



SEXUAL ASSAULT, CONSENT & INTOXICATION

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Does all intoxicated sex = sexual assault?



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# HANNA'S STORY

(23-years-old, non-binary [she/her/they/them], pansexual)

*There was this one night, this one party, at my house. And I wasn't really in a party mood. It was a huge sesh, there was like 40 people, everyone was topless, everyone was on 10 tabs of acid and 40 Xanax, and just wild. And I was like... I had a good time, I had a drink, I had a Valium at 11:30 and went to bed. And this guy comes into my room at 4:00am saying Hanna, we can't turn the fire alarms off. And I'm obviously valled up, and like... coming down off drinking, so I'm wavy.*

*I go into the living room and wow, it's a shit show. It's really cigarette smokey, maybe that's why the alarms have gone off. It's so stressful, its panic-inducing stressful. And I'm in the middle of dissertation, and not a happy person right now. Eventually we decide the only logical thing to do is to bash the alarms out of the ceiling, so I have to go around the house and watch these guys bash them with pans and stuff. And it was just very traumatising. And then it stopped, the music came back on, and I went into my room and sat on my bed like... oh my god. I don't feel okay right now.*

*[Best friend] had gone, and I was like fuck, I can't stay here, I'm freaking out. Where can I go? The only person I felt comfortable going to was [ex-boyfriend], because he'd sorted me out in panic attacks before. He was very good at it. So I called him, he was awake, and he was like, yeah come over. I got into his place, he calmed me down and we got into bed. And he was just like hugging me. And I think he was trying to kiss me and stuff, but I was just like whatever, just like... I'm here and I'm safe. So I went to sleep. Yeah, and then basically, I don't know what time it was... it was kind of light outside... I woke up because his hand was down my pants.*



