

Higher Education Data Sharing Consortium (HEDS)

Sexual Assault Campus Climate Survey

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About the Survey

Background

- Developed by the Higher Education Data Sharing Consortium (HEDS)
- 57 institutions participated in the spring of 2015.
- Administered to all enrolled Pomona students 18 years of age or older during the month of February 2015.

Response rates

- Pomona = $524/1661 = 32\%$
- Claremont - Undergrads = 33%; Claremont -7C = 31%;
- HEDS overall = 27%

Pomona Respondents

Total surveyed: 1661

Total respondents: 524

Response rate: 32%

➤ First-Years: 24%

➤ Sophomores: 22%

➤ Juniors: 23%

➤ Seniors: 31%

➤ Other/Class year missing: <1%

➤ Women: 57%

➤ Men: 41%

➤ Another or unknown gender: 2%

➤ White (and only white): 52%

➤ Not white-only: 46%

➤ Race/eth unknown: 2%

➤ Heterosexual: 74%

➤ Other than heterosexual: 25%

➤ Orientation unknown: 1%

Respondent Protections and Data Limitations

- Participation was completely voluntary. Respondents had access on every screen of the survey to information about campus, local and national resources for unwanted sexual contact, sexual assault and relationship violence.
- HEDS withheld variables from Pomona's raw data file that might compromise student anonymity, including:
 - Race/ethnicity, citizenship, sexual orientation, gender “fill-in” responses, and whether an assault was formally reported
- Aggregate frequencies of collapsed/dichotomized variables were provided in place of some of these omitted fields (e.g., ‘white-only’/ ‘non-white only’, ‘heterosexual’/ ‘other than heterosexual’, etc.)
- Response rates may not be random, and results may not generalize to the Pomona student body as a whole.

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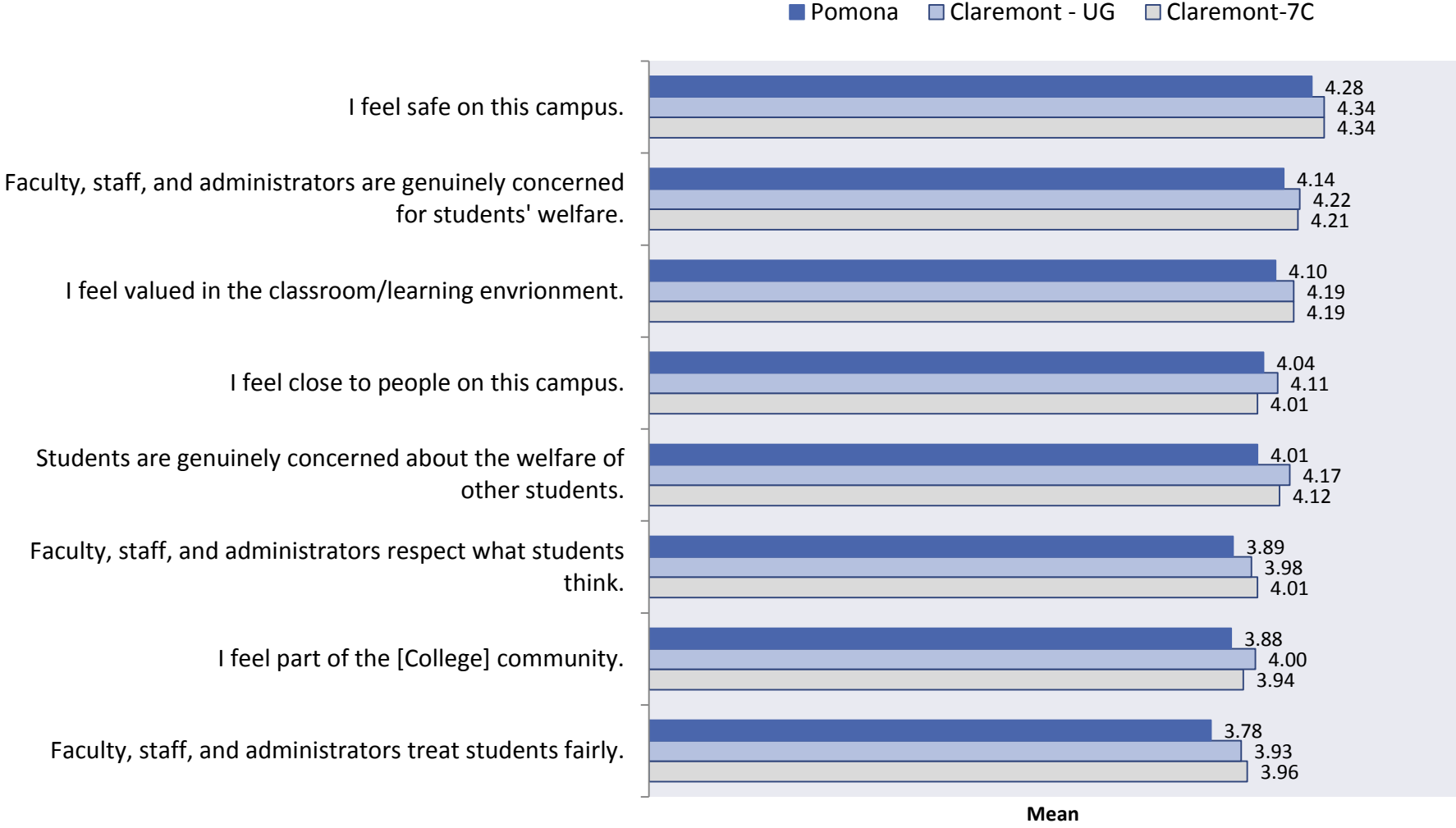
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A word about Claremont comparisons:

As part of our formal survey arrangements with HEDS, Pomona College will not release the names or data of other participating institutions. As one exception, all members of the Claremont Consortium agreed to the release of aggregate data for its members. Wherever useful, Pomona results are compared to the aggregate, consortial results for all undergraduate students (Claremont-UG) and for the consortium as a whole (Claremont-7C). The raw data used for this purpose do not identify institutions, and so Claremont-wide means and percentages include Pomona students as well as other respondents in the consortium.

