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2010 MINNESOTA STUDENT SURVEY

Survey Participation

The 2010 Minnesota Student Survey was administered in the spring of 2010 to public school students in Grades 6, 9, and 12 statewide. All public school districts in Minnesota were invited to participate. Of the 335 public operating districts, 295 agreed to participate (88% of public operating school districts).

Student participation was voluntary and surveys were anonymous. Across the state, approximately 79% of public school sixth graders, 75% of public school ninth graders, and 59% of public school twelfth graders participated in the 2010 Minnesota Student Survey. Overall participation across the three grades was approximately 71% of total enrollment.

The majority of schools in the state used an opt-out consent procedure for the survey (meaning that parents could decline to have their children take the survey). A few school districts used an active consent process (meaning parents were required to return a signed permission slip before their children took the survey). Not every student who participated in the survey answered every question.

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 page iv. The Grade 6 survey version was shorter than the Grade 9-12 version and did not include items appropriate only for older students. Items found on one version of the survey but not the other are identified on the tables.

New Questions and Year-to-Year Comparisons

A small number of the 2010 survey instrument questions were changed from the 2007 survey instrument. New questions and questions with changed wording 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 3% 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
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		N	%	N	%	N	%
Total number of surveys		2,359	100%	2,235	100%	2,233	100%
Gender	Male	1,162	49%	1,114	50%	1,125	50%
	Female	1,197	51%	1,121	50%	1,108	50%
Age	11 or younger	785	33%	0	0%	0	0%
	12	1,505	64%	0	0%	0	0%
	13	64	3%	5	0%	0	0%
	14	2	0%	681	30%	0	0%
	15	0	0%	1,449	65%	0	0%
	16	0	0%	84	4%	9	0%
	17	0	0%	2	0%	710	32%
	18	0	0%	0	0%	1,423	64%
	19-20	0	0%	0	0%	73	3%
	No answer	3	0%	14	1%	18	1%
Race/ethnicity	American Indian	57	2%	45	2%	30	1%
	Black or African American	25	1%	28	1%	18	1%
	Hispanic or Latino	75	3%	62	3%	47	2%
	Asian American or Pacific Islander	13	1%	24	1%	23	1%
	White	1,837	78%	1,881	84%	2,005	90%
	Mixed race (checked more than one race/ethnicity)	138	6%	112	5%	77	3%
	I don't know / no answer	214	9%	83	4%	33	1%

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TABLE 2
FEELINGS ABOUT SCHOOL, SCHOOL PLANS, TRUANCY, AND UNSUPERVISED TIME
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
How do you feel about going to school?	I like school very much	14%	23%	7%	13%	9%	10%
	I like school quite a bit	32%	41%	25%	38%	32%	40%
	I like school a little	33%	25%	37%	32%	35%	33%
	I don't like school very much	13%	8%	17%	12%	15%	12%
	I hate school	9%	3%	14%	6%	9%	5%
Which of these best describes your school plans? *	I would like to quit school as soon as I can			2%	1%	2%	0%
	I plan to finish high school but won't go to college			9%	3%	7%	3%
	I'd like to go to some kind of trade or vocational school			6%	2%	9%	4%
	I'd like to go to college after high school			65%	64%	57%	61%
	I'd like to go to college and then to graduate school			19%	30%	25%	31%
During the last 30 days, how often have you skipped or cut full days of school?	Never	77%	80%	79%	79%	65%	67%
	Once or twice	17%	15%	15%	15%	23%	22%
	3 to 5 times	3%	3%	3%	4%	6%	6%
	6 to 10 times	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	3%
	More than 10 times	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%	1%
In a typical week, how often are you home alone or another place unsupervised after school? ^	0 days	38%	34%	29%	29%	27%	25%
	1 day	22%	22%	23%	19%	13%	15%
	2 days	15%	16%	17%	18%	17%	15%
	3 days	11%	13%	14%	16%	14%	17%
	4 days	4%	5%	4%	5%	5%	7%
	5 days	10%	10%	14%	13%	22%	21%

* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2010.

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TABLE 3
ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND SCHOOL PROGRAMS
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Mark the two grades you get the most often.	A only	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%
	A and B only	55%	69%	49%	63%	49%	68%
	B only	4%	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%
	B and C only	19%	13%	24%	19%	25%	20%
	C only	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%
	C and D only	5%	2%	9%	6%	10%	5%
	D only	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	D and F only	1%	1%	4%	2%	2%	1%
	F only	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Not applicable or no answer	10%	9%	6%	5%	6%	3%
Do you have or have you ever had an IEP (Individualized Education Plan)? *	Yes			19%	16%	21%	12%
	No			81%	84%	79%	88%
Do you currently get free or reduced-price lunch at school?	Yes	36%	36%	31%	32%	26%	30%
	No	64%	64%	69%	68%	74%	70%
Since the beginning of this school year, how many times have you changed schools?	0 times	94%	95%	95%	95%	97%	96%
	1 time	4%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%
	2 times	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	3 or more times	2%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%

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TABLE 4
PERCEPTIONS OF SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
How many students in your school are friendly?	All	4%	3%	4%	1%	6%	2%
	Most	54%	55%	57%	58%	63%	60%
	Some	32%	32%	28%	34%	25%	31%
	A few	10%	9%	9%	6%	5%	6%
	None	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
How many students in your school behave well in the hallways and lunchroom?	All	3%	3%	5%	2%	5%	2%
	Most	38%	33%	41%	41%	51%	47%
	Some	32%	40%	36%	41%	31%	37%
	A few	23%	23%	16%	14%	12%	12%
	None	3%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%
How many students in your school have made fun of or threatened students of different races or backgrounds?	All	1%	0%	3%	1%	4%	1%
	Most	8%	7%	11%	9%	9%	6%
	Some	14%	17%	20%	21%	22%	21%
	A few	39%	42%	44%	51%	47%	54%
	None	37%	34%	21%	19%	18%	18%
How many of your teachers are interested in you as a person?	All	23%	26%	11%	9%	12%	10%
	Most	33%	34%	30%	31%	39%	42%
	Some	19%	17%	26%	27%	27%	27%
	A few	16%	18%	21%	23%	18%	18%
	None	9%	6%	13%	10%	4%	4%
How many of your teachers show respect for students?	All	52%	57%	32%	31%	27%	28%
	Most	31%	32%	41%	47%	49%	51%
	Some	9%	6%	14%	13%	13%	14%
	A few	7%	5%	11%	8%	8%	6%
	None	2%	1%	3%	2%	2%	1%

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TABLE 5
PERCEPTIONS OF SCHOOL AND NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY
West Central

<i>How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
I feel safe going to and from school	Strongly agree	53%	47%	55%	52%	62%	60%
	Agree	41%	47%	41%	45%	35%	38%
	Disagree	4%	5%	3%	3%	2%	2%
	Strongly disagree	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%
I feel safe at school	Strongly agree	51%	54%	46%	47%	56%	55%
	Agree	40%	41%	47%	48%	39%	42%
	Disagree	7%	5%	6%	4%	3%	3%
	Strongly disagree	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%
I feel safe in my neighborhood	Strongly agree	59%	50%	65%	55%	68%	59%
	Agree	33%	41%	31%	40%	28%	36%
	Disagree	5%	7%	3%	4%	2%	4%
	Strongly disagree	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Bathrooms in this school are a safe place to be	Strongly agree	28%	32%	37%	39%	47%	48%
	Agree	48%	48%	47%	51%	43%	46%
	Disagree	19%	16%	13%	8%	7%	5%
	Strongly disagree	5%	3%	4%	1%	3%	1%
Illegal gang activity is a problem at this school	Strongly agree	7%	5%	3%	1%	4%	1%
	Agree	7%	8%	9%	7%	6%	4%
	Disagree	24%	28%	35%	46%	31%	35%
	Strongly disagree	61%	59%	53%	46%	59%	59%
Student use of alcohol or drugs is a problem at this school	Strongly agree	8%	7%	13%	15%	14%	14%
	Agree	12%	12%	36%	38%	34%	42%
	Disagree	28%	31%	38%	37%	37%	37%
	Strongly disagree	52%	51%	14%	10%	14%	7%

