

## Youth Online: High School YRBS

### Connecticut 2009 Results

Connecticut, High School Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 2009							
Question	Sex	Female	Male	p-value	Female More Likely Than Male	Male More Likely Than Female	No Difference
<b>Unintentional Injuries and Violence</b>							
<b>Rarely or never wore a bicycle helmet</b> (among students who had ridden a bicycle during the 12 months before the survey)		—	—	~			
<b>Rarely or never wore a seat belt</b> (when riding in a car driven by someone else)		8.5 (7.1–10.1) 1,247†	10.0 (8.2–12.1) 1,131	0.21			●
<b>Rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol one or more times</b> (in a car or other vehicle during the 30 days before the survey)		28.2 (24.7–32.0) 1,249	24.9 (21.8–28.2) 1,130	0.05			●
<b>Drove when drinking alcohol one or more times</b> (in a car or other vehicle during the 30 days before the survey)		6.6 (4.7–9.2) 1,236	10.5 (7.9–13.8) 1,114	0.01		●	
<b>Carried a weapon on school property on at least 1 day</b> (for example, a gun, knife, or club during the 30 days before the survey)		2.2 (1.4–3.4) 1,243	5.5 (4.2–7.2) 1,118	0.00		●	
<b>Did not go to school because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to or from school on at least 1 day</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)		4.6 (3.2–6.8) 1,231	5.1 (3.7–7.0) 1,123	0.71			●
<b>Threatened or injured with a weapon on school property one or more times</b> (for example, a gun, knife, or club during the 12 months before the survey)		6.0 (4.3–8.1) 1,249	7.9 (6.3–9.8) 1,133	0.15			●
<b>In a physical fight on school property one or more times</b> (during the 12 months before the survey)		5.9 (4.1–8.5) 1,239	13.0 (10.3–16.2) 1,114	0.00		●	
<b>Bullied on school property</b> (during the 12 months before the survey)		—	—	~			
<b>Felt sad or hopeless</b> (almost every day for 2 or more weeks in a row so that they stopped doing some usual activities during the 12 months before the survey)		32.9 (29.5–36.4) 1,228	17.2 (14.4–20.4) 1,100	0.00	●		
<b>Seriously considered attempting suicide</b> (during the 12 months before the survey)		16.6 (13.4–20.2) 1,244	11.7 (9.4–14.5) 1,125	0.04	●		
<b>Made a plan about how they would attempt suicide</b> (during the 12 months before the survey)		12.2 (10.1–14.7) 1,245	9.8 (7.9–12.2) 1,125	0.12			●

<b>Attempted suicide one or more times</b> (during the 12 months before the survey)	7.3 (5.2–10.1) 1,060	7.5 (5.4–10.2) 895	0.90			●
<b>Suicide attempt resulted in an injury, poisoning, or overdose that had to be treated by a doctor or nurse</b> (during the 12 months before the survey)	2.5 (1.5–3.9) 1,052	3.0 (2.0–4.4) 893	0.46			●
<b>Carried a weapon on at least 1 day</b> (for example, a gun, knife, or club during the 30 days before the survey)	5.8 (4.5–7.5) 1,246	18.6 (16.0–21.5) 1,120	0.00		●	
<b>Carried a gun on at least 1 day</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	—	—	~			
<b>In a physical fight one or more times</b> (during the 12 months before the survey)	20.7 (17.4–24.4) 1,220	35.7 (32.1–39.3) 1,098	0.00		●	
<b>Injured in a physical fight one or more times</b> (injuries had to be treated by a doctor or nurse, during the 12 months before the survey)	2.8 (1.7–4.4) 1,234	4.3 (3.3–5.6) 1,122	0.11			●
<b>Hit, slapped, or physically hurt on purpose by their boyfriend or girlfriend</b> (during the 12 months before the survey)	9.1 (7.2–11.3) 1,243	10.7 (8.2–13.9) 1,124	0.28			●
<b>Ever physically forced to have sexual intercourse</b> (when they did not want to)	8.4 (6.9–10.2) 1,240	6.3 (4.8–8.3) 1,122	0.04	●		
<b>Tobacco Use</b>						
<b>Ever tried cigarette smoking</b> (even one or two puffs)	—	—	~			
<b>Smoked a whole cigarette for the first time before age 13 years</b>	—	—	~			
<b>Smoked cigarettes on at least 1 day</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	16.5 (13.7–19.7) 1,246	19.0 (16.3–22.1) 1,125	0.09			●
<b>Smoked cigarettes on 20 or more days</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	5.2 (3.6–7.5) 1,246	7.1 (5.0–9.9) 1,125	0.09			●
<b>Smoked more than 10 cigarettes per day</b> (among students who currently smoked cigarettes, on the days they smoked during the 30 days before the survey)	—	—	~			
<b>Smoked cigarettes on school property on at least 1 day</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	—	—	~			
<b>Ever smoked at least one cigarette every day for 30 days</b>	—	—	~			
<b>Did not try to quit smoking cigarettes</b> (among students who currently smoked cigarettes, during the 12 months before the survey)	—	—	~			
<b>Usually obtained their own cigarettes by buying them in a store or gas station</b> (among the students who were aged <18 years and who currently smoked cigarettes, during the 30 days before the survey)	—	—	~			
<b>Used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on at least 1 day</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	—	—	~			
<b>Used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on school property on at least 1 day</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	—	—	~			

