



# FY07 REPORT ON SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE MILITARY

SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE OFFICE

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## Sexual Assault Reports - Survey Data

### FY07 DoD Reports of Sexual Assault in the Military

- October 1, 2006 – September 30, 2007
- Unrestricted and Restricted Reports
- Reports made involving military subjects and/or victims

### DMDC 2006 Workplace and Gender Relations Survey of Active Duty Members

- June-September 2006
- Self-reports on “last 12 months”
- Random sample of Active Duty force, weighted to full strength



## Opening Comments

- Section 577 of Public Law (PL) 108-375 requires the Department of Defense (DoD) to submit an annual report on sexual assault in the military
  - Additional reporting requirements are specified by section 596 of PL 109-163 and section 583 of PL 109-364
- Foundation
  - Prevention
  - Response (victim care/offender accountability)
  - System Accountability (oversight)
- Cultural Change
- Program is on Track

## Ongoing Initiatives

- Prevention Strategy expanding from the Sexual Assault Prevention Summit: A Collaborative Strategy for the Military
- Sexual Assault Awareness Month event – the intersection between alcohol and sexual assault
- SARC Conference
- PCAR Military Civilian Collaboration Project
- Military Service Academy Assessments
- Policy Assistance Team site visits
- Data collection and reporting

## FY07 Sexual Assault Reports

- 2007 data collection changes to FY
  - In anticipation of UCMJ changes to sexual assault definitions 10/1/07
  - 10/1/06-12/31/06 reports included in CY06 report and in FY07 report – overlap necessary for transition
  - Because of this, cannot do side-by-side comparison

FY07 – 2688 Total Reports (Service Member subject and/or victim)

➤ Unrestricted Reports: 2085

➤ Restricted Reports: 705

- 102 (14%) changed to Unrestricted – leaving 603 as Restricted

## Unrestricted Reports of Alleged Sexual Assaults

UNRESTRICTED REPORTS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT INVOLVING SERVICE MEMBERS (BY or AGAINST Service Members) IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES FOR FY07 INVESTIGATIONS	Rape	Sodomy (Forcible)	Indecent Assault	Attempts to Commit these Offenses	TOTAL UR FY07
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1259</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2085</b>
# Service Member Victims	868	91	551	1	1511
# Non-Service Member Victims	391	33	150	0	574

- 60% of all reports were alleged rape
- 72% of reports included Service Member victims

## FY07 Restricted Reports

RESTRICTED REPORTS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES	Rape	Sodomy (Forcible)	Indecent Assault	Attempts to Commit These Offenses	Unknown	TOTAL FY07
# Service Member Victims	489	39	125	28	24	705

*Note: Of the total 705 Restricted Reports, 102 were changed to Unrestricted Reports by victim choice.*

- Total of 705 Restricted Reports in FY07
- 102 Restricted Reports changed to Unrestricted
  - 603 remaining Restricted Reports
- 69% of Restricted Reports were alleged rape

## Military Restricted Reporting Cited

Current civilian sector research cites anonymous forensic exams as a benefit of military Restricted Reporting:

- “The vast majority of rape victims never received medical care following the rape incident(s).” (Kilpatrick, 2007)
  - Kilpatrick notes that allowing victims to get anonymous medical care serves an important public health function “by potentially dramatically increasing the numbers of victims receiving preventive health care and thereby reducing longer term health care costs.” He cites the military as a system that allows for anonymous forensic exams.

