

# **Prevalence of Domestic Violence in Eastern Europe: Selected Findings From Reproductive Health (RH) Surveys**

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# CDC-Assisted RH Surveys: Modules on Violence Against Women

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- **Latin America**
  - Paraguay 1995, 1998
  - Ecuador 1999
  - Honduras 2001
  - Guatemala 2002\*\*
  - El Salvador 2003
- **Africa**
  - Mozambique 2001
- **Eastern Europe/NIS**
  - Moldova 1997
  - Russia 1999  
(3 urban areas)
  - Romania 1999\*\*
  - Ukraine 1999
  - Georgia 2000
  - Azerbaijan 2001
  - Albania 2002\*\*

\*\* Includes male sample.

# Violence Indicators

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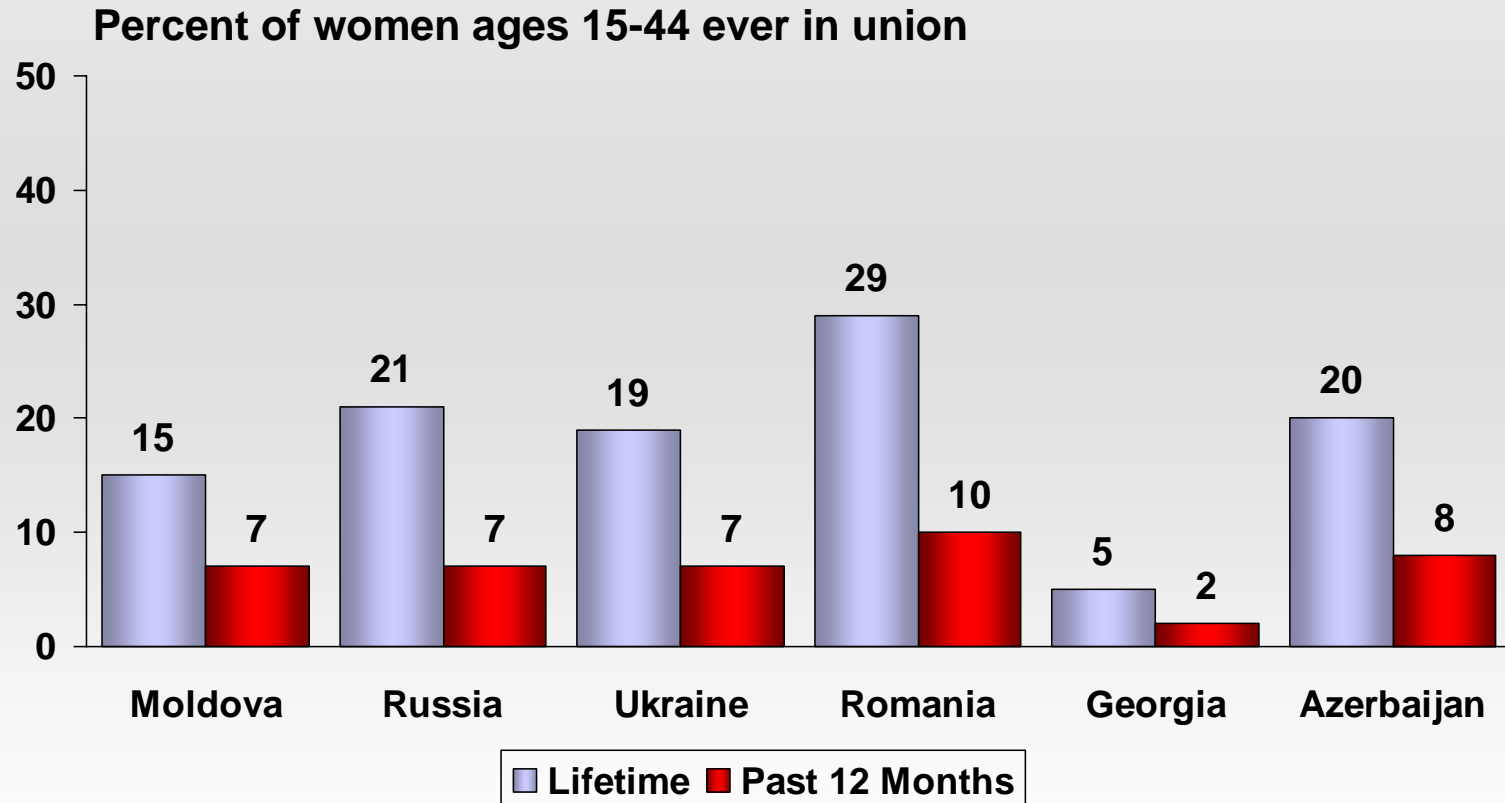
- Witnessing parental abuse
- Experience of abuse as a child
- Verbal and physical abuse by husband or partner (lifetime and during the past 12 months)
- Physical injuries from abuse
- Reporting of abuse
- Forced sex (ever and by age at first occurrence)
- Gender roles and attitudes
- Perpetrating verbal and physical abuse (men)

