

Gun use against women

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Key points

1. The “real world” for women
2. Expanded focus important
3. Collaborative efforts for success



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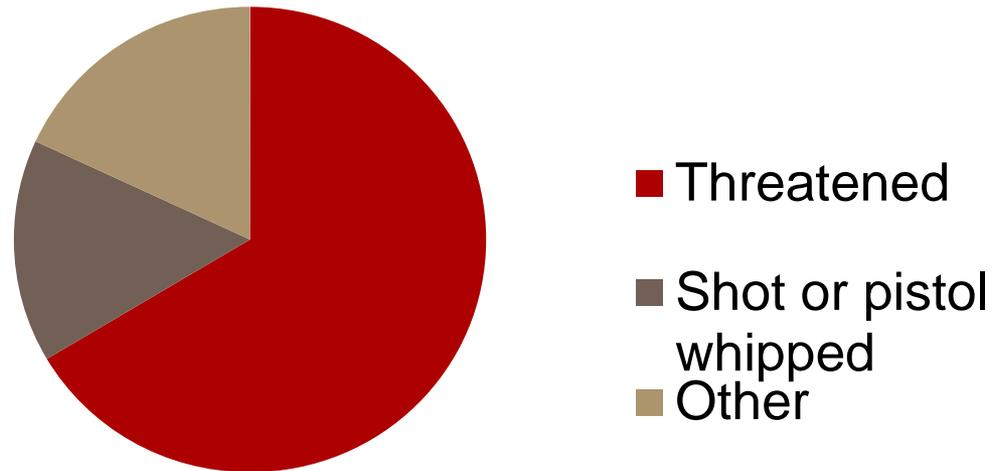
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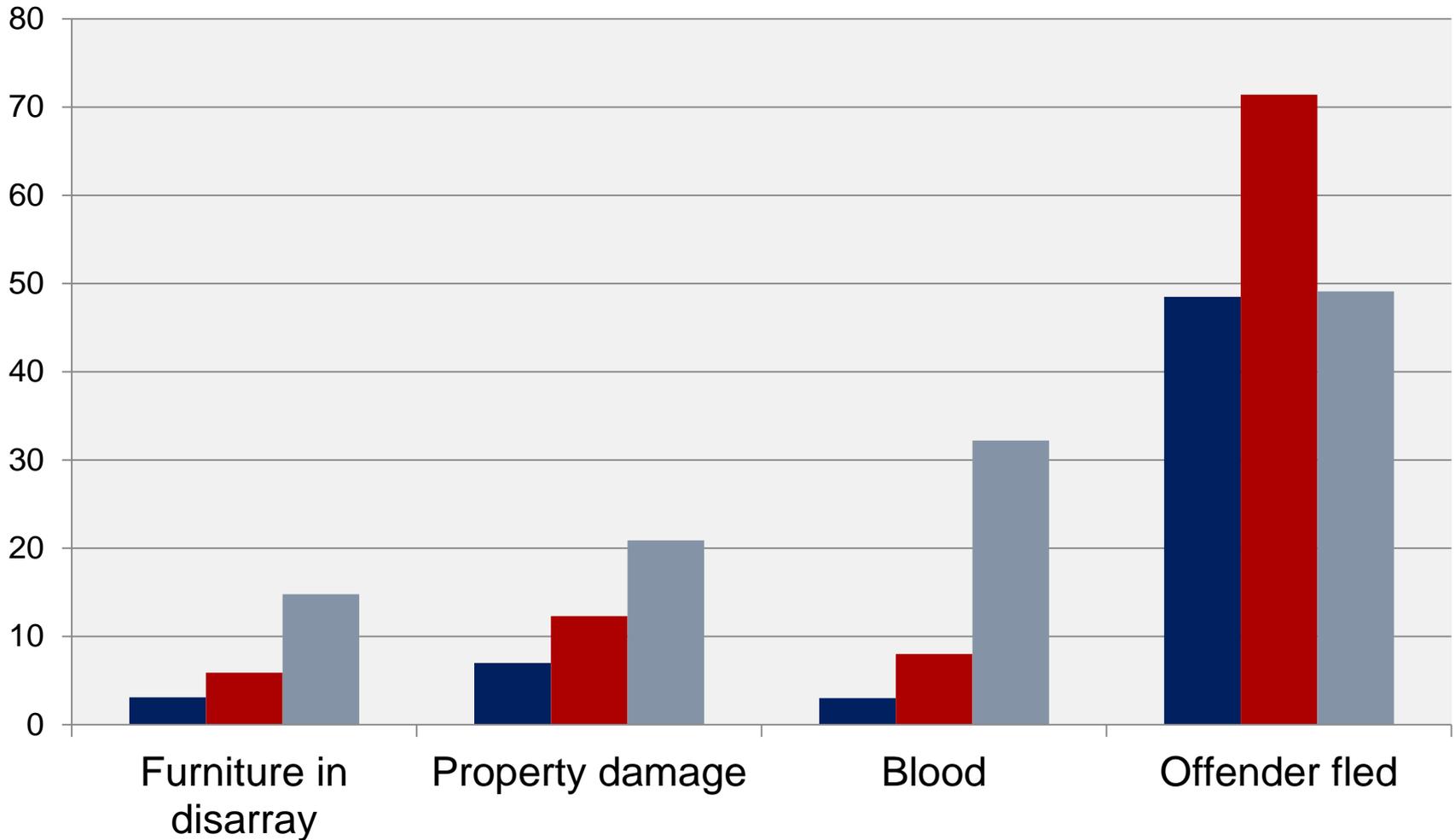
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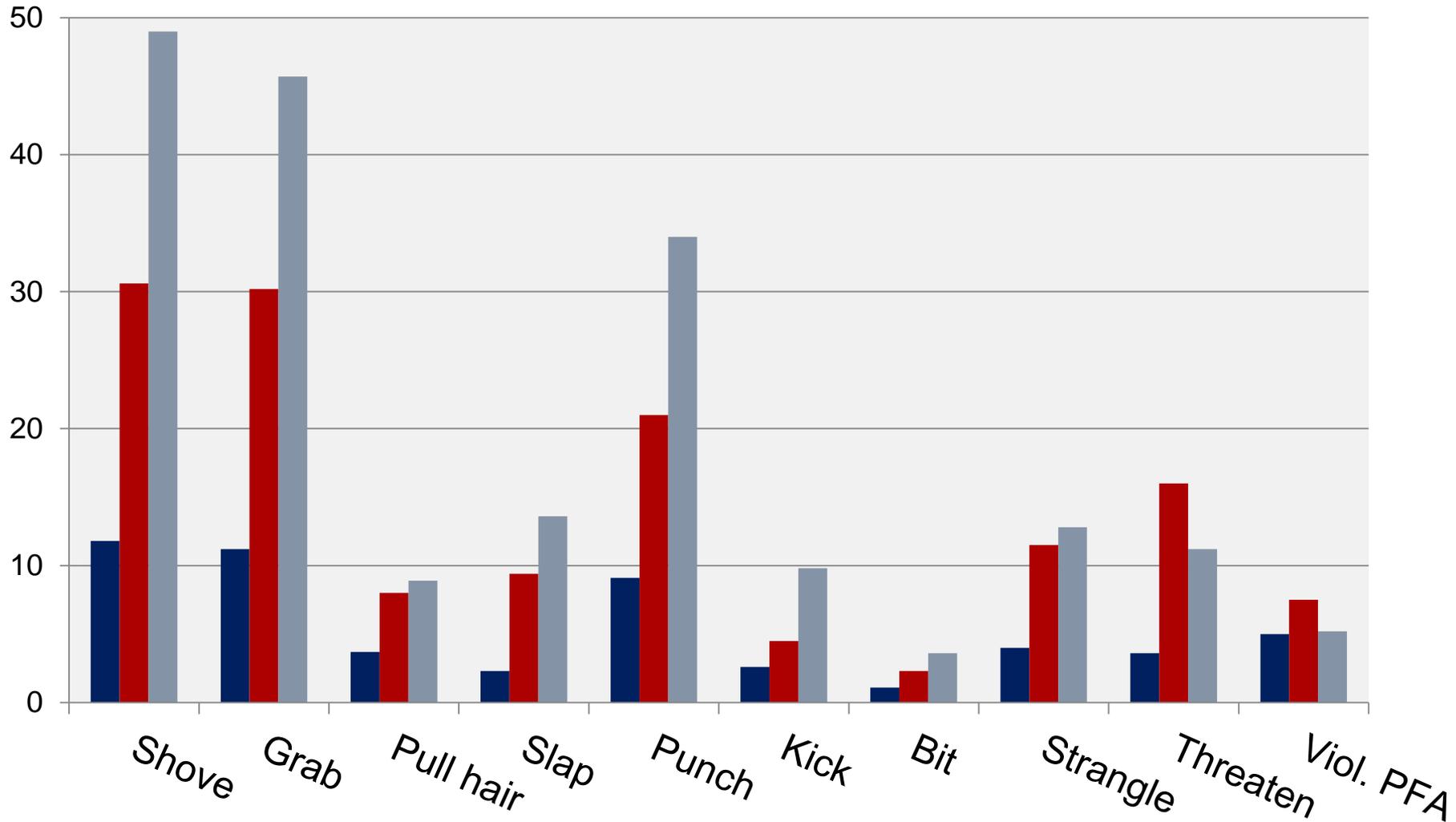


