



ILLINOIS YOUTH SURVEY

2024 Frequency Report

Suburban Chicago

Weighted Sample to Represent
Suburban Chicago Counties

Cook (excluding City of Chicago)
DeKalb
DuPage
Grundy
Kane
Kendall
Lake
McHenry
Will



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Overview of the Illinois Youth Survey

The Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) has funded the administration of the Illinois Youth Survey (IYS) biennially since 1993. The IYS is a self-report survey administered in school settings and is designed to gather information about a variety of health and social indicators including substance use, bullying, school climate, and more.

The administration of the IYS has two major goals, the first of which is to supply local data to schools and school districts throughout Illinois. During even-numbered years, the survey is available to all public and private schools in the state at no cost. Each participating school is eligible to receive a report specific to their own student responses. These local reports provide critical information to school administrators, prevention professionals, and community members as they work to address health and social issues in their communities.

The second goal of administering the IYS is to provide a scientific estimate of health and social indicators for the state of Illinois. The scientific estimate is based on a random sample representing the state population of 8th, 10th, and 12th graders in Illinois' public schools. The sampling design assures that youth in the state sample represent the state's diverse community types.

These community types have been defined based on the 'urbanicity' of the school's setting. Each county in Illinois is assigned a type based on the Federal Office of Management and Budget's definitions of Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs). Schools are assigned to a county based on the Illinois State Board of Education's county designation for each school district. Because Cook County is a blend of the city of Chicago and suburban communities, city of Chicago schools are sampled and reported as a distinct community type, while suburban Cook schools are included as part of suburban Chicago.

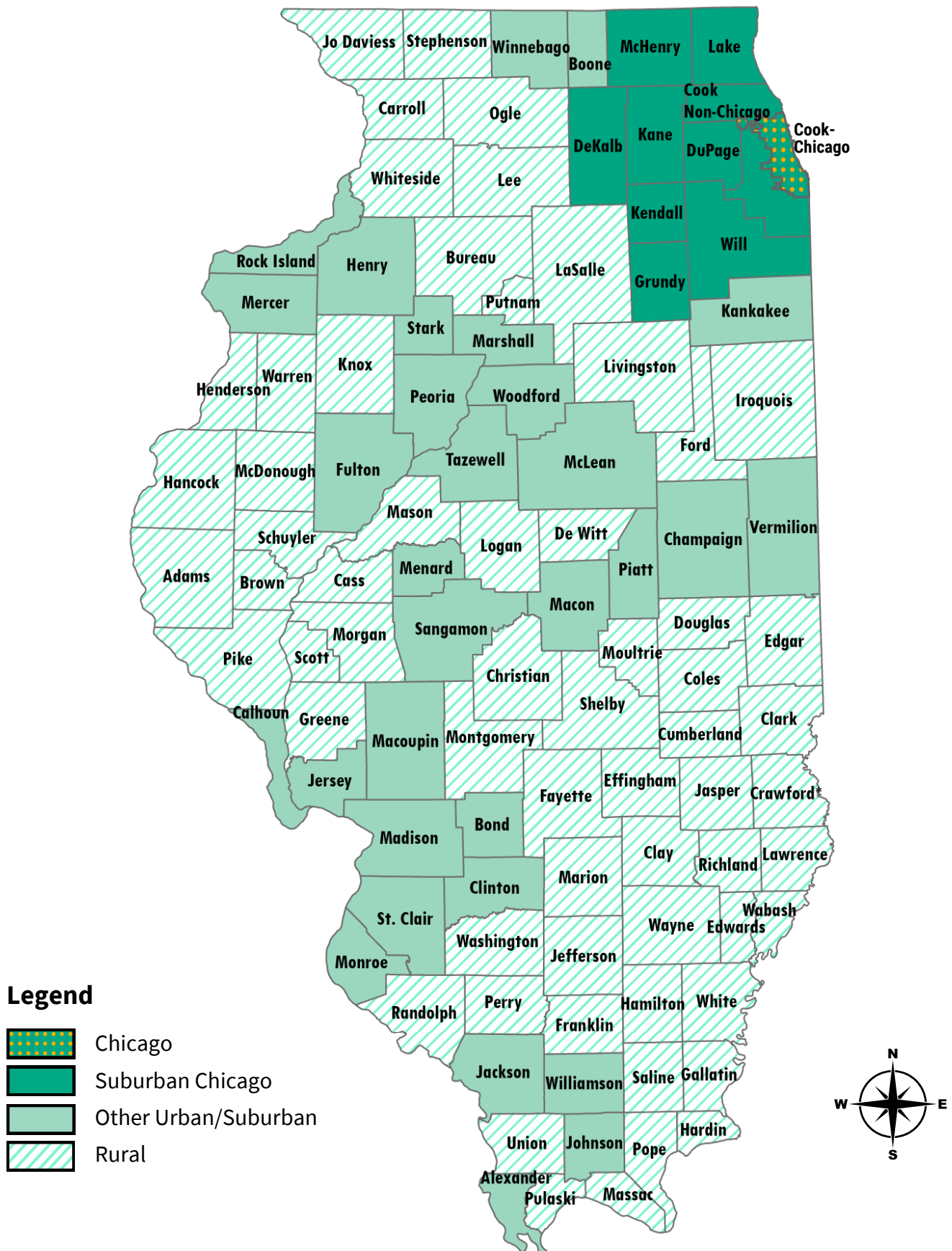
The four types of Illinois communities based on their urbanicity include: 1) Suburban Chicago counties including suburban Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will, 2) City of Chicago, 3) Other Urban/Suburban counties excluding suburban Chicago counties, and 4) Rural counties.

Illinois Youth Survey 2024 Frequency Report: Suburban Chicago presents findings based on data gathered from January to May 2024 from students in the random sample of schools, scientifically weighted to represent 8th, 10th, and 12th graders attending public schools in suburban Chicago counties (excluding the city of Chicago).

