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For Victims of Domestic Violence

financial abuse

Domestic violence perpetrators use economic abuse to exert power over and exploit their victims.

Economic abuse can involve using intimidation, threats, humiliation, emotional manipulation, isolation and physical violence to restrict the victim's right to work and access to property. *This includes:*

-  **Preventing them from taking a job** or forcing the victim to resign
-  **Undermining their work performance** or restricting the type of job they can do
-  Preventing them from **accessing bank accounts**
-  **Excluding the victim from decision-making** over household spending or joint property
-  Preventing them from **accessing joint financial assets**
-  **Making them relinquish control of their property** or income
-  Compelling them **to take on the abuser's debt**

This abuse sabotages the victim's independence and ability to leave the relationship by limiting access to money and work outside the home.

Source <https://phys.org/news/2023-05-higher-unemployment-income-domestic-violence.html>



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