

The financial cost of workplace sexual harassment

Workplace sexual harassment cost Australia an estimated \$3.8 billion in 2018.

Cost to individuals

\$523.6 million

Estimated cost of workplace sexual harassment to people harassed in 2018. Includes: costs of accessing support and lost income.



10% of people harassed in the last five years experienced negative financial consequences.

Cost to workplaces

\$1.82 billion

Cost of decreased productivity as a result of workplace sexual harassment in 2018.

Costs associated with increased absenteeism and staff turnover.



Costs of responding to complaints.

Cost to Australian governments





Estimated cost of responding to workplace sexual harassment by public agencies in 2018. Includes: complaint handling bodies, public health system and justice system.

\$611.6 million

Decreased individual and company tax revenue as a result of lower productivity.