



ILLINOIS YOUTH SURVEY

2024 County Report

County Name: Jackson

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Introduction

Based on the administration of the Illinois Youth Survey (2024), this report provides county-level data on a variety of health and social indicators including drug use, bullying, school climate, and much more. The data has been organized into topical sections as noted in the table of contents. In some cases, only a portion of schools in a county participate in the Illinois Youth Survey (IYS). County reports are generated when there are two or more eligible public schools from two or more districts participating at the 8th, 10th, or 12th grade level. Eligible public schools are regular public schools, not specialized, that contain at least 10 students at the 8th, 10th, or 12th grade level, and thus are part of the pool of schools from which the statewide sample is drawn.

The IYS is offered to both public and private schools. Because of the lack of available enrollment information for private schools, the participation tables below reflect public school data only.

Public School Building Participation

In Table 1, the number of eligible public schools (schools that contain at least 10 students at the 8th, 10th, or 12th grade level) is compared with the actual number of IYS participating public schools in the county. There will be no data presented in this report for any grade level with data from only one district. This is to protect the confidentiality of district-level results.

Table 1: Public School Building IYS Participation by School Level

| Middle Schools (8th grade) | | High Schools (10th and/or 12th grades) | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|
| N Schools Participating | N Schools Eligible | N Schools Participating | N Schools Eligible |
| 3 | 7 | 1 | 4 |

Public School Student Participation

Table 2 compares the actual number of students surveyed with the number of all students enrolled in public schools within the county. Again, enrollment totals are based on student enrollment at public schools with at least 10 enrolled students at the 8th, 10th or 12th grade level. Table 2 is based solely on public school students due to the lack of available enrollment information for private schools. There will be no data presented in this report for any grade level with fewer than 10 valid surveys (in the column "N Students Surveyed"). This is to protect student confidentiality.

Table 2: Public School Student IYS Participation by Grade

| | N Students Surveyed | N Enrolled Students in County | % Enrolled Students in County Report |
|-------|------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 8th | 84 | 453 | 19% |
| Total | 84 | 453 | 19% |

Tips for Using this Report

The data presented in this report reflects participating public and private schools in this county, as well as schools that serve youth in specialized settings such as charter schools or alternative schools. The list of schools that contributed to the data can be found following the table of contents.

The IYS 8th grade survey form does not include all questions asked on the IYS high school form. For that reason, responses to some questions do not appear in the tables for some grade levels. If you would like to determine what section includes responses to a specific survey item or verify if a question was asked at a specific grade level, please refer to the Site Report Appendix on the IYS website at <http://iys.cprd.illinois.edu/results>.

When looking at percentages, keep in mind that 0% may be a rounded number that does not mean "0" people affected. For example, a value of 0.4% would be rounded down to 0%.

Tables can be helpful when you are looking for a summary of responses for a particular survey question, for example, the percentage of 8th grade youth who report using prescription pain killers to get high. Some tables may contain a mean score (an average of all the responses), a median score (the middle point of all responses given) or an “N” (number of students who responded to that question). Tables can also be useful when you need specific data to support a grant or report. If you see an “**N/A**” (**Not Applicable**) noted in a table, this indicates that the question was **not asked at that grade level**. If you see an “**N/R**” (**Not Reported**) noted in a table, this indicates, unless otherwise specified, that at least 90% of students skipped the question for no known reason, making the results too biased to report. For tables that are “among users” only grade levels with “at least one user” will display; grade levels with “0” users will not show.

Summary charts were provided in previous years to help you compare local results to a random sample of students across the state of Illinois. Due to the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and a subsequent decline in participation, an IYS state sample is not available for 2022 and there are no summary charts included in this report. State level results from the 2024 IYS will be available in late fall. Until then, you can compare these results to a county with similar characteristics, or to the 2020 report for suburban Chicago counties, other urban/suburban counties, or rural counties (Chicago is not available). All of these reports are available on the IYS website.

We are confident that you will find this report to be a valuable resource for planning, grant writing, program development and reporting. If you have any questions about this report, please call 888-333-5612 to speak to an IYS Coordinator or visit the IYS website at <http://iys.cprd.illinois.edu/>.

