

<http://www.generationnext.com.au/2012/03/violence-increasingly-common-the-australian-principal-health-and-wellbeing-survey/>

Generation Next Blog

[← Alcohol in Movies Strongly Influences Teens-New Study](#) • [Alarm at rise in young drunks in WA](#) →

Violence increasingly common- download the Australian Principal Health and Wellbeing Survey.

Posted on **March 5, 2012** by [Dr Ramesh Manocha](#)



ONE in three of Australia's state school principals was physically attacked or witnessed physical violence in their workplace last year, a survey has found. And most of the violence involved aggressive parents rather than students or teachers, principals told *The Age*.

In Catholic schools, one in five principals said they had been exposed to physical violence, and in independent schools the figure was one in eight.

Overall, the nation's school leaders experienced an incidence of physical assault six times higher than the general workforce, according to the interim findings of the Australian Principal Health and Wellbeing Survey.