

2013 YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY RESULTS

Los Angeles Middle School Survey Risk Behaviors and Sexual Identity Report

Unintentional Injuries/Violence

Health Risk Behavior	Heterosexual		Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual		Heterosexual More Likely Than Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual [†]	Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual More Likely Than Heterosexual [†]	No Difference [†]
	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN6: Among students who rode a bicycle, the percentage who never or rarely wore a bicycle helmet	70.6 (61.4-78.3)	899	79.4 (61.4-90.3)	42			●
QN7: Among students who used rollerblades or rode a skateboard, the percentage who never or rarely wore a helmet	77.4 (70.9-82.9)	613	83.5 (61.0-94.2)	32			●
QN8: Percentage of students who never or rarely wore a seat belt when riding in a car	5.1 (3.6-7.2)	1,194	9.5 (2.2-32.8)	62			●
QN9: Percentage of students who ever rode in a car driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol	19.1 (16.1-22.6)	1,175	22.4 (13.1-35.7)	60			●
QN10: Percentage of students who ever carried a weapon, such as a gun, knife, or club	17.1 (14.4-20.1)	1,196	28.8 (18.4-42.1)	60			●
QN11: Percentage of students who have ever been in a physical fight	43.7 (40.1-47.4)	1,189	60.3 (52.0-68.0)	59		●	
QN12: Percentage of students who were ever in a physical fight in which they were hurt and had to be treated by a doctor or nurse	4.1 (3.0-5.6)	1,190	7.1 (2.3-19.9)	55			●
QN13: Percentage of students who had ever been bullied on school property	35.4 (31.0-40.0)	1,199	43.3 (26.0-62.5)	63			●

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QN14: Percentage of students who had ever been electronically bullied	13.0 (10.8-15.6)	1,197	32.3 (20.3-47.2)	62		●	
QN15: Percentage of students who ever seriously thought about killing themselves	21.4 (18.7-24.3)	1,188	43.2 (27.8-60.0)	60		●	
QN16: Percentage of students who ever made a plan about how they would kill themselves	12.1 (10.2-14.3)	1,195	36.5 (22.1-53.7)	61		●	
QN17: Percentage of students who ever tried to kill themselves	8.3 (6.8-10.0)	1,196	19.2 (10.7-32.2)	61		●	

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Tobacco Use

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	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN18: Percentage of students who ever tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs	13.9 (12.1-16.0)	1,126	49.1 (31.7-66.8)	52		●	
QN19: Percentage of students who smoked a whole cigarette for the first time before age 11 years	3.2 (2.0-4.9)	1,096	10.7 (4.7-22.4)	53			●
QN20: Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on one or more of the past 30 days	2.5 (1.5-4.0)	1,145	13.3 (4.8-31.7)	48			●
QNFRDIG: Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on 20 or more of the past 30 days	0.3 (0.1-1.0)	1,145	1.1 (0.1-10.0)	48			●
QN21: Among students who reported current cigarette use, the percentage who smoked more than 10 cigarettes per day on the days they smoked during the past 30 days	-	28	-	6			
QN22: Among students who reported current cigarette use, the percentage who usually got their own cigarettes by buying them in a store or gas station during the past 30 days	7.4 (1.3-32.0)	30	-	5			
QN23: Percentage of students who ever smoked cigarettes daily, that is, at least one cigarette every day for 30 days	0.8 (0.4-1.6)	1,124	6.2 (2.0-17.6)	58			●

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QN24: Percentage of students who used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on one or more of the past 30 days	1.7 (0.9-3.2)	1,184	11.4 (2.9-35.8)	62			●
QN25: Percentage of students who smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on one or more of the past 30 days	3.0 (1.8-4.9)	1,188	17.7 (8.3-33.8)	62		●	
QNANYTOB: Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes or cigars or used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on one or more of the past 30 days	4.2 (2.9-5.9)	1,135	16.3 (6.5-35.3)	47			●

