

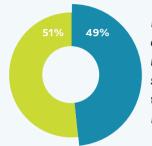
#### A REPORT OF SURVEY FINDINGS

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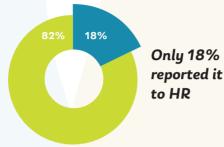
# workplace sexual harassment impacts our Aloha state

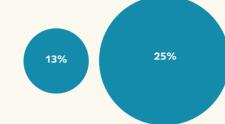
SSWP commissioned this first comprehensive survey of working adults to benchmark workplace sexual harassment in Hawai'i. Data were collected from 607 respondents via two online panels from January 22 – February 19, 2019.

# key findings



Nearly half of survey respondents were sexually harassed while working in Hawaiʻi





Lifelong Hawaiʻi residents half as likely to report than residents here <10 years.

# understanding sexual harassment

Sexual harassment in the workplace can take many forms beyond what is commonly visible on the surface and in public consciousness. A deeper awareness is the first step in prevention.

### sexual coercion

job promise in exchange for sex job threat in exchange for sex forcing a sexual act exposing genitals unwelcome sexual touching threats of harm

### unwanted sexual attention

gender harassment

talking about body parts sexually explicit comments asking sexual questions emailing/texting sexual content taking and/or sharing sexual pictures or videos of you

# who is most at risk?

Every gender, age, ethnicity, education level, geographic, and industry group reported harassment. The highest rates are depicted:

GENDER



men 42%



18-24 49%

EDUCATION



some college 59%



**INDUSTRY** 



other ethnicity 58%



**GEOGRAPHY** 

office or

68%

worksite

Y Respondents from all four counties reported sexual harassment





\*where does it occur?





after-hours

events

phone calls + texts

33%









# perpetrators





# PUBLIC CONSCIOUSNESS

sexist slurs like "Bitch," "Slut," "Cunt," or "Ho"
repeatedly texting or calling
repeatedly asking for a date or phone number
following /stalking
giving inappropriate gifts
whistling, honking
making kissy noises, "Pssst" sounds
leering/staring aggressively
saying things like, 'Hey Baby,' 'Mmmm Sexy,' 'Hey Hottie'

Survey participants responded to all of the above sexual harassment examples. Additional sexually harassing behaviors are:

Giving unwanted "aloha" hugs or kisses

Demeaning comments about gender or gender identity

Spreading sexual rumors or gossip

Telling sexual stories or jokes



## workplace leadership makes a difference

Taking workplace sexual harassment "extremely seriously" correlates with lower rates of harassment

## sexual harassment training makes a difference

Training correlates with lower rates of workplace sexual harassment

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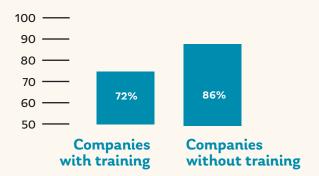
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