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January - August 2025

Observatorio de Violencia Hacia  
las Personas LGBTI+ de Honduras  
**KAI+**





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# KAI + PILLARS



## **VIOLENT DEATHS**



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## **ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES ABROAD**

The 11th bulletin, corresponding to January - August 2025, contains the systematization of the 4 pillars of the Observatorio de Violencia Hacia las Personas LGTBI+ de Honduras KAI+, in order to make visible and denounce before the national and international community, the context of violence and stigma and discrimination.

The Observatorio KAI+, gathered information from verified sources, including government organizations and CONADEH o this end, the right of access to information was exercised in accordance with the Law on Access to Public Information; as well as LGTBI+ human rights organizations, other civil society organizations, the media, attention to complaints and denunciations of the victims, social networks and documented testimonies of people close to the victims.



# Observatorio de Violencia Hacia las Personas LGBTI+ de Honduras KAI+

**(Observatory on Violence against LGBTI+ People in Honduras KAI+)**

## Mission

Generate scientific spaces for discussion that promote Public Policies for the respect and guarantee of the fundamental rights of LGBTI+ people.

## Vision

To be a reference in the visualization of the context of human rights, violence and forced disappearance of populations placed in a condition of vulnerability, to achieve the reduction of rates of stigma and discrimination, as well as the creation of Public Policies and State guarantees for the respect of fundamental rights and freedoms.



# VIOLENT DEATHS



# 565

**2004 to 2024**  
Violent deaths of LGBTI+ people recorded historically

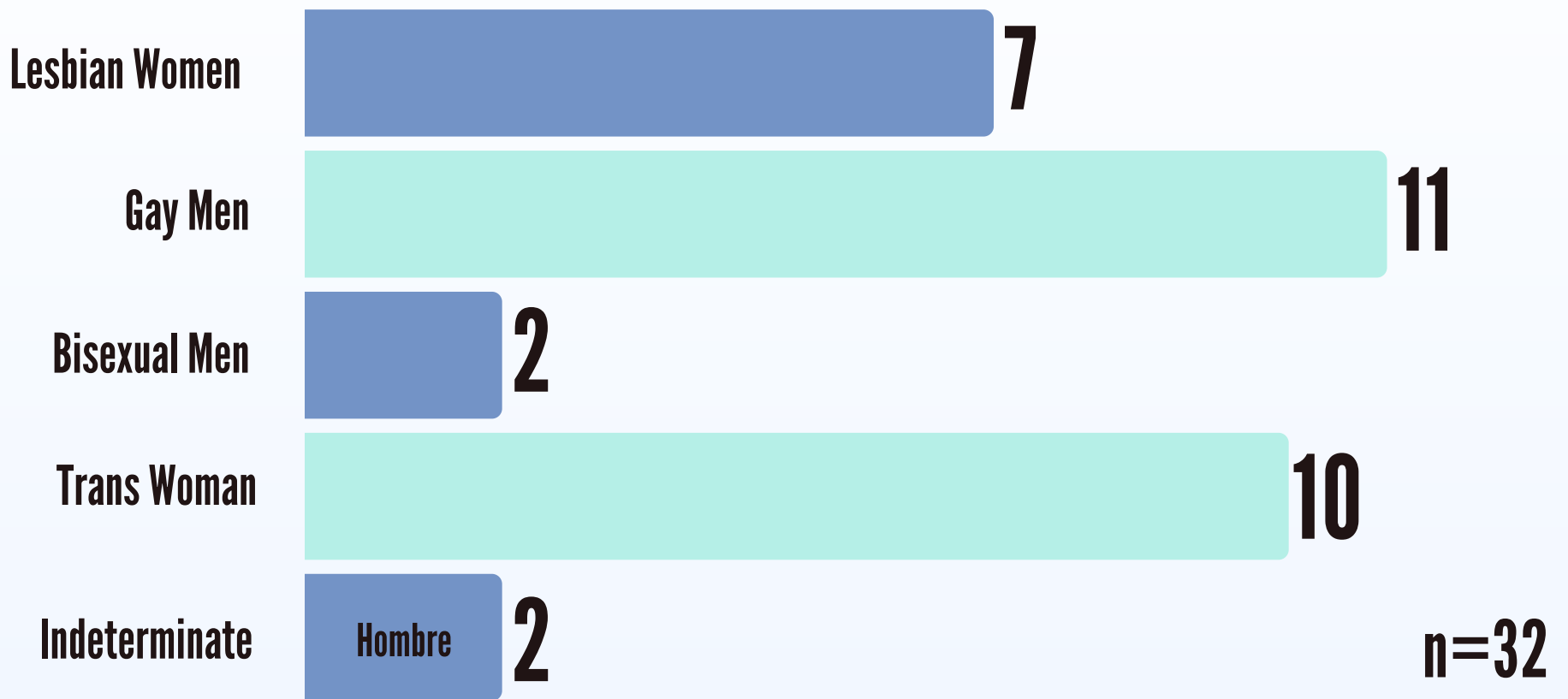
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**January to August 2025**

Muertes violentas de personas LGBTI+ registradas en 2025

Violent death or death of unnatural causes is considered to be one whose origin is traumatic (mechanical, physical, asphyxial, toxic, thermal, etc.) and whose forensic medical study corresponds to a homicide, suicide or accident. (Rando, Medina, & Calvo, s.f.)

