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2013 MINNESOTA STUDENT SURVEY

Survey Participation

The 2013 Minnesota Student Survey was administered in the first half of 2013 to public school students in Grades 5, 8, 9, and 11 statewide. All public school districts in Minnesota were invited to participate. Of the 334 public operating districts, 280 agreed to participate (84% of public operating school districts).

Public school student participation was voluntary and surveys were anonymous. Across the state, approximately 66% of fifth graders, 71% of eighth graders, 69% of ninth graders, and 62% of eleventh graders participated in the 2013 Minnesota Student Survey. Overall participation across the four grades was approximately 67% of total enrollment.

All schools and districts that participated in the survey followed federal laws regarding parental notification as required by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA). PPRA requires that schools that participate in the survey notify parents of the survey administration, provide parents the opportunity to review the survey instrument, and allow parents to opt their child out of participating.

Mode of Administration

In 2013, for the first time, schools could choose to administer the survey by computer or by using the traditional paper and pencil survey. Each participating school had to choose one method or the other. Overall, 35% of students took the survey by computer and 65% used the paper survey. The survey questions that students saw on their computer screens were the same as those in the paper survey booklets.

Researchers find that the mode of administration (in this case, computer or paper) may sometimes influence survey results in subtle ways. Students may feel that one method offers more privacy or anonymity than the other, or they may simply feel more comfortable with one method. The Minnesota Student Survey research team will be analyzing the results of the 2013 survey to see if they can detect any influence of the mode of administration on survey results.

Items on the Tables

The accompanying set of tables includes the responses for all survey items. Items are ordered within the tables according to meaningful domains; the order items appear on the tables is not necessarily the order they appeared in the survey. A Table of Contents is provided on pages v-vi. The Grade 5 survey version was shorter than the Grade 8 survey version, which in turn was shorter than the Grade 9/11 version. The Grade 5 and Grade 8 versions did not include items appropriate only for older students. Items found on some versions of the survey but not on others are identified on the tables.

New Questions and Year-to-Year Comparisons

Many of the 2013 survey instrument questions were changed from the 2010 survey instrument. While some questions stayed the same, other questions had updated or improved wording. Some entirely new questions were added and some questions were dropped. New questions are noted on each table. Caution must be used when making comparisons over time for any questions in which the wording has changed.

Please note that although these surveys are given repeatedly over time, student populations may change between administrations of the survey.

Validity of Responses

Approximately 2% of the surveys were eliminated from analyses because gender was missing, responses were highly inconsistent, or there was a pattern of likely exaggeration.

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TABLE 1
DEMOGRAPHIC DESCRIPTION
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		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total number of surveys		113	100%	138	100%	132	100%	109	100%
Gender	Male	59	52%	77	56%	63	48%	50	46%
	Female	54	48%	61	44%	69	52%	59	54%
Age	10 or younger	41	36%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	11	71	63%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	12	1	1%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	13	0	0%	54	39%	0	0%	0	0%
	14	0	0%	79	57%	60	45%	0	0%
	15	0	0%	5	4%	71	54%	0	0%
	16	0	0%	0	0%	1	1%	54	50%
	17	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	55	50%
	18	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	19-20	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	No answer	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Are you a member of any of the following ethnic or cultural groups?[^] Hispanic or Latino/a	Yes	3	3%	7	5%	6	5%	1	1%
	No	109	96%	121	88%	126	95%	102	94%
	Not answered	1	1%	10	7%	0	0%	6	6%
Are you a member of any of the following ethnic or cultural groups?[^] Somali	Yes	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%	1	1%
	No	112	99%	127	92%	129	98%	105	96%
	Not answered	1	1%	10	7%	2	2%	3	3%
Are you a member of any of the following ethnic or cultural groups?[^] Hmong	Yes	0	0%	0	0%	1	1%	0	0%
	No	111	98%	126	91%	130	98%	103	94%
	Not answered	2	2%	12	9%	1	1%	6	6%
In addition, what is your race?[^] (If more than one describes you, mark ALL that apply)	American Indian or Alaskan Native only	9	8%	7	5%	1	1%	0	0%
	Asian only	0	0%	0	0%	1	1%	0	0%
	Black, African or African American only	0	0%	3	2%	1	1%	0	0%
	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander only	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%	0	0%
	White only	94	83%	120	87%	127	96%	103	94%
	Multiple race (checked more than one)	10	9%	6	4%	1	1%	6	6%
	No answer	0	0%	1	1%	0	0%	0	0%

[^] New question in 2013.

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TABLE 2
SCHOOL PLANS; IEP PARTICIPATION; CHANGING SCHOOLS; ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE
Aitkin County

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
What is the MAIN thing you plan to do right AFTER high school?*	I don't plan to graduate from high school			1%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%
	Get my GED			3%	7%	2%	6%	0%	0%
	Go to a two-year community or technical college			6%	8%	13%	7%	22%	24%
	Go to a four-year college or university			56%	64%	54%	58%	54%	68%
	Get a license or certificate in a career field			5%	3%	8%	10%	0%	3%
	Attend an apprenticeship program			0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Join the military			14%	3%	8%	7%	6%	5%
	Work at a job			4%	8%	11%	6%	18%	0%
	Other			10%	7%	2%	6%	0%	0%
Do you have an IEP or get special education services?	Yes	14%	9%	14%	7%	8%	10%	14%	15%
	No	86%	91%	86%	93%	92%	90%	86%	85%
Since the beginning of this school year, how many times have you changed schools?	0 times	85%	89%	95%	95%	95%	97%	94%	93%
	1 time	12%	9%	4%	2%	3%	3%	6%	2%
	2 times	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	0%	0%	2%
	3 or more times	2%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	3%
How would you describe your grades this school year?^	Mostly As	44%	55%	40%	46%	32%	42%	34%	36%
	Mostly Bs	39%	30%	27%	26%	40%	28%	38%	49%
	Mostly Cs	17%	9%	21%	20%	17%	16%	22%	14%
	Mostly Ds	0%	2%	6%	7%	5%	13%	6%	2%
	Mostly Fs	0%	0%	4%	2%	5%	1%	0%	0%
	Mostly Incompletes	0%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	None of these letter grades	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 3
FEELINGS ABOUT SCHOOL[^]
Aitkin County**

		Grade								
		5th		8th		9th		11th		
		Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	
How often do you care about doing well in school?	All of the time	55%	65%	48%	62%	33%	43%	33%	44%	
	Most of the time	34%	30%	38%	28%	51%	49%	55%	44%	
	Some of the time	10%	4%	13%	10%	11%	7%	8%	12%	
	None of the time	0%	2%	1%	0%	5%	0%	4%	0%	
How often do you pay attention in class?	All of the time	19%	39%	21%	15%	5%	10%	12%	12%	
	Most of the time	74%	50%	62%	72%	71%	68%	59%	71%	
	Some of the time	5%	11%	17%	13%	22%	20%	27%	15%	
	None of the time	2%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%	2%	2%	
How often do you go to class unprepared?	All of the time	3%	6%	1%	0%	6%	4%	0%	3%	
	Most of the time	7%	7%	8%	8%	8%	6%	10%	2%	
	Some of the time	48%	46%	42%	41%	41%	51%	55%	37%	
	None of the time	41%	41%	49%	51%	44%	39%	35%	58%	
How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?	If something interests me, I try to learn more about it.	Strongly agree	52%	50%	65%	54%	48%	49%	55%	49%
		Agree	47%	50%	35%	44%	51%	51%	45%	51%
		Disagree	2%	0%	0%	2%	2%	0%	0%	0%
		Strongly disagree	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	I think things I learn in school are useful.	Strongly agree	41%	47%	21%	18%	16%	14%	6%	17%
		Agree	52%	47%	68%	69%	57%	70%	71%	69%
		Disagree	7%	4%	9%	13%	21%	14%	14%	12%
		Strongly disagree	0%	2%	3%	0%	6%	1%	8%	2%
	Being a student is one of the most important parts of who I am.	Strongly agree	33%	28%	16%	23%	13%	10%	6%	14%
		Agree	53%	46%	45%	51%	42%	61%	47%	58%
		Disagree	12%	26%	36%	25%	35%	22%	37%	25%
		Strongly disagree	2%	0%	3%	2%	10%	7%	10%	3%

[^] All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 4
FEELINGS ABOUT SCHOOL; SKIPPING SCHOOL^
Aitkin County**

			Grade							
			5th		8th		9th		11th	
			Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %
How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?	Overall, adults at my school treat students fairly.	Strongly agree	56%	33%	25%	20%	17%	16%	10%	14%
		Agree	32%	43%	53%	70%	52%	61%	67%	73%
		Disagree	9%	17%	13%	8%	16%	14%	20%	14%
		Strongly disagree	4%	7%	9%	2%	14%	9%	2%	0%
	Adults at my school listen to the students.	Strongly agree	50%	37%	17%	15%	14%	9%	4%	12%
		Agree	40%	41%	66%	74%	49%	59%	67%	69%
		Disagree	7%	17%	13%	11%	24%	25%	24%	19%
		Strongly disagree	3%	6%	4%	0%	13%	7%	4%	0%
	The school rules are fair.	Strongly agree	30%	42%	20%	21%	14%	7%	2%	15%
		Agree	56%	53%	66%	66%	43%	65%	63%	73%
		Disagree	9%	6%	8%	11%	27%	22%	27%	8%
		Strongly disagree	5%	0%	7%	2%	16%	6%	8%	3%
	At my school, teachers care about students.	Strongly agree	62%	59%	29%	34%	24%	17%	12%	20%
		Agree	29%	37%	62%	62%	57%	65%	73%	75%
		Disagree	3%	2%	6%	3%	10%	10%	14%	5%
		Strongly disagree	5%	2%	3%	0%	10%	7%	0%	0%
	Most teachers at my school are interested in me as a person.	Strongly agree	40%	35%	12%	13%	14%	12%	6%	15%
		Agree	52%	52%	62%	72%	46%	59%	61%	59%
		Disagree	5%	7%	19%	13%	32%	23%	29%	24%
		Strongly disagree	3%	6%	6%	2%	8%	6%	4%	2%
During the last 30 days, how many times have you skipped school or cut classes, but NOT a full day of school, without being excused?*	None			96%	92%	82%	84%	80%	81%	
	Once or twice			4%	3%	11%	13%	12%	14%	
	3 to 5 times			0%	5%	5%	3%	8%	3%	
	6 to 9 times			0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	
	10 or more times			0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	
During the last 30 days, how many times have you skipped school or cut a FULL day of school or classes, without being excused?*	None			96%	89%	90%	88%	84%	85%	
	Once or twice			4%	11%	6%	10%	14%	8%	
	3 to 5 times			0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	7%	
	6 to 9 times			0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	
	10 or more times			0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 5
TIME AWAY FROM CLASS[^]
Aitkin County**

During the last 30 days, how many times have you...		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
...gone to the nurses office?	None	39%	30%	71%	55%	75%	61%	73%	73%
	Once or twice	29%	37%	26%	32%	21%	28%	27%	20%
	3 to 5 times	22%	24%	3%	12%	3%	6%	0%	7%
	6 to 9 times	5%	4%	0%	0%	0%	6%	0%	0%
	10 or more times	5%	6%	0%	2%	2%	0%	0%	0%
...stayed home because you were sick?	None	53%	45%	63%	48%	46%	48%	49%	54%
	Once or twice	32%	30%	32%	26%	41%	48%	45%	36%
	3 to 5 times	8%	13%	4%	21%	11%	3%	6%	7%
	6 to 9 times	3%	4%	1%	3%	2%	1%	0%	3%
	10 or more times	3%	8%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%
...been sent to the office for discipline?	None	63%	92%	95%	93%	84%	84%	84%	95%
	Once or twice	25%	8%	4%	7%	13%	14%	14%	5%
	3 to 5 times	10%	0%	1%	0%	3%	0%	2%	0%
	6 to 9 times	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 or more times	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
...had in-school suspension (ISS)?	None	91%	100%	99%	100%	97%	99%	100%	98%
	Once or twice	9%	0%	0%	0%	3%	1%	0%	2%
	3 to 5 times	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9 times	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 or more times	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
...been suspended from school (out-of-school suspension/OSS)?	None	98%	100%	100%	98%	98%	100%	98%	100%
	Once or twice	0%	0%	0%	2%	2%	0%	2%	0%
	3 to 5 times	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9 times	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 or more times	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

