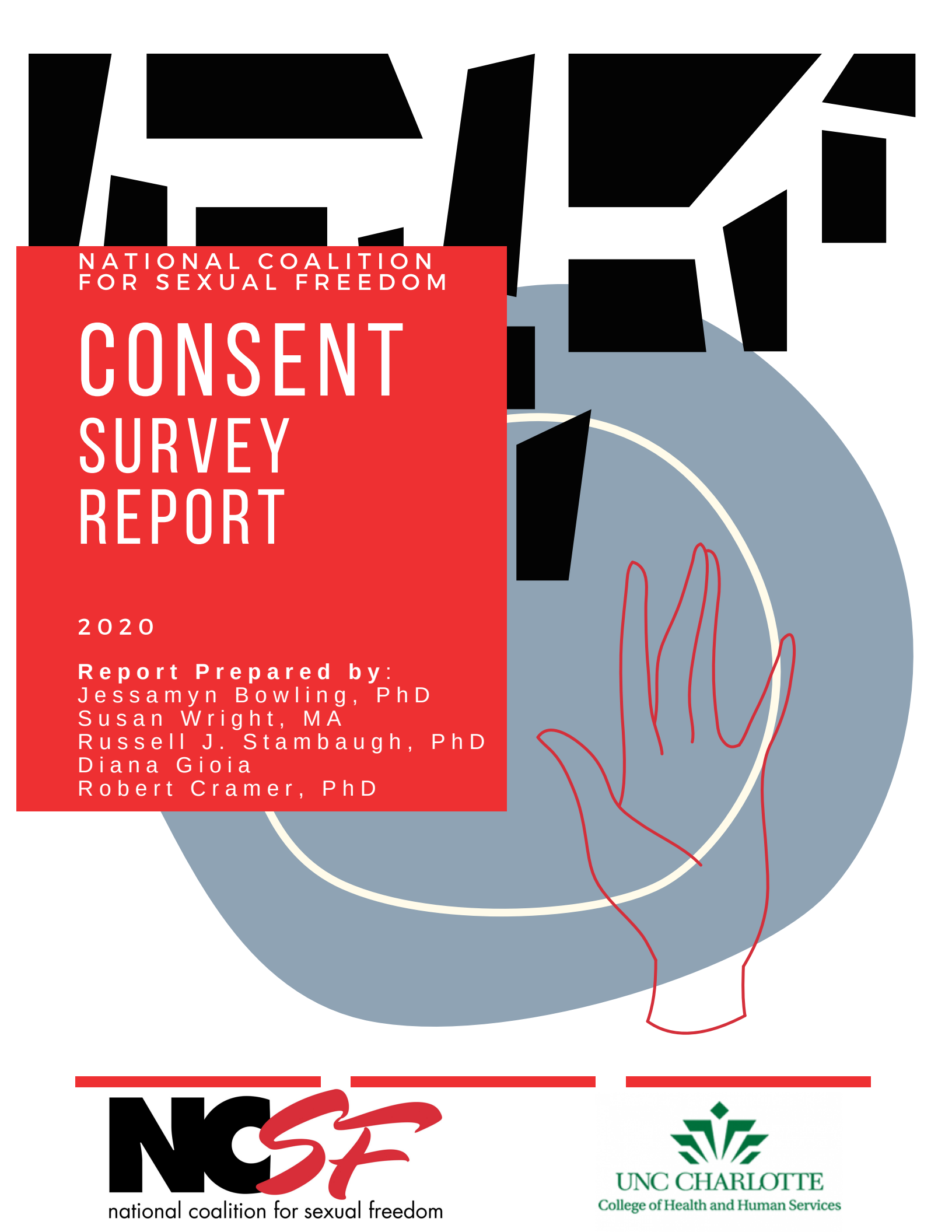




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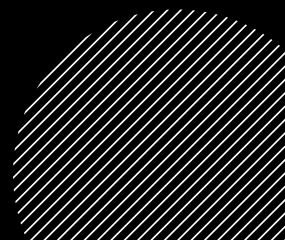


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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In collaboration with UNC Charlotte, the National Coalition for Sexual Freedom (NCSF) conducted an online survey of its members. This survey was a follow-up from a survey conducted by NCSF in 2014 on consent in the alt-sex communities (BDSM/ kink/leather/ fetish and consensual non-monogamy practitioners).

- In terms of resilience, men were significantly lower than other gender categories, younger individuals were significantly higher than older individuals, and those living outside of the US were higher than those in the US.
- Participants were generally more comfortable speaking to their family and coworkers about consensual non-monogamy, while with friends, alt-sex members, and partners they were generally more comfortable speaking about their kink/BDSM/ leather/fetish activities.
- In terms of assault, 57.5% of participants had been touched in a public place (outside of alt-sex contexts), 34.3% had experienced sexual assault as a minor, and 33.6% had experienced sexual assault as an adult (outside of alt-sex contexts).
- 24% had been nonconsensually touched and 8% had touched others nonconsensually within alt-sex contexts. 25.5% of participants reported nonconsensual experiences in an alt-sex context.
- We offer recommendations for law enforcement and judicial, health professionals and victim advocacy, lay public (non-practitioners), and alt-sex practitioners.

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METHODOLOGY

In collaboration with UNC Charlotte, the National Coalition for Sexual Freedom (NCSF) conducted an online survey of its members. This survey was a follow-up from the Consent Violations Survey conducted by NCSF in 2014 on consent in the alt-sex community (including polyamory, swingers, kink/BDSM, leather, fetish practitioners).

2,996 PARTICIPANTS

DEC. 2019-APR.2020

Anonymous cross-sectional survey collected via Survey Monkey. Notably, the COVID-19 pandemic slowed recruitment starting in March 2020. The UNC Charlotte's institutional review board approved all protocols and procedures.

Data were analyzed by demographic groups, with appropriate statistical tests to examine significant differences among groups. In this report, we only include significantly different groups in our graphs. Open-ended responses were analyzed in Dedoose using content analysis.

DEMOGRAPHICS

2,996 PARTICIPANTS

Survey respondents were primarily White (86%) and women (55%), with nearly 32% identifying as men (Table 1). Sexual identity was varied, with the largest group being heterosexual individuals (27%), with bisexual (24%) and pansexual (20%) following. The largest age categories of participants were 36-50 years (37%) and 25-35 years (31%). Most of the participants lived in the United States (80%).

Note: NB refers to Nonbinary gender

Table 1: Participant demographics

	n (%)
Gender	
Genderqueer	98 (3.3)
Cisgender Man	955 (31.9)
NB ¹	159 (5.3)
Cisgender Woman	1635 (54.6)
Trans	68 (2.3)
Other	79 (2.6)
Sexual Orientation	
Asexual	87 (2.9)
Bisexual	712 (23.7)
Gay	87 (2.9)
Lesbian	68 (2.3)
Heterosexual	817 (27.2)
Heteroflexible	441 (14.7)
Pansexual	606 (20.2)
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	30 (1.0)
Asian/Native Haw/Other PI	67 (2.2)
Black/African American	69 (2.3)
Latinx/Hispanic	99 (3.3)
White/Caucasian	2573 (86.0)
Other	135 (4.5)
Age	
<19	55 (1.8)
19-24	329 (11.0)
25-35	920 (30.7)
36-50	1117 (37.2)
51-69	529 (17.6)
70+	51 (1.7)
Live in the U.S.	
Yes	2396 (80.0)
No	600 (20.0)

¹NB: Non-binary gender

RESILIENCE

RESILIENCE REFERS TO AN INDIVIDUAL'S
ABILITY TO USE INTERNAL ASSETS AND
EXTERNAL RESOURCES TO "BOUNCE BACK"
FROM ADVERSITY.