I. Campus Climate

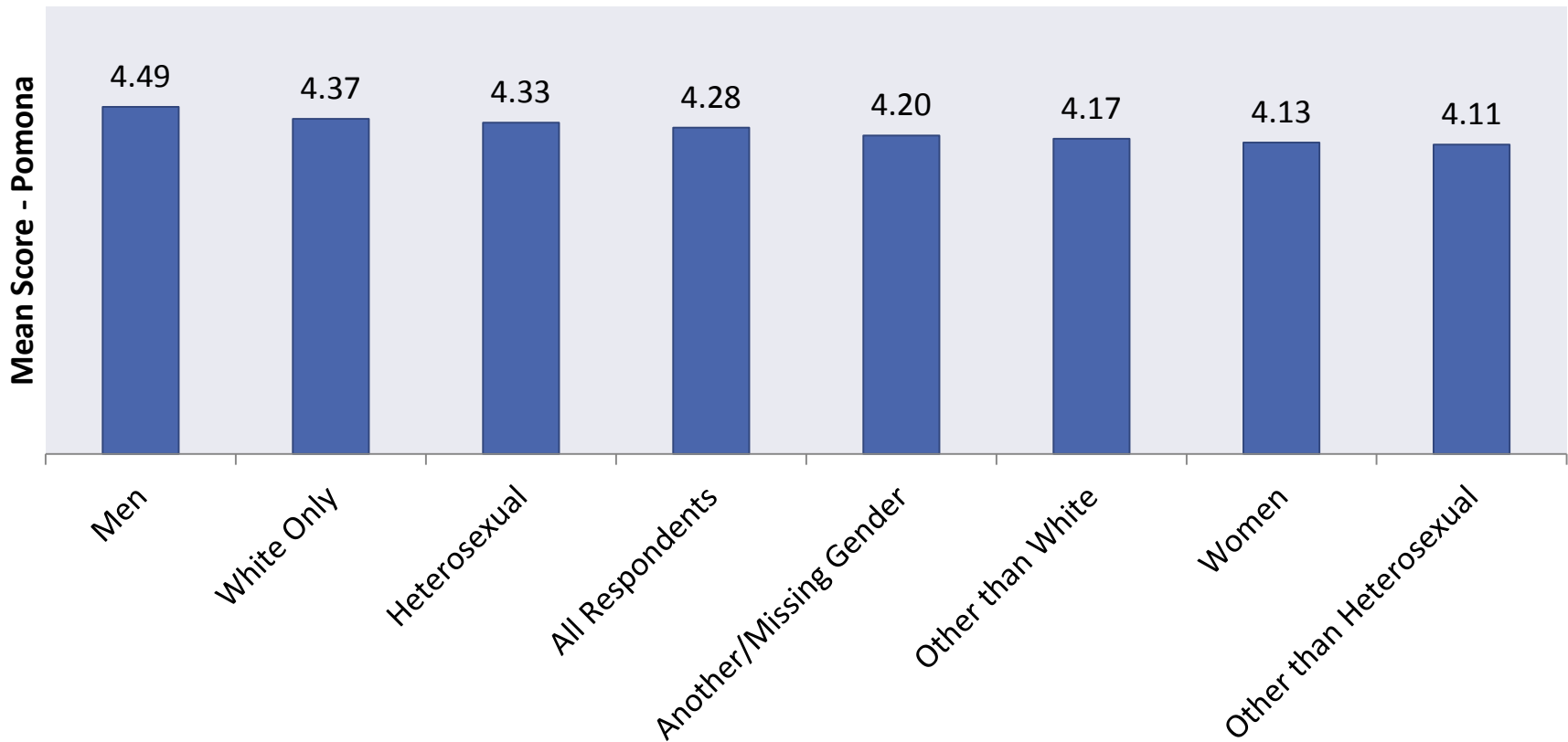
General Campus Climate



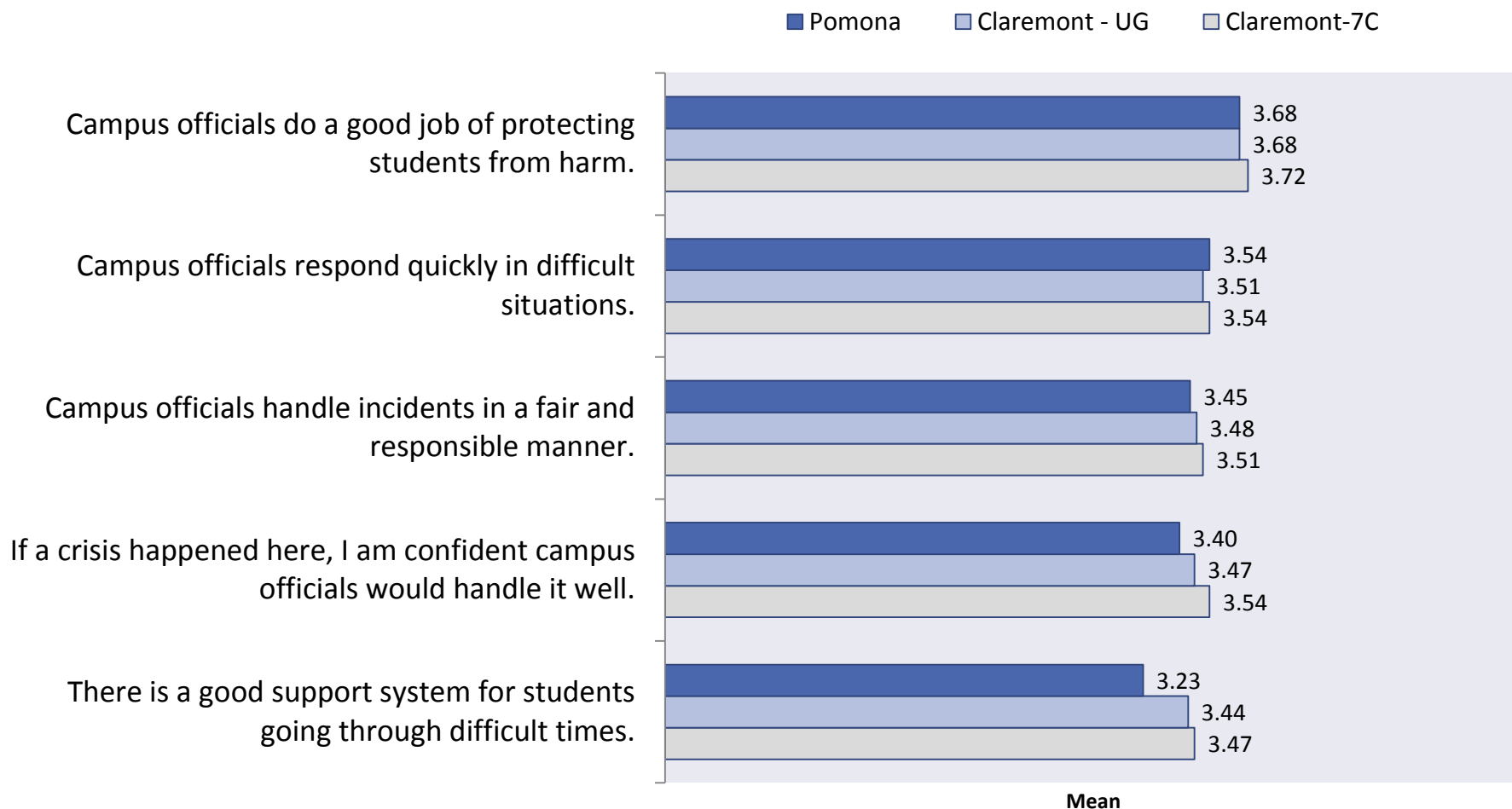
Scale: 1 = Strongly Disagree; 3 = Neither Agree nor Disagree; 5 = Strongly Agree

Pomona responses: *“I feel safe on this campus.”*

Scale: 1 = Strongly disagree; 3 = Neither agree nor disagree; 5 = Strongly agree



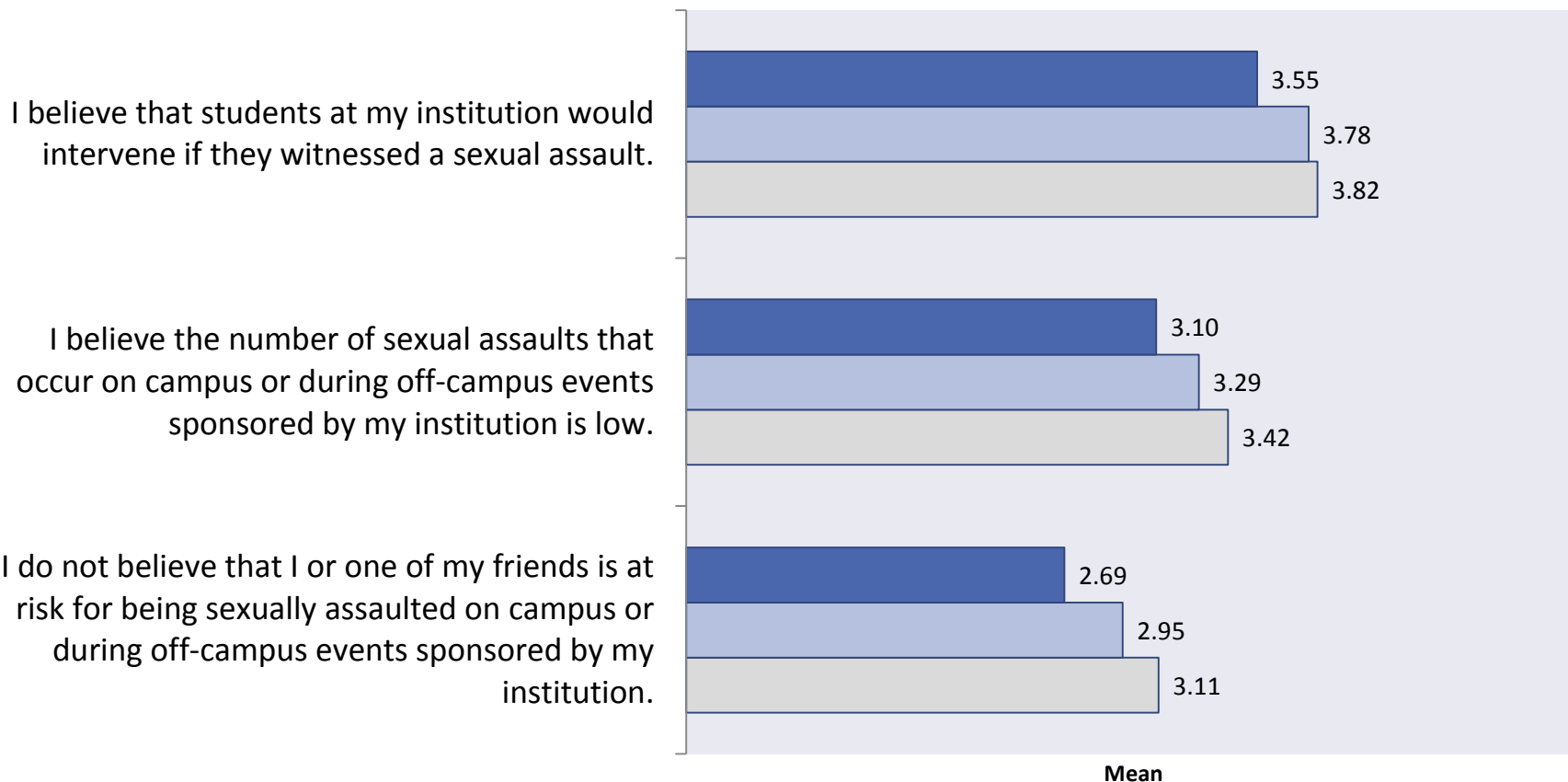
Response to Difficult/Dangerous Situations



