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In Sweden, two-thirds of those convicted of rape have a migrant background

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According to recent research from Lund University, nearly two-thirds of rapists convicted in Sweden are migrants or second-generation immigrants. Although the study was intended to provide a comprehensive picture, its methodology was criticized.



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According to researchers at Lund University, between 2000 and 2024, 63 percent of those convicted of rape or attempted rape were people **born abroad or whose parents had a migrant background.**

The study's leader, Ardavan Khoshnood, said that

Integration can play a significant role in reducing crime. People who have lived in Sweden for more than five years are less likely to commit this type of crime.

Jerzy Sarnecki, a criminologist at Stockholm University, said the research did not reflect reality because it focused only on cases actually convicted. In Sweden, a significant proportion of rape cases never come before the authorities, so the statistics may be distorted.



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Ardavan Khoshnood, on the other hand, defended the research, stressing that the four thousand cases analyzed provided uniquely detailed data on the situation in the country. Sweden's migration policy is undergoing a major transformation. Under the new regulations, immigrants are required to live in the country for at least eight years before they can apply for citizenship.

In addition, they must prove that they do not have a criminal history or debts.

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