

Table 3.16A Measures of Student Characteristics in the Past Year among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Who Were Enrolled in School in the Past Year, by Demographic and Geographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2006 and 2007

Demographic/Geographic Characteristic	STUDENT CHARACTERISTICS ¹									
	Participated in One or Fewer Activities ²		Drug or Alcohol Prevention Messages Were Seen or Heard in School		Youth Liked a Lot or Kind of Liked Going to School ³		Grade Average for Last Completed Period Was "D" or Lower ⁴		Teacher Always or Sometimes Let Youth Know They Were Doing a Good Job with School Work ⁵	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
TOTAL	3,117	3,215	17,884	17,601	18,883	18,943	1,494	1,422	18,746	18,888
AGE										
12-13	766	830	5,697	5,712	5,909	6,097	366	320	5,982	6,267
14-15	1,111	1,053	6,461	6,236	6,658	6,440	570	552	6,495	6,298
16-17	1,240	1,332	5,726	5,654	6,316	6,407	558	550	6,269	6,323
GENDER										
Male	1,816	1,943	8,932	8,852	9,413	9,458	909	906	9,603	9,622
Female	1,301	1,272	8,952	8,749	9,470	9,486	585	515	9,144	9,266
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	2,382	2,406	14,914	14,534	15,518	15,524	1,167	1,113	15,495	15,510
White	1,763	1,781	11,066	10,821	11,369	11,326	814	744	11,393	11,303
Black or African American	421	443	2,641	2,477	2,908	2,882	266	285	2,891	2,911
American Indian or Alaska Native	13	18	74	*	93	*	*	*	90	131
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	114	101	755	779	774	841	32	19	749	813
Two or More Races	57	53	312	300	298	313	31	36	305	310
Hispanic or Latino	734	809	2,970	3,068	3,364	3,419	327	308	3,251	3,378
COUNTY TYPE										
Large Metro	1,716	1,808	9,672	9,633	10,197	10,408	825	727	10,213	10,431
Small Metro	922	942	5,346	5,116	5,690	5,496	434	456	5,570	5,457
Nonmetro	479	465	2,865	2,852	2,995	3,040	236	238	2,963	3,000

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Youths who did not report their school enrollment status or reported not being enrolled in school in the past 12 months were excluded from this analysis. Youths reporting that they were "home-schooled" in the past 12 months were considered to be enrolled in school.

^a Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

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¹ Respondents with unknown data were excluded.

² The number of activities participated in is based on four questions: participation in school-based activities, community-based activities, church or faith-based activities, and other activities. For each question, the response categories include "None," "One," "Two," and "3 or more." Respondents were excluded from the analysis if they had unknown data for at least three of the questions and if their known responses did not place them in the recoded "Two or more" category.

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⁴ Response categories for Grade Average include "An 'A+', 'A,' or 'A-minus' average"; "A 'B+', 'B,' or 'B-minus' average"; "A 'C+', 'C,' or 'C-minus' average"; "A 'D' or less than a 'D' average"; and "My school does not give these grades." Respondents reporting that their school does not give these grades were excluded from the analysis.

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Table 3.16B Measures of Student Characteristics in the Past Year among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Who Were Enrolled in School in the Past Year, by Demographic and Geographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2006 and 2007

Demographic/Geographic Characteristic	STUDENT CHARACTERISTICS ¹									
	Participated in One or Fewer Activities ²		Drug or Alcohol Prevention Messages Were Seen or Heard in School		Youth Liked a Lot or Kind of Liked Going to School ³		Grade Average for Last Completed Period Was "D" or Lower ⁴		Teacher Always or Sometimes Let Youth Know They Were Doing a Good Job with School Work ⁵	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
TOTAL	13.4	13.8	76.9 ^a	75.8	80.9	81.0	6.7	6.3	80.4	80.9
AGE										
12-13	10.9	11.4	81.4 ^b	78.8	83.8	83.6	5.5	4.7	84.9	86.1
14-15	13.5	13.2	78.9	78.9	81.0	80.7	7.2	7.2	79.1	79.0
16-17	15.4	16.5	71.1	70.0	78.2	79.0	7.1	6.9	77.7	78.0
GENDER										
Male	15.2	16.3	75.0	74.5	78.7	78.9	8.0	7.9	80.3	80.4
Female	11.4	11.2	78.9 ^a	77.2	83.2	83.3	5.3	4.7	80.4	81.4
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	12.3	12.5	77.0 ^a	75.8	79.9	80.4	6.3	6.0	79.8	80.4
White	12.2	12.4	76.6	75.8	78.5	78.9	5.8	5.4	78.7	78.8
Black or African American	12.4	13.1	78.0 ^b	73.5	85.5	85.0	8.2	8.9	84.9	85.9
American Indian or Alaska Native	11.7	11.8	64.5	*	81.3	*	*	*	78.4	87.5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	12.2	10.8	81.5	83.5	83.2	89.1	3.6	2.1	80.5 ^a	86.5
Two or More Races	14.3	13.2	78.5	75.0	74.8	78.0	8.0	9.3	76.5	77.4
Hispanic or Latino	18.8	19.8	76.4	75.6	85.9	83.7	8.8	7.9	83.0	82.9
COUNTY TYPE										
Large Metro	13.7	14.3	77.4	76.5	81.3	82.1	6.9	6.0	81.4	82.4
Small Metro	13.1	13.8	76.1	75.0	80.8	80.1	6.4	6.9	79.2	79.6
Nonmetro	12.8	12.1	76.7	74.7	79.7	79.2	6.5	6.4	79.1	78.1

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