Scale: 1 = Strongly Disagree; 3 = Neither Agree nor Disagree; 5 = Strongly Agree

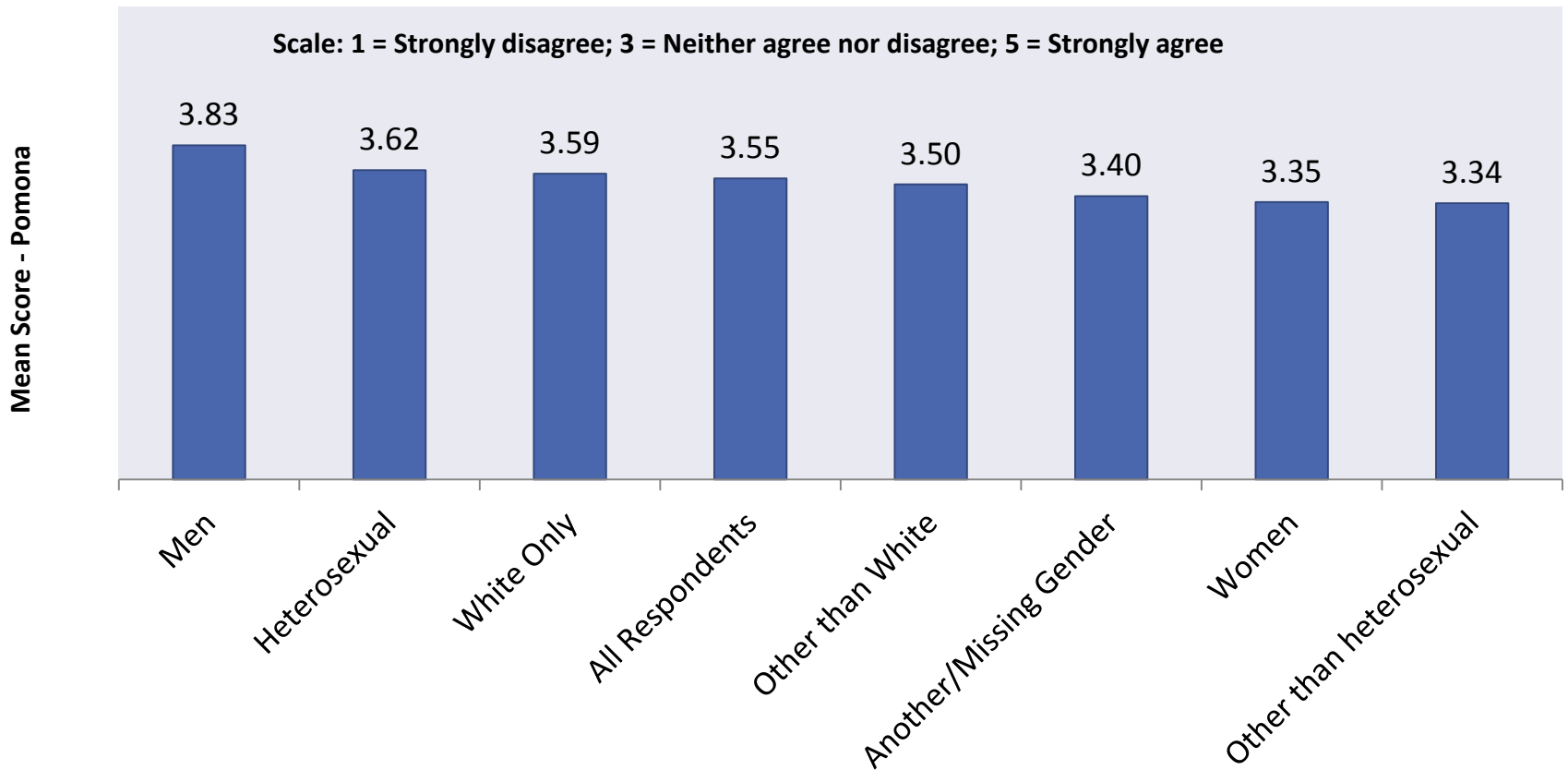
Views on Sexual Assault

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Scale: 1 = Strongly Disagree; 3 = Neither Agree nor Disagree; 5 = Strongly Agree

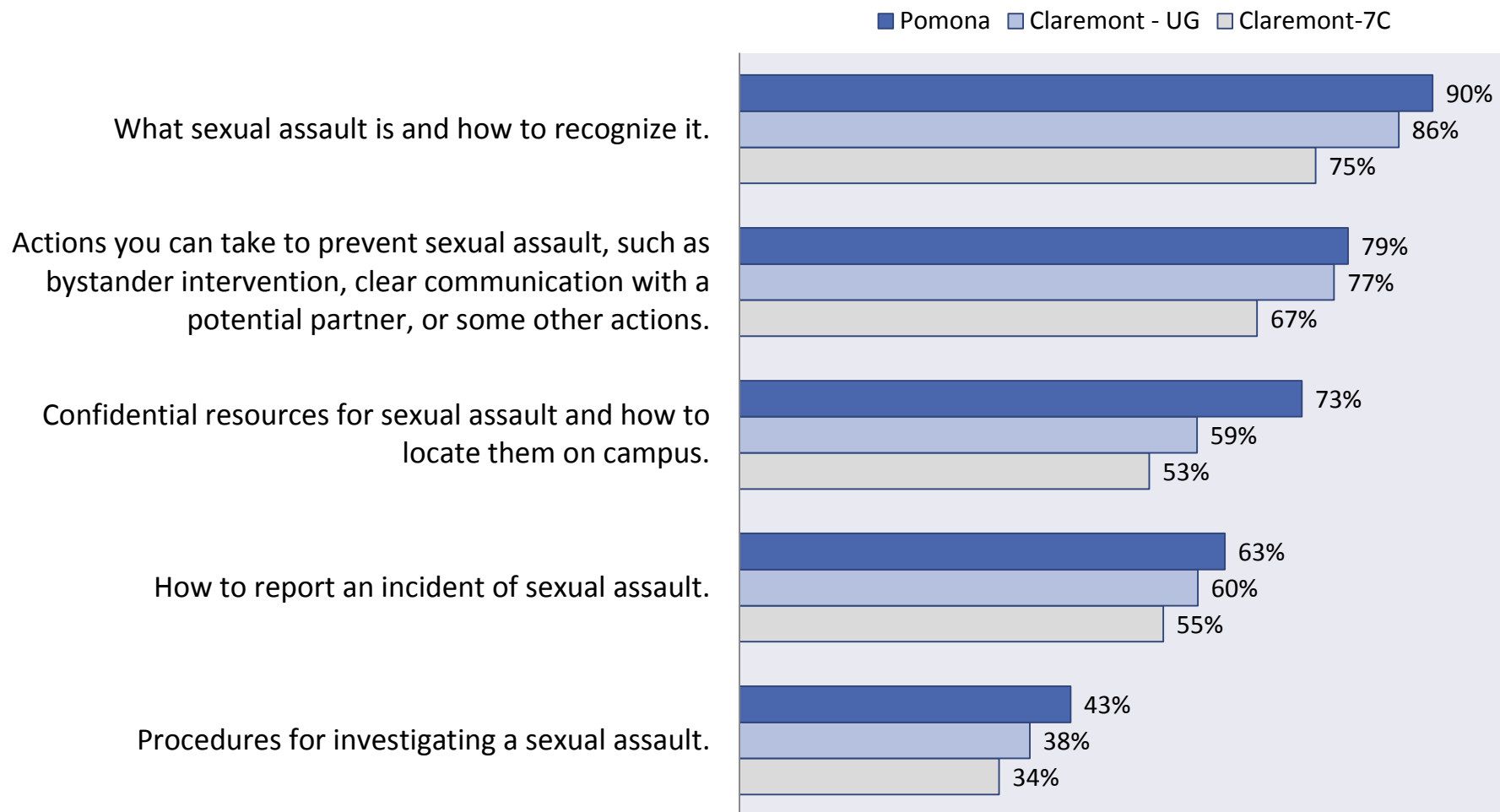
Pomona responses: *“I believe students would intervene.”*



