

# ORS 350.345 Annual Report Relating to Sexual Misconduct Academic Year 2025-26



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ORS 350.345 requires all Oregon institutions of higher education to submit this report to the Legislative committees on education, the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, and the Director of the Department of Human Services by October 1 of each year. Oregon Administrative Rule 715-030-0040 clarifies what should be included in the report.

The text of the statute subsection and any related element of the rule precede each table to explain what is included in the counts.

## Reporting tables by subsection

**ORS 350.345 (a)** The total number of allegations of sexual misconduct during the previous academic year that were reported to the institution's Title IX coordinator by a student or employee of the institution against:

(A) Another student or employee of the institution; or

(B) An unknown individual or an individual for whom the institution categorizes the report as "other."

OAR 715-030-0040(1) For the purposes of ORS 350.345(2)(a), a report of sexual misconduct made to a Title IX coordinator or equivalent official includes any report made by a student or employee of the institution, regardless of whether it is a first person account, third-person account, or anonymous account provided the report includes information that:

(a) the person who experienced the sexual misconduct is a student or employee of the institution; and

(b) there is sufficient information to determine the type of sexual misconduct that occurred.

OAR 715-030-0040(2) An institution need only report and count one incidence of sexual misconduct if multiple reports are made of the same sexual misconduct action committed by the same person against the same victim.

| <b>ORS 350.345(a)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b># reported by students</b> | <b># reported by employees</b> | <b>Total count</b> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Allegations of sexual misconduct reported during the previous academic year                                                                                                                                                                         | 408                           | 78                             | 486                |
| <i>Note:</i> A considerable number of the reported concerns ultimately did not suggest a violation of university policy. Most reports were able to be resolved through the provision of supportive measures, informal resolutions, and/or remedies. |                               |                                |                    |

**ORS 350.345(b)** The number of law enforcement investigations known to have been initiated during the previous academic year in response to reports of sexual misconduct that were brought forward by a student or employee of the institution.

OAR 715-030-0040(5) A “law enforcement investigation” is an investigation conducted by:

(a) County sheriffs, municipal police departments, police departments established by a university under ORS 352.121 or 353.125, and state police;

(b) Other police officers of this state or another state, including humane special agents as defined in ORS 181A.345;

(c) A tribal government as defined in ORS 181A.940 that employs authorized tribal police officers as defined in ORS 181A.940; or

(d) Law enforcement agencies of the federal government.

OAR 715-030-0040(6) An institution shall count each investigation initiated by law enforcement during the reporting period in response to sexual misconduct that was also reported to the institution regardless of when the sexual misconduct was reported to the institution.

| <b>ORS 350.345(b)</b>                                                                                                         | <b># in response to student reports</b> | <b># in response to employee reports</b> | <b>Total count</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Law enforcement investigations initiated in response to reports of sexual misconduct                                          | 20                                      | 3                                        | 23                 |
| <i>Note:</i> Data includes all incidents that generated a police report. Not all reports led to criminal charges being filed. |                                         |                                          |                    |

**ORS 350.345(c)** The number of students and employees at the institution who were found responsible during the previous academic year for violating the institution’s policies prohibiting sexual misconduct.

| <b>ORS 350.345(c)</b>                                                                     | <b># of students</b> | <b># of employees</b> | <b>Total count</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Found responsible for violating policies prohibiting sexual misconduct                    | <8                   | <8                    | 10                 |
| <i>Note:</i> To ensure anonymity of data, exact numbers are not included if fewer than 8. |                      |                       |                    |

**ORS 350.345(d)** The number of students and employees at the institution who during the previous academic year, faced academic or employment disciplinary action due to having violated the institution’s policies prohibiting sexual misconduct.

| <b>ORS 350.345(d)</b>                                                                                                             | <b># of students</b> | <b># of employees</b> | <b>Total count</b> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Faced academic or employment disciplinary action due to having violated the institution’s policies prohibiting sexual misconduct. | <8                   | <8                    | 10                 |
| <i>Note:</i> To ensure anonymity of data, exact numbers are not included if fewer than 8.                                         |                      |                       |                    |

**ORS 350.345(e)** The number of students and employees at the institution who, during the previous academic year, were investigated, but found not responsible for having violated the institution’s policies prohibiting sexual misconduct. If the number under this paragraph exceeds eight, the report must include a narrative section describing why sexual misconduct cases were closed, including the most common reasons, and may also include campus-specific categories of reasons for each investigation being closed and a total number for each category.

