

2023 YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY RESULTS
District of Columbia (Including Charter Schools) High School Survey
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Health Risk Behavior	Percentage	Number of Students	Standard Error	95% Confidence Interval	Design Effect*
QN9: Percentage of students who rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol (in a car or other vehicle, one or more times during the 30 days before the survey)	15.4	12,334	0.33	(14.8 - 16.1)	1.0
QN10: Percentage of students who drove a car or other vehicle when they had been drinking alcohol (one or more times during the 30 days before the survey, among students who had driven a car or other vehicle during the 30 days before the survey)	10.5	2,296	0.66	(9.3 - 11.9)	1.1
QN12: Percentage of students who carried a weapon on school property (such as a gun, knife, or club, on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	3.8	12,265	0.18	(3.5 - 4.2)	1.1
QN14: Percentage of students who did not go to school because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to or from school (on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	14.6	12,294	0.33	(14.0 - 15.3)	1.0
QN15: Percentage of students who were threatened or injured with a weapon on school property (such as a gun, knife, or club, one or more times during the 12 months before the survey)	8.9	12,365	0.27	(8.4 - 9.4)	1.1
QN16: Percentage of students who were in a physical fight (one or more times during the 12 months before the survey)	26.1	11,989	0.41	(25.3 - 26.9)	1.1

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QN17: Percentage of students who were in a physical fight on school property (one or more times during the 12 months before the survey)	15.3	11,967	0.34	(14.6 - 16.0)	1.1
QN18: Percentage of students who ever saw someone get physically attacked, beaten, stabbed, or shot in their neighborhood	32.7	12,240	0.43	(31.9 - 33.6)	1.0
QN19: Percentage of students who were ever physically forced to have sexual intercourse (when they did not want to)	7.5	12,212	0.24	(7.0 - 8.0)	1.0
QN20: Percentage of students who experienced sexual violence (being forced by anyone to do sexual things [counting such things as kissing, touching, or being physically forced to have sexual intercourse] that they did not want to do, one or more times during the 12 months before the survey)	9.3	11,967	0.27	(8.8 - 9.9)	1.0
QN21: Percentage of students who experienced sexual dating violence (being forced by someone they were dating or going out with to do sexual things [counting such things as kissing, touching, or being physically forced to have sexual intercourse] that they did not want to do, one or more times during the 12 months before the survey, among students who dated or went out with someone during the 12 months before the survey)	5.6	6,470	0.28	(5.0 - 6.1)	1.0

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QN22: Percentage of students who experienced physical dating violence (being physically hurt on purpose by someone they were dating or going out with [counting such things as being hit, slammed into something, or injured with an object or weapon] one or more times during the 12 months before the survey, among students who dated or went out with someone during the 12 months before the survey)	10.6	6,747	0.39	(9.9 - 11.4)	1.1
QN24: Percentage of students who were bullied on school property (ever during the 12 months before the survey)	10.5	11,953	0.29	(9.9 - 11.0)	1.0
QN25: Percentage of students who were electronically bullied (counting being bullied through texting, Instagram, Facebook, or other social media, ever during the 12 months before the survey)	9.3	11,858	0.27	(8.7 - 9.8)	1.0
QN26: Percentage of students who felt sad or hopeless (almost every day for >=2 weeks in a row so that they stopped doing some usual activities, ever during the 12 months before the survey)	33.8	11,763	0.44	(32.9 - 34.7)	1.0
QN27: Percentage of students who seriously considered attempting suicide (during the 12 months before the survey)	17.2	11,697	0.35	(16.5 - 17.9)	1.0
QN28: Percentage of students who made a plan about how they would attempt suicide (during the 12 months before the survey)	15.2	11,665	0.34	(14.5 - 15.9)	1.0

