

2024 Missouri Student Survey Newton County



	2024 County Data	2024 MO Data	2022 County Data
Approximate Sample Size	93	2811	706
<u>Demographics (% reflects "yes" answer)</u>			
Grade level. 6th Grade	12.5%	9.3%	7.3%
Grade level. 7th Grade	12.3%	25.4%	18.7%
Grade level. 8th Grade	75.2%	15.6%	41.3%
Grade level. 9th Grade	0.0%	10.2%	24.8%
Grade level. 10th Grade	0.0%	15.8%	7.9%
Grade level. 11th Grade	0.0%	17.2%	0.0%
Grade level. 12th Grade	0.0%	6.4%	0.0%
Male	58.9%	44.6%	52.8%
Hispanic or Latino	3.0%	13.7%	3.5%
Race: Black or African American	0.2%	16.8%	0.3%
Race: White	15.7%	62.7%	77.0%
Race: Other*	84.1%	6.7%	22.6%

**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)	1.7%	2.2%	6.3%
Used electronic cigarettes	3.4%	9.1%	12.5%
Used hookahs or water pipes	0.0%	1.4%	0.1%
Used alcohol	2.9%	6.8%	10.5%
Used marijuana	1.1%	7.3%	4.1%
Used inhalants	0.0%	1.2%	0.8%
Used Rx not prescribed for you by a doctor	0.8%	1.6%	1.0%
Used `OTC` to get high	0.8%	1.7%	3.2%

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<u>Substances: Ever in your life (% reflects "1+" answer)</u>			
Used synthetic drugs	0.2%	1.9%	1.4%
Used cocaine or `crack`	0.2%	0.5%	0.7%
Used heroin or `smack`	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%
Used hallucinogens such as LSD, PCP, or magic mushrooms	0.0%	1.9%	0.0%
Used methamphetamine (meth, crank, crystal, ice)	0.0%	0.3%	0.1%
Used `club drugs` such as ecstasy	0.0%	0.6%	0.0%
<u>Behavior: Last 30 Days (% reflects "1+" answer)</u>			
Missed whole day(s) of school because you skipped or cut	12.0%	44.2%	44.8%
Did not go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school	4.4%	10.8%	10.8%
Rode with someone who was drinking alcohol	4.9%	13.0%	13.3%
<u>Behavior: Last 3 Months (% reflects "1+" answer)</u>			
Spread mean rumors or lies about other kids at school	46.6%	18.1%	13.8%
Posted something online or sent a text that might embarrass or hurt another student	5.7%	17.0%	12.8%
Made fun of other people	55.9%	45.2%	41.2%
Hit, shoved or pushed another student and were not just fooling around	47.8%	13.4%	13.8%
<u>Behavior: Last 12 Months (% reflects "1+" answer)</u>			
Were in a physical fight	50.3%	15.0%	19.0%
Been threatened or injured with a weapon on school property	45.4%	8.9%	16.4%
Seriously considered suicide	4.2%	11.2%	19.3%
Planned suicide	3.2%	7.8%	15.4%
Attempted suicide	2.8%	5.5%	10.0%
<u>Depression Scale (% often or always in Past Month)</u>			
Were very sad	72.9%	27.4%	31.9%
Were grouchy or irritable, or in a bad mood	13.2%	35.6%	41.9%
Felt hopeless about the future	48.2%	16.6%	23.9%
Felt like not eating or eating more than usual	76.3%	28.1%	33.8%
Felt like sleeping a lot more or a lot less than usual	77.0%	33.8%	43.1%
Had difficulty concentrating on school work	53.7%	37.8%	35.7%

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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	99.8%	95.9%	91.6%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	99.2%	96.0%	93.5%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana once or twice a week	99.4%	94.2%	90.7%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	100.0%	97.7%	97.4%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	98.5%	93.9%	90.1%
<u>Friends' perception of wrongness (% reflects wrong + very wrong)</u>			
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke	98.1%	84.7%	83.5%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	56.6%	83.8%	79.8%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana	97.6%	77.4%	81.1%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	98.9%	90.0%	91.4%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	72.6%	75.6%	69.1%
<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	1.5%	7.6%	8.0%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they used e-cigs, mods, or vapes	3.5%	15.5%	15.7%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they drank alcohol	43.4%	15.2%	14.6%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked marijuana	2.4%	17.3%	14.6%
<u>Resiliency (% agree + strongly agree)</u>			
Feels like they know where in the community to get help	93.9%	68.2%	70.2%
Feels optimistic about the future	26.5%	70.5%	64.6%
Feels they handle stress in a healthy way	61.4%	53.5%	49.0%
Feels they have adults in their life to turn to when things feel overwhelming	93.0%	72.2%	74.1%

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<u>Perception of Availability (% very easy + sort of easy)</u>			
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get cigarettes	65.7%	30.3%	32.0%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get e-cigarettes	69.0%	40.9%	39.3%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get alcohol	66.6%	39.9%	39.2%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get marijuana	5.2%	30.5%	21.2%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	8.8%	16.9%	19.2%
<u>Perception of Harm (% reflects slight risk + no risk at all)</u>			
'No' or 'slight risk' if they used e-cigarettes	5.1%	27.8%	33.1%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes /day	2.7%	17.8%	21.8%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they drink alcohol (no dosage specified)	78.3%	37.3%	38.2%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	50.5%	24.8%	32.7%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they have 5+ drinks, once or twice a week	45.1%	18.5%	26.5%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke marijuana once or twice a week	4.7%	32.1%	29.2%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use any other illegal drugs or club drugs	3.0%	11.6%	12.4%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use synthetic drugs	33.6%	18.1%	19.7%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Cold/ Cough Medicines or OTC medicines to get high	61.6%	22.4%	24.0%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	4.9%	14.4%	15.4%

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.