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List of Schools

Public or private schools that contributed to the data in this report:

| School Name |
|--------------------------|
| Unity Point Elem School |
| Giant City Elem School |
| DeSoto Elementary School |

(1) Student Characteristics

Age

| 8th | |
|------|----|
| Avg | N |
| 13.5 | 84 |

Gender*

| | 8th | |
|----------------------|------|----|
| | % | N |
| Female | 55% | 46 |
| Male | 40% | 34 |
| Prefer not to answer | 5% | 4 |
| Total | 100% | 84 |

*In 2024 question and response options were changed

Race

| | 8th | |
|---------------------------------|------|----|
| | % | N |
| White | 55% | 46 |
| Black/African American | 19% | 16 |
| Latino/Latina | 12% | 10 |
| Asian American | 2% | 2 |
| Native American/American Indian | 0% | 0 |
| Multi-racial | 7% | 6 |
| Other | 5% | 4 |
| Total | 100% | 84 |

Who do you live with MOST OF THE TIME:

| | 8th | |
|--|------|-----|
| | % | N |
| Both parents | 60% | 50 |
| Parent and step parent | 11% | 9 |
| Mother only | 17% | 14 |
| Father only | 0% | 0 |
| Split time between parents | 6% | 5 |
| Legal guardian | 4% | 3 |
| Foster parent (including relatives if they are your foster parent) | 1% | 1 |
| Group home or residential care | 0% | 0 |
| Grandparents only | 0% | 0 |
| Living independently | N/A | N/A |
| Multiple living situations | 2% | 2 |
| Total | 100% | 84 |

During the past 30 days, where did you usually sleep:

| | 8th | |
|---|------|----|
| | % | N |
| In my parent's or guardian's home | 96% | 81 |
| In the home of a friend, family member, or other person because I had to leave my home or my parent or guardian cannot afford housing | 2% | 2 |
| In a shelter or emergency housing | 0% | 0 |
| In a motel or hotel | 0% | 0 |
| In a car, park, campground, or other public place | 0% | 0 |
| I do not have a usual place to sleep | 0% | 0 |
| Somewhere else | 1% | 1 |
| Total | 100% | 84 |

Zip code of student

| | 8th |
|------------------------|------------|
| 62091 | 1% |
| 62901 | 36% |
| 62902 | 26% |
| 62903 | 5% |
| 62924 | 17% |
| 62958 | 5% |
| Invalid or no response | 11% |

At school, are you eligible to receive:

| | 8th | |
|---------------------|------------|----------|
| | % | N |
| Free lunch | 64% | 51 |
| Reduced price lunch | 7% | 6 |
| Neither | 29% | 23 |
| Total | 100% | 80 |

Amount of time spent home alone each week after school:

| | 8th |
|---|------------|
| None | 39% |
| 1 to 2 days, less than 3 hours per day | 22% |
| 1 to 2 days, more than 3 hours per day | 7% |
| 3 or more days, less than 3 hours per day | 18% |
| 3 or more days, more than 3 hours per day | 13% |
| Total | 100% |

(2) Drug Prevalence and Behaviors

2024 Substance Use Rates by Grade - Part 1 of 3

| Substance Used | 8th Grade |
|---|-----------|
| Used Past Year | |
| Any common substance (including alcohol, inhalants or marijuana)* | 28% |
| Any common substances plus vaping (including alcohol, tobacco products, e-cigarettes or other vaping products, inhalants, or marijuana)* | 29% |
| Alcohol | 26% |
| E-cigarettes or other vaping products | 11% |
| Any Tobacco Product (including smokeless tobacco, tobacco smoked through cigarettes or cigars/cigarillos, or tobacco used in a hookah water pipe) | 2% |
| Inhalants | 7% |
| Marijuana | 9% |
| Synthetic marijuana | 4% |
| Alcohol and marijuana at the same time | 2% |
| Alcohol and energy drinks at the same time | 6% |
| Any Illicit Drugs (excluding marijuana) | 0% |
| Crack/Cocaine | 0% |
| Hallucinogens/LSD | 0% |
| Ecstasy/MDMA | 0% |
| Methamphetamine | 0% |
| Heroin | 0% |
| Any Prescription Drugs to get high | 2% |
| Prescription Painkillers | 2% |
| Other Prescription Drugs | 3% |
| Prescription pain medicine without prescription or differently than prescribed | 5% |
| Prescription drugs not prescribed to you | 1% |
| Over-the-Counter Drugs | 2% |
| # of Respondents | 84 |

*Past year cigarette use was not asked in 2024. Not comparable to 2022

2024 Substance Use Rates by Grade - Part 2 of 3

| Substance Used | 8th Grade |
|--|-----------|
| Used Past 30 Days | |
| Alcohol | 12% |
| Any tobacco products OR e-cigarettes or other vaping products | 6% |
| Cigarettes* | 4% |
| Smokeless tobacco | 2% |
| Smoked tobacco (other than cigarettes) | 5% |
| E-cigarettes or other vaping products | 5% |
| Marijuana | 2% |
| Prescription drugs not prescribed to you | 1% |
| # of Respondents | 84 |

