



Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistic (PCBS)

Violence Survey in the Palestinian Territory, 2011

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Main objectives

- Examine violence in the Palestinian society; political and domestic violence.
- Identify the demography of individuals exposed to violence.

Main objectives- cont.

- Provide evidence-based recommendations for policy makers to reduce violence
- Evaluate services offered to victims of violence

Study design

A cross sectional household survey carried out during the second quarter of 2011 among **5,811** households.

Study population

1. Ever married women.
2. Husbands
3. Unmarried men and women of age group of 18- 64 years.
3. Children of age group of 12-17 years.
4. Elderly 65 years old and above.

Modules

In addition to the household and dwelling modules, five modules were used to measure violence:

1. Ever married women,
2. Husbands,
3. Never married men and women aged 18-64 years,
4. Children 12-17 years and,
5. Elderly 65 years and above

Scales used

- Locally developed scale to measure political violence
- UN core indicators on VAW.

Scales used- cont.

The locally developed questionnaire measures:

- Military and settler violence and
- Coping strategies among Palestinians exposed to political violence.
- Awareness of referral institutions that provides support to victims of violence

Scales used – cont.

The UN scale was adapted for the different study populations:

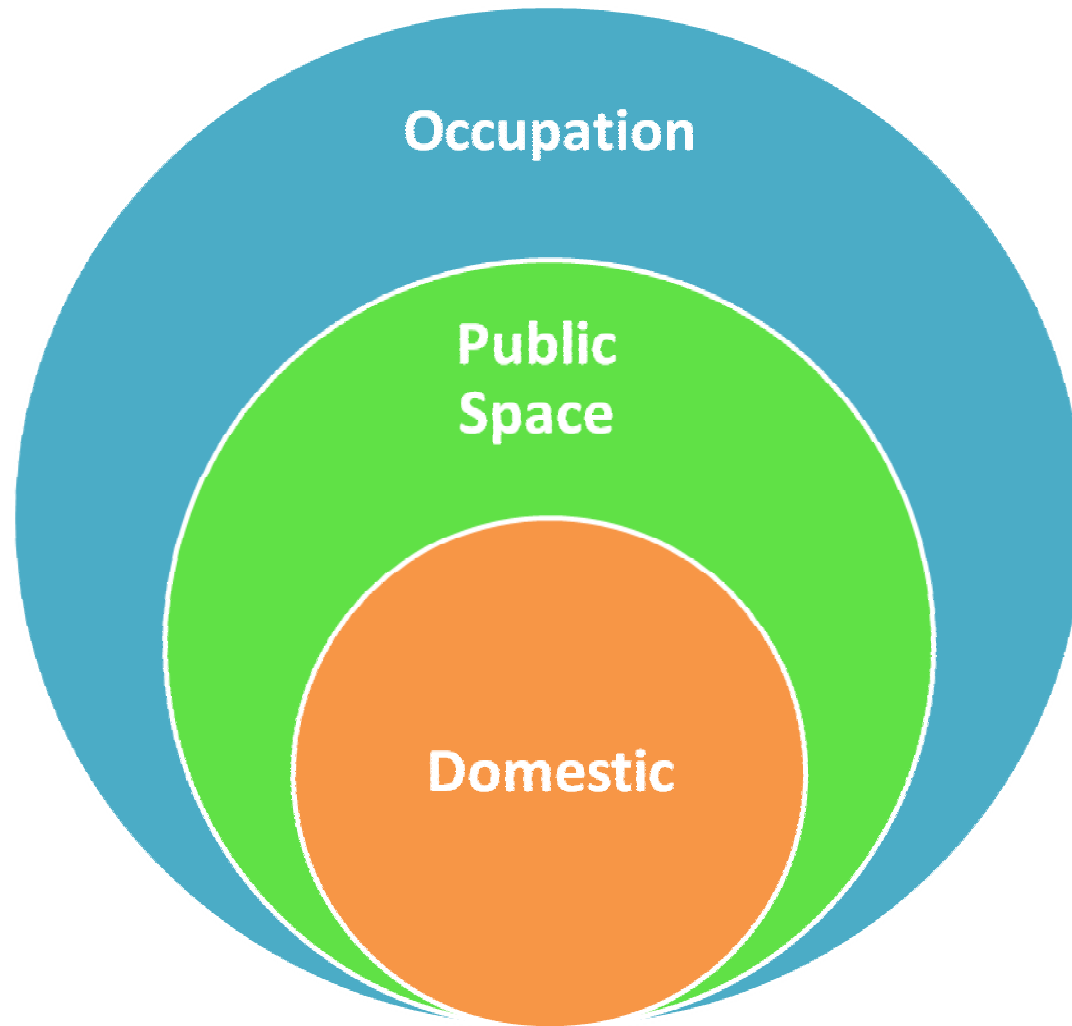
- Psychological, physical, sexual, social and economic violence for ever married women and never married individuals 18-64 years.
- Psychological, physical, social and economic violence for husbands.
- Psychological and physical violence for children 12-17 years.
- Psychological, physical, social, and economic violence, and health abuse for elderly .

Scales used – cont.

The UN scale was also adapted to measure:

- The frequency and severity of violence.
- Violence in the public space.
- Coping strategies among Palestinians exposed to different types of violence.
- Awareness of referral institutions that provides support to victims of violence

Cycle of violence



Reference periods

- Last 12 months
- Life time

Data collection (Methodology)

- Head of the household or any other person who is capable of giving data related on household individuals and dwelling characteristics was interviewed.
- Ever women ever married were interviewed for their own module and filled the questions on behalf of their husbands.
- Children, and never married individuals 18-64 years and elderly were interviewed. Among children and never married individuals, only one male who carry an odd number in the household was selected and one female who carry an even number in was selected.
- Elderly: all those in the household were interviewed.

Response rate

Targeted group	Response rates (%)
Ever married Women	97.7
Husbands	94.2
Never married Individuals 18-64 years	88.3
Children of 12-17 years of age	94.6
Elderly 65 years of age and over	93.3