<b>Smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on at least 1 day</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	—	—	~		
<b>Smoked cigarettes; smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars; or used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on at least 1 day</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	—	—	~		
<b>Alcohol and Other Drug Use</b>					
<b>Ever had at least one drink of alcohol on at least 1 day</b> (during their life)	—	—	~		
<b>Drank alcohol for the first time before age 13 years</b> (other than a few sips)	15.6 (13.0–18.7) 1,240	19.3 (16.4–22.6) 1,118	0.10		●
<b>Had at least one drink of alcohol on at least 1 day</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	43.8 (39.8–47.9) 1,216	43.2 (37.8–48.8) 1,091	0.73		●
<b>Had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row within a couple of hours on at least 1 day</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	22.5 (18.8–26.7) 1,232	26.0 (21.4–31.2) 1,114	0.11		●
<b>Usually obtained the alcohol they drank by someone giving it to them</b> (among students who currently drank alcohol during the 30 days before the survey)	—	—	~		
<b>Had at least one drink of alcohol on school property on at least 1 day</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	4.0 (3.0–5.4) 1,235	6.0 (4.7–7.6) 1,112	0.04	●	
<b>Ever used marijuana one or more times</b> (during their life)	33.7 (29.9–37.8) 1,220	41.3 (37.3–45.4) 1,096	0.00	●	
<b>Tried marijuana for the first time before age 13 years</b>	3.5 (2.4–5.1) 1,228	7.9 (6.2–10.1) 1,102	0.00	●	
<b>Used marijuana one or more times</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	18.2 (15.6–21.2) 1,225	25.3 (21.3–29.8) 1,104	0.00	●	
<b>Used marijuana on school property one or more times</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	4.1 (3.1–5.4) 1,231	8.2 (6.3–10.8) 1,107	0.00	●	
<b>Ever used any form of cocaine one or more times</b> (for example, powder, crack, or freebase, during their life)	3.9 (2.5–5.9) 1,236	6.6 (5.2–8.4) 1,108	0.01	●	
<b>Used any form of cocaine one or more times</b> (for example, powder, crack, or freebase, during the 30 days before the survey)	1.6 (1.0–2.8) 1,238	3.1 (2.0–4.9) 1,110	0.06		●
<b>Ever sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high one or more times</b> (during their life)	10.2 (8.4–12.2) 1,238	10.7 (8.8–13.1) 1,122	0.72		●
<b>Ever used heroin one or more times</b> (also called "smack", "junk", or "China white", during their life)	2.0 (1.2–3.4) 1,237	4.1 (2.8–5.9) 1,117	0.03	●	
<b>Ever used methamphetamines one or more times</b> (also called "speed", "crystal", "crank", or "ice", during their life)	1.8 (1.1–3.1) 1,240	4.4 (3.1–6.2) 1,124	0.01	●	
<b>Ever used ecstasy one or more times</b> (also called "MDMA", during their life)	3.6 (2.4–5.5) 1,241	6.2 (4.6–8.3) 1,124	0.04	●	
<b>Ever took steroid pills or shots without a doctor's prescription one or more times</b>	1.1 (0.5–2.3) 1,235	4.2 (2.8–6.3) 1,118	0.00	●	