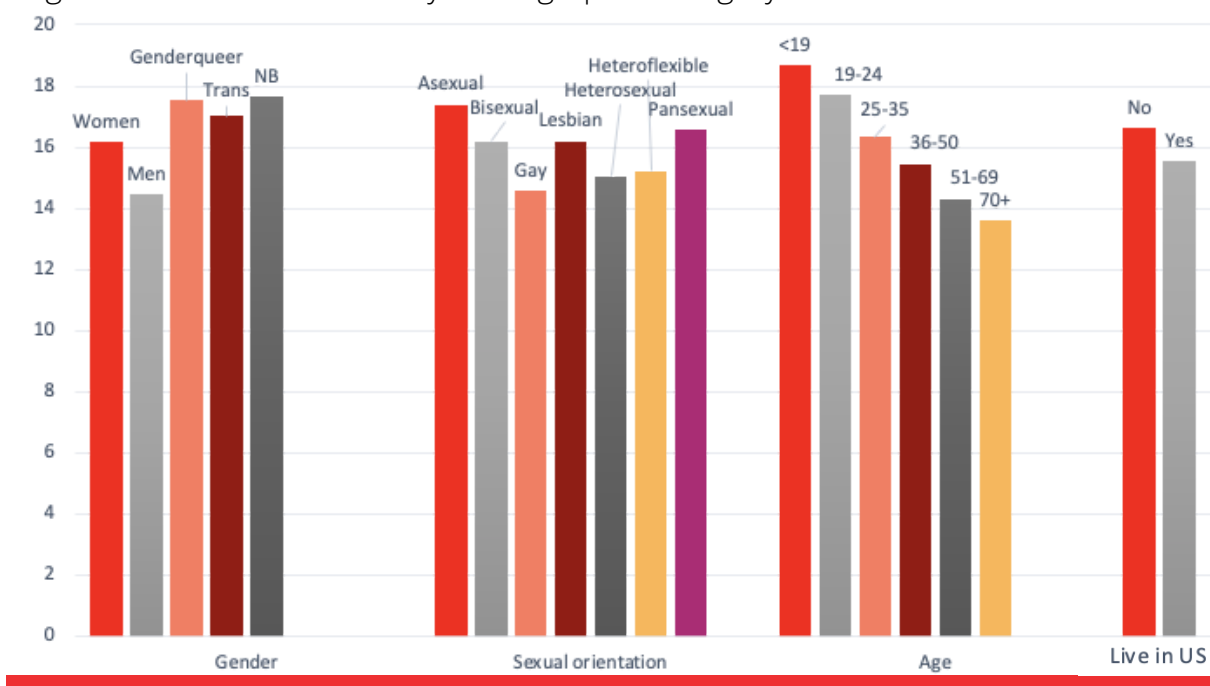
Resilience scores significantly differed by gender, sexual orientation, age, and living in the US or not (Table 2 for summary, Table 3 for subgroup comparisons).

By **gender**, men demonstrated significantly lower resilience compared to other gender category. Women are significantly different from TNB individuals.

By **sexual orientation**, asexual individuals had significantly higher resilience than bisexual, heterosexual, and pansexual individuals. Gay individuals were significantly lower in resilience scores than asexual, heterosexual, heteroflexible, and pansexual individuals. Heteroflexible individuals were significantly lower in resilience scores than pansexual individuals.

By **age**, those less than 19 years of age were significantly higher in resilience scores than all other groups. Those aged 36-50 were significantly higher in resilience scores than those older than them. Those aged 19-24 years had significantly higher resilience scores than 36-50 years, 51-69 years, and those over 70 years. Those 25-35 were significantly higher in resilience scores than those 36-50 years.

Figure 1: Resilience Scores by Demographic Category



RESILIENCE QUOTES

RESILIENCE THEMES IN OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES INCLUDED BOTH INDIVIDUAL AND INTERPERSONAL STRATEGIES.

INDIVIDUAL

COPING AND SELF CARE

MINDFULNESS

- OBSERVING
- DESCRIBING
- ACTING WITH AWARENESS
- NON-JUDGING, NON-REACTIVITY

INTERPERSONAL

COMMUNICATION

- NEGOTIATION

SOCIAL SUPPORT

TRUST

- DISCLOSURE OF AUTHENTIC SELF
- LOWERING ONE'S GUARD
- DEVELOPMENT OF TRUST

I JUST LEARNED THAT REITERATING MY HARD LIMITS IS SOMETHING I NEED TO DO DURING NEGOTIATION AND NOT ASSUME THEY REMEMBER. - WOMAN, WHITE, ASEXUAL, 19-24YRS

I'm proud that I spoke up and didn't freeze, so I should recognize all the things I did right - Woman, White, Pansexual, 25-35yrs

Consequences: Nothing, we worked through it and she's more on top of focusing on the words that come out of my mouth. - Man, Other race, Heterosexual, 19-24 yrs

CONSEQUENCES: NONE THAT ARE NEGATIVE. PARTNER AND I WORKED ON COMMUNICATION AND WE'RE ULTIMATELY STRONGER FOR IT. - WOMAN, WHITE, BISEXUAL, 25-35YRS

Consequences: I was very shaken and refused to participate in group events for a while, but community leaders were very supportive and proactive in banning the violator from events, so I did recover and it's had no apparent long term effects. - Woman, Other race, Pansexual, 25-35yrs

COMFORT IN SPEAKING TO OTHERS

PARTICIPANTS REPORTING COMFORT IN SPEAKING

ABOUT CONSENSUAL NON-MONO GAMY:

69% TO PARTNERS

61.5% TO FRIENDS

60.6% TO ALT-SEX MEMBERS

19.3% TO FAMILY MEMBER

13.8% TO COWORKERS

1.2% NONE OF THESE

ABOUT KINK/BDSM/LEATHER/FETISH:

80.4% TO PARTNERS

64.0% TO FRIENDS

67.7% TO ALT-SEX MEMBERS

11.8% TO FAMILY MEMBER

8.6% TO COWORKERS

1.3% NONE OF THESE

Figure 2: Comfort Speaking About Kink/BDSM/Leather/Fetish Activities to FAMILY MEMBERS

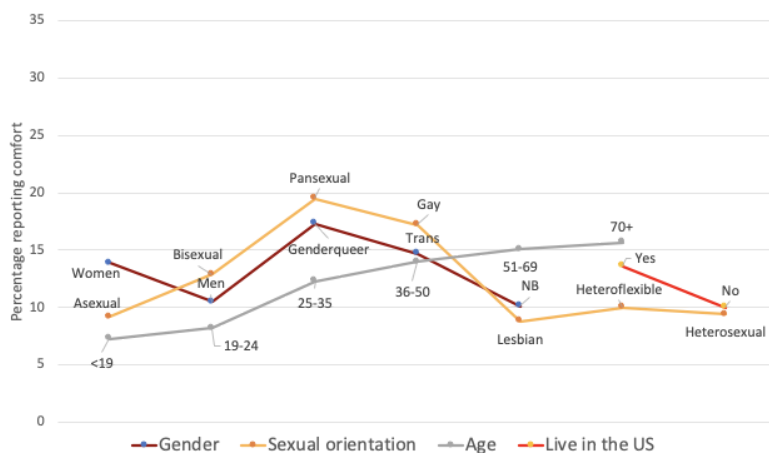
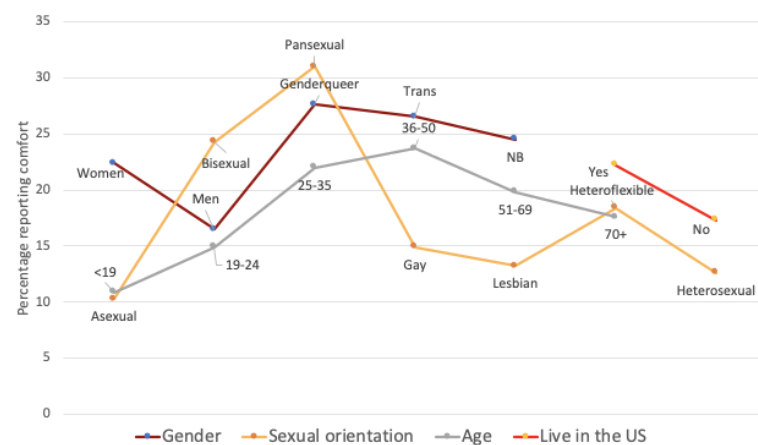


Figure 3: Comfort Speaking About Consensual Non-Monogamy Relations to FAMILY MEMBERS



In speaking about **kink/BDSM/leather/fetish activities**, gender and sexual orientation categories significantly differed across all social categories (Figs. 2 and 4; Table 5). Gender groups significantly differed in their comfort in talking to partners, friends, and family members about these activities. Racial groups significantly differed in their comfort talking to alt-sex members about these activities. Living in the US or not significantly differed in comfort in talking to friends, alt-sex members, family members and coworkers.

COMFORT IN SPEAKING TO OTHERS CONTINUED

In speaking about **consensual non-monogamous relationships** (Figs. 3 and 5; Table 4), gender, sexual orientation, and age groups significantly differed in their comfort level across all social categories (partner, friends, alt-sexuality members, family members, coworkers, and none of these; see Table 4). Living in the US was different for all social categories except those reporting that they could not talk to any of these individuals comfortably.

