

## Indigenous Women and Domestic Violence

Spousal assault rates against Aboriginal women are almost 3x higher than those against non-Aboriginal women

69 percent of victims said they did not report a domestic violence incident to police

40 percent of Indigenous respondents said they were physically or sexually abused as children. That was far more than the 29 percent of non-indigenous people who reported family violence

34 percent of Aboriginal women said that a current or former partner had been emotionally or financially abusive towards them in the 5 years preceding the survey, almost **double** that of non-Aboriginal women (17 percent)

9 percent of indigenous respondents said they were victims of spousal violence in 2014. That's more than double the number of non-indigenous people (4%) who reported family violence in those years.

Aboriginal women are more likely to experience severe or life-threatening family violence than non-Aboriginal women. 54 percent vs 37 percent

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