

Dating Apps and Sexual Assault -- Julie Valentine

2017-2020 in Utah

- 1,947 acquaintance assaults (victim >14 years)
 - 274 were DappSA (assault during first two hours of first meeting)
 - 1,673 were non-DappSA

DappSA Victim Factors

- Less use of ETOH/drugs
- Increased incidence of mental illness (59.6%)
 - impaired decision making?
- Increased number of males (7.5% with Dapp compared to 3.7% non-Dapp)
 - Grinder – LGBTQ, more likely looking for males
- Increased number of college women

DappSA Assailant Factors

- Ejaculation: 52.7% vs. 33.7%
- Used condom: 15% vs. 8.2%
- Used lubricant: 14.2% vs. 8.5%
- STRANGULATION: 32.4% vs. 21.5%
- Washed victim: 13.8% vs. 8.4%

Suggests preparation for assault

Increased violence!

- Fewer used ETOH: 30.% vs. 40.0%
- Fewer used Drugs: 17.9% vs. 25.9%

Also suggests preparation, not opportunity

Assault Factors

Number of insertive assaults per incident:

- One: 30.2% vs 41.6%
- Two: 33.7% vs. 32.3%
- Three: 25.8% vs. 17.4%
- Four: 8.3% vs. 5.1%
- In car: 14.3% vs. 11.1%
- Home: 72.5% vs. 69.3%
- Outside: 2.9% vs. 5.7%
- Motel, etc.: 10.3% vs. 13.8%

Injuries: 50.2% had ano-genital injuries

- Fossa: 30.7% vs. 19.3%
- PF: 13.6% vs. 7.0%
- L. Majora: 8.6% vs. 4/1%
- Hymen: 6.3% vs. 3.2%
- Perineum: 6.1% vs. 3.2%
- Breast: 23.5% vs. 13.9%

- Lacerations 27.4% vs. 20.2%
- Abrasions: 25.1% vs. 16.8%