

6. Alcohol and Other Drug Use

Table A6.1

Summary Measures of Level of AOD Use

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %	Table
Lifetime alcohol or drugs (excluding cold/cough medicines and prescription drugs)	8	24	50	73	A6.3
Current alcohol or drugs	3	15	34	49	A6.4
Current heavy drug uses	0	7	12	40	A6.4
Current heavy alcohol use (binge drinking)	1	4	13	29	A6.4
Current alcohol or drug use on school property	1	4	6	13	A6.9

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 10 respondents.

Table A6.2

Summary of AOD Lifetime Use

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %
Alcohol	6	21	46	67
Marijuana	2	12	34	69
Inhalants	2	3	4	7
Cocaine, Methamphetamine, or any amphetamines	na	2	4	13
Ecstasy, LSD, or other psychedelics	na	3	7	33
Prescription pain killers, Diet Pills, or other prescription stimulant	na	10	17	29

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Table A6.3

Lifetime AOD Use

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %
Alcohol (one full drink)				
0 times	94	79	54	33
1 time	4	6	7	7
2 to 3 times	2	7	8	7
4 or more times	1	9	31	53
Marijuana				
0 times	98	88	66	31
1 time	2	2	4	2
2 to 3 times	0	3	7	7
4 or more times	1	7	23	60
Inhalants (to get “high”)				
0 times	98	97	96	93
1 time	1	1	2	0
2 to 3 times	0	1	1	7
4 or more times	1	1	1	0
Cocaine, Methamphetamine, or any amphetamines				
0 times	na	98	96	87
1 time	na	1	1	2
2 to 3 times	na	0	1	4
4 or more times	na	1	2	7
Ecstasy, LSD, or other psychedelics				
0 times	na	97	93	67
1 time	na	1	3	7
2 to 3 times	na	1	3	16
4 or more times	na	1	1	11
Any other drug, or pill, or medicine to get “high” or for other than medical reasons				
0 times	98	95	94	78
1 time	1	2	2	7
2 to 3 times	1	0	1	7
4 or more times	0	2	3	9
Any of the above AOD use	8	24	50	73

Question HS A.46-49, 51, 56/MS A.47-49, 51: During your life, how many times have you used the following substances? One full drink of alcohol (such as a can of beer, glass of wine, wine cooler, or shot of liquor)... Marijuana (pot, weed, grass, hash, bud)... Inhalants (things you sniff, huff, or breathe to get “high” such as glue, paint, aerosol sprays, gasoline, poppers, gases)... Cocaine, Methamphetamine, or any amphetamines (meth, speed, crystal, crank, ice)... Ecstasy, LSD, or other psychedelics (acid, mescaline, peyote, mushrooms)... Any other drug, or pill, or medicine to get “high” or for other than medical reasons.

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Lifetime AOD Use – Continued

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %
Prescription pain medication, tranquilizers, or sedatives				
0 times	na	93	90	80
1 time	na	2	3	9
2 to 3 times	na	2	2	4
4 or more times	na	3	5	7
Diet Pills				
0 times	na	95	95	93
1 time	na	1	1	2
2 to 3 times	na	0	1	2
4 or more times	na	3	3	2
Ritalin™ or Adderall™ or other prescription stimulant				
0 times	na	95	90	84
1 time	na	1	1	7
2 to 3 times	na	1	4	2
4 or more times	na	3	5	7
Cold/Cough Medicines or other over-the-counter medicines				
0 times	na	84	77	71
1 time	na	4	4	9
2 to 3 times	na	3	4	4
4 or more times	na	10	15	16

Question HS A.52-55: During your life, how many times have you used the following substances?... Prescription pain medication (Vicodin™, OxyContin™, Percodan™, Lortab™), tranquilizers, or sedatives (Xanax™, Ativan™)... Diet Pills (Didrex, Dexedrine, Zinadrine, Skittles, M&M's)... Ritalin™ or Adderall™ (JIF, R-ball, Skippy) or other prescription stimulant... Cold/Cough Medicines (Triple-C's, Coricidin Cough, Sudafed, TheraFlu, Tylenol Cough) or other over-the-counter medicines.

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Table A6.4

Current AOD Use, Past 30 Days

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %
Alcohol (at least one drink)	2	10	26	31
Binge drinking (5 or more drinks in a row)	1	4	13	29
Marijuana	1	9	21	47
Inhalants	1	1	1	4
Prescription medications to get “high” or for reasons other than prescribed	na	3	5	7
Other drug, pill, or medicine to get “high” or for other than medical reasons	1	2	3	7
<i>Any drug use</i>	2	10	23	47
<i>Heavy drug use</i>	0	7	12	40
<i>Any AOD Use</i>	3	15	34	49
Two or more drugs at the same time	na	3	9	18

Question HS A.63-69/MS A.58-62: During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use... at least one drink of alcohol... five or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours... marijuana (pot, weed, grass, hash, bud)... inhalants (things you sniff, huff, or breathe to get “high”)... prescription medications to get “high” or for reasons other than prescribed (such as VicodinTM, OxyContinTM, PercodanTM, RitalinTM, AdderallTM, XanaxTM)... any other drug, pill, or medicine to get “high” or for other than medical reasons... two or more substances at the same time (for example, alcohol with marijuana, ecstasy with mushrooms)?

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Heavy drug use was calculated based on pattern of combined current drug use on three or more days (marijuana, inhalants, prescription pain medicine to get “high” (high school only) and any other illegal drug/pill to get “high”).