## Completed FY07 Investigations

INVESTIGATIONS COMPLETED IN FY07 RESULTING FROM REPORTS MADE DURING AND PRIOR TO FY07	REPORTS MADE PRIOR TO FY07	REPORTS MADE DURING FY07	TOTAL FY07
<i>TOTAL INVESTIGATIONS OF UNRESTRICTED REPORTS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT</i>	629	2085	2714
# Investigations <b>Completed</b> as of 30-SEP-07 (involving one or more subject)	<b>611</b>	<b>1344</b>	<b>1955</b>
# Investigations Still <b>Pending</b> as of 30-SEP-07	18	741	759

- 1955 total investigations completed in FY07
  - 1344 investigations from reports made in FY07

## FY07 Subject Dispositions

DISPOSITION OF SUBJECTS FROM INVESTIGATIONS COMPLETED IN FY07 – RESULTING FROM REPORTS MADE DURING AND PRIOR TO FY07	REPORTS MADE PRIOR TO FY07	REPORTS MADE DURING FY07	TOTAL FY07
<i>TOTAL SUBJECTS</i>	743	1469	2212
<b>COMMAND ACTION TAKEN ON SUBJECTS:</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>600</b>
# Courts-martial	78	103	181
# Nonjudicial Punishment	81	120	201
# Other Administrative Actions and Discharges	92	126	218
<b>REASONS COMMANDER COULD NOT TAKE ACTION:</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>702</b>	<b>1040</b>
# Under Civilian Court Action/Foreign Authority Action	41	70	111
# Unidentified Subject; Punitive Action Not Possible	32	100	132
# Unsubstantiated/Unfounded/Insufficient Evidence, etc	265	532	797
<b>SUBJECTS PENDING DISPOSITION AS OF 30-SEP-07</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>572</b>

Note: Bolded column totals add to the total number of subjects: 600 + 1,040 + 572 = 2,212 ; 4 subjects transferred

- Total of 1,172 subjects under commander action in FY07
- 600 total actions completed in FY07
  - 181 total courts-martial in FY07

## Summary

- FY07: first year of Fiscal Year reporting
- Number of reports remains relatively constant
- Culture change takes time
- Programs in place
- Continued outreach and collaboration

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# ***2006 Workplace and Gender Relations Survey of Active Duty Members***

**Overview Briefing**



# SURVEY BACKGROUND

## Purpose and Methodology

### Authority

- Title 10 USC section 481 specifies a quadrennial cycle of surveys—one survey each year of either active duty or Reserve component members on either gender issues or race/ethnic issues
- *2006 Workplace and Gender Relations Survey of Active Duty Members (WGRA2006)* measures:
  - Positive and negative trends for professional relationships between women and men in the military
  - Effectiveness of DoD policies designed to improve relations between women and men in the military
  - Effectiveness of current processes for complaints on and investigations into gender discrimination

### Survey Design

- WGRA2006 was largely modeled on the WGRA2002 and the *1995 Sexual Harassment Survey (SHS1995)* to enable trend analysis
- Topics include personal experiences with sexual harassment, unwanted sexual contact, sex discrimination, details regarding these experiences, personnel policies and practices, training, and assessment of progress in gender-related issues

