

Profile of University Respondents

UNIVERSITY: The Australian National University

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	TOTAL STUDY	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	DIFFERENTLY DESCRIBED	AGE 18-21	AGE 22-24	AGE 25-34	AGE 35 PLUS	DOMESTIC	INTER-NATIONAL	UNDER-GRADUATE	POST-GRADUATE
Unweighted counts	43819	1647	607	960	80	773	388	307	179	1324	323	1064	583
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Sexual harassment in university context since starting at university													
Yes	16.1%	26.1%	12.8%	36.5%	42.0%	27.4%	30.1%	24.4%	13.9%	33.8%	10.0%	30.1%	20.4%
Sexual harassment in university context in the past 12 months													
Yes	8.1%	14.5%	6.1%	21.0%	24.3%	21.9%	13.3%	9.3%		19.0%	4.9%	19.1%	7.8%
Observed another student being sexually harassed in university context in the past 12 months													
Yes	2.9%	10.4%	6.9%	13.1%		15.9%	9.7%	5.1%		14.6%		14.7%	4.2%
Location of most impactful sexual harassment in university context													
General campus areas (e.g. carpark, walkways, gardens, bathrooms)	43.3%	31.9%	17.5%	34.6%	49.8%	31.2%	30.6%			32.1%		32.0%	31.9%
University lecture theatres, computer labs	17.5%	8.6%		8.7%		7.0%	9.1%			9.8%	0.0%	6.9%	12.1%
University library	15.6%	6.8%		7.8%		7.5%			0.0%	6.1%		6.9%	
Clubs and societies, events and spaces	13.9%	13.1%		13.5%		12.4%		21.5%		13.4%		11.5%	16.6%

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Location of most impactful sexual harassment in university context (continued)													
University residential college or other type of student accommodation	10.6%	32.4%	38.5%	31.4%		40.8%	34.0%			33.0%		38.4%	19.5%
Hospitality or retail areas on campus (e.g. bar, shops)	10.1%	10.0%		11.3%		10.2%				9.6%		8.9%	12.3%
At a private home or residence	8.1%	10.9%		10.1%			12.9%			10.8%		10.0%	13.0%
Hospitality or retail areas off campus	7.7%	11.9%		13.2%		13.4%	13.8%		0.0%	13.2%		13.6%	
University-related online spaces and social activities (e.g. chatroom, online classrooms, messaging apps)	6.9%	4.8%		6.2%						4.2%		5.1%	
Sports and recreational areas on campus (e.g. gym, sports fields, galleries)	4.1%	5.1%		6.4%						4.7%		5.8%	
On work experience or professional placement	3.9%				0.0%	0.0%							
Academic or administrative staff office	2.2%	3.4%				0.0%				3.3%			10.0%
Somewhere else	4.6%												
Prefer not to say	5.1%	3.9%		4.1%		6.0%				4.4%	0.0%	5.0%	

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Who was the perpetrator of most impactful sexual harassment in university context (continued)													
Your supervisor at your professional placement or internship	0.9%		0.0%		0.0%	0.0%					0.0%		
A supervisor or employer in your paid employment at university	0.7%				0.0%				0.0%				
Your research or academic supervisor at the university	0.7%		0.0%		0.0%	0.0%					0.0%	0.0%	
Friend	0.5%		0.0%		0.0%		0.0%		0.0%		0.0%		0.0%
A family member	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Friend of friend					0.0%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		0.0%		0.0%
Ex-partner		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Someone else	2.1%										0.0%		
Prefer not to say	5.4%	3.5%								4.0%	0.0%	3.8%	
Gender of perpetrator/s of most impactful sexual harassment in university context													
Male / Males	84.0%	86.7%	60.3%	96.1%	74.8%	82.6%	87.3%	92.2%	91.1%	85.7%	94.1%	84.4%	91.6%
Female / Females	17.3%	17.8%	47.0%	9.3%		17.2%	16.7%			16.8%		16.7%	20.1%
Non-binary	0.8%						0.0%		0.0%		0.0%		
Different gender		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Not sure	3.5%							0.0%	0.0%				
Prefer not to say	2.9%				0.0%			0.0%	0.0%		0.0%		0.0%
Sought any support or assistance from university after most impactful sexual harassment													
Yes	16.8%	18.6%		19.1%		20.9%	19.1%			17.2%		20.4%	14.8%