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ILLINOIS COUNTIES BY COMMUNITY TYPE



Following the 2020 Census, Crawford, DeWitt, and Ford counties changed from Other Urban/Suburban to Rural. Fulton and Johnson counties changed from Rural to Other Urban/Suburban.

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Section 1: Student Characteristics

Grade

	Weighted Count
8th	1409
10th	1516
12th	1483
Total	4409

Age

8th		10th		12th	
Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N
13.5	1408	15.6	1516	17.6	1481

Gender*

	8th		10th		12th	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Female	656	47%	726	48%	712	48%
Male	724	51%	768	51%	748	51%
Prefer not to answer	29	2%	21	1%	19	1%

*In 2024 question and response options were changed

Race

	8th		10th		12th	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
White	721	51%	781	52%	732	50%
Black/African American	135	10%	133	9%	141	10%
Latino/Latina	343	24%	396	26%	415	28%
Asian American	144	10%	134	9%	132	9%
Native American/ American Indian	4	0%	1	0%	1	0%
Multi-racial	43	3%	48	3%	48	3%
Other	13	1%	7	0%	6	0%

Who do you live with MOST OF THE TIME:

	8th		10th		12th	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Both parents	1009	72%	1072	71%	1028	70%
Parent and step parent	75	5%	85	6%	72	5%
Mother only	144	10%	188	12%	211	14%
Father only	18	1%	32	2%	30	2%
Split time between parents	123	9%	83	5%	54	4%
Legal guardian	5	0%	8	1%	23	2%
Foster parent (including relatives if they are your foster parent)	1	0%	1	0%	4	0%
Group home or residential care	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Grandparents only	7	0%	5	0%	11	1%
Living independently	N/A	N/A	0	0%	7	0%
Multiple living situations	21	1%	33	2%	35	2%

Section 1: Student Characteristics

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

	8th		10th		12th	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
In my parent's or guardian's home	1387	99%	1499	99%	1462	99%
In the home of a friend, family member, or other person	6	0%	6	0%	12	1%
In a shelter or emergency housing	5	0%	3	0%	0	0%
In a motel or hotel	0	0%	1	0%	4	0%
In a car, park, campground, or other public place	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%
I do not have a usual place to sleep	0	0%	2	0%	0	0%
Somewhere else	3	0%	2	0%	3	0%

At school, are you eligible to receive:

	8th		10th		12th	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Free lunch	474	34%	446	30%	434	30%
Reduced price lunch	85	6%	84	6%	74	5%
Neither	827	60%	962	64%	957	65%

Amount of time spent home alone each week after school:

	8th
None	44%
1 to 2 days, less than 3 hours per day	24%
1 to 2 days, more than 3 hours per day	5%
3 or more days, less than 3 hours per day	15%
3 or more days, more than 3 hours per day	12%

Section 2: Drug Prevalence and Behaviors

2024 Substance Use Rates by Grade: Part 1 of 3 - Past Year

	8th		10th		12th	
	Yes		Yes		Yes	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Any common substance (including alcohol, inhalants or marijuana)*	241	17%	423	28%	588	40%
Any common substances plus vaping (including alcohol, tobacco products, e-cigarettes or other vaping products, inhalants, or marijuana)*	243	17%	430	28%	600	41%
Alcohol	218	16%	399	27%	556	39%
E-cigarettes or other vaping products	43	3%	106	7%	197	14%
Any Tobacco Product (including smokeless tobacco, tobacco smoked through cigarettes or cigars/cigarillos, or tobacco used in a hookah water pipe)	5	0%	36	2%	73	5%
Inhalants	44	3%	19	1%	15	1%
Marijuana	27	2%	109	7%	268	19%
Synthetic marijuana	4	0%	12	1%	17	1%
Alcohol and marijuana at the same time	7	1%	58	4%	127	9%
Alcohol and energy drinks at the same time	16	1%	43	3%	96	7%
Any Illicit Drugs (excluding marijuana)	9	1%	13	1%	26	2%
Crack/Cocaine	3	0%	3	0%	8	1%
Hallucinogens/LSD	3	0%	13	1%	23	2%
Ecstasy/MDMA	1	0%	5	0%	9	1%
Methamphetamine	2	0%	1	0%	2	0%
Heroin	0	0%	1	0%	2	0%
Any Prescription Drugs to get high	12	1%	10	1%	18	1%
Prescription Painkillers	4	0%	5	0%	7	0%
Other Prescription Drugs	11	1%	5	0%	16	1%
Prescription pain medicine without prescription or differently than prescribed	31	2%	31	2%	22	1%
Prescription drugs not prescribed to you	22	2%	31	2%	34	2%
Over-the-Counter Drugs	5	0%	17	1%	16	1%
# of Respondents	1409		1516		1483	

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

2024 Substance Use Rates by Grade: Part 2 of 3 - Past 30 Days

	8th		10th		12th	
	Yes		Yes		Yes	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Alcohol	74	5%	170	12%	327	23%
Any tobacco products OR e-cigarettes or other vaping products	28	2%	63	4%	137	9%
Cigarettes*	5	0%	13	1%	35	2%
Smokeless tobacco	7	1%	15	1%	44	3%
Smoked tobacco (other than cigarettes)	6	0%	18	1%	44	3%
E-cigarettes or other vaping products	20	1%	52	4%	112	8%
Marijuana	14	1%	62	4%	172	12%
Prescription drugs not prescribed to you	16	1%	6	1%	7	1%
# of Respondents	1409		1516		1483	

*In 2024 response options changed

2024 Substance Use Rates by Grade: Part 3 of 3 - Past 2 Weeks

	8th		10th		12th	
	Yes		Yes		Yes	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Binge Drinking	10	1%	53	4%	130	9%
# of Respondents	1409		1516		1483	

Section 2: Drug Prevalence and Behaviors

How old were you when you first:

		Never have	10 or younger	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18 or older
8th	Had more than a sip or two of alcohol	76%	10%	3%	4%	6%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Began drinking alcohol regularly (at least once or twice a month)	98%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Smoked a cigarette, even just a puff	98%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Used an e-cigarette or other vaping product	95%	1%	1%	1%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Used marijuana	97%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
10th	Had more than a sip or two of alcohol	62%	9%	3%	3%	4%	7%	10%	2%	0%	0%
	Began drinking alcohol regularly (at least once or twice a month)	94%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	3%	1%	0%	0%
	Smoked a cigarette, even just a puff	95%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	Used an e-cigarette or other vaping product	87%	1%	1%	1%	3%	4%	4%	1%	0%	0%
	Used marijuana	90%	0%	0%	1%	1%	3%	3%	1%	0%	0%
12th	Had more than a sip or two of alcohol	49%	5%	2%	2%	5%	6%	8%	12%	8%	5%
	Began drinking alcohol regularly (at least once or twice a month)	82%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	3%	5%	5%	3%
	Smoked a cigarette, even just a puff	88%	2%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	3%	2%	1%
	Used an e-cigarette or other vaping product	75%	1%	1%	1%	3%	4%	5%	5%	4%	1%
	Used marijuana	76%	0%	0%	1%	2%	3%	5%	7%	4%	2%

DRUG INITIATION AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE EVER USED EACH DRUG:
Average (mean) age when first*:

	12th	
	Avg	N
Had more than a sip or two of alcohol	14.8	743
Began drinking alcohol regularly (at least once or twice a month)	16.1	267
Smoked a cigarette, even just a puff	14.8	180
Used an e-cigarette or other vaping product	14.9	360
Used marijuana	15.4	351

*Includes 12th grade only to provide a more accurate estimate of age at first use

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
8th	In the past 30 days	94%	6%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	In the past year	84%	11%	3%	1%	0%	0%
10th	In the past 30 days	87%	10%	3%	0%	0%	0%
	In the past year	73%	14%	7%	3%	2%	2%
12th	In the past 30 days	75%	18%	5%	1%	1%	0%
	In the past year	62%	13%	10%	6%	5%	4%

Section 2: Drug Prevalence and Behaviors

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
8th	Used marijuana and alcohol at the same time	99%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Used alcohol and energy drinks at the same time	99%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
10th	Used marijuana and alcohol at the same time	96%	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%
	Used alcohol and energy drinks at the same time	97%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%
12th	Used marijuana and alcohol at the same time	91%	4%	2%	1%	1%	1%
	Used alcohol and energy drinks at the same time	93%	3%	2%	1%	1%	0%

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

	8th	10th	12th
None	99%	96%	91%
Once	1%	2%	5%
Twice	0%	1%	2%
3-5 times	0%	1%	1%
6-9 times	0%	0%	0%
10 or more times	0%	0%	1%

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

	8th		10th		12th	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Beer from bottles, cans, or a keg	16	8.3%	39	20.1%	140	71.5%
Wine	24	13.9%	49	28.8%	98	57.3%
Hard liquor (vodka, whiskey, or gin)	15	5.6%	71	25.6%	192	68.9%
Alcopops (wine coolers, hard lemonade, hard cider, or hard seltzers)	18	6.7%	80	29.6%	172	63.7%

*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
8th	Smoked cigarettes	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
10th	Smoked cigarettes	99%	0%	0%	0%	0%
12th	Smoked cigarettes	98%	2%	0%	0%	0%

*In 2024 response options changed

Section 2: Drug Prevalence and Behaviors

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
8th	Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products	98%	1%	0%	0%	0%
10th	Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products	96%	2%	1%	0%	1%
12th	Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products	91%	4%	1%	1%	3%

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
8th	Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products	97%	2%	1%	0%	0%	1%
10th	Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products	93%	2%	1%	1%	0%	2%
12th	Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products	87%	3%	3%	1%	1%	5%

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
8th	Smokeless tobacco such as chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or snus	99%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Smoked tobacco products other than cigarettes such as cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
10th	Smokeless tobacco such as chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or snus	99%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	Smoked tobacco products other than cigarettes such as cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars	99%	1%	0%	0%	0%
12th	Smokeless tobacco such as chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or snus	97%	2%	0%	0%	1%
	Smoked tobacco products other than cigarettes such as cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars	97%	2%	0%	0%	0%

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
8th	In the past year	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
10th	In the past year	98%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%
12th	In the past year	95%	2%	1%	1%	0%	1%

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
8th	In the past year	97%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%
10th	In the past year	99%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
12th	In the past year	99%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Section 2: Drug Prevalence and Behaviors

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
8th	In the past 30 days	99%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	In the past year	98%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
10th	In the past 30 days	96%	2%	0%	0%	1%	1%
	In the past year	93%	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%
12th	In the past 30 days	87%	5%	3%	1%	1%	3%
	In the past year	82%	5%	4%	2%	2%	5%

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
8th	In the past year	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
10th	In the past year	99%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
12th	In the past year	99%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%

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

	8th		10th		12th	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Smoked it (in a joint, bong, pipe, blunt)	9	62%	29	48%	96	56%
Vaporized it (e.g., vapor pen)	11	75%	56	92%	107	63%
Ate it (in brownies, cakes, candy, etc.)	4	28%	27	43%	85	50%
Dabbed it	1	9%	10	16%	34	20%
# of Marijuana Users in the Past 30 Days	14		62		172	

*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
8th	In the past 30 days	1%	99%
	In the past year	2%	98%
10th	In the past 30 days	1%	99%
	In the past year	2%	98%
12th	In the past 30 days	1%	99%
	In the past year	2%	98%

Section 2: Drug Prevalence and Behaviors

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
8th	MDMA ("ecstasy")	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	LSD or other psychedelics	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Cocaine or crack	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Meth (methamphetamine)	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Heroin	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
10th	MDMA ("ecstasy")	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	LSD or other psychedelics	99%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Cocaine or crack	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Meth (methamphetamine)	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Heroin	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
12th	MDMA ("ecstasy")	99%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	LSD or other psychedelics	98%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Cocaine or crack	99%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Meth (methamphetamine)	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Heroin	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