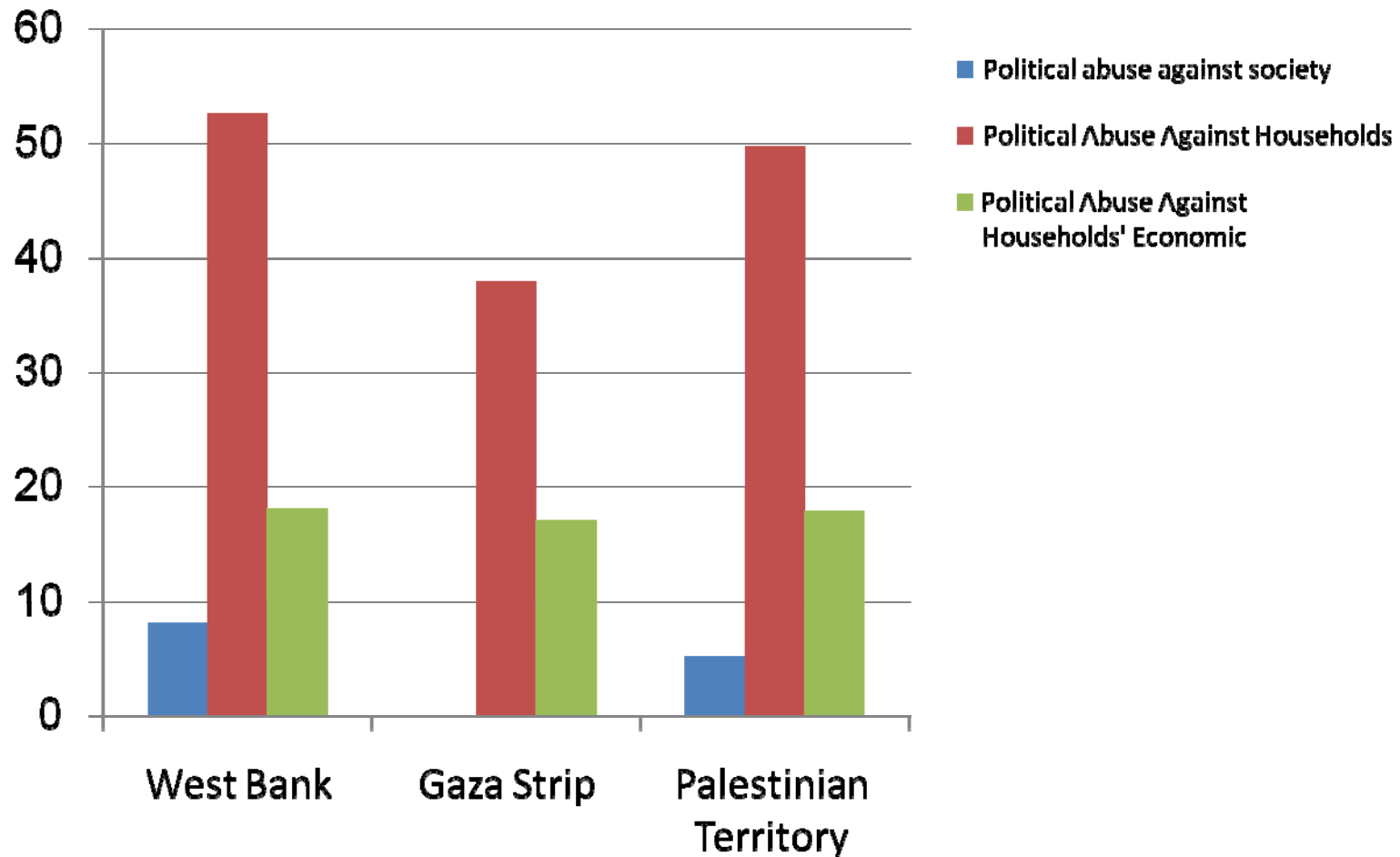


Main results

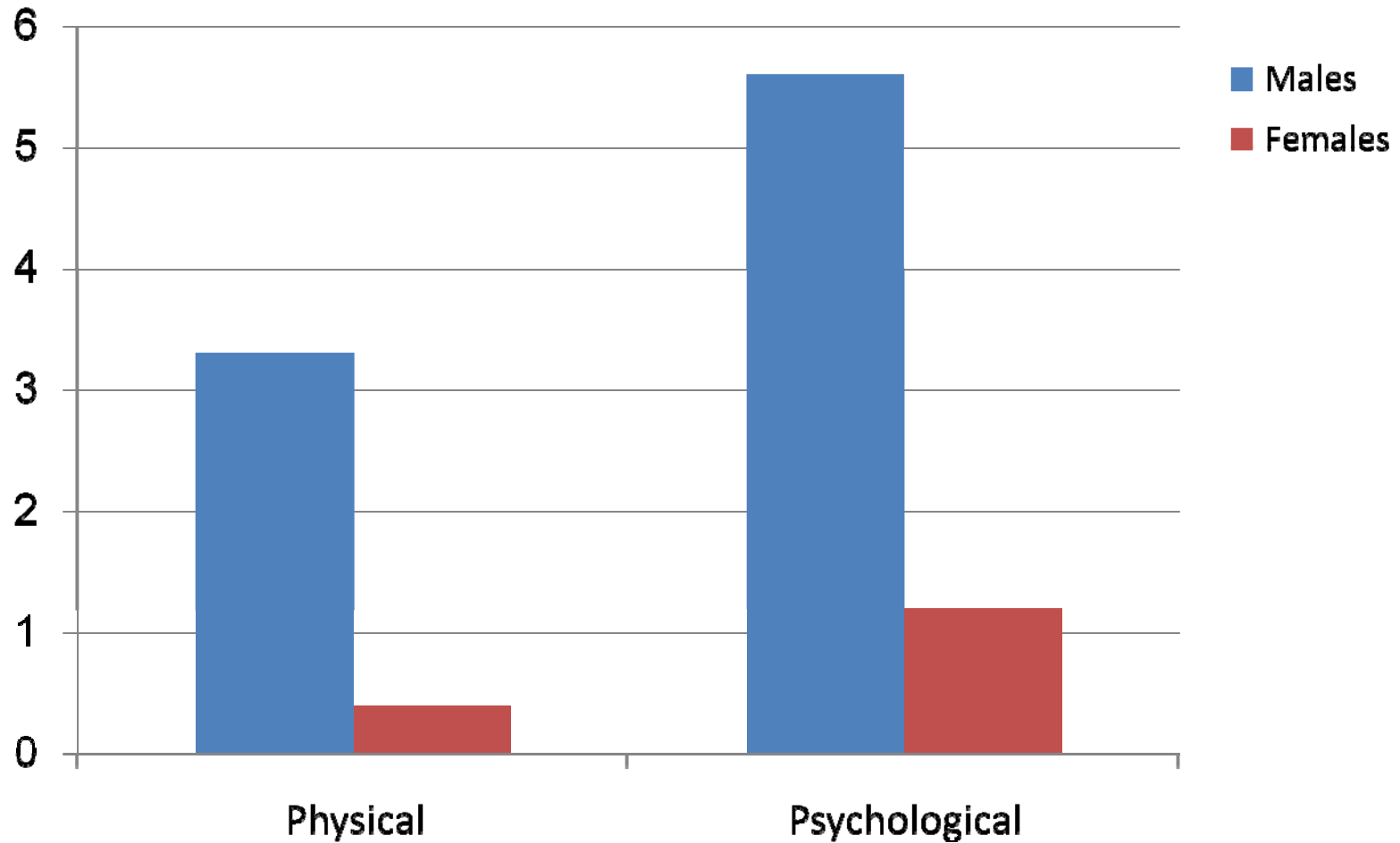
Representing the past 12
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Occupation violence