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**TABLE 6
VICTIMIZATION AT SCHOOL
West Central**

			Grade						
			6th		9th		12th		
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
			%	%	%	%	%	%	
During the last 12 months, has anyone offered, sold, or given you an illegal drug on school property?	Yes		3%	1%	13%	7%	16%	8%	
	No		97%	99%	87%	93%	84%	92%	
During the last 12 months, how many times has someone stolen or deliberately damaged your property on school property?	0 times		62%	67%	65%	74%	72%	82%	
	1 time		18%	17%	17%	14%	17%	12%	
	2 or 3 times		12%	12%	14%	9%	9%	5%	
	4 or 5 times		3%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	
	6 or more times		4%	2%	3%	1%	2%	0%	
During the last 30 days, how many days did you not go to school because you felt unsafe at school or going to/from school?	0 days		94%	94%	96%	95%	96%	97%	
	1 day		3%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%	
	2 or 3 days		2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	
	4 or 5 days		1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	
	6 or more days		1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	
During the last 12 months, which of the following has happened to you on school property? Has a student:	Threatened you?	Yes		34%	21%	26%	16%	19%	9%
		No		66%	79%	74%	84%	81%	91%
	Pushed, shoved, or grabbed you?	Yes		63%	49%	51%	35%	35%	17%
		No		37%	51%	49%	65%	65%	83%
	Kicked, bitten, or hit you?	Yes		47%	36%	33%	19%	21%	8%
		No		53%	64%	67%	81%	79%	92%
	Stabbed you or fired a gun at you?	Yes		1%	0%	3%	1%	3%	1%
		No		99%	100%	97%	99%	97%	99%
	Touched, grabbed, or pinched you in a sexual way? *	Yes				19%	25%	25%	15%
		No				81%	75%	75%	85%
	Made unwanted sexual comments, jokes, gestures, or looks toward you? *	Yes				22%	36%	23%	25%
		No				78%	64%	77%	75%

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**TABLE 7
BULLYING
West Central**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, how often has another student or group of students made fun of or teased you in a hurtful way, or excluded you from friends or activities?	Never	46%	39%	60%	54%	74%	69%
	Once or twice	32%	41%	24%	32%	17%	22%
	About once a week	6%	8%	6%	6%	3%	5%
	Several times a week	8%	8%	5%	5%	3%	3%
	Every day	7%	5%	6%	3%	3%	1%
During the last 30 days, how often have you, on your own or as part of a group, made fun of or teased another student in a hurtful way or excluded another student from friends or activities?	Never	50%	57%	48%	54%	59%	69%
	Once or twice	39%	36%	34%	36%	28%	26%
	About once a week	4%	3%	8%	5%	5%	2%
	Several times a week	5%	3%	6%	3%	3%	2%
	Every day	2%	1%	3%	2%	5%	1%

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**TABLE 8A
USE OF TIME
West Central**

<i>During the school year, how many hours in a typical week do you spend doing the following?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Homework or study	0 hours	10%	3%	13%	4%	18%	6%
	1-2 hours	51%	51%	42%	36%	43%	33%
	3-5 hours	23%	26%	29%	31%	23%	31%
	6-10 hours	10%	13%	11%	19%	10%	20%
	11-20 hours	4%	4%	3%	7%	5%	7%
	21 hours or more	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	3%
Reading for pleasure	0 hours	32%	19%	60%	30%	59%	34%
	1-2 hours	40%	44%	25%	36%	26%	36%
	3-5 hours	14%	19%	6%	16%	9%	16%
	6-10 hours	7%	8%	4%	8%	3%	7%
	11-20 hours	3%	5%	1%	5%	1%	4%
	21 hours or more	4%	6%	3%	4%	2%	3%
Volunteer work [^]	0 hours	67%	61%	66%	61%	61%	57%
	1-2 hours	24%	27%	23%	27%	27%	31%
	3-5 hours	5%	7%	6%	9%	7%	8%
	6-10 hours	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%	3%
	11-20 hours	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	21 hours or more	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%
Work for pay (including babysitting for others)	0 hours	53%	39%	48%	40%	33%	26%
	1-2 hours	23%	27%	18%	24%	9%	9%
	3-5 hours	14%	18%	13%	18%	11%	10%
	6-10 hours	6%	9%	10%	11%	13%	18%
	11-20 hours	2%	3%	6%	4%	19%	22%
	21 hours or more	2%	3%	5%	3%	16%	14%

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**TABLE 8B
USE OF TIME
West Central**

<i>During the school year, how many hours in a typical week do you spend doing the following?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Watching TV, DVDs or videos	0 hours	5%	5%	2%	3%	3%	3%
	1-2 hours	27%	33%	19%	23%	20%	23%
	3-5 hours	28%	32%	27%	30%	29%	38%
	6-10 hours	20%	16%	26%	26%	27%	22%
	11-20 hours	10%	9%	15%	12%	13%	10%
	21 hours or more	10%	5%	10%	6%	8%	3%
Playing video games [^]	0 hours	16%	49%	17%	63%	23%	77%
	1-2 hours	33%	36%	27%	24%	24%	15%
	3-5 hours	20%	9%	19%	7%	18%	4%
	6-10 hours	14%	3%	16%	3%	15%	3%
	11-20 hours	8%	2%	11%	1%	11%	1%
	21 hours or more	8%	2%	10%	1%	9%	1%
Talking on the phone or texting [^]	0 hours	47%	29%	17%	8%	8%	4%
	1-2 hours	26%	30%	25%	18%	26%	17%
	3-5 hours	9%	16%	16%	13%	20%	18%
	6-10 hours	7%	10%	12%	16%	16%	18%
	11-20 hours	4%	6%	12%	16%	13%	18%
	21 hours or more	7%	10%	17%	30%	17%	26%
Online activities (e-mail, instant IM-ing, etc.) [^]	0 hours	38%	28%	26%	13%	19%	9%
	1-2 hours	31%	37%	37%	34%	35%	34%
	3-5 hours	14%	18%	16%	20%	20%	24%
	6-10 hours	8%	9%	10%	15%	14%	17%
	11-20 hours	4%	5%	6%	11%	6%	9%
	21 hours or more	4%	4%	5%	7%	5%	6%
Hanging out	0 hours	13%	9%	9%	6%	5%	3%
	1-2 hours	26%	26%	19%	16%	13%	14%
	3-5 hours	23%	26%	24%	24%	23%	23%
	6-10 hours	16%	19%	19%	22%	24%	29%
	11-20 hours	10%	10%	14%	17%	19%	17%
	21 hours or more	12%	11%	16%	16%	16%	14%

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**TABLE 9A
ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES
West Central**

<i>During the school year, how often have you participated in the following?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Fine arts activities (lessons, band, choir, dance, drama, etc.) ^	Not available in my community	4%	3%	2%	1%	3%	1%
	Never	47%	26%	51%	26%	53%	36%
	Less than monthly	5%	6%	5%	6%	7%	8%
	Monthly	2%	4%	3%	4%	3%	4%
	1-2 times per week	20%	29%	5%	9%	3%	6%
	3-4 times per week	15%	22%	8%	13%	7%	9%
	Every day	7%	11%	26%	41%	23%	36%
Club or community sports teams	Not available in my community	5%	6%	4%	4%	5%	3%
	Never	36%	42%	49%	48%	47%	54%
	Less than monthly	6%	7%	7%	8%	8%	9%
	Monthly	6%	7%	8%	7%	7%	8%
	1-2 times per week	17%	19%	6%	10%	9%	10%
	3-4 times per week	19%	14%	7%	10%	7%	8%
	Every day	10%	5%	20%	13%	16%	8%
School sports teams	Not available in my community	5%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%
	Never	38%	42%	31%	32%	40%	47%
	Less than monthly	6%	7%	6%	5%	5%	6%
	Monthly	7%	8%	6%	6%	5%	4%
	1-2 times per week	17%	19%	2%	5%	4%	5%
	3-4 times per week	17%	15%	12%	14%	9%	12%
	Every day	10%	7%	41%	37%	35%	26%
Community clubs and programs (4-H, Park and Rec, Community Ed., etc.)	Not available in my community	6%	3%	5%	2%	4%	2%
	Never	63%	61%	72%	70%	70%	70%
	Less than monthly	8%	10%	8%	9%	8%	9%
	Monthly	8%	12%	7%	10%	8%	9%
	1-2 times per week	8%	9%	4%	5%	6%	5%
	3-4 times per week	4%	4%	1%	2%	1%	2%
	Every day	4%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%

