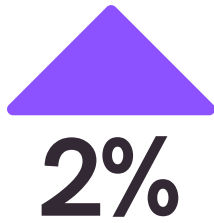


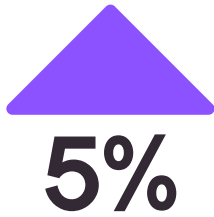
Domestic Violence: *January to December 2023*

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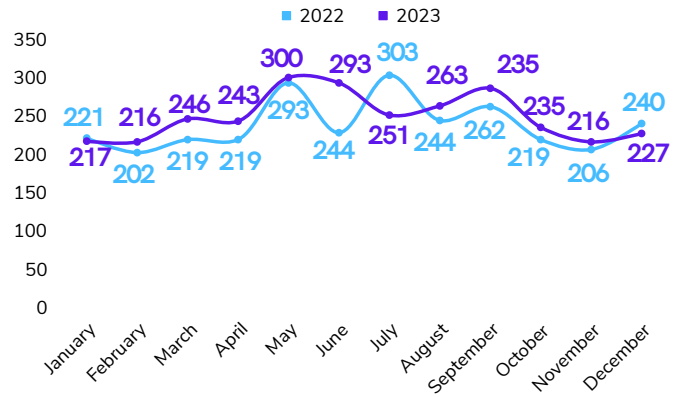
During October to December 2023, Domestic Violence reports increased by 2% in comparison to the same period in 2022. This represents a total of 13 more cases.

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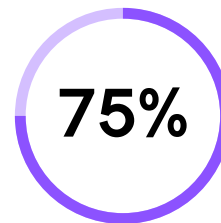
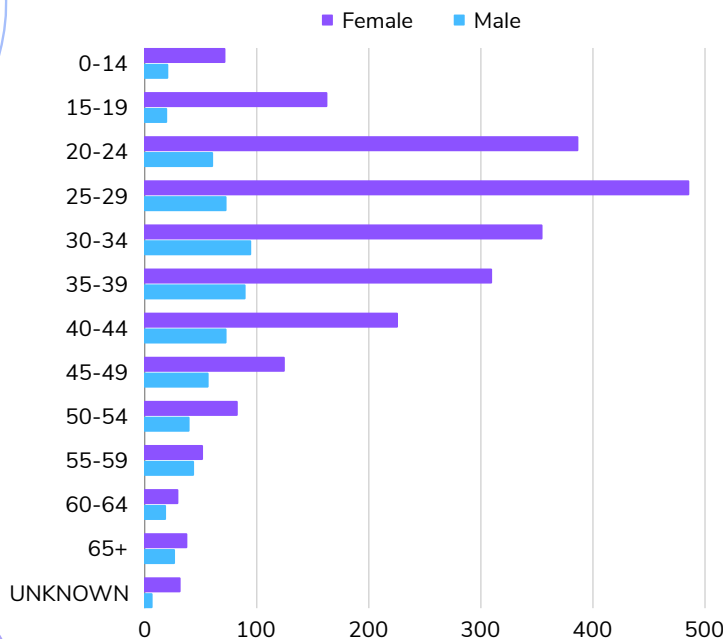
During January to December 2023, Domestic Violence reports increased by 5% in comparison to the same period in 2022. This represents a total of 137 more cases.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORTS, JANUARY-DECEMBER 2022-2023

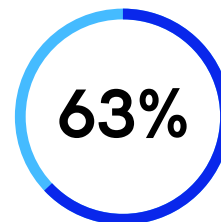


Domestic Violence reports increased by 7% in October 2023 and by 5% in November 2023 relative to the same period in 2022. However, Domestic Violence reports reflected a decrease of 5% in December 2023 relative to December 2022.

AGE GROUP AND SEX OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMPLAINANTS, JANUARY - DECEMBER 2023



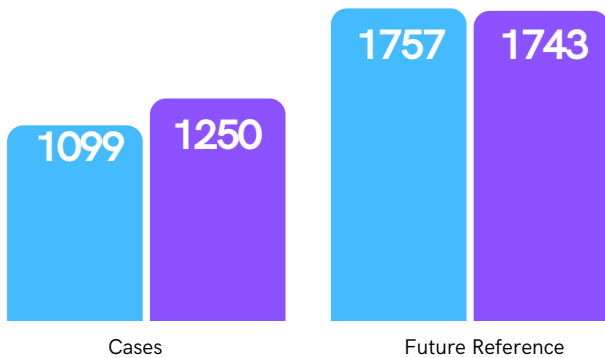
Majority of the Domestic Violence female complainants were between the ages of 20-44 years. This accounted for 75% of the female complainants.



Similarly, most of the male complainants of Domestic Violence were between the ages of 20 to 44 years. This accounted for 63% of the male complainants.

