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What is the Youth Risk Behavior Survey?

The Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) was designed to measure health risk behaviors, such as smoking, drinking and driving, and obesity, among the nation's youth. Developed by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, Georgia, the 87-item, multiple-choice YRBS questionnaire was tested and revised several times prior to implementation to assure that results would be both accurate and useful. The survey has been used nationally, at a statewide level, and locally.

During September, 2001, usable YRBS questionnaires were completed by 803 seventh through twelfth grade students throughout Lawrence County public schools. The information provided by those students is presented in this report.

Why did Lawrence County conduct the YRBS?

Lawrence County was selected by the Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) to participate in Hometown Health Improvement (HHI), a new community health assessment project. Lawrence County HHI is working to assess the specific health needs of Lawrence County residents. In order to collect information on the health behaviors of the community's youth, HHI coalition members requested that the Youth Risk Behavior Survey be administered to the students in the seventh through twelfth grades at Lawrence County schools.

The YRBS will help Lawrence County identify students' current health and safety habits so that improvements can be made where needed. Healthy lifestyles for Lawrence County students mean longer, more productive lives for the county's young people, as well as improved learning in the classroom.

The 2001-2002 YRBS also provides Lawrence County with measures for evaluating future trends in health habits of youth. Survey results can now serve as a valuable tool, particularly for legislators, policy makers, school administrators, and teachers as they make decisions about new disease-prevention and health-promotion policies, services, programs, and educational activities. Parents and students can use these results to evaluate potential changes toward better health. Specifically, YRBS' findings form a valuable base upon which Lawrence County can strengthen its ability to:

- Establish disease prevention and health promotion policies;
- Plan and implement programs and services;

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- Secure funding for programs;
- Allocate limited resources toward targeted needs and priorities;
- Conduct future research and note progress or deficiencies, and
- Enact laws to prevent injuries and unnecessary deaths.

How was the YRBS conducted?

During September, 2001, seventh through twelfth grade students enrolled in Lawrence County public schools completed the YRBS. All students who attended school on the day that their school administered the test to their grade were eligible to participate, but their participation was voluntary. Hoxie Schools did not participate in the survey. The following Lawrence County schools' students participated in the survey:

Lynn Schools

Sloan-Hendrix Schools

Black Rock Schools

River Valley Schools

Walnut Ridge Schools

About This Report

This report entitled "2001-2002 Lawrence County Youth Risk Behavior Survey" summarizes the overall answers Lawrence County's students reported about safety, diet and exercise, alcohol, tobacco, and other health risk behaviors. Lawrence County's survey of public schools provides a "snapshot" of students' behaviors. The survey contains questions related to:

- Behaviors that result in intentional and unintentional injuries;
- Tobacco use;
- Alcohol and other drug use;
- Sexual behaviors that result in HIV infection, other sexually-transmitted diseases (STD's), and unintentional pregnancies; and
- Physical activity and nutrition.

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This report summarizes Lawrence County's findings on the priority health risks that result in the most significant causes of death and disability of youth in Arkansas. Written for concerned educators, policy makers, parents, and youth, this YRBS report provides a brief overview of:

- The survey's process and procedures;
- Survey questions;
- Students' answers;
- Percentage of YRBS participants giving those answers; and
- Major summary findings.

How Results Can Be Interpreted

Lawrence County's 2001-2002 Youth Risk Behavior Survey is a "snapshot in time" showing those health-risk behaviors reported by Lawrence County students in September, 2001. Answers in this survey were only as accurate as students' reporting. Each student interpreted the terms in each question according to his or her own definitions. For instance, is a pocketknife a "weapon?" What area does "on school property" include? Some students chose not to answer certain questions, meaning that not all students surveyed were represented in every response.

Answers were edited for consistency using the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's YRBS data editing guidelines. For example, if a student reported that he or she had driven under the influence of alcohol, but reported that he or she had never had a drink of alcohol, the answers for those questions were deleted from the survey. Additionally, some students chose not to answer certain questions.

The percentages presented in this report were rounded to the nearest whole percent. For example, 75.5% would be reported as 76%, while 75.4% would be reported as 75%. Due to this rounding, total percentages may add up to 99% or 101%.

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Sincere Appreciation To:

- The superintendents, principals, counselors, nurses, and teachers of Lawrence County schools who so graciously gave of their time and energy to see this survey through to its completion;
- The Lawrence County students who completed the YRBS questionnaires;
- The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Adolescent and School Health's Surveillance Research Section, which developed the survey process and questionnaire;
- Gary Ragen and the ADH Division of Emergency Medical Services for scanning the survey forms;
- Kathleen Courtney and the Arkansas Department of Education for support and assistance with this project.

Interested individuals may request additional information. Researchers and professional wanting to build upon Lawrence County's 2001-2002 YRBS data may request additional data from:

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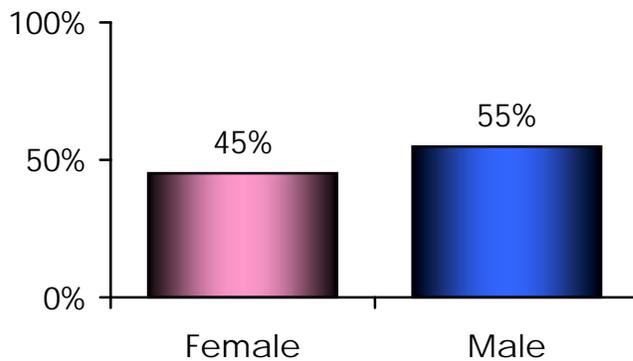
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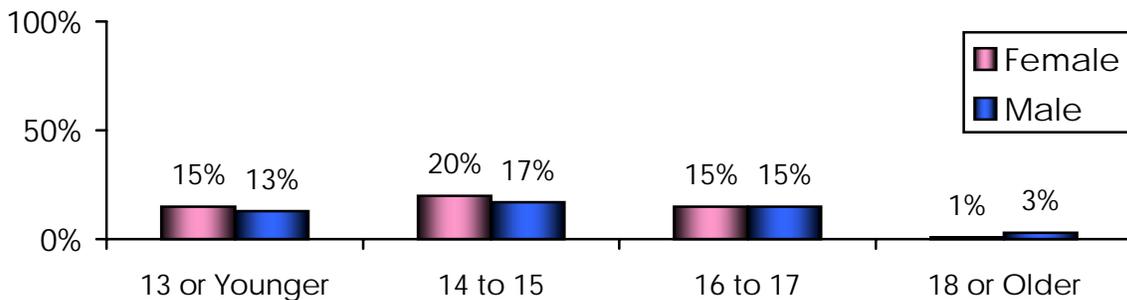
Demographics of survey participants:

Total number of survey participants = 803

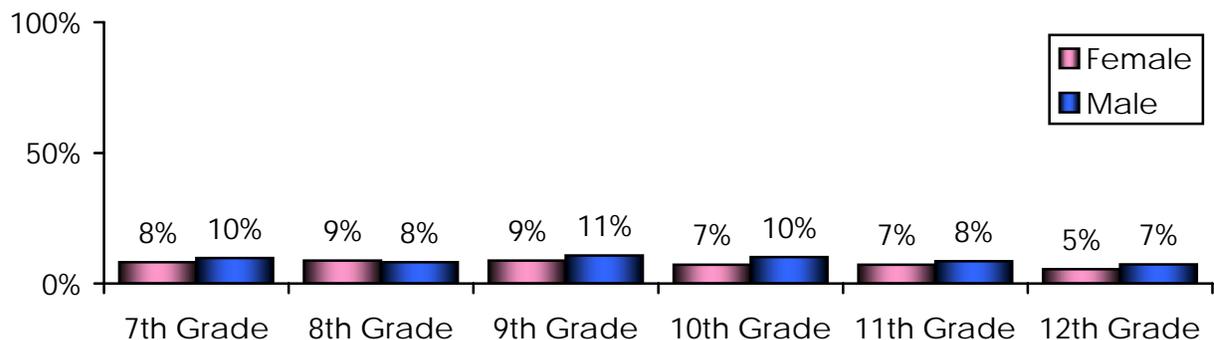
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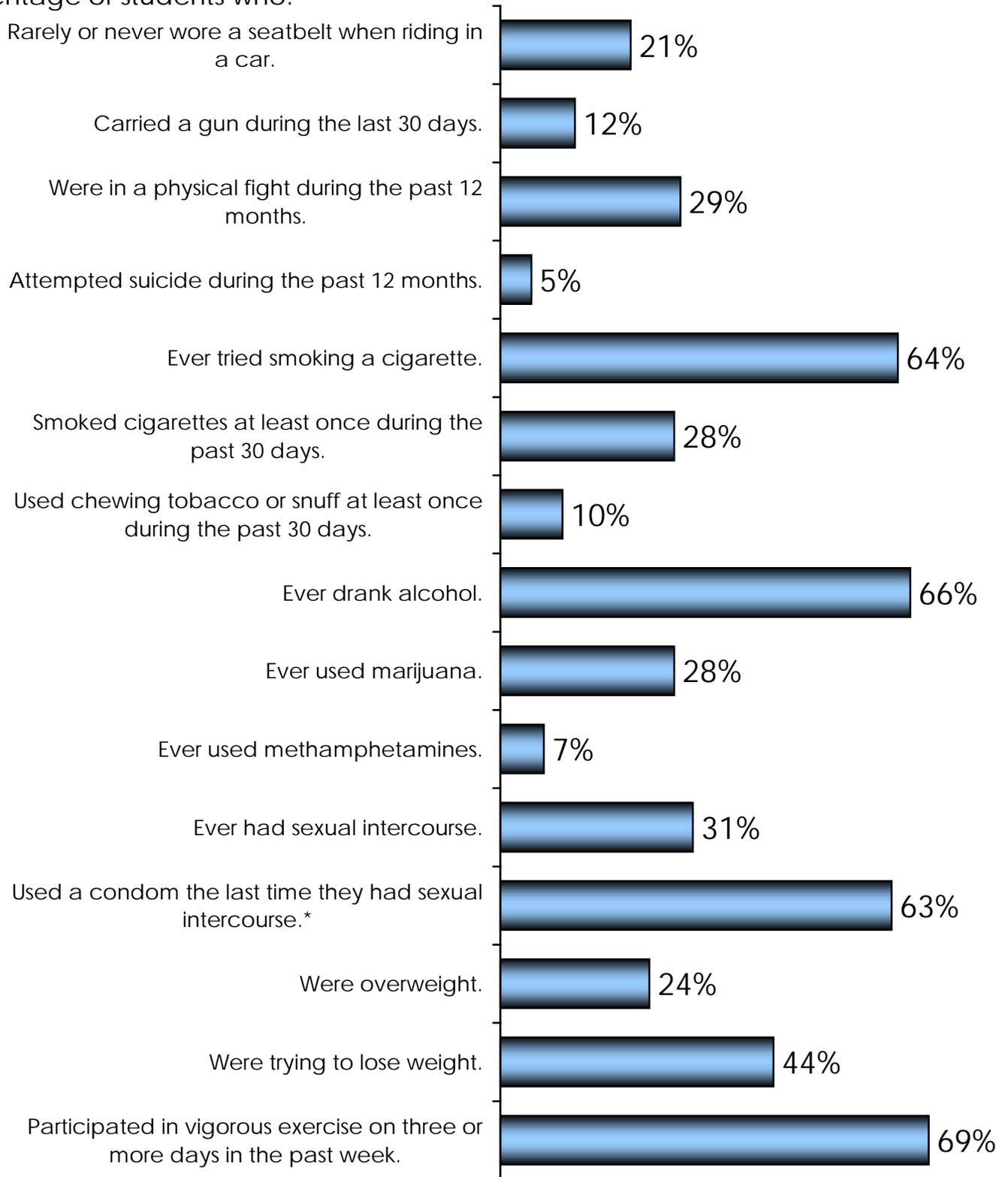
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Summary of Lawrence County YRBS Findings

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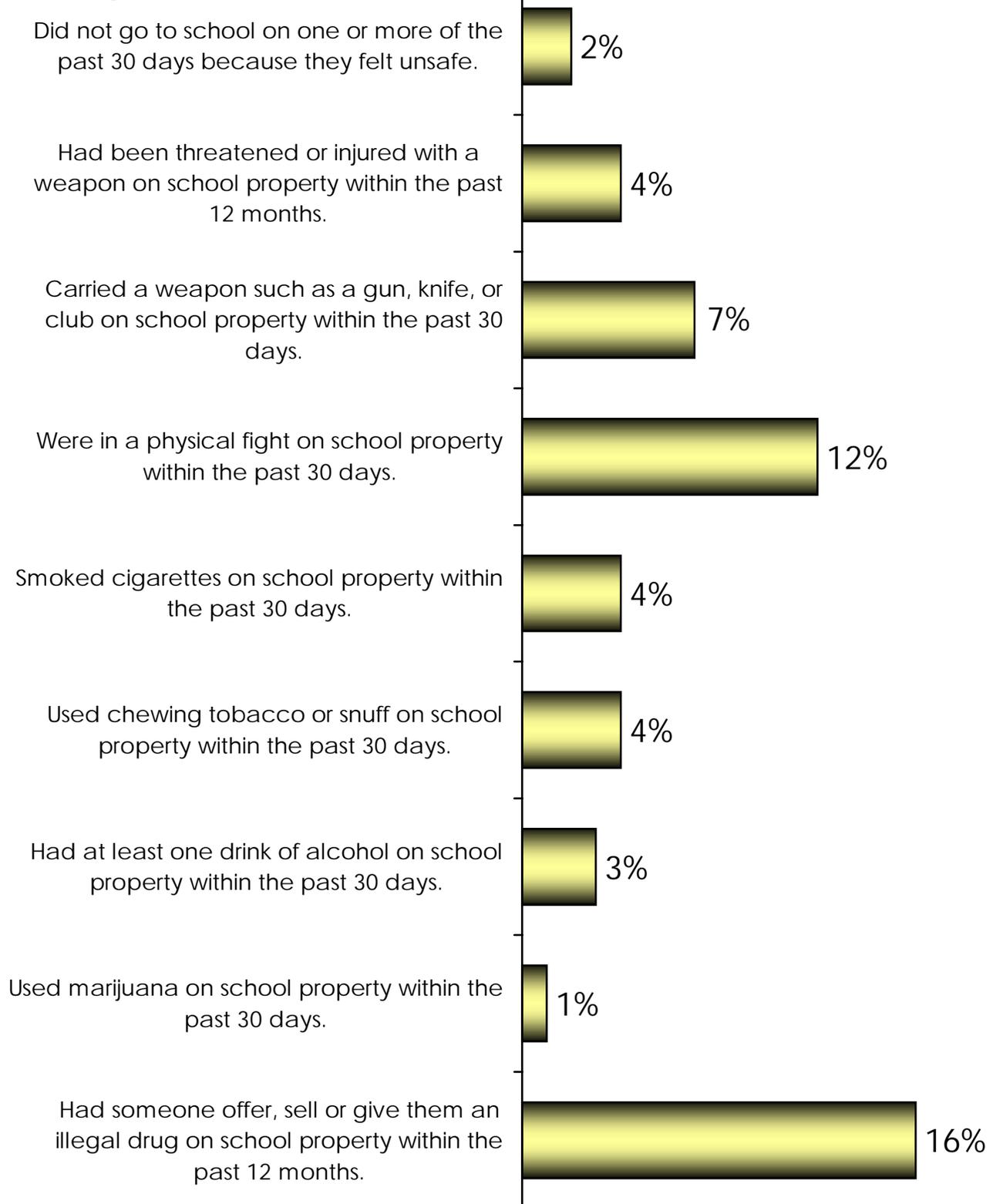


* Of those who had ever had sexual intercourse.

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Summary of Behaviors Relating to School Property

Percentage of students who:



Key Findings

The following summaries highlight Lawrence County students' responses on the Youth Risk Behavior Survey in key areas and provide an overview of Lawrence County students' current activities, which impact their health.

Behaviors that Result in Injuries

- Of the students who had ridden a motorcycle during the 12 months prior to the survey, 52% said they rarely or never wore a helmet. Ninety-five percent of the students who had ridden a bicycle in the year prior to the survey indicated that they never or rarely wore a helmet.
- Twenty-seven percent of the students surveyed said that during the previous month they had ridden in a vehicle driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol. Eleven indicated they had driven a vehicle after drinking alcohol during the past 30 days.
- Twenty-seven percent of students carried a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club in the past 30 days, and 7% carried a weapon on school property during that time.
- During the 12 months preceding the survey, 29% of the students had been in a physical fight one or more times. Of those students who had been in a physical fight, 7% had to be treated for injuries sustained while fighting.
- Seven percent of the students surveyed reported they had been hit, slapped, or physically hurt on purpose by a boyfriend or girlfriend at least once during their lives.
- Six percent (6%) of the students indicated being forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to at least once during their lives.

Depression and Suicide

- Twenty-two percent of students indicated they had felt so sad or hopeless for two weeks or longer that they stopped doing some of their usual activities.
- During the 12 months before being surveyed, 13% of students had seriously considered attempting suicide, 8% had made a plan about how they would attempt suicide, and 5% actually attempted to commit suicide. One percent of students surveyed reported they were treated by a doctor or nurse for an injury, overdose, or poisoning resulting from a suicide attempt.

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Tobacco Use

- Sixty-four percent of the students surveyed said they had tried smoking a cigarette. Twenty-eight percent reported smoking cigarettes on one or more of the past 30 days. Of the students who smoked during the past month, 69% said they usually smoked two or more cigarettes on the days they smoked, and 18% said they usually got their own cigarettes by purchasing them at a store. Fifty-five percent of the student smokers who purchased cigarettes in a store in the month before the survey were not asked to show proof of age when they purchased cigarettes.
- Ten percent of the students had used chewing tobacco or snuff on one or more of the past 30 days, and 4% had used it on school property.
- Eleven percent of the students surveyed indicated they had smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars at least once during the previous month.

Alcohol and Other Drug Use

- Sixty-six percent of the students surveyed indicated they had at least one drink of alcohol other than just a few sips at least once during their lives, and 37% had taken their first drink by the age of 13.
- Thirty-five percent of the students had taken at least one drink of alcohol in the month before the survey, and 25% had five or more drinks in a row, that is, within a couple of hours, on one or more of the past 30 days.
- Twenty-eight percent of the students said they had used marijuana at least once during their lives. Sixteen percent said they had smoked marijuana at least once during the last month.
- Fourteen percent said they had sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high at least once during their lives. Three percent had done so during the past month.
- Seven percent of the students surveyed had tried methamphetamines, 2% tried heroin, and 5% had tried cocaine at least once during their lives. Two percent had used a needle to inject an illegal drug into their bodies at least once.
- Five percent of the students surveyed had taken steroid pills or shots without a doctor's prescription.

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Sexual Activity

- Thirty-one percent of the students who completed the survey said they had sexual intercourse. Ten percent of the students reported having four or more sexual partners during their lifetimes. Of the students who had sexual intercourse, 24% had used drugs or alcohol before their last sexual encounter, and 63% used a condom the last time they had sex.
- Three percent of the students surveyed reported that they had ever been or gotten someone pregnant.

Dietary Behaviors

- Twenty-four percent of the students surveyed were overweight, as measured by Body Mass Index. The Body Mass Index, or BMI, is a ratio of weight to height that allows people of different heights to be compared.
- While only 24% of the students are considered overweight as measured by BMI, 30% of the students perceived themselves as slightly to very overweight, and 44% reported that they were trying to lose weight.
- Thirty-seven percent of the students ate less during the past 30 days to lose or keep from gaining weight, and 59% exercised, 6% vomited or took laxatives, 10% took diet pills, and 13% went without eating for 24 hours or more to lose weight or keep from gaining weight.

Physical Activity

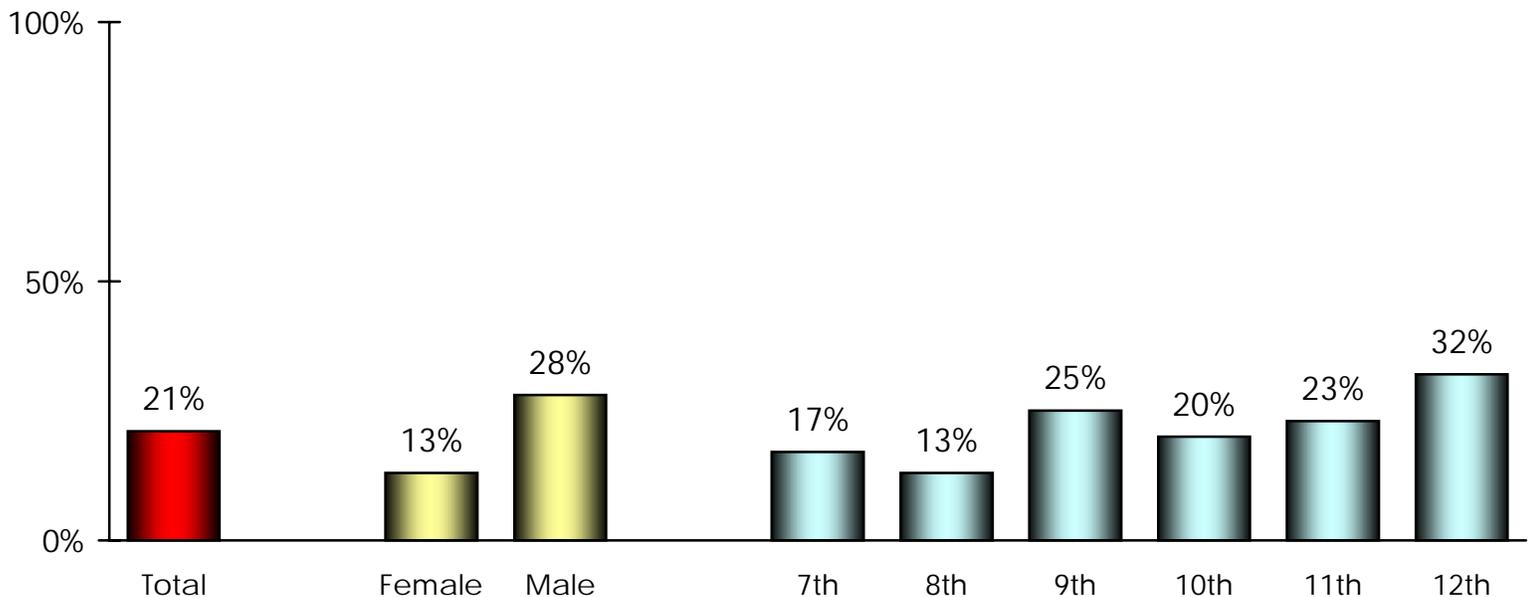
- Sixty-nine percent of the students surveyed said they had participated in a physical activity for at least 30 minutes that made them sweat and breathe hard on three or more of the past 7 days. Thirty-two percent said they participated in a physical activity for at least 30 minutes on three or more days during the past week which did not make them sweat or breathe hard.
- Forty-four percent of the students attended a physical education (PE) class at least once during an average school week, and 56% said they had played on one or more sports teams during the past year.

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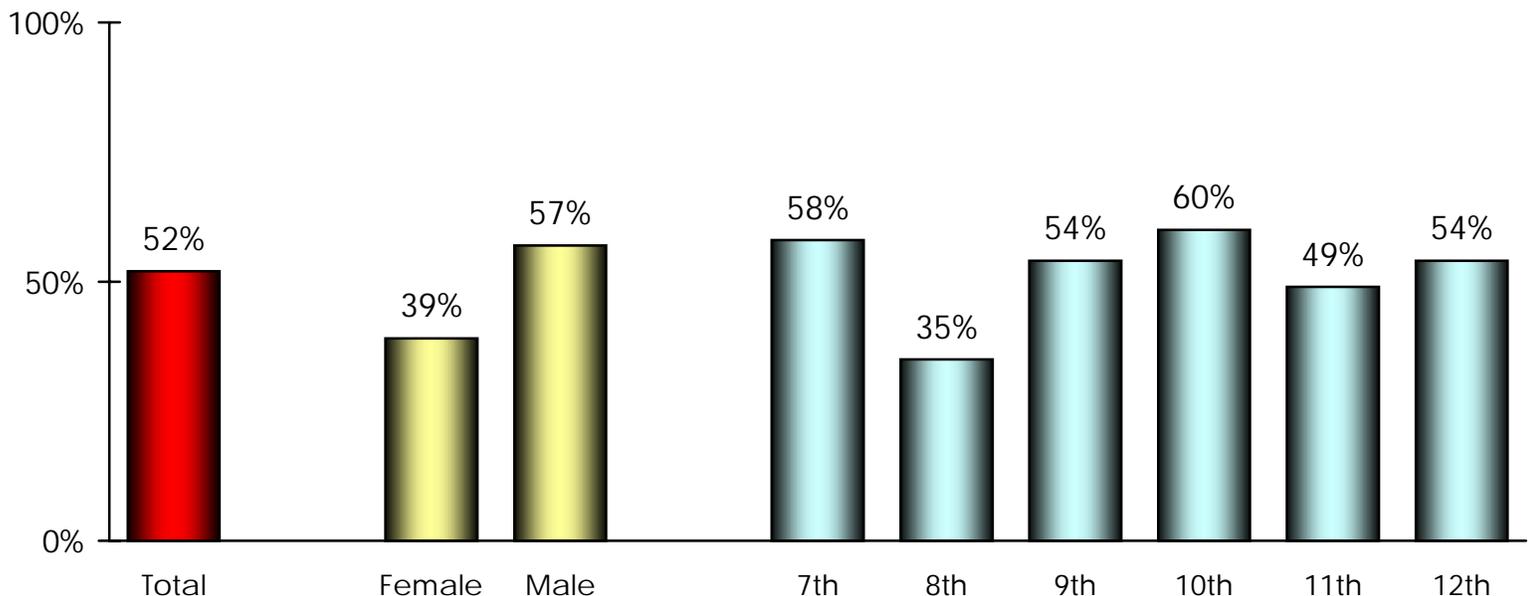
■ Vehicle Safety

These questions measure the frequency with which students take safety precautions when riding in a motor vehicle, riding a motorcycle or a bicycle.

Percentage of students who never or rarely wore a seat belt when riding in a car driven by someone else.

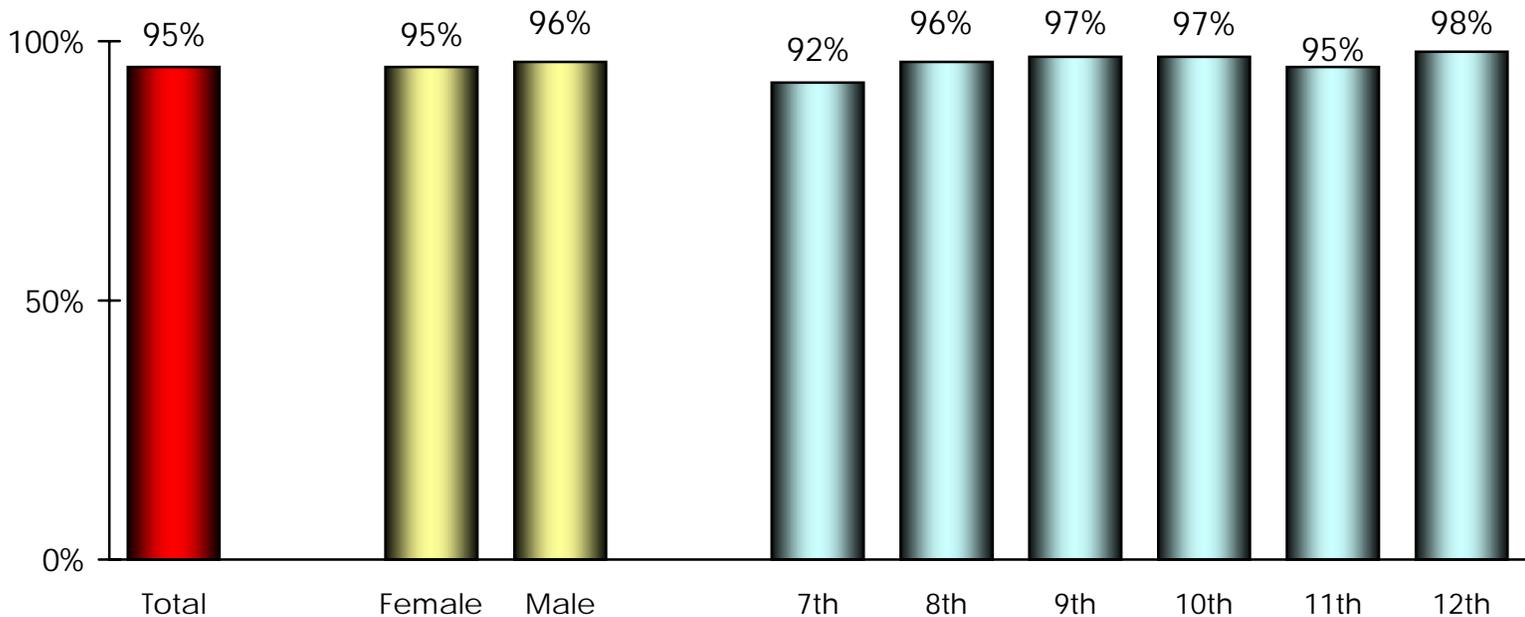


Of students who rode a motorcycle during the past 12 months, the percentage who never or rarely wore a helmet.



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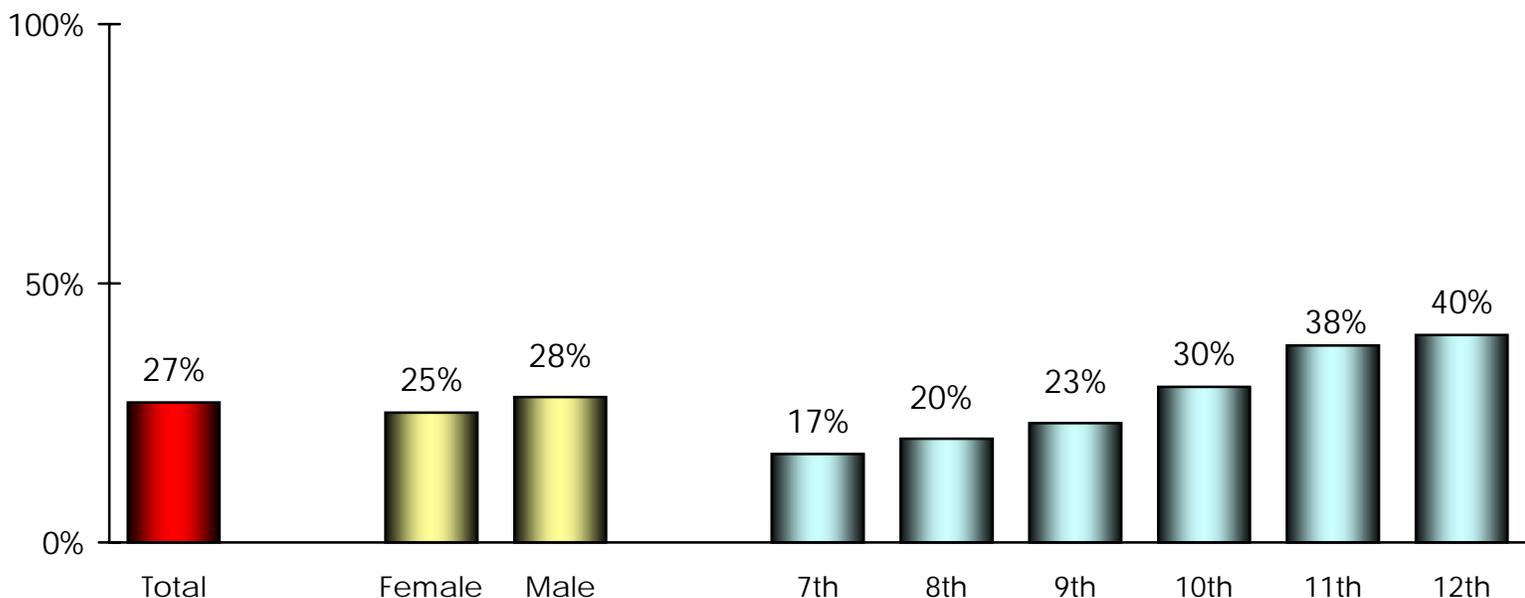
Of students who rode a bicycle during the past 12 months, the percentage who never or rarely wore a bicycle helmet.



