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Resistance strategies and agency in adults who have experienced childhood domestic abuse.

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Introduction

Many facets of the experiences are unnoticed or distorted, particularly in relation to how one's survival abilities develop among chaos and pain.

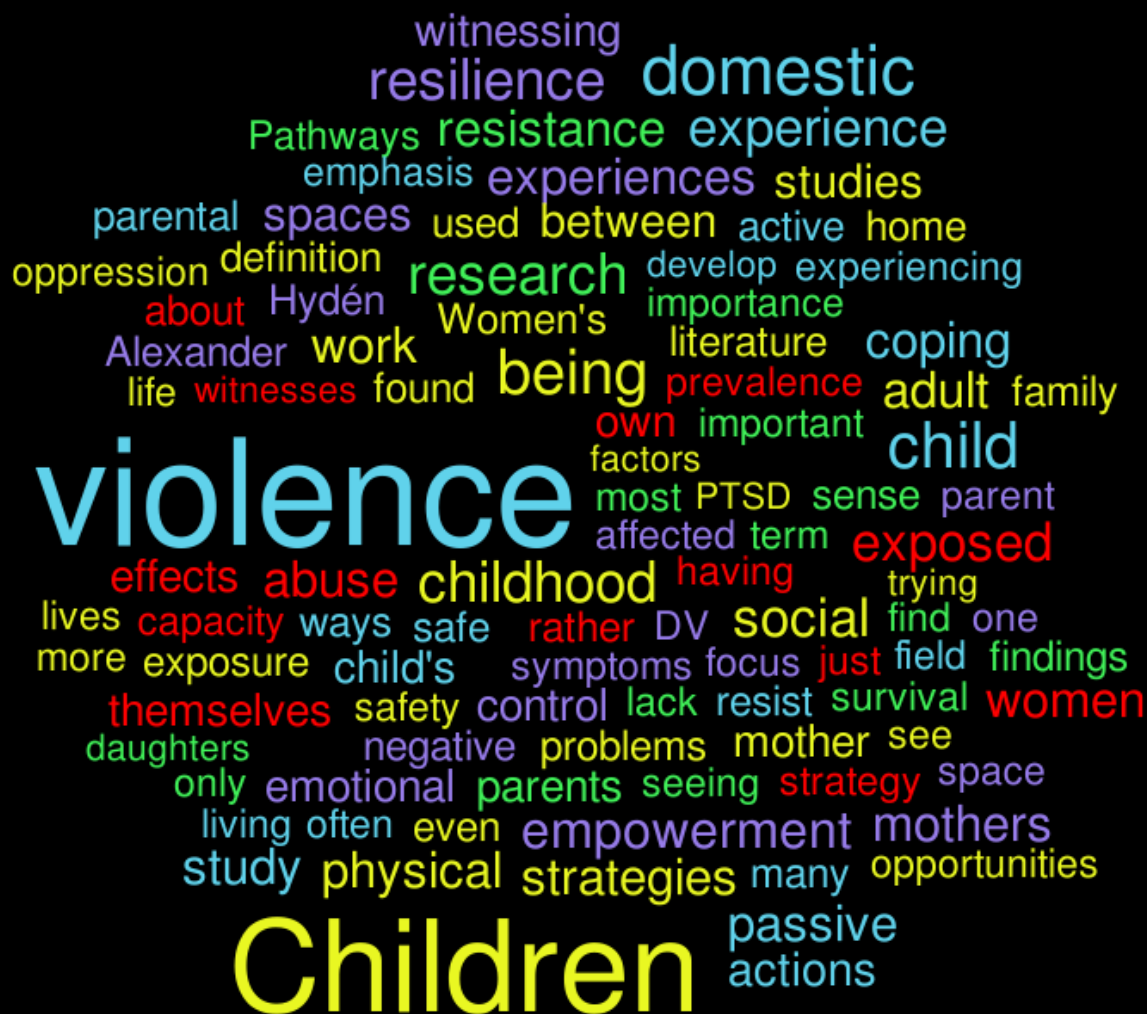
Dietz, 2000 cited in Anderson and Bang, 2012.



