

2015 YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY RESULTS

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Unintentional Injuries/Violence

Health Risk Behavior	Opposite Sex Only		Same Sex Only or Both Sexes		Opposite Sex Only More Likely Than Same Sex Only or Both Sexes [†]	Same Sex Only or Both Sexes More Likely Than Opposite Sex Only [†]	No Difference [†]
	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN6: Percentage of students who never or rarely wore a bicycle helmet (among students who had ridden a bicycle)	85.6 (78.6-90.5)	107	-	23			
QN7: Percentage of students who never or rarely wore a helmet when rollerblading or skateboarding (among students who used rollerblades or rode a skateboard)	90.7 (86.4-93.7)	95	-	25			
QN8: Percentage of students who never or rarely wore a seat belt (when riding in a car)	7.5 (3.1-17.2)	156	17.1 (6.7-37.0)	37			●
QN9: Percentage of students who rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol (in a car)	31.8 (25.2-39.3)	152	35.0 (16.1-60.2)	34			●
QN10: Percentage of students who carried a weapon (such as a gun, knife, or club)	45.0 (35.7-54.6)	154	31.8 (15.7-54.0)	37			●
QN11: Percentage of students who were in a physical fight	67.8 (57.0-76.9)	155	51.8 (32.5-70.5)	36			●
QN12: Percentage of students who were injured in a physical fight (injuries had to be treated by a doctor or nurse)	15.4 (8.5-26.1)	157	27.5 (14.3-46.3)	37			●

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QN13: Percentage of students who were bullied on school property	36.8 (29.7-44.4)	157	58.2 (37.0-76.8)	37		●	
QN14: Percentage of students who were electronically bullied (including through e-mail, chat rooms, instant messaging, web sites, or texting)	24.3 (18.5-31.2)	155	50.5 (31.7-69.2)	37		●	
QN15: Percentage of students who seriously thought about killing themselves	35.6 (28.2-43.8)	153	51.7 (29.3-73.4)	35			●
QN16: Percentage of students who made a plan about how they would kill themselves	25.6 (19.9-32.3)	156	57.0 (32.7-78.3)	35		●	
QN17: Percentage of students who tried to kill themselves	13.6 (9.0-19.9)	157	42.6 (20.5-68.1)	35		●	

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	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN18: Percentage of students who ever tried cigarette smoking (even one or two puffs)	41.3 (33.5-49.5)	151	47.4 (23.8-72.3)	37			●
QN19: Percentage of students who smoked a whole cigarette before age 11 years (for the first time)	6.9 (3.7-12.6)	148	20.3 (7.5-44.6)	36			●
QN20: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigarettes (on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	10.4 (5.4-19.1)	139	18.6 (3.7-57.5)	32			●
QNFRCIG: Percentage of students who currently frequently smoked cigarettes (on 20 or more days during the 30 days before the survey)	2.1 (0.5-8.2)	139	18.6 (3.7-57.5)	32			●
QNDAYCIG: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigarettes daily (on all 30 days during the 30 days before the survey)	2.1 (0.5-8.2)	139	18.6 (3.7-57.5)	32			●
QN21: Percentage of students who smoked more than 10 cigarettes per day (during the 30 days before the survey, among students who currently smoked cigarettes on the days they smoked)	-	13	-	6			

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QN22: Percentage of students who usually obtained their own cigarettes by buying them in a store or gas station (during the 30 days before the survey, among the students who currently smoked cigarettes)	-	13	-	6			
QN23: Percentage of students who currently used smokeless tobacco (chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	11.0 (6.6-17.7)	154	19.5 (5.2-51.7)	37			●
QN24: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigars (cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	12.9 (8.4-19.1)	154	19.4 (5.1-52.0)	37			●
QN25: Percentage of students who ever used electronic vapor products (e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes, vape pipes, vaping pens, e-hookahs, and hookah pens such as blu, NJOY, or Starbuzz)	59.5 (49.7-68.6)	151	54.6 (32.6-74.9)	34			●
QN26: Percentage of students who currently used electronic vapor products (e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes, vape pipes, vaping pens, e-hookahs, and hookah pens such as blu, NJOY, or Starbuzz on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	37.2 (28.7-46.6)	152	35.6 (16.5-60.8)	35			●

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QNTOB4: Percentage of students who currently used tobacco (current cigarette, smokeless tobacco, cigar, or electronic vapor product use on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	45.0 (35.4-54.9)	148	42.1 (19.5-68.4)	33			●
QNTOB3: Percentage of students who currently used cigarettes, cigars, or smokeless tobacco (on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	20.0 (13.5-28.7)	147	25.9 (8.6-56.4)	35			●
QNTOB2: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigarettes or cigars (on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	15.7 (9.8-24.2)	143	23.5 (6.7-56.7)	34			●