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Table A6.5

Frequency of Current AOD Use, Past 30 Days

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %
Alcohol (at least one drink)				
0 days	98	90	74	69
1 or 2 days	2	8	18	9
3 to 9 days	0	2	6	11
10 to 19 days	0	0	1	2
20 or more days	0	1	1	9
Binge drinking (5 or more drinks in a row)				
0 days	99	96	87	71
1 or 2 days	0	2	8	7
3 to 9 days	0	0	4	11
10 to 19 days	0	0	1	2
20 or more days	0	1	0	9
Marijuana				
0 days	99	91	79	53
1 or 2 days	1	3	10	9
3 to 9 days	0	3	5	9
10 to 19 days	0	1	2	4
20 or more days	0	1	4	24

Question HS A.63-65/MS A.58-60: During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use... at least one drink of alcohol... five or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours... marijuana (pot, weed, grass, hash, bud)?

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Table A6.6

Lifetime Drunk or “High”

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %
Very drunk or sick after drinking alcohol				
0 times	98	90	72	47
1 to 2 times	2	7	15	22
3 to 6 times	0	2	8	7
7 or more times	0	2	5	24
“High” (loaded, stoned, or wasted) from using drugs				
0 times	99	90	70	36
1 to 2 times	1	3	8	5
3 to 6 times	0	2	6	2
7 or more times	0	4	16	57
Very drunk or “high” 7 or more times	1	5	17	56

Question HS A.57, 58/MS A.52, 53: During your life, how many times have you been... very drunk or sick after drinking alcohol... “high” (loaded, stoned, or wasted) from using drugs?

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Table A6.7

Cessation Attempts

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %
Alcohol				
Does not apply, don’t use	na	90	71	64
0 times	na	7	24	25
1 time	na	1	3	5
2 to 3 times	na	1	1	2
4 or more times	na	1	0	5
Marijuana				
Does not apply, don’t use	na	91	74	55
0 times	na	6	20	27
1 time	na	1	5	9
2 to 3 times	na	1	1	2
4 or more times	na	1	0	7

Question HS A.86, 87: How many times have you tried to quit or stop using... alcohol... marijuana?

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Table A6.8

Drinking While Driving, Lifetime

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %
Driven a car when you had been drinking, or been in a car driven by a friend who had been drinking				
Never	na	93	87	82
1 time	na	3	5	2
2 times	na	1	3	2
3 to 6 times	na	2	2	7
7 or more times	na	2	2	7
Have ridden in a car driven by someone who had been drinking				
Never	81	na	na	na
1 time	9	na	na	na
2 times	3	na	na	na
3 to 6 times	2	na	na	na
7 or more times	5	na	na	na

Question HS A.88/MS A.78: During your life, how many times have you ever driven a car when you had been drinking alcohol, or been in a car driven by a friend when he or she had been drinking?... In your life, how many times have you ridden in a car driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol?

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na—Not asked of middle/high school students.

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Table A6.9

Current AOD Use on School Property, Past 30 Days

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %
Alcohol				
0 days	99	97	97	91
1 to 2 days	1	2	3	0
3 or more days	0	1	0	9
Marijuana				
0 days	100	98	96	88
1 to 2 days	0	0	2	2
3 or more days	0	2	1	9
Any other drug, pill, or medicine to get "high" or for other than medical reasons?				
0 days	100	98	98	91
1 to 2 days	0	0	1	4
3 or more days	0	2	1	4
Any of the above	1	4	6	13

Question HS A.73-75/MS A.66-68: During the past 30 days, on how many days on school property did you... have at least one drink of alcohol... smoke marijuana... use any other drug, pill, or medicine to get "high" or for other than medical reasons?

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Table A6.10

Lifetime Drunk or "High" on School Property

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %
0 times	99	96	85	62
1 to 2 times	0	2	7	9
3 to 6 times	0	1	4	4
7 or more times	0	2	4	24

Question HS A.59/MS A.54: During your life, how many times have you been... drunk on alcohol or "high" on drugs on school property?

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Table A6.11

Perceived Harm and Availability

	Grade 7 %	Grade 9 %	Grade 11 %	NT %
<i>Perceived Harm of Use...</i>				
Alcohol - drink occasionally				
Great	24	30	15	36
Moderate	27	21	22	14
Slight	30	32	43	34
None	20	17	21	16
Alcohol - 5 or more drinks once or twice a week				
Great	59	65	55	53
Moderate	20	18	30	24
Slight	7	5	10	9
None	14	12	4	13
Marijuana - smoke occasionally				
Great	40	34	15	33
Moderate	31	21	18	7
Slight	13	22	33	9
None	15	23	34	51
Marijuana - smoke once or twice a week				
Great	63	47	29	33
Moderate	15	20	25	11
Slight	7	14	25	16
None	15	18	20	40
<i>Perceived Difficulty of Obtaining...</i>				
Alcohol				
Very difficult	17	9	3	11
Fairly difficult	14	8	4	0
Fairly easy	15	22	29	16
Very easy	11	28	42	52
Don't know	43	33	22	20
Marijuana				
Very difficult	25	9	3	9
Fairly difficult	14	7	4	2
Fairly easy	8	22	25	14
Very easy	6	29	46	55
Don't know	47	33	22	20

Question HS A.78-81, 83, 84/MS A.71-74, 76, 77: How much do people risk harming themselves physically and in other ways when they do the following?... Drink alcohol occasionally... Have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week... Smoke marijuana occasionally... Smoke marijuana once or twice a week... How difficult is it for students in your grade to get any of the following substances if they really want them?... Alcohol... Marijuana.

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