

2007 Minnesota Student Survey Tables

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

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2007 MINNESOTA STUDENT SURVEY

Survey Participation

The 2007 Minnesota Student Survey was administered in the spring of 2007 to public school students in Grades 6, 9, and 12 statewide. All public school districts in Minnesota were invited to participate. Of the 338 public operating districts, 309 agreed to participate (91% of public operating school districts).

Student participation was voluntary and surveys were anonymous. Across the state, approximately 81% of public school sixth graders, 76% of public school ninth graders, and 58% of public school twelfth graders participated in the 2007 Minnesota Student Survey. Overall participation across the three grades was approximately 72% 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

Some of the 2007 survey instrument questions were changed from the 2004 survey instrument. While many questions stayed the same, there were questions that had updated or improved wording. Some entirely new questions were added and some questions were dropped. 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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Locating Minnesota Student Survey Items/Domains in the 2007 and 2004 Tables

SURVEY ITEM OR DOMAIN	Table #		SURVEY ITEM OR DOMAIN	Table #	
	2007	2004		2007	2004
Total number of surveys	1	1	Reasons for participating	10	NA
Gender	1	1	Reasons for not participating	10	NA
Age	1	1	Which adults do you live with	11	9
Race/ethnicity	1	1	Talk with father about problems	11	9
Feelings about school	2	2	Talk with mother about problems	11	9
School plans	2	2	Parents care about you	12	10
Truancy/skipping days of school	2	2	Other adult relatives care about you	12	10
Grades received in school	3	3	Friends care about you	12	11
Have or ever had an IEP	3	NA	Teachers/other adults at school care	12	11
Free/reduced-price lunch	3	NA	Church or spiritual leaders care	12	11
Changed schools	3	NA	Other adults in community care	12	11
Students are friendly	4	4	Family alcohol use problems	13	12
Students behave well	4	4	Family drug use problems	13	12
Students threatened students	4	4	Perpetrator of relationship violence	14A	NA
Teachers interested in student	4	4	Victim of relationship violence	14A	NA
Teachers show respect for students	4	4	Victim of relationship sexual assault	14A	NA
Feel safe going to and from school	5	5	Victim of physical abuse at home	14B	13
Feel safe at school	5	5	Witness to physical abuse at home	14B	13
Feel safe in neighborhood	5	NA	Victim of extrafamilial sexual abuse	14B	14
Bathrooms in school are safe	5	5	Victim of intrafamilial sexual abuse	14B	14
Illegal gang activity at school	5	5	Recency of last physical exam	15	15
Alcohol/drug use at school	5	5	Ever told had asthma	15	NA
Sold or given drug at school	6	6	Physical health problem	15	NA
Property stolen/damaged at school	6	6	Mental/emotional health problem	15	NA
Skipped school/felt unsafe	6	6	Ever treated for mental/emotional	15	NA
Threatened/assaulted at school	6	6	Ever treated for alcohol/drug problem	15	15
Sexual harassment at school	6	NA	Perception of current weight	16	16
Victim of bullying	7	NA	Activities to control weight*	16	16
Being a bully	7	NA	Weight status according to BMI	16	NA
Time on homework/study	8A	7A	Strenuous exercise lasting 20 minutes	17	17
Time reading	8A	7B	Physical activity lasting 30 minutes	17	17
Time doing volunteer work	8A	7C	Beverage consumption	18	18
Time working for pay	8A	7C	Servings of fruits/vegetables	18	18
Time watching TV/DVDs/videos	8B	7B	Use of seat belts	19	19
Time playing computer/video games	8B	7B	Information sources/risk behaviors	20	20
Time talking on phone/text messaging	8B	NA	Headaches/stomachaches/sickness	21A	NA
Time online	8B	NA	Irritable/angry	21A	NA
Time hanging out	8B	7C	Many fears/easily scared	21A	NA
Fine arts activities	9A	NA	Trouble concentrating	21A	NA
Private lessons	9A	NA	Restless	21A	NA
Club/community sports teams	9A	NA	Sleep trouble	21A	NA
School sports teams	9A	NA	Impulsive	21A	NA
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NA Not asked in 2004; new item(s) in 2007

* Question changes in 2007

Locating Minnesota Student Survey Items/Domains in the 2007 and 2004 Tables

SURVEY ITEM OR DOMAIN	Table #		SURVEY ITEM OR DOMAIN	Table #	
	2007	2004		2007	2004
Played cards for money	23	24	Marijuana use past year*	34	34
Bet on games of skill	23	24	Inhalant use past year*	34	34
Bet on sports teams/horseracing*	23	24	LSD/hallucinogen use past year*	34	36
Bought lottery tickets	23	24	Heroin use past year*	34	36
Gambled in a casino	23	24	Methamphetamine use past year*	35	35
Gambled for money online	23	NA	Cocaine/crack use past year*	35	35
Running away from home	24	26	MDMA/ecstasy use past year*	35	35
Vandalism	24	26	Stimulant use past year	36A	NA
Physical fights	24	26	ADHD/ADD drug use past year	36A	NA
Shoplifting	24	26	Pain reliever use past year	36A	NA
Carrying a gun or other weapon	24	26	Tranquilizer use past year	36A	NA
Use of any tobacco product past month	25	NA	Prescription drug use past year	36B	NA
Frequent use of any tobacco product	25	NA	Substance use before/during school	37	38
Frequent binge drinking	25	27	Talked about dangers of substance use	38	NA
Any alcohol/drug use past year	25	27	Social disapproval of substance use	38	NA
Frequency of cigarette use past month	26	28	Perceived risks from substance use	39	NA
Quantity of cigarettes past month	26	28	Need more substance to get effect	40A	41A
Age of first use of cigarettes	26	NA	Tried to reduce substance use	40A	41A
Use of smokeless tobacco past month	27	NA	Substance use hurt relationships*	40A	41A
Use of cigars/cigarillos past month	27	NA	All day substance use or effects	40A	41A
Age of first use of cigars/smokeless	27	NA	Given up activities to use substances*	40A	41A
Sources for obtaining tobacco	28	30	Use related emotional distress	40A	41A
Use of fake ID to purchase tobacco	28	30	Use related neglect of responsibilities*	40B	41B
Frequency of alcohol use past year	29	31	Use related legal problems	40B	41B
Frequency of alcohol use past month	29	31	Use related violent behavior	40B	41B
Typical alcohol use quantity	29	31	Use related memory problems	40B	41B
Binge drinking past 2 weeks	29	31	Substance use greater than intended	40B	41B
Age of first alcohol use	30	NA	Sexual intercourse ever	41A	42A
Sources for obtaining alcohol	31	32	Number of sexual partners	41A	42A
Use of fake ID to purchase alcohol	31	32	Pregnant or caused pregnancy	41A	42A
Drinking and driving	32	33	Talk with partner about STD risk	41B	42B
Marijuana use past month	33	34	Talk about pregnancy prevention	41B	42B
Age of first use of marijuana	33	NA	Frequency of birth control	41B	42B
Use of other drugs past month	33	NA	Frequency of condom use	41B	42B
Age of first use of other drugs	33	NA	Use of condom during last intercourse	41B	42B
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NA Not asked in 2004; new item(s) in 2007

