

# 2020 Missouri Student Survey Dent County



	2020 County Data	2020 MO Data	2018 County Data
Approximate Sample Size	99	*	265
<b><u>Demographics (% reflects "yes" answer)</u></b>			
Grade level. 6th Grade	0.0%	12.9%	15.6%
Grade level. 7th Grade	16.3%	11.5%	11.0%
Grade level. 8th Grade	25.6%	11.8%	19.5%
Grade level. 9th Grade	19.2%	13.6%	14.0%
Grade level. 10th Grade	3.4%	17.4%	14.6%
Grade level. 11th Grade	21.2%	17.8%	14.0%
Grade level. 12th Grade	14.3%	15.0%	11.4%
Male	47.8%	50.5%	49.3%
Hispanic or Latino	0.0%	1.5%	1.3%
Race: Black or African American	0.0%	13.3%	0.0%
Race: White	96.1%	79.5%	97.4%
Race: Multiracial	2.4%	5.3%	2.0%

Note: Small sample sizes at the school level can make comparisons difficult.

Take careful note of the demographic information listed above. Large differences in the sample, especially changes in the percent per grade, can influence the rest of the data in this report. This means differences may be a result of differing samples rather than an actual population differences.

\*Missouri data reflects a random sample, weighted to proportionally reflect the state student population.

## **Substances: Past 30 Days (% reflects "1+" answer)**

Used tobacco (cigarettes or chew)	13.3%	5.3%	21.5%
Used electronic cigarettes	22.3%	15.5%	16.5%
Used hookahs or water pipes	2.6%	1.9%	4.3%
Used alcohol	20.9%	17.0%	19.6%
Used marijuana	12.6%	8.9%	9.0%
Used inhalants	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%
Used Rx not prescribed for you by a doctor	7.5%	6.3%	8.1%
Used `OTC` to get high	1.1%	2.0%	3.0%
Used synthetic drugs	2.2%	0.5%	0.7%

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<b><u>Substances: Ever in your life (% reflects "1+" answer)</u></b>			
Used cocaine or `crack`	0.0%	1.2%	1.4%
Used heroin or `smack`	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%
Used hallucinogens such as LSD, PCP, or magic mushrooms	2.3%	2.2%	1.0%
Used methamphetamine (meth, crank, crystal, ice)	0.0%	0.7%	0.7%
Used `club drugs` such as ecstasy	1.1%	1.0%	0.7%
<b><u>Behavior: Last 30 Days (% reflects "1+" answer)</u></b>			
Missed whole day(s) of school because you skipped or cut	31.4%	30.1%	28.1%
Did not go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school	4.4%	5.9%	5.5%
Rode with someone who was drinking alcohol	22.3%	17.0%	15.9%
<b><u>Behavior: Last 3 Months (% reflects "1+" answer)</u></b>			
Spread mean rumors or lies about other kids at school	19.5%	16.2%	26.9%
Posted something online or sent a text that might embarrass or hurt another student	20.2%	15.7%	15.3%
Made fun of other people	64.9%	47.2%	53.7%
Hit, shoved or pushed another student and was not just fooling around	15.8%	12.4%	20.4%
<b><u>Behavior: Last 12 Months (% reflects "1+" answer)</u></b>			
Been bullied on school property	25.4%	26.2%	24.8%
Was in a physical fight	12.7%	15.9%	20.1%
Been threatened or injured with a weapon on school property	10.8%	6.7%	8.1%
Seriously considered suicide	14.8%	11.1%	14.7%
Planned suicide	12.2%	8.6%	9.1%
Attempted suicide	7.8%	4.9%	5.9%
<b><u>Depression Scale (% often or always in Past Month)</u></b>			
Was very sad	28.3%	25.3%	28.8%
Was grouchy or irritable, or in a bad mood	41.4%	33.4%	34.5%
Felt hopeless about the future	20.0%	15.5%	16.2%
Felt like not eating or eating more than usual	27.3%	21.1%	26.1%
Felt like sleeping a lot more or a lot less than usual	40.9%	32.6%	35.3%
Had difficulty concentrating on school work	38.5%	32.1%	29.0%

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<b><u>Parents' perception of wrongness (% reflects wrong + very wrong)</u></b>			
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke tobacco	90.4%	91.8%	85.3%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	89.3%	93.4%	86.5%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana once or twice a week	92.7%	92.5%	89.6%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	95.0%	96.2%	93.5%
<b><u>Friends' perception of wrongness (% reflects wrong + very wrong)</u></b>			
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke tobacco	69.5%	87.7%	65.1%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	57.1%	84.9%	67.0%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana	66.0%	75.6%	68.5%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	84.2%	94.5%	87.9%
<b><u>Perception of Availability (% very easy + sort of easy)</u></b>			
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get cigarettes	53.7%	39.5%	46.2%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get alcohol	63.2%	52.3%	48.4%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get marijuana	35.1%	38.0%	34.1%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	27.4%	21.1%	26.0%
<b><u>Friends' perception of coolness (% reflects pretty cool + very cool)</u></b>			
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked cigarettes	14.5%	10.1%	18.6%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they used e-cigs, mods, or vapes	30.5%	26.3%	23.9%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they drank alcohol	32.8%	27.5%	29.6%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked marijuana	25.3%	25.9%	24.2%

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<b>Perception of Harm (% reflects slight risk + no risk at all)</b>			
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke e-cigarettes	37.5%	33.2%	51.3%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes /day	30.1%	18.9%	25.3%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they drink alcohol (no dosage specified)	52.0%	46.5%	48.4%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	50.0%	35.1%	46.4%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they have 5+ drinks, once or twice a week	33.9%	24.2%	42.4%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke marijuana once or twice a week	44.4%	39.2%	41.4%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use any other illegal drugs or club drugs	14.8%	9.6%	12.7%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use synthetic drugs	12.7%	13.2%	12.0%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Cold/ Cough Medicines or OTC medicines to get high	26.4%	23.4%	22.1%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	16.8%	14.2%	14.7%

These reports contain select questions. For more information, see your full report. If you need assistance locating this report, contact Susan.Depue@mimh.edu. State and county level data will be available at <http://dmh.mo.gov/ada/mobhew> by September 2020.



# Thank You!

Your Participation in the  
Missouri Student Survey  
is appreciated!