*In 2024 response options were changed

2024 Substance Use Rates by Grade - Part 3 of 3

| Substance Used | 8th Grade |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Used Past 2 Weeks | |
| Binge Drinking | 3% |
| # of Respondents | 84 |

How old were you when you first:

| | | Never have | 10 or younger | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 or older | Total |
|-----|---|------------|---------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------------|-------|
| 8th | Had more than a sip or two of alcohol | 61% | 16% | 5% | 7% | 7% | 2% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |
| | Began drinking alcohol regularly (at least once or twice a month) | 91% | 1% | 1% | 4% | 2% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |
| | Smoked a cigarette, even just a puff | 94% | 2% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |
| | Used an e-cigarette or other vaping product | 84% | 1% | 2% | 4% | 7% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |
| | Used marijuana | 87% | 1% | 0% | 5% | 5% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |

ALCOHOL: On how many occasions (if any) have you had alcohol:

| | | 0 occasions | 1-2 occasions | 3-5 occasions | 6-9 occasions | 10-19 occasions | 20 or more occasions | Total |
|-----|---------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| 8th | In the past 30 days | 87% | 9% | 2% | 0% | 1% | 0% | 100% |
| | In the past year | 74% | 19% | 5% | 1% | 1% | 0% | 100% |

ALCOHOL PLUS: In the past year, on how many occasions (if any) have you:

| | | 0 occasions | 1-2 occasions | 3-5 occasions | 6-9 occasions | 10-19 occasions | 20 or more occasions | Total |
|-----|---|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| 8th | Used marijuana and alcohol at the same time | 96% | 2% | 0% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 100% |
| | Used alcohol and energy drinks at the same time | 94% | 6% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |

BINGE DRINKING: Think back over the last two weeks. How many times have you had five or more alcoholic drinks in a row:

| | | 8th |
|------------------|--|------|
| None | | 96% |
| Once | | 0% |
| Twice | | 0% |
| 3-5 times | | 1% |
| 6-9 times | | 1% |
| 10 or more times | | 1% |
| Total | | 100% |

ALCOHOL TYPE: Among alcohol users in the past 30 days, what did you drink*:

| | | 8th Grade |
|--|--|-----------|
| Beer from bottles, cans, or a keg | | 22% |
| Wine | | 22% |
| Hard liquor (vodka, whiskey, or gin) | | 25% |
| Alcopops (wine coolers, hard lemonade, hard cider, or hard seltzers) | | 12% |

*A similar version of this question appeared in 2018

CIGARETTES: During the past 30 days, how frequently have you*:

| | | Never | Once or twice | Once or twice per week | About once a day | More than once a day | Total |
|-----|-------------------|-------|---------------|------------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------|
| 8th | Smoked cigarettes | 96% | 2% | 0% | 0% | 1% | 100% |

*In 2024 response options were changed

E-CIGARETTES OR VAPING PRODUCTS: During the past 30 days, how frequently have you:

| | | Never | Once or twice | Once or twice per week | About once a day | More than once a day | Total |
|-----|--|-------|---------------|------------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------|
| 8th | Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products | 92% | 2% | 2% | 1% | 1% | 100% |

E-CIGARETTES OR VAPING PRODUCTS: In the past year, on how many occasions (if any) have you:

| | | 0 occasions | 1-2 occasions | 3-5 occasions | 6-9 occasions | 10-19 occasions | 20 or more occasions | Total |
|-----|--|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| 8th | Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products | 89% | 9% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 1% | 100% |

TOBACCO PRODUCTS OTHER THAN CIGARETTES: During the past 30 days, how frequently have you used:

| | | Never | Once or twice | Once or twice per week | About once a day | More than once a day | Total |
|-----|--|-------|---------------|------------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------|
| 8th | Smokeless tobacco such as chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or snus | 98% | 1% | 0% | 1% | 0% | 100% |
| | Smoked tobacco products other than cigarettes such as cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars | 95% | 2% | 0% | 1% | 1% | 100% |

TOBACCO PRODUCTS: In the past year, on how many occasions (if any) have you: used any tobacco product including smokeless tobacco, tobacco smoked through cigarettes or cigars/cigarillos, or a hookah water pipe:

| | | 0 occasions | 1-2 occasions | 3-5 occasions | 6-9 occasions | 10-19 occasions | 20 or more occasions | Total |
|-----|------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| 8th | In the past year | 98% | 2% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |

INHALANTS: On how many occasions (if any) have you sniffed glue, breathed the contents of an aerosol spray can, or inhaled other gases or sprays, in order to get high:

| | | 0 occasions | 1-2 occasions | 3-5 occasions | 6-9 occasions | 10-19 occasions | 20 or more occasions | Total |
|-----|------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| 8th | In the past year | 93% | 6% | 0% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 100% |

MARIJUANA: On how many occasions (if any) have you used marijuana:

| | | 0 occasions | 1-2 occasions | 3-5 occasions | 6-9 occasions | 10-19 occasions | 20 or more occasions | Total |
|-----|---------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| 8th | In the past 30 days | 97% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 1% | 100% |
| | In the past year | 91% | 9% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |

SYNTHETIC MARIJUANA, SPICE, OR FAKE WEED: On how many occasions (if any) have you used synthetic marijuana:

| | | 0 occasions | 1-2 occasions | 3-5 occasions | 6-9 occasions | 10-19 occasions | 20 or more occasions | Total |
|-----|------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| 8th | In the past year | 96% | 4% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |

MARIJUANA METHOD OF USE: Among users in the past 30 days, how have you used marijuana*:

| | 8th Grade |
|---|-----------|
| Smoked it (in a joint, bong, pipe, blunt) | 50% |
| Vaporized it (e.g., vapor pen) | 50% |
| Ate it (in brownies, cakes, candy, etc.) | 100% |
| Dabbed it | 50% |
| # of Marijuana Users in the Past 30 days | 2 |

*If you see an **N/R (Not Reported)** noted in this table, it means that *at least 50% of students skipped the question for no known reason*, making the results too biased to report

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS: Have you used prescription drugs not prescribed to you:

| | | Yes | No | Total |
|-----|---------------------|-----|-----|-------|
| 8th | In the past 30 days | 1% | 99% | 100% |
| | In the past year | 1% | 99% | 100% |

ILLICIT DRUGS: During the past 12 months, how often have you used:

| | | 0 occasions | 1-2 occasions | 3-5 occasions | 6-9 occasions | 10-19 occasions | 20 or more occasions | Total |
|-----|---------------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| 8th | MDMA ("ecstasy") | 100% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |
| | LSD or other psychedelics | 100% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |
| | Cocaine or crack | 100% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |
| | Meth (methamphetamine) | 100% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |
| | Heroin | 100% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |

PRESCRIPTION AND OVER THE COUNTER DRUGS: During the past 12 months, how often have you used:

| | | Never | 1-2 times | 3-5 times | 6+ times | Total |
|-----|--|-------|-----------|-----------|----------|-------|
| 8th | Prescription pain medicine without a prescription or differently than prescribed | 95% | 4% | 0% | 1% | 100% |
| | Prescription painkillers to get high (e.g., OxyContin, Vicodin, Lortab, etc.) | 98% | 2% | 0% | 0% | 100% |
| | Other prescription drugs to get high (e.g., Ritalin, Adderall, Xanax, etc.) | 97% | 3% | 0% | 0% | 100% |
| | Something you bought in a store to get high (e.g., cough syrup, etc.) | 98% | 2% | 0% | 0% | 100% |

(3) Drug Use Contributing Factors

PERSONAL DISAPPROVAL: How wrong do you think it is for someone your age to:

| | | Very wrong | Wrong | A little bit wrong | Not wrong at all | Total |
|-----|---|------------|-------|--------------------|------------------|-------|
| 8th | Drink beer, wine or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey or gin) regularly | 52% | 35% | 8% | 5% | 100% |
| | Smoke cigarettes | 66% | 24% | 5% | 5% | 100% |
| | Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products | 58% | 28% | 8% | 6% | 100% |
| | Use marijuana | 63% | 21% | 10% | 6% | 100% |
| | Use prescription drugs not prescribed to them | 72% | 20% | 6% | 2% | 100% |

PERCEIVED RISK ASSOCIATED WITH USE: How much do you think people risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways) if they:

| | | No risk | Slight risk | Moderate risk | Great risk | Total |
|-----|---|---------|-------------|---------------|------------|-------|
| 8th | Take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage (beer, wine, liquor) nearly every day | 8% | 13% | 28% | 51% | 100% |
| | Have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week | 7% | 6% | 28% | 59% | 100% |
| | Smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day | 8% | 2% | 21% | 68% | 100% |
| | Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products | 7% | 11% | 37% | 45% | 100% |
| | Use marijuana once or twice a week | 12% | 20% | 27% | 40% | 100% |
| | Use prescription drugs not prescribed to them | 7% | 4% | 25% | 64% | 100% |

