

# 2014 Missouri Student Survey

## Polk County



	2014 County Data	2014 MO Data	2012 County Data
Approximate Sample Size	343	66,629	302
<b>Demographics (% reflects "yes" answer)</b>			
2. Grade level. 6th Grade	7.7%	14.8%	13.8%
2. Grade level. 7th Grade	11.8%	14.3%	16.2%
2. Grade level. 8th Grade	20.8%	15.2%	8.8%
2. Grade level. 9th Grade	20.8%	21.3%	38.7%
2. Grade level. 10th Grade	13.1%	12.2%	6.0%
2. Grade level. 11th Grade	17.9%	12.6%	6.0%
2. Grade level. 12th Grade	7.9%	9.6%	10.5%
3. Male	50.0%	47.7%	48.3%
4. Hispanic or Latino	1.0%	2.5%	0.3%
5. Race, alone or in combination. Black or African Am.	0.8%	13.0%	1.2%
5. Race, alone or in combination. White	98.2%	85.5%	98.7%
5. Race, alone or in combination. Other	0.8%	1.6%	1.3%

Note: Small sample sizes at the county level can make comparisons between years difficult. Take careful note of the demographic information listed above. Drastic changes in the sample, especially changes in the percent per grade, can influence the rest of the data in this report. This means changes between years may be a result of differing samples rather than an actual population change.

<b>Substances: Ever in your life (% reflects "1+" answer)</b>			
46c q47a. Used tobacco (cigarettes or chew)	22.5%	22.7%	34.3%
48b. Used electronic cigarettes	6.7%	16.0%	n/a
49b. Used hookahs or water pipes	5.7%	11.3%	n/a
50c. Used alcohol	25.4%	33.3%	36.5%
51b. Used marijuana	6.9%	15.2%	10.6%
52a. Used inhalants	3.6%	2.9%	8.7%
53a. Used RX not prescribed for you by a doctor	4.1%	7.4%	9.5%
54a. Used `OTC` drugs for non-medical reasons	0.8%	2.9%	5.8%
56a. Used cocaine or `crack`	0.5%	1.1%	1.0%
56b. Used heroin or `smack`	0.0%	0.3%	0.8%
56c. Used hallucinogens such as LSD (acid), PCP (angel dust), or magic mushrooms	0.5%	1.9%	3.0%
56d. Used methamphetamine (meth, crank, crystal, ice)	0.5%	0.5%	2.2%
56f. Used `club drugs` such as ecstasy	0.8%	1.5%	2.2%
56g. Used steroids not prescribed for you by a doctor	0.5%	0.9%	1.5%

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<b>Behavior: Last 30 Days (% reflects "1+" answer)</b>			
13. Missed whole day(s) of school because you skipped or cut	25.2%	26.1%	27.8%
14. Did not go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school	2.0%	4.9%	4.0%
25. Carried a weapon such as a gun, knife or club on school property	9.5%	4.5%	10.2%
50b. Rode with someone who was drinking alcohol	6.4%	16.0%	16.3%
<b>Behavior: Last 3 Months (% reflects "1+" answer)</b>			
17. Been suspended from school	3.3%	3.8%	5.3%
22b. Posted something online or sent a text that might embarrass or hurt another student	11.0%	16.8%	n/a
24b. Someone else posted something online or sent a text that embarrassed or hurt you	18.2%	24.4%	n/a
<b>Behavior: Last 12 Months (% reflects "1+" answer)</b>			
23. Been bullied on school property	28.8%	31.2%	33.1%
26a. Were in a physical fight	14.6%	19.1%	21.6%
26c. Been threatened or injured with a weapon such as a gun, knife or club on school property	6.9%	6.3%	6.0%
35. Considered suicide	8.4%	11.7%	10.8%
36. Planned suicide	5.4%	8.6%	9.2%
37. Attempted suicide	4.6%	5.0%	7.0%
<b>Friends' perception of coolness (% reflects pretty cool + very cool)</b>			
42a. Peers believe someone your age would be `pretty cool` or `very cool` if they smoked cigarettes	7.2%	9.6%	n/a
42b. Peers believe someone your age would be `pretty cool` or `very cool` if they drank alcohol	14.7%	22.7%	n/a
42c. Peers believe someone your age would be `pretty cool` or `very cool` if they smoked marijuana	11.1%	20.1%	n/a
<b>Friends' perception of wrongness (% reflects wrong + very wrong)</b>			
20a. Friends feel it would be `wrong` or `very wrong` for you to have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	75.3%	74.2%	n/a
20b. Friends feel it would be `wrong` or `very wrong` for you to smoke tobacco	78.5%	78.4%	n/a
20c. Friends feel it would be `wrong` or `very wrong` for you to smoke marijuana	84.9%	75.9%	n/a
20d. Friends feel it would be `wrong` or `very wrong` for you to use RX drugs not prescribed to you	93.4%	88.5%	n/a

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<b>Parents' perception of wrongness (% reflects wrong + very wrong)</b>			
58a. Parents feel it would be `wrong` or `very wrong` for you to smoke tobacco	94.6%	93.2%	87.3%
58b. Parents feel it would be `wrong` or `very wrong` for you to have a drink of any type of alcohol	87.2%	81.6%	80.8%
58c. Parents feel it would be `wrong` or `very wrong` you to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	94.6%	93.6%	n/a
58e. Parents feel it would be `wrong` or `very wrong` for you to smoke marijuana	96.1%	92.6%	92.6%
58f. Parents feel it would be `wrong` or `very wrong` for you to smoke marijuana once or twice a week	96.7%	94.4%	n/a

**Perception of Harm (% reflects slight risk + no risk at all)**

**NOTE - % grouping is consistent with District Reports but other reports use moderate + great risk**

43a. `No risk at all` or `slight risk` if they take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	42.6%	39.7%	n/a
43b. `No risk at all` or `slight risk` if they have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week	30.7%	28.1%	n/a
43c. `No risk at all` or `slight risk` if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day	15.1%	14.3%	n/a
43d. `No risk at all` or `slight risk` if they smoke marijuana once or twice a week	29.1%	35.6%	n/a
43e. `No risk at all` or `slight risk` if they use any other illegal drugs or club drugs	8.8%	8.5%	7.5%
43f. `No risk at all` or `slight risk` if they use synthetic drugs	11.1%	10.8%	n/a
43g. `No risk at all` or `slight risk` if they use Cold/Cough Medicines or OTC medicines to get high	16.1%	20.5%	n/a
43h. `No risk at all` or `slight risk` if they use RX drugs that have not been prescribed to them	12.3%	14.1%	17.5%

Questions have been abbreviated in order to fit within this report. For a copy of the survey which includes the full wording see <http://dmh.mo.gov/ada/rpts/survey.htm>.  
Data included in this report, excluding sample sizes, are weighted data. Please contact Susan Depue at [susan.depue@mimh.edu](mailto:susan.depue@mimh.edu) with any questions.