

# ACADEMIC WOMEN AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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# Two viewpoints

Finnish violence against women survey: Faith, hope, battering (1998)

Violence against women: an EU-wide survey by the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (2014)

Are similar results found in both studies?

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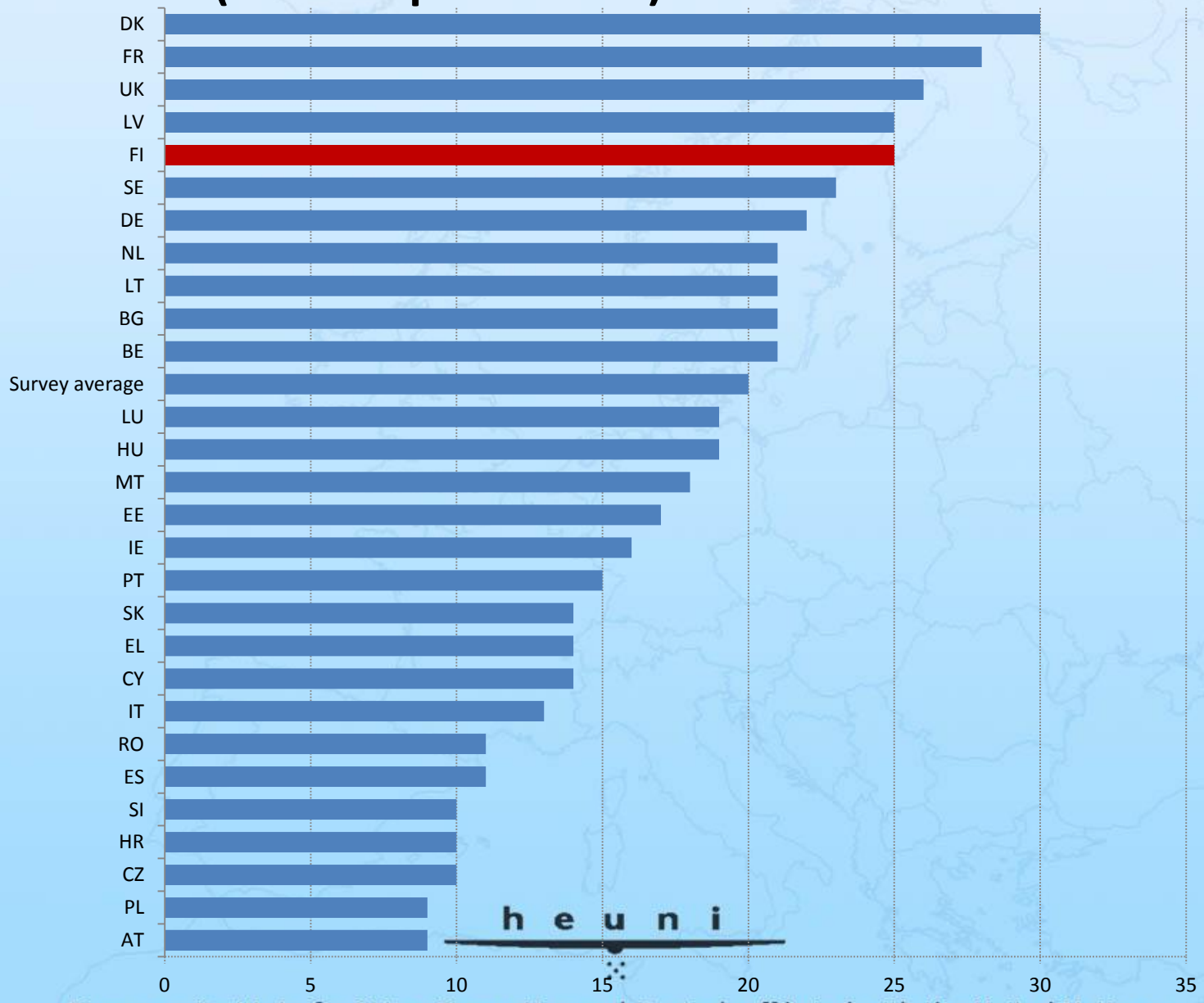
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- Results: violence against women is common, and academic women have experienced intimate partner violence both in their current and previous relationships more often than women on average. In addition, academic women had experienced violence committed by strangers and known men (non-partners) considerably more often than women on average.  
→ Academic women had the highest overall victimization rate

