

2007-2009 NEVADA YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY State Comparative Data (in percentages)

Behavior	State YRBS			
	Middle School		High School	
	2007	2009	2007	2009
Have lived in Nevada less than 3 years	14.6	11.2	12.5	11.5
Have gone to school in district where they now attend school less than 3 years	27.9	20.6	20.1	19.9
Describe their grades in school as C or above during the past 12 months	78.4	80.0	85.7	84.3
Missed classes or school without permission on 1 or more of the past 30 days	24.6	18.2	39.1	35.3
Performed organized community service as a non-paid volunteer during past 30 days	18.4	23.5	27.7	35.0
Participated in the DARE program at one or more grade levels	85.2	58.3	**	**
Will complete or probably will complete a post high school program	70.0	70.4	80.1	77.4
Parents or other adults they live with ask ("know" in 2007) where they are going or with whom they will be only sometimes, rarely, or never***	15.8	25.8	19.4	22.3
Rarely or never wear a seat belt when riding in a car	9.9	8.1	10.3	9.0
Among students who ride a bicycle, percentage who rarely or never wear a bicycle helmet	78.8	80.6	**	**
Among students who use rollerblades or ride a skateboard, percentage who rarely or never wear a helmet	82.0	85.0	**	**
Rode in a car or other vehicle driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol in past 30 days ("ever rode" for middle school)***	30.3	30.3	23.4	23.0
Drove a car or other vehicle when they had been drinking alcohol in past 30 days	**	**	8.7	7.3
Feel safe and secure in their neighborhood only sometimes, rarely, or never	27.2	20.0	17.9	22.3
Feel safe and secure at school only sometimes, rarely, or never	30.7	22.4	26.5	26.5
Did not go to school on one or more of past 30 days because they felt unsafe at school or on the way to or from school	9.3	9.3	7.0	7.5
Have at least one teacher or other adult at school that they can talk to if they have a problem*	*	62.7	*	66.2
Feel accepted at school only sometimes, rarely, or never (2009 high school: not sure/ disagree/ strongly disagree that they feel like they belong at their school)***	31.7	28.2	25.7	35.7
Were victim of teasing/name calling re: race or ethnic background in past year (verbal slur past month in 2007)***	23.2	26.2	22.4	26.3
Have been a member of a gang in the past 12 months (ever in 2007)***	9.8	7.7	10.3	8.1
Believe there is gang activity at their school	32.5	36.7	41.8	42.1

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Were in a physical fight in the past 12 months (“ever” in middle school)***	51.4	58.9	31.6	35.0
Ever were in a physical fight in which they were hurt and had to be treated by a doctor or nurse	6.0	7.2	**	**
Were in a physical fight on school property in the past 12 months (“ever” in middle school in 2007)***	30.3	16.2	11.3	10.0
Carried a weapon on 1 or more of the past 30 days (“ever carried” in middle school)***	29.8	44.5	14.5	19.1
Carried a weapon on school property on 1 or more of the past 30 days (“ever carried” for middle school in 2007)***	8.3	4.4	4.7	6.2
Were threatened or injured with a weapon on school property in past 12 months	**	**	7.8	10.7
Were hit, slapped, or physically hurt on purpose by boyfriend/girlfriend in past 12 months	7.2	6.1	9.4	11.4
Ever been physically forced to have sexual intercourse when they didn’t want to	**	**	7.6	10.1
Felt so sad or hopeless almost every day for 2 or more weeks in a row in the past 12 months that they stopped doing some usual activities	**	**	26.1	30.3
Seriously considered attempting suicide in the past 12 months	22.3	22.4	14.3	18.0
Made a plan about how they would attempt suicide in the past 12 months	15.1	13.8	14.2	14.3
Actually attempted suicide in the past 12 months	10.1	8.8	8.9	10.2
Percentage of students who made a suicide attempt in past 12 months that resulted in injury, poisoning, or overdose requiring treatment by doctor or nurse	**	**	3.3	3.6
Ever tried cigarette smoking	25.6	25.7	44.7	47.5
Smoked first whole cigarette before age 13	11.2	11.1	12.6	11.3
Smoked on one or more of the past 30 days	7.0	8.2	13.6	17.0
Of those who reported current smoking, smoked more than 10 cigarettes per day in past 30 days	**	**	9.1	7.9
Of current cigarette smokers under 18, bought cigarettes in store or gas station in past 30 days	5.4	2.1	10.1	13.4
Ever smoked daily	3.8	3.0	**	**
Percentage of students who were not asked to show proof of age when they bought or tried to buy cigarettes in the past 30 days	**	**	3.5	3.4
Smoked cigarettes on school property in past 30 days	**	**	5.0	5.6
Used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on one or more of the past 30 days	4.0	3.8	4.5	5.5
Used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on school property on one or more of the past 30 days	**	**	2.7	3.2
Smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars in past 30 days	7.6	5.9	**	**
Ever had a drink of alcohol other than a few sips	38.5	37.5	71.6	73.2
Had first drink of alcohol before age 13	31.1	31.5	24.6	25.6
Drank alcohol on one or more of past 30 days	**	**	37.0	38.6

