Instances of Coercive Control from 2017/18 Survey of Male Victims of Partner Abuse

These are specific examples contributed by survey respondents within the optional text comments. Note that these numbers do not indicate the prevalence of these abuses within the surveyed population as text comments were optional and left only by a subset of respondents, nor did they necessarily list all the abuses to which they had been subjected. The six broad Categories are each broken down by a number of specific abuses.

Category: Directly Controlling / Restricting					
Habitually misused joint funds, or failed to contribute despite being able to do so,					
or failed to pay bills due to spending money on herself instead					
Isolated you from friends and family					
Prevented you from leaving the room or the house					
Tried to get you to hit them or other goading					
Unfairly controlled how much money you could have or how you spent it, or					
critical of your earnings even though you worked full time					
Took control over your everyday life, where you could go, who you could see or	15				
talk to, what you must wear					
Monitored your letters, phone calls, emails, texts or social media					
Monitored your time / monitored everything you did	11				
Controlled how housework or childcare was done, or refused to do their share of	10				
it					
"Controlling" (non-specific)	7				
Locked you out of the house	4				
Forced you to give up work, education or volunteering due to threats or making	3				
false allegations to get you sacked					
Enforced rules or activities which humiliated you	2				
Category: Psychological Abuse	201				
Habitually belittled you, shamed you, making you feel worthless					
Manipulation / emotional or psychological abuse					
Gaslighting / identity attack					
Intimidating / bullied / destroyed your property / verbal abuse					
Loss of capacity to think clearly or to address the abuse					
Habitually hyper-critical					
Attacked you in your sleep or when in bath					
Sent malicious emails/texts, or other use of IT to abuse					
Had to "walk on eggshells" all the time					
Routinely prevented you from sleeping					
Repeatedly prevented your access to transport	5				
Felt obliged to hide bruises, etc, or otherwise conceal evidence of the abuse	4				
Category: Threats	76				
Threatened you or the children (e.g., by wielding a knife)	33				
Constant fear or feeling powerless	16				
Attacked/abused the children	10				
Threatened to kill you	8				
Needing to flee or lock yourself in a room to escape	6				
The constant threat of random violence "out of the blue"	3				
Category: Use of Children as a Weapon	138				
Actually prevented you from seeing your children	65				
Threatened to prevent you seeing your children, or fear thereof	34				

Turned your children against you by convincing them, falsely, that you were				
wicked (parental alienation)				
Attacked whilst holding a child (hence defenceless)	7			
Category: False Allegations	183			
Actually made false allegations against you	149			
Used other agencies against you (police, courts, charities, social workers)	23			
Threatened to make false allegations against you	11			
Category: Sexual Issues	23			
Sexually controlling	10			
Openly had sex with other partners	7			
"Raped" (if that word used), or serious sexual assault	3			
Mocked your sexual prowess or made you engage in sexual acts against your will	3			
TOTAL	801			