OAR 715-030-0040(8) An institution shall not include the student or employee in the count of individuals investigated but not found responsible for violating sexual misconduct policies or codes of conduct prohibiting sexual misconduct policies if they were found responsible for other violations of sexual misconduct policies or codes of conduct prohibiting sexual misconduct during the reporting period.

| <b>ORS 350.345(e)</b>                                                                     | <b># students found not responsible</b> | <b># employees found not responsible</b> | <b>Total count (if total exceeds 8, explain in narrative section L)</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Investigated but not found responsible for sexual misconduct                              | <8                                      | <8                                       | <8                                                                      |
| <i>Note:</i> To ensure anonymity of data, exact numbers are not included if fewer than 8. |                                         |                                          |                                                                         |

**ORS 350.345(f)** The number of complainants who, during the previous academic year, requested supportive measures.

OAR 715-030-0040(9) An institution shall report the number of complainants reporting sexual misconduct to the institution's Title IX coordinator or equivalent official who requested supportive measures, not the number of complainants to whom supportive measures were offered.

| <b>ORS 350.345 (f)</b>                         | <b># students making requests</b> | <b>#employees making requests</b> | <b>Total count</b> |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Complainants who requested supportive measures | 93                                | 11                                | 104                |

**ORS 350.345(g)** The number of supportive measures requested by each complainant described in paragraph (f) of this subsection.

OAR 715-030-0040(10) An institution shall report the number of complainants requesting a specific number of supportive measures: for example: 4 complainants requested 1 supportive measure; 3 complainant requested 2 supportive measures; etc.

| <b>ORS 350.345(g)</b>             | <b># students making requests</b> | <b>#employees making requests</b> | <b>Total count</b> |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Requested any supportive measures | <b>93</b>                         | <b>11</b>                         | <b>104</b>         |
| Requested 1 supportive measure    | 56                                | 9                                 | 65                 |
| Requested 2 supportive measures   | 29                                | 2                                 | 31                 |
| Requested 3 supportive measures   | 5                                 | 0                                 | 5                  |
| Requested 4 supportive measures   | 1                                 | 0                                 | 1                  |

| <b>ORS 350.345(g)</b>            | <b># students making requests</b> | <b>#employees making requests</b> | <b>Total count</b> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Requested 5 supportive measures  | 2                                 | 0                                 | 2                  |
| Requested 6+ supportive measures | 0                                 | 0                                 | 0                  |

**ORS 350.345(h)** The number of supportive measures granted to each complainant described in paragraph (f) of this subsection. The institution may use the optional narrative section (L) that accompanies the number under this paragraph to describe the supportive measures provided to complainants, and to include, at the institution's discretion, a list of supportive measures, including emergency housing, if available, offered by the institution, and the number of times each supportive measure was used.

OAR 715-030-0040(11) An institution shall report the number of complainants who received a certain number of supportive measures: for example: 4 complainants received 1 supportive measure; 3 complainants received 2 supportive measures; etc.

| <b>ORS 350.345(h)</b>            | <b># students receiving supportive measures</b> | <b>#employees receiving supportive measures</b> | <b>Total count</b> |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Received any supportive measures | <b>91</b>                                       | <b>11</b>                                       | <b>102</b>         |
| Received 1 supportive measure    | 54                                              | 9                                               | 63                 |
| Received 2 supportive measures   | 29                                              | 2                                               | 31                 |
| Received 3 supportive measures   | 5                                               | 0                                               | 5                  |
| Received 4 supportive measures   | 1                                               | 0                                               | 1                  |
| Received 5 supportive measures   | 2                                               | 0                                               | 2                  |
| Received 6+ supportive measures  | 0                                               | 0                                               | 0                  |

**ORS 350.345(i)** The number of students or employees of the institution who reported experiencing sexual misconduct at the institution but who declined to participate or requested no investigation.

