

## Is suicidality and self-harm associated with intimate partner violence?



Findings from England's general population

Data from the 2014 Adult Psychiatric Morbidity Survey was used

7058

people took part in the survey and were included in the analysis

21%

People have experienced IPV in their lifetime (27% of women and 15% men)





How many people experience IPV and attempt suicide?

50%

of people who had attempted suicide in the last year reported ever IPV



23%

of those who attempted suicide in the last year also reported IPV in the same period

IPV is common in England, especially among women, and is strongly associated with self-harm, suicide attempts and thoughts.



The risk of suicide attempts were 3 times higher in those who ever experienced IPV



Past year exposure to IPV increased the risk of past year suicide attempts by 4 times



The odds of having experienced IPV was 2 times higher in those who reported suicidal thoughts in the last year



- People presenting to services in suicidal distress or after self-harm need to be asked about IPV
- Interventions reducing IPV are likely to reduce self-harm and suicide