

Table A4a: Proportion of adults who experienced abuse during childhood by a abuse type and personal characteristics, year ending March 2016  
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| England and Wales                                     |            |                     |                |                    |                                      |   |
|---|------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
|   | Any abuse  | Psychological abuse | Physical abuse | Any sexual assault | Witnessed domestic violence or abuse | Unweighted base - number of adults <sup>2</sup> |
|   | Percentage |                     |                |                    |                                      |   |
| <b>ALL ADULTS</b>                                     | 18.9       | 8.9                 | 6.8            | 6.6                | 7.9                                  | 19,462  |
| 16-24   | 13.8       | 8.2                 | 3.8            | 3.0                | 5.3                                  | 2,264   |
| 25-34   | 17.8       | 9.1                 | 6.9            | 4.9                | 8.4                                  | 4,500   |
| 35-44   | 20.5       | 9.3                 | 7.7            | 7.3                | 8.8                                  | 4,947   |
| 45-54   | 22.1       | 9.6                 | 8.5            | 9.2                | 9.2                                  | 5,420   |
| 55-59   | 20.0       | 7.6                 | 6.5            | 9.4                | 6.7                                  | 2,331   |
| <b>Men</b>  | 14.6       | 7.2                 | 7.1            | 2.6                | 6.0                                  | 8,808   |
| 16-24   | 9.6        | 6.4                 | 3.8            | 0.9                | 3.2                                  | 1,055   |
| 25-34   | 14.7       | 8.0                 | 7.3            | 1.7                | 6.5                                  | 1,920   |
| 35-44   | 15.9       | 7.6                 | 8.0            | 2.8                | 6.5                                  | 2,268   |
| 45-54   | 17.1       | 7.4                 | 8.7            | 4.0                | 7.5                                  | 2,491   |
| 55-59   | 15.7       | 6.0                 | 7.1            | 4.1                | 5.5                                  | 1,074   |
| <b>Women</b>  | 23.1       | 10.6                | 6.6            | 10.5               | 9.8                                  | 10,654  |
| 16-24   | 18.2       | 10.1                | 3.8            | 5.1                | 7.4                                  | 1,209   |
| 25-34   | 20.8       | 10.1                | 6.5            | 8.1                | 10.2                                 | 2,580   |
| 35-44   | 25.0       | 11.0                | 7.3            | 11.7               | 11.1                                 | 2,679   |
| 45-54   | 26.9       | 11.8                | 8.4            | 14.2               | 10.9                                 | 2,929   |
| 55-59   | 24.1       | 9.2                 | 5.9            | 14.7               | 7.9                                  | 1,257   |
| <b>Ethnic group</b>                                   |            |                     |                |                    |                                      |   |
| <b>White</b>  | 19.8       | 9.4                 | 7.2            | 6.9                | 8.2                                  | 17,239  |
| White - English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British | 20.2       | 9.6                 | 7.3            | 7.1                | 8.4                                  | 15,943  |
| White - Irish   | 21.0       | 10.5                | 11.9           | 9.6                | 10.2                                 | 125   |
| White - Gypsy/Irish traveller                         | -          | -                   | -              | -                  | -                                    | 7   |
| White - any other white background                    | 15.3       | 7.1                 | 5.7            | 4.6                | 6.4                                  | 1,164   |
| <b>Mixed/multiple ethnic groups</b>                   | 23.7       | 12.6                | 8.9            | 10.6               | 11.4                                 | 276   |
| Mixed - White and Black Caribbean                     | 27.0       | 15.7                | 3.6            | 11.0               | 12.2                                 | 102   |
| Mixed - White and Black African                       | -          | -                   | -              | -                  | -                                    | 32  |
| Mixed - White and Asian                               | 23.5       | 13.6                | 13.8           | 6.2                | 11.6                                 | 73  |
| Mixed - Any other Mixed/Multiple ethnic background    | 26.4       | 11.8                | 12.2           | 18.7               | 14.1                                 | 69  |
| <b>Asian/Asian British</b>                            | 10.7       | 4.8                 | 3.9            | 2.8                | 5.1                                  | 1,192   |
| Asian - Indian  | 12.4       | 4.9                 | 4.7            | 3.5                | 7.0                                  | 488   |
| Asian - Pakistani                                     | 8.8        | 5.8                 | 3.7            | 2.2                | 3.5                                  | 281   |
| Asian - Bangladeshi                                   | 8.0        | 3.8                 | 3.3            | 1.8                | 1.7                                  | 80  |
| Asian - Chinese                                       | 6.6        | 2.0                 | 2.1            | 2.2                | 4.7                                  | 127   |
| Asian - Any other Asian background                    | 13.3       | 5.3                 | 3.6            | 3.2                | 5.1                                  | 216   |
| <b>Black/African/Caribbean/Black British</b>          | 14.9       | 5.6                 | 5.4            | 4.8                | 7.1                                  | 586   |
| Black - African                                       | 12.7       | 4.2                 | 4.1            | 4.4                | 6.1                                  | 369   |
| Black - Caribbean                                     | 18.2       | 7.3                 | 6.7            | 5.9                | 7.8                                  | 179   |
| Black - Any other Black/African/Caribbean background  | -          | -                   | -              | -                  | -                                    | 38  |
| <b>Other ethnic group</b>                             | 11.1       | 5.8                 | 2.8            | 5.4                | 4.3                                  | 151   |
| Other ethnic group - Arab                             | 8.3        | 5.8                 | 2.7            | 3.2                | 3.1                                  | 55  |
| Other ethnic group - Any other ethnic group           | 12.7       | 5.8                 | 2.8            | 6.6                | 5.0                                  | 96  |

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. See Section 7.3 of [User Guide](#) for definitions of personal characteristics.

2. Bases given are for any abuse, other bases will be similar.

"-" indicates that data are not reported because the unweighted base is fewer than 50.