

## Ace Community Census

This is the 2017 Ace Community Census, a community research project by the Ace Community Survey Team. The purpose of this study is to understand more about the diversity of the ace community.

This survey is open to anyone over the age of 13, including both aces and non-aces. It will require approximately 15-20 minutes of your time to complete.

All data collected will be kept confidential, and no identifying information will be collected. Please note that some data may be shared with other researchers at qualifying research institutions who request information from the survey team for academic purposes. All research requests will be reviewed by the survey team.

Taking part in this survey is completely voluntary and you can stop the survey at any time. Most questions in the survey are completely optional, and can be left blank if you are uncomfortable or do not know how to answer.

This survey will ask about sensitive topics, including questions about sexual activity, sexual violence, suicide, mental health, and other topics which some people may find triggering. If you find any of these questions uncomfortable, you do not need to answer them.

If you have any questions or concerns about the survey, you can contact the Ace Community Survey Team at [asexualcensus@gmail.com](mailto:asexualcensus@gmail.com).

You can also view a list of frequently asked questions here: <https://asexualcensus.wordpress.com/faq/2017-ace-community-census-faq/>

You will be able to view any published results from the survey at <http://asexualcensus.wordpress.com>.

By clicking the "next" button below, you are indicating that you are over the age of 13, and that you consent to participate in this survey. If you are below the age of 13, or do not wish to participate in the survey, please use the back button in your browser to exit this page.

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### Demographics

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

1. In which year were you born?

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**2. In which month were you born?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- January
- February
- March
- April
- May
- June
- July
- August
- September
- October
- November
- December

**3. What is your highest completed level of education?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Less than secondary education (e.g. has not graduated high school)
- Upper secondary education (e.g. high school graduate, A-levels, etc.)
- Some college / university / higher education (no degree yet)
- Associate's Degree (including occupational or academic degrees)
- Bachelor's Degree (BA, BS, BSc, AB, etc.)
- Master's degree (MA, MS, MENG, MSW, etc)
- Professional school degree (MD, DDC, JD, etc)
- Doctorate degree (PhD, EdD, etc)

**4. Are you currently a student?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- No
- Yes, in high school or secondary school
- Yes, in an undergraduate program
- Yes, in a graduate program
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**5. What is your employment status?**

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- Full-time employee
- Part-time employee
- Self-employed
- Student
- Retired
- Unemployed and looking for work
- Unemployed and not looking for work
- Homemaker or full-time parent
- Not employed due to disability
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**6. What are your current living arrangements?***Mark only one oval.*

- Living in campus/university housing
- Living in a house/apartments/condo I OWN alone or with others
- Living in a house/apartment/condo I RENT alone or with others
- Living with a partner, spouse, or other person who pays for the housing
- Living with parents, family, or legal guardians I grew up with because I have not left home
- Living temporarily with friends or family because I can't afford my own housing
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Do you currently live with anyone?**

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- I live alone
- I live with children who are under the age of 18
- I live with adult family members or legal guardians
- I live with a significant other
- I live with friends
- I live with acquaintances/strangers
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**8. What is your religious preference?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Protestant
- Roman Catholic
- Mormon
- Orthodox (such as Greek or Russian Orthodox)
- Other Christian denomination
- Jewish
- Muslim
- Buddhist
- Hindu
- Atheist
- Agnostic
- Nothing in particular
- Pantheist or Panentheist
- Unitarian Universalist
- Wiccan
- Unsure
- Other Pagan
- Other non-religious
- Other religious

**9. If you would like to be more specific about your religious preference, please specify below.**

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**10. In your own words, how would you describe your race and or ethnicity?**

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**11. Do you identify with any of the following racial/ethnic categories?**

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- Aboriginal Australian
- Asian: Eastern (Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Taiwanese, Mongolian, etc.)
- Asian: Southern (Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)
- Asian: Southeast (Vietnamese, Cambodian, Malaysian, Laotian, etc.)
- Asian: Western (Arabs, Azerbaijanis, Kurds, Persians, Turks, etc.)
- Black and/or of the African Diaspora
- Black: African
- Black: Caribbean
- Brown
- Hispanic
- Jewish (Ashkenazi, Sephardic, etc.)
- Latinx
- Middle Eastern
- Mixed Race / Multi-Racial
- North African: (Berber, Egyptian, Libyan, Nilo-Saharan, etc.)
- North American Native (North American Indian, Inuit, Metis, First Nations, etc.)
- Pacific Islander and/or Polynesian (Kanaka Maoli, Filipino, Maori, Samoan, etc.)
- South or Central American Native (Quechua, Aymara, Chiquitano, etc.)
- White or of European Descent
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**12. Are you a racial/ethnic minority in your local community?***Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

**13. Are you a racial/ethnic minority in your country of residence?**

If you spend time in more than one country, consider the country in which you spend the most time.

