

**Table 52 (page 1 of 3). Health risk behaviors among students in grades 9–12, by sex, grade level, race, and Hispanic origin: United States, selected years 1991–2015**

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[Data are based on a national sample of high school students, grades 9–12]

Sex, grade level, race, and Hispanic origin	Seriously considered suicide <sup>1</sup>				In a physical fight <sup>1</sup>				Carried a weapon <sup>2,3</sup>			
	1991	2001	2013	2015	1991	2001	2013	2015	1991	2001	2013	2015
Percent of students												
Total . . . . .	29.0	19.0	17.0	17.7	42.5	33.2	24.7	22.6	26.1	17.4	17.9	16.2
Male												
Total . . . . .	20.8	14.2	11.6	12.2	50.2	43.1	30.2	28.4	40.6	29.3	28.1	24.3
9th grade . . . . .	17.6	14.7	9.9	10.7	57.8	50.0	33.2	32.5	44.4	33.7	26.4	24.6
10th grade . . . . .	19.5	13.8	11.3	10.8	50.2	45.0	30.9	29.4	41.5	28.4	26.4	25.5
11th grade . . . . .	25.3	14.1	14.0	13.3	51.0	38.0	31.6	27.1	44.0	28.1	30.5	23.0
12th grade . . . . .	20.7	13.7	11.0	14.0	42.3	36.5	23.8	22.9	33.1	25.6	29.5	23.4
Not Hispanic or Latino:												
White . . . . .	21.7	14.9	11.4	11.5	49.1	43.1	27.1	26.6	41.2	31.3	33.4	28.0
Black or African American . . . . .	13.3	9.2	10.2	11.0	58.4	43.9	37.5	38.6	43.4	22.4	18.2	17.6
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	18.0	12.2	11.5	12.4	48.5	42.4	34.2	27.3	40.0	26.0	23.8	20.2
Female												
Total . . . . .	37.2	23.6	22.4	23.4	34.4	23.9	19.2	16.5	10.9	6.2	7.9	7.5
9th grade . . . . .	40.3	26.2	24.6	26.5	42.9	30.3	23.3	22.6	10.4	7.4	8.6	6.6
10th grade . . . . .	39.7	24.1	23.4	25.7	35.4	24.9	21.9	17.6	11.1	5.4	9.2	7.2
11th grade . . . . .	38.4	23.6	22.3	22.1	34.5	20.3	16.7	12.8	12.9	5.9	5.9	8.0
12th grade . . . . .	30.7	18.9	18.7	18.6	25.4	16.9	13.9	12.0	9.5	5.3	7.5	8.0
Not Hispanic or Latina:												
White . . . . .	38.6	24.2	21.1	22.8	32.2	21.7	14.6	13.5	7.5	5.1	8.3	8.1
Black or African American . . . . .	29.4	17.2	18.6	18.7	43.8	29.6	32.1	25.4	23.6	8.6	7.2	6.2
Hispanic or Latina . . . . .	34.6	26.5	26.0	25.6	34.8	29.3	22.8	18.6	12.9	7.4	7.7	7.1

  

Sex, grade level, race, and Hispanic origin	Rarely or never wore a seatbelt <sup>4</sup>				Rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol <sup>2,4</sup>				Texted or e-mailed while driving a car or other vehicle <sup>5</sup>			
	1991	2001	2013	2015	1991	2001	2013	2015	1991	2001	2013	2015
Percent of students												
Total . . . . .	25.9	14.1	7.6	6.1	39.9	30.7	21.9	20.0	---	---	41.4	41.5
Male												
Total . . . . .	30.0	18.1	9.1	7.2	40.0	31.8	21.4	19.6	---	---	41.8	42.4
9th grade . . . . .	30.0	19.4	9.8	7.0	33.9	29.2	18.1	19.1	---	---	18.3	17.4
10th grade . . . . .	25.5	16.6	8.4	7.6	36.6	31.5	19.9	19.0	---	---	27.8	25.2
11th grade . . . . .	29.5	17.5	9.7	7.1	45.0	32.8	23.4	20.4	---	---	49.6	50.1
12th grade . . . . .	34.7	18.6	8.3	6.1	44.7	34.5	25.3	19.9	---	---	61.0	61.9
Not Hispanic or Latino:												
White . . . . .	28.6	17.7	8.5	5.3	40.2	31.2	19.6	17.7	---	---	45.1	45.0
Black or African American . . . . .	37.5	20.3	11.8	12.4	37.5	31.2	18.9	20.6	---	---	31.5	33.0
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	37.1	17.7	8.9	6.8	47.2	37.1	28.9	25.3	---	---	39.5	42.2
Female												
Total . . . . .	21.6	10.2	6.1	4.9	39.8	29.6	22.4	20.2	---	---	40.9	40.4
9th grade . . . . .	25.0	10.8	7.1	5.5	36.0	31.3	20.8	21.3	---	---	15.1	14.4
10th grade . . . . .	20.4	10.3	5.7	4.5	38.8	29.9	23.8	18.4	---	---	25.0	24.7
11th grade . . . . .	20.8	9.7	6.3	4.1	39.7	25.4	21.8	20.1	---	---	48.7	45.1
12th grade . . . . .	20.2	9.4	5.1	5.1	44.8	31.3	23.2	21.0	---	---	59.5	60.8
Not Hispanic or Latina:												
White . . . . .	18.7	9.7	4.7	3.5	40.9	29.4	19.9	17.5	---	---	46.7	45.3
Black or African American . . . . .	31.9	12.2	7.1	7.6	33.8	24.2	24.8	21.2	---	---	26.5	33.1
Hispanic or Latina . . . . .	25.9	11.3	8.7	6.3	46.7	39.3	29.2	27.3	---	---	32.1	28.2

