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## **32 Shocking Sexual Assault Statistics for 2021** (NOTE: quotes below are part of the author's writing)

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### **Alarming Sexual Violence Statistics (Editor's Choice)**

- One of the most shocking facts about sexual assault is that approximately only 5% of sexual assault reports filed have been proven false.
- 82% of all juvenile sexual assault victims are female.
- 90% of adult rape victims are female.
- 41% of sexual assaults against Native Indians are committed by a stranger.
- Adolescents aged 14-17 were by far the most likely to be sexually victimized; nearly one in six (16.3%) was sexually victimized in the past year.

### **General Statistics about Sexual Assault**

1. In 2019, over 652,676 women were raped.
2. Over 40% of women in the US have encountered sexual violence. Sexual abuse, as shown by rape and sexual assault statistics, has affected 41.8% of women in the US who have been victimized by sexual violence other than rape.
3. Nearly 80% of female sexual assault victims experience their first assault before the age of 25. Exactly 79.6% of female victims who have experienced one or more completed rape did so before the age of 25.
4. Around 20% of American males have been the victim of sexual violence. According to Rainn statistics, outside of the correctional system, most rape victims are female. However, studies show that 21.4% of males in the US have been the victims of sexual violence and have experienced this outside of any prison facility.
5. A quarter of male victims of sexual assault were under 10 years of age. According to studies, an estimated total of 28% of male victims of sexual assault in the US will have experienced their first assault at 10 years of age or younger.
6. Rape Statistics show that less than 20% of rapes are reported.
7. Women and men with disabilities face twice the risk of sexual assault than able-bodied individuals.
8. Nearly 20,000 sexual assaults were reported in the military last year.
9. 7.2% of all children surveyed in 2019 had been victims of sexual assault. Child sexual abuse statistics highlight the harrowing revelation that teens aged 14 to 17 were in the highest risk category for sexual

assault, with more than one in four adolescents (27.3%) having been sexually victimized during their lifetimes.

10. Approximately 70 women commit suicide every day in the US following an act of sexual violence.

11. Sexual violence incidents, preceded by stalking, increased by 1.9% in 2019.

12. During 2019, 13% of all women in California were victims of rape.

13. Statistics show that 1 in 6 US women will be raped annually in the US. Surveys and rape statistics by gender have found that 1 in 6 American women, and 1 in 33 American men has experienced an attempted/completed rape as a child or adult. This disturbing figure has been predicted to rise exponentially over the next three years.

14. Over 1.5 million women were raped by an intimate partner in 2019. Statistics on sexual harassment from the Department of Justice suggest that over 1.5 million women and 834,700 men are raped and/or physically assaulted annually by an intimate partner in the United States.

### **Contrary to popular belief:**

Girls and women can most definitely be perpetrators of sexual violence toward males, and instances of this kind are more prevalent in society than most people realize.

In contradiction to the sweeping statement thinking of most people, male sexual assault statistics have now proved that most males who experience sexual assault (at any age) do not automatically go on to become sexual abusers.

15. Approximately 16% of males in juvenile prisons have been sexually abused.

A 2019 study by the US Center for Disease Control examined woman rape statistics in juvenile prisons for incidents and frequency of sexual violence. The results showed that 16% of males had been victims of sexual abuse, whereas over 60% of males in these facilities had encountered the threat of sexual violence.

16. In Florida alone, a staggering total of 1,477,000 men have been victim to sexual assault.

In Florida, 20.4% of men, or 1,477,000 men, have been victimized by sexual violence over the last decade.

According to sexual assault statistics 2019, studies and statistical analysis, in excess of 25% (27.8% to be exact) of male victims of sexual assault will probably experience their first attack by age 10 or younger.

18. Nearly 40% of adult males that experience sexual violence from an intimate partner are left with psychological scarring.

19. New York statistics show that 18% of all rapes in the city involved a male victim.

## Sexual Assault Effects on Society

20. Over 80% of sexual assaults are committed by an acquaintance.

21. Almost 95% of child victims knew their sexual attacker.

Rape stats by RAINN show that the vast majority percentage (93.98%) of child victims in the US in 2019 were familiar with their attacker. In almost all of these cases, as reflected by teenage sexual assault statistics, the child had spent a significant amount of time (10 plus hours, in one full duration or segmented) with their attacker prior to the sexual assault taking place.

22. The rate of false rape claims in the US is well below the 10% average mark. In fact, data collated in 2019 from false rape statistics, shows that a combined rate of 6.9% of rape claims were false.

23. Sexual assaults cost the US billions of dollars annually.

24. 69% of rape victims in the US are women aged between 12 to 34 years old.

25. Transgender college students have a 5% higher rate of getting raped than other students.

26. Bisexual women are more than twice as likely to be victims of rape than straight women. Sexual abuse statistics show that 46% of bisexual women reported being a victim of sexual assault in 2019, compared to 17% of straight women. Bisexual men face similar issues, with 47% of them being victims of sexual violence, compared to 21% of heterosexual men.

27. The majority (90%) of rape victims are female.

28. An American is sexually assaulted every 93 seconds. Sexual assaults are on the rise throughout the whole of the US.

29. People with disabilities are twice as likely to be victims of rape and sexual assault as those without disabilities.

30. Girls and women between the ages of 16 and 19 are 4x more likely than girls and women in other age groups to be assaulted or raped.

31. One out of every six American females is a victim of attempted or completed sexual assault.

According to sexual assault facts, one out of every six American women will most probably be the victim of an attempted or completed rape in her lifetime. This ratio has doubled in the last five years, and analysts predict the same to happen over the course of the next half a decade.

1 in 33 American men (about 3% of the total percentage of women sexually assaulted) have experienced an attempted or completed rape in their lifetime. This figure has increased by 22.4% over the last five years.

32. For every 1000 rapes in the US, 995 perpetrators will go unpunished.

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