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TABLE 1 DEMOGRAPHIC DESCRIPTION

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender			
		Male		Female	
		N	%	N	%
Total number of surveys		1,531	100%	1,316	100%
Age	11 or younger	1	0%	0	0%
	12	1	0%	0	0%
	13	6	0%	1	0%
	14	66	4%	52	4%
	15	202	13%	147	11%
	16	247	16%	204	16%
	17	391	26%	399	30%
	18	451	29%	397	30%
	19-20	143	9%	99	8%
	21 or older	14	1%	13	1%
	No answer	9	1%	4	0%
	Race/ethnicity	American Indian	85	6%	59
Black or African American		211	14%	153	12%
Hispanic or Latino		113	7%	102	8%
Asian American or Pacific Islander		68	4%	51	4%
White		854	56%	733	56%
Mixed race (checked more than one race/ethnicity)		134	9%	188	14%
I don't know / no answer		66	4%	30	2%

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TABLE 2
FEELINGS ABOUT SCHOOL, SCHOOL PLANS, AND TRUANCY
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
How do you feel about going to school?	I like school very much	12%	16%
	I like school quite a bit	22%	25%
	I like school a little	32%	34%
	I don't like school very much	19%	16%
	I hate school	15%	8%
Which of these best describes your school plans?	I would like to quit school as soon as I can	5%	2%
	I plan to finish high school but won't go to college	22%	14%
	I'd like to go to some kind of trade or vocational school	21%	10%
	I'd like to go to college after high school	44%	61%
	I'd like to go to college and then to graduate school	8%	14%
During the last 30 days, how often have you skipped or cut full days of school?	Never	40%	39%
	Once or twice	31%	30%
	3 to 5 times	14%	19%
	6 to 10 times	8%	7%
	More than 10 times	6%	5%

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TABLE 3
ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND SCHOOL PROGRAMS
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Mark the two grades you get the most often.	A only	2%	1%
	A and B only	17%	28%
	B only	3%	2%
	B and C only	25%	22%
	C only	4%	3%
	C and D only	16%	10%
	D only	2%	1%
	D and F only	7%	5%
	F only	2%	1%
	Not applicable or no answer	24%	26%
Do you have or have you ever had an IEP (Individualized Education Plan)? ^	Yes	35%	23%
	No	65%	77%
Do you currently get free or reduced-price lunch at school? ^	Yes	45%	51%
	No	55%	49%
Since the beginning of this school year, how many times have you changed schools? ^	0 times	55%	57%
	1 time	32%	29%
	2 times	7%	9%
	3 or more times	6%	5%

^ New question in 2007.

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**TABLE 4
PERCEPTIONS OF SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
How many students in your school are friendly?	All	11%	6%
	Most	45%	44%
	Some	30%	34%
	A few	12%	14%
	None	2%	1%
How many students in your school behave well in the hallways and lunchroom?	All	11%	7%
	Most	31%	30%
	Some	29%	32%
	A few	23%	27%
	None	6%	4%
How many students in your school have made fun of or threatened students of different races or backgrounds?	All	5%	3%
	Most	10%	11%
	Some	20%	20%
	A few	32%	35%
	None	33%	31%
How many of your teachers are interested in you as a person?	All	24%	28%
	Most	26%	30%
	Some	22%	18%
	A few	17%	17%
	None	11%	7%
How many of your teachers show respect for students?	All	41%	45%
	Most	29%	32%
	Some	16%	12%
	A few	10%	8%
	None	5%	3%

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TABLE 5
PERCEPTIONS OF SCHOOL AND NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
I feel safe going to and from school	Strongly agree	49%	42%
	Agree	43%	51%
	Disagree	6%	5%
	Strongly disagree	3%	1%
I feel safe at school	Strongly agree	44%	40%
	Agree	44%	51%
	Disagree	9%	8%
	Strongly disagree	3%	1%
I feel safe in my neighborhood [^]	Strongly agree	48%	41%
	Agree	40%	49%
	Disagree	9%	7%
	Strongly disagree	3%	3%
Bathrooms in this school are a safe place to be	Strongly agree	38%	34%
	Agree	44%	50%
	Disagree	12%	11%
	Strongly disagree	6%	4%
Illegal gang activity is a problem at this school	Strongly agree	7%	5%
	Agree	14%	12%
	Disagree	36%	41%
	Strongly disagree	44%	42%
Student use of alcohol or drugs is a problem at this school	Strongly agree	18%	20%
	Agree	28%	32%
	Disagree	31%	32%
	Strongly disagree	23%	16%

[^] New question in 2007.

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TABLE 6
VICTIMIZATION AT SCHOOL
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender		
		Male	Female	
		%	%	
During the last 12 months, has anyone offered, sold, or given you an illegal drug on school property?	Yes	30%	24%	
	No	70%	76%	
During the last 12 months, how many times has someone stolen or deliberately damaged your property on school property?	0 times	73%	78%	
	1 time	14%	12%	
	2 or 3 times	8%	7%	
	4 or 5 times	2%	1%	
	6 or more times	3%	2%	
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	90%	91%	
	1 day	4%	4%	
	2 or 3 days	3%	3%	
	4 or 5 days	1%	1%	
	6 or more days	2%	1%	
During the last 12 months, which of the following has happened to you on school property? Has a student:	Threatened you?	Yes	24%	22%
		No	76%	78%
	Pushed, shoved, or grabbed you?	Yes	29%	20%
		No	71%	80%
	Kicked, bitten, or hit you?	Yes	19%	10%
		No	81%	90%
	Stabbed you or fired a gun at you?	Yes	5%	1%
		No	95%	99%
	Touched, grabbed, or pinched you in a sexual way? ^	Yes	18%	18%
		No	82%	82%
	Made unwanted sexual comments, jokes, gestures, or looks toward you? ^	Yes	16%	28%
		No	84%	72%

^ New question in 2007.