(during their life)						
<b>Ever used a needle to inject any illegal drug into their body one or more times</b> (during their life)	1.0 (0.7–1.6) 1,238	3.5 (2.4–5.0) 1,119	0.00		●	
<b>Offered, sold, or given an illegal drug by someone on school property</b> (during the 12 months before the survey)	25.1 (22.0–28.6) 1,236	32.7 (29.4–36.2) 1,114	0.00		●	
<b>Sexual Behaviors</b>						
<b>Ever had sexual intercourse</b>	38.0 (33.3–42.9) 1,139	42.9 (38.2–47.8) 1,017	0.04		●	
<b>Had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 13 years</b>	2.8 (1.9–4.2) 1,139	6.1 (4.3–8.7) 1,018	0.00		●	
<b>Had sexual intercourse with four or more persons</b> (during their life)	8.4 (6.3–11.0) 1,135	12.5 (9.7–16.0) 1,009	0.02		●	
<b>Had sexual intercourse with at least one person</b> (during the 3 months before the survey)	30.3 (26.1–34.7) 1,137	28.9 (25.6–32.4) 1,015	0.48			●
<b>Drank alcohol or used drugs before last sexual intercourse</b> (among students who were currently sexually active)	21.5 (15.7–28.7) 313	28.3 (23.3–34.0) 275	0.07			●
<b>Did not use a condom during last sexual intercourse</b> (among students who were currently sexually active)	43.9 (38.1–49.8) 302	37.1 (30.4–44.3) 268	0.12			●
<b>Did not use birth control pills before last sexual intercourse</b> (to prevent pregnancy, among students who were currently sexually active)	74.4 (67.3–80.4) 305	77.3 (69.9–83.3) 270	0.46			●
<b>Were never taught in school about AIDS or HIV infection</b>	—	—	~			
<b>Did not use Depo-Provera before last sexual intercourse</b> (to prevent pregnancy, among students who were currently sexually active)	95.8 (92.5–97.7) 305	98.4 (95.7–99.4) 270	0.06			●
<b>Did not use birth control pills or Depo-Provera before last sexual intercourse</b> (to prevent pregnancy, among students who were currently sexually active)	70.3 (63.7–76.1) 305	75.7 (68.6–81.6) 270	0.15			●
<b>Did not use both a condom during last sexual intercourse and birth control pills or Depo-Provera before last sexual intercourse</b> (to prevent pregnancy, among students who were currently sexually active)	90.3 (85.2–93.7) 301	94.1 (90.3–96.5) 266	0.16			●
<b>Dietary Behaviors</b>						
<b>Ate fruits and vegetables less than five times per day</b> (100% fruit juices, fruit, green salad, potatoes [excluding French fries, fried potatoes, or potato chips], carrots, or other vegetables, during the 7 days before the survey)	80.7 (77.0–84.0) 1,200	77.5 (74.4–80.3) 1,069	0.13			●
<b>Did not drink 100% fruit juices</b> (during the 7 days before the survey)	17.9 (15.4–20.9) 1,221	17.4 (15.3–19.8) 1,100	0.65			●
<b>Did not eat fruit</b> (during the 7 days before the survey)	9.4 (7.2–12.3) 1,228	14.6 (11.8–17.8) 1,106	0.00		●	
<b>Did not eat green salad</b> (during the 7 days before the survey)	28.6 (24.0–33.7) 1,225	35.3 (32.3–38.4) 1,104	0.00		●	