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QN29: Percentage of students who actually attempted suicide (one or more times during the 12 months before the survey)	11.4	9,645	0.34	(10.7 - 12.0)	1.1
QN30: Percentage of students who had a suicide attempt that resulted in an injury, poisoning, or overdose that had to be treated by a doctor or nurse (during the 12 months before the survey)	3.5	9,617	0.19	(3.1 - 3.8)	1.1
QN32: Percentage of students who smoked a cigarette before age 13 years (even one or two puffs)	4.8	11,631	0.20	(4.5 - 5.3)	1.1
QN33: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigarettes (on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	3.1	11,591	0.16	(2.8 - 3.5)	0.9
QN36: Percentage of students who currently used an electronic vapor product (including e-cigarettes, vapes, vape pens, e-cigars, e-hookahs, hookah pens, and mods [such as JUUL, SMOK, Suorin, Vuse, and blu], on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	9.6	11,649	0.28	(9.1 - 10.2)	1.0
QN38: Percentage of students who currently used smokeless tobacco (chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, snus, or dissolvable tobacco products [such as Copenhagen, Grizzly, Skoal, Camel Snus, or Velo Nicotine Lozenges], not counting any electronic vapor products, on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	3.5	11,605	0.17	(3.2 - 3.8)	1.0

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QN39: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars, such as Swisher Sweets, Middleton's (including Black & Mild, or Backwoods, on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	3.7	11,539	0.18	(3.4 - 4.1)	1.0
QN41: Percentage of students who had their first drink of alcohol before age 13 years (other than a few sips)	12.5	11,167	0.32	(11.9 - 13.1)	1.0
QN42: Percentage of students who currently drank alcohol (at least one drink of alcohol, on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	15.0	11,102	0.33	(14.4 - 15.7)	1.0
QN43: Percentage of students who currently were binge drinking (had four or more drinks of alcohol in a row if they were female or five or more drinks of alcohol in a row if they were male, within a couple of hours, on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	6.8	11,297	0.23	(6.4 - 7.3)	0.9
QN47: Percentage of students who tried marijuana for the first time before age 13 years	7.2	11,381	0.25	(6.7 - 7.7)	1.1
QN48: Percentage of students who currently used marijuana (one or more times during the 30 days before the survey)	20.5	11,335	0.39	(19.8 - 21.3)	1.0

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QN49: Percentage of students who ever took prescription pain medicine without a doctor's prescription or differently than how a doctor told them to use it (counting drugs such as codeine, Vicodin, OxyContin, Hydrocodone, and Percocet, one or more times during their life)	13.2	11,346	0.33	(12.6 - 13.9)	1.0
QN50: Percentage of students who ever used cocaine (any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase, one or more times during their life)	2.4	11,320	0.14	(2.1 - 2.7)	1.0
QN51: Percentage of students who ever used inhalants (sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high, one or more times during their life)	5.4	11,241	0.21	(5.0 - 5.8)	1.0
QN52: Percentage of students who ever used heroin (also called "smack," "junk," or "China White," one or more times during their life)	2.0	11,225	0.13	(1.7 - 2.3)	1.0
QN53: Percentage of students who ever used methamphetamines (also called "speed," "crystal meth," "crank," "ice," or "meth," one or more times during their life)	2.1	11,197	0.14	(1.8 - 2.3)	1.0
QN54: Percentage of students who ever used ecstasy (also called "MDMA" or "Molly," one or more times during their life)	2.4	11,160	0.15	(2.1 - 2.7)	1.0

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QN56: Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse	30.1	9,806	0.47	(29.2 - 31.1)	1.0
QN57: Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 13 years	4.5	9,799	0.22	(4.0 - 4.9)	1.1
QN58: Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse with four or more persons during their life	6.3	9,711	0.25	(5.8 - 6.8)	1.1
QN59: Percentage of students who were currently sexually active (had sexual intercourse with at least one person, during the 3 months before the survey)	20.2	9,693	0.41	(19.4 - 21.0)	1.0
QN60: Percentage of students who drank alcohol or used drugs before last sexual intercourse (among students who were currently sexually active)	18.9	1,894	0.91	(17.2 - 20.7)	1.0
QN61: Percentage of students who used a condom during last sexual intercourse (among students who were currently sexually active)	50.4	1,870	1.17	(48.2 - 52.7)	1.0
QN62: Percentage of students who used birth control pills before last sexual intercourse with opposite-sex partner (to prevent pregnancy, not counting emergency contraception such as Plan B or the "morning after" pill, among students who were currently sexually active)	11.6	1,656	0.78	(10.1 - 13.2)	1.0

