

## 2023 YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY RESULTS

### District of Columbia (Including Charter Schools) Middle School Survey Risk Behaviors and Sexual Identity Report

#### Unintentional Injuries/Violence

Health Risk Behavior	Heterosexual		Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual		Other/Questioning*		Difference Between Heterosexual and Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Heterosexual and Other/Questioning? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual and Other/Questioning? <sup>§</sup>
	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN10: Percentage of students who were ever in a physical fight	64.1 (63.1-65.0)	8,674	66.0 (63.7-68.3)	1,572	47.1 (43.9-50.3)	945	No	Yes	Yes
QN13: Percentage of students who were ever bullied on school property	27.4 (26.5-28.3)	8,682	44.5 (42.1-47.0)	1,580	45.4 (42.2-48.6)	942	Yes	Yes	No
QN14: Percentage of students who were ever electronically bullied (counting being bullied through texting, Instagram, Facebook, or other social media)	17.2 (16.4-18.0)	8,664	33.6 (31.3-36.0)	1,583	24.5 (21.8-27.4)	942	Yes	Yes	Yes
QN15: Percentage of students who ever seriously thought about killing themselves	21.8 (20.9-22.7)	8,630	53.4 (50.9-55.9)	1,560	39.5 (36.4-42.7)	925	Yes	Yes	Yes

\*Includes students who responded 'I describe my sexual identity some other way' or 'I am not sure about my sexual identity (questioning)'.  
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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN16: Percentage of students who ever made a plan about how they would kill themselves	13.6 (12.9-14.3)	8,610	39.4 (36.9-41.8)	1,562	26.8 (24.0-29.8)	927	Yes	Yes	Yes

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#### Tobacco Use

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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN19: Percentage of students who smoked a cigarette before age 11 years (even one or two puffs)	2.9 (2.5-3.2)	8,649	4.5 (3.6-5.6)	1,573	3.5 (2.5-4.9)	940	Yes	No	No
QN20: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigarettes (on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	1.2 (1.0-1.5)	8,644	2.7 (2.0-3.6)	1,574	2.9 (2.0-4.2)	941	Yes	Yes	No
QNFRCIG: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigarettes frequently (on 20 or more days during the 30 days before the survey)	0.2 (0.1-0.3)	8,644	0.3 (0.1-0.6)	1,574	0.9 (0.5-1.8)	941	No	Yes	Yes
QNDAYCIG: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigarettes daily (on all 30 days during the 30 days before the survey)	0.1 (0.1-0.2)	8,644	0.3 (0.1-0.6)	1,574	0.7 (0.4-1.5)	941	No	Yes	No

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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QNFREVP: Percentage of students who currently used electronic vapor products frequently (on 20 or more days during the 30 days before the survey)	0.6 (0.5-0.8)	8,659	1.1 (0.7-1.8)	1,580	0.7 (0.3-1.4)	943	No	No	No
QNDAYEVP: Percentage of students who currently used electronic vapor products daily (on all 30 days during the 30 days before the survey)	0.5 (0.3-0.6)	8,659	0.9 (0.5-1.5)	1,580	0.4 (0.2-1.1)	943	No	No	No
QN23: 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)	5.1 (4.6-5.6)	8,659	12.0 (10.5-13.8)	1,580	5.4 (4.1-7.1)	943	Yes	No	Yes

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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN25: 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)	2.3 (2.0-2.6)	8,650	4.3 (3.4-5.4)	1,578	3.4 (2.5-4.8)	941	Yes	Yes	No
QNFRCGR: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigars frequently (cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars, on 20 or more days during the 30 days before the survey)	0.4 (0.3-0.5)	8,650	0.7 (0.4-1.2)	1,578	0.6 (0.3-1.3)	941	No	No	No
QNDAYCGR: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigars daily (cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars, on all 30 days during the 30 days before the survey)	0.3 (0.2-0.4)	8,650	0.5 (0.3-1.0)	1,578	0.5 (0.2-1.2)	941	No	No	No

\*Includes students who responded 'I describe my sexual identity some other way' or 'I am not sure about my sexual identity (questioning)'.

