



2016 Missouri Student Survey Benton County



| | 2016 County Data | 2016 MO Data* | 2014 County Data |
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| Approximate Sample Size | 355 | | 286 |
| Demographics (% reflects "yes" answer) | | | |
| Grade level. 6th Grade | 21.2% | 13.9% | 3.6% |
| Grade level. 7th Grade | 12.2% | 14.4% | 11.9% |
| Grade level. 8th Grade | 12.2% | 14.3% | 34.7% |
| Grade level. 9th Grade | 12.2% | 15.2% | 7.8% |
| Grade level. 10th Grade | 11.4% | 14.7% | 20.2% |
| Grade level. 11th Grade | 19.2% | 13.9% | 4.1% |
| Grade level. 12th Grade | 11.4% | 13.6% | 17.6% |
| Male | 49.6% | 47.7% | 49.0% |
| Hispanic or Latino | 1.2% | 2.1% | 1.1% |
| Race, alone or in combination. Black or African Am. | 0.4% | 16.0% | 0.5% |
| Race, alone or in combination. White | 96.4% | 78.8% | 98.9% |
| Race, alone or in combination. Other | 0.4% | 1.2% | 0.5% |

Note: Small sample sizes at the county level can make comparisons between years difficult. Take careful note of the demographic information listed above. Drastic changes in the sample, especially changes in the percent per grade, can influence the rest of the data in this report. This means changes between years may be a result of differing samples rather than an actual population change.

*Missouri data reflects a random sample, weighted to proportionally reflect the state student population.

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| Substances: Past 30 days (% reflects "1+" answer) | | | |
| Used alcohol | 18.5% | 14.2% | 18.8% |
| Used electronic cigarettes | 10.6% | 10.6% | 7.3% |
| Used Rx not prescribed for you by a doctor | 13.4% | 10.0% | 5.8% |
| Used tobacco (cigarettes or chew) | 13.8% | 9.9% | 18.9% |
| Used marijuana | 5.2% | 7.0% | 7.8% |
| Used hookahs or water pipes | 2.0% | 3.4% | 6.3% |
| Used 'OTC' drugs for non-medical reasons | 1.2% | 2.2% | 1.6% |
| Used inhalants | 0.4% | 1.1% | 1.1% |
| Used synthetic drugs | 0.4% | 0.3% | 0.5% |

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| Substances: Ever in your life (% reflects "1+" answer) | | | |
| Used hallucinogens such as LSD (acid), PCP (angel dust), or magic mushrooms | 2.1% | 1.1% | 2.1% |
| Used cocaine or 'crack' | 0.4% | 0.9% | 1.6% |
| Used 'club drugs' such as ecstasy | 2.0% | 0.8% | 2.6% |
| Used methamphetamine (meth, crank, crystal, ice) | 0.0% | 0.3% | 1.6% |
| Used heroin or 'smack' | 0.4% | 0.2% | 1.1% |
| Behavior: Last 30 Days (% reflects "1+" answer) | | | |
| Missed whole day(s) of school because you skipped or cut | 20.4% | 29.0% | 25.9% |
| Did not go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school | 3.7% | 5.9% | 3.6% |
| Carried a weapon such as a gun, knife or club on school property | 5.3% | 4.0% | 4.1% |
| Rode with someone who was drinking alcohol | 19.1% | 14.3% | 16.8% |
| Behavior: Last 3 Months (% reflects "1+" answer) | | | |
| Spread mean rumors or lies about other kids at school | 25.5% | 22.9% | 23.4% |
| Posted something online or sent a text that might embarrass or hurt another student | 14.6% | 16.5% | 19.3% |
| Made fun of other people | 56.3% | 54.1% | 62.0% |
| Hit, shoved, or pushed another student and was not fooling around | 19.4% | 15.5% | 15.8% |
| Behavior: Last 12 Months (% reflects "1+" answer) | | | |
| Been bullied on school property | 34.1% | 28.8% | 36.8% |
| Were in a physical fight | 22.6% | 17.3% | 24.0% |
| Been threatened or injured with a weapon such as a gun, knife or club on school property | 7.7% | 7.4% | 11.5% |
| Considered suicide | 9.5% | 13.9% | 16.2% |
| Planned suicide | 6.6% | 9.9% | 14.7% |
| Attempted suicide | 3.7% | 6.3% | 11.5% |
| Depression: Past Month (% reflects often + always) | | | |
| Was very sad | 24.6% | 22.7% | 23.4% |
| Was grouchy or irritable, or in a bad mood | 28.7% | 33.6% | 28.9% |
| Felt hopeless about the future | 10.9% | 13.5% | 15.2% |
| Felt like not eating or eating more than usual | 16.7% | 21.7% | 20.7% |
| Felt like sleeping a lot more or a lot less than usual | 26.0% | 24.8% | 20.0% |
| Had difficulty concentrating on school work | 24.7% | 29.6% | 27.1% |

