

2024 Missouri Student Survey Dent County



	2024 County Data	2024 MO Data	2022 County Data
Approximate Sample Size	444	2811	415
<u>Demographics (% reflects "yes" answer)</u>			
Grade level. 6th Grade	19.5%	9.3%	11.5%
Grade level. 7th Grade	19.9%	25.4%	9.5%
Grade level. 8th Grade	14.6%	15.6%	14.8%
Grade level. 9th Grade	18.1%	10.2%	25.1%
Grade level. 10th Grade	11.1%	15.8%	15.6%
Grade level. 11th Grade	9.8%	17.2%	11.5%
Grade level. 12th Grade	7.0%	6.4%	11.9%
Male	48.4%	44.6%	50.6%
Hispanic or Latino	8.8%	13.7%	6.3%
Race: Black or African American	1.0%	16.8%	0.4%
Race: White	54.0%	62.7%	72.7%
Race: Other*	44.9%	6.7%	26.9%

**Multiracial, American Indian/ Alaskan Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian/PI, and other.*

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.

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

Used tobacco (cigarettes or chew)	4.1%	2.2%	7.9%
Used electronic cigarettes	7.9%	9.1%	20.0%
Used hookahs or water pipes	0.7%	1.4%	2.5%
Used alcohol	5.3%	6.8%	13.9%
Used marijuana	2.7%	7.3%	6.4%
Used inhalants	2.7%	1.2%	1.3%
Used Rx not prescribed for you by a doctor	0.8%	1.6%	1.3%
Used `OTC` to get high	0.0%	1.7%	1.3%

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<u>Substances: Ever in your life (% reflects "1+" answer)</u>			
Used synthetic drugs	1.5%	1.9%	1.3%
Used cocaine or `crack`	0.4%	0.5%	0.9%
Used heroin or `smack`	0.4%	0.2%	0.4%
Used hallucinogens such as LSD, PCP, or magic mushrooms	1.2%	1.9%	1.3%
Used methamphetamine (meth, crank, crystal, ice)	0.0%	0.3%	0.4%
Used `club drugs` such as ecstasy	0.4%	0.6%	0.9%

Behavior: Last 30 Days (% reflects "1+" answer)

Missed whole day(s) of school because you skipped or cut	47.7%	44.2%	40.7%
Did not go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school	10.2%	10.8%	10.3%
Rode with someone who was drinking alcohol	19.7%	13.0%	14.8%

Behavior: Last 3 Months (% reflects "1+" answer)

Spread mean rumors or lies about other kids at school	24.5%	18.1%	18.6%
Posted something online or sent a text that might embarrass or hurt another student	16.8%	17.0%	17.4%
Made fun of other people	51.9%	45.2%	48.3%
Hit, shoved or pushed another student and were not just fooling around	22.8%	13.4%	14.0%

Behavior: Last 12 Months (% reflects "1+" answer)

Were in a physical fight	22.5%	15.0%	22.2%
Been threatened or injured with a weapon on school property	13.7%	8.9%	10.3%
Seriously considered suicide	14.2%	11.2%	17.8%
Planned suicide	9.9%	7.8%	13.7%
Attempted suicide	8.4%	5.5%	11.2%

Depression Scale (% often or always in Past Month)

Were very sad	27.0%	27.4%	37.9%
Were grouchy or irritable, or in a bad mood	44.8%	35.6%	42.2%
Felt hopeless about the future	22.7%	16.6%	23.4%
Felt like not eating or eating more than usual	33.1%	28.1%	33.9%
Felt like sleeping a lot more or a lot less than usual	38.3%	33.8%	41.6%
Had difficulty concentrating on school work	33.5%	37.8%	36.1%

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<u>Parents' perception of wrongness (% reflects wrong + very wrong)</u>			
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke tobacco	93.9%	95.9%	91.2%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	95.1%	96.0%	91.2%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana once or twice a week	94.3%	94.2%	89.8%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	97.2%	97.7%	96.9%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	95.1%	93.9%	86.3%
<u>Friends' perception of wrongness (% reflects wrong + very wrong)</u>			
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke	82.9%	84.7%	73.6%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	81.2%	83.8%	72.7%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana	82.5%	77.4%	71.2%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	90.9%	90.0%	88.8%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	76.7%	75.6%	57.7%
<u>Friends' perception of coolness (% reflects pretty cool + very cool)</u>			
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked cigarettes	11.2%	7.6%	14.0%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they used e-cigs, mods, or vapes	20.2%	15.5%	28.0%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they drank alcohol	23.5%	15.2%	27.6%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked marijuana	18.4%	17.3%	25.8%
<u>Resiliency (% agree + strongly agree)</u>			
Feels like they know where in the community to get help	67.5%	68.2%	63.0%
Feels optimistic about the future	62.4%	70.5%	67.8%
Feels they handle stress in a healthy way	46.6%	53.5%	42.2%
Feels they have adults in their life to turn to when things feel overwhelming	67.1%	72.2%	63.5%

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<u>Perception of Availability (% very easy + sort of easy)</u>			
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get cigarettes	36.5%	30.3%	40.1%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get e-cigarettes	40.4%	40.9%	52.5%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get alcohol	46.9%	39.9%	42.3%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get marijuana	25.3%	30.5%	35.5%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	26.4%	16.9%	22.1%
<u>Perception of Harm (% reflects slight risk + no risk at all)</u>			
'No' or 'slight risk' if they used e-cigarettes	25.9%	27.8%	37.6%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes /day	13.1%	17.8%	18.7%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they drink alcohol (no dosage specified)	33.3%	37.3%	39.3%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	25.6%	24.8%	37.2%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they have 5+ drinks, once or twice a week	23.6%	18.5%	24.8%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke marijuana once or twice a week	26.8%	32.1%	37.6%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use any other illegal drugs or club drugs	10.3%	11.6%	9.1%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use synthetic drugs	15.8%	18.1%	14.2%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Cold/ Cough Medicines or OTC medicines to get high	25.3%	22.4%	24.8%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	12.1%	14.4%	12.8%

These reports contain select questions. For more information, see your full report. If you need assistance locating this report, contact Susan.Bradford@mimh.edu. State and county level data will be available at <http://dmh.mo.gov/ada/mobhew> by September 2024.