

**INQUIRY INTO GAY AND TRANSGENDER HATE CRIMES  
BETWEEN 1970 AND 2010**

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In Newcastle in 1990 I was bashed by a man who was targeting anyone that was walking into the door of a gay nightclub. He managed to punch me in the jaw before I managed to escape. I watched him bash my friend severely from a distance but could not help them. I felt like it was too unsafe to walk on the streets at night after that point. The perpetrator managed to escape before the police arrived.

During my High School years 1982-1988 at Broadmeadow High School I was verbally harassed about sexuality on a daily basis often with 'gangs' of students attacking me together. My teacher was also very creepy towards me and other students while there and was later charged and sentenced for being part of a paedophile ring.

All of this has led me to feel fear and lack of safety on the streets even now years after this all took place.