

2026 Missouri Student Survey - County Report

Madison

	2026 County Data	2026 State Data	2024 County Data
Approximate Sample Size	66	1,326	49
<u>Demographics (% "yes" answer)</u>	%	%	%
Grade level. 6th Grade	4.5%	20.5%	12.7%
Grade level. 7th Grade	15.2%	13.9%	1.3%
Grade level. 8th Grade	28.0%	11.6%	23.4%
Grade level. 9th Grade	0.0%	12.9%	11.4%
Grade level. 10th Grade	31.8%	13.2%	17.1%
Grade level. 11th Grade	12.1%	14.8%	22.2%
Grade level. 12th Grade	8.3%	13.3%	12.0%
Male	55.2%	50.1%	50.6%
Hispanic or Latino	1.6%	7.7%	0.0%
Race: Black or African American	0.0%	16.6%	0.0%
Race: White	91.8%	72.3%	88.9%
Race: Other*	8.1%	11.0%	11.1%

**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)	17.9%	3.6%	10.8%
Used vapes / electronic cigarettes	21.0%	8.4%	32.9%
Used hookahs or water pipes	2.4%	0.6%	0.0%
Used alcohol	17.2%	6.6%	24.8%
Used marijuana	8.5%	3.3%	15.2%
Used inhalants	0.0%	0.7%	1.3%
Used Rx not prescribed for you by a doctor	4.2%	1.2%	0.0%
Used `OTC` to get high	4.2%	1.1%	0.0%

<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	1.7%	0.3%	0.0%
Used cocaine or `crack`	6.0%	0.2%	2.6%
Used heroin or `smack`	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Used hallucinogens such as LSD, PCP, or magic mushrooms	6.8%	1.1%	2.6%
Used methamphetamine (meth, crank, crystal, ice)	1.7%	0.4%	0.0%
<u>Parents' perception of wrongness (% wrong + very wrong)</u>	%	%	%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	87.6%	95.5%	77.0%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke tobacco	92.0%	95.4%	83.4%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	92.0%	96.8%	82.6%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana once or twice a week	94.0%	95.4%	91.3%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	100.0%	96.4%	97.3%
<u>Friends' perception of wrongness (% wrong + very wrong)</u>	%	%	%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	56.7%	76.2%	60.6%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke cigarettes	68.4%	84.4%	69.7%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every	64.7%	84.8%	69.5%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana	66.2%	81.0%	71.5%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	93.4%	89.3%	94.0%
<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	8.2%	5.6%	12.9%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they used vapes	13.1%	11.0%	18.2%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they drank alcohol	18.0%	12.2%	21.3%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked marijuana	9.0%	10.7%	17.4%

<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	34.6%	35.5%	41.1%
Did not go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school	4.4%	7.5%	2.5%
Rode with someone who was drinking alcohol	23.3%	10.5%	17.7%
<u>Behavior: Last 3 Months (% "1 or more" answer)</u>	%	%	%
Spread mean rumors or lies about other kids at school	22.8%	15.5%	11.0%
Posted something online or sent a text that might embarrass or hurt another student	14.7%	13.5%	14.9%
Made fun of other people	47.8%	42.6%	43.7%
Hit, shoved or pushed another student and were not just fooling around	14.0%	13.7%	14.9%
<u>Behavior: Last 12 Months (% "1 or more" answer)</u>	%	%	%
Were in a physical fight	19.9%	17.6%	14.0%
Been threatened or injured with a weapon on school property	5.1%	6.4%	1.3%
Seriously considered suicide	7.3%	10.5%	8.6%
Planned suicide	9.8%	7.7%	8.5%
Attempted suicide	5.7%	6.1%	0.0%
<u>Depression Scale (% often or always in Past Month)</u>	%	%	%
Were very sad	28.3%	19.5%	39.0%
Were grouchy or irritable, or in a bad mood	40.9%	27.9%	53.4%
Felt hopeless about the future	18.9%	12.3%	13.6%
Felt like not eating or eating more than usual	25.2%	21.7%	34.4%
Felt like sleeping a lot more or a lot less than usual	37.0%	25.2%	42.2%
Had difficulty concentrating on school work	44.4%	28.8%	22.6%
<u>Resiliency (% agree + strongly agree)</u>	%	%	%
Feels like they know where in the community to get he	71.2%	77.0%	67.8%
Feels optimistic about the future	59.6%	74.5%	68.5%
Feels they handle stress in a healthy way	44.4%	65.7%	50.0%
Feels they have adults in their life to turn to when things feel overwhelming	65.9%	77.7%	61.9%

<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	37.8%	22.1%	N/A
Skipped event or left early	19.7%	8.1%	N/A
Hard to make choices or finish tasks	46.5%	21.1%	N/A
<u>Perception of Availability (% very easy + sort of easy)</u>	%	%	%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get cigarettes	38.3%	22.5%	49.0%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get e-cigarettes	48.8%	35.0%	58.6%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get alcohol	44.6%	35.4%	48.7%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get marijuana	33.6%	23.9%	41.4%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	21.8%	14.5%	16.2%
<u>Perception of Harm (% slight risk + no risk at all)</u>	%	%	%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke e-cigarettes	36.8%	26.6%	41.3%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes / day	20.5%	13.9%	23.2%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they drink alcohol (no dosage specified)	31.9%	33.9%	29.9%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	35.3%	24.0%	39.4%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they have 5+ drinks, once or twice a w	19.7%	15.6%	38.7%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke marijuana once or twice a	27.4%	23.9%	38.1%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use any other illegal drugs or club	1.7%	8.4%	7.9%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use synthetic drugs	13.3%	15.4%	12.2%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Cold / Cough Medicines or OTC medicines to get high	12.3%	18.9%	6.7%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	8.1%	10.6%	8.8%

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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