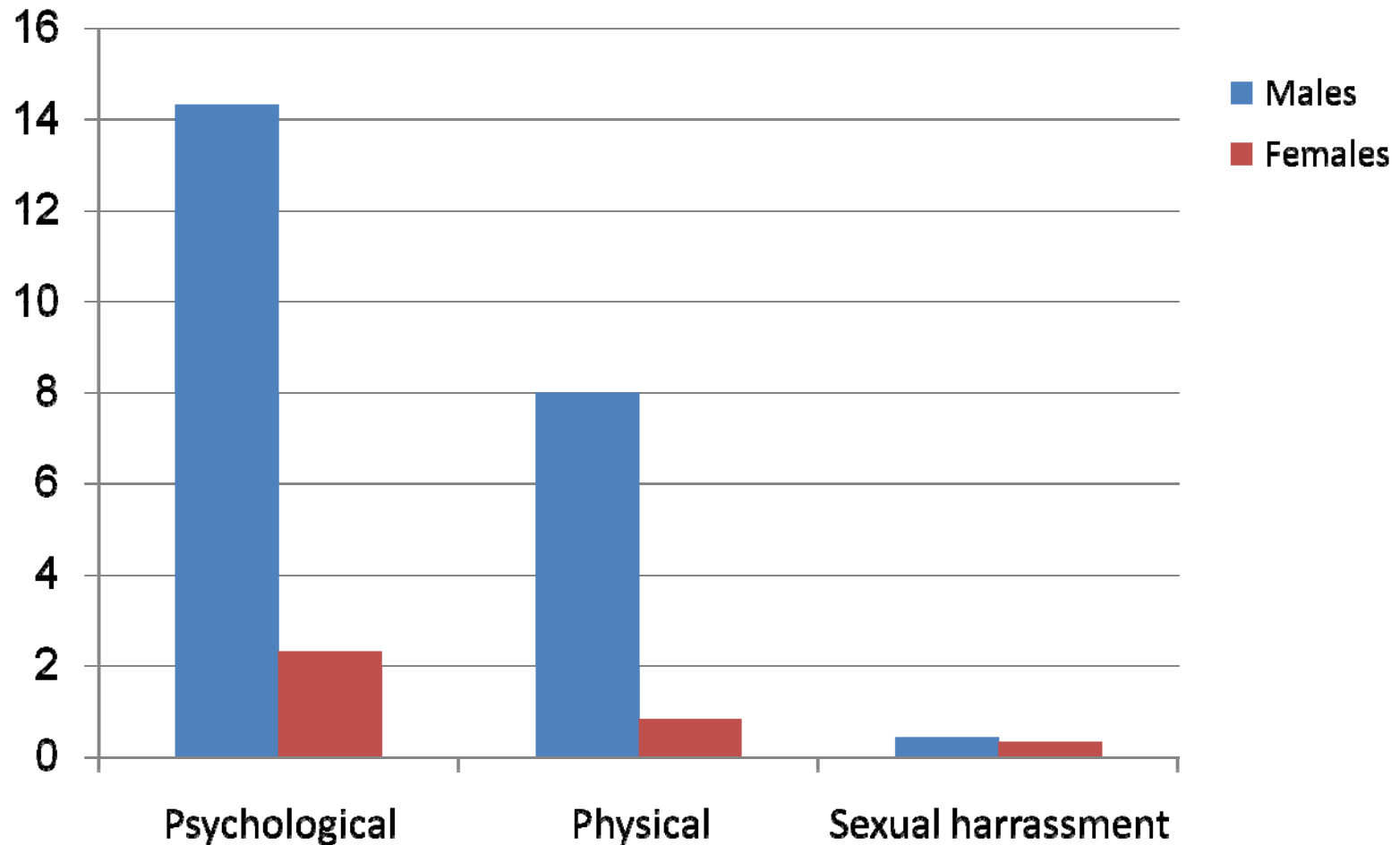
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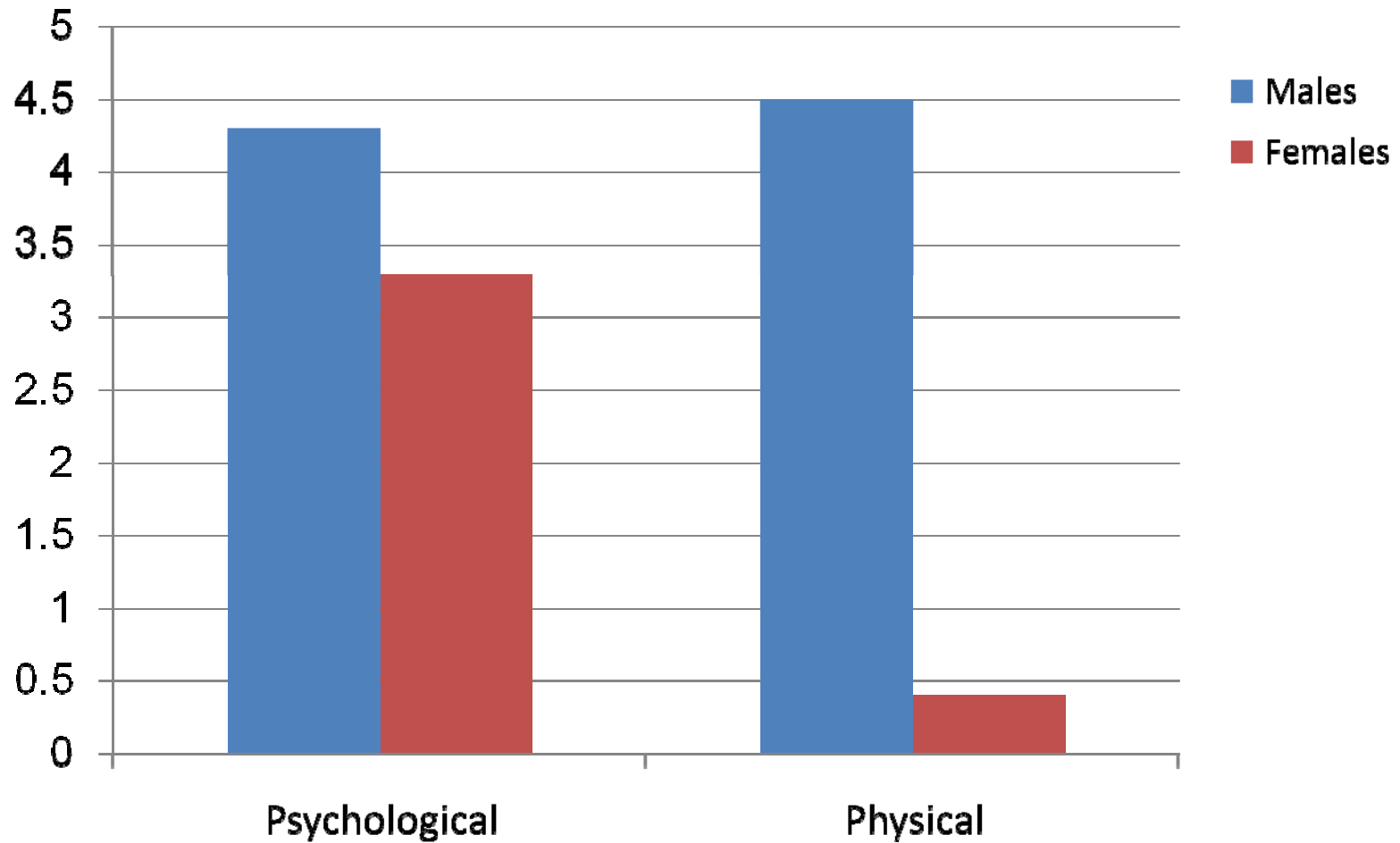
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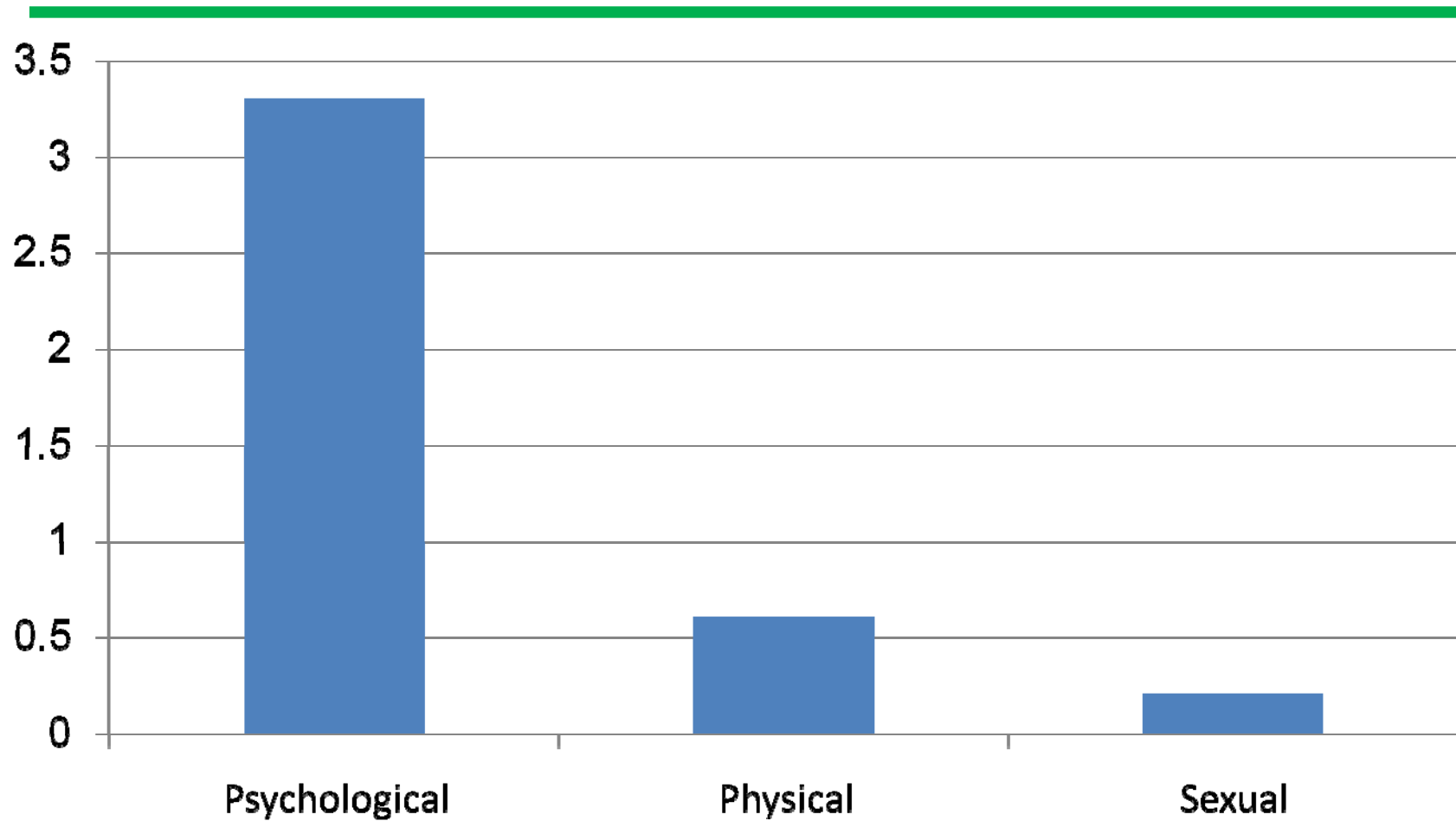
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Violence among individuals 30-64 years at the Israeli check points

