

2012 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results Review

Carroll County

Middle School Students

598 students participated in the research (50.2% male, 49.8% female)

90% were Caucasian and 72.8% were from Carrollton schools

96.5% were under the age of 15

6th grade – 32.2%, 7th grade – 35.4%, 8th grade – 31.4%

- 64.8% of students reported being involved in organized sports and 41.7% reported involvement in an organized group/club.

- On most days, what do you usually do after school?
 - o School related activities 19.1%
 - o Go home 52.2%
 - o Go to a friend's 5.7%
 - o Youth Center 4.3%
 - o Other 14.5%

- Have you ever ridden in a car driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol or using drugs? 20.8% said yes

- 1 in 4 students reported having hurt themselves with no plan of suicide (i.e. cutting/burning).

- Have you ever tried smoking a cigarette, even one or two puffs? 25.6% said yes

- Have you ever had a drink of alcohol, other than a few sips? 29.3% reported yes

- 16.2% reported being at a friend's house where alcohol was provided.

- Have you ever tried:
 - o Marijuana 8.9%
 - o Cocaine 3.2%
 - o Inhalants 8.8%
 - o Steroids 3.2%

- o K2/Spice 4.3%
- o Bath Salts 6.5%
- o Prescriptions 8.5%
- Have you ever been high at school? 7.3% said yes – which equates to 43 students.
- While 86.8% reported having never engaged in sexual intercourse, 4.1% reported having 6 or more partners.
- 40% reported having been bullied on school property
- 27% reported being bullied away from school
- Of those bullied, 27.6% said that reporting it either didn't help or made it worse.

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High School Students

707 students participated in the research (53.3% male, 46.7% female)

95.3% were Caucasian and 62.2% were from Carrollton schools

83.5% were under the age of 18

9th grade – 28.6%, 10th grade – 24.9%, 11th grade – 28.9%, 12th grade – 17.6%

- 63.4% of students reported being involved in organized sports and 55.6% reported involvement in an organized group/club.
- 64.2% plan to attend college after graduation, 9.6% military, 10.3% undecided

- In the past 30 days, have you ever ridden in a car driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol or using drugs? 24.9% said yes
- In the past 30 days have you driven a car or other vehicle while intoxicated? 12.1% yes
- 18.7% students reported having hurt themselves with no plan of suicide (i.e. cutting/burning).
- 1 in 10 reported having been physically forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to.
- Have you ever tried smoking a cigarette, even one or two puffs? 58.9% said yes
- Have you ever had a drink of alcohol, other than a few sips? 69.1% reported yes
- During the past 30 days, 15.6% reported getting alcohol by having someone else purchase it for them and 16.4% reported that someone gave it to them. A majority reported either getting alcohol from home or at another person's house.

- Have you ever tried:
 - o Marijuana 40.4%
 - o Cocaine 7.5%
 - o Inhalants 13.8%
 - o Heroin 4.3%
 - o Hallucinogens 8.4%
 - o Steroids 5.4%
 - o K2/Spice 24.9%

- o Bath Salts 7.5%
 - o Prescriptions 29.8%
- Have you ever been high at school? 23.9% said yes – which equates to 168 students.
- 57.2% reporting having engaged in sexual intercourse, 8.4% reported having 6 or more partners.
- 42.5% reported having been bullied on school property
- 34.7% reported being bullied away from school
- Of those bullied, 24.3% said that reporting it either didn't help or made it worse.
- 22.9% reported having seriously considered suicide in the past 12 months.