

Greenwich Youth Survey Results



Fall 2018

Context For Tonight's Discussion

WHO we are

Greenwich Prevention Council (GPC)

- Convened January 2016
- 30+ Members
- Many ways to be involved



PURPOSE

Mobilize community members to strengthen developmental assets, promote mental health, reduce risky behavior, strengthen healthy choices



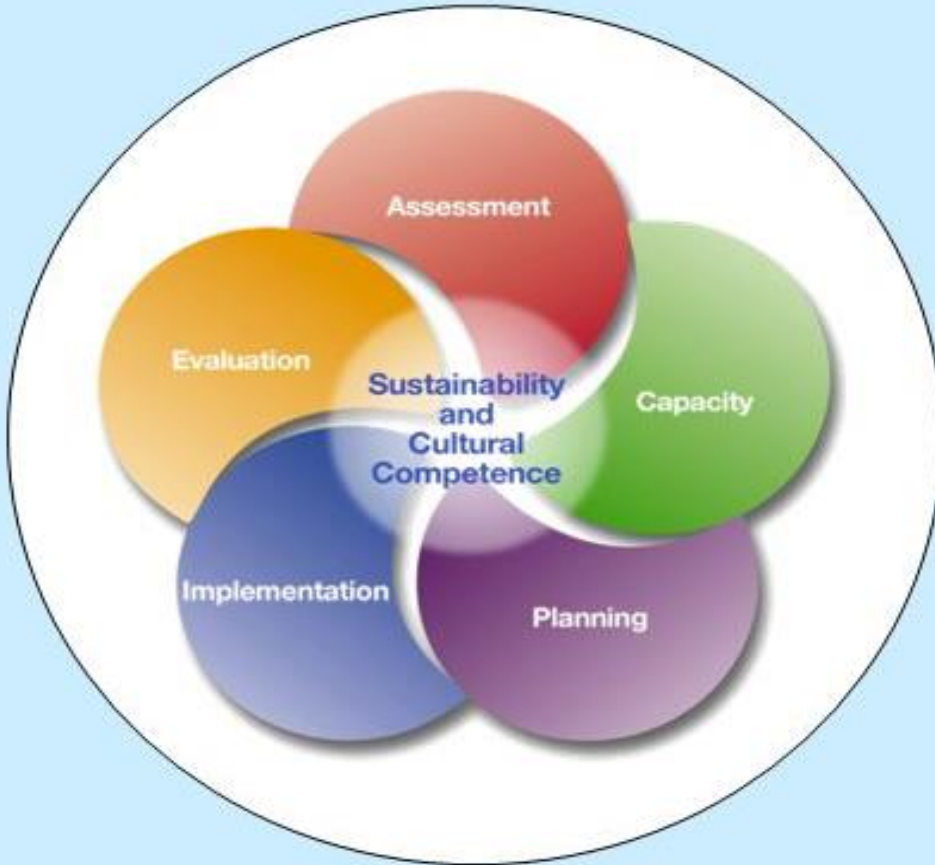
HOW

Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF)



Strategic Prevention Framework

Supports Accountability, Capacity, and Effectiveness



Assessment

Profile population needs, resources, and readiness to address needs and gaps

Capacity

Mobilize and/or build capacity to address needs

Planning

Develop a Comprehensive Strategic Plan

Implementation

Implement evidence-based prevention programs and activities

Evaluation

Monitor, evaluate, sustain, and improve or replace those that fail

Greenwich Youth Survey Results

- This review will include a look at:
 - Survey Logistics – Purpose of survey, Who we surveyed
 - Results:
 - Developmental Assets
 - 8 categories
 - 5 contexts
 - Addendum
 - Prevalence, Access, Perceptions, Correlations
 - Where do we go from here



Logistics:

On line surveys administered to Greenwich Youth in February 2018

Purpose of survey: To provide an assessment of the community of Greenwich with respect to the numbers of developmental assets as well as thriving and risky behaviors among our youth. It provides information to help identify how the community of Greenwich can better support its youth.

Who was surveyed: Youth in Grades 7-12 in 11 Greenwich schools * This is a community survey of Greenwich Youth only possible with the participation and support of Greenwich schools.

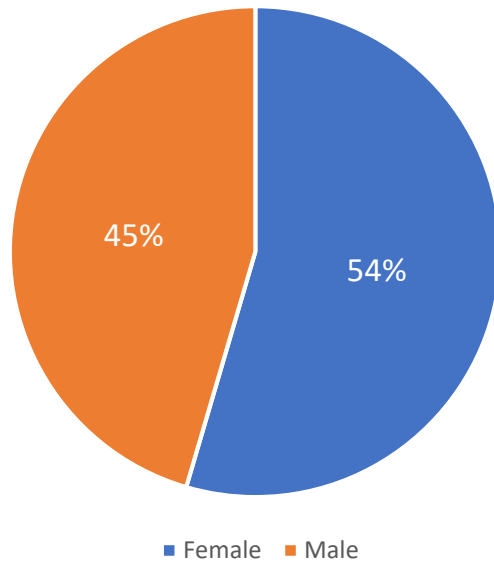
Survey	Female	Male	Total
DAP	2046	1724	3798
Addendum	2117	1734	3905

What do the surveys measure:

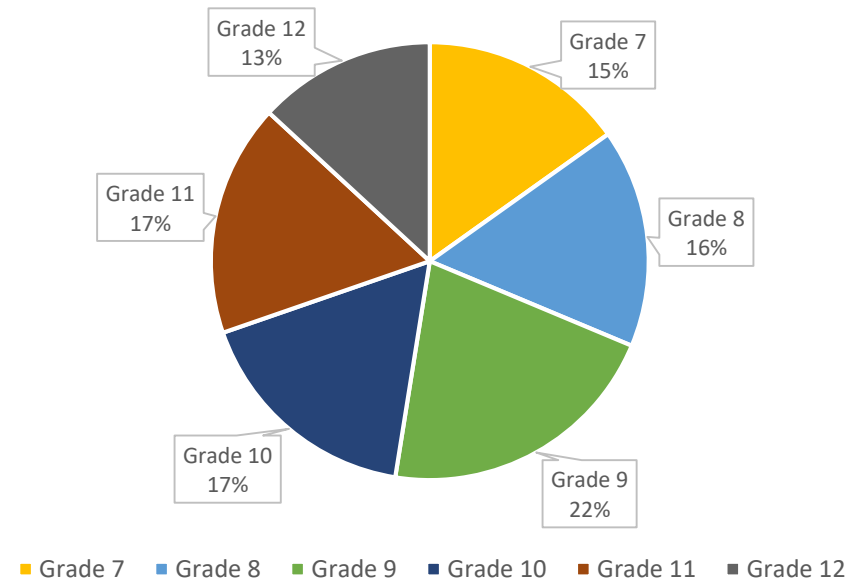
- Search Institute Developmental Asset Profile (DAP) survey –”...measures developmental assets (i.e. strengths and supports) essential for young people’s success in school and life”
- Addendum Survey – measures substance use & other risky behavior