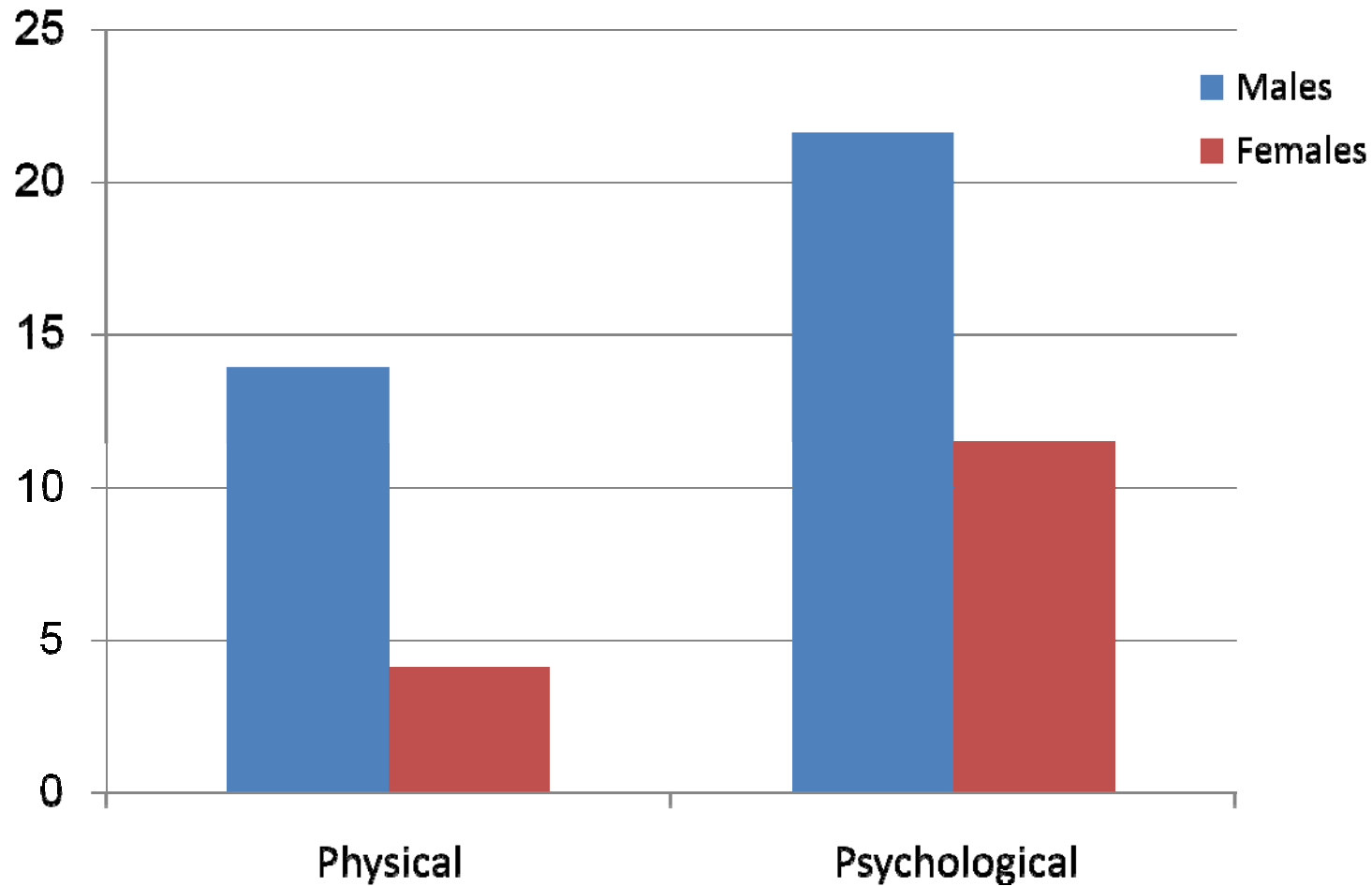


Occupation violence against ever married women

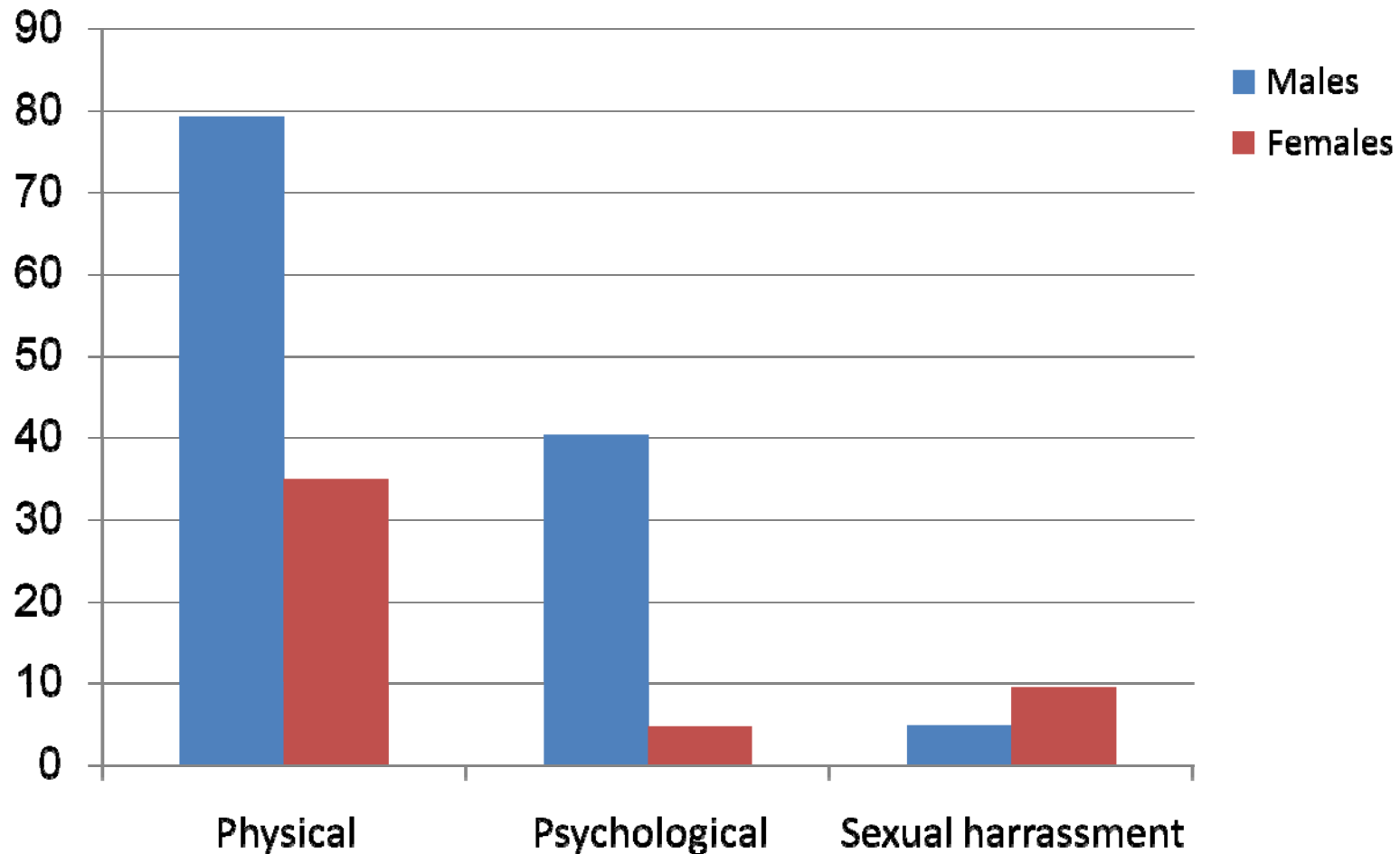


Violence in Public space

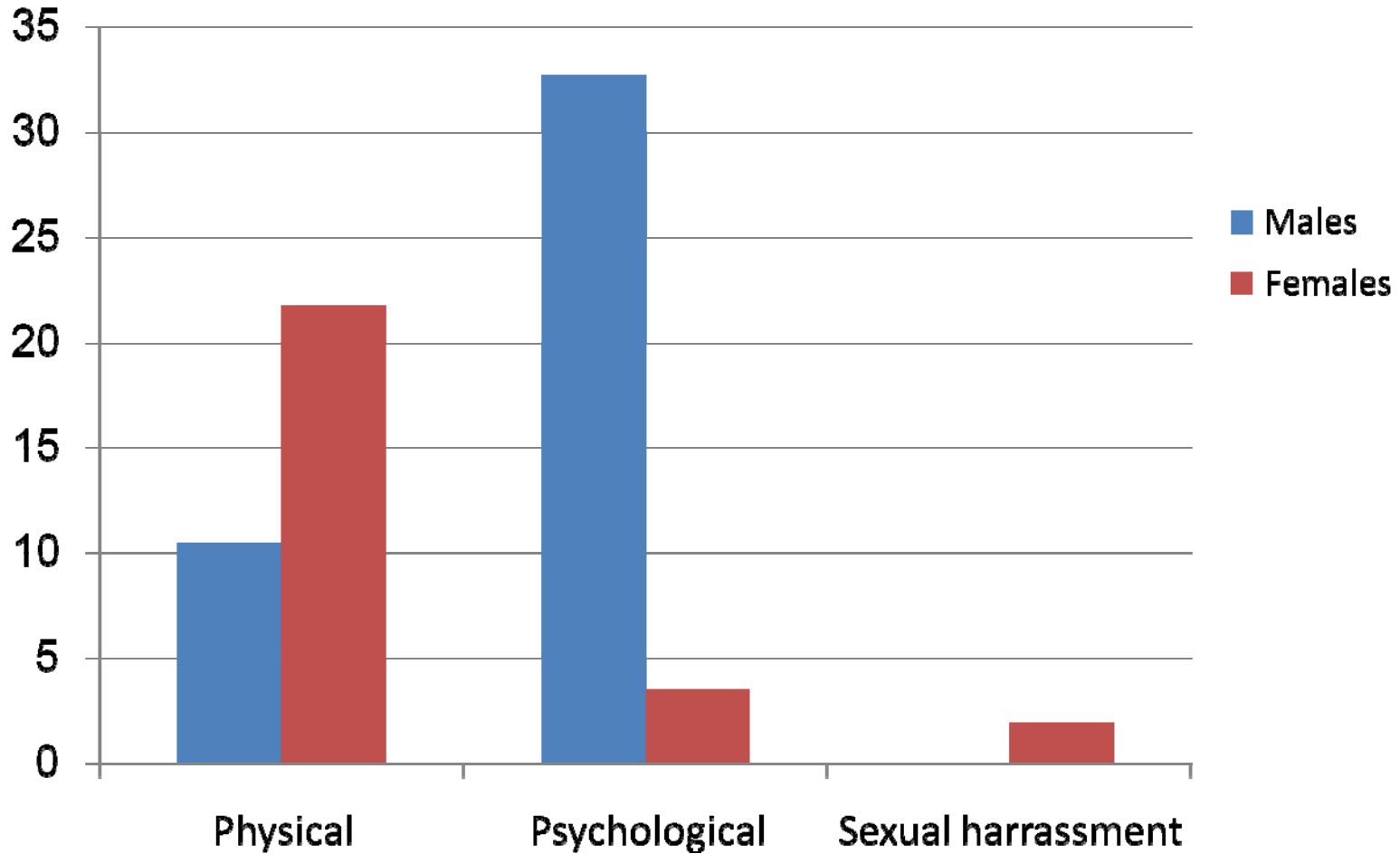