■ Vehicle Safety – Drinking and Driving

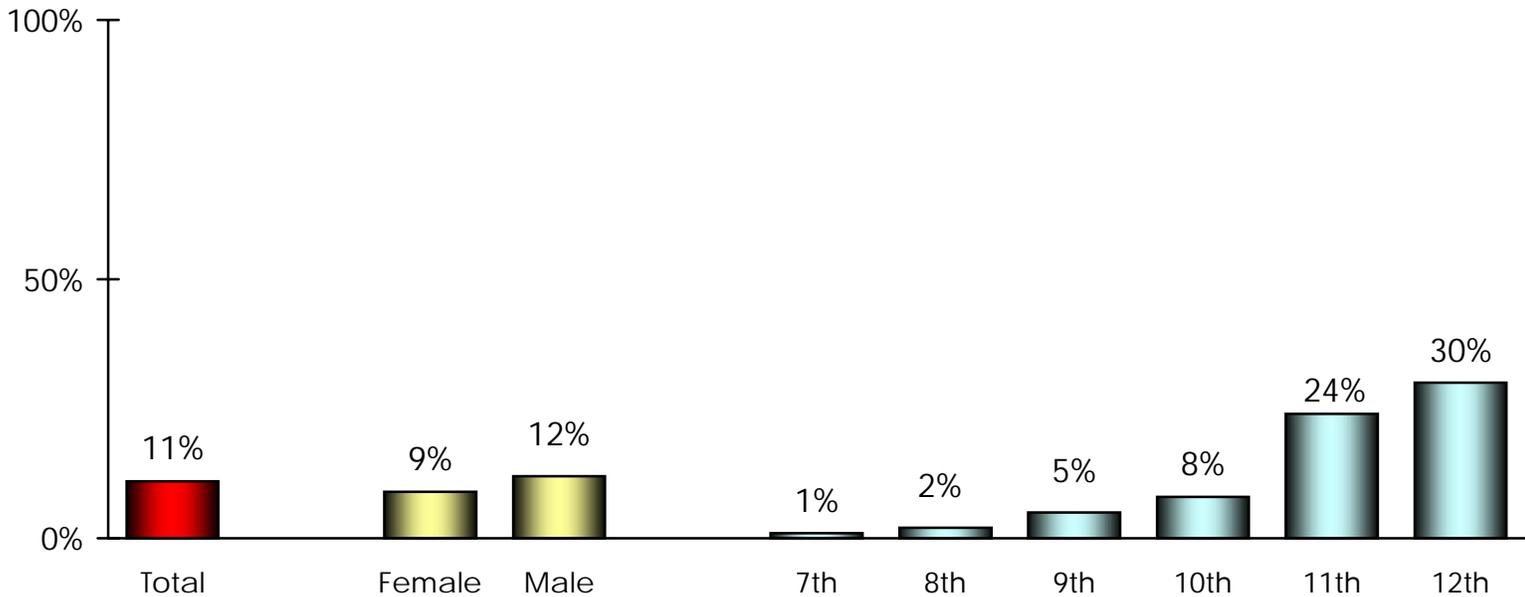
These questions measure the frequency with which students ride as a passenger or driver in a motor vehicle operated under the influence of alcohol.

Percentage of students who during the past 30 days rode one or more times in a car or other vehicle driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol.



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Percentage of students who during the past 30 days drove a car or other vehicle one or more times when they had been drinking alcohol.

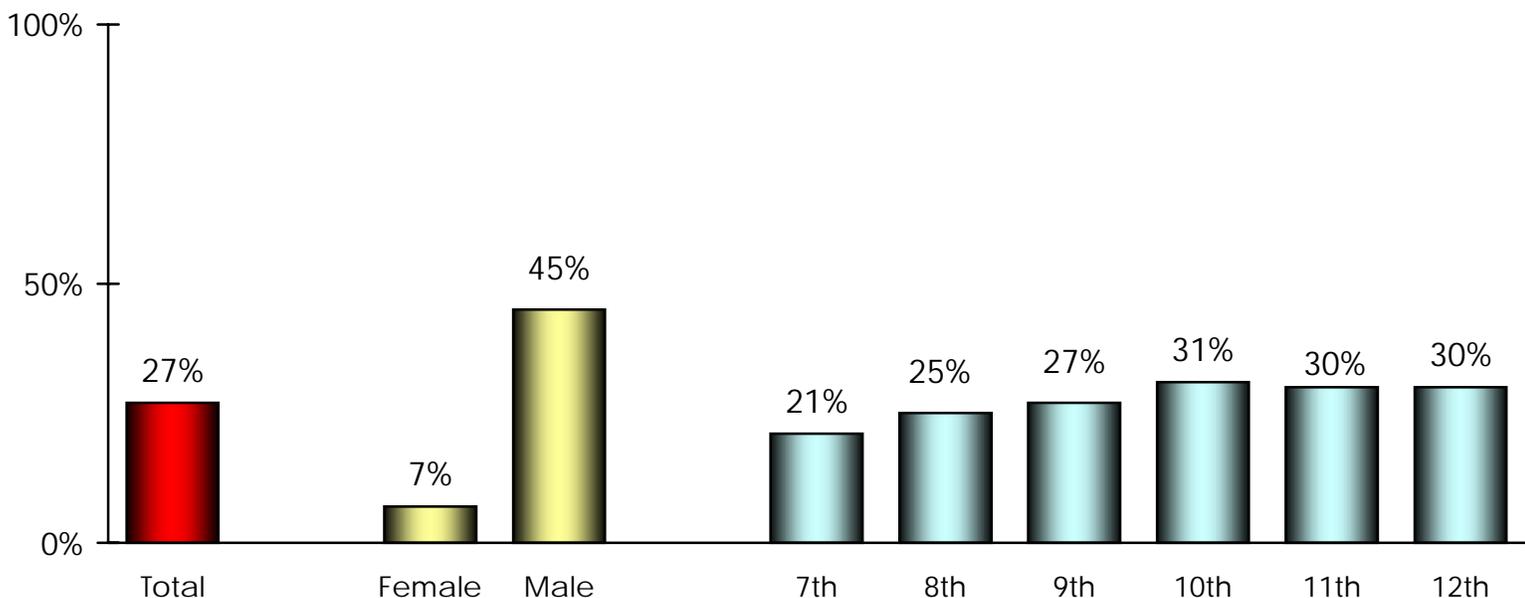


■ Violence-Related Behaviors

These questions measure violence-related behaviors.

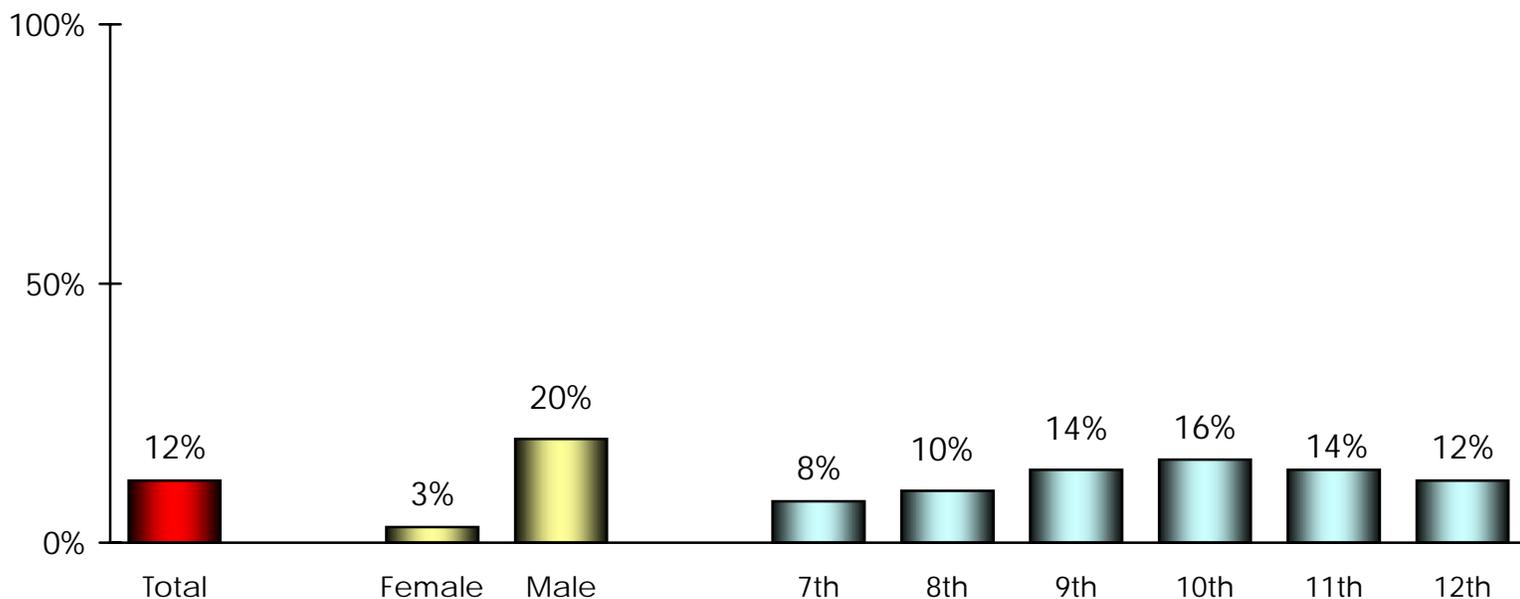
Percentage of students who carried a weapon* on one or more of the past 30 days.

* Such as a gun, knife, or club

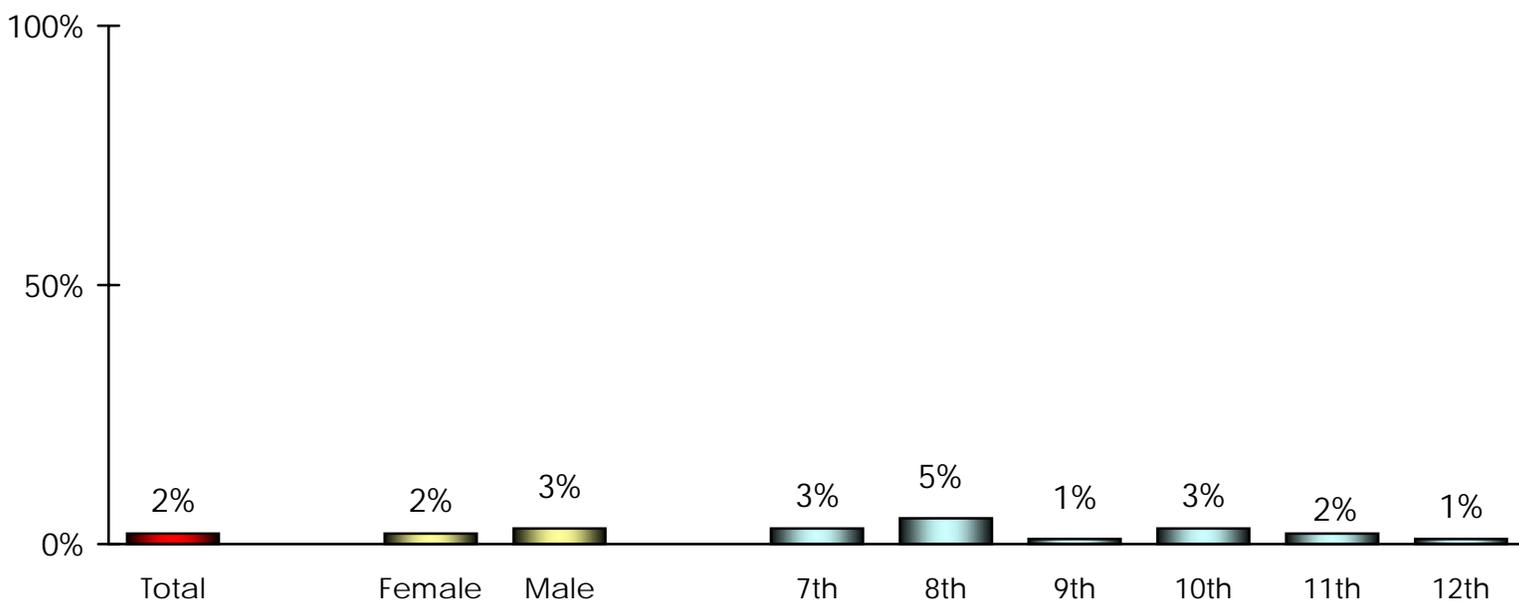


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Percentage of students who carried a gun on one or more of the past 30 days.



Percentage of students who did not go to school on one or more of the past 30 days because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to or from school.

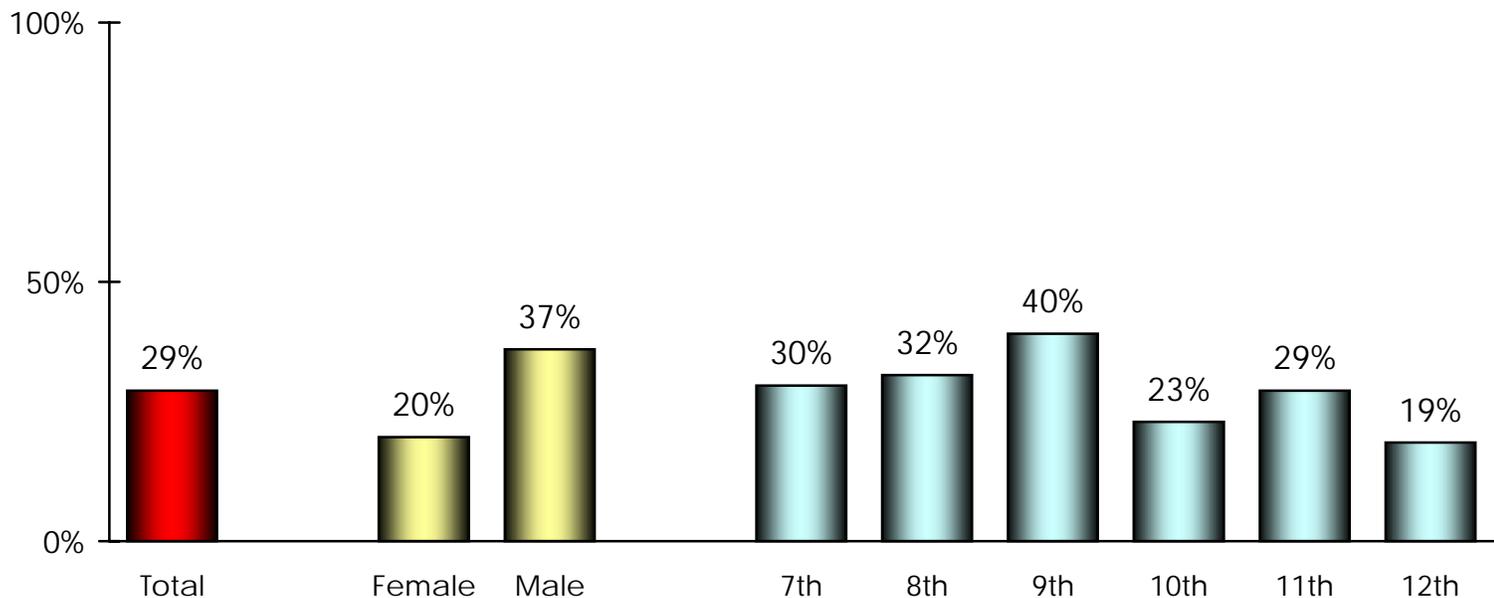


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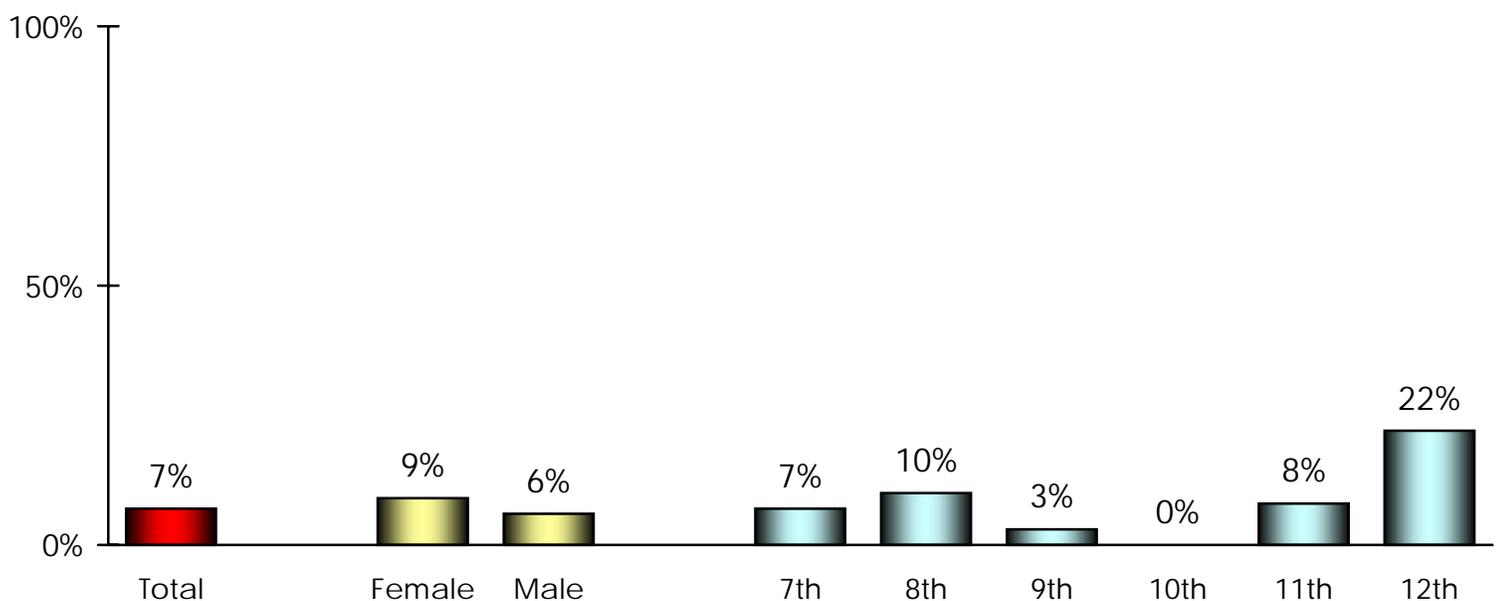
■ Violence – Physical Fighting

These questions measure the frequency and severity of physical fights.

Percentage of students who were in a physical fight one or more times during the past 12 months.



Of students who had been in a physical fight in the past 12 months, the percentage who had to be treated by a doctor or nurse one or more times.

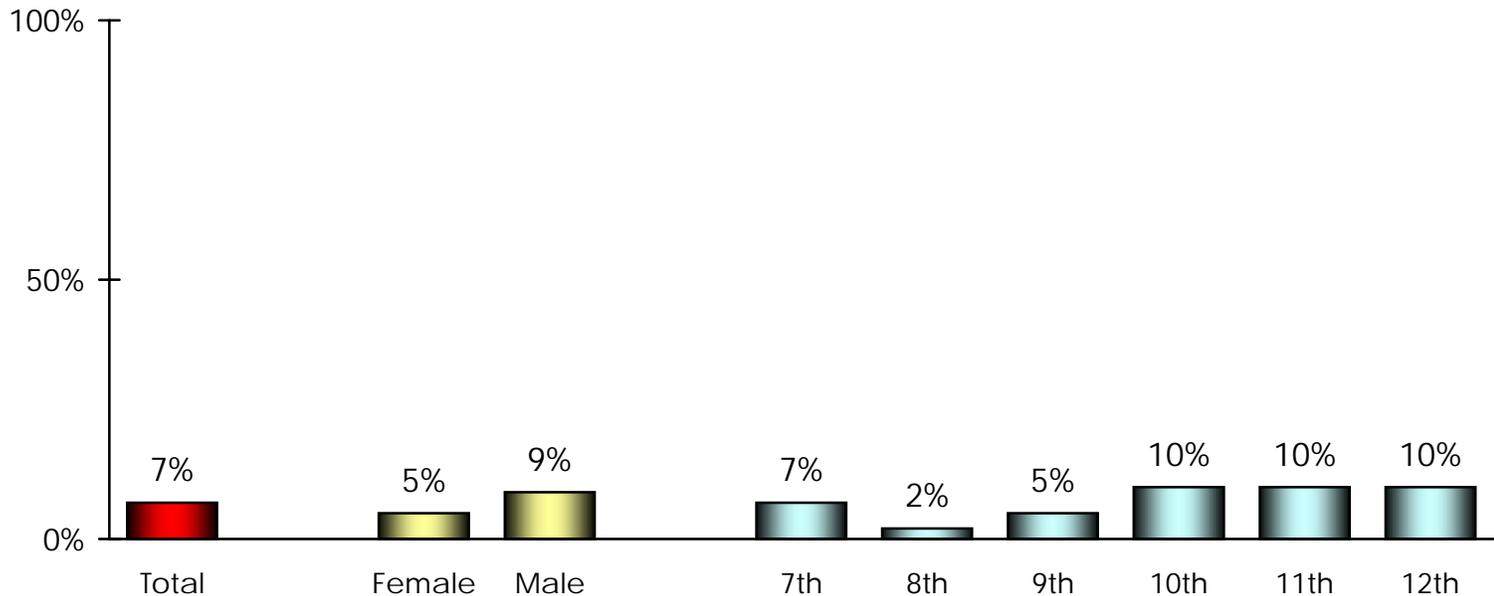


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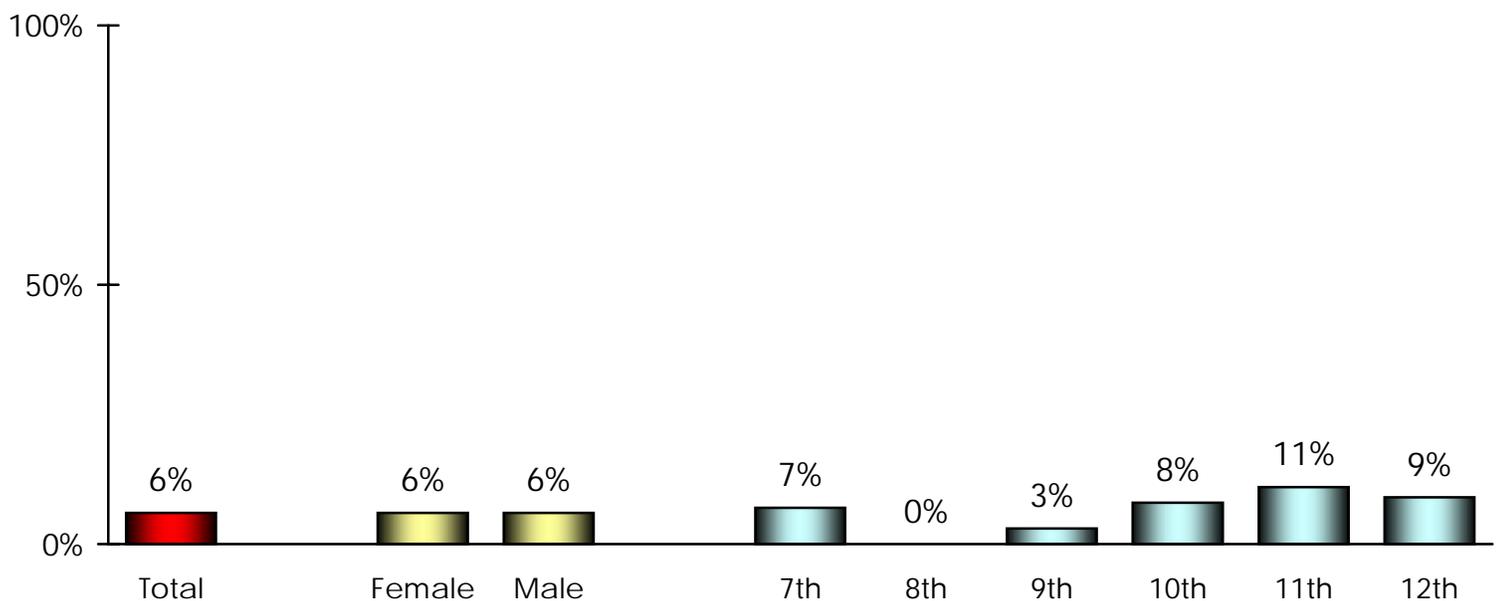
■ Violence – Sexual Violence

These questions measure rape and domestic violence.

Percentage of students who were hit, slapped, or physically hurt on purpose by a boyfriend or girlfriend.



Percentage of students who have ever been forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to.

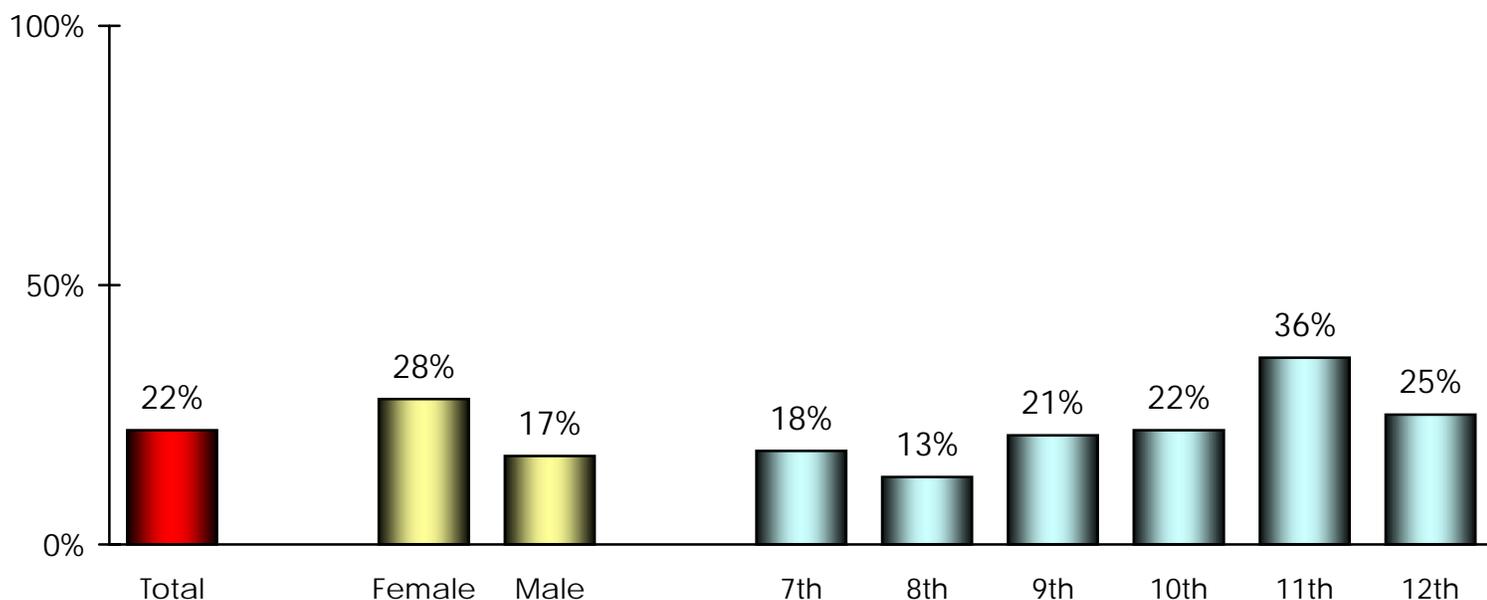


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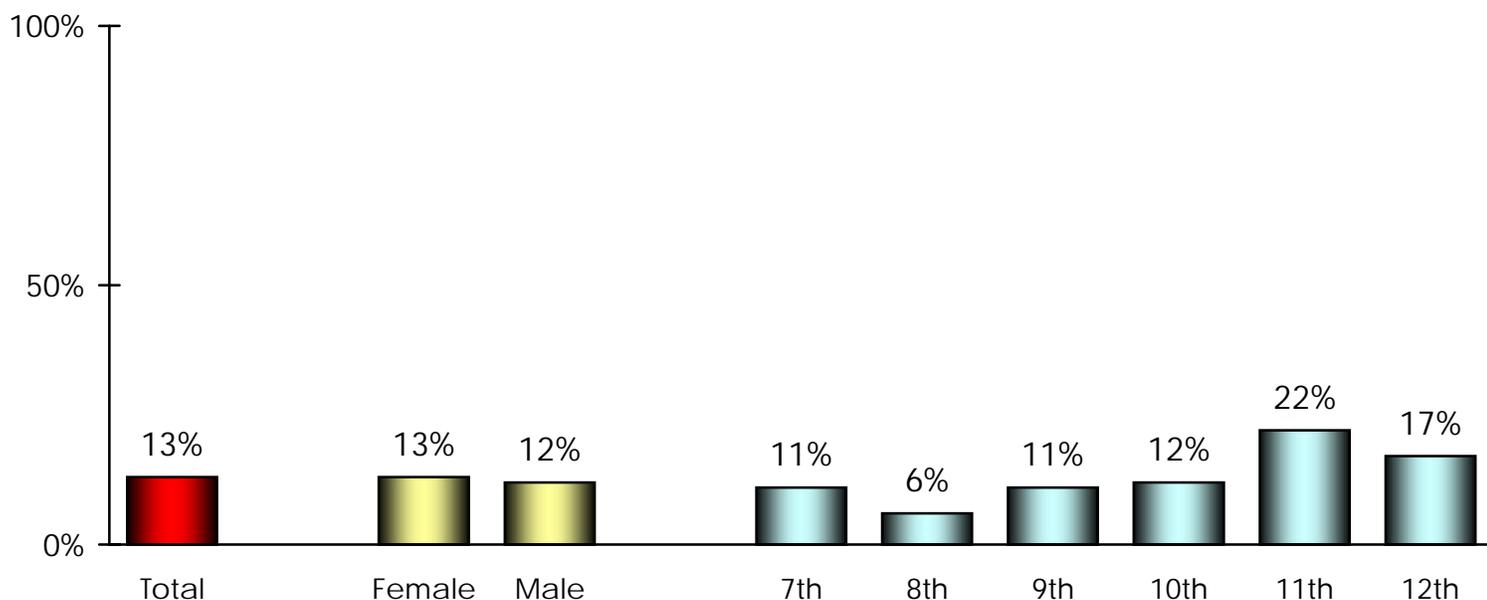
■ Depression and Suicide

These questions measure depression, suicide, suicide attempts, and the seriousness of those attempts.

Percentage of students who felt so sad or hopeless for two weeks or longer that they stopped doing some of their usual activities.

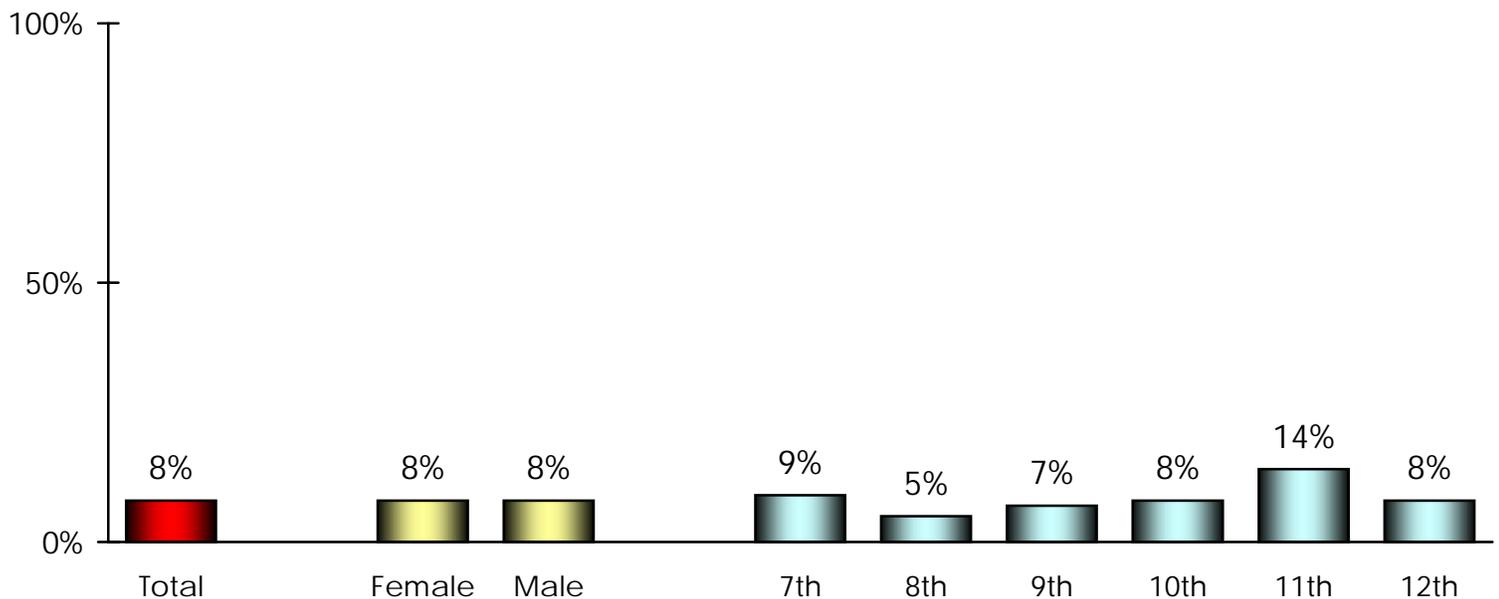


Percentage of students who seriously considered attempting suicide during the past 12 months.