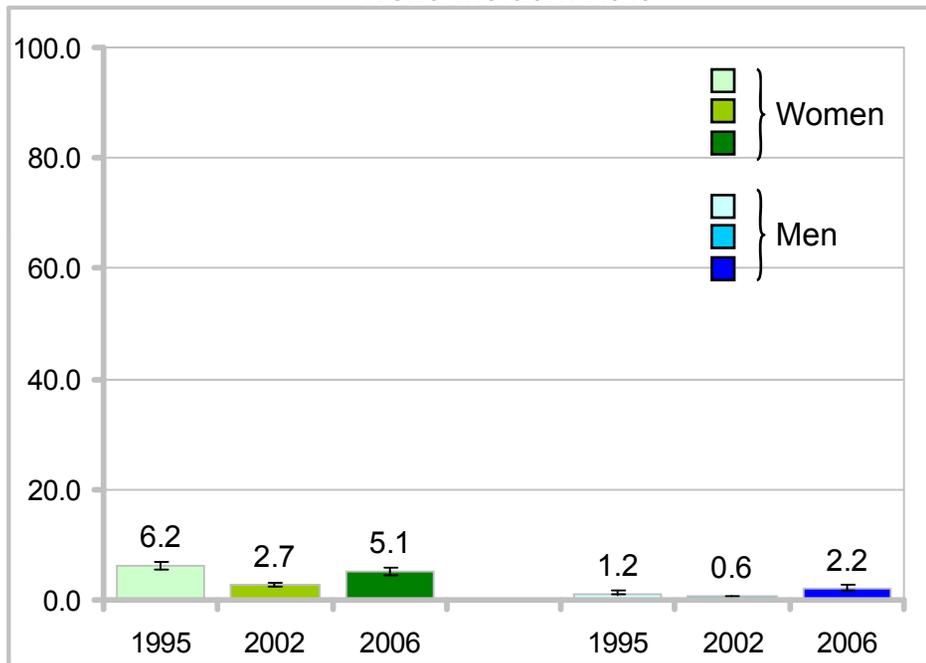
### Methodology

Survey	Field Period	Method	Eligible Respondents	Weighted Response Rate
<i>WGRA2006</i>	June – September 2006	Web & Paper	23,595	30%
<i>WGRA2002</i>	December 2001 – April 2002	Web & Paper	19,960	36%
<i>SHS1995</i>	February – September 1995	Paper	28,296	58%

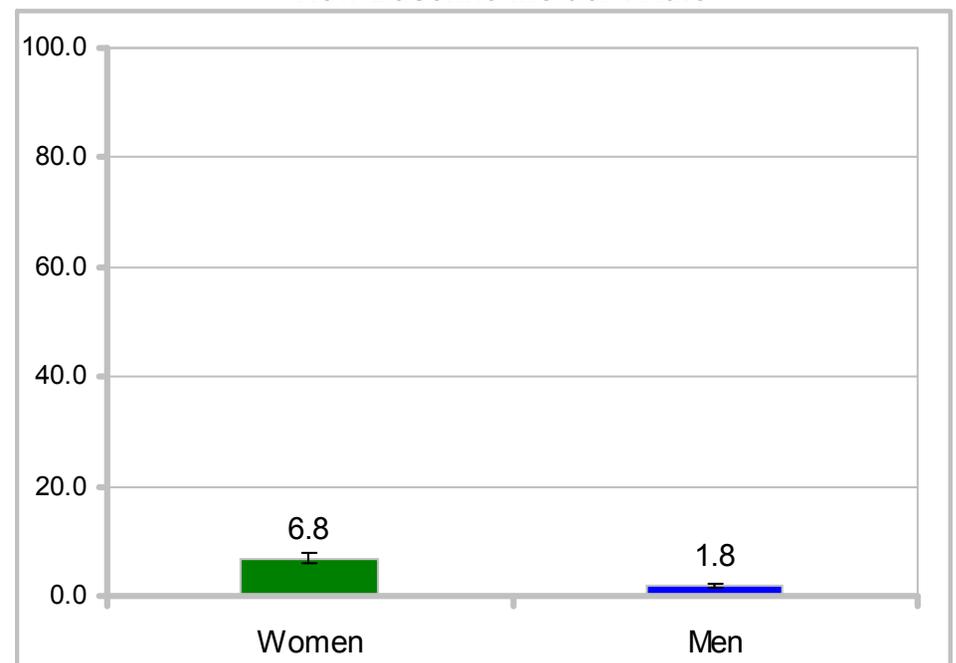
# UNWANTED SEXUAL CONTACT (USC)

