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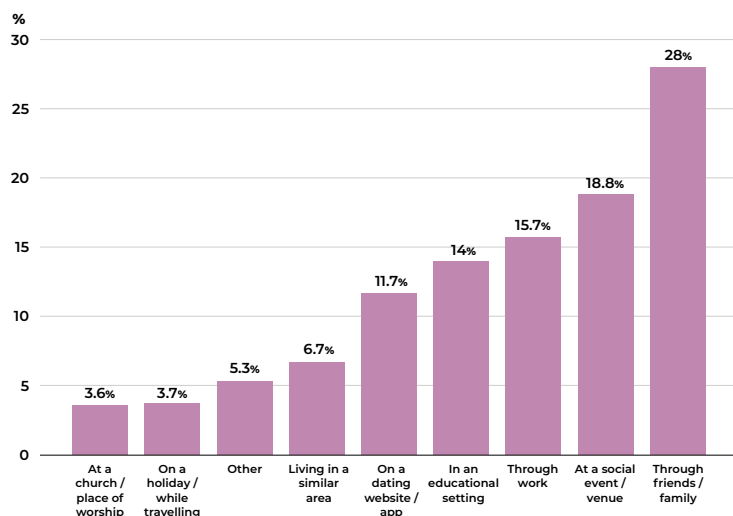
of Australians chose their partner as their **most important, meaningful person** in their life

She taught me piano
– Man, 75+ years

[we met] on a blind date in 1966
– Man, 65-74 years

Where people met their partner

(only those who chose their partner as their most important person were asked this question)



28.8%

of Australians **met their partner through family or friends**

6.9%

of Australians do not want a partner

“[I] don’t want [a]serious relationship - want to remain an independent person”

– Woman, 55-64 years

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Partnered relationships



34.3%

of Australians have experienced difficulties finding a partner

We were on a gay christian forum and just 'clicked'

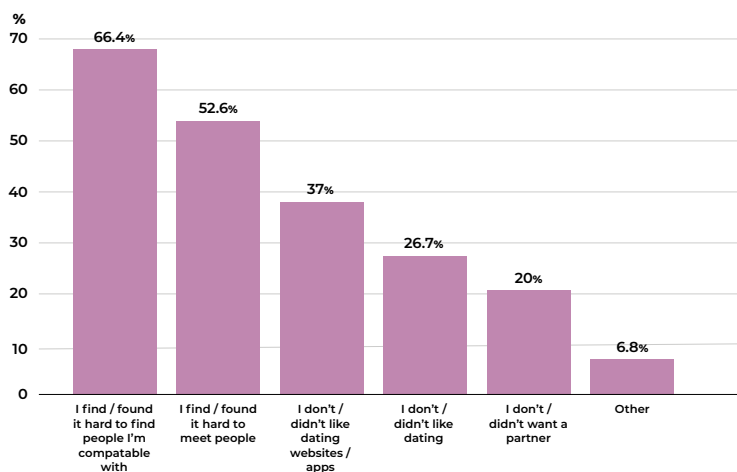
- Woman, 45-54 years

My partner is my only real confidant who understands the whole me

- Man, 55-64 years

Challenges associated with finding a partner

(respondents could select all that applied)



66.4%

found meeting people they are compatible with the greatest challenge in finding a partner

1.2mil

of Australians (5.8%) have been in an open* relationship

*defined as a relationship with multiple partners at once, in which everyone is aware and consents

31.4%

of Australians have experienced a break-up, separation, or divorce with a lasting impact

1.1mil

(5.5%) have experienced grief from the death of their partner that still affects them today

For more information please see the grief and loss section of the [report](#).

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