

2020 STUDENT SURVEY

ALCOHOL & DRUG MISUSE BY YOUTH IN HAMILTON COUNTY

The PreventionFIRST! (PFI) Student Survey is a youth survey administered every other year. Results of the Student Survey provide comprehensive descriptions of the self-reported drug use patterns of area youth. In addition to substance use/misuse, students are asked about gambling behaviors, school climate, and other factors associated with substance use/misuse. The following data is the results to the 2019-2020 survey cycle for Hamilton County, Ohio.

METHODOLOGY

14,362 seventh through twelfth grade students attending schools in Hamilton County, Ohio completed the localized version of the PRIDE questionnaire between October 2019 and November 2019. No surveys were conducted outside of the school building.

DEMOGRAPHICS

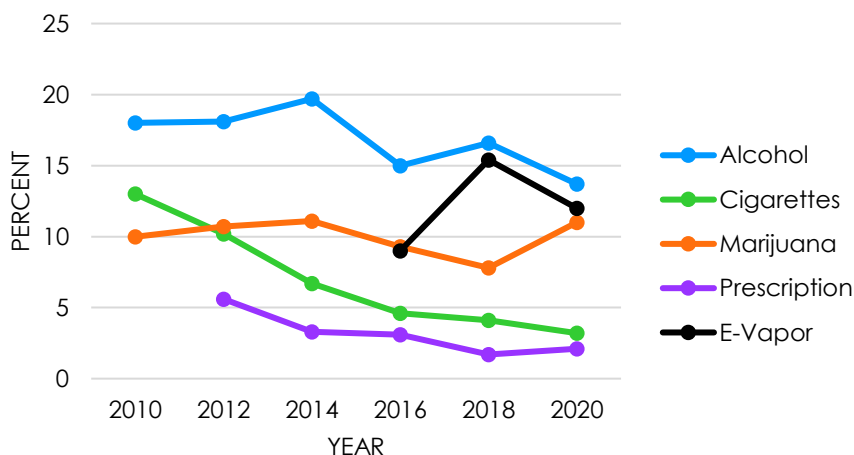
The racial/ethnic makeup of respondents is representative of the 7th-12th grade student population of the schools who participated in southwest Ohio.

4 Key Measures of Substance Use/Misuse for Hamilton County

Measure	Alcohol	Tobacco	Marijuana	Prescription Drugs ¹	E-Vapor
Past 30-Day Use	13.7%	3.2%	11.0%	2.1%	12.0%
Perception of Harm ²	77.2%	84.4%	56.1%	83.4%	68.7%
Parental Disapproval ³	83.4%	92.8%	86.5%	94.1%	91.2%
Friend Disapproval ³	60.8%	78.0%	62.1%	86.2%	65.0%

¹Non-medical use ²Percent responding harmful or very harmful ³Percent responding that parent or friend feels behavior is wrong or very wrong

Past 30-Day Use



Most kids are **NOT** using alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs.



Past 30-Day use of Marijuana increased, going from 7.8% in 2018 to 11.0% in 2020.



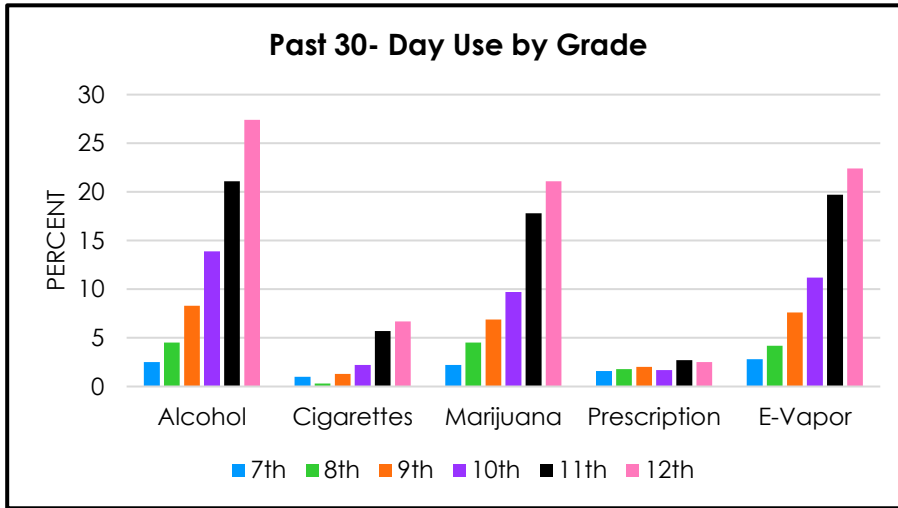
Past 30-Day use of Alcohol decreased by 2.9% from 2018 to 2020.

