

2026 Missouri Student Survey - County Report

Stoddard

	2026 County Data	2026 State Data	2024 County Data
Approximate Sample Size	715	1,326	519
<u>Demographics (% "yes" answer)</u>	%	%	%
Grade level. 6th Grade	18.1%	20.5%	15.3%
Grade level. 7th Grade	17.0%	13.9%	17.2%
Grade level. 8th Grade	5.6%	11.6%	13.7%
Grade level. 9th Grade	21.1%	12.9%	16.9%
Grade level. 10th Grade	16.7%	13.2%	16.9%
Grade level. 11th Grade	11.5%	14.8%	13.1%
Grade level. 12th Grade	10.0%	13.3%	7.0%
Male	47.9%	50.1%	48.9%
Hispanic or Latino	1.9%	7.7%	1.9%
Race: Black or African American	1.1%	16.6%	1.3%
Race: White	93.7%	72.3%	87.2%
Race: Other*	5.2%	11.0%	11.5%

**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)	3.5%	3.6%	4.3%
Used vapes / electronic cigarettes	7.9%	8.4%	12.2%
Used hookahs or water pipes	0.4%	0.6%	0.0%
Used alcohol	7.2%	6.6%	8.8%
Used marijuana	2.4%	3.3%	2.0%
Used inhalants	2.4%	0.7%	1.0%
Used Rx not prescribed for you by a doctor	1.6%	1.2%	1.0%
Used `OTC` to get high	1.6%	1.1%	1.4%

<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	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%
Used cocaine or `crack`	0.4%	0.2%	0.3%
Used heroin or `smack`	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%
Used hallucinogens such as LSD, PCP, or magic mushrooms	0.4%	1.1%	0.7%
Used methamphetamine (meth, crank, crystal, ice)	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%
<u>Parents' perception of wrongness (% wrong + very wrong)</u>	%	%	%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	93.4%	95.5%	94.9%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke tobacco	95.9%	95.4%	97.4%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	96.7%	96.8%	95.6%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana once or twice a week	96.3%	95.4%	96.0%
Parents feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	97.5%	96.4%	97.4%
<u>Friends' perception of wrongness (% wrong + very wrong)</u>	%	%	%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to vape	80.4%	76.2%	74.7%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke cigarettes	87.6%	84.4%	84.0%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every	86.5%	84.8%	80.6%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to smoke marijuana	88.0%	81.0%	87.5%
Friends feel it would be 'wrong' or 'very wrong' to use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to you	94.0%	89.3%	94.2%
<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	8.0%	5.6%	9.1%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they used vapes	15.1%	11.0%	16.0%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they drank alcohol	17.0%	12.2%	18.2%
Peers believe someone your age would be 'pretty cool' or 'very cool' if they smoked marijuana	11.5%	10.7%	10.1%

<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	29.0%	35.5%	40.5%
Did not go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school	4.1%	7.5%	7.1%
Rode with someone who was drinking alcohol	8.7%	10.5%	12.2%
<u>Behavior: Last 3 Months (% "1 or more" answer)</u>	%	%	%
Spread mean rumors or lies about other kids at school	11.9%	15.5%	24.9%
Posted something online or sent a text that might embarrass or hurt another student	11.6%	13.5%	18.8%
Made fun of other people	35.6%	42.6%	53.2%
Hit, shoved or pushed another student and were not just fooling around	10.9%	13.7%	16.0%
<u>Behavior: Last 12 Months (% "1 or more" answer)</u>	%	%	%
Were in a physical fight	14.6%	17.6%	20.9%
Been threatened or injured with a weapon on school property	4.5%	6.4%	10.6%
Seriously considered suicide	9.1%	10.5%	11.7%
Planned suicide	6.8%	7.7%	7.4%
Attempted suicide	6.1%	6.1%	7.1%
<u>Depression Scale (% often or always in Past Month)</u>	%	%	%
Were very sad	22.7%	19.5%	24.1%
Were grouchy or irritable, or in a bad mood	35.7%	27.9%	36.7%
Felt hopeless about the future	11.1%	12.3%	12.9%
Felt like not eating or eating more than usual	26.6%	21.7%	24.6%
Felt like sleeping a lot more or a lot less than usual	33.8%	25.2%	33.5%
Had difficulty concentrating on school work	28.0%	28.8%	34.6%
<u>Resiliency (% agree + strongly agree)</u>	%	%	%
Feels like they know where in the community to get he	80.1%	77.0%	73.1%
Feels optimistic about the future	77.3%	74.5%	68.5%
Feels they handle stress in a healthy way	57.5%	65.7%	50.8%
Feels they have adults in their life to turn to when things feel overwhelming	78.7%	77.7%	76.7%

<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	24.0%	22.1%	N/A
Skipped event or left early	8.7%	8.1%	N/A
Hard to make choices or finish tasks	26.7%	21.1%	N/A
<u>Perception of Availability (% very easy + sort of easy)</u>	%	%	%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get cigarettes	19.7%	22.5%	32.9%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get e-cigarettes	29.2%	35.0%	40.7%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get alcohol	28.3%	35.4%	37.6%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get marijuana	17.5%	23.9%	20.1%
'Very' or 'sort of easy' to get Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	13.2%	14.5%	16.6%
<u>Perception of Harm (% slight risk + no risk at all)</u>	%	%	%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke e-cigarettes	28.2%	26.6%	29.7%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes / day	15.1%	13.9%	18.7%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they drink alcohol (no dosage specified)	33.3%	33.9%	35.5%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day	24.6%	24.0%	35.6%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they have 5+ drinks, once or twice a w	18.3%	15.6%	24.0%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they smoke marijuana once or twice a	23.6%	23.9%	26.0%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use any other illegal drugs or club	6.4%	8.4%	7.7%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use synthetic drugs	13.7%	15.4%	12.6%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Cold / Cough Medicines or OTC medicines to get high	17.5%	18.9%	18.3%
'No' or 'slight risk' if they use Rx drugs that have not been prescribed to them	8.7%	10.6%	11.0%

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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