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BJS RELEASES CAMPUS CLIMATE SURVEY VALIDATION STUDY FINAL TECHNICAL REPORT

WASHINGTON – The Department of Justice’s Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) released *Campus Climate Survey Validation Study Final Technical Report*, which presents the results of a nine-school pilot test conducted to develop a campus climate survey that collects school-level data on sexual victimization of undergraduate students.

The report describes the development of the survey instrument and procedures for data collection, nonresponse bias analysis, weighting, and validity assessment. It presents estimates for each school on the prevalence and incidence of sexual assault, rape, and sexual battery during the 2014–15 academic year, as well as characteristics of the victims and incidents. It also provides estimates of the prevalence of sexual assault among students since entering college and during their lifetime. In addition, the report examines the relationship between measures of campus climate and rates of sexual victimization.

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