PERCEIVED RISK ASSOCIATED WITH TEEN ALCOHOL USE: How much do you think people YOUR AGE risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways) if they:

| | | No risk | Slight risk | Moderate risk | Great risk | Total |
|-----|-------------------------------------|---------|-------------|---------------|------------|-------|
| 8th | Use alcohol once or twice per month | 8% | 18% | 36% | 38% | 100% |

PERCEIVED PEER NORMS: What are the chances you would be seen as cool if you:

| | | No or very little chance | Little chance | Some chance | Pretty good chance | Very good chance | Total |
|-----|---|--------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------------|------------------|-------|
| 8th | Began drinking alcohol regularly, that is, at least once or twice a month | 70% | 13% | 9% | 7% | 1% | 100% |
| | Smoked cigarettes | 71% | 20% | 7% | 2% | 0% | 100% |
| | Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products | 61% | 16% | 17% | 5% | 1% | 100% |
| | Used marijuana | 67% | 15% | 6% | 11% | 1% | 100% |

PERCEIVED PEER DISAPPROVAL OF USE: How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to:

| | | Very wrong | Wrong | A little bit wrong | Not wrong at all | Total |
|-----|--|------------|-------|--------------------|------------------|-------|
| 8th | Have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day | 67% | 19% | 8% | 6% | 100% |
| | Smoke tobacco | 69% | 21% | 7% | 2% | 100% |
| | Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products | 60% | 24% | 12% | 4% | 100% |
| | Use marijuana | 65% | 23% | 7% | 5% | 100% |
| | Use prescription drugs not prescribed to you | 73% | 19% | 6% | 2% | 100% |

PERCEIVED PARENT DISAPPROVAL OF USE: How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to:

| | | Very wrong | Wrong | A little bit wrong | Not wrong at all | Total |
|-----|--|------------|-------|--------------------|------------------|-------|
| 8th | Drink beer, wine, or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin) regularly (at least once or twice a month) | 71% | 16% | 11% | 2% | 100% |
| | Have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day | 82% | 12% | 4% | 2% | 100% |
| | Smoke tobacco | 84% | 15% | 0% | 1% | 100% |
| | Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products | 87% | 11% | 0% | 2% | 100% |
| | Use marijuana | 85% | 9% | 5% | 1% | 100% |
| | Use prescription drugs not prescribed to you | 90% | 7% | 2% | 0% | 100% |

PARENT COMMUNICATION ABOUT DRUGS: In the past year, have your parents/guardians talked to you about:

| | | Yes | No | Don't remember | Total |
|-----|---|-----|-----|----------------|-------|
| 8th | Not using alcohol | 48% | 38% | 14% | 100% |
| | Not using tobacco | 45% | 42% | 13% | 100% |
| | Not using marijuana | 48% | 38% | 14% | 100% |
| | Not using opioids for non-medical reasons | 34% | 52% | 13% | 100% |

PARENT ALCOHOL MONITORING: Would you be caught by your parents if:

| | | Never | Sometimes | Most of the time | Always | Total |
|-----|---|-------|-----------|------------------|--------|-------|
| 8th | You drank some beer, wine or liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin) without your parents' permission | 32% | 12% | 16% | 39% | 100% |
| | You go to a party where alcohol is served | 34% | 15% | 14% | 37% | 100% |

PARENT OVERALL MONITORING:

| | | Never | Sometimes | Most of the time | Always | Total |
|-----|---|-------|-----------|------------------|--------|-------|
| 8th | When I am not at home, one of my parents/guardians knows where I am and who I am with | 5% | 5% | 26% | 65% | 100% |
| | My parents/guardians ask if I've gotten my homework done | 15% | 16% | 23% | 46% | 100% |
| | Would your parents/guardians know if you did not come home on time | 10% | 10% | 20% | 61% | 100% |