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Had 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row in past 30 days	**	**	21.1	22.0
Drank alcohol on school property during past 30 days	**	**	4.4	4.4
Among current alcohol users, bought alcohol in a store or gas station in past 30 days	**	**	4.3	3.5
Ever used marijuana	13.2	12.5	35.3	39.5
Used marijuana for the first time before age 13	9.4	8.7	8.4	9.3
Used marijuana in the past 30 days	**	**	15.5	20.0
Used marijuana on school property in the past 30 days	**	**	3.6	4.9
Ever used any form of cocaine	4.2	4.1	7.8	7.7
Ever sniffed glue, breathed contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled paints/sprays to get high	10.6	12.2	12.9	12.8
Ever used steroid pills or shots without a doctor's prescription	2.7	1.9	3.8	3.7
Ever used methamphetamines (speed, crystal, crank, ice)	3.5	3.5	6.3	5.9
Ever used over-the-counter drugs to get high	3.4	4.2	10.1	14.3
Ever used a needle to inject any illegal drug	**	**	2.0	1.8
Were offered, sold, or given illegal drug on school property during past 12 months	**	**	28.8	35.6
Attended school under the influence of alcohol or drugs during past 12 months*	**	*	**	18.8
Think parents/guardians would approve or not care if they smoked marijuana	**	**	6.6	7.3
Gambled (betting on cards, games of personal skills, or sports teams; buying lottery tickets; or gambling in a casino) in the past 12 months	23.3	28.8	33.8	30.7
Ever had sexual intercourse	**	**	42.8	49.0
Had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 13	**	**	5.6	6.7
Have had sexual intercourse with 4 or more partners during their lifetime	**	**	13.1	15.7
Have had sexual intercourse in past 3 months	**	**	30.5	32.7
Of those who are sexually active, drank alcohol or used drugs before the last time they had sex	**	**	21.5	20.7
Of those who are sexually active, used condom or partner used a condom the last time they had sex	**	**	69.1	62.9
Of those who are sexually active, the percentage who used birth control pills to prevent pregnancy the last time they had sex	**	**	16.5	16.9
Ever been pregnant or gotten someone pregnant	**	**	4.3	5.4
Ever been taught about AIDS or HIV infection in school	50.5	55.5	82.3	82.9
Ever talked about AIDS or HIV infection with their parents or other adults in their family*	**	41.9	**	54.5
Believe they are slightly or very overweight	23.2	24.4	28.6	28.5
Are trying to lose weight	43.3	45.4	45.0	45.3
Exercised to lose weight in the past 30 days	**	**	63.8	63.5
Ate less food, fewer calories, or foods low in fat to lose weight in the past 30 days	**	**	37.7	35.5
Went without eating for 24 hours or more to lose	**	**	11.1	10.6

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weight in the past 30 days				
Used diet pills, powders, or liquids without a doctor's advice to lose weight in the past 30 days	**	**	6.6	5.5
Vomited or took laxatives to lose weight in the past 30 days	**	**	5.0	5.4
Drank 100% fruit juice one or more times per day during the past 7 days	**	**	27.8	23.7
Ate fruit one or more times per day during the past 7 days	**	**	26.0	25.2
Ate green salad one or more times per day during the past 7 days	**	**	10.8	8.1
Ate potatoes (not counting french fries, fried potatoes, or potato chips) one or more times per day during the past 7 days	**	**	6.8	5.1
Ate carrots one or more times per day during the past 7 days	**	**	4.8	3.9
Ate other vegetables one or more times per day during the past 7 days	**	**	17.3	17.6
Drank can, bottle, or glass of non-diet soda or pop one or more times per day during the past 7 days	**	**	23.5	22.1
Drank 3 or more glasses per day of milk during the past 7 days	**	**	14.4	12.6
Were physically active for a total of 60 minutes per day on 3 or more of the past 7 days	74.7	73.5	68.5	66.3
Watched TV 3 or more hours per day on an average school day	42.7	40.8	35.1	35.1
Played video or computer games or used a computer for non-school work 3 or more hours per day on an average school day	28.5	27.7	24.0	26.2
Attended P.E. class daily in average school week	51.3	44.8	**	**
Played on one or more sports teams during the past 12 months	57.9	56.6	**	**
Saw a doctor or nurse for an injury that happened while exercising or playing sports in past 30 days	**	**	15.7	14.1
Ever were told by doctor or nurse that they had asthma*	**	*	**	19.4
Among students who had been told they had asthma, percentage who still have asthma*	**	*	**	8.3
Saw a dentist for check-up, exam, teeth cleaning, or other dental work during past 12 months*	*	59.5	*	62.8

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