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

**14. Please select the country in which you live. \***

If you spend time in more than one country, select the country in which you spend the most time.

If your country is absent from the list, choose "other".

Mark only one oval.

- Argentina      *Skip to question 30.*
- Australia      *Skip to question 30.*
- Austria      *Skip to question 30.*
- Bahamas      *Skip to question 30.*
- Bangladesh      *Skip to question 30.*
- Belarus      *Skip to question 30.*
- Belgium      *Skip to question 30.*
- Bolivia      *Skip to question 30.*
- Bosnia and Herzegovina      *Skip to question 30.*
- Brazil      *Skip to question 30.*
- Bulgaria      *Skip to question 30.*
- Canada      *Skip to question 25.*
- Cayman Islands      *Skip to question 30.*
- Chile      *Skip to question 30.*
- China      *Skip to question 30.*
- Colombia      *Skip to question 30.*
- Costa Rica      *Skip to question 30.*
- Croatia      *Skip to question 30.*
- Czech Republic      *Skip to question 30.*
- Denmark      *Skip to question 30.*
- East Timor      *Skip to question 30.*
- Ecuador      *Skip to question 30.*
- Egypt      *Skip to question 30.*
- Eritrea      *Skip to question 30.*
- Ethiopia      *Skip to question 30.*
- Finland      *Skip to question 30.*
- France      *Skip to question 30.*
- Georgia      *Skip to question 30.*
- Germany      *Skip to question 30.*
- Greece      *Skip to question 30.*
- Guatemala      *Skip to question 30.*
- Honduras      *Skip to question 30.*
- Hong Kong      *Skip to question 30.*
- Hungary      *Skip to question 30.*
- Iceland      *Skip to question 30.*

- Ireland *Skip to question 30.*
- India *Skip to question 30.*
- Indonesia *Skip to question 30.*
- Israel *Skip to question 30.*
- Italy *Skip to question 30.*
- Jamaica *Skip to question 30.*
- Japan *Skip to question 30.*
- Jersey *Skip to question 30.*
- Kazakhstan *Skip to question 30.*
- Kenya *Skip to question 30.*
- Latvia *Skip to question 30.*
- Lithuania *Skip to question 30.*
- Macedonia *Skip to question 30.*
- Malaysia *Skip to question 30.*
- Malta *Skip to question 30.*
- Mexico *Skip to question 30.*
- Morocco *Skip to question 30.*
- Mozambique *Skip to question 30.*
- Nicaragua *Skip to question 30.*
- Netherlands *Skip to question 30.*
- New Zealand *Skip to question 30.*
- Norway *Skip to question 30.*
- Papua New Guinea *Skip to question 30.*
- Paraguay *Skip to question 30.*
- Peru *Skip to question 30.*
- Philippines *Skip to question 30.*
- Poland *Skip to question 30.*
- Portugal *Skip to question 30.*
- Puerto Rico *Skip to question 15.*
- Qatar *Skip to question 30.*
- Romania *Skip to question 30.*
- Russia *Skip to question 30.*
- Saudi Arabia *Skip to question 30.*
- Singapore *Skip to question 30.*
- Slovakia *Skip to question 30.*
- Slovenia *Skip to question 30.*
- South Africa *Skip to question 30.*
- South Korea *Skip to question 30.*
- South Sudan *Skip to question 30.*

- Spain *Skip to question 30.*
- Sri Lanka *Skip to question 30.*
- Sweden *Skip to question 30.*
- Switzerland *Skip to question 30.*
- Turkey *Skip to question 30.*
- Taiwan *Skip to question 30.*
- Thailand *Skip to question 30.*
- Tanzania *Skip to question 30.*
- Tunisia *Skip to question 30.*
- Uganda *Skip to question 30.*
- Ukraine *Skip to question 30.*
- United Kingdom *Skip to question 18.*
- United States of America *Skip to question 15.*
- Uruguay *Skip to question 30.*
- Venezuela *Skip to question 30.*
- Vietnam *Skip to question 30.*
- Zimbabwe *Skip to question 30.*
- Other *Skip to question 29.*

*Skip to question 30.*

## **US Residents**

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

**15. Which State or US territory do you live in?**

If you spend time in more than one state, select the state in which you spend the most time.