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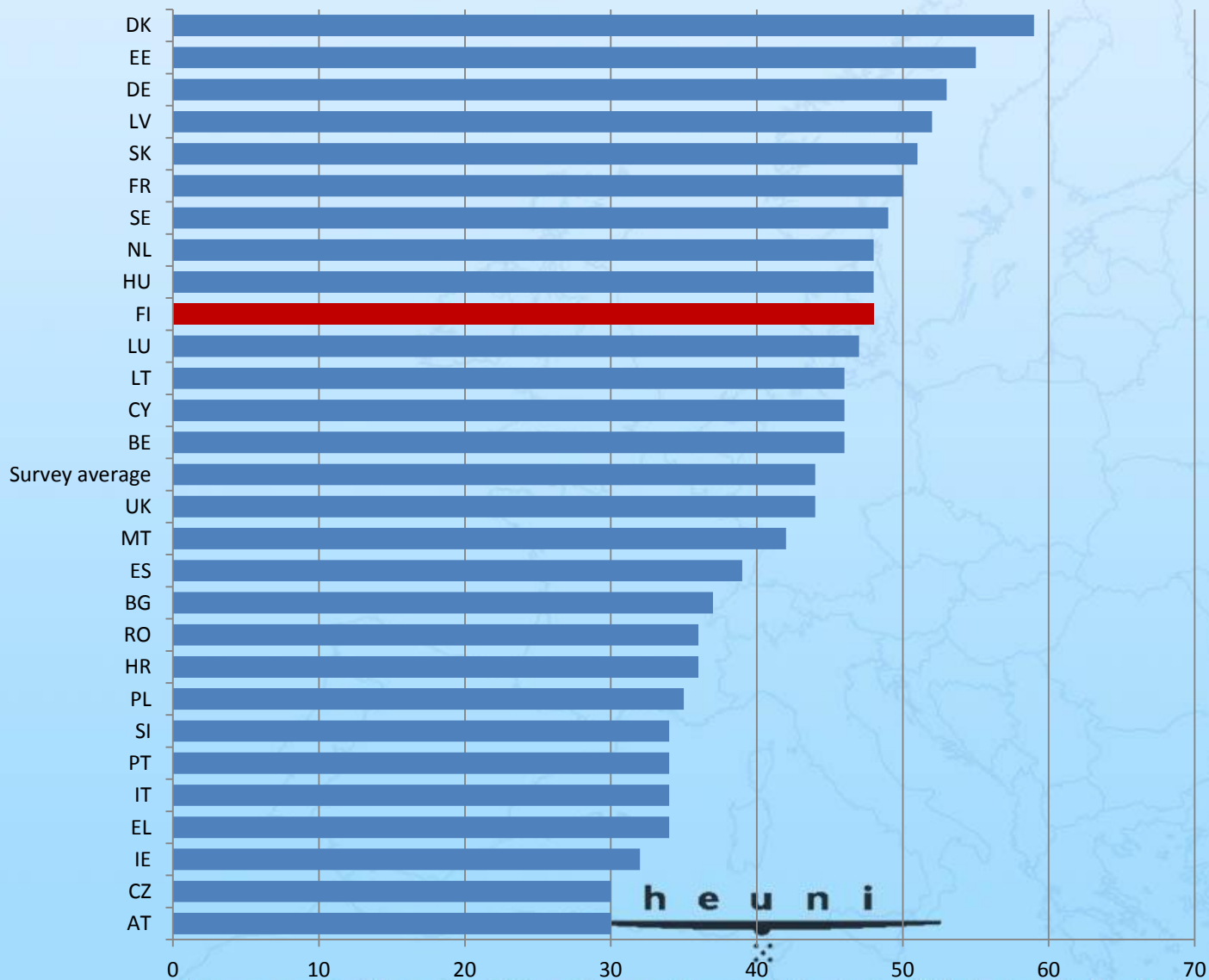
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<http://fra.europa.eu/DVS/DVT/vaw.php>

