

National Snapshot

NATIONAL
STUDENT
SAFETY
SURVEY



43,819 students
participated in the survey

PREVALENCE IN A UNIVERSITY CONTEXT



Sexual harassment

1 in 6

(16.1%)

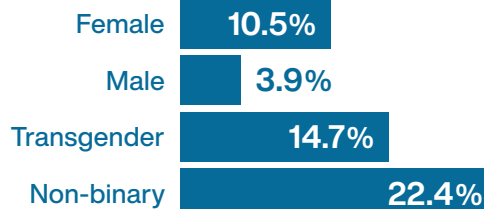
since starting university

1 in 12

(8.1%)

in the past 12 months

Experiences of sexual harassment
in the past 12 months:



Sexual assault

1 in 20

(4.5%)

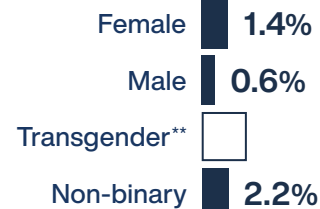
since starting university

1 in 90

(1.1%)

in the past 12 months

Experiences of sexual assault
in the past 12 months:



CONTEXT OF MOST IMPACTFUL INCIDENT

Location



General campus areas

43.3%

Lecture theatres/labs

17.5%

University library

15.6%

Clubs and societies, events and spaces

25.8%

Student accommodation or residences

25.3%

Private home or residence

18.4%

Perpetrator



1 in 2

(50.7%)

knew some or all of the
perpetrators involved

2 in 3

(65.7%)

knew some or all of the
perpetrators involved

REPORTING AND SUPPORT SEEKING

Formal complaints made to university



1 in 30
(3.0%)

of students who were sexually harassed made a formal complaint

1 in 20
(5.6%)

of students who were sexually assaulted made a formal complaint

Asked of students who experienced sexual harassment or sexual assault in an Australian university context

Seeking support from the university



1 in 6
(16.8%)

of students who were sexually harassed sought support or assistance

1 in 4
(25.5%)

of students who were sexually assaulted sought support or assistance

Asked of students who experienced sexual harassment or sexual assault in an Australian university context

Knowledge of university support and reporting channels



1 in 2
(51.0%)

know nothing or very little about the formal reporting process for harassment

1 in 2
(53.6%)

know nothing or very little about the formal reporting process for assault

1 in 2
(46.7%)

know nothing or very little about where to seek support or assistance for harassment

2 in 5
(43.5%)

know nothing or very little about where to seek support or assistance for assault

Asked of all students