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**TABLE 7
BULLYING ^**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		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	79%	75%
	Once or twice	13%	17%
	About once a week	2%	3%
	Several times a week	2%	3%
	Every day	4%	2%
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	61%	64%
	Once or twice	23%	25%
	About once a week	4%	5%
	Several times a week	4%	4%
	Every day	7%	3%

^ New questions in 2007.

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**TABLE 8A
USE OF TIME**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>During the school year, how many hours in a typical week do you spend doing the following?</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Homework or study	0 hours	44%	28%
	1-2 hours	34%	39%
	3-5 hours	13%	19%
	6-10 hours	5%	9%
	11-20 hours	2%	4%
	21 hours or more	2%	2%
Reading for pleasure	0 hours	56%	39%
	1-2 hours	26%	35%
	3-5 hours	8%	12%
	6-10 hours	5%	7%
	11-20 hours	3%	4%
	21 hours or more	2%	2%
Volunteer work or community service	0 hours	75%	76%
	1-2 hours	14%	14%
	3-5 hours	5%	6%
	6-10 hours	3%	3%
	11-20 hours	2%	1%
	21 hours or more	2%	1%
Work for pay (including babysitting for others)	0 hours	35%	34%
	1-2 hours	11%	10%
	3-5 hours	9%	12%
	6-10 hours	11%	11%
	11-20 hours	11%	12%
	21 hours or more	23%	21%

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**TABLE 8B
USE OF TIME**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>During the school year, how many hours in a typical week do you spend doing the following?</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Watching TV, DVDs or videos	0 hours	6%	5%
	1-2 hours	20%	23%
	3-5 hours	29%	29%
	6-10 hours	21%	22%
	11-20 hours	12%	11%
	21 hours or more	13%	9%
Playing computer or video games	0 hours	19%	40%
	1-2 hours	25%	26%
	3-5 hours	21%	14%
	6-10 hours	14%	9%
	11-20 hours	10%	5%
	21 hours or more	11%	5%
Talking on the phone or text messaging ^	0 hours	20%	9%
	1-2 hours	31%	23%
	3-5 hours	16%	18%
	6-10 hours	12%	15%
	11-20 hours	10%	13%
	21 hours or more	11%	21%
Online activities (e-mail, instant messaging, blogging, web surfing, etc.) ^	0 hours	33%	29%
	1-2 hours	29%	28%
	3-5 hours	16%	17%
	6-10 hours	10%	11%
	11-20 hours	6%	6%
	21 hours or more	7%	8%
Hanging out	0 hours	6%	6%
	1-2 hours	9%	11%
	3-5 hours	15%	16%
	6-10 hours	18%	17%
	11-20 hours	16%	19%
	21 hours or more	36%	32%

^ New question in 2007.

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TABLE 9A
ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES ^

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>During the school year, how often have you participated in the following?</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Fine arts activities (band, choir, dance, drama, etc.)	Not available in my community	16%	12%
	Never	62%	61%
	A few times a year	10%	11%
	Monthly	2%	3%
	1-2 times per week	3%	3%
	3-4 times per week	3%	4%
	Every day	5%	6%
Private lessons (music, dance, etc.)	Not available in my community	15%	11%
	Never	72%	76%
	A few times a year	4%	5%
	Monthly	2%	2%
	1-2 times per week	3%	3%
	3-4 times per week	1%	2%
	Every day	2%	1%
Club or community sports teams	Not available in my community	11%	8%
	Never	63%	75%
	A few times a year	9%	8%
	Monthly	4%	3%
	1-2 times per week	4%	3%
	3-4 times per week	4%	2%
	Every day	6%	2%
School sports teams	Not available in my community	12%	9%
	Never	63%	75%
	A few times a year	9%	8%
	Monthly	3%	2%
	1-2 times per week	3%	2%
	3-4 times per week	4%	2%
	Every day	6%	2%

^ New questions in 2007.

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TABLE 9B
ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES ^

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>During the school year, how often have you participated in the following?</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Hobby and academic clubs (chess, history, debate, math team, etc.)	Not available in my community	13%	10%
	Never	73%	80%
	A few times a year	5%	4%
	Monthly	3%	2%
	1-2 times per week	2%	2%
	3-4 times per week	1%	1%
	Every day	3%	2%
Community clubs and programs (4-H, Park and Rec, Community Ed., etc.)	Not available in my community	12%	9%
	Never	71%	76%
	A few times a year	5%	7%
	Monthly	4%	2%
	1-2 times per week	4%	3%
	3-4 times per week	2%	1%
	Every day	3%	1%
Mentoring programs	Not available in my community	12%	9%
	Never	76%	77%
	A few times a year	4%	6%
	Monthly	2%	2%
	1-2 times per week	3%	4%
	3-4 times per week	1%	1%
	Every day	2%	1%
Religious activities (religious services, education, youth group, etc.)	Not available in my community	11%	7%
	Never	64%	65%
	A few times a year	9%	11%
	Monthly	5%	4%
	1-2 times per week	7%	9%
	3-4 times per week	1%	3%
	Every day	3%	1%

^ New questions in 2007.

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TABLE 10
REASONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN ACTIVITIES ^
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
In general, why do you participate in school-based or community-based activities and clubs? (Mark all that apply)	To have fun	61%	68%
	To learn new skills	42%	42%
	My parents or guardians want me to	9%	9%
	My friends participate	20%	25%
	To help me get into college	16%	20%
	Participate for other reasons	26%	23%
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	8%	10%
	Activities cost too much	13%	20%
	My parents or guardians won't let me	2%	2%
	My friends don't participate	6%	8%
	I'm not interested	52%	48%
	I am too busy with other things	37%	46%
	I didn't make the team/pass the audition, etc.	1%	2%
	I was kicked off or removed	4%	1%
Don't participate for other reasons	17%	17%	

^ New questions in 2007.