# HANNA'S STORY

Term 'sexual assault': complex, messy

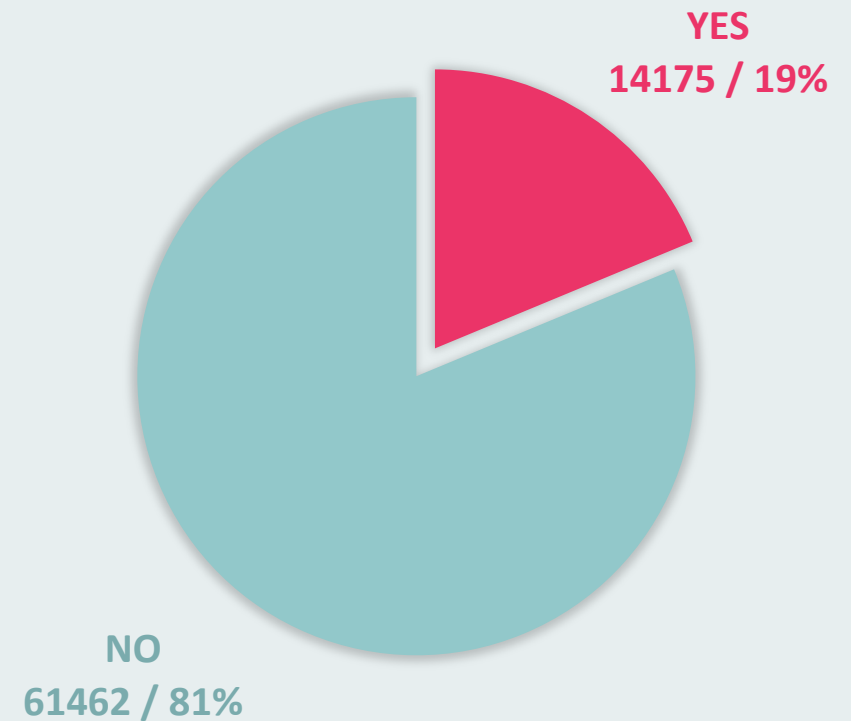
Unclear 'victim' / 'perpetrator' roles

# GDS2019: INTOXICATION, SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SEXUAL CONSENT

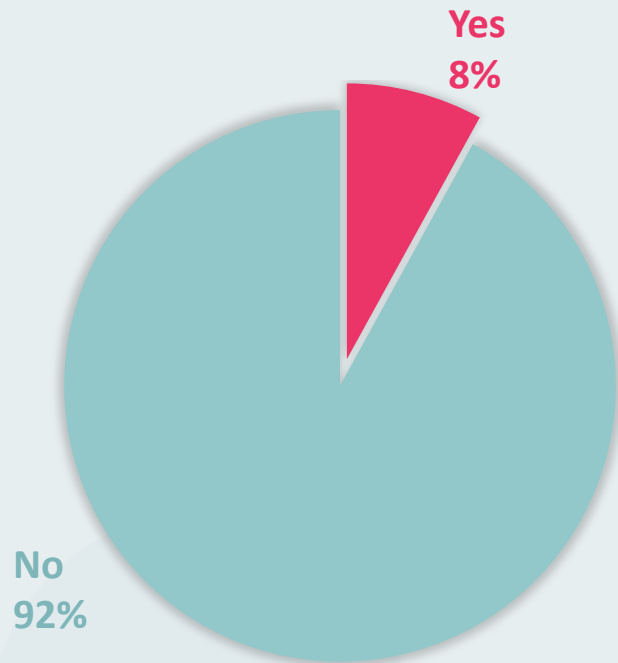
# Everyone in GDS2019 was asked:

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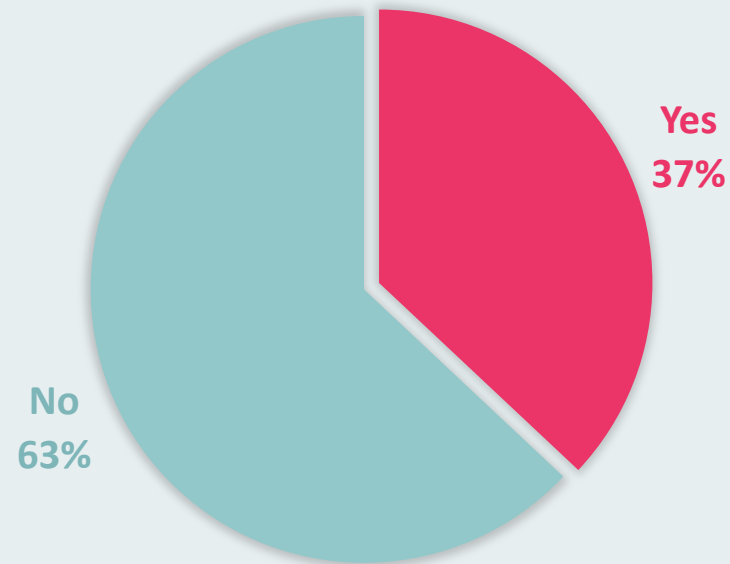
Been taken advantage of sexually while under the influence of alcohol and/or other drugs?



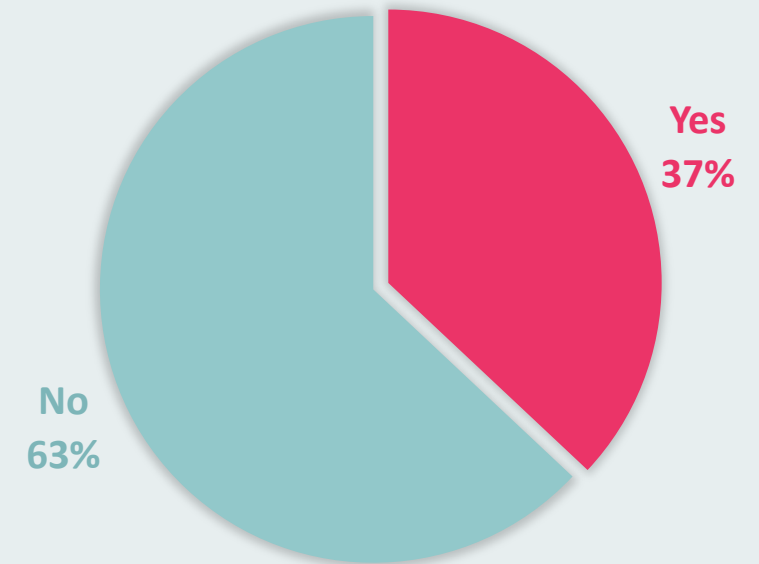
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## WOMEN



