

Get the Facts on Military Rape, Assault and Other Sexual Offenses

Fact Sheet

Key statistics from the 2012 Department of Defense Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office Annual Report (Download full report: <http://tinyurl.com/sapr12>)

**Sexual Crimes
Up 34%**

The number of sexual crimes skyrocketed 34.5%, from 19,300 assaults in 2011 to 26,300 in 2012. The percentage of female service members who were victims of sexual assault increased from 4.4 percent in 2011 to 6.1 percent in 2012, and the percentage of male victims increased from 0.9 percent in 2011 to 1.2 percent in 2012⁽¹⁾

**Reporting Rate
Drops to 9.8%**

The percentage of victims reporting dropped significantly, from 13.5 percent in 2011 to 9.8 percent in 2012, a 27 percent reduction. In 2011, victims reported 3,192 of 19,000 incidents, while in 2012, victims reported only 3,374 of 26,000 incidents⁽²⁾

**Conviction Rate
Drops to 0.9%**

While the number of perpetrators convicted of committing a sexual assault increased from 191 in 2011 to 238 in 2012, due to the sharp increase in assaults, **the conviction rate dropped from 1 percent in 2011 to 0.9 percent in 2012**, at 10 percent decrease in the rate.⁽³⁾

**Fear Deters
Reporting**

Rates of reporting have dropped significantly, from 13.5% in 2011 to 9.8% in 2012. In 2011, victims reported 3,192 out of 19,000 incidents, compared to 2012, where victims reported just 3,374 out of 26,000 incidents.⁽⁴⁾

(1) SAPRO Annual Report, pg 12

(2) SAPRO Annual Report, pg 68, Exhibit 10

(3) SAPRO Annual Report, pg 73, Exhibit 12

(4) SAPRO Annual Report, pgs 57-58

(5) SAPRO Annual Report, pg 360

(6) SAPRO Annual Report, pg 27

Of victims who chose not to report, **47 percent indicated fear of retaliation or reprisal as a reason for not reporting** and 43 percent had heard about the negative experiences of other victims who reported their situation. Seventy four percent of females and 60 percent of males perceived one or more barriers to reporting sexual assault.⁽⁵⁾

Sixty two percent of victims who reported a sexual assault indicated they experienced professional, social, or administrative retaliation.⁽⁶⁾



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