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| Perception of wrongness (% reflects wrong + very wrong) | | | |
| 'Wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you | 93.1% | 94.0% | 93.8% |
| 'Wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Cold/Cough Medicines or OTC meds to get high | 93.5% | 92.3% | 92.6% |
| 'Wrong' or 'very wrong' to have 5+ drinks, once or twice a week | 87.4% | 88.7% | 79.8% |
| 'Wrong' or 'very wrong' for you to smoke tobacco | 87.3% | 88.4% | 77.9% |
| 'Wrong' or 'very wrong' for you to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day | 85.0% | 86.8% | 76.2% |
| 'Wrong' or 'very wrong' for you to smoke marijuana once or twice a week | 86.2% | 81.1% | 81.5% |
| 'Wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke e-cigarettes | 80.7% | 79.2% | unavailable |
| 'Wrong' or 'very wrong' for you to smoke marijuana | 85.2% | 79.0% | 78.9% |
| 'Wrong' or 'very wrong' for you to have a drink of any type of alcohol | 67.9% | 68.1% | 50.5% |
| Availability (% reflects very easy + sort of easy) | | | |
| 'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get Cold/Cough Medicines or OTC medicines | 51.2% | 51.6% | 60.5% |
| 'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get alcohol | 49.6% | 50.7% | 60.7% |
| 'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get cigarettes | 45.7% | 46.0% | 55.5% |
| 'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get e-cigarettes | 41.4% | 43.1% | unavailable |
| 'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get marijuana | 32.2% | 37.2% | 31.6% |
| 'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them | 22.2% | 27.7% | 29.5% |
| 'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get synthetic drugs | 23.4% | 22.0% | 25.8% |
| 'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get other illegal drugs | 13.5% | 14.0% | 12.6% |
| Perception of Coolness (% reflects pretty cool + very cool) | | | |
| Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked marijuana | 16.6% | 24.9% | 17.7% |
| Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they drank alcohol | 24.8% | 24.8% | 25.5% |
| Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked e-cigarettes | 12.6% | 17.0% | unavailable |
| Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked cigarettes | 6.9% | 9.1% | 11.5% |

Perception of Harm (% reflects slight risk + no risk at all)

NOTE - % grouping is consistent with District Reports but other reports use moderate + great risk

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| 'No risk at all' or 'slight risk' if they smoke e-cigarettes | 45.3% | 40.6% | unavailable |
| 'No risk at all' or 'slight risk' if they smoke marijuana once or twice a week | 30.5% | 36.5% | 35.9% |
| 'No risk at all' or 'slight risk' if they drink alcohol (no dosage specified) | 32.8% | 33.7% | unavailable |
| 'No risk at all' or 'slight risk' if they take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day | 40.0% | 29.4% | 48.2% |
| 'No risk at all' or 'slight risk' if they use Cold/ Cough Medicines or OTC medicines to get high | 22.9% | 22.4% | 21.9% |
| 'No risk at all' or 'slight risk' if they have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week | 23.2% | 21.5% | 37.2% |
| 'No risk at all' or 'slight risk' if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day | 15.9% | 14.9% | 16.8% |
| 'No risk at all' or 'slight risk' if they use RX drugs that have not been prescribed to them | 11.1% | 13.7% | 12.0% |
| 'No risk at all' or 'slight risk' if they use synthetic drugs | 12.7% | 11.6% | 7.9% |
| 'No risk at all' or 'slight risk' if they use any other illegal drugs or club drugs | 6.9% | 9.1% | 6.8% |



Questions have been abbreviated in order to fit within this report. For a copy of the survey which includes the full wording see <https://dmh.mo.gov/ada/mobhew/>
 Data included in this report, excluding sample sizes, are weighted data. State level data uses a random sample. Please contact Susan Depue at susan.depue@mimh.edu with any questions.