*Mark only one oval.*

- Alabama
- Alaska
- American Samoa
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- District of Columbia
- Florida
- Georgia
- Guam
- Hawaii
- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- Montana
- Nebraska
- Nevada
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New Mexico
- New York
- North Carolina

- North Dakota
- Northern Marianas Islands
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- Puerto Rico
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- South Dakota
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Utah
- Vermont
- Virginia
- Virgin Islands
- Washington
- West Virginia
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming
- Other

**16. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?**

These questions are drawn from the US Census, and we are using them to compare to the previous questions.

*Mark only one oval.*

- No, not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin
- Yes, Mexican American, Mexican, Chicano
- Yes, Puerto Rican
- Yes, Cuban
- Yes, Another Hispanic, Spanish, or Latino Origin

**17. What is your race?**

These questions are drawn from the US Census, and we are using them to compare to the previous questions. Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- White
- Black or African American
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian Indian
- Chinese
- Filipino
- Japanese
- Korean
- Vietnamese
- Other Asian
- Native Hawaiian
- Guamanian or Chamorro
- Samoan
- Other Pacific Islander
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

*Skip to question 30.*

**UK Residents**

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

**18. In which region do you currently reside?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- England
- Wales
- Scotland
- Northern Ireland
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**19. How would you describe your national identity?**

Mark only one oval.

- English
- Welsh
- Scottish
- Northern Irish
- British
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## **What is your ethnic group?**

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These questions are drawn from the UK Census, and we are using them to compare to earlier questions.

Choose one section from A-E, then tick one box to best describe your ethnic group or background.

**20. A. White**

Mark only one oval.

- English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British
- Irish
- Irish Traveller
- I am not white
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**21. B. Mixed/Multiple Ethnic Groups**

Mark only one oval.

- White and Black Caribbean
- White and Black African
- White and Asian
- I am not mixed
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**22. C. Asian/Asian British**

Mark only one oval.

- Indian
- Pakistani
- Bangladeshi
- Chinese
- I am not Asian
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**23. D. Black/African/Carribbean/Black British**

Mark only one oval.

- African
- Caribbean
- I am not black
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**24. E. Other ethnic group**

Mark only one oval.

- Arab
- N/A
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Skip to question 30.

## Canada Residents

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

**25. What province do you currently reside in?**

Mark only one oval.

- Ontario
- Quebec
- British Columbia
- Alberta
- Manitoba
- Saskatchewan
- Nova Scotia
- New Brunswick
- Newfoundland and Labrador
- Prince Edward Island
- Northwest Territories
- Yukon
- Nunavut
- Other/NA

**The following questions on Race and Ethnicity are from the Canadian long form Census of 2016**

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**26. Are you an Aboriginal person, that is First Nations (North American Indian), Métis, or Inuk (Inuit)?**

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- No, not an Aboriginal Person
- Yes, First Nations (North American Indian)
- Yes, Metis
- Yes, Inuk (Inuit)

**27. Are you:**

This question collects information in accordance with the Employment Equity Act and its Regulations and Guidelines to support programs that promote equal opportunity for everyone to share in the social, cultural, and economic life of Canada. Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- White
- South Asian (e.g. East Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)
- Chinese
- Black
- Filipino
- Latin American
- Arab
- Southwest Asian (e.g. Vietnamese, Cambodian, Laotian, Thai, etc.)
- West Asian (e.g., Iranian, Afgan, etc.)
- Korean
- Japanese
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**28. Are you a Status Indian (Registered or Treaty Indian as defined by the Indian Act of Canada)?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- No
- Yes, Status Indian (Registered or Treaty)

*Skip to question 30.*

## Other Country

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

**29. What country do you currently live in?**

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*Skip to question 30.*

## Gender

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

### 30. Which of the following best describes your gender identity?

*Mark only one oval.*

- Man or male
- Woman or female
- None of the above

### 31. Which (if any) of the following words would you use to describe your gender identity?

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- Agender
- Androgynous
- Bigender
- Demigirl
- Demiguy
- Genderfluid
- Genderqueer
- Man/Male
- Neutrois
- Non-binary
- Woman/Female
- No Gender
- Questioning or unsure
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### 32. Do you consider yourself trans?

