

2025 Springfield Prevention Needs Assessment Survey of 8th, 10th, and 12th grade students: Frequency tables

We are tracking the impact and uses of the youth survey data. We want to know if you have used this data for anything! Please contact us at info@publichealthwm.org to share how you've used this data in your work.

Participation rates

Participation rates are estimated by dividing the number of students who took the survey with enrollment at Springfield Public Schools at the time of the survey.

Estimated participation rate: 51.3% (2,613 of 5,089 students)

Estimated participation rate, 8th grade: 67.9% (1,044 of 1,538 students)

Estimated participation rate, 10th grade: 49.6% (915 of 1,844 students)

Estimated participation rate, 12th grade: 38.3% (654 of 1,707 students)

Background

The Prevention Needs Assessment Survey (PNAS) was administered to students in the Springfield Public Schools as part of the Springfield Youth Health Survey Initiative. The Initiative is led by the PHIWM in collaboration with many partners who help plan and implement the surveys. These partners, referred to as the Planning Team, include representatives from:

- Gándara Center
- Public Health Institute of Western MA
- Springfield Department of Health and Human Services
- Springfield Public Schools
- Springfield Youth Mental Health Coalition
- Massachusetts Gaming Commission

The survey was administered with support from:

- Massachusetts Gaming Commission
- Gándara Center via SAMHSA Strategic Prevention Framework grant

Methods

Survey Design and Administration

The PNAS focuses on youth health behaviors, perceptions, and experiences related to substance use, risk and protective factors, and mental health, and was adapted by the Planning Team based on local needs and priorities.

This survey was selected for use in Springfield because it is administered in communities across the state and in Western MA. It has been conducted here roughly every two years since 2015. The survey was administered in December 2025 (12/2/25-12/19/25) to all 8th, 10th, and 12th grade students enrolled in Springfield Public Schools. Students took the survey online during school hours using Alchemer (formerly SurveyGizmo). The schools had the discretion to determine when to administer the survey within a given time frame. Some schools chose to administer the survey on a single day and others chose to administer over multiple days. A total of 2,613 8th, 10th, and 12th graders took the survey. The participation rate was estimated to be 51.3% using school enrollment to estimate total potential number of students who could complete the survey. Guardians were able to opt out through a passive consent process. Students also had the ability to opt out of the survey on the day of administration. Some students were absent during the survey period, which may bias the results if these students are significantly different from their peers.

Data cleaning:

- Surveys that were blank or less than 5% complete (n=444) were excluded from data analysis.
- The survey results presented in this document have *not* been evaluated for logical consistency. Logical consistency means that responses to related questions - such as drinking behaviors - match or make sense logically. For example, if a student reported never drinking in the last 30 days in the core module, they should have also reported that they did not engage in binge drinking in the last 30 days. Results presented are based on how the students responded and may include inconsistent reporting.

Notes on Interpreting the Data:

- Denominators for Questions with Skip Logic: Some questions used skip logic. This means that students were only asked some questions depending on how they responded to a previous question. If there was skip logic, the total number of respondents may be different because only some students got that question. Where applicable, denominators are explicitly stated and should be interpreted accordingly.

Missing Data:

- Not all students answered all questions so total number of respondents may vary for each question. In addition, some students were absent during the surveying period which may bias the results if these students' experiences are systematically different from their peers. For example, students who are chronically absent from school may have different experiences from those who are not. Students who are not chronically absent, who are more likely to be in school the day the survey is administered, may be at lower risk for some health outcomes and behaviors compared to students who are chronically absent from school. This could cause us to under- or over-estimate some of our results.

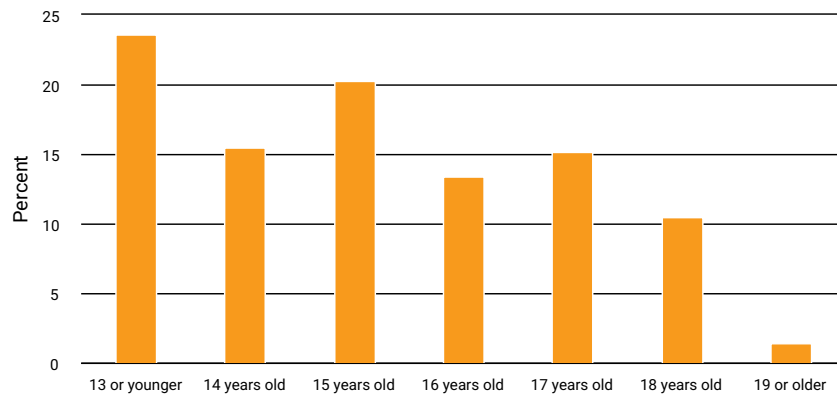
Small Numbers:

- For some questions, there are few respondents for a given response category. Caution should be exercised when interpreting data based on small numbers.

How to read these tables:

- The “Responses” column refers to the number of students who selected a given answer for the question indicated, while the “Percent” column displays that number as a percentage of all respondents. Visit our website for information on survey background, methodology, and more: <https://www.publichealthwm.org/youth-health-survey-initiative>
- A “*” indicates that the data has been suppressed due to low counts (less than 20 respondents to any one question option or less than 30 respondents to a question overall). Additional cells may be suppressed so that suppressed cells cannot be calculated using other cells.

1. How old are you?

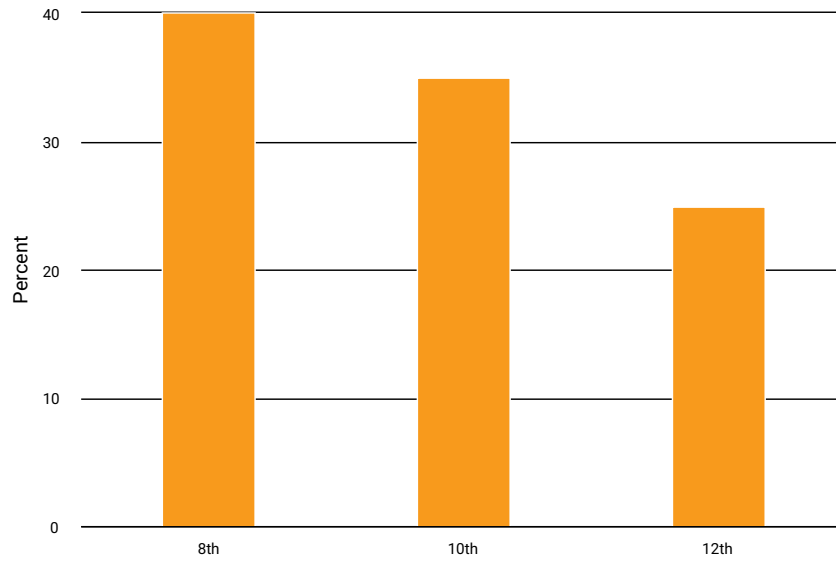


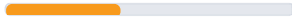
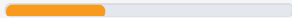
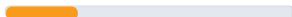
Value	Percent	Responses
13 or younger	23.6%	616
14 years old	15.5%	404
15 years old	20.3%	531
16 years old	13.4%	349
17 years old	15.2%	398
18 years old	10.5%	273
19 or older	1.5%	40