[^] All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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TABLE 6
PERCEPTIONS OF SAFETY; AFTER SCHOOL SUPERVISION
Aitkin County

			Grade							
			5th		8th		9th		11th	
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?	I feel safe going to and from school.	Strongly agree	64%	54%	60%	62%	54%	43%	57%	53%
		Agree	34%	31%	39%	34%	38%	48%	43%	47%
		Disagree	2%	9%	1%	3%	3%	9%	0%	0%
		Strongly disagree	0%	6%	0%	0%	5%	0%	0%	0%
	I feel safe at school.	Strongly agree	59%	43%	44%	59%	41%	43%	47%	47%
		Agree	34%	44%	51%	36%	41%	42%	43%	53%
		Disagree	3%	11%	5%	5%	6%	14%	6%	0%
		Strongly disagree	3%	2%	0%	0%	11%	0%	4%	0%
	I feel safe in my neighborhood.	Strongly agree	60%	61%	64%	59%	60%	52%	65%	54%
		Agree	33%	26%	31%	34%	35%	42%	33%	46%
		Disagree	3%	11%	4%	7%	2%	6%	2%	0%
		Strongly disagree	3%	2%	1%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%
	I feel safe at home.^	Strongly agree	83%	76%	74%	82%	76%	61%	65%	58%
		Agree	17%	22%	23%	18%	24%	36%	33%	39%
		Disagree	0%	2%	3%	0%	0%	1%	2%	3%
		Strongly disagree	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Where do you usually GO after school?^ (Mark all that apply)	I stay at my school or go to another school	12%	37%	36%	36%	32%	48%	33%	49%	
	Your home or another home such as a friend's, relative's or neighbor's	95%	91%	81%	92%	83%	88%	76%	71%	
	A rec, community or other youth center	9%	19%	8%	8%	2%	4%	8%	3%	
	A park or other outdoor space	9%	17%	8%	7%	8%	9%	10%	3%	
	A library	3%	9%	3%	0%	0%	3%	6%	7%	
	A church, synagogue, mosque, or other spiritual/religious place	9%	13%	15%	18%	8%	13%	6%	8%	
	A job*					10%	7%	35%	31%	
	Some other place, such as a mall or movie theatre	5%	15%	12%	13%	14%	19%	14%	10%	
During a typical week, how often are you home alone or somewhere unsupervised after school?	0 days	47%	46%	43%	34%	30%	28%	33%	31%	
	1 day	28%	22%	24%	25%	13%	22%	18%	24%	
	2 days	14%	13%	19%	21%	17%	28%	10%	15%	
	3 days	3%	9%	11%	8%	14%	9%	16%	14%	
	4 days	5%	4%	3%	2%	8%	6%	6%	12%	
	5 days	3%	6%	1%	10%	17%	9%	16%	5%	

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2013.

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TABLE 7
BEING BULLIED FOR SPECIFIC REASONS^

Aitkin County

<i>During the last 30 days, how often have other students harassed or bullied you for any of the following reasons?</i>		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Your race, ethnicity or national origin	Never	88%	91%	92%	100%	92%	96%	90%	95%
	Once or twice	10%	7%	3%	0%	5%	3%	4%	5%
	About once a week	0%	2%	3%	0%	2%	1%	0%	0%
	Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%
	Every day	2%	0%	3%	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%
Your religion	Never	98%	96%	91%	98%	90%	96%	92%	93%
	Once or twice	2%	2%	7%	2%	3%	4%	4%	7%
	About once a week	0%	0%	1%	0%	5%	0%	2%	0%
	Several times a week	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	Every day	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%
Your gender (being male or female)	Never	95%	78%	95%	89%	98%	94%	96%	95%
	Once or twice	3%	15%	3%	11%	0%	6%	4%	5%
	About once a week	0%	2%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%
	Several times a week	2%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Every day	0%	4%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Because you are gay or lesbian or because someone thought you were*	Never			87%	95%	95%	94%	94%	93%
	Once or twice			8%	2%	2%	3%	2%	5%
	About once a week			1%	3%	0%	1%	4%	0%
	Several times a week			1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%
	Every day			3%	0%	2%	1%	0%	2%
A physical or mental disability	Never	95%	93%	93%	95%	94%	90%	88%	93%
	Once or twice	3%	2%	5%	5%	2%	6%	8%	3%
	About once a week	2%	4%	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%	3%
	Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	4%	0%
	Every day	0%	2%	1%	0%	3%	1%	0%	0%
Your weight or physical appearance	Never	71%	65%	71%	70%	75%	64%	84%	73%
	Once or twice	24%	22%	20%	20%	14%	26%	4%	24%
	About once a week	0%	0%	3%	10%	2%	6%	2%	3%
	Several times a week	3%	4%	4%	0%	5%	1%	8%	0%
	Every day	2%	9%	3%	0%	5%	3%	2%	0%

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**TABLE 8
VICTIMIZATION AT SCHOOL; CYBERBULLYING^
Aitkin County**

			Grade							
			5th		8th		9th		11th	
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days have other students at school...	...stolen or deliberately damaged your property such as clothing, books or car?	0 days	86%	80%	91%	80%	83%	67%	88%	83%
		1 day	11%	9%	4%	8%	8%	19%	10%	8%
		2 or 3 days	4%	7%	4%	11%	6%	12%	2%	8%
		4 or 5 days	0%	2%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%
		6 or more days	0%	2%	1%	0%	2%	3%	0%	0%
	...offered, sold or given you an illegal drug?	0 days	100%	98%	88%	95%	73%	81%	73%	90%
		1 day	0%	0%	7%	2%	6%	6%	4%	7%
		2 or 3 days	0%	0%	4%	2%	6%	7%	14%	2%
		4 or 5 days	0%	2%	0%	0%	3%	1%	6%	0%
		6 or more days	0%	0%	1%	2%	11%	4%	2%	2%
	...threatened or injured you with a weapon (gun, knife, club, etc.)?	0 days	93%	93%	99%	98%	94%	91%	100%	95%
		1 day	5%	7%	0%	2%	3%	7%	0%	3%
		2 or 3 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%
		4 or 5 days	2%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%
		6 or more days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
During the last 30 days, how often have you been bullied through e-mail, chat rooms, instant messaging, websites or texting?	Never	86%	78%	96%	79%	94%	77%	90%	78%	
	Once or twice	10%	19%	1%	18%	3%	20%	10%	19%	
	About once a week	3%	4%	3%	2%	2%	0%	0%	2%	
	Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	2%	2%	3%	0%	2%	
	Every day	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	

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**TABLE 9
BEING BULLIED OR HARASSED AT SCHOOL^
Aitkin County**

<i>During the last 30 days, how often have other students at school...</i>		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
...pushed, shoved, slapped, hit or kicked you when they weren't kidding around?	Never	60%	52%	76%	89%	73%	80%	98%	93%
	Once or twice	26%	39%	17%	10%	24%	14%	0%	7%
	About once a week	5%	6%	3%	2%	2%	4%	2%	0%
	Several times a week	7%	4%	1%	0%	2%	1%	0%	0%
	Every day	2%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
...threatened to beat you up?	Never	71%	72%	84%	92%	87%	86%	88%	97%
	Once or twice	19%	24%	12%	7%	6%	9%	12%	3%
	About once a week	3%	2%	0%	2%	3%	6%	0%	0%
	Several times a week	5%	2%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Every day	2%	0%	1%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%
...spread mean rumors or lies about you?	Never	57%	44%	82%	64%	79%	52%	78%	47%
	Once or twice	26%	41%	11%	25%	14%	35%	14%	46%
	About once a week	9%	4%	4%	3%	3%	6%	6%	5%
	Several times a week	3%	4%	1%	5%	2%	3%	2%	0%
	Every day	5%	7%	3%	3%	2%	4%	0%	2%
...made sexual jokes, comments or gestures towards you?*	Never			83%	66%	73%	65%	86%	76%
	Once or twice			12%	23%	17%	19%	8%	19%
	About once a week			0%	5%	3%	7%	2%	3%
	Several times a week			3%	5%	6%	4%	0%	0%
	Every day			3%	2%	0%	4%	4%	2%
...excluded you from friends, other students or activities?	Never	62%	35%	83%	75%	90%	59%	90%	75%
	Once or twice	24%	35%	14%	18%	8%	26%	6%	20%
	About once a week	3%	13%	1%	3%	2%	4%	2%	3%
	Several times a week	7%	11%	0%	3%	0%	9%	2%	0%
	Every day	3%	6%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 10
BULLYING OR HARASSING OTHER STUDENTS AT SCHOOL[^]
Aitkin County**

			Grade							
			5th		8th		9th		11th	
			Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %
During the last 30 days, how many times at school have YOU... [^]	...pushed, shoved slapped, hit or kicked someone when you weren't kidding around?	Never	79%	83%	89%	98%	75%	90%	94%	92%
		Once or twice	19%	15%	8%	0%	19%	9%	6%	8%
		About once a week	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%	0%	0%	0%
		Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
		Every day	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%
	...threatened or beat someone up?	Never	90%	98%	87%	97%	79%	90%	88%	93%
		Once or twice	9%	2%	11%	3%	13%	9%	8%	7%
		About once a week	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%
		Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%	0%	0%	0%
		Every day	2%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	2%	0%
	...spread mean rumors or lies about someone else?	Never	90%	83%	99%	92%	89%	90%	92%	92%
		Once or twice	10%	9%	1%	8%	5%	10%	8%	8%
		About once a week	0%	8%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
		Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%
		Every day	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%	0%	0%	0%
	...made sexual jokes, comments or gestures towards someone else?*	Never			84%	95%	73%	87%	78%	90%
		Once or twice			12%	5%	14%	12%	4%	10%
		About once a week			0%	0%	2%	1%	8%	0%
		Several times a week			1%	0%	5%	0%	6%	0%
		Every day			3%	0%	6%	0%	4%	0%
...excluded someone from friends, other students or activities?	Never	83%	77%	89%	87%	81%	86%	90%	85%	
	Once or twice	16%	21%	11%	11%	13%	13%	8%	15%	
	About once a week	0%	2%	0%	0%	2%	1%	2%	0%	
	Several times a week	2%	0%	0%	2%	2%	0%	0%	0%	
	Every day	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%	
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you carry a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club ON SCHOOL PROPERTY?	0 days	97%	100%	95%	97%	81%	97%	86%	95%	
	1 day	2%	0%	0%	3%	6%	1%	4%	5%	
	2 or 3 days	2%	0%	3%	0%	3%	0%	2%	0%	
	4 or 5 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%	0%	2%	0%	
	6 or more days	0%	0%	3%	0%	5%	1%	6%	0%	

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.
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**TABLE 11A
USE OF TIME[^]
Aitkin County**