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TABLE 11
FAMILY COMPOSITION AND PARENTAL COMMUNICATION
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Which adults do you live with?	Both biological parents	24%	20%
	Both adoptive parents	1%	1%
	Mother and stepfather	6%	8%
	Father and stepmother	2%	1%
	Mother only	35%	37%
	Father only	9%	7%
	Sometimes with mother, sometimes with father	6%	4%
	Other	14%	15%
	No adults or no answer	4%	7%
Can you talk to your father about problems you are having?	Yes, most of the time	30%	20%
	Yes, some of the time	19%	23%
	No, not very often	16%	16%
	No, not at all	12%	14%
	My father is not around	23%	28%
Can you talk to your mother about problems you are having?	Yes, most of the time	43%	46%
	Yes, some of the time	28%	28%
	No, not very often	14%	15%
	No, not at all	8%	6%
	My mother is not around	6%	5%

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TABLE 12
PERCEPTIONS OF FAMILY AND OTHERS CARING
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>How much do you feel ...</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
... your parents care about you?	Not at all	5%	3%
	A little	5%	6%
	Some	9%	10%
	Quite a bit	16%	13%
	Very much	66%	69%
... other adult relatives care about you?	Not at all	7%	4%
	A little	8%	9%
	Some	14%	15%
	Quite a bit	27%	21%
	Very much	44%	51%
... friends care about you?	Not at all	7%	3%
	A little	9%	12%
	Some	24%	19%
	Quite a bit	36%	29%
	Very much	24%	37%
... teachers/ other adults at school care about you? ^	Not at all	8%	7%
	A little	20%	20%
	Some	33%	33%
	Quite a bit	26%	25%
	Very much	11%	15%
... religious or spiritual leaders care about you? ^	Not at all	42%	36%
	A little	16%	16%
	Some	17%	19%
	Quite a bit	12%	13%
	Very much	13%	15%
... other adults in your community care about you?	Not at all	28%	24%
	A little	24%	25%
	Some	25%	24%
	Quite a bit	15%	17%
	Very much	8%	10%

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

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**TABLE 13
FAMILY SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Has alcohol use by any family member repeatedly caused family, health, job, or legal problems?	Yes	27%	38%
	No	73%	62%
Has drug use by any family member repeatedly caused family, health, job, or legal problems?	Yes	24%	32%
	No	76%	68%

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TABLE 14A
PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE ^
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		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	7%	15%
	No	93%	85%
Has someone you were going out with ever hit you, hurt you, threatened you or made you feel afraid?	Yes	11%	39%
	No	89%	61%
Has someone you were going out with ever forced you to have sex or do something sexual when you didn't want to?	Yes	8%	22%
	No	92%	78%

^ New questions in 2007.

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**TABLE 14B
PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		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	14%	23%
	No	86%	77%
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	17%	26%
	No	83%	74%
Has any older person outside the family touched you sexually against your wishes or forced you to touch them sexually?	Yes	5%	25%
	No	95%	75%
Has any older/stronger member of your family touched you sexually or had you touch them sexually?	Yes	3%	10%
	No	97%	90%

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TABLE 15
GENERAL HEALTH ISSUES

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
When was the last time you had a physical exam?	Within the last 12 months	42%	59%
	1-2 years ago	33%	25%
	3-4 years ago	12%	7%
	More than 4 years ago	6%	3%
	I have never had a physical exam	6%	6%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma? ^	Yes	22%	25%
	No	78%	75%
Do you have a physical health condition or problem that has lasted at least 12 months? ^	No	87%	83%
	Yes	13%	17%
Do you have a mental or emotional health problem that has lasted at least 12 months? ^	No	83%	66%
	Yes	17%	34%
Have you ever been treated for a mental or emotional health problem? ^	No	80%	62%
	Yes, during the last year	11%	22%
	Yes, more than a year ago	9%	16%
Have you ever been treated for an alcohol or other drug problem? ^^	No	78%	79%
	Yes, during the last year	15%	13%
	Yes, more than a year ago	7%	9%

^ New question in 2007.

^^ New response options in 2007.

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TABLE 16
WEIGHT-RELATED ISSUES
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender		
		Male	Female	
		%	%	
At the present time, do you think you are...	Underweight		13%	7%
	About the right weight		65%	53%
	Overweight		21%	40%
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	55%	38%
		No	45%	62%
	Fast or skip meals	Yes	12%	30%
		No	88%	70%
	Smoke cigarettes	Yes	12%	21%
		No	88%	79%
	Exercise	Yes	32%	39%
		No	68%	61%
	Use diet pills, speed or other drugs	Yes	4%	10%
		No	96%	90%
	Eat healthier	Yes	22%	36%
		No	78%	64%
	Vomit on purpose after eating	Yes	2%	6%
		No	98%	94%
	Use laxatives	Yes	1%	1%
		No	99%	99%
Weight status according to Body Mass Index (BMI) **	Not overweight		66%	68%
	At risk for overweight		16%	18%
	Overweight		18%	14%

^ Variations in the number and order of these response options may affect year-to-year comparisons. Two response options are new in 2007.

