

# OVERVIEW

of results from the  
Survey on sexual misconduct in the Canadian Armed Forces, 2016

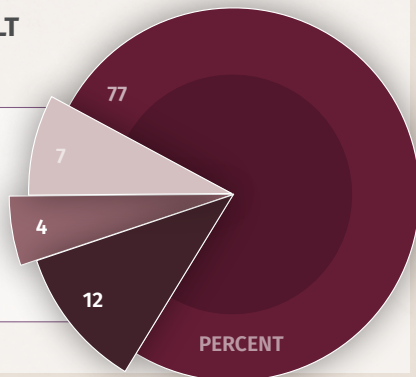
## REGULAR FORCE

### SEXUAL ASSAULT

**1 in 60** Regular Force members was sexually assaulted in the past year.

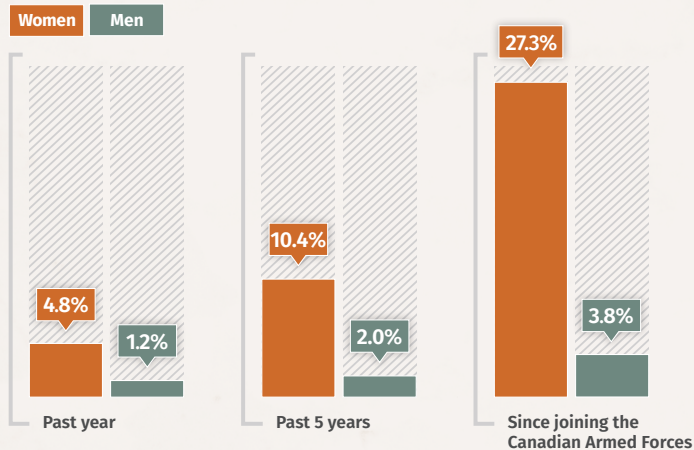
#### FORMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT INCLUDE:

- Unwanted sexual touching
- Sexual attack
- Sexual activity where unable to consent
- Multiple types of sexual assault



#### Women in the Regular Force were more likely than men to experience sexual assault

Percent of Regular Force members who were victims of sexual assault



#### IMPACT OF SEXUAL ASSAULT ON VICTIMS

- 26% of female victims and 13% of male victims had difficulty carrying out everyday activities
- Being angry, being more cautious and feeling upset were the most common consequences among female victims; being annoyed was most common for male victims
- Professional help was sought by 1 in 4 female victims and 1 in 10 male victims
- Suicidal thoughts stemming from the sexual assault were reported by 7% of women and 5% of men
- 7% of victims of sexual assault also suffered physical injuries

Source: Statistics Canada, Survey on Sexual Misconduct in the Canadian Armed Forces, 2016

### SEXUALIZED AND DISCRIMINATORY BEHAVIOURS

Overall, **4 in 5** Regular Force members saw, heard or experienced inappropriate sexual or discriminatory behaviour



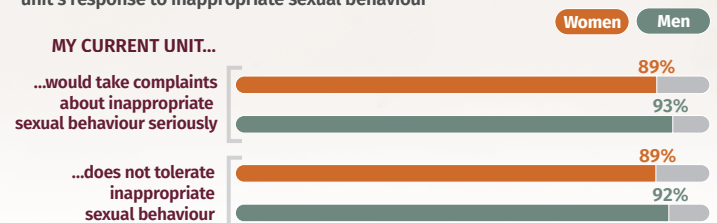
- Behaviours related to discrimination were considered more offensive
- Men were less likely to be offended by sexualized or discriminatory behaviours

- One in six Regular Force members was personally targeted by one or more of these behaviours
- For each behaviour measured, women were more likely than men to be personally targeted

### PERCEPTIONS

- 51% of women and 36% of men believe that inappropriate sexual behaviour is a problem within the Canadian Armed Forces, but most believe that their current unit is taking inappropriate sexual behaviour seriously.

Regular Force members' perceptions of their current unit's response to inappropriate sexual behaviour



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