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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In examining both the results of the 2015 Oneida County TAP Survey and the trends since the first TAP Survey in 1999, there is certainly more good news than bad. This executive summary focuses on just that - the good news and the bad news items.

Good News

The use of virtually all illegal substances, such as tobacco, alcohol, marijuana and other drugs is down:

Tobacco:

- Percent of all students to ever smoke a whole cigarette: 44% in 1999; 13% in 2015.
- Percent of 11th graders to smoke in the past 30 days: 47% in 1999; 9% in 2015.

Alcohol:

- Percent of all students to ever drink alcohol: 54% in 1999; 33% in 2015
- Percent of 11th graders to drink in the past 30 days: 48% in 1999; 33% in 2015.
- Percent of teen drinkers to binge drink in the past 30 days: 35% in both 2007 and 2011; 29% in 2015.

Marijuana:

- Percent of all teens to ever use marijuana: 30% in 1999; 22% in 2015.

Other Illegal Drugs:

- Percent of all students to ever use –
Heroin – 5.1% in 2003; 1.6% in 2015;
Inhalants – 9.1% in 1999; 4% in 2015;
Methamphetamines – 4% in 2003; 2.1% in 2015;
Synthetic drugs – 7.1% in 2011; 4.6% in 2015;
Other people's prescriptions – 8.9% in 2003; 5.6% in 2015.

In the last four years (2011-2015), teen sexual activity has slowed down for the first time since the start of the TAP Survey:

- Percent of all teens to ever have sexual intercourse: 29% in 2003; 33% in 2011; and, 26% in 2015.
- Percent of sexually active teens to have three or more partners: 38% in 2003, 2007 and 2011; 33% in 2015.

Teens overall seem to feel better about their relationships with their community, school, parents and peers:

Community:

- Percent of all teens that agree there are things for kids their age to do in their community: 56% in 2011; 62% in 2015.
- Percent of all teens that agree there are opportunities to find a job for kids their age: 53% in 2007; 61% in 2015

School:

- Percent of all teens that agree they feel safe at school: 75% in 2011; 81% in 2015.
- Percent of all teens that agree they enjoy going to school: 57% in 2011; 65% in 2015.

Parents:

- Percent of all teens that say parents often or always set clear rules: 73% in 2007 and 2011; 78% in 2015.
- Percent of all teens that say parents often or always know what they are doing after school: 81% in 2007; 88% in 2015.
- Percent of all teens that either ran away or had thoughts of running away from home: 32% in 2003, 2007 and 2011; 21% in 2015.

Peers:

- Percent of all teens that feel constantly bullied: 16% in 2003; 12% in 2015.
- Percent of all teens that experienced sexual harassment in the past year: 25% in 2011; 19% in 2015.
- Percent of all teens that got into a physical fight in the past year: 29% in 2011; 22% in 2015.

Bad News

Chewing tobacco and over the counter, non-prescription medication use has increased:

- Percent of 11th grade males to use chewing tobacco in the past 30 days: 6% in 1999; 11% in 2015.
- Percent of all teens to ever misuse over the counter, non-prescription medications: 12% in 2007; 20% in 2015.

A greater proportion of sexually active teens are having unprotected sex:

- Percent of sexually active teens to use a condom the last time they had sex: 66% in 2011; 62% in 2015.
- Percent of sexually active teens to use effective birth control methods, i.e. condom, birth control pills or IUD's, the last time they had sex: 74% in 2007; 71% in 2015.

While feelings of depression and suicide ideation appear to have declined amongst male teens, these feelings have increased amongst females:

- Percent of males and females that feel depressed two weeks or longer in the past year: 23% of males and 32% of females in both 2003 and 2007; 22% of males and 36% of females in 2015.
- Percent of males and females to seriously consider suicide in the past year: 17-18% of males and 20-22% of females in 2003, 2007 and 2011; 13% of males and 24% of females in 2015.

Fewer parents talk to their kids about the dangers of drugs and risks of sex:

- Percent of all teens that say a parent/guardian has talked to them in the past year about the dangers of smoking, drinking and taking drugs: 64% in 2003 and 2007; 61% in 2015.

- Percent of all teens that say a parent/guardian has talked to them in the past year about the risks of being sexually active: 55% in 2007 and 52% in 2015.

