



Please refer to JDI's definition of domestic violence homicide to provide context for these different categories and the information provided here. (See other side)

Overview of Domestic Violence Homicides in Massachusetts in 2012			
		WHO ARE THESE 13 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOMICIDE VICTIMS?	
# of DV Homicide Incidents	18	Female DV Victims	11
		Male DV Victims	1
# of DV Homicide Victims	15	DV Perpetrators	1
# of DV Perpetrator Suicides or Deaths^	8	Female Associated with DV Victim	0
Total DV Deaths	23	Male Associated with DV Victim	0
Male DV Homicide Perpetrators	16	Children Associated with DV Victim	1
Female DV Homicide Perpetrators	2	Family (non-IPV)	0
		Bystanders (includes police)	1

Details Domestic Violence Homicides in Massachusetts January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012

DATE	HOMICIDE VICTIM	AGE	ALLEGED HOMICIDE PERPETRATOR <i>(relationship)</i>	AGE	CITY/ COUNTY	LOCATION/ method
1/11/2012	Kristin Broderick	37	Martha McDermott (S) <i>Current Female Spouse</i>	38	Haverill, Essex	Store/ Gunshot
2/6/2012	Belinda Torres	40	Jose Soto (S) <i>Former Male Partner</i>	48	Worcester, Worcester	Parking Lot/ Gunshot
2/10/2012	Lisa A. Stilkey	44	Alan Stilkey <i>Current Male Spouse</i>	40	Douglas, Worcester	Home/ Jumped from window
2/20/2012	Jessica Ann Pripstein	39	Ryan D. Welch (A) <i>Current Male Partner</i>	36	Easthampton, Northwest	Home/ Stabbing
2/24/2012	(attempted homicide)		Kenneth Nagy (S) <i>Current Male Spouse</i>	44	Beverly, Essex	Store/ Gunshot
3/3/2012	Jessica Rojas	25	Jose Santiago <i>Current Male Partner</i>	30	Springfield, Hamden	Home/ Stabbing
3/16/2012	Kenneth Bloomquist (D)	64	Cynthia Bloomquist <i>Estranged Female Spouse (self-defense)</i>	63	West Tisbury, Cape & Island	Vacation Home/ Gunshot
4/9/2012	Lori Levangie	41	Todd Vogel (S) <i>Current Male Spouse</i>	43	Hopkinton, Middlesex	Home/ Gunshot
4/13/2012			Carlos A. Gonzales-Laguer (S) <i>Former Male Partner</i>	41	Chicopee, Hampden	Home former girlfriend/ Gunshot
4/19/2012	Keosha Gilmore	25	Christopher Jackson <i>Acquaintance;</i>	26	Mattapan, Suffolk	Car/ Gunshot
5/3/2012	Kristen Pulisciano	38	Christopher Piantedosi <i>Current Male Partner</i>	39	Burlington, Essex	Home/ Stabbing
6/4/2012	Kevin Ambrose <i>Police officer responding to 911</i>	55	Shawn Bryan (S) <i>Former Male Partner of DV Victim</i>	35	Springfield, Hampden	Home/ Gunshot
6/24/2012	Jessica Dana	30	Jeb Daly <i>Current Male Partner</i>	36	Huntington, Hampshire	TBD
7/21/2011 <i>(died from injuries sustained 5/3/2011)</i>	Christine Bolduc	51	Robert Bell <i>Current Male Partner</i>	55	Worcester, Worcester	Home/ Blunt Object
7/29/2012	Abigail Benway	7	Daryl Benway (S) <i>Father</i>	41	Oxford, Worcester	Home/ Gunshot
8/10/2012	Cecila Yakubu	58	William Bryant Moseley <i>Current Male Partner</i>	45	Malden, Middlesex	Home/ Strangulation
11/13/2012			Bryce Coutinho (D)	22	Marlborough, Middlesex	Home/ Police Involved Shooting
11/24/2012	Lisa Mello	51	David Souza <i>Current Male Partner</i>	54	Swansea, Bristol	Home/ Strangulation

Key to chart symbols:

^ includes dv perpetrator suicide or death in conjunction with or without either murder or attempted murder of dv victim as long as suicide occurred in the context of a relationship with domestic violence

(S) – indicates suicide

(D) – indicates other cause of domestic violence homicide perpetrator death, including being killed by dv victim in self-defense and suicide by police

(A) – attempted suicide by domestic violence homicide perpetrator

JDI Definition of Domestic Violence Homicide

Beginning in 2005 Jane Doe Inc. reconsidered its definition of domestic violence homicide and used the new definition in identifying all incidents that occurred in 2003 and subsequent years. The definition was modified in order to capture the full picture and context of domestic violence homicides. Homicides are considered domestic violence related if:

- the homicide victim and perpetrator were current or former spouses or intimate partners, adults or teens with a child in common, or adults or teens in a current or former dating relationship
- the homicide victim was a bystander or intervened in an attempted domestic violence homicide and was killed (including friends, family members, new intimate partners, law enforcement officers or other professionals attempting to assist the victim of domestic violence, roommates and co-workers)
- the motive for the murder was reported to have included jealousy, in the context of an intimate partner or dating relationship, or
- a relationship existed between the homicide perpetrator and adult or teen victim that could be defined as exhibiting a pattern of power and control (including family or household members and caregivers).

Furthermore, in order to meet our goal of capturing the full picture of deaths due to domestic violence, we have also included the deaths of perpetrators, whether by suicide, police or self-defense by the victim.

To the extent that information is available, we also add to this list domestic violence homicides that have a Massachusetts connection (e.g. perpetrator suicide and out of state). This list may be edited over time to reflect any new information that comes to light about these domestic violence homicides.

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