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Questioning or Unsure

## Orientation and Attraction

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

**33. Which of the following labels do you most closely identify with? \***

*Mark only one oval.*

- Asexual
- Gray-asexual (or gray-A, graysexual, etc.)
- Demisexual
- Questioning if asexual/gray-asexual/demisexual
- None of the above      *After the last question in this section, skip to question 45.*

**34. Which of the following labels have you \*ever\* identified with at some point in time (even if you no longer do so currently)?**

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- Asexual
- Gray-asexual (or gray-A, graysexual, etc.)
- Demisexual
- Questioning if asexual/demisexual/gray-asexual
- None of the above

**35. Do you consider yourself queer?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Questioning or unsure

**36. Excluding asexual, gray-asexual, and demisexual, which of the following sexual orientation labels do you most closely identify with (if any)?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Straight
- Gay
- Lesbian
- Bisexual
- Pansexual
- None of the above
- Questioning or unsure
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**37. Which (if any) of the following romantic orientation labels do you identify with?**

Please consider the whole list carefully and check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- Aromantic
- Heteroromantic
- Homoromantic
- Biromantic
- Panromantic
- Polyromantic
- WTFromantic or quoiromantic
- Lithromantic
- Gray-romantic or gray-aromantic
- Demiromantic
- I am unfamiliar with some or all of these
- I prefer not to use a/romantic orientation terminology
- Questioning or unsure
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**38. Which of the following groups are you romantically attracted to?**

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- Men
- Women
- People with non-binary genders
- I don't experience romantic attraction
- I prefer not to use a/romantic attraction terminology
- Questioning or unsure

**39. Some people experience types of attraction other than romantic or sexual attraction. If you are familiar with any of the following terms, which of them describe something you experience?**

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- Aesthetic attraction
- Platonic attraction
- Sensual attraction
- I do not experience any of these
- I do not differentiate my attraction in these ways
- I am unfamiliar with some or all of these
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Asexual Identity

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

### 40. Where did you first hear of asexuality?

Mark only one oval.

- AVEN
- Tumblr
- Blogs (excluding Tumblr)
- Fandom community (excluding Tumblr)
- LGBTQ community (excluding Tumblr)
- Facebook
- Wikipedia
- News media
- Word of mouth
- Reddit
- YouTube
- School
- I don't remember
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### 41. At what age did you first **\*privately identify\*** as asexual, gray-asexual, demisexual, or some equivalent term?

It counts even if you did not take the term seriously. If you are questioning your ace identity, please answer 0 or leave blank.

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### 42. At what age did you first tell another **\*asexual, gray-asexual, or demisexual\*** person about your asexuality, gray-asexuality, demisexuality, or some equivalent term?

If you have never told an asexual, demisexual, or gray-asexual person, please answer 0 or leave blank.

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### 43. At what age did you first tell another **\*non-asexual\*** person about your asexuality, gray-asexuality, demisexuality, or some equivalent term?

If you never told a non-asexual person, please answer 0 or leave blank.

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**44. How many people in the following groups have you told about your asexuality / demisexuality / gray-asexuality?**

If any of the following categories do not apply to you (e.g. you have no siblings) select "N/A".  
Mark only one oval per row.

	None	A few	About half	Most	All	N/A
Partners and ex-partners (e.g. romantic partners, queerplatonic partners, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>					
Siblings	<input type="radio"/>					
Parents	<input type="radio"/>					
Other family members	<input type="radio"/>					
Heterosexual friends	<input type="radio"/>					
Non-heterosexual friends	<input type="radio"/>					
Acquaintances	<input type="radio"/>					
Classmates	<input type="radio"/>					
Coworkers	<input type="radio"/>					
Community Leaders	<input type="radio"/>					
Counselors	<input type="radio"/>					
Medical Professionals	<input type="radio"/>					

## Relationships

Note: For the following questions, "significant relationships" refers to close relationships other than family or close friends - typical examples could include marriage, domestic partnerships, queerplatonic relationships, partner, boyfriend, girlfriend, etc. Significant relationships need not necessarily be sexual or even romantic.