As teens' web presence increases, a sizeable proportion of teens take risks:

- Percent of all teens to ever actually meet up with a total stranger (no mutual friends) they previously encountered only electronically: 13% in both 2011 and 2015.
- Percent of all teens to ever send nude or semi-nude pictures of themselves electronically (sexting) is lower but still high: 25% in 2011 and 23% in 2015.

Again, the “good news” list is decidedly longer than the list of “bad news.” In general, the good news list also encompasses more impressive changes. For instance, the decline in tobacco use and alcohol use is much greater than the increases seen in the use of chewing tobacco or in sexual activity.

Teens, over the 16 years that the TAP Survey has been conducted in Oneida County, have encountered new opportunities and different risks, many of which have been brought on by new technology and the internet. Our youth need to be fully aware of these new risks as well as the same old risks that young people have been facing for ages.

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The Oneida County Teen Assessment Project (TAP) Survey involves a collective effort from the design of the survey instrument to the release of the report. This has been particularly true for the 2015 TAP Survey. Since the first survey in 1999, Herkimer-Oneida Counties Comprehensive Planning Program has coordinated the project; however, this year staff at Oneida-Herkimer-Madison (O-H-M) BOCES, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Oneida County and Oneida County Health Department have added their talents to organizing the survey and preparing the report.

The Oneida County TAP Survey is administered every four years in all of the schools associated with the O-H-M BOCES for the students in the 7th, 9th and 11th grades. So, this is the fifth survey completed over 16 years. Each time, O-H-M BOCES has been instrumental to the survey's success. The District Superintendent garners the support of each of the school superintendents to ensure the active participation of each of the school districts. In addition, BOCES provides both staff support and financial assistance.

In each school district, the school superintendent, building principals, administrators and teachers make special arrangements for the survey. School administrators send letters out to parents informing them of the survey and providing parents an opportunity to opt their child out of participation.

Volunteers administer the survey – many of them multiple times. In preparation, each must attend a two hour orientation training session. Over the three week period of the survey administration, not one volunteer missed their assignment, so every survey site arranged was covered and the surveys administered. At the completion of the survey administration, the volunteer administrators managed to collect over 4000 completed surveys from 12 different school districts, plus Notre Dame, in 21 different school buildings and in 217 classroom settings.

In witnessing the students recording their answers to the survey questions, it was evident to the volunteer administrators and teachers in the classrooms that this collective effort paid off. With few exceptions, students appeared to take the survey seriously. Thank you to all of the students who took the time to answer the questions honestly and complete as many as possible.

What is clear from these acknowledgements of organizational support and from the long list below of individuals who contributed to the success of the TAP Survey is that this is an enterprise involving the collaboration of many in the community. Schools, county agencies, community agencies, residents and youth all played an important part.

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Introduction

Background

The Teen Assessment Project (TAP) Survey is a voluntary and anonymous student survey that communities throughout the United States have used to document the concerns, perceptions and behaviors of teens. Dr. Stephen Small from the University of Wisconsin, Cooperative Extension, developed the survey in 1988. In New York State, the Department of Development Sociology at Cornell University coordinates the distribution and administration of the survey. In this capacity, they provide technical assistance, electronically scan the answer sheets and compile the databases. The staff of the Herkimer-Oneida Counties Comprehensive Planning Program (HOCCPP) began administering the TAP Survey in 1997 in Herkimer County and then in 1999 in Oneida County. Since then, they have been administering the survey every four years in each county, so this makes the Oneida County 2015 TAP Survey the fifth one in 16 years. In the past, HOCCPP staff has administered the survey, analyzed the data and prepared the Oneida County TAP Report. This year staff from Oneida-Herkimer-Madison BOCES, Oneida County Department of Public Health and Cooperative Extension of Oneida County have helped with the administration of the survey, and Cooperative Extension staff has assisted with the preparation of the report. The Oneida County TAP Steering Committee, made up of representatives from schools, agencies and county government, oversaw the survey instrument revision and the survey implementation process.