## Unwanted Sexual Contact Incident Rate Percent of All Active Duty Members

Trend Incident Rate



New Baseline Incident Rate



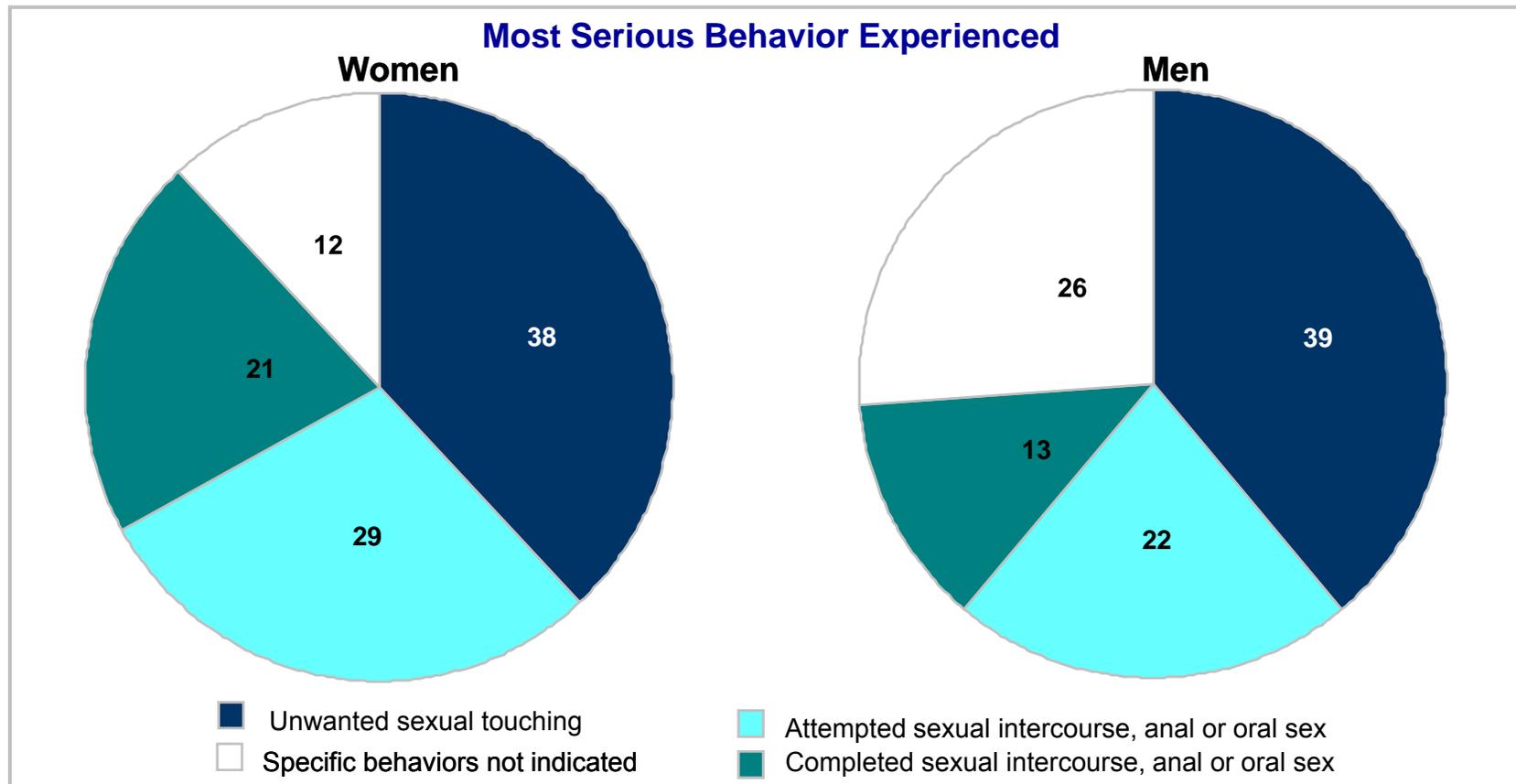
2006 USC incident rate for women was lower than 1995 incident rate but higher than 2002 incident rate;  
 2006 USC incident rate for men was higher than both 1995 incident rate and 2002 incident rate  
 Overall, 6.8% of women and 1.8% of men indicated experiencing USC in 2006 using the new baseline measure