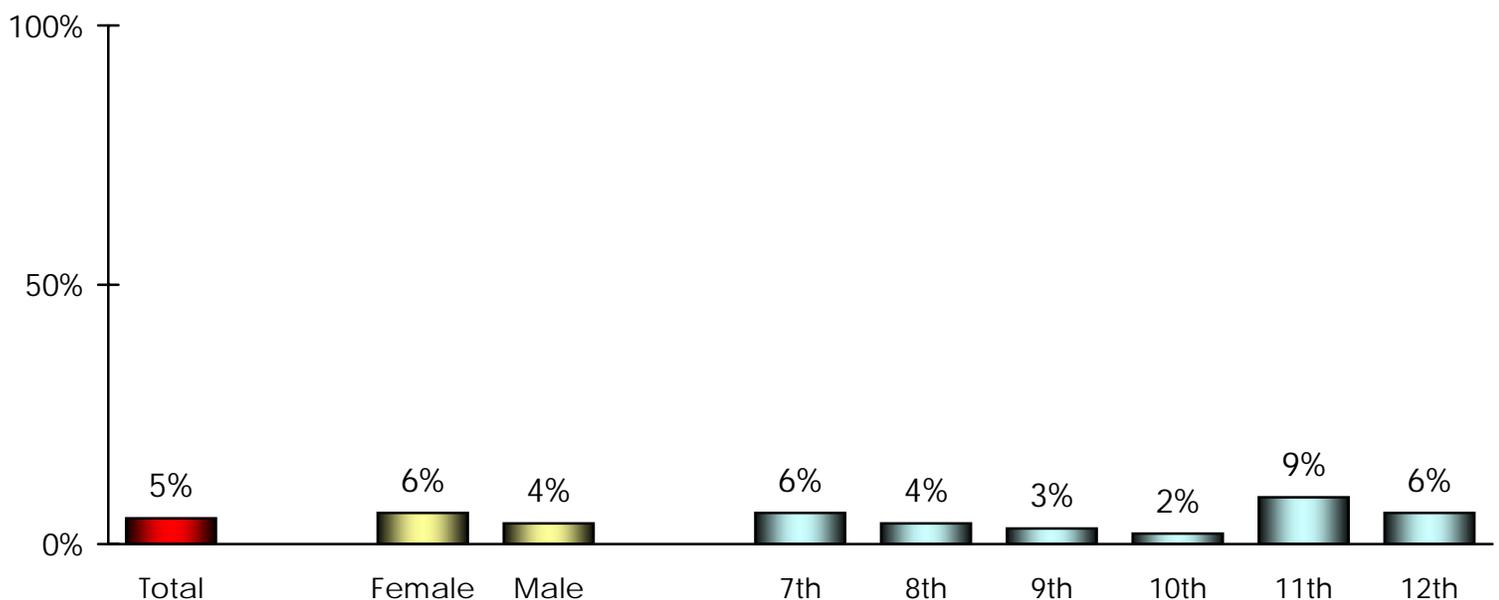


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Percentage of students who made a plan about how they would attempt suicide during the past 12 months.

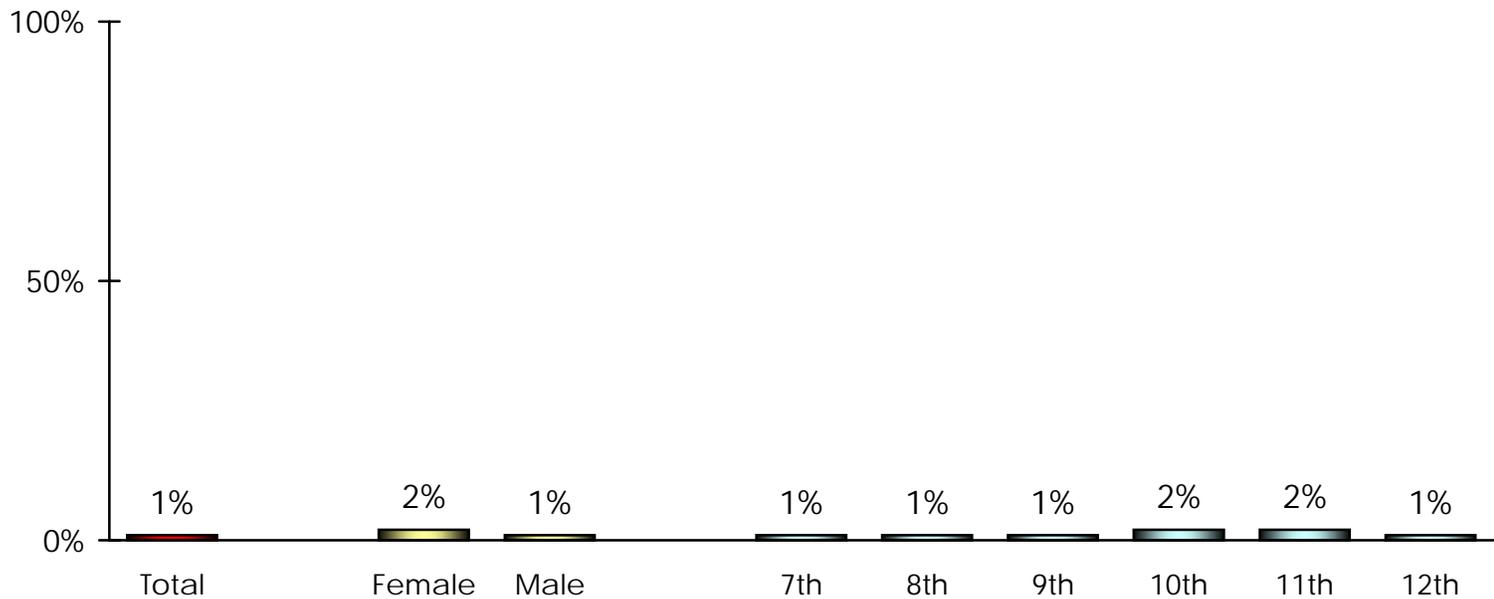


Percentage of students who actually attempted suicide one or more times during the past 12 months.



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Percentage of students who attempted suicide during the past 12 months resulting in injury, poisoning or overdose that had to be treated by a doctor or nurse.

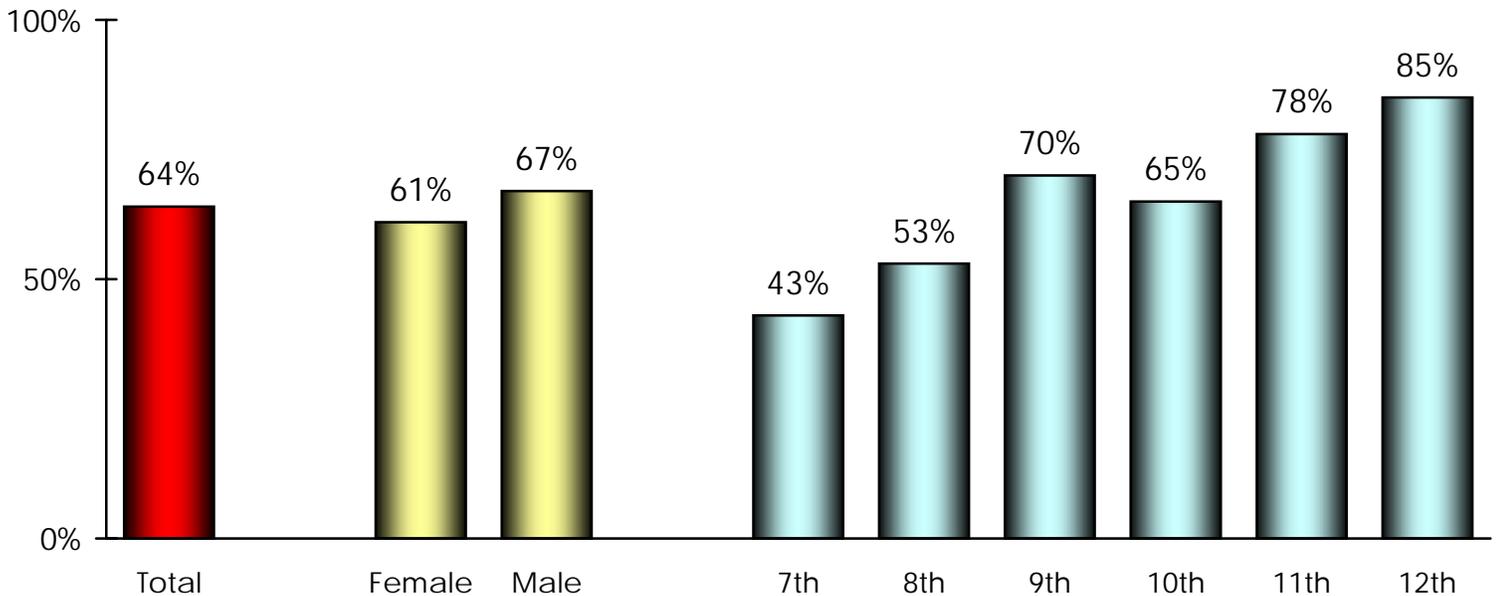


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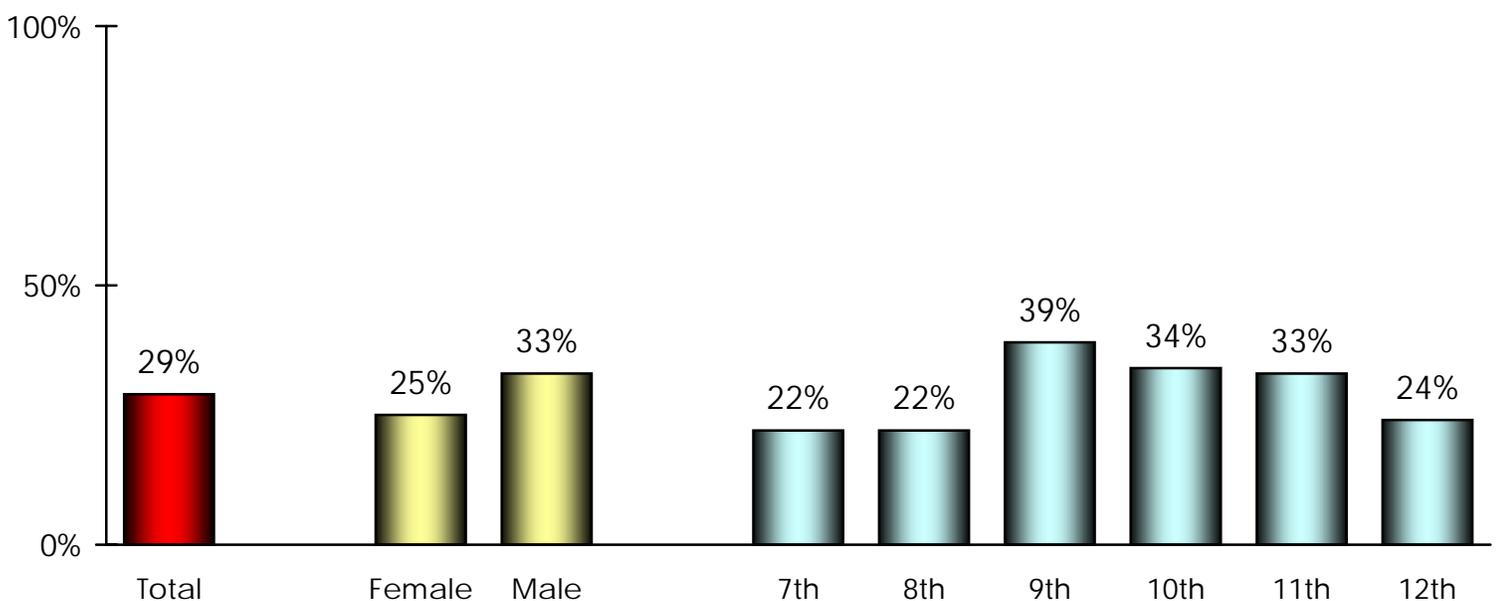
■ Tobacco Use – Cigarette Smoking

These questions measure smoking experimentation, current smoking patterns, age of initiation and attempt to quit smoking cigarettes.

Percentage of students who ever tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs.

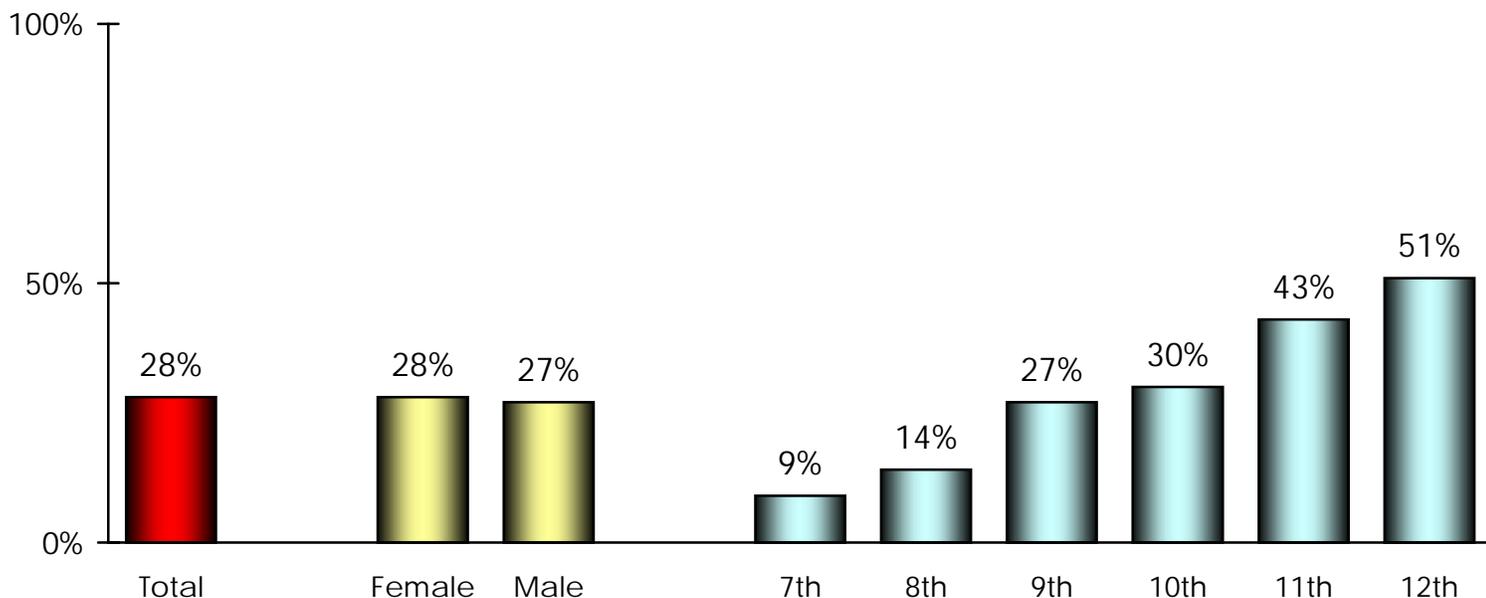


Percentage of students who smoked a whole cigarette for the first time before age 13.

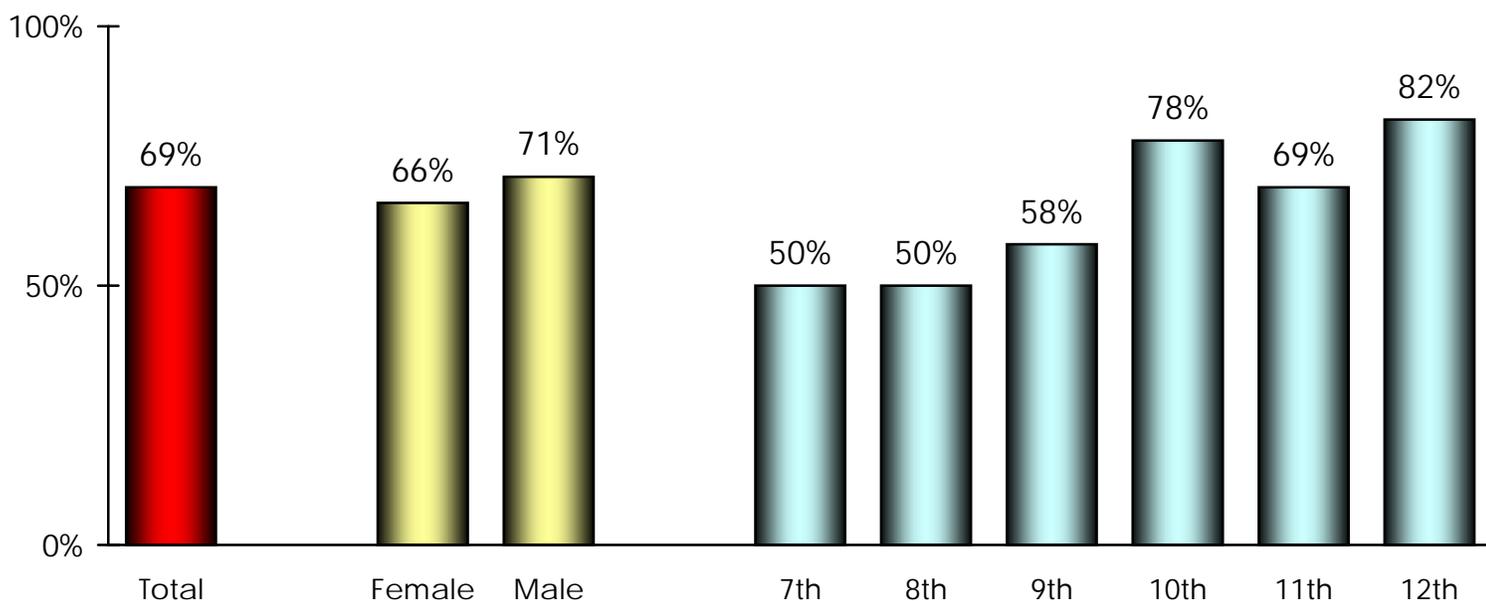


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Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on one or more of the past 30 days.

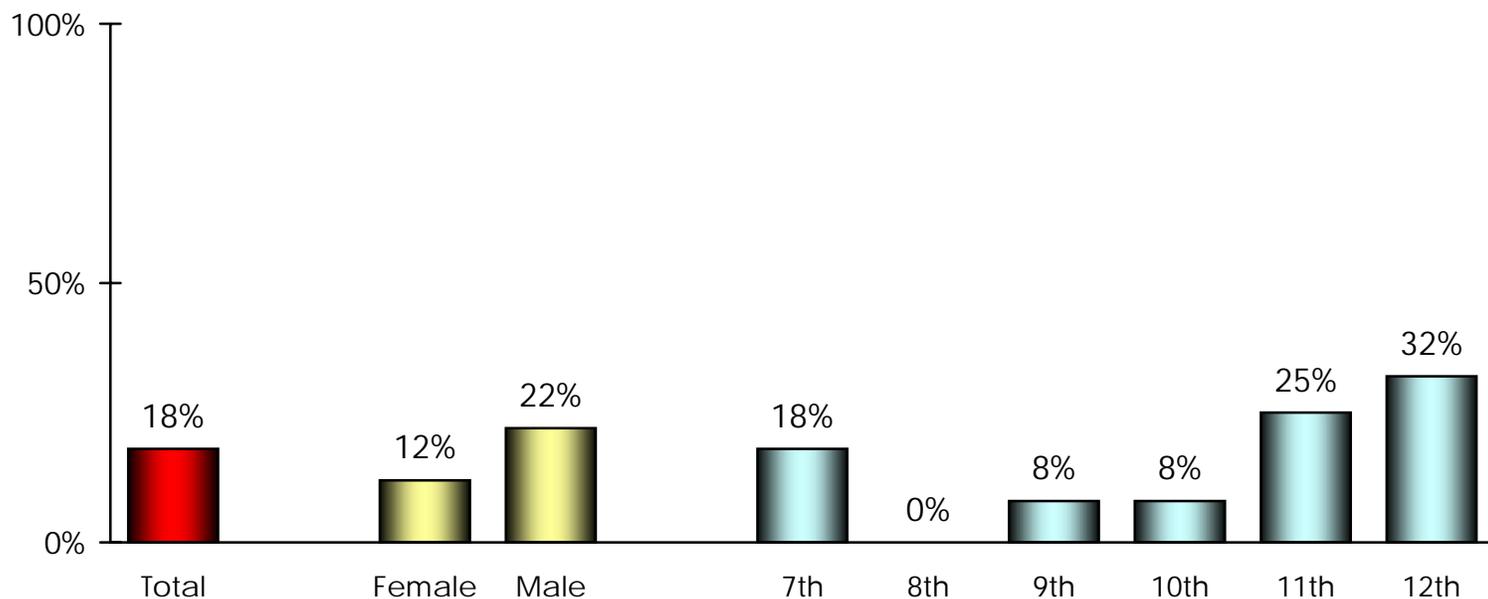


Of the students who smoked during the past 30 days, the percentage who smoked two or more cigarettes per day on the days they smoked.

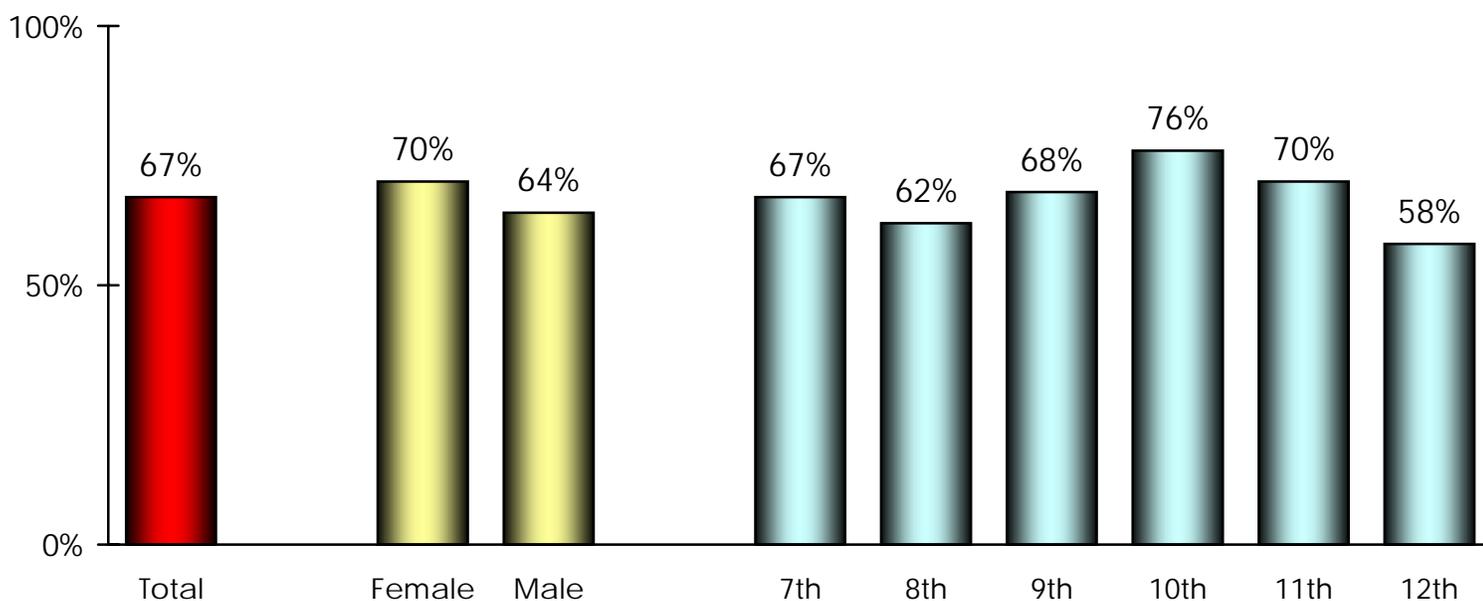


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Of students who smoked during the past 30 days, percentage who usually got their own cigarettes by buying them in a store or gas station during the past 30 days.



Of the students who have smoked regularly, the percentage who ever tried to quit smoking cigarettes.

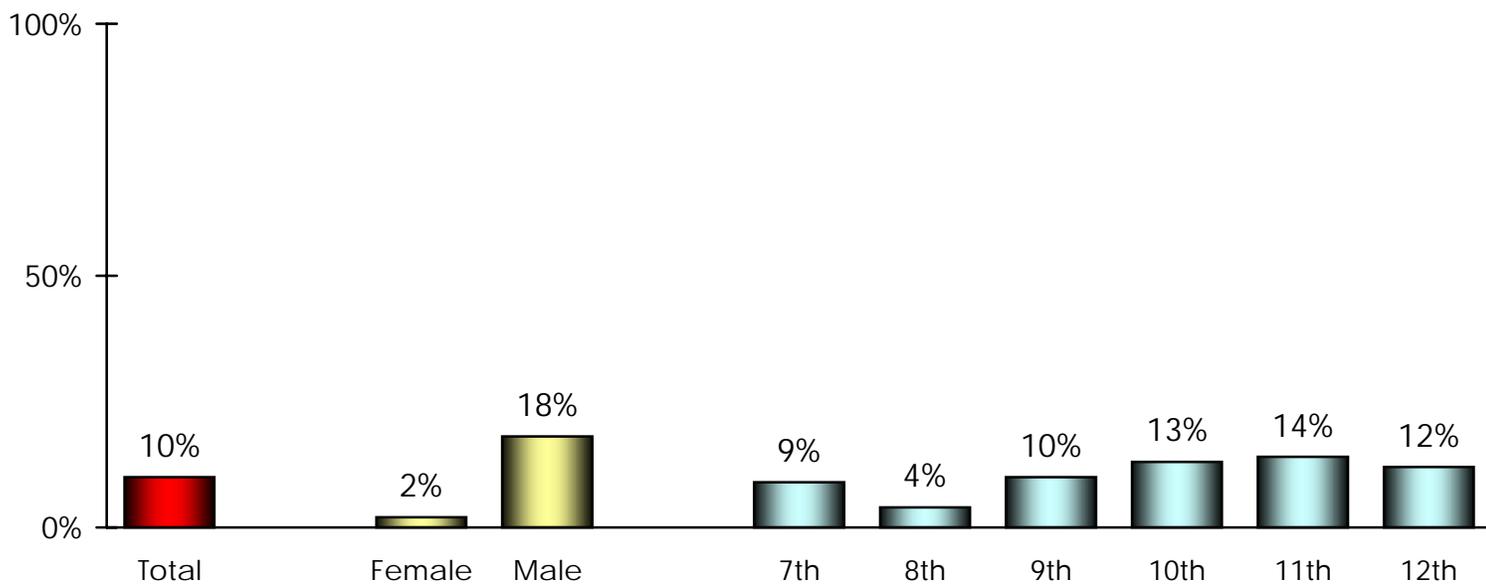


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■ Tobacco Use – Smokeless Tobacco

This question measures smokeless tobacco use.

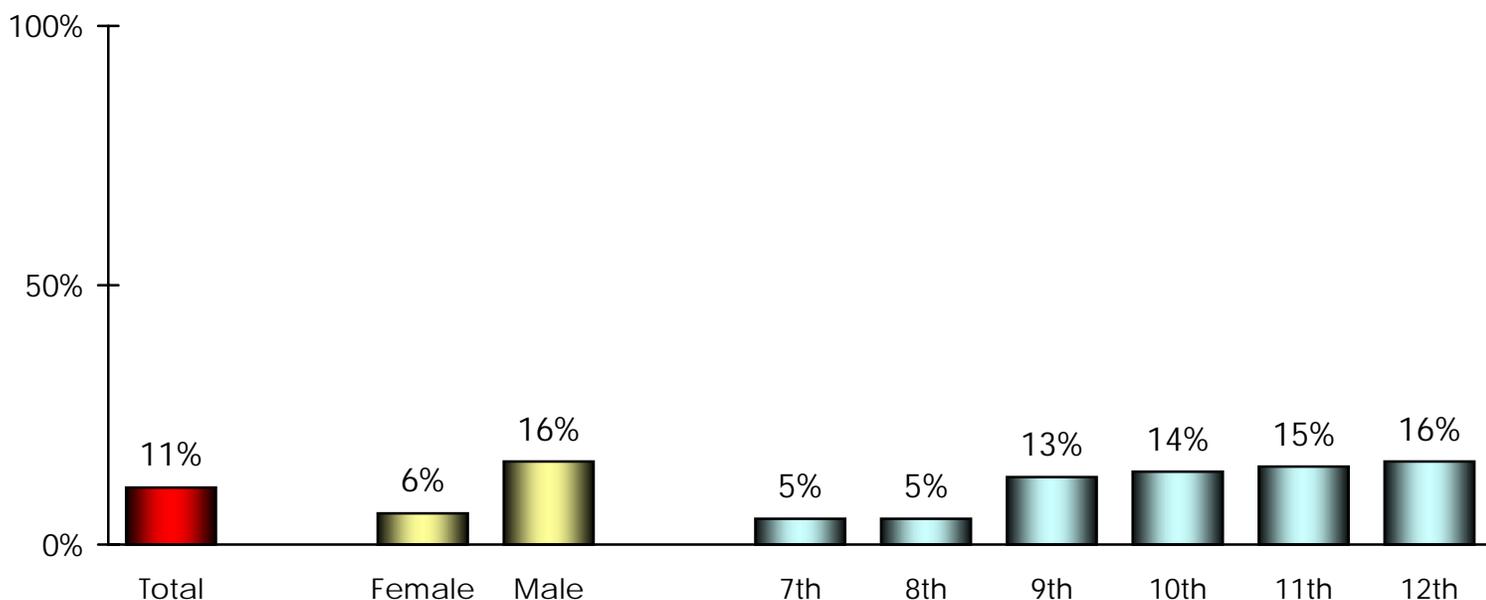
Percentage of students who used chewing tobacco or snuff on one or more of the past 30 days.



■ Tobacco Use – Cigar

This question measures cigar smoking.

Percentage of students who smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars during the past 30 days.

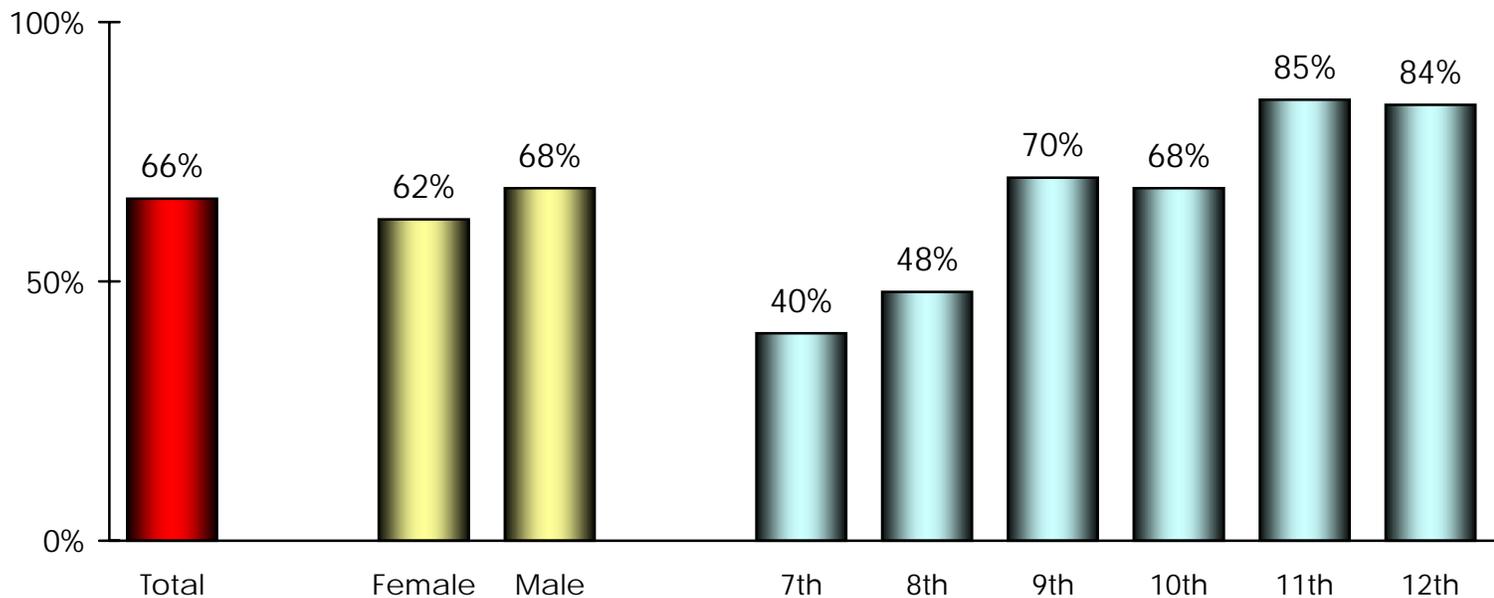


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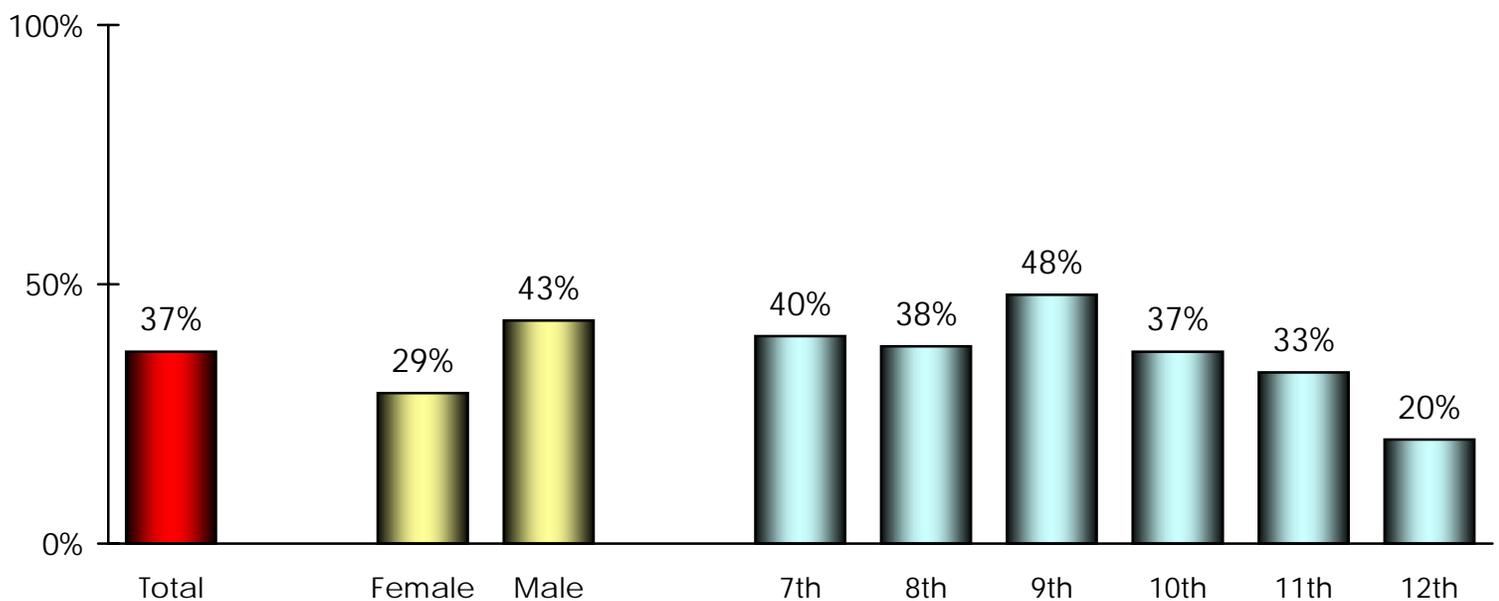
■ Alcohol Use

These questions measure frequency of alcohol use, age of initiation of drinking, and heavy drinking.