# Question Design

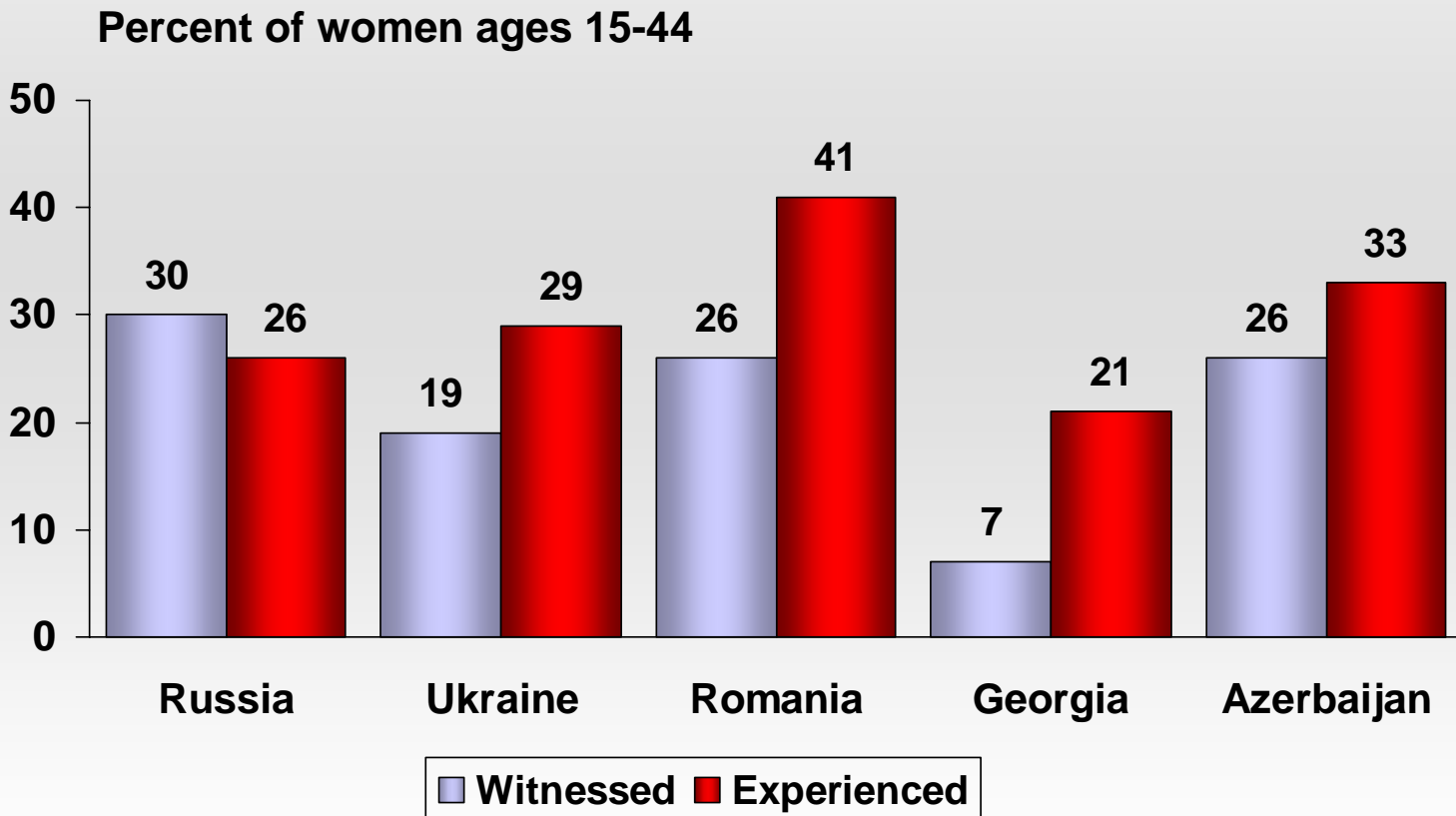
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- Modified Conflict Tactics Scale (CTS): asks about specific acts ranging from “insulted you” to “kicked you, choked you, beat you up”
- Placed toward end of questionnaire
- Questions asked of all women ever in formal or consensual union (no gateway questions)