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# ONE SITUATION OF USC

## Combination of USC Behaviors Experienced

### Percent of Active Duty Members Who Experienced USC



Of 6.8% of women and 1.8% of men who experienced USC

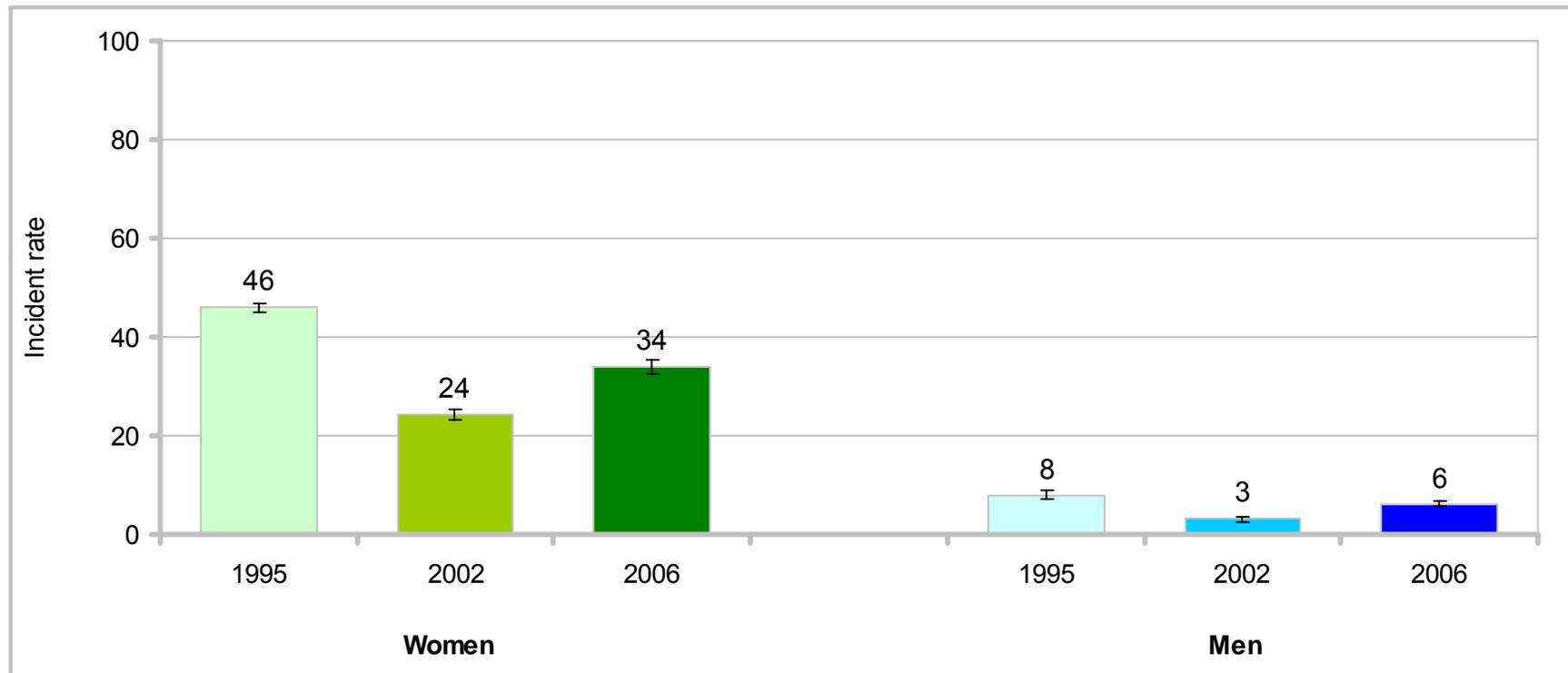
- 38% of women and 39% of men indicated experiencing unwanted sexual touching as their only experience of USC
- 29% of women and 22% of men indicated experiencing attempted sexual intercourse, anal or oral sex
- 21% of women and 13% of men indicated experiencing completed sexual intercourse, anal or oral sex

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# UNWANTED GENDER-RELATED (UGR) BEHAVIORS