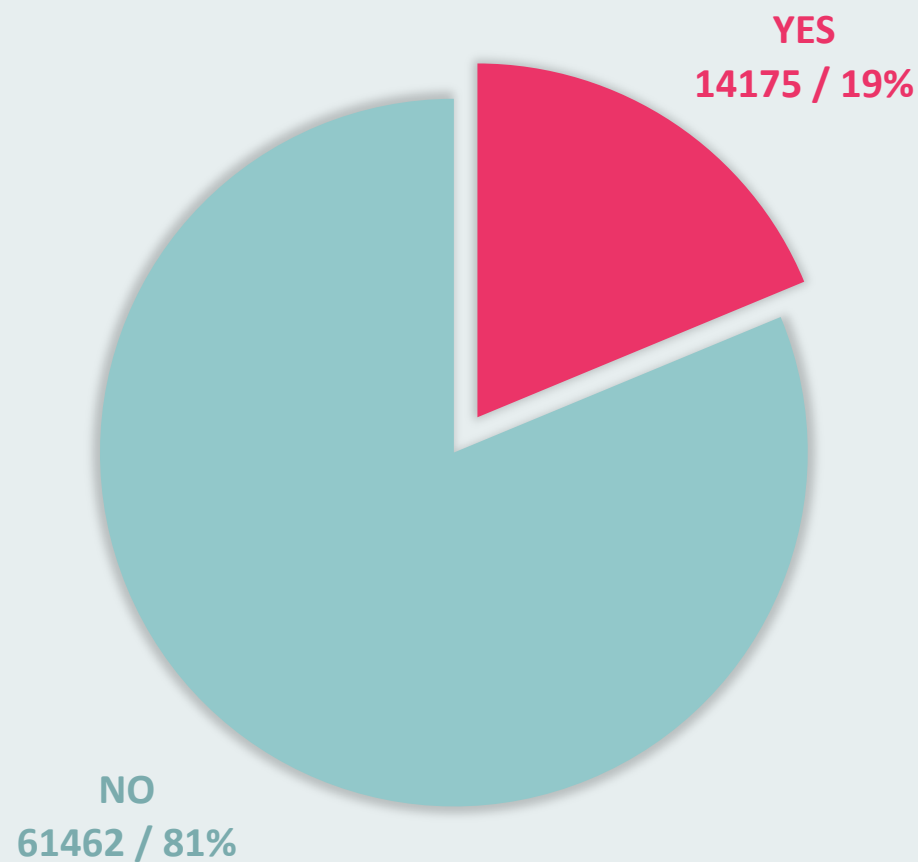
## OTHER\*



\* 'OTHER' includes those who identified as 'non-binary', and those who identified as a 'different gender identity'

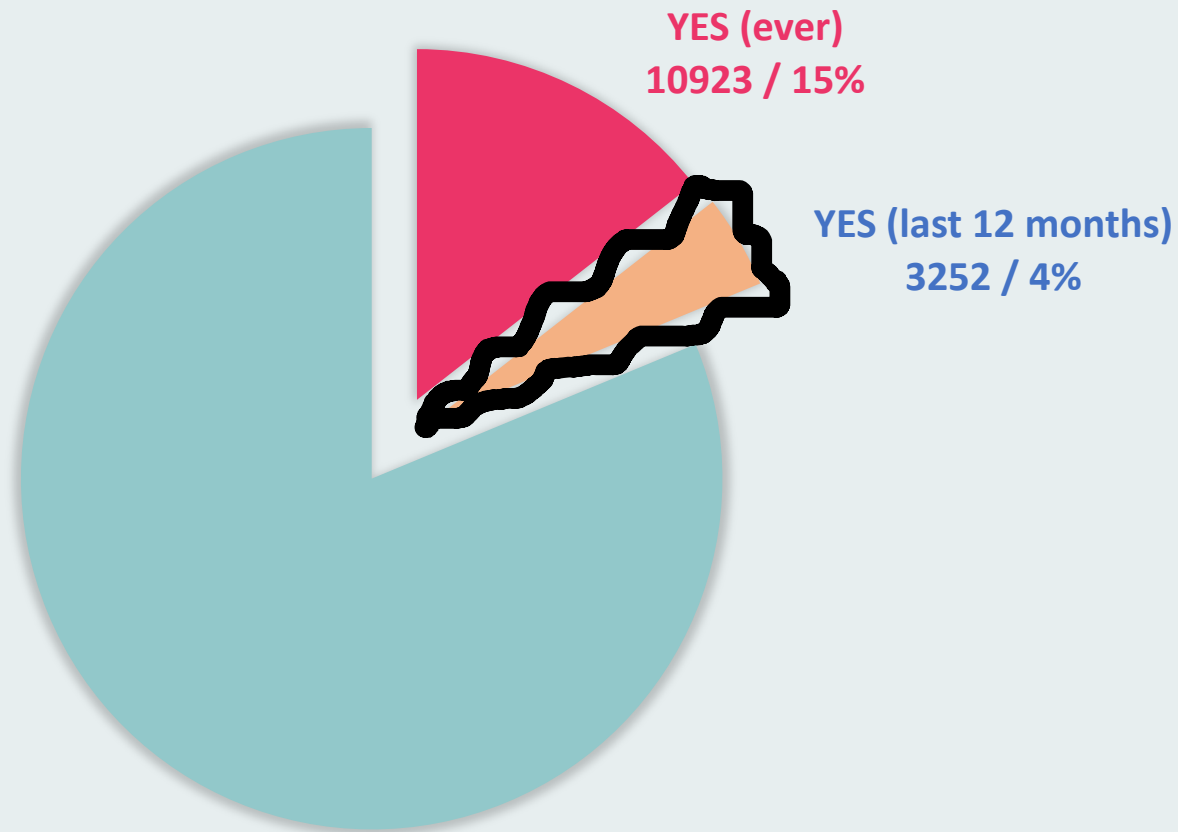
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Would you be happy to answer an extended section on this topic?

*Please be aware this section does ask sensitive questions.*

- ☒ Yes 2316 (75%)
- ☐ No

# For the most recent incident we asked:

Substance(s) taken

Where did it happen?

Who else was around?

Relationship with perpetrator(s)?

Consent at initiation?

Recollection of events?

Report to police?



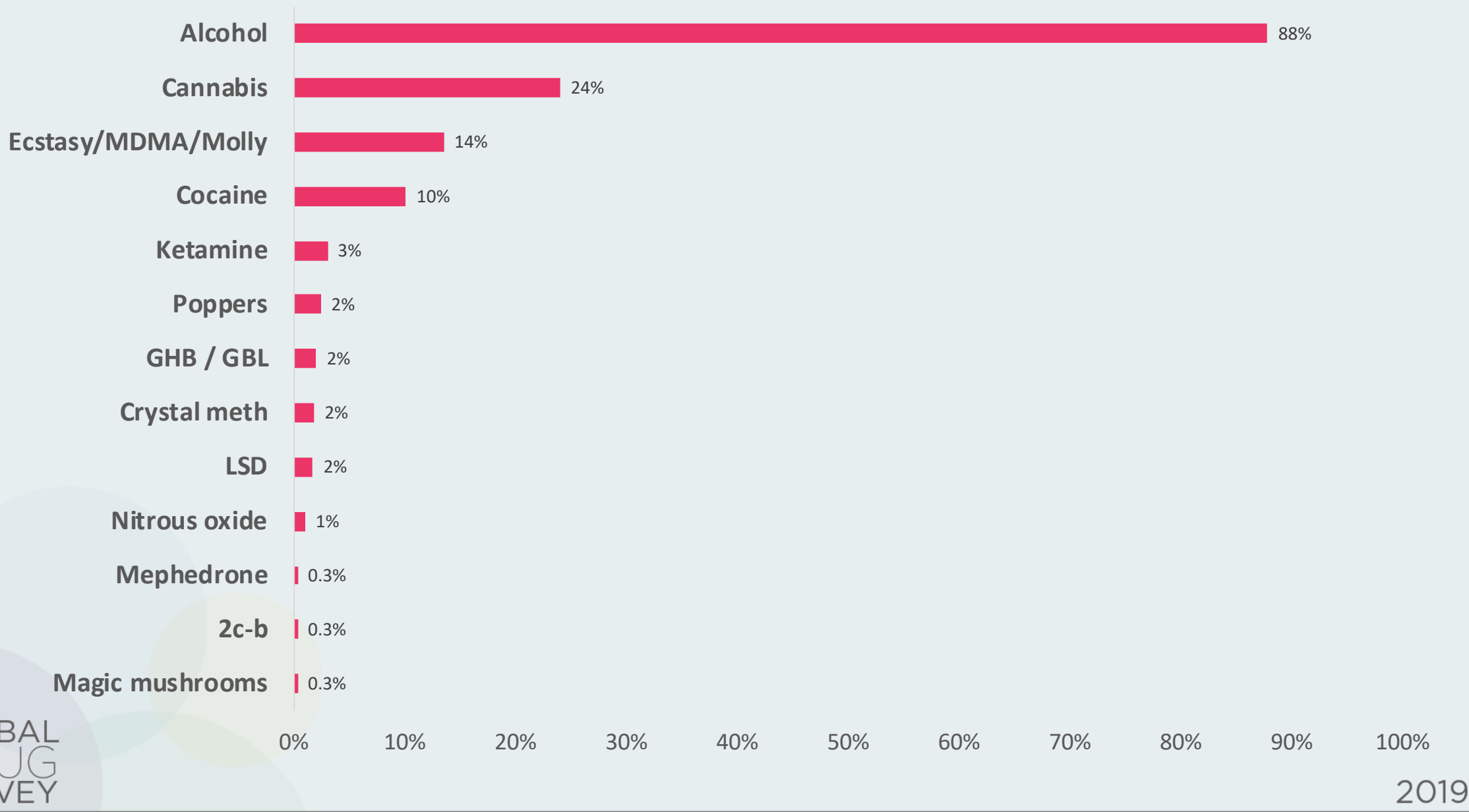


88% incidents involved alcohol  
55% involved alcohol only

36% incidents involved alcohol and drugs

Around a third: combination of alcohol and cannabis





Which of these substances were given to you by the person(s) who took advantage of you?

57% : given alcohol by perpetrator(s)

9% : given cannabis by perpetrators(s)