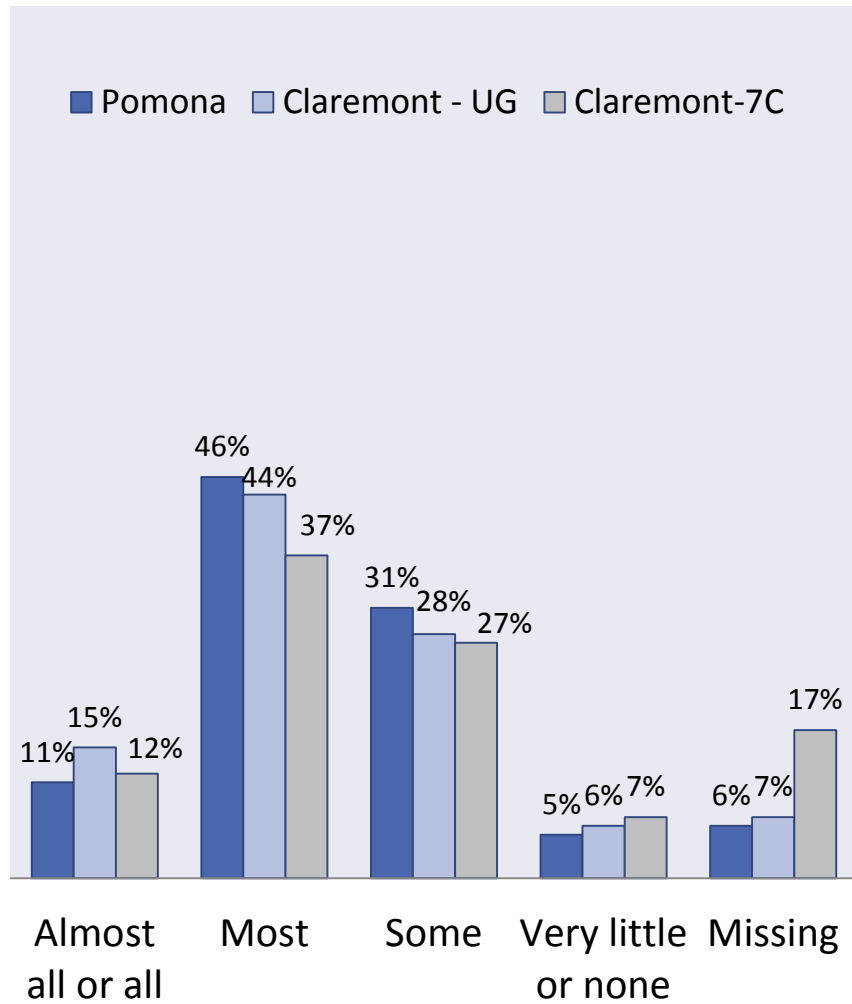
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Education and Outreach

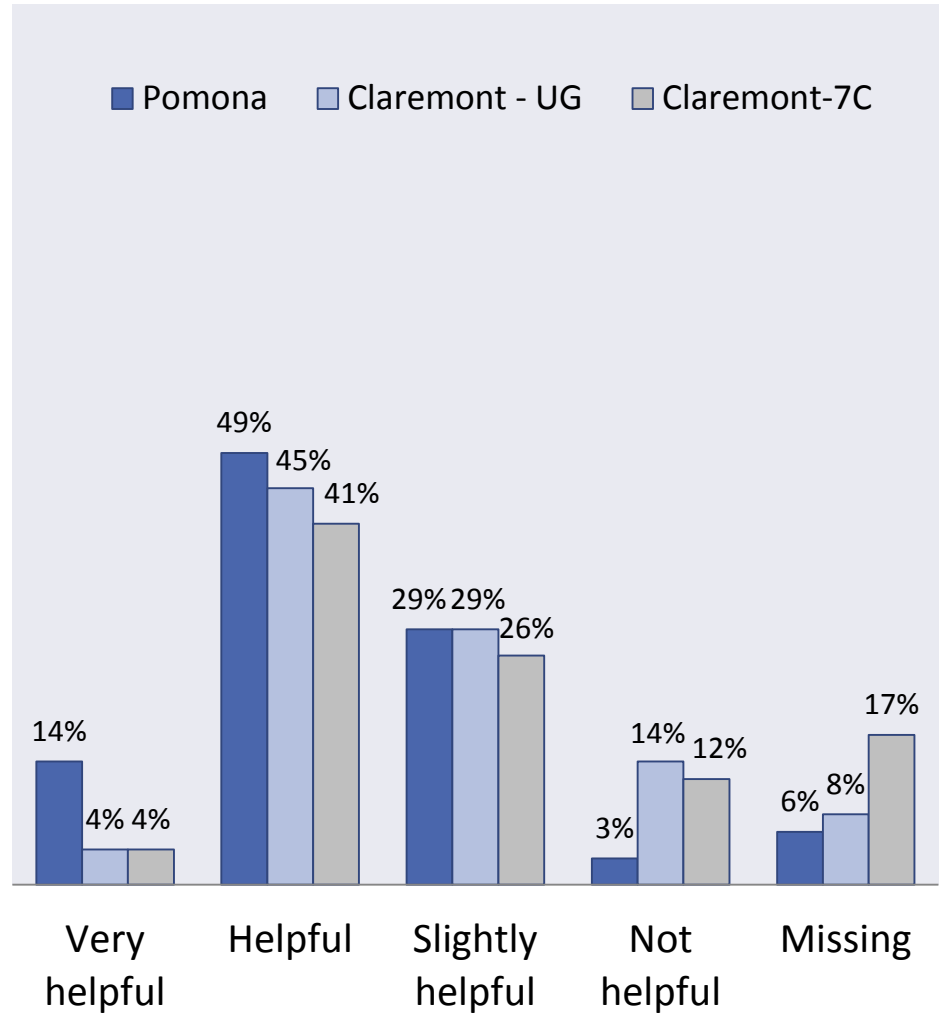
Have you received information or education from your institution about.....? % Yes



How much do you remember about the info or education about sexual assault?



How helpful was the info or education about sexual assault?

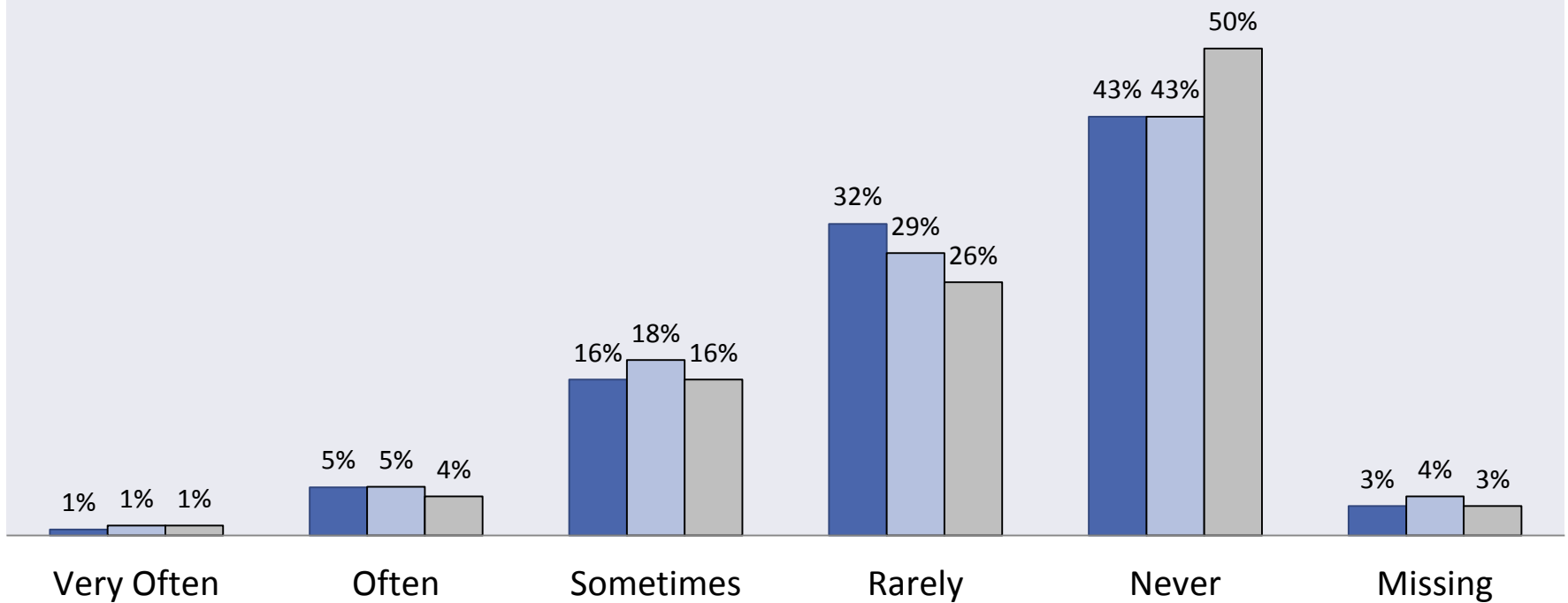


III. Unwanted Sexual Contact and Rates of Sexual Assault

Frequency of unwanted verbal behaviors -

Such as someone making sexual comments about your body; someone making unwelcome sexual advances, propositions, or suggestions to you; or someone telling you sexually offensive jokes or kidding about your sex or gender-specific traits.