## Sexual Harassment Incident Rate

Percent of All Active Duty Members



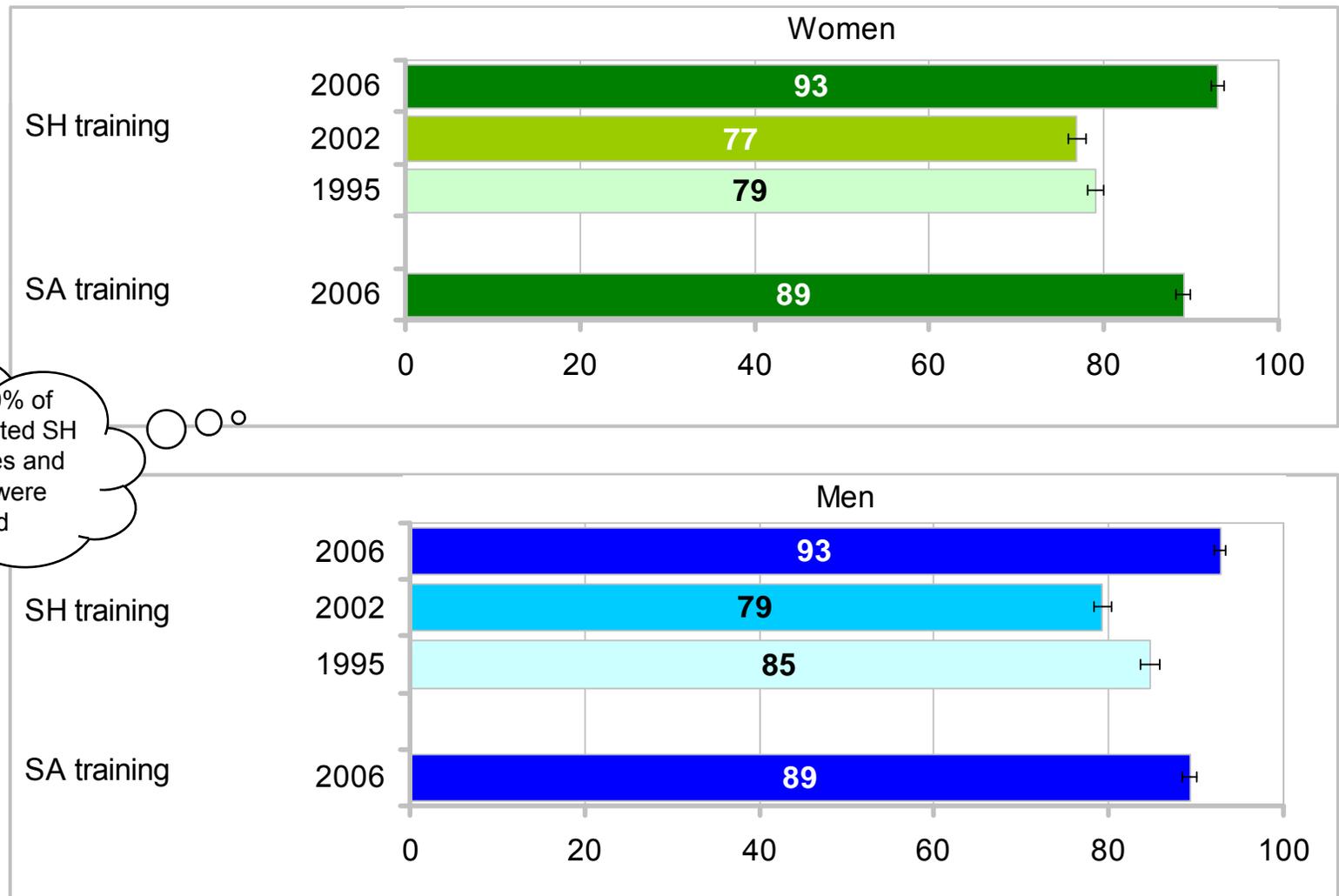
For both women and men, sexual harassment incident rate in 2006 was lower than 1995 rate but higher than 2002 rate

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# TRAINING ON GENDER-RELATED ISSUES