Purpose

The best way to know how our youth are doing is to ask them directly. The TAP Survey provides a safe, confidential and anonymous way for a large number of youth to respond directly to a wide range of questions. The questions cover such topics as - how they spend their time, the importance of their education, what worries them, how closely parents monitor their behavior, their use of illegal substances, their level of sexual activity and much more. Their responses to these questions are documented and analyzed in this report. This provides a unique assessment on the status of youth in Oneida County. Current, accurate information that comes directly from our youth is essential to identifying changing trends in youth behavior as well as teen concerns and needs. Documenting the status of our youth is a critical first step in planning for ways to better serve children, youth and families.

This report is shared with the community at large. Copies are distributed to schools, government and community agencies, local libraries and the media. In addition, each school district that participated in the survey receives the data for their students, so that they can compare the responses of their students to that of all of the students who participated in the Oneida County TAP Survey. In short, the purpose of the TAP Survey is to provide youth, parents, schools, government agencies as well as community agencies with accurate, timely information about our young people, so that, together as a community, we can identify the issues facing them, assess areas of need and respond appropriately.

Process

Just over 4,000 7th, 9th and 11th grade students took the Oneida County TAP Survey during March 2015. This represents about 80% of all the students registered for those grades in the participating schools. Those schools include the twelve school districts associated with the Oneida-Herkimer-Madison BOCES, plus Notre Dame High School. The twelve school districts are as follows: Brookfield, Clinton, Holland Patent, New Hartford, New York Mills, Oriskany, Remsen, Sauquoit Valley, Utica, Waterville, Whitesboro and Westmoreland. These are the same schools, with some minor exceptions, that participated in 2003, 2007 and 2011. The minor exceptions are Brookfield, which did not participate in 2011, and Middle Settlement Academy, which did not participate this time – 2015 – both have relatively few students. In 1999, Rome City School District, Rome Catholic High School, and Camden Central School District were also surveyed.

The TAP Survey has generally been administered the same way each time. The process is spelled out in the Memorandum of Understanding between the Herkimer-Oneida Counties Comprehensive Planning Program (HOCCPP) and each of the participating schools. In brief, this process entails the following steps:

- The TAP Steering Committee amended and approved the survey instrument, which was then shared with schools;
- HOCCPP and BOCES arranged with each school district a time to administer the survey;
- HOCCPP, Public Health and Cooperative Extension staff recruited volunteer survey administrators;
- The volunteers received a two-hour training;
- Schools informed parents, staff and students about the survey;
- Over a three week period (March 9th until March 26th, 2015), volunteer survey administrators conducted the survey – each day at different schools;
- Cornell University received the answer sheets, which they electronically scanned;
- Cornell University compiled the databases, and then sent the database for the county to HOCCPP and each school's database to the respective school; and
- HOCCPP and Cooperative Extension analyzed the data for Oneida County and issued a report.

TAP Report Content

The report begins with a description of the demographics of the survey participants, i.e. age, gender, grade and family-type. Next, in the body of the report, the analysis of the results is organized according to ten focus areas:

- I. Tobacco Use
- II. Alcohol Use
- III. Marijuana and Other Drug Use
- IV. Sexuality and Sexual Behaviors
- V. Mental Health and Well Being
- VI. Perceptions of School and Future
- VII. Parent/Child Relationships
- VIII. Perceptions of Self, Peers and Community
- IX. Personal Safety
- X. The Internet and Technology

Under each of the ten focus areas, the analysis examines the results in several ways. First, the results from the 2015 TAP Survey are compared to the results from the four previous TAP Surveys from 1999, 2003, 2007 and 2011.

Second, when applicable, the analysis looks at the population at-risk, i.e. users of tobacco, alcohol and drugs, sexually active youth, those who seriously considered suicide, and users of the Internet.

Third, the Oneida County TAP Survey results are compared to national results. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) every two years administers the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance (YRBS) Survey for the United States to high school students (ninth through twelfth grades). The Oneida County TAP Survey includes 37 questions that are directly from the national YRBS Survey. These 37 questions are mostly related to risk behaviors, specifically: tobacco, alcohol, marijuana and other drug use; suicide ideation and attempts; and sexual activity. This analysis compares the 9th and 11th grade students from Oneida County with students from the same grades from the United States. The 9th and 11th grades are the only two grades the Oneida County TAP Survey and the national YRBS Survey have in common. When making these comparisons, it is important to look at similar aged populations.

In addition, there are two appendices:

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Reliability and Validity

A question sometimes asked about surveys is - "how valid and reliable ARE they?" In other words, how accurate is the information? There is no simple answer, but this section tries to clarify some of the relevant issues and discusses the TAP data's accuracy and limitations.