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Alcohol/Other Drug Use

Health Risk Behavior	Heterosexual		Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual		Heterosexual More Likely Than Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual [†]	Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual More Likely Than Heterosexual [†]	No Difference [†]
	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN26: Percentage of students who ever had a drink of alcohol, other than a few sips	28.7 (25.3-32.4)	1,107	54.2 (36.7-70.7)	53		●	
QN27: Percentage of students who had their first drink of alcohol other than a few sips before age 11 years	12.2 (10.1-14.6)	1,075	12.5 (5.9-24.6)	52			●
QN28: Percentage of students who ever used marijuana	13.3 (10.7-16.4)	1,177	44.1 (30.2-59.0)	59		●	
QN29: Percentage of students who tried marijuana for the first time before age 11 years	2.4 (1.5-3.9)	1,172	18.4 (7.3-39.3)	61			●
QN30: Percentage of students who ever used any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase	3.9 (2.4-6.1)	1,186	16.0 (6.3-35.0)	60			●
QN31: Percentage of students who ever sniffed glue, breathed the contents of spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high	8.4 (6.8-10.2)	1,199	25.0 (13.1-42.6)	61		●	
QN32: Percentage of students who ever took steroid pills or shots without a doctor's prescription	2.1 (1.2-3.8)	1,198	12.5 (5.1-27.4)	61		●	
QN33: Percentage of students who ever took a prescription drug (such as OxyContin, Percocet, Vicodin, codeine, Adderall, Ritalin, or Xanax) without a doctor's prescription	1.9 (1.1-3.2)	1,184	19.3 (7.9-40.2)	58		●	

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Sexual Behaviors

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	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN34: Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse	7.6 (5.6-10.3)	1,126	20.5 (9.3-39.4)	48			●
QN35: Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 11 years	2.4 (1.7-3.4)	1,090	4.4 (1.2-15.0)	48			●
QN36: Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse with three or more people	2.6 (1.7-3.8)	1,128	10.7 (4.8-22.3)	48			●
QN37: Among students who ever had sexual intercourse, the percentage who did not use a condom during last sexual intercourse	28.1 (15.2-46.1)	74	-	8			

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Dietary Behaviors

Health Risk Behavior	Heterosexual		Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual		Heterosexual More Likely Than Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual [†]	Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual More Likely Than Heterosexual [†]	No Difference [†]
	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN38: Percentage of students who described themselves as slightly or very overweight	29.7 (27.7-31.7)	1,176	23.2 (13.2-37.3)	60			●
QN40: Percentage of students who had ever gone without eating for 24 hours or more to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight	18.4 (15.2-22.2)	1,183	32.6 (19.3-49.6)	58			●
QN41: Percentage of students who had ever taken diet pills, powders, or liquids without a doctor's advice to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight	6.2 (4.9-7.7)	1,189	17.0 (7.4-34.4)	59			●
QN42: Percentage of students who had ever vomited or taken laxatives to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight	5.9 (4.5-7.5)	1,180	18.7 (8.8-35.3)	59			●
QN43: Percentage of students who did not eat breakfast on all of the past seven days	52.7 (47.7-57.7)	1,187	72.9 (54.8-85.6)	61		●	
QNNOBKFT: Percentage of students who ate breakfast on none of the past seven days	12.1 (9.7-15.1)	1,187	25.8 (16.7-37.7)	61		●	

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Physical Activity

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	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN44: Percentage of students who were physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day less than five of the past seven days	37.5 (30.1-45.5)	1,181	62.6 (45.9-76.7)	61		●	
QNPA0DAY: Percentage of students who were physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day on 0 of the past seven days	9.3 (7.1-12.2)	1,181	21.7 (8.4-45.5)	61			●
QNPA7DAY: Percentage of students who were physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day on less than seven of the past seven days	65.0 (59.3-70.3)	1,181	81.2 (70.2-88.8)	61		●	
QN45: Percentage of students who watched three or more hours per day of TV on an average school day	42.9 (37.1-48.8)	1,184	44.5 (26.6-64.0)	59			●
QN46: Percentage of students who played video or computer games or used a computer for something that was not school work three or more hours per day on an average school day	43.5 (39.2-47.9)	1,183	43.9 (29.8-59.1)	61			●
QN47: Percentage of students who did not attend physical education (PE) classes in an average week when they were in school	1.9 (1.3-2.9)	1,179	16.7 (6.8-35.3)	60		●	
QNDLYPE: Percentage of students who attended physical education (PE) classes less than daily in an average week when they were in school	18.2 (9.2-32.7)	1,179	38.9 (21.9-59.0)	60		●	

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	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN48: Percentage of students who did not play on sports teams during the past 12 months	39.7 (34.7-44.8)	1,174	49.2 (33.8-64.8)	59			●

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Other	Heterosexual		Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual		Heterosexual More Likely Than Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual [†]	Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual More Likely Than Heterosexual [†]	No Difference [†]
	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
Health Risk Behavior							
QN49: Percentage of students who were not sure if they had ever been taught or who had not ever been taught in school about AIDS or HIV infection	45.9 (34.7-57.6)	1,173	45.8 (28.5-64.2)	60			●
QN50: Percentage of students who had ever been told by a doctor or nurse that they had asthma	18.4 (15.2-22.1)	1,180	16.3 (6.4-35.9)	60			●

