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Preventing Bullying on School Buses

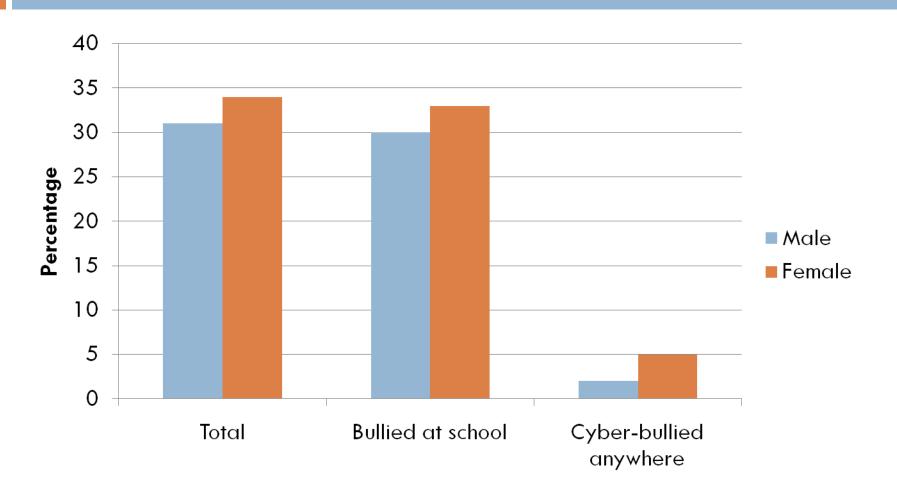
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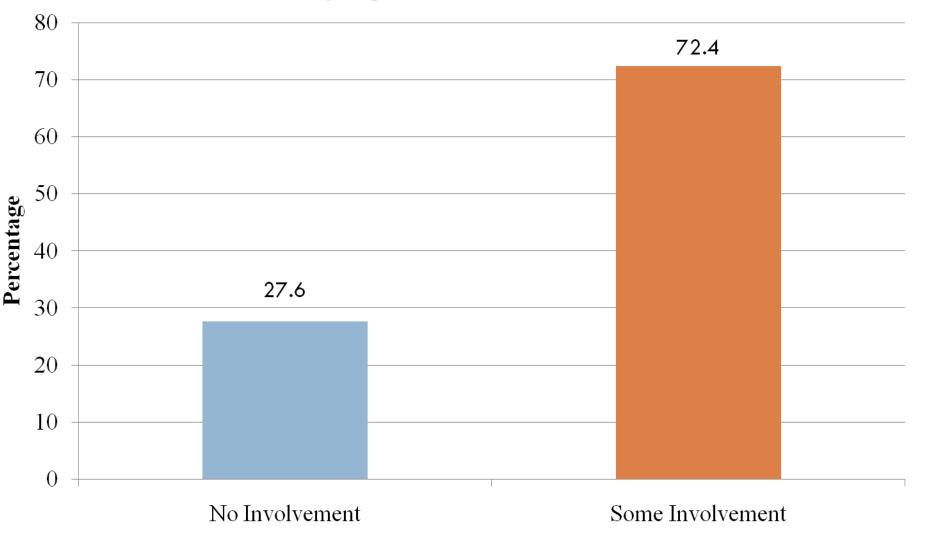


### Many Students Experience Bullying

Percentage of students ages 12-18 who reported being bullied at school and being cyber-bullied anywhere during the school year, by sex: 2007