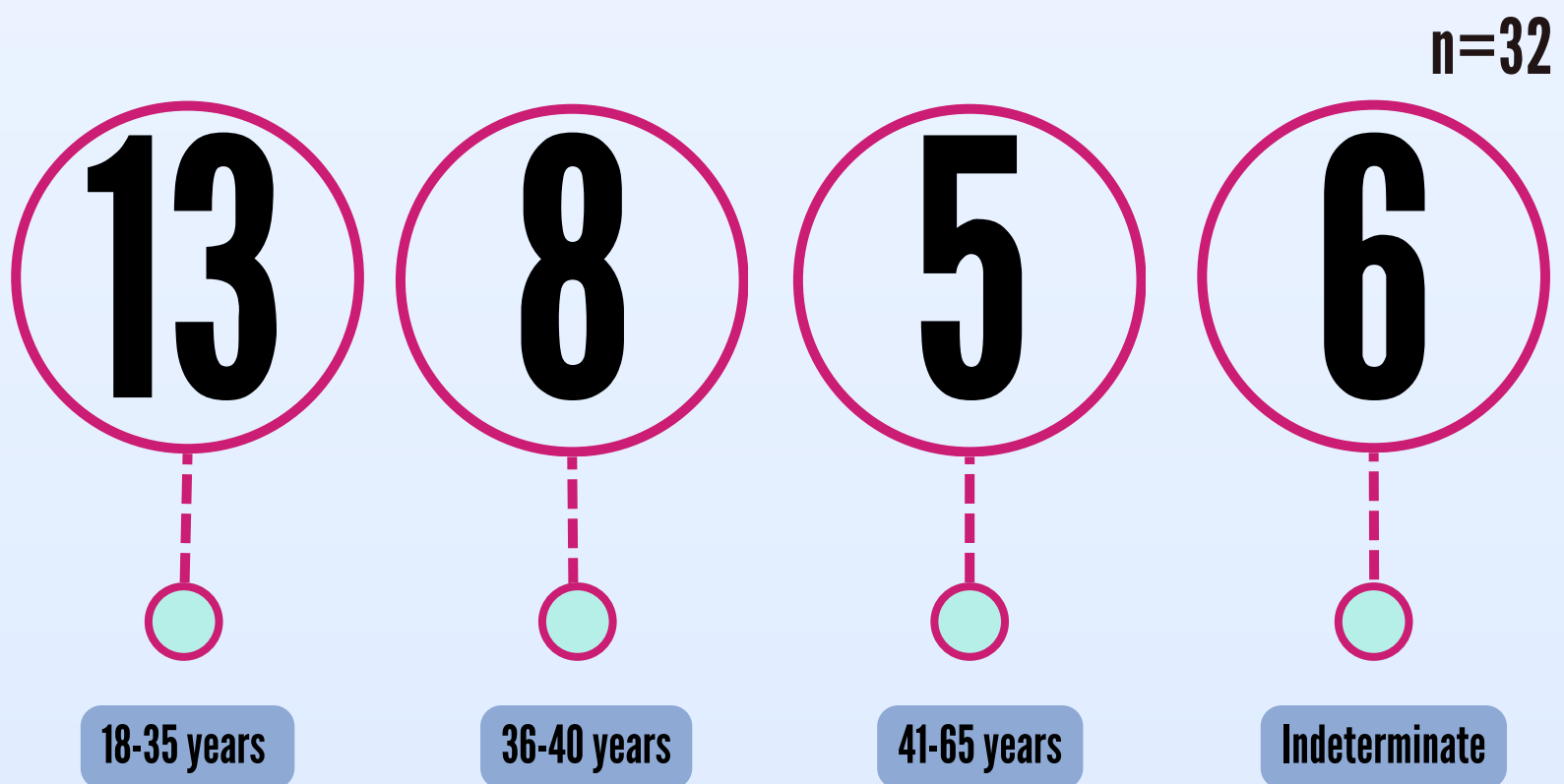
## Graph 1: Violent deaths registered by type of population, January to August 2025



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Of the 32 violent deaths against LGBTI+ people registered in the period, (7) lesbian women, (11) gay men, (2) bisexual men, (10) trans women, and (2) people identified with the male sex, however, it is proven that they belong to the LGBTI population.