Percentage of students who had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more days during their life.

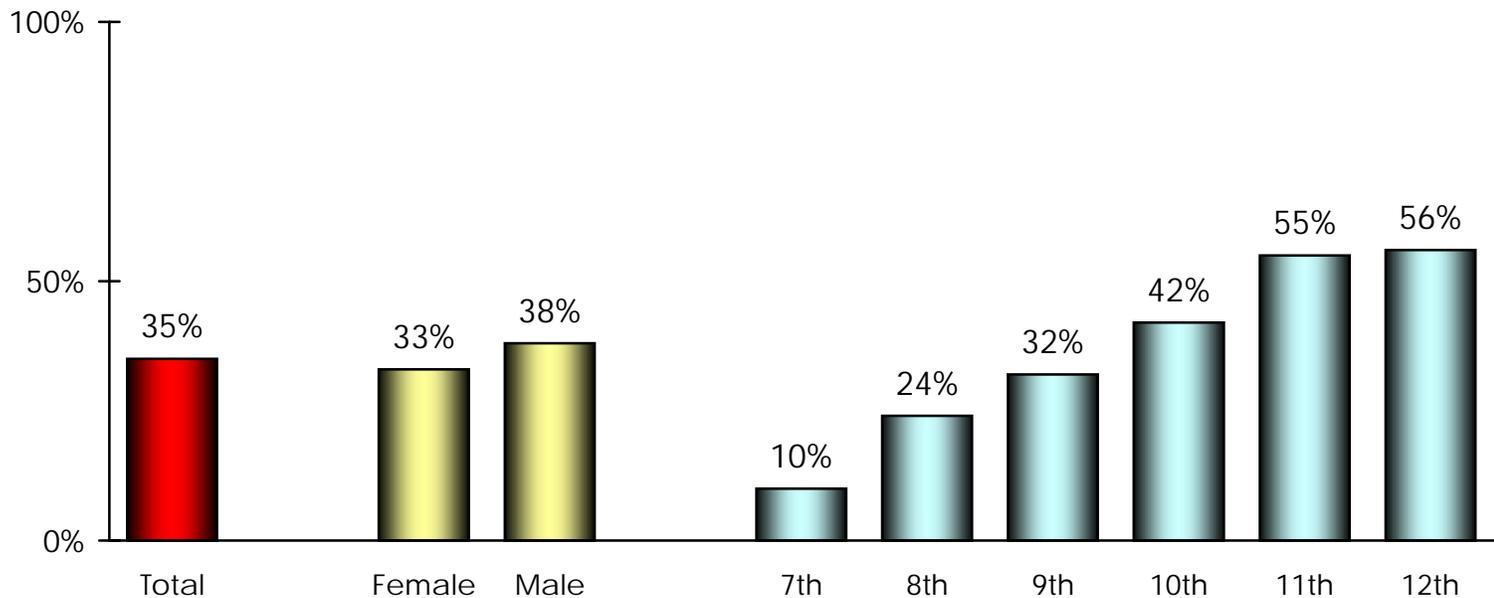


Percentage of students who had their first drink of alcohol other than a few sips before age 13.

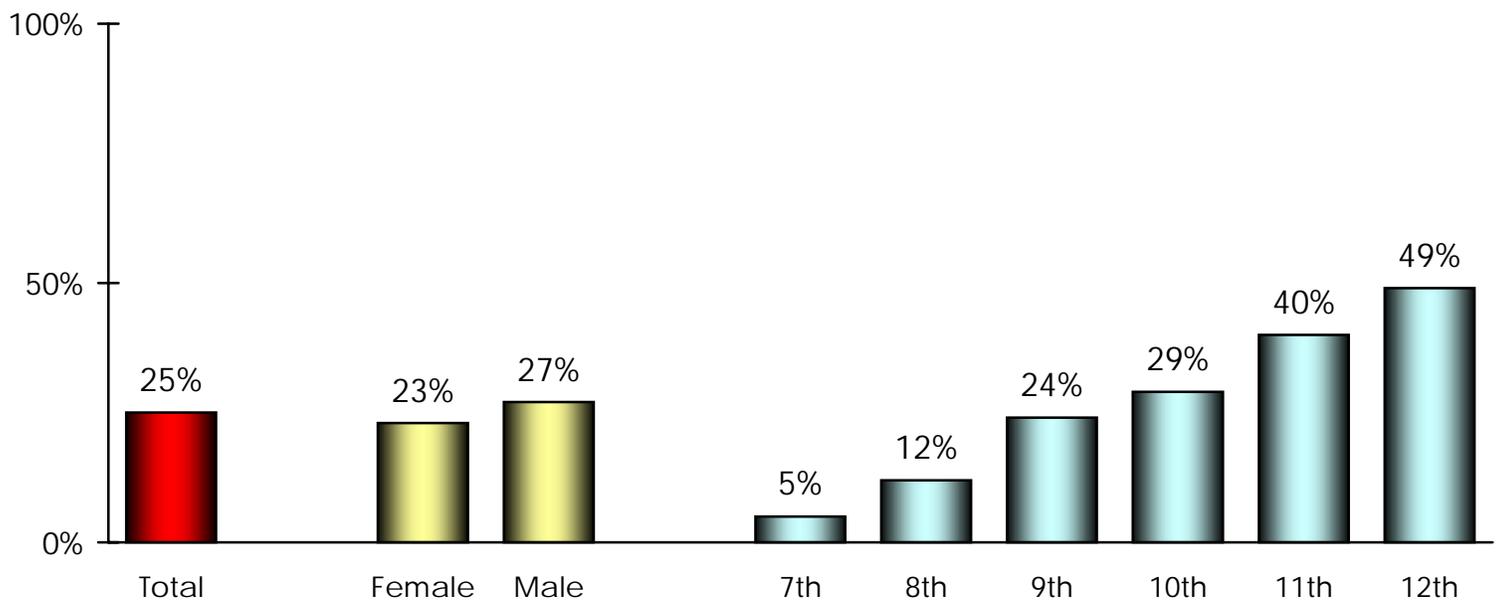


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Percentage of students who had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more of the past 30 days.



Percentage of students who had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours, on one or more of the past 30 days

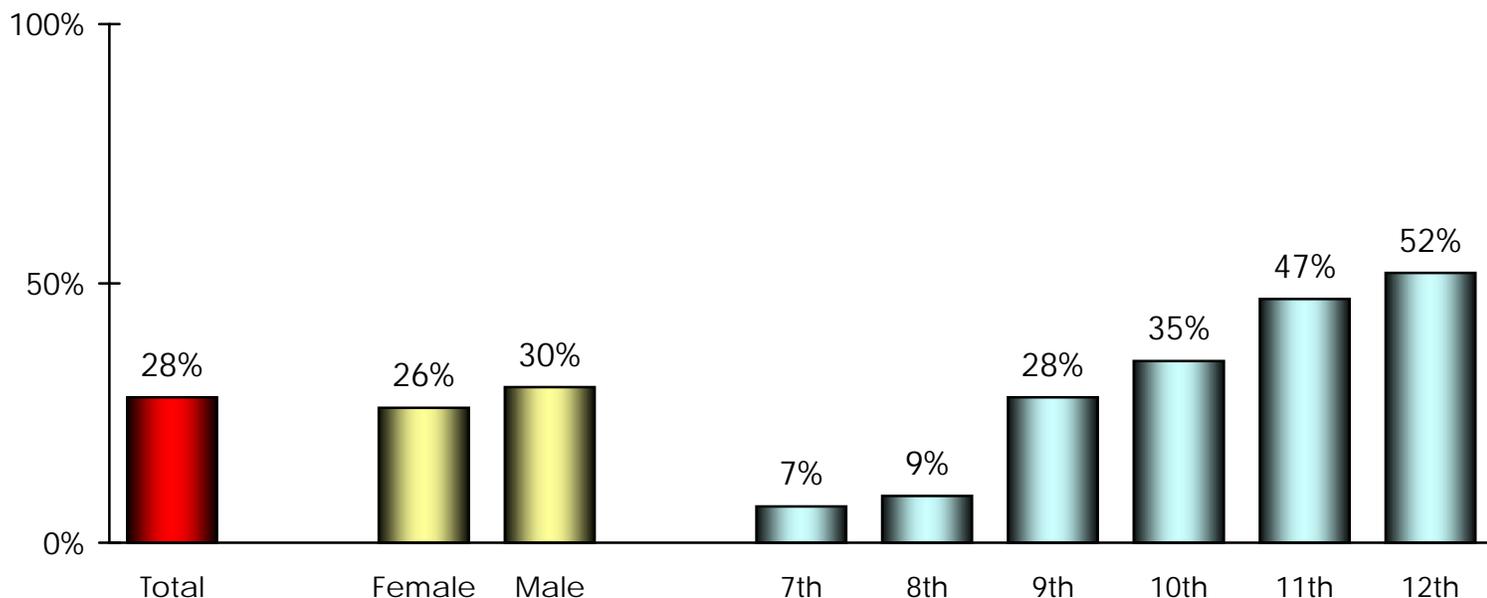


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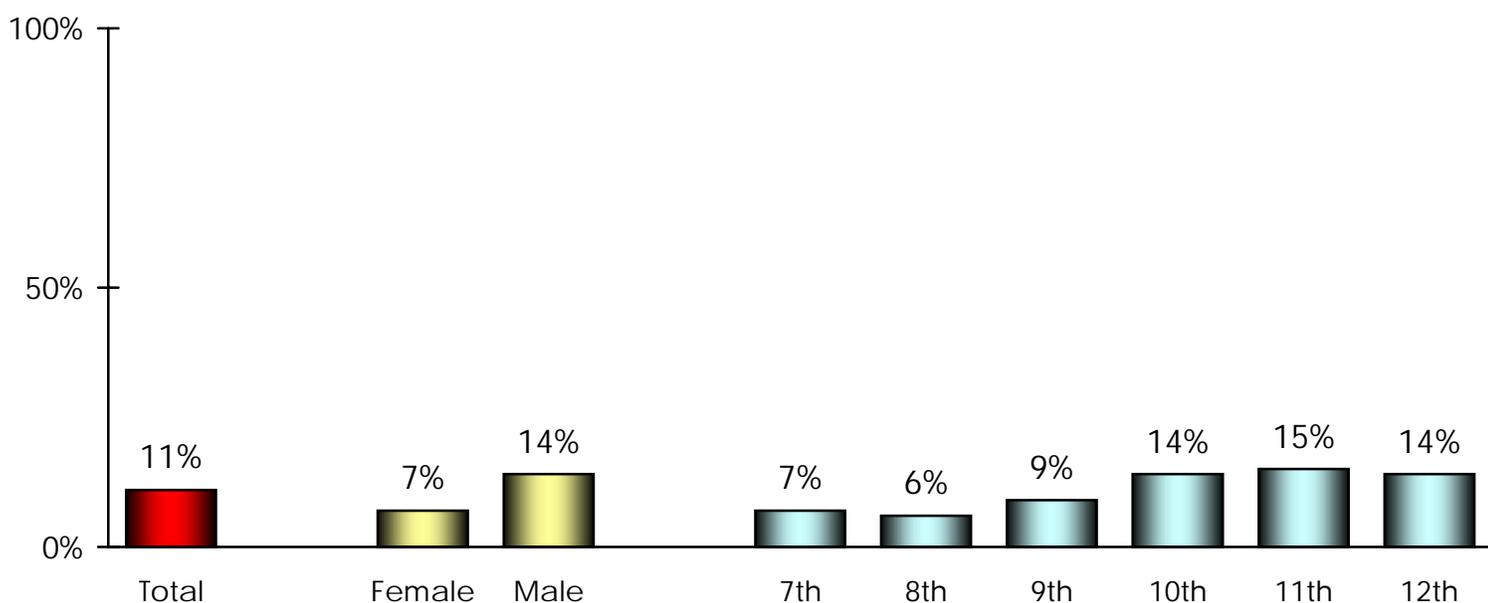
■ Drug Use

These questions measure the frequency of illegal drug use.

Percentage of students who used marijuana one or more times during their life.

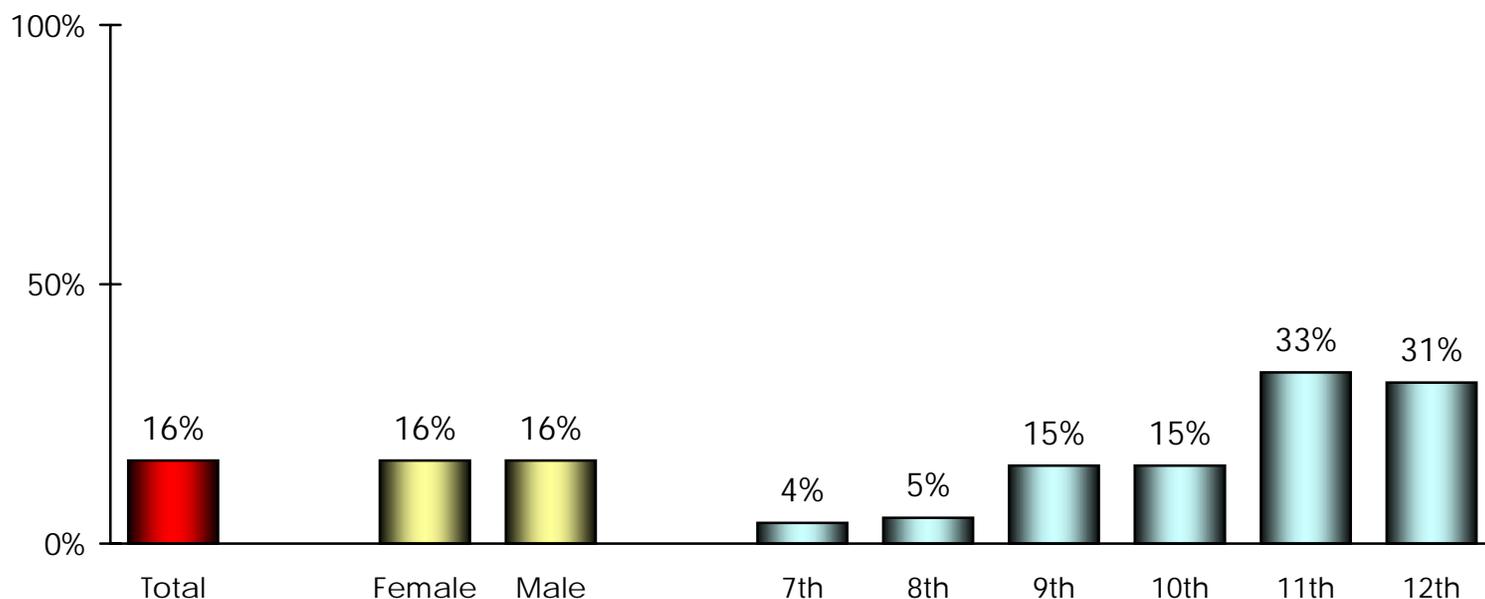


Percentage of students who tried marijuana for the first time before age 13.

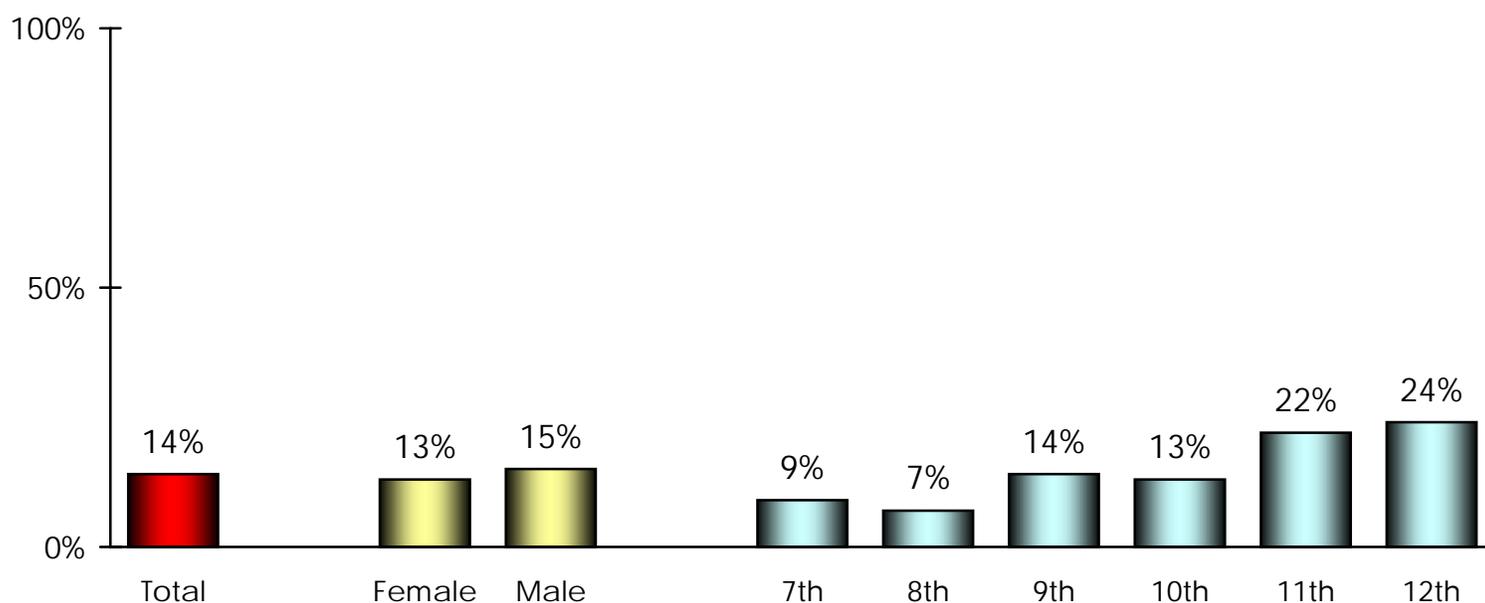


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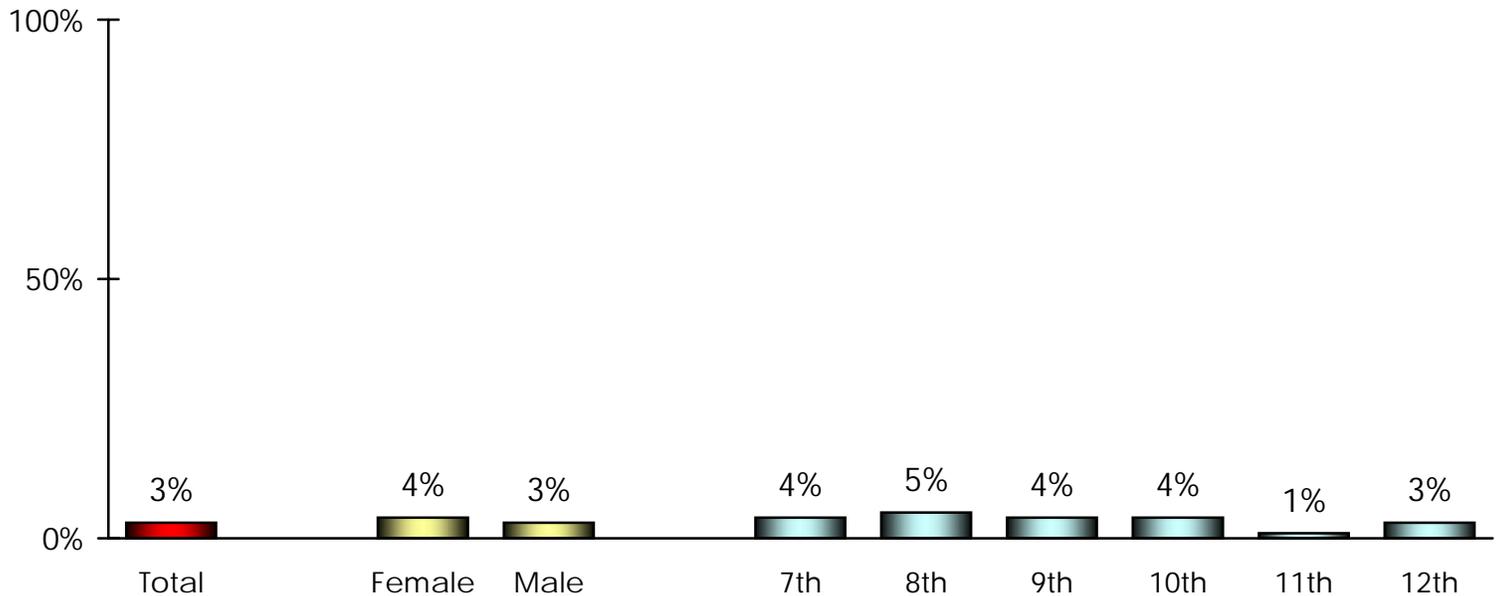


Percentage of students who sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high during their life.

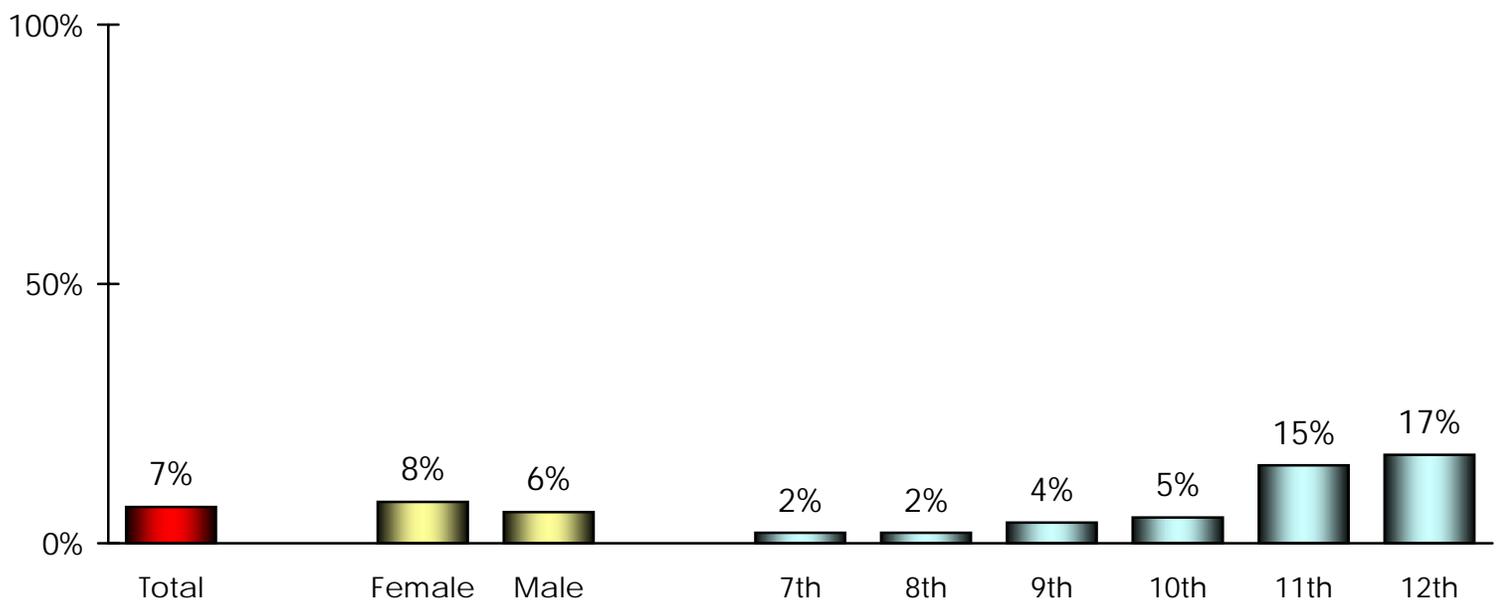


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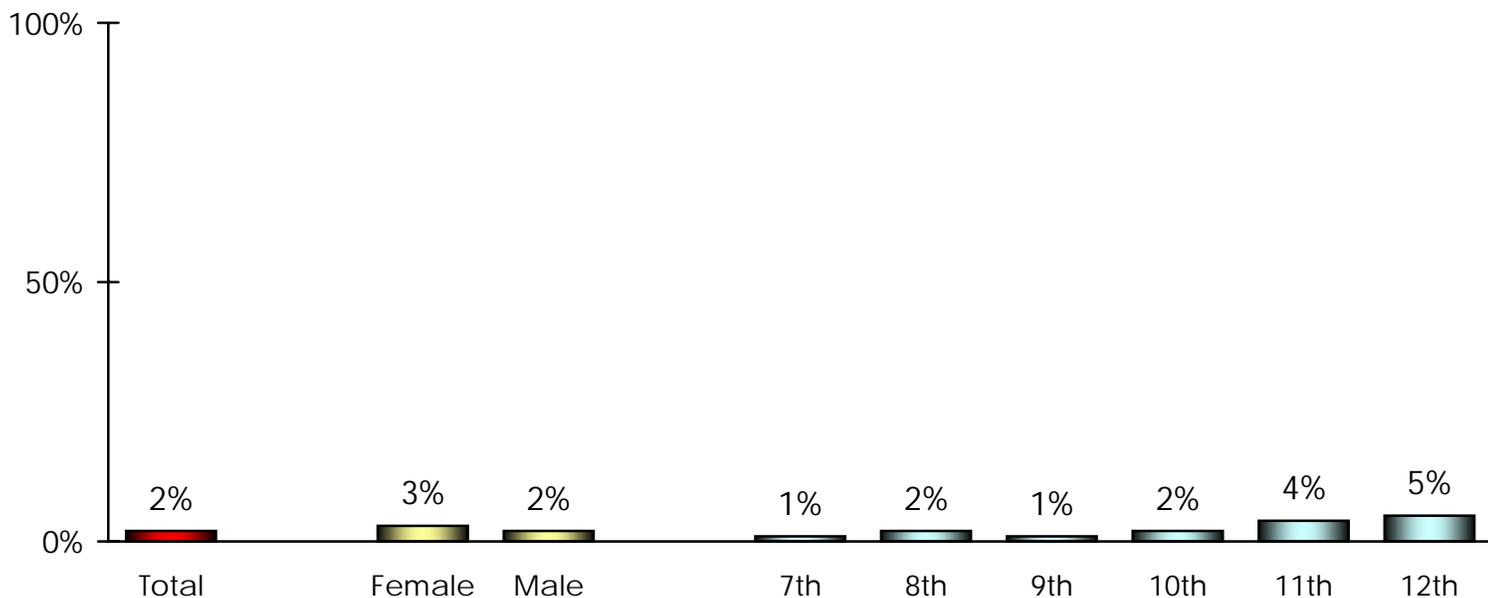


Percentage of students who used methamphetamines one or more times during their life.

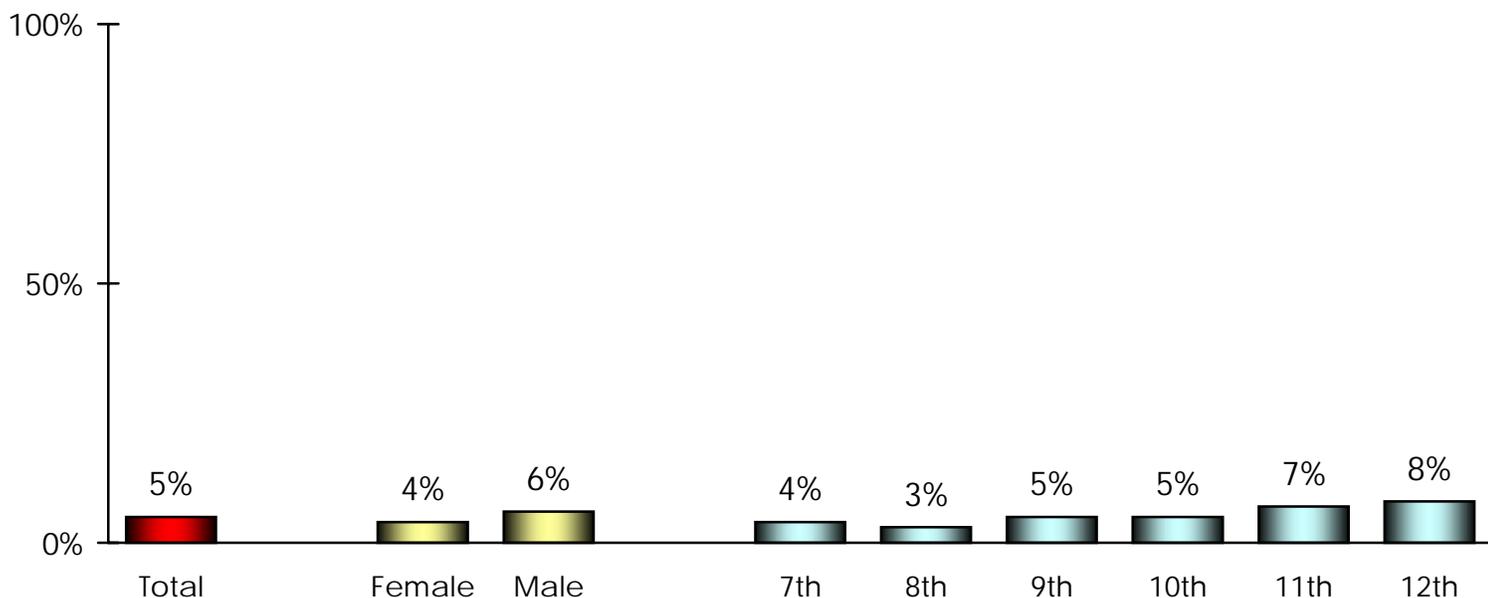


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Percentage of students who used heroin one or more times during their life.



Percentage of students who took steroid pills or shots without a doctor's prescription one or more times during their life.