OAR 715-030-0040(12) An institution shall report the number of individuals who made a report to the Title IX coordinator or equivalent official during the reporting period and either declined to participate in an investigation initiated by the institution or requested that the institution not conduct an investigation into the report. An individual who did not respond to communications about the availability of an investigation shall be considered to have declined to participate in an investigation. Report the number of students and the number of employees separately.

| <b>ORS 350.345(i)</b>                                             | <b># students</b> | <b>#employees</b> | <b>Total count</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Complainant declined to participate or requested no investigation | 120               | 36                | 156                |

**ORS 350.345(j)** The number of ongoing investigations into an accusation of sexual misconduct.

OAR 715-030-0040(13) An institution shall report the number of open investigations of sexual misconduct initiated by the institution that were not resolved during the previous academic year, regardless of when the investigation was initiated.

| <b>ORS 350.345(j)</b>  | <b>Total count</b> |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Ongoing investigations | 12                 |

**ORS 350.345(k)** The types of violence reported at the institution. For any institution with greater than eight reports under this paragraph, the institution shall provide a narrative section describing the types of sexual misconduct experienced on the campus of the institution and may also include any campus-specific categories of sexual misconduct experienced on the campus of the institution and the number of reports for each category.

OAR 715-030-0040(3) For purposes of ORS 350.345(2)(k), “types of violence” means “types of sexual misconduct.” The “types of sexual misconduct” are:

- (a) sexual harassment
- (b) sexual violence
- (c) intimate partner violence
- (d) domestic violence
- (e) sexual exploitation
- (f) stalking
- (g) harassment or violence based on sexual orientation; or
- (h) gender-based harassment or violence.

Use the definitions of each type of sexual misconduct as provided in OAR 715-030-0001.

| ORS 350.345(k) Type of violence                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Total count reported (if total exceeds 8, explain in narrative section L) |
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| <p><b>Sexual harassment:</b> unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature. Sexual harassment includes unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal, nonverbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature where such conduct is sufficiently severe or pervasive that it has the effect, intended or unintended, of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance or it has created an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment and would have such an effect on a reasonable person.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 139                                                                       |
| <p><b>Sexual violence:</b> actual or attempted physical contact of a sexual nature or in a sexual context without the other person's consent, if the other person is incapacitated in any way, or without their ability to refuse the physical contact. Sexual violence includes physical contact through violence, coercion, or when the person is unable to give consent or refuse the physical contact because of vulnerability, intoxication, or unconsciousness. Examples of physical contact of a sexual nature or in a sexual context include forcible kissing, penetration of someone's body by another person's body part or an object, or the use of their body to penetrate another, and touching another person's intimate areas (for example, breasts, genitals, or buttocks), including groping, fondling, rape, sexual assault, and sexual abuse.</p> | 82                                                                        |
| <p><b>Intimate partner violence:</b> a form of domestic violence in which the persons involved are in a relationship of a romantic or sexual nature. The relationship may be past or current. Other terms for this might include "dating violence" or "relationship abuse."</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 75                                                                        |
| <p><b>Domestic violence:</b> attempting to cause or causing physical or emotional injury; placing another in fear of physical or emotional injury; or engaging in any sexual contact without the other person's consent when the other person is a spouse, former spouse, adult related by blood or marriage, a person cohabitating, a person having cohabitated in the past, a person involved or previously involved in a sexually intimate relationship, or unmarried co-parent of a minor child. Domestic violence includes coercive control; physical abuse; financial abuse or control; emotional abuse; technological abuse; reproductive coercion; sexual violence; sexual exploitation; and stalking.</p>                                                                                                                                                   | 0                                                                         |