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Alcohol/Other Drug Use

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	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN27: Percentage of students who ever drank alcohol (other than a few sips)	56.7 (43.7-68.8)	138	60.6 (39.6-78.2)	35			●
QN28: Percentage of students who drank alcohol for the first time before age 11 years (other than a few sips)	18.3 (12.2-26.7)	139	32.1 (16.2-53.5)	36			●
QN29: Percentage of students who ever used marijuana (during their life)	41.9 (28.8-56.4)	139	41.7 (19.2-68.3)	34			●
QN30: Percentage of students who tried marijuana before age 11 years (for the first time)	9.3 (5.4-15.4)	145	22.4 (6.3-55.3)	34			●
QN31: Percentage of students who ever used any form of cocaine (such as powder, crack, or freebase during their life)	12.7 (7.1-21.7)	155	23.4 (6.8-56.2)	36			●
QN32: Percentage of students who ever used inhalants (sniffed glue, breathed the contents of spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high during their life)	16.0 (11.1-22.6)	156	41.3 (21.6-64.2)	35		●	

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	% 95% CI [*]	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN33: Percentage of students who ever took steroids without a doctor's prescription (pills or shots during their life)	10.3 (6.0-17.3)	156	22.5 (6.8-53.5)	37			●
QN34: Percentage of students who ever took prescription drugs without a doctor's prescription (such as Oxycontin, Percocet, Vicodin, codeine, Adderall, Ritalin, or Xanax, during their life)	8.6 (3.4-20.3)	152	32.3 (10.9-65.1)	36			●

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Sexual Behaviors

Health Risk Behavior	Opposite Sex Only		Same Sex Only or Both Sexes		Opposite Sex Only More Likely Than Same Sex Only or Both Sexes [†]	Same Sex Only or Both Sexes More Likely Than Opposite Sex Only [†]	No Difference [†]
	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN35: Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse	48.4 (36.4-60.5)	129	52.0 (27.4-75.7)	30			●
QN36: Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse before age 11 years (for the first time)	11.7 (7.8-17.0)	129	34.1 (15.2-59.8)	30			●
QN37: Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse with three or more persons (during their life)	12.9 (7.5-21.4)	127	31.2 (11.6-61.1)	30			●
QN38: Percentage of students who did not use a condom (during last sexual intercourse among students who ever had sexual intercourse)	44.3 (29.4-60.2)	61	-	15			

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Dietary Behaviors

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	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN39: Percentage of students who described themselves as slightly or very overweight	23.5 (18.1-30.0)	154	29.4 (14.9-49.7)	37			●
QN40: Percentage of students who were not trying to lose weight	59.6 (51.0-67.7)	156	51.0 (34.6-67.2)	35			●
QN41: Percentage of students who did not eat breakfast (during the 7 days before the survey)	13.0 (8.1-20.4)	156	23.2 (6.1-58.5)	35			●
QNBK7DAY: Percentage of students who did not eat breakfast on all 7 days (during the 7 days before the survey)	63.3 (55.0-70.9)	156	69.7 (53.3-82.2)	35			●

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	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN42: Percentage of students who were not physically active at least 60 minutes per day on 5 or more days (doing any kind of physical activity that increased their heart rate and made them breathe hard some of the time during the 7 days before the survey)	41.7 (33.6-50.3)	153	57.0 (36.8-75.0)	33			●
QNPA0DAY: Percentage of students who did not participate in at least 60 minutes of physical activity on at least 1 day (doing any kind of physical activity that increased their heart rate and made them breathe hard some of the time during the 7 days before the survey)	13.0 (8.9-18.5)	153	19.5 (7.5-41.9)	33			●
QNPA7DAY: Percentage of students who were not physically active at least 60 minutes per day on all 7 days (doing any kind of physical activity that increased their heart rate and made them breathe hard some of the time during the 7 days before the survey)	63.2 (52.9-72.5)	153	86.8 (73.6-93.9)	33		●	
QN43: Percentage of students who watched television 3 or more hours per day (on an average school day)	32.0 (23.6-41.6)	153	36.1 (20.2-55.8)	35			●
QN44: Percentage of students who played video or computer games or used a computer 3 or more hours per day (for something that was not school work on an average school day)	49.2 (38.8-59.5)	151	55.2 (38.1-71.3)	34			●

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QN45: Percentage of students who did not attend physical education classes on 1 or more days (in an average week when they were in school)	5.1 (2.1-12.0)	151	21.4 (5.4-56.7)	33			●
QNDLYPE: Percentage of students who did not attend physical education classes on all 5 days (in an average week when they were in school)	26.0 (14.4-42.4)	151	53.7 (29.5-76.2)	33		●	
QN46: Percentage of students who did not play on at least one sports team (run by their school or community groups during the past 12 months)	34.9 (26.3-44.6)	147	42.1 (18.6-69.8)	31			●
QN48: Percentage of students who did not have 8 or more hours of sleep (on an average school night)	54.6 (45.0-63.9)	148	71.1 (48.8-86.4)	33			●

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Other

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	% 95% CI [*]	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN47: Percentage of students who had ever been told by a doctor or nurse that they had asthma	15.1 (8.9-24.3)	143	28.8 (20.2-39.3)	31		●	