During a typical school day, how many hours do you do each of the following outside of school?		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Study or do homework	0 hours	16%	17%	24%	11%	51%	20%	41%	20%
	1 hour	61%	56%	60%	66%	40%	55%	35%	36%
	2 hours	18%	24%	16%	23%	10%	19%	22%	27%
	3 to 5 hours	2%	4%	0%	0%	0%	6%	2%	15%
	6 or more hours	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
Read for pleasure	0 hours	40%	26%	63%	33%	81%	43%	82%	53%
	1 hour	46%	33%	27%	43%	13%	39%	6%	24%
	2 hours	12%	20%	7%	8%	5%	6%	6%	10%
	3 to 5 hours	0%	17%	3%	15%	2%	9%	2%	8%
	6 or more hours	2%	4%	1%	2%	0%	3%	4%	5%
Do creative things such as music or arts and crafts	0 hours	44%	19%	61%	31%	71%	28%	51%	47%
	1 hour	37%	30%	20%	34%	13%	35%	29%	26%
	2 hours	12%	32%	12%	25%	10%	20%	12%	16%
	3 to 5 hours	5%	13%	1%	5%	3%	13%	6%	9%
	6 or more hours	2%	6%	5%	5%	3%	4%	2%	3%
Go outside, take a walk or go for a bike ride	0 hours	12%	17%	32%	34%	24%	33%	37%	49%
	1 hour	49%	34%	37%	38%	38%	48%	37%	39%
	2 hours	19%	36%	17%	15%	14%	10%	12%	7%
	3 to 5 hours	11%	11%	5%	10%	11%	6%	10%	3%
	6 or more hours	9%	2%	8%	3%	13%	3%	4%	2%
During a typical week, how many hours do you work for pay outside of the regular school day? [*]	0 hours			39%	52%	43%	55%	41%	44%
	1 to 2 hours			37%	25%	17%	28%	10%	7%
	3 to 5 hours			9%	11%	21%	6%	12%	14%
	6 to 10 hours			12%	10%	8%	7%	12%	19%
	11 to 20 hours			3%	2%	3%	4%	16%	12%
	21 to 30 hours			0%	0%	2%	0%	8%	3%
	31 or more hours			0%	0%	6%	0%	0%	2%

^{*} 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 11B
USE OF TIME[^]
Aitkin County**

<i>During a typical school day, how many hours do you do each of the following outside of school?</i>		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Watch TV shows, movies or videos on a TV, computer or phone	0 hours	12%	17%	15%	10%	13%	6%	2%	12%
	1 hour	28%	54%	36%	28%	32%	43%	53%	27%
	2 hours	33%	17%	20%	31%	24%	33%	18%	32%
	3 to 5 hours	21%	6%	18%	25%	19%	9%	20%	19%
	6 or more hours	5%	7%	11%	7%	13%	9%	6%	10%
Talk on the phone or use an app	0 hours	40%	44%	33%	18%	33%	22%	27%	17%
	1 hour	37%	37%	43%	26%	30%	36%	35%	32%
	2 hours	12%	6%	12%	26%	16%	19%	18%	19%
	3 to 5 hours	5%	6%	7%	20%	14%	14%	16%	14%
	6 or more hours	5%	7%	5%	10%	6%	9%	4%	19%
Text	0 hours	70%	65%	43%	16%	33%	13%	16%	14%
	1 hour	23%	26%	20%	23%	33%	26%	29%	10%
	2 hours	4%	4%	13%	20%	8%	20%	10%	15%
	3 to 5 hours	0%	2%	4%	15%	13%	14%	27%	20%
	6 or more hours	4%	4%	20%	26%	13%	26%	18%	41%
Play video or online games	0 hours	32%	57%	40%	72%	22%	70%	47%	78%
	1 hour	39%	28%	21%	20%	35%	19%	22%	5%
	2 hours	12%	4%	19%	2%	21%	7%	16%	9%
	3 to 5 hours	9%	4%	11%	2%	6%	1%	8%	3%
	6 or more hours	9%	7%	9%	5%	16%	3%	6%	5%
Use the computer	0 hours	49%	54%	55%	43%	30%	43%	53%	44%
	1 hour	29%	30%	24%	30%	33%	39%	29%	36%
	2 hours	5%	4%	8%	16%	19%	13%	8%	12%
	3 to 5 hours	7%	6%	1%	7%	11%	1%	6%	5%
	6 or more hours	9%	7%	12%	5%	6%	3%	4%	3%

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**TABLE 12A
ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES[^]
Aitkin County**

		Grade								
		5th		8th		9th		11th		
		Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	
Does your school or community offer a variety of programs for people your age to participate in outside of the regular school day?	Yes	69%	79%	57%	93%	63%	71%	63%	71%	
	No	16%	8%	7%	2%	16%	9%	16%	8%	
	I don't know what programs are available in my community	16%	13%	36%	5%	21%	21%	20%	20%	
During a typical week, how often do you participate in the following activities outside of the regular school day?	Club or community sports teams, such as park and rec teams, in-house teams or traveling teams	0 days	50%	52%	40%	51%	73%	75%	82%	78%
		1 day	14%	22%	7%	3%	8%	1%	6%	3%
		2 days	21%	15%	3%	8%	6%	4%	2%	10%
		3 to 4 days	12%	9%	20%	16%	5%	6%	8%	2%
		5 or more days	3%	2%	31%	21%	8%	13%	2%	7%
	School sports teams*	0 days					44%	34%	47%	40%
		1 day					3%	4%	0%	2%
		2 days					3%	7%	6%	5%
		3 to 4 days					8%	12%	6%	5%
		5 or more days					42%	43%	41%	48%
	School sponsored activities or clubs that are not sports, such as drama, music, chess or science club	0 days	74%	57%	80%	77%	75%	68%	78%	56%
		1 day	14%	20%	5%	7%	6%	13%	4%	19%
		2 days	9%	17%	4%	5%	11%	10%	6%	7%
		3 to 4 days	2%	4%	4%	5%	6%	4%	8%	12%
		5 or more days	2%	2%	7%	7%	2%	4%	4%	7%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 12B
ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES^
Aitkin County**

<i>During a typical week, how often do you participate in the following activities outside of the regular school day?</i>		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Tutoring, homework help or academic programs	0 days	78%	76%	84%	87%	89%	88%	92%	86%
	1 day	19%	17%	8%	11%	6%	6%	8%	12%
	2 days	3%	4%	3%	2%	5%	6%	0%	2%
	3 to 4 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	5 or more days	0%	4%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Leadership activities such as student government, youth councils or committees	0 days	88%	85%	96%	90%	89%	88%	86%	83%
	1 day	11%	9%	3%	10%	8%	7%	12%	14%
	2 days	2%	4%	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%	3%
	3 to 4 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%
	5 or more days	0%	2%	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%	0%
Lessons, such as music, dance, tennis or karate lessons	0 days	77%	52%	89%	66%	90%	68%	96%	81%
	1 day	12%	31%	7%	8%	2%	15%	2%	3%
	2 days	7%	13%	4%	5%	2%	6%	2%	3%
	3 to 4 days	0%	4%	0%	11%	3%	4%	0%	3%
	5 or more days	4%	0%	0%	10%	3%	7%	0%	8%
Other community clubs and programs such as 4-H, Scouts, Y-clubs or Community Ed	0 days	83%	74%	85%	90%	92%	82%	96%	93%
	1 day	9%	17%	13%	8%	5%	15%	2%	7%
	2 days	3%	6%	1%	0%	2%	3%	0%	0%
	3 to 4 days	2%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	5 or more days	3%	2%	0%	2%	2%	0%	2%	0%
Religious activities such as religious services, education or youth group	0 days	63%	72%	57%	44%	70%	66%	69%	66%
	1 day	30%	20%	34%	43%	19%	29%	29%	25%
	2 days	7%	7%	7%	13%	8%	4%	2%	8%
	3 to 4 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%
	5 or more days	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

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**TABLE 13
REASONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN ACTIVITIES
Aitkin County**

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
What are the reasons you participate in activities, programs or clubs outside of the regular school day?* (Mark all that apply)	To have fun			89%	89%				
	To be with my friends			75%	86%				
	To try new things			43%	52%				
	To help me succeed in school			34%	39%				
	To help me get into college			52%	46%				
	To be a leader or make a difference			34%	36%				
	To feel more connected to my community			23%	25%				
	My parents (or guardians) want me to			35%	32%				
	It is a safe place			12%	23%				
	Other			29%	13%				
What are the reasons you don't participate in activities, programs or clubs outside of the regular school day? (Mark all that apply)	I do not know what is available in my community	23%	17%	23%	10%	21%	15%	25%	26%
	Activities are not available in my community	0%	0%	1%	3%	6%	3%	8%	3%
	Activities cost too much	16%	39%	13%	22%	17%	15%	13%	12%
	My parents (or guardians) won't let me	11%	24%	11%	0%	8%	7%	2%	7%
	My friends are not there	12%	22%	11%	17%	24%	41%	21%	21%
	I am not interested	60%	59%	51%	59%	57%	51%	63%	57%
	I am too busy with other things, such as a job or homework	23%	48%	30%	49%	46%	47%	42%	72%
	I don't have a way to get there or home	11%	30%	13%	14%	22%	41%	8%	16%
	I have to take care of other family members	7%	11%	6%	7%	11%	7%	4%	7%
	It is not a safe place	4%	2%	0%	0%	8%	3%	0%	0%
	Other	42%	48%	30%	19%	24%	15%	27%	21%

* Only the 8th grade survey asked this question.

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**TABLE 14
FAMILY COMPOSITION AND SITUATIONS
Aitkin County**

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Which adults do you live with?	Both biological parents	58%	63%	68%	62%	54%	54%	56%	63%
	Both adoptive parents	2%	2%	1%	2%	0%	1%	0%	2%
	Mother and stepfather	8%	6%	4%	8%	6%	9%	6%	3%
	Father and stepmother	2%	2%	4%	2%	5%	3%	2%	0%
	Mother and partner	2%	2%	0%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%
	Father and partner	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Mother only	10%	15%	9%	15%	13%	17%	12%	14%
	Father only	7%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	10%	5%
	Sometimes with mother, sometimes with father	3%	4%	6%	3%	11%	6%	6%	7%
	Other (relatives, foster care, etc)	5%	6%	5%	5%	5%	6%	6%	2%
	No adults	3%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	2%
During the past 12 months, have you stayed in a shelter, somewhere not intended as a place to live, or someone else's home because you had no other place to stay?* [^]	No			96%	98%	95%	97%	94%	95%
	Yes, with my parents or an adult family member			4%	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%
	Yes, on my own without any adult family members			0%	0%	2%	1%	4%	4%
Have any of your parents or guardians ever been in jail or prison?* [^]	None of my parents or guardians has ever been in jail or prison			81%	73%	75%	66%	71%	71%
	Yes, I have a parent or guardian in jail or prison right now			3%	2%	3%	3%	0%	5%
	Yes, I have had a parent or guardian in jail or prison in the past			16%	25%	24%	31%	29%	23%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

[^] New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 15
PARENTAL COMMUNICATION**

Aitkin County

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Can you talk to your father about problems you are having?	Yes, most of the time	56%	31%	47%	44%	40%	21%	42%	25%
	Yes, some of the time	27%	31%	31%	21%	32%	42%	26%	36%
	No, not very often	5%	24%	13%	18%	11%	15%	16%	20%
	No, not at all	5%	7%	3%	3%	5%	7%	6%	8%
	My father is not around	7%	6%	6%	13%	13%	15%	10%	10%
Can you talk to your mother about problems you are having?	Yes, most of the time	63%	65%	56%	70%	48%	46%	46%	51%
	Yes, some of the time	25%	26%	26%	21%	33%	36%	30%	31%
	No, not very often	5%	7%	13%	3%	8%	12%	12%	15%
	No, not at all	2%	2%	5%	5%	10%	3%	2%	0%
	My mother is not around	5%	0%	0%	0%	2%	3%	10%	3%

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TABLE 16
PERCEPTIONS OF FAMILY AND OTHERS CARING
Aitkin County

