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# EU-GBV survey implementation in Slovenia

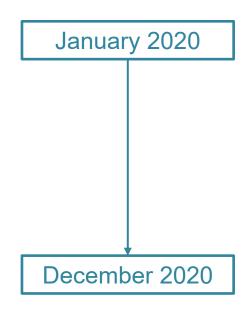
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# THE CONTENT

- Key information
- Adaptation of the questionnaire
- Sampling
- Interviewer selection and training
- Fieldwork during COVID-19
- Strategies for reducing non-response
- Observations
- Publication
- Conclusion





# **KEY INFORMATION**

Sample size

5,000 persons (women and men) age 18-74 years

Interview mode

planned: CAWI + CAPI (CASI)

realized: CAWI + CATI



Time of interviewing

September–December 2020



# **ADAPTATION OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE**

- 2 versions of the questionnaire (CAWI and CAPI/CATI)
- In-house testing
- "Personal safety in private environment," importance of the survey title (to not include the word "violence")



# **SAMPLING**

- Target population: residents of the Republic of Slovenia from Central Population Register & Demographic Database
- Sample not split by mode of data collection
- Excluded: collective households, homeless persons
- One person per household
- Proxy not allowed



## INTERVIEWER SELECTION

- 40 interviewers
- All female
- Middle-aged (no students, no elderly)
- Main skills: communicative, with drivers license, information literacy



# **INTERVIEWER TRAINING (1)**

## <u> 1. MANUAL</u>

- General information on the EU-GBV
- Content of the two-day training (general and special information)
- FAQ and answers
- Exercises (cases with solutions)



# **INTERVIEWER TRAINING (2)**

# 2. TWO-DAY TRAINING

#### Day 1 (SURS's staff)

- survey logistics
- introduction to the survey
- questionnaire presentation



#### Day2 (VAW expert from the NGO)

- facts and myths about violence
- types of violence
- communication during the interview
- safety during the interview
- exercises



# THE FIELDWORK

#### **PLAN**

# **CAWI**

September –

end of

December 2020

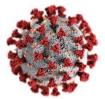
# CAPI (CASI)

October -

end of

December 2020

#### **REALISATION**



# **CAWI**

September –

early December

2020

#### CATI

October -

early December

2020



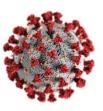
# STRATEGIES FOR REDUCING NON-RESPONSE

Official introductory letter (standard)

Two reminders (standard)

- Survey on Personal Safety (not "violence")
- Voluntary basis
- Confidentiality issues
- Free telephone number
- Approximate length of the interview etc.
- Username/password

• Third reminder





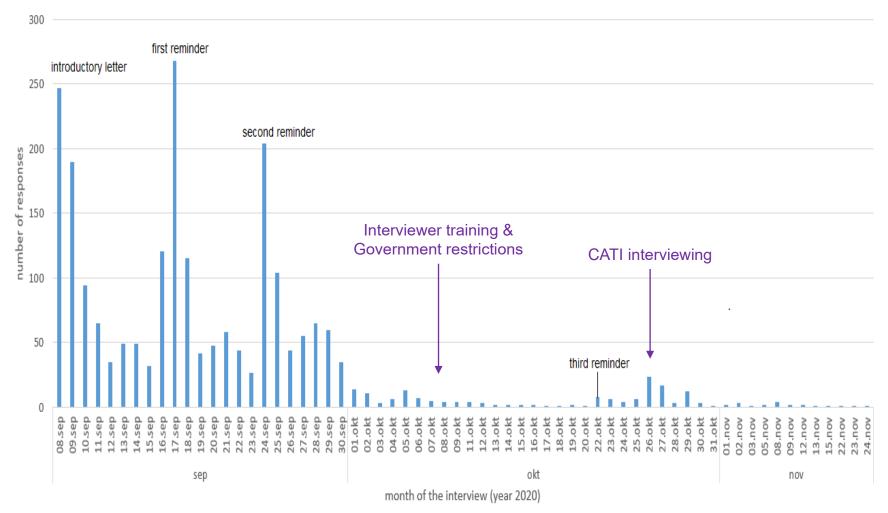
# **OBSERVATIONS**

- It is important that the respondent has enough time to think before responding.
- CAWI is the most usefull mode of data collection.

 Biggest drop-off was at violence experienced in childhood.

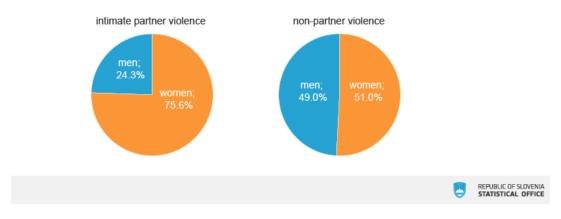


# The impact of the communication materials on the number of responses to the CAWI questionnaire

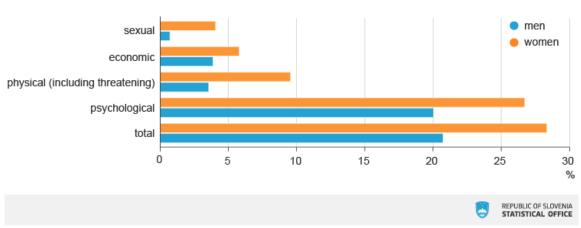


# **PUBLICATION**

Victims who experienced physical (including threats) or sexual violence since the age of 15, Slovenia, 2020



Ever-partnered population who have experienced violence by an intimate partner, Slovenia, 2020





## **CONCLUSIONS**

Main challenges and conclusions:

Organization, adaptation, implementation of the questionnaire and the fieldwork during the **COVID-19 pandemic**.

**Accept support** (regarding the sensitiveness of the survey) **from the national VAW expert** for the SURS GBV team and for the interviewers.

Be careful when interpreting the results of this survey. **The social** context is very important.



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# Our publications:

https://www.stat.si/StatWeb/en/News/Index/10159

https://pxweb.stat.si/SiStat/en/Podrocja/Index/53/quality-of-life

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