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**NATIONAL RAPE/SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVALENCE**

- The United States has the highest rate of rape of any country that publishes such statistics:
  - 13 times higher than Great Britain
  - 20 times higher than Japan

*Kilpatrick, D.G., Edmunds, C.N. & Seymour, A. Rape in America: A Report to the Nation. Arlington, VA: National Victim Center. 1992.*
- An estimated
  - 302,100 women and
  - 92,700 menare forcibly raped each year in the United States.

*Tjaden, Patricia & Thoennes, Nancy. Prevalence, Incidence and Consequences of Violence Against Women: Findings from the National Violence Against Women Survey. Washington, D.C.: National Institute of Justice, U.S. Department of Justice. 1998.*
- These estimates are considered to be lower than the actual incidence.

*American Medical Association. Facts About Sexual Assault. Chicago, IL: American Medical Assn. 1997.*
- According to a study conducted by the National Victim Center,
  - 1.3 women (age 18 and over) in the United States are forcibly raped each minute
  - or 78 per hour, 1,871 per day,
  - or 683,000 per year.

*Kilpatrick, et al., 1992.*

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