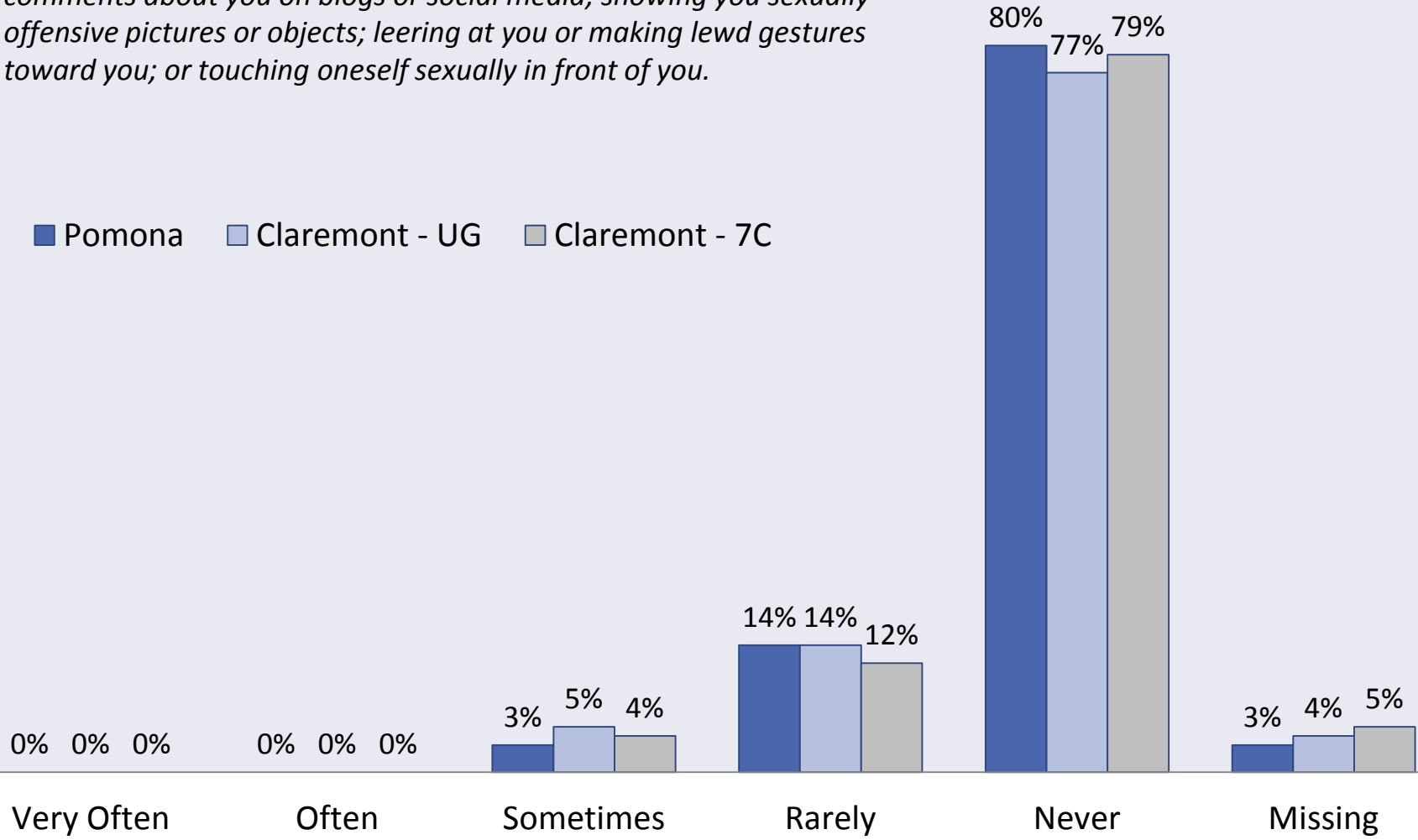
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Frequency of unwanted nonverbal behaviors -

Such as sending you sexual emails, texts, or pictures; posting sexual comments about you on blogs or social media; showing you sexually offensive pictures or objects; leering at you or making lewd gestures toward you; or touching oneself sexually in front of you.

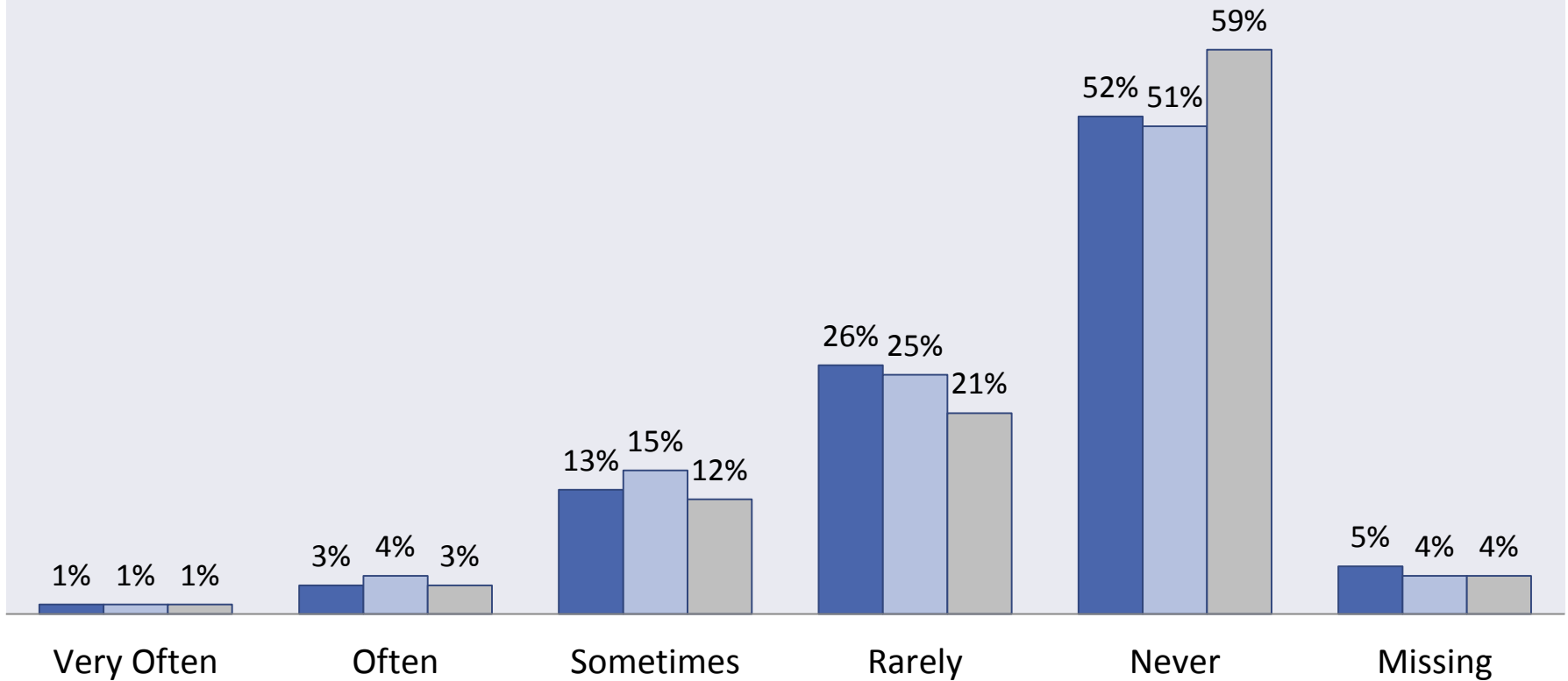
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Frequency of unwanted brief physical contact-

Such as someone briefly groping you, rubbing sexually against you, pinching you, or engaging in any other brief inappropriate or unwelcome touching of your body.

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In the HEDS survey, sexual assault was defined as any of the following unwanted, non-consensual types of sexual contact occurring while on campus or while off-campus at an event or program sponsored by the student's institution:

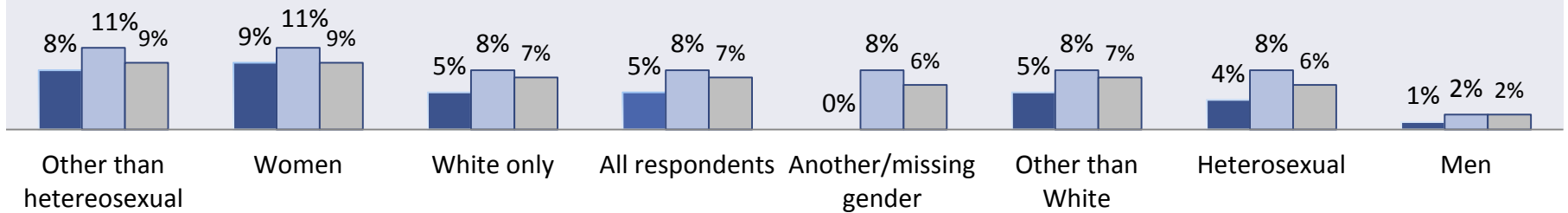
- a. Touching of a sexual nature
- b. Oral sex
- c. Vaginal sex
- d. Anal sex
- e. Anal or vaginal penetration with any body part or object

Note: Sexual assault rates are sensitive to survey formats, wording and definitions. These sensitivities make it difficult to report a single figure, or to compare rates nationally across survey initiatives. Rates for both attempted and actual assault are presented in the following charts according to the HEDS survey methodology.