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

		Never	1-2 times	3-5 times	6 or more times
8th	Prescription pain medicine without prescription or differently than prescribed	98%	1%	1%	1%
	Prescription painkillers to get high (e.g., OxyContin, Vicodin, Lortab, etc.)	100%	0%	0%	0%
	Other prescription drugs to get high (e.g., Ritalin, Adderall, Xanax, etc.)	99%	1%	0%	0%
	Something you bought in a store to get high (e.g., cough syrup, etc.)	100%	0%	0%	0%
10th	Prescription pain medicine without prescription or differently than prescribed	98%	1%	0%	0%
	Prescription painkillers to get high (e.g., OxyContin, Vicodin, Lortab, etc.)	100%	0%	0%	0%
	Other prescription drugs to get high (e.g., Ritalin, Adderall, Xanax, etc.)	100%	0%	0%	0%
	Something you bought in a store to get high (e.g., cough syrup, etc.)	99%	1%	0%	0%
12th	Prescription pain medicine without prescription or differently than prescribed	99%	1%	0%	0%
	Prescription painkillers to get high (e.g., OxyContin, Vicodin, Lortab, etc.)	100%	0%	0%	0%
	Other prescription drugs to get high (e.g., Ritalin, Adderall, Xanax, etc.)	99%	0%	0%	1%
	Something you bought in a store to get high (e.g., cough syrup, etc.)	99%	1%	0%	0%

Section 2: Drug Prevalence and Behaviors

ALCOHOL CONSEQUENCES: During the past 12 months, how often have you experienced the following while or after drinking alcohol:

		Never	1-2 times	3-5 times	6 or more times
10th	Performed poorly on a test or important project	98%	1%	1%	1%
	Been in trouble with the police	98%	1%	0%	1%
	Damaged property	98%	1%	0%	0%
	Got into an argument or fight	96%	2%	1%	1%
	Been hurt or injured	98%	2%	0%	1%
	Been a victim of a violent crime	99%	0%	0%	0%
	Been treated in a hospital Emergency Department	99%	0%	0%	1%
	A friend said they were worried about your alcohol use	98%	1%	0%	1%
12th	Performed poorly on a test or important project	98%	1%	0%	0%
	Been in trouble with the police	99%	1%	0%	0%
	Damaged property	99%	1%	0%	0%
	Got into an argument or fight	96%	3%	0%	1%
	Been hurt or injured	97%	3%	0%	0%
	Been a victim of a violent crime	99%	1%	0%	0%
	Been treated in a hospital Emergency Department	100%	0%	0%	0%
	A friend said they were worried about your alcohol use	98%	2%	0%	0%

SUBSTANCE USE CONSEQUENCES: During the past 12 months:

	10th	12th
	Yes	Yes
	%	%
Did you ever use alcohol or drugs to relax, feel better about yourself, or fit in	8%	15%
Did you ever use alcohol or drugs while you were by yourself, alone	7%	12%
Did you ever forget things you did while using alcohol or drugs	6%	12%
Did your family or friends ever tell you that you should cut down on your drinking or drug use	3%	5%
Have you ever gotten into trouble while you were using alcohol or drugs	3%	5%
Have you ever ridden in a car driven by someone (including yourself) who was "high" or had been using alcohol or drugs	5%	12%
Experienced 2 or more consequences (indicating the potential need for substance use disorder assessment according to the CRAFFT Screening)	8%	15%

DUI: During the past 12 months, how many times did you drive a car or other vehicle when:

		Never	1-2 times	3-5 times	6 or more times
10th	You had been drinking alcohol	99%	1%	0%	0%
	You had been using marijuana	99%	1%	0%	1%
12th	You had been drinking alcohol	96%	3%	1%	1%
	You had been using marijuana	94%	3%	1%	2%

Section 2: Drug Prevalence and Behaviors

RECOVERY FROM SUBSTANCE USE:

	10th	12th
	Yes	Yes
	%	%
Besides nicotine, used to have a problem with drugs or alcohol, but no longer do	2%	4%
Consider yourself to be in recovery	4%	6%

RECOVERY FROM SUBSTANCE USE: With which substance do you no longer have a problem? (select all that apply)*

	10th	12th
	Yes	Yes
	%	%
Does not apply	86%	85%
Alcohol	4%	4%
Marijuana	4%	4%
Opioids	2%	2%
Other Substance	3%	3%

*Percentages do not add up to 100% because this is a "select all that apply" question

Section 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
8th	Drink beer, wine or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey or gin) regularly	70%	23%	5%	1%
	Smoke cigarettes	84%	13%	2%	0%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	80%	17%	4%	0%
	Use marijuana	84%	12%	4%	1%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to them	83%	13%	3%	1%
10th	Drink beer, wine or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey or gin) regularly	48%	30%	20%	2%
	Smoke cigarettes	68%	26%	5%	1%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	59%	30%	9%	1%
	Use marijuana	60%	25%	12%	3%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to them	78%	18%	3%	1%
12th	Drink beer, wine or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey or gin) regularly	39%	30%	25%	6%
	Smoke cigarettes	59%	32%	7%	2%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	50%	32%	14%	3%
	Use marijuana	44%	27%	21%	7%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to them	75%	21%	3%	1%

PERCEPTIONS OF PEER ALCOHOL USE*:

	10th	12th
	%	%
What percent of students at your school do you think have had beer, wine, or hard liquor in the past 30 days**	41%	44%
Actual past 30 days alcohol use reported	11.7%	22.9%

*In 2024 response options were changed

**Values are an average of student answers to this question

PERCEPTIONS OF PEER CIGARETTE USE*:

	10th	12th
	%	%
What percent of students at your school do you think have smoked cigarettes in the past 30 days**	29%	28%
Actual past 30 days cigarette use reported	1%	2%

*In 2024 response options were changed

**Values are an average of student answers to this question

PERCEPTIONS OF PEER MARIJUANA USE*:

	10th	12th
	%	%
What percent of students at your school do you think have used marijuana in the past 30 days**	37%	41%
Actual past 30 days marijuana use reported	4.1%	12.0%