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

**45. What's your current relationship status?**

Mark only one oval.

- Single
- In at least one significant relationship (either romantic or not)
- Engaged/married

**46. Have you ever had a significant relationship?**

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

47. **Have you ever had a significant relationship that was romantic?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- I don't differentiate between romantic and nonromantic relationships
- Unsure

48. **Have you ever had a significant relationship that was non-romantic?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- I don't differentiate between romantic and nonromantic relationships
- Unsure

49. **Have you ever had a partner who was asexual, gray-asexual or demisexual, that you know of?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No

50. **Have you ever had a partner who was NOT asexual, gray-asexual or demisexual, that you know of?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No

51. **Do you consider yourself polyamorous?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Questioning or unsure
- I am not familiar with this term

## **Sexual History and Sexual Violence**

52. **The following section contains some questions of a sensitive nature regarding your sexual history and any experiences with sexual violence. Are you willing to answer questions pertaining to these topics? \***

In this survey, examples of "sex" include intercourse, oral sex, anal sex, and manual stimulation by or of another person, etc.

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No, skip them      *Skip to question 61.*

## Sexual History

Here, sex refers only to partnered sex. In this survey, examples of "sex" include intercourse, oral sex, anal sex, and manual stimulation by or of another person, etc.b

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

53. **Have you ever had consensual sex?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

54. **By your best estimate, how old were you at the EARLIEST time you had consensual sex?**

If this has never happened, or you don't know when, leave this blank.

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55. **By your best estimate, how old were you at the MOST RECENT time you had consensual sex?**

If this has never happened, or you don't know when, leave this blank.

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## Sexual Violence

In this survey, examples of "sex" include intercourse, oral sex, anal sex, and manual stimulation by or of another person, etc.

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

**56. Have you ever experienced sex that you did not consent to or were incapable of giving consent to?**

For example, incapable would be if you were too intoxicated to give consent, or too young to give informed consent.

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

**57. Have you ever had sex because of social pressure from a partner, your peers, or anyone else, when you might not have wanted to have sex?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

**58. Have you ever experienced sexual contact that you did not consent to, or were incapable of giving consent to?**

“Sexual contact” is a broader category than “sex”, and includes things such as groping and kissing.

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

**If you answered “No” to all the above questions, then skip to the next page.**

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**59. People have many different reactions after experiencing a traumatic or stressful event. After any of the events referred to in the previous questions, have you experienced any of the following?**

*Mark only one oval per row.*

	Yes	No
I kept remembering the event even though I didn't want to.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I had distressing memories of the event.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I had distressing dreams about the event.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I felt that I was reliving that event or that it was happening all over again.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

60. **Have you ever been professionally diagnosed with PTSD in relation to any of these events?**

Mark only one oval.

- Yes  
 No
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If you are experiencing any difficult emotions after answering these questions and would like to talk to someone, please contact one of the anonymous resources below:

Veterans Crisis Line  
(for veterans, military personnel, and their families)  
1-800-273-8255 and Press 1  
<http://veteranscrisisline.net/>

FORGE Transgender Sexual Violence Project  
414-559-2123  
<http://forge-forward.org/anti-violence/for-survivors/> to list of resources

National Sexual Assault Hotline  
800-656-HOPE (4673)  
<https://ohl.rainn.org/online/>

Other resources (including some available outside the US):  
<http://www.pandys.org/lgbtsurvivors.html>  
<https://www.betterhelp.com/>

## Sex Drive/Libido

61. **The following section contains questions about sex drive, masturbation, porn, and sexual fantasies. Are you willing to answer these questions? \***

Mark only one oval.

- Yes  
 No, skip them      *Skip to question 66.*

## Sex Drive/Libido

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

62. **How strong is your sex drive/libido, typically?**

Sex drive, or libido, refers to the drive to engage in some kind of sexual stimulation, whether through partnered sex or solo stimulation (e.g. masturbation).

Mark only one oval.

