

Challenges in Implementing Evidence-Based Practices in Policing: An Evaluation of Static-99R Feasibility When Used by Police Personnel

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EVIDENCE-BASED POLICING

Risk Assessment in the Criminal Justice System

- Probation and post-conviction settings
- Static-99R (Helmus et al., 2012)
 - Total score range: 0-12
 - Nominal risk categories:

Total Score	Risk Level
-3, -2	I – Very Low Risk
-1, 0	II – Below Average Risk
1, 2, 3	III – Average Risk
4, 5	IVa – Above Average Risk
6 and higher	IVb – Well Above Average Risk

Risk Assessment in the Criminal Justice System



 Ontario Domestic Assault Risk Assessment (ODARA; Hilton et al., 2004) Sex Crime Investigations



Less common

 Designed for those convicted of sexual offences Implementation Challenges

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- Resource
- Training
- Scoring complexity

Current Study

Demographics and Participant Incentive

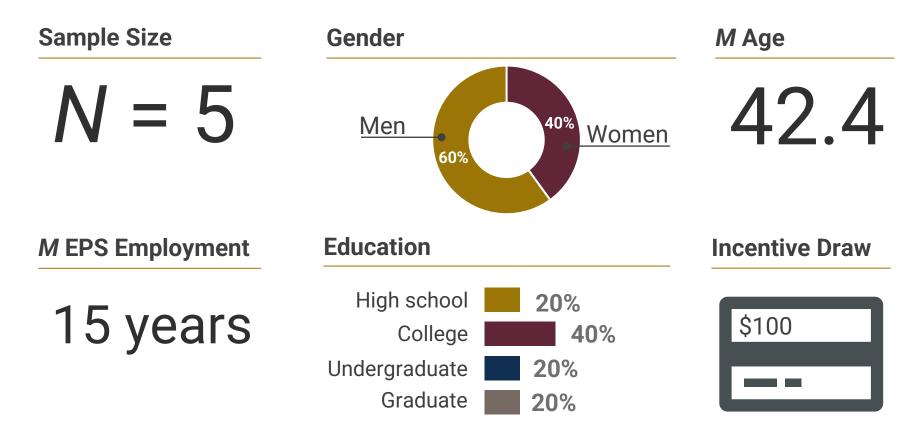


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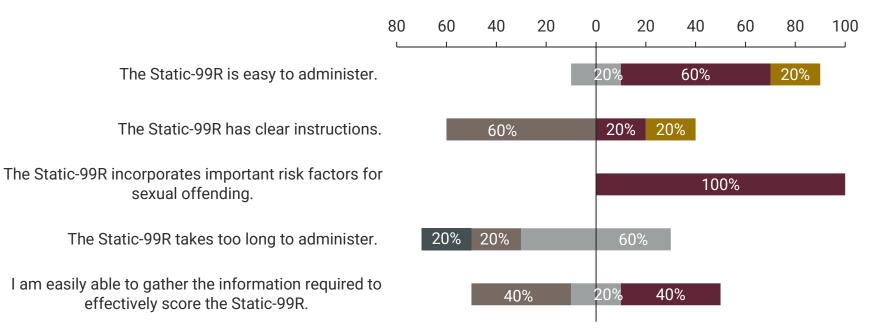


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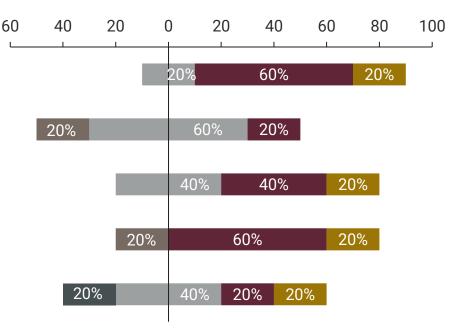
I have received adequate training on the Static-99R.

I feel other important risk factors are missing from the Static-99R.

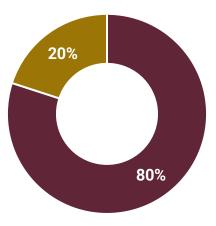
I think the Static-99R nominal risk categories reflect the required level of case prioritization (e.g., 6+ = high).

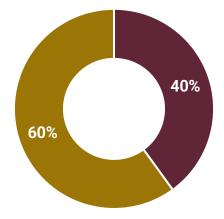
Police have the necessary skillset required to correctly administer the Static-99R.

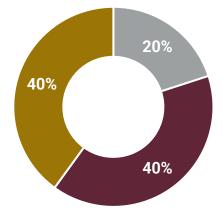
Scoring of the Static-99R is too complicated for it to work effectively.



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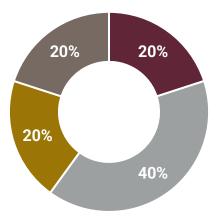


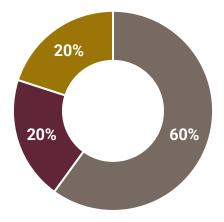
Demographics are an important factor to consider when predicting risk.

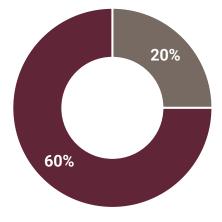
Criminal history is an important factor to consider when predicting risk.

Victim characteristics are an important factor to consider when predicting risk.

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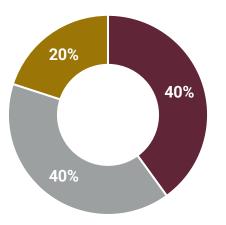


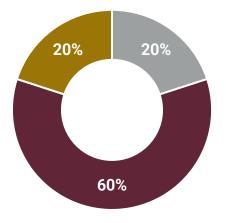


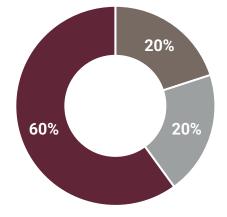
The criteria for coding **demographics** are clear.

The criteria for coding criminal history items are clear. The criteria for coding **victim characteristics** are clear.

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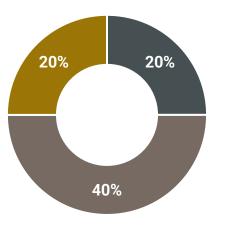


The score assigned to **demographic** items accurately reflects the importance of these risk factors.

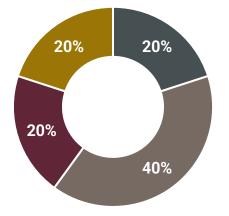
The score assigned to criminal history items accurately reflects the importance of these risk factors.

The score assigned to victim characteristic items accurately reflects the importance of these risk factors.

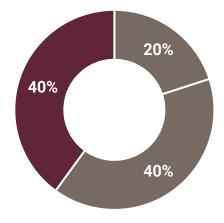
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I am easily able to gather the information required to score the **demographic items** in the Static-99R.



I am easily able to gather the information required to score the **criminal history** items in the Static-99R.



I am easily able to gather relevant information on the **characteristics** of an individual's **victim**.

Qualitative Results



CONCLUSIONS

THANK YOU!

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