Totals: 2,611

2. What grade are you in?

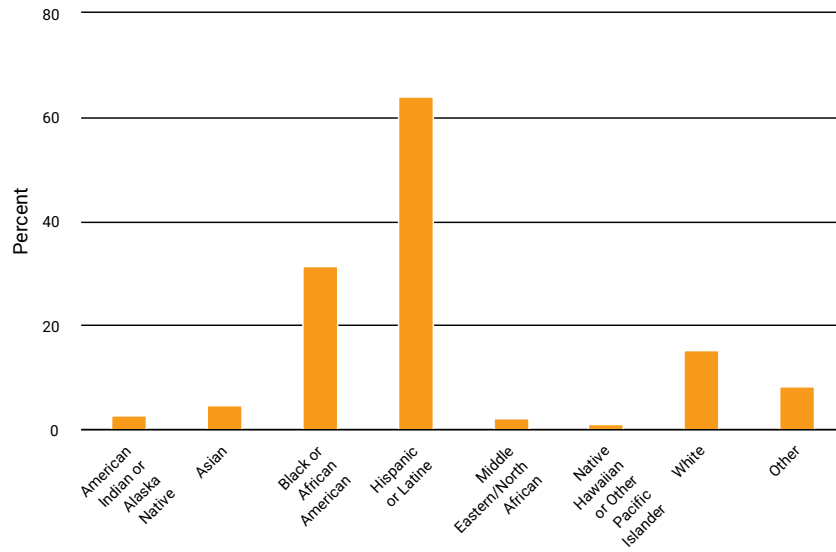
Respondents who selected a grade other than 8th, 10th, or 12th were disqualified from the survey and are not reflected in this report.



Value	Percent	Responses
8th	40.0% 	1,044
10th	35.0% 	915
12th	25.0% 	654
		Totals: 2,613

3. What is your race/ethnicity? (Select all responses that you identify with.)

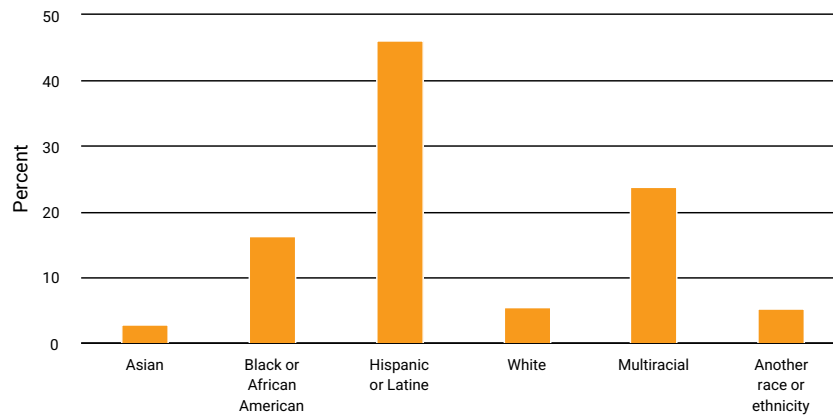
Respondents could select more than one response.



Value	Percent	Responses
American Indian or Alaska Native	2.7%	71
Asian	4.6%	119
Black or African American	31.6%	819
Hispanic or Latine	64.0%	1,658
Middle Eastern/North African	2.1%	55
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1.1%	29
White	15.4%	398
Other	8.5%	220

4. Race/ethnicity (mutually exclusive)

If a student selected more than one response for this question, then they were categorized as 'multiracial'. Otherwise, students were categorized as the single identity option they selected. Note: "Another race or ethnicity" refers to the following answer options (collapsed due to sample size): American Indian or Alaska Native, Middle Eastern/North African, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, and Other race or ethnicity.

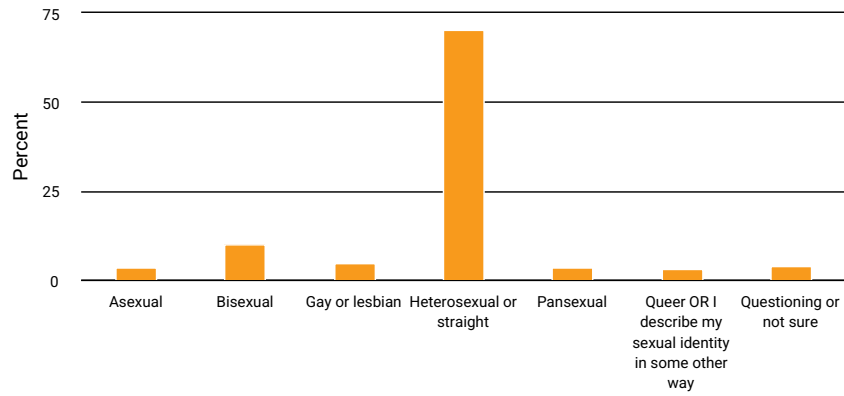


Value	Percent	Responses
Asian	2.8%	72
Black or African American	16.4%	424
Hispanic or Latine	46.3%	1,199
White	5.5%	143
Multiracial	23.8%	616
Another race or ethnicity	5.3%	138

Totals: 2,592

5. This question asks about sexual identity. Which of the following best describes you?

Note: Responses of "I don't understand what this question is asking" were excluded to ensure the accuracy and interpretability of the results.

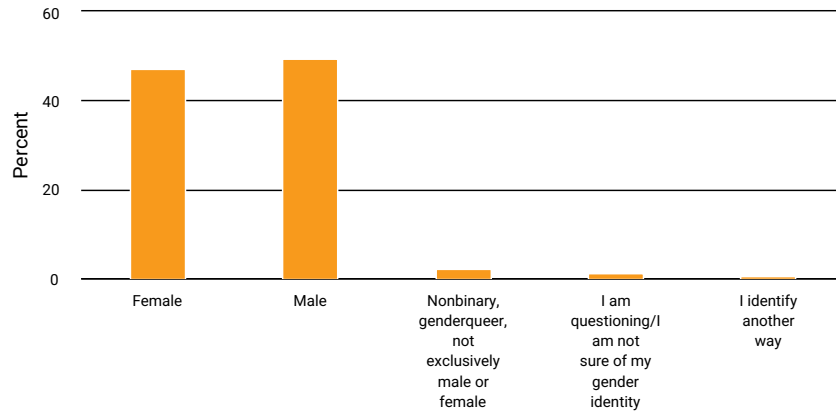


Value	Percent	Responses
Asexual	3.6%	82
Bisexual	10.3%	233
Gay or lesbian	4.9%	111
Heterosexual or straight	70.6%	1,595
Pansexual	3.5%	79
Queer OR I describe my sexual identity in some other way	3.1%	69
Questioning or not sure	3.9%	89

Totals: 2,258

6. What is your current gender identity? (Select all that apply)

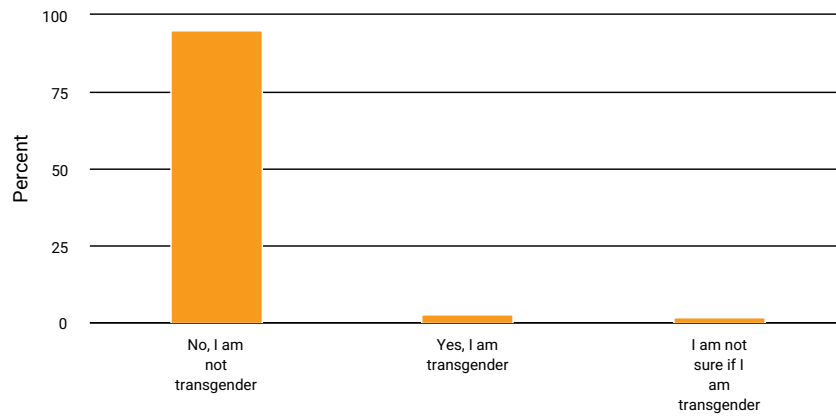
Note: Responses of "I do not understand what this question is asking" and "I decline to answer" were excluded to ensure the accuracy and interpretability of the results.