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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QNTB2: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigarettes or cigars (on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	2.8 (2.4-3.2)	8,600	5.5 (4.5-6.8)	1,563	3.7 (2.7-5.1)	932	Yes	No	Yes
QNTB5: Percentage of students who currently smoked cigarettes or used electronic vapor products (on at least 1 day during the 30 days before the survey)	5.5 (5.0-6.0)	8,610	12.7 (11.1-14.5)	1,566	6.0 (4.6-7.7)	935	Yes	No	Yes

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Health Risk Behavior	Heterosexual		Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual		Other/Questioning*		Difference Between Heterosexual and Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Heterosexual and Other/ Questioning? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual and Other/ Questioning? <sup>§</sup>
	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN27: Percentage of students who drank alcohol for the first time before age 11 years (other than a few sips)	12.0 (11.3-12.7)	8,502	20.4 (18.4-22.5)	1,560	13.1 (11.0-15.5)	929	Yes	No	Yes
QN29: Percentage of students who tried marijuana for the first time before age 11 years	2.8 (2.4-3.2)	8,652	4.0 (3.1-5.1)	1,579	3.2 (2.2-4.6)	946	Yes	No	No
QN30: 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)	10.5 (9.9-11.2)	8,632	17.8 (15.9-19.7)	1,571	11.5 (9.6-13.8)	937	Yes	No	Yes
QN31: Percentage of students who ever used cocaine (any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase)	1.4 (1.2-1.6)	8,669	2.2 (1.6-3.0)	1,580	2.2 (1.4-3.3)	944	Yes	No	No

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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN32: Percentage of students who ever used inhalants (sniffed glue, breathed the contents of spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high)	5.0 (4.6-5.5)	8,612	10.9 (9.5-12.6)	1,575	8.8 (7.2-10.9)	938	Yes	Yes	No

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#### Sexual Behaviors

Health Risk Behavior	Heterosexual		Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual		Other/Questioning*		Difference Between Heterosexual and Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Heterosexual and Other/Questioning? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual and Other/Questioning? <sup>§</sup>
	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN33: Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse	6.9 (6.3-7.5)	8,148	9.2 (7.8-10.8)	1,471	5.5 (4.2-7.3)	876	Yes	No	Yes
QN34: Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 11 years	2.6 (2.2-2.9)	8,134	3.5 (2.7-4.6)	1,472	2.8 (1.9-4.2)	874	No	No	No
QN35: Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse with three or more persons	1.8 (1.5-2.1)	8,119	2.4 (1.7-3.3)	1,471	1.6 (1.0-2.8)	875	No	No	No
QN36: Percentage of students who did not use a condom during last sexual intercourse (among students who ever had sexual intercourse)	47.3 (43.0-51.5)	528	70.3 (61.9-77.5)	131	78.8 (64.8-88.3)	44	Yes	Yes	No

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#### Dietary Behaviors

Health Risk Behavior	Heterosexual		Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual		Other/Questioning*		Difference Between Heterosexual and Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Heterosexual and Other/Questioning? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual and Other/Questioning? <sup>§</sup>
	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN37: Percentage of students who described themselves as slightly or very overweight	20.7 (19.8-21.5)	8,569	25.4 (23.3-27.6)	1,560	27.6 (24.8-30.6)	935	Yes	Yes	No
QN39: Percentage of students who did not eat breakfast (during the 7 days before the survey)	12.1 (11.4-12.8)	8,591	17.3 (15.5-19.3)	1,578	10.9 (9.0-13.1)	935	Yes	No	Yes
QNBK7DAY: Percentage of students who did not eat breakfast on all 7 days (during the 7 days before the survey)	56.1 (55.1-57.2)	8,591	72.8 (70.6-75.0)	1,578	60.8 (57.7-63.9)	935	Yes	Yes	Yes

