

Exploring Economic Abuse in New Zealand

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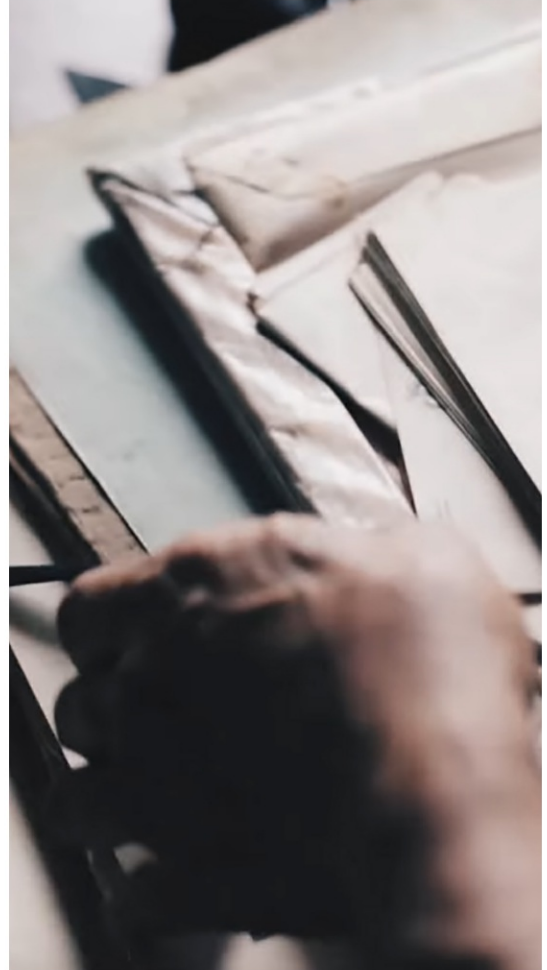
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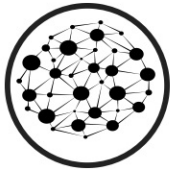
What is economic abuse?

Economic abuse is a form of domestic and family violence where a family member deliberately controls economic resources to keep a person economically insecure



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Ways economic abuse is experienced



Structural

Interpersonal

Familial



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Intersecting disadvantage - Gender and cultural background



Intimate partner
violence

Economic
participation

Care and
parenting



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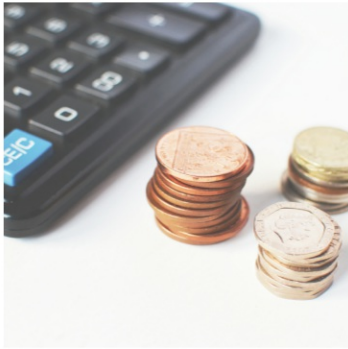
Why is it a problem?

- Key barrier for women escaping family violence
- Complex and difficult to untangle
- Keeps survivors tied to abusers post-separation
- Impacts are deep and long term



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Ways economic abuse is experienced



**Withholding
money**



**Limiting
employment**

**Threats and
guilt**



**Credit and
debt**



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Prevalence and impacts

Employment
Housing
Credit



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Policy environment



**Domestic
Violence Act**



Family Court



**Credit and
debt regulation**



**Employment
protections**



**Victim
Protection Bill**



Business



NGOs



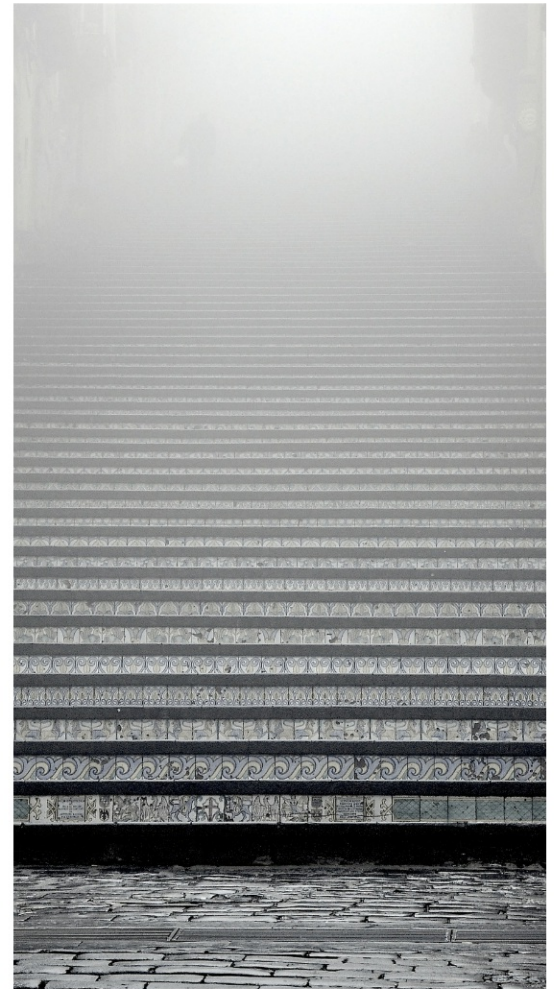
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Next Steps

Research
Policy
Programs



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Thank you

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