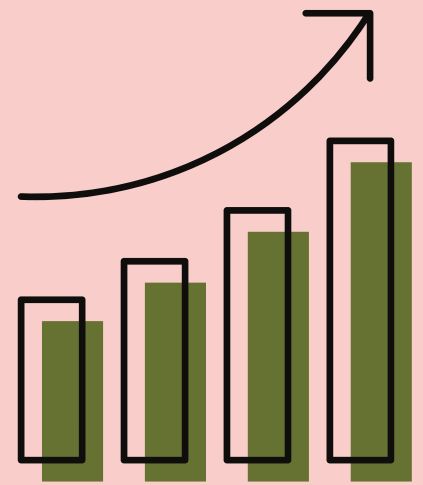




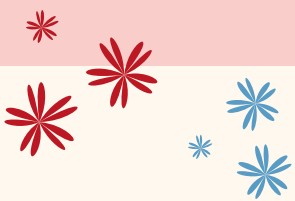
The LGBTQ+ Community & Abusive Relationships

How many LGBTQ+ people are abused by an intimate partner?

- 44% of lesbian women
- 61% of bisexual women
- 26% of gay men
- 37% of bisexual men
- 54% of transgender people



Rates of abuse rise for Black/African American LGBTQ+ members



What are potential signs of abuse?

Physical Abuse

- Inflicting harm without consent
- Harming body parts related to the partner's identity
- Destroying property or personal items
- Harming or threatening to harm family/friends/pets

Emotional & Psychological Abuse

- Using slurs related to the partner's identity
- Threatening to "out" their partner
- Threatening to take away custody of children
- Using social bias against LGBTQ+ to their advantage

Sexual Abuse

- Forcing or pressuring their partner to engage in sex
- Forcing their partner to view pornographic materials
- Non-consensually touching parts of their partner's body
- Taking or sharing sexual materials without consent

Digital Abuse

- Telling their partner who they're allowed to follow online
- Sending negative, insulting, or even threatening messages
- Demanding to look through their partner's phone
- Harassing their partner via text or call when they're apart
- Posting "outing" content without their partner's consent

Financial Abuse

- Withholding banking information
- Opening credit cards in their partner's name without consent
- Building up debt in their partner's name
- Not allowing their partner to establish their own credit
- Interfering with their partner's job or ability to seek employment
- Outing their partner to coworkers/employers