Demographics of Youth Surveyed

Gender

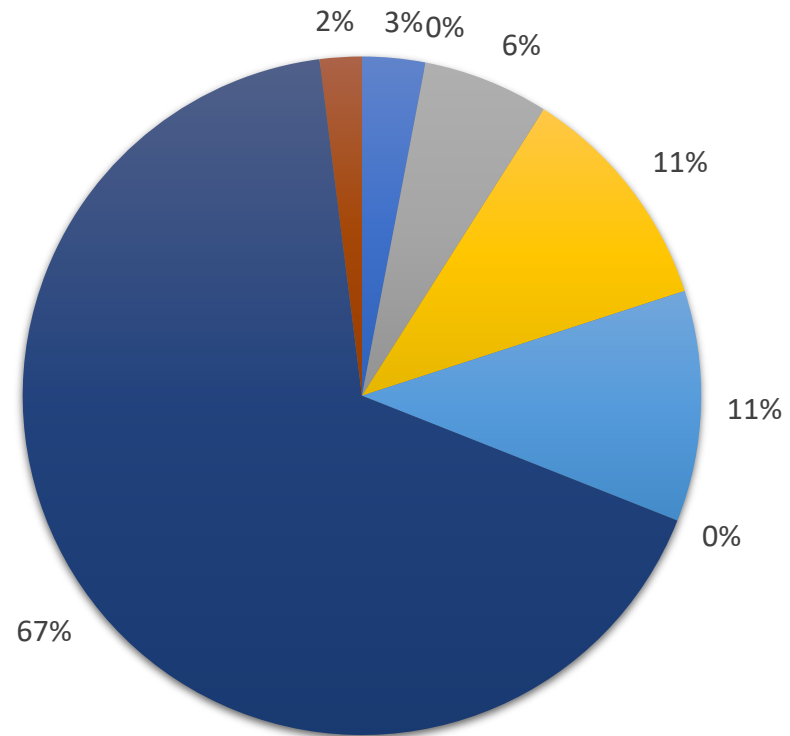


Grade



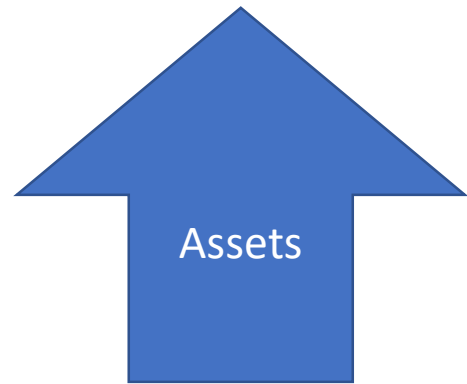
Demographics of Youth Surveyed

Race/Ethnicity



- African American/Black
- American Indian/Native American
- Asian American
- Hispanic/Latino/Latina
- Multiracial
- Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
- Non-Hispanic White
- Other

Search Institute:
Developmental Asset Profile (DAP) Survey
Strengths and Supports in the Lives of Youth In
Greenwich



What Is A Developmental Asset?

“The Developmental Assets® are 40 common sense, positive experiences and qualities that help influence choices young people make and help them become caring, responsible, successful adults.” Source: Search Institute

External assets: Positive developmental experiences that surround youth with:

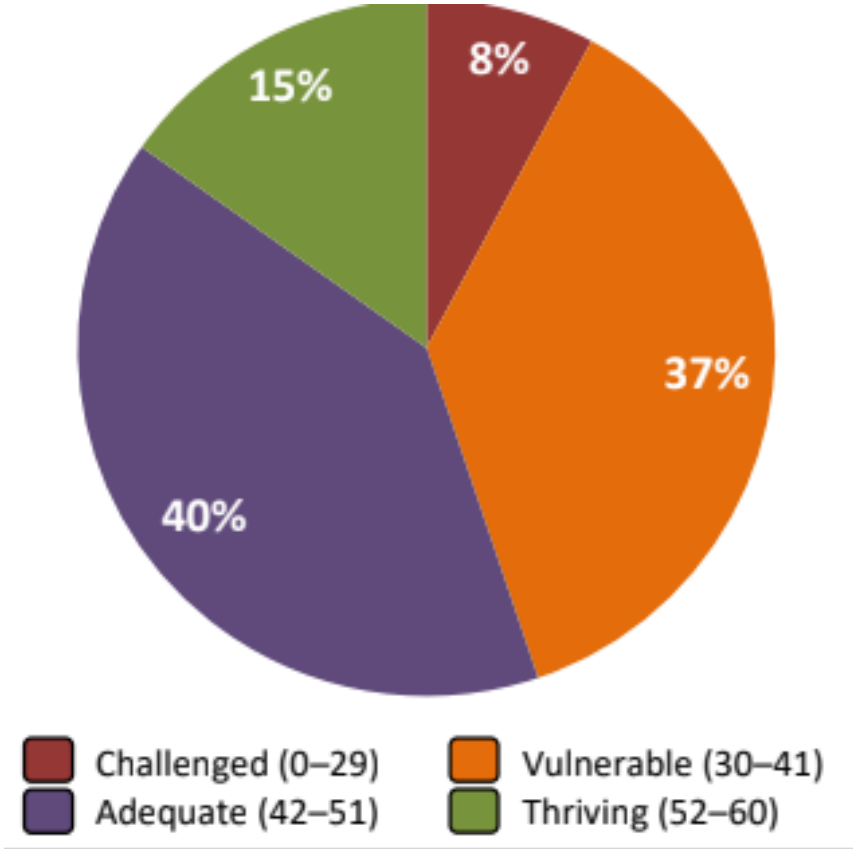
- Support
- Empowerment
- Boundaries and Expectations
- Opportunities for Constructive Use of Time

Internal assets: Young person’s own commitments, values, and competencies. Include the following categories:

- Commitment to Learning
- Positive Values
- Social Competencies
- Positive Identity