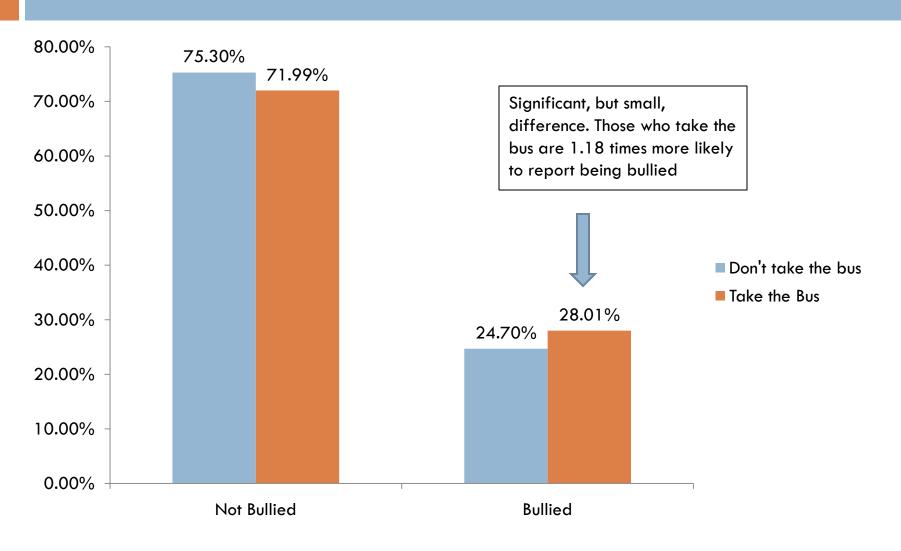


#### **Bullying Affects Most Kids**

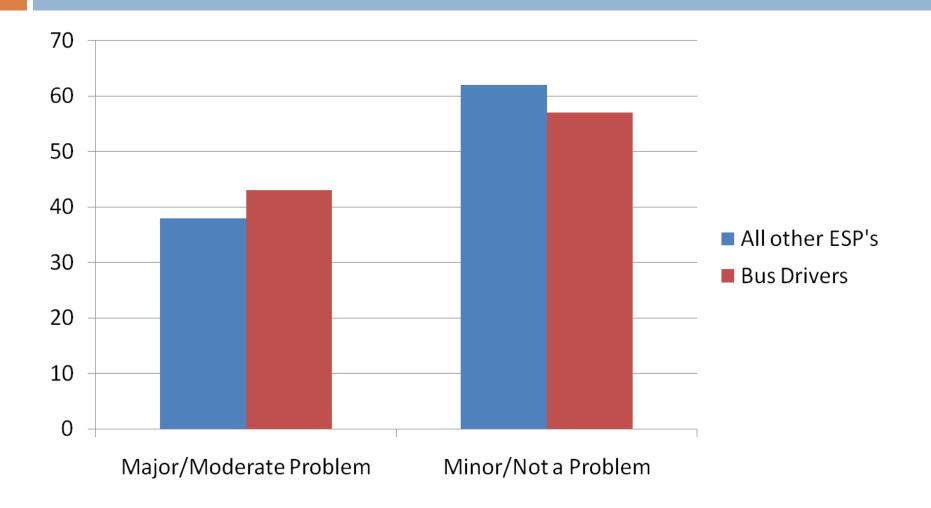


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# Are those who take the bus more at risk for being bullied?

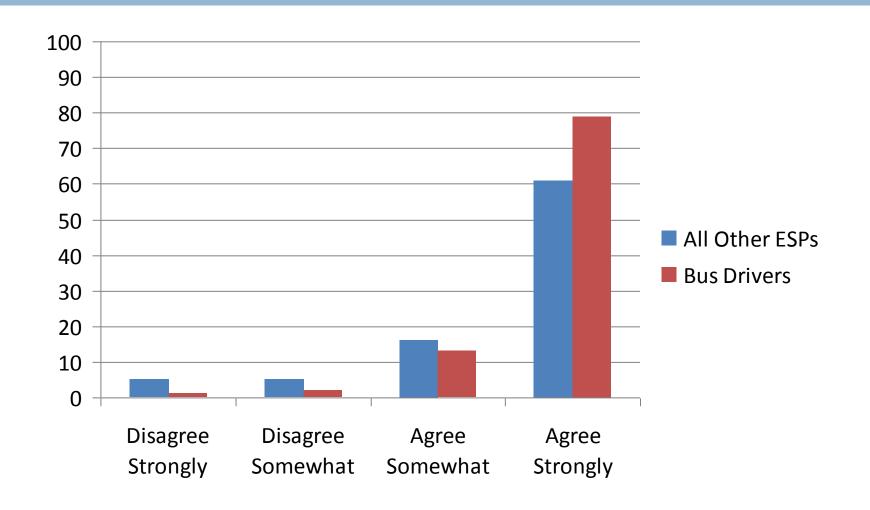


### Bus Drivers are More Likely to Think Bullying is a Problem



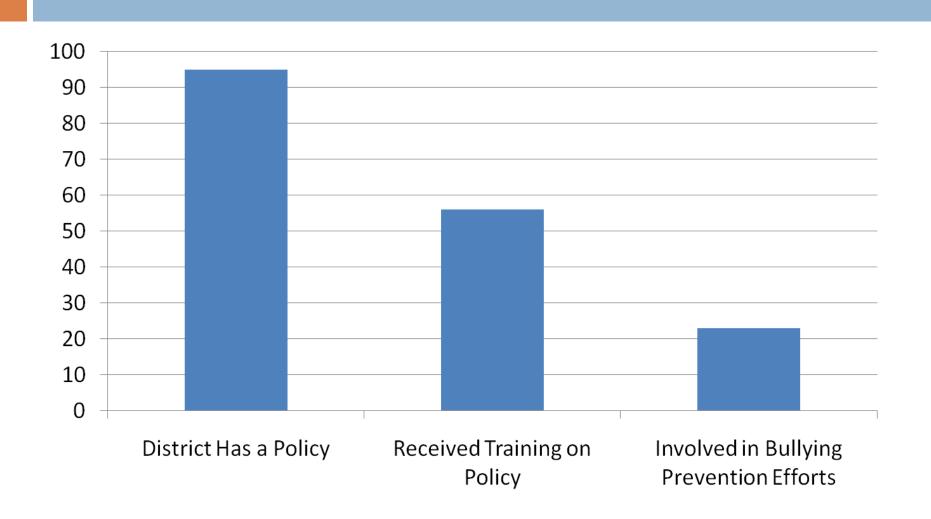
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# Bus Drivers Believes It is Their Job to Intervene When They See Bullying



