

2026 Missouri Student Survey - County Report Wright

	2026 County Data	2026 State Data	2024 County Data
Approximate Sample Size	376	1,326	N/A
<u>Demographics (% "yes" answer)</u>	%	%	%
Grade level. 6th Grade	14.7%	20.5%	N/A
Grade level. 7th Grade	13.7%	13.9%	N/A
Grade level. 8th Grade	13.2%	11.6%	N/A
Grade level. 9th Grade	18.1%	12.9%	N/A
Grade level. 10th Grade	12.7%	13.2%	N/A
Grade level. 11th Grade	20.1%	14.8%	N/A
Grade level. 12th Grade	7.4%	13.3%	N/A
Male	51.0%	50.1%	N/A
Hispanic or Latino	2.5%	7.7%	N/A
Race: Black or African American	0.5%	16.6%	N/A
Race: White	92.5%	72.3%	N/A
Race: Other*	7.0%	11.0%	N/A

**Multiracial, American Indian/ Alaskan Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian/PI, and other.*

Note: Small numbers of students at the school level can make comparisons harder to interpret. Please review the demographic information above, as large differences—especially changes in grade-level percentages—can affect the results in this report. As a result, some differences may reflect who was included in the sample rather than true differences in the overall population.

<u>Substances: Past 30 Days (% "1 or more" answer)</u>	%	%	%
Used tobacco (cigarettes or chew)	3.7%	3.6%	N/A
Used vapes / electronic cigarettes	6.3%	8.4%	N/A
Used hookahs or water pipes	0.5%	0.6%	N/A
Used alcohol	2.7%	6.6%	N/A
Used marijuana	1.1%	3.3%	N/A
Used inhalants	1.1%	0.7%	N/A
Used Rx not prescribed for you by a doctor	2.2%	1.2%	N/A
Used `OTC` to get high	1.6%	1.1%	N/A

<u>Substances: Ever in your life (% "1 or more" answer)</u>	2026 County Data	2026 State Data	2024 County Data
Used `club drugs` such as ecstasy	0.5%	0.3%	N/A
Used cocaine or `crack`	0.6%	0.2%	N/A
Used heroin or `smack`	0.5%	0.0%	N/A
Used hallucinogens such as LSD, PCP, or magic mushrooms	0.5%	1.1%	N/A
Used methamphetamine (meth, crank, crystal, ice)	0.6%	0.4%	N/A
<u>Parents' perception of wrongness (% wrong + very wrong)</u>	%	%	%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	96.6%	95.5%	N/A
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke tobacco	96.6%	95.4%	N/A
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	96.0%	96.8%	N/A
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana once or twice a week	98.3%	95.4%	N/A
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	97.7%	96.4%	N/A
<u>Friends' perception of wrongness (% wrong + very wrong)</u>	%	%	%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	82.0%	76.2%	N/A
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke cigarettes	86.0%	84.4%	N/A
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every	85.6%	84.8%	N/A
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana	90.5%	81.0%	N/A
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	92.1%	89.3%	N/A
<u>Friends' perception of coolness (% pretty cool + very cool)</u>	%	%	%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked cigarettes	8.8%	5.6%	N/A
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they used vapes	11.3%	11.0%	N/A
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they drank alcohol	13.0%	12.2%	N/A
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked marijuana	5.7%	10.7%	N/A

<u>Behavior: Last 30 Days (% "1 or more" answer)</u>	2026 County Data	2026 State Data	2024 County Data
Missed whole day(s) of school because you skipped or cut	40.7%	35.5%	N/A
Did not go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school	6.4%	7.5%	N/A
Rode with someone who was drinking alcohol	7.5%	10.5%	N/A
<u>Behavior: Last 3 Months (% "1 or more" answer)</u>	%	%	%
Spread mean rumors or lies about other kids at school	18.7%	15.5%	N/A
Posted something online or sent a text that might embarrass or hurt another student	12.9%	13.5%	N/A
Made fun of other people	44.1%	42.6%	N/A
Hit, shoved or pushed another student and were not just fooling around	15.3%	13.7%	N/A
<u>Behavior: Last 12 Months (% "1 or more" answer)</u>	%	%	%
Were in a physical fight	14.8%	17.6%	N/A
Been threatened or injured with a weapon on school property	5.4%	6.4%	N/A
Seriously considered suicide	7.7%	10.5%	N/A
Planned suicide	7.1%	7.7%	N/A
Attempted suicide	3.1%	6.1%	N/A
<u>Depression Scale (% often or always in Past Month)</u>	%	%	%
Were very sad	14.7%	19.5%	N/A
Were grouchy or irritable, or in a bad mood	23.2%	27.9%	N/A
Felt hopeless about the future	13.8%	12.3%	N/A
Felt like not eating or eating more than usual	21.4%	21.7%	N/A
Felt like sleeping a lot more or a lot less than usual	26.4%	25.2%	N/A
Had difficulty concentrating on school work	25.4%	28.8%	N/A
<u>Resiliency (% agree + strongly agree)</u>	%	%	%
Feels like they know where in the community to get he	71.3%	77.0%	N/A
Feels optimistic about the future	73.0%	74.5%	N/A
Feels they handle stress in a healthy way	60.2%	65.7%	N/A
Feels they have adults in their life to turn to when things feel overwhelming	77.8%	77.7%	N/A

<u>Anxiety Scale (% often or always in Past Month) - New in 2026</u>	2026 County Data	2026 State Data	2024 County Data
Hard to focus	18.8%	22.1%	N/A
Skipped event or left early	9.1%	8.1%	N/A
Hard to make choices or finish tasks	20.8%	21.1%	N/A
<u>Perception of Availability (% very easy + sort of easy)</u>	%	%	%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get cigarettes	25.8%	22.5%	N/A
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get e-cigarettes	29.5%	35.0%	N/A
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get alcohol	28.9%	35.4%	N/A
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get marijuana	15.0%	23.9%	N/A
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	14.3%	14.5%	N/A
<u>Perception of Harm (% slight risk + no risk at all)</u>	%	%	%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke e-cigarettes	29.8%	26.6%	N/A
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes / day	19.3%	13.9%	N/A
'No' or 'slight risk' if they drink alcohol (no dosage specified)	33.9%	33.9%	N/A
'No' or 'slight risk' if they take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	29.1%	24.0%	N/A
'No' or 'slight risk' if they have 5+ drinks, once or twice a w	19.3%	15.6%	N/A
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke marijuana once or twice a	20.7%	23.9%	N/A
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use any other illegal drugs or club	8.5%	8.4%	N/A
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use synthetic drugs	15.5%	15.4%	N/A
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Cold / Cough Medicines or OTC medicines to get high	23.0%	18.9%	N/A
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	13.8%	10.6%	N/A

THANK YOU!

Your Participation in the Missouri Student Survey is appreciated!
Talk to your local Prevention Resource Center for next steps!

*These reports contain select questions. Additional reporting will be available at <https://dmh.mo.gov/behavioral-health/missouri-student-survey> by September 2026.
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