Scene, %

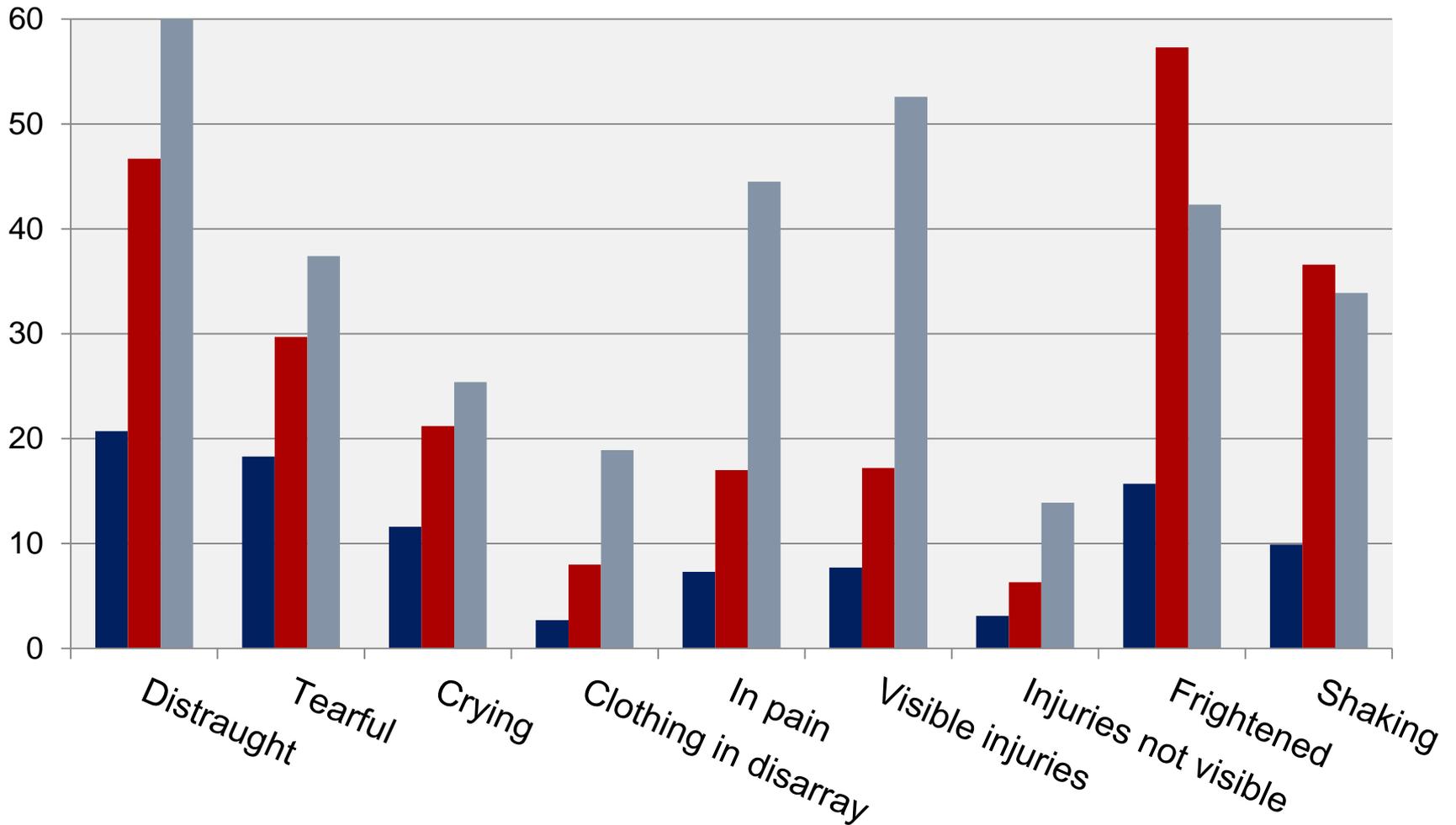
- No weapon
- Gun
- Other weapon



Offender behavior, %



Victim presentation, %



Sorenson SB. Guns in intimate partner violence: Comparing incidents that involve a gun, other weapon, or no weapon.

Journal of Women's Health, in press.

Recommendations

Must address the role of guns in women's lives as well as their deaths.

Advisable to document officer compliance with gun laws.

Wise to consider future legislative and policy needs.