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TABLE 9B
ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES
West Central

<i>During the school year, how often have you participated in the following?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Mentoring programs (as a mentor or being mentored) ^	Not available in my community	11%	9%	7%	5%	8%	7%
	Never	78%	79%	80%	82%	73%	71%
	Less than monthly	4%	4%	3%	4%	7%	8%
	Monthly	2%	2%	3%	4%	4%	4%
	1-2 times per week	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	6%
	3-4 times per week	0%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
	Every day	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%
Religious activities (religious services, education, youth group, etc.)	Not available in my community	4%	2%	2%	1%	4%	1%
	Never	39%	34%	33%	25%	46%	36%
	Less than monthly	10%	7%	8%	8%	12%	13%
	Monthly	9%	9%	11%	11%	12%	14%
	1-2 times per week	34%	43%	40%	48%	22%	30%
	3-4 times per week	3%	3%	3%	5%	3%	3%
	Every day	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Service learning programs ^^	Not available in my community	8%	6%	7%	5%	8%	7%
	Never	73%	75%	80%	78%	78%	75%
	Less than monthly	7%	8%	6%	8%	6%	9%
	Monthly	3%	4%	4%	5%	2%	4%
	1-2 times per week	5%	4%	2%	2%	2%	3%
	3-4 times per week	2%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%
	Every day	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Tutoring, Homework Help or other academic programs ^^	Not available in my community	5%	3%	5%	3%	6%	4%
	Never	74%	72%	80%	80%	78%	74%
	Less than monthly	5%	7%	6%	8%	5%	8%
	Monthly	2%	3%	2%	3%	3%	4%
	1-2 times per week	6%	8%	3%	4%	4%	7%
	3-4 times per week	3%	3%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	Every day	4%	4%	2%	1%	2%	2%

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^^ New question in 2010.

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TABLE 10
REASONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN ACTIVITIES
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
In general, why do you participate in school-based or community-based activities and clubs? (Mark all that apply)	To have fun	80%	86%	81%	87%	83%	88%
	To learn new skills	52%	63%	47%	52%	43%	49%
	My parents or guardians want me to	18%	23%	23%	28%	16%	18%
	My friends participate	35%	42%	42%	55%	41%	45%
	To help me get into college	18%	20%	30%	39%	28%	38%
	It is a safe place to be after school ^	7%	10%	6%	8%	5%	5%
	Participate for other reasons	20%	22%	20%	21%	17%	15%
In general, why don't you participate in any school-based or community-based activities and clubs? (Mark all that apply)	Activities are not available in my community	3%	2%	3%	4%	4%	5%
	Activities cost too much	16%	25%	14%	26%	15%	22%
	My parents or guardians won't let me	7%	11%	4%	7%	2%	3%
	My friends don't participate	6%	8%	10%	15%	6%	10%
	I'm not interested	53%	47%	61%	56%	60%	51%
	I am too busy with other things	30%	44%	42%	52%	44%	58%
	I don't have a way to get there or home ^	11%	20%	12%	24%	5%	8%
	I have to take care of other family members ^	4%	7%	4%	10%	2%	5%
	It's not a safe place to be after school ^	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%
Don't participate for other reasons	23%	20%	18%	16%	17%	12%	

^ New response option in 2010.

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TABLE 11
FAMILY COMPOSITION AND PARENTAL COMMUNICATION
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Which adults do you live with?	Both biological parents	59%	60%	59%	58%	59%	59%
	Both adoptive parents	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%
	Mother and stepfather	4%	6%	6%	6%	6%	7%
	Father and stepmother	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	Mother only	12%	11%	14%	16%	14%	17%
	Father only	3%	2%	4%	3%	7%	3%
	Sometimes with mother, sometimes with father	15%	14%	10%	10%	4%	4%
	Other	3%	4%	4%	3%	7%	6%
	No adults or no answer	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	2%
Can you talk to your father about problems you are having?	Yes, most of the time	48%	32%	47%	30%	49%	33%
	Yes, some of the time	28%	34%	27%	30%	24%	31%
	No, not very often	14%	20%	13%	22%	13%	18%
	No, not at all	4%	8%	6%	10%	7%	8%
	My father is not around	6%	7%	8%	9%	9%	10%
Can you talk to your mother about problems you are having?	Yes, most of the time	59%	68%	54%	55%	53%	57%
	Yes, some of the time	24%	21%	27%	27%	29%	27%
	No, not very often	10%	7%	11%	12%	10%	10%
	No, not at all	4%	2%	6%	4%	5%	3%
	My mother is not around	2%	2%	3%	2%	4%	2%

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TABLE 12
PERCEPTIONS OF FAMILY AND OTHERS CARING
West Central

<i>How much do you feel ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
... your parents care about you?	Not at all	1%	0%	2%	2%	2%	1%
	A little	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%
	Some	2%	3%	5%	6%	6%	4%
	Quite a bit	5%	5%	12%	12%	13%	14%
	Very much	91%	90%	78%	78%	76%	79%
... other adult relatives care about you?	Not at all	1%	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%
	A little	3%	1%	3%	4%	4%	3%
	Some	6%	5%	8%	7%	13%	10%
	Quite a bit	19%	15%	24%	20%	24%	26%
	Very much	71%	78%	63%	66%	57%	60%
... friends care about you?	Not at all	3%	2%	3%	1%	3%	1%
	A little	9%	7%	8%	4%	7%	5%
	Some	21%	12%	22%	14%	18%	14%
	Quite a bit	40%	30%	43%	29%	40%	35%
	Very much	28%	49%	24%	52%	31%	45%
... teachers/ other adults at school care about you? ^	Not at all	5%	3%	9%	5%	4%	3%
	A little	13%	11%	18%	17%	14%	15%
	Some	21%	23%	30%	33%	32%	34%
	Quite a bit	34%	34%	30%	32%	34%	33%
	Very much	27%	29%	13%	13%	15%	15%
... religious or spiritual leaders care about you? ^	Not at all	15%	11%	15%	12%	18%	15%
	A little	13%	12%	12%	9%	13%	11%
	Some	19%	17%	18%	17%	21%	20%
	Quite a bit	28%	30%	29%	30%	27%	29%
	Very much	26%	31%	26%	31%	21%	25%
... other adults in your community care about you?	Not at all	8%	5%	10%	10%	10%	8%
	A little	20%	15%	19%	17%	18%	18%
	Some	27%	27%	30%	30%	34%	33%
	Quite a bit	28%	31%	30%	32%	27%	27%
	Very much	18%	23%	11%	12%	11%	13%

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TABLE 13
FAMILY SUBSTANCE ABUSE
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Has alcohol use by any family member repeatedly caused family, health, job, or legal problems?	Yes	11%	14%	11%	19%	15%	21%
	No	89%	86%	89%	81%	85%	79%
Has drug use by any family member repeatedly caused family, health, job, or legal problems?	Yes	6%	9%	7%	12%	10%	12%
	No	94%	91%	93%	88%	90%	88%

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**TABLE 14A
PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE *
West Central**