*In 2024 response options were changed

**Values are an average of student answers to this question

Section 3: Drug Use Contributing Factors

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
8th	Take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage (beer, wine, liquor) nearly every day	5%	13%	26%	56%
	Have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week	6%	7%	20%	66%
	Smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day	5%	6%	16%	73%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	5%	8%	29%	59%
	Use marijuana once or twice a week	7%	13%	24%	55%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to them	6%	7%	16%	72%
10th	Take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage (beer, wine, liquor) nearly every day	4%	10%	30%	56%
	Have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week	4%	10%	26%	60%
	Smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day	4%	6%	17%	73%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	3%	9%	33%	54%
	Use marijuana once or twice a week	7%	21%	30%	43%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to them	4%	6%	17%	73%
12th	Take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage (beer, wine, liquor) nearly every day	4%	12%	31%	53%
	Have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week	5%	10%	30%	54%
	Smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day	6%	7%	17%	71%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	5%	10%	32%	52%
	Use marijuana once or twice a week	11%	25%	28%	35%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to them	6%	5%	17%	73%

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
8th	Use alcohol once or twice per month	5%	21%	37%	37%
10th	Use alcohol once or twice per month	7%	24%	40%	29%
12th	Use alcohol once or twice per month	8%	31%	36%	25%

Section 3: Drug Use Contributing Factors

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
8th	Began drinking alcohol regularly, that is, at least once or twice a month	63%	18%	11%	5%	2%
	Smoked cigarettes	65%	18%	10%	4%	2%
	Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products	60%	18%	13%	6%	3%
	Used marijuana	67%	15%	10%	6%	3%
10th	Began drinking alcohol regularly, that is, at least once or twice a month	44%	21%	19%	11%	4%
	Smoked cigarettes	55%	23%	15%	5%	2%
	Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products	46%	22%	19%	10%	4%
	Used marijuana	46%	20%	18%	11%	5%
12th	Began drinking alcohol regularly, that is, at least once or twice a month	44%	24%	19%	10%	4%
	Smoked cigarettes	55%	24%	14%	5%	2%
	Used e-cigarettes or other vaping products	45%	24%	18%	10%	3%
	Used marijuana	42%	23%	20%	11%	4%

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
8th	Have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	71%	20%	7%	2%
	Smoke tobacco	78%	18%	3%	1%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	72%	19%	7%	2%
	Use marijuana	76%	17%	5%	2%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to you	78%	17%	4%	2%
10th	Have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	53%	29%	13%	4%
	Smoke tobacco	61%	26%	10%	4%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	52%	27%	14%	7%
	Use marijuana	53%	26%	13%	8%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to you	69%	22%	7%	2%
12th	Have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	50%	27%	15%	7%
	Smoke tobacco	55%	27%	13%	5%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	45%	24%	19%	11%
	Use marijuana	43%	22%	20%	15%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to you	67%	23%	8%	2%

Section 3: Drug Use Contributing Factors

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
8th	Drink beer, wine, or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin) regularly (at least once or twice a month)	83%	11%	4%	2%
	Have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	94%	5%	1%	0%
	Smoke tobacco	96%	4%	0%	0%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	95%	4%	1%	0%
	Use marijuana	95%	4%	1%	0%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to you	93%	6%	1%	0%
10th	Drink beer, wine, or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin) regularly (at least once or twice a month)	68%	18%	11%	2%
	Have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	89%	10%	1%	0%
	Smoke tobacco	90%	8%	1%	0%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	90%	8%	1%	0%
	Use marijuana	87%	10%	3%	1%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to you	91%	7%	1%	1%
12th	Drink beer, wine, or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin) regularly (at least once or twice a month)	58%	22%	14%	5%
	Have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	85%	13%	2%	1%
	Smoke tobacco	87%	11%	1%	1%
	Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products	84%	13%	2%	1%
	Use marijuana	78%	13%	7%	2%
	Use prescription drugs not prescribed to you	91%	7%	1%	1%

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

		Yes	No	Don't remember
8th	Not using alcohol	54%	31%	15%
	Not using tobacco	48%	36%	17%
	Not using marijuana	49%	36%	15%
	Not using opioids for non-medical reasons	35%	45%	21%
10th	Not using alcohol	52%	38%	10%
	Not using tobacco	45%	44%	10%
	Not using marijuana	50%	41%	9%
	Not using opioids for non-medical reasons	36%	52%	12%
12th	Not using alcohol	44%	48%	8%
	Not using tobacco	37%	54%	10%
	Not using marijuana	45%	48%	8%
	Not using opioids for non-medical reasons	31%	59%	10%

In the past year, have your parents/guardians talked with you about not drinking and driving or riding with a drunk driver:

	10th	12th
Yes	77%	77%
No	23%	23%

Section 3: Drug Use Contributing Factors

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

		Never	Sometimes	Most of the time	Always
8th	You drank some beer, wine or liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin) without your parents' permission	24%	16%	22%	38%
	You go to a party where alcohol is served	21%	20%	21%	38%
10th	You drank some beer, wine or liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin) without your parents' permission	28%	24%	20%	29%
	You go to a party where alcohol is served	29%	27%	19%	25%
	You drank and drove	21%	13%	20%	46%
	You rode in a car driven by a teen driver who had been drinking	25%	22%	20%	32%
12th	You drank some beer, wine or liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin) without your parents' permission	37%	22%	17%	24%
	You go to a party where alcohol is served	37%	25%	15%	23%
	You drank and drove	25%	11%	18%	45%
	You rode in a car driven by a teen driver who had been drinking	32%	21%	15%	32%

PARENT OVERALL MONITORING:

		Never	Sometimes	Most of the time	Always
8th	When I am not at home, one of my parents/guardians knows where I am and who I am with.	2%	4%	18%	75%
	My parents/guardians ask if I've gotten my homework done.	5%	15%	23%	57%
	Would your parents/guardians know if you did not come home on time?	4%	9%	22%	66%
10th	When I am not at home, one of my parents/guardians knows where I am and who I am with.	4%	5%	24%	66%
	My parents/guardians ask if I've gotten my homework done.	8%	16%	27%	49%
	Would your parents/guardians know if you did not come home on time?	5%	8%	21%	66%
12th	When I am not at home, one of my parents/guardians knows where I am and who I am with.	5%	9%	29%	57%
	My parents/guardians ask if I've gotten my homework done.	14%	21%	22%	43%
	Would your parents/guardians know if you did not come home on time?	7%	10%	22%	61%