## Sexual Assault (SA) & Sexual Harassment (SH) Training in Past 12 Months

Percent of All Active Duty Members



More than 80% of members reported SH and SA policies and procedures were publicized

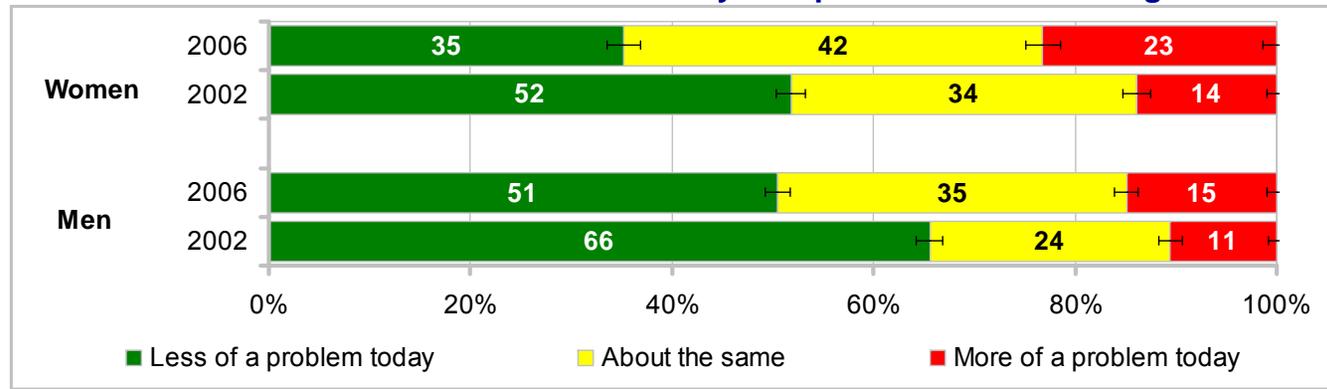
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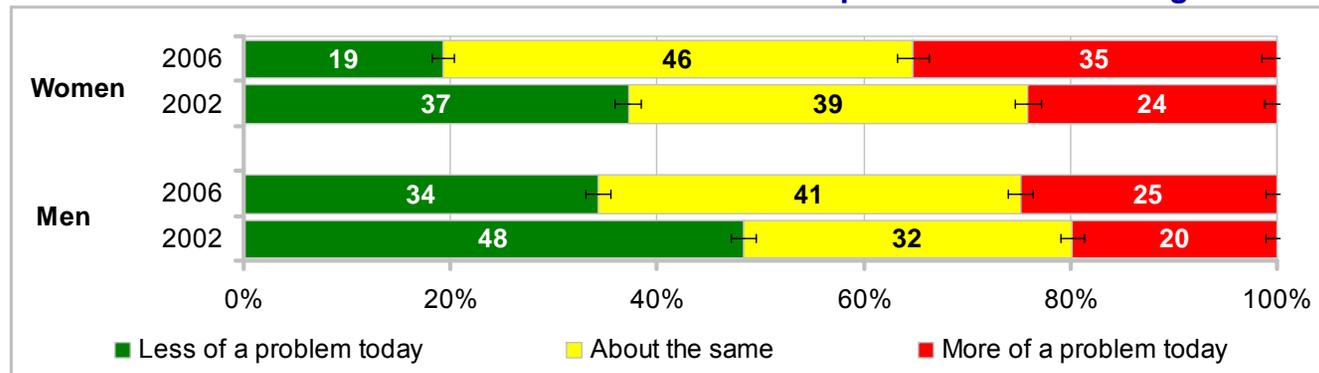
## Sexual Harassment (SH) in the Military and Nation

