**United Kingdom: Partner abuse**

**Description**
ONS looked at the most vulnerable group(s) of women at risk of partner abuse. Using one year’s data from the Crime Survey for England and Wales did not provide enough data to show an accurate picture and could have risked identifying individuals.

**Advantages**
By combining or aggregating three years of data ONS was able to confidently identify vulnerable groups. These included:
- women with a long-term illness or disability
- bisexual women
- women who were separated from their partner

**Challenges**
The data only covered England and Wales, so comparisons with other parts of the UK could not be made using these data.

**Future steps**
Continue to collect and disseminate disaggregated data for the whole UK.

**More information**
https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/crimeandjustice/articles/womenmostatriskofexperiencingpartnerabuseinenglandandwales/yearsendingmarch2015to2017