<i>How much do you feel ...</i>		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
... your parents care about you?	Not at all	0%	0%	1%	2%	3%	3%	0%	0%
	A little	0%	4%	4%	0%	0%	6%	4%	3%
	Some	2%	6%	5%	0%	6%	9%	6%	3%
	Quite a bit	7%	17%	19%	21%	16%	10%	27%	34%
	Very much	91%	74%	71%	77%	74%	72%	63%	59%
... other adult relatives care about you?	Not at all	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	0%	0%
	A little	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%	7%	4%	9%
	Some	7%	11%	9%	7%	13%	10%	6%	10%
	Quite a bit	18%	21%	31%	34%	37%	21%	37%	43%
	Very much	72%	64%	56%	56%	45%	60%	53%	38%
... friends care about you?	Not at all	4%	2%	4%	0%	3%	6%	2%	0%
	A little	12%	11%	3%	0%	3%	1%	6%	0%
	Some	18%	13%	28%	15%	8%	22%	16%	22%
	Quite a bit	42%	34%	40%	34%	58%	24%	49%	41%
	Very much	25%	40%	25%	51%	27%	46%	27%	36%
... teachers/other adults at school care about you?	Not at all	9%	6%	9%	5%	18%	13%	10%	0%
	A little	4%	13%	16%	15%	21%	16%	12%	19%
	Some	16%	13%	39%	33%	26%	27%	47%	41%
	Quite a bit	47%	28%	24%	38%	31%	27%	27%	24%
	Very much	25%	40%	12%	10%	5%	16%	4%	16%
... adults in your community care about you?	Not at all	12%	8%	8%	7%	10%	19%	14%	10%
	A little	12%	13%	23%	21%	29%	19%	18%	19%
	Some	12%	19%	39%	33%	34%	24%	39%	33%
	Quite a bit	37%	21%	23%	21%	23%	15%	24%	22%
	Very much	26%	40%	8%	18%	5%	22%	4%	16%

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TABLE 17
FAMILY SUBSTANCE ABUSE; PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE
Aitkin County

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Do you live with anyone who drinks too much alcohol? [^]	Yes	12%	6%	12%	8%	15%	22%	17%	25%
	No	88%	94%	88%	92%	85%	78%	83%	75%
Do you live with anyone who uses illegal drugs or abuses prescription drugs? [^]	Yes	4%	2%	7%	5%	7%	9%	6%	9%
	No	96%	98%	93%	95%	93%	91%	94%	91%
Does a parent or other adult in your home regularly swear at you, insult you or put you down? [^]	Yes	18%	18%	12%	10%	22%	21%	19%	14%
	No	82%	82%	88%	90%	78%	79%	81%	86%
Has a parent or other adult in your household ever hit, beat, kicked or physically hurt you in any way? [^]	Yes	21%	10%	18%	3%	10%	18%	15%	9%
	No	79%	90%	82%	97%	90%	82%	85%	91%
Have your parents or other adults in your home ever slapped, hit, kicked, punched or beat each other up? [^]	Yes	9%	12%	8%	7%	8%	12%	4%	9%
	No	91%	88%	92%	93%	92%	88%	96%	91%
Has any adult or other person outside of the family ever touched you sexually against your wishes or forced you to touch them sexually?	Yes	0%	8%	3%	2%	2%	12%	0%	4%
	No	100%	92%	97%	98%	98%	88%	100%	96%
Has any older or stronger member of your family ever touched you or had you touch them sexually?	Yes	2%	6%	1%	2%	3%	6%	2%	7%
	No	98%	94%	99%	98%	97%	94%	98%	93%

[^] New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 18
RELATIONSHIP VIOLENCE*^**

Aitkin County

		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Have you ever had a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship who called you names or put you down verbally?	Yes	7%	7%	3%	19%	13%	25%
	No	93%	93%	97%	81%	88%	75%
Have you ever had a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship who hit, slapped or physically hurt you on purpose?	Yes	3%	0%	0%	7%	10%	5%
	No	97%	100%	100%	93%	90%	95%
Have you ever had a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship who pressured you into having sex when you did not want to?*	Yes			2%	12%	8%	15%
	No			98%	88%	92%	85%
Have YOU ever done any of the following to a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship: called him/her names or put him/her down verbally?	Yes	4%	0%	0%	6%	8%	5%
	No	96%	100%	100%	94%	92%	95%
Have YOU ever done any of the following to a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship: hit, slapped or physically hurt him/her on purpose?	Yes	1%	0%	0%	1%	2%	5%
	No	99%	100%	100%	99%	98%	95%
Have YOU ever done any of the following to a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship: pressured him/her into having sex when he/she did not want to?*	Yes			0%	0%	0%	0%
	No			100%	100%	100%	100%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

** 8th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 19
GENERAL HEALTH AND HEALTH CONDITIONS
Aitkin County**

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %
How would you describe your health in general?^	Excellent	44%	41%	31%	30%	29%	19%	22%	12%
	Very good	33%	39%	43%	46%	46%	44%	55%	44%
	Good	21%	15%	21%	20%	19%	29%	18%	27%
	Fair	2%	6%	5%	5%	5%	6%	2%	14%
	Poor	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%	2%	3%
Do you have any physical disabilities, or long-term health problems (such as asthma, cancer, diabetes, epilepsy or something else)? Long-term means lasting 6 months or more.^	Yes	7%	9%	15%	18%	11%	22%	12%	17%
	No	93%	91%	85%	82%	89%	78%	88%	83%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma?	Yes	9%	8%	18%	20%	16%	18%	14%	17%
	No	91%	92%	82%	80%	84%	82%	86%	83%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have diabetes?^	Yes	4%	2%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
	No	96%	98%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have pre-diabetes?^	Yes	2%	2%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%
	No	98%	98%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	98%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have an allergy that requires you to carry an epi-pen?^	Yes	9%	4%	5%	5%	0%	1%	0%	0%
	No	91%	96%	95%	95%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Do you have any long-term mental health, behavioral or emotional problems? Long-term means lasting 6 months or more.^	Yes	21%	15%	9%	7%	5%	22%	12%	5%
	No	79%	85%	91%	93%	95%	78%	88%	95%
How would YOU describe your weight?	Underweight	12%	19%	4%	7%	10%	6%	12%	3%
	About the right weight	81%	63%	85%	70%	79%	71%	67%	66%
	Overweight	7%	17%	11%	23%	11%	23%	20%	31%
Weight status* according to Body Mass Index (BMI)**	Not overweight			75%	75%	73%	82%	63%	71%
	Overweight			13%	21%	20%	14%	12%	12%
	Obese			13%	4%	7%	5%	24%	17%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2013.

** Body Mass Index (BMI) is a number calculated from a child's self-reported weight and height. BMI is calculated using a standard formula. BMI-for-age percentiles are used to interpret BMI numbers for children and teens. CDC BMI-for-age growth charts were used to determine weight status according to BMI for participants in the Minnesota Student Survey.

Not overweight: Less than the 85th percentile
Overweight: 85th to less than the 95th percentile
Obese: Equal to or greater than the 95th percentile

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**TABLE 20
HEALTH CARE ACCESS
Aitkin County**

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
When was the last time you saw a doctor or nurse for a check-up or physical exam when you were not sick or injured?	During the last year	70%	70%	55%	62%	59%	65%	55%	53%
	Between 1 and 2 years ago	18%	17%	32%	33%	22%	29%	39%	39%
	More than 2 years ago	9%	13%	9%	3%	13%	6%	6%	8%
	Never	4%	0%	4%	2%	6%	0%	0%	0%
When was the last time you saw a dentist or dental hygienist for a regular check-up, exam or teeth cleaning or other dental work?^	During the last year	68%	77%	69%	69%	60%	75%	73%	69%
	Between 1 and 2 years ago	23%	9%	15%	18%	24%	13%	12%	15%
	More than 2 years ago	5%	9%	16%	11%	13%	10%	14%	14%
	Never	4%	4%	0%	2%	3%	1%	0%	2%
Have you ever been treated for a mental health, emotional or behavioral problem?* (Mark ALL that apply)	No			95%	95%	92%	78%	84%	93%
	Yes, during the last year			3%	3%	3%	10%	8%	3%
	Yes, more than a year ago			3%	3%	5%	13%	10%	5%
Have you ever been treated for an alcohol or drug problem?* (Mark ALL that apply)	No			97%	98%	94%	96%	98%	98%
	Yes, during the last year			3%	0%	6%	3%	2%	2%
	Yes, more than a year ago			1%	2%	2%	1%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 21
PHYSICAL ACTIVITY; SLEEP; USE OF INDOOR TANNING DEVICE[^]
Aitkin County**

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 7 days, on how many days were you physically active for a total of AT LEAST 60 MINUTES PER DAY?	0 days	9%	8%	8%	5%	8%	3%	10%	17%
	1 day	11%	9%	3%	2%	5%	18%	4%	12%
	2 days	16%	13%	1%	11%	6%	12%	8%	16%
	3 days	9%	15%	9%	11%	10%	9%	8%	5%
	4 days	11%	13%	11%	11%	5%	12%	12%	9%
	5 days	16%	21%	19%	23%	14%	18%	14%	17%
	6 days	7%	4%	9%	16%	21%	13%	6%	16%
	7 days	23%	17%	40%	20%	32%	15%	37%	9%
During a typical school week, on how many days do you go to physical education (PE or gym) classes?	0 days	7%	8%	11%	10%	39%	43%	76%	93%
	1 day	5%	2%	1%	2%	2%	0%	0%	0%
	2 days	51%	51%	9%	0%	3%	0%	0%	2%
	3 days	14%	13%	18%	15%	5%	0%	0%	0%
	4 days	2%	6%	3%	7%	0%	1%	0%	0%
	5 days	21%	21%	58%	67%	52%	55%	24%	5%
During a typical school night, how many hours of sleep do you get?	4 hours or less	5%	4%	1%	5%	0%	1%	0%	2%
	5 hours	7%	2%	7%	3%	6%	7%	12%	16%
	6 hours	0%	4%	7%	20%	15%	25%	31%	21%
	7 hours	9%	6%	15%	26%	23%	25%	31%	33%
	8 hours	21%	17%	48%	28%	35%	28%	18%	22%
	9 hours	35%	17%	20%	16%	19%	7%	8%	3%
	10 or more hours	23%	51%	3%	2%	2%	4%	0%	3%
During the last 12 months, how many times did you use an indoor tanning device such as a sunlamp, sunbed or tanning booth?*	0 times			99%	93%	95%	79%	96%	57%
	1 or 2 times			0%	7%	3%	10%	2%	19%
	3 to 9 times			0%	0%	2%	10%	0%	9%
	10 to 19 times			0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	10%
	20 to 39 times			0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
	40 or more times			1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 22
EATING MEALS
Aitkin County**

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 7 days, on how many days did you eat breakfast? [^]	0 days	7%	9%	7%	8%	2%	10%	4%	2%
	1 day	0%	2%	5%	15%	6%	1%	10%	7%
	2 days	7%	6%	9%	11%	8%	12%	6%	12%
	3 days	4%	6%	5%	10%	8%	12%	6%	14%
	4 days	5%	4%	8%	7%	15%	13%	8%	9%
	5 days	14%	6%	3%	13%	18%	9%	10%	21%
	6 days	5%	6%	7%	10%	3%	10%	14%	9%
	7 days	58%	62%	56%	26%	40%	31%	41%	28%
During the last 30 days, have you had to skip meals because your family did not have enough money to buy food? [^]	Yes	7%	8%	4%	8%	6%	6%	2%	3%
	No	93%	92%	96%	92%	94%	94%	98%	97%
During a typical school week, where do you usually get your lunch? [^] (Mark ALL that apply)	I usually don't eat lunch	5%	8%	3%	8%	5%	18%	10%	7%
	Regular school lunch from the cafeteria	82%	96%	96%	93%	89%	78%	86%	93%
	The a la carte line (buy individual items)	5%	2%	5%	5%	5%	6%	0%	7%
	School store or vending machine	5%	0%	4%	2%	8%	0%	4%	3%
	Fast food restaurant, gas station or somewhere else outside of school	5%	4%	4%	0%	3%	1%	12%	3%
	I bring lunch from home	19%	13%	9%	2%	5%	10%	6%	7%
Do you currently get free or reduced-price lunch at school?	Yes	31%	28%	32%	39%	33%	38%	38%	39%
	No	69%	72%	68%	61%	67%	62%	62%	61%