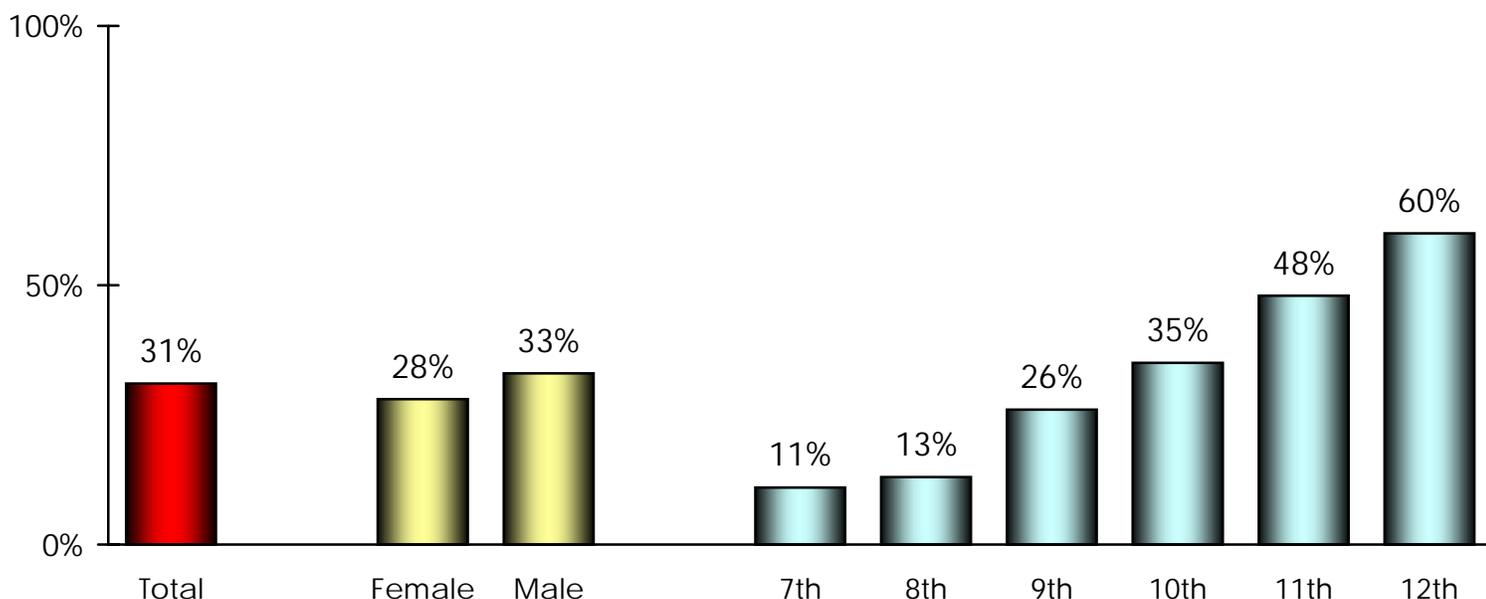


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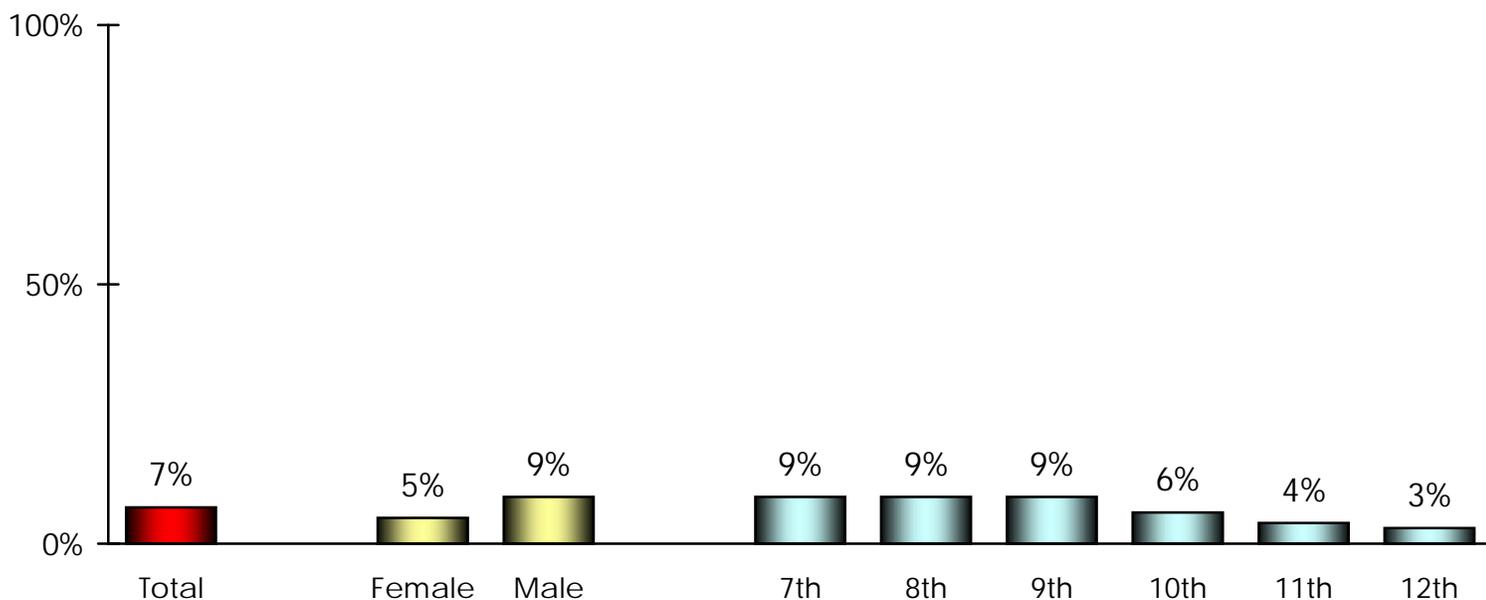
■ Sexual Activity

These questions measure the prevalence of sexual activity, number of sexual partners, age of first intercourse and alcohol and drug use related to sexual activity.

Percentage of students who have had sexual intercourse.

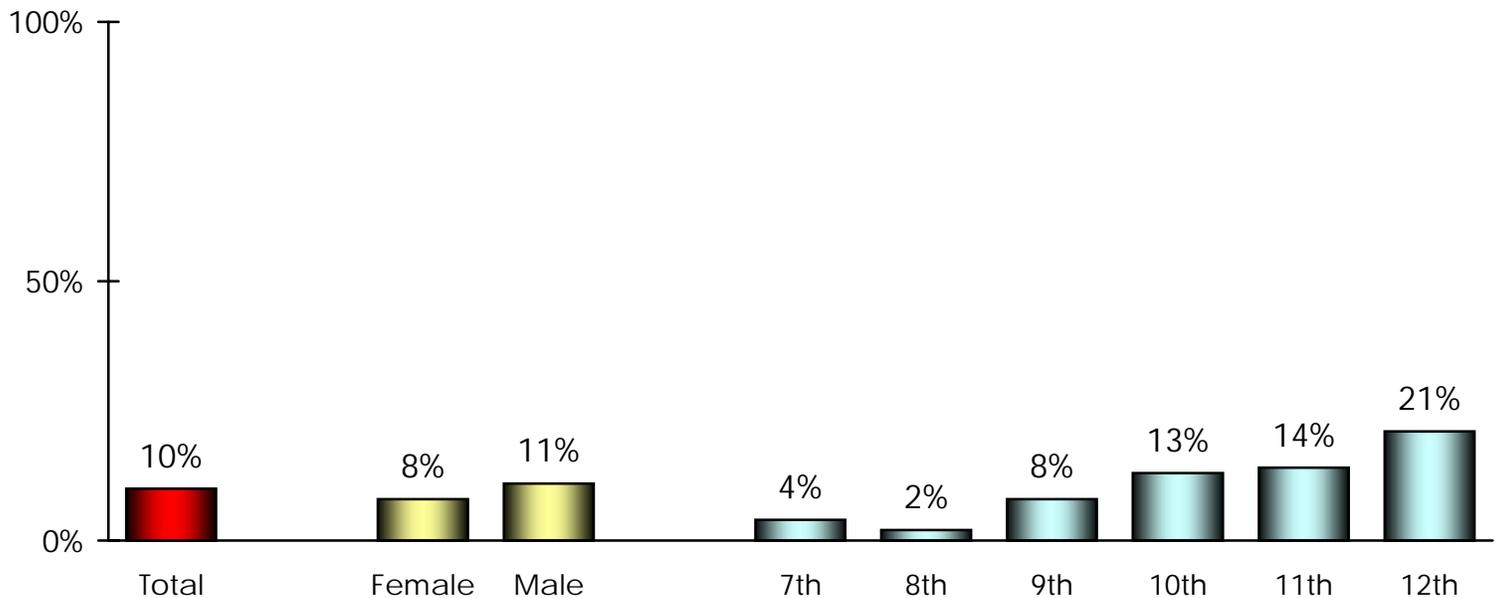


Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 13.

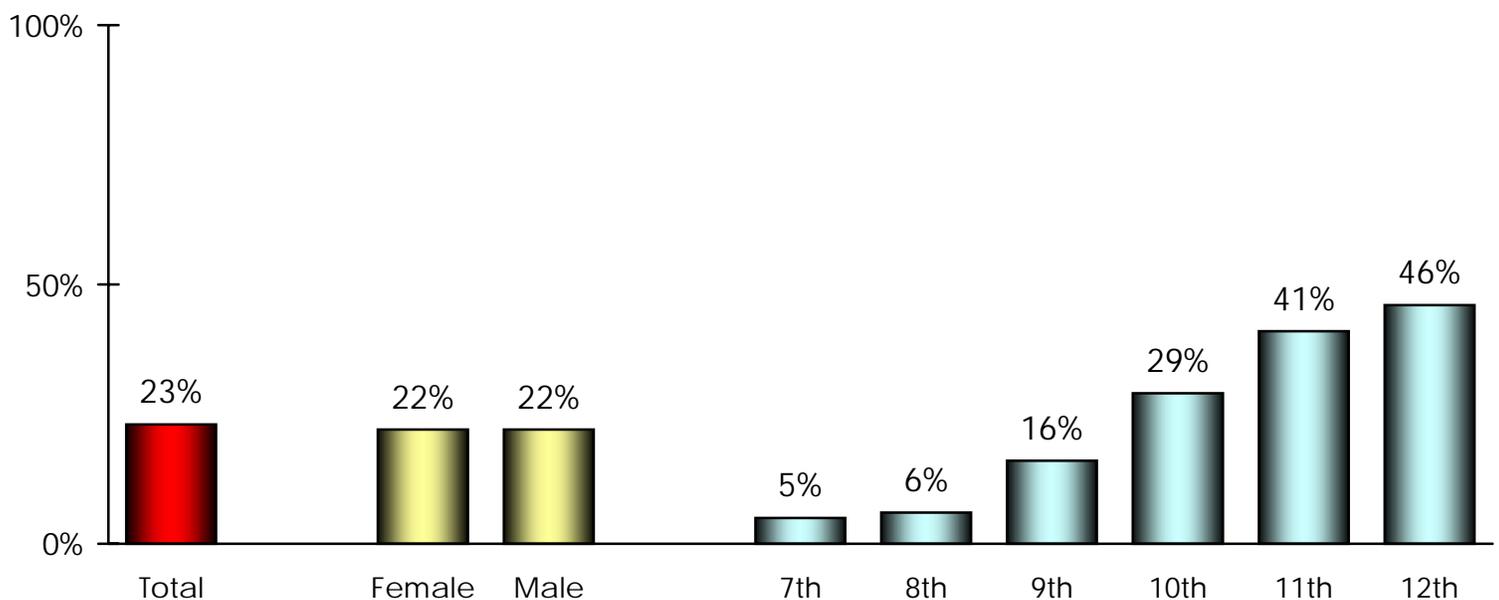


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Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse with four or more people during their life.

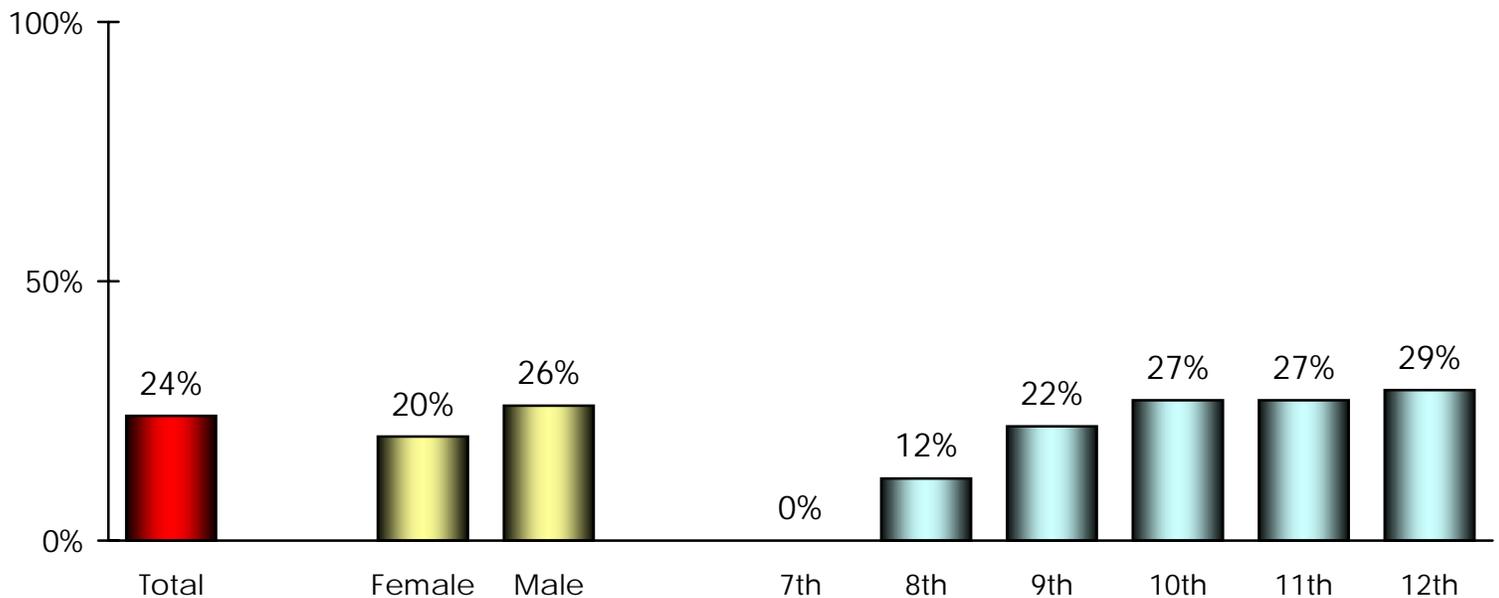


Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months.



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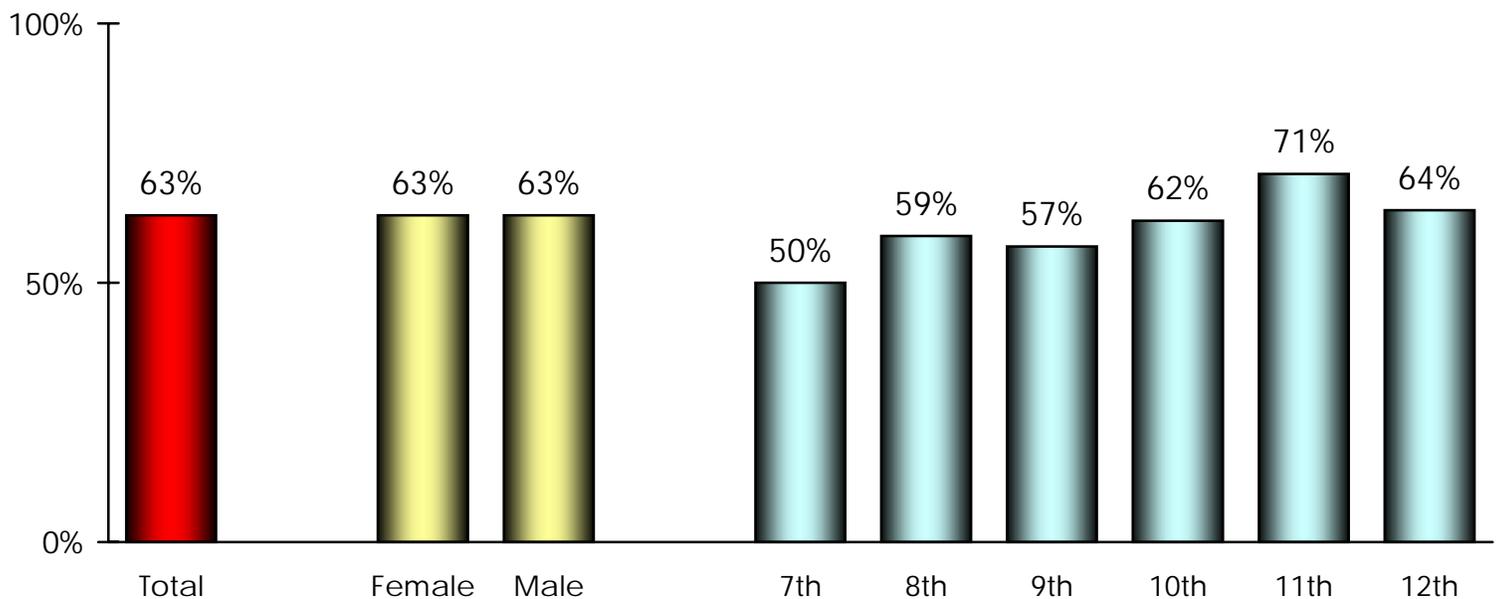
Of those who had sexual intercourse, the percentage who drank alcohol or used drugs before last sexual intercourse.



■ Contraception

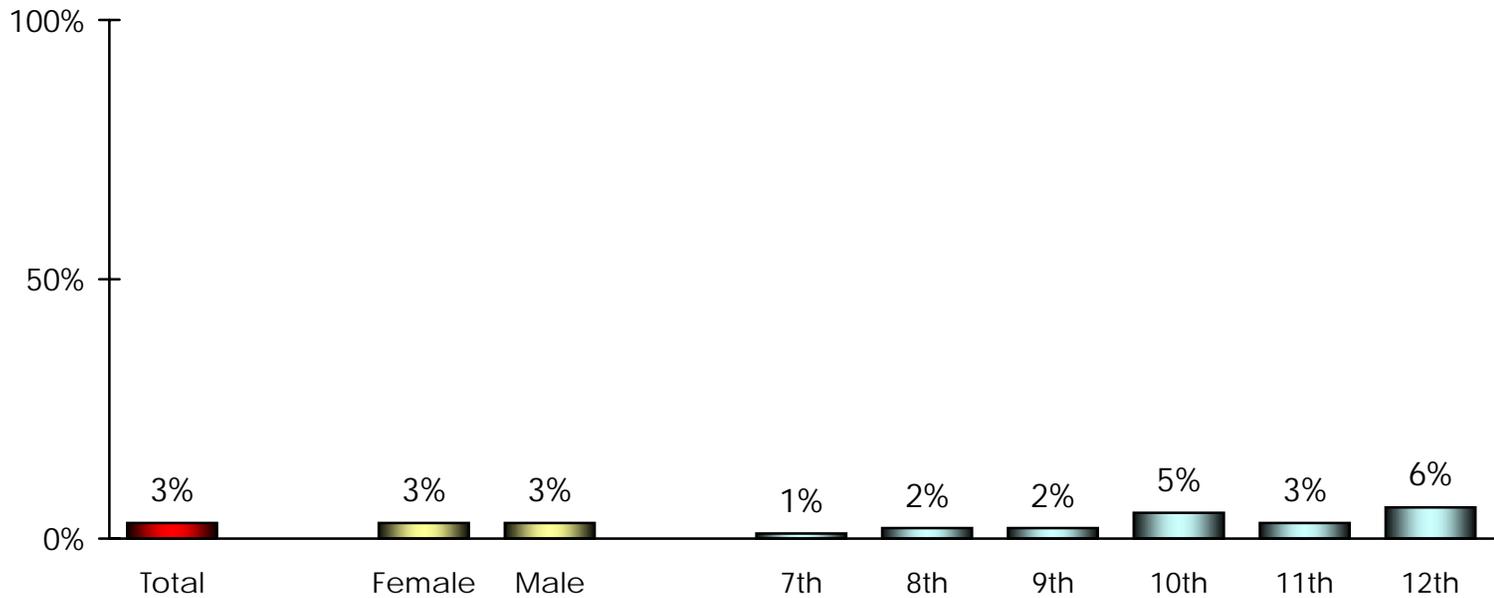
These questions measure use of contraception and identify whether a student has been pregnant or gotten someone pregnant.

Of students who had sexual intercourse, the percentage who used a condom during the last sexual intercourse.



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Percentage of students who had been or gotten someone pregnant one or more times.

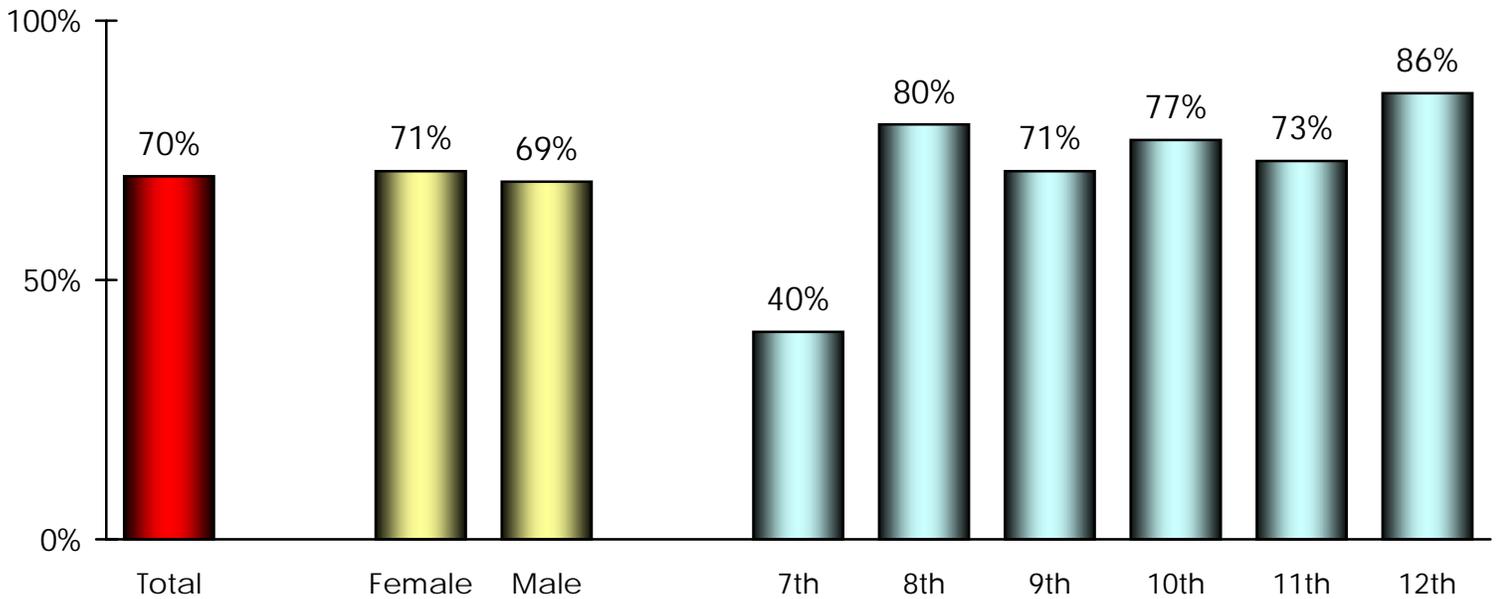


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■ AIDS, HIV, & STDs

This question measures whether students have received HIV information at school.

Percentage of students who were ever taught about AIDS or HIV infection in school.

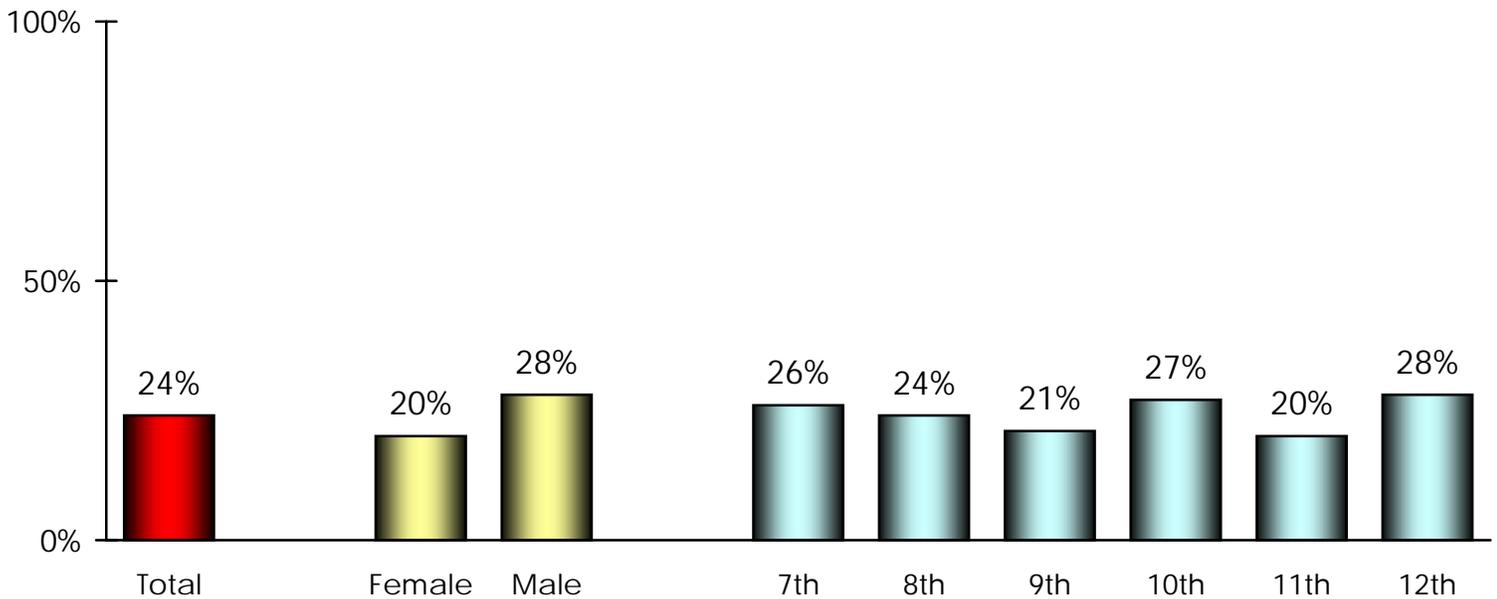


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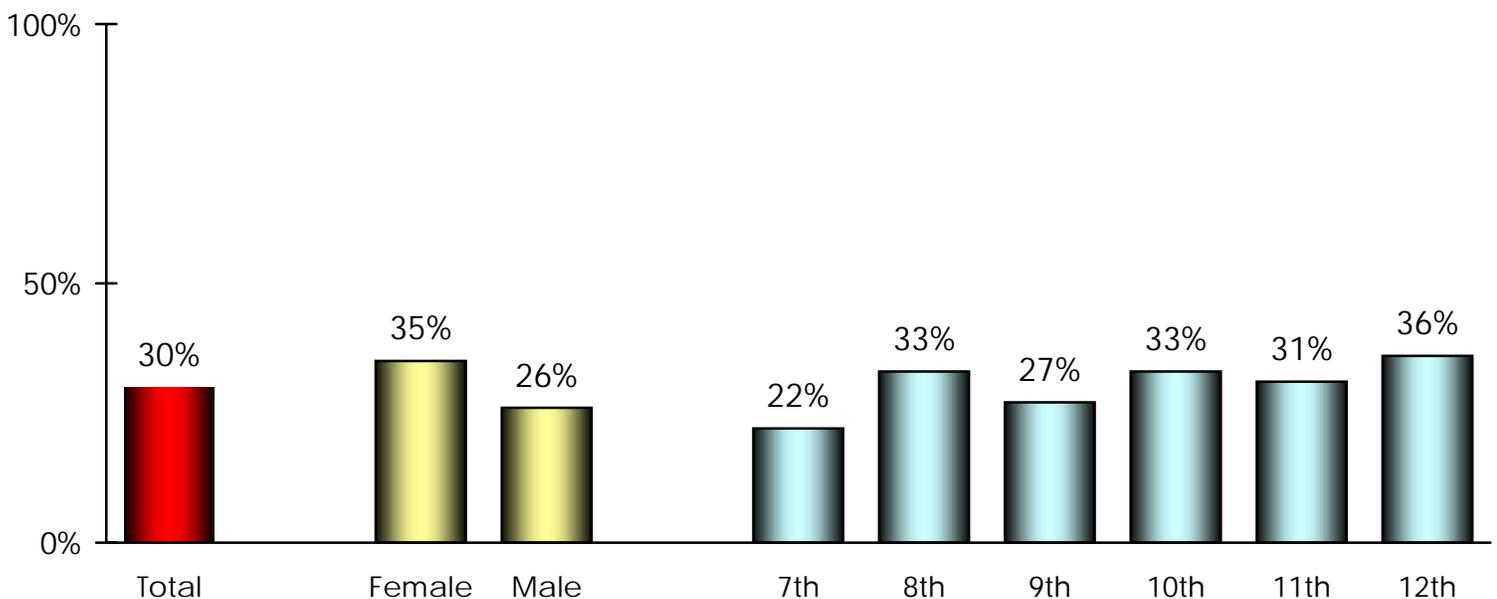
■ Obesity

These questions measure self-perception of and efforts to modify body weight, including behaviors that may lead to eating disorders and other health problems.

Percentage of students who are overweight, as calculated by Body Mass Index.

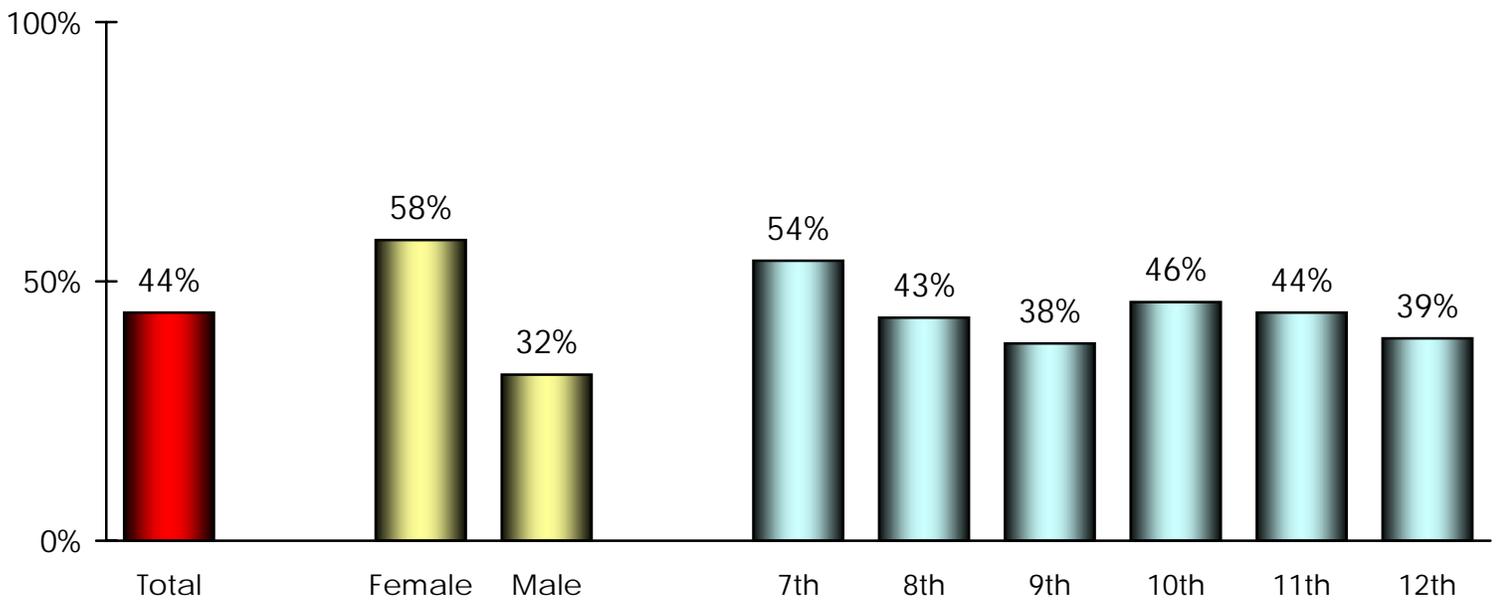


Percentage of students who describe themselves as slightly or very overweight.