Greenwich Community Youth Composite Asset Scores



Results Dashboard

Key

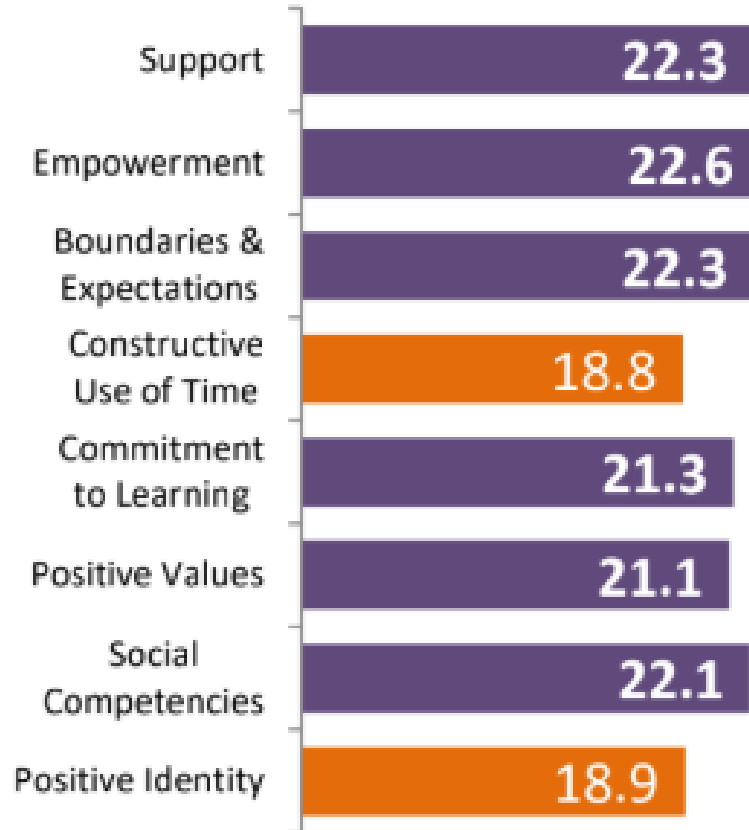
Challenged (lowest level)

Adequate

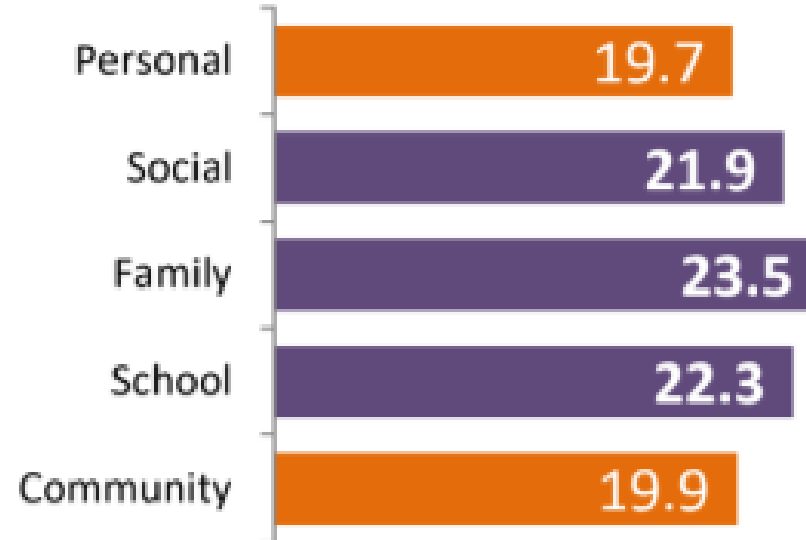
Vulnerable

Thriving (highest level)

Mean Scores for 8 Categories of Assets (Range 0–30)

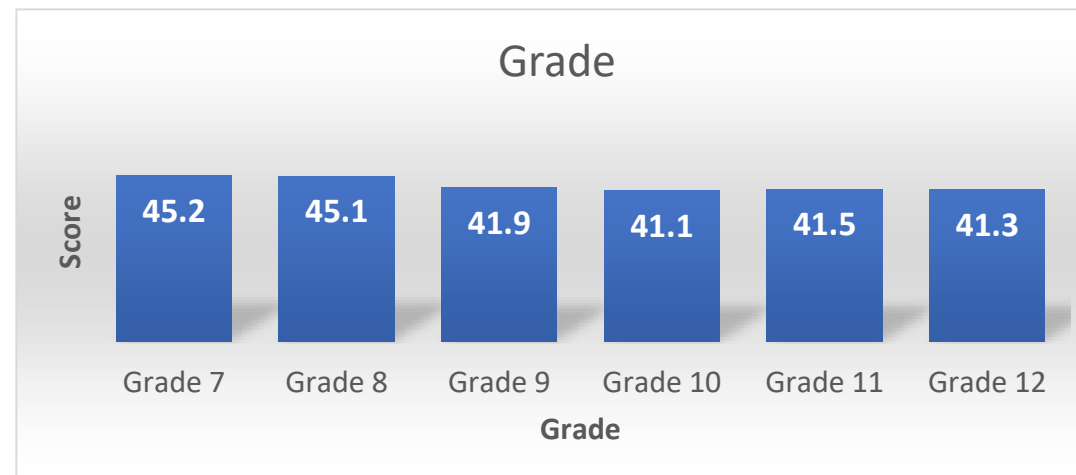
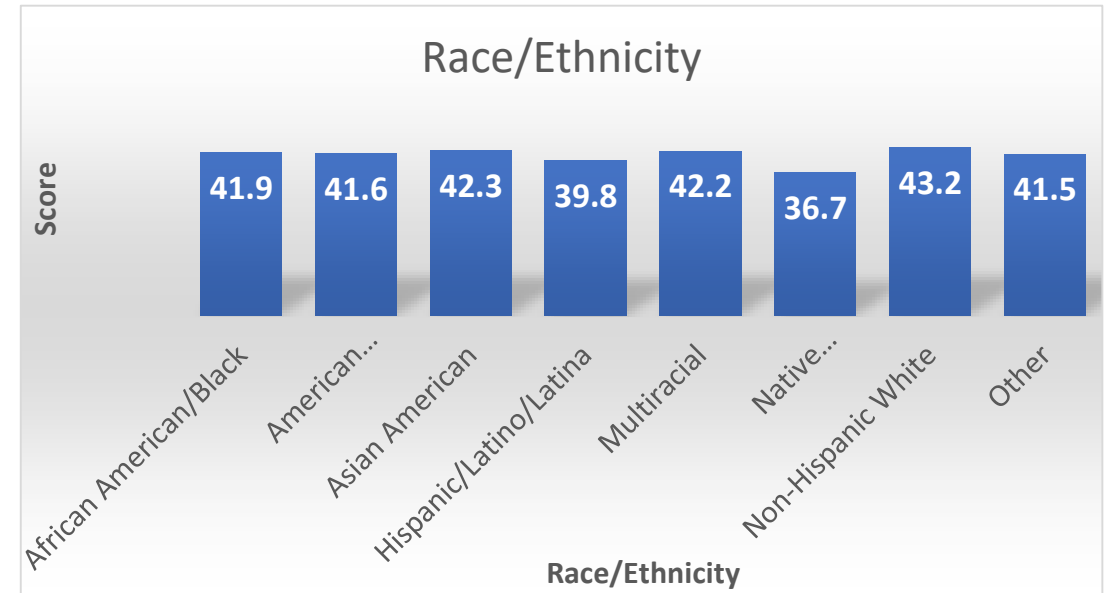
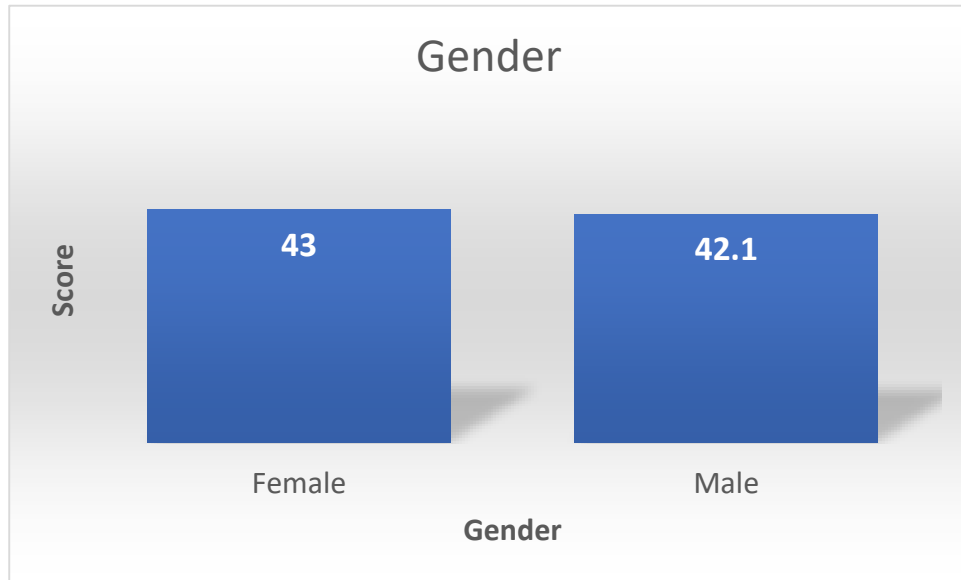


