

EDUCATION

Young people's views and experiences of violence in education.

AI POWERED ANALYSIS

Generative AI was used to analyse over 800 interviews from Peer Action Collective (PAC) research into youth violence from 2020-2023 across England and Wales.



Through PAC, young people carried out peer research in their communities.



We identified research questions for the AI to ask of 800 interviews.



OC&C used AI to reach insights from young people on how education can protect young people from violence.

FINDINGS

Overview



PAC respondents overall do not think that schools are doing enough to protect young people from violence, and that current initiatives could be improved.

Those that believe schools are doing enough reference disciplinary measures and education (e.g. assemblies, courses)

"There was this one person... does an assembly on his life's story where he have used drugs and stuff and got involved in gang stuff and he de-glorified it."
Male, aged 19, East of England

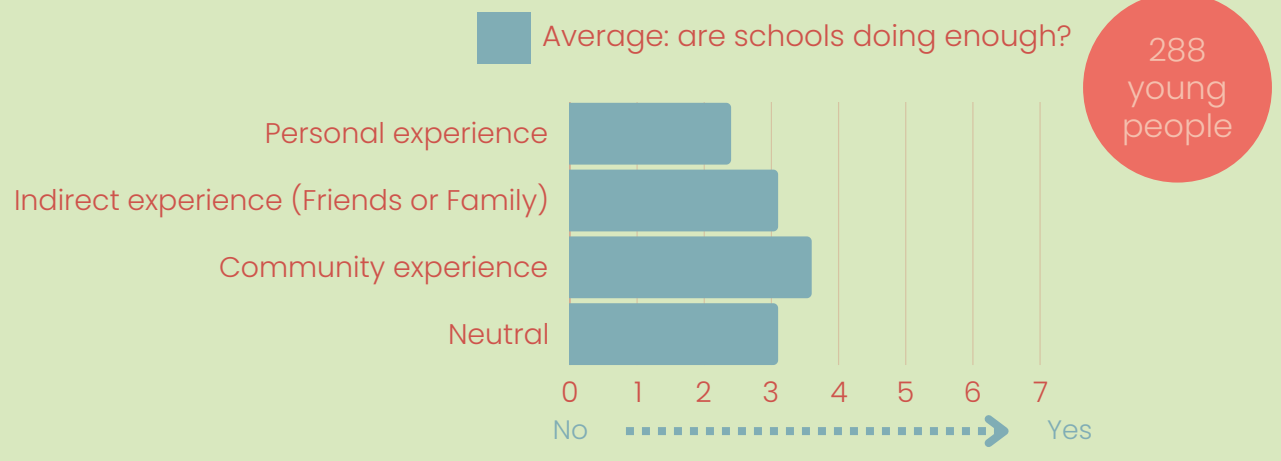
Are schools doing enough?



Those with negative perceptions reference the same measures, but believe them to be insufficient and ineffective

"I think that's about it really, a few assemblies, a few talks, but none of it was very constructive, and none of it was useful, and none of it was even taken on board."
Male, aged 24, Wales

Young people with experience of violence are more negative about the role schools play in addressing violence



Young people would like to see improved educational initiatives and more support programmes

226 young people