** 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. New questions in 2007.

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

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**TABLE 17
EXERCISE**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		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	19%	25%
	1 day	9%	14%
	2 days	13%	19%
	3 days	15%	14%
	4 days	13%	10%
	5 days	13%	10%
	6 days	5%	2%
	7 days	14%	6%
On how many of the last 7 days were you physically active for a combined total of at least 30 minutes?	0 days	14%	22%
	1 day	9%	15%
	2 days	15%	18%
	3 days	13%	14%
	4 days	11%	10%
	5 days	13%	10%
	6 days	5%	3%
	7 days	20%	8%

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**TABLE 18
NUTRITION**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>How many glasses of each of the following did you drink yesterday?</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Milk	0 glasses	25%	40%
	1-2 glasses	48%	45%
	3-4 glasses	18%	12%
	5 or more glasses	9%	3%
100% fruit juice	0 glasses	40%	45%
	1-2 glasses	42%	39%
	3-4 glasses	12%	11%
	5 or more glasses	6%	5%
Fruit juice drinks	0 glasses	44%	51%
	1-2 glasses	38%	35%
	3-4 glasses	12%	9%
	5 or more glasses	6%	4%
Pop or soda	0 glasses	25%	30%
	1-2 glasses	37%	44%
	3-4 glasses	21%	17%
	5 or more glasses	18%	9%
Sports drinks	0 glasses	57%	73%
	1-2 glasses	25%	20%
	3-4 glasses	10%	4%
	5 or more glasses	8%	4%
Water	0 glasses	9%	11%
	1-2 glasses	27%	29%
	3-4 glasses	23%	24%
	5 or more glasses	41%	36%
How many servings of fruits, fruit juices, or vegetables did you eat yesterday?	0 servings	16%	13%
	1 serving	17%	18%
	2 servings	24%	23%
	3 servings	20%	21%
	4 servings	10%	12%
	5 or more servings	14%	13%

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**TABLE 19
SEAT BELT USE**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>How often do you wear a seat belt when you ...</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
...ride in a car?	Never	12%	7%
	Sometimes	31%	27%
	Often	24%	24%
	Always	33%	42%
...drive a car?	I never do this activity	19%	20%
	Never	10%	6%
	Sometimes	17%	12%
	Often	13%	10%
	Always	41%	51%

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TABLE 20
SOURCES OF INFORMATION ON RISK BEHAVIORS
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>Where have you received most of your information about...</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
...alcohol and other drugs? (Mark all that apply)	Friends or peers	67%	77%
	Parents	41%	51%
	Brothers or sisters	28%	38%
	School/teachers/ counselors	47%	55%
	Clinics/doctors/ nurses	15%	25%
	Religious/ community groups ^	7%	7%
	Internet	26%	25%
	TV/radio/magazines/newspapers/ books	30%	37%
	I do not know much about alcohol or other drugs	6%	4%
...sex? (Mark all that apply)	Friends or peers	66%	75%
	Parents	32%	45%
	Brothers or sisters	19%	26%
	School/teachers/ counselors	40%	46%
	Clinics/doctors/ nurses	15%	38%
	Religious/ community groups ^	5%	6%
	Internet	26%	19%
	TV/radio/magazines/newspapers/ books	26%	34%
	I do not know much about sex	4%	3%

^ New response option in 2007.

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TABLE 21A
EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING/DISTRESS ^
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
I get a lot of headaches, stomachaches or sickness.	Agree	16%	34%
	Mostly agree	15%	25%
	Mostly disagree	27%	20%
	Disagree	42%	20%
I am often irritable and angry.	Agree	15%	25%
	Mostly agree	21%	28%
	Mostly disagree	33%	28%
	Disagree	32%	19%
I have many fears and am easily scared.	Agree	4%	12%
	Mostly agree	5%	14%
	Mostly disagree	23%	31%
	Disagree	68%	43%
I often have trouble concentrating.	Agree	23%	31%
	Mostly agree	27%	28%
	Mostly disagree	23%	20%
	Disagree	26%	22%
I am restless and cannot stay still for long.	Agree	21%	27%
	Mostly agree	26%	26%
	Mostly disagree	26%	23%
	Disagree	27%	24%
I often have trouble getting to sleep and staying asleep.	Agree	22%	31%
	Mostly agree	19%	22%
	Mostly disagree	25%	20%
	Disagree	35%	28%
I do things before I think.	Agree	21%	26%
	Mostly agree	27%	26%
	Mostly disagree	29%	28%
	Disagree	23%	20%
I am often unhappy, depressed or tearful.	Agree	10%	18%
	Mostly agree	12%	22%
	Mostly disagree	26%	28%
	Disagree	51%	32%

^ New questions in 2007.

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TABLE 21B
EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING/DISTRESS
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>During the last 30 days ...</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
... have you felt you were under any stress or pressure?	Yes, almost more than I could take	15%	28%
	Yes, quite a bit of pressure	19%	23%
	Yes, more than usual	14%	14%
	Yes, a little	30%	24%
	Not at all	23%	11%
... have you felt sad?	All the time	6%	9%
	Most of the time	9%	21%
	Some of the time	21%	35%
	Little of the time	38%	29%
	None of the time	26%	6%
... 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	7%	10%
	Quite a bit	10%	14%
	Some, enough to bother me	15%	18%
	A little bit	21%	26%
	Not at all	47%	32%
... have you felt nervous, worried, or upset?	All the time	7%	10%
	Most of the time	8%	17%
	Some of the time	22%	32%
	Little of the time	37%	30%
	None of the time	26%	11%

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TABLE 22
SELF-INFLICTED INJURY, SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND SUICIDAL BEHAVIOR
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Have you ever hurt yourself on purpose ("cutting", burns, bruises)? ^	No	78%	54%
	Yes, during the last year	11%	20%
	Yes, more than a year ago	11%	26%
Have you ever thought about killing yourself?	No	70%	52%
	Yes, during the last year	17%	26%
	Yes, more than a year ago	12%	22%
Have you ever tried to kill yourself?	No	87%	75%
	Yes, during the last year	4%	8%
	Yes, more than a year ago	9%	17%

^ New question in 2007.

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**TABLE 23
GAMBLING BEHAVIOR**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>During the last 12 months, how often have you done these activities?</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Played cards for money	Not at all	45%	73%
	Less than once a month	23%	16%
	About once a month	15%	6%
	About once a week	10%	4%
	Daily	6%	1%
Bet on games of personal skill like pool, golf, or bowling	Not at all	49%	82%
	Less than once a month	20%	10%
	About once a month	14%	5%
	About once a week	11%	2%
	Daily	6%	1%
Bet money on sports teams or horseracing [^]	Not at all	65%	88%
	Less than once a month	16%	6%
	About once a month	9%	3%
	About once a week	5%	1%
	Daily	5%	1%
Bought lottery tickets or scratch offs	Not at all	62%	70%
	Less than once a month	15%	16%
	About once a month	11%	9%
	About once a week	8%	4%
	Daily	4%	1%
Gambled in a casino	Not at all	75%	82%
	Less than once a month	12%	11%
	About once a month	7%	5%
	About once a week	3%	2%
	Daily	3%	0%
Gambled for money online ^{^^}	Not at all	89%	98%
	Less than once a month	3%	1%
	About once a month	2%	0%
	About once a week	2%	0%
	Daily	3%	0%

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

^{^^} New question in 2007.