[^] New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 23A
NUTRITION[^]
Aitkin County**

<i>During the last 7 days, how many times did you...</i>		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 7 days, how many times did you drink 100% fruit juices such as orange, apple or grape juice?	I did NOT eat or drink this	21%	11%	23%	15%	19%	18%	24%	10%
	1 to 3 times in the last 7 days	37%	45%	47%	41%	39%	40%	27%	53%
	4 to 6 times in the last 7 days	19%	15%	9%	16%	16%	18%	24%	17%
	1 time per day	9%	11%	13%	15%	10%	12%	16%	9%
	2 times per day	11%	9%	4%	5%	6%	9%	4%	5%
	3 times per day	0%	2%	1%	7%	2%	1%	2%	0%
	4 or more times per day	4%	6%	3%	2%	8%	1%	2%	5%
During the last 7 days, how many times did you eat fruit?	I did NOT eat or drink this	11%	6%	9%	3%	11%	9%	16%	4%
	1 to 3 times in the last 7 days	35%	36%	35%	41%	42%	40%	45%	33%
	4 to 6 times in the last 7 days	18%	15%	27%	20%	15%	18%	14%	33%
	1 time per day	11%	13%	15%	10%	10%	25%	18%	16%
	2 times per day	12%	6%	9%	15%	13%	4%	4%	9%
	3 times per day	5%	6%	0%	7%	5%	1%	2%	4%
	4 or more times per day	9%	19%	5%	5%	5%	1%	0%	2%
During the last 7 days, how many times did you eat green salad, potatoes, carrots or other vegetables (Do not count French fries, fried potatoes, or potato chips)?	I did NOT eat or drink this	21%	6%	8%	8%	13%	10%	12%	10%
	1 to 3 times in the last 7 days	39%	26%	39%	31%	44%	39%	37%	33%
	4 to 6 times in the last 7 days	21%	26%	19%	21%	15%	16%	27%	28%
	1 time per day	9%	13%	19%	13%	13%	18%	16%	10%
	2 times per day	4%	8%	11%	18%	10%	13%	6%	14%
	3 times per day	0%	4%	3%	7%	2%	1%	2%	3%
	4 or more times per day	7%	17%	3%	2%	5%	1%	0%	2%
During the last 7 days, how many times did you eat from a fast food restaurant, including carry-out or delivery?	I did NOT eat or drink this	40%	25%	40%	36%	39%	42%	27%	31%
	1 to 3 times in the last 7 days	51%	62%	56%	61%	45%	53%	57%	59%
	4 to 6 times in the last 7 days	4%	8%	3%	2%	10%	2%	12%	5%
	1 time per day	2%	4%	1%	2%	6%	3%	2%	5%
	2 times per day	2%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	3 times per day	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	4 or more times per day	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

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**TABLE 23B
NUTRITION
Aitkin County**

<i>How many cans, bottles or glasses of each of the following did you drink yesterday?</i>		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %
Milk	0	20%	21%	13%	17%	11%	19%	12%	31%
	1 to 2	45%	51%	41%	60%	47%	48%	47%	53%
	3 to 4	27%	23%	31%	17%	21%	25%	27%	12%
	5 to 6	5%	4%	7%	5%	10%	6%	6%	2%
	7 or more	4%	2%	8%	2%	11%	1%	8%	2%
Pop or soda	0	52%	47%	41%	59%	40%	58%	33%	48%
	1 to 2	36%	40%	41%	30%	37%	34%	39%	40%
	3 to 4	5%	6%	9%	8%	12%	3%	16%	7%
	5 to 6	4%	2%	1%	2%	3%	3%	10%	3%
	7 or more	4%	6%	7%	2%	8%	1%	2%	2%
Sports drinks, such as Gatorade or Powerade	0	54%	60%	55%	74%	47%	61%	53%	66%
	1 to 2	34%	25%	35%	20%	35%	27%	35%	24%
	3 to 4	4%	9%	5%	5%	11%	10%	4%	5%
	5 to 6	5%	4%	4%	2%	5%	1%	4%	3%
	7 or more	4%	2%	1%	0%	2%	0%	4%	2%
Energy drinks, such as Red Bull or Jolt[^]	0	91%	100%	84%	85%	81%	90%	88%	93%
	1 to 2	4%	0%	8%	11%	6%	6%	10%	3%
	3 to 4	2%	0%	3%	3%	8%	4%	0%	3%
	5 to 6	2%	0%	3%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%
	7 or more	2%	0%	3%	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%
Other sugar-sweetened drinks, such as sweet tea, lemonade, coffee drinks or juice drinks[^]	0	50%	32%	48%	43%	42%	43%	47%	33%
	1 to 2	43%	47%	41%	47%	42%	45%	35%	40%
	3 to 4	4%	13%	4%	7%	6%	9%	14%	22%
	5 to 6	2%	0%	4%	3%	5%	1%	0%	3%
	7 or more	2%	8%	3%	0%	5%	1%	4%	2%
Water	0	4%	8%	3%	0%	8%	3%	10%	12%
	1 to 2	16%	19%	24%	33%	18%	22%	18%	29%
	3 to 4	29%	28%	27%	25%	23%	27%	29%	29%
	5 to 6	20%	8%	19%	13%	13%	19%	20%	14%
	7 or more	32%	38%	28%	30%	39%	28%	22%	16%

[^] New question in 2013.

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TABLE 24
VEHICLE SAFETY
Aitkin County

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
When driving a car, how often do you wear a seat belt?*	I don't drive a car					63%	61%	10%	7%
	I never do this					0%	1%	2%	2%
	Sometimes					5%	3%	10%	3%
	Often					6%	1%	8%	9%
	Always					26%	33%	69%	79%
When driving a car, how often do you read incoming text messages or emails?^^	I don't drive a car					65%	69%	10%	7%
	I never do this					26%	15%	35%	40%
	Sometimes					5%	7%	29%	40%
	Often					2%	3%	18%	10%
	Always					3%	6%	8%	3%
When driving a car, how often do you send text messages or emails?^^	I don't drive a car					65%	70%	10%	7%
	I never do this					27%	13%	37%	55%
	Sometimes					3%	9%	31%	28%
	Often					2%	1%	14%	7%
	Always					3%	6%	8%	3%
When driving a car, how often do you make or answer a phone call?^^	I don't drive a car					65%	70%	10%	7%
	I never do this					19%	13%	10%	28%
	Sometimes					11%	9%	45%	43%
	Often					5%	1%	20%	19%
	Always					0%	6%	14%	3%
How often do you wear a seat belt when you ride in the FRONT seat of a car?^	I don't ride in the front seat	14%	13%	3%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Always	68%	77%	77%	80%	68%	78%	82%	86%
	Often	16%	2%	9%	7%	21%	16%	12%	7%
	Sometimes	2%	8%	8%	10%	6%	4%	4%	7%
	I never wear a seatbelt	0%	0%	3%	0%	5%	1%	2%	0%
How often do you wear a seat belt when you ride in the BACK seat of a car?^	I don't ride in the back seat	4%	8%	0%	2%	3%	3%	4%	2%
	Always	74%	79%	73%	69%	56%	60%	57%	71%
	Often	16%	6%	9%	16%	16%	22%	12%	17%
	Sometimes	5%	6%	11%	8%	21%	10%	24%	9%
	I never wear a seatbelt	2%	2%	7%	5%	3%	4%	2%	2%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask this question.
^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 25A
SELF DESCRIPTION[^]
Aitkin County**

<i>In general, how does each of the following statements describe you?</i>		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
I feel in control of my life and future.*	Not at all or rarely	21%	11%	5%	0%	3%	7%	4%	0%
	Somewhat or sometimes	46%	36%	21%	25%	23%	16%	19%	30%
	Very or often	11%	32%	36%	46%	51%	37%	50%	44%
	Extremely or almost always	23%	21%	37%	30%	23%	39%	27%	26%
I feel good about myself.	Not at all or rarely	7%	4%	3%	5%	2%	12%	8%	9%
	Somewhat or sometimes	14%	29%	16%	34%	20%	30%	13%	44%
	Very or often	37%	27%	52%	39%	49%	36%	60%	35%
	Extremely or almost always	42%	40%	29%	21%	30%	22%	19%	12%
I feel good about my future.	Not at all or rarely	9%	4%	5%	3%	3%	0%	6%	0%
	Somewhat or sometimes	14%	21%	9%	21%	15%	22%	31%	32%
	Very or often	30%	23%	43%	34%	51%	42%	38%	49%
	Extremely or almost always	47%	53%	42%	41%	31%	36%	25%	19%
I deal with disappointment without getting too upset.	Not at all or rarely	12%	17%	16%	8%	8%	16%	13%	16%
	Somewhat or sometimes	35%	23%	31%	36%	26%	24%	33%	51%
	Very or often	40%	36%	33%	31%	46%	45%	33%	21%
	Extremely or almost always	12%	25%	20%	25%	20%	15%	21%	12%
I find good ways to deal with things that are hard in my life.	Not at all or rarely	16%	13%	11%	2%	5%	16%	4%	7%
	Somewhat or sometimes	23%	17%	29%	39%	28%	33%	38%	49%
	Very or often	39%	36%	43%	36%	43%	31%	46%	28%
	Extremely or almost always	23%	34%	17%	23%	25%	19%	13%	16%
I am thinking about what my purpose is in life.**	Not at all or rarely	5%	0%	12%	8%	11%	9%	10%	2%
	Somewhat or sometimes	16%	9%	19%	11%	21%	20%	27%	21%
	Very or often	33%	17%	39%	43%	41%	45%	46%	39%
	Extremely or almost always	46%	74%	30%	38%	26%	26%	17%	39%

* On the 5th grade survey, this item was worded "I can shape and influence what happens in my life and future."

** On the 5th grade survey, this item was worded "I think about what I want to do in my life when I grow up."

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**TABLE 25B
SELF DESCRIPTION[^]
Aitkin County**

<i>In general, how does each of the following statements describe you?</i>		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
I say no to things that are dangerous or unhealthy.	Not at all or rarely	14%	11%	7%	2%	10%	12%	13%	9%
	Somewhat or sometimes	18%	11%	12%	15%	23%	10%	31%	35%
	Very or often	9%	17%	32%	26%	31%	33%	29%	16%
	Extremely or almost always	60%	60%	49%	57%	36%	45%	27%	40%
I build friendships with other people.	Not at all or rarely	9%	6%	9%	3%	0%	1%	6%	4%
	Somewhat or sometimes	28%	21%	23%	20%	31%	36%	25%	30%
	Very or often	40%	30%	51%	41%	49%	34%	50%	44%
	Extremely or almost always	23%	43%	17%	36%	20%	28%	19%	23%
I express my feelings in proper ways.	Not at all or rarely	12%	6%	9%	5%	0%	12%	21%	7%
	Somewhat or sometimes	26%	25%	41%	31%	41%	25%	27%	37%
	Very or often	40%	28%	33%	43%	39%	43%	48%	46%
	Extremely or almost always	21%	42%	16%	21%	20%	19%	4%	11%
I plan ahead and make good choices.	Not at all or rarely	5%	4%	13%	3%	7%	9%	10%	9%
	Somewhat or sometimes	25%	17%	19%	28%	36%	21%	40%	32%
	Very or often	40%	40%	39%	41%	38%	46%	38%	40%
	Extremely or almost always	30%	40%	29%	28%	20%	24%	13%	19%
I stay away from bad influences.	Not at all or rarely	7%	2%	9%	5%	10%	15%	15%	4%
	Somewhat or sometimes	14%	9%	20%	23%	30%	24%	50%	39%
	Very or often	23%	21%	21%	21%	28%	28%	25%	25%
	Extremely or almost always	56%	68%	49%	51%	33%	33%	10%	33%
I resolve conflicts without anyone getting hurt.	Not at all or rarely	7%	4%	15%	2%	13%	4%	10%	9%
	Somewhat or sometimes	23%	17%	25%	38%	30%	22%	38%	25%
	Very or often	33%	30%	32%	33%	43%	40%	42%	44%
	Extremely or almost always	37%	49%	28%	28%	15%	33%	10%	23%

