2011 Vermont Youth Risk Behavior Survey Data Brief, February 2013: Marijuana Use

Marijuana Use

In 2011, the Vermont Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) asked students in grades 9-12 about marijuana use. In 2011, **24 percent** of students responded that they had used marijuana in the past 30 days **(21 percent of female** students and **28 percent of male** students). In 2011, **39 percent** of students reported having used marijuana at least once in their lifetime (**35 percent** of female students and **42 percent** of male students).

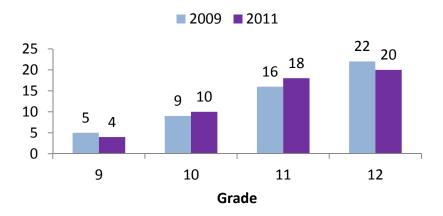
■Lifetime Use ■■Past 30 Day Use 1997 1999 2005 2007 2009 2011

Figure 1. Lifetime and past 30 day use of marijuana among students in grades 9-12

Driving and Marijuana Use

In 2011, **13 percent** of students responded that they drove a car or other vehicle while under the influence of marijuana in the past 30 days (**10 percent** of female students and **16 percent** of male students).

Figure 2. Percent of students reporting driving a car or other vehicle when they had been smoking marijuana, past 30 days, grades 9-12





Marijuana Use by County

The following map depicts counties where past 30 day use of marijuana was statistically better, the same, or worse than the state average.

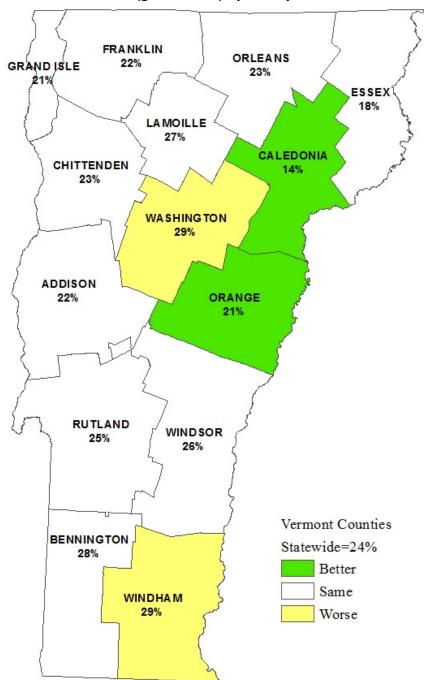


Figure 3. Percent of students reporting past 30 day use of marijuana (grades 9-12) by county

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