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QN66: Percentage of students who described themselves as slightly or very overweight	25.1	10,777	0.42	(24.3 - 26.0)	1.0
QN67: Percentage of students who were trying to lose weight	40.9	10,781	0.48	(40.0 - 41.9)	1.0
QN69: Percentage of students who did not eat fruit (one or more times during the 7 days before the survey)	11.4	10,682	0.32	(10.8 - 12.0)	1.1
QN70: Percentage of students who did not eat green salad (one or more times during the 7 days before the survey)	43.0	10,583	0.49	(42.0 - 43.9)	1.0
QN74: Percentage of students who did not drink a can, bottle, or glass of soda or pop (such as Coke, Pepsi, or Sprite, not counting diet soda or diet pop, one or more times during the 7 days before the survey)	29.7	10,601	0.45	(28.8 - 30.6)	1.0
QN75: Percentage of students who did not eat breakfast (during the 7 days before the survey)	18.5	10,621	0.39	(17.7 - 19.2)	1.1
QN76: Percentage of students who were physically active at least 60 minutes per day on 5 or more days (in any kind of physical activity that increased their heart rate and made them breathe hard some of the time during the 7 days before the survey)	34.6	10,445	0.47	(33.7 - 35.5)	1.0
QN80: Percentage of students who use social media several times a day	75.5	10,503	0.42	(74.7 - 76.4)	1.0

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QN81: Percentage of students who were ever tested for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) (not counting tests done if they donated blood)	11.9	10,334	0.32	(11.3 - 12.5)	1.0
QN82: Percentage of students who were tested for a sexually transmitted disease (STD) other than HIV, such as chlamydia or gonorrhea (during the 12 months before the survey)	9.1	10,292	0.29	(8.6 - 9.7)	1.0
QN83: Percentage of students who saw a dentist (for a check-up, exam, teeth cleaning, or other dental work, during the 12 months before the survey)	70.6	10,336	0.46	(69.7 - 71.5)	1.0
QN84: Percentage of students who reported that their mental health was most of the time or always not good (including stress, anxiety, and depression, during the 30 days before the survey)	21.4	10,238	0.41	(20.6 - 22.2)	1.0
QN85: Percentage of students who got 8 or more hours of sleep (on an average school night)	27.7	10,215	0.45	(26.9 - 28.6)	1.0
QN86: Percentage of students who experienced unstable housing (during the 30 days before the survey)	4.2	10,189	0.21	(3.8 - 4.6)	1.1
QN87: Percentage of students who described their grades in school as mostly A's or B's (during the 12 months before the survey)	75.9	10,145	0.43	(75.0 - 76.7)	1.0
QN88: Percentage of students who live in District of Columbia wards 1 through 4	25.9	12,188	0.37	(25.2 - 26.7)	0.9

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QN89: Percentage of students who live in District of Columbia wards 5 through 8	42.9	11,751	0.45	(42.0 - 43.8)	1.0
QN90: Percentage of students who think other people at school would describe them as equally feminine and masculine	14.5	12,125	0.33	(13.9 - 15.2)	1.1
QN91: Percentage of students who rarely or never wore a helmet when they rode a bicycle or used rollerblades or a skateboard (among students who rode a bicycle or used rollerblades or a skateboard during the 12 months before the survey)	71.1	6,655	0.54	(70.1 - 72.2)	1.0
QN92: Percentage of students who currently carried a weapon (such as a gun, knife, or club, on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	11.2	12,343	0.29	(10.7 - 11.8)	1.1
QN93: Percentage of students who have been afraid of being beaten up at school one or more times (during the 12 months before the survey)	12.1	12,343	0.30	(11.6 - 12.7)	1.0
QN94: Percentage of students who reported that their property had been stolen or deliberately damaged on school property one or more times (such as their car, clothing, or books, during the 12 months before the survey)	14.9	12,330	0.33	(14.2 - 15.5)	1.0

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QN95: Percentage of students who have been harassed on school property one or more times because someone thought they were gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender (during the 12 months before the survey)	10.4	12,319	0.28	(9.9 - 10.9)	1.0
QN96: Percentage of students who have been a member of a gang or crew (during the 12 months before the survey)	6.6	12,328	0.23	(6.1 - 7.0)	1.0
QN97: Percentage of students who have seen or heard people where they live be violent and abusive (including serious hitting, shouting, throwing items, yelling, or name calling, but not 'play fighting,' during the 12 months before the survey)	31.1	12,253	0.43	(30.2 - 31.9)	1.0
QN98: Percentage of students who reported someone they were dating or going out with purposely tried to control them or emotionally hurt them one or more times (such things as being told who they could and could not spend time with, being humiliated in front of others, or being threatened if they did not do what they wanted, during the 12 months before the survey, among students who dated or went out with someone during the 12 months before the survey)	23.3	7,145	0.51	(22.3 - 24.3)	1.0

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QN99: Percentage of students who reported someone did sexual things to them that they did not want to do one or more times (by pressuring them, lying to them, making promises about the future, threatening to end their relationship, or threatening to spread rumors about them, during the 12 months before the survey)	8.8	12,070	0.26	(8.2 - 9.3)	1.1
QN100: Percentage of students who felt that they were ever treated badly or unfairly because of their race or ethnicity (during their life)	46.0	12,094	0.46	(45.1 - 46.9)	1.0
QN101: Percentage of students who reported a revealing or sexual photo of them had been texted, e-mailed, or posted electronically without their permission (during the 30 days before the survey)	5.6	12,012	0.21	(5.2 - 6.0)	1.0
QN102: Percentage of students who bullied someone on school property (during the 12 months before the survey)	7.2	11,853	0.24	(6.8 - 7.7)	1.0
QN103: Percentage of students who reported their partners were three or more years older than themselves the last time they had sexual intercourse (among students who have had sexual intercourse)	8.0	3,195	0.48	(7.1 - 9.0)	1.0
QN104: Percentage of students who have been pregnant or gotten someone pregnant (one or more times)	3.3	10,790	0.18	(3.0 - 3.7)	1.0

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QN105: Percentage of students who exercised to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight (during the 30 days before the survey)	52.8	10,704	0.49	(51.8 - 53.7)	1.0
QN106: Percentage of students who went without eating for 24 hours or more to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight (also called fasting, during the 30 days before the survey)	22.8	10,654	0.42	(22.0 - 23.6)	1.1
QN107: Percentage of students who vomited or took laxatives to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight (during the 30 days before the survey)	5.4	10,626	0.22	(4.9 - 5.8)	1.0
QN108: Percentage of students who ate at a fast food chain or carry out restaurant (at least one day during the 7 days before the survey)	80.5	10,557	0.39	(79.7 - 81.2)	1.0
QN109: Percentage of students who most of the time or always went hungry because there was not enough food in their home (during the 30 days before the survey)	5.1	10,512	0.22	(4.7 - 5.5)	1.0
QN110: Percentage of students who have been taught about AIDS or HIV infection in school	57.3	10,354	0.49	(56.3 - 58.3)	1.0
QN111: Percentage of students who strongly agree or agree that they feel close to people at their school	56.5	10,220	0.50	(55.5 - 57.5)	1.0

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QN112: Percentage of students who reported there is at least one teacher or other adult in their school that they can talk to if they have a problem	65.4	10,238	0.48	(64.5 - 66.4)	1.0
QN113: Percentage of students who talked to a teacher or other adult in their school about a personal problem they had (during the 12 months before the survey)	38.0	10,124	0.49	(37.0 - 38.9)	1.0
QN114: Percentage of students who have been removed from class for at least one day for disciplinary reasons (counting time spent in in-school suspension, out-of-school suspension, and expulsion, one or more times during the 12 months before the survey)	20.0	10,185	0.41	(19.2 - 20.8)	1.1
QN115: Percentage of students who have ever slept away from their parents or guardians because they were kicked out, ran away, or were abandoned (during the 30 days before the survey)	5.0	10,106	0.22	(4.6 - 5.4)	1.1
QN116: Percentage of students who have ever been given money, a place to stay, food, or something else of value in exchange for sex	3.1	10,022	0.18	(2.8 - 3.5)	1.0
QN117: Percentage of students who most of the time or always get the kind of help they need (among students who report having felt sad, empty, hopeless, angry, or anxious)	23.0	7,284	0.49	(22.0 - 23.9)	1.0

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QN118: Percentage of students who participate in school activities one or more hours (such as sports, band, drama, or clubs, during an average week when they are in school)	62.4	10,074	0.49	(61.4 - 63.4)	1.0
QN119: Percentage of students who reported they will most likely attend a 4-year college after they complete high school	64.7	10,131	0.48	(63.8 - 65.7)	1.0

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