Intersectionality: An Essential Lens for Reading Statistics

- Innermost Circle: Unique Circumstances of Power, Privilege and Identity
- Outermost Circle: Largest forces and structures reinforcing exclusion: Colonization, Politics, Globalization, Capitalism, War, Social forces, Historical Forces, Immigration System, Education System, Economy, Legal system.

Note: It is impossible to name every discrimination, identity or structure. These are just examples to help give you a sense of what intersectionality is.

- Women in the NWT and Nunavut are at 9-12X greater risk of experiencing sexual violence than women in other provinces.
- 6 out of 10 Deaf female students experienced at least 1 form of sexual coercion in an intimate relationship.
- Almost 1 in 4 sexual assault victims reporting to medical treatment centres in Ontario were suspected to have been drugged.
- 1 in 5 women living on the street in Toronto were sexually assaulted in the past year.
- About 1 in 4 sexual assaults against younger women in Canada occurred in a vehicle.
- In 86% of the 3,337 completed investigations of sexual in 2013 in the U.S. military, the victim was female. In about 90% of these assaults, the perpetrator was male.
- 1 in 5 LBG individuals in Canada experienced physical/sexual violence in an intimate relationship, with bisexual women reporting this type of violence most often followed by gay men, lesbian women, and bisexual males.