

Bisexual Report

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Being Bisexual can be a mess sometimes.

You can either like females fifty percent of the time or males the other fifty percent of the time. In the 2021 Global pride survey it states that 4% of 27 countries were Bisexual and 4% of the adult population in Aotearoa are Bisexual!

You may be wondering 'What is Bisexuality?' I'm here to answer that! Being Bisexual means to have feelings towards Female & Male. Anyone could be Bisexual, the term doesn't work like 'Gay' or 'Lesbian' would work. 'Gay' and 'Lesbian' depends on what you identify as (Female, male, ect) Bisexual specific words means to have feelings for the same and different gender. For instance, you would have feelings for another female (Same) or a male (Different).

A common misconception with the meaning bisexuality is mixing it up with Pansexuality. A lot of people are confused with this. As you know, being bisexual means to like 'The Same And Different' whereas being pansexual means to like all genders such as Male, Female, Non-Binary, Genderfluid, ect. I'm sure you can see why some people get mixed up with these two.

The Term 'Bisexual' was first used in 1859 by an anatomist named Robert Bentley Todd. Though, the way Robert Bentley Todd used it is a little more different to how we depict it these days. Robert Bentley Todd used it to describe 'Intersex' which means to be born with genes of both Male and Female.

You may wonder, 'If they didn't use the term Bisexual, What did they use??' Prior to 1859 there was no Bisexual, of course. People just used general labels or no labels at all. It was in the late 1980s that we started using 'Bisexual' in the way we use it now.



Being bisexual back then wasn't so welcoming.

It was treated as the inbetween of Heterosexual and Gay.

Still, even now, some people don't like the fact there are bisexual people out there. Even if a few people don't accept the LGBTQ+ community in general, people are always proud of their identity, it makes them who they are.

