# Limits of a Criminal Justice Response to Sexual Assault

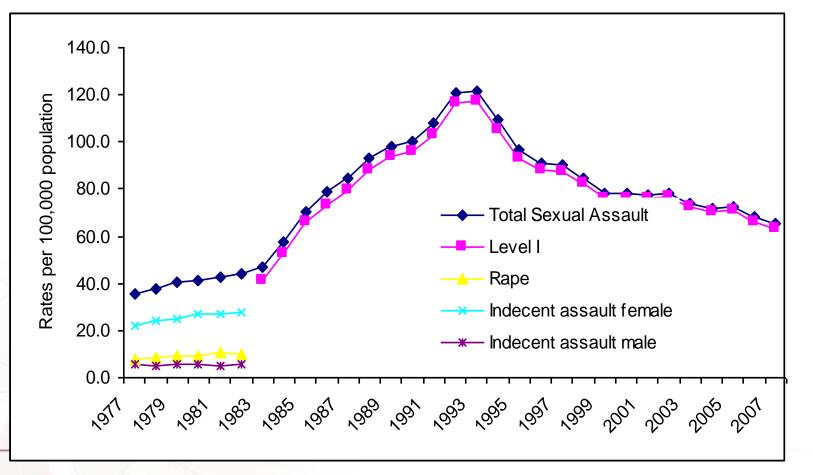
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# Rates of police-recorded rape, indecent assault and sexual assault





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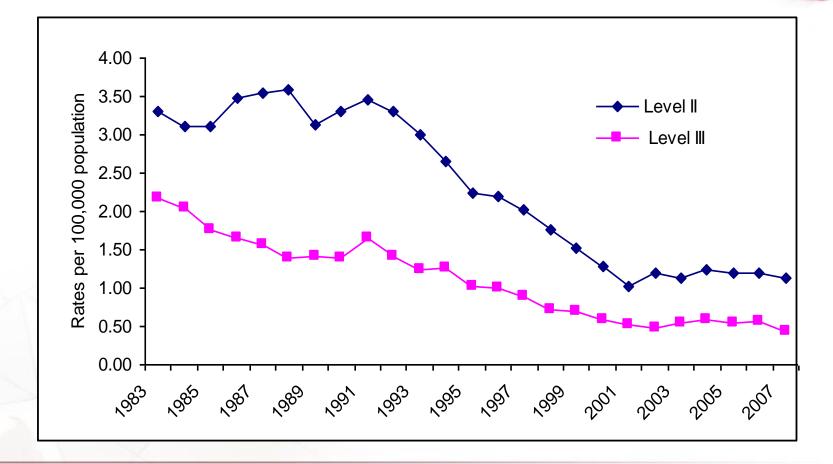
### Rape law reform



- Level III: aggravated sexual assaults that result in wounding, maiming, disfiguring, or endangering the life of the victim
- Level II: weapon present, cause bodily harm, threats to a third person, or committed with another person
- Level I: undefined

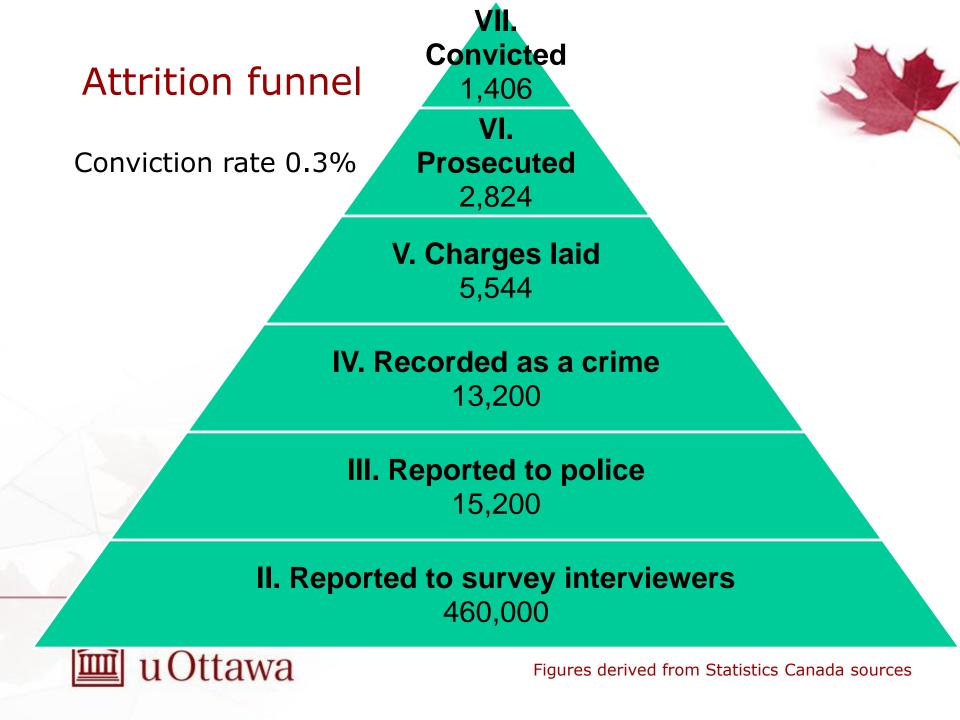


## Rates of police-recorded level II and level III sexual assault





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#### Number of sexual assaults recorded by police and convictions Recorded sexual assaults Convictions 2002 2001 2000 1999



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