Validity and reliability are two distinct concepts in survey research. In its simplest sense, validity is usually defined by the question - "Are we measuring what we intended to measure?" How accurate is the instrument at assessing a given behavior or belief? Reliability, on the other hand, refers to the consistency or reproducibility of a measure. For example, if students take a survey that has a low reliability on two consecutive days, their responses would likely not be the same. In essence, reliability can be thought of as measuring consistency of responses. Reliability is a necessary, but not sufficient, precondition for validity.

One way to increase the reliability and validity of a survey question is to use a well-established measure that has demonstrated reliability and validity over time. Whenever possible, this was done in the TAP Survey. Many of the questions in the survey are established measures that have demonstrated fairly high reliability and validity based on respected and documented research.

For instance, most of the drug use, sexuality, depression, and suicide questions come directly from the national Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance (YRBS) Survey, administered by the National Center for Disease Control in Atlanta. This survey has been used for decades and is well established as having a high level of reliability and validity.

Most of the remaining questions come from the original TAP Survey designed by Dr. Stephen Small at the University of Wisconsin. This survey has been administered throughout the country and has been repeatedly tested for its validity and reliability. Questions, which do not originate from either the YRBS Survey or the original TAP Survey, were developed specifically for this survey with local input from agencies and local school personnel. These questions were reviewed several times and, for the most part, have been used over several years to establish some baseline response rates. Survey questions that have shown inconsistent response patterns or have appeared to fail to get at intended issues have been dropped over the years. As a result, the survey contains mostly questions that have had an established history of being both reliable and valid.

Not surprisingly, survey research literature has found that teenagers are more likely to lie than adults. This is an accepted fact and one which researchers are aware. For example, it had been found according to some research that, on average, teenagers vary within two years of reporting when they first tried a particular drug. Males are also more likely to vary their responses.

While these factors make examining self-reported behavior patterns more tenuous, it does not make them untenable. Such variability is found in all surveys – national surveys of teen behavior are subject to the same variability (or standard error), as are local surveys like TAP. Because TAP is largely based on these very same national surveys, the variability of responses for the TAP Survey is unlikely, at least in terms of the survey instrument itself, to be much different.

Despite all prudent efforts, with any self-reported survey, particularly those aimed at teenagers, there will always be a small percentage that will not take the survey seriously. Fortunately, most teenagers, who do not take the survey seriously, are not subtle with their responses. They typically exaggerate their responses or use patterned responses to such an extent that their surveys are easy to spot and remove. In a typical survey, one may find that as many as 1% to 1.5% of all the surveys have such decipherable patterns.

In terms of the TAP Survey, the researcher at the Herkimer-Oneida Counties Comprehensive Planning Program made thorough efforts using “markers” to identify any surveys that showed unusual responses. Drug use patterns, for example, served as one of these markers in the TAP Survey. Surveys that indicated the student had used EVERY drug EVERY day were tagged as containing potentially spurious responses. In essence, it is very unlikely that this is an actual experience of any teen. However, these particular responses were then cross-referenced against other markers (such as indicating an age that would be extremely unlikely to be associated with a particular grade level – e.g. being 17 years or older and being in 7th grade or being 13 years or younger and being in 11th grade). Cross-referenced markers included age-grade discrepancies, as well as sexual experience discrepancies and suicide experience discrepancies. If responses were found to conflict on two or more of these four markers, the surveys were then removed. In reality, while some surveys were red flagged for each individual sets of questions, no surveys

were removed as a result of matching up on multiple markers. Given these efforts to ensure the validity of the TAP Survey instrument, we have considerable confidence that the questions elicit responses that reflect our teens' concerns, perceptions and behaviors.

The other major factor that needs to be addressed is the reliability of the survey – in essence, the ability of the survey to generate consistent responses over time and between settings. Several steps are taken to increase the reliability of the survey. To begin with, trained volunteers rather than school personnel administer the survey. This helps to ensure that the survey participants feel a sense of anonymity and confidentiality. The volunteers receive advanced training and are given explicit instructions to read during each survey session. The survey is also administered within each grade level and within each school during a very short timeframe. This limits the opportunity for students to talk about the survey with others prior to taking it. In addition, surveys were administered in a controlled setting, mainly classrooms, where school personnel are able to establish and maintain order. While some variability undoubtedly does creep into the survey experience of each respondent, every effort was made, in cooperation with school officials, to minimize this.