Search Results

	WoS	SocIndex	SocCareOn I	ProQuest	Total
Search Concept Set 1: Resistance combined with OR	9,847,902	22,288	0	7,109	9,877,299
Search Concept Set 2: Resilience combined with OR	5,028,230	6,377	0	98,372	5,132,979
Search Concept Set 3: Agency combined with OR	12,365,66 4	54,904	0	63,086	12,483,654
Search Concept Set 4: Adult Survivors combined with OR	258,953	443	0	35,200	294,596
Search Concept Set 5: Childhood combined with OR	1,411,267	187,178	0	135,177	1,733,622
Search Concept Set 6: Domestic Abuse combined with OR	16,987	3,025	159	9,454	29,625
Search Sets Combined with AND + limited to 10 years + peer-reviewed articles	59	5655	60	69	5,843
Results after De-duplication	59		57	66	182
Relevant after abstract sift	12	0	32	1	45
Relevant after reading		N/A			

What's in a word?



A word cloud visualization of research terms related to children and violence. The words are arranged in a roughly circular pattern, with the most prominent words being 'violence' and 'Children'. Other significant words include 'domestic', 'research', 'childhood', 'social', 'exposed', 'child', 'abuse', 'child's', 'survival', 'women', 'empowerment', 'strategies', 'physical', 'emotional', 'parents', 'seeing', 'strategy', 'space', 'living', 'often', 'even', 'mothers', 'study', 'physical', 'strategies', 'many', 'opportunities', 'passive', 'actions', 'witnessing', 'resilience', 'Pathways', 'resistance', 'experience', 'emphasis', 'experiences', 'studies', 'parental', 'spaces', 'used', 'between', 'active', 'home', 'oppression', 'definition', 'develop', 'experiencing', 'importance', 'about', 'Hydén', 'Women's', 'literature', 'coping', 'Alexander', 'work', 'being', 'prevalence', 'adult', 'family', 'life', 'witnesses', 'found', 'own', 'important', 'factors', 'child', 'most', 'PTSD', 'sense', 'parent', 'affected', 'term', 'effects', 'abuse', 'childhood', 'having', 'trying', 'lives', 'capacity', 'ways', 'safe', 'rather', 'DV', 'social', 'find', 'one', 'more', 'exposure', 'child's', 'symptoms', 'focus', 'just', 'field', 'findings', 'themselves', 'safety', 'control', 'lack', 'resist', 'survival', 'women', 'daughters', 'negative', 'problems', 'mother', 'see', 'only', 'emotional', 'parents', 'seeing', 'strategy', 'space', 'living', 'often', 'even', 'empowerment', 'mothers', 'study', 'physical', 'strategies', 'many', 'opportunities', 'passive', 'actions'.

‘Exposed to’
‘Witnessed’
‘Heard/Seen’
‘Lived with’
‘Experienced’

Witness	Experience
Passive	Active
Denies experience	Recognises experience
Secondary status	Victim in own right

The experiences of children within the literature

- Children classed as invisible or secondary victims Daniel 2010, Eriksson & Näsman 2010
- Children seen as passive recipients Callaghan and Alexander 2015, Katz 2016
- Children negatively affected Black, Sussman and Unger 2010, Becker 2010, Daniel 2010
- Limitations and bias Anderson and Bang 2012, Katz 2016
- Coping strategies Anderson and Bang 2012, O'Brien 2013, Överlien and Hydén 2009



Adults who experienced domestic abuse as children

A more accurate indicator of agency and empowerment should take account of resistance strategies and how people mobilise themselves in response to the situation Hossain 2012

- **Survival strengths** Anderson and Bang 2012
- **A paradoxical resilience** Callaghan and Alexander 2015
- **Time and Space usage** Katz 2016, Anderson and Bang 2012, Callaghan and Alexander 2015
- **Active resistance** Anderson and Bang 2012, O'Brien 2013



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