## Graph 2: Age ranges, January to August 2025

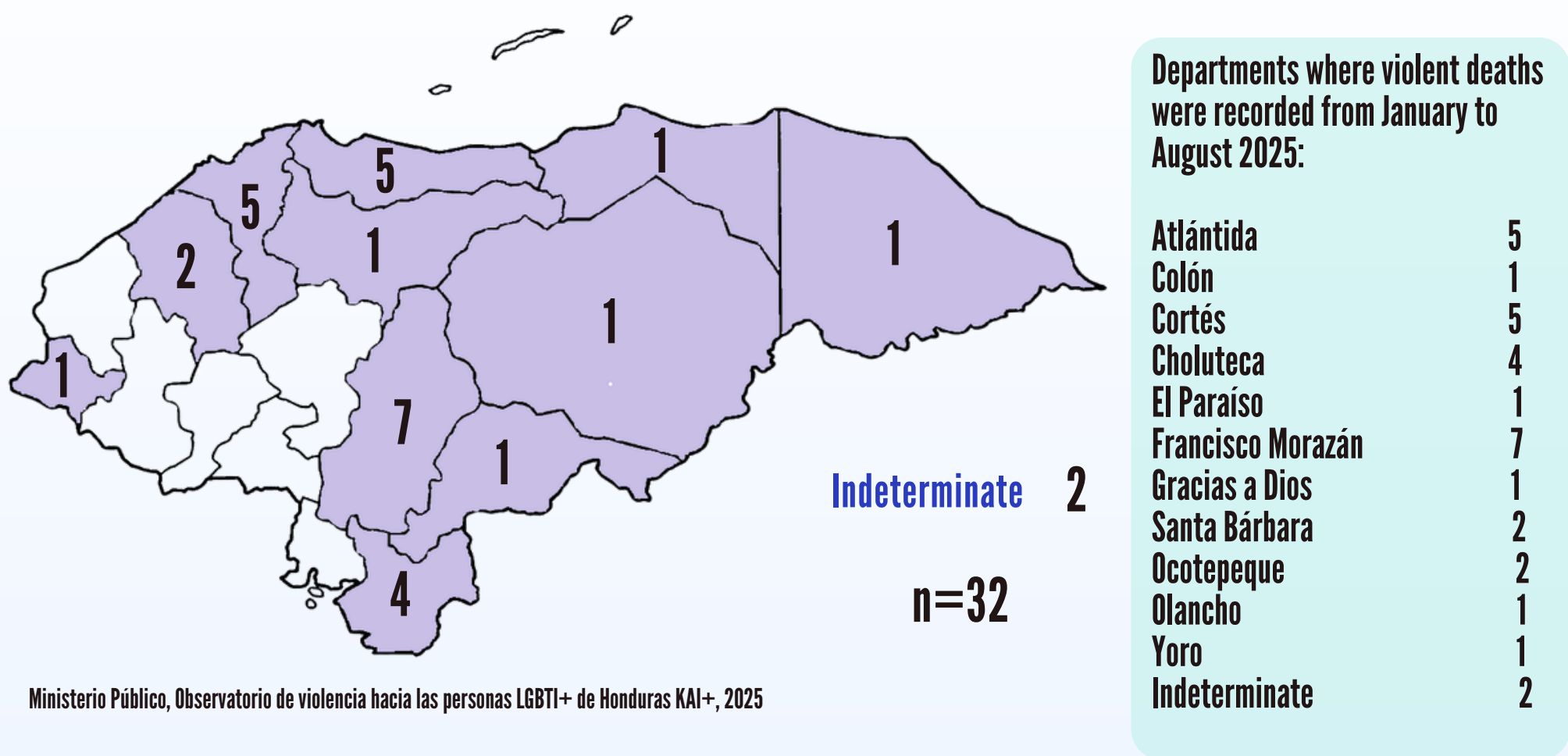


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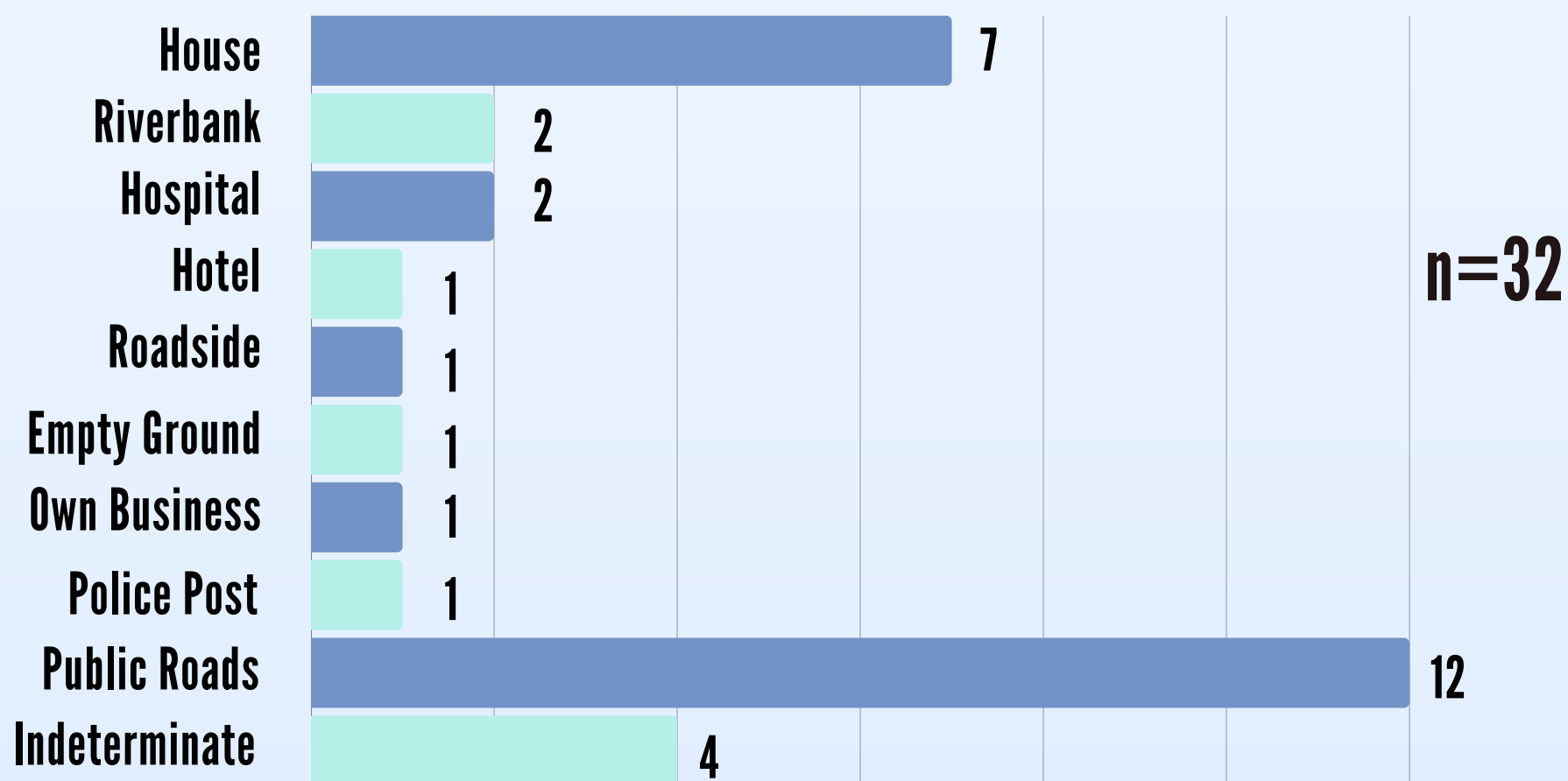
The age ranges identified in this period are between 18 and 35 years old (13 people), 36 to 40 (8 people), 41 to 65 years old (5 people) and (6) LGBTI+ people whose age could not be determined.

For the understanding of this bulletin, the term "indeterminate" is used for people whose sexual orientation or gender identity could not be identified in a disaggregated way, but who do belong to the LGBTI+ population, it is also used for other variables where the information was not obtained from the sources.

### Graph 3: Registered violent deaths of LGBTI+ people by department, January to August 2025



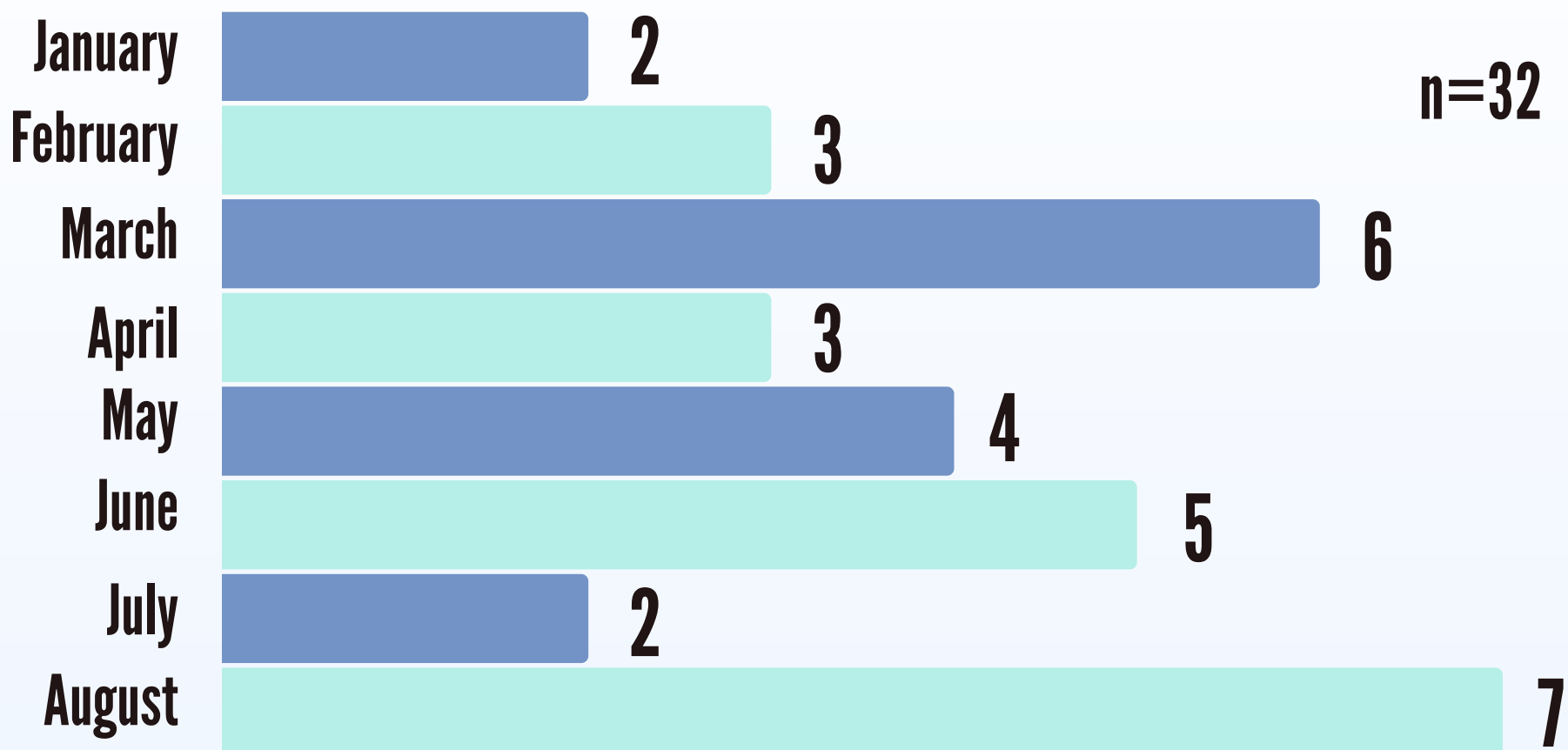
### Graph 4: Identified places of registered violent deaths against LGBTI+ people, January to August 2025