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Reason for not seeking support from university after most impactful sexual harassment													
I did not think I needed help	70.8%	71.6%	78.5%	69.7%	68.4%	74.3%	69.6%	72.0%	63.7%	75.3%	41.6%	74.3%	66.3%
I did not think others would think it was serious enough	46.6%	48.5%	47.5%	50.0%		49.1%	44.7%	56.4%		50.2%		48.6%	48.4%
I thought it would be too hard to prove	19.5%	19.0%		20.3%		20.1%	15.1%	25.2%		18.6%		17.9%	21.2%
I felt embarrassed or ashamed	16.8%	18.1%		17.2%		21.6%		20.0%		17.9%		17.7%	19.1%
I did not want to get anyone into trouble	15.2%	15.3%		14.9%		14.6%		23.2%		15.0%		14.2%	17.7%
I did not know who could provide me with support or assistance	14.4%	13.8%		15.1%		13.6%		23.3%		12.1%		12.1%	17.2%
I was worried I might not be believed	12.8%	14.7%		15.4%		19.5%				16.0%		15.7%	12.6%
I did not know where to go to get support or assistance	12.8%	10.6%		11.2%				22.3%		10.0%		8.2%	15.4%
I did not want anyone to know	12.4%	12.5%		12.7%		16.1%				13.3%		13.7%	
I was worried it would affect my studies or career opportunities	8.9%	8.5%		10.5%						8.4%		7.5%	10.5%
I did not think the incident would be kept confidential	8.8%	15.0%		15.9%		14.4%	11.7%	19.3%		14.7%		13.5%	18.2%
I did not want to involve the police	8.2%	8.2%		9.1%		9.6%				7.8%		5.8%	12.9%
I was too scared or frightened	6.0%	6.0%		6.9%						6.4%		6.6%	
Other reasons	0.9%		0.0%		0.0%		0.0%				0.0%		
Prefer not to say	2.7%		0.0%						0.0%				

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Knowledge on where to seek support or assistance within university about sexual harassment													
Everything	2.3%	1.8%								2.0%			
A lot	11.6%	14.1%	15.1%	13.3%		13.8%	14.9%	14.4%	12.2%	14.7%	12.8%	14.7%	13.3%
Some	38.4%	41.6%	44.5%	39.4%	37.4%	40.7%	42.7%	38.0%	50.1%	39.7%	45.7%	40.2%	43.6%
Very little	30.7%	28.7%	24.5%	32.6%	27.1%	31.0%	27.9%	29.7%	20.6%	30.7%	24.6%	30.1%	26.8%
Nothing	15.9%	12.8%	12.3%	13.0%		11.6%	12.5%	14.6%	14.4%	12.1%	14.3%	12.1%	13.9%
Prefer not to say	1.0%												
Knowledge on where to go within university to make a complaint about sexual harassment													
Everything	2.3%	1.8%											
A lot	10.0%	12.6%	14.8%	10.7%		12.2%	12.7%	13.8%	11.3%	13.3%	11.2%	13.0%	12.1%
Some	35.6%	36.3%	38.8%	34.3%	34.0%	33.5%	35.9%	36.3%	47.6%	33.4%	42.5%	32.9%	41.3%
Very little	32.1%	32.4%	28.9%	36.0%	26.6%	35.2%	34.2%	30.9%	20.4%	35.2%	26.5%	35.1%	28.6%
Nothing	18.9%	15.9%	14.4%	17.0%	18.0%	16.7%	14.5%	15.9%	17.0%	15.4%	17.0%	16.2%	15.5%
Prefer not to say	1.1%												
Confidence in universities reporting process for sexual harassment													
Extremely	11.2%	7.1%	10.4%	3.9%		3.4%	5.0%	11.5%	17.1%	5.1%	11.5%	3.8%	12.0%
Moderately	28.4%	22.9%	25.8%	20.3%	23.6%	19.2%	22.3%	25.1%	33.0%	17.9%	33.5%	19.0%	28.5%
Somewhat	32.6%	30.8%	32.5%	30.1%	22.2%	33.4%	28.3%	31.1%	27.6%	30.0%	32.4%	30.9%	30.7%
Slightly	14.7%	20.5%	17.1%	23.8%		22.4%	23.8%	17.4%	10.5%	24.0%	13.0%	23.9%	15.4%
Not at all	8.8%	15.0%	9.8%	18.6%	25.2%	17.7%	17.9%	11.0%		19.4%	5.7%	19.0%	9.2%
Prefer not to say	4.4%	3.7%	4.4%	3.3%		3.9%				3.7%		3.4%	4.2%