<b>Did not eat potatoes</b> (excluding French fries, fried potatoes, or potato chips, during the 7 days before the survey)	35.9 (32.5–39.6) 1,224	31.2 (27.5–35.3) 1,087	0.06			●
<b>Did not eat carrots</b> (during the 7 days before the survey)	50.9 (46.0–55.9) 1,225	45.4 (42.2–48.6) 1,104	0.05			●
<b>Did not eat other vegetables</b> (excluding green salad, potatoes, or carrots, during the 7 days before the survey)	14.8 (11.7–18.5) 1,221	17.2 (14.3–20.5) 1,102	0.27			●
<b>Drank a can, bottle, or glass of soda or pop at least one time per day</b> (not including diet soda or diet pop, during the 7 days before the survey)	—	—	~			
<b>Drank less than three glasses per day of milk</b> (during the 7 days before the survey)	—	—	~			
<b>Ate fruit or drank 100% fruit juices less than two times per day</b> (during the 7 days before the survey)	66.3 (62.8–69.6) 1,216	62.7 (60.1–65.2) 1,096	0.06			●
<b>Ate vegetables less than three times per day</b> (green salad, potatoes [excluding French fries, fried potatoes, or potato chips], carrots, or other vegetables, during the 7 days before the survey)	88.1 (85.3–90.4) 1,212	86.3 (84.3–88.0) 1,079	0.28			●
<b>Overweight</b> (students who were >= 85th percentile but < 95th percentile for body mass index, by age and sex, based on reference data)	12.2 (10.3–14.4) 1,135	16.6 (14.3–19.3) 1,091	0.01			●
<b>Obese (students who were &gt;= 95th percentile for body mass index, by age and sex, based on reference data)</b>	6.7 (4.7–9.4) 1,135	13.8 (11.3–16.7) 1,091	0.00			●
<b>Described themselves as slightly or very overweight</b>	28.3 (25.2–31.7) 1,228	23.8 (20.9–26.9) 1,106	0.04		●	
<b>Did not exercise to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	28.7 (25.8–31.8) 1,232	48.2 (44.9–51.5) 1,102	0.00			●
<b>Did not eat less food, fewer calories, or low-fat foods to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	47.3 (43.7–50.9) 1,225	74.3 (71.2–77.3) 1,099	0.00			●
<b>Went without eating for 24 hours or more to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	12.0 (10.2–14.2) 1,227	6.2 (4.6–8.4) 1,106	0.00		●	
<b>Took diet pills, powders or liquids to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight</b> (without a doctor's advice, during the 30 days before the survey)	—	—	~			
<b>Vomited or took laxatives to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight</b> (during the 30 days before the survey)	—	—	~			
<b>Physical Activity</b>						
<b>Physically active at least 60 minutes per day on less than 5 days</b> (doing any kind of physical activity that increased their heart rate and made them breathe hard some of the time during the 7 days before the survey)	65.8 (62.7–68.7) 1,220	43.9 (39.8–48.0) 1,094	0.00			●
<b>Did not attend physical education classes in an average week</b>	—	—	~			

(when they were in school)						
<b>Did not attend physical education classes daily</b> (when they were in school)	—	—	~			
<b>Did not play on sports teams</b> (run by their school or community groups during the 12 months before the survey)	—	—	~			
<b>Watched television 3 or more hours per day</b> (on an average school day)	29.4 (24.7–34.5) 1,210	30.8 (27.1–34.8) 1,085	0.52			●
<b>Used computers 3 or more hours per day</b> (played video or computer games or used a computer for something that was not school work on an average school day)	26.2 (22.7–30.2) 1,221	29.6 (27.3–32.1) 1,089	0.15			●
<b>Physically active at least 60 minutes per day on less than 7 days</b> (doing any kind of physical activity that increased their heart rate and made them breathe hard some of the time during the 7 days before the survey)	85.4 (83.1–87.3) 1,220	65.4 (62.1–68.6) 1,094	0.00	●		
<b>Did not participate in at least 60 minutes of physical activity on any day</b> (doing any kind of physical activity that increased their heart rate and made them breathe hard some of the time during the 7 days before the survey)	17.0 (14.3–20.0) 1,220	11.0 (8.7–13.9) 1,094	0.00	●		
<b>Asthma</b>						
<b>Ever told by a doctor or nurse that they had asthma</b>	—	—	~			
<b>Ever told by a doctor or nurse that they had asthma and still have asthma</b>	—	—	~			

#### Footnotes

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~	P-value not available
†	Percentage, confidence interval, cell size

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