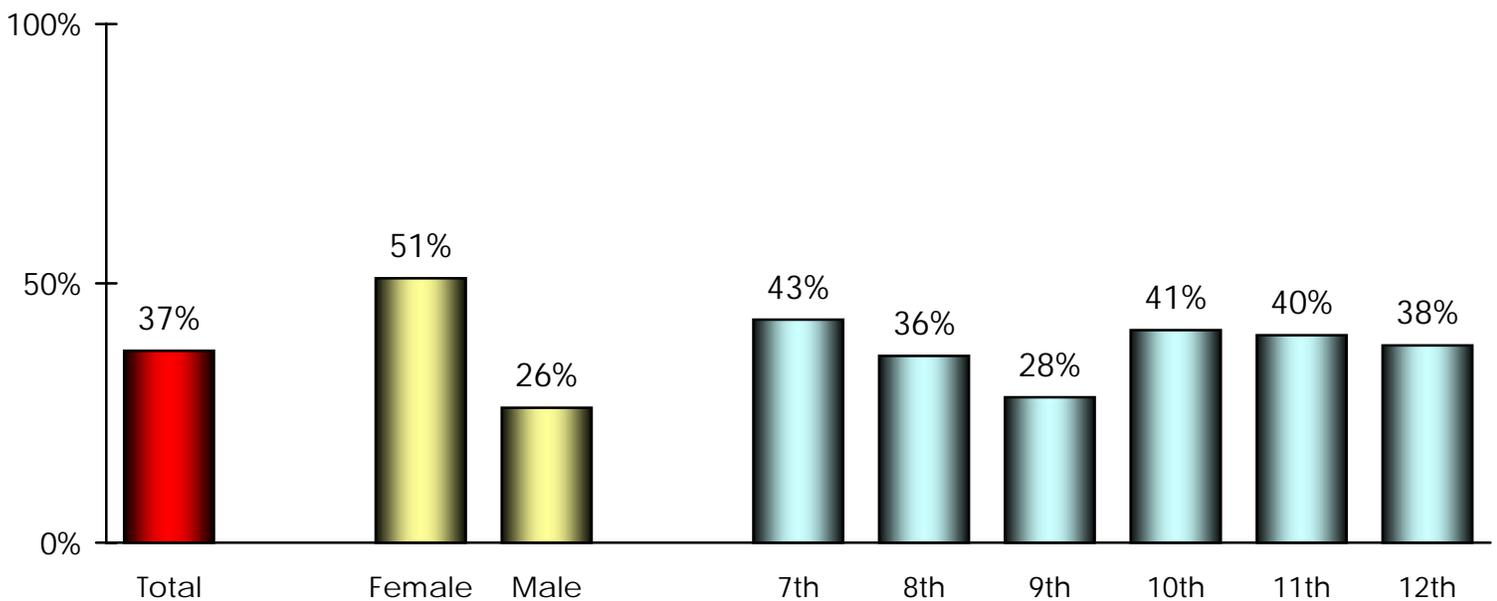


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Percentage of students who were trying to lose weight.

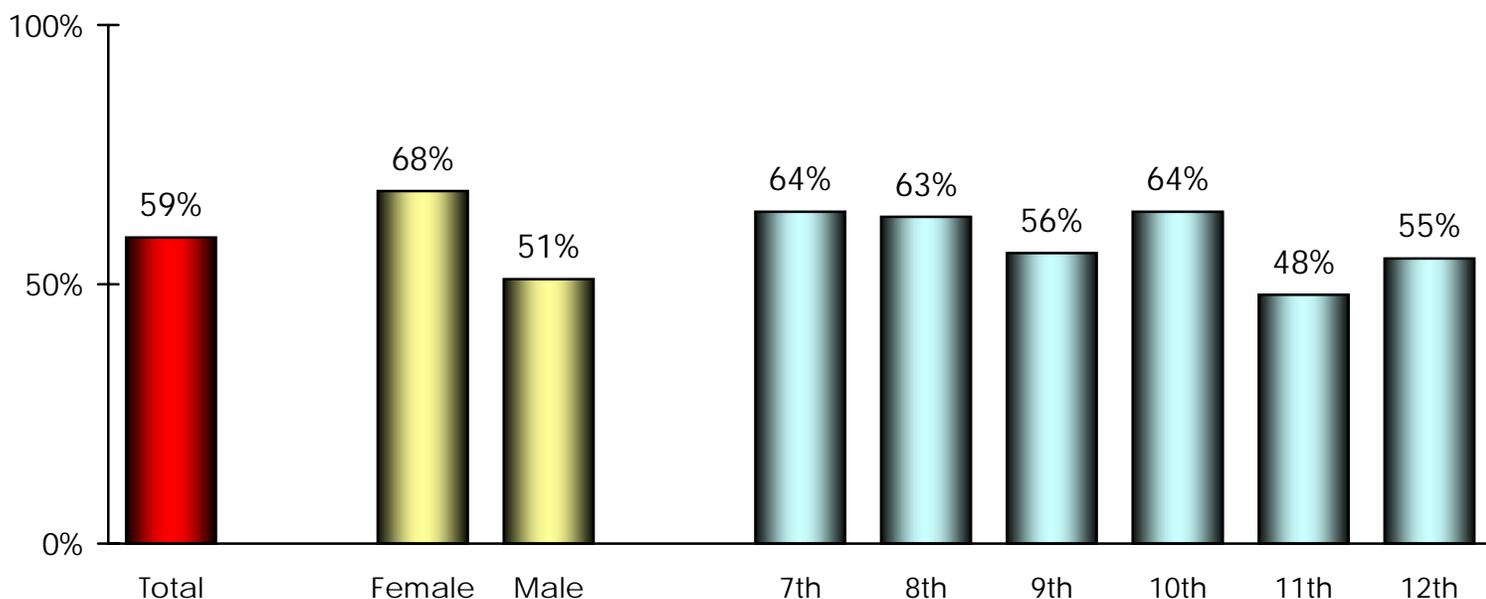


Percentage of students who ate less food, fewer calories, or foods low in fat to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight during the past 30 days.

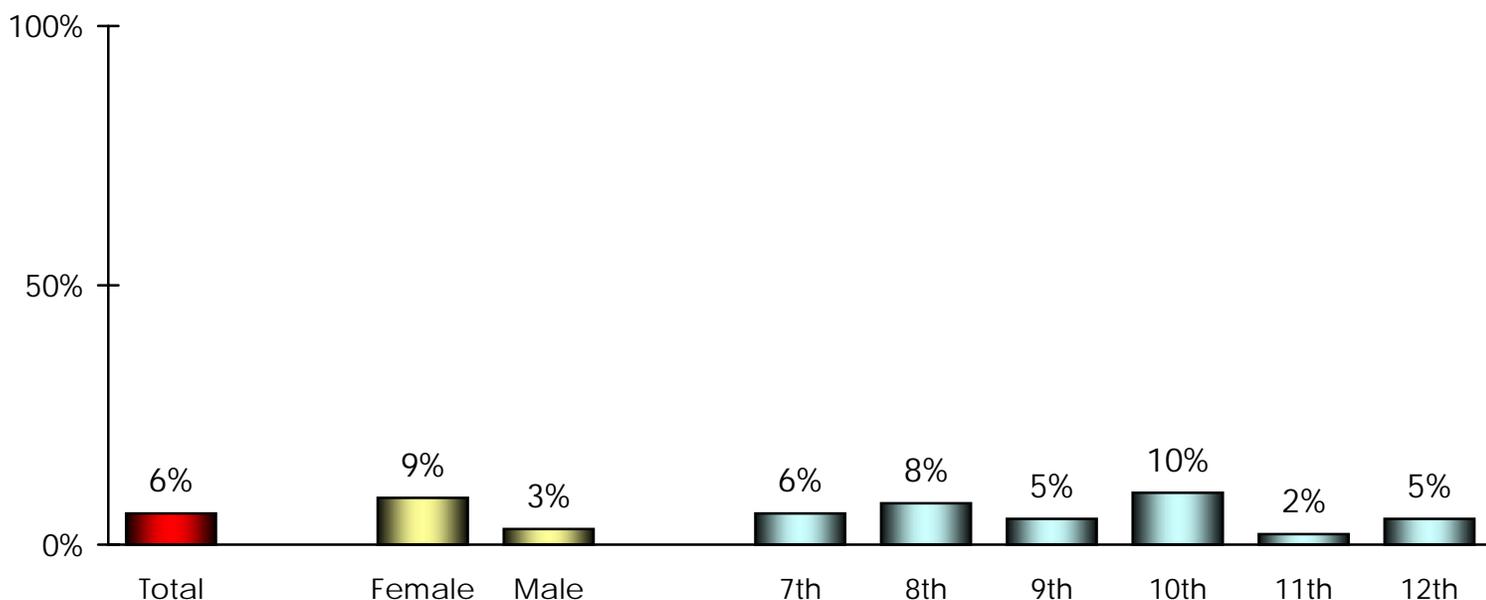


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Percentage of students who exercised to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight during the past 30 days.

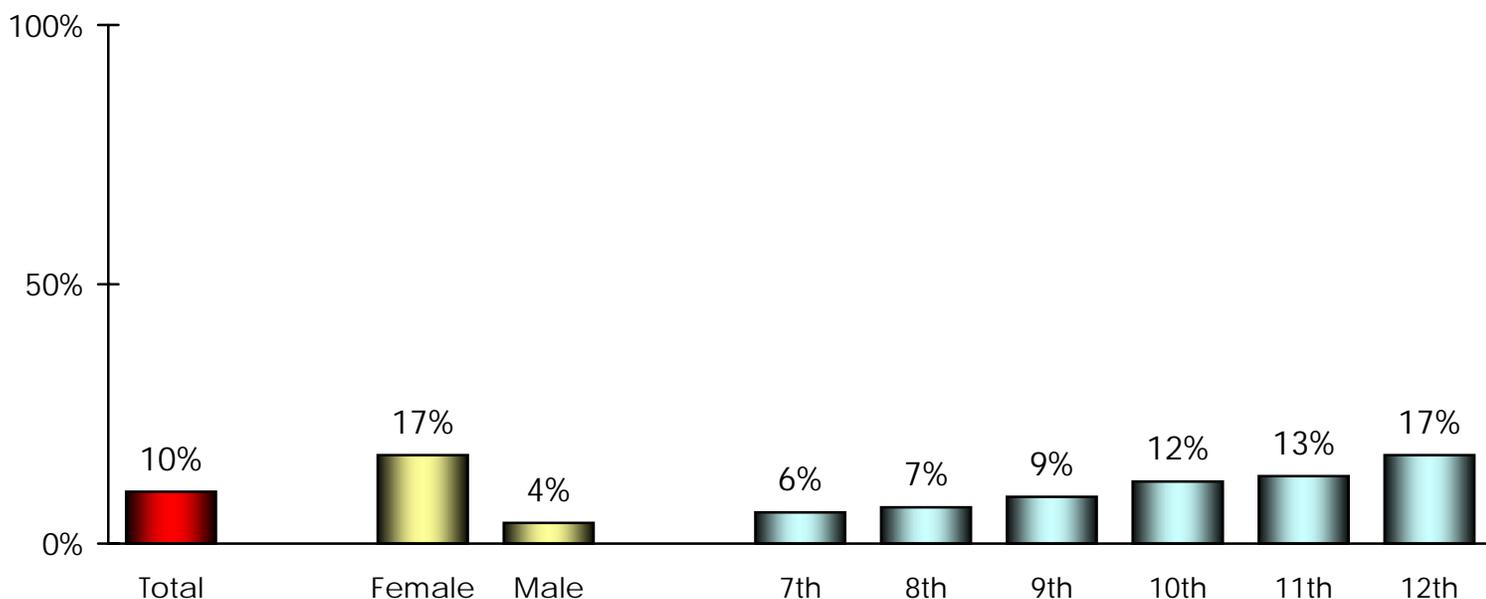


Percentage of students who vomited or took laxatives to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight during the past 30 days.

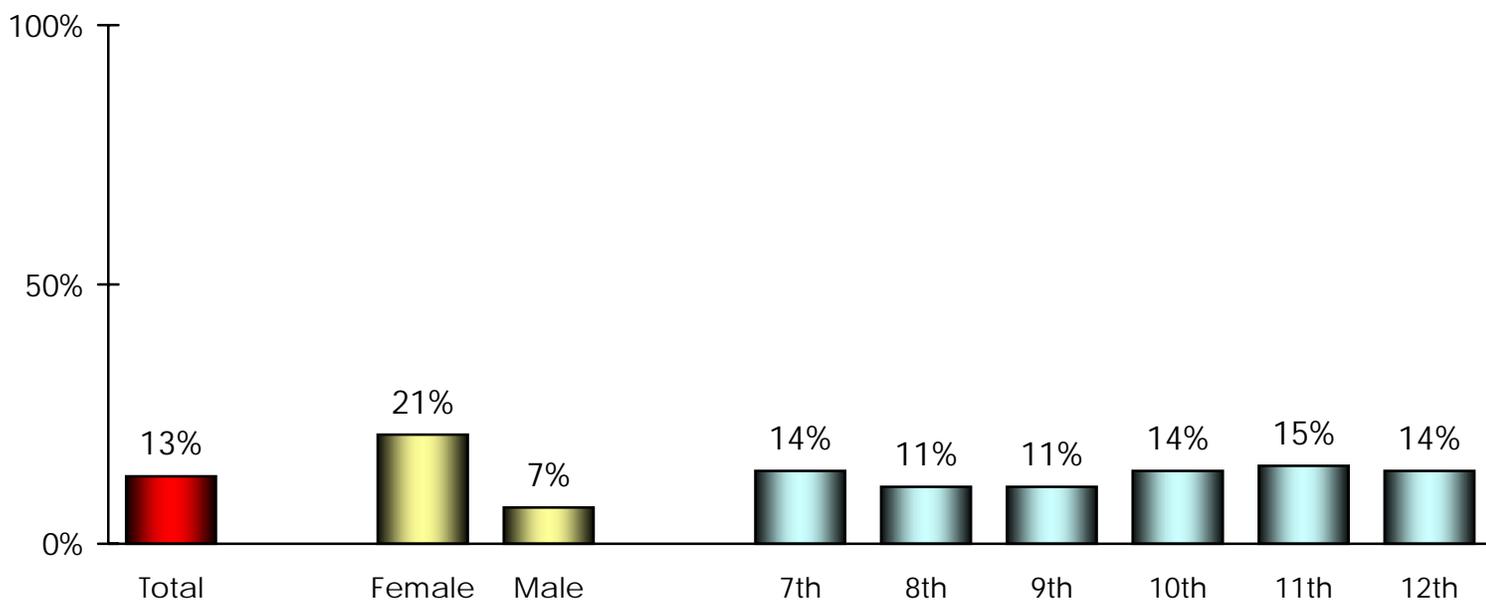


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Percentage of students who took diet pills to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight during the past 30 days.



Percentage of students who fasted, or went without eating, for 24 hours or more to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight during the past 30 days.

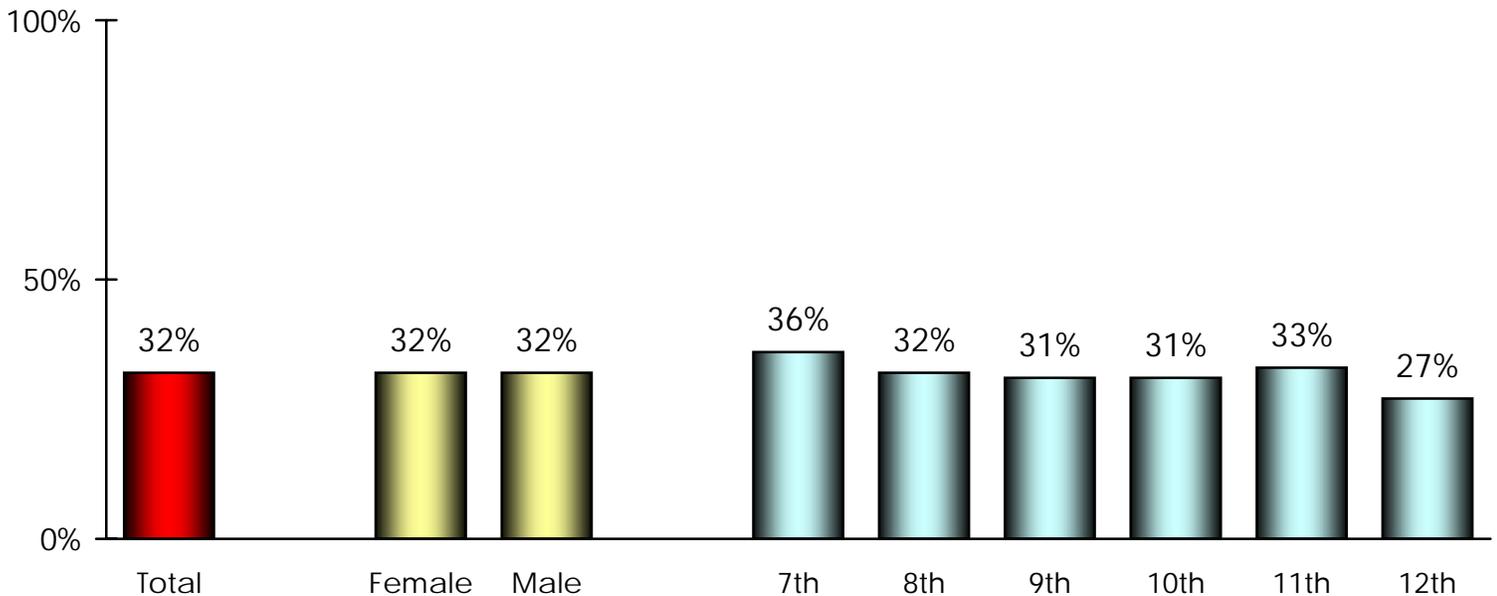


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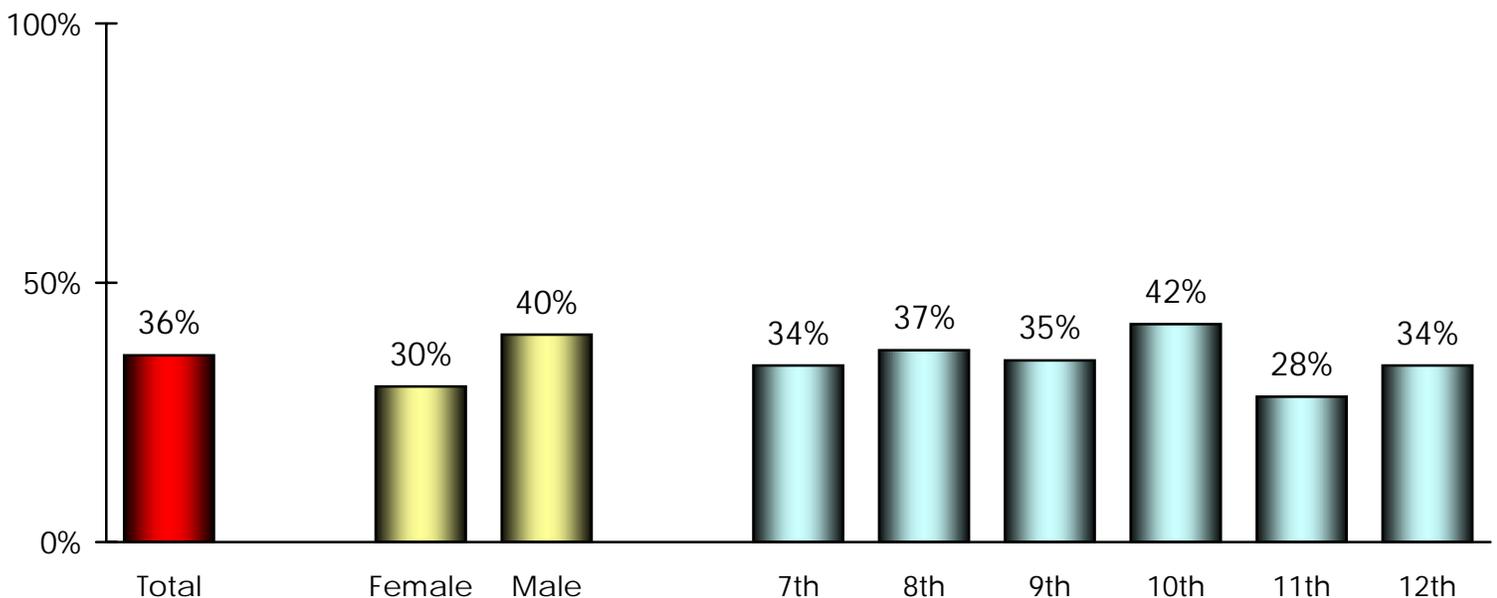
■ Nutrition

These questions measure food choices.

Percentage of students who ate fruit four or more times during the past 7 days.

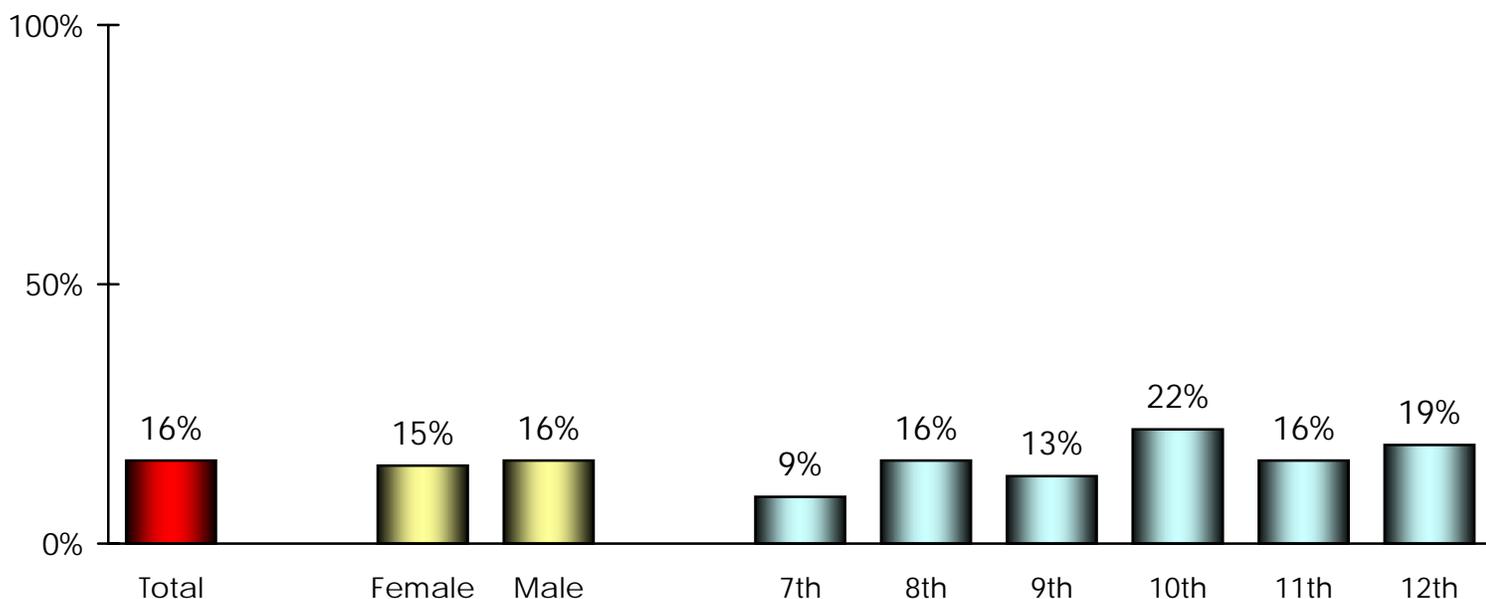


Percentage of students who drank fruit juices four or more times during the past 7 days.

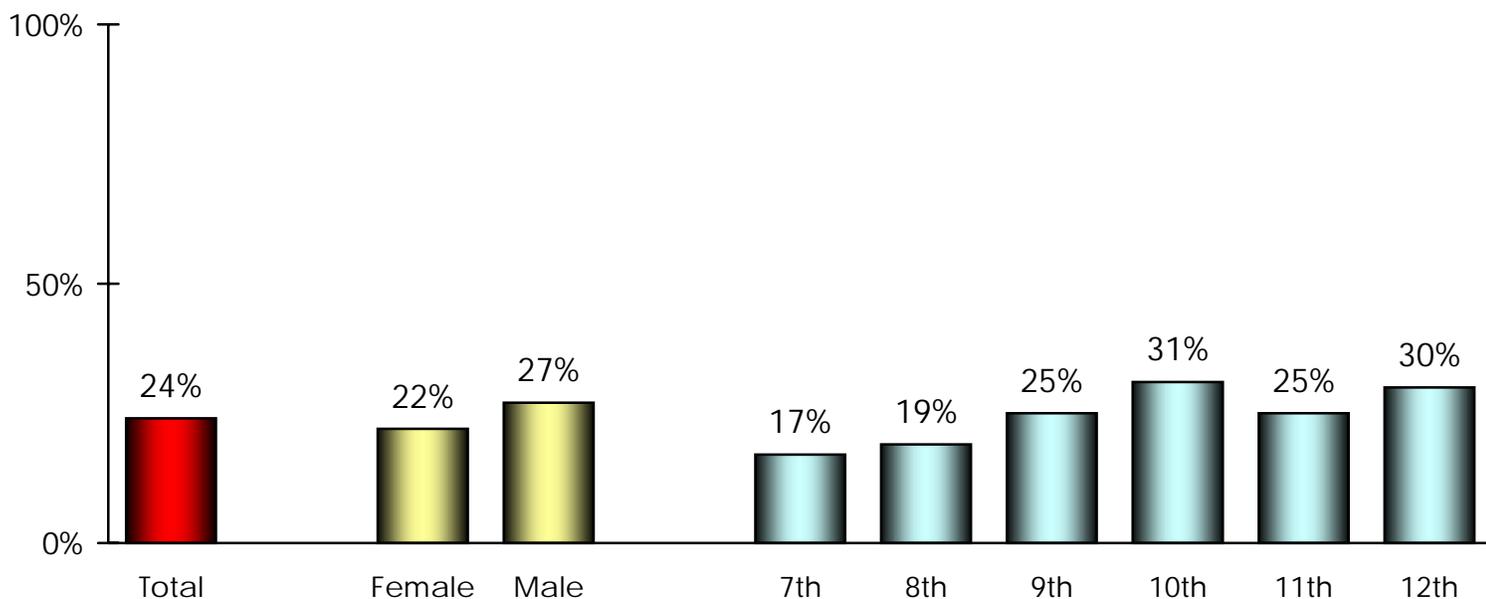


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Percentage of students who ate green salad four or more times during the past 30 days.

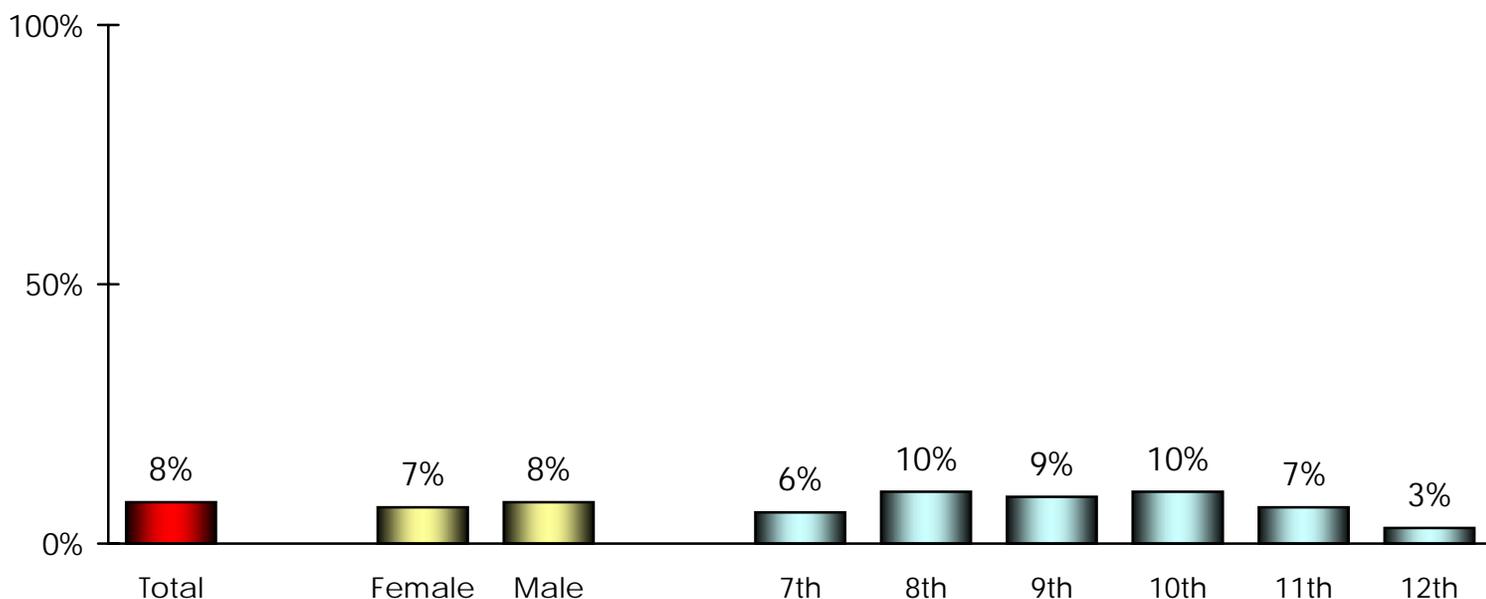


Percentage of students who ate potatoes four or more times during the past 30 days.

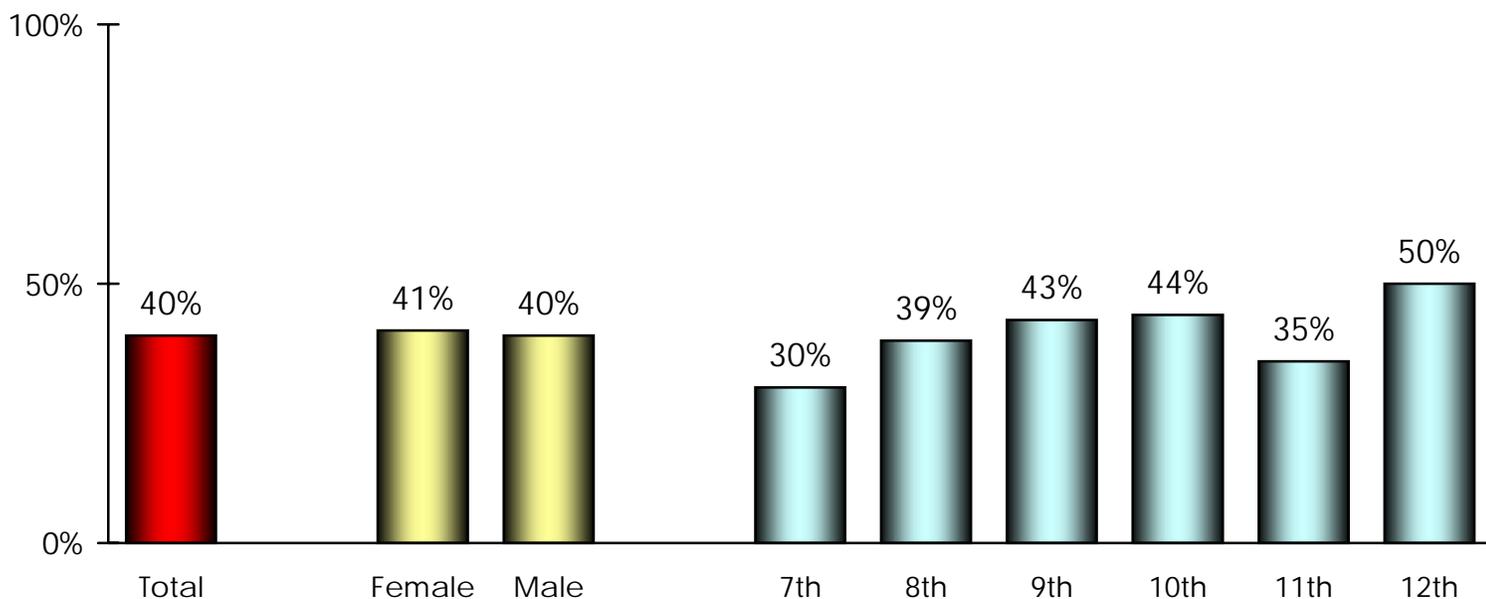


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Percentage of students who ate carrots four or more times during the past 7 days.

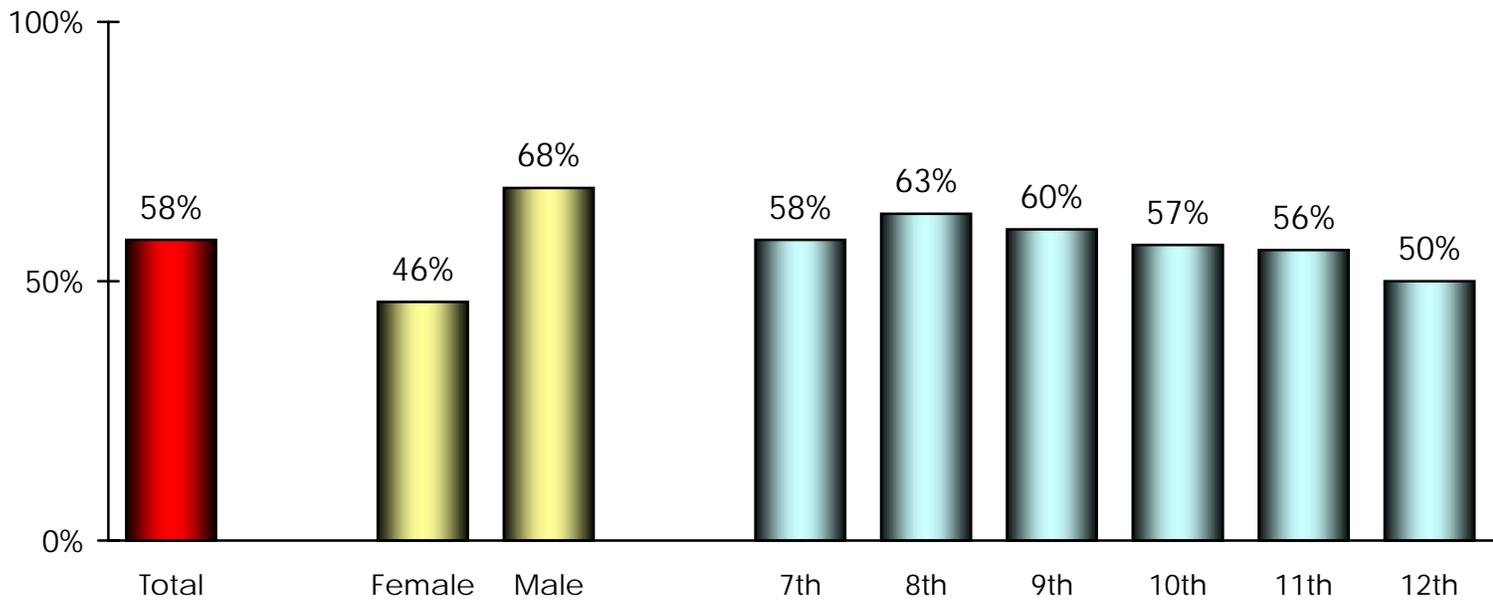


Percentage of students who ate other vegetables four or more times during the past 7 days.