Of the 32 violent deaths registered, the places identified were: (7) in a house, (2) on the riverbank, (2) in a hospital, (1) in a hotel, (1) on the side of a road, (1) in a empty Ground, (1) in one's own business, (1) in a police post, (12) on a public road and (4) in which the place could not be identified.

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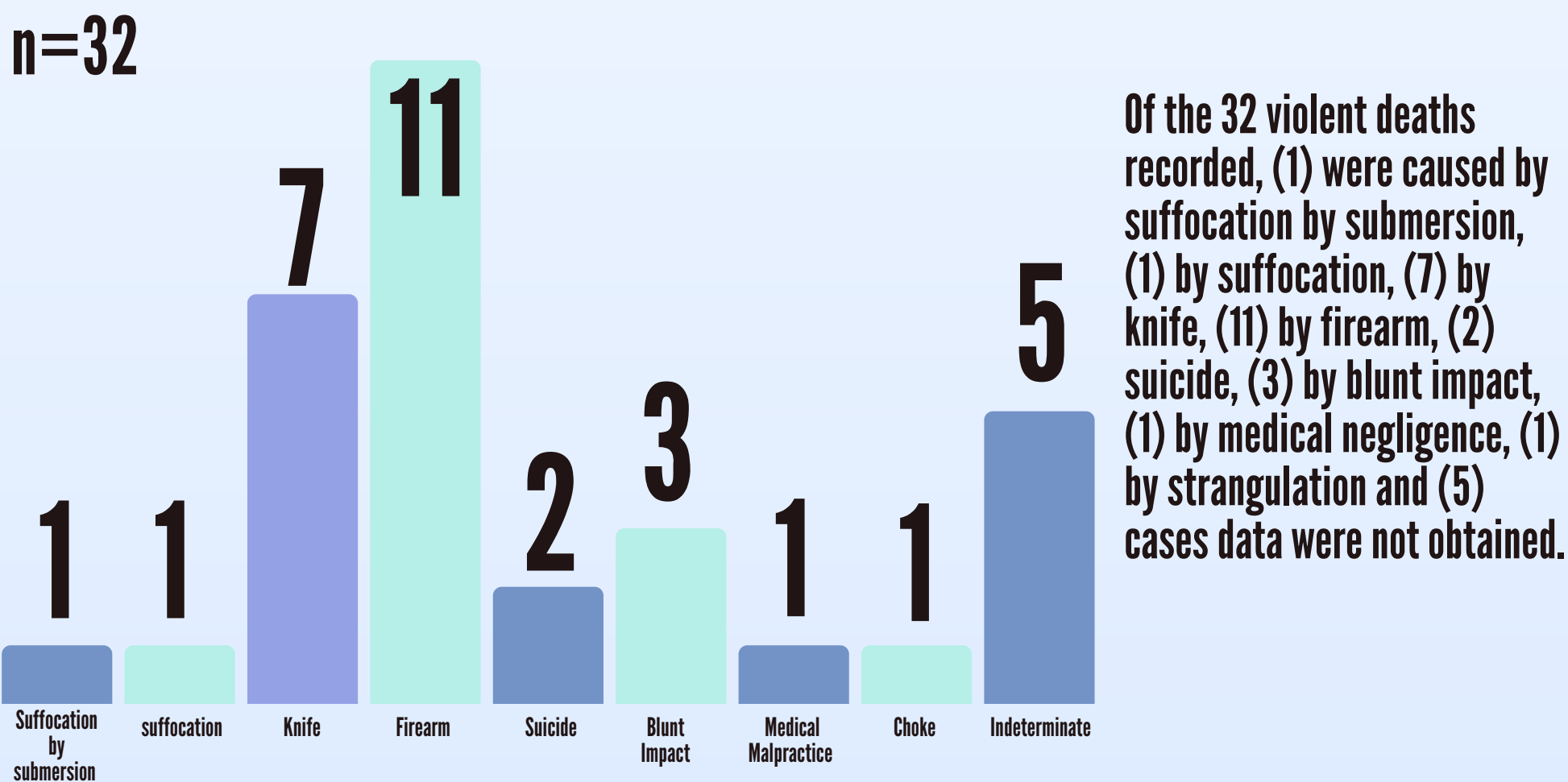
## Graph 5: Registered violent deaths of LGBTI+ people by month, January to August 2025



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Violent deaths were recorded in the following months: (2) in January, (3) in February, (6) in March, (3) in April, (4) in May, (5) in June, (2) in July, (7) in August.

## Graph 6: Weapon, mechanism or form of death used, January to August 2025



Of the 32 violent deaths recorded, (1) were caused by suffocation by submersion, (1) by suffocation, (7) by knife, (11) by firearm, (2) suicide, (3) by blunt impact, (1) by medical negligence, (1) by strangulation and (5) cases data were not obtained.

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The judicial status of the 32 violent deaths registered according to our investigation reveals that in 28 cases cadaverous removals have been carried out (initial stage of the investigation) and 4 of them are reported to have captured suspects.



