

When working as a prostitute, there is a huge risk of becoming a victim of violence. Clients use physical violence against prostitutes – according to a 2003 survey in nine countries, as many as three-quarters of prostitutes have had that experience. According to a survey conducted in Estonia in 2016, 26% of prostitutes had been hit, 26% had been beaten and 20% had received threats to their life while engaging in prostitution. Many prostitutes are raped by their clients. It has been claimed that prostitutes are the group of women most often victimised by rape.