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Percentage of students who drank milk four or more times during the past 7 days.

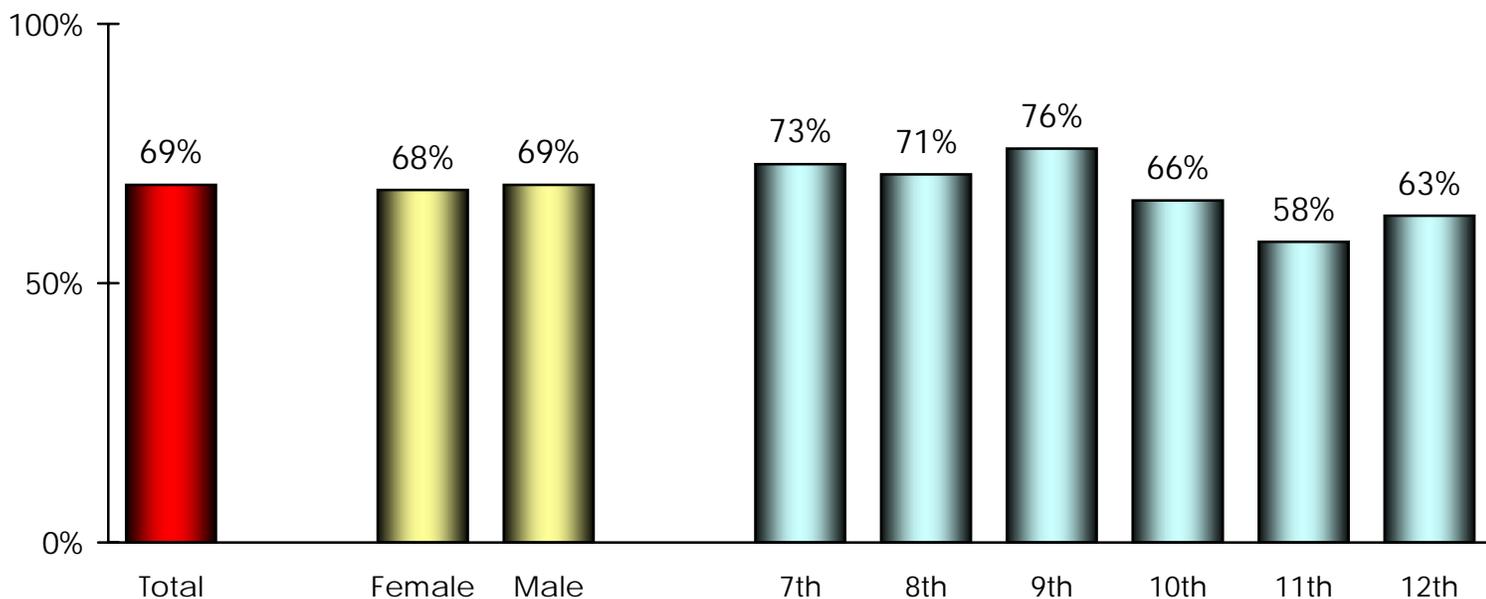


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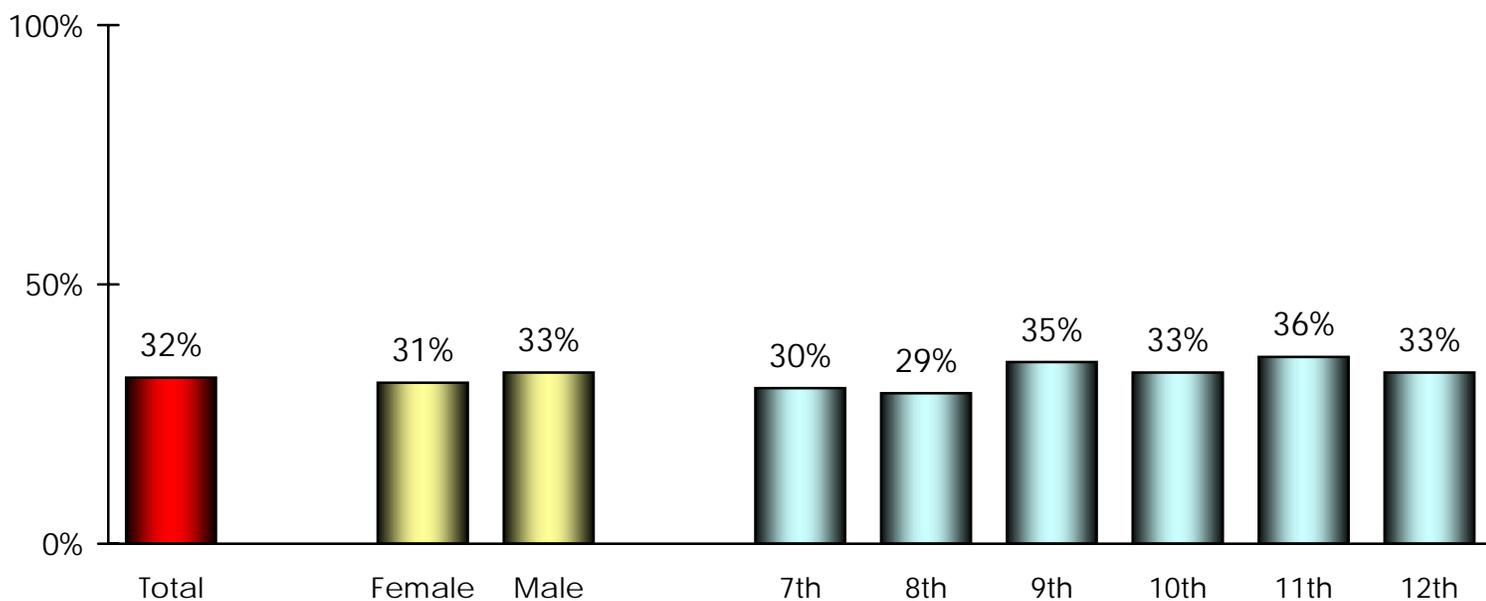
■ Physical Activity

These questions measure students' physical activity, including team sports, physical education class, and sports injuries.

Percentage of students who participated in a physical activity for at least 30 minutes that made them sweat and breathe hard on 3 or more of the past 7 days.

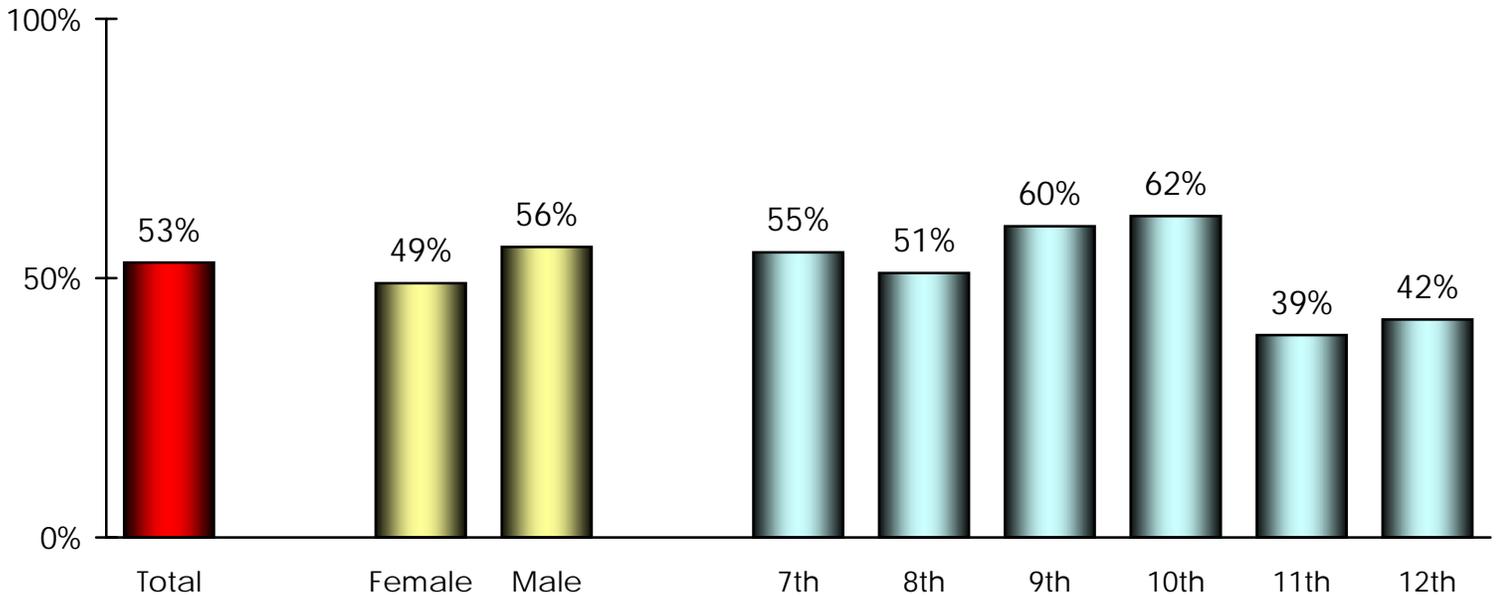


Percentage of students who participated in a physical activity for at least 30 minutes that did not make them sweat or breathe hard 3 or more of the past 7 days.

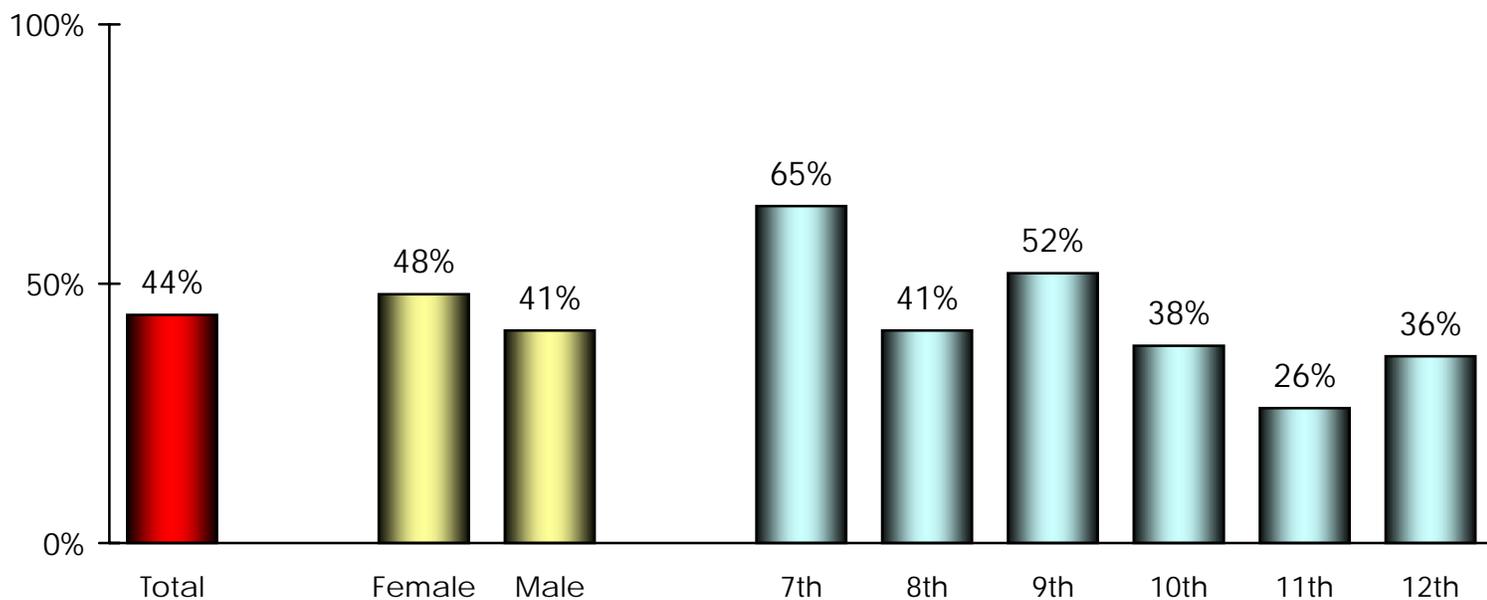


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Percentage of students who exercised to strengthen or tone their muscles on three or more of the past seven days.

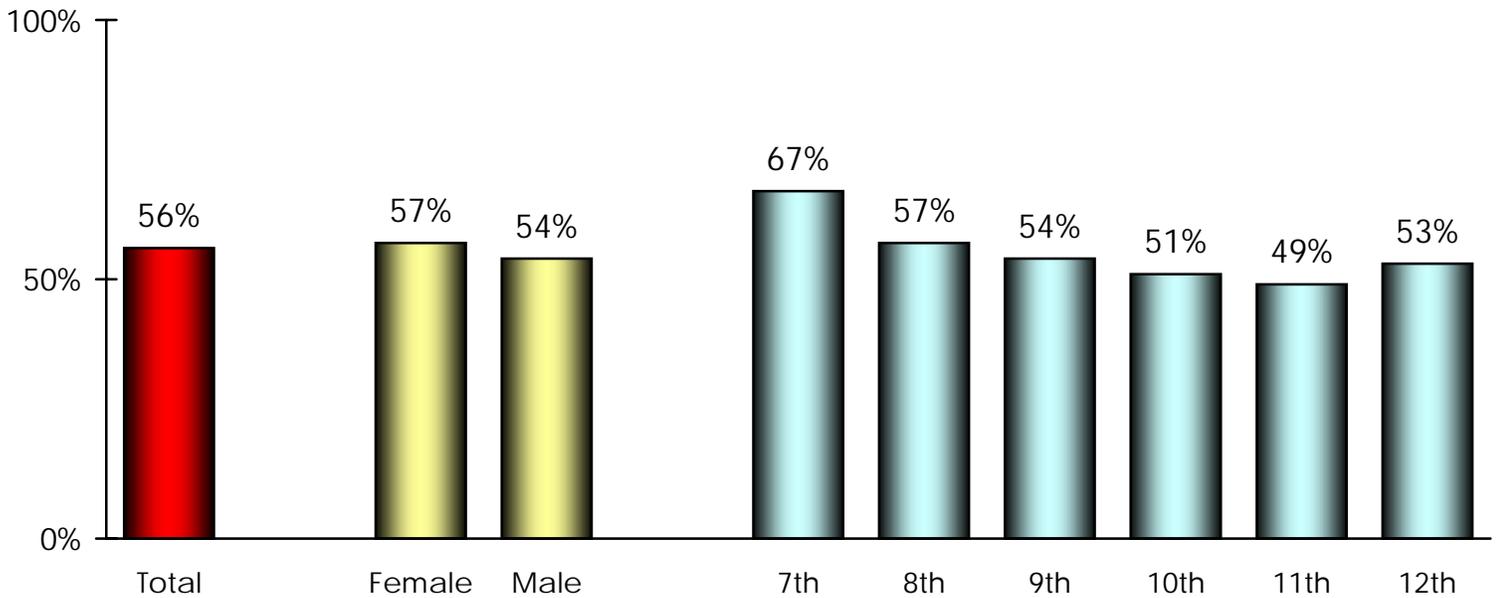


Percentage of students who attended physical education (PE) class one or more days during an average school week.



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Percentage of students who played on one or more sports teams during the past 12 months.



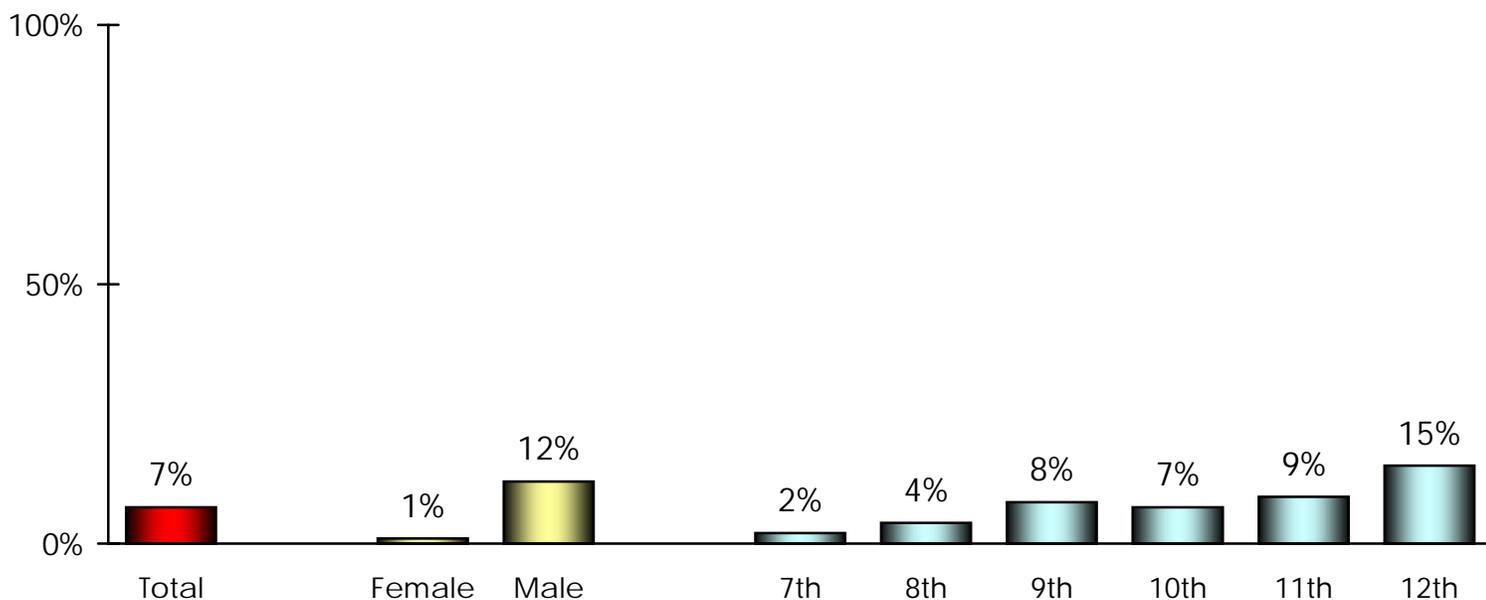
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■ Violence-Related Behaviors at School

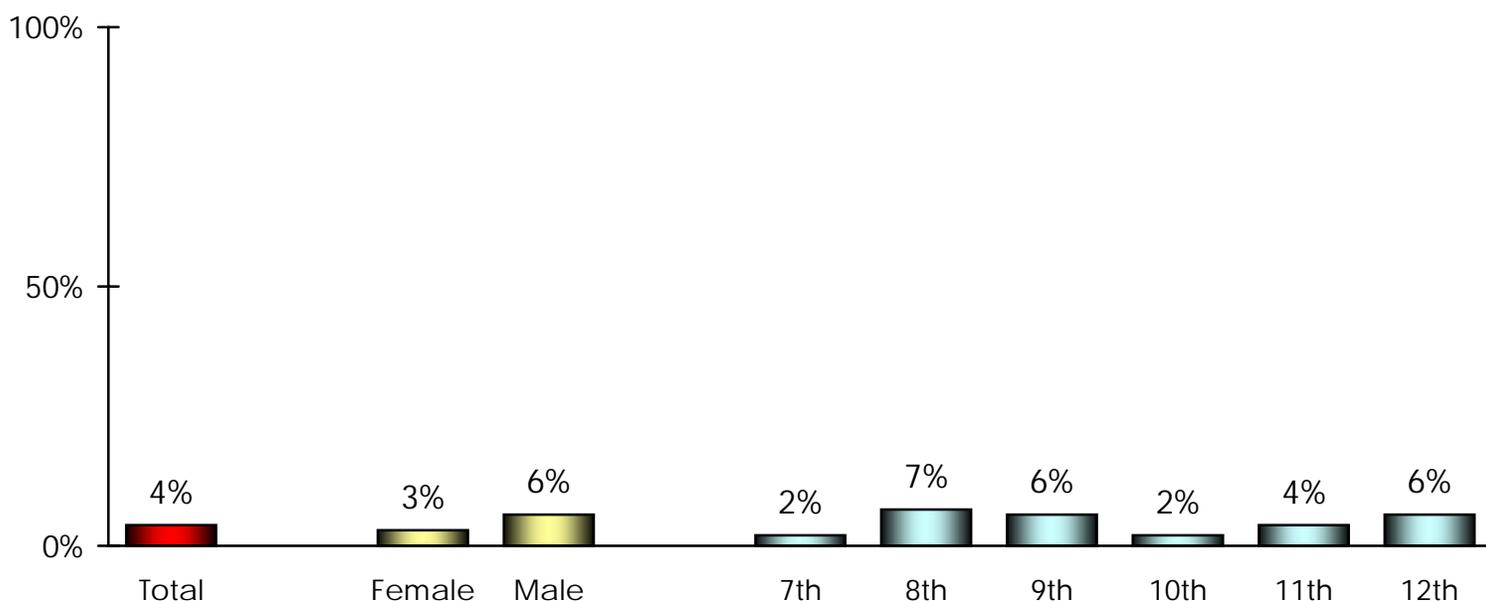
These questions measure violence related behaviors at school.

Percentage of students who carried a weapon* on school property on one or more of the past 30 days.

*Such as a gun, knife, or club.

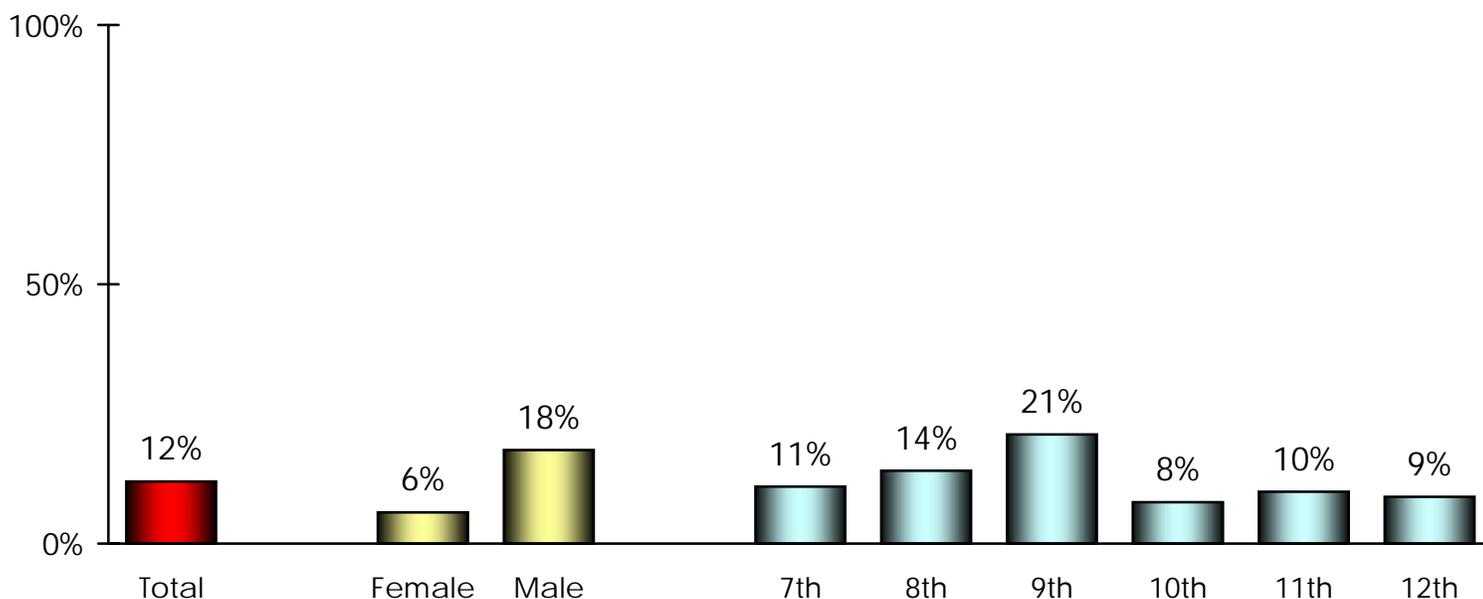


Percentage of students who had been threatened or injured with a weapon on school property one or more times during the past 12 months.



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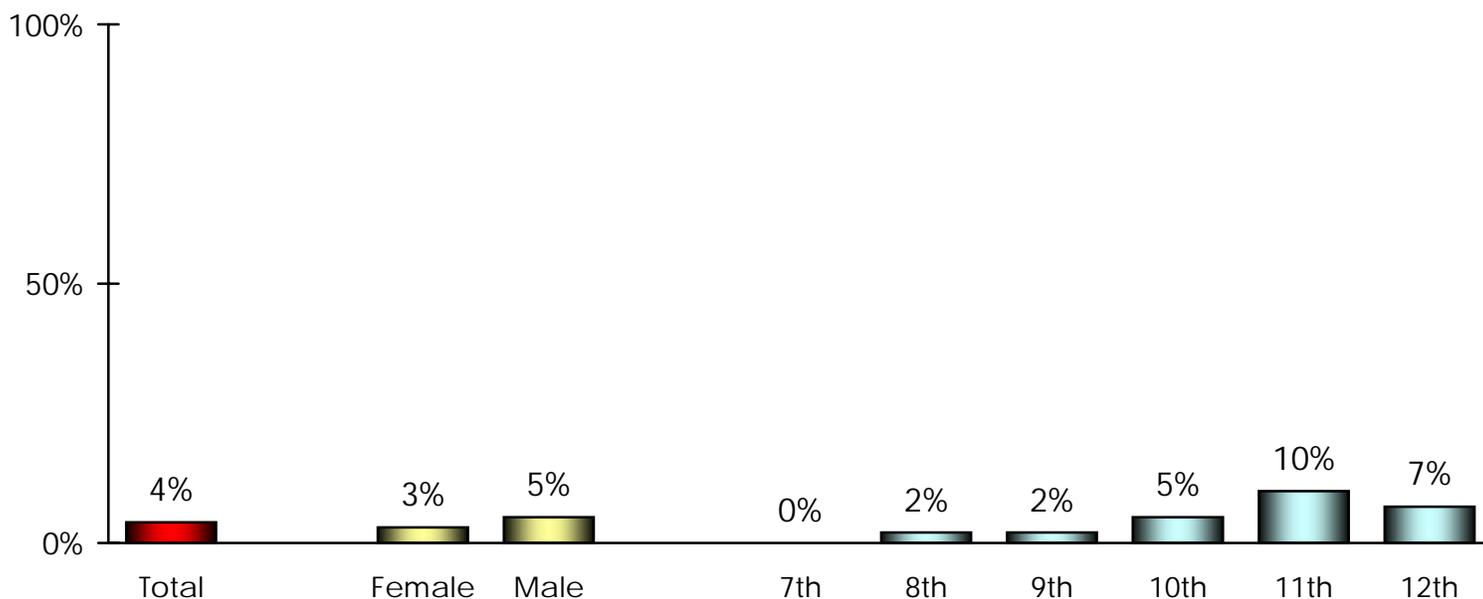
Percentage of students who were in a physical fight on school property one or more times during the past 12 months.



■ Tobacco Use at School

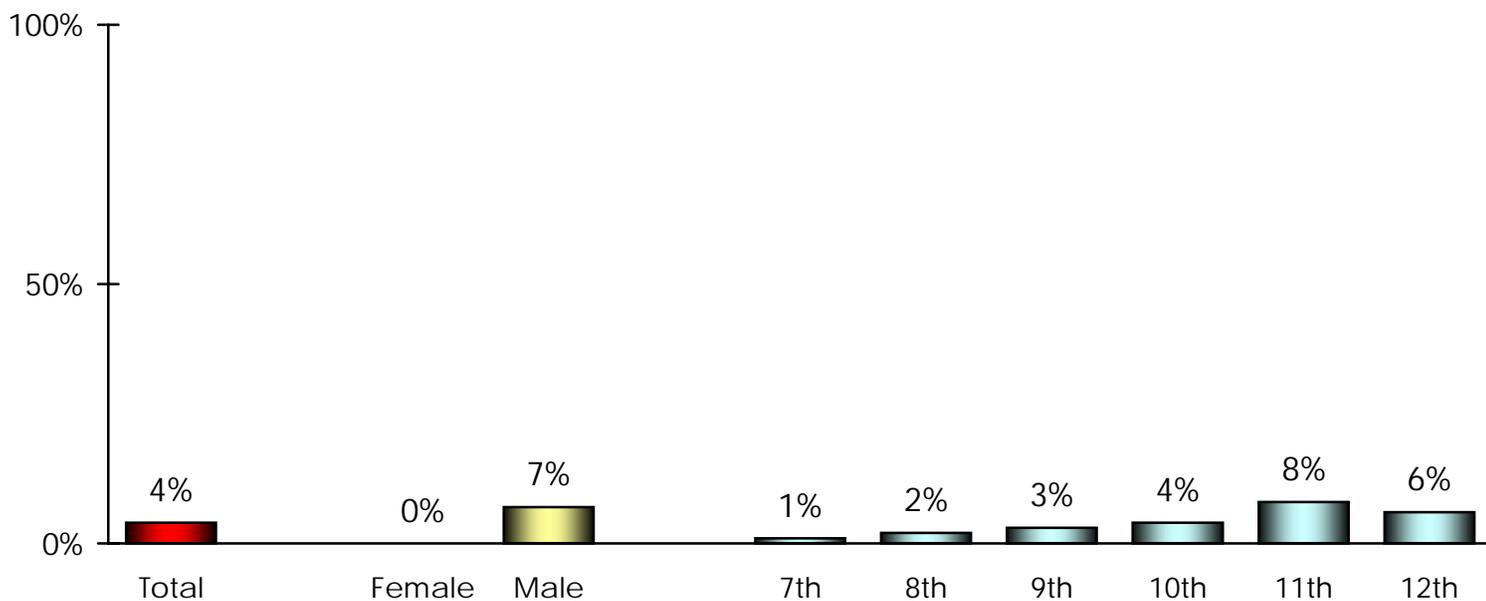
These questions measure tobacco use on school property.

Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on school property on one or more of the past 30 days.



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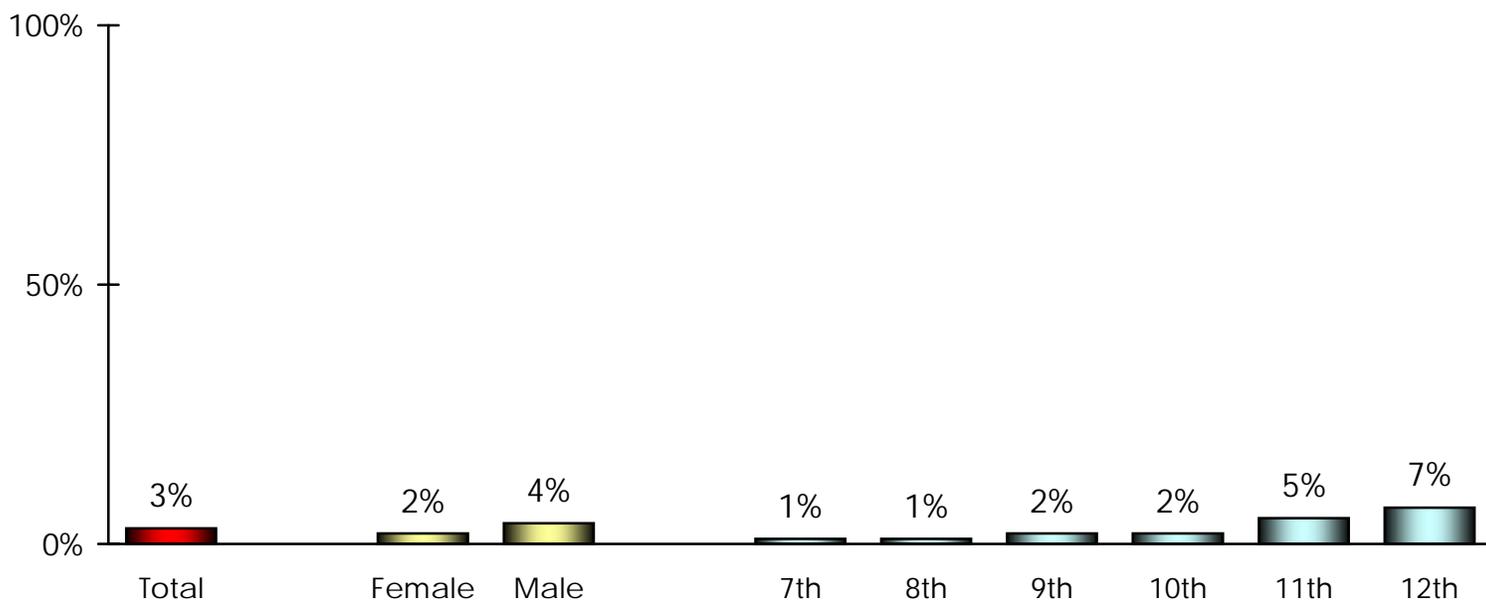
Percentage of students who used chewing tobacco or snuff on school property on one or more of the past 30 days.