# GENERALIZED VIOLENCE

# 703

**2022 to 2024**  
Historically recorded cases of generalized  
violence against LGBTI+ people

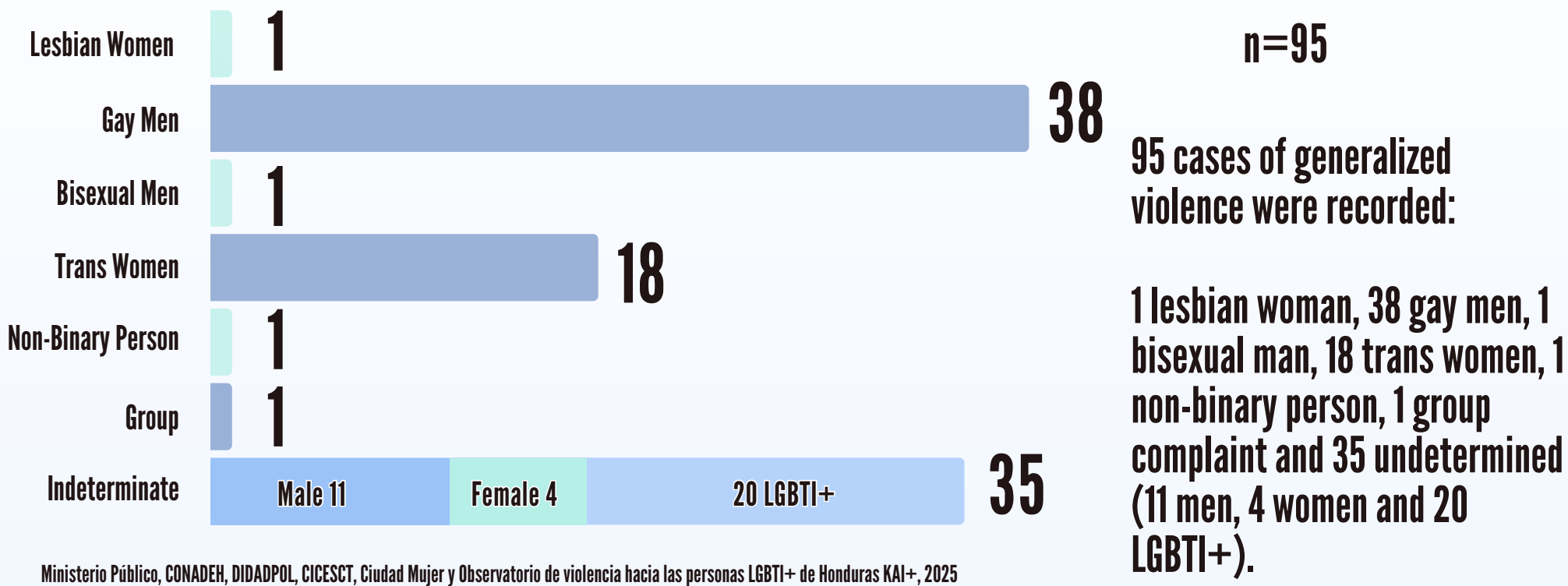
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**January to August  
2025**

Cases of generalized violence against LGBTI+ people  
registered in 2025

Generalized violence is understood to be any action of violence, stigma, discrimination and violation of human rights that threatens the life and mental, moral and physical integrity of people, exercised by society and the State, in the context of the protection of the Human Rights of LGBTI+ people and that has been denounced or filed a complaint

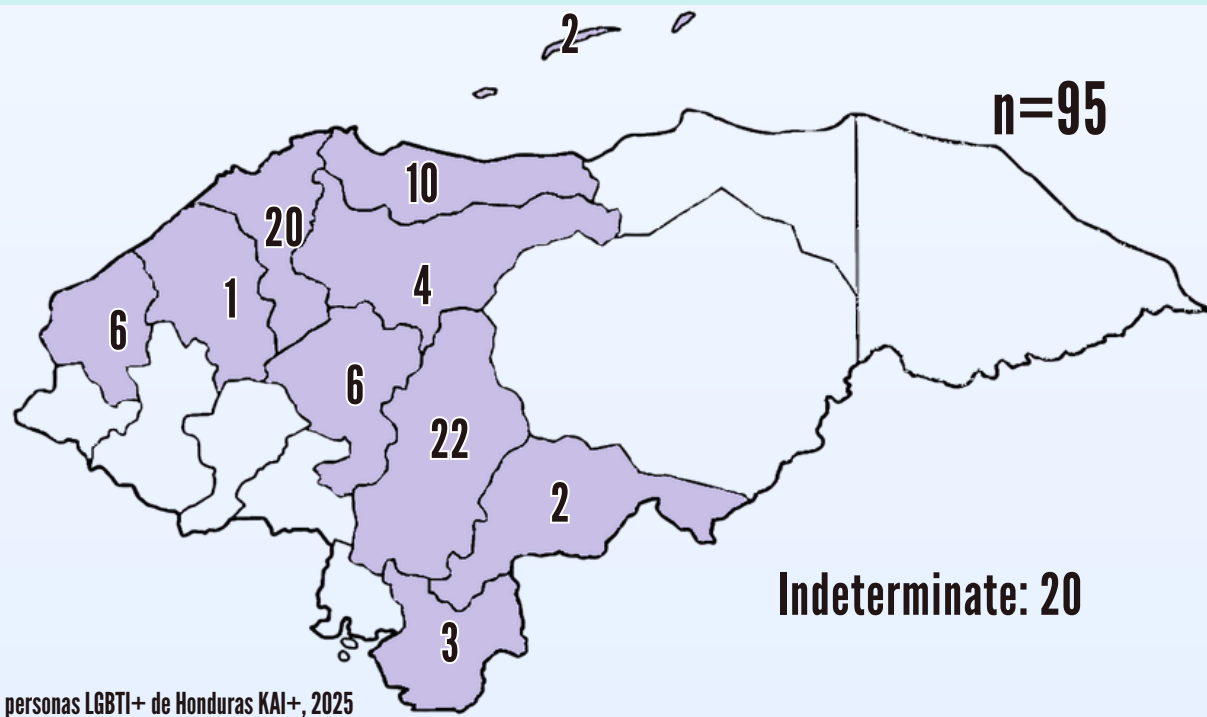
## Graph 7: Widespread violence recorded, by type of population, January to August 2025