Incidents of Attempted Sexual Assault - Disaggregated

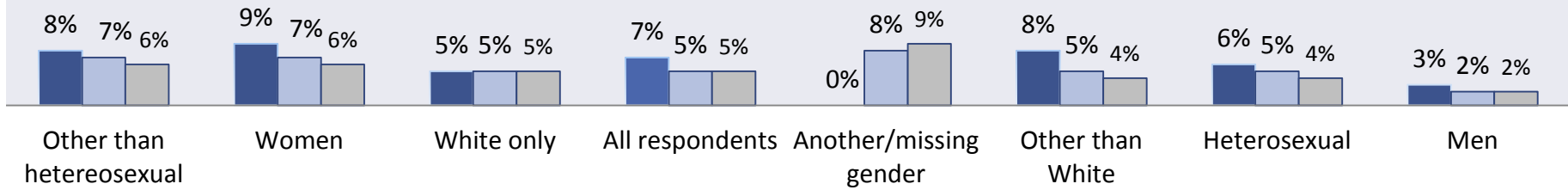
Has anyone attempted to sexually assault you? % Yes

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Has anyone attempted to sexually assault you? % Suspect, but unsure

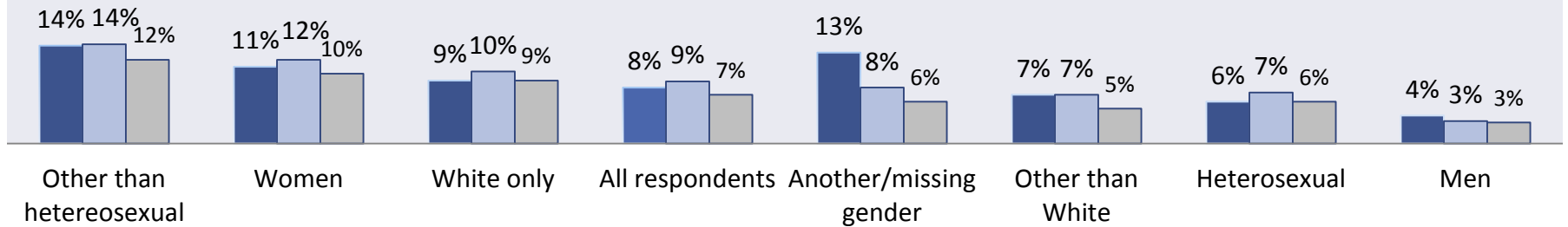
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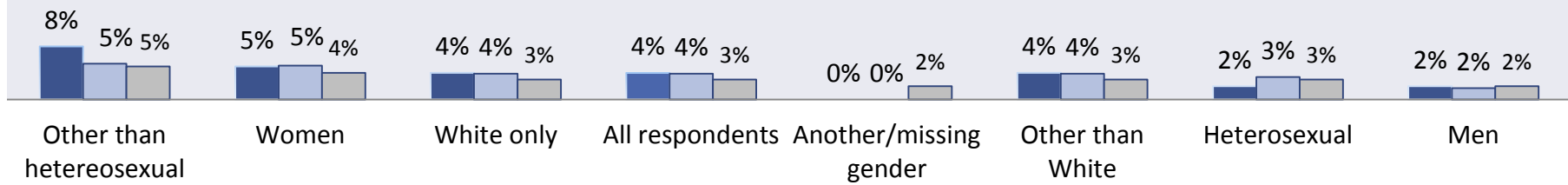
Have you been sexually assaulted - % Yes

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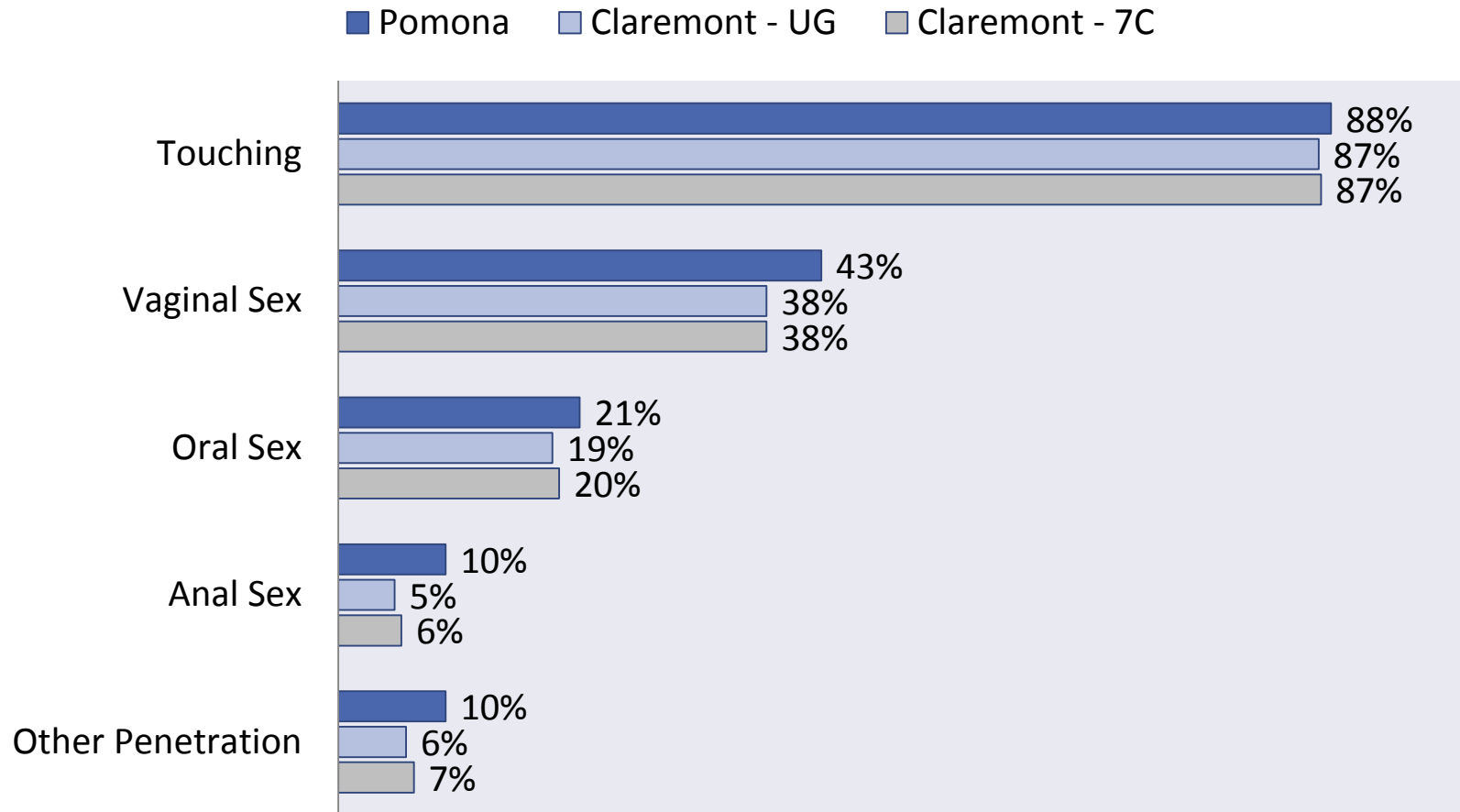
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IV. Nature, Context and Reporting of Sexual Assault

What Did the Incident Involve?



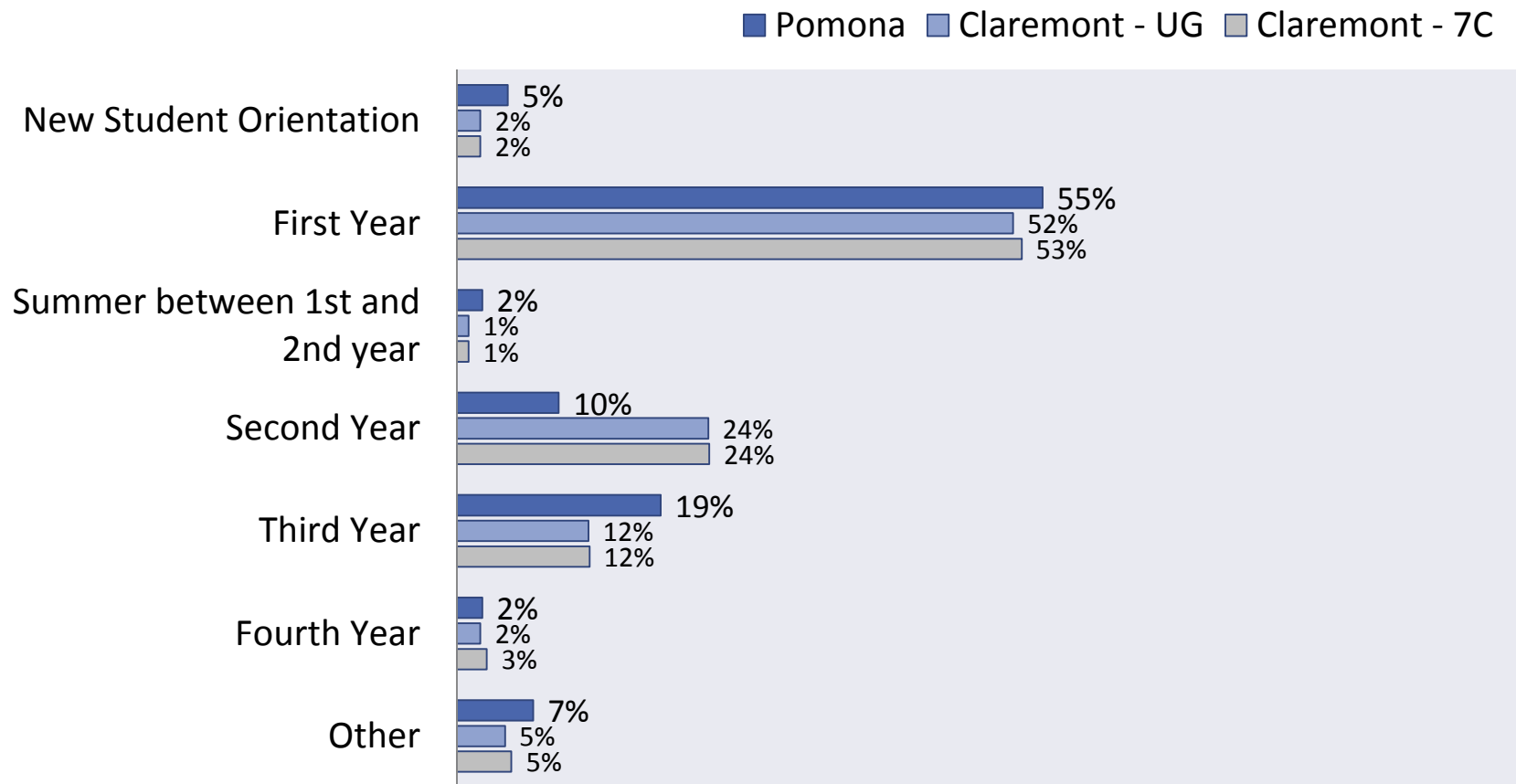
Rates are based on only those respondents who were certain of an actual sexual assault (i.e. excludes “attempted” and “unsure”).

