Cyber bullying in Australia

A new report from the University of New South Wales reviews existing research in order to estimate the frequency of cyber bullying incidents which involve Australian minors. The report states...

1 in 5 Australians aged eight to 17 experiences cyber bullying each year.

In 2013 the estimated number of young people who experienced cyber bullying was 463,000.

Of those, around 365,000 were in the 10 to 15 age bracket.

Australian studies show girls were generally more likely to be victims.

The research also found increasing evidence that links victims of cyber bullying with low self-esteem & mental health issues.

72% of surveyed schools* reported at least one cyber bullying incident in 2013.

*Statistic is based on the responses of schools who took part in an online survey commissioned by The Department of Communications and conducted by IRIS Research (IRIS Research, 2014).