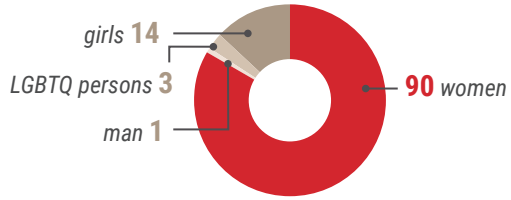
UKRAINE/RUSSIAN FEDERATION: Sexual violence, including rape, perpetrated by Russian authorities in localities they occupied in Ukraine

Independent International Commission of Inquiry on Ukraine

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The Commission of Inquiry investigated incidents against:

108 individuals



- **Committed during break-ins into houses or after the detention of victims in occupied dwellings**
- **Targeting mainly women and girls**
- **Victims were between 4 and 84 years old**

Rape and gang rape

Sexual violence

Sexual slavery

Forced nudity

- Often committed repeatedly
- By one or several perpetrators
- In some incidents, over longer periods of time

> ***And at that moment I realized that I, as a person, was simply trampled. I just wanted to die. I felt like my body was becoming dirty."***
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> *– 21-year-old woman raped in her apartment*

Sexual violence was perpetrated with other violations and crimes:

- **Targeting the victim:** wilful killing, torture, ill-treatment, outrages upon personal dignity, unlawful confinement
  - *Acts of violence included:* shooting, beating, strangling, slashing, administering burns, and threats of violence
- **Targeting family members:** wilful killing, torture, ill-treatment, unlawful confinement
- Family members, including children, were forced to witness the sexual violence

Locations of the investigated incidents

- **75 settlements in 8 regions of Ukraine that came under Russian occupation**



The names shown and designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.

Vulnerability of victims:

- Women often alone at home
- No means or possibility to flee to safety
- Women of older age
- Girls
- Women with children or pregnant

> ***I am scared all the time. I forgot what normal sleeping means. […] I don't know how to look people in the eyes. Most of the villagers were my students. How would I look them in the eyes? It is such a shame."***
>
> *– 84-year-old woman raped in her house*

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