My family has clear rules about alcohol and drug use:

| 8th | |
|-------|------|
| Yes | 78% |
| No | 22% |
| Total | 100% |

PERCEIVED ACCESS: If you wanted to get the following, how easy would it be for you to get some:

| | | Very hard | Sort of hard | Sort of easy | Very easy | Total |
|-----|---|-----------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-------|
| 8th | Beer, wine, or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin) | 44% | 22% | 19% | 15% | 100% |
| | Cigarettes | 62% | 16% | 10% | 11% | 100% |
| | E-cigarettes or other vaping products | 54% | 17% | 19% | 10% | 100% |
| | Marijuana | 66% | 14% | 10% | 10% | 100% |
| | Prescription drugs not prescribed to you | 61% | 16% | 7% | 15% | 100% |
| | Opioid medications from your home | 75% | 14% | 4% | 8% | 100% |

TOBACCO, E-CIGARETTES, OR OTHER VAPING PRODUCTS SUPPLY SOURCE ONLY AMONG USERS:** During the past year, did you get any tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or other vaping products from the following sources*:

| | 8th Grade |
|--|-----------|
| Retail Purchase | |
| I bought them at a gas station or store or mall | 11% |
| Online Access | |
| Bought online | 11% |
| Parent Supply | |
| My parents WITH their permission | 22% |
| Social Access | |
| A friend gave them to me | 44% |
| My older brother or sister gave them to me | 11% |
| Accessed Without Permission | |
| My parents WITHOUT their permission | 22% |
| # of Tobacco, E-cigarette, or Vaping Users in the Past Year | 9 |

*If you see an **N/R (Not Reported)** noted in this table, it means that *at least 50% of students skipped the question for no known reason*, making the results too biased to report

**In 2024 wording changed to TOBACCO, E-CIGARETTES, OR OTHER VAPING PRODUCTS

ALCOHOL SUPPLY SOURCE ONLY AMONG ALCOHOL USERS: During the past year, did you usually get your own beer, wine or liquor from the following sources*:

| | 8th Grade |
|--|------------------|
| Retail Purchase | |
| Any Retail Source | 14% |
| I bought it at a bar or restaurant | 15% |
| I bought it at a gas station or store | 14% |
| Curbside/Home delivery | 14% |
| Parent Supply | |
| My parents WITH their permission | 48% |
| Social Access | |
| Any Social Source (excluding parents) | 24% |
| A friend gave it to me | 25% |
| I got it at a party | 14% |
| I gave a stranger money to buy it for me | 14% |
| My older brother or sister gave it to me | 20% |
| An adult (other than my parents) WITH that adult's permission | 20% |
| Accessed Without Permission | |
| Stole or Took Without Permission | 29% |
| My parents WITHOUT their permission | 19% |
| An adult (other than my parents) WITHOUT that adult's permission | 29% |
| # of Alcohol Users in the Past Year | 21 |

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MARIJUANA SUPPLY SOURCE ONLY AMONG MARIJUANA USERS: In the past year, did you get your own marijuana from any of the following sources*:

| | 8th Grade |
|---|------------------|
| I bought it from someone who sells drugs | 29% |
| I gave a stranger money to buy it at a marijuana dispensary | 14% |
| Someone gave it to me | 100% |
| A friend gave it to me | 86% |
| My parents WITH their permission | 29% |
| My older brother or sister gave it to me | 29% |
| An adult (other than my parents) WITH that adult's permission | 14% |
| My parents WITHOUT their permission | 29% |
| Someone else's medical marijuana prescription | 14% |
| My own medical marijuana prescription | 14% |
| # of Marijuana Users in the Past Year | 7 |

*If you see an **N/R (Not Reported)** noted in this table, it means that *at least 50% of students skipped the question for no known reason*, making the results too biased to report

PRESCRIPTION DRUG SOURCE TYPE ONLY AMONG PRESCRIPTION DRUG USERS: In the past year, did you get prescription drugs not prescribed to you from any of the following sources*:

| | 8th Grade |
|---|------------------|
| I bought them from someone (friend, relative, stranger, etc.) | 100% |
| Someone gave them to me | 0% |
| My parents gave them to me | 0% |
| Someone other than my parents gave them to me (friend, relative, friends' parent, etc.) | 0% |
| I took them from somewhere | 100% |
| I took them from home without the knowledge of my parents/guardians | 100% |
| I took them from someone else's home | 100% |
| # of Prescription Drug Users in the Past Year | 1 |

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(4) Interpersonal Conflict, Violence, and Delinquency

DELINQUENCY: How many times in the past year (12 months) have you:

| | | Never | 1-2 times | 3-5 times | 6+ times | Total |
|-----|--|-------|-----------|-----------|----------|-------|
| 8th | Been in a physical fight | 66% | 29% | 4% | 1% | 100% |
| | Carried a weapon such as a handgun, knife, or club | 85% | 6% | 4% | 5% | 100% |
| | Sold illegal drugs | 99% | 0% | 0% | 1% | 100% |
| | Been drunk or high at school | 97% | 1% | 0% | 1% | 100% |