		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
Have you ever physically or sexually hurt someone you were going out with? (This might include shoving, slapping, hitting or forcing them into sexual activities. This also includes threatening to do these things.)	Yes	2%	2%	3%	4%
	No	98%	98%	97%	96%
Has someone you were going out with ever hit you, hurt you, threatened you or made you feel afraid?	Yes	4%	10%	7%	14%
	No	96%	90%	93%	86%
Has someone you were going out with ever forced you to have sex or do something sexual when you didn't want to?	Yes	3%	10%	5%	11%
	No	97%	90%	95%	89%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 14B
PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Has any adult in your household ever hit you so hard or so often that you had marks or were afraid of that person?	Yes	11%	11%	8%	11%	7%	9%
	No	89%	89%	92%	89%	93%	91%
Has anyone in your family ever hit anyone else in the family so hard or so often that they had marks or were afraid of that person?	Yes	13%	13%	7%	14%	7%	11%
	No	87%	87%	93%	86%	93%	89%
Has any older person outside the family touched you sexually against your wishes or forced you to touch them sexually?	Yes	3%	6%	2%	9%	3%	8%
	No	97%	94%	98%	91%	97%	92%
Has any older/stronger member of your family touched you sexually or had you touch them sexually?	Yes	1%	3%	1%	5%	2%	5%
	No	99%	97%	99%	95%	98%	95%

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TABLE 15
GENERAL HEALTH ISSUES
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
When was the last time you had a physical exam?	Within the last 12 months	46%	50%	34%	38%	37%	44%
	1-2 years ago	20%	22%	52%	50%	41%	38%
	3-4 years ago	6%	5%	9%	6%	12%	9%
	More than 4 years ago	5%	6%	1%	1%	4%	4%
	I have never had a physical exam	23%	17%	4%	4%	5%	4%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma?	Yes	13%	11%	15%	16%	17%	18%
	No	87%	89%	85%	84%	83%	82%
Do you have a physical health condition or problem that has lasted at least 12 months?	No	88%	87%	90%	87%	90%	86%
	Yes	12%	13%	10%	13%	10%	14%
Do you have a mental or emotional health problem that has lasted at least 12 months?	No	93%	93%	91%	89%	93%	87%
	Yes	7%	7%	9%	11%	7%	13%
Have you ever been treated for a mental or emotional health problem? *	No			90%	87%	90%	83%
	Yes, during the last year			4%	7%	4%	8%
	Yes, more than a year ago			6%	5%	5%	9%
Have you ever been treated for an alcohol or other drug problem? *	No			97%	98%	94%	96%
	Yes, during the last year			2%	1%	4%	2%
	Yes, more than a year ago			1%	0%	2%	2%

* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

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TABLE 16
WEIGHT-RELATED ISSUES
West Central

		Grade						
		6th		9th		12th		
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
		%	%	%	%	%	%	
At the present time, do you think you are...	Underweight	14%	10%	12%	6%	10%	2%	
	About the right weight	71%	69%	71%	67%	71%	66%	
	Overweight	16%	21%	17%	27%	19%	32%	
During the last 12 months, have you done any of the following to lose or control weight? (Mark all that apply) *^	I am not trying to lose weight or control my weight	Yes			51%	28%	54%	30%
		No			49%	72%	46%	70%
	Fast or skip meals	Yes			10%	25%	10%	22%
		No			90%	75%	90%	78%
	Smoke cigarettes	Yes			3%	4%	5%	7%
		No			97%	96%	95%	93%
	Exercise	Yes			42%	62%	37%	56%
		No			58%	38%	63%	44%
	Use diet pills, speed or other drugs	Yes			1%	2%	2%	5%
		No			99%	98%	98%	95%
	Eat healthier	Yes			27%	55%	27%	55%
		No			73%	45%	73%	45%
	Vomit on purpose after eating	Yes			1%	4%	2%	3%
		No			99%	96%	98%	97%
	Use laxatives	Yes			0%	1%	1%	1%
		No			100%	99%	99%	99%
	Weight status * according to Body Mass Index (BMI) **	Not overweight			69%	81%	71%	81%
		Overweight			18%	12%	14%	14%
Obese				12%	7%	15%	6%	

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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** Body Mass Index (BMI) is a number calculated from a child's self-reported weight and height. BMI can be used as a screening tool to identify possible weight problems for children and teens. The BMI number is calculated using a standard formula. BMI-for-age percentiles are used to interpret BMI numbers because, unlike adults, BMI is both age- and sex-specific for children and teens. The CDC BMI-for-age growth charts take into account these differences and allow translation of a BMI number into a percentile for a child's sex and age. The CDC 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 17
EXERCISE
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
On how many of the last 7 days did you exercise or play sports that made you sweat or breathe hard for at least 20 minutes?	0 days	14%	11%	14%	13%	16%	20%
	1 day	6%	7%	6%	7%	6%	12%
	2 days	9%	10%	9%	12%	9%	16%
	3 days	13%	16%	10%	13%	9%	13%
	4 days	12%	15%	8%	10%	9%	9%
	5 days	14%	19%	21%	22%	19%	15%
	6 days	9%	8%	10%	11%	9%	7%
	7 days	24%	14%	23%	13%	24%	8%
On how many of the last 7 days were you physically active for a combined total of at least 30 minutes?	0 days	7%	6%	8%	7%	11%	16%
	1 day	6%	6%	5%	6%	5%	13%
	2 days	9%	10%	6%	11%	8%	15%
	3 days	12%	16%	8%	13%	8%	12%
	4 days	10%	12%	7%	10%	8%	10%
	5 days	17%	21%	20%	24%	19%	16%
	6 days	8%	9%	10%	10%	10%	7%
	7 days	31%	19%	35%	19%	31%	11%

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TABLE 18
NUTRITION
West Central

<i>How many glasses of each of the following did you drink yesterday?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Milk	0 glasses	13%	16%	12%	19%	13%	23%
	1-2 glasses	48%	53%	46%	53%	49%	56%
	3-4 glasses	28%	24%	29%	22%	28%	16%
	5 or more glasses	11%	8%	13%	6%	10%	5%
100% fruit juice	0 glasses	46%	47%	44%	50%	43%	51%
	1-2 glasses	39%	42%	42%	40%	43%	40%
	3-4 glasses	9%	7%	10%	8%	10%	7%
	5 or more glasses	6%	3%	5%	3%	5%	2%
Fruit juice drinks	0 glasses	45%	52%	55%	61%	55%	65%
	1-2 glasses	40%	37%	33%	31%	33%	29%
	3-4 glasses	9%	8%	8%	6%	8%	5%
	5 or more glasses	7%	3%	4%	3%	4%	1%
Pop or soda	0 glasses	45%	58%	41%	61%	38%	56%
	1-2 glasses	37%	34%	39%	30%	38%	34%
	3-4 glasses	9%	6%	12%	6%	14%	7%
	5 or more glasses	9%	3%	8%	2%	9%	2%
Sports drinks	0 glasses	61%	72%	60%	73%	58%	79%
	1-2 glasses	23%	19%	25%	20%	25%	17%
	3-4 glasses	8%	6%	9%	4%	9%	4%
	5 or more glasses	8%	3%	7%	3%	8%	1%
Water	0 glasses	6%	5%	7%	6%	7%	6%
	1-2 glasses	27%	24%	25%	25%	26%	29%
	3-4 glasses	24%	29%	26%	31%	28%	32%
	5 or more glasses	43%	43%	42%	37%	39%	32%
How many servings of fruits, fruit juices, or vegetables did you eat yesterday?	0 servings	8%	5%	7%	6%	7%	4%
	1 serving	17%	15%	13%	13%	12%	13%
	2 servings	22%	21%	22%	22%	22%	24%
	3 servings	19%	24%	22%	22%	24%	26%
	4 servings	16%	18%	17%	19%	16%	20%
	5 or more servings	18%	17%	18%	18%	19%	14%

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TABLE 19
SEAT BELT USE
West Central

<i>How often do you wear a seat belt when you ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...ride in a car?	Never	3%	1%	4%	1%	5%	1%
	Sometimes	12%	8%	17%	10%	18%	10%
	Often	22%	19%	23%	26%	21%	19%
	Always	63%	71%	55%	63%	56%	70%
...drive a car? *	I never do this activity			28%	40%	6%	5%
	Never			5%	2%	5%	1%
	Sometimes			7%	4%	13%	6%
	Often			6%	3%	14%	6%
	Always			54%	50%	62%	81%

* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

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TABLE 20
SOURCES OF INFORMATION ON RISK BEHAVIORS
West Central

