

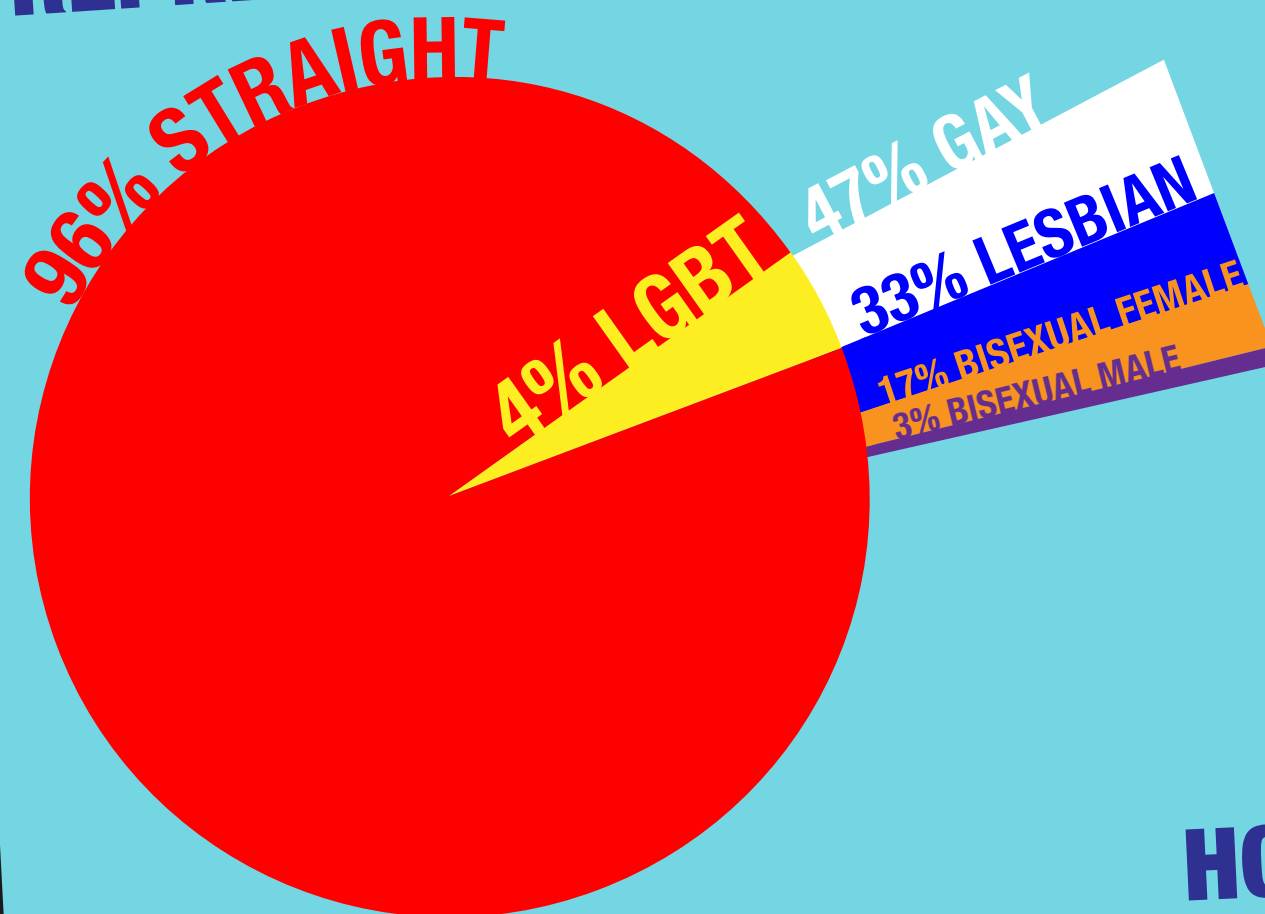


STOP

# KILLING QUEER WOMEN ON T.V.

"The problem isn't when gay characters are killed off: the problem is when gay characters are killed off **far more often than** straight characters, or when they are killed off **because they are gay.**"  
(tvtropes.org)

## REPRESENTATION MATTERS!



In GLAAD's "Where We Are on T.V." study for the 2015-16 season, while broadcast primetime scripted television had **881** series regular characters, **only 35 were LGBT.**

## NO MORE GETTING AWAY WITH IT SO EASILY!

After the infamous death of Lexa from The CW's "The 100," the series lost **1.2 million viewers** on following episode (tvseriesfinale.com).

#LexaDeservedBetter trended for **16 hours** & showrunner Jason Rothenberg lost **15,000 Twitter followers.**

During the 2015-16 season on broadcast, cable, and streaming networks combined:

**41 out of 75** total regular and recurring lesbian and bisexual female characters were **killed**. That means that **55%** of that small representation was **eliminated** just this year.

Since 1976, **65%** of all lesbian and bisexual female characters have died. There are only **30 recorded happy endings.**

## HOW THEY DIE IS AS TELLING AS HOW MANY DIE!

Since 1976, out of the total recorded 160 deaths of lesbian and bisexual women:

**48** were killed by men, usually shot.

**30** of those were killed by jealous men/ex-lovers, in direct response to their lesbianism.

**14** committed suicide, usually in reaction to their lesbianism

