

PREVENT. SUPPORT. BELIEVE

SEXUAL VIOLENCE

EXPERIENCE

1 in 5 Australian women (18.4%) have experienced sexual violence since the age of 15.

Don't confuse sexual abuse with sex; it is VIOLENCE - a form of POWER and CONTROL, and this violence is never your fault.

YOUNG PEOPLE

1 in 3 girls and 1 in 5 boys will have experienced unwanted sexual abuse before they are 18.

Sexual violence and abuse has proved to be among the most difficult and confounding social problems of our time.

HIGHER RATES

Young women (18-24), homeless women, women with a disability, identify as LGBTIQ+, ATSI &/or CALD women, experience significantly higher rates of violence.

Speaking out takes incredible courage. At DVAC we believe you. We hope justice will always prevail.

REPORTING

Only 1 in 6 report to police of rape, and less than 1 in 7 report of incest.

Survivor voices will continue to raise awareness and improve our collective understanding of sexual abuse.

PERPETRATORS

70% of sexual assaults are committed by someone known to the victim, and 93% of offenders are male. Most commonly the perpetrator is a family member, family friend, or a person the victim goes to work or school with.

We all have a seat at the table. We will continue to learn, support, & believe.

RESPONSIBILITY

An Australian Bureau of Statistics Survey reported 1 in 3 Australians (33%) believed that 'rape resulted from men not being able to control their need for sex'.

Perpetrators don't just assault someone in broad daylight; therefore, they're able to make conscious choices about their violence.

