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**Students' perceptions of the harmfulness of alcohol and drug use**

By grade level of respondent, 2004-2005<sup>a</sup>

Question: "Do you feel that using. . . is harmful to your health?"

	No harm	Some harm	Harmful	Very harmful
Beer	10.5%	31.9%	26.1%	31.5%
Grades 6 to 8	8.8	27.1	26.9	37.1
Grades 9 to 12	12.0	36.2	25.4	26.4
12th grade	12.6	38.2	24.2	25.0
Wine coolers	19.8	35.3	19.9	25.0
Grades 6 to 8	16.7	31.2	22.0	30.1
Grades 9 to 12	22.5	39.0	18.1	20.4
12th grade	22.3	40.4	17.7	19.7
Liquor	8.3	23.0	29.7	39.0
Grades 6 to 8	6.6	18.0	29.2	46.2
Grades 9 to 12	9.8	27.5	30.1	32.6
12th grade	10.2	29.8	29.2	30.8
Marijuana	9.1	11.2	17.1	62.6
Grades 6 to 8	6.1	6.0	12.8	75.2
Grades 9 to 12	11.8	15.9	21.1	51.2
12th grade	12.9	19.5	23.0	44.6
Cocaine	3.4	2.7	10.8	83.1
Grades 6 to 8	3.2	2.2	9.4	85.2
Grades 9 to 12	3.6	3.1	12.1	81.3
12th grade	4.1	2.9	11.3	81.7
Uppers (stimulants)	3.7	4.0	13.9	78.4
Grades 6 to 8	3.7	4.1	14.2	78.0
Grades 9 to 12	3.7	3.9	13.7	78.7
12th grade	4.0	3.4	13.0	79.6
Downers (depressants)	4.6	8.4	20.7	66.2
Grades 6 to 8	4.7	8.3	20.7	66.2
Grades 9 to 12	4.5	8.5	20.8	66.2
12th grade	4.4	7.6	19.2	68.8
Inhalants	5.4	10.9	21.1	62.6
Grades 6 to 8	6.0	12.4	21.5	60.1
Grades 9 to 12	4.8	9.6	20.7	64.9
12th grade	4.4	7.4	18.7	69.5
Hallucinogens	3.9	4.6	16.0	75.5
Grades 6 to 8	3.8	4.9	16.8	74.5
Grades 9 to 12	4.0	4.4	15.2	76.4
12th grade	4.3	4.0	13.2	78.6
Heroin	3.4	2.9	11.7	82.0
Grades 6 to 8	3.4	3.3	12.9	80.4
Grades 9 to 12	3.4	2.5	10.6	83.5
12th grade	3.8	2.2	8.6	85.3
Steroids	4.3	8.3	22.3	65.2
Grades 6 to 8	4.5	8.3	21.4	65.8
Grades 9 to 12	4.1	8.3	23.1	64.6
12th grade	4.2	7.2	21.5	67.1
Ecstasy	3.9	4.3	14.5	77.2
Grades 6 to 8	3.9	4.4	15.2	76.4
Grades 9 to 12	4.0	4.2	13.9	78.0
12th grade	4.3	4.1	13.2	78.4
OxyContin	4.6	6.1	17.2	72.0
Grades 6 to 8	4.6	6.1	17.2	72.1
Grades 9 to 12	4.7	6.2	17.2	72.0
12th grade	4.7	5.9	16.2	73.3

Note: See Note, [table 2.5.2005](#).

<sup>a</sup>Percents may not add to 100 because of rounding.

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