| ORS 350.345(k) Type of violence                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Total count reported (if total exceeds 8, explain in narrative section L) |
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| <p><b>Sexual exploitation:</b> any actual or attempted abuse of a position of vulnerability, differential power, or trust, for sexual purposes in the absence of consent. Sexual exploitation includes:</p> <p>(a) Creating or sharing an intimate or sexual image or recording of a person's likeness without their consent or sending intimate or sexual images or recordings to a person without their consent; coercing another person to create an intimate image or record a sexual act under threat of physical, emotional, or financial abuse;</p> <p>(b) Displaying intimate areas of one's body to another person without their consent in a place where such display would not reasonably be expected; engaging in sexual activity while another person was present without their consent; or</p> <p>(c) Observing another person's intimate areas or sexual activity without their knowledge or consent and in a place where the person has a reasonable expectation of privacy.</p> | 55                                                                        |
| <p><b>Stalking:</b> repeated and unwanted contact that causes the victim reasonable apprehension regarding the personal safety of the victim or a member of the victim's immediate family or household and it is objectively reasonable for a person in the victim's situation to have been alarmed or coerced by the contact. Stalking includes, but is not limited to, repeated and unwanted contact such as: electronic or in-person surveillance; sending communications including unwanted items to the target or people in the target's family, school, or workplace; tracking the target's physical location; accessing or monitoring a person's phone and other computing devices; property damage; and threats. Stalking may involve the use of third parties to accomplish the behaviors.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                          | 44                                                                        |

| <b>ORS 350.345(k) Type of violence</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Total count reported (if total exceeds 8, explain in narrative section L)</b> |
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| <p><b>Harassment or violence based on sexual orientation:</b> either harassment based on sexual orientation or violence based on sexual orientation.</p> <p>(a) Harassment based on sexual orientation means unwelcome conduct based on a person's real or perceived sexual orientation. This includes unwelcome advances, economic manipulation, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal, nonverbal or physical conduct based on sexual orientation and of a nature where such conduct is sufficiently severe or pervasive that it has the effect, intended or unintended, of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance or it has created an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment and would have such an effect on a reasonable person.</p> <p>(b) Violence based on sexual orientation means any form of violence against an individual based on the person's real or perceived sexual orientation. This includes physical, sexual, and psychological abuse; threats; coercion; and arbitrary deprivation of liberty, whether in public or private life.</p>                                                                                                                                                    | <p>19</p>                                                                        |
| <p><b>Gender-based harassment or violence:</b> either gender-based harassment or gender-based violence.</p> <p>(a) Gender-based harassment means unwelcome conduct against an individual based on their biological sex, gender identity or expression, or perceived deviation from socially defined expectations of male-female binary gender stereotypes. This includes unwelcome gender-based advances, economic manipulation, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal, nonverbal or physical conduct of a gender-based nature where such conduct is sufficiently severe or pervasive that it has the effect, intended or unintended, of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance or it has created an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment and would have such an effect on a reasonable person.</p> <p>(b) Gender-based violence means any form of violence against an individual based on their biological sex, gender identity or expression, or perceived deviation from socially defined expectations of male-female binary gender stereotypes. This includes physical, sexual, and psychological abuse; threats; coercion; and arbitrary deprivation of liberty, whether in public or private life.</p> | <p>72</p>                                                                        |

[If not required by (e) or (k), the following section is optional and may be omitted:]

**ORS 350.345(L)** A section for narrative discussion in which the institution may:

- (A) Describe any work being done at the institution to ensure the institution has accurate information;
- (B) Explain any trends and changes in data regarding the numbers being reported;
- (C) Discuss any supportive measures provided or potential gaps in supportive measures being provided; and
- (D) Discuss how the institution is working to eliminate sexual misconduct on the campus of the institution.