Value	Percent	Responses
Female	47.4%	1,234
Male	49.6%	1,289
Nonbinary, genderqueer, not exclusively male or female	2.3%	61
I am questioning/I am not sure of my gender identity	1.2%	30
I identify another way	0.8%	21

7. Some people describe themselves as transgender, an umbrella term for persons whose gender identity and expression does not conform to that typically associated with the sex to which they were assigned at birth. Are you transgender?

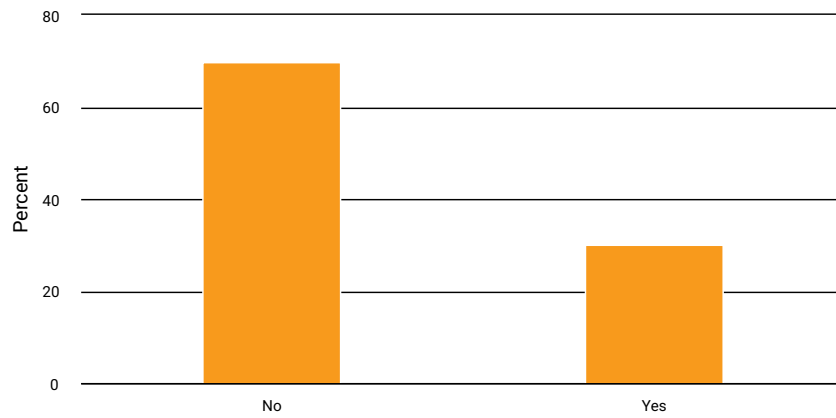
Note: Responses of "I do not know what this question is asking" and "I decline to answer" were excluded to ensure the accuracy and interpretability of the results.



Value	Percent	Responses
No, I am not transgender	95.5%	2,309
Yes, I am transgender	2.8%	68
I am not sure if I am transgender	1.7%	41
		Totals: 2,418

8. LGBTQ+ identity

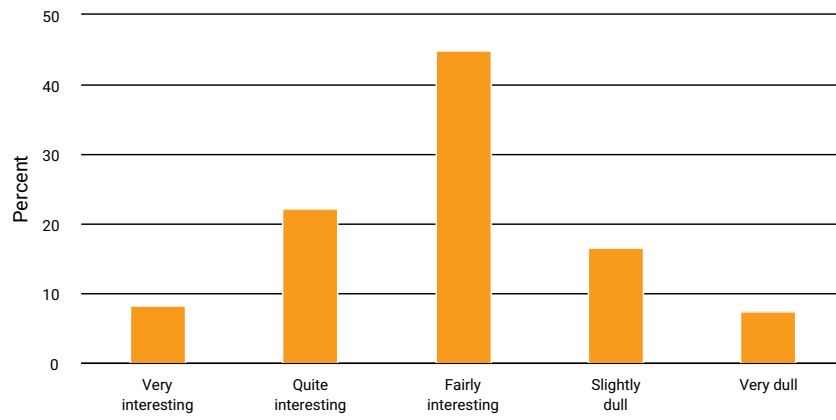
Note: This variable was derived from responses to 5, 6, and 7 (sexual orientation, gender identity, and transgender experience). If a student reported a sexual orientation other than heterosexual/straight, or they reported a gender identity other than male or female and cisgender, they were categorized as LGBTQ+.



Value	Percent	Responses
No	69.9%	1,582
Yes	30.1%	682

Totals: 2,264

9. How interesting are most of your courses to you?

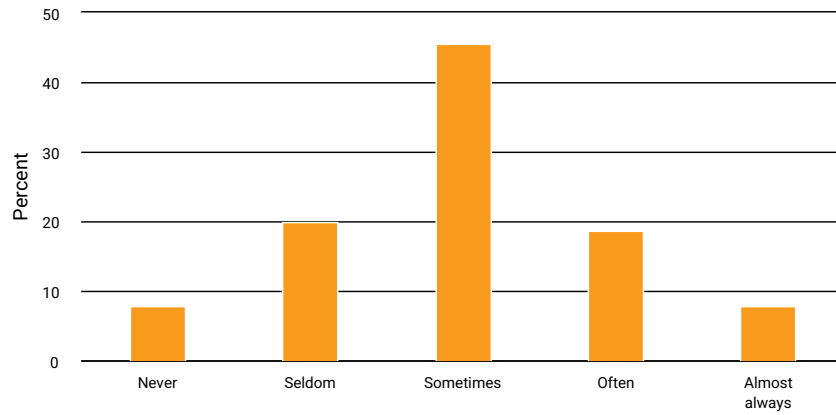


Value	Percent	Responses
Very interesting	8.4%	215
Quite interesting	22.3%	569
Fairly interesting	44.9%	1,144
Slightly dull	16.7%	427
Very dull	7.6%	195
		Totals: 2,550

10. Now thinking back over the past year in school, how often did you:

	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Often	Almost always	Responses
enjoy being in school?						
Count	265	354	1,226	539	197	2,581
Row %	10.3%	13.7%	47.5%	20.9%	7.6%	
hate being in school?						
Count	143	359	959	721	366	2,548
Row %	5.6%	14.1%	37.6%	28.3%	14.4%	
try to do your best work in school?						
Count	35	86	592	982	842	2,537
Row %	1.4%	3.4%	23.3%	38.7%	33.2%	
Totals						
Total Responses						2581

11. How often do you feel that the school work you are assigned is meaningful and important?



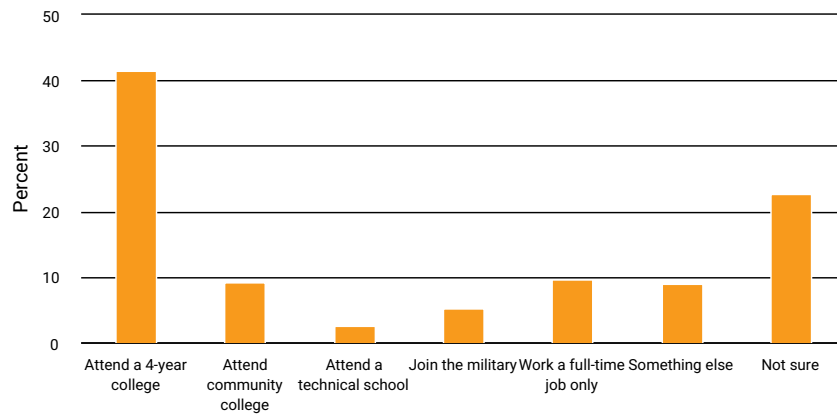
Value	Percent	Responses
Never	7.9%	202
Seldom	19.9%	509
Sometimes	45.6%	1,167
Often	18.8%	481
Almost always	7.9%	201

Totals: 2,560

12. The next section asks about your experiences at school.

	NO!	no	yes	YES!	Responses
In my school, students have lots of chances to help decide things like class activities and rules. Count Row %	245 9.6%	923 36.1%	1,243 48.6%	146 5.7%	2,557
My teacher(s) notices when I am doing a good job and lets me know about it. Count Row %	85 3.3%	441 17.3%	1,596 62.6%	426 16.7%	2,548
There are lots of chances for students in my school to get involved in sports, clubs, and other school activities outside of class. Count Row %	65 2.6%	292 11.5%	1,469 57.7%	721 28.3%	2,547
There are lots of chances for students in my school to talk with a teacher one-on-one. Count Row %	78 3.1%	380 15.0%	1,603 63.4%	468 18.5%	2,529
I feel safe at my school. Count Row %	172 6.8%	465 18.5%	1,563 62.1%	317 12.6%	2,517
The school lets my parents know when I have done something well. Count Row %	345 13.7%	889 35.3%	1,024 40.6%	262 10.4%	2,520
I have lots of chances to be part of class activities or discussions. Count Row %	74 2.9%	297 11.7%	1,718 67.7%	449 17.7%	2,538
Totals Total Responses					2557