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	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN50: Percentage of students who reported that their property had been stolen or deliberately damaged on school property one or more times (such as their car, clothing, or books, during the 12 months before the survey)	47.2 (39.3-55.2)	158	53.7 (37.7-69.0)	37			●
QN51: Percentage of students who have been a member of a gang (during the 12 months before the survey)	19.9 (13.1-29.1)	156	23.0 (7.2-53.4)	37			●
QN52: Percentage of students who have been physically forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to (during the 12 months before the survey)	7.2 (3.6-14.1)	153	29.5 (12.4-55.3)	36		●	
QN53: Percentage of students who have been the victim of teasing or name calling because of their weight, size, or physical appearance (during the 12 months before the survey)	41.2 (33.5-49.3)	154	51.3 (26.7-75.4)	37			●
QN54: Percentage of students who have been the victim of teasing or name calling because someone thought they were gay, lesbian, or bisexual (during the 12 months before the survey)	18.0 (12.0-26.2)	155	37.6 (18.3-61.9)	36			●
QN55: Percentage of students who did something to purposely hurt themselves without wanting to die (such as cutting or burning themselves on purpose one or more times during the 12 months before the survey)	35.4 (26.9-45.0)	156	49.7 (31.0-68.6)	37			●

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QN56: Percentage of students who ever smoked cigarettes daily (at least one cigarette every day for 30 days)	8.8 (5.6-13.7)	155	25.7 (8.9-55.3)	36			●
QN57: Percentage of students who have ever used methamphetamines (also called speed, crystal, crank, or ice)	9.4 (5.1-16.6)	152	22.3 (5.9-56.8)	33			●
QN58: Percentage of students who have ever used ecstasy (also called MDMA)	6.7 (3.0-14.5)	155	21.0 (5.5-55.0)	35			●
QN59: Percentage of students who have ever taken over-the-counter drugs to get high	12.6 (7.6-20.2)	153	25.5 (8.8-54.9)	34			●
QN60: Percentage of students who have ever attended school under the influence of alcohol or other illegal drugs (such as marijuana or cocaine)	22.9 (13.7-35.8)	152	37.4 (15.6-65.9)	36			●
QN61: Percentage of students who have had oral sex	29.9 (21.8-39.6)	150	52.1 (27.9-75.4)	33			●
QN64: Percentage of students who have ever gone without eating for 24 hours or more to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight (also called fasting)	26.2 (20.1-33.5)	149	38.1 (23.9-54.6)	36			●

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QN65: Percentage of students who have ever taken any diet pills, powders, or liquids without a doctor's advice to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight	10.3 (5.7-18.1)	151	12.7 (2.5-45.4)	32			●
QN66: Percentage of students who have ever vomited or taken laxatives to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight	9.4 (5.4-15.8)	146	29.5 (8.8-64.6)	30			●
QN67: Percentage of students who have not been taught or are not sure if they have been taught about AIDS or HIV infection in school	46.8 (35.9-58.1)	148	43.5 (26.4-62.3)	32			●
QN68: Percentage of students who have not had or are not sure if they have had sex education in school	39.7 (28.0-52.6)	148	57.6 (37.7-75.3)	33			●
QN69: Percentage of students who have not been taught in school or are not sure if they have been taught in school about sexually transmitted diseases (STDs)	35.9 (25.4-47.8)	145	44.3 (25.8-64.5)	32			●
QN70: Percentage of students who have not been taught or are not sure if they have ever been taught in school about birth control methods	60.2 (47.7-71.5)	148	58.2 (42.1-72.7)	31			●

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QN71: Percentage of students who have not been taught in school or are not sure if they have ever been taught in school about the benefits of not having sexual intercourse to prevent pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases (STDs)	46.1 (34.2-58.5)	146	59.1 (39.3-76.3)	33			●
QN72: Percentage of students who reported their parents or other adults in their family have not ever talked with them about what they expect them to do or not to do when it comes to sex or who were not sure if their parents or other adults had ever talked with them	46.7 (36.0-57.8)	148	42.9 (24.5-63.4)	31			●
QN73: Percentage of students who reported their doctor or nurse had not discussed ways to prevent pregnancy, AIDS, or other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) or they were not sure if they had (during their last check-up, among students who have had a check-up)	64.8 (53.5-74.8)	112	-	28			
QN74: Percentage of students who never had the HPV vaccine or were not sure if they ever had the HPV vaccine, a vaccine to prevent human papillomavirus or HPV infection (also called the cervical cancer vaccine, HPV shot, or GARDASIL)	75.1 (65.8-82.5)	145	89.0 (72.8-96.1)	33		●	
QN75: Percentage of students who reported there is not at least one teacher or other adult in their school that they can talk to if they have a problem or who were not sure if there is at least one teacher or other adult in their school that they can talk to if they have a problem	52.1 (40.2-63.8)	143	61.8 (42.6-77.9)	32			●

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	% 95% CI [*]	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN76: Percentage of students who sometimes, rarely, or never feel safe and secure at school	58.8 (48.7-68.3)	143	66.5 (38.2-86.5)	31			●

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