

VICTIMIZATION EXPERIENCES OF LESBIAN, GAY AND BISEXUAL YOUTH

What does the Youths' Romantic Relationship Survey have to say? (2017- Number 6)

SEXUAL ORIENTATION IS...

A profound emotional, romantic or sexual attraction towards individuals of the **opposite** sex, the **same sex** or **both sexes**.

WHAT DOES LGBTQ MEAN?



LESBIAN

A girl who is attracted (romantically or sexually) to other girls.



GAY

A boy who is attracted (romantically or sexually) to other boys.



BISEXUAL

An individual who is attracted (romantically or sexually) to people of both sexes.



TRANSGENDER

An individual whose biological sex, assigned at birth (male or female), does not correspond to their gender identity.

? QUESTIONING

An individual who is unsure about their sexual orientation or gender identity.

WHAT IS GENDER IDENTITY?

The internal perception of one's gender as female, male or other, independently of their biological sex.

Other people may identify themselves differently (for example, asexual, intersex).

For more information, visit the following site:
<http://itspronouncedmetrosexual.com/2013/01/a-comprehensive-list-of-lgbtq-term-definitions>

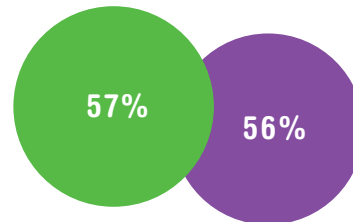
TRUE OR FALSE?

Youth who identify as homosexual or bisexual are **less likely** to experience **violence in their dating relationships**.

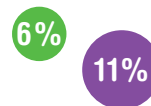
↳ **FALSE**

62 % of homosexual or bisexual youth are victims of violence in their romantic relationships.

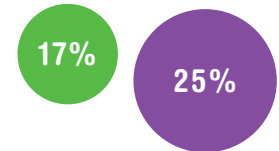
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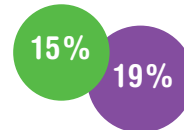
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PHYSICAL VIOLENCE



SEXUAL VIOLENCE

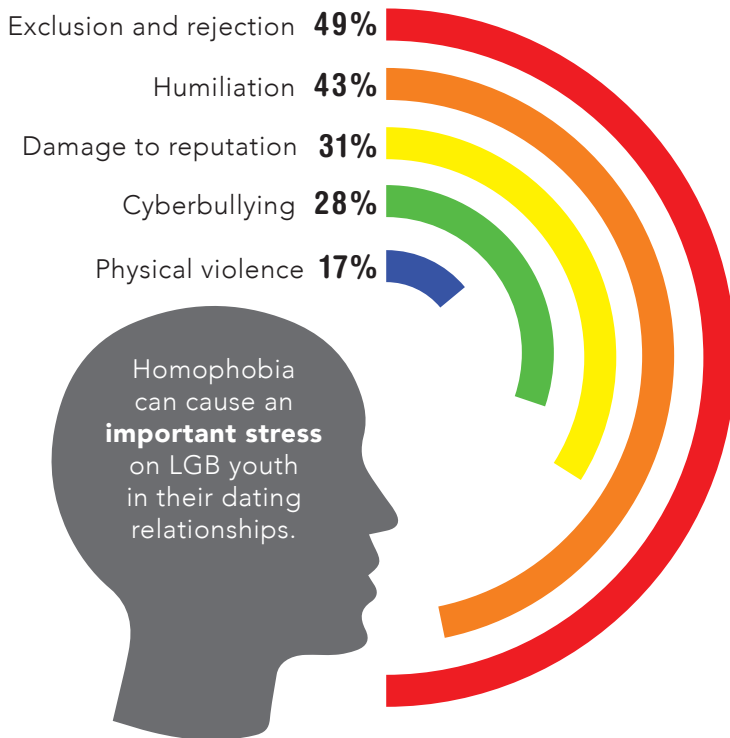


The Youths' Romantic Relationships (YRR) Survey is a study conducted in Quebec between 2011 and 2014 among 8 194 senior high school students ages 14 to 18 years. Findings are from this survey as well as a community-based subsample of 336 sexually diverse youth. Results presented in this fact sheet are based on the experiences of youth who identify as lesbian, gay or bisexual. The study is led by Martine Hébert, Ph.D., and funded by the Canadian Institutes for Health Research (CIHR #103944).

Our society values heterosexual couples. Therefore, LGB youth are more often **stigmatized** and **discriminated** because of their sexual orientation.

63% OF LGB YOUTHS ARE VICTIMS OF HOMOPHOBIC BULLYING.

This victimization can take different forms, including:



WHAT IS HOMOPHOBIA ?

It's having prejudices or using any form of violence (e.g., discriminate, exclude, belittle, etc.) towards someone who is not exclusively attracted to people of the opposite sex.

WHY ARE LGB YOUTH MORE VULNERABLE TO VIOLENCE IN THEIR DATING RELATIONSHIPS?

- Feelings of **shame** for not being heterosexual;
- **Hiding** their **sexual orientation**;
- Being **threatened** by their romantic partner to **reveal** their orientation to family or friends;
- **Lack of support** and **isolation**;
- Reluctance to **seek help**;
- Lack of **same-sex couple models**.

IT'S IMPORTANT TO BREAK THE SILENCE:

Denounce violence!
Denounce homophobia!
Support diversity!

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