	1	2	3	4	
Nonexistent	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Very Strong

**63. How frequently do you masturbate, typically?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- I have never masturbated
- I have masturbated before but do not do so currently
- A few times a year or less
- At least once a month
- At least once a week
- At least once per day

**64. How frequently do you read, watch, or otherwise consume porn or erotica for the purpose of sexual gratification, typically?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- I do not consume porn or erotica
- I have consumed porn or erotica, but do not currently do so
- A few times a year or less
- At least once a month
- At least once a week
- At least once per day

**65. How frequently do you have sexual fantasies, typically?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- I do not have sexual fantasies
- I have had sexual fantasies, but not recently
- A few times a year or less
- At least once a month
- At least once a week
- At least once per day

## Sexual Attitudes

In this survey, examples of "sex" include intercourse, oral sex, anal sex, and manual stimulation by or of another person, etc.

**66. How do you feel about the idea of you (personally) engaging in sex?**

Select the option that best reflects your attitudes overall.

*Mark only one oval.*

- Repulsed
- Indifferent
- Favorable
- Uncertain
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Health and Ability

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

### 67. Do you consider yourself any of the following?

Mark only one oval per row.

	Yes	Unsure	No
Disabled	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Physically disabled	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cognitively disabled	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Chronically Ill	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mentally Ill	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Neurodivergent	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

### 68. Have any of the following ever applied to you?

Mark only one oval per row.

	Yes - Professionally Diagnosed	Yes - Self-Diagnosed	Unsure	No
ADHD	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Anxiety Disorder	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Autism Spectrum	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Depressive Disorder	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Personality Disorder	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hypoactive Sexual Desire Disorder or Sexual Interest/Arousal Disorder	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

### 69. How often have you consumed alcohol in the past 12 months?

Exclude incidental consumption as part of religious practices. \*This survey is anonymous\*

Mark only one oval.

- Not at all in the last 12 months
- Once/twice in the last 12 months
- Once/twice a month
- Once/twice a week
- 3/4 days a week
- 5+ days a week

## Suicide

### 70. The following section contains questions about suicide. Are you willing to answer these questions? \*

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No, skip them *Skip to question 73.*

## Suicide

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

### 71. At any time in your life, have you ever

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- Seriously thought about trying to kill yourself
- Made any plans to kill yourself
- Tried to kill yourself
- None of the above

### 72. In the last 12 months have you

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- Seriously thought about trying to kill yourself
- Made any plans to kill yourself
- Tried to kill yourself
- None of the above

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If you are experiencing any difficult emotions after answering these questions and would like to talk to someone, please contact one of the anonymous resources below:

In the US:

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

1-800-273-8255

<http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org/>

Veterans Crisis Line

(for veterans, military personnel, and their families)

1-800-273-8255 and Press 1

<http://veteranscrisisline.net/>

The Trevor Project

The Trevor Project is a phone and internet chat hotline for LGBTQ people, whose volunteers receive training on asexuality.

1-866-488-7386

<http://www.thetrevorproject.org/section/get-help>

International Support: <https://www.thetrevorproject.org/pages/international-support>

## Negative Experiences

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

73. **Because of your sexual and/or romantic orientation, have you experienced any of the following?**

If you are unable to determine a clear cause for any incidents, feel free to count them if you feel your sexual/romantic orientation was a significant factor.

Mark only one oval per row.

	Yes	Unsure	No
Verbal harassment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Online harassment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sexual harassment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Physical harassment/violence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Difficulty finding housing or dealing with landlords or roommates	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Difficulty finding a job or fitting in at a job	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Difficulty accessing mental healthcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Difficulty accessing other healthcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Being excluded from social activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Loss of material/financial support from family or others	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Attempts or suggestions for how to "fix" or "cure" you	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Excessive or inappropriate personal questions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Familial rejection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**74. Because you are transgender/gender nonconforming have you experienced any of the following?**

If you are not transgender or gender non-conforming, you may skip this question. If you are unable to determine a clear cause for any incidents, feel free to count them if you feel being transgender/gender non-conforming was a significant factor.

Mark only one oval per row.