See footnotes at end of table.

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Sex, grade level, race, and Hispanic origin	Ever had sexual intercourse				Did not use a condom at last sex <sup>6,7</sup>				Ever physically forced to have sex			
	1991	2001	2013	2015	1991	2001	2013	2015	1991	2001	2013	2015
Percent of students												
Total . . . . .	54.1	45.6	46.8	41.2	53.8	42.1	40.9	43.1	---	7.7	7.3	6.7
Male												
Total . . . . .	57.4	48.5	47.5	43.2	45.5	34.9	34.2	38.5	---	5.1	4.2	3.1
9th grade . . . . .	45.6	40.5	32.0	27.3	44.1	31.1	30.5	36.7	---	5.9	3.8	2.1
10th grade . . . . .	50.9	42.2	41.1	37.9	43.1	30.7	30.7	34.4	---	4.1	2.8	3.9
11th grade . . . . .	64.5	54.0	54.3	51.2	43.2	34.7	29.4	37.5	---	4.3	4.7	2.8
12th grade . . . . .	68.3	61.0	65.4	59.0	49.3	40.8	42.0	42.6	---	5.8	5.5	3.5
Not Hispanic or Latino:												
White . . . . .	52.7	45.1	42.2	39.5	44.8	36.2	38.2	41.9	---	3.8	3.1	2.0
Black or African American . . . . .	88.1	68.8	68.4	58.8	43.0	27.3	27.0	26.4	---	8.5	5.2	4.4
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	64.1	53.0	51.7	45.1	53.0	40.9	33.5	37.5	---	6.2	5.2	4.0
Female												
Total . . . . .	50.8	42.9	46.0	39.2	62.0	48.7	46.9	48.0	---	10.3	10.5	10.3
9th grade . . . . .	32.2	29.1	28.1	20.7	49.7	33.4	43.5	43.3	---	8.6	8.3	9.4
10th grade . . . . .	45.3	39.3	41.7	33.5	63.6	47.8	44.5	46.0	---	10.7	11.8	7.9
11th grade . . . . .	60.2	49.7	53.9	48.2	59.3	47.3	45.2	47.1	---	9.9	10.5	12.0
12th grade . . . . .	65.1	60.1	62.8	57.2	67.4	58.8	51.6	51.2	---	12.2	11.2	11.9
Not Hispanic or Latina:												
White . . . . .	47.1	41.3	45.3	40.3	62.0	49.0	46.8	44.1	---	9.8	9.1	9.9
Black or African American . . . . .	75.9	53.4	53.4	37.4	60.6	39.3	44.7	53.3	---	10.6	11.5	10.3
Hispanic or Latina . . . . .	43.3	44.0	46.9	39.8	73.1	52.4	49.3	51.7	---	11.6	12.2	10.1

  

Sex, grade level, race, and Hispanic origin	Watched television 3 or more hours <sup>8</sup>				Played video or computer games or used a computer 3 or more hours <sup>8,9</sup>				Not physically active at least 60 minutes every day <sup>7,10</sup>			
	1991	2001	2013	2015	1991	2001	2013	2015	1991	2001	2013	2015
Percent of students												
Total . . . . .	---	38.3	32.5	24.7	---	---	41.3	41.7	---	---	72.9	72.9
Male												
Total . . . . .	---	41.8	32.8	25.0	---	---	42.3	40.6	---	---	63.4	64.0
9th grade . . . . .	---	51.4	34.6	26.3	---	---	43.0	42.5	---	---	59.5	59.9
10th grade . . . . .	---	42.3	32.4	24.6	---	---	44.9	43.4	---	---	65.4	63.3
11th grade . . . . .	---	36.8	32.3	24.6	---	---	42.4	36.1	---	---	63.0	65.7
12th grade . . . . .	---	33.5	31.9	24.4	---	---	38.4	40.8	---	---	66.5	67.4
Not Hispanic or Latino:												
White . . . . .	---	35.7	25.7	21.4	---	---	39.1	38.9	---	---	62.5	61.5
Black or African American . . . . .	---	69.1	55.3	37.0	---	---	51.9	41.2	---	---	62.8	69.2
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	---	49.7	36.5	27.4	---	---	42.0	45.1	---	---	66.1	65.8
Female												
Total . . . . .	---	35.0	32.2	24.4	---	---	40.4	42.8	---	---	82.3	82.3
9th grade . . . . .	---	39.6	35.3	25.3	---	---	46.5	48.7	---	---	79.9	79.1
10th grade . . . . .	---	36.2	32.2	24.1	---	---	41.0	43.3	---	---	79.5	81.0
11th grade . . . . .	---	32.5	30.4	22.4	---	---	37.6	38.1	---	---	85.6	84.0
12th grade . . . . .	---	29.2	30.6	25.9	---	---	35.4	40.4	---	---	84.7	85.7
Not Hispanic or Latina:												
White . . . . .	---	26.5	24.3	18.8	---	---	35.6	38.3	---	---	81.3	80.5
Black or African American . . . . .	---	68.6	52.2	41.5	---	---	46.6	48.4	---	---	84.0	83.4
Hispanic or Latina . . . . .	---	46.0	39.0	29.2	---	---	44.8	47.4	---	---	82.6	85.3

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Sex, grade level, race, and Hispanic origin	Did not eat breakfast on all 7 days <sup>7,10</sup>				Got fewer than 8 hours of sleep <sup>7,11</sup>			
	1991	2001	2013	2015	1991	2001	2013	2015
	Percent of students							
Total . . . . .	---	---	61.9	63.7	---	---	68.3	72.7
Male								
Total . . . . .	---	---	57.6	59.5	---	---	65.5	69.9
9th grade . . . . .	---	---	51.1	53.4	---	---	55.0	60.7
10th grade . . . . .	---	---	58.2	57.7	---	---	62.9	66.2
11th grade . . . . .	---	---	60.4	62.9	---	---	70.6	77.1
12th grade . . . . .	---	---	62.3	65.3	---	---	75.7	77.4
Not Hispanic or Latino:								
White . . . . .	---	---	55.1	56.7	---	---	64.6	68.9
Black or African American . . . . .	---	---	64.3	69.2	---	---	71.2	74.4
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	---	---	60.4	60.5	---	---	64.6	67.1
Female								
Total . . . . .	---	---	66.2	67.9	---	---	71.1	75.6
9th grade . . . . .	---	---	67.5	68.1	---	---	65.2	70.9
10th grade . . . . .	---	---	65.6	68.9	---	---	70.1	76.9
11th grade . . . . .	---	---	65.2	67.6	---	---	72.4	77.0
12th grade . . . . .	---	---	66.3	67.1	---	---	77.6	77.8
Not Hispanic or Latina:								
White . . . . .	---	---	63.0	65.2	---	---	70.6	75.1
Black or African American . . . . .	---	---	75.1	75.3	---	---	72.4	79.4
Hispanic or Latina . . . . .	---	---	67.9	69.9	---	---	69.8	73.2

--- Data not available.

<sup>1</sup> During the past 12 months.

<sup>2</sup> During the past 30 days.

<sup>3</sup> Such as a gun, knife, or club.

<sup>4</sup> When riding in a car driven by someone else.

<sup>5</sup> Among students who drove a vehicle on at least 1 day during the past 30 days.

<sup>6</sup> Among students who were currently sexually active.

<sup>7</sup> Percent is 100 minus percent presented in MMWR Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Summaries. See Surveillance Summaries at <https://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/data/yrbs/index.htm>.

<sup>8</sup> On an average school day.

<sup>9</sup> For something that was not school work.

<sup>10</sup> During the past 7 days.

<sup>11</sup> On an average school night.

NOTES: Only youths attending school participated in the survey. YRBS is conducted biennially. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. Not all questions were asked for all years. All available and comparable data are presented as shown. See Appendix II, Hispanic origin; Race; Suicidal ideation. Standard errors for selected years are available in the spreadsheet version of this table. Data for additional years are available. See the Excel spreadsheet on the *Health, United States* website at: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/hus.htm>.

SOURCE: CDC/National Center for HIV, Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention, Youth Risk Behavior Survey. See Youth Online website at <http://nccd.cdc.gov/youthonline>. See Appendix I, Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS).