

Sexual Assault Facts¹

In Texas 1 in 5 women & 1 in 20 men have been sexually assaulted at some point in their lifetime.

Over 80% of Texans who were sexually assaulted DID NOT report to law enforcement.

Only 19% of the sexual assaults were committed by complete strangers, leaving over 80% of sexual assaults committed by someone known to the victim.

Who Are the Perpetrators?

Over 80% of sexual assaults are committed by someone known to the victim.¹

Most rapists remain undetected.²

Studies also confirm the undetected rapist is a serial hunter and serial offender– not the misunderstood drunk guy.²

Over 94% of rapists roam free with only 3% ever spending a day in jail.³

Dynamics:

No one "asks" to be sexually assaulted, it is an act committed without consent (period).

Non-stranger rapes are the least likely to get reported and progress through the judicial process, yet account for a majority of the sexual assault occurrences in your community.

98% of non-stranger rapes do not involve a weapon.⁴

The use of alcohol and drugs during non-stranger rape and brief encounter rape is very common.⁵

Victims of non-stranger rape experience a high degree of inner struggle, shame and often blame themselves for the crime.⁵

Non-stranger and brief encounter rape victims are more likely than other victims to be blamed and to have their entire past sexual histories scrutinized, and as a result feel re-victimized.⁵

¹ Busch, N.B., Belly, H., DiNitto, D.M., Neff, J.A. (2003) *A Health Survey of Texans: A Focus on Sexual Assault*. Institute of Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault, University of Texas at Austin

² Madigan, T. (2012). The serial rapist is not who you think. *Star Telegram Online* Retrieved from: www.star-telegram.com/2012/08/19/4191666/the-serial-rapist-is-not-who-you.html

³ Retrieved from: <http://www.rainn.org/get-information/statistics/reporting-rates>

⁴ Lisak, D., Miller, P.M. (2002) Repeat Rape and Multiple Offending Among Undetected Rapists. *Violence and Victims* (Vol.17 N.1) pp.73-84

⁵ *Non-Stranger(Acquaintance) & Brief Encounter Rape* document. SAFVIC Curriculum-Funded by the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor Grant#WF-08-V30-20700-05 (Updated June 2012)
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