My family has clear rules about alcohol and drug use:

	8th	10th	12th
Yes	88%	88%	84%
No	12%	12%	16%

Section 3: Drug Use Contributing Factors

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
8th	Beer, wine, or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin)	56%	23%	13%	9%
	Cigarettes	78%	14%	6%	2%
	E-cigarettes or other vaping products	72%	17%	8%	3%
	Marijuana	83%	10%	4%	2%
	Prescription drugs not prescribed to you	69%	17%	8%	6%
	Opioid medications from your home	81%	12%	4%	3%
10th	Beer, wine, or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin)	41%	25%	20%	14%
	Cigarettes	59%	23%	11%	7%
	E-cigarettes or other vaping products	51%	21%	15%	13%
	Marijuana	59%	18%	14%	9%
	Prescription drugs not prescribed to you	60%	22%	12%	6%
	Opioid medications from your home	76%	15%	6%	3%
12th	Beer, wine, or hard liquor (e.g., vodka, whiskey, or gin)	35%	21%	28%	16%
	Cigarettes	47%	26%	15%	12%
	E-cigarettes or other vaping products	39%	21%	21%	18%
	Marijuana	45%	19%	19%	16%
	Prescription drugs not prescribed to you	59%	22%	11%	8%
	Opioid medications from your home	74%	17%	6%	3%

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		10th		12th	
	Yes		Yes		Yes	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
I bought them at a gas station or store or mall	4	9%	27	26%	85	43%
Bought online	1	2%	6	6%	9	4%
My parents <u>with</u> their permission	1	2%	3	3%	8	4%
A friend gave them to me	23	53%	65	59%	113	57%
My older brother or sister gave them to me	14	31%	15	14%	19	10%
My parents <u>without</u> their permission	14	33%	26	24%	28	14%
# of Tobacco, E-Cigarette, or Other Vaping Products Users in the Past Year	45		111		203	

*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'

Section 3: Drug Use Contributing Factors

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		10th		12th	
	Yes		Yes		Yes	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
ANY RETAIL SOURCE	25	12%	45	12%	109	20%
I bought it at a bar or restaurant	23	11%	22	6%	62	11%
I bought it at a gas station or a store	20	9%	38	10%	95	18%
Curbside/Home delivery	21	10%	15	4%	20	4%
My parents <u>with</u> their permission	109	51%	146	38%	266	49%
ANY SOCIAL SOURCE (excluding parents)	72	34%	186	48%	329	61%
A friend gave it to me	39	18%	117	31%	262	49%
I got it at a party	44	21%	126	33%	246	46%
I gave a stranger money to buy it for me	19	9%	23	6%	17	3%
My older brother or sister gave it to me	32	15%	62	16%	101	19%
An adult (other than my parents) <u>with</u> that adult's permission	49	23%	75	20%	126	23%
STOLE OR TOOK WITHOUT PERMISSION	53	25%	91	24%	117	22%
My parents <u>without</u> their permission	51	24%	79	21%	100	19%
An adult (other than my parents) <u>without</u> that adult's permission	26	12%	41	11%	42	8%
# of Alcohol Users in the Past Year	218		399		556	

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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		10th		12th	
	Yes		Yes		Yes	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
I bought it from someone who sells drugs	8	29%	45	43%	90	35%
I gave a stranger money to buy it at a marijuana dispensary	0	1%	8	7%	10	4%
Someone gave it to me	18	65%	70	66%	208	79%
A friend gave it to me	15	56%	65	61%	192	73%
My parents <u>with</u> their permission	0	0%	7	7%	30	11%
My older brother or sister gave it to me	7	25%	16	16%	57	22%
An adult (other than my parents) <u>with</u> that adult's permission	4	16%	12	12%	39	15%
My parents <u>without</u> their permission	9	31%	25	24%	36	14%
Someone else's medical marijuana prescription	6	22%	4	4%	15	6%
My own medical marijuana prescription	0	0%	1	1%	8	3%
# of Marijuana Users in the Past Year	27		109		268	

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Section 3: Drug Use Contributing Factors

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		10th		12th	
	Yes		Yes		Yes	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
I bought them from someone (friend, relative, stranger, etc.)	2	8%	3	9%	15	45%
Someone gave them to me	11	51%	15	53%	15	47%
My parents gave them to me	10	44%	11	40%	9	29%
Someone other than my parents gave them to me (friend, relative, friends' parent, etc.)	2	8%	4	15%	10	37%
I took them from somewhere	5	25%	5	17%	6	18%
I took them from home without the knowledge of my parents/guardians	5	24%	5	17%	6	18%
I took them from someone else's home	1	6%	0	0%	5	15%
# of Prescription Drug Users in the Past Year	22		31		34	

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Section 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 or more times
8th	Been in a physical fight	81%	16%	2%	1%
	Carried a weapon such as a handgun, knife or club	94%	4%	1%	2%
	Sold illegal drugs	100%	0%	0%	0%
	Been drunk or high at school	99%	1%	0%	0%
10th	Been in a physical fight	87%	10%	1%	1%
	Carried a weapon such as a handgun, knife or club	95%	3%	1%	2%
	Sold illegal drugs	99%	1%	0%	0%
	Been drunk or high at school	97%	1%	0%	1%
12th	Been in a physical fight	92%	6%	1%	1%
	Carried a weapon such as a handgun, knife or club	95%	2%	1%	2%
	Sold illegal drugs	99%	0%	0%	1%
	Been drunk or high at school	94%	2%	1%	2%

