

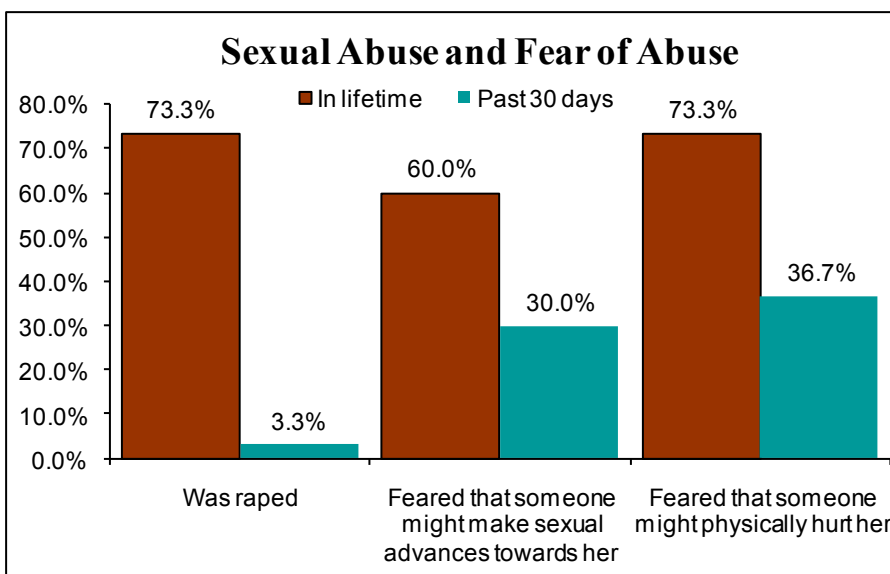
**Research Brief Series II: Harassment & Abuse of LGBTQQ Individuals in AZ**

**Brief C: LGBTQQ Adult Women in Mujer Sana-Healthy Woman**

The [University of AZ-Southwest Institute for Research on Women's \(UA-SIROW\) Mujer Sana-Healthy Woman](#) was an HIV, STD, Hepatitis and TB prevention project for women enrolled in residential substance abuse treatment and active drug using women not in treatment. LGBTQQ status was determined from self-reports of who participants had sex with during the past 30 days. Consequently, **30** participants were classified as LGBTQQ.



- The majority of these women reported having been raped (73.3%) and feared abuse (60.0%, 73.3%) in their lifetime.
- Substantial percentages feared, during the past 30 days, that they might be abused (30.0%, 36.7%).
- The percentage who feared sexual abuse was similar to the percentage who feared physical abuse.



**Physical Abuse by Current Partner**

Type of Physical Abuse	Rarely	Some of the Time	Most of the Time	All of the Time
Pushes her	13.3%	13.3%	6.7%	0.0%
Slaps her face and head	10.0%	6.7%	0.0%	3.3%
Hits and punches her	13.3%	13.3%	0.0%	3.3%
Throws her around the room	13.3%	6.7%	0.0%	3.3%
Threatens her with a weapon	6.7%	0.0%	6.7%	0.0%
Makes her afraid for her life	6.7%	3.3%	6.7%	3.3%

**Sexual Abuse by Current Partner**

Type of Sexual Abuse	Rarely	Some of the Time	Most of the Time	All of the Time
Demands sex	10.0%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%
Demands that she perform sex that she does not like	10.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.3%
Physically forces her to have sex	3.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Badly hurts her when they have sex	6.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

- Percentage reporting different types of physical abuse by current partner varied from 13.4% (threaten with weapon) to 33.3% (push).
- 33.3% reported some type of physical abuse by current partner.
- Percentage reporting different types of sexual abuse by current partner varied from 3.3% (physically forces sex) to 19.9% (demands sex).
- 23.3% reported some type of sexual abuse by current partner.
- 16.7% reported some type of both physical and sexual abuse by current

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Data from this project is not representative of all LGBTQQ adult women in AZ.

FFor more information about [Mujer Sana-Healthy Woman \(HIV, STD, TB, and Hepatitis B + C Drug Treatment Enhancement for Women\)](#), please see <http://sirow.arizona.edu/work/projects/view?id=13> or contact Sally Stevens, PhD at [sstevens@email.arizona.edu](mailto:sstevens@email.arizona.edu). [Mujer Sana-Healthy Woman](#) was supported by grant H79 T114452 from Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration–CSAT (2002-2008).