



Aboriginal women are three times more likely to become the target of violence than non-Aboriginal women, according to a recent report from the Special Committee on Violence Against Indigenous Women, *Invisible Women: A Call to Action*. It found that Aboriginal women accounted for at least eight per cent of homicide victims in Canada between 2004 and 2010, despite accounting for only four per cent of the female population.

First Nation leaders were dismayed that it failed to recommend a national public inquiry; the second time in nearly two years that a parliamentary committee failed to recommend action to fully address the disproportionately high levels of violence against Aboriginal women in Canada.

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