

STALKING & LGBTQ+ INDIVIDUALS

LGBTQ+ individuals are more likely than heterosexual and cisgender individuals to experience stalking victimization.

STALKING VICTIMIZATION BY SEXUAL ORIENTATION:¹

BISEXUAL



LESBIAN/GAY



HETEROSEXUAL



LGBTQ+ individuals face stigma, prejudice, & discrimination when accessing services.

Listening, being open, and treating victims with respect is essential.²



59% of male victims & 86% of female victims are stalked by men regardless of sexual orientation.⁴

*from a sample of undergraduate students



experience stalking³



transgender & nonbinary/genderqueer undergraduate students

&



of all undergraduate students

The majority of LGBTQ+ victims are stalked by someone they know - most likely an acquaintance, neighbor, coworker, or roommate.⁴



*from a sample of undergraduate students

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