All other drugs < 5%

**Private house**

67%

**Nightclub**

14%

**Public space**

11%

**Pub/Bar**

5%

**Festival**

3%



Over two thirds of incidents occurred in private spaces



74% knew other people nearby at  
the time of the incident



70% knew the perpetrator

12% : knew perpetrator was  
attracted to them

9% : in a relationship with  
perpetrator





# SEX WITHOUT CONSENT IS RAPE.

#CONSENTISEVERYTHING

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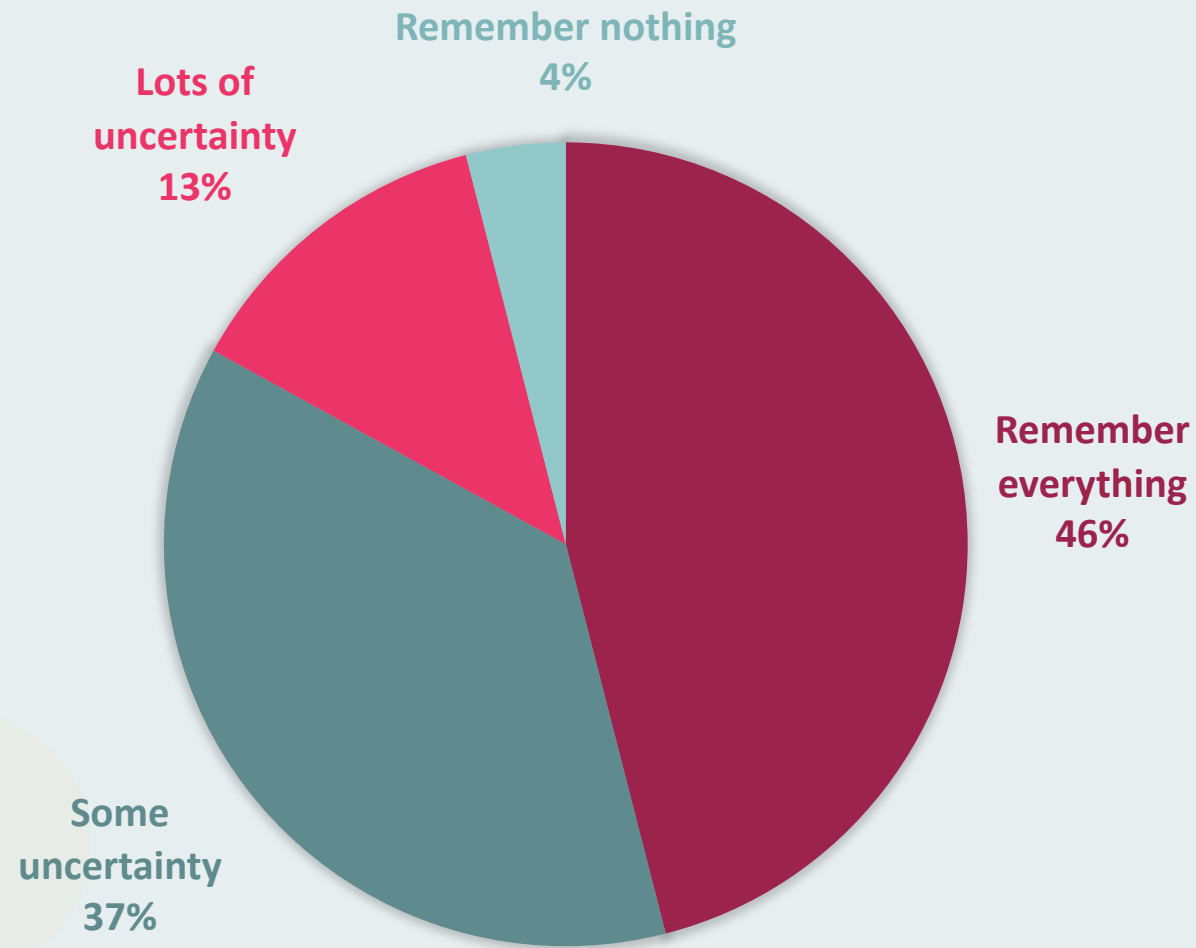


