

Table 3.55

High school students reporting involvement in delinquent and risk-related behaviors

By sex, race, ethnicity, and grade level, United States, 1995

(Percent reporting engaging in the behavior)

	Total	Sex		Race, ethnicity			Grade level			
		Male	Female	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	9th grade	10th grade	11th grade	12th grade
Rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol ^a	38.8%	39.5%	37.8%	37.7%	37.1%	49.4%	37.6%	37.3%	37.4%	42.2%
Drove after drinking alcohol ^a	15.4	18.5	11.9	16.8	10.5	15.3	9.6	10.4	16.1	24.0
Carried a weapon ^b	20.0	31.1	8.3	18.9	21.8	24.7	22.6	21.1	20.3	16.1
Carried a gun ^c	7.6	12.3	2.5	6.2	10.6	10.5	8.8	8.1	6.9	6.2
In a physical fight ^d	38.7	46.1	30.6	36.0	41.6	47.9	47.3	40.4	36.9	31.0
Injured in a physical fight ^e	4.2	5.7	2.5	3.4	4.4	6.4	4.7	3.4	4.3	4.3
Felt too unsafe to go to school ^c	4.5	4.7	4.3	2.8	7.7	8.4	5.6	5.0	4.1	3.3
Carried a weapon on school property ^b	9.8	14.3	4.9	9.0	10.3	14.1	10.7	10.4	10.2	7.6
Threatened or injured with a weapon on school property ^d	8.4	10.9	5.8	7.0	11.0	12.4	9.6	9.6	7.7	6.7
In a physical fight on school property ^d	15.5	21.0	9.6	12.9	20.3	21.1	21.6	16.5	13.6	10.6
Property stolen or deliberately damaged on school property ^d	34.9	41.4	28.0	34.9	33.6	34.0	39.0	36.2	35.2	29.4
Thought seriously about attempting suicide ^f	24.1	18.3	30.4	24.9	20.0	25.0	25.7	24.5	26.3	20.0
Made a suicide plan ^f	17.7	14.4	21.3	18.0	14.2	19.5	17.8	19.5	18.2	15.1
Attempted suicide ^d	8.7	5.6	11.9	7.6	9.5	13.4	10.6	10.1	8.5	5.6

Note: These data are from the 1995 national school-based survey conducted as part of the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS). The data were collected and analyzed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. For survey methodology and sampling procedures, see Appendix 6.

^aOne or more times during the 30 days preceding the survey.

^bCarried a weapon (e.g., a gun, knife, or club) on 1 or more of the 30 days preceding the survey.

^cOn 1 or more of the 30 days preceding the survey.

^dOne or more times during the 12 months preceding the survey.

^eStudents who were injured seriously enough to be treated by a doctor or nurse.

^fDuring the 12 months preceding the survey.

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