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#### Physical Activity

Health Risk Behavior	Heterosexual		Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual		Other/Questioning*		Difference Between Heterosexual and Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Heterosexual and Other/Questioning? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual and Other/Questioning? <sup>§</sup>
	% 95% CI†	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN40: Percentage of students who were not 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)	55.6 (54.5-56.6)	8,387	65.9 (63.6-68.2)	1,562	63.0 (59.8-66.0)	919	Yes	Yes	No
QNPA0DAY: Percentage of students who did not participate in at least 60 minutes of physical activity on at least 1 day (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)	22.4 (21.5-23.3)	8,387	25.4 (23.3-27.7)	1,562	18.9 (16.4-21.7)	919	Yes	Yes	Yes
QNPA7DAY: Percentage of students who were not physically active at least 60 minutes per day on all 7 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)	71.7 (70.7-72.6)	8,387	79.4 (77.3-81.3)	1,562	79.3 (76.6-81.8)	919	Yes	Yes	No

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Other	Heterosexual		Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual		Other/Questioning*		Difference Between Heterosexual and Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Heterosexual and Other/Questioning? <sup>§</sup>	Difference Between Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual and Other/Questioning? <sup>§</sup>
	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN44: Percentage of students who use social media several times a day	69.3 (68.3-70.2)	8,506	72.0 (69.8-74.1)	1,562	55.2 (52.0-58.3)	932	Yes	Yes	Yes
QN46: Percentage of students who did not get 8 or more hours of sleep (on an average school night)	46.9 (45.8-48.0)	8,352	57.7 (55.2-60.2)	1,543	55.7 (52.5-58.8)	925	Yes	Yes	No
QN47: Percentage of students who usually did not sleep in their parent's or guardian's home (during the 30 days before the survey)	2.2 (1.9-2.5)	8,321	3.8 (2.9-4.8)	1,542	5.0 (3.8-6.7)	922	Yes	Yes	No
QN48: Did not describe their grades in school as mostly A's or B's	21.2 (20.3-22.1)	8,246	24.6 (22.5-26.8)	1,521	19.9 (17.4-22.7)	916	Yes	No	Yes

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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN52: Percentage of students who ever carried a weapon (such as a gun, knife, or club)	17.7 (17.0-18.6)	8,644	22.4 (20.4-24.5)	1,570	15.2 (13.0-17.7)	940	Yes	Yes	Yes
QN53: 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)	20.4 (19.6-21.3)	8,677	27.8 (25.6-30.1)	1,581	19.6 (17.1-22.3)	948	Yes	No	Yes
QN54: Percentage of students who have been afraid of being beaten up at school (one or more times during the 12 months before the survey)	20.7 (19.9-21.6)	8,684	30.6 (28.4-32.9)	1,582	35.8 (32.8-38.9)	947	Yes	Yes	Yes
QN55: Percentage of students who have ever 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)	41.5 (40.5-42.6)	8,648	53.0 (50.5-55.5)	1,572	50.9 (47.6-54.1)	941	Yes	Yes	No

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	% 95% CI†	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN56: Percentage of students who were ever physically forced to have sexual intercourse (when they did not want to)	2.4 (2.1-2.8)	8,625	9.3 (7.9-10.8)	1,566	6.1 (4.7-7.9)	942	Yes	Yes	Yes
QN57: 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)	12.8 (11.8-13.8)	4,049	19.6 (17.1-22.3)	926	20.1 (15.9-25.0)	306	Yes	Yes	No
QN58: Percentage of students who had someone they were dating or going out with purposely try to control them or emotionally hurt them (counting 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, among students who dated or went out with someone during the 12 months before the survey)	13.4 (12.4-14.5)	4,034	26.9 (24.2-29.8)	926	24.3 (19.8-29.4)	305	Yes	Yes	No