	Yes	Unsure	No
Verbal harassment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Online harassment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sexual harassment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Physical harassment/violence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Difficulty finding housing or dealing with landlords or roommates	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Difficulty finding a job or fitting in at a job	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Difficulty accessing mental healthcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Difficulty accessing other healthcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Being excluded from social activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Loss of material/financial support from family or others	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Attempts or suggestions for how to "fix" or "cure" you	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Excessive or inappropriate personal questions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Familial rejection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**75. Would you like to briefly elaborate on the sources of any of these experiences?**

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**76. On a scale of 0 (little to no impact) to 4 (major impact), how much of an impact has discrimination, prejudice, or other negative experiences due to your sexual or romantic orientation had on the following aspects of your life?**

Mark only one oval per row.

	0 (little to no impact)	1	2	3	4 (major impact)
Professional/Academic career	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Social life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Relationships with family	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental/Emotional health	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Physical health/wellbeing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## Asexual Communities

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

### 77. Where did you first participate in an asexual community?

Mark only one oval.

- I have never participated in an asexual community
- AVEN (English)
- Non-English asexual forum
- Tumblr
- Livejournal
- Blogs (Besides LiveJournal and Tumblr)
- Facebook
- Reddit
- Twitter
- Offline group
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### 78. How old were you when you first participated in an asexual community?

If you have never participated in an asexual community, you can leave this blank.

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### 79. How much do you currently READ or WATCH content from the following online asexual communities?

Mark only one oval per row.

	Never	A few times a year or less	A few times a month	A few times a week	At least once per day
AVEN (English)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Non-English asexual forum	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tumblr	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
LiveJournal	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Blogs (Besides LiveJournal and Tumblr)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facebook	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Twitter	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reddit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
YouTube	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Chat rooms (e.g. Discord, IRC, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

80. How much do you currently POST or COMMENT in the following online asexual communities?

Mark only one oval per row.

	Never	A few times a year or less	A few times a month	A few times a week	At least once per day
AVEN (English)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Non-English asexual forum	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tumblr	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
LiveJournal	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Blogs (Besides LiveJournal and Tumblr)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facebook	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Twitter	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reddit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
YouTube	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Chat rooms (e.g. Discord, IRC, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

81. Have you ever met someone offline who identified as asexual, gray-asexual or demisexual, that you know of?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

82. Do you have any current friends who identify as asexual, gray-asexual or demisexual, that you know of?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

83. How often do you currently participate in OFFLINE asexual groups?

Mark only one oval.

- Never
- A few times a year or less
- Once a month
- A few times a month
- A few times a week
- At least once per day

**84. Do you currently read/watch/participate in any asexual community not listed above?**

If yes, please choose "other" and name the community

*Mark only one oval.*

- No
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**85. Do you currently have access to ...**

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- ONLINE ace communities at all
- ONLINE ace communities that you feel comfortable participating in
- OFFLINE ace communities at all
- OFFLINE ace communities that you feel comfortable participating in

## Offline LGBTQ Spaces

The following questions ask about spaces dedicated primarily to people under the LGBTQ umbrella (e.g. discussion groups, forums, social events, parades, bars, etc.), NOT including asexual specific spaces such as asexual meetup groups.

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

**86. When was the most recent time you participated in an offline LGBTQ space as described above?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- In the past month
- Between a month and a year ago
- Between 1 and 5 years ago
- Over 5 years ago
- Never

**87. When was the most recent time you participated in an online LGBTQ space as described above?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- In the past month
- Between a month and a year ago
- Between 1 and 5 years ago
- Over 5 years ago
- Never

88. **Of the OFFLINE LGBTQ spaces that you have access to, how many do you find accepting of your sexual and/or romantic orientations?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- All
- Most
- About half
- Very few
- None
- Unsure
- I do not have access to any groups

89. **Of the ONLINE LGBTQ spaces that you have access to, how many do you find accepting of your sexual and/or romantic orientations?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- All
- Most
- About half
- Very few
- None
- Unsure
- I do not have access to any groups

90. **Do you currently have access to ...**

Check all that apply.