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

	8th	10th	12th
	Yes	Yes	Yes
	%	%	%
Bullied you by calling you names	28%	17%	13%
Threatened to hurt you	11%	10%	7%
Bullied you by hitting, punching, kicking, or pushing you	7%	6%	6%
Bullied, harassed or spread rumors about you on the Internet, social media, or through text messages	17%	14%	13%
Ever Bullied (reported at least 1 type of bullying)	34%	23%	19%
Intensely Bullied (reported all types of bullying)	4%	4%	5%

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 or more times
8th	Your appearance or a disability	64%	16%	8%	13%
10th	What someone assumed about your religion, sexual orientation, or race/ethnicity	85%	8%	3%	4%
	Your appearance or a disability	81%	10%	4%	5%
12th	What someone assumed about your religion, sexual orientation, or race/ethnicity	88%	7%	2%	3%
	Your appearance or a disability	89%	6%	2%	3%

Section 4: Interpersonal Conflict, Violence, and Delinquency

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
8th	Slapped, kicked, punched, hit, or threatened you	42%	2%	52%	4%
10th	Slapped, kicked, punched, hit, or threatened you	27%	3%	67%	3%
	Put you down or tried to control you	29%	7%	61%	3%
12th	Slapped, kicked, punched, hit, or threatened you	19%	3%	75%	3%
	Put you down or tried to control you	20%	8%	68%	3%

GAMBLING: During the past 12 months, how often have you bet/gambled for money in the following ways:

		Never	Less than once a month	1-3 times per month	Once a week or more
10th	At a gambling machine in a bar, restaurant, gas station, or gambling establishment	98%	1%	1%	0%
	Online (internet) gambling	93%	4%	1%	2%
12th	At a gambling machine in a bar, restaurant, gas station, or gambling establishment	96%	2%	1%	1%
	Online (internet) gambling	93%	3%	2%	2%

GAMBLING: Calculated variable based on gambling options in the past 12 months (at a gambling machine, or online gambling):

		No gambling (machine, online)	At least one way (machine or online)	Both ways (machine and online)
10th	Ways of gambling in the past 12 months (gambling machines, online)	91%	8%	1%
12th	Ways of gambling in the past 12 months (gambling machines, online)	90%	8%	2%

GAMBLING: In the past 12 months, have you ever:

		Yes	No
10th	Felt bad about the amount of money you bet, or about what happens when you bet money	5%	95%
	Gambled more than you had planned to	3%	97%
12th	Felt bad about the amount of money you bet, or about what happens when you bet money	5%	95%
	Gambled more than you had planned to	4%	96%

Section 4: Interpersonal Conflict, Violence, and Delinquency

GAMBLING: Calculated variable based on unwanted gambling experiences in the past 12 months (felt bad about the money bet, or gambled more than planned):

		Experienced none (felt bad, gambled more)	Experienced at least one (felt bad or gambled more)	Experienced both (felt bad and gambled more)
10th	Unwanted gambling experiences in the past 12 months (feeling bad, gambling more)	93%	6%	1%
12th	Unwanted gambling experiences in the past 12 months (feeling bad, gambling more)	93%	5%	1%

Section 5: Academic and School Experiences

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

	8th	10th	12th
0-9 days	66%	67%	62%
10-19 days	25%	24%	26%
20-30 days	6%	6%	6%
More than 30 days	3%	3%	5%

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

	8th		10th		12th	
	Yes		Yes		Yes	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
School sports team	587	43%	830	57%	644	45%
Other sports	795	59%	565	41%	460	34%
School clubs	473	37%	657	48%	785	57%
Service clubs or volunteer projects (e.g., Scouting, 4H)	286	23%	356	27%	549	41%
Other activity clubs (e.g., Boys & Girls, YMCA, etc.)	230	18%	231	17%	294	23%
Church youth group or other faith-based youth group	463	36%	359	27%	346	26%

ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES: Participation in activities:

	8th	10th	12th
0 activities	14%	16%	21%
1 activity	23%	25%	21%
2 or more activities	62%	59%	58%

ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES: On the average over the school year, how many hours per week do you work in a paid or unpaid job:

	10th	12th
None	71%	33%
5 or less hours	12%	11%
6 to 10 hours	8%	14%
11 to 15 hours	4%	14%
16 to 20 hours	2%	13%
21 to 25 hours	1%	6%
26 to 30 hours	1%	5%
More than 30 hours	1%	4%

Section 5: Academic and School Experiences

ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES: Participation in activities and/or work:

	10th	12th
No activities and no work	13%	7%
No activities but work	3%	13%
At least one activity but no work	58%	26%
At least one activity and work	26%	53%

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

	8th	10th	12th
Mostly A	31%	27%	26%
Mostly A and B	45%	40%	43%
Mostly B	6%	7%	7%
Mostly B and C	13%	16%	16%
Mostly C	3%	3%	3%
Mostly C and D	2%	5%	4%
Mostly D	0%	1%	1%
Mostly F	0%	1%	1%

ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS: How likely is it that you will complete a post high school program such as vocational training program, military service, community college, or 4-year college:

	10th	12th
Definitely will not	5%	6%
Probably will not	4%	4%
Probably will	27%	16%
Definitely will	52%	66%
Not sure	12%	9%

Section 5: Academic and School Experiences

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
8th	Who really cares about me	8%	19%	37%	37%
	Who notices when I'm not there	10%	20%	38%	32%
	Who listens to me when I have something to say	7%	16%	37%	40%
	Who notices if I have trouble learning something	12%	24%	33%	32%
10th	Who really cares about me	8%	21%	38%	33%
	Who notices when I'm not there	10%	24%	34%	32%
	Who listens to me when I have something to say	7%	19%	39%	36%
	Who notices if I have trouble learning something	11%	26%	35%	28%
12th	Who really cares about me	9%	15%	32%	44%
	Who notices when I'm not there	9%	18%	33%	39%
	Who listens to me when I have something to say	8%	14%	34%	44%
	Who notices if I have trouble learning something	13%	20%	35%	32%