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**TABLE 25C
SELF DESCRIPTION[^]
Aitkin County**

<i>In general, how does each of the following statements describe you?</i>		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
I accept people who are different from me.	Not at all or rarely	2%	2%	8%	0%	5%	1%	4%	2%
	Somewhat or sometimes	16%	6%	13%	8%	21%	9%	19%	14%
	Very or often	32%	23%	45%	33%	56%	39%	50%	30%
	Extremely or almost always	51%	70%	33%	59%	18%	51%	27%	54%
I am sensitive to the needs and feelings of others.	Not at all or rarely	7%	4%	16%	0%	15%	4%	10%	5%
	Somewhat or sometimes	32%	8%	39%	15%	25%	25%	25%	21%
	Very or often	32%	35%	29%	41%	46%	45%	48%	39%
	Extremely or almost always	30%	54%	16%	44%	15%	25%	17%	35%
I feel valued and appreciated by others.	Not at all or rarely	7%	11%	8%	7%	5%	7%	4%	11%
	Somewhat or sometimes	16%	17%	19%	33%	23%	37%	46%	42%
	Very or often	39%	23%	51%	39%	52%	34%	38%	30%
	Extremely or almost always	39%	49%	23%	21%	20%	21%	13%	18%
I am included in family tasks and decisions.	Not at all or rarely	5%	8%	7%	2%	3%	7%	15%	9%
	Somewhat or sometimes	21%	15%	16%	25%	20%	22%	27%	30%
	Very or often	32%	26%	48%	41%	53%	45%	31%	32%
	Extremely or almost always	42%	51%	29%	33%	23%	25%	27%	30%
I am given useful roles and responsibilities.	Not at all or rarely	7%	8%	8%	7%	5%	7%	4%	4%
	Somewhat or sometimes	16%	8%	20%	8%	18%	15%	35%	23%
	Very or often	39%	26%	45%	54%	51%	45%	44%	42%
	Extremely or almost always	39%	58%	27%	31%	26%	33%	17%	32%

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**TABLE 26A
EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING AND DISTRESS*^**

Aitkin County

<i>During the last 12 months, have you had SIGNIFICANT problems with...</i>		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...feeling very trapped, lonely, sad, blue, depressed or hopeless about the future?	Yes	12%	30%	15%	43%	27%	33%
	No	88%	70%	85%	57%	73%	67%
...sleep trouble, such as bad dreams, sleeping restlessly or falling asleep during the day?	Yes	22%	31%	25%	42%	31%	60%
	No	78%	69%	75%	58%	69%	40%
...feeling very anxious, nervous, tense, scared, panicked or like something bad was going to happen?	Yes	19%	25%	20%	37%	19%	42%
	No	81%	75%	80%	63%	81%	58%
...becoming very distressed and upset when something reminded you of the past?	Yes	26%	38%	23%	43%	27%	35%
	No	74%	62%	77%	57%	73%	65%
...thinking about ending your life or committing suicide?	Yes	7%	8%	10%	18%	10%	14%
	No	93%	92%	90%	82%	90%	86%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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Question introduction reads: This question asks about SIGNIFICANT problems. Problems are considered significant when you have them for two or more weeks, when they keep coming back, keep you from meeting your responsibilities, or make you feel like you can't go on.

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TABLE 26B
EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING AND DISTRESS*^

Aitkin County

<i>Thinking back the last 30 days, how much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</i>		Grade	
		5th	
		Male	Female
		%	%
I worry a lot	Strongly agree	11%	21%
	Agree	21%	21%
	Neither agree nor disagree	26%	33%
	Disagree	25%	12%
	Strongly disagree	18%	13%
I sometimes feel bad without knowing why	Strongly agree	7%	33%
	Agree	42%	17%
	Neither agree nor disagree	23%	21%
	Disagree	7%	13%
	Strongly disagree	21%	15%

* Only 5th grade survey asked these questions.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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TABLE 27
SELF-INFLICTED INJURY; SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND SUICIDAL BEHAVIOR*^
Aitkin County

		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, how many times did you do something to purposely hurt or injure yourself without wanting to die, such as cutting, burning, or bruising yourself on purpose?	0 times	91%	90%	95%	70%	92%	82%
	1 or 2 times	4%	5%	3%	10%	4%	13%
	3 to 5 times	4%	2%	0%	10%	2%	0%
	6 to 9 times	0%	2%	2%	3%	0%	4%
	10 to 19 times	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	2%
	20 or more times	1%	2%	0%	6%	0%	0%
Have you ever seriously considered attempting suicide? (Mark all that apply)	No	93%	85%	88%	73%	88%	83%
	Yes, during the last year	5%	13%	3%	10%	8%	11%
	Yes, more than a year ago	1%	5%	8%	16%	6%	7%
Have you ever actually attempted suicide? (Mark all that apply)	No	97%	97%	97%	91%	100%	93%
	Yes, during the last year	1%	3%	2%	7%	0%	2%
	Yes, more than a year ago	1%	2%	2%	1%	0%	5%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.
 ^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 28
PROBLEMATIC AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOR
Aitkin County**

During the last 12 months...			Grade							
			5th		8th		9th		11th	
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
...did you do any of the following TWO OR MORE TIMES?^A	Lie or con to get things you wanted or to avoid having to do something	Yes			45%	43%	49%	52%	51%	44%
		No			55%	57%	51%	48%	49%	56%
	Have a hard time paying attention at school, work or home	Yes			42%	57%	43%	61%	67%	70%
		No			58%	43%	57%	39%	33%	30%
	Have a hard time listening to instructions at school, work or home	Yes			30%	34%	31%	49%	46%	46%
		No			70%	66%	69%	51%	54%	54%
	Be a bully or threaten other people	Yes			10%	3%	13%	7%	8%	4%
		No			90%	97%	87%	93%	92%	96%
Start fights with other people	Yes			8%	8%	11%	14%	13%	11%	
	No			92%	92%	89%	86%	88%	89%	
...run away from home?	Never		89%	98%	97%	92%	93%	82%	85%	86%
	Once or twice		7%	0%	1%	7%	7%	13%	6%	14%
	3 to 5 times		2%	0%	1%	0%	0%	3%	8%	0%
	6 to 9 times		0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 or more times		2%	2%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%	0%
...damaged or destroyed property?	Never		84%	96%	84%	90%	78%	82%	73%	89%
	Once or twice		9%	4%	15%	10%	17%	13%	15%	9%
	3 to 5 times		4%	0%	1%	0%	2%	3%	13%	2%
	6 to 9 times		0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
	10 or more times		4%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%
...hit or beat up another person?	Never		79%	85%	82%	88%	77%	93%	92%	96%
	Once or twice		12%	12%	11%	12%	15%	4%	6%	4%
	3 to 5 times		5%	0%	5%	0%	7%	3%	2%	0%
	6 to 9 times		0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 or more times		4%	4%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%
...taken something from a store without paying for it?	Never		89%	100%	95%	95%	88%	87%	79%	93%
	Once or twice		7%	0%	5%	5%	7%	9%	6%	5%
	3 to 5 times		2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	8%	0%
	6 to 9 times		0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	4%	2%
	10 or more times		2%	0%	0%	0%	5%	1%	2%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 29
SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE USE **

Aitkin County

		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days	No	88%	92%	81%	78%	54%	77%
	Yes	12%	8%	19%	22%	46%	23%
Frequent (20+ days) use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days	No	99%	98%	97%	94%	77%	91%
	Yes	1%	2%	3%	6%	23%	9%
Frequent binge drinking in the past year (typically drank 5 or more drinks at a time and drank on 10 or more occasions during the past year)	No	99%	97%	93%	97%	83%	95%
	Yes	1%	3%	7%	3%	17%	5%
Any alcohol, marijuana and/or other drug use during the past year (excluding tobacco)	No alcohol or marijuana or other drug use in the past year	81%	83%	50%	48%	29%	47%
	Used only alcohol in the past year	14%	8%	24%	27%	40%	38%
	Used alcohol and marijuana in the past year, but not other drugs	3%	7%	10%	14%	23%	9%
	Used marijuana or other drugs in the past year, but not alcohol	3%	2%	5%	2%	4%	2%
	Used alcohol and marijuana or other drugs in the past year	0%	0%	10%	9%	4%	4%

** These are all computed variables based on combinations of responses to two or more survey items.

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TABLE 30
SUBSTANCE USE AMONG 5TH GRADE STUDENTS*^
Aitkin County

		Grade	
		5th	
		Male	Female
		%	%
During the last 30 days, have you smoked any cigarettes?	Yes	2%	0%
	No	98%	100%
During the last 12 months, have you had alcoholic beverages to drink such as beer, wine, wine coolers and liquor?	Yes	5%	8%
	No	95%	92%
During the last 12 months, have you used marijuana (pot, weed) or hashish (hash, hash oil)?	Yes	2%	6%
	No	98%	94%
During the last 12 months, have you sniffed glue or huffed or inhaled the contents of aerosol spray cans or other gases to get high?	Yes	4%	6%
	No	96%	94%

* Only 5th grade survey asked these questions.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 31
TOBACCO USE***
Aitkin County

<i>During the last 30 days, on how many days did you ...</i>		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...smoke a cigarette?	0 days	95%	93%	93%	78%	71%	77%
	1 to 2 days	3%	2%	2%	4%	10%	9%
	3 to 5 days	3%	0%	2%	6%	4%	2%
	6 to 9 days	0%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
	10 to 19 days	0%	2%	2%	4%	4%	2%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%	1%	4%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	2%	0%	3%	4%	9%
...smoke cigars, cigarillos or little cigars?	0 days	95%	98%	95%	97%	79%	95%
	1 to 2 days	5%	2%	3%	3%	17%	4%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
...use chewing tobacco, snuff or dip?	0 days	90%	97%	85%	91%	67%	98%
	1 to 2 days	4%	3%	3%	3%	6%	2%
	3 to 5 days	1%	0%	5%	3%	2%	0%
	6 to 9 days	1%	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%
	10 to 19 days	1%	0%	2%	0%	6%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%
	All 30 days	1%	0%	3%	1%	15%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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**TABLE 32
EXPOSURE TO SECONDHAND SMOKE[^]**

Aitkin County

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 7 days, on how many days were you in the same room as someone who was smoking cigarettes?	0 days	65%	60%	60%	55%	59%	45%	38%	46%
	1 or 2 days	21%	23%	22%	18%	20%	20%	31%	20%
	3 or 4 days	7%	6%	10%	10%	12%	12%	8%	14%
	5 or 6 days	0%	2%	3%	3%	2%	6%	2%	4%
	All 7 days	7%	10%	5%	13%	7%	17%	21%	16%
During the last 7 days, on how many days did you ride in a car with someone who was smoking cigarettes?	0 days	67%	65%	64%	58%	68%	50%	40%	48%
	1 or 2 days	18%	13%	21%	17%	20%	23%	33%	25%
	3 or 4 days	7%	10%	1%	8%	5%	11%	10%	11%
	5 or 6 days	2%	2%	10%	5%	3%	6%	4%	2%
	All 7 days	7%	10%	4%	12%	3%	11%	13%	14%

[^] All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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TABLE 33
ALCOHOL USE FREQUENCY AND QUANTITY*

Aitkin County

		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you drink one or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage?	0 days	88%	88%	75%	76%	52%	64%
	1 or 2 days	7%	5%	10%	15%	23%	25%
	3 to 5 days	3%	3%	7%	6%	10%	7%
	6 to 9 days	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	2%	2%	2%	10%	2%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	2%	0%	2%	2%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%
During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you had alcoholic beverages to drink?	0	82%	87%	61%	52%	38%	50%
	1-2	7%	5%	15%	23%	23%	13%
	3-5	7%	3%	7%	12%	8%	13%
	6-9	1%	0%	5%	8%	8%	14%
	10-19	1%	3%	8%	6%	8%	9%
	20-39	0%	0%	2%	0%	8%	2%
	40+	1%	2%	2%	0%	6%	0%
If you drink beer/wine/wine coolers/liquor, generally, how much (if any) do you drink at one time?	I don't drink beer/wine/wine coolers/liquor	89%	88%	72%	62%	47%	52%
	1 glass/can/drink	10%	5%	10%	12%	13%	18%
	2 glasses/cans/drinks	0%	3%	0%	5%	4%	7%
	3 glasses/cans/drinks	0%	0%	7%	14%	6%	4%
	4 glasses/cans/drinks	0%	0%	2%	2%	6%	9%
	5 or more glasses/cans/drinks	1%	3%	9%	6%	23%	11%
During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have 5 or more drinks in a row, that is, within a couple of hours?^	0 days	97%	97%	88%	86%	73%	75%
	1 day	1%	0%	3%	5%	8%	16%
	2 days	1%	0%	3%	5%	6%	7%
	3 to 5 days	0%	2%	5%	3%	8%	0%
	6 to 9 days	0%	2%	0%	2%	4%	2%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 or more days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

^ New question in 2013.