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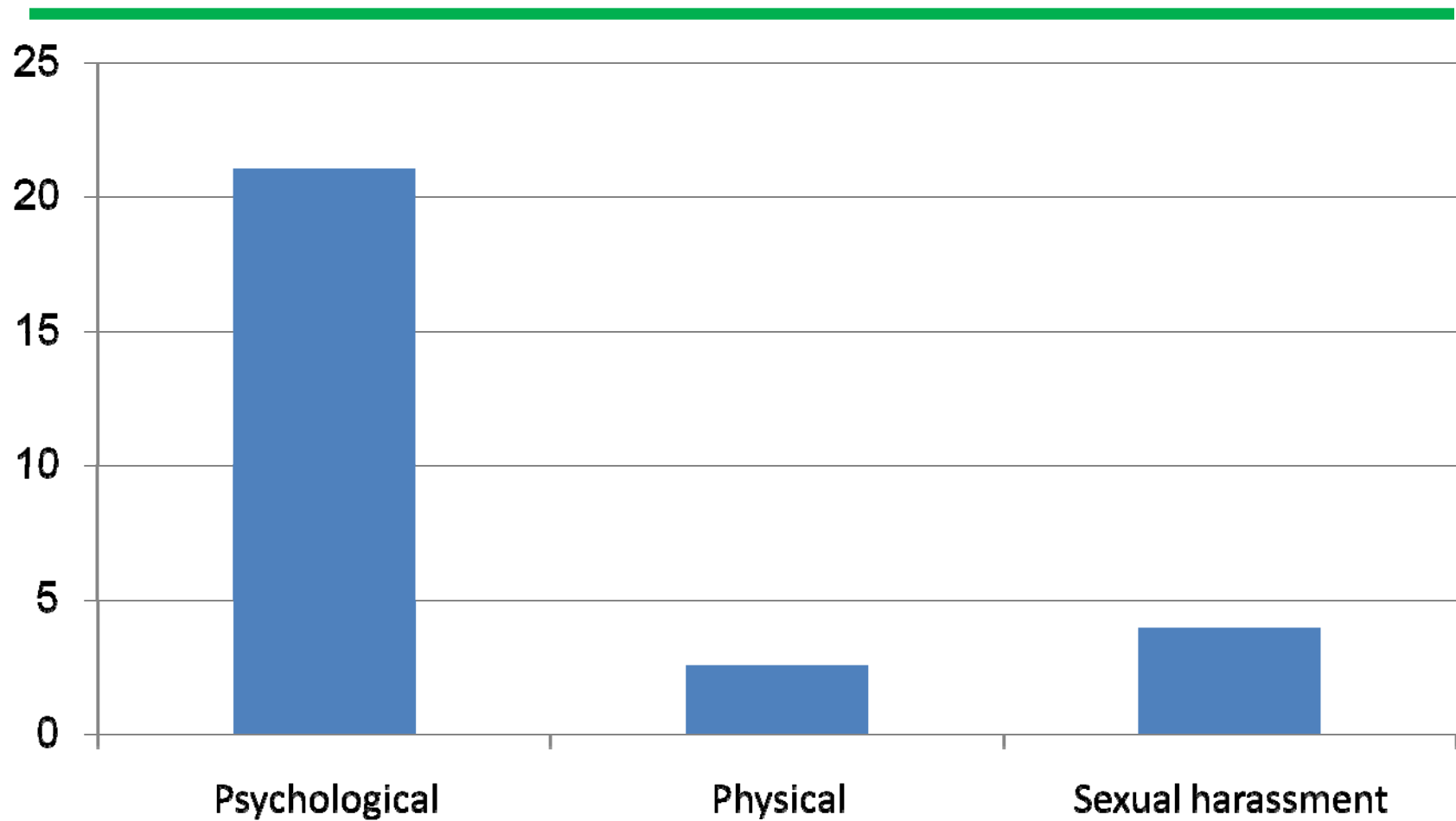
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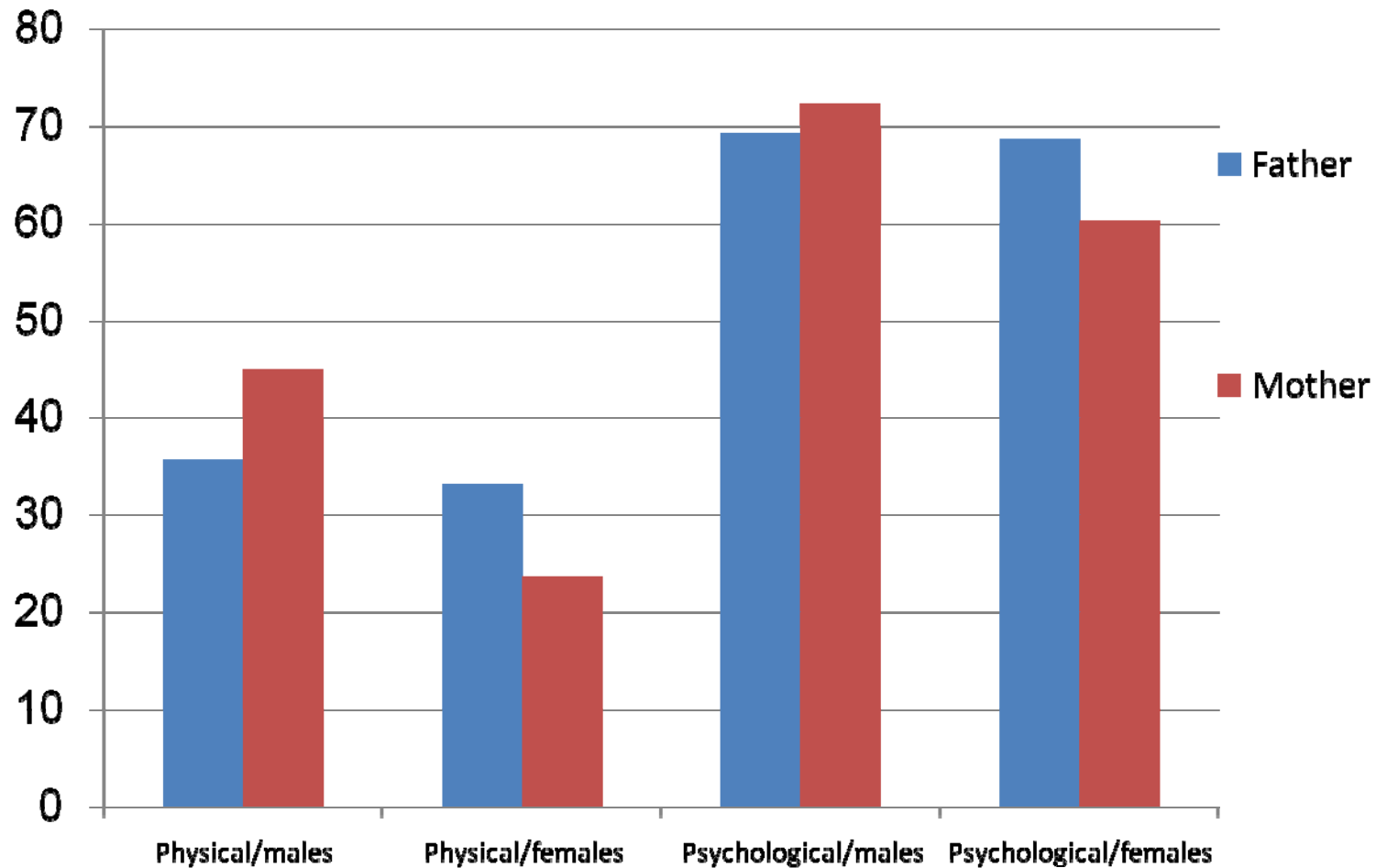