<i>Where have you received most of your information about...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...alcohol and other drugs? (Mark all that apply)	Friends or peers	23%	30%	56%	65%	69%	75%
	Parents	51%	62%	51%	59%	48%	54%
	Brothers or sisters	15%	21%	22%	28%	25%	30%
	School/teachers/counselors	63%	72%	57%	68%	54%	61%
	Clinics/doctors/nurses	15%	22%	13%	17%	10%	12%
	Religious/community groups	8%	10%	11%	18%	8%	9%
	Internet	11%	13%	23%	23%	27%	22%
	TV/radio/magazines/newspapers/books	29%	29%	34%	40%	32%	42%
	I do not know much about alcohol or other drugs	9%	8%	4%	5%	5%	2%
...sex? (Mark all that apply)	Friends or peers	33%	34%	63%	69%	68%	77%
	Parents	38%	48%	40%	50%	37%	43%
	Brothers or sisters	14%	16%	17%	20%	17%	20%
	School/teachers/counselors	36%	31%	44%	54%	43%	49%
	Clinics/doctors/nurses	9%	13%	9%	20%	8%	19%
	Religious/community groups	3%	5%	11%	19%	10%	11%
	Internet	12%	10%	31%	22%	38%	22%
	TV/radio/magazines/newspapers/books	21%	21%	31%	40%	31%	43%
	I do not know much about sex	18%	23%	3%	5%	3%	3%

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TABLE 21A
EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING/DISTRESS
West Central

<i>How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
I get a lot of headaches, stomachaches or sickness.	Agree	17%	23%	12%	25%	10%	22%
	Mostly agree	17%	22%	15%	23%	12%	23%
	Mostly disagree	28%	28%	28%	27%	27%	26%
	Disagree	38%	27%	45%	26%	51%	29%
I am often irritable and angry.	Agree	9%	12%	9%	10%	6%	11%
	Mostly agree	14%	14%	15%	17%	14%	15%
	Mostly disagree	35%	32%	36%	38%	36%	39%
	Disagree	41%	42%	41%	36%	44%	35%
I have many fears and am easily scared.	Agree	6%	14%	2%	10%	2%	7%
	Mostly agree	9%	15%	5%	14%	4%	14%
	Mostly disagree	25%	30%	22%	31%	22%	31%
	Disagree	61%	41%	71%	45%	73%	48%
I often have trouble concentrating.	Agree	17%	15%	17%	15%	11%	16%
	Mostly agree	18%	18%	22%	21%	24%	22%
	Mostly disagree	27%	29%	28%	33%	29%	33%
	Disagree	38%	38%	33%	30%	36%	29%
I am restless and cannot stay still for long.	Agree	20%	20%	16%	15%	12%	13%
	Mostly agree	19%	18%	24%	23%	21%	20%
	Mostly disagree	24%	24%	25%	26%	28%	29%
	Disagree	38%	38%	36%	36%	39%	38%
I often have trouble getting to sleep and staying asleep.	Agree	16%	19%	13%	16%	12%	14%
	Mostly agree	16%	16%	15%	17%	16%	19%
	Mostly disagree	24%	24%	27%	28%	25%	26%
	Disagree	45%	41%	45%	39%	47%	41%
I do things before I think.	Agree	19%	18%	17%	17%	14%	13%
	Mostly agree	26%	25%	29%	26%	24%	24%
	Mostly disagree	31%	30%	32%	35%	36%	36%
	Disagree	25%	27%	23%	22%	27%	27%
I am often unhappy, depressed or tearful.	Agree	6%	10%	6%	9%	3%	7%
	Mostly agree	8%	12%	8%	12%	8%	10%
	Mostly disagree	23%	23%	24%	25%	23%	29%
	Disagree	63%	55%	63%	54%	66%	54%

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TABLE 21B
EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING/DISTRESS
West Central

<i>During the last 30 days ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
... have you felt you were under any stress or pressure?	Yes, almost more than I could take	8%	9%	8%	14%	10%	16%
	Yes, quite a bit of pressure	8%	11%	15%	17%	20%	30%
	Yes, more than usual	8%	10%	12%	19%	16%	20%
	Yes, a little	40%	42%	42%	38%	37%	27%
	Not at all	36%	28%	22%	12%	17%	7%
... have you felt sad?	All the time	3%	6%	3%	5%	4%	3%
	Most of the time	7%	10%	5%	12%	5%	10%
	Some of the time	16%	25%	18%	30%	20%	33%
	A little of the time	47%	47%	43%	43%	46%	45%
	None of the time	27%	13%	30%	11%	26%	8%
... have you felt so discouraged or hopeless that you wondered if anything was worthwhile?	Extremely so, to the point that I have just about given up	4%	6%	3%	5%	4%	4%
	Quite a bit	8%	8%	6%	9%	5%	8%
	Some, enough to bother me	7%	11%	11%	18%	11%	16%
	A little bit	26%	28%	19%	24%	22%	25%
	Not at all	55%	48%	61%	45%	58%	48%
... have you felt nervous, worried, or upset?	All the time	3%	5%	3%	4%	3%	3%
	Most of the time	6%	10%	6%	12%	5%	11%
	Some of the time	18%	24%	23%	30%	25%	33%
	A little of the time	46%	45%	42%	42%	44%	41%
	None of the time	27%	16%	26%	11%	23%	11%

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TABLE 22
SELF-INFLICTED INJURY, SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND SUICIDAL BEHAVIOR
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Have you ever hurt yourself on purpose ("cutting", burns, bruises)?	No	86%	85%	87%	72%	89%	74%
	Yes, during the last year	9%	11%	10%	19%	6%	9%
	Yes, more than a year ago	5%	4%	4%	8%	5%	18%
Have you ever thought about killing yourself?	No	85%	83%	80%	72%	81%	73%
	Yes, during the last year	10%	12%	13%	19%	11%	12%
	Yes, more than a year ago	5%	4%	7%	9%	8%	15%
Have you ever tried to kill yourself?	No	96%	96%	96%	91%	94%	91%
	Yes, during the last year	2%	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%
	Yes, more than a year ago	1%	1%	3%	5%	4%	6%

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**TABLE 23
GAMBLING BEHAVIOR *
West Central**

<i>During the last 12 months, how often have you done these activities?</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
Played cards for money	Not at all	67%	90%	54%	87%
	Less than once a month	19%	8%	28%	10%
	About once a month	9%	2%	10%	2%
	About once a week	3%	0%	5%	1%
	Daily	2%	0%	2%	0%
Bet on games of personal skill like pool, golf, or bowling	Not at all	67%	91%	63%	90%
	Less than once a month	17%	7%	21%	7%
	About once a month	9%	2%	9%	2%
	About once a week	4%	1%	5%	0%
	Daily	2%	0%	2%	0%
Bet money on sports teams or horseracing [^]	Not at all	76%	91%	75%	94%
	Less than once a month	14%	8%	15%	4%
	About once a month	6%	1%	6%	2%
	About once a week	2%	1%	2%	0%
	Daily	1%	0%	1%	0%
Bought lottery tickets or scratch offs	Not at all	87%	94%	52%	68%
	Less than once a month	6%	4%	23%	22%
	About once a month	3%	1%	14%	5%
	About once a week	2%	1%	8%	3%
	Daily	1%	0%	3%	1%
Gambled in a casino	Not at all	96%	100%	74%	83%
	Less than once a month	1%	0%	15%	13%
	About once a month	1%	0%	7%	3%
	About once a week	0%	0%	3%	1%
	Daily	2%	0%	2%	0%
Gambled for money online	Not at all	95%	99%	94%	99%
	Less than once a month	2%	1%	2%	0%
	About once a month	1%	0%	2%	0%
	About once a week	1%	0%	1%	0%
	Daily	2%	0%	2%	0%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

[^] Variations in wording for this item may affect year-to-year comparisons.

