

SPRING 2001 CORE SURVEY

The National Sample Core Alcohol and Drug Survey Revised was developed to measure alcohol and other drug usage, attitudes, perceptions and negative consequences among college students. Survey items deal with the students' attitudes; perceptions and opinions about alcohol and other drugs; students' own use and consequences of use; harassment and violence. There are several items on students' demographic and background characteristics as well as perceptions of campus climate issues and policy.

KEY FINDINGS FROM THE SURVEY

Following are some key findings on the use of alcohol:

17.9% of the students consumed alcohol in the past year
("annual prevalence")

81.1% of students did not consume any alcohol in the past year ("annual prevalence")

13.2% of the students consumed alcohol in the past 30 days
("30-day prevalence")

21.3% of underage students (younger than 21) consumed alcohol in the previous 30 days

5.4% of students reported binge drinking in the previous two weeks. A binge is defined as consuming 5 or more drinks in one sitting. On average students consumed 0.78 drinks over 1 occasion.

Following are some key findings on the use of illegal drugs:

8.2% of the students have used marijuana in the past year

(“annual prevalence”)

89.2% of students did not consume any drugs (excluding alcohol and

tobacco) in the past year (“annual prevalence”)

4.6% of students are currently marijuana users

(“30-day prevalence”)

7.5% of the students have used an illegal drug other than marijuana in the

past year (“annual prevalence”)

3/2% of the students are current users of illegal drugs other than marijuana

(“30-day prevalence”)

The most frequently reported illegal drugs used in the past 30 days were:

4.6% Marijuana (pot, hash, hash oil)

2.1% Amphetamines (diet pills, speed)

0.4% Inhalants (glue, rush, huff, gas)

Following are some key findings on the consequences of alcohol and drug use:

35.0% reported some form of public misconduct (such as trouble with police, fighting/argument, DUI, vandalism) at least once during the past year as a result of drinking or drug use.

25.0% reported experiencing some kind of serious personal problems (such as suicidality, being hurt or injured, trying unsuccessfully to stop using, sexual assault) at least once during the past year as a result of drinking or drug use.

To view the whole survey, please come to the Student Wellness Center, Room 119 or the Student Health and Wellness Center building, North Entrance.