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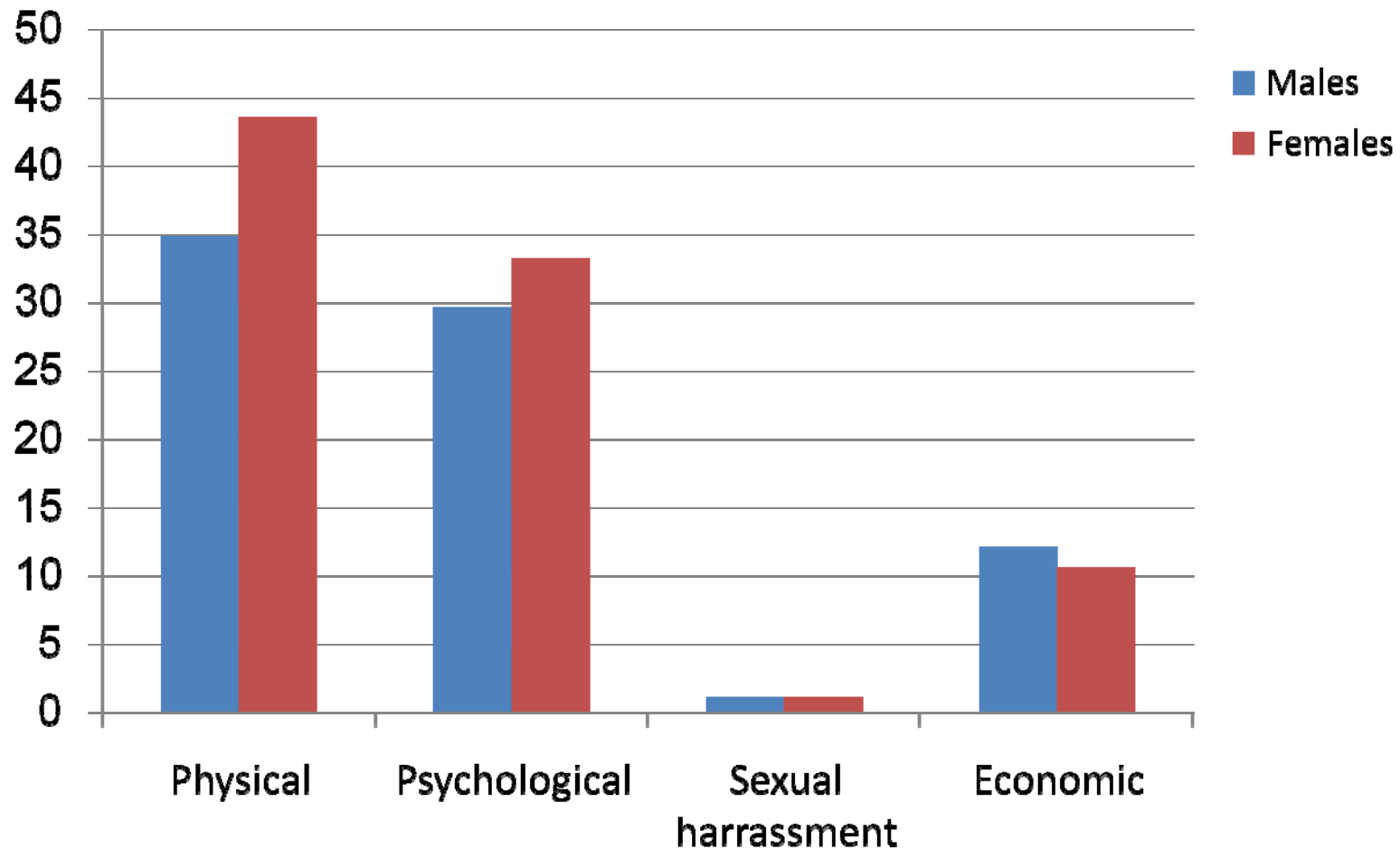