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	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN51: Percentage of students whose property, such as their car, clothing, or books, had been stolen or deliberately damaged on school property one or more times during the past 12 months	35.3 (30.4-40.6)	1,198	36.6 (21.3-55.2)	63			●
QN52: Percentage of students who have been a member of a gang	6.7 (4.6-9.6)	1,196	16.9 (6.3-38.1)	63			●
QN53: Percentage of students who have ever been physically forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to	3.0 (2.1-4.2)	1,189	13.5 (5.8-28.2)	62		●	
QN54: Percentage of students who have ever been the victim of teasing or name calling during the past 12 months because of their weight, size, or physical appearance	34.6 (30.9-38.4)	1,192	34.9 (25.1-46.2)	59			●
QN55: Percentage of students who have ever been the victim of teasing or name calling during the past 12 months because someone thought they were gay, lesbian, or bisexual	11.0 (8.3-14.3)	1,196	37.4 (25.2-51.4)	60		●	
QN56: Percentage of students who did something to purposely hurt themselves without wanting to die, such as cutting or burning themselves on purpose, one or more times during the past 12 months	18.6 (15.7-22.0)	1,188	36.3 (23.0-52.1)	62		●	
QN57: Percentage of students who have ever used methamphetamines (also called speed, crystal, crank, or ice)	1.9 (1.1-3.3)	1,190	19.0 (8.1-38.6)	60		●	

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QN58: Percentage of students who have ever used ecstasy (also called MDMA)	2.1 (1.3-3.3)	1,187	16.5 (8.3-30.2)	60		●	
QN59: Percentage of students who have ever taken over-the-counter drugs to get high	2.0 (1.2-3.3)	1,195	22.3 (12.2-37.2)	60		●	
QN60: Percentage of students who have ever attended school under the influence of alcohol or other illegal drugs, such as marijuana or cocaine	7.7 (5.9-10.0)	1,193	30.7 (17.8-47.5)	59		●	
QN61: Percentage of students who have ever had oral sex	6.8 (5.5-8.4)	1,115	21.9 (13.6-33.3)	57		●	
QN65: Percentage of students who have not ever had or are not sure if they have had sex education in school	48.4 (41.9-54.9)	1,181	55.9 (31.3-77.9)	62			●
QN66: Percentage of students who have not ever been taught or are not sure if they have been taught in school about sexually transmitted diseases (STDs)	43.8 (33.0-55.4)	1,185	49.4 (36.0-62.9)	63			●
QN67: Percentage of students who have not ever been taught or are not sure if they have ever been taught in school about birth control methods	73.2 (67.1-78.6)	1,174	64.7 (47.9-78.6)	60			●

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	% 95% CI*	N	% 95% CI	N			
QN68: Percentage of students who have not ever been taught in school or are not sure if they have ever been taught in school about the benefits of not having sexual intercourse to prevent pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases	50.5 (41.7-59.2)	1,185	46.6 (34.1-59.5)	62			●
QN69: Percentage of students who have not ever had or are not sure if they have ever had the HPV vaccine, a vaccine to prevent human papillomavirus or HPV infection	81.8 (75.7-86.6)	1,170	77.5 (59.6-88.9)	61			●
QN70: Among students who have had a check-up, the percentage who reported that the doctor or nurse did not discuss ways to prevent pregnancy, AIDS, or other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) or that they are unsure if the doctor or nurse discussed ways to prevent pregnancy, AIDS, or other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) during their last check-up	78.2 (74.7-81.3)	1,064	68.8 (56.5-79.0)	51			●
QN71: Percentage of students who get less than eight hours of sleep on average school night	38.0 (33.9-42.2)	1,179	65.4 (51.9-76.9)	61		●	
QN72: Percentage of students who are not sure if their parents or other adults had ever talked with them or whose parents or other adults in their family have not ever talked with them about what they expect them to do or not to do when it comes to sex	58.7 (54.7-62.6)	1,164	49.5 (33.4-65.7)	59			●
QN73: Percentage of students who responded that there is not at least one teacher or other adult in this school that they can talk to if they have a problem or they were not sure if there is at least one teacher or other adult in this school that they can talk to if they have a problem	43.9 (39.0-48.9)	1,174	55.4 (39.3-70.5)	60			●

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QN74: Percentage of students who sometimes, rarely, or never feel safe and secure at school	40.0 (36.5-43.6)	1,158	59.8 (45.2-72.8)	61		●	

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