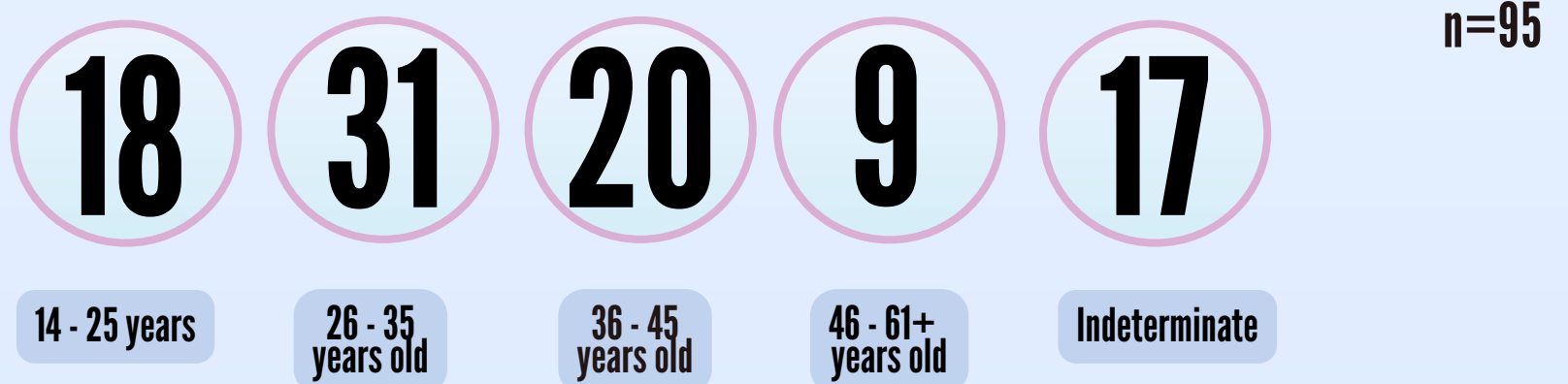
## Graph 8: Generalized violence against LGTBI+ people by department, January to August 2025

The cases of generalized violence were registered in 10 departments described with their numbers as follows:

Francisco Morazán (22), Cortés (20), Atlántida (10), Comayagua (6), Copán (6), Choluteca (2), Colón (4), El Paraíso (2), Santa Bárbara (1), Islas de la bahía (2) e indeterminados (20).



## Graph 9: Age ranges of cases of generalized violence against LGTBI+ people, January-August 2025



According to the age ranges: (18) are between 14 and 25 years old (These data were provided only by the Ministerio Público), (31) between 26 and 35 years old, (20) between 36 and 45 years old, (9) between 46 and 60+ years old and (17) with an undetermined age.

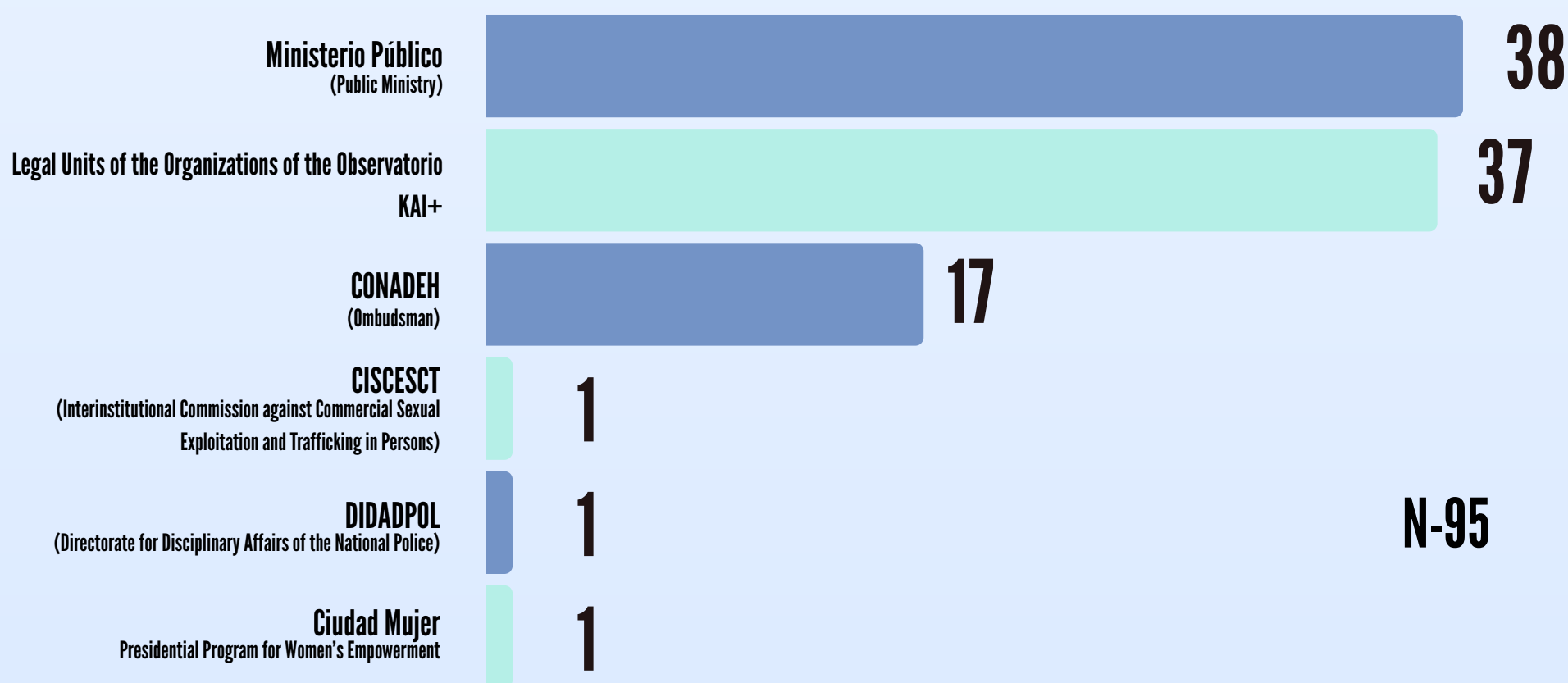
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## CHART 1; TYPE OF GENERALIZED VIOLENCE AGAINST LGBTI+ PEOPLE (N=95)

Harassment (2)	Workplace Harassment (2)	Administrative acts (1)	Acts of Public Discrimination (1)	Physical Assault (1)	Threats (14)
Verbal threat (2)	Death threat (6)	Threat due to gender identity (1)	Threat and coercion (1)	Damage (3)	Prejudices and damages (1)
Right to petition (1)	Forced Displacement (1)	Unlawful detention (1)	Arbitrary detention based on gender identity (1)	Discrimination (9)	Employment discrimination (1)
Discrimination based on Sexual Orientation or Gender identity (1)	Discrimination and harassment (1)	Disclosure of Information and Discrimination (1)	HIV Diagnosis Disclosure and Discrimination (1)	Foul against people (1)	Forgery of public and commercial documents (1)
Bullying (1)	Harassment by a public official or employee (1)	Workplace Harassment (1)	Theft (1)	Simple theft (1)	Incitement to discrimination (4)
Theft and theft of motor vehicle (1)	Personal integrity (1)	Serious injuries (1)	Reckless Injuries (1)	Lesions (1)	Family abuse (4)
Denial of health services due to sexual orientation (2)	Persecution (1)	child pornography and aggravated rape (1)	Document retention (1)	Violation of sentence or measure (2)	Unlawful carrying of a weapon (2)
Document retention (1)	Robbery with force (1)	Attempted homicide (1)	Smuggling of persons (1)	Drug trafficking (1)	Usurpation of the personality of the other (1)
Physical domestic violence (1)	Psychological domestic violence (2)	Physical violence and extortion (1)	Domestic Violence (1)	Violence against women (1)	Family violence (1)
Psychological Violence (1)					

Ministerio Público, CONADEH, DIDADPOL, CICESCT, Ciudad Mujer y Observatorio de violencia hacia las personas LGBTI+ de Honduras KAI+, 2025

### Graph 9: Institutions or organizations that contributed cases of generalized violence against LGBTI+ people, January to August 2025



Of the institutions or organizations that reported cases of generalized violence, the following are identified: Ministerio Público (38), Legal Units of the Organizations of the Observatorio KAI+ (37), CONADEH (17), CICESCT (1), DIDADPOL (1) y Ciudad Mujer (1).