Figure 4: Comfort Speaking About Kink/BDSM/ Leather/Fetish Activities to COWORKERS

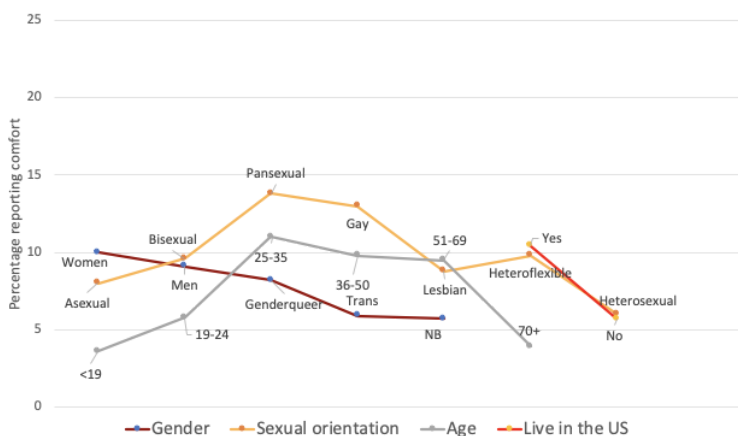
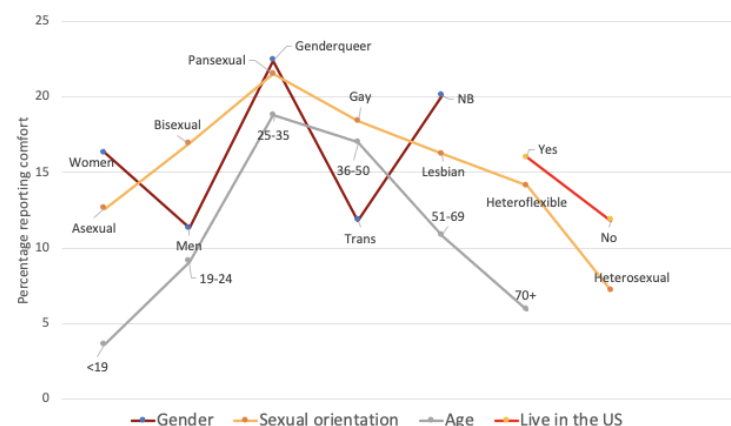


Figure 5: Comfort Speaking About Consensual Non-Monogamy Relations to COWORKERS



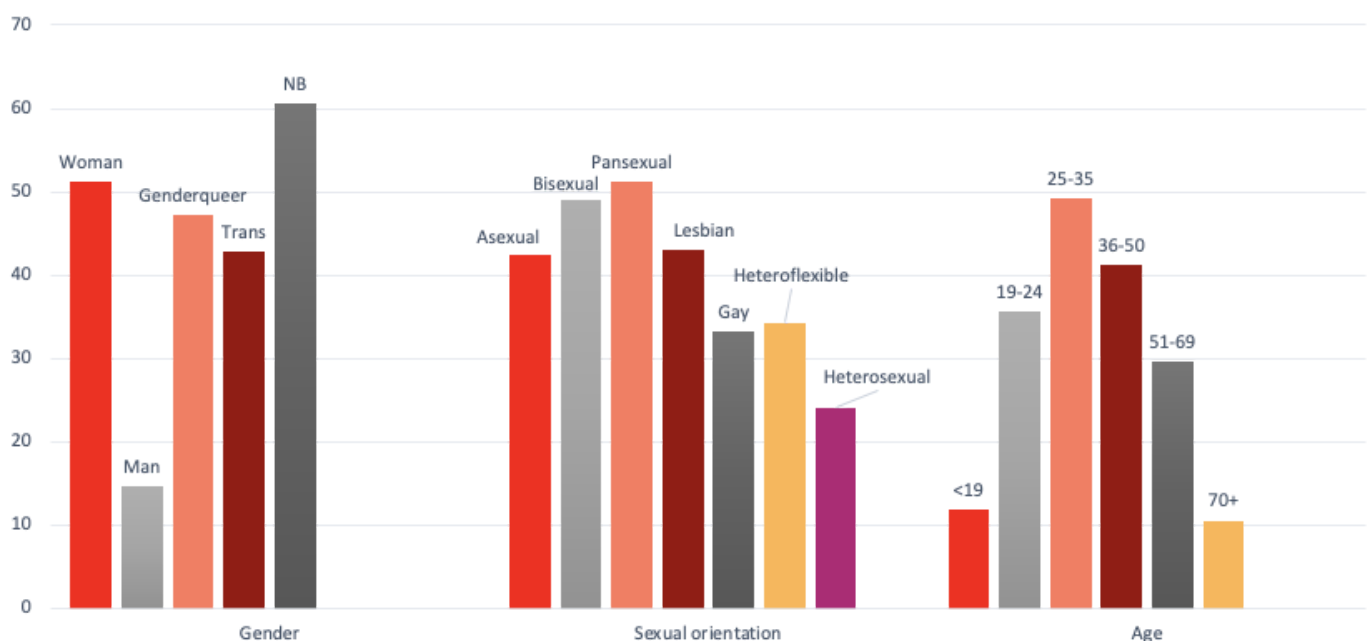
NONCONSENSUAL EXPERIENCES: OUTSIDE OF ALT-SEX

- 57.5% OF PARTICIPANTS HAD BEEN TOUCHED IN A PUBLIC PLACE (OUTSIDE OF ALT-SEX CONTEXTS)
- 34.3% HAD EXPERIENCED SEXUAL ASSAULT AS A MINOR
- 33.6% HAD EXPERIENCED SEXUAL ASSAULT AS AN ADULT (OUTSIDE OF ALT-SEX CONTEXTS)

• Outside of alt-sex contexts

- Overall, 34.3% of the sample had experienced sexual assault as a minor (see Table 6).
 - Among gender, sexual orientation, age and living in the US or not groups significantly differed on whether they had experienced sexual assault as a minor. Race was not significantly different by groups.
- Overall, 58% of the sample had been touched without permission in a public place outside of an alt-sex context (see Table 7).
 - Among gender, sexual orientation, and age groups significantly differed on whether they had been touched without permission in a public place. Race and living in the US or not was not significantly different among groups.
- Overall, 34% of the sample had experienced sexual assault outside of an alt-sex context (see Table 8).
 - Among gender, sexual orientation, and age groups significantly differed on whether they had been sexually assaulted outside of an alt-sex context (See Figure 6). Race and living in the US or not was not significantly different among groups.

Figure 6: Sexually Assaulted as an Adult - Outside of Alt-Sex Context (% yes)



NONCONSENSUAL EXPERIENCES: WITHIN ALT-SEX

23.9%

BEEN TOUCHED
WITHOUT CONSENT

7.8%

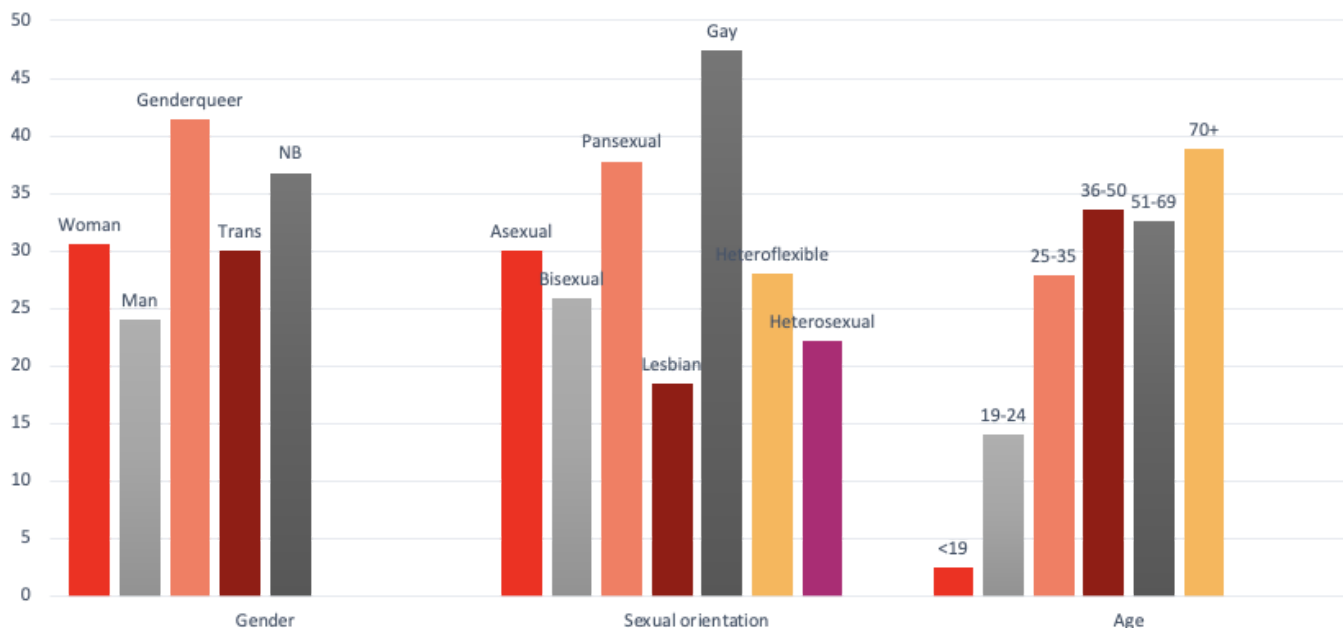
TOUCHED OTHERS
WITHOUT CONSENT

Within alt-sex contexts

Nearly a quarter (24%) of the sample had been nonconsensually touched and 8% had touched others nonconsensually within alt-sex contexts (see Table 9). Among gender, sexual orientation, and age groups significantly differed on whether they had **been nonconsensually touched** in an alt-sex context.

Among sexual orientation, age, and living in the US or not groups significantly differed on whether they **had nonconsensually touched someone** in an alt-sex context.