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Knowledge on where to go within university to make a complaint about sexual assault													
Everything	2.3%	1.9%								2.0%			
A lot	9.6%	13.3%	15.2%	12.0%		13.3%	13.8%	12.7%	13.1%	14.9%	10.0%	13.9%	12.4%
Some	33.9%	35.7%	38.4%	33.2%	37.2%	31.0%	38.4%	35.9%	45.0%	32.5%	42.6%	32.0%	41.1%
Very little	32.6%	30.7%	28.1%	33.2%	28.0%	36.6%	29.1%	28.4%	18.7%	33.0%	25.8%	34.1%	25.7%
Nothing	21.0%	17.8%	15.6%	19.9%		16.9%	16.9%	19.6%	19.4%	17.2%	19.1%	17.4%	18.3%
Prefer not to say	0.6%												
Confidence in universities reporting process for sexual assault													
Extremely	11.8%	7.9%	10.9%	5.1%		3.4%	6.3%	12.0%	19.6%	5.7%	12.4%	4.2%	13.2%
Moderately	28.8%	23.0%	26.1%	20.4%	22.9%	21.3%	20.4%	25.4%	31.7%	18.6%	32.4%	19.7%	27.9%
Somewhat	31.4%	29.4%	29.7%	29.8%	20.3%	32.7%	26.7%	28.6%	26.4%	29.7%	28.5%	30.4%	27.8%
Slightly	14.2%	20.3%	17.7%	22.8%	18.3%	20.4%	26.0%	18.0%	8.8%	22.5%	15.8%	22.6%	17.1%
Not at all	9.3%	16.1%	10.9%	19.8%	26.3%	19.2%	18.3%	12.0%		20.7%	6.5%	20.5%	9.8%
Prefer not to say	4.4%	3.3%	4.6%	2.1%		3.0%				2.8%		2.5%	4.3%

Note to reader:

Tables contain weighted estimates. Results were weighted to institution student population.

Relative standard errors (RSE) were calculated for survey estimates. If the RSE was between 25% and 50% an * appears next to the estimate that indicates caution should be used with the associated estimate. If the RSE was above 50% an ** appears meaning the estimate is unreliable and not reportable.

Differently described gender includes students whose gender identity was not classified as female or male. Gender identity was derived using the 'two-step method' of cross-classifying responses to sex assigned at birth and current gender.

Table below details which students were asked the question and the question number. The questions are available in Appendix 3 of the NSSS national report.

Citation for report: Heywood, W., Myers, P., Powell, A., Meikle, G., & Nguyen, D. (2022). National Student Safety Survey: Report on the prevalence of sexual harassment and sexual assault among university students in 2021. The Social Research Centre: Melbourne.

Description	Question number and base description.
Sexual harassment in university context since starting at university	Question: DBV2. Asked of all students
Sexual harassment in university context in the past 12 months	Question: DBV3. Asked of all students
Observed another student being sexually harassed in university context in the past 12 months	Question: D1. Asked of all students
Location of most impactful incident of sexual harassment in university context	Question: B6. Asked of all students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian university context
Knew perpetrator/s of most impactful incident of sexual harassment in university context	Question: B8. Asked of all students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian university context
Who was the perpetrator of most impactful incident of sexual harassment in university context	Question: B9. Asked of all students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian university context
Gender of perpetrator/s of most impactful incident of sexual harassment in university context	Question: B10. Asked of all students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian university context
Sought any support or assistance from university after most impactful incident of sexual harassment	Question: C2. Asked of all students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian university context
Reason for not seeking support from university after most impactful incident of sexual harassment	Question: C4. Asked of all students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian university context

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Description	Question number and base description.
Made formal report or complaint about most impactful incident of sexual harassment	Question: C7. Asked of all students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian university context
Reason for not making formal report or complaint about most impactful incident of sexual harassment	Question: C11. Asked of all students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian university context and did not make a formal report or complaint.
Knowledge on where to seek support or assistance within university about sexual harassment	Question: E1. Asked of all students
Knowledge on where to go within university to make a complaint about sexual harassment	Question: E2. Asked of all students
Confidence in university's reporting process for sexual harassment	Question: E4. Asked of all students
Sexual assault in university context since starting at university	Question: DVF2. Asked of all students
Sexual assault in university context in the past 12 months	Question: DVF3. Asked of all students
Been told or suspected another student sexually assaulted in university context in the past 12 months	Question: H1. Asked of all students
Knowledge on where to seek support or assistance within university about sexual assault	Question: I1. Asked of all students
Knowledge on where to go within university to make a complaint about sexual assault	Question: I2. Asked of all students
Confidence in university's reporting process for sexual assault	Question: I4. Asked of all students