# MISSING PERSONS

7

**2016 to 2024**  
Historically registered LGBTI+  
missing persons

2

**January to August  
2025**  
LGBTI+ missing persons

Those persons whose relatives have no news or whose disappearance has been reported, on the basis of reliable data, due to armed conflict, internal violence, natural disaster or other humanitarian crises

Source: International Committee of the Red Cross. (2009).

## Missing Person 1

**Rony Alberto Murillo Dala, a 24-year-old gay man, disappeared on July 23, 2025, in the San Miguel neighborhood from Tegucigalpa, the same place where he has grown up and lived all his life. That day he left his house to do some shopping at a nearby grocery store, dressed in jeans, his work shirt “Baleadas Chicho” and crocks shoes. Since then, he has not been heard from since.**

## Missing Person 2

**Etni Hernandez Rodríguez, a 25-year-old trans woman, disappeared on August 30, 2025 at 1:00 am. The last time he was seen was in the community of Las Conchas, on Yojoa Lake, while attending a party. Etni is originally from Los Honcorcitos, in Zacapa, Santa Bárbara, and for a long time she has worked in the food sales in the lake area, where she is known and loved. he was wearing a white T-shirt, blue jeans and white tennis shoes; She has a tattoo on her left hand that distinguishes her.**



# ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES ABROAD



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## 2022 to 2024

Historically recorded assistance to LGBTI+ refugees abroad

# 24

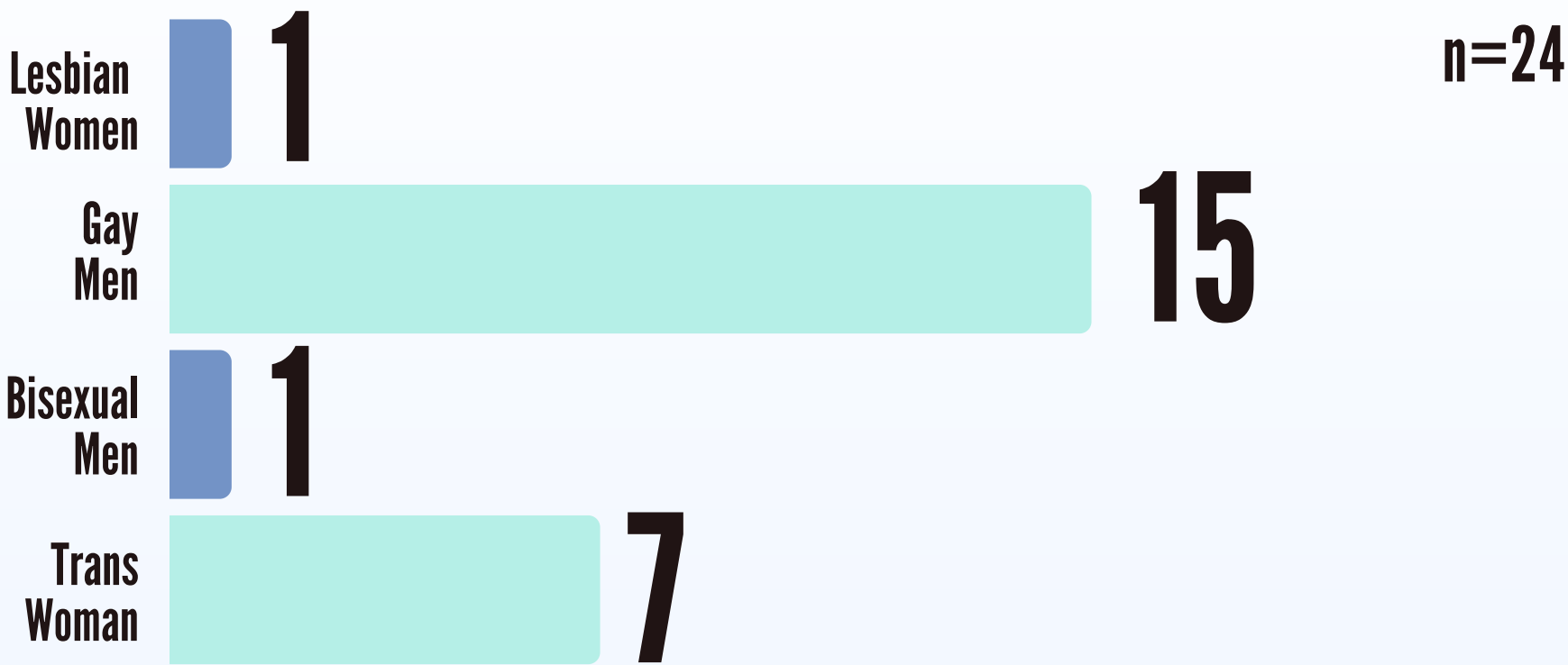
## January to August 2025

Assistance to refugees abroad

Refugee abroad: A person who, with "well-founded fears of being persecuted for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinions, is outside the country of his nationality and is unable or, because of such fears, is unwilling to avail himself of the protection of that country".