Figure 7: Received Nonconsensual Touch Within Alt-Sex Context (% yes)



NONCONSENSUAL EXPERIENCES: WITHIN ALT-SEX CONTINUED

25.5%

HAD THEIR CONSENT VIOLATED IN ALT-SEX CONTEXT

3.9%

EXPERIENCED INJURY DURING CONSENT VIOLATION

Among gender, sexual orientation, age and race groups significantly differed on whether they had experienced a consent violation (see Table 10).

None of the groups differed in experiencing injury during the consent violation.

Overall, 4% of the sample had been falsely accused of violating someone else's consent in an alt-sex context (see Table 11). The only significant differences by false accusation of consent violation were among gender groups

Figure 8: Consent Violation in Alt-Sex Context (% yes)

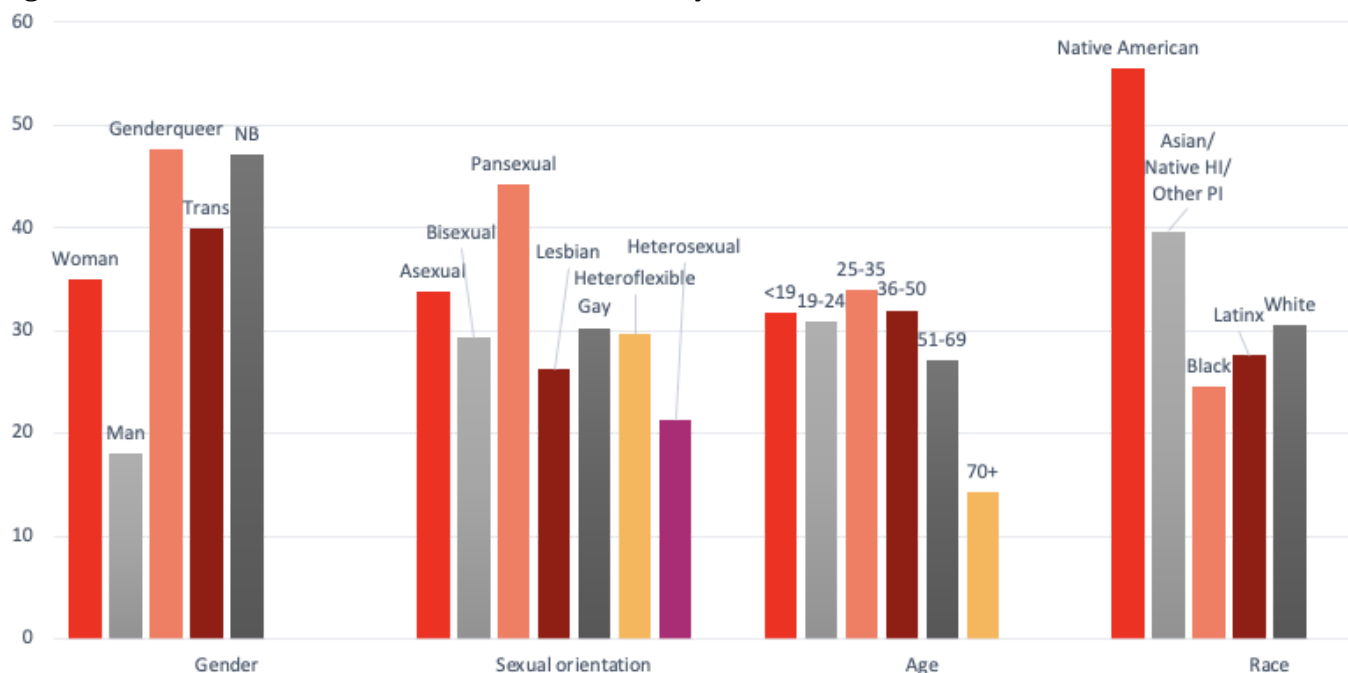
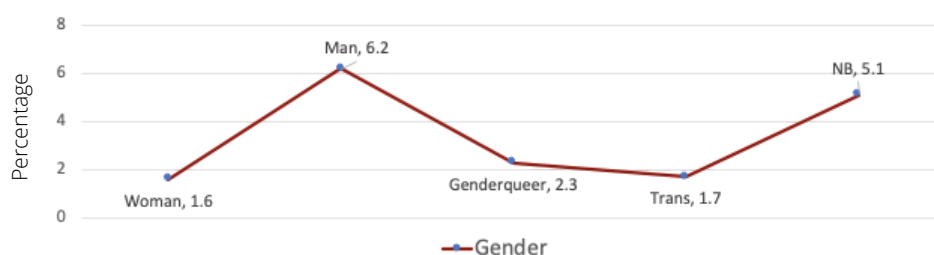


Figure 9: Received False Accusation of Nonconsensual Touch in Alt-Sex Context (% yes)



NONCONSENSUAL EXPERIENCES: WITHIN ALT-SEX CONTINUED

THOUGH HIGH PROPORTIONS OF PARTICIPANTS ENJOYED ACTIVITIES THAT MAY BE MISUNDERSTOOD AS VIOLENT (BONDAGE AND SPANKING), THESE CONSTITUTED LESS THAN 10% OF NON-CONSENSUAL ACTIVITIES OCCURRING IN RECENT VIOLATIONS.

ACTIVITIES ENJOYED

1. TOUCHING THE GENITALS (94%)
 2. BONDAGE (92%)
 3. KISSING (91%)
 4. SPANKING (90%)
 5. GIVING ORAL SEX (89%)
 6. TOUCHING THE BREASTS (89%)
 7. VAGINAL PENETRATION BY A FINGER/OBJECT (89%)
 8. VAGINAL PENETRATION BY A PENIS (86%)
 9. RECEIVING ORAL SEX (86%)
 10. AFTERCARE (85%)
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NON-CONSENSUAL ACTS DONE IN RECENT VIOLATION

1. NO AFTERCARE (22%)
 2. INVOLVING OTHER PEOPLE WITHOUT ASKING (21%)
 3. TOUCHING THE GENITALS (19%)
 4. TOUCHING THE BREASTS (16%)
 5. PENETRATION WITHOUT A CONDOM (15%)
 6. VAGINAL PENETRATION BY A PENIS (14%)
 7. CHEATING (14%)
 8. PENETRATION IN THE VAGINA BY A FINGER/OBJECT (14%)
 9. HUMILIATION (10%)
 10. ANAL PENETRATION BY A FINGER OR OBJECT (10%)
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CONSEQUENCES FROM SEXUAL ASSAULT AND CONSENT VIOLATIONS

[AFTER THE ASSAULT] I BECAME PREGNANT AND HAD A MISCARRIAGE. I FAINTED FROM UNSAFE ROPE BONDAGE AND I RECEIVED A MINOR NERVE INJURY. I DEALT WITH SELF ESTEEM ISSUES FOR A WHILE. THE INCIDENT ALSO HAD POSITIVE CONSEQUENCES: I BECAME A PART OF THE BDSM COMMUNITY SO I CAN SEEK OUT SAFE PARTNERS, I TOOK ON THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LEARNING AS MUCH AS I COULD ABOUT SAFETY IN KINK SO THAT I KNOW WHEN SOMEONE IS ENGAGING IN UNSAFE BEHAVIORS, I LEARNED HOW TO NEGOTIATE AND SPEAK UP FOR MYSELF/COMMUNICATE BETTER. - WOMAN, WHITE, HETEROFLEXIBLE, 25-35YRS

Figure 10: Themes related to consequences in open-ended responses



I HAVE PERSONALLY FOUND THAT MY LOCAL KINK SCENE IS THE ONLY SOURCE IN MY COMMUNITY FOR ADULTS TO LEARN ABOUT CONSENT. I FEEL SO MUCH SAFER IN THE BDSM COMMUNITY THAN I DO IN THE VANILLA WORLD. FINDING THE KINK COMMUNITY WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN MY HEALING FROM PAST TRAUMA AND LEARNING TO PUT TRUST IN PEOPLE AGAIN. - WOMAN, WHITE, PANSEXUAL, 25-35YRS

RECOMMENDED STEPS FOR SOCIETY & THE ALT-SEX COMMUNITY

GENDER

Destroy the patriarchy.
- Nonbinary, White,
Heterosexual, 36-50yrs

Understand that women, even
slave/bottom/submissive identified
can be abusive- Man, Other race,
Bisexual, 36-50 yrs

Change toxic masculinity
- Woman, White,
Pansexual, 25-35 yrs

EDUCATION & POLICY

CONSENT

TALK OPENLY about sexual assault. Teach adolescents/ teenagers to have agency (especially women/ girls) and to own their own sexuality. THEY own their own bodies and their own sexuality. Teach adolescents/teenagers, ALL GENDERS, what assault is and that it is OK to say "NO" AND HAVE "NO" RESPECTED! - Man, Black, Gay, 51-69 yrs

There needs to be more conversations about soft no's. - Woman, Bisexual, Other race, 25-35yrs

BDSM SPECIFIC

Education about safe practices and restricting substances that may impair sobriety - Woman, Pansexual, White, 19-24 yrs