■ Alcohol Use at School

This question measures alcohol use on school property.

Percentage of students who had at least one drink of alcohol on school property on one or more of the past 30 days.

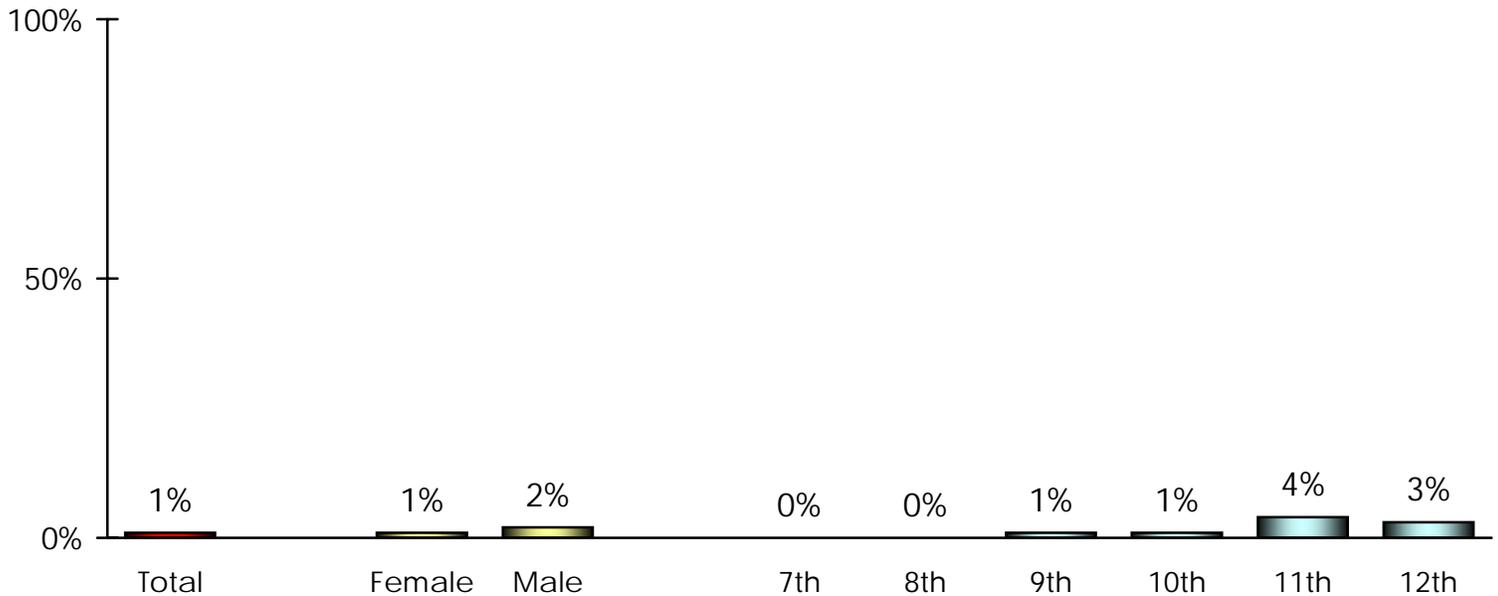


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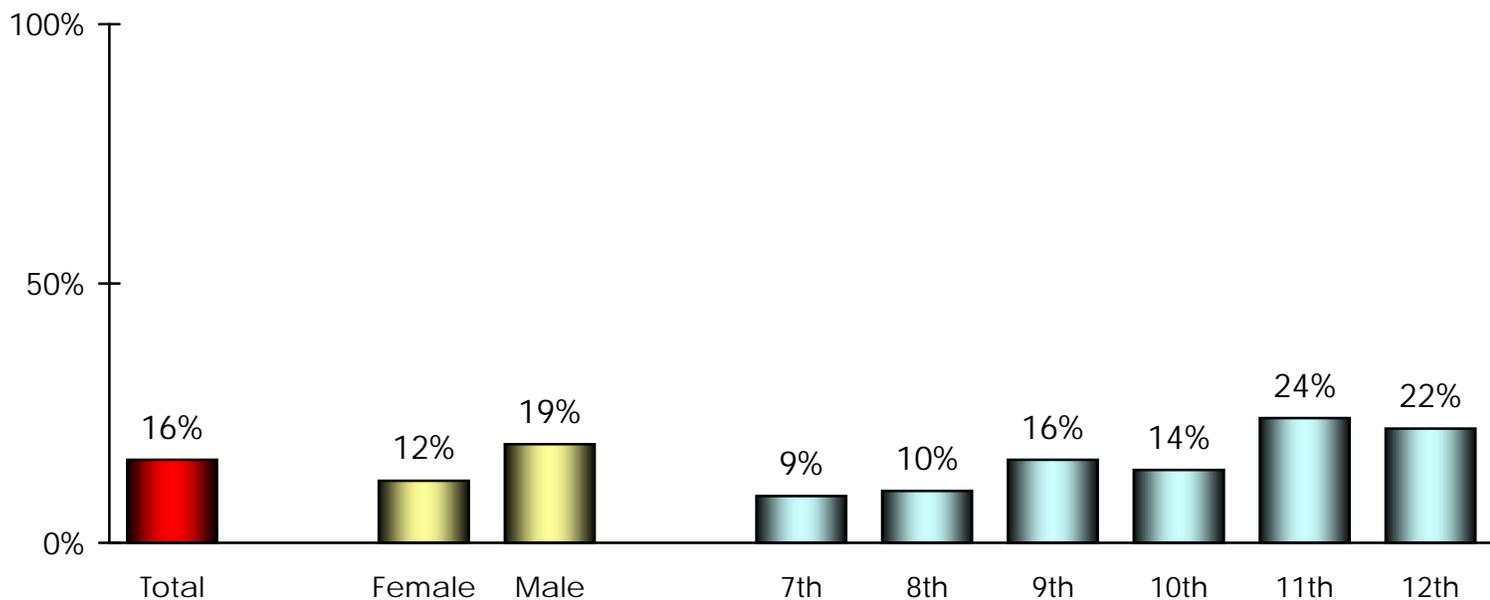
■ Drug Use at School

These questions measure drug use and availability on school property.

Percentage of students who used marijuana on school property on one or more of the past 30 days.



Percentage of students who had someone offer, sell, or give them an illegal drug on school property during the past 12 months.



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1. How old are you?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
12 OR YOUNGER	119	14.89
13	136	17.02
14	147	18.40
15	132	16.52
16	137	17.15
17	111	13.89
18 OR OLDER	17	2.13

Frequency Missing = 4

2. What is your sex?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
FEMALE	360	45.11
MALE	438	54.89

Frequency Missing = 5

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3. In what grade are you?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
7TH	141	17.80
8TH	133	16.79
9TH	154	19.44
10TH	138	17.42
11TH	124	15.66
12TH	102	12.88

Frequency Missing = 11

7. When you rode a motorcycle during the past 12 months, how often did you wear a helmet?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
DID NOT RIDE	543	67.88
NEVER WORE	117	14.63
RARELY WORE	16	2.00
SOMETIMES WORE	22	2.75
WORE MOST OF THE TIME	34	4.25
ALWAYS WORE	68	8.50

Frequency Missing = 3

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8. When you rode a bicycle during the past 12 months, how often did you wear a helmet?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
DID NOT RIDE	231	28.88
NEVER WORE	523	65.38
RARELY WORE	19	2.38
SOMETIMES WORE	11	1.38
WORE MOST OF THE TIME	10	1.25
ALWAYS WORE	6	0.75

Frequency Missing = 3

9. How often do you wear a seat belt when riding in a car driven by someone else?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NEVER	62	7.76
RARELY	106	13.27
SOMETIMES	203	25.41
MOST OF THE TIME	231	28.91
ALWAYS	197	24.66

Frequency Missing = 4

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10. During the past 30 days,
how many times did you ride
in a car or other
vehicle driven by someone who
had been drinking alcohol?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	586	73.16
1 TIME	74	9.24
2-3 TIMES	75	9.36
4-5 TIMES	28	3.50
6+ TIMES	38	4.74

Frequency Missing = 2

11. During the past 30 days, how
many times did you drive a car
or other vehicle
when you had been drinking alcohol?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	708	89.28
1 TIME	41	5.17
2-3 TIMES	29	3.66
4-5 TIMES	6	0.76
6+ TIMES	9	1.13

Frequency Missing = 10

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12. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you carry a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	569	72.76
1 TIME	17	2.17
2-3 TIMES	45	5.75
4-5 TIMES	15	1.92
6+ TIMES	136	17.39

Frequency Missing = 21

13. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you carry a gun?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	693	87.72
1 TIME	20	2.53
2-3 TIMES	38	4.81
4-5 TIMES	12	1.52
6+ TIMES	27	3.42

Frequency Missing = 13

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14. During the past 30 days,
on how many days did you carry
a weapon such
as a gun, knife, or club on
school property?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	739	92.96
1 TIME	15	1.89
2-3 TIMES	10	1.26
4-5 TIMES	3	0.38
6+ TIMES	28	3.52

Frequency Missing = 8

15. 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?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	773	97.60
1 TIME	9	1.14
2-3 TIMES	5	0.63
6+ TIMES	5	0.63

Frequency Missing = 11

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16. During the past 12 months, how many times has someone threatened or injured you with a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	767	95.52
1 TIME	17	2.12
2-3 TIMES	12	1.49
4-5 TIMES	2	0.25
6-7 TIMES	1	0.12
8-9 TIMES	1	0.12
10-11 TIMES	1	0.12
12+ TIMES	2	0.25

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17. During the past 12 months, how many times were you in a physical fight?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	555	70.70
1 TIME	108	13.76
2-3 TIMES	55	7.01
4-5 TIMES	27	3.44
6-7 TIMES	7	0.89
8-9 TIMES	8	1.02
10-11 TIMES	2	0.25
12+ TIMES	23	2.93

Frequency Missing = 18

18. During the past 12 months, how many times were you in a physical fight in which you were injured and had to be treated by a doctor or nurse?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	769	97.96
1 TIME	14	1.78
2-3 TIMES	2	0.25

Frequency Missing = 18

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19. During the past 12 months, how many times were you in a physical fight on school property?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	703	87.55
1 TIME	51	6.35
2-3 TIMES	33	4.11
4-5 TIMES	8	1.00
6-7 TIMES	3	0.37
8-9 TIMES	1	0.12
12+ TIMES	4	0.50

20. During the past 12 months, did your boyfriend or girlfriend ever hit, slap, or physically hurt you on purpose?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	57	7.15
NO	740	92.85

Frequency Missing = 6

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21. Have you ever been forced to have sexual intercourse when you did not want to?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	48	6.02
NO	750	93.98

Frequency Missing = 5

22. During the past 12 months, did you ever feel sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more in a row that you stopped doing some usual activities?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	176	21.92
NO	627	78.08

23. During the past 12 months, did you ever seriously consider attempting suicide?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	97	12.53
NO	677	87.47

Frequency Missing = 29

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24. During the past 12 months, did you make a plan about how you would attempt suicide?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	66	8.25
NO	734	91.75

Frequency Missing = 3

25. During the past 12 months, how many times did you actually attempt suicide?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	673	95.46
1 TIME	22	3.12
2-3 TIMES	7	0.99
4-5 TIMES	1	0.14
6+ TIMES	2	0.28

Frequency Missing = 98

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26. If you attempted suicide during the past 12 months, did any attempt result in an injury, poisoning, or overdose that had to be treated by a doctor or nurse?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
N/A	671	94.24
YES	9	1.26
NO	32	4.49

Frequency Missing = 91

27. Have you ever tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	500	64.10
NO	280	35.90

Frequency Missing = 23

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28. How old were you when you smoked a whole cigarette for the first time?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NEVER TRIED	396	50.90
8 OR YOUNGER	54	6.94
AGE 9-10	58	7.46
AGE 11-12	114	14.65
AGE 13-14	102	13.11
AGE 15-16	51	6.56
17 OR OLDER	3	0.39

Frequency Missing = 25

29. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	559	72.41
1-2 DAYS	46	5.96
3-5 DAYS	21	2.72
6-9 DAYS	20	2.59
10-19 DAYS	23	2.98
20-29 DAYS	24	3.11
ALL 30 DAYS	79	10.23

Frequency Missing = 31

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30. During the past 30 days, on the days you smoked, how many cigarettes did you smoke per day?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NONE IPM	560	72.63
LT 1 PER DAY	29	3.76
1/DAY	36	4.67
2-5/DAY	69	8.95
6-10/DAY	39	5.06
11-20/DAY	28	3.63
21+ /DAY	10	1.30

Frequency Missing = 32

31. During the past 30 days, how did you usually get your own cigarettes?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NONE IPM	560	72.45
STORE BOUGHT	38	4.92
MACHINE BOUGHT	3	0.39
SOMEONE ELSE BOUGHT	82	10.61
BORROWED THEM	56	7.24
PERSON 18 OR OLDER GAVE THEM	10	1.29
TOOK FROM A STORE OR FAMILY MEMBER	8	1.03
SOME OTHER WAY	16	2.07

Frequency Missing = 30

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32. When you bought cigarettes
in a store during the
past 30 days, were you
ever asked to show proof
of age?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
N/A	709	88.63
YES	41	5.13
NO	50	6.25

Frequency Missing = 3

33. During the past 30 days, on
how many days did you smoke cigarettes
on school property?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	758	95.95
1-2 DAYS	14	1.77
3-5 DAYS	8	1.01
6-9 DAYS	4	0.51
10-19 DAYS	2	0.25
20-29 DAYS	1	0.13
ALL 30 DAYS	3	0.38

Frequency Missing = 13

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34. Have you ever smoked
cigarettes regularly,
that is, at least one
cigarette every day for
30 days?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	168	21.37
NO	618	78.63

Frequency Missing = 17

35. Have you ever tried
to quit smoking cigarettes?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
N/A	541	68.05
YES	157	19.75
NO	97	12.20

Frequency Missing = 8

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36. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco or snuff, such as Redman, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Skoal Bandits, or Copenhagen?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	713	89.57
1-2 DAYS	30	3.77
3-5 DAYS	10	1.26
6-9 DAYS	10	1.26
10-19 DAYS	9	1.13
20-29 DAYS	5	0.63
ALL 30 DAYS	19	2.39

Frequency Missing = 7

37. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco or snuff on school property?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	767	95.99
1-2 DAYS	9	1.13
3-5 DAYS	6	0.75
6-9 DAYS	5	0.63
10-19 DAYS	3	0.38
ALL 30 DAYS	9	1.13

Frequency Missing = 4

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38. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	709	88.85
1-2 DAYS	46	5.76
3-5 DAYS	22	2.76
6-9 DAYS	15	1.88
10-19 DAYS	2	0.25
ALL 30 DAYS	4	0.50

Frequency Missing = 5

39. During your life, on how many days have you had at least one drink of alcohol?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	241	34.43
1-2 DAYS	88	12.57
3-9 DAYS	72	10.29
10-19 DAYS	77	11.00
20-39 DAYS	56	8.00
40-99 DAYS	62	8.86
100+ DAYS	104	14.86

Frequency Missing = 103

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40. How old were you when you had your first drink of alcohol other than a few sips?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NEVER TRIED	235	33.76
8 OR YOUNGER	85	12.21
AGE 9-10	68	9.77
AGE 11-12	102	14.66
AGE 13-14	121	17.39
AGE 15-16	79	11.35
17 OR OLDER	6	0.86

Frequency Missing = 107

41. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	492	64.57
1-2 DAYS	109	14.30
3-5 DAYS	64	8.40
6-9 DAYS	47	6.17
10-19 DAYS	29	3.81
20-29 DAYS	17	2.23
ALL 30 DAYS	4	0.52

Frequency Missing = 41

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42. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	582	74.71
1 DAY	59	7.57
2 DAYS	37	4.75
3-5 DAYS	57	7.32
6-9 DAYS	21	2.70
10-19 DAYS	17	2.18
20+ DAYS	6	0.77

Frequency Missing = 24

43. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol on school property?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	773	96.99
1-2 DAYS	21	2.63
3-5 DAYS	2	0.25
ALL 30 DAYS	1	0.13

Frequency Missing = 6

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44. During your life, how many times have you used marijuana?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	567	71.77
1-2 TIMES	58	7.34
3-9 TIMES	30	3.80
10-19 TIMES	31	3.92
20-39 TIMES	20	2.53
40-99 TIMES	25	3.16
100+ TIMES	59	7.47

Frequency Missing = 13

45. How old were you when you tried marijuana for the first time?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NEVER TRIED	565	71.70
8 OR YOUNGER	13	1.65
AGE 9-10	22	2.79
AGE 11-12	48	6.09
AGE 13-14	87	11.04
AGE 15-16	45	5.71
17 OR OLDER	8	1.02

Frequency Missing = 15

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46. During the past 30 days, how many times did you use marijuana?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	668	84.03
1-2 TIMES	40	5.03
3-9 TIMES	31	3.90
10-19 TIMES	20	2.52
20-39 TIMES	19	2.39
40+ TIMES	17	2.14

Frequency Missing = 8

47. During the past 30 days, how many times did you use marijuana on school property?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	786	98.62
1-2 TIMES	4	0.50
3-9 TIMES	3	0.38
10-19 TIMES	1	0.13
20-39 TIMES	1	0.13
40+ TIMES	2	0.25

Frequency Missing = 6

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48. During your life, how many times have you used any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	755	95.21
1-2 TIMES	22	2.77
3-9 TIMES	7	0.88
10-19 TIMES	2	0.25
20-39 TIMES	4	0.50
40+ TIMES	3	0.38

Frequency Missing = 10

49. During the past 39 days, how many times did you use any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	784	98.12
1-2 TIMES	9	1.13
3-9 TIMES	2	0.25
10-19 TIMES	1	0.13
20-39 TIMES	2	0.25
40+ TIMES	1	0.13

Frequency Missing = 4

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50. During your life, how many times have you sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	685	86.06
1-2 TIMES	45	5.65
3-9 TIMES	31	3.89
10-19 TIMES	21	2.64
20-39 TIMES	6	0.75
40+ TIMES	8	1.01

Frequency Missing = 7

51. During the past 30 days, how many times have you sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	768	96.60
1-2 TIMES	16	2.01
3-9 TIMES	5	0.63
10-19 TIMES	4	0.50
20-39 TIMES	1	0.13
40+ TIMES	1	0.13

Frequency Missing = 8

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52. During your life, how many times have you used heroin (also called smack, junk or china white)?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	783	97.75
1-2 TIMES	11	1.37
3-9 TIMES	2	0.25
10-19 TIMES	2	0.25
40+ TIMES	3	0.37

Frequency Missing = 2

53. During your life, how many times have you used methamphetamines (also called speed, crystal, crank or ice)?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	747	93.26
1-2 TIMES	26	3.25
3-9 TIMES	7	0.87
10-19 TIMES	4	0.50
20-39 TIMES	4	0.50
40+ TIMES	13	1.62

Frequency Missing = 2

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54. During your life, how many times have you taken steroid pills or shots without a doctor's prescription?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	757	94.98
1-2 TIMES	15	1.88
3-9 TIMES	14	1.76
10-19 TIMES	2	0.25
20-39 TIMES	5	0.63
40+ TIMES	4	0.50

Frequency Missing = 6

55. During your life, how many times have you used a needle to inject any illegal drug into your body?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	788	98.50
1 TIME	7	0.88
2+ TIMES	5	0.63

Frequency Missing = 3

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56. During the past 12 months, has anyone offered, sold or given you an illegal drug on school property?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	124	15.50
NO	676	84.50

Frequency Missing = 3

57. Have you ever had sexual intercourse?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	230	30.71
NO	519	69.29

Frequency Missing = 54

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58. How old were you when you had sexual intercourse for the first time?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NEVER	519	69.11
AGE 11 OR YOUNGER	31	4.13
AGE 12	21	2.80
AGE 13	39	5.19
AGE 14	52	6.92
AGE 15	36	4.79
AGE 16	36	4.79
AGE 17+	17	2.26

Frequency Missing = 52

59. During your life, with how many people have you had sexual intercourse?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NONE	519	69.11
1 PERSON	89	11.85
2 PEOPLE	40	5.33
3 PEOPLE	28	3.73
4 PEOPLE	19	2.53
5 PEOPLE	16	2.13
6 OR MORE PEOPLE	40	5.33

Frequency Missing = 52

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60. During the past 3 months, with how many people did you have sexual intercourse?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NONE AT ALL	519	69.02
NONE IN PAST 3 MONTHS	63	8.38
1 PERSON	111	14.76
2 PEOPLE	32	4.26
3 PEOPLE	12	1.60
4 PEOPLE	5	0.66
5 PEOPLE	4	0.53
6 OR MORE PEOPLE	6	0.80

Frequency Missing = 51

61. Did you drink alcohol or use drugs before you had sexual intercourse the last time?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
N/A	519	69.29
YES	56	7.48
NO	174	23.23

Frequency Missing = 54

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62. The last time you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner use condom?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
N/A	519	69.29
YES	146	19.49
NO	84	11.21

Frequency Missing = 54

63. The last time you had sexual intercourse, what one method did you or your partner use to prevent pregnancy?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NEVER HAD SEX	519	69.39
NO BIRTH CONTROL USED	30	4.01
BIRTH CONTROL PILLS	22	2.94
CONDOMS	121	16.18
DEPO-PROVERA	4	0.53
WITHDRAWAL	32	4.28
OTHER	8	1.07
NOT SURE	12	1.60

Frequency Missing = 55

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64. How many times have you been pregnant or gotten someone pregnant?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TIMES	764	96.83
1 TIME	15	1.90
2+ TIMES	1	0.13
NOT SURE	9	1.14

Frequency Missing = 14

65. How do you describe your weight?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
VERY UNDERWEIGHT	24	2.99
SLIGHTLY UNDERWEIGHT	113	14.09
ABOUT THE RIGHT WEIGHT	425	52.99
SLIGHTLY OVERWEIGHT	209	26.06
VERY OVERWEIGHT	31	3.87

Frequency Missing = 1

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66. Which of the following are you trying to do about your weight?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
LOSE WEIGHT	351	43.98
GAIN WEIGHT	87	10.90
STAY THE SAME WEIGHT	179	22.43
NOT TRYING TO DO ANYTHING	181	22.68

Frequency Missing = 5

67. During the past 30 days, did you exercise to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	466	58.69
NO	328	41.31

Frequency Missing = 9

68. During the past 30 days, did you eat less food, fewer calories, or foods low in fat to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	298	37.34
NO	500	62.66

Frequency Missing = 5

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69. During the past 30 days, did you go without eating for 24 hours or more (also called fasting) to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	104	12.97
NO	698	87.03

Frequency Missing = 1

70. During the past 30 days, did you take any diet pills, powders, or liquids without a doctor's advice to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	81	10.13
NO	719	89.88

Frequency Missing = 3

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71. During the past 30 days, did you vomit or take laxatives to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	46	5.82
NO	745	94.18

Frequency Missing = 12

72. During the past 7 days, how many times did you drink 100% fruit juices such as orange juice, apple juice, or grape juice?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NONE	264	33.46
1-3 TIMES	244	30.93
4-6 TIMES	128	16.22
ONCE PER DAY	48	6.08
TWICE PER DAY	49	6.21
3 TIMES PER DAY	16	2.03
4+ TIMES PER DAY	40	5.07

Frequency Missing = 14

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73. During the past 7 days, how many times did you eat fruit?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NONE	208	26.03
1-3 TIMES	336	42.05
4-6 TIMES	142	17.77
ONCE PER DAY	44	5.51
TWICE PER DAY	32	4.01
3 TIMES PER DAY	15	1.88
4+ TIMES PER DAY	22	2.75

Frequency Missing = 4

74. During the past 7 days, how many times did you eat green salad?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NONE	374	46.93
1-3 TIMES	299	37.52
4-6 TIMES	90	11.29
ONCE PER DAY	25	3.14
TWICE PER DAY	5	0.63
4+ TIMES PER DAY	4	0.50

Frequency Missing = 6

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75. During the past 7 days, how many times did you eat potatoes?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NONE	223	28.30
1-3 TIMES	374	47.46
4-6 TIMES	129	16.37
ONCE PER DAY	38	4.82
TWICE PER DAY	7	0.89
3 TIMES PER DAY	3	0.38
4+ TIMES PER DAY	14	1.78

Frequency Missing = 15

76. During the past 7 days, how many times did you eat carrots?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NONE	529	66.13
1-3 TIMES	210	26.25
4-6 TIMES	34	4.25
ONCE PER DAY	12	1.50
TWICE PER DAY	5	0.63
3 TIMES PER DAY	3	0.38
4+ TIMES PER DAY	7	0.88

Frequency Missing = 3

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77. During the past 7 days, how many times did you eat other vegetables?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NONE	169	21.28
1-3 TIMES	306	38.54
4-6 TIMES	197	24.81
ONCE PER DAY	71	8.94
TWICE PER DAY	27	3.40
3 TIMES PER DAY	9	1.13
4+ TIMES PER DAY	15	1.89

Frequency Missing = 9

78. During the past 7 days, how many glasses of milk did you drink?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NONE	135	17.05
1-3 TIMES	200	25.25
4-6 TIMES	151	19.07
ONCE PER DAY	93	11.74
TWICE PER DAY	90	11.36
3 TIMES PER DAY	49	6.19
4+ TIMES PER DAY	74	9.34

Frequency Missing = 11

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79. On how many of the past 7 days did you exercise or participate in physical activity for at least 20 minutes that made you sweat and breathe hard, such as basketball, soccer running, swimming laps, fast bicycling, fast dancing, or similar aerobic activities?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	132	16.58
1 DAY	56	7.04
2 DAYS	61	7.66
3 DAYS	52	6.53
4 DAYS	56	7.04
5 DAYS	155	19.47
6 DAYS	40	5.03
7 DAYS	244	30.65

Frequency Missing = 7

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80. On how many of the past 7 days did you participate in physical activity for at least 30 minutes that did not make you sweat or breathe hard, such as fast walking, slow bicycling, skating, pushing a lawn mower/mopping floors?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	348	43.77
1 DAY	112	14.09
2 DAYS	79	9.94
3 DAYS	65	8.18
4 DAYS	39	4.91
5 DAYS	43	5.41
6 DAYS	11	1.38
7 DAYS	98	12.33

Frequency Missing = 8

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81. On how many of the past 7 days did you do exercise to strengthen or tone your muscles, such as push-ups, sit-ups, or weight lifting?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	219	27.72
1 DAY	88	11.14
2 DAYS	67	8.48
3 DAYS	96	12.15
4 DAYS	56	7.09
5 DAYS	94	11.90
6 DAYS	19	2.41
7 DAYS	151	19.11

Frequency Missing = 13

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82. On an average school day, how many hours do you watch TV?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NO TV	58	7.30
LT ONE HOUR	137	17.23
1 HOUR	93	11.70
2 HOURS	196	24.65
3 HOURS	152	19.12
4 HOURS	72	9.06
5+ HOURS	87	10.94

Frequency Missing = 8

83. In an average week when you are in school, on how many days do you go to physical education classes?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 DAYS	414	55.87
1 DAY	8	1.08
2 DAYS	7	0.94
3 DAYS	6	0.81
4 DAYS	4	0.54
5 DAYS	302	40.76

Frequency Missing = 62

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84. In an average week when you are in school, on how many minutes do you spend actually exercising or playing sports?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
NO PE CLASS	412	55.38
LT 10 MINUTES	13	1.75
10-20 MINUTES	10	1.34
21-30 MINUTES	27	3.63
31-40 MINUTES	52	6.99
41-50 MINUTES	129	17.34
51-60 MINUTES	74	9.95
OVER 60 MINUTES	27	3.63

Frequency Missing = 59

85. During the past 12 months, on how many sports teams did you play?

	Number of Students	Percent of Total
0 TEAMS	350	44.36
1 TEAM	190	24.08
2 TEAMS	133	16.86
3+ TEAMS	116	14.70

Frequency Missing = 14

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86. During the past 12 months, how would you describe your grades in school?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
MOSTLY A's	271	34.52
MOSTLY B's	266	33.89
MOSTLY C's	139	17.71
MOSTLY D's	16	2.04
MOSTLY F's	7	0.89
NONE OF THE ABOVE	3	0.38
NOT SURE	83	10.57

Frequency Missing = 18

87. Have you ever been taught about AIDS or HIV infection in school?		
	Number of Students	Percent of Total
YES	542	70.39
NO	113	14.68
NOT SURE	115	14.94

Frequency Missing = 33

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For more information about the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) and the risk behaviors it covers, please see the following Internet resources.

The Youth Risk Behavior Study

This page is the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (5) overview of the methods, results, and uses of YRBS data.

<http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dash/yrbs/ov.htm>

Violence

These sites include information about warning signs and prevention of violence among adolescents.

The American Psychological Association's site about youth violence warning signs, and information about how to get help for violent youth.

<http://helping.apa.org/warningsigns/index.html>

This information about understanding violent behavior among youth is provided by the American Academy of Adolescent and Child Psychiatry.

<http://www.aacap.org/publications/factsfam/behavior.htm>

Tobacco, Alcohol, and Other Drug Use

These pages provide information about tobacco, alcohol, and other drug use prevention, and treatment for youth and their families.

The Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids is the country's largest non-government initiative ever launched to protect children from tobacco addiction and exposure to second-hand smoke.

<http://www.tobaccofreekids.org>

Arkansans for Drug Free Youth is an organization dedicated to educating and motivating Arkansas youth, families, and communities in the development of healthy, drug free youth.

<http://www.adfy.com>

PREVline (Prevention Online) offers hundreds of files about alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs from the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information.

<http://www.health.org>

Teen Pregnancy and Sexual Behavior

These sites provide information about teen sexuality, pregnancy, and STD's.

The Alan Guttmacher Institute provides reliable, balanced, nonpartisan information on sexual activity, contraception, abortion, and childbearing.

<http://www.agi-usa.org/home.html>

The mission of the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy is to prevent teen pregnancy by supporting values and stimulating actions that are consistent with a pregnancy-free adolescence. Their site contains tips for teens, parents, and faith communities on ways they can help prevent teen pregnancy and the spread of sexually transmitted diseases.

<http://www.teenpregnancy.org/>

Nutrition and Physical Activity

The following sites are dedicated to providing information about healthy eating and exercise.

The American Dietetic Association promotes optimal nutrition and well being for all people.

<http://www.eatright.org>

The American Council on Exercise (ACE) is committed to promoting active, healthy lifestyles and their positive effects on the mind, body and spirit.

<http://www.acefitness.org/>

Mental Health Issues

This site provides information regarding mental health issues including depression, suicide, mental illnesses, and how to get help.

The National Mental Health Association is dedicated to promoting mental health, preventing mental disorders and achieving victory over mental illnesses through advocacy, education, research and service.

<http://www.nmha.org>

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Parenting Teens

These links connect to sites for parents of teenagers. Issues covered include tips for communicating with teens, health, education, substance abuse, eating disorders, and other topics of interest to parents of teenagers.

From About.com, a site with original articles about parenting and links to other sites of interest to parents of teens.

<http://parentingteens.about.com/home/parenting/parentingteens/>

From Parent's Soup, a site with articles and information from educators, experts, and parents.

<http://www.parentsoup.com/community/teens.html>

Links for Teens

The following sites are designed for teenagers with content by teens covering a variety of topics including health and education, creative expression, and practical advice.

About.com's site for teenagers, including message boards and creative writing from real teens.

<http://teenexchange.about.com/kidsteens/ktteens/teenexchange/>

Teen Voice is a youth magazine covering issues facing teenage girls and young women today including topics such as health, education, substance abuse, and body image.

<http://www.teenvoices.com>

Miscellaneous

The Annie E. Casey Foundation is a private charitable organization dedicated to helping build better futures for disadvantaged children in the U.S.

<http://www.aecf.org>

The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

<http://www.dhhs.gov>