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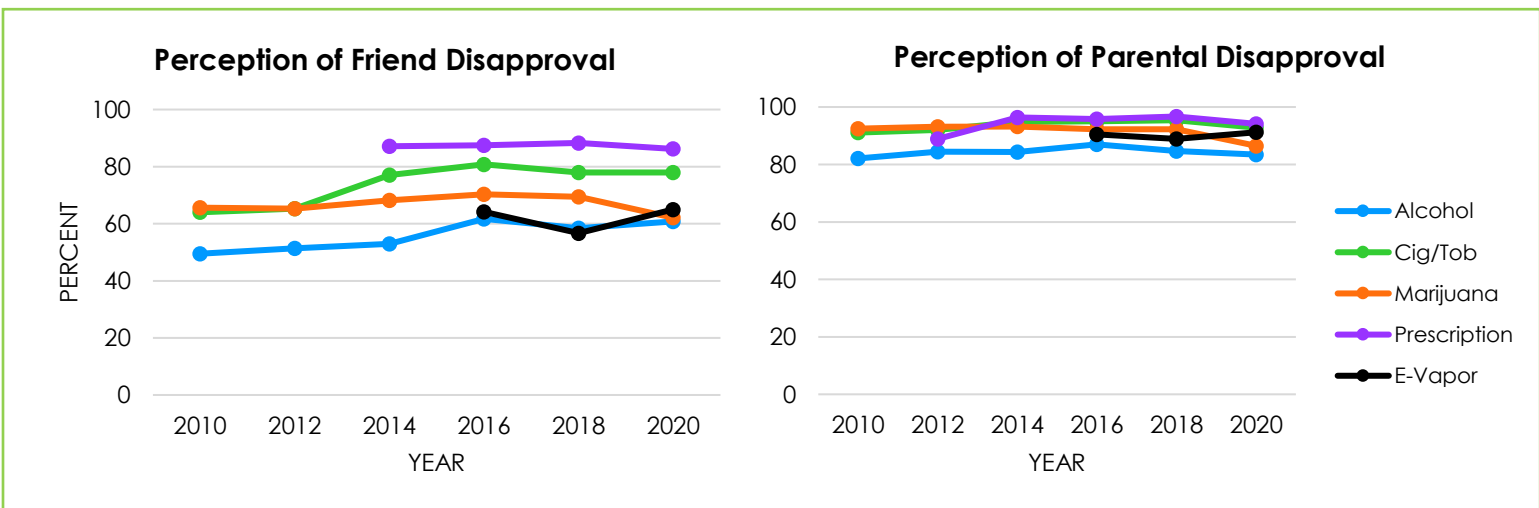
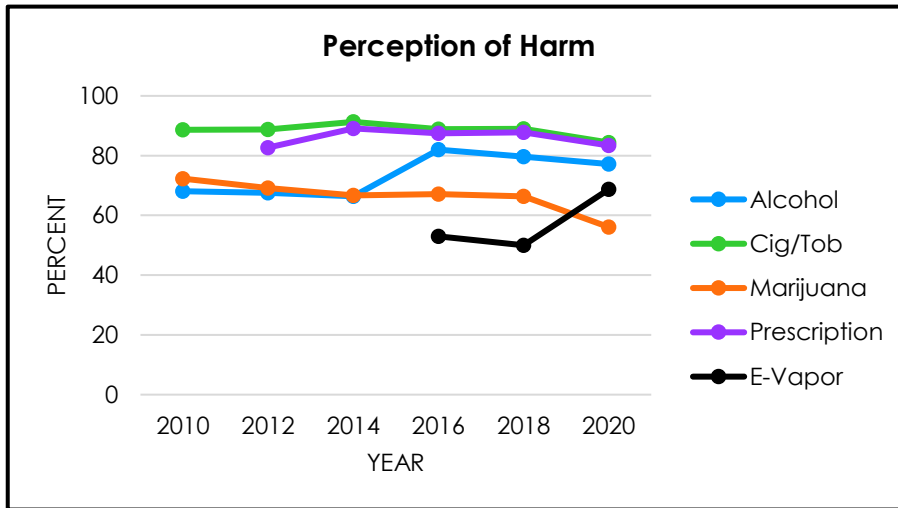
Age of First Use ranges from **13.2–14.5 years old**.

34.9% of Students said they get 8 or more hours of **sleep** on an average school night.

Perception of Harm for Electronic Vapor Products increased by **18.7%** from 2018 to 2020

54.4% of Students said that in general they feel **stressed** often/ a lot.

Alcohol and Electronic Vapor Products are perceived as **most available** with **38.8%** and **39.8%** of students reported them as fairly/very easy to obtain.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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