Open dialogue regarding "leaders " in the community- Woman, Bisexual, White, 36-50 yrs

Shifting the importance away from having a "perfect record" and giving ourselves more freedom to talk about minor consent issues/miscommunications so people who want the opportunity can improve can do so and those not willing to make the effort are seen. Vilification is a problem but so is bad behavior getting swept under the rug.- Woman, Pansexual, White, 25-35yrs

Consistent, enforceable policies that centre the safety and well-being of marginalized people. Clear policies on what your organization thinks consent is. Clear expectations for community members on behaviour before and after a problem. Community education around what accountability looks like. Community support for sexual shame and sexual violence. Requirements that community organizers continue to self-improve and learn about current consent practices. - Nonbinary, White, Other sexual identity, 25-35yrs

RECOMMENDED STEPS FOR SOCIETY & THE ALT-SEX COMMUNITY - CONT'D

LEGAL & SERVICES

If something is truly predatory and intentional, law enforcement should be involved. - Woman, White, Pansexual, 36-50yrs

Make the process of reporting and prosecuting as stress and painless for the victim as possible. - Woman, White, Lesbian, 36-50yrs

While it's important to not punish someone before they're found guilty of rape, there needs to be at least one court appointed advocate at any sexual assault or rape case, for the victim, whose job it is simply "to believe them." Too often, there's no one to believe the victim. - Woman, White, Other sexual orientation, 36-50yrs

The fact that this community has to self regulate, as many of the activities we perform are not acceptable to society helps protect the actual consent violators while at the same time doing nothing to prevent false accusations. Making all consensual activities legal would be a strong step in the direction of making the entire scene safer - Man, Latinx, Pansexual, 36-50yrs

The police detectives who interviewed me were so ignorant of our community that I spent more time answering questions about a stupid movie than about what actually happened. - Woman, Native American, Heteroflexible, 25-35yrs

The ability for people who have been assaulted while doing something illegal to be able to confess without being charged. - Woman, White, Pansexual, 25-35yrs

Decriminalizing sex work, and making non-judgmental therapy more accessible. - Woman, White, Other sexual orientation 25-35yrs

SURVIVOR ADVOCACY

People in society need to learn how to react to disclosure of abuse. So many times I've encountered people who avoid asking because they're unsure of their role after disclosure. -Woman, White, Heteroflexible, 25-35yrs

Never demand a trauma performance to validate the harm - Woman, Black, Bisexual, 36-50yrs

APPLICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONALS AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS

Based on these results, professionals should not assume alt-sex activities (kink/BDSM/leather/fetish and consensual non-monogamy) are riskier than typical sexual interactions. In fact, within an alt-sex context, respondents experienced nonconsensual kink/BDSM activities (e.g., spanking, bondage) less frequently than nonconsensual sexual contact (e.g., touching the breasts or genitals, oral sex and penetration). This may be due to the solicitation of respondents from among community educational and social groups, which regularly provide training on informed consent for alt-sex activities (e.g. the ability to discuss risk, limits, the behaviors that are desired). Therefore, it is recommended that any type of professional who comes into contact with alt-sex practitioners consider providing consent education that adheres to standards set by alt-sex educational groups.

In addition, when comparing what alt-sex practitioners like to do vs. what was done nonconsensually to them, the results indicate that bondage and spanking are liked by +90%, yet less than 10% of the reported consent violations involved bondage and spanking. The most prevalent consent violations include penetration in the vagina or anus, and touching the genitals and breasts. This indicates that, like the mainstream, the alt-sex communities have more issues with sexual assault rather than with nonconsensual BDSM activities, and therefore alt-sex practitioners should be advised to take special care to negotiate sexual contact as well as BDSM activities.

Professionals should also be attuned to the issues specific to certain members of this population. For instance, practitioners who identify as pansexual have twice the risk of nonconsensual experiences compared to those who identify as heterosexual. In addition, genderqueer, nonbinary gender and transgender persons are at higher risk for nonconsensual experiences compared to cis-gendered men and women (See Table 10). However, it must be noted that all genders and orientations reported nonconsensual experiences, and all were reported as perpetrators of nonconsensual experiences. Therefore, it is recommended that professionals take into account the intersections of gender and orientation when dealing with violence within alt-sex communities.

The results presented above can be utilized for education through outreach and training. Example recommendations are provided as follows: 1) Law enforcement and judicial; 2) Health professionals and victim advocacy; 3) Lay public (non-practitioners); 4) Alt-sex practitioners.

APPLICATIONS CONTINUED

Law Enforcement and Judicial

- 1) Lawmakers can legally recognize that the determinant between kink/BDSM behavior and violence is consent that is given in advance verbally or in writing for each individual activity (including genital touching, oral sex and penetration) and that the activities don't involve serious injury. Practitioners must also have prior agreement as to how the activities can be stopped at any time. For more specific directions, see NCSF's Consent Counts.
- 2) Law enforcement may need training to understand that alt-sex practitioners can consent to certain acts and not others, and that consent to kink/BDSM activities is not an invitation for sexual assault or for causing serious injury. While it is mistaken to conduct legal investigations based on stereotypes, it is equally mistaken to not investigate when practitioners report that certain act(s) during their alt-sex encounter were nonconsensual or when serious injury is caused. Historically, in the alt-sex communities, people consent to specific activities rather than give blanket consent.
- 3) Ideally, if kink-related cases proceed to court, attorneys and prosecutors can educate the judge or jury on the availability of a defense of prior consent in alt-sex behavior, which means prior consent must be shown to have been given verbally or in writing for each individual activity (including genital touching, oral sex and penetration), and the activities don't involve serious injury.

Health Professionals and Victim Advocacy

- 1) Professional best practices suggest providing advice on consent and negotiation for alt-sex practitioners, as many have not accessed community educational groups and therefore may not have an understanding of informed consent. For more specific directions, see NCSF's Consent Counts project.
- 2) Because kink/BDSM activities can result in physical marks (e.g., bruises, cuts) observable to others, such may attract attention from various professionals in their desire to assist. However, after the origin is explained and consent is discussed, professionals should remain focused on the practitioner's presenting concerns, as opposed to the alt-sex practice and/or its results, short of serious injury. For more specific directions, see the Kink Clinical Guidelines.
- 3) Professionals should be aware that alt-sex practitioners maintain a high level of privacy around their behaviors due to the prevalence of stigma and discrimination, and therefore clients may need to hear certain words or phrases that indicate awareness and understanding of alt-sex before they feel comfortable disclosing their alt-sex activities and nonconsensual incidents. For more specific directions, see NCSF's BDSM Glossary and Resources.
- 4) Professionals should be aware that older alt-sex practitioners scored significantly lower in resilience, which indicates that lowered resiliency may be a contributing factor to distress caused by consent incidents for older members of the alt-sex communities. Resiliency training may be indicated for older members of the alt-sex communities.

APPLICATIONS CONTINUED

Lay Public (Non-Practitioners)

1) In order to reduce social stigma and promote public awareness of consent, those employed by media may aid in correcting misrepresentations that foster stereotypes of alt-sex practitioners. For example, debunking kink as violence can be addressed by journalists, screenwriters, authors, etc. For more specific directions, see NCSF's Media Outreach Project.

2) If someone's alt-sex status becomes known intentionally or unintentionally, any non-practitioner, such as family, friends or coworkers, should focus on ensuring that the need for prior consent is understood and practiced rather than stigmatizing specific alt-sex activities. If confused, individuals can acknowledge their uncertainty and ask for guidance from the individual involved or community resources. For more specific directions, see NCSF's Consent Counts project.

3) The results indicate a significant majority of practitioners are not out to family and co-workers about their alt-sex and non-monogamous behavior. Because of the social stigma involved, privacy and the risks of "outing" are especially important in alt-sex contexts. Many conventional assumptions about identity, integrity and personal boundaries must be understood differently in alt-sex contexts. For more specific directions, see the Kink Clinical Guidelines.

Alt-Sex Practitioners

1) Community groups and events should continue to promote ongoing discussions of consent philosophies (e.g., 'Safe, Sane, Consensual', 'Risk Aware Consensual Kink') and train members in prior consent and negotiation through repeated practice, and modeling consent behavior in social settings. By educating about the legal and ethical issues involved in consent, the health of practitioners and the community itself will be upheld. For more Direction, see NCSF's Guides for Groups.