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TABLE 24
DESTRUCTIVE AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOR
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
During the last 12 months, how often have you run away from home?	Never	82%	74%
	Once or twice	12%	18%
	3 to 5 times	3%	5%
	6 to 10 times	2%	2%
	More than 10 times	2%	2%
During the last 12 months, how often have you damaged or destroyed property at school or somewhere else?	Never	61%	79%
	Once or twice	21%	13%
	3 to 5 times	7%	6%
	6 to 10 times	4%	1%
	More than 10 times	6%	1%
During the last 12 months, how often have you hit or beat up another person?	Never	50%	61%
	Once or twice	30%	27%
	3 to 5 times	9%	8%
	6 to 10 times	5%	2%
	More than 10 times	7%	2%
During the last 12 months, how often have you taken something from a store without paying for it?	Never	55%	61%
	Once or twice	21%	21%
	3 to 5 times	8%	7%
	6 to 10 times	6%	4%
	More than 10 times	10%	7%
On how many of the last 30 days did you carry a gun on school property?	0 days	93%	98%
	1 day	2%	1%
	2 or 3 days	1%	0%
	4 or 5 days	1%	0%
	6 or more days	3%	1%
On how many of the last 30 days did you carry a weapon (other than a gun) on school property?	0 days	81%	91%
	1 day	5%	3%
	2 or 3 days	3%	2%
	4 or 5 days	2%	0%
	6 or more days	9%	4%

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**TABLE 25
SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE USE ****

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days ^	No	35%	34%
	Yes	65%	66%
Frequent use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days (used tobacco on 20 or more of the past 30 days) ^	No	54%	51%
	Yes	46%	49%
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	71%	80%
	Yes	29%	20%
Any alcohol and/or other drug use during the past year (excluding tobacco)	No alcohol or other drug use in the past year	22%	18%
	Used only alcohol in the past year	14%	16%
	Used only marijuana/other drugs in the past year	7%	5%
	Used both alcohol and marijuana/other drugs in the past year	57%	61%

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

^ New computed variables in 2007.

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TABLE 26
CIGARETTE USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you smoke a cigarette?	0 days	42%	36%
	1 or 2 days	6%	5%
	3 to 5 days	4%	3%
	6 to 9 days	2%	3%
	10 to 19 days	5%	5%
	20 to 29 days	7%	6%
	All 30 days	35%	42%
During the last 30 days, how frequently have you smoked cigarettes?	Never	44%	38%
	Less than one cigarette per day	8%	8%
	One to five cigarettes per day	16%	22%
	About one-half pack per day	15%	22%
	About one pack per day	12%	8%
	About one and one-half packs per day	3%	3%
	Two packs or more per day	2%	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	23%	16%
	10 years old or younger	28%	22%
	11 years old	9%	11%
	12 years old	10%	13%
	13 years old	9%	13%
	14 years old	8%	11%
	15 years old	7%	7%
	16 years old	4%	5%
	17 years old or older	4%	3%

^ New question in 2007.

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TABLE 27
CIGAR AND SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE ^
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco, snuff or dip?	0 days	81%	96%
	1 or 2 days	7%	2%
	3 to 5 days	4%	1%
	6 to 9 days	2%	0%
	10 to 19 days	2%	0%
	20 to 29 days	2%	0%
	All 30 days	3%	0%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigars, cigarillos or little cigars?	0 days	61%	78%
	1 or 2 days	13%	10%
	3 to 5 days	9%	3%
	6 to 9 days	5%	3%
	10 to 19 days	5%	2%
	20 to 29 days	3%	1%
	All 30 days	6%	3%
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	36%	55%
	10 years old or younger	10%	4%
	11 years old	6%	2%
	12 years old	7%	5%
	13 years old	8%	6%
	14 years old	10%	9%
	15 years old	10%	8%
	16 years old	8%	6%
	17 years old or older	5%	5%

^ New questions in 2007.

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TABLE 28
ACCESS TO TOBACCO

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO USED TOBACCO IN THE LAST 30 DAYS		Gender	
		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	61%	59%
	Bought it at bars or restaurants	5%	3%
	Bought it at grocery, discount, or drug stores	13%	14%
	Bought it at places like bowling alleys, video arcades, or pool halls	5%	2%
	Bought it from vending machines	2%	1%
	Bought it on the Internet	2%	0%
	Got it from friends	50%	55%
	Got it from my parents ^	19%	26%
	Got it from other family members ^	15%	21%
	Got it by getting someone else to buy for me	28%	36%
	Took it from my home	16%	14%
	Took it from a friend's home	8%	5%
	Took it from stores	12%	7%

INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO BOUGHT TOBACCO IN THE LAST 30 DAYS		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
If you bought tobacco in the last 30 days, did you use a fake ID?	Yes	9%	3%
	No	91%	97%

^ New response option in 2007.

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TABLE 29
ALCOHOL USE FREQUENCY AND QUANTITY
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Male	Female
		%	%
During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you had alcoholic beverages to drink?	0	30%	24%
	1-2	11%	13%
	3-5	11%	15%
	6-9	8%	12%
	10-19	12%	13%
	20-39	10%	10%
	40+	18%	14%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you drink one or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage?	0 days	44%	42%
	1 or 2 days	18%	26%
	3 to 5 days	16%	14%
	6 to 9 days	10%	11%
	10 to 19 days	7%	6%
	20 to 29 days	3%	1%
	All 30 days	2%	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	33%	25%
	1 glass, can, or drink	7%	9%
	2 glasses, cans, or drinks	7%	11%
	3 glasses, cans, or drinks	6%	14%
	4 glasses, cans, or drinks	7%	11%
	5 glasses, cans, or drinks	7%	10%
	6 or more glasses, cans, or drinks	33%	19%
Over the last 2 weeks, how many times (if any) have you had five or more drinks in a row?	Never	57%	61%
	Once	12%	14%
	Twice	12%	11%
	3 - 5 times	11%	9%
	6 or more times	8%	4%

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**TABLE 30
AGE OF FIRST ALCOHOL USE ^**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		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	17%	11%
	10 years old or younger	18%	15%
	11 years old	8%	7%
	12 years old	10%	11%
	13 years old	12%	16%
	14 years old	14%	15%
	15 years old	11%	13%
	16 years old	7%	7%
	17 years old or older	4%	4%

^ New question in 2007.

