

# Global status report on violence prevention 2014

## Violence remains widespread

**475 000** homicide deaths per year

SINCE 2000  
**16%** decline in homicide

**4 out of 5** are male


**1 in 4** children has been physically abused

**1 in 3** women has been a victim of physical/sexual intimate partner violence in her lifetime

**Hundreds of thousands** of young victims of violence receive emergency medical care each year

**1 in 17** older people has been abused in past month

## Violence has severe and life-long consequences

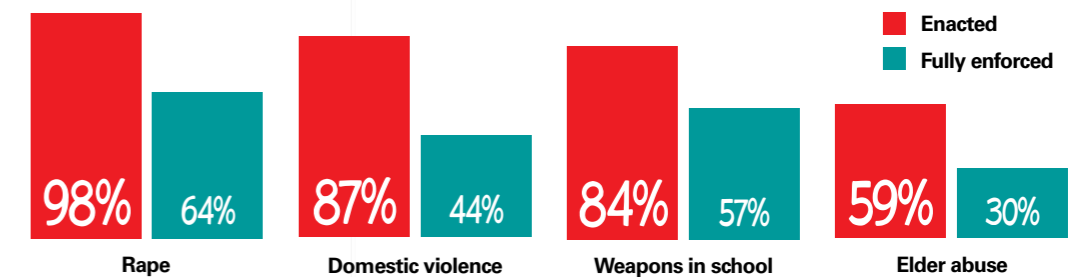
-  **Injuries and disability**
-  **Noncommunicable diseases (e.g. cancer, cardiovascular diseases)**
-  **Mental health and substance use disorders (e.g. alcohol and drug dependence, depression, anxiety)**
-  **Sexual and reproductive health problems (e.g. unintended pregnancy, HIV and other sexually transmitted infections)**

## On average, just a third of 133 countries are implementing each of 18 'best buy' prevention programmes

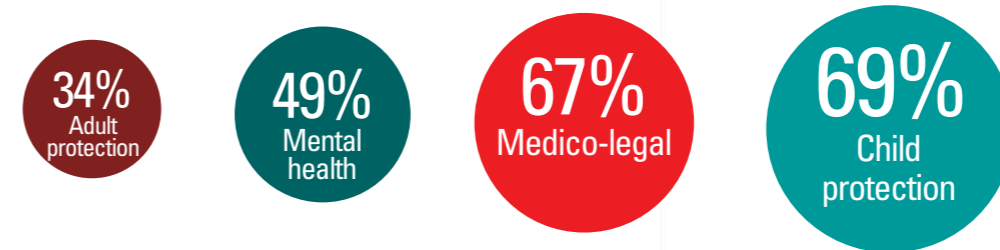
- 51%** offer life skills development to prevent youth violence
- 49%** promote change in social and cultural norms to prevent intimate partner violence
- 39%** give support to caregivers to prevent elder abuse
- 38%** provide education to parents to prevent child maltreatment
- 22%** invest in dating violence prevention programmes

(Countries implementing)

**On average, 80% of 133 countries have enacted each of 12 laws relevant for violence prevention; however, only half of countries report that these laws are fully enforced**



## On average, each of the services to protect and support victims is in place in just over half of 133 countries



## Recommendations