13. Which of the following are you most likely to do after you complete high school?



Value	Percent	Responses
Attend a 4-year college	41.5%	1,051
Attend community college	9.3%	236
Attend a technical school	2.6%	65
Join the military	5.2%	131
Work a full-time job only	9.8%	248
Something else	9.0%	227
Not sure	22.8%	577

Totals: 2,535

14. How many times in the past year (12 months) have you:

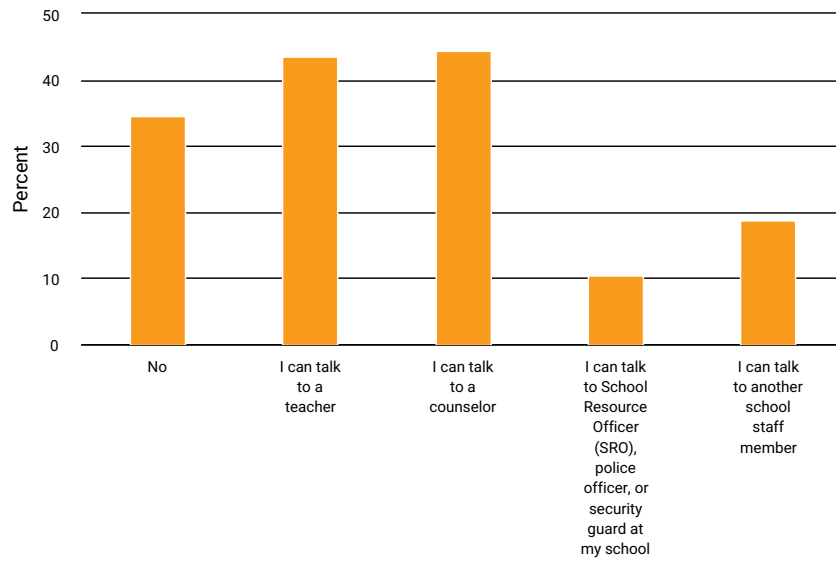
	Never	1 to 2 times	3 to 5 times	6 to 9 times	10 to 19 times	20 to 29 times	30+ times	Responses
Participated in clubs, organizations, or activities at school? Count Row %	840 33.1%	733 28.9%	375 14.8%	197 7.8%	124 4.9%	79 3.1%	192 7.6%	2,540
Participated in clubs, organizations, or activities outside of school? Count Row %	1,060 42.1%	553 22.0%	321 12.8%	158 6.3%	122 4.9%	84 3.3%	217 8.6%	2,515
Volunteered to do community service? Count Row %	1,657 65.9%	354 14.1%	218 8.7%	105 4.2%	54 2.1%	54 2.1%	74 2.9%	2,516
Attended religious services? Count Row %	1,327 52.8%	378 15.0%	186 7.4%	135 5.4%	100 4.0%	87 3.5%	302 12.0%	2,515
Totals Total Responses								2540

15. Is there an adult in your life, such as a parent, relative, teacher, or neighbor, who you:

	NO!	no	yes	YES!	Responses
feel very close to					
Count	110	250	1,109	1,042	2,511
Row %	4.4%	10.0%	44.2%	41.5%	
share your thoughts and feelings with					
Count	220	512	1,104	654	2,490
Row %	8.8%	20.6%	44.3%	26.3%	
enjoy spending time with					
Count	82	176	1,263	965	2,486
Row %	3.3%	7.1%	50.8%	38.8%	
could ask for help if you had a problem					
Count	131	273	1,235	841	2,480
Row %	5.3%	11.0%	49.8%	33.9%	
Totals					
Total Responses					2511

16. Sometimes students have problems they talk to an adult about. Is there an adult at your school that you can talk to about your problems (Mark all that apply)?

Respondents could select more than one response.



Value	Percent	Responses
No	34.6%	864
I can talk to a teacher	43.7%	1,090
I can talk to a counselor	44.5%	1,110
I can talk to School Resource Officer (SRO), police officer, or security guard at my school	10.5%	262
I can talk to another school staff member	18.8%	470

17. The next questions ask how you feel about your parent(s) or guardian(s).

	NO!	no	yes	YES!	Responses
Do you feel very close to your parent(s)/guardian(s)?					
Count	84	286	1,110	937	2,417
Row %	3.5%	11.8%	45.9%	38.8%	
Do you share your thoughts and feelings with your parent(s)/guardian(s)?					
Count	195	687	985	535	2,402
Row %	8.1%	28.6%	41.0%	22.3%	
Do you enjoy spending time with your parent(s)/guardian(s)?					
Count	58	169	1,236	926	2,389
Row %	2.4%	7.1%	51.7%	38.8%	
Totals					
Total Responses					2417

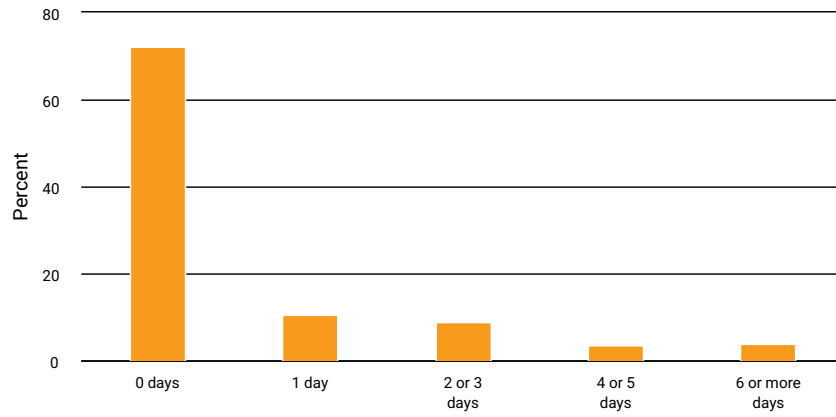
18. The next questions ask about your family.

	NO!	no	yes	YES!	Responses
My parent(s)/guardian(s) ask me what I think before most family decisions affecting me are made. Count Row %	196 8.2%	651 27.3%	1,123 47.2%	411 17.3%	2,381
People in my family often insult or yell at each other. Count Row %	636 26.7%	1,053 44.2%	526 22.1%	168 7.0%	2,383
The rules in my family are clear. Count Row %	81 3.4%	322 13.5%	1,467 61.6%	512 21.5%	2,382
My family has clear rules about alcohol and drug use. Count Row %	119 5.0%	212 8.9%	1,034 43.5%	1,012 42.6%	2,377
My family has clear rules about screen time. Count Row %	486 20.3%	996 41.5%	683 28.5%	234 9.8%	2,399
Totals Total Responses					2399

19. The next questions ask how you feel about your parent(s) or guardian(s).

	Never or almost never	Sometimes	Often	All the time	Responses
My parent(s) or guardian(s) tell me when they're proud of me for something I've done.	204	693	780	748	2,425
Count	8.4%	28.6%	32.2%	30.8%	
Row %					
My parent(s) or guardian(s) notice when I'm doing a good job.	228	671	789	729	2,417
Count	9.4%	27.8%	32.6%	30.2%	
Row %					
Totals					
Total Responses					2425

20. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you NOT go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school?

