

Issue Summary: The Equality Act

The Equality Act is being sold on promising equity for women, and on ending unfair treatment of lesbian, gay, and bisexual people. However, the current version would destroy the law's ability to allow any accommodations for women on the basis of sex.

What Does The Equality Act Do?

The Equality Act is an amendment to existing US federal civil rights laws which directs the term "sex" to be interpreted as, "sex, sexual orientation, gender identity." The bill does not require gender dysphoria to be clinically diagnosed, nor does it require surgical or hormonal transition.

The Equality Act will codify "self-identification" as the minimum standard for someone to legally claim federal protections afforded to women and girls.

What Would be Impacted by The Equality Act?

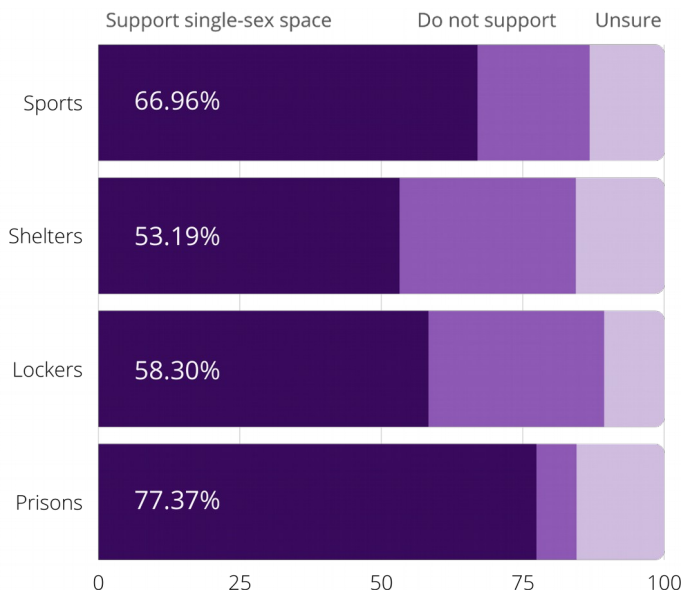
Providing single-sex spaces for any of the following would be made illegal by The Equality Act:

- Shared hospital rooms or wards
- Locker rooms, showers, & multi-stall bathrooms
- Jails, prisons, or juvenile detention facilities
- Homeless shelters
- Domestic violence or rape crisis shelters

Single-sex sports will also be eliminated. Women will no longer be able to request someone of the same-sex to provide services such as security pat-downs, strip searches, or intimate medical exams.

Polls Show Americans Support Single-Sex Spaces

[National and state polling](#) demonstrate that while Americans want anti-discrimination laws, the majority of voters also support single-sex spaces and services.



Examples of Harm from Gender Identity Policies

These are just a few examples. See [here](#) for more.

- Man convicted of torturing and raping women placed in California women's prison, [raped](#) female inmates.
- Nine women were [sexually harassed](#) in a California homeless shelter when forced to share facilities with a man who identifies as a woman.
- [Selina Soule](#) and other high school girls in Connecticut were pushed out of qualifying for New England regional track meet spots by two trans-identified males.
- Man who identifies as a woman was [arrested](#) for taking photos of women in a "gender neutral" public bathroom in Idaho.
- Ohio parents [lost custody](#) of their 17-year-old daughter because they refused to allow her to inject testosterone.

"I am in fear over this. I am a victim of domestic violence and rape. What if one of these sex offenders that have their penises rapes us, what then?"

- D. R., currently incarcerated in California, on the elimination of single-sex prisons



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