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TABLE 31
ACCESS TO ALCOHOL

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO USED ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 DAYS **		Gender	
		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 ^	8%	3%
	Bought it at bars or restaurants	6%	4%
	Bought it at stores	15%	11%
	Bought it on the Internet	1%	1%
	Got it from friends	65%	71%
	Got it from my parents ^	12%	13%
	Got it from other family members ^	13%	18%
	Got it by getting someone else to buy for me	39%	40%
	Got it at parties	43%	49%
	Took it from my home	16%	10%
	Took it from a friend's home	11%	8%
	Took it from stores	9%	3%

INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO BOUGHT ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 DAYS		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
If you bought alcohol in the last 30 days, did you use a fake ID?	Yes	10%	3%
	No	90%	97%

** Percentages are comparable to the 2001 and 2004 survey results. Percentages are based on all recent alcohol users, even if they skipped this question.

^ New response option in 2007.

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TABLE 32
DRINKING AND DRIVING
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		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	65%	69%
	Once	10%	12%
	Twice	6%	6%
	3 or more times	19%	13%
Do you ever ride with friends after they have been using alcohol or drugs?	No	39%	40%
	Yes, but rarely	29%	40%
	Yes, often	30%	19%
	None of my friends use alcohol or other drugs	2%	1%

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TABLE 33
MARIJUANA AND OTHER DRUG USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE ^
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use marijuana or hashish?	0 days	51%	56%
	1 or 2 days	7%	11%
	3 to 5 days	5%	7%
	6 to 9 days	3%	4%
	10 to 19 days	7%	5%
	20 to 29 days	9%	8%
	All 30 days	18%	9%
How old were you when you tried marijuana for the first time?	I have never tried marijuana	26%	20%
	10 years old or younger	15%	8%
	11 years old	8%	6%
	12 years old	10%	11%
	13 years old	12%	16%
	14 years old	11%	17%
	15 years old	9%	12%
	16 years old	6%	6%
17 years old or older	2%	3%	
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use any of these "other drugs"?	0 days	78%	82%
	1 or 2 days	9%	9%
	3 to 5 days	5%	4%
	6 to 9 days	3%	2%
	10 to 19 days	3%	2%
	20 to 29 days	1%	0%
	All 30 days	1%	0%
How old were you when you tried any of these "other drugs" for the first time?	I have never tried "other drugs"	60%	58%
	10 years old or younger	3%	1%
	11 years old	3%	2%
	12 years old	3%	2%
	13 years old	4%	5%
	14 years old	5%	10%
	15 years old	8%	9%
	16 years old	9%	8%
17 years old or older	5%	4%	

^ New questions in 2007.

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TABLE 34
MARIJUANA, INHALANTS, HALLUCINOGENS AND HEROIN ^
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
... used marijuana (bud, weed, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil)?	0	39%	39%
	1-2	7%	11%
	3-5	6%	7%
	6-9	4%	5%
	10-19	4%	6%
	20-39	4%	7%
	40+	36%	25%
... sniffed glue, or breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any other gases or sprays in order to get high?	0	92%	92%
	1-2	3%	4%
	3-5	2%	2%
	6-9	1%	1%
	10-19	1%	1%
	20-39	0%	0%
	40+	1%	0%
... used LSD ("acid"), PCP (wet sticks or dipped joints), or other psychedelics (like mescaline, mushrooms, peyote)?	0	79%	86%
	1-2	9%	8%
	3-5	5%	3%
	6-9	3%	1%
	10-19	2%	1%
	20-39	1%	0%
	40+	1%	0%
... used heroin?	0	95%	97%
	1-2	3%	2%
	3-5	1%	1%
	6-9	1%	0%
	10-19	0%	1%
	20-39	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%

^ Variations in wording for these items may affect year-to-year comparisons.

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TABLE 35
METHAMPHETAMINE, COCAINE AND ECSTASY ^
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
... used methamphetamine (meth, glass, crank, crystal meth, ice) by any method?	0	90%	89%
	1-2	4%	4%
	3-5	2%	2%
	6-9	1%	1%
	10-19	1%	1%
	20-39	1%	1%
	40+	1%	2%
... used "crack" (cocaine in chunk or rock form), or cocaine in any other form?	0	80%	83%
	1-2	7%	7%
	3-5	4%	4%
	6-9	3%	2%
	10-19	2%	2%
	20-39	2%	1%
	40+	2%	1%
... used MDMA (E, X, "ecstasy"), GHB (G, Liquid E, Liquid X) or Ketamine ("Special K")?	0	82%	84%
	1-2	7%	8%
	3-5	5%	4%
	6-9	2%	2%
	10-19	2%	2%
	20-39	1%	0%
	40+	1%	0%

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TABLE 36A
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS ^

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...		Gender	
		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	90%	89%
	1-2	3%	5%
	3-5	3%	2%
	6-9	2%	2%
	10-19	1%	1%
	20-39	1%	1%
	40+	0%	1%
... used your own or someone else's ADHD or ADD drugs like Ritalin (hyper pills) to get high?	0	82%	84%
	1-2	6%	6%
	3-5	4%	3%
	6-9	3%	2%
	10-19	2%	2%
	20-39	2%	1%
	40+	2%	1%
... 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	77%	79%
	1-2	7%	8%
	3-5	5%	5%
	6-9	4%	2%
	10-19	2%	3%
	20-39	2%	1%
	40+	3%	2%
... 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	89%	89%
	1-2	4%	5%
	3-5	3%	2%
	6-9	1%	1%
	10-19	2%	1%
	20-39	1%	0%
	40+	1%	1%

^ New questions in 2007.

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**TABLE 36B
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS *^**

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

The data included in this table are based on one question that appears only in the Primary (6th grade) version of the 2007 Minnesota Student Survey.