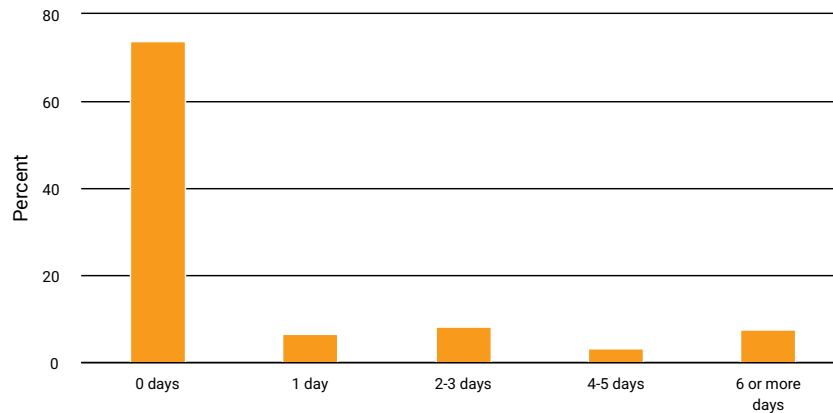


Value	Percent	Responses
0 days	72.4%	1,740
1 day	10.7%	257
2 or 3 days	9.0%	217
4 or 5 days	3.7%	89
6 or more days	4.1%	99

Totals: 2,402

21. During the past 12 months, how often have you been picked on or bullied by a student ON SCHOOL PROPERTY?

This series of questions was preceded by this definition: The next questions are about bullying. Bullying is when one or more students tease, threaten, spread rumors about, hit, shove, or hurt another student over and over again. It is not bullying when two students of about the same strength or power argue or fight or tease each other in a friendly way. Usually, bullying happens over and over, or the student being bullied thinks it will happen over and over.



Value	Percent	Responses
0 days	73.9%	1,768
1 day	6.6%	159
2-3 days	8.4%	200
4-5 days	3.3%	79
6 or more days	7.8%	186

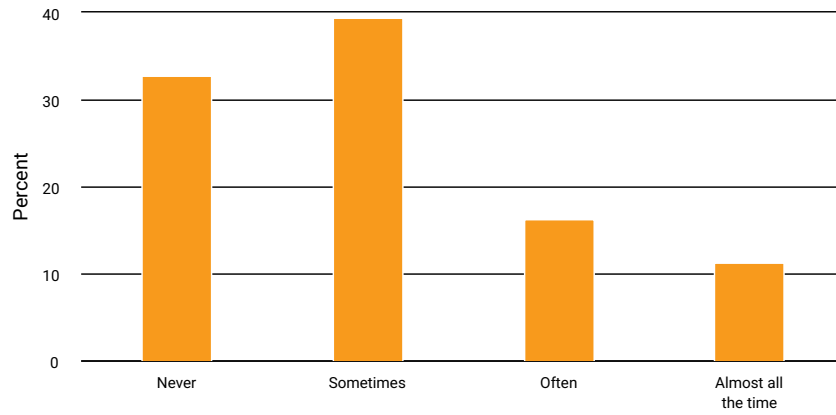
Totals: 2,392

22. During the past 12 months, how often have you been bullied in the following ways:

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	Never	Once	Several times	Very often	Responses
Physically (for example, another student hurt your body or threw something at you)					
Count	1,856	321	157	46	2,380
Row %	78.0%	13.5%	6.6%	1.9%	
Verbally and in-person (for example, another student said threatening things to you or about you in person)					
Count	1,658	325	285	100	2,368
Row %	70.0%	13.7%	12.0%	4.2%	
Electronically (for example, via text, Snapchat, TikTok, Instagram, or other social media)					
Count	1,862	237	176	93	2,368
Row %	78.6%	10.0%	7.4%	3.9%	
Totals					
Total Responses					2380

23. During the past 12 months, how often did you feel like you were alone, left out, or had no one to talk to?



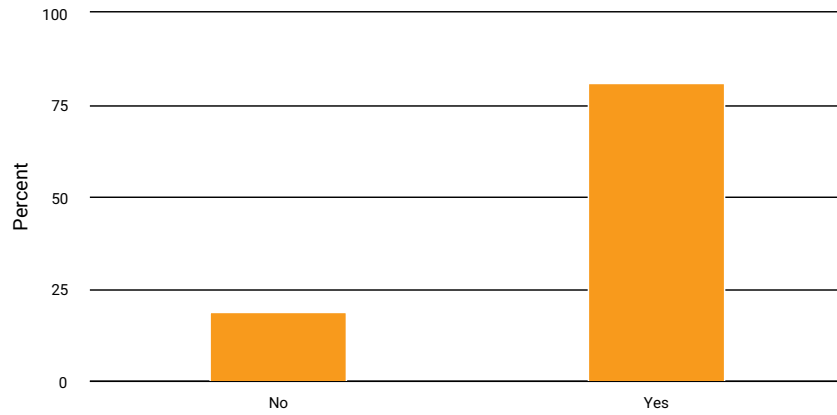
Value	Percent	Responses
Never	32.9%	768
Sometimes	39.5%	920
Often	16.3%	380
Almost all the time	11.3%	263

Totals: 2,331

24. How much do you agree with the following statements about your neighborhood?

	NO!	no	yes	YES!	Responses
I have access to outdoor spaces (like parks, walking trails, bike paths, or playgrounds).					
Count	175	296	1,332	547	2,350
Row %	7.4%	12.6%	56.7%	23.3%	
I have access to recreation and community centers.					
Count	256	811	979	240	2,286
Row %	11.2%	35.5%	42.8%	10.5%	
I am concerned about violence.					
Count	501	950	638	233	2,322
Row %	21.6%	40.9%	27.5%	10.0%	
People help each other out.					
Count	176	590	1,267	280	2,313
Row %	7.6%	25.5%	54.8%	12.1%	
I feel safe during the day.					
Count	77	194	1,442	624	2,337
Row %	3.3%	8.3%	61.7%	26.7%	
I feel safe at night.					
Count	229	459	1,216	438	2,342
Row %	9.8%	19.6%	51.9%	18.7%	
Totals					
Total Responses					2350

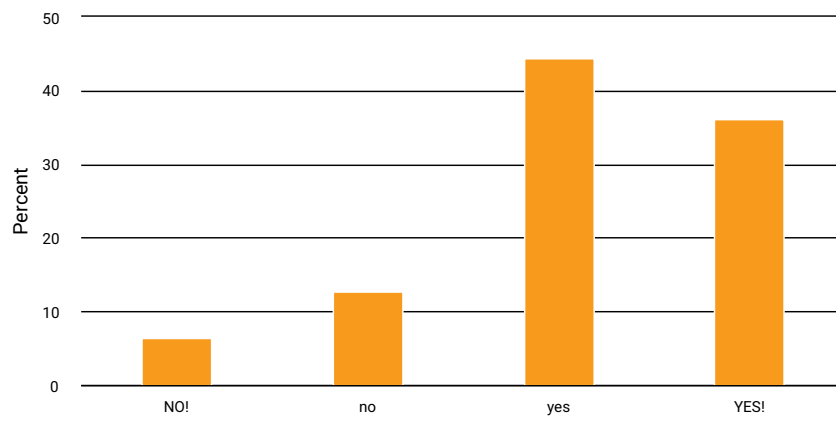
25. Does your school have a cell phone policy that limits the amount of time students can use their devices at school?