2) If applicable and interested, practitioners who have had non-consensual experiences should seek professional assistance in order to cope with trauma associated with sexual assault and assault (e.g., common reactions to trauma are depression/anxiety, uncontrollable thoughts, flashbacks/nightmares). For a list of professionals who may provide kink-aware services, see NCSF's Kink and Polyamory Aware Professionals Directory.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

Additional detailed reports can be generated from the Consent Survey data, expanding and extending the results of this survey. Additional research can also provide more detailed information on alt-sex practitioners' views on consent and their nonconsensual experiences. Examples include:

- 1) A comparison to different samples (e.g., college students, the general population) may clarify how alt-sex practitioners stand in reference to others when it comes to nonconsensual experiences and understanding of consent practices.
- 2) A nuanced examination of the reported nonconsensual experiences can provide a more detailed understanding of risk according to participation in the various alt-sex communities (e.g., swingers, BDSM, fetish), preferences (e.g., bondage, spanking, oral sex), roles (tops, bottoms), partnership status, time spent participating in alt-sex groups, and intersectional populations.
- 3) Studies can also continue to explore the experiences of alt-sex practitioners and resilience through a comparison to other non-risk-averse populations (e.g. sky divers and rock climbers).

TABLE 2

Table 2: Resilience Scores by Demographic Categories

	n (%)	M (Std. Deviation)	Test statistic (df)¹
Gender			21.06 (5)***
Woman	1539	16.16 (5.08)	
Man	880	14.48 (4.84)	
Genderqueer	92	17.53 (5.41)	
Trans	65	17.03 (5.01)	
NB ²	145	17.65 (5.26)	
Sexual Orientation			7.50 (7)***
Asexual	80	17.40 (5.47)	
Bisexual	660	16.19 (5.15)	
Gay	82	14.60 (4.46)	
Lesbian	66	16.20 (4.51)	
Heterosexual	757	15.04 (5.15)	
Heteroflexible	412	15.21 (4.93)	
Pansexual	571	16.57 (5.17)	
Race			1.06 (5)
American Indian/Alaska Native	29	16.48 (5.99)	
Asian/Native Haw/Other PI	61	17.08 (5.84)	
Black/African American	66	15.61 (5.01)	
Latinx/Hispanic	90	15.32 (5.35)	
White/Caucasian	2401	15.76 (5.13)	
Age			25.69 (5)***
<19	44	18.66 (5.39)	
19-24	309	17.72 (5.10)	
25-35	851	16.33 (5.10)	
36-50	1046	15.46 (5.13)	
51-69	502	14.29 (4.64)	
70+	47	13.60 (4.49)	
Live in the U.S.			4.43 (2792)***
Yes	2243	15.57 (5.11)	
No	551	16.65 (5.09)	

¹* $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$

²NB: Non-binary gender

TABLE 3

Table 3: Subgroup Comparisons of Resilience Scores by Demographic Categories

Demographic Variable	Means (SD)	Cohen's <i>d</i>
Gender		a0.34, b0.39, c0.52, d0.63, e0.39, f0.29
Man	14.48 _{abcde} (4.84)	
Woman	16.16 _{af} (5.08)	
Gender queer	17.53 _b (5.42)	
Trans	17.03 _c (5.01)	
Nonbinary	17.65 _{df} (5.27)	
Other	16.47 _e (5.27)	
Sexual Orientation		a0.23, b0.44, c0.16, d0.56, e0.09, f0.13, g0.41, h0.27
Asexual	17.40 _{abcd} (5.47)	
Bisexual	16.20 _a (5.15)	
Gay	14.60 _{defg} (4.46)	
Lesbian	16.20 (4.51)	
Heterosexual	15.04 _{be} (5.15)	
Heteroflexible	15.21 _{fh} (4.93)	
Pansexual	16.57 _{cgh} (5.17)	
Other	15.86 (4.91)	
Race		--
American Indian/Alaska Native	16.48 (5.99)	
Asian/Native Hawaiian/Other PI	17.08 (5.84)	
Black/African American	15.61 (5.01)	
Latinx/Hispanic	15.32 (5.35)	
White/Caucasian	15.76 (5.13)	
Other	15.85 (4.46)	
Age		a0.18, b0.45, c0.61, d0.87, e1.02, f0.24, g0.39, h0.44, i0.70, j0.86
<19	18.66 _{abcde} (5.39)	
19-24	17.72 _{ahij} (5.10)	
25-35	16.33 _b (5.06)	
36-50	15.46 _{cgh} (5.13)	
51-69	14.29 _{dhi} (4.64)	
70+	13.60 _{egj} (4.49)	
Live in U.S		--
Yes	15.57 (5.11)	
No	16.65 (5.09)	

Note: Subgroup categories with matching subscripts are significantly different. Where only one subscript is present, that subgroup category differs from all others.

TABLE 4

Table 4: Reported comfort speaking about consensual non-monogamy relations by demographic categories.

	Partner (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (df) ²	Friends (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (df) ²	Alt Sex Members (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (df) ²	Family member (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (df) ²	Coworkers (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (df) ²	None of these (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (df) ²
Gender		15.12 (5)*		44.03 (5)***		17.79 (5)**		24.82 (5)***		25.08 (5)***		14.78 (5)*
Woman	1204 (73.6)		1101 (67.3)		1044 (63.9)		366 (22.4)		266 (16.3)		14 (0.9)	
Man	729 (76.3)		594 (62.2)		647 (67.7)		158 (16.5)		108 (11.3)		21 (2.2)	
Gender queer	79 (80.6)		78 (79.6)		75 (76.5)		27 (27.6)		22 (22.4)		2 (2.0)	
Trans	53 (77.9)		49 (72.1)		48 (70.6)		18 (26.5)		8 (11.8)		3 (4.4)	
NB ³	131 (82.4)		128 (80.5)		116 (73.0)		39 (24.5)		32 (20.1)		1 (0.6)	
Sexual Orientation		77.38 (7)***		154.24 (7)***		76.60 (7)***		103.53 (7)***		76.63 (7)***		27.07 (7)***
Asexual	59 (67.8)		51 (58.6)		52 (59.8)		9 (10.3)		11 (12.6)		3 (3.4)	
Bisexual	556 (78.1)		482 (67.7)		474 (66.6)		173 (24.3)		120 (16.9)		5 (0.7)	
Gay	73 (83.9)		74 (85.1)		63 (72.4)		13 (14.9)		16 (18.4)		0 (0.0)	
Lesbian	50 (73.5)		47 (69.1)		43 (63.2)		9 (13.2)		11 (16.2)		1 (1.5)	
Heterosexual	537 (65.7)		440 (53.9)		461 (56.4)		103 (12.6)		59 (7.2)		24 (2.9)	
Heteroflexible	340 (77.1)		289 (65.5)		299 (67.8)		81 (18.4)		62 (14.1)		1 (0.2)	
Pansexual	505 (83.3)		490 (80.9)		469 (77.4)		188 (31.0)		130 (21.5)		6 (1.0)	
Race		3.52 (5)		8.32 (5)		4.60 (5)		9.59 (5)		9.85 (5)		10.80 (5)
American	26 (86.7)		19 (63.3)		23 (76.7)		8 (26.7)		10 (33.3)		0 (0.0)	
Indian/Alaska Native												
Asian/Native Haw/Other PI	48 (71.6)		40 (59.7)		43 (64.2)		7 (10.4)		10 (14.9)		1 (1.5)	
Black/African American	50 (72.5)		53 (76.8)		45 (65.2)		16 (23.2)		10 (14.5)		3 (4.3)	
Latinx/ Hispanic	77 (77.8)		74 (74.7)		60 (60.6)		19 (19.2)		20 (20.2)		4 (4.0)	
White/ Caucasian	1945 (75.6)		1723 (67.0)		1712 (66.5)		539 (20.9)		382 (14.8)		32 (1.2)	
Age		104.75 (5)***		78.89 (5)***		93.88 (5)***		16.82 (5)**		38.81 (5)***		36.58 (5)***
<19	19 (34.5)		18 (32.7)		13 (23.6)		6 (10.9)		2 (3.6)		5 (9.1)	
19-24	208 (63.2)		187 (56.8)		171 (52.0)		49 (14.9)		30 (9.1)		1 (0.3)	
25-35	707 (76.8)		650 (70.7)		614 (66.7)		202 (22.0)		173 (18.8)		5 (0.5)	
36-50	906 (81.1)		816 (73.1)		806 (72.2)		265 (23.7)		190 (17.0)		16 (1.4)	
51-69	401 (75.8)		321 (60.7)		360 (68.1)		105 (19.8)		57 (10.8)		13 (2.5)	
70+	30 (58.8)		32 (62.7)		31 (60.8)		9 (17.6)		3 (5.9)		1 (2.0)	
Live in the U.S.		25.01 (1)***		29.04 (1)***		26.0 (1)***		6.70 (1)*		6.43 (1)*		0.01 (1)
Yes	1860 (77.6)		1670 (69.7)		1645 (68.7)		531 (22.2)		383 (16.0)		33 (1.4)	
No	407 (67.8)		349 (58.2)		346 (57.7)		104 (17.3)		71 (11.8)		8 (1.3)	

¹Percentages reflect within demographic subcategory reporting comfort in speaking to person categories

²* $p<0.05$; ** $p<0.01$; *** $p<0.001$

³ NB: Non-binary gender

TABLE 5

Table 5: Comfort speaking about Kink/BDSM/Leather/Fetish activities by demographic categories.