# Lifetime and Recent (Within Past 12 Months) Intimate Partner Violence



# Witnessed or Experienced Parental Physical Abuse During Childhood



# Recent IPV by Witnessing or Experiencing Parental Physical Abuse During Childhood, Romania 1999

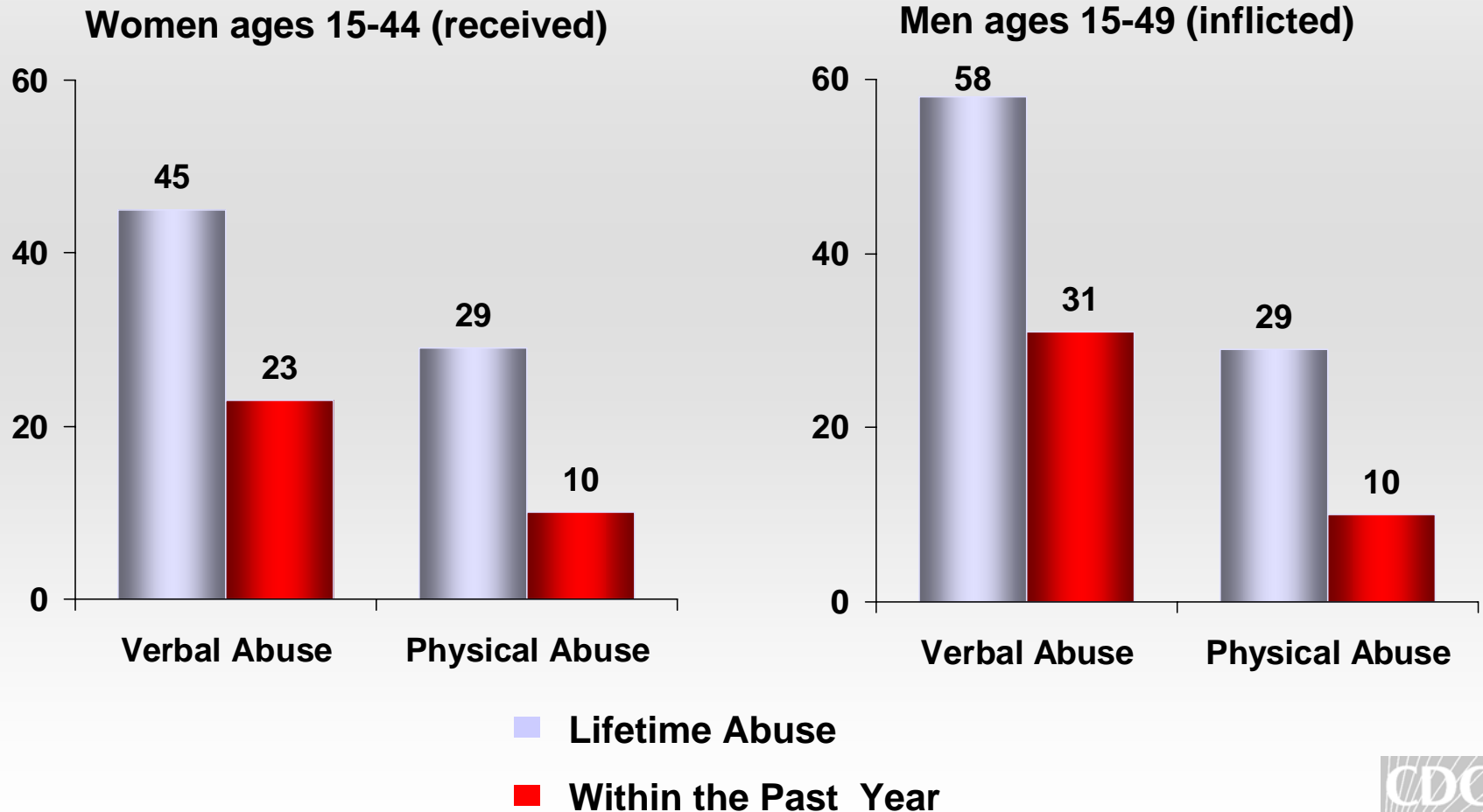
<u>Parental Abuse</u>	<u>Recent IPV (past 12 months)</u>		<u>N</u>
	Verbal	Physical	
<u>Witnessed</u>			
Yes	36	18	1,389
No	19	7	3,899
<u>Experienced</u>			
Yes	31	15	2,181
No	18	7	3,107

# Abortion Experience and Unmet Need of Contraception by Experience of Intimate Partner Physical Violence, Romania 1999

<b><u>Physical Abuse</u></b>	<b><u>Ever Had Induced Abortion</u></b>	<b><u>Unmet Need of Contraception</u></b>	<b><u>N</u></b>
<b><u>Lifetime</u></b>			
Yes	66	9	1,228
No	47	5	3,618
<b><u>Past 12 months</u></b>			
Yes	63	11	521
No	51	5	4,325



# Reported Lifetime and Recent IPV Among Women and Men, Romania 1999



# Analysis/Use of Collected Data

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- Routine reports from the data sets
- Special uses:
  - Legislation related to violence against women has cited survey data
  - Tracking of data requests

# Challenges for the Future

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- Strengthen continuity between design and analysis phases of survey
  - Analytic plan development simultaneous with survey questionnaire development
  - Identification of data users prior to data collection
- Enhanced tracking of requests for and use of existing data

# Challenges for the Future

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- Increase awareness of availability of data
  - Special topics can get “buried”
  - Generate interest in more specialized analysis of available data
- Increase use of data to document and project need for support services and interventions for abused women