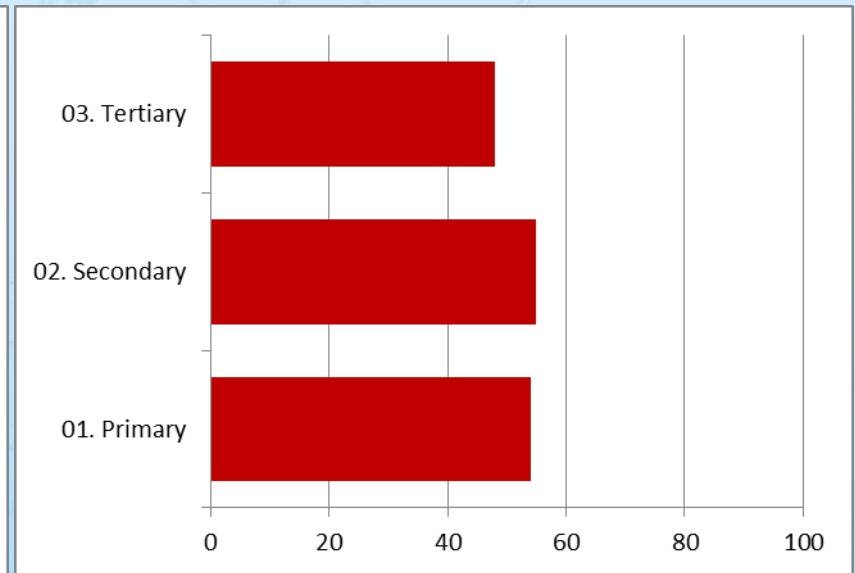
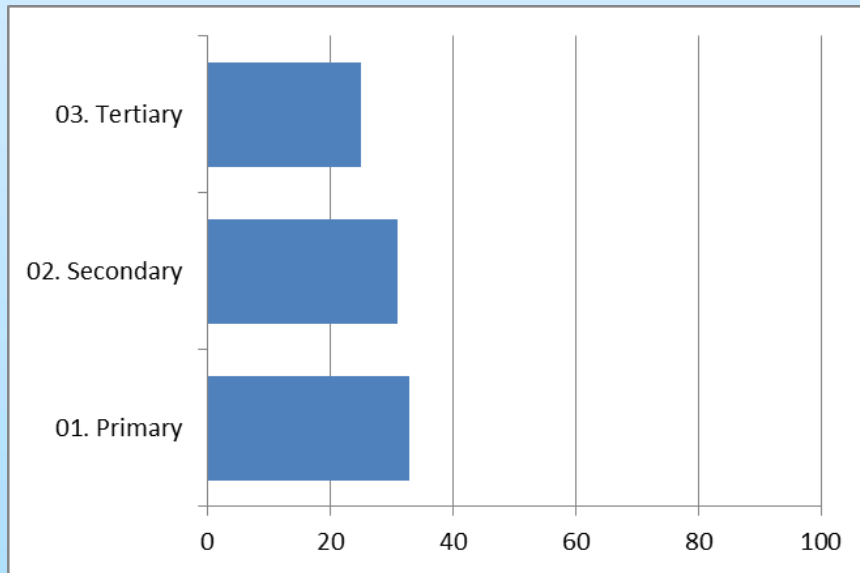


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# FRA-Survey 2014: Academic women, psychological violence by partner (lifetime prevalence)



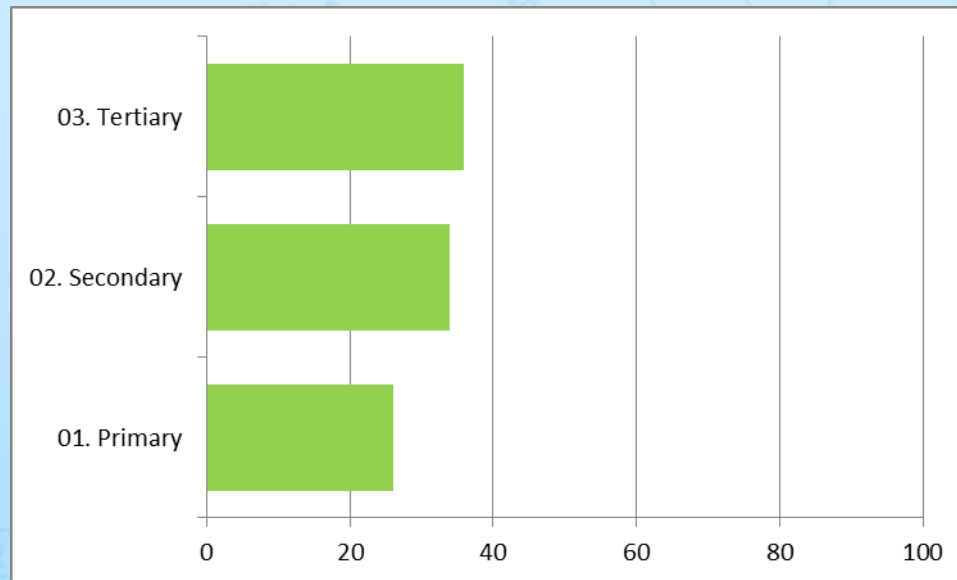
# FRA-Survey 2014: Physical and sexual violence (blue bars) and psychological violence (red bars) by partners across education (lifetime prevalence) in Finland



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# FRA-Survey 2014: Physical and sexual violence (green bars) by non-partners across education (lifetime prevalence) in Finland



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# Why is Finland so high up?

- Violence starts in childhood
- It is acceptable to talk with other people about experiences of violence?
- Increased gender equality leads to higher levels of disclosure about VAW?
- Women's exposure to risk factors of violence higher in Finland?
- Different drinking patterns?

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Thank you!

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