Students in Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers completed the Secondary (9th-12th grade) version of the survey.

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TABLE 37
SUBSTANCE USE PATTERNS
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>Do you ever use alcohol or other drugs ...</i>		Male	Female
		%	%
...before school?	Yes	35%	26%
	No	65%	74%
...during school?	Yes	23%	16%
	No	77%	84%
...right after school?	Yes	45%	39%
	No	55%	61%

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TABLE 38
SOCIAL DISAPPROVAL OF SUBSTANCE USE ^
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender		
		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	40%	47%	
	No	60%	53%	
How do you think your close friends would feel if you...	... smoked one or more packs of cigarettes per day?	They would approve	15%	9%
		They would not care at all	41%	46%
		They would disapprove	19%	21%
		They would strongly disapprove	25%	25%
	... have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week?	They would approve	19%	10%
		They would not care at all	44%	42%
		They would disapprove	16%	20%
		They would strongly disapprove	21%	27%
	... smoked marijuana once or twice a week?	They would approve	27%	19%
		They would not care at all	35%	42%
		They would disapprove	11%	12%
		They would strongly disapprove	27%	27%
	... used other drugs once or twice a week?	They would approve	13%	6%
		They would not care at all	22%	20%
		They would disapprove	17%	18%
		They would strongly disapprove	48%	55%

^ New questions in 2007.

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TABLE 39
PERCEIVED RISK OF HARM FROM SUBSTANCE USE ^
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

			Gender	
			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	13%	7%
		Slight risk	12%	14%
		Moderate risk	28%	27%
		Great risk	47%	51%
	... have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week?	No risk	12%	5%
		Slight risk	23%	17%
		Moderate risk	32%	33%
		Great risk	33%	45%
	... smoke marijuana once or twice a week?	No risk	35%	23%
		Slight risk	23%	28%
		Moderate risk	17%	21%
		Great risk	25%	28%

^ New questions in 2007.

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TABLE 40A
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>During the last 12 months ...</i>		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	74%	75%
	Yes	26%	25%
... have you tried to cut down on your use of alcohol or other drugs but couldn't?	No or no use	83%	80%
	Yes	17%	20%
... 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	78%	75%
	Yes	22%	25%
... 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	54%	54%
	Once	15%	16%
	Twice	9%	9%
	3 or more times	23%	21%
... 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	73%	72%
	Once	11%	10%
	Twice	7%	7%
	3 or more times	9%	11%
... how many times has alcohol or other drug use left you feeling depressed, agitated, paranoid, or unable to concentrate?	0 times or no use	70%	64%
	Once	11%	14%
	Twice	7%	8%
	3 or more times	11%	13%

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TABLE 40B
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

<i>During the last 12 months ...</i>		Gender	
		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	74%	72%
	Once	10%	11%
	Twice	6%	6%
	3 or more times	10%	11%
... how many times has alcohol or other drug use caused you problems with the law?	0 times or no use	72%	76%
	Once	12%	13%
	Twice	8%	6%
	3 or more times	8%	5%
... how many times have you hit someone or become violent while using alcohol or other drugs?	0 times or no use	77%	78%
	Once	11%	12%
	Twice	5%	5%
	3 or more times	8%	6%
... 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	61%	59%
	Once	14%	17%
	Twice	8%	10%
	3 or more times	16%	15%
... how many times have you used more alcohol or other drugs than you intended to?	0 times or no use	66%	59%
	Once	11%	14%
	Twice	8%	11%
	3 or more times	16%	17%

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

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TABLE 41A
SEXUAL BEHAVIOR

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Have you ever had sexual intercourse ("had sex")? ^	No	26%	15%
	Yes, once or twice	13%	9%
	Yes, 3 times or more	61%	76%
During the last 12 months, with how many different male partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	89%	21%
	1 person	3%	37%
	2 persons	3%	18%
	3 persons	2%	12%
	4 persons	1%	5%
	5 persons	1%	3%
	6 or more persons	2%	4%
During the last 12 months, with how many different female partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	30%	90%
	1 person	23%	5%
	2 persons	14%	2%
	3 persons	12%	1%
	4 persons	7%	1%
	5 persons	4%	0%
	6 or more persons	11%	1%
How many times have you been pregnant or gotten someone pregnant?	0 times	82%	68%
	1 time	11%	26%
	2 or more times	4%	5%
	Not sure	3%	1%

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

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TABLE 41B
SEXUAL BEHAVIOR *

Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

SEXUALLY ACTIVE STUDENTS ONLY		Gender	
		Male	Female
		%	%
Have you talked with your partner(s) about protecting yourselves from getting STDs/HIV/AIDS? **	Never	33%	25%
	Not with every partner	22%	23%
	At least once with every partner	45%	52%
Have you talked with partner(s) about preventing pregnancy? **	Never	31%	23%
	Not with every partner	21%	24%
	At least once with every partner	47%	53%
If you have sexual intercourse, how often do you and/or your partner use any birth control method?	Never	21%	24%
	Rarely	11%	9%
	Sometimes	13%	10%
	Usually	17%	13%
	Always	38%	43%
If you have sexual intercourse, how often is a condom used?	Never	14%	24%
	Rarely	15%	18%
	Sometimes	12%	14%
	Usually	20%	18%
	Always	40%	26%
The last time you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner use a condom?	Yes	57%	41%
	No	43%	59%

** The results for these questions are comparable to the 2001 and 2004 survey results.

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TABLE 42
REASONS FOR SEXUAL ABSTINENCE
Alternative Schools and Area Learning Centers

		Gender	
		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	16%	20%
	I don't want to have sex	16%	38%
	Most students in my school don't have sex	4%	1%
	My friends don't have sex	6%	7%
	I don't think it's right for a person my age to have sex	14%	23%
	I'm afraid of getting caught	9%	13%
	My religious or spiritual beliefs	10%	19%
	Sex education at school has shown me the advantages of waiting until I'm older	14%	16%
	I don't want to get a sexually transmitted disease	28%	41%
	Fear of pregnancy ^	21%	43%
	My parents have taught me the advantages of waiting until I'm older	14%	21%
	I have chosen to wait until I'm married	16%	24%
	Other reason(s) ^^	56%	44%

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

^^ New response option in 2007.