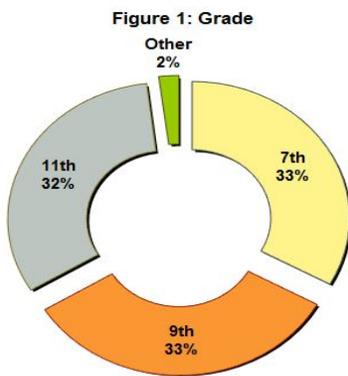
In conclusion, no survey is without some measure of error. Anecdotal examples of individuals, who claim to have not taken the survey seriously, are always present when dealing with sensitive issues such as drug use and sexuality. Minimizing the degree to which such claims appear to be accurate is why tests for validity and reliability are important. Through the use of established survey questions, a review of response patterns, and control of the survey environment, the administrators of this survey hope to have bolstered the reliability and validity of survey responses. Based on our review of the data from the Oneida County 2015 TAP Survey and in conjunction with a comparison to past Oneida County TAP data and national data, we feel confident in the reliability and validity of this information.

Demographics

The Oneida County 2015 TAP Survey had just over 4000 respondents, who for the most part were in 7th, 9th and 11th grades. This represents over 80% of all of the students enrolled in those three grades in the participating schools. This is a response rate large enough to ensure it accurately reflects the concerns, perceptions and behaviors of the targeted population.

The TAP Survey includes several demographic questions. Four relate to the respondents directly: gender, age, grade level, and whether they have an Individualized Education Program (IEP). Six additional questions focus on the teens' living situation: who they live with, their parents' level of education, whether English or some other language is most often spoken in the home, whether they and their family have been homeless, whether they had run away from home and whether they have had to cut meal size or skip meals because there was not enough money. Due to confidentiality concerns, there were no questions concerning cultural or racial background.

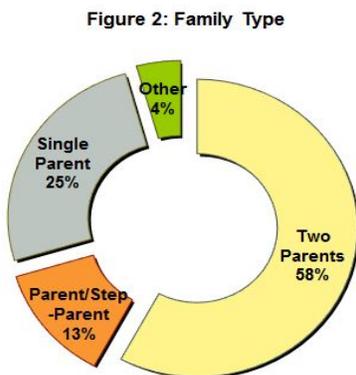
In terms of gender, there were slightly more males (50.6%) than females (49.4%).



Each of the three grades was just about equally represented: 7th graders - 33%; 9th graders - 33%; and 11th graders - 32%. Just 2% indicated they were in another grade. (See Figure 1) The age distribution corresponds to this grade level breakdown.

When asked whether they have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or receive special education services, 18% said yes. When asked whether English or some other language is most often spoken in the home, 15% said some other language.

Of all of the survey participants, 58% indicated they live with both of their parents - either natural or adoptive. A quarter (25%) said they lived in single parent households (living with their mother or father only or mother part-time and father part-time). The percentage that reported living with a parent and a step-parent was 13%. Of the remaining youth, 4% stated that they lived with other relatives, or in a group or foster home, or with friends or alone. (See Figure 2) This breakdown is similar to that found in the 2011 survey, though since 1999 the percent living with two parents has gradually declined: 1999 - 65%; 2003 - 62%; 2007 - 60%, 2011- 59%, and 2015 - 58%.



When asked what was the highest level of education completed by either one of their parents, 11% reported their parents had not completed high school, 14% said they had graduated high school, 7% reported some college or technical training, 9% said their parents have a two-year

college degree, 19% reported a four-year college degree, and 18% said their parents had an advanced degree. The rest (22%) did not know how much education their parents had completed. These percentages indicating their parents' level of education are similar to the response rates in both 2007 and 2011.

Just over 2% of teens indicated their families had been homeless, meaning their family lost their home for a week or longer in the past year. And, over 2% said they had run away from home during the past year. And, though they did not run away, 19% indicated they had thought about it in the past year. This is a much lower percentage than in past TAP Surveys. In the prior three surveys (2003, 2007 and 2011), close to 30% of teens indicated they had thought about running away.