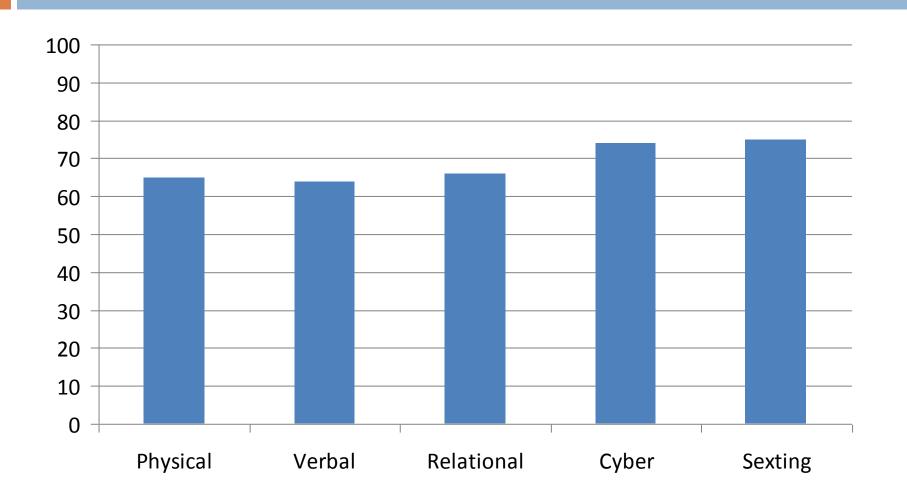
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## Bus Drivers Are Not Being Involved Appropriately in Implementing Anti-Bullying Efforts



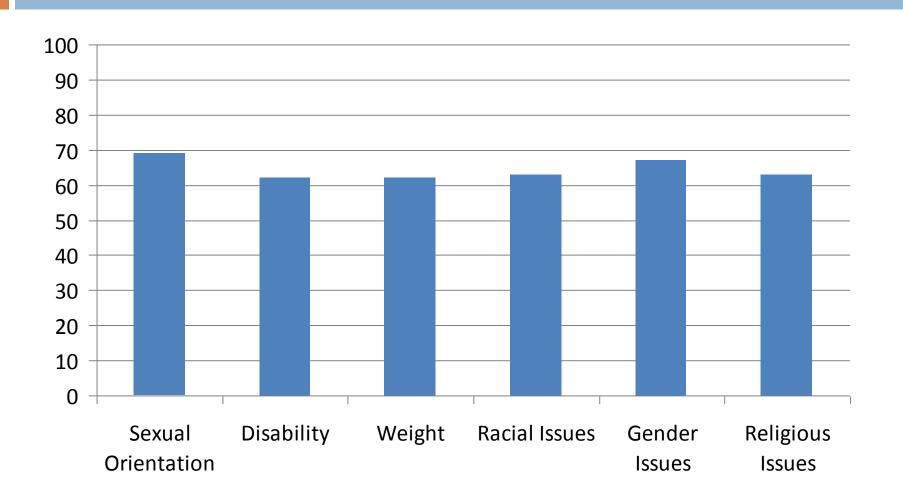
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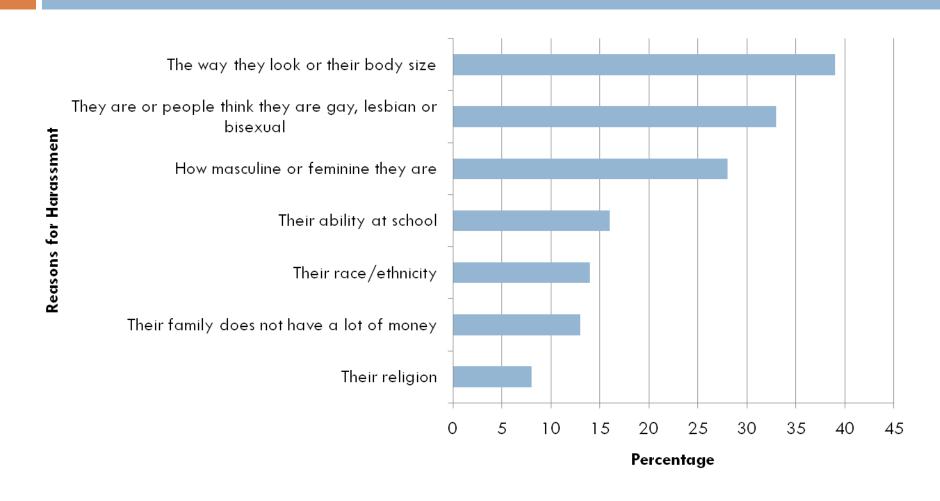
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#### Some Groups are Singled Out for Harassment

Question: "At your school, how often are students bullied, called names or harassed for the following reasons?"



Source: From Teasing to Torment: School Climate in America 2005

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