

# Being bullied (1)

Around 20% experience some form of bullying

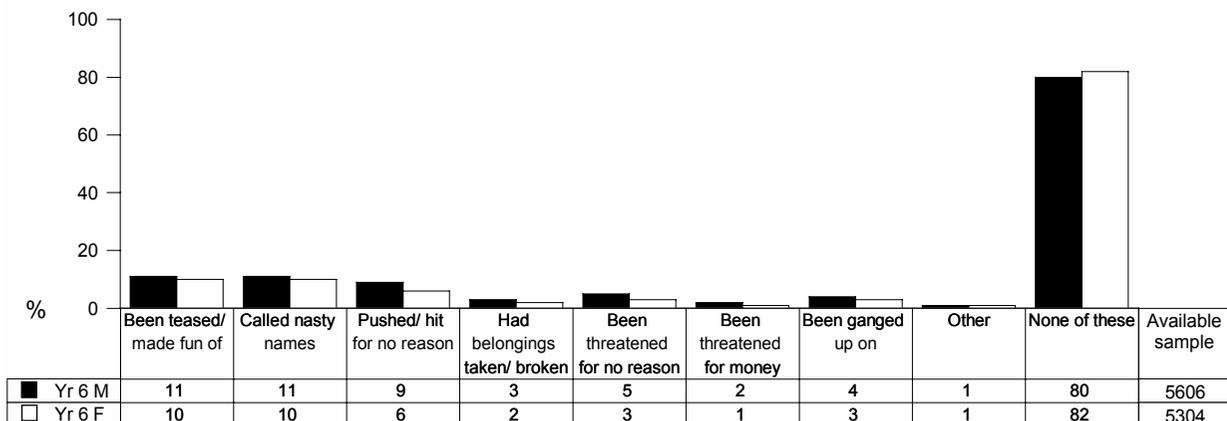
## Have any of the following happened to you in the last month?

Responses to 'often' or 'every day'.

1. Around 20% of primary pupils report that they have been bullied *often* or *every day* in one or more of the listed ways.
2. *Being teased/made fun of* or *called nasty names* are the main causes of unhappiness for many primary school pupils.

### Comments

1. Slightly more males than females report incidences of physical rather than verbal forms of bullying. It is the females, however, who report more fear of going to school because of bullying.
2. The *none of these* data reveal that around 20% of pupils report at least one of these things happening to them *often* or *every day*. It is evident that some of these pupils are experiencing more than just one of these forms of bullying.



# Being bullied (2)

*Playtime and lunchtime can cause anxiety for up to 9%*

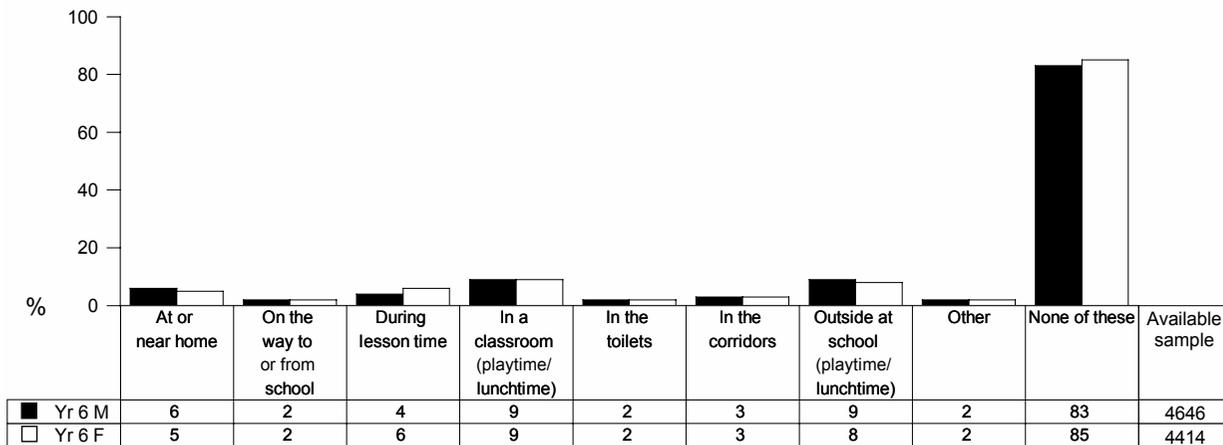
## Where did these unpleasant experiences happen?

Responses to 'often' or 'every day'.

1. Outside and inside during *playtime* and *lunchtime* causes problems for up to 9% of primary children and up to 9% report bullying problems in the classroom at break time
2. 6% of pupils report being bullied *at or near home*.
3. 5% report being bullied *during lesson time*.

## Comments

1. The top two categories unsurprisingly relate to free time during school hours - outside and inside during *playtime* and *lunchtime*. It can often be difficult for staff to monitor how much bullying behaviour occurs in this free time because of the nature of the playground.
2. Teachers may well be concerned to learn that up to 6% of pupils report being bullied *during lesson time*.
3. Since 1997, more primary pupils have consistently reported being bullied during breaktimes, ie. outside and inside during *playtime* and *lunchtime*.



# Being bullied (3)

22% of the females picked on for 'the way they look'

## Do you think you are being 'picked on' or bullied for any of the following reasons?

### Comments

1. 22% of the females and 17% of the males responded to being 'picked on' or bullied, due to the 'way they looked'.
2. Generally there are little differences between genders, but slightly more 10-11 year old females, compared with the males, thought they were being 'picked on' because of their size and weight or the 'way they looked'.

1. This was a new question in 2002 and size and weight or the 'way they looked' are the main reasons for being bullied.
2. We note that among secondary pupils 'the way you look' is a significant worry and clearly 'size and weight' are related to this.

