

## Persons with Disabilities Victims of Violent Crime

"More than 25% of mental health agency clients had been a victim of violent crime in the past year. This is more than 11 times the rate for the general population, even after controlling for demographic differences.

More than 21% had been victims of personal theft, a rate greater than 140 times the general population.

The rape rate was 12.3 times the general population."

*"Crime Victimization in Adults with Severe Mental Illness: Comparison with the National Crime Victimization Survey."*

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