Value	Percent	Responses
No	19.0%	448
Yes	81.0%	1,910

Totals: 2,358

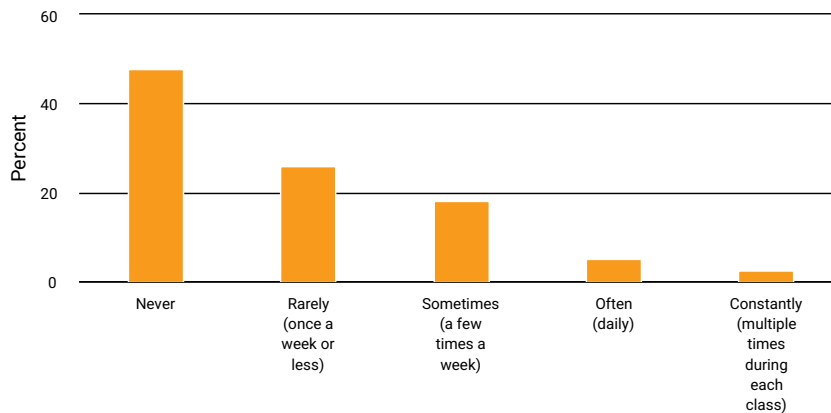
26. Is your school's cell phone policy enforced by school adults?



Value	Percent	Responses
NO!	6.5%	152
no	12.7%	297
yes	44.5%	1,043
YES!	36.3%	851

Totals: 2,343

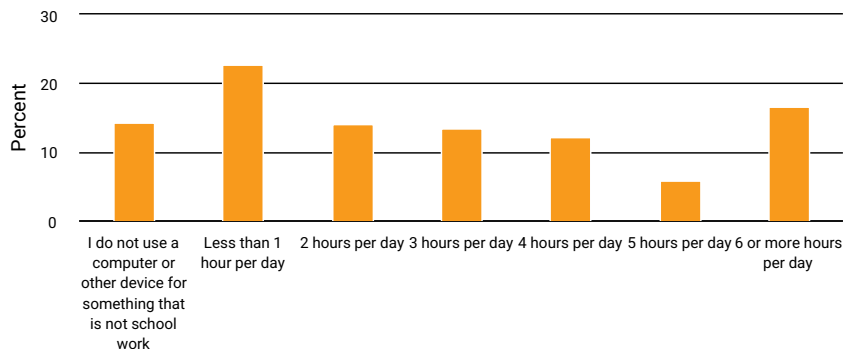
27. How often do you feel distracted by your phone, or another student's phone, during class?



Value	Percent	Responses
Never	47.9%	1,131
Rarely (once a week or less)	26.2%	618
Sometimes (a few times a week)	18.1%	427
Often (daily)	5.3%	124
Constantly (multiple times during each class)	2.5%	60

Totals: 2,360

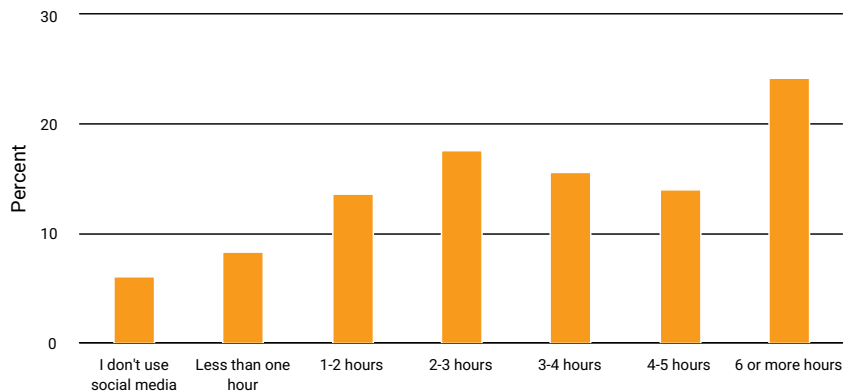
28. On an average school day, how many hours do you use a computer, smartphone, or other device for something that is not school work?



Value	Percent	Responses
I do not use a computer or other device for something that is not school work	14.3%	335
Less than 1 hour per day	22.9%	536
2 hours per day	14.2%	332
3 hours per day	13.6%	319
4 hours per day	12.2%	286
5 hours per day	6.0%	141
6 or more hours per day	16.7%	391

Totals: 2,340

29. On an average day, how many hours do you spend on social media such as Snapchat, Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, Instagram, Reddit, Twitch, or TikTok?



Value	Percent	Responses
I don't use social media	6.1%	144
Less than one hour	8.4%	198
1-2 hours	13.7%	322
2-3 hours	17.7%	415
3-4 hours	15.6%	366
4-5 hours	14.1%	332
6 or more hours	24.3%	570

Totals: 2,347

30. Which of the following describes your experiences with social media? Please select all that apply.

Respondents could select more than one response.

Value	Percent	Responses
I feel the need to check social media frequently throughout the day	34.9%	788
I spend more time on social media than I intend to	31.1%	704
I feel anxious, restless, or upset when I can't access social media	10.6%	239
I use social media to avoid difficult feelings or situations	29.1%	657
My social media use interferes with schoolwork, sleep, or other responsibilities	17.7%	400
I feel pressured to post updates or pictures to stay included or keep up	5.5%	125
I often compare my life to others based on their social media posts	15.2%	343
I worry or get upset when I see friends doing something without me	15.3%	345
I have tried to cut back on social media use but found it hard to do	17.4%	394
None of the above	36.0%	813

31. How often have you used these AI tools in the past month?

	Never	Less than once a week	Once a week	A few times a week	Every day	Responses
Learning apps or learning games, like Prodigy, STMath, MATHia, or Cognii Count Row %	1,641 73.6%	277 12.4%	148 6.6%	116 5.2%	48 2.2%	2,230
Apps that create images or music, like DALL-E, Adobe Firefly, or MusicLM Count Row %	1,736 78.9%	193 8.8%	138 6.3%	80 3.6%	52 2.4%	2,199
Apps that answer questions or write text, like ChatGPT, Bing Chat, or Gemini Count Row %	1,050 47.7%	452 20.6%	297 13.5%	285 13.0%	115 5.2%	2,199
Apps that act as virtual friends, like Replika or Snapchat's My AI Count Row %	1,752 80.0%	173 7.9%	114 5.2%	84 3.8%	68 3.1%	2,191
Chatbots that help with mental health, like Wysa, Woebot, or Youper Count Row %	1,923 87.3%	98 4.4%	90 4.1%	46 2.1%	46 2.1%	2,203
Totals Total Responses						2230

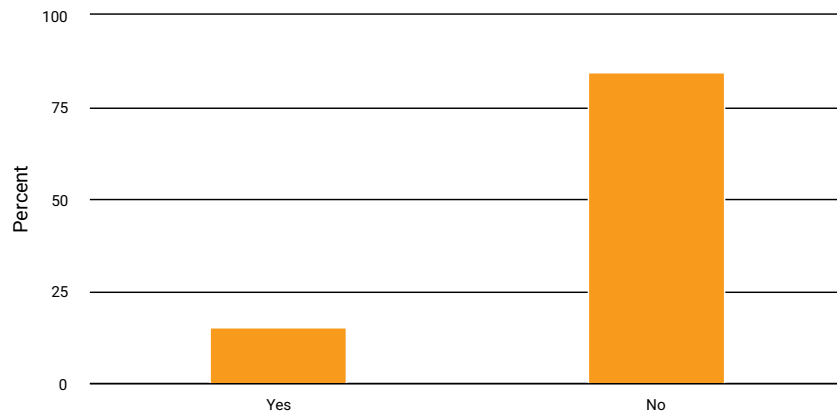
32. The next questions ask about your feelings.