Domestic violence

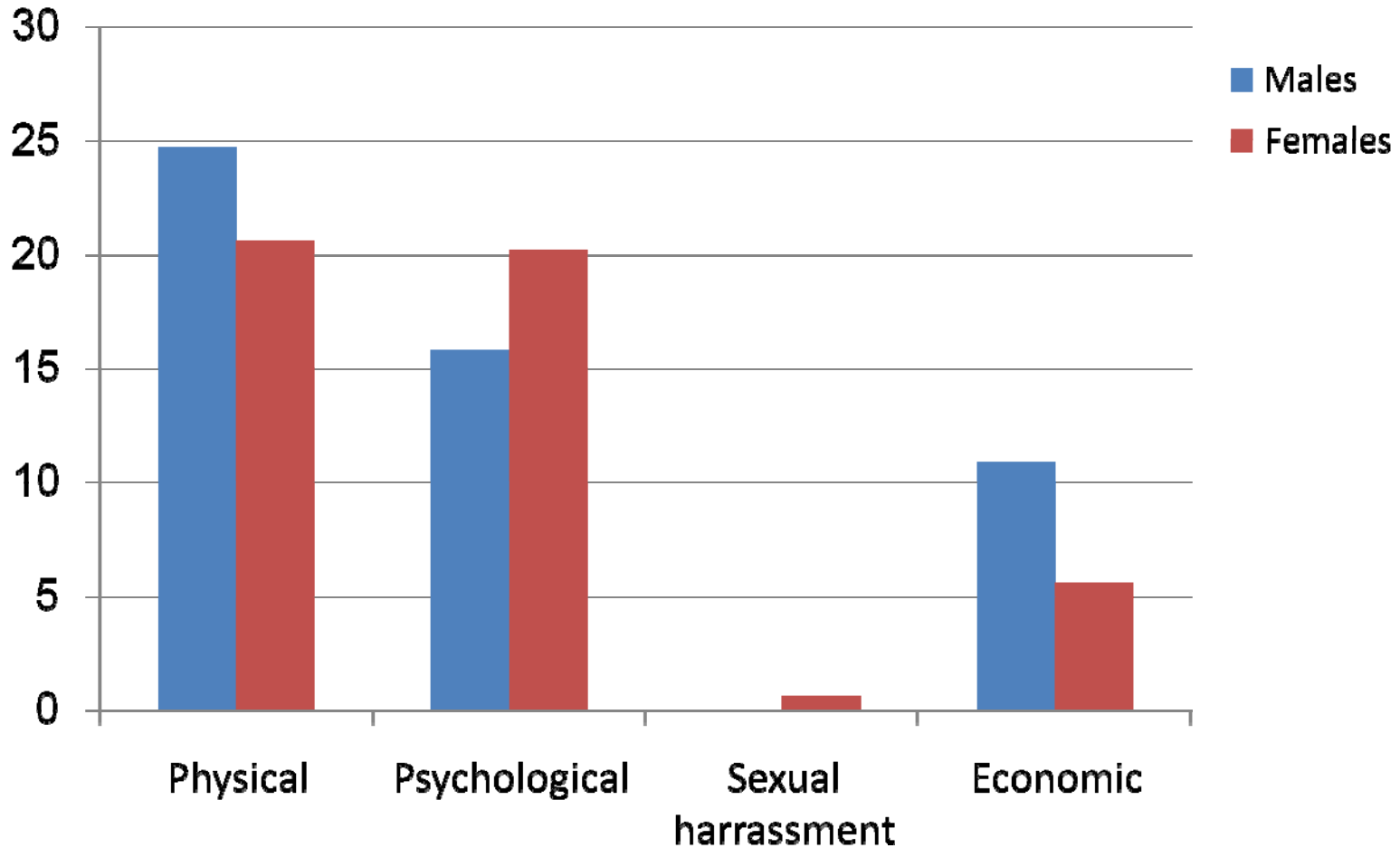
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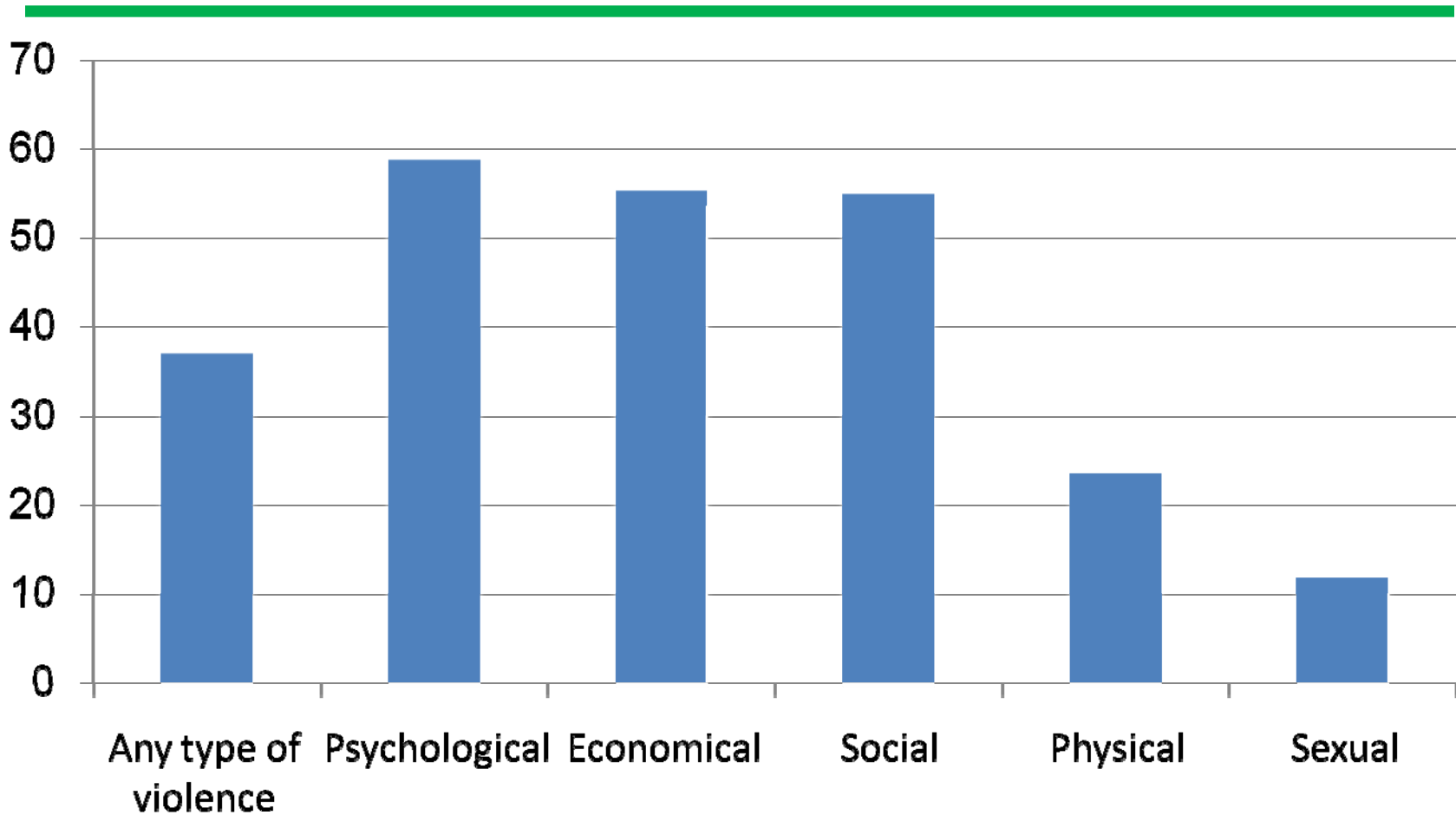
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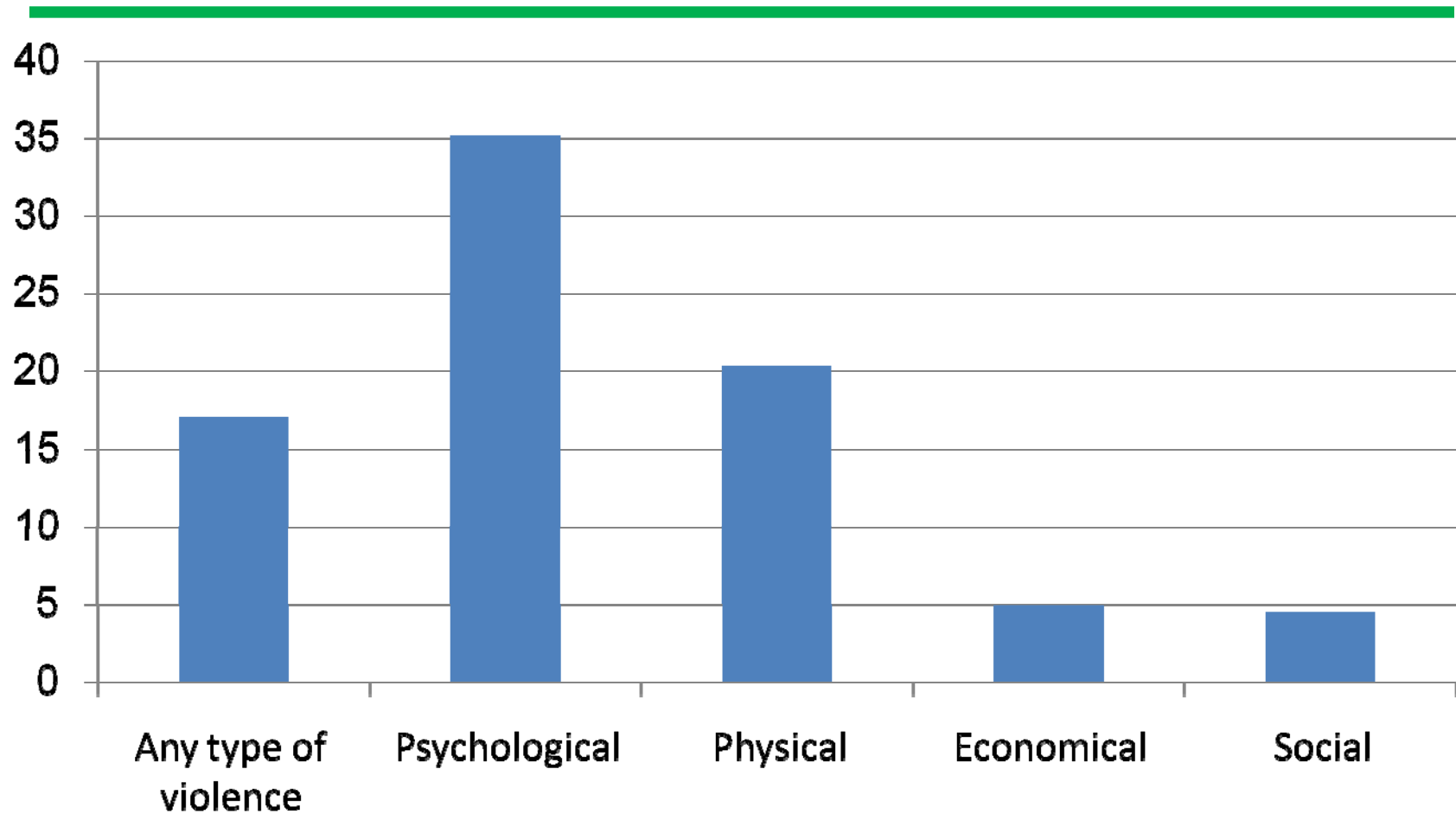
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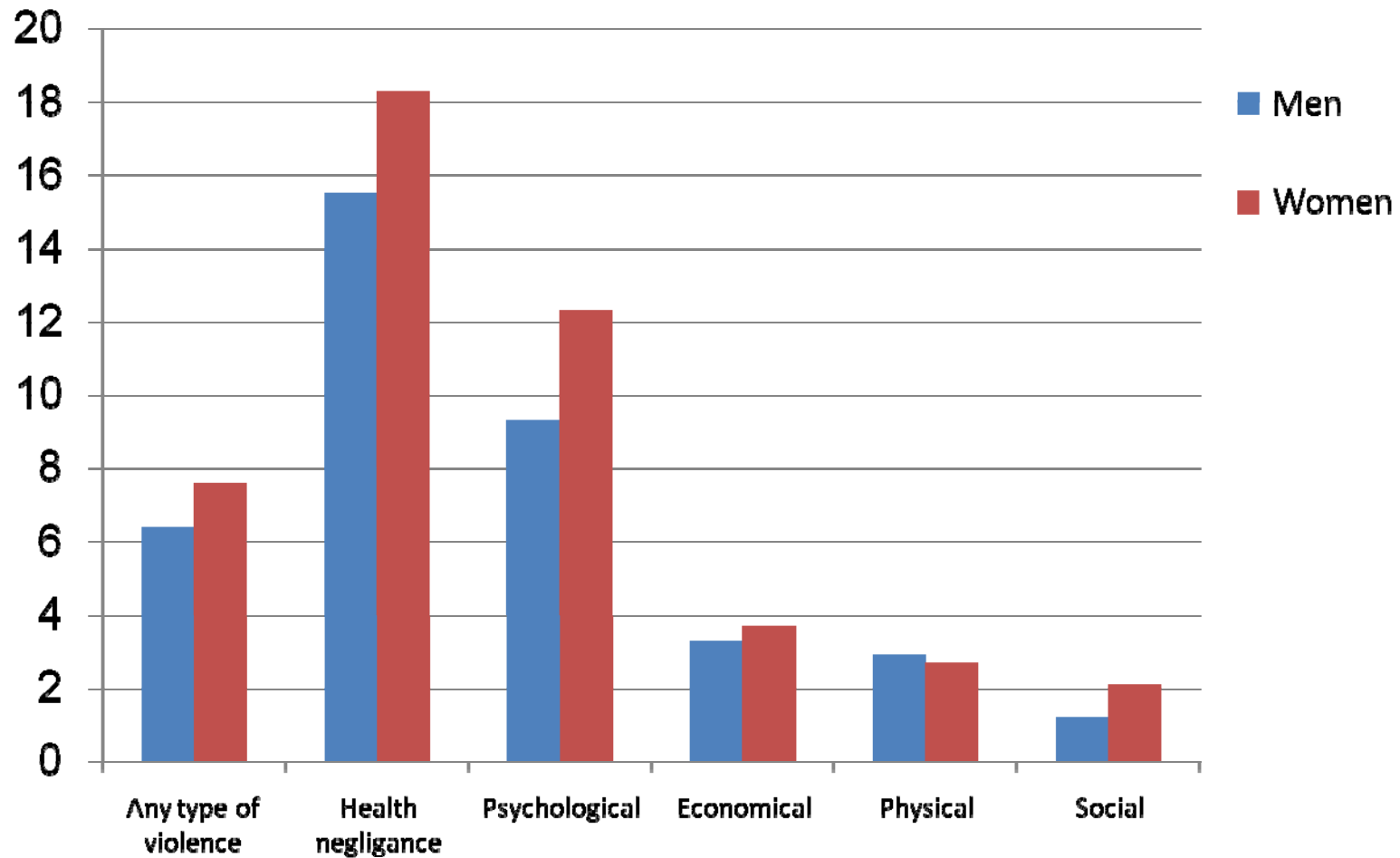
Violence among ever married women by husband



Violence among husbands by wives



Violence among elderly by households members



Conclusions

- Political violence by Israeli settlers and occupation military forces against Palestinian individuals, had been considered one of the most prevalent form of political violence, and the youth males are the most subjected group to such violence.
- More of psychological violence against women by their husbands.
- Women who were exposed to violence prefer silence.
- Women also practice violence against their husbands.
- Parents are the first to practice violence against children.
- Street is the most place where youths 18-29 years and women are exposed to violence.
- Elderly females more exposed to violence than males.

Main challenges

1. The mechanism of filling the child questionnaire; whether to interview the child himself or adults of his/her family? **Proxy or direct interview?**
2. The mechanism of filling of married males (male couples) questionnaire; whether to interview the husband himself on whether he was exposed to violence by his wife or to interview his wife? **Proxy or direct interview?**