*Check all that apply.*

- ONLINE LGBTQ communities at all
- ONLINE LGBTQ communities that you feel comfortable participating in
- OFFLINE LGBTQ communities at all
- OFFLINE LGBTQ communities that you feel comfortable participating in

91. **Assuming you could access an LGBTQ space that was accepting of your orientation, how likely would you be to participate in such spaces?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- Definitely would participate
- Would likely participate
- Unsure
- Would likely not participate
- Definitely would not participate

## Personal Perspectives

While it's best to answer as many questions as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

These questions ask about your experiences over your lifetime, rather than during a short period of time such as the past few weeks or months. Please answer the questions as honestly and as clearly as possible while keeping this mind. In answering these questions, keep in mind a definition of sex or sexual activity that may include intercourse/penetration, caressing, and/or foreplay.

**92. I experience sexual attraction toward other people**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Completely True
- 2 = Somewhat True
- 3 = Neither True nor False
- 4 = Somewhat False
- 5 = Completely False

**93. I lack interest in sexual activity**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Completely False
- 2 = Somewhat False
- 3 = Neither True nor False
- 4 = Somewhat True
- 5 = Completely True

**94. I don't feel that that I fit the conventional categories of sexual orientation such as heterosexual, homosexual (gay or lesbian), or bisexual**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Completely False
- 2 = Somewhat False
- 3 = Neither True nor False
- 4 = Somewhat True
- 5 = Completely True

**95. The thought of sexual activity repulses me**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Completely False
- 2 = Somewhat False
- 3 = Neither True nor False
- 4 = Somewhat True
- 5 = Completely True

96. **I find myself experiencing sexual attraction toward another person**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Always
- 2 = Often
- 3 = Sometimes
- 4 = Rarely
- 5 = Never

97. **I am confused by how much interest and time other people put into sexual relationships**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Completely False
- 2 = Somewhat False
- 3 = Neither True nor False
- 4 = Somewhat True
- 5 = Completely True

98. **The term “non-sexual” would be an accurate description of my sexuality**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Completely False
- 2 = Somewhat False
- 3 = Neither True nor False
- 4 = Somewhat True
- 5 = Completely True

99. **I would be content if I never had sex again**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Completely False
- 2 = Somewhat False
- 3 = Neither True nor False
- 4 = Somewhat True
- 5 = Completely True

100. **I would be relieved if I was told that I never had to engage in any sort of sexual activity again**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Completely False
- 2 = Somewhat False
- 3 = Neither True nor False
- 4 = Somewhat True
- 5 = Completely True

101. **I go to great lengths to avoid situations where sex might be expected of me**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Completely False
- 2 = Somewhat False
- 3 = Neither True nor False
- 4 = Somewhat True
- 5 = Completely True

102. **My ideal relationship would not involve sexual activity**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Completely False
- 2 = Somewhat False
- 3 = Neither True nor False
- 4 = Somewhat True
- 5 = Completely True

103. **Sex has no place in my life**

*Mark only one oval.*

- 1 = Completely False
- 2 = Somewhat False
- 3 = Neither True nor False
- 4 = Somewhat True
- 5 = Completely True

## Open Ended Questions

These following questions and are designed to gather more detailed personal anecdotes that can be used to contextualize and personalize the raw numbers collected by this census. Quotes from your responses to the questions below may be included in reports or press releases from the AVEN Survey Team. In addition, quotes from this section may also be shared with other ace organizers to use in visibility and education materials.

All the below questions are fully optional, and you can write as much or as little as you would like. By answering these questions, you give us permission to quote you anonymously in future publications (please do not include any identifying information). If you would prefer not to answer these questions, you can hit "Next" below now.

104. **Have you ever encountered characters with your sexual/romantic orientation in fiction? How well did they reflect your experiences, including other aspects of your identity, like your race, gender, attitudes towards sex, etc?**

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105. **Is there anything else you would like to share?**

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## Survey Meta Questions

While it's best to answer as many questions as best as you can, most questions may be skipped. There will be additional space for feedback and clarification at the end of the survey.

This is the final section of the survey. When you hit "Submit" below, all answers will be submitted and you will no longer be able to change your responses. Thank you for taking the survey!

106. **Where did you find this survey?**

*Mark only one oval.*

- AVEN (English)
- Non-English asexual forum
- Tumblr
- LiveJournal
- Blogs (Besides LiveJournal and Tumblr)
- Facebook
- Twitter
- Reddit
- FetLife
- Instagram
- Chat rooms (including Discord, IRC, etc.)
- Word of mouth
- Offline asexual groups
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

107. **Feedback (optional)**

Do you have any comments about this survey?

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