	Partner (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (df) ²	Friends (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (df) ²	Alt Sex Members (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (df) ²	Family member (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (df) ²	Coworkers (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (df) ²	None of these (n[%]) ¹	χ ² (5) ²
Gender		16.94 (5)**		62.98 (5)***		4.72 (5)		14.82 (5)*		6.49 (5)		8.22 (5)
Woman	1470 (89.9)		1215 (74.3)		1205 (73.7)		228 (13.9)		164 (10.0)		19 (1.2)	
Man	815 (85.3)		580 (60.7)		701 (73.4)		100 (10.5)		87 (9.1)		17 (1.8)	
Gender queer	80 (81.6)		70 (71.4)		79 (80.6)		17 (17.3)		8 (8.2)		2 (2.0)	
Trans	60 (88.2)		48 (70.6)		53 (77.9)		10 (14.7)		4 (5.9)		3 (4.4)	
NB ³	144 (90.6)		126 (79.2)		123 (77.4)		16 (10.1)		9 (5.7)		1 (0.6)	
Sexual Orientation		26.21 (7)***		102.36 (7)***		49.54 (7)***		39.92 (7)***		23.19 (7)**		23.24 (7)**
Asexual	70 (80.5)		61 (70.1)		66 (75.9)		8 (9.2)		7 (8.0)		1 (1.1)	
Bisexual	634 (89.0)		499 (70.1)		522 (73.3)		92 (12.9)		68 (9.6)		6 (0.8)	
Gay	77 (88.5)		71 (81.6)		69 (79.3)		15 (17.2)		12 (13.8)		1 (1.1)	
Lesbian	60 (88.2)		53 (77.9)		46 (67.6)		6 (8.8)		6 (8.8)		0 (0.0)	
Lesbian	689 (84.3)		481 (58.9)		548 (67.1)		77 (9.4)		49 (6.0)		24 (2.9)	
Heterosexual	395 (89.6)		304 (68.9)		332 (75.3)		44 (10.0)		43 (9.8)		0 (0.0)	
Heteroflexible	554 (91.4)		492 (81.2)		501 (82.7)		118 (19.5)		79 (13.0)		7 (1.2)	
Pansexual		7.74 (5)		5.59 (5)		12.63 (5)*		7.16 (5)		9.50 (5)		16.42 (5)
Race												
American	29 (96.7)		21 (70.0)		25 (83.3)		7 (23.3)		4 (13.3)		0 (0.0)	
Indian/Alaska Native												
Asian/Native	58 (86.6)		48 (71.6)		43 (64.2)		5 (7.5)		2 (3.0)		2 (3.0)	
Haw/Other PI												
Black/African	55 (79.7)		52 (75.4)		46 (66.7)		12 (17.4)		11 (15.9)		3 (4.3)	
American	89 (89.9)		77 (77.8)		64 (64.6)		12 (12.1)		11 (11.1)		5 (5.1)	
Latinx/												
Hispanic	2276 (88.5)		1789 (69.5)		1928 (74.9)		322 (12.5)		234 (9.1)		30 (1.2)	
White/												
Caucasian												
Age		49.46 (5)***		22.17 (5)***		45.41 (5)***		12.10 (5)*		11.89 (5)*		38.72 (5)***
<19	42 (76.4)		38 (69.1)		22 (40.0)		4 (7.3)		2 (3.6)		6 (10.9)	
19-24	298 (90.6)		237 (72.0)		224 (68.1)		27 (8.2)		19 (5.8)		3 (0.9)	
25-35	847 (92.1)		676 (73.5)		697 (75.8)		113 (12.3)		101 (11.0)		11 (1.2)	
36-50	982 (87.9)		794 (71.1)		846 (75.7)		156 (14.0)		110 (9.8)		17 (1.5)	
51-69	441 (83.4)		333 (62.9)		404 (76.4)		80 (15.1)		50 (9.5)		4 (0.8)	
70+	36 (70.6)		30 (58.8)		34 (66.7)		8 (15.7)		2 (3.9)		1 (2.0)	
Live in the U.S.		0.65 (1)		18.37 (1)***		16.06 (1)***		5.68 (1)*		12.53 (1)***		1.94 (1)
Yes	2117 (88.4)		1724 (72.0)		1817 (75.8)		327 (13.6)		249 (10.4)		30 (1.3)	
No	523 (87.2)		378 (63.0)		407 (67.8)		60 (10.0)		34 (5.7)		12 (2.0)	

¹Percentages reflect within demographic subcategory reporting comfort in speaking to person categories

²*p<0.05; **p<0.01; ***p<0.001

³NB: Non-binary gender

TABLE 6

Table 6: Experienced Sexual Assault as a Minor (under 18) by demographic categories

	Yes (n [%])	No (n [%])	χ^2 (df) ¹
Total	34.3		
Gender			257.36 (5)***
Woman	777 (50.2)	771 (49.8)	
Man	163 (18.5)	720 (81.5)	
Genderqueer	40 (44.0)	51 (56.0)	
Trans	28 (43.1)	37 (56.9)	
NB ²	72 (49.7)	73 (50.3)	
Sexual Orientation			142.46 (7)***
Asexual	34 (42.0)	47 (58.0)	
Bisexual	325 (48.9)	339 (51.1)	
Gay	22 (26.5)	61 (73.5)	
Lesbian	29 (43.9)	37 (56.1)	
Heterosexual	187 (24.7)	570 (75.3)	
Heteroflexible	151 (36.5)	263 (63.5)	
Pansexual	298 (51.8)	277 (48.2)	
Race			9.68 (5)
American Indian/Alaska Native	17 (58.6)	12 (41.4)	
Asian/Native Haw/Other PI	24 (39.3)	37 (60.7)	
Black/African American	33 (50.8)	32 (49.2)	
Latinx/Hispanic	35 (38.0)	57 (62.0)	
White/Caucasian	945 (39.2)	1465 (60.8)	
Age			21.19 (5)**
<19	22 (48.9)	23 (51.1)	
19-24	131 (42.3)	179 (57.7)	
25-35	335 (39.3)	518 (60.7)	
36-50	457 (43.5)	594 (56.5)	
51-69	171 (33.9)	333 (66.1)	
70+	11 (22.9)	37 (77.1)	
Live in the U.S.			3.86 (1)*
Yes	922 (41.0)	1329 (59.0)	
No	202 (36.4)	353 (63.6)	

¹* $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$

²NB: Non-binary gender

TABLE 7

Table 7: Was touched without permission in a public place (outside of Alt-Sex context) by demographic categories

	Yes (n [%])	No (n [%])	χ^2 (df) ¹
Total	57.5		
Gender			264.13 (5)***
Woman	1199 (77.9)	314 (22.1)	
Man	410 (46.8)	467 (53.2)	
Genderqueer	72 (78.3)	20 (21.7)	
Trans	38 (59.4)	26 (40.6)	
NB ¹	113 (78.5)	31 (21.5)	
Sexual Orientation			164.13 (7)***
Asexual	50 (61.7)	31 (38.3)	
Bisexual	478 (72.1)	185 (27.9)	
Gay	54 (65.1)	29 (34.9)	
Lesbian	48 (72.7)	18 (27.3)	
Heterosexual	387 (51.7)	361 (48.3)	
Heteroflexible	268 (64.9)	145 (35.1)	
Pansexual	471 (82.2)	102 (17.8)	
Race			9.27 (5)
American Indian/Alaska Native	20 (69.0)	9 (31.0)	
Asian/Native Haw/Other PI	40 (65.6)	21 (34.4)	
Black/African American	36 (55.4)	29 (44.6)	
Latinx/Hispanic	69 (75.8)	22 (24.2)	
White/Caucasian	1611 (67.2)	785 (32.8)	
Age			54.80 (5)***
<19	30 (66.7)	15 (33.3)	
19-24	185 (60.1)	123 (39.9)	
25-35	611 (72.0)	238 (28.0)	
36-50	743 (71.0)	304 (29.0)	
51-69	304 (61.0)	194 (39.0)	
70+	17 (34.7)	32 (65.3)	
Live in the U.S.			0.0 (1)
Yes	1516 (67.6)	726 (32.4)	
No	372 (67.8)	177 (32.2)	

¹* $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$

² NB: Non-binary gender

TABLE 8

Table 8: Experienced sexual assaulted as an adult (outside of Alt-Sex context) by demographic categories

	Yes (n [%])	No (n [%])	χ^2 (df) ¹
Total	33.6		
Gender			344.46 (5)***
Woman	783 (51.3)	744 (48.7)	
Man	127 (14.7)	737 (85.3)	
Genderqueer	43 (47.3)	48 (52.7)	
Trans	27 (42.9)	36 (57.1)	
NB ²	86 (60.6)	56 (39.4)	
Sexual Orientation			149.15 (7)***
Asexual	34 (42.5)	46 (57.5)	
Bisexual	322 (49.0)	335 (51.0)	
Gay	27 (33.3)	54 (66.7)	
Lesbian	28 (43.1)	37 (56.9)	
Heterosexual	178 (24.1)	560 (75.9)	
Heteroflexible	141 (34.3)	270 (65.7)	
Pansexual	289 (51.2)	275 (48.8)	
Race			6.42 (5)
American Indian/Alaska Native	16 (55.2)	13 (44.8)	
Asian/Native Haw/Other PI	19 (32.2)	40 (67.8)	
Black/African American	22 (34.9)	41 (65.1)	
Latinx/Hispanic	39 (42.9)	52 (57.1)	
White/Caucasian	942 (39.7)	1428 (60.3)	
Age			85.22 (5)***
<19	5 (11.9)	37 (88.1)	
19-24	109 (35.7)	196 (64.3)	
25-35	416 (49.2)	429 (50.8)	
36-50	427 (41.3)	607 (58.7)	
51-69	146 (29.7)	345 (70.3)	
70+	5 (10.6)	42 (89.4)	
Live in the U.S.			2.01 (1)
Yes	902 (40.7)	1316 (59.3)	
No	202 (37.3)	339 (62.7)	

¹* $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$

² NB: Non-binary gender

TABLE 9

Table 9: Nonconsensual touch (receive and give) in Alt-Sex context by demographic categories

	Yes I've been touched (n [%])	No, I have not been touched (n [%])	χ^2 (df) ¹	Yes I've touched others (n [%])	No I have not touched others (n [%])	χ^2 (df) ¹
Total	23.9			7.8		
Gender			22.84 (5)***			2.69 (5)
Woman	453 (30.6)	1027 (69.4)		146 (9.9)	1323 (90.1)	
Man	206 (24.0)	651 (76.0)		75 (8.8)	777 (91.2)	
Genderqueer	36 (41.4)	51 (58.6)		9 (10.2)	79 (89.8)	
Trans	18 (30.0)	42 (70.0)		5 (8.3)	55 (91.7)	
NB ²	50 (36.8)	86 (63.2)		12 (8.9)	123 (91.1)	
Sexual Orientation			71.96 (7)***			25.41 (7)**
Asexual	24 (30.0)	56 (70.0)		13 (16.5)	66 (83.5)	
Bisexual	164 (25.9)	470 (74.1)		55 (8.7)	575 (91.3)	
Gay	37 (47.4)	41 (52.6)		17 (22.1)	60 (77.9)	
Lesbian	12 (18.5)	53 (81.5)		4 (6.2)	61 (93.8)	
Heterosexual	163 (22.2)	570 (77.8)		54 (7.4)	676 (92.6)	
Heteroflexible	113 (28.0)	291 (72.0)		41 (10.2)	361 (89.8)	
Pansexual	204 (37.8)	335 (62.2)		60 (11.2)	476 (88.8)	
Race			9.30 (5)			4.04 (5)
American Indian/Alaska Native	11 (40.7)	16 (59.3)		5 (18.5)	22 (81.5)	
Asian/Native Haw/Other PI	17 (29.3)	41 (70.7)		3 (5.2)	55 (94.8)	
Black/African American	12 (19.7)	49 (80.3)		5 (8.2)	56 (91.8)	
Latinx/Hispanic	19 (21.8)	68 (78.2)		8 (9.2)	79 (90.8)	
White/Caucasian	673 (29.1)	1642 (70.9)		219 (9.5)	2080 (90.5)	
Age			61.56 (5)***			50.25 (5)***
<19	1 (2.5)	39 (97.5)		3 (7.5)	37 (92.5)	
19-24	41 (14.0)	252 (86.0)		5 (1.7)	286 (98.3)	
25-35	227 (27.9)	587 (72.1)		61 (7.5)	750 (92.5)	
36-50	340 (33.6)	673 (66.4)		119 (11.8)	888 (88.2)	
51-69	159 (32.6)	328 (67.4)		57 (11.8)	426 (88.2)	
70+	19 (38.8)	30 (61.2)		13 (27.1)	35 (72.9)	
Live in the U.S.			0.0 (1)			6.08 (1)*
Yes	632 (29.2)	1536 (70.8)		222 (10.3)	1934 (89.7)	
No	153 (29.3)	370 (70.7)		35 (6.7)	484 (93.3)	

¹* $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$

² NB: Non-binary gender

TABLE 10

Table 10: Nonconsensual experience in Alt-Sex context and resulting injury by demographic category

	Yes my consent was violated (n [%])	No my consent was not violated (n [%])	χ^2 (df) ¹	Yes I was injured in recent violation (n [%])	No I was not injured in the recent violation (n [%])	χ^2 (df) ¹
Total	25.5			3.9		
Gender			121.72 (5)***			8.25 (5)
Woman	515 (35.0)	956 (65.0)		86 (18.1)	388 (81.9)	
Man	154 (18.1)	697 (81.9)		18 (13.2)	118 (86.8)	
Gender queer	42 (47.7)	46 (52.3)		11 (28.2)	28 (71.8)	
Trans	24 (40.0)	36 (60.0)		4 (19.0)	17 (81.0)	
NB ¹	64 (47.1)	72 (52.9)		7 (11.1)	56 (88.9)	
Sexual Orientation			93.77 (7)***			3.54 (7)
Asexual	27 (33.8)	53 (66.3)		5 (19.2)	21 (80.8)	
Bisexual	184 (29.3)	445 (70.7)		32 (19.5)	132 (80.5)	
Gay	23 (30.3)	53 (69.7)		3 (12.5)	21 (87.5)	
Lesbian	17 (26.2)	48 (73.8)		1 (6.3)	15 (93.8)	
Heterosexual	156 (21.4)	574 (78.6)		21 (14.7)	122 (85.3)	
Heteroflexible	119 (29.7)	282 (70.3)		18 (16.7)	90 (83.3)	
Pansexual	239 (44.3)	301 (55.7)		37 (16.7)	184 (83.3)	
Race			13.21 (5)*			10.39 (5)
American Indian/Alaska Native	15 (55.6)	12 (44.4)		2 (15.4)	11 (84.6)	
Asian/Native Haw/Other PI	23 (39.7)	35 (60.3)		3 (13.6)	19 (86.4)	
Black/African American	15 (24.6)	46 (75.4)		1 (6.7)	14 (93.3)	
Latinx/Hispanic	24 (27.6)	63 (72.4)		1 (4.8)	20 (95.2)	
White/Caucasian	704 (30.6)	1598 (69.4)		108 (16.8)	533 (83.2)	
Age			13.38 (5)*			6.32 (5)
<19	13 (31.7)	28 (68.3)		2 (16.7)	10 (83.3)	
19-24	90 (30.9)	201 (69.1)		18 (22.0)	64 (78.0)	
25-35	276 (34.0)	536 (66.0)		35 (13.9)	216 (86.1)	
36-50	322 (32.0)	685 (68.0)		58 (19.5)	240 (80.5)	
51-69	131 (27.2)	351 (72.8)		17 (14.5)	100 (85.5)	
70+	7 (14.3)	42 (85.7)		0 (0.0)	7 (100.0)	
Live in the U.S.			1.65 (1)			0.0 (1)
Yes	664 (30.7)	1496 (69.3)		103 (16.9)	505 (83.1)	
No	174 (33.7)	343 (66.3)		27 (17.1)	131 (82.9)	

¹* $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$

²NB: Non-binary gender

TABLE 11

Table 11: False accusation of nonconsensual touch in Alt-Sex context by demographic categories

	Yes (n [%])	No (n [%])	χ^2 (df) ¹
Total	4.4		
Gender			37.57 (5)***
Woman	24 (1.6)	1447 (98.4)	
Man	53 (6.2)	800 (93.8)	
Genderqueer	2 (2.3)	86 (97.7)	
Trans	1 (1.7)	59 (98.3)	
NB ²	7 (5.1)	129 (94.9)	
Sexual Orientation			23.77 (7)
Asexual	4 (5.0)	76 (95.0)	
Bisexual	8 (1.3)	622 (98.7)	
Gay	1 (1.3)	76 (98.7)	
Lesbian	0 (0.0)	65 (100.0)	
Heterosexual	40 (5.5)	691 (94.5)	
Heteroflexible	12 (3.0)	390 (97.0)	
Pansexual	18 (3.3)	521 (96.7)	
Race			1.50 (5)
American Indian/Alaska Native	2 (7.4)	25 (92.6)	
Asian/Native Haw/Other PI	2 (3.4)	56 (96.6)	
Black/African American	2 (3.3)	59 (96.7)	
Latinx/Hispanic	3 (3.4)	84 (96.6)	
White/Caucasian	74 (3.2)	2230 (96.8)	
Age			25.03 (5)
<19	1 (2.5)	39 (97.5)	
19-24	3 (1.0)	289 (99.0)	
25-35	16 (2.0)	796 (98.0)	
36-50	37 (3.7)	972 (96.3)	
51-69	31 (6.4)	451 (93.6)	
70+	3 (6.1)	46 (93.9)	
Live in the U.S.			4.27 (1)
Yes	81 (3.8)	2078 (96.2)	
No	10 (1.9)	510 (98.1)	

¹* $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$

²NB: Non-binary gender