

PFG PRIORITIES:

# SOCIAL ATTITUDES



## > Recommendations

We recommend actions to:

- challenge prejudicial attitudes, behaviour and hate crime so as to ensure that workplaces, services, public spaces and communities are free from harassment and/or discrimination across the equality grounds.

*33% of respondents said they had been subjected to unfair treatment because they belonged to a particular group.*

*Negative attitudes existed towards Travellers (30%), transgender persons (22%), and Eastern European migrant workers (21%).*

**ECNI Equality Awareness Survey 2011, 2012**

## > Prejudicial attitudes / hate crime

The Commission has highlighted the need to tackle prejudicial attitudes, behaviour and hate crime.

It is essential that steps are taken to ensure that workplaces, services, public spaces and communities are free from harassment and/or discrimination across the equality grounds.

This includes action to address sectarianism and racism within the workplace; tackle the significant attitudinal barriers to employment for people with disabilities; to challenge negative attitudes towards Irish Travellers, Eastern European migrant workers and other minority ethnic individuals, as well as lesbian, gay and bisexual people and trans individuals.

Further, it includes action aimed at tackling hate crime experienced by Section 75 equality groups, including sectarian, racist, homophobic, transphobic, and disability hate crime. It also involves challenging gender stereotypes and gender based violence.

**Read more: [www.equalityni.org/SocialAttitudes](http://www.equalityni.org/SocialAttitudes)**

