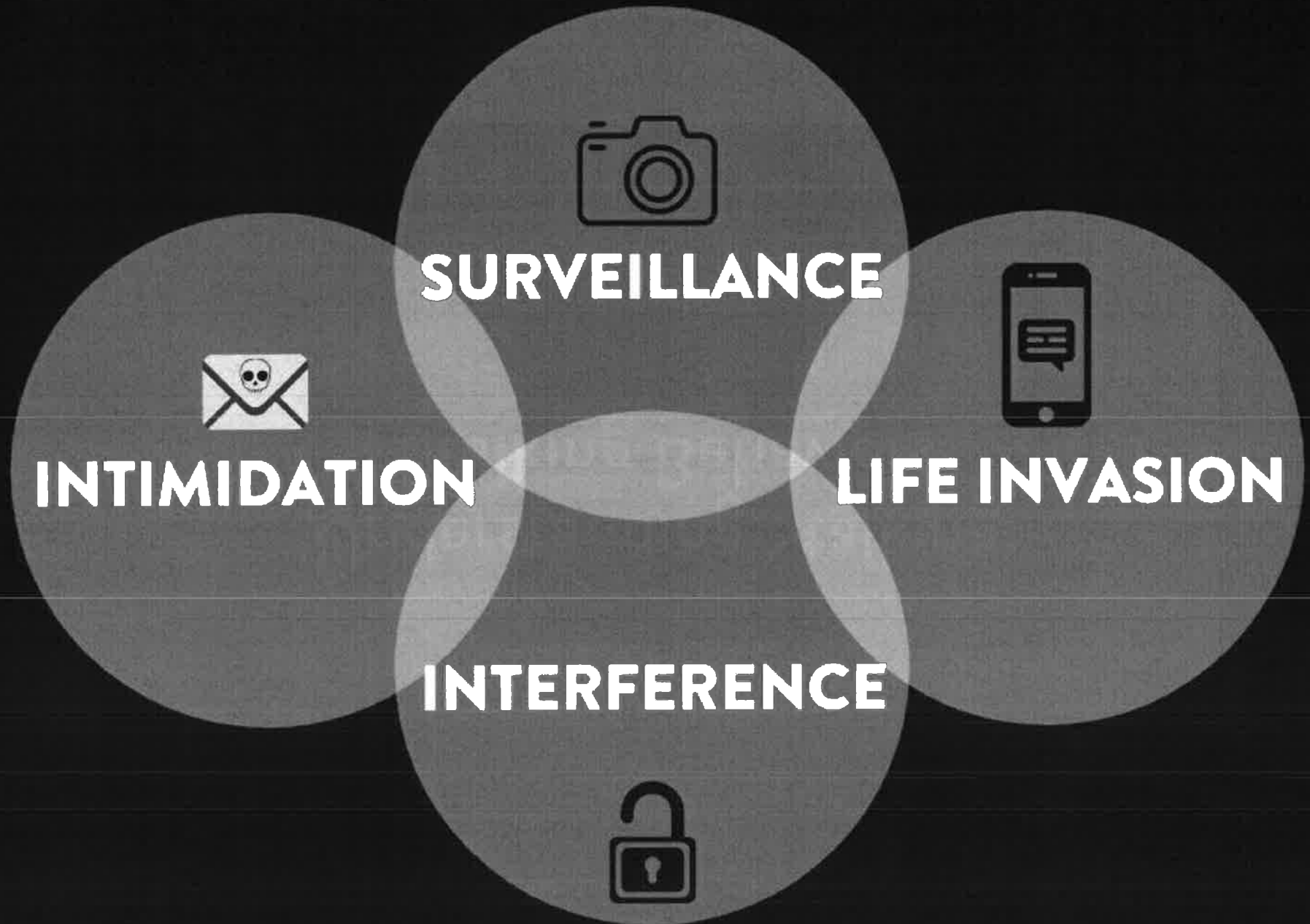


# Victim and Offender Relationships



# Understanding Stalking: Stalking Behaviors

# SLII Framework







# **SURVEILLANCE**

- **Follow**
- **Watch**
- **Wait**
- **Show up**
- **Tracking software**
- **Obtain information about victim**
- **Proxy stalking**

# LIFE INVASION



- **Unwanted contact at home, work, etc.**
- **Showing up**
- **Phone calls**
- **Property invasion**
- **Public humiliation**
- **Harass friends/family**



# **INTERFERENCE**

- **Financial and work sabotage**
- **Ruining reputation**
- **Custody interference**
- **Keep from leaving**
- **Road rage**
- **Attack family/friends/pets**
- **Physical/sexual attack**

# INTIMIDATION



- **Threats**
- **Property damage**
- **Symbolic violence**
- **Forced confrontations**
- **Threaten or actually harm self**
- **Threats to victim about harming others**

# Screening for Stalking

Has the Offender...

**been tracking, following, or monitoring Victim in any way?**



**repeatedly invaded Victim's life/privacy by initiating unwanted contact with Victim?**

(e.g., repeated contact, gifts, breaking into Victim's car or home, other unwanted intrusions)?

**significantly and directly interfered with Victim's life?**

(e.g., spreading rumors, public humiliation, jeopardizing Victim's job, interfered with finances or housing)



**more than one time, intimidated or scared Victim through threats, property damage, threatening or actual harming of pets, or other means?**

# Potential Relevant Charges: Maine

- \* §209. Criminal threatening
- \* §210. Terrorizing
- \* §211. Reckless conduct
- \* §302. Criminal restraint
- \* 17-A §355. Theft by extortion
- \* §402. Criminal trespass
- \* §432. Criminal invasion of computer privacy
- \* §454. Tampering with a witness, informant, juror or victim
- \* §456. Tampering with public records or information
- \* §506. Harassment by telephone or by electronic communication device
- \* §506-A. Harassment
- \* §506-B. Violation of protective order
- \* §511. Violation of privacy
- \* §511-A. Unauthorized dissemination of certain private images
- \* §805. Aggravated criminal mischief
- \* §806. Criminal mischief
- \* §905-A. Misuse of identification

# Changing Behaviors

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Late & frequently late to work	Showed up at work				
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Followed me home from work					
	13	14	15	16	17	18
			Stashed fire			
	21	22	23	24	25	26
			Called me regularly			
	30	31				

\* 78% of stalkers use more than one means of approach

\* 66% of stalkers pursue their victim at least once per week