Mean Scores for 5 Asset-Building Contexts (Range: 0–30)



Young People's Composite Asset Scores by Demographics

Total Sample: 42.6



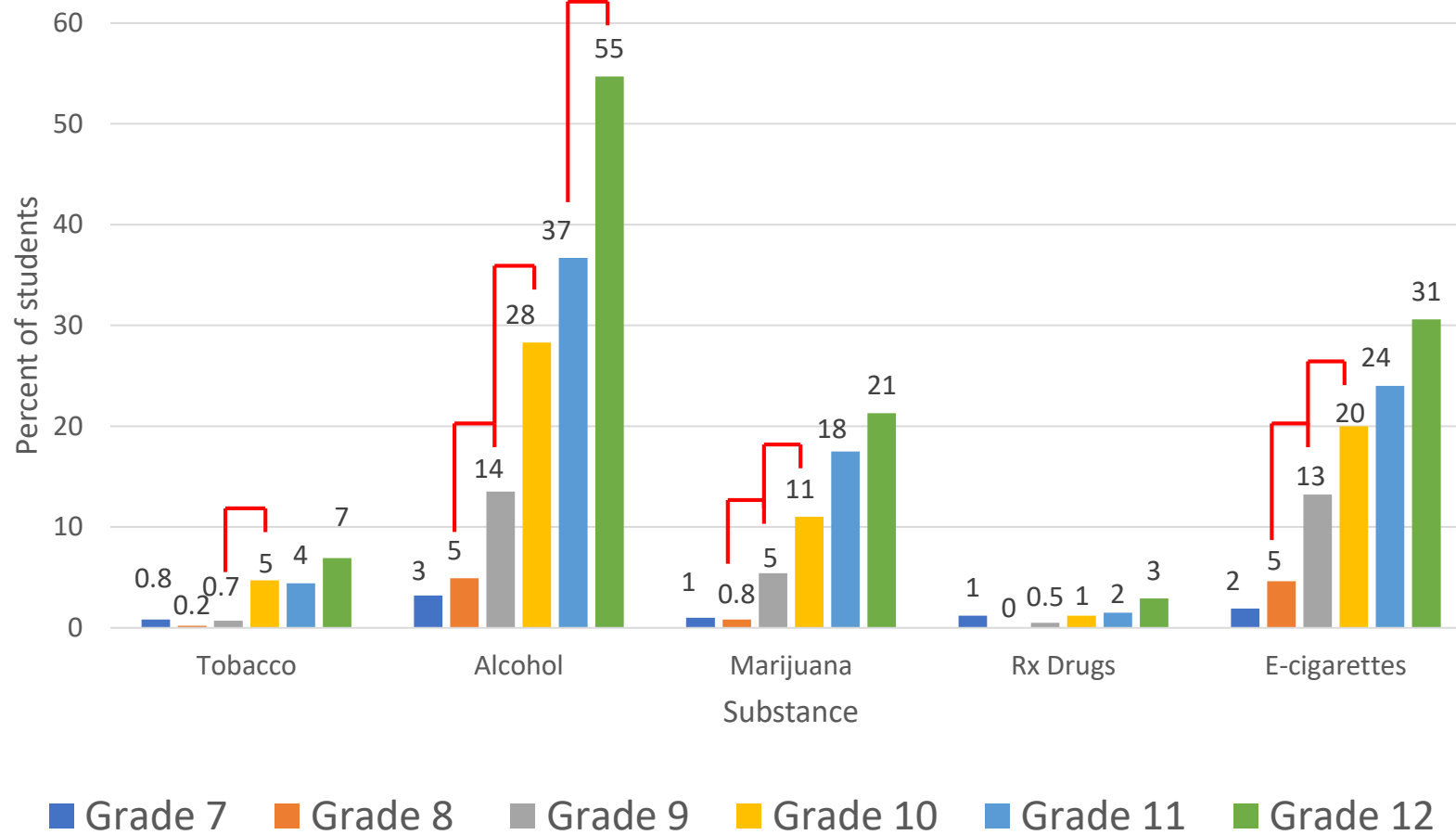
2018 Greenwich Youth Addendum Survey Results

What does the Alcohol, Tobacco Other Drugs and Gambling (“ATODG”) Measure?

