

BBC Newsnight – Sexual Harassment Among Women Survey

METHODOLOGY NOTE

ComRes interviewed 807 British women by telephone between 24th and 28th January 2014. Data were weighted to be representative of all GB women aged 18+. ComRes is a member of the British Polling Council and abides by its rules.

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No	706 87%	82 92%	126 92%	110 85%	116 84%	100 83%	172 89%	178 85%	211 87%	125 86%	192 92%	65 90%	30 93%	76 87%	68 94%	64 89%	48 86%	35 87%	78 88%	88 84%	90 80%	66 92%
Not applicable	6 1%	1 1%	1 *	* *	- -	2 2%	2 1%	3 1%	- -	- -	4 2%	1 1%	1 2%	- -	1 1%	1 1%	1 3%	- -	- -	1 1%	- -	* *
Don't know	2 *	1 1%	- -	1 1%	- -	- -	- -	1 1%	1 *	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 1%	1 1%	- -
<u>On the street</u>																						
Yes	99 12%	23 26%	20 14%	20 15%	19 14%	10 8%	8 4%	41 20%	28 12%	14 10%	15 7%	9 13%	2 5%	10 11%	3 4%	10 13%	9 16%	4 9%	12 14%	21 21%	14 13%	5 7%
No	700 87%	64 72%	116 84%	108 84%	118 86%	109 90%	185 95%	165 79%	213 88%	129 89%	192 92%	63 87%	29 92%	77 88%	68 94%	62 87%	45 81%	36 91%	76 86%	81 78%	97 86%	65 91%
Not applicable	7 1%	1 1%	2 2%	* *	- -	3 2%	1 *	2 1%	- -	2 1%	3 1%	- -	1 2%	1 1%	1 1%	- -	1 3%	- -	- -	1 1%	- -	2 3%
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No	642 80%	57 65%	101 74%	94 73%	106 77%	105 87%	180 93%	153 73%	189 78%	120 83%	180 86%	57 79%	23 73%	75 86%	60 83%	62 87%	36 65%	32 81%	74 85%	79 76%	82 74%	60 84%
Not applicable	5 1%	1 1%	1 *	* *	1 1%	1 1%	1 *	1 *	- -	- -	4 2%	- -	1 2%	- -	1 1%	- -	1 3%	- -	1 1%	- -	- -	* *
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<u>NET: In any of these places</u>	210 26%	31 35%	44 32%	39 30%	40 29%	28 23%	28 14%	79 37%	68 28%	32 22%	32 15%	18 24%	8 24%	21 24%	13 18%	15 21%	22 39%	9 23%	21 24%	33 32%	36 33%	14 20%

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Not applicable	6 1%	* *	- -	* *	6 1%	2 3%	1 2%	2 1%	1 1%	- -
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<u>NET: In any of these places</u>	210 26%	123 31%	80 30%	43 32%	87 22%	18 24%	27 49%	10 9%	22 22%	8 18%

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Intervention by her employer or line manager	300 37%	43 49%	65 48%	56 44%	47 34%	40 33%	48 25%	75 36%	82 34%	69 47%	73 35%	31 43%	14 44%	36 41%	28 38%	27 37%	26 46%	12 31%	27 30%	31 30%	44 39%	25 35%
Addressing it at a legal level	50 6%	13 14%	9 6%	6 4%	6 4%	6 5%	11 6%	13 6%	11 4%	6 4%	20 10%	2 3%	2 6%	5 5%	- -	4 5%	- -	4 9%	10 11%	10 10%	7 6%	7 10%
Doing nothing	12 1%	- -	1 1%	- -	1 *	2 1%	8 4%	1 *	3 1%	1 1%	7 3%	- -	- -	1 1%	2 2%	- -	- -	3 8%	3 3%	2 2%	- -	2 2%
Don't know	21 3%	3 4%	3 2%	9 7%	2 1%	2 1%	2 1%	4 2%	5 2%	8 6%	3 2%	1 1%	2 6%	2 2%	3 4%	- -	1 2%	2 4%	1 1%	3 3%	5 4%	2 3%

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It has made the party less appealing to women	283 35%	17 19%	32 23%	40 31%	58 42%	52 43%	85 44%	77 37%	98 41%	50 34%	58 28%	26 36%	4 14%	28 32%	21 29%	29 41%	22 38%	13 33%	30 34%	34 33%	50 44%	26 36%
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