Did the incident involve: Force, drugs or alcohol

Did this incident involve	Pomona % YES	Claremont - UG % YES	Claremont – 7C % YES
Other people threatening physical force, coercion, or intimidation	29%	29%	29%
Other people using physical force	36%	44%	44%
Other people drinking alcohol	64%	74%	74%
Other people using drugs	17%	20%	20%
Your drinking alcohol	67%	65%	64%
Your voluntarily taking or using drugs	12%	11%	11%
Your being given a drug without knowledge or consent	0%	2%	2%
Were you unable to provide consent or stop what was happening because you were incapacitated	29%	41%	42%

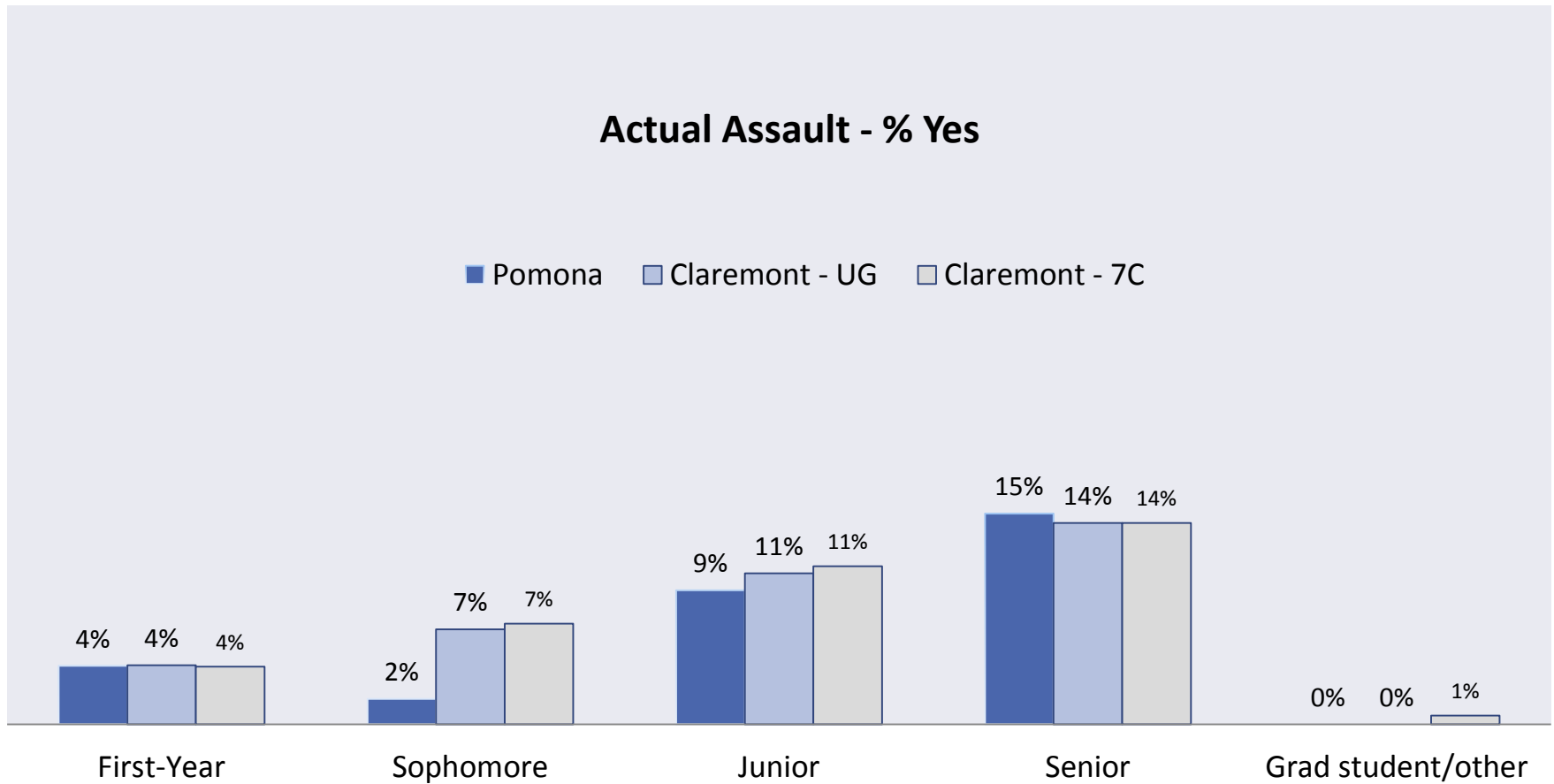
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When Did the Assault Occur?



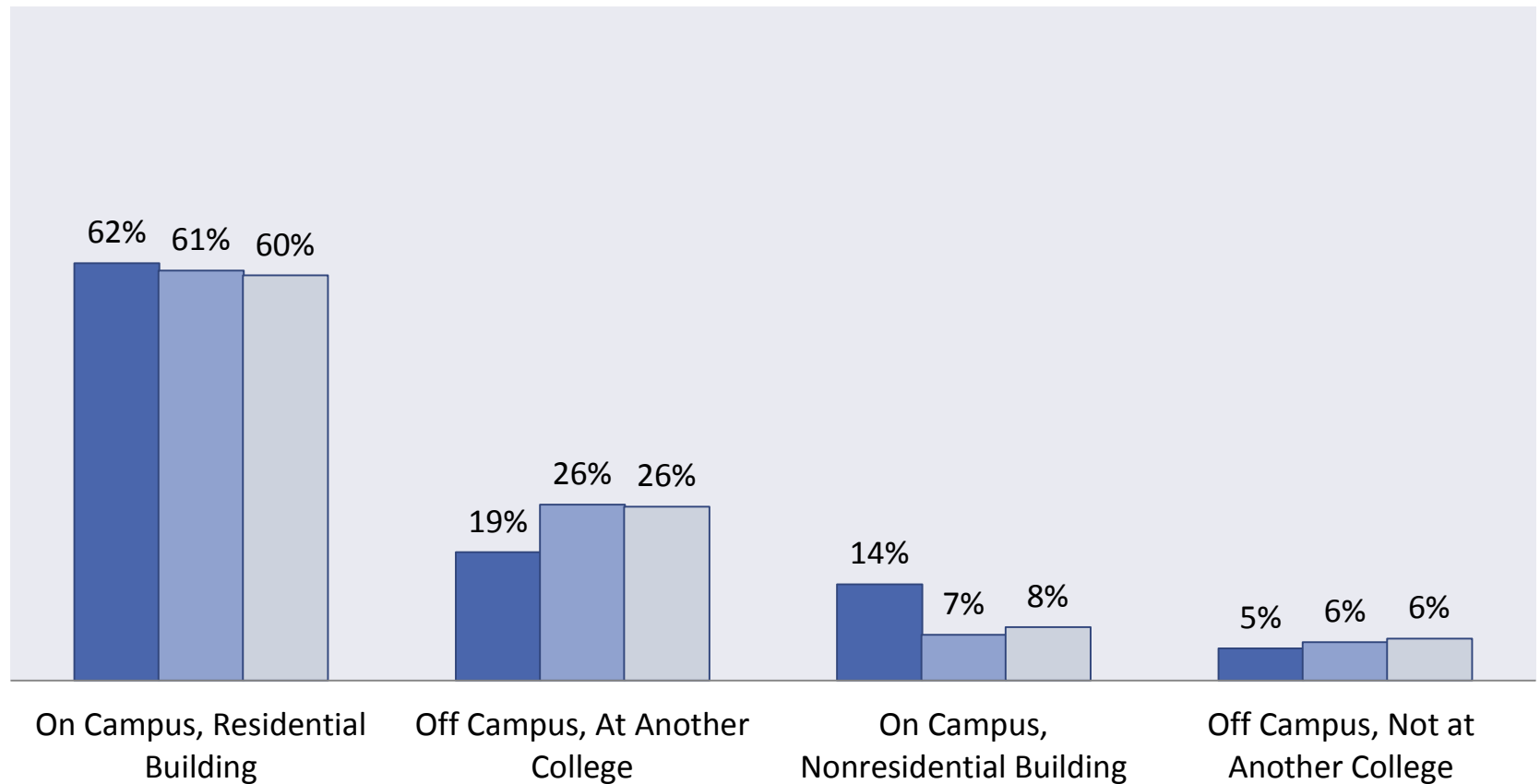
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Class Year of Survey Respondents Indicating Assault



