

# 2006 Student Drug Use Survey

## About the Survey

In 2006, a total of 52,203 seventh through twelfth grade students in 104 public and private schools in the five Ohio counties of Butler, Brown, Clermont, Hamilton and Warren; four Kentucky counties of Boone, Campbell, Grant and Kenton; and two Indiana counties of Dearborn and Franklin completed the localized version of the PRIDE survey between November 15 and December 15, 2005. No sampling was conducted. Every student in school on the day the survey was administered completed the survey. No surveys were conducted outside of the school building.

2000 - 47,727 Respondents  
 2002 - 66,938 Respondents  
 2004 - 62,572 Respondents

## Survey Topics

- Youth drug use rates and patterns
- Access and availability to drugs
- Risk and protective factors - how use impacts school, family & community, including workplace
- Youth involvement in school and community activities
- School safety issues
- Workplace issues
- Gang activity
- Demographic breakouts of youth compared to region
- Others

*Topic summaries and regional key findings from 2000 to 2006 are available at [www.DrugFreeCincinnati.org](http://www.DrugFreeCincinnati.org). Aggregate raw data in SPSS format is available on OASIS through [www.OASIS.uc.edu](http://www.OASIS.uc.edu).*

## Illicit Drug Consumption by Youth in Greater Cincinnati

Results from the Coalition for a Drug-Free Greater Cincinnati 2006 Student Drug Use Survey

### Youth who report using illicit drugs in their lifetime



### Youth who report using illicit drugs in the past 30 days



### Consumption of Illicit Drugs by Greater Cincinnati Youth

- The average age for first use of illicit drugs is 12.6 years old. By the seventh grade, 4% report having tried illicit drugs. By the ninth grade, 17% of those who tried have become monthly users or harmfully involved with the drug.
- Most likely to use at home or friends house: 72% of all use is in a private residence.
- Most likely to use on weekends with 64% of usage on weekends.
- Forty-one percent of seventh through ninth graders report that illicit drugs are fairly easy or very easy to get.

### Demographics of Respondents Who Report Using Illicit Drugs

#### Demographic % who used illicit drugs in last 30 days

##### Grade

7	4%
8	8%
9	11%
10	16%
11	19%
12	21%

##### Gender

Male	15%
Female	11%

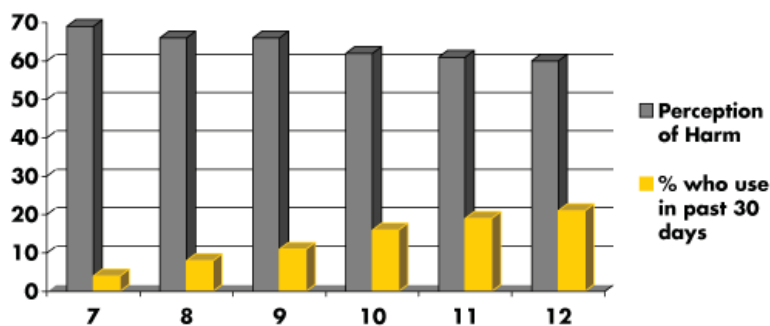
##### Race

White	12%
African American	15%
Hispanic	17%
Other	16%

## PERCEPTION OF HARM RELATED TO USE

Youth who report that using illicit drugs is harmful or very harmful are far less likely to use than youth who report no harm or some harm.

As perception of harm decreases; use increases.



## IMPACT OF USE

Behavior Reported	Percent of illicit drug users	Percent of non-illicit drug users
Received good grades	49%	76%
Been absent ten or more days from school	13%	2%
Been in trouble at school	19%	4%
Threatened to harm student	18%	1%
Carried a gun to school	13%	1%
Threatened to harm teacher	7%	2%
Been in trouble with the police	21%	2%
Participated in gang activity	14%	1%
Threatened to harm parents	9%	1%
Thought about suicide	19%	4%
Been caught using drugs or alcohol	24%	2%
Been punished when caught	19%	4%

## RISK AND PROTECTIVE FACTORS

Risk or Protective Factor	Percent of illicit drug users	Percent of non-illicit drug users
Parents talk about drugs	24%	30%
Parents set clear rules	49%	73%
Parents enforce consequences	40%	60%
Parents disapprove of using drugs	62%	84%
Peers who use drugs	67%	9%
Peers disapprove of using drugs	35%	65%
Participate in school clubs and sports	39%	63%
Involved in faith-based program	23%	47%
Take part in community activities	14%	27%
Schools set rules on using drugs at school	66%	78%
School enforces consequences when rules broken	67%	76%
Been to a party where alcohol is present	63%	8%
Have a full or part time job	41%	27%

## USE OF OTHER DRUGS

Drug	Percent of illicit drug users	Percent of non-illicit drug users
Use alcohol	73%	15%
Use marijuana	81%	13%
Use tobacco	88%	9%