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TABLE 24
DESTRUCTIVE AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOR
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, how often have you run away from home?	Never	93%	92%	93%	91%	93%	95%
	Once or twice	5%	7%	5%	6%	5%	4%
	3 to 5 times	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%
	6 to 10 times	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%
	More than 10 times	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
During the last 12 months, how often have you damaged or destroyed property at school or somewhere else?	Never	85%	94%	82%	92%	83%	94%
	Once or twice	12%	5%	13%	6%	12%	5%
	3 to 5 times	2%	1%	3%	2%	3%	1%
	6 to 10 times	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	More than 10 times	1%	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%
During the last 12 months, how often have you hit or beat up another person?	Never	65%	80%	72%	85%	78%	92%
	Once or twice	26%	15%	20%	10%	16%	6%
	3 to 5 times	5%	3%	4%	3%	2%	1%
	6 to 10 times	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%	0%
	More than 10 times	3%	2%	3%	1%	3%	1%
During the last 12 months, how often have you taken something from a store without paying for it?	Never	94%	96%	84%	89%	78%	87%
	Once or twice	4%	3%	9%	6%	12%	8%
	3 to 5 times	1%	1%	3%	2%	4%	3%
	6 to 10 times	0%	0%	1%	1%	3%	1%
	More than 10 times	1%	0%	3%	2%	4%	1%
On how many of the last 30 days did you carry a gun on school property?	0 days	99%	100%	98%	99%	95%	100%
	1 day	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	2 or 3 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	4 or 5 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	6 or more days	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%
On how many of the last 30 days did you carry a weapon (other than a gun) on school property?	0 days	96%	99%	88%	97%	87%	98%
	1 day	3%	1%	5%	1%	2%	0%
	2 or 3 days	1%	0%	2%	1%	3%	0%
	4 or 5 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	6 or more days	1%	0%	3%	1%	7%	1%

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**TABLE 25
SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE USE **
West Central**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days	No	95%	97%	83%	89%	61%	75%
	Yes	5%	3%	17%	11%	39%	25%
Frequent use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days (used tobacco on 20 or more of the past 30 days)	No	99%	99%	93%	96%	81%	89%
	Yes	1%	1%	7%	4%	19%	11%
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	100%	100%	95%	96%	81%	90%
	Yes	0%	0%	5%	4%	19%	10%
Any alcohol and/or other drug use during the past year (excluding tobacco)	No alcohol or other drug use in the past year	83%	87%	62%	66%	40%	41%
	Used only alcohol in the past year	11%	8%	24%	22%	31%	39%
	Used only marijuana/other drugs in the past year	2%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	Used both alcohol and marijuana/other drugs in the past year	4%	3%	13%	12%	28%	20%

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

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TABLE 26
CIGARETTE USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you smoke a cigarette?	0 days	97%	98%	89%	90%	75%	77%
	1 or 2 days	2%	1%	3%	3%	6%	7%
	3 to 5 days	1%	0%	2%	1%	3%	2%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%	2%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%	2%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	3%	2%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	3%	2%	9%	8%
During the last 30 days, how frequently have you smoked cigarettes?	Never	98%	98%	90%	90%	77%	79%
	Less than one cigarette per day	1%	1%	4%	4%	9%	8%
	One to five cigarettes per day	0%	1%	3%	5%	9%	8%
	About one-half pack per day	0%	0%	2%	0%	3%	4%
	About one pack per day	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%
	About one and one-half packs per day	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Two packs or more per day	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
How old were you the first time you smoked part or all of a cigarette?	I have never smoked part or all of a cigarette	91%	92%	75%	76%	52%	55%
	10 years old or younger	6%	4%	7%	5%	10%	6%
	11 years old	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%
	12 years old	1%	1%	3%	4%	5%	4%
	13 years old	0%	0%	5%	6%	3%	5%
	14 years old	0%	0%	6%	5%	4%	5%
	15 years old	0%	0%	1%	1%	6%	8%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%	7%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	10%	8%

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TABLE 27
CIGAR AND SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco, snuff or dip?	0 days	96%	99%	87%	98%	74%	96%
	1 or 2 days	2%	0%	4%	1%	7%	2%
	3 to 5 days	1%	0%	2%	1%	4%	0%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	2%	0%	3%	1%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	3%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	3%	0%	7%	0%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigars, cigarillos or little cigars?	0 days	98%	99%	94%	98%	77%	92%
	1 or 2 days	1%	1%	3%	1%	13%	5%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	4%	1%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	1%
How old were you the first time you smoked a cigar or used chewing tobacco?	I have never smoked a cigar or used chewing tobacco	92%	97%	74%	89%	45%	72%
	10 years old or younger	3%	2%	4%	1%	5%	1%
	11 years old	3%	1%	2%	1%	2%	0%
	12 years old	1%	1%	3%	2%	4%	1%
	13 years old	0%	0%	6%	3%	4%	2%
	14 years old	0%	0%	7%	4%	5%	4%
	15 years old	0%	0%	3%	1%	7%	4%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	12%	7%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	16%	10%

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TABLE 28
ACCESS TO TOBACCO *
West Central

<i>INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO USED TOBACCO IN THE LAST 30 DAYS</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you used tobacco, how did you get it in the last 30 days? (Mark all that apply)	Bought it at gas stations or convenience stores	15%	9%	69%	56%
	Bought it at bars or restaurants	2%	0%	3%	3%
	Bought it at grocery, discount, or drug stores	3%	1%	14%	9%
	Bought it at places like bowling alleys, video arcades, or pool halls	2%	1%	2%	3%
	Bought it from vending machines	2%	0%	1%	1%
	Bought it on the Internet	1%	1%	2%	1%
	Got it from friends	63%	68%	36%	45%
	Got it from my parents	8%	16%	5%	8%
	Got it from other family members	9%	21%	5%	9%
	Got it by getting someone else to buy for me	35%	36%	10%	20%
	Took it from my home	19%	28%	5%	4%
	Took it from a friend's home	9%	8%	2%	3%
	Took it from stores	7%	4%	5%	3%

West Central

<i>INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO BOUGHT TOBACCO IN THE LAST 30 DAYS</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you bought tobacco in the last 30 days, did you use a fake ID?	Yes	6%	1%	6%	1%
	No	94%	99%	94%	99%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 29
ALCOHOL USE FREQUENCY AND QUANTITY
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you had alcoholic beverages to drink?	0	86%	90%	64%	67%	42%	42%
	1-2	9%	7%	12%	14%	11%	15%
	3-5	2%	2%	7%	8%	12%	14%
	6-9	1%	1%	7%	3%	9%	11%
	10-19	0%	1%	6%	4%	10%	9%
	20-39	0%	0%	3%	2%	7%	5%
	40+	1%	0%	1%	1%	9%	5%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you drink one or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage?	0 days	95%	96%	76%	80%	57%	61%
	1 or 2 days	4%	3%	14%	11%	20%	20%
	3 to 5 days	0%	1%	5%	4%	11%	11%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	3%	3%	6%	5%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	4%	2%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
If you drink beer/wine/wine coolers/hard liquor, generally, how much (if any) do you drink at one time?	I don't drink beer/wine/wine coolers/hard liquor	90%	93%	67%	69%	44%	44%
	1 glass, can, or drink	8%	6%	11%	11%	8%	12%
	2 glasses, cans, or drinks	1%	0%	6%	6%	5%	10%
	3 glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	3%	4%	7%	11%
	4 glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	3%	3%	6%	9%
	5 glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	2%	2%	6%	4%
	6 or more glasses, cans, or drinks	1%	1%	8%	4%	25%	9%
Over the last 2 weeks, how many times (if any) have you had five or more drinks in a row? *	Never			86%	91%	72%	82%
	Once			6%	5%	11%	8%
	Twice			4%	3%	8%	6%
	3 to 5 times			2%	1%	6%	3%
	6 or more times			1%	0%	4%	1%

* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

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TABLE 30
AGE OF FIRST ALCOHOL USE
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
How old were you when you had your first drink of alcohol other than a few sips?	I have never had a drink of alcohol other than a few sips	75%	84%	53%	58%	28%	30%
	10 years old or younger	17%	10%	11%	8%	10%	6%
	11 years old	5%	4%	4%	3%	3%	2%
	12 years old	2%	1%	6%	7%	5%	4%
	13 years old	0%	0%	11%	10%	6%	6%
	14 years old	0%	0%	11%	11%	8%	9%
	15 years old	0%	0%	3%	3%	13%	15%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	15%	16%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	12%	11%