### Percent of Active Duty Members

SH as a Problem in the Military Compared to Four Years Ago\*



SH as a Problem in the Nation Compared to Four Years Ago



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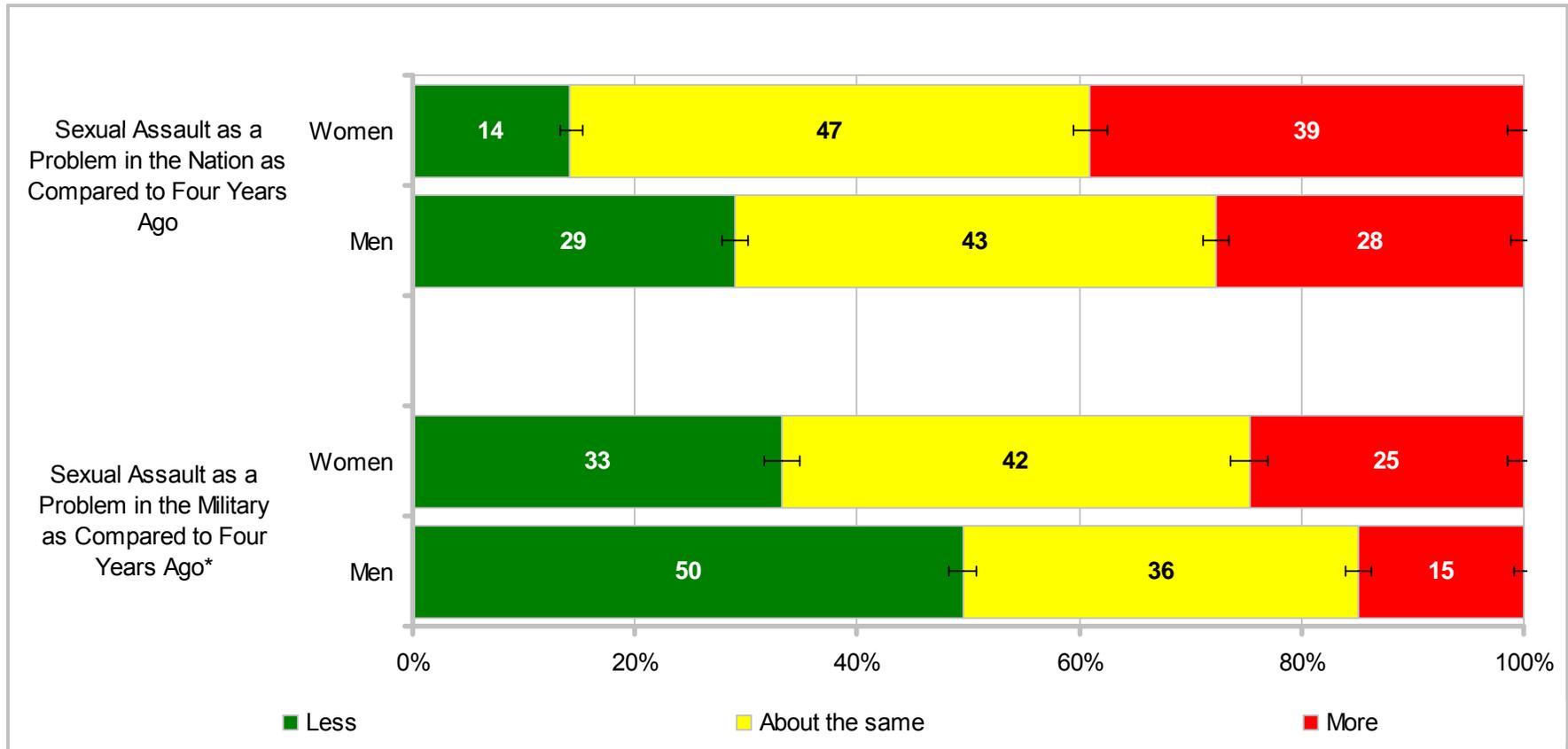
Percentage of women and men who indicated SH is more of a problem in the military and the nation today than four years ago was higher in 2006 than in 2002; however, overall, they were more positive in their assessment of the climate in the military

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## Sexual Assault (SA) in the Nation and Military

### Percent of All Active Duty Members



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