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TABLE 34
ACCESS TO ALCOHOL*

Aitkin County

INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO USED ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 DAYS		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
If you used alcohol in the last 30 days, how did you get it? (Mark all that apply)	I bought alcohol at gas stations or convenience stores	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	I bought alcohol at bars or restaurants	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	I bought alcohol at liquor or other stores^	0%	0%	7%	6%	0%	0%
	I bought alcohol on the internet	0%	0%	0%	0%	9%	0%
	I got alcohol from friends	33%	57%	20%	50%	35%	50%
	I got alcohol from my parents	33%	0%	7%	25%	4%	15%
	I got alcohol from other family members	33%	14%	7%	19%	4%	5%
	I got alcohol by getting someone else to buy for me	11%	43%	13%	25%	17%	20%
	I got alcohol at parties^	44%	29%	7%	50%	30%	45%
	I took alcohol from my home	11%	14%	20%	63%	13%	10%
	I took alcohol from a friend's home	0%	43%	0%	19%	13%	20%
	I took alcohol from stores	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 35
AGE OF FIRST USE OF ALCOHOL AND MARIJUANA***

Aitkin County

		Grade			
		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
How old were you when you had your first drink of an alcoholic beverage, such as beer, wine, wine coolers and liquor, other than a few sips?	I have never had a drink of alcohol other than a few sips	34%	44%	25%	32%
	10 years old or younger	22%	14%	21%	9%
	11 years old	7%	2%	6%	2%
	12 years old	15%	14%	2%	5%
	13 years old	12%	14%	10%	16%
	14 years old	7%	13%	2%	9%
	15 years old	3%	0%	15%	13%
	16 years old	0%	0%	15%	11%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	4%	4%
How old were you when you tried marijuana (pot, weed) or hashish (hash, hash oil) for the first time?	I have never tried marijuana or hashish	74%	74%	60%	78%
	10 years old or younger	2%	0%	2%	0%
	11 years old	0%	3%	0%	0%
	12 years old	7%	5%	4%	0%
	13 years old	12%	8%	6%	6%
	14 years old	2%	9%	4%	9%
	15 years old	3%	2%	8%	4%
	16 years old	0%	0%	15%	4%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 36
USE OF MARIJUANA AND PRESCRIPTION DRUGS*
Aitkin County

		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use marijuana or hashish?	0 days	97%	97%	86%	83%	79%	93%
	1 to 2 days	0%	0%	9%	9%	4%	0%
	3 to 5 days	1%	3%	2%	3%	2%	0%
	6 to 9 days	1%	0%	2%	3%	2%	4%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%	2%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	2%	2%	0%	2%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%
During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you used marijuana or hashish?	0	96%	92%	83%	80%	71%	87%
	1-2	0%	3%	7%	9%	0%	4%
	3-5	0%	2%	3%	3%	6%	2%
	6-9	1%	2%	3%	3%	0%	2%
	10-19	0%	2%	0%	2%	6%	2%
	20-39	1%	0%	2%	0%	2%	4%
	40+	1%	0%	2%	3%	15%	0%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use prescription drugs not prescribed for you? [^]	0 days	99%	100%	93%	94%	96%	96%
	1 to 2 days	0%	0%	2%	5%	2%	4%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	All 30 days	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

[^] New question in 2013.

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TABLE 37
PRESCRIPTION DRUG USE*^
Aitkin County

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions have you used any of the following prescription drugs that were NOT prescribed for you or that you took ONLY to get high?</i>		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Stimulants such as Benzedrine (bennies, speed, uppers) or diet pills	0	100%	100%	100%	98%	98%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
ADHD or ADD drugs like Ritalin (hyper pills)	0	100%	100%	98%	98%	98%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	2%	2%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Pain relievers such as OxyContin, Percocet, Vicodin or others	0	100%	100%	95%	98%	98%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	3%	0%	2%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Tranquilizers such as Valium, Xanax or sedatives or barbiturates	0	100%	100%	98%	100%	98%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ Responses for 30-day (found on Table 36) and 12-month misuse of prescription drugs are inconsistent for some students. This may be due to the misinterpretation of a skip instruction on the survey or to slight differences in how the questions were worded. Due to these methodological issues, the results for these questions cannot be compared to the results from previous years.

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**TABLE 38
HALLUCINOGEN, ECSTASY, COCAINE AND HEROIN USE*[^]
Aitkin County**

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you used...</i>		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...LSD (acid), PCP (wet sticks or dipped joints), or other psychedelics (mushrooms, angel dust)?	0	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
...MDMA (E, X, ecstasy), GHB (G, Liquid E, Liquid X, roofies) or Ketamine (Special K)?	0	100%	100%	98%	100%	100%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
...crack, coke or cocaine in any other form?	0	100%	100%	98%	100%	100%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
...heroin?	0	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

[^] Due to methodological issues with these questions (e.g. the possible misinterpretation of a skip instruction on the survey), the results for these questions cannot be compared to the results from previous years.

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TABLE 39
METHAMPHETAMINE, OVER-THE-COUNTER DRUG, SYNTHETIC DRUG AND INHALANT USE^{*,^^}
Aitkin County

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...used methamphetamine (meth, glass, crank, crystal meth, ice)?	0	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
...used over-the-counter drugs such as cough syrup, cold medicine or diet pills that you took only to get high? [^]	0	100%	100%	100%	97%	98%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
...used synthetic drugs such as bath salts (Ivory Wave, White Lightning) or synthetic marijuana (K2, Gold) that you took only to get high? [^]	0	100%	100%	97%	95%	98%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	3%	3%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
...sniffed glue or huffed or inhaled the contents of aerosol spray cans or other gases to get high?	0	100%	100%	98%	100%	98%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

[^] New question in 2013.

^{^^} Due to methodological issues with these questions (e.g. the possible misinterpretation of a skip instruction on the survey), the results for these questions cannot be compared to the results from previous years.

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**TABLE 40
PERCEIVED RISK OF HARM FROM SUBSTANCE USE
Aitkin County**

<i>How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways if they...</i>		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
... smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day?	No risk	18%	19%	10%	8%	17%	11%	9%	10%
	Slight risk	7%	2%	13%	7%	12%	14%	11%	17%
	Moderate risk	26%	10%	21%	28%	17%	17%	27%	19%
	Great risk	49%	69%	57%	57%	53%	58%	53%	54%
... have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice per week?	No risk	19%	21%	13%	10%	19%	15%	13%	8%
	Slight risk	23%	4%	15%	17%	28%	25%	31%	21%
	Moderate risk	21%	29%	36%	40%	26%	25%	33%	40%
	Great risk	37%	46%	36%	33%	28%	35%	22%	31%
... smoke marijuana once or twice per week?	No risk	19%	21%	15%	15%	22%	22%	36%	8%
	Slight risk	7%	2%	10%	7%	19%	25%	20%	29%
	Moderate risk	19%	25%	17%	20%	29%	17%	22%	35%
	Great risk	54%	52%	58%	58%	29%	37%	22%	29%
... use prescription drugs not prescribed for them? [^]	No risk	21%	21%	8%	5%	11%	8%	4%	6%
	Slight risk	4%	0%	10%	3%	14%	14%	2%	8%
	Moderate risk	14%	17%	14%	20%	28%	25%	40%	25%
	Great risk	61%	62%	68%	72%	47%	54%	53%	62%

[^] New question in 2013.

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TABLE 41
PERCEPTIONS OF OTHERS' DISAPPROVAL OF SUBSTANCE USE^
Aitkin County

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to smoke cigarettes?	Not at all wrong	2%	2%	7%	2%	12%	3%	2%	12%
	A little bit wrong	2%	0%	4%	2%	5%	11%	9%	10%
	Wrong	9%	8%	6%	7%	10%	12%	24%	10%
	Very wrong	88%	90%	83%	90%	72%	74%	64%	69%
How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to have one or more drinks of alcoholic beverage nearly every day?	Not at all wrong	5%	2%	7%	2%	9%	3%	9%	8%
	A little bit wrong	2%	2%	6%	3%	10%	6%	9%	10%
	Wrong	14%	6%	11%	5%	10%	18%	16%	10%
	Very wrong	79%	90%	76%	90%	71%	72%	67%	73%
How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to smoke marijuana?	Not at all wrong	2%	2%	6%	0%	9%	6%	4%	8%
	A little bit wrong	2%	0%	0%	5%	5%	8%	4%	2%
	Wrong	7%	4%	4%	5%	2%	6%	18%	6%
	Very wrong	89%	94%	90%	90%	84%	80%	73%	85%
How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to use prescription drugs not prescribed for you?	Not at all wrong	2%	2%	6%	2%	9%	3%	2%	6%
	A little bit wrong	5%	0%	0%	2%	3%	5%	0%	2%
	Wrong	7%	6%	4%	5%	5%	9%	11%	4%
	Very wrong	86%	92%	90%	92%	83%	83%	87%	88%
How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to smoke cigarettes?	Not at all wrong	5%	2%	13%	8%	21%	22%	38%	25%
	A little bit wrong	4%	0%	10%	3%	16%	14%	29%	15%
	Wrong	18%	12%	23%	17%	17%	18%	11%	23%
	Very wrong	74%	86%	55%	72%	47%	46%	22%	37%
How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to have one or more drinks of alcoholic beverage nearly every day?	Not at all wrong	4%	2%	15%	5%	24%	25%	42%	27%
	A little bit wrong	7%	0%	10%	10%	9%	11%	24%	13%
	Wrong	16%	14%	17%	10%	28%	17%	9%	19%
	Very wrong	74%	84%	58%	75%	40%	48%	24%	40%
How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to smoke marijuana?	Not at all wrong	4%	0%	13%	5%	26%	20%	33%	17%
	A little bit wrong	4%	2%	6%	10%	10%	17%	24%	17%
	Wrong	12%	6%	18%	8%	17%	15%	16%	19%
	Very wrong	81%	92%	63%	77%	47%	48%	27%	46%
How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to use prescription drugs not prescribed for you?	Not at all wrong	4%	2%	11%	2%	24%	14%	13%	8%
	A little bit wrong	4%	0%	4%	5%	3%	14%	27%	13%
	Wrong	14%	8%	18%	12%	17%	18%	18%	19%
	Very wrong	79%	90%	66%	82%	55%	54%	42%	60%

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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TABLE 42
FEELINGS AND PERCEPTIONS OF OTHERS' FEELINGS ABOUT ALCOHOL USE*^
Aitkin County