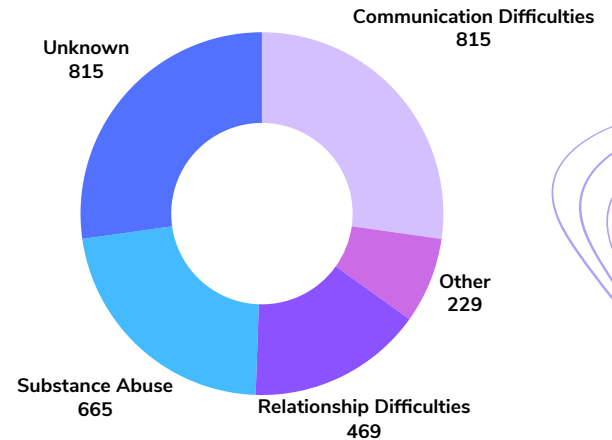
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■ Jan - Dec 2022 ■ Jan - Dec 2023



During 2023, most of the complaints were filed for future reference. This accounted for 58% of the total complaints.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE BY FACTORS, JANUARY-DECEMBER 2023

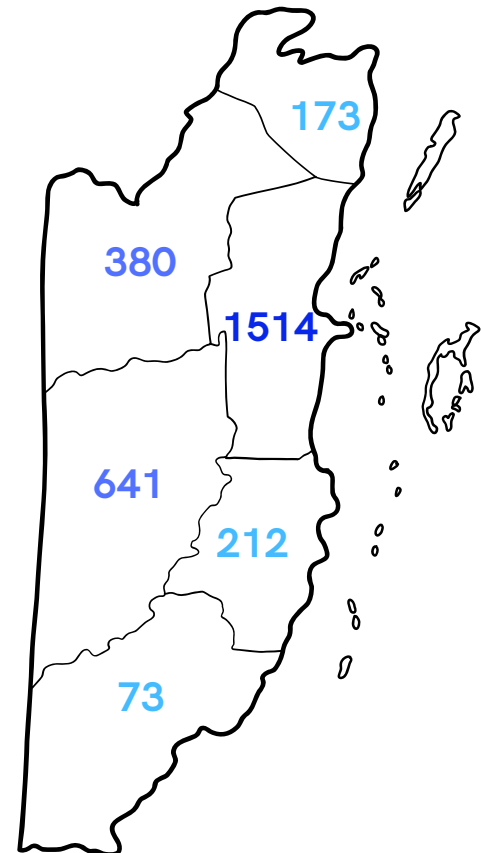
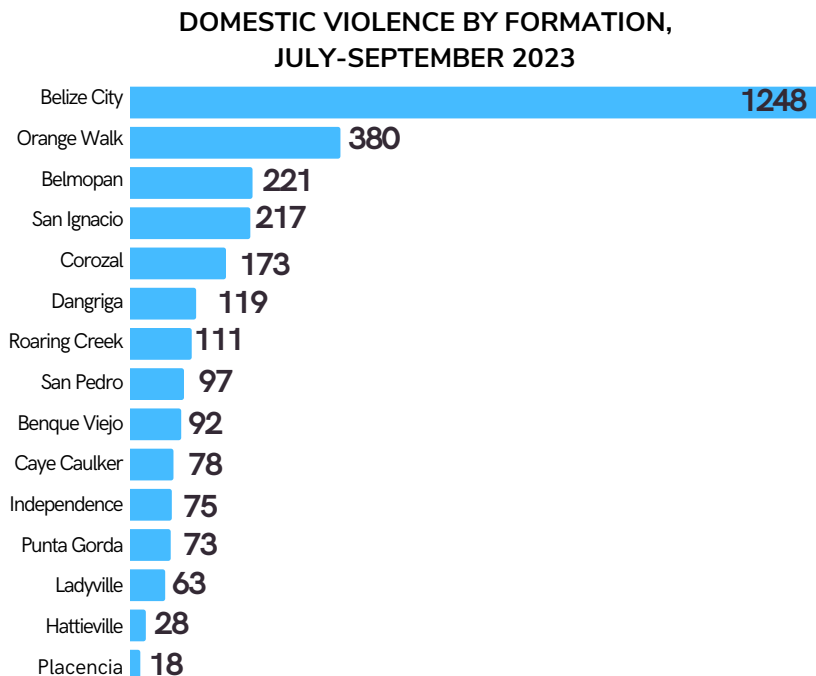


Communication Difficulties accounted for most of the D.V. complaints filed during 2023 with 815 complaints.

 **402**
CASES UNDER INVESTIGATION

 **848**
CASES RESULTING IN COURT ACTION

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE BY DISTRICT, JANUARY - DECEMBER 2023



The amount of Domestic Violence complaints increased by 15% in Corozal, by 12% in Cayo, by 41% in Stann Creek, and by 14% in the Toledo district, while the other 2 districts saw a decrease.

The Belize District and the Cayo District remain with the highest number of domestic violence complaints with 1514 and 641, respectively.