	NO!	no	yes	YES!	Responses
On the whole, I am satisfied with myself.					
Count	191	508	1,120	401	2,220
Row %	8.6%	22.9%	50.5%	18.1%	
At times, I think I am no good at all.					
Count	399	754	825	221	2,199
Row %	18.1%	34.3%	37.5%	10.1%	
I feel that I have a number of good qualities.					
Count	119	375	1,255	428	2,177
Row %	5.5%	17.2%	57.6%	19.7%	
All in all, I am inclined to think that I am a failure.					
Count	659	878	483	154	2,174
Row %	30.3%	40.4%	22.2%	7.1%	
Totals					
Total Responses					2220

33. Rank how much each of these describe you.

	NO!	no	yes	YES!	Responses
In the past year, have you felt depressed or sad MOST days even if you felt okay sometimes?					
Count	480	692	741	308	2,221
Row %	21.6%	31.2%	33.4%	13.9%	
In the past year, have you felt anxious or worried MOST days, even if you felt okay sometimes?					
Count	407	611	842	352	2,212
Row %	18.4%	27.6%	38.1%	15.9%	
Totals					
Total Responses					2221

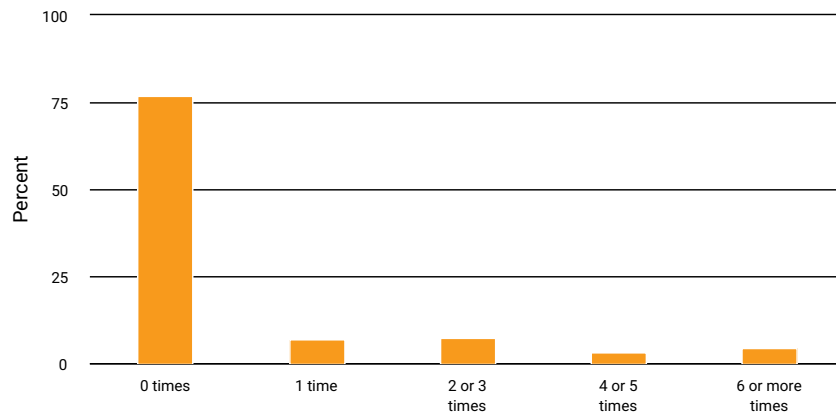
34. During the past 12 months, did you ever seriously consider attempting suicide?



Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	15.2%	339
No	84.8%	1,887

Totals: 2,226

35. During the past 12 months, how many times did you do something to purposely hurt yourself without wanting to die, such as cutting, burning, or bruising yourself on purpose?



Value	Percent	Responses
0 times	77.2%	1,720
1 time	7.2%	161
2 or 3 times	7.7%	172
4 or 5 times	3.2%	71
6 or more times	4.6%	103

Totals: 2,227

36. Have you ever, even once, used:

	Yes	No	Responses
Beer, wine, or hard liquor (more than just a few sips)?			
Count	401	1,622	2,023
Row %	19.8%	80.2%	
Marijuana (grass, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil)?			
Count	320	1,679	1,999
Row %	16.0%	84.0%	
Nicotine pouches such as ZYN, on!, VELO or Rogue?			
Count	143	1,836	1,979
Row %	7.2%	92.8%	
Cigarettes?			
Count	124	1,845	1,969
Row %	6.3%	93.7%	
Electronic cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vape pens, or e-hookahs?			
Count	335	1,659	1,994
Row %	16.8%	83.2%	
Kratom, which can come in forms such as powder, pills, or leaf?			
Count	83	1,880	1,963
Row %	4.2%	95.8%	
Synthetic marijuana or fake weed, also called K2 or Spice?			
Count	98	1,860	1,958
Row %	5.0%	95.0%	
Nitrous oxide, galaxy gas, or whippits?			
Count	93	1,867	1,960
Row %	4.7%	95.3%	
Totals			
Total Responses			2023

37. During the past 30 days, on how many occasions (if any) have you:

Note: Only respondents who answered “Yes” to ever using a given substance were shown the corresponding follow-up question for that substance.

	0	1-2	3-5	6+
Had beer, wine, or hard liquor (more than just a few sips)?				
Count	161	125	43	53
Row %	42.1%	32.7%	11.3%	13.9%
Used marijuana (grass, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil)?				
Count	108	54	33	108
Row %	35.6%	17.8%	10.9%	35.6%
Used nicotine pouches such as ZYN, on!, VELO or Rogue				
Count	65	*	*	41
Row %	49.6%	***	**	31.3%
Smoked cigarettes?				
Count	124	*	*	25
Row %	70.1%	***	**	14.1%
Used electronic cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vape pens, or e-hookahs?				
Count	133	51	32	105
Row %	41.4%	15.9%	10.0%	32.7%
Used kratom, which can come in forms such as powder, pills, or leaf?				
Count	37	*	*	24
Row %	51.4%	**	**	33.3%
Used synthetic marijuana or fake weed, also called K2 or Spice?				
Count	98	0	0	0
Row %	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Used nitrous oxide, galaxy gas, or whippits?				
Count	41	*	*	28
Row %	50.0%	**	**	34.1%

38. If you used any of the below substances in the past 12 months, WHY did you usually use them? (Mark all that apply.)

Note: Only respondents who answered "Yes" to ever using a given substance were shown the corresponding follow-up question for that substance. Percentages may add up to more than 100% because participants could select more than one answer.

	I did not use this in the past 12 months	Because my friends used it	For fun	To feel good	I was curious	I was bored	To help me sleep	To help me focus or study	To help with depression or another mental health issue	To help with an injury or other physical pain	I wasn't sure how to say no	Other	Responses
Beer, wine, or hard liquor (more than just a few sips?) Checks Row Response %	120 31.7%	25 6.6%	110 29.1%	65 17.2%	84 22.2%	50 13.2%	0 0.0%	* **	55 14.6%	* **	* **	36 9.5%	378
Marijuana (grass, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil)? Checks Row Response %	73 24.3%	42 14.0%	75 25.0%	94 31.3%	37 12.3%	56 18.7%	72 24.0%	49 16.3%	98 32.7%	* **	* **	20 6.7%	300
Nicotine pouches such as ZYN, on!, VELO or Rogue? Checks Row Response %	61 48.0%	* **	* **	* **	* **	* **	* **	* **	* **	* **	* **	* **	127
Cigarettes? Checks Row Response %	54 49.5%	* **	* **	21 19.3%	* **	* **	* **	* **	* **	* **	* **	* **	109
Electronic cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vape pens, or e-hookahs? Checks Row Response %	95 30.4%	40 12.8%	67 21.4%	68 21.7%	76 24.3%	59 18.8%	29 9.3%	25 8.0%	66 21.1%	* **	20 6.4%	25 8.0%	313

	I did not use this in the past 12 months	Because my friends used it	For fun	To feel good	I was curious	I was bored	To help me sleep	To help me focus or study	To help with depression or another mental health issue	To help with an injury or other physical pain	I wasn't sure how to say no	Other	Responses
Kratom, which can come in forms such as powder, pills, or leaf? Checks Row Response %	37 50.7%	* **	* **	* ***	* **	* ***	* **	* ***	* ***	* **	* **	* **	73
Synthetic marijuana or fake weed, also called K2 or Spice? Checks Row Response %	39 44.3%	* **	* **	* ***	* **	* **	* ***	* **	* ***	0 0.0%	* **	0 0.0%	88
Nitrous oxide, galaxy gas, or whippits? Checks Row Response %	36 40.9%	* ***	* ***	* ***	* **	* **	* **	* **	* ***	* **	* **	* ***	88
Totals Responses	221	83	177	161	165	126	103	83	165	36	36	66	

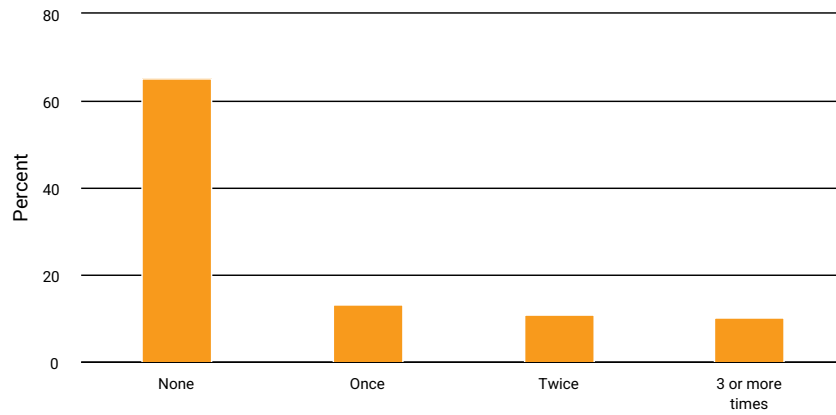
39. During the past year (12 months) did you drink alcohol or use marijuana at any of the following places? (mark ALL that apply.)

