Theirworld

Bullying and discrimination among LGBTQ+ youth in schools & universities

Theirworld wanted to find out how safe LGBTQ+ youth feel in schools and universities. YouGov polled **545 LGBTQ+** people aged **16-24** in the UK between June 11 - 18th 2024.

Forms of bullying How safe do and/or discrimination they feel? >1 in 4 73% Verbal abuse 27% of LGBTQ+ vouth said they felt or currently feel 53% Harassment unsafe in secondary school. 31% Online abuse Threats of Almost half of LGBTQ+ youth have been 24% violence bullied and/or discriminated against because of their sexual orientation. Purposefully 19% misgendered **1** in 16% Physical abuse of LGBTQ+ youth have been bullied and/or discriminated against because 15% Sexual abuse of their gender identity. **Did they report it?** 49% Never reported it 72% 30% **Reported it multiple times** of those who did report 18% **Reported it once** it to staff said that staff responded badly. 2% Prefer not to say or don't know

"I was added to a group chat of students where I was outed to the full year group and subsequently bullied, called slurs and names daily. Most teachers ignored the bullying especially if it was in their classroom. They would mock my gender and discuss my identity with other students in a negative way."

Survey respondent

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