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TABLE 31
ACCESS TO ALCOHOL *
West Central

<i>INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO USED ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 DAYS **</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you used alcohol, how did you get it in the last 30 days? (Mark all that apply)	Bought it at gas stations or convenience stores	1%	1%	2%	2%
	Bought it at bars or restaurants	3%	1%	3%	1%
	Bought it at stores	3%	2%	6%	4%
	Bought it on the Internet	0%	0%	2%	0%
	Got it from friends	51%	57%	54%	59%
	Got it from my parents	16%	21%	11%	16%
	Got it from other family members	9%	16%	12%	12%
	Got it by getting someone else to buy for me	15%	29%	32%	37%
	Got it at parties	27%	41%	36%	45%
	Took it from my home	25%	27%	13%	11%
	Took it from a friend's home	11%	7%	7%	3%
	Took it from stores	2%	2%	2%	1%

West Central

<i>INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO BOUGHT ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 DAYS</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you bought alcohol in the last 30 days, did you use a fake ID?	Yes	2%	0%	9%	2%
	No	98%	100%	91%	98%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

** Percentages are comparable to the 2001-2007 survey results. Percentages are based on all recent alcohol users, even if they skipped this question.

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TABLE 32
DRINKING AND DRIVING *
West Central

		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, how many times have you driven a motor vehicle after using alcohol or other drugs?	0 times or no use	95%	97%	77%	84%
	Once	2%	2%	7%	8%
	Twice	2%	1%	5%	3%
	3 or more times	1%	1%	11%	6%
Do you ever ride with friends after they have been using alcohol or drugs?	No	74%	72%	63%	69%
	Yes, but rarely	13%	15%	24%	23%
	Yes, often	4%	3%	11%	5%
	None of my friends use alcohol or other drugs	9%	10%	2%	3%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 33
MARIJUANA AND OTHER DRUG USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE
West Central

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use marijuana or hashish?	0 days	99%	99%	92%	93%	81%	88%
	1 or 2 days	0%	1%	3%	3%	6%	6%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	3%	2%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	2%	1%	3%	1%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	3%	1%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	3%	1%
How old were you when you tried marijuana for the first time?	I have never tried marijuana	98%	99%	83%	87%	66%	73%
	10 years old or younger	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%
	11 years old	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%
	12 years old	1%	0%	1%	2%	2%	2%
	13 years old	0%	0%	4%	3%	3%	2%
	14 years old	0%	0%	7%	5%	4%	3%
	15 years old	0%	0%	2%	2%	6%	5%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%	7%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%	6%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use any of these "other drugs"?	0 days	98%	98%	96%	96%	93%	96%
	1 or 2 days	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%	1%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	All 30 days	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
How old were you when you tried any of these "other drugs" for the first time?	I have never tried "other drugs"	97%	96%	93%	94%	89%	91%
	10 years old or younger	2%	2%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	11 years old	1%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	12 years old	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%
	13 years old	0%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%
	14 years old	0%	0%	2%	2%	1%	1%
	15 years old	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%	3%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	2%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	1%

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TABLE 34
MARIJUANA, INHALANTS, HALLUCINOGENS AND HEROIN ^
West Central

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
... used marijuana (bud, weed, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil)?	0	98%	99%	86%	89%	71%	80%
	1-2	1%	1%	4%	4%	8%	7%
	3-5	0%	0%	2%	2%	4%	4%
	6-9	0%	0%	1%	1%	3%	2%
	10-19	0%	0%	2%	1%	3%	2%
	20-39	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%	1%
	40+	0%	0%	3%	2%	10%	4%
... sniffed glue, or breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any other gases or sprays in order to get high?	0	96%	97%	97%	96%	97%	98%
	1-2	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%
	3-5	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%
	6-9	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
... used LSD ("acid"), PCP (wet sticks or dipped joints), or other psychedelics (like mescaline, mushrooms, peyote)? *	0			98%	98%	95%	98%
	1-2			1%	1%	2%	1%
	3-5			0%	0%	1%	0%
	6-9			0%	0%	1%	0%
	10-19			0%	0%	1%	0%
	20-39			0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+			0%	0%	0%	0%
... used heroin? *	0			99%	100%	98%	99%
	1-2			0%	0%	0%	0%
	3-5			0%	0%	1%	0%
	6-9			0%	0%	0%	0%
	10-19			0%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39			0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+			0%	0%	0%	0%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 35
METHAMPHETAMINE, COCAINE AND ECSTASY *^
West Central

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
... used methamphetamine (meth, glass, crank, crystal meth, ice) by any method?	0	99%	99%	98%	99%
	1-2	0%	1%	1%	1%
	3-5	0%	0%	1%	0%
	6-9	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	0%	0%
... used "crack" (cocaine in chunk or rock form), or cocaine in any other form?	0	99%	99%	96%	98%
	1-2	0%	1%	2%	1%
	3-5	0%	0%	1%	0%
	6-9	0%	0%	1%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	0%	0%
... used MDMA (E, X, "ecstasy"), GHB (G, Liquid E, Liquid X) or Ketamine ("Special K")?	0	98%	99%	96%	97%
	1-2	1%	1%	2%	1%
	3-5	0%	0%	1%	0%
	6-9	0%	0%	1%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	1%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	0%	0%

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**TABLE 36A
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS ***

West Central

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
... used stimulants like Bensedrine or diet pills that were not prescribed for you by a doctor, or that you took only to get high?	0	98%	97%	97%	97%
	1-2	1%	1%	0%	1%
	3-5	0%	0%	1%	1%
	6-9	0%	0%	1%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	1%	1%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	0%	0%
... used your own or someone else's ADHD or ADD drugs like Ritalin (hyper pills) to get high?	0	97%	97%	94%	96%
	1-2	2%	1%	2%	1%
	3-5	0%	1%	1%	1%
	6-9	0%	0%	1%	1%
	10-19	0%	0%	1%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	1%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	0%	0%
... used OxyContin, Percocet, Percodan, Vicodin or other pain relievers that were not prescribed for you by a doctor, or that you took only to get high?	0	98%	97%	93%	95%
	1-2	1%	1%	1%	1%
	3-5	1%	1%	1%	1%
	6-9	0%	0%	2%	1%
	10-19	0%	1%	1%	1%
	20-39	0%	0%	1%	1%
	40+	0%	0%	1%	0%
... used tranquilizers (Valium, Xanax, nerve pills) or sedatives or barbituates that were not prescribed for you by a doctor, or that you took only to get high?	0	99%	99%	95%	98%
	1-2	1%	1%	2%	1%
	3-5	0%	0%	1%	1%
	6-9	0%	1%	1%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	1%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	1%	0%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 36B
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS *^
West Central

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade	
		6th	
		Male	Female
		%	%
... used any prescription drugs that were not prescribed for you by a doctor, or that you took only to get high?	0	99%	99%
	1-2	0%	0%
	3-5	0%	0%
	6-9	0%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%

* 9th-12th grade survey did not ask this question.

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TABLE 37
SUBSTANCE USE PATTERNS
West Central

<i>Do you ever use alcohol or other drugs ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...before school?	Yes	2%	1%	6%	5%	12%	6%
	No	98%	99%	94%	95%	88%	94%
...during school?	Yes	1%	1%	4%	3%	9%	4%
	No	99%	99%	96%	97%	91%	96%
...right after school?	Yes	3%	1%	10%	8%	17%	9%
	No	97%	99%	90%	92%	83%	91%

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TABLE 38
PARENTAL DISAPPROVAL OF SUBSTANCE USE
West Central

		Grade						
		6th		9th		12th		
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
		%	%	%	%	%	%	
During the last 12 months, have you talked with at least one of your parents (or guardians) about the dangers of tobacco, alcohol, or drug use?	Yes	49%	55%	47%	52%	44%	49%	
	No	51%	45%	53%	48%	56%	51%	
How do you think your parents or guardians would feel if you... ^	... smoked cigarettes?	They would approve	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	2%
		They would not care at all	1%	1%	3%	2%	10%	7%
		They would disapprove	6%	5%	11%	12%	26%	22%
		They would strongly disapprove	91%	93%	85%	85%	61%	69%
	... drank alcohol?	They would approve	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%	3%
		They would not care at all	4%	3%	8%	8%	23%	20%
		They would disapprove	12%	11%	26%	23%	33%	33%
		They would strongly disapprove	82%	85%	64%	67%	41%	44%
	... smoked marijuana?	They would approve	2%	1%	1%	1%	3%	2%
		They would not care at all	0%	0%	2%	2%	4%	3%
		They would disapprove	1%	2%	5%	6%	14%	9%
		They would strongly disapprove	97%	96%	92%	91%	80%	86%
	... used other illegal drugs?	They would approve	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
		They would not care at all	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
		They would disapprove	1%	2%	3%	4%	6%	4%
		They would strongly disapprove	96%	96%	95%	95%	91%	95%

^ New questions in 2010.

