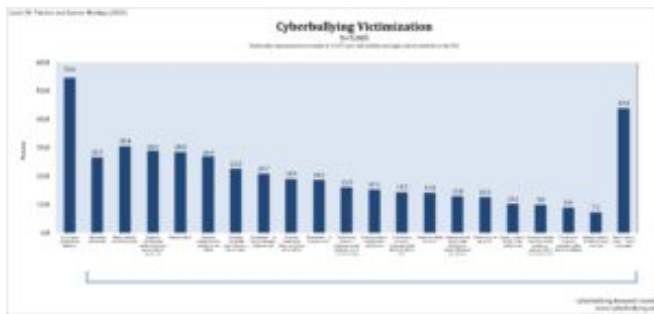




2023 Cyberbullying Data



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This study surveyed a nationally-representative sample of 5,005 middle and high school students between the ages of 13 and 17 in the United States. Data were collected in May and June of 2023. Click on the thumbnail images to enlarge.

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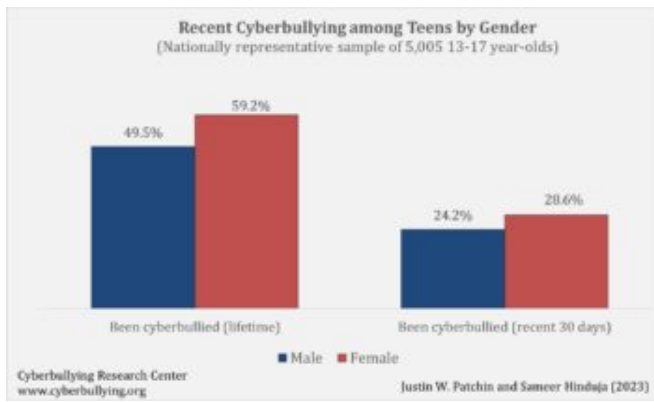
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Cyberbullying by Gender. Adolescent girls are more likely to have experienced cyberbullying in their lifetimes (59.2% vs. 49.5%). This difference is not as dramatic when reviewing experiences over the previous 30 days, where rates are more similar (24.2% of boys and 28.6% of girls have been cyberbullied recently), though differences in lifetime and 30-day rates are both statistically significant ($p < .001$).

Methodology

For this study, we contracted with an online survey research firm to distribute our questionnaire to a nationally-representative sample of middle and high school students who were between the ages of 13 and 17. Students were asked questions about experiences with bullying and cyberbullying, digital self-harm and other experiences online and off. Overall we obtained a 15% response rate, which isn't ideal, but is higher than most generic Internet surveys.

With any imperfect social science study, caution should be used when interpreting the results. We can be reassured somewhat in the validity in the data, however, because the

prevalence rates are in line with results from our previous school-based surveys. Moreover, the large sample size helps to diminish the potential negative effects of outliers. Finally, steps were taken to ensure valid responses within the survey instrument. For example, we asked the respondents to select a specific color among a list of choices and required them to report their age at two different points in the survey, in an effort to guard against computerized responses and thoughtless clicking through the survey.

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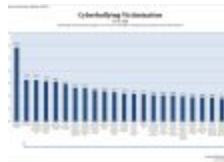
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