BULLYING EXPERIENCES: During the past 12 months, has another student at school:

| | | 8th |
|---|--|------------|
| Bullied you by calling you names | | 44% |
| Threatened to hurt you | | 21% |
| Bullied you by hitting, punching, kicking, or pushing you | | 22% |
| Bullied, harassed, or spread rumors about you on the Internet, social media, or through text messages | | 26% |
| Ever bullied (reported at least 1 type of bullying) | | 52% |
| Intensely bullied (reported all types of bullying) | | 9% |

BIAS-BASED BULLYING: In the past 12 months at school, how often have you been bullied, harassed, or made fun of because of:

| | | Never | 1-2 times | 3-5 times | 6+ times | Total |
|-----|---------------------------------|-------|-----------|-----------|----------|-------|
| 8th | Your appearance or a disability | 49% | 17% | 19% | 15% | 100% |

DATING VIOLENCE: During the past 12 months, have any of the following been done by someone in a dating relationship with you:

| | | I have not begun to date | Yes | No | Not sure | Total |
|-----|--|--------------------------|-----|-----|----------|-------|
| 8th | Slapped, kicked, punched, hit, or threatened you | 43% | 6% | 43% | 7% | 100% |

(5) Academic and School Experiences

SCHOOL ABSENCES: About how many days are you absent from school during an entire year:

| | 8th |
|-------------------|------|
| 0-9 days | 72% |
| 10-19 days | 24% |
| 20-30 days | 4% |
| More than 30 days | 0% |
| Total | 100% |

ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES: In which of the following activities do you participate:

| | 8th | |
|--|-----|----|
| | % | N |
| School sports team | 64% | 51 |
| Other sports | 54% | 41 |
| School clubs | 62% | 47 |
| Service clubs or volunteer projects (e.g., Scouting, 4H) | 37% | 28 |
| Other activity clubs (e.g., Boys & Girls, YMCA, etc.) | 13% | 9 |
| Church youth group or other faith-based youth group | 42% | 32 |

ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES: Participation in activities:

| | 8th |
|----------------------|------|
| 0 activities | 12% |
| 1 activity | 14% |
| 2 or more activities | 73% |
| Total | 100% |

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: Putting them all together, what were your grades like for the last year:

| | 8th |
|----------------|------------|
| Mostly A | 35% |
| Mostly A and B | 40% |
| Mostly B | 5% |
| Mostly B and C | 14% |
| Mostly C | 5% |
| Mostly C and D | 0% |
| Mostly D | 1% |
| Mostly F | 0% |
| Total | 100% |

SCHOOL CLIMATE/CARING ADULTS: At my school, there is a teacher or some other adult:

| | | Not at all true | A little true | Pretty much true | Very much true | Total |
|-----|--|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| 8th | Who really cares about me | 11% | 20% | 31% | 37% | 100% |
| | Who notices when I'm not there | 12% | 24% | 32% | 31% | 100% |
| | Who listens to me when I have something to say | 16% | 17% | 35% | 31% | 100% |
| | Who notices if I have trouble learning something | 21% | 32% | 24% | 22% | 100% |

SCHOOL CLIMATE/HIGH EXPECTATIONS: At my school, there is a teacher or some other adult:

| | | Not at all true | A little true | Pretty much true | Very much true | Total |
|-----|--|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| 8th | Who tells me when I do a good job | 22% | 20% | 27% | 30% | 100% |
| | Who always wants me to do my best | 10% | 16% | 34% | 39% | 100% |
| | Who believes I will be a success | 15% | 18% | 33% | 34% | 100% |
| | Who encourages me to work hard in school | 15% | 21% | 24% | 40% | 100% |

SCHOOL CLIMATE/MEANINGFUL PARTICIPATION: How true are the following statements:

| | | Not at all true | A little true | Pretty much true | Very much true | Total |
|-----|--|-----------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|-------|
| 8th | At school, I do interesting activities | 17% | 32% | 36% | 15% | 100% |
| | At school, I help decide things like class activities or rules | 40% | 35% | 17% | 9% | 100% |
| | At school, I do things that make a difference | 36% | 31% | 21% | 13% | 100% |