The ATODG Addendum asks 22 questions regarding youth’s :

- usage of alcohol, tobacco & other drugs
- perceptions of risk of alcohol, tobacco, e-cigarettes and other drugs
- perception of their parent’s views of alcohol, tobacco & other drugs
- frequency of gambling/participation in fantasy sports
- experience of bullying in last 12 months?

30-Day use by grade

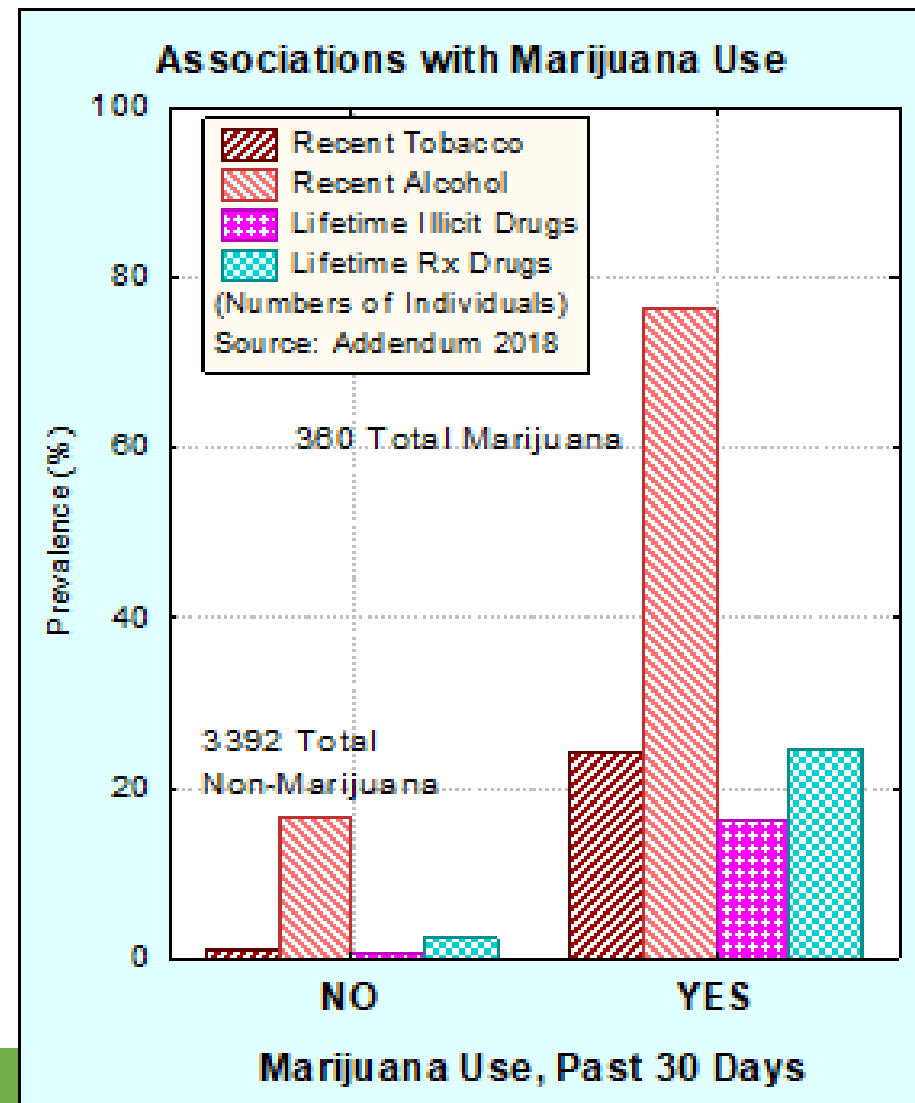
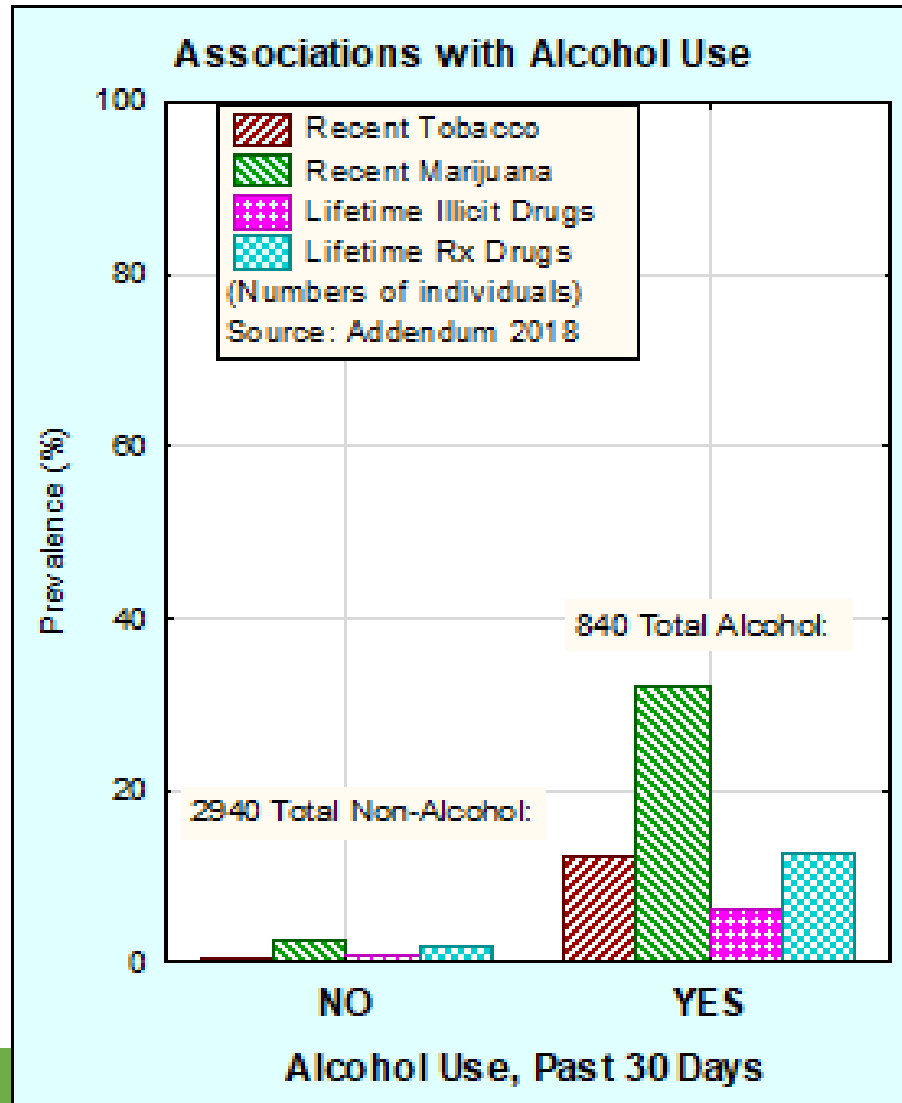