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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN59: 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)	2.9 (2.6-3.3)	8,665	5.6 (4.5-6.8)	1,584	3.3 (2.3-4.6)	947	Yes	No	Yes
QN60: Percentage of students who bullied someone on school property (during the 12 months before the survey)	11.8 (11.1-12.5)	8,654	17.0 (15.2-19.0)	1,579	11.1 (9.2-13.3)	942	Yes	No	Yes
QN61: 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)	5.6 (5.1-6.1)	8,632	13.0 (11.4-14.8)	1,579	6.6 (5.2-8.4)	942	Yes	No	Yes
QN62: Percentage of students who currently used marijuana (one or more times during the 30 days before the survey)	6.4 (5.9-7.0)	8,647	11.7 (10.2-13.4)	1,581	5.7 (4.4-7.4)	948	Yes	No	Yes

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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN65: Percentage of students who have ever gone without eating for 24 hours or more to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight (also called fasting)	30.2 (29.2-31.2)	8,597	46.1 (43.6-48.6)	1,567	32.4 (29.4-35.5)	929	Yes	No	Yes
QN66: Percentage of students who have ever vomited or taken laxatives to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight	7.6 (7.0-8.2)	8,569	14.8 (13.1-16.6)	1,570	11.7 (9.8-14.0)	934	Yes	Yes	Yes
QN67: 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)	4.0 (3.6-4.4)	8,554	7.6 (6.3-9.0)	1,565	7.4 (5.8-9.3)	932	Yes	Yes	No
QN68: Percentage of students who have not been taught or are not sure if they have been taught about AIDS or HIV infection in school	71.0 (70.0-71.9)	8,420	65.6 (63.2-68.0)	1,557	74.0 (71.1-76.7)	933	Yes	Yes	Yes

\*Includes students who responded 'I describe my sexual identity some other way' or 'I am not sure about my sexual identity (questioning)'.

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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN69: Percentage of students who did not see a dentist (for a check-up, exam, teeth cleaning, or other dental work, during the 12 months before the survey)	31.7 (30.7-32.7)	8,403	35.8 (33.5-38.3)	1,559	32.8 (29.8-36.0)	933	Yes	No	No
QN70: Percentage of students who reported there is not at least one teacher or other adult in their school that they can talk to if they have a problem or were not sure if there is at least one teacher or other adult in their school that they can talk to if they have a problem	31.7 (30.8-32.7)	8,377	32.9 (30.6-35.2)	1,553	40.3 (37.2-43.5)	924	No	Yes	Yes
QN72: 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)	2.7 (2.4-3.1)	8,310	5.5 (4.5-6.8)	1,536	4.5 (3.3-6.1)	920	Yes	Yes	No

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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN73: Percentage of students who have ever been given money, a place to stay, food, or something else of value in exchange for sex	2.9 (2.5-3.3)	8,243	4.1 (3.2-5.2)	1,528	4.6 (3.4-6.2)	916	Yes	Yes	No
QN74: Percentage of students who do not participate in school activities (such as sports, band, drama, or clubs, during an average week when they are in school)	29.6 (28.6-30.6)	8,232	33.0 (30.6-35.4)	1,528	35.5 (32.4-38.8)	910	Yes	Yes	No
QNNODNT: Percentage of students who never saw a dentist (for a check-up, exam, teeth cleaning, or other dental work)	1.5 (1.3-1.8)	8,403	1.2 (0.8-1.9)	1,559	1.4 (0.8-2.5)	933	No	No	No

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**Mental Health**

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	% 95% CI <sup>†</sup>	N	% 95% CI	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN17: Percentage of students who ever tried to kill themselves	9.2 (8.6-9.8)	8,627	27.5 (25.4-29.8)	1,563	15.7 (13.5-18.2)	931	Yes	Yes	Yes
QN45: 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)	12.6 (11.9-13.4)	8,322	29.9 (27.7-32.2)	1,547	28.2 (25.4-31.2)	924	Yes	Yes	No

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