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Violence hits females most

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ADOLESCENT females aged 10 to 19 years are the mostly likely victims of violent crime.

The age group makes up more than a quarter of all female victims of crimes against a person, which includes assault, sexual assault, stalking, armed robbery, attempted rape and rape.

Across all age groups females are much more likely to be victims than males and are more likely to know their attacker.

Overall, about 70 per cent of assaults on females are by someone they know, compared with just under half for males.

There were 7700 male victims of assault this year - nearly 3000 more than female victims.

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Correction: An article on November 14 said females across all age groups were much more likely to be victims of crime than males. Female are more likely to be victims in the age groups 0-18, but for all age groups 18 and

over, males are more likely to be victims.

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