

Youth Inhalant Use

Youth were asked, “On how many occasions (if any) have you sniffed glue or breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any other gases or sprays in order to get high...during the last 12 months?”

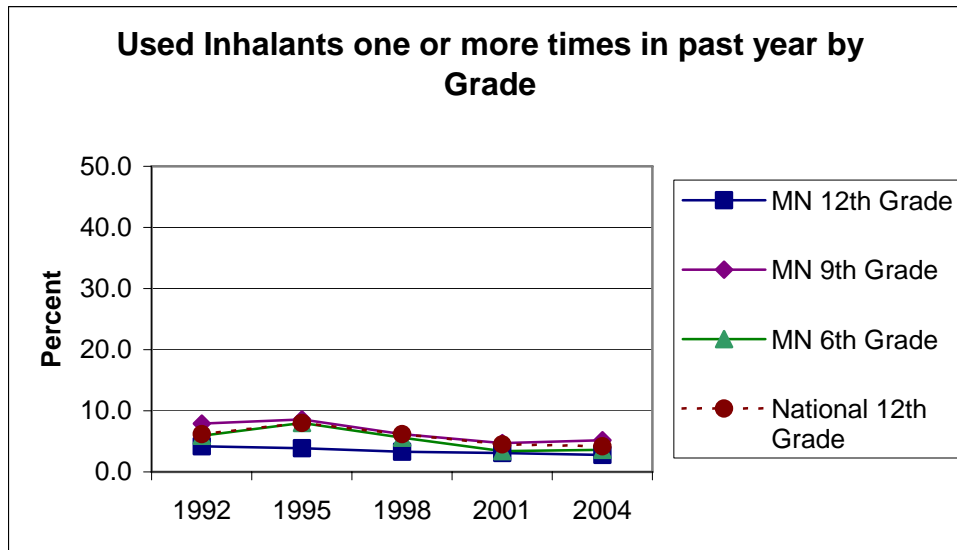
Inhalants are one drug where 9th grade students reported more use than 6th or 12 grade students. In 2004, five percent of the 9th grade students reported using inhalants one or more times in the past year, compared to 4 percent for 6th grade students and 3 percent for 12th grade students.

For 6th and 9th grade students, reported inhalant use peaked in 1995 and declined through 2001. In 2004, reported inhalant use stayed roughly about the same for 6th grade students, while it increased slightly for 9th grade students. For 12th grade students, reported inhalant use was highest in 1992, and has gradually decreased through the years.

For 9th grade students, there is no real difference between male and females reporting inhalant use. For 6th and 12th grade students, males are more likely to report using inhalants than females.

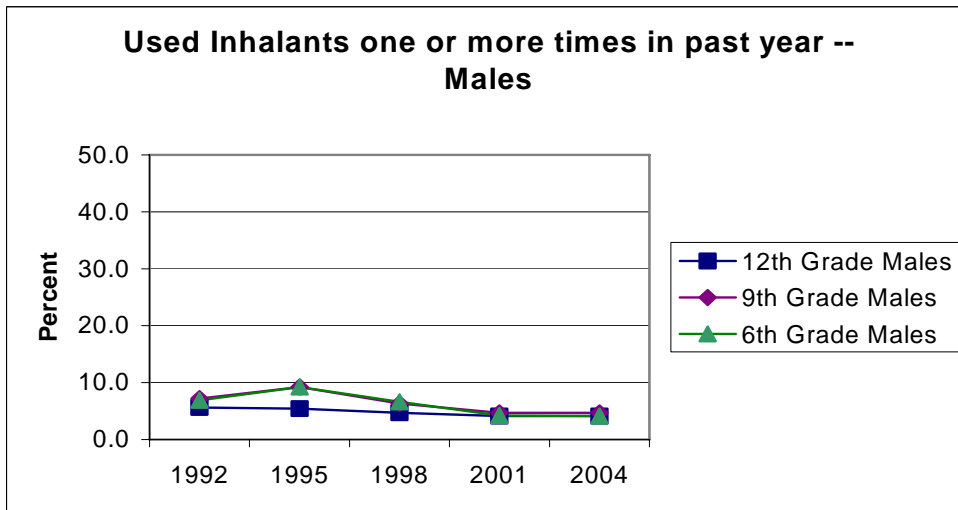
Over the years, Minnesota 12th grade students were less likely to use inhalants than 12th grade students nationally.

For county level data on alcohol, tobacco and other drug use, go to <http://www.mnschoolhealth.com> and click on the “Data” tab.



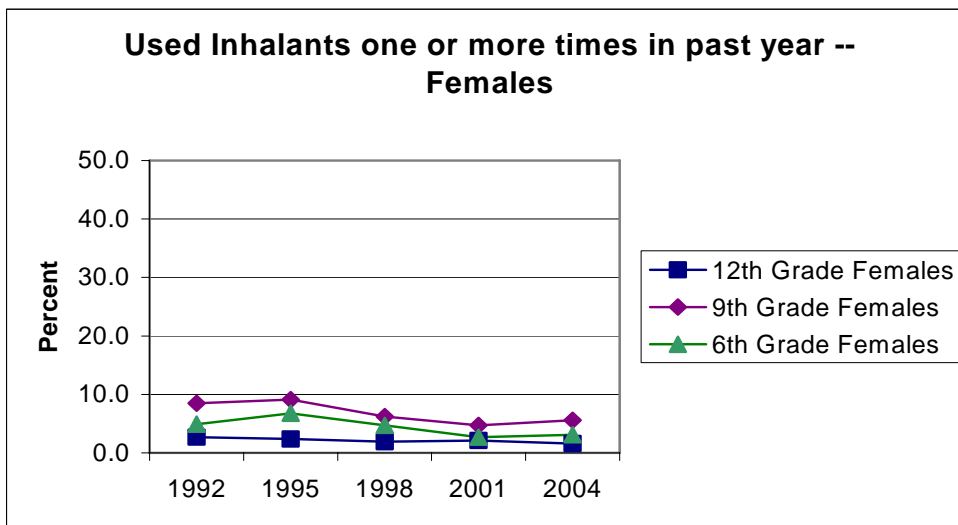
Used Inhalants One + Times in Past Year by Grade (Percent)

	Minnesota 6th Grade	Minnesota 9th Grade	Minnesota 12th Grade	National 12th Grade
1992	5.9	7.9	4.2	6.2
1995	8.0	8.6	3.9	8.0
1998	5.6	6.2	3.3	6.2
2001	3.4	4.7	3.1	4.5
2004	3.6	5.2	2.8	4.2



Used Inhalants One + Times in Past Year -- Males (Percent)

	6th Grade	9th Grade	12th Grade
1992	6.9	7.2	5.6
1995	9.2	9.2	5.4
1998	6.6	6.3	4.7
2001	4.2	4.7	4.1
2004	4.1	4.7	4.1



Used Inhalants One + Times in Past Year -- Females (Percent)

	6th Grade	9th Grade	12th Grade
1992	4.9	8.5	2.7
1995	6.8	9.1	2.4
1998	4.7	6.2	1.9
2001	2.7	4.7	2.1
2004	3.1	5.6	1.6

Data Sources:

1992-2004 Minnesota Student Survey trend data set, 2004 National Monitoring the Future Survey. For more information about the data sources and their limitations, see "Data Sources and Limitations."