Use of meds without own prescription

Lifetime use of meds without own prescription

Substance	Grade						Gender		
	7	8	9	10	11	12	Female	Male	Other
<u>What prescription drugs have you ever tried without your own prescription?</u>									
Oxycontin	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.8	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.4	5.3
Other pain med	0.4	0.3	1.0	0.5	0.2	1.5	0.5	0.7	5.3
Sleeping pills, Quaaludes	1.1	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.9	1.5	1.0	1.4	7.9
Tranquilizer	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.1	0.2	5.3
Stimulant	0.2	0.0	0.9	2.1	4.0	6.1	1.9	2.1	2.6
Steroid	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.9	0.8	0.4	0.4	5.3
Other	0.5	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	5.3
Any of above	1.7	1.0	2.6	3.7	6.1	9.6	3.6	3.9	17.5

Associations of Alcohol and Marijuana Use



Access

Q: If you wanted to, how easy would it be to get:

% who said "Very Easy"	Gr 7	Gr8	Gr9	Gr10	Gr11	Gr 12
Cigarettes	12.1	11.9	14.6	18.9	24.7	51.3
E-cigarettes	13.5	25.0	43.9	50.5	51.5	65.8
Alcohol	23.8	30.7	37.7	44.8	46.5	49.5
Marijuana	3.8	7.9	17.1	27.9	33.3	34.2
Rx drug w/o own script	6.9	7.5	8.8	9.5	11.3	12.3
A drug like cocaine, heroin, LSD or amphetamine	1.9	3.0	4.2	5.4	6.9	6.7

Opinions About Substances...

How likely are you to:

- Refuse to try a new drug that your friends wanted you to try:

Very Likely:

Gr7: 36.6 %

Gr 12: 56.4%

Why the difference ?

- Drive a car while drunk:

Very Unlikely

Gr 11: 56.7%

Gr12: 60.8%

Locations of Alcohol Use:

- In the past 30 days, did you drink alcoholic beverages at any of these places:

Your own home:

Sometimes

Gr 7: 23.5 %

Gr 12: 36.6%

Homes of other people:

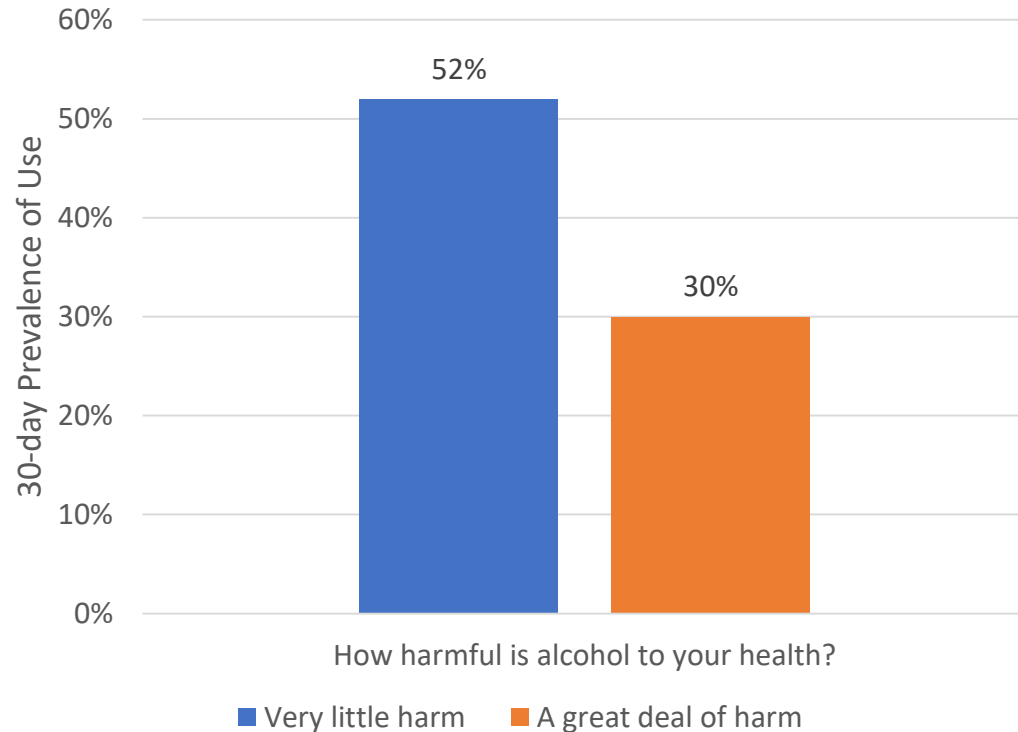
Sometimes:

Gr7: 14.9 %

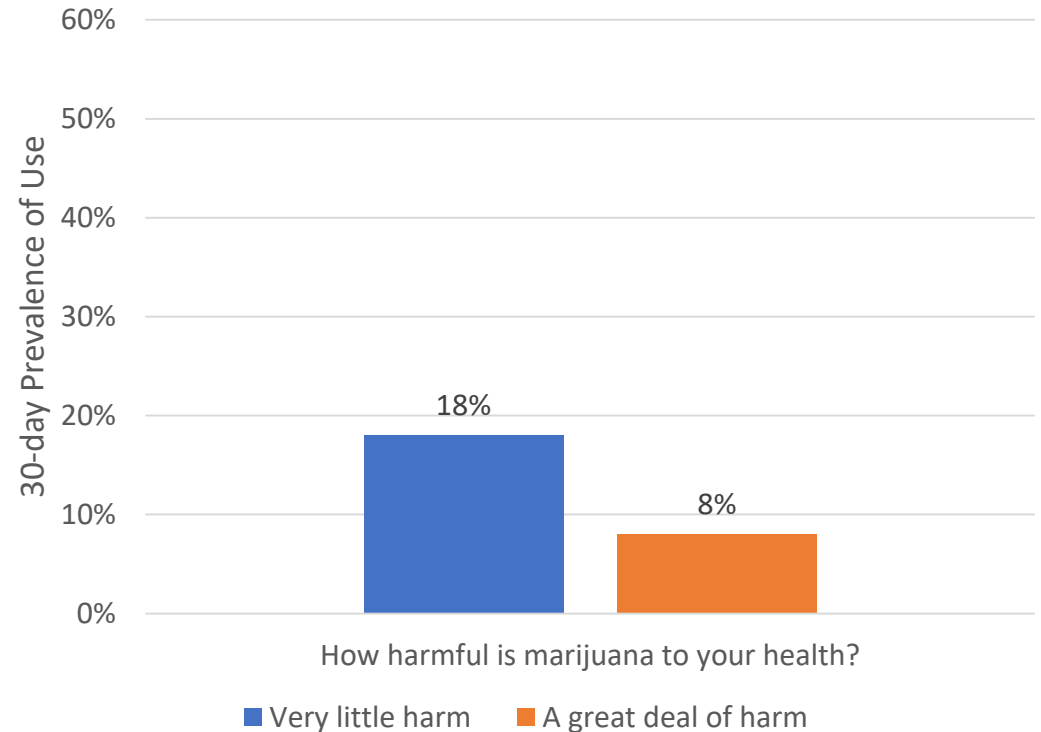
Gr 12: 44.9 %

Prevalence of Use based on Perceived Risk

30-day Prevalence of Alcohol Use Based on Perceived Risk

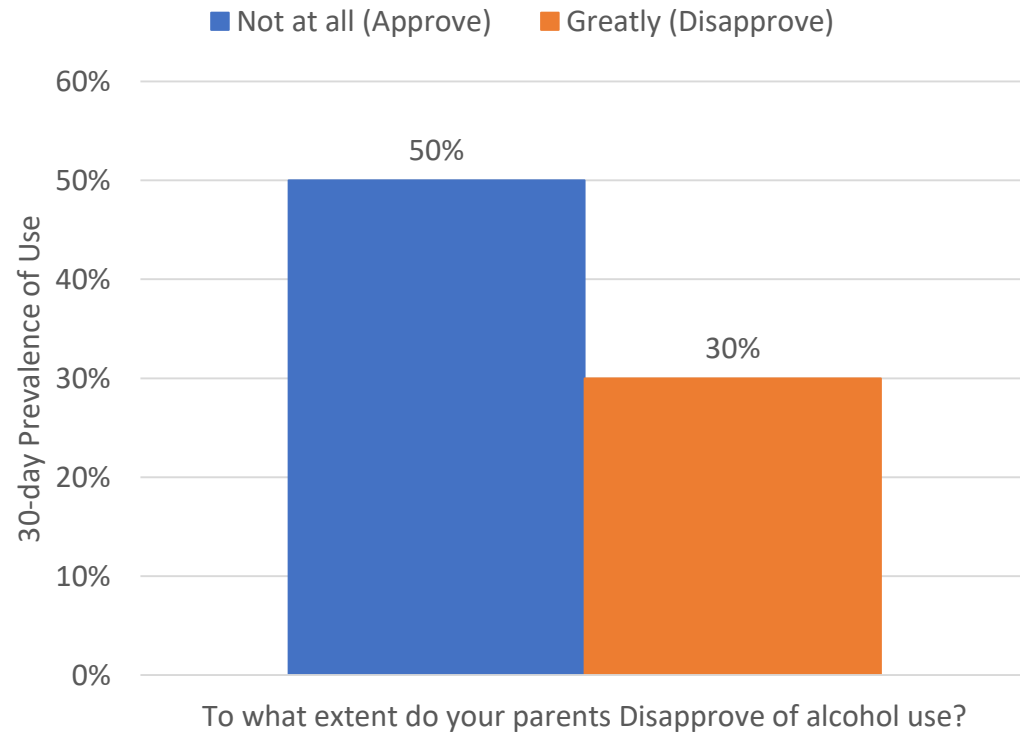


30-day Prevalence of Marijuana Use Based on Perceived Risk

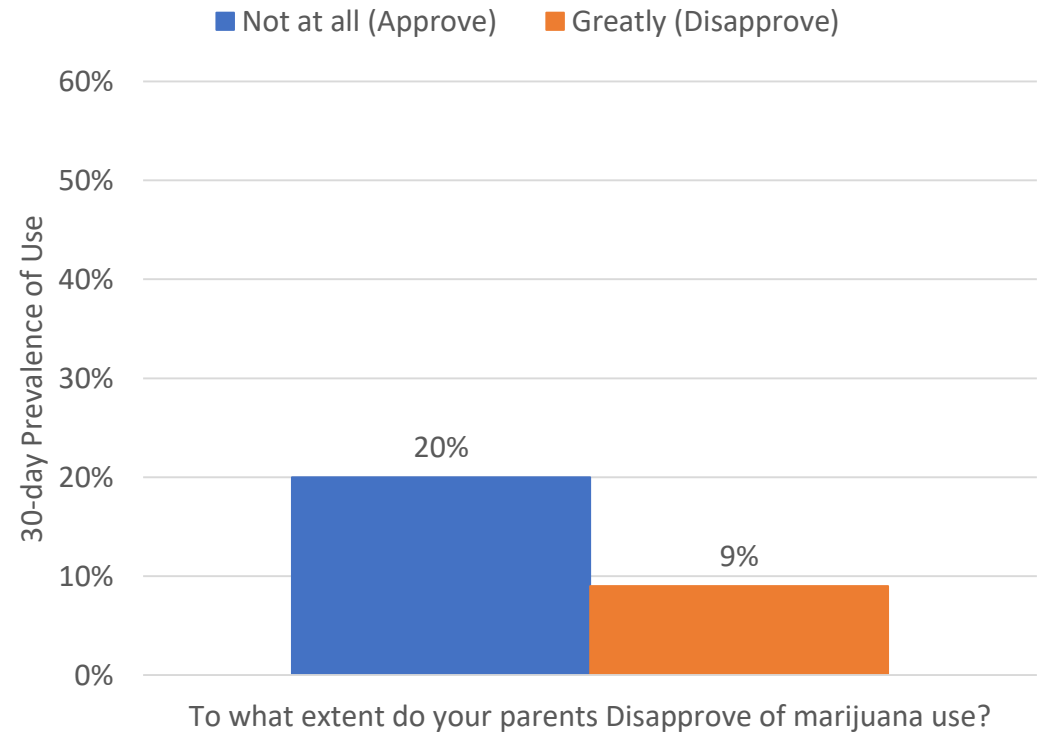


Prevalence of Use based on Parental Approval

30-day Prevalence of Alcohol Use Based on Parental Approval

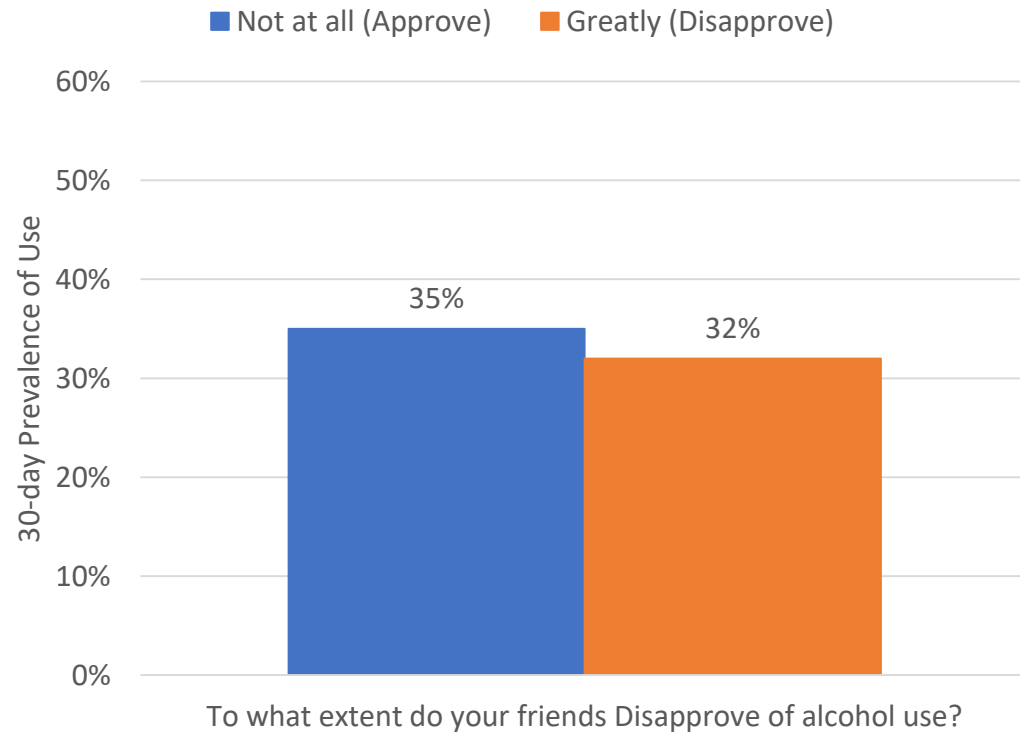


30-day Prevalence of Marijuana Use Based on Parental Approval

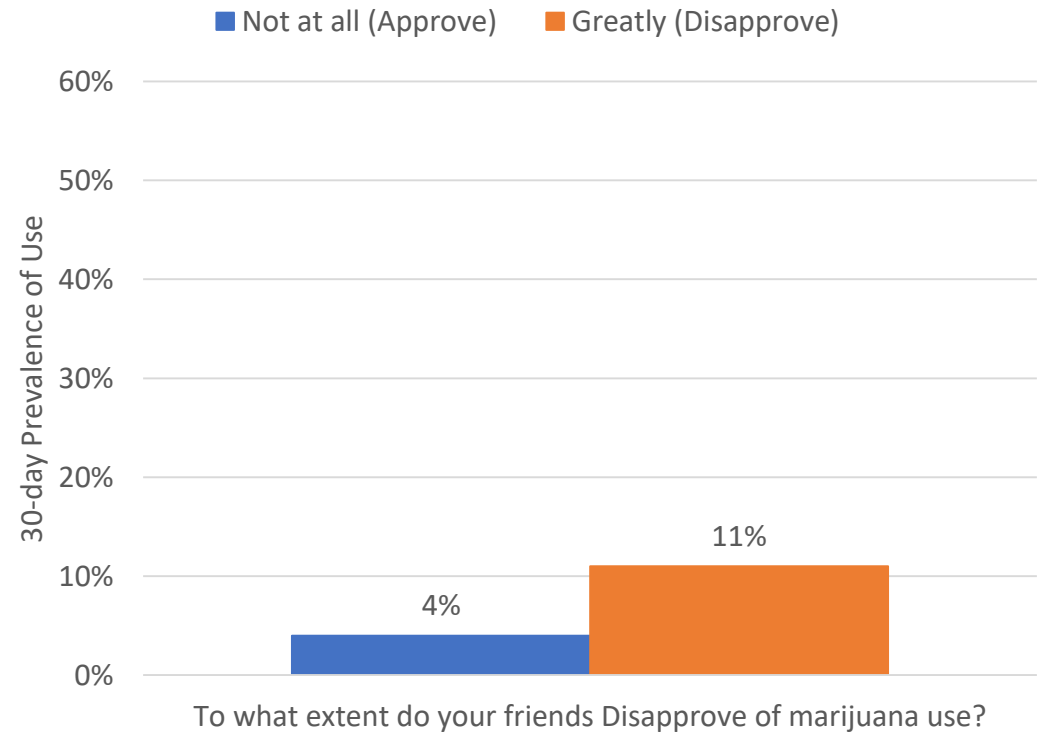


Prevalence of Use based on Friends' Approval

30-day Prevalence of Alcohol Use Based on Friends' Approval



30-day Prevalence of Marijuana Use Based on Friends' Approval



Top Five Reasons for Drinking Among Those Reporting Alcohol Use

- To Have Fun
- Friends/Peer Pressure
- Curiosity
- Ready availability of alcohol
- Stress to feel better

Top Five Self – Reported Reasons Not to Drink

Among those reporting alcohol use

- Suspend driver's license
- Check IDs
- Friends don't drink
- Breathalyzer
- Strict Parents

Among those reporting **no** alcohol use

- Check IDs
- Suspend driver's license
- Friends don't drink
- Strict Parents
- Breathalyzer

Bullying

In past 12 months, have you been:

YES	Gr 7	Gr 8	Gr 9	Gr 10	Gr 11	Gr 12
Electronically bullied?	13.4	10.8	12.3	13.1	8.5	11.6
Bullied on school property?	18.8	15.7	14.1	12.9	10.2	11.2

Bullying is when one or more students tease, threaten, spread rumors about, hit, shove, or hurt another students over and over again. It is not bullying when 2 students of about the same strength or power argue or fight or tease each other in a friendly way.

Electronic bullying: Count being bullied through texting, Instagram, facebook or other social media

Key Takeaways

- Increasing the number of assets positively impacts thriving behavior
- Perception of risk and parental disapproval affect use
- Increase use with increasing age is primarily in marijuana, alcohol and e-cigarettes
- Although smoking rates are low, vaping has become prevalent
- Stimulants are the most common prescription drug use
- Consistent increases in use of alcohol, e-cigarettes and marijuana are seen Grade 8 to 9 and Grade 9 to 10

Thank You!