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TABLE 39
PERCEIVED RISK OF HARM FROM SUBSTANCE USE
West Central

			Grade					
			6th		9th		12th	
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%
How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways if they...	... smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day?	No risk	5%	4%	5%	3%	5%	3%
		Slight risk	8%	7%	7%	4%	7%	6%
		Moderate risk	22%	18%	22%	19%	23%	18%
		Great risk	65%	71%	67%	74%	65%	73%
	... have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week?	No risk	7%	4%	7%	4%	9%	3%
		Slight risk	20%	16%	16%	12%	25%	14%
		Moderate risk	30%	29%	30%	31%	29%	31%
		Great risk	43%	50%	47%	53%	38%	52%
	... smoke marijuana once or twice a week?	No risk	6%	4%	13%	7%	21%	9%
		Slight risk	8%	7%	15%	8%	22%	15%
		Moderate risk	19%	20%	20%	19%	21%	23%
		Great risk	67%	69%	53%	67%	36%	53%

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**TABLE 40A
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE ***
West Central

<i>During the last 12 months ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
... have you found that you had to use a lot more alcohol or other drugs than before to get the same effect?	No or no use	94%	94%	88%	91%
	Yes	6%	6%	12%	9%
... have you tried to cut down on your use of alcohol or other drugs but couldn't?	No or no use	95%	95%	93%	95%
	Yes	5%	5%	7%	5%
... have you continued to use alcohol or other drugs even though you knew it was hurting your relationships with friends or family? ^	No or no use	94%	92%	91%	90%
	Yes	6%	8%	9%	10%
... how many times have you spent all or most of the day using alcohol or other drugs, or getting over their effects?	0 times or no use	89%	89%	79%	83%
	Once	6%	6%	8%	8%
	Twice	1%	2%	5%	3%
	3 or more times	4%	4%	8%	6%
... how many times have you given up important social or recreational activities like sports or being with friends or relatives in order to use alcohol or other drugs or to get over their effects? ^	0 times or no use	94%	94%	90%	90%
	Once	3%	3%	4%	5%
	Twice	1%	1%	3%	2%
	3 or more times	1%	2%	3%	2%
... how many times has alcohol or other drug use left you feeling depressed, agitated, paranoid, or unable to concentrate?	0 times or no use	94%	92%	89%	90%
	Once	3%	4%	5%	6%
	Twice	1%	2%	2%	2%
	3 or more times	1%	2%	3%	3%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 40B
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE *
West Central

<i>During the last 12 months ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
... how many times have you missed work or school, or neglected other major responsibilities because of alcohol or other drug use? ^	0 times or no use	97%	96%	91%	94%
	Once	1%	1%	4%	4%
	Twice	1%	2%	2%	1%
	3 or more times	1%	1%	3%	1%
... how many times has alcohol or other drug use caused you problems with the law?	0 times or no use	97%	97%	91%	94%
	Once	2%	2%	6%	5%
	Twice	0%	0%	2%	0%
	3 or more times	1%	1%	1%	1%
... how many times have you hit someone or become violent while using alcohol or other drugs?	0 times or no use	97%	97%	91%	95%
	Once	1%	2%	4%	3%
	Twice	1%	1%	3%	0%
	3 or more times	1%	1%	2%	1%
... how many times have you used so much alcohol or other drugs that later you could not remember what you had said or done?	0 times or no use	89%	88%	76%	77%
	Once	5%	6%	10%	11%
	Twice	2%	2%	5%	7%
	3 or more times	4%	4%	9%	6%
... how many times have you used more alcohol or other drugs than you intended to?	0 times or no use	90%	89%	78%	78%
	Once	5%	5%	9%	11%
	Twice	2%	2%	5%	5%
	3 or more times	3%	4%	8%	6%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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**TABLE 41A
SEXUAL BEHAVIOR ***

West Central

		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
Have you ever had sexual intercourse ("had sex")? ^	No	78%	81%	47%	47%
	Yes, once or twice	11%	7%	11%	8%
	Yes, 3 times or more	11%	12%	42%	45%
During the last 12 months, with how many different male partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	96%	82%	93%	51%
	1 person	1%	10%	3%	27%
	2 persons	1%	3%	1%	12%
	3 persons	0%	3%	1%	5%
	4 persons	0%	1%	1%	2%
	5 persons	0%	0%	0%	2%
	6 or more persons	2%	1%	2%	2%
During the last 12 months, with how many different female partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	80%	98%	49%	96%
	1 person	9%	1%	24%	2%
	2 persons	3%	0%	11%	1%
	3 persons	2%	0%	7%	0%
	4 persons	1%	0%	3%	0%
	5 persons	1%	0%	1%	0%
	6 or more persons	3%	0%	6%	1%
How many times have you been pregnant or gotten someone pregnant?	0 times	97%	98%	93%	95%
	1 time	0%	1%	2%	4%
	2 or more times	1%	0%	2%	0%
	Not sure	2%	0%	3%	0%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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**TABLE 41B
SEXUAL BEHAVIOR *
West Central**

<i>INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE EVER HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
Have you talked with your partner(s) about protecting yourselves from getting STDs/HIV/AIDS? **	Never	47%	37%	44%	33%
	Not with every partner	13%	25%	14%	18%
	At least once with every partner	40%	39%	42%	49%
Have you talked with partner(s) about preventing pregnancy? **	Never	43%	31%	31%	21%
	Not with every partner	12%	16%	14%	17%
	At least once with every partner	46%	54%	55%	62%
If you have sexual intercourse, how often do you and/or your partner use any birth control method?	Never	40%	33%	17%	15%
	Rarely	9%	9%	8%	6%
	Sometimes	12%	6%	10%	5%
	Usually	9%	13%	14%	10%
	Always	30%	40%	50%	65%
If you have sexual intercourse, how often is a condom used?	Never	13%	12%	12%	17%
	Rarely	9%	15%	8%	11%
	Sometimes	8%	9%	11%	11%
	Usually	18%	21%	22%	19%
	Always	52%	43%	48%	42%
The last time you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner use a condom?	Yes	68%	58%	68%	58%
	No	32%	42%	32%	42%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

** The results for these questions are comparable to the 2001-2007 survey results.

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**TABLE 42
REASONS FOR SEXUAL ABSTINENCE ***
West Central

		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you do not have sexual intercourse, what factors influence your choice not to? (Mark all that apply)	One or both of my parents would object	51%	68%	40%	53%
	I don't want to have sex	24%	63%	20%	53%
	Most students in my school don't have sex	14%	9%	4%	3%
	My friends don't have sex	21%	36%	10%	19%
	I don't think it's right for a person my age to have sex	44%	70%	26%	50%
	I'm afraid of getting caught	23%	24%	15%	14%
	My religious or spiritual beliefs	26%	46%	35%	48%
	Sex education at school has shown me the advantages of waiting until I'm older	27%	34%	16%	26%
	I don't want to get a sexually transmitted disease	47%	60%	37%	48%
	Fear of pregnancy ^	35%	66%	37%	60%
	My parents have taught me the advantages of waiting until I'm older	27%	46%	20%	41%
	I have chosen to wait until I'm married	28%	48%	31%	47%
Other reason(s)	43%	28%	44%	33%	

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