

This is a text only version of the Western Sydney University statistical infographic of results from the 2021 National Student Safety Survey.

## Western Sydney University - National Student Safety Survey Results

- 817 students participated in the survey.

### Prevalence in a University Context:

#### Sexual harassment

- 13.8% since starting University.
- 5.3% in the past 12 months.

#### Experiences of sexual harassment in the past 12 months:

- Female – 7.3%
- Male - 2.0% \*
- Differently described gender (data not available) \* \*

#### Sexual assault

- 2.6% since starting University.
- 0.1% in the past 12 months.

#### Experiences of sexual assault in the past 12 months.

- Female - (data not available) \* \*
- Male – 0%
- Differently-described gender (data not available) \* \*

### Context of most impactful incident of Sexual Harassment

*(Asked of students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian university context.)*

#### Location

- General campus area – 51.3%
- University library – 23.9%
- University lecture theatres, computer labs – 21.3%

#### Perpetrator

- 46.3% know some or all of the perpetrators involved.

### Reporting and Support Seeking

*(Asked of students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian University context.)*

#### Formal complaints made to the university

- 2.4% of students who were sexually harassed made a formal complaint. \* \*

#### Seeking supports from the university

- 17.2% of students who were sexually harassed sought support or assistance.

### Knowledge of University support and reporting channels.

*(Asked of all students.)*

- 49.7% know nothing or very little about where to go to make a complaint about sexual harassment.
- 55.2% know nothing or very little about where to go to make a complaint about sexual assault.
- 47.9% know nothing or very little about where to seek support or assistance for harassment.
- 46.4% know nothing or very little about where to seek support or assistance for assault.

## Footnotes and explainers

- 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.
- Context of most impactful incident. Students who had been sexually harassed in a university context were asked questions about the context of the most impactful (or significant) incident they had experienced. This incident was self-identified by the student.