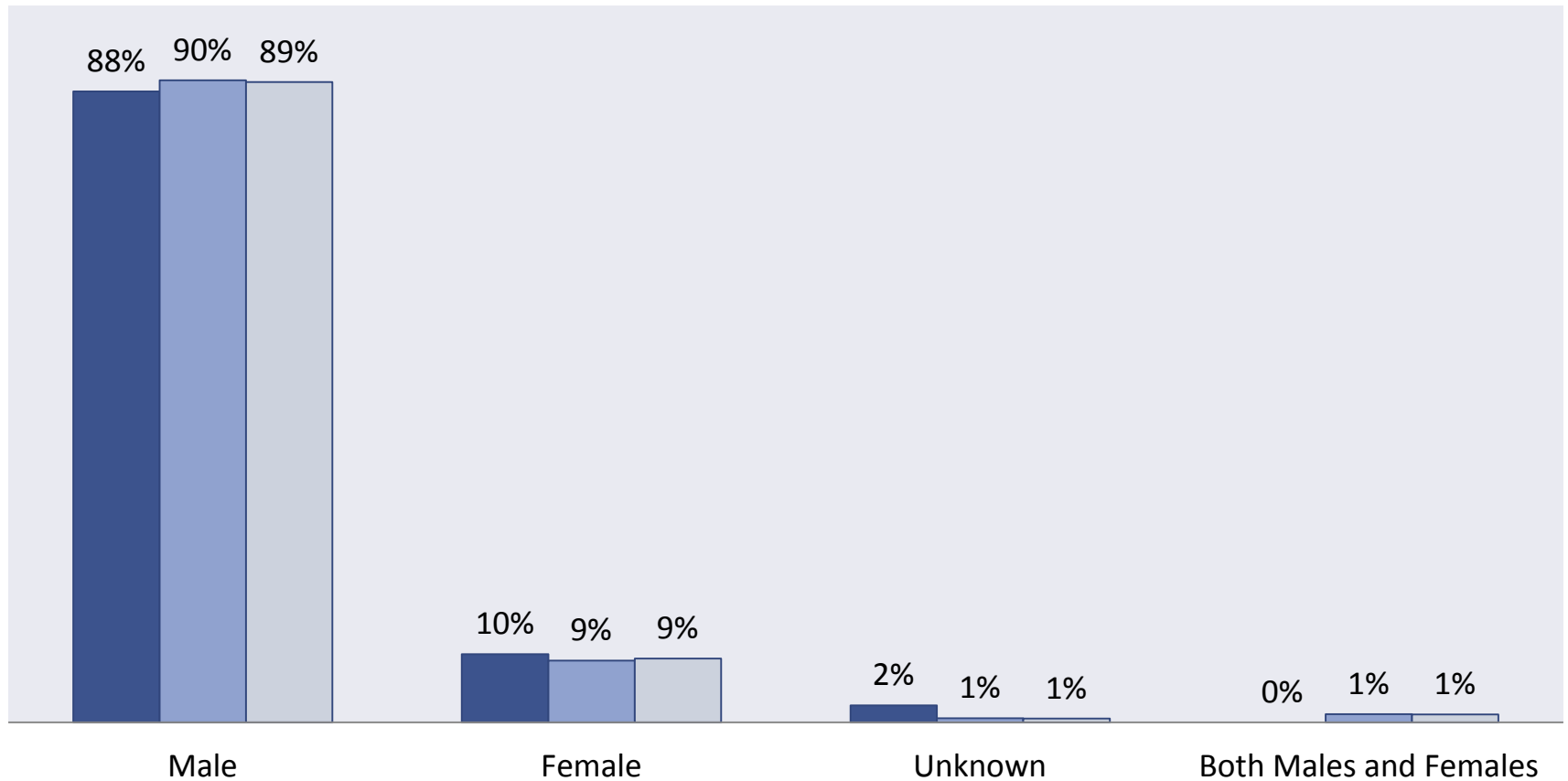
Location of Assault

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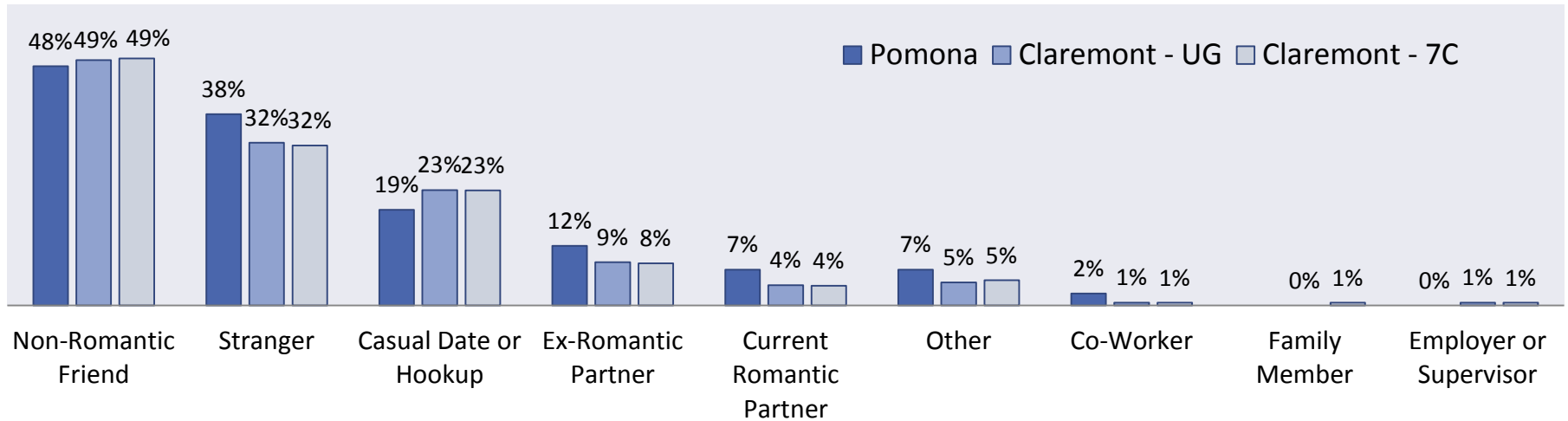
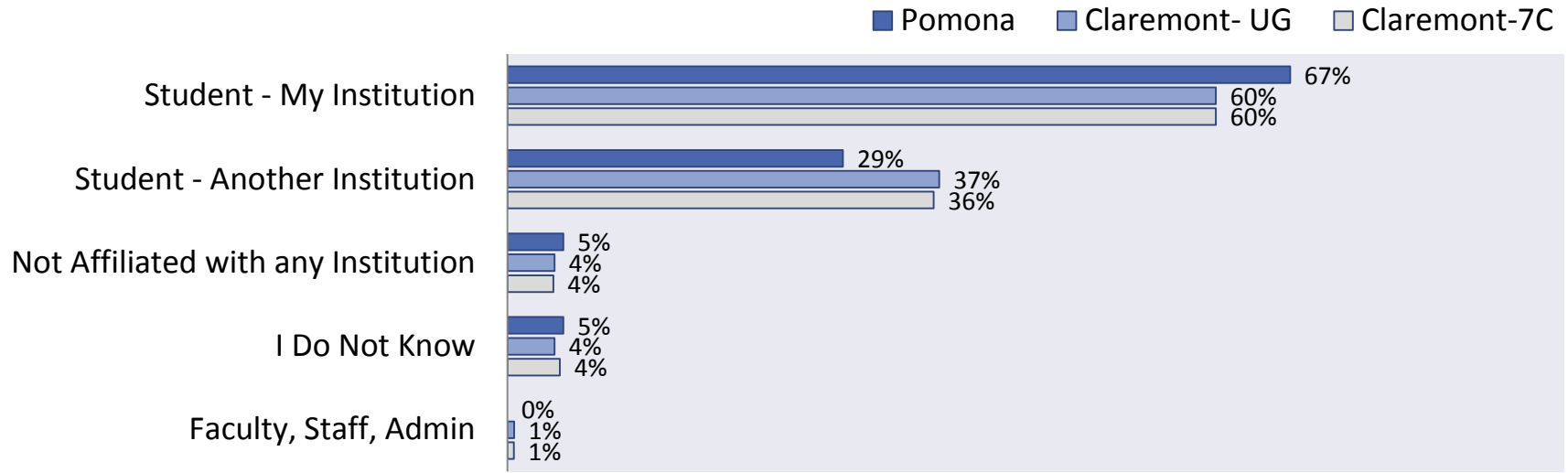


Sex of Assailant(s)

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Relationship to Assailant(s)



Whom Did You Tell About the Assault?

