

Brits top the table of casual flings

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RANDY Britons have the most casual sex of any of the major Western industrialised nations, a new study has found.

We topped a list including Germany, Holland, America and Australia for one-night stands, number of partners and attitudes to promiscuity.

US researchers used an index of factors to give 48 countries a "sociosexuality" score based on the replies to questionnaires.

People were asked, for example, how many partners they expected to bed in five years and how comfortable they felt about casual sex.

The country with the top score of 51 was Finland. Britain scored 40 and was 11th, but led Western nations with populations over ten million.

The researchers from Bradley University, Illinois, believe casual sex is becoming as acceptable among women as men.

They also pointed to fewer religious concerns about affairs, the rise of equal rights and the popularity of steamy TV shows such as Secret Diary of a Call Girl, starring Billie Piper as a hooker.

The study found almost a third of Britons had poached partners from other relationships rather than seek single mates.

Taiwan was bottom of the 48 nations, with 19.