Oregon State University (OSU) is committed to creating and maintaining a safe, respectful, equitable, and inclusive working and learning environment. In furtherance of that commitment, the university prohibits discrimination, discriminatory harassment, retaliation, and sexual misconduct in all OSU programs and activities. All students and employees are required to complete annual online training on these policies and expectations. Through this training, students and employees also receive information about the resources available to individuals impacted by discrimination or sexual misconduct.

The Office of Equal Opportunity and Access (EOA) at OSU oversees university-wide compliance with state and federal civil rights laws and regulations, including Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Violence Against Women Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act, among many other regulations.

All OSU employees (with some exemptions) are designated as Responsible Employees and must immediately report actual or suspected discrimination, discriminatory harassment, retaliation, and sexual misconduct to EOA. No one impacted by discrimination, discriminatory harassment, retaliation, or sexual misconduct is required to engage with EOA, but EOA reaches out to every individual referred to our office to provide information on available rights, resources, and options. Students and employees understand that reporting to EOA is how many individuals learn about their on- and off-campus resources, rights, and options, so there is a strong culture of reporting at OSU. Because of this strong culture of reporting, a considerable number of the concerns reported to EOA ultimately are not violations of university policy or do not (yet) rise to that level. This allows OSU to address concerns sooner and to resolve concerns through the provision of supportive measures, informal resolutions, and/or remedies.

OSU's Center for Advocacy, Prevention, and Education (CAPE) cultivates a survivor-centered, trauma-informed culture of consent at OSU. The advocacy team provides survivor-centered care, seeking to empower survivors by prioritizing their rights and ensuring access to all their options and resources. Advocates focus on centering survivors' definitions of safety, the needs they have identified, and providing support as they navigate their next steps. CAPE's services are confidential and free to students, employees, OSU alumni, and those impacted by a member of the OSU community. Prevention and education services at CAPE help the OSU community build and practice skills to address the root causes of gender-based violence. The team provides learning and engagement opportunities to build healthy relationships and sexuality. Activities — including skills-based workshops, sexual health education, safer sex supplies, consent education, and prevention consultations — promote a culture of consent as well as a sense of community and belonging on campus.

Other key partners in OSU's sexual misconduct prevention and response include our Department of Public Safety, which includes our Clery Compliance team, sworn officers who can take criminal reports, and our nonsworn public safety officers who help keep the campus safe. Additionally, Student

Community Standards, Human Resources, University Housing & Dining Services, and our off-campus confidential community-based advocacy partners play significant roles as we collectively work to eliminate sexual misconduct on campus and in our community.

Related to this report, sections (f) – (h), and the number of complainants who, during the previous academic year, requested supportive measures: please note that supportive measures are offered to every complainant and to all respondents involved in any resolution process. Numbers provided in (f) – (h) are individuals who actively requested support and assistance from EOA in accessing or receiving supportive measures. The most commonly requested supportive measures included:

- Referrals to on-campus and community-based advocacy support;
- Facilitating changes to academic classes, such as adjustments to academic deadlines, course modifications, withdrawal from a class without penalty, and completing a course online;
- Implementing contact limitations between the parties, including mutual no-contact directives between students;
- Referrals to counseling, medical, and/or healthcare services, including information on obtaining a sexual assault forensic examination;
- Altering on-campus living assignments;
- Other actions deemed appropriate that did not unreasonably burden any party.

Most supportive measures are granted as requested. In rare circumstances, supportive measures are denied or modified if they are unreasonable, not clearly connected to the reported concerns, or unduly burden another party.

Related to section (k) Type of Violence, OSU does not differentiate between intimate partner violence, dating violence, and domestic violence, so all data is included under the intimate partner violence category. With over 36,000 students, nearly 10,000 employees, and well over a hundred thousand individuals who participate in OSU programs and activities each year, it's no surprise our numbers are greater than 8 in each of these categories.

EOA tracks all reports made to our office in Maxient, a secure web-based case management and conduct records software. This system enables easy communication and coordination among EOA's professional staff, ensures data accuracy, and helps us identify trends and changes in data and in reports submitted to our office.