

# Indigenous Women & Domestic Violence



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

**69%** of victims said they did not report a domestic violence incident to police.

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

**34%** 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%).

**9%** 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% vs 37%**