		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
How do you feel about each of the following statements: Parents and other adults should clearly communicate with their children about the importance of not using alcohol?	Strongly agree	65%	67%	53%	49%	48%	50%
	Agree	25%	25%	33%	32%	30%	31%
	Neither agree nor disagree	8%	8%	10%	18%	16%	19%
	Disagree	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%	0%
	Strongly disagree	1%	0%	3%	0%	2%	0%
How do you feel about each of the following statements: Drinking alcohol is never a good thing for anyone my age to do?	Strongly agree	62%	75%	45%	45%	34%	37%
	Agree	17%	13%	28%	29%	20%	31%
	Neither agree nor disagree	17%	7%	14%	15%	30%	29%
	Disagree	1%	3%	5%	9%	9%	2%
	Strongly disagree	3%	2%	9%	2%	7%	0%
How do you think MOST STUDENTS in your school feel about each of the following statements: Parents and other adults should clearly communicate with their children about the importance of not using alcohol?	Strongly agree	24%	37%	14%	6%	11%	16%
	Agree	41%	35%	48%	39%	45%	35%
	Neither agree nor disagree	25%	22%	19%	38%	32%	35%
	Disagree	3%	3%	10%	13%	9%	10%
	Strongly disagree	7%	3%	9%	5%	2%	4%
How do you think MOST STUDENTS in your school feel about each of the following statements: Drinking alcohol is never a good thing for anyone my age to do?	Strongly agree	24%	35%	16%	5%	11%	14%
	Agree	37%	40%	31%	31%	25%	14%
	Neither agree nor disagree	24%	20%	22%	38%	43%	43%
	Disagree	6%	2%	17%	20%	11%	25%
	Strongly disagree	10%	3%	14%	6%	9%	4%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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TABLE 43
USE OF TOBACCO, ALCOHOL AND MARIJUANA*^
Aitkin County

<i>How often do you use each of the following?</i>		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Tobacco (cigarettes, chew)	Never	84%	93%	68%	71%	49%	72%
	Tried once or twice	7%	2%	17%	11%	11%	12%
	Once or twice a year	1%	0%	3%	2%	2%	4%
	Once a month	3%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%
	Twice a month	4%	0%	2%	3%	9%	0%
	Once a week	0%	3%	3%	6%	2%	4%
	Daily	1%	2%	7%	6%	27%	8%
Alcohol (beer, wine, liquor)	Never	79%	85%	54%	51%	36%	43%
	Tried once or twice	11%	7%	14%	14%	11%	20%
	Once or twice a year	3%	3%	14%	20%	16%	10%
	Once a month	4%	2%	8%	5%	11%	10%
	Twice a month	1%	3%	5%	9%	16%	14%
	Once a week	1%	0%	3%	2%	7%	2%
	Daily	0%	0%	2%	0%	4%	0%
Marijuana (pot, hash, hash oil)	Never	95%	93%	76%	77%	71%	82%
	Tried once or twice	1%	2%	12%	11%	4%	10%
	Once or twice a year	1%	2%	5%	2%	7%	2%
	Once a month	0%	0%	3%	3%	0%	2%
	Twice a month	3%	3%	0%	6%	2%	2%
	Once a week	0%	0%	0%	2%	9%	2%
	Daily	0%	0%	3%	0%	7%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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TABLE 44
PERCEPTIONS OF OTHERS' USE OF TOBACCO, ALCOHOL AND MARIJUANA*^
Aitkin County

<i>In your opinion, how often do you think MOST STUDENTS in your school use each of the following?</i>		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Tobacco (cigarettes, chew)	Never	36%	27%	22%	17%	7%	8%
	Tried once or twice	23%	20%	14%	8%	9%	10%
	Once or twice a year	4%	12%	14%	8%	0%	6%
	Once a month	4%	15%	3%	9%	7%	12%
	Twice a month	5%	5%	5%	6%	5%	6%
	Once a week	10%	7%	15%	6%	16%	16%
	Daily	18%	14%	27%	46%	57%	42%
Alcohol (beer, wine, liquor)	Never	37%	23%	22%	12%	9%	8%
	Tried once or twice	22%	27%	12%	9%	7%	10%
	Once or twice a year	7%	12%	14%	14%	2%	4%
	Once a month	5%	17%	12%	8%	9%	12%
	Twice a month	8%	10%	8%	12%	14%	12%
	Once a week	10%	2%	17%	29%	34%	40%
	Daily	11%	10%	15%	15%	25%	14%
Marijuana (pot, hash, hash oil)	Never	45%	32%	22%	20%	9%	8%
	Tried once or twice	19%	28%	14%	8%	11%	14%
	Once or twice a year	8%	8%	14%	6%	0%	6%
	Once a month	5%	13%	2%	12%	11%	10%
	Twice a month	5%	3%	19%	8%	11%	8%
	Once a week	10%	5%	12%	22%	20%	22%
	Daily	7%	10%	19%	25%	36%	32%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 45A
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE***

Aitkin County

<i>During the last 12 months ...</i>		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...have you found that you had to use a lot more alcohol or drugs than before to get the same effect?	No or no use	96%	97%	85%	92%	77%	93%
	Yes	4%	3%	15%	8%	23%	7%
...have you tried to cut down on your use of alcohol or drugs but couldn't?	No or no use	97%	97%	92%	95%	90%	95%
	Yes	3%	3%	8%	5%	10%	5%
...have you continued to use alcohol or drugs even though you knew it was hurting your relationships with friends or family?	No or no use	97%	100%	93%	88%	88%	95%
	Yes	3%	0%	7%	12%	13%	5%
...how many times have you spent all or most of the day using alcohol or drugs, or getting over their effects?	0 times or no use	96%	98%	88%	89%	72%	95%
	1 time	0%	0%	8%	5%	17%	4%
	2 times	3%	0%	3%	5%	2%	0%
	3 or more times	1%	2%	0%	2%	9%	2%
...how many times have you given up important social or recreational activities like sports or being with friends or relatives to use alcohol or drugs or to get over their effects?	0 times or no use	99%	100%	98%	88%	89%	95%
	1 time	1%	0%	2%	6%	6%	4%
	2 times	0%	0%	0%	5%	0%	2%
	3 or more times	0%	0%	0%	2%	4%	0%
...how many times have you missed work or school, or neglected other major responsibilities because of alcohol or drug use?	0 times or no use	100%	100%	100%	94%	98%	96%
	1 time	0%	0%	0%	2%	2%	4%
	2 times	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%
	3 or more times	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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**TABLE 45B
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE***

Aitkin County

<i>During the last 12 months, how many times...</i>		Grade					
		8th		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...have you driven a motor vehicle after using alcohol or drugs?*	0 times or no use			95%	98%	81%	93%
	1 time			3%	2%	6%	5%
	2 times			2%	0%	2%	2%
	3 or more times			0%	0%	11%	0%
...have you hit someone or become violent while using alcohol or drugs?	0 times or no use	99%	100%	97%	98%	91%	100%
	1 time	0%	0%	3%	2%	9%	0%
	2 times	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	3 or more times	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
...have you used so much alcohol or drugs that the next day you could not remember what you had said or done?	0 times or no use	97%	100%	92%	83%	79%	85%
	1 time	1%	0%	3%	6%	13%	7%
	2 times	0%	0%	0%	8%	4%	2%
	3 or more times	1%	0%	5%	3%	4%	5%
...have you used more alcohol or drugs than you intended to?	0 times or no use	97%	98%	92%	89%	83%	91%
	1 time	1%	2%	5%	8%	9%	7%
	2 times	0%	0%	0%	2%	6%	2%
	3 or more times	1%	0%	3%	2%	2%	0%
...has alcohol or drug use left you feeling depressed, agitated, paranoid, or unable to concentrate?	0 times or no use	97%	98%	93%	89%	90%	89%
	1 time	0%	2%	3%	6%	2%	11%
	2 times	1%	0%	2%	3%	4%	0%
	3 or more times	1%	0%	2%	2%	4%	0%
...has alcohol or drug use caused you problems with the law?	0 times or no use	99%	97%	98%	97%	98%	94%
	1 time	0%	3%	2%	3%	0%	6%
	2 times	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	3 or more times	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

** 8th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 46
SEXUAL ORIENTATION; SEXUAL BEHAVIOR***

Aitkin County

		Grade			
		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
Which of the following best describes you?^	Heterosexual (straight)	95%	94%	94%	90%
	Bisexual	0%	3%	2%	5%
	Gay or lesbian	2%	0%	2%	2%
	Not sure (questioning)	3%	3%	2%	3%
Have you ever had sexual intercourse ('had sex')?	Yes	22%	23%	38%	33%
	No	78%	77%	63%	67%
During the last 12 months, with how many different male partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	98%	78%	96%	69%
	1 person	2%	12%	2%	13%
	2 persons	0%	2%	2%	9%
	3 persons	0%	3%	0%	4%
	4 persons	0%	3%	0%	4%
	5 persons	0%	0%	0%	2%
	6 or more persons	0%	2%	0%	0%
During the last 12 months, with how many different female partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	78%	97%	67%	96%
	1 person	8%	2%	19%	2%
	2 persons	7%	0%	4%	2%
	3 persons	3%	0%	4%	0%
	4 persons	0%	2%	6%	0%
	5 persons	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 or more persons	3%	0%	0%	0%
How many times have you been pregnant or gotten someone pregnant?	0 times	97%	95%	94%	100%
	1 time	0%	5%	0%	0%
	2 or more times	2%	0%	0%	0%
	Not sure	2%	0%	6%	0%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask these questions.

^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 47
SEXUAL BEHAVIOR***

Aitkin County

INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE EVER HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE		Grade			
		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
Have you talked with your partner(s) about protecting yourselves from getting sexually transmitted infections/HIV/AIDS?	Never	38%	20%	44%	39%
	Not with every partner	8%	0%	6%	17%
	At least once with every partner	54%	80%	50%	44%
Have you talked with your partner(s) about preventing pregnancy?	Never	23%	20%	22%	33%
	Not with every partner	8%	0%	22%	17%
	At least once with every partner	69%	80%	56%	50%
The LAST time you had sexual intercourse, what ONE method did you or your partner use to prevent pregnancy?^	No method was used to prevent pregnancy	0%	7%	11%	11%
	Birth control pills	15%	7%	6%	17%
	Condoms	69%	47%	67%	44%
	Depo-Provera/any birth control shot, Nuva Ring/any birth control ring, Implanon/any implant or any IUD	0%	7%	0%	11%
	Withdrawal (pull-out)	15%	27%	11%	17%
	Some other method	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Not sure	0%	7%	6%	0%
The LAST time you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner use a condom?	Yes	85%	53%	72%	50%
	No	15%	47%	28%	50%
Did you drink alcohol or use drugs before you had sexual intercourse the LAST time?^	Yes	46%	20%	6%	22%
	No	54%	80%	94%	78%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask these questions.

^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 48
REASONS FOR SEXUAL ABSTINENCE***

Aitkin County

		Grade			
		9th		11th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you do not have sexual intercourse, what factors influence your choice not to? (Mark all that apply)	I don't want to have sex	24%	60%	11%	61%
	My partner doesn't want to have sex[^]	11%	2%	15%	11%
	I have not had a chance to have sex[^]	31%	14%	48%	6%
	My friends don't have sex	4%	8%	7%	33%
	I don't think it's right for a person my age to have sex	40%	62%	30%	50%
	I have chosen to wait until I am married	27%	38%	26%	53%
	My religious or spiritual beliefs	16%	14%	11%	42%
	My parent(s) would object	29%	46%	41%	53%
	What my parents have taught me about sex	16%	18%	19%	31%
	What sex education at school has taught me	16%	22%	11%	39%
	Fear of pregnancy	24%	68%	37%	61%
	Fear of sexually transmitted diseases	33%	56%	30%	50%
	Other reason(s)	36%	22%	33%	14%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask these questions.

[^] New question in 2013.