

# 2024 Missouri Student Survey Washington County



	2024 County Data	2024 MO Data	2022 County Data
Approximate Sample Size	375	2811	600
<b><u>Demographics (% reflects "yes" answer)</u></b>			
Grade level. 6th Grade	0.0%	9.3%	0.0%
Grade level. 7th Grade	21.3%	25.4%	20.0%
Grade level. 8th Grade	12.8%	15.6%	20.6%
Grade level. 9th Grade	22.9%	10.2%	22.8%
Grade level. 10th Grade	20.5%	15.8%	16.1%
Grade level. 11th Grade	13.1%	17.2%	13.1%
Grade level. 12th Grade	9.3%	6.4%	7.4%
Male	55.8%	44.6%	47.7%
Hispanic or Latino	5.4%	13.7%	3.8%
Race: Black or African American	0.5%	16.8%	0.8%
Race: White	88.2%	62.7%	86.9%
Race: Other*	11.2%	6.7%	12.2%

*\*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)	3.7%	2.2%	3.8%
Used electronic cigarettes	12.3%	9.1%	14.6%
Used hookahs or water pipes	1.5%	1.4%	1.0%
Used alcohol	9.4%	6.8%	9.1%
Used marijuana	6.0%	7.3%	5.9%
Used inhalants	0.3%	1.2%	0.7%
Used Rx not prescribed for you by a doctor	1.6%	1.6%	1.7%
Used `OTC` to get high	2.2%	1.7%	1.6%

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

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

Missed whole day(s) of school because you skipped or cut	57.5%	44.2%	43.0%
Did not go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school	16.4%	10.8%	9.1%
Rode with someone who was drinking alcohol	15.0%	13.0%	13.8%

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

Spread mean rumors or lies about other kids at school	13.7%	18.1%	11.9%
Posted something online or sent a text that might embarrass or hurt another student	16.4%	17.0%	15.6%
Made fun of other people	44.9%	45.2%	40.2%
Hit, shoved or pushed another student and were not just fooling around	14.0%	13.4%	10.6%

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

Were in a physical fight	16.7%	15.0%	14.4%
Been threatened or injured with a weapon on school property	9.4%	8.9%	7.2%
Seriously considered suicide	12.3%	11.2%	17.1%
Planned suicide	7.5%	7.8%	13.5%
Attempted suicide	6.6%	5.5%	7.3%

**Depression Scale (% often or always in Past Month)**

Were very sad	28.1%	27.4%	37.0%
Were grouchy or irritable, or in a bad mood	39.8%	35.6%	42.3%
Felt hopeless about the future	14.0%	16.6%	21.2%
Felt like not eating or eating more than usual	26.6%	28.1%	32.9%
Felt like sleeping a lot more or a lot less than usual	34.6%	33.8%	40.9%
Had difficulty concentrating on school work	34.7%	37.8%	41.4%

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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	90.0%	95.9%	94.6%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	89.9%	96.0%	93.5%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana once or twice a week	88.9%	94.2%	93.4%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	92.6%	97.7%	95.3%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	89.3%	93.9%	91.8%
<b><u>Friends' perception of wrongness (% reflects wrong + very wrong)</u></b>			
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke	80.6%	84.7%	83.7%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	76.9%	83.8%	76.2%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana	77.2%	77.4%	79.0%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	90.3%	90.0%	91.8%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	69.6%	75.6%	68.3%
<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	8.4%	7.6%	11.1%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they used e-cigs, mods, or vapes	15.6%	15.5%	27.7%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they drank alcohol	17.7%	15.2%	27.5%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked marijuana	14.4%	17.3%	21.4%
<b><u>Resiliency (% agree + strongly agree)</u></b>			
Feels like they know where in the community to get help	61.3%	68.2%	60.7%
Feels optimistic about the future	61.6%	70.5%	68.0%
Feels they handle stress in a healthy way	47.9%	53.5%	44.5%
Feels they have adults in their life to turn to when things feel overwhelming	69.1%	72.2%	71.3%

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<b><u>Perception of Availability (% very easy + sort of easy)</u></b>			
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get cigarettes	33.8%	30.3%	39.0%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get e-cigarettes	44.2%	40.9%	49.0%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get alcohol	42.7%	39.9%	47.0%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get marijuana	30.6%	30.5%	30.6%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	17.4%	16.9%	23.5%
<b><u>Perception of Harm (% reflects slight risk + no risk at all)</u></b>			
'No' or 'slight risk' if they used e-cigarettes	34.3%	27.8%	35.6%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes /day	23.5%	17.8%	18.2%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they drink alcohol (no dosage specified)	39.4%	37.3%	35.3%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	37.2%	24.8%	32.5%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they have 5+ drinks, once or twice a week	28.7%	18.5%	22.8%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke marijuana once or twice a week	27.8%	32.1%	31.8%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use any other illegal drugs or club drugs	12.6%	11.6%	7.6%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use synthetic drugs	15.4%	18.1%	12.1%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Cold/ Cough Medicines or OTC medicines to get high	24.1%	22.4%	23.3%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	16.4%	14.4%	11.4%

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.