

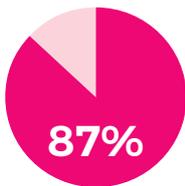


Bullying Statistics

BULLYING IS A PROBLEM FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Rates of school bullying in New Zealand are among the worst worldwide (Green, 2013).

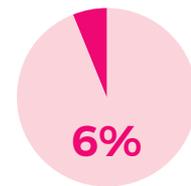
There was little change in rates of bullying in NZ secondary schools between 2001-2012 (Clark, 2013).



While most secondary students **(87%) feel safe** at school all or most of the time...



...nearly **1 in 10** students have been **afraid** that someone would hurt or bother them in the past year ...



...and **6%** reported being **bullied** at school weekly or more often (Clark, 2013).



About 1 in 3
Year 4 students report being bullied on a weekly or more frequent basis (Clark, 2013).



4 out of 9
Year 9 students report experiencing bullying about weekly or monthly (Clark, 2013).



Year 5 students report higher levels of bullying than Year 9 students (Clark, 2013).



Students aged between 9 and 18 report that verbal abuse is the biggest bullying problem in schools (CensusAtSchool NZ, 2015).

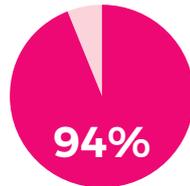


60% of NZ Year 5 maths and science students reported being bullied monthly or more. 24% reported being bullied on a weekly basis. 10% of Year 9 maths and science students said they were bullied on a weekly basis. (Ministry of Education, 2016)

FACT SHEET #3

WHAT TEACHERS AND SENIOR STAFF SAY ABOUT BULLYING

In the first New Zealand study of its kind, a Victoria University of Wellington survey of teachers and senior staff from primary, intermediate and secondary schools found:

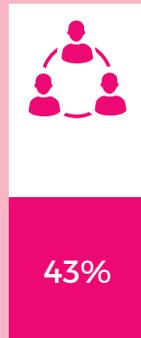


94% indicated that bullying occurred in their school

In the previous month...



Nearly half had verbal bullying brought to their attention at least once a week.



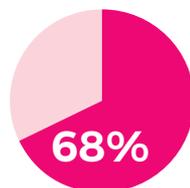
43% had social/relational bullying brought to their attention at least once a week.



25% were made aware of physical bullying at least once a week.



14% were aware of cyberbullying at least once a week.



68% believed bullying began very early in a child's school life (between preschool and Year 4).

Most school staff agreed that the entire school and community – school staff, parents and whānau – should be involved in anti-bullying strategies (Green, 2013).