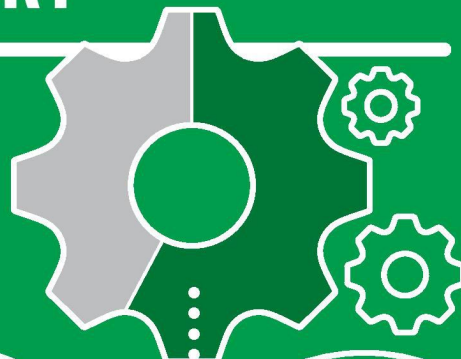


# LGBTQ INCLUSION IN SPORT

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**25%** of people who work in the Australian sporting sector disagree that there are more than two genders <sup>1</sup>



**16%** of people who work in the Australian sporting sector identify as someone with a diverse sexuality or gender <sup>1</sup>



**80%** of participants have witnessed or experienced homophobia in sport <sup>2</sup>

**58%** of people who work in the Australian sporting sector believe their sport should put more effort into LGBTQ inclusion <sup>1</sup>



Traditional male sports were seen as unwelcome and toxic spaces for young men with diverse sexualities or genders <sup>3</sup>



**60%** of people believe a sporting organisation's positive track record on LGBTQ inclusion would positively influence them to join that sport <sup>5</sup>



**87%** of gay men and

**75%** of lesbians

are completely or partially in the closet while playing youth sport, <sup>3</sup> compared to 55% of people in the closet within the Australian corporate sector <sup>4</sup>. Many fear discrimination from other players, coaches and officials

**75%** of people believe an openly gay person would not be safe as a spectator at a sporting event <sup>6</sup>



Change rooms were common sites to stress, harassment and bullying for young people with diverse genders and sexualities <sup>7</sup>

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