SCHOOL CLIMATE/SCHOOL CONNECTEDNESS: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements about your school:

| | | Strongly disagree | Disagree | Neither agree nor disagree | Agree | Strongly agree | Total |
|-----|---|-------------------|----------|----------------------------|-------|----------------|-------|
| 8th | I feel close to people at this school | 9% | 10% | 16% | 42% | 23% | 100% |
| | I am happy to be at this school | 22% | 11% | 30% | 22% | 15% | 100% |
| | I feel safe in my school | 5% | 5% | 24% | 48% | 18% | 100% |
| | The teachers at this school treat students fairly | 18% | 15% | 29% | 32% | 6% | 100% |

During the past 30 days, how many days did you not go to school because you felt you would be unsafe:

| | 8th |
|----------------|------|
| 0 days | 89% |
| 1 day | 4% |
| 2 or 3 days | 1% |
| 4 or 5 days | 4% |
| 6 or more days | 2% |
| Total | 100% |

SUBSTANCE USE EDUCATION IN SCHOOL: To what extent have you seen ads or participated in these activities in the past 12 months*:

| | | Never | Rarely | Sometimes | Often | Total |
|-----|---|-------|--------|-----------|-------|-------|
| 8th | Played interactive games to learn about alcohol and other drugs | 59% | 19% | 21% | 1% | 100% |
| | Saw posters or messages displayed at school encouraging students not to use alcohol or other drugs | 47% | 20% | 24% | 9% | 100% |
| | Had films, lectures, discussions, or printed information about drugs or alcohol IN regular classes, such as health or physical education | 37% | 20% | 32% | 11% | 100% |
| | Had films, lectures, discussions, or printed information about drugs or alcohol OUTSIDE OF regular classes, such as in a special assembly | 54% | 24% | 17% | 5% | 100% |

*New question added in 2024

(6) Mental, Social, and Physical Health

During the past 12 months did you ever:

| | 8th | |
|--|-----|----|
| | % | N |
| Feel so sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more in a row that you stopped doing some usual activities | 40% | 33 |

Is there an adult you know (other than your parent) you could talk to about important things in your life:

| | No | Yes, one adult | Yes, more than one adult | Total |
|-----|-----|----------------|--------------------------|-------|
| 8th | 14% | 21% | 64% | 100% |

BMI (Body Mass Index) Categories based on CDC guidelines:

| | 8th | |
|----------------|------|----|
| | % | N |
| Underweight | 9% | 5 |
| Healthy weight | 67% | 37 |
| Overweight | 13% | 7 |
| Obese | 11% | 6 |
| Total | 100% | 55 |

Body Mass Index categories as calculated by self-reported height and weight

During the past 7 days, on how many days did you eat dinner at home with at least one of your parents or guardians:

| | 8th |
|--------|------|
| 0 days | 5% |
| 1 day | 7% |
| 2 days | 4% |
| 3 days | 7% |
| 4 days | 0% |
| 5 days | 12% |
| 6 days | 19% |
| 7 days | 46% |
| Total | 100% |

During the past 7 days, how many times did you:

| | | 0 times during the past 7 days | 1 to 3 times during the past 7 days | 4 to 6 times during the past 7 days | 1 time per day | 2 times per day | 3 times per day | 4 or more times per day | Total |
|-----|----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-------|
| 8th | Eat fruit | 4% | 16% | 25% | 11% | 11% | 12% | 21% | 100% |
| | Eat vegetables | 4% | 25% | 21% | 11% | 19% | 4% | 17% | 100% |

During the past 30 days, how often did you go hungry because there was not enough food in your home:

| | 8th |
|------------------|------|
| Never | 62% |
| Rarely | 27% |
| Sometimes | 7% |
| Most of the time | 2% |
| Always | 1% |
| Total | 100% |

SCREEN TIME: On an average school day, how many hours do you spend on **NON-SCHOOL RELATED** "screen time" (e.g., TV, videos, streaming, gaming (Xbox, PlayStation, or internet-based games), smart phone use, texting, social media, or the Internet):

| | 8th |
|---|------------|
| No screen time on an average school day | 4% |
| Less than 2 hours per day | 18% |
| 2-3 hours per day | 27% |
| 4-6 hours per day | 43% |
| 7 or more hours per day | 9% |
| Total | 100% |

During the past 7 days, on how many days were you physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day:

| | 8th |
|--------|------------|
| 0 days | 5% |
| 1 day | 5% |
| 2 days | 9% |
| 3 days | 15% |
| 4 days | 5% |
| 5 days | 22% |
| 6 days | 11% |
| 7 days | 27% |
| Total | 100% |