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
8th	Who tells me when I do a good job	9%	19%	33%	39%
	Who always wants me to do my best	6%	12%	31%	51%
	Who believes I will be a success	8%	16%	32%	44%
	Who encourages me to work hard in school	8%	14%	32%	47%
10th	Who tells me when I do a good job	8%	20%	38%	33%
	Who always wants me to do my best	6%	13%	37%	44%
	Who believes I will be a success	7%	18%	35%	39%
	Who encourages me to work hard in school	7%	15%	36%	41%
12th	Who tells me when I do a good job	11%	16%	34%	40%
	Who always wants me to do my best	8%	12%	31%	48%
	Who believes I will be a success	9%	14%	30%	47%
	Who encourages me to work hard in school	9%	13%	33%	45%

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

		Not at all true	A little true	Pretty much true	Very much true
8th	At school, I do interesting activities	16%	35%	32%	17%
	At school, I help decide things like class activities or rules	36%	34%	19%	10%
	At school, I do things that make a difference	28%	37%	24%	11%
10th	At school, I do interesting activities	14%	29%	35%	23%
	At school, I help decide things like class activities or rules	37%	31%	18%	13%
	At school, I do things that make a difference	30%	34%	23%	13%
12th	At school, I do interesting activities	17%	26%	33%	24%
	At school, I help decide things like class activities or rules	34%	29%	23%	14%
	At school, I do things that make a difference	28%	32%	23%	17%

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
8th	I feel close to people at this school	7%	6%	18%	42%	28%
	I am happy to be at this school	10%	8%	27%	34%	21%
	I feel safe in my school	5%	5%	24%	40%	26%
	The teachers at this school treat students fairly	7%	12%	23%	37%	21%
10th	I feel close to people at this school	7%	8%	20%	42%	23%
	I am happy to be at this school	8%	9%	28%	35%	21%
	I feel safe in my school	4%	6%	27%	43%	21%
	The teachers at this school treat students fairly	4%	9%	27%	41%	19%
12th	I feel close to people at this school	9%	8%	20%	39%	24%
	I am happy to be at this school	10%	9%	24%	36%	21%
	I feel safe in my school	6%	6%	22%	43%	24%
	The teachers at this school treat students fairly	7%	8%	24%	41%	21%

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

	8th	10th	12th
0 days	88%	92%	90%
1 day	6%	4%	6%
2 or 3 days	3%	3%	3%
4 or 5 days	1%	1%	0%
6 or more days	2%	1%	1%

Section 5: Academic and School Experiences

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
8th	Played interactive games to learn about alcohol and other drugs	55%	22%	19%	5%
	Saw posters or messages displayed at school encouraging students not to use alcohol or other drugs	36%	21%	25%	18%
	Had films, lectures, discussions, or printed information about drugs or alcohol IN regular classes, such as health or physical education	19%	21%	36%	24%
	Had films, lectures, discussions, or printed information about drugs or alcohol OUTSIDE OF regular classes, such as in a special assembly	42%	28%	20%	10%
10th	Played interactive games to learn about alcohol and other drugs	57%	22%	16%	5%
	Saw posters or messages displayed at school encouraging students not to use alcohol or other drugs	22%	19%	35%	24%
	Had films, lectures, discussions, or printed information about drugs or alcohol IN regular classes, such as health or physical education	22%	20%	38%	21%
	Had films, lectures, discussions, or printed information about drugs or alcohol OUTSIDE OF regular classes, such as in a special assembly	39%	27%	24%	10%
12th	Played interactive games to learn about alcohol and other drugs	65%	19%	12%	4%
	Saw posters or messages displayed at school encouraging students not to use alcohol or other drugs	28%	18%	34%	21%
	Had films, lectures, discussions, or printed information about drugs or alcohol IN regular classes, such as health or physical education	41%	25%	25%	10%
	Had films, lectures, discussions, or printed information about drugs or alcohol OUTSIDE OF regular classes, such as in a special assembly	48%	26%	20%	6%

*New question added in 2024

Section 6: Mental, Social, and Physical Health

During the past 12 months did you ever:

	8th		10th		12th	
	Yes		Yes		Yes	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Seriously consider attempting suicide	0	0%	141	10%	139	10%
Feel so sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more in a row that you stopped doing some usual activities	355	25%	427	30%	415	29%

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
8th	12%	21%	67%
10th	12%	20%	67%
12th	10%	19%	71%

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

	8th		10th		12th	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Underweight	30	3%	28	2%	43	4%
Healthy Weight	768	74%	834	73%	844	74%
Overweight	156	15%	157	14%	155	13%
Obese	81	8%	117	10%	106	9%

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	10th	12th
0 days	7%	6%	10%
1 day	2%	3%	4%
2 days	3%	5%	7%
3 days	6%	7%	8%
4 days	5%	9%	10%
5 days	13%	18%	18%
6 days	7%	11%	10%
7 days	58%	41%	35%

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
8th	Eat fruit	4%	18%	20%	13%	24%	8%	14%
	Eat vegetables	8%	22%	19%	17%	16%	9%	10%
10th	Eat fruit	5%	20%	23%	16%	21%	7%	8%
	Eat vegetables	7%	22%	22%	17%	16%	8%	8%
12th	Eat fruit	6%	23%	22%	15%	17%	6%	9%
	Eat vegetables	8%	22%	20%	17%	16%	7%	10%

Section 6: Mental, Social, and Physical Health

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

	8th	10th	12th
Never	68%	76%	74%
Rarely	23%	16%	17%
Sometimes	8%	6%	6%
Most of the time	1%	1%	2%
Always	0%	1%	1%

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	10th	12th
No screen time on an average school day	3%	5%	6%
Less than 2 hours per day	15%	11%	12%
2-3 hours per day	36%	34%	28%
4-6 hours per day	34%	37%	40%
7 or more hours per day	12%	13%	14%

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

	8th	10th	12th
0 days	5%	7%	9%
1 day	3%	4%	4%
2 days	7%	8%	8%
3 days	12%	11%	12%
4 days	15%	11%	12%
5 days	20%	17%	17%
6 days	12%	16%	13%
7 days	27%	25%	25%