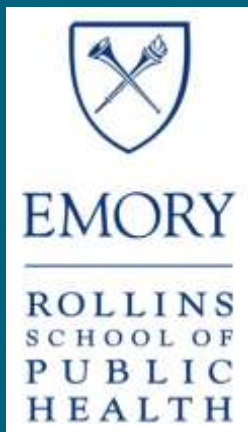


Perpetration of Violence against Women by Victims and Perpetrators of Male-on-Male Sexual Violence in South Africa

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Introduction

- Very little is known about
 - The population prevalence of male-on-male sexual violence: How many survivors? How many perpetrators?
 - Male-on-male sexual violence in Africa
 - Links between male-on-male sexual violence and male violence against women
- Preliminary exploration drawing on data from the 2009 MRC Study on Men's Health and Use of Violence

aka the MRC Rape Study

- Cross-sectional population-based household survey
 - 222 enumeration areas in EC and KZN
 - 20 households per ea
 - one man aged 18-49 years per household
- Survey data collected using APDAs
- Completed interviews in 1,738 of 2,298 (75.6%) of the enumerated and eligible households

Experience and Perpetration of Male-on-male Sexual Assault

- Did a man ever persuade or force you to have sex when you did NOT want to?
- Which of the following acts took place with a man when you did not want to?
 - Masturbation
 - Oral
 - Thigh
 - Anal
- Have you ever done anything sexual with a boy or man when he didn't consent or you forced him?
- Have you ever done anything sexual with a boy or man where you put your penis in his mouth or anus when he didn't consent or you forced him?

Prevalence of Male-on-male Sexual Violence

	%	95% CI
<u>Victimization</u>		
Any male-on-male victimization	9.6	8.2 - 11.3
Masturbation	3.5	2.8 - 4.5
Thigh Sex	4.2	3.4 - 5.3
Oral Sex	1.4	1.2 - 2.3
Anal Sex	2.9	2.2 - 3.8
Oral and/or Anal victimization	3.4	2.7 - 4.3
<u>Perpetration</u>		
Any male-on-male perpetration	3.0	2.2 - 4.0
Oral and/or Anal perpetration	1.9	1.3 - 2.7

Prevalence of male-on-male sexual violence by experience of consensual MSM sex

	%	95% CI
<u>Sex with a man because you wanted to?</u>		
Any consensual MSM sex acts	5.4	4.4-6.6
Any oral/anal MSM	2.6	1.9-3.5

	MSM	95% CI	Non-MSM	95% CI	p
Any victimization	34.4	25.5 - 44.7	8.1	6.8 - 9.6	<.0001
O/A victimization	22.2	14.9 - 31.8	2.3	1.7 - 3.2	<.0001
Any perpetration	10.0	5.5 - 17.6	2.6	1.9 - 3.5	<.0001
O/A Perpetration	8.9	4.7 - 16.3	1.4	0.9 - 2.2	<.0001

Psychometrics and Behaviors among Victims of Male-on-Male Violence

	Among Victims	Among Non-Victims	Adjusted OR/Coef	95% CI
<i>Psychometric Scales:</i>				
Empathy score	12.9%	14.1%	-0.74	(-1.81 – 0.33)
Psychopathy score	33.7%	29.3%	3.79	(2.20 – 5.37)
<i>Economically Driven Sex:</i>				
Transactional Sex w/Woman	80.3%	62.0%	2.55	(1.51 – 4.31)
Sex w/ Female Sex Worker	29.7%	18.7%	1.61	(1.11 – 2.34)
<i>Physical Violence against female partners:</i>				
Ever physical IPV	58.8%	40.9%	1.90	(1.33 – 2.71)
Physical IPV in past year	22.9%	12.9%	1.79	(1.08 – 2.97)

Sexual Violence Perpetration among Victims of Male-on-Male Violence

	Among Victims	Among Non-Victims	Adjusted OR/Coef	95% CI
<i>Rape of Women:</i>				
Ever raped woman	51.3%	25.4%	2.73	(1.86 – 4.02)
Ever raped female partner	32.7%	12.5%	2.99	(1.85 – 4.84)
Raped > 1 woman	34.2%	16.4%	2.27	(1.42 – 3.62)
Raped woman in past year	12.3%	3.9%	2.97	(1.45 – 6.09)
<i>Rape of Men:</i>				
Ever raped man	5.8%	2.7%	1.83	(0.89 – 3.79)
Raped man in past year	3.9%	0.4%	3.83	(0.77 – 19.01)

Psychometrics and Behaviors of Perpetrators of Male-on-Male Violence

	Among Perp	Among Non-Perp	Adjusted OR/Coef	95% CI
<i>Psychometric Scales:</i>				
Empathy score	11.3%	14.1%	-2.35	(-4.11 – -0.59)
Psychopathy score	34.6%	29.6%	4.22	(0.99 – 7.44)
<i>Economically Driven Sex:</i>				
Transactional Sex w/Woman	88.0%	63.8%	5.43	(2.22 – 13.26)
Sex w/ Female Sex Worker	43.5%	19.0%	2.87	(1.56 – 5.27)
<i>Physical Violence against female partners:</i>				
Ever physical IPV	82.2%	41.2%	5.52	(2.57 – 11.87)
Physical IPV in past year	31.1%	13.5%	3.06	(1.53 – 6.10)

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Key take home messages

- In this population based household survey:
 - 1 in 10 South African men reported being sexually assaulted by another man
 - 3% of South African men reported perpetrating sexual assault against another man
- MSM are far more likely than other men to be victims (and perpetrators) of male-on-male sexual violence
- Sexual violence prevention **MUST** include prevention of male-on-male sexual violence, both for men and boys' health, **AND** to help prevent men's violence against women

Preliminary Recommendations

- For service providers
 - Be alert for the possibility of sexual assault history among ALL male clients/patients, but especially among MSM
 - Be alert to the fact that the overwhelming majority of men who sexually victimize men/boys ALSO commit acts of violence against women
- For surveillance and research
 - Collecting data on consensual and non-consensual same-sex activity in general population surveys using anonymous reporting is *highly feasible* in South Africa, and likely elsewhere
 - We need to *mainstream* queries about *consensual same-sex activity* and *same-sex sexual violence* in sexual violence research
 - We need qualitative work and other additional research to better understand men's lived experiences of male-on-male sexual violence
 - We need to further extend gender-based, feminist understandings and theories of sexual violence to explicitly include same-sex assaults
 - We need more research from the Global South