"Note: Only respondents who answered "Yes" to ever using "beer, wine, or hard liquor (more than just a few sips)" (n=401) or "marijuana (grass, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil)" (n=320) were asked this question.

	Alcohol	Marijuana	Responses
At my home or someone else's home without any parent permission. Checks	146 55.5%	151 64.5%	220
At my home with my parent's permission. Checks	112 42.6%	76 32.5%	165
At someone else's home with their parent's permission. Checks	65 26.6%	96 41.0%	129
At an open area like a park, beach, or back road. Checks	70 26.6%	143 61.1%	173
At public events such as a sporting event, festival, or concert. Checks	63 24.0%	84 35.9%	117
At a restaurant, bar, or a nightclub. Checks	49 18.6%	56 23.9%	87
In a car. Checks	65 24.7%	135 57.7%	164
At a school dance, a game, or other event. Checks	44 16.7%	87 37.2%	106
At school during the day. Checks	37 14.1%	105 44.9%	122
Near school. Checks	44 16.7%	104 44.4%	123
In another place Checks	104 39.5%	150 64.1%	198
Totals Responses	263	234	

40. Think back over the last two weeks. How many times have you had five or more alcoholic drinks in a row?

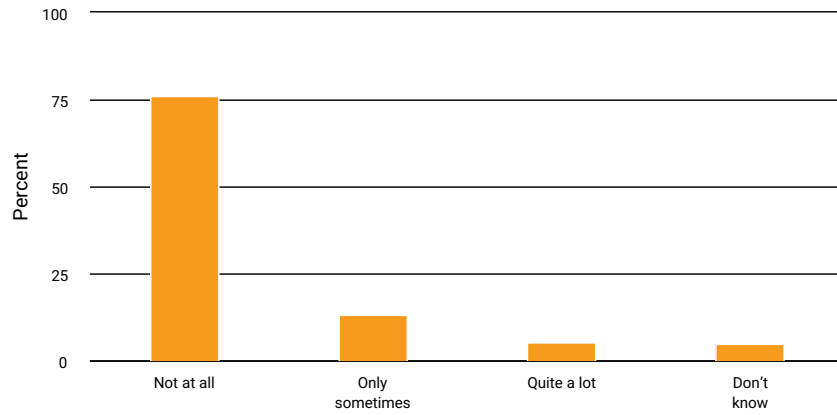
Note: Only respondents who indicated that they had beer, wine, or hard liquor during the past 30 days on at least one occasion were asked this question.



Value	Percent	Responses
None	65.2%	137
Once	13.3%	28
Twice	11.0%	23
3 or more times	10.5%	22

Totals: 210

41. In the past 12 months, how often have you found yourself thinking about gambling or planning to gamble?



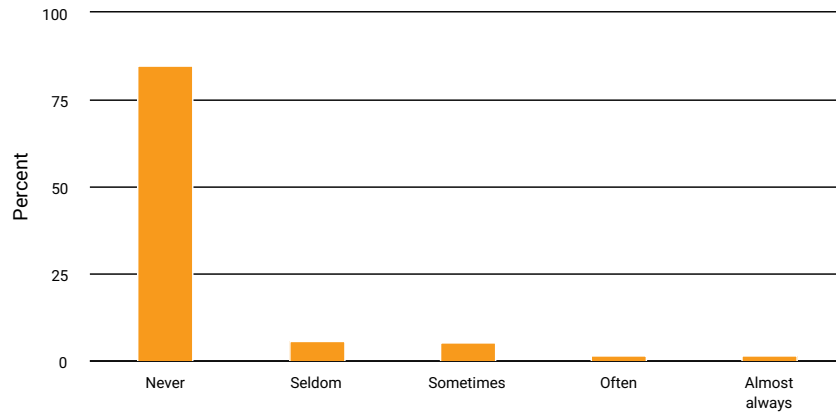
Value	Percent	Responses
Not at all	76.4%	1,642
Only sometimes	13.5%	289
Quite a lot	5.3%	113
Don't know	4.8%	104

Totals: 2,148

42. During the past year (12 months), have you seen or heard gambling advertisements or gambling sponsorships in any of the following places? (Mark all that apply.)

	Yes	No	Don't Know	Responses
On TV				
Count	909	747	469	2,125
Row %	42.8%	35.2%	22.1%	
Linked to a sports event (live or on TV)				
Count	759	849	486	2,094
Row %	36.2%	40.5%	23.2%	
On posters/signs/billboards				
Count	642	921	513	2,076
Row %	30.9%	44.4%	24.7%	
In video games				
Count	757	893	445	2,095
Row %	36.1%	42.6%	21.2%	
Social media websites including Snapchat, Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, Instagram, Reddit, Twitch, or TikTok				
Count	935	714	444	2,093
Row %	44.7%	34.1%	21.2%	
Online at other websites (excluding social media)				
Count	577	950	548	2,075
Row %	27.8%	45.8%	26.4%	
Sponsorships on the TV e.g. a TV program sponsored by a gambling company before or after the program				
Count	642	874	555	2,071
Row %	31.0%	42.2%	26.8%	
Inside sports venues (e.g. at stadiums or on players' uniforms)				
Count	498	967	607	2,072
Row %	24.0%	46.7%	29.3%	
Totals				
Total Responses				2125

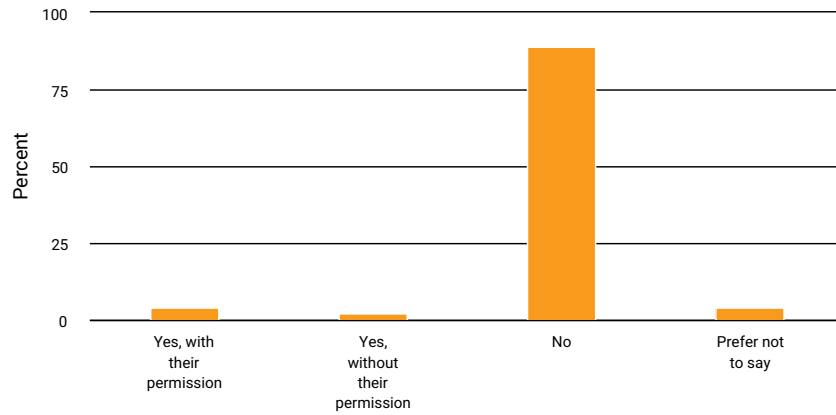
43. Has a gambling advertisement ever prompted you to spend money on gambling when you were not otherwise planning to?



Value	Percent	Responses
Never	84.9%	1,836
Seldom	6.0%	130
Sometimes	5.6%	121
Often	1.7%	37
Almost always	1.8%	39

Totals: 2,163

44. I have used my parents' and/or guardians' personal account to play on gambling websites, or to place bets online.



Value	Percent	Responses
Yes, with their permission	4.2%	90
Yes, without their permission	2.5%	54
No	89.2%	1,934
Prefer not to say	4.1%	89

Totals: 2,167