(Art. 1 (A) (2) of the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees, as amended by the 1967 Protocol). (Migrations, 2006)

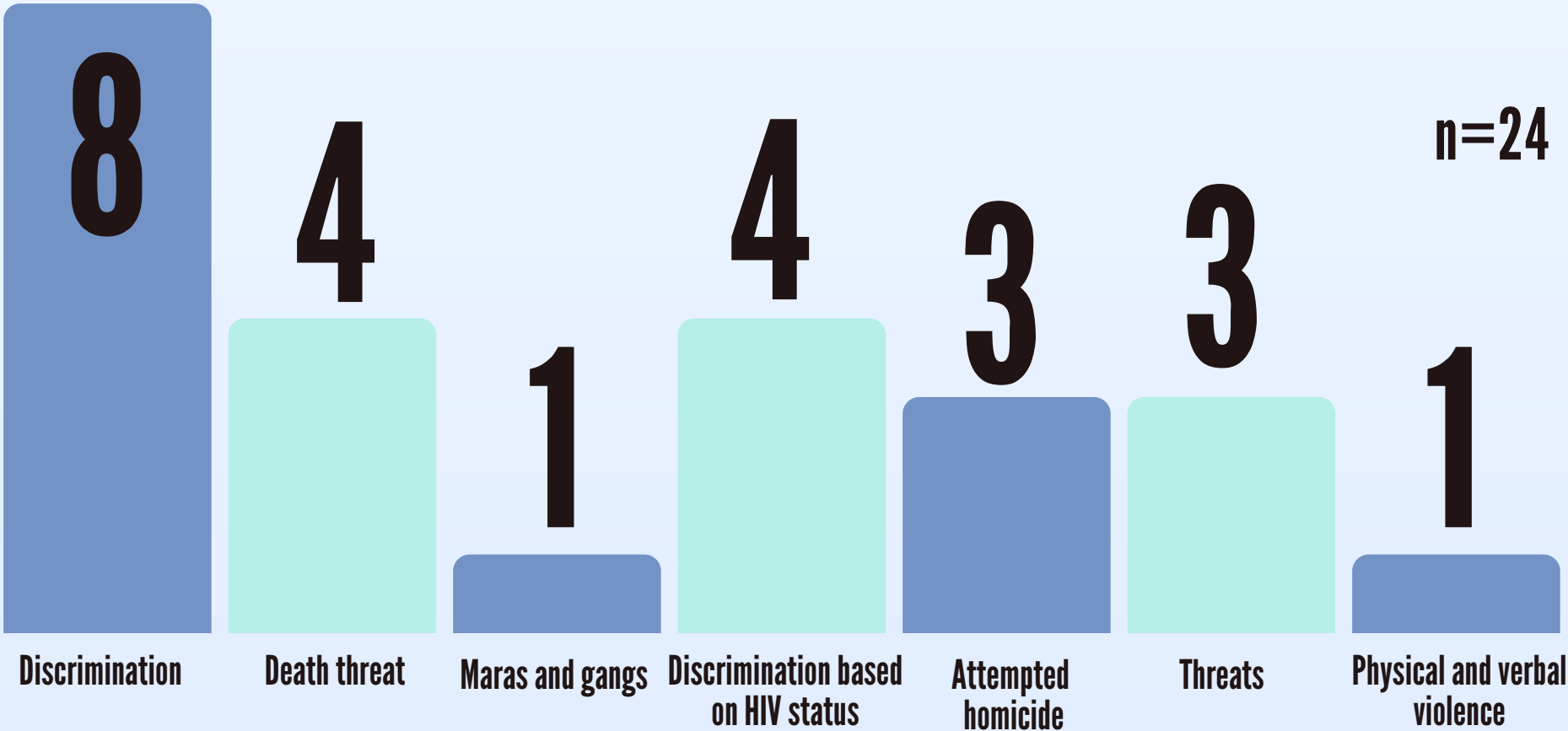
**Graph 11: Type of population that requested assistance, January to August 2025**



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Of the 24 people who applied for assistance to legalize their immigration status, (1) are lesbian women, (15) gay men, (1) bisexual man, and (7) trans women.

**Graph 12: Reasons why people emigrated from the country, January to August 2025**



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Of the 24 refugees abroad who were provided with assistance, the following reasons were identified for which they had to migrate: (8) discrimination (4) death threats, (1) maras and gangs, (4) discrimination based on HIV status, (3) attempted homicide, (3) threats, and (1) physical aggression.

The country from which assistance was requested is: United States (20), France (1), Spain (1), Switzerland (1) and Costa Rica (1)

# CONCLUSIONS



**32 LGBTI+ people are reported to have died violently between January and August 2025, a situation that continues to alarm and concern the high levels of hatred, rejection and discrimination towards LGBTI+ people, these alarming data although repetitive compared to previous periods, forces us to continue positioning this problem, which has not obtained the necessary response to reduce or eliminate hatred towards LGBTI+ people in the country, having almost zero investigation processes, which encourages high levels of impunity.**



**Cases of generalized violence against LGBTI+ people continue to be alarming with the diversity of actions against this population, 95 LGBTI+ people have filed a complaint or complaint with government authorities, CONADEH and human rights organizations and the information systems of these institutions have managed to include the LGBTI+ variable; threats, discrimination and death threats being the main causes reported, which is why it is evident through these data, the high levels of rejection and hatred towards LGBTI+ people and the lack of clear strategies for the protection of the population.**



**Between January and August 2025, the organizations that make up the Observatorio de Violencia hacia las Personas LGBTI+ en Honduras KAI+, accompanied 24 LGBTI+ Honduran refugees abroad. All of them were forced to migrate due to situations of systematic discrimination, death threats, intimidation by maras and gangs, health conditions, and attempted homicides. These people lived under contexts of structural violence that directly threatened their integrity, identity and dignity. This reality is not an isolated event, but the reflection of a State that has failed in its duty to guarantee protection, equality and access to justice for the LGBTI+ population.**



**The disappearances of Rony Murillo and Etni Rodríguez show the vulnerability of LGBTI+ people in Honduras, a context marked by violence, structural discrimination and institutional indifference. These cases reflect not only the lack of protection, but also the absence of effective search and investigation mechanisms that guarantee rapid and adequate responses to the disappearance of any citizen. The Observatorio KAI+ is the instance that has identified their Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity, which shows that the lack of investigation protocols by the competent authorities, so that other LGBTI+ people are probably missing and anonymous.**

# RECOMENDATIONS



**It is imperative that the government of Honduras enforce the protocols for the protection and investigation of LGBTI+ people in Honduras because without these, violence will continue and affect even more, we are at an ideal time to comply with international recommendations for LGBTI+ people.**

**The investigation processes of violent deaths against LGBTI+ people require greater effort and support from the government, the units in charge of this responsibility do not have the necessary human resources, nor the logistics required to generate responses to families, friends, organizations and society in general, with this would reduce the high levels of impunity historically indebted towards the LGBTI+ population**



**An immediate action plan is required from the highest security and justice authorities, to reduce the high levels of violence against LGBTI+ people in Honduras, which generates a balance of justice, since cases continue to increase and their resolutions do not respond.**



**It is urgent that the government of Honduras recognize the forced migration of LGBTI+ people as a direct consequence of structural violence and the lack of protection guarantees. Public policies with a focus on human rights and inclusion must be implemented, which address both the prevention of violence and comprehensive care for people who have been displaced. It is also necessary to strengthen complaint mechanisms, establish safe protection routes and promote regional cooperation to guarantee respect and dignity for LGBTI+ migrants and refugees.**



**It is urgent that the Honduran government assume its responsibility and adopt concrete measures, such as establishing specialized protocols for the immediate search for LGBTI+ missing persons, incorporating guidelines that include sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression in investigations.**

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