26% gave consent at the start  
of sexual activity

Consent = process

Consent  $\neq$  wantedness

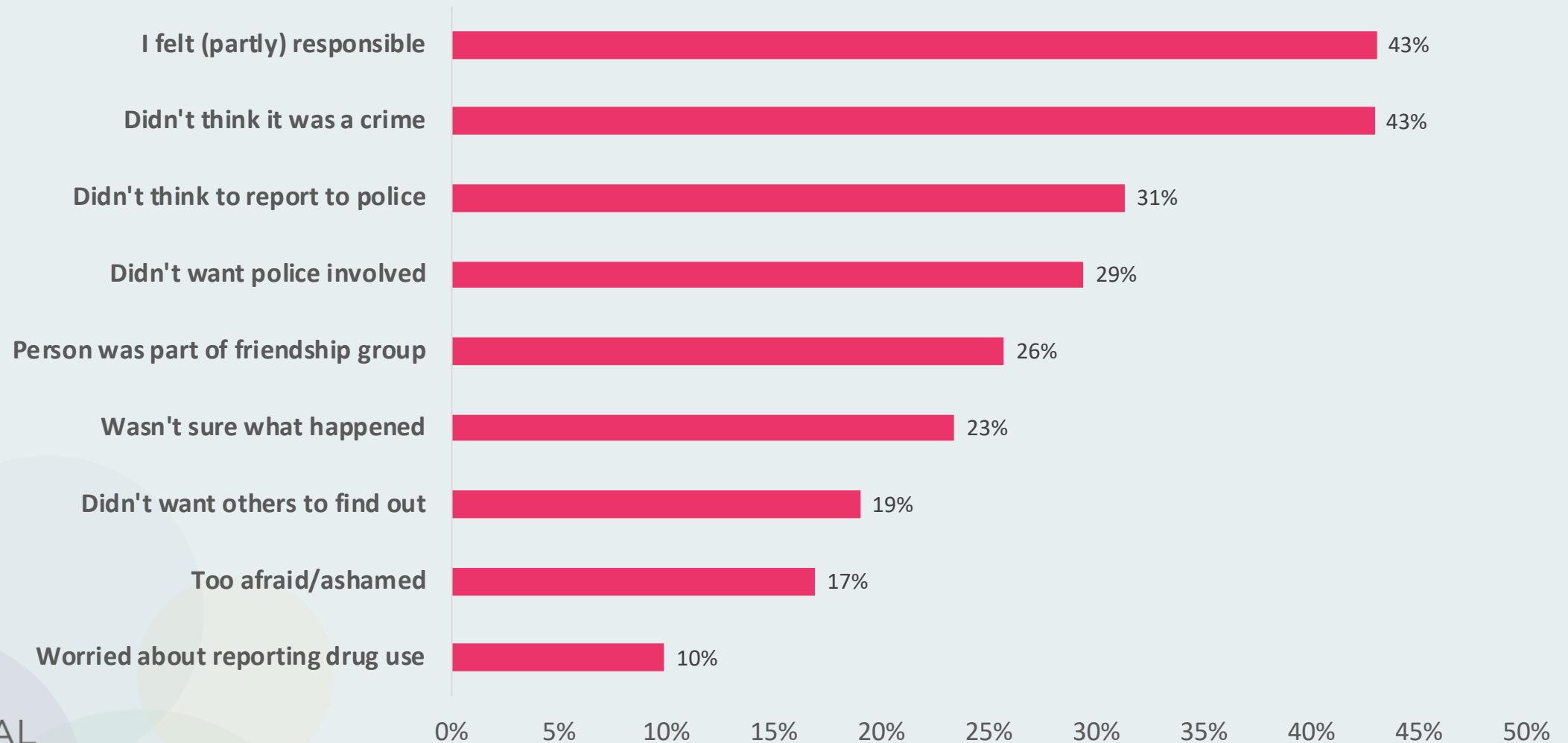
## To what extent can you recall the events of the incident?



## Did you report the incident to the police?



## Please tell us why you did not report the incident to the police



# WHAT ARE THE IMPLICATIONS OF THESE FINDINGS FOR SEXUAL VIOLENCE PREVENTION?

**DON'T**  
**~~GET~~**  
**~~RAPED~~**

## AUSTIN'S STORY

(30-years-old, cis-male [he/him], heterosexual)

*I have one more weed and sex story. This woman texted me on Tinder, blah blah blah, want to come over tonight, and I was like okay, sure. Why not? And I looked at her pictures and was like, hmm, okay she's 40, a little old... but in the photos she looked like a pervert, so it was okay. I decided to buy two bottles of wine, because I had a feeling... I'd need it [laughs]. So, I drove over, she opened the door, and there she was, a 40-year-old woman, so fucking fat. She was really fucked up, oh my god. And I went inside the flat, and I was like, why I am doing this? I was so close to saying goodbye and going home.*

*Interviewer: But you decided to stay?*

*Austin: Yeah. Because I was horny. I raped her, literally. Well... not so much rape, because she liked it.*

*Interviewer: What made you think she liked it?*

*Austin: Well she was crazy, totally mental. She was fucked up. I got so drunk because, you know, she wasn't my standard. And then, thank god, she had some weed. And I was like, okay, I'll give it a try, I'm not a bad person. We had weed, we had wine, she's a woman, whatever. I had a condom on, thank god, because I was so stoned and so drunk. And I felt nothing. Nothing. Like when you throw a sausage down a tunnel. And then, oh my god, I fucked her face so hard, it was brutal. And then I fisted her, and I choked her... And she squirted, at the end. It was a win-win situation, because I never had sex with a girl that could squirt, and I never fisted a girl, it was a win-win situation for me [laughs].*



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'I raped her, literally'

'Well... not so much rape, because she liked it'

'she was crazy, totally mental'

AUSTIN = PERPETRATOR?

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# SEX, DRUGS, AND SAFETY

WITH ALEXANDRA ALDRIDGE



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