

Table 2.105

Students disapproving of drug use and alcohol use

By type of drug, frequency of use, and student grade level, United States, 1993-96

Question: "Do you disapprove of people who . . .?"

(Percent disapproving^a)

Type of drug and frequency of use	Eighth grade				Tenth grade				Twelfth grade ^b			
	1993 (N=18,435)	1994 (N=17,429)	1995 (N=17,560)	1996 (N=17,998)	1993 (N=15,334)	1994 (N=15,891)	1995 (N=17,016)	1996 (N=15,686)	1993 (N=2,723)	1994 (N=2,588)	1995 (N=2,603)	1996 (N=2,399)
Try marijuana once or twice	79.2%	72.9%	70.7%	67.5%	70.3%	62.4%	59.8%	55.5%	63.3%	57.6%	56.7%	52.5%
Smoke marijuana occasionally	85.7	80.9	79.7	76.5	79.4	72.3	70.0	66.9	75.5	68.9	66.7	62.9
Smoke marijuana regularly	88.9	85.3	85.1	82.8	87.4	82.2	81.1	79.7	87.6	82.3	81.9	80.0
Try inhalants once or twice	82.5	81.6	81.8	82.9	84.8	84.9	84.5	86.0	NA	NA	NA	NA
Take inhalants regularly	88.9	88.1	88.8	89.3	90.9	91.0	90.9	91.7	NA	NA	NA	NA
Try LSD once or twice ^c	77.1	75.2	71.6	70.9	82.1	79.3	77.9	76.8	85.9	82.5	81.1	79.6
Take LSD regularly ^c	79.8	78.4	75.8	75.3	86.8	85.6	84.8	84.5	95.8	94.3	92.5	93.2
Try crack once or twice	89.1	86.9	85.9	85.0	91.4	89.9	88.7	88.2	89.9	89.5	91.4	87.4
Take crack occasionally	91.7	89.9	89.8	89.3	93.6	92.5	91.7	91.9	92.8	92.8	94.0	91.2
Try cocaine powder once or twice	88.5	86.1	85.3	83.9	90.0	88.1	86.8	86.1	86.6	87.1	88.3	83.1
Take cocaine powder occasionally	91.6	89.7	89.7	88.7	93.2	92.1	91.4	91.1	91.2	91.0	92.7	89.7
Try one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage (beer, wine, liquor)	50.9	47.8	48.0	45.5	38.5	36.5	36.1	34.2	30.1	28.4	27.3	26.5
Take one or two drinks nearly every day	79.6	76.7	75.9	74.1	78.6	75.2	75.4	73.8	77.8	73.1	73.3	70.8
Have five or more drinks once or twice each weekend	83.3	80.7	80.7	79.1	74.7	72.3	72.2	70.7	70.1	65.1	66.7	64.7
Take steroids ^d	89.9	87.9	NA	NA	91.2	90.8	NA	NA	92.1	91.9	91.0	91.7

Note: See Note, table 2.98. Readers interested in responses to this question for 1991 and 1992 should consult previous editions of SOURCEBOOK. For survey methodology and definitions of terms, see Appendix 7.

^dData for eighth and tenth grades are based on a single form in 1993 and 1994; N is one-half of N indicated.

^aAnswer alternatives were: (1) don't disapprove, (2) disapprove, and (3) strongly disapprove. For eighth and tenth grades the response "can't say, drug unfamiliar" was also available. Percentages are shown for categories (2) and (3) combined.

^bThe twelfth grade questions ask about people who are 18 or older.

^cData for eighth and tenth grades are based on a single questionnaire form; N is one-half of N indicated.

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