

# Men's Attitudes and Behaviours Toward Violence Against Women

The White Ribbon Campaign conducted an Ontario-wide survey with 1,064 men, 18 years of age and over in May 2012. Here is a sample of the results. Visit [www.whiteribbon.ca](http://www.whiteribbon.ca) for more information.



94%

believe violence against women and girls is a concern to them

87%

think violence against women and girls affects all women including the women in their life

96%

agree that domestic violence can happen in any family, regardless of cultural background or economic situation

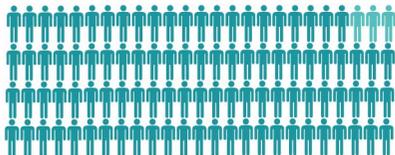


79%

disagree that domestic violence is a private matter to be handled in the family

97%

agree that "men can personally make a difference in promoting healthy, respectful, non-violent relationships"



91%

would likely intervene if they knew someone in a violent relationship

The majority of men (56%) in Ontario think that men and boys are more aware about violence against women today than they were 5 years ago

78%

disagree that women often say "no" when they mean "yes"

NO



89%

disagree that if "a woman wears provocative clothing, she's putting herself at risk for rape"

86% disagree with the statement "when women talk and act sexy, they are inviting rape"

98%

agree that both partners in a relationship are free to say if they don't want sex

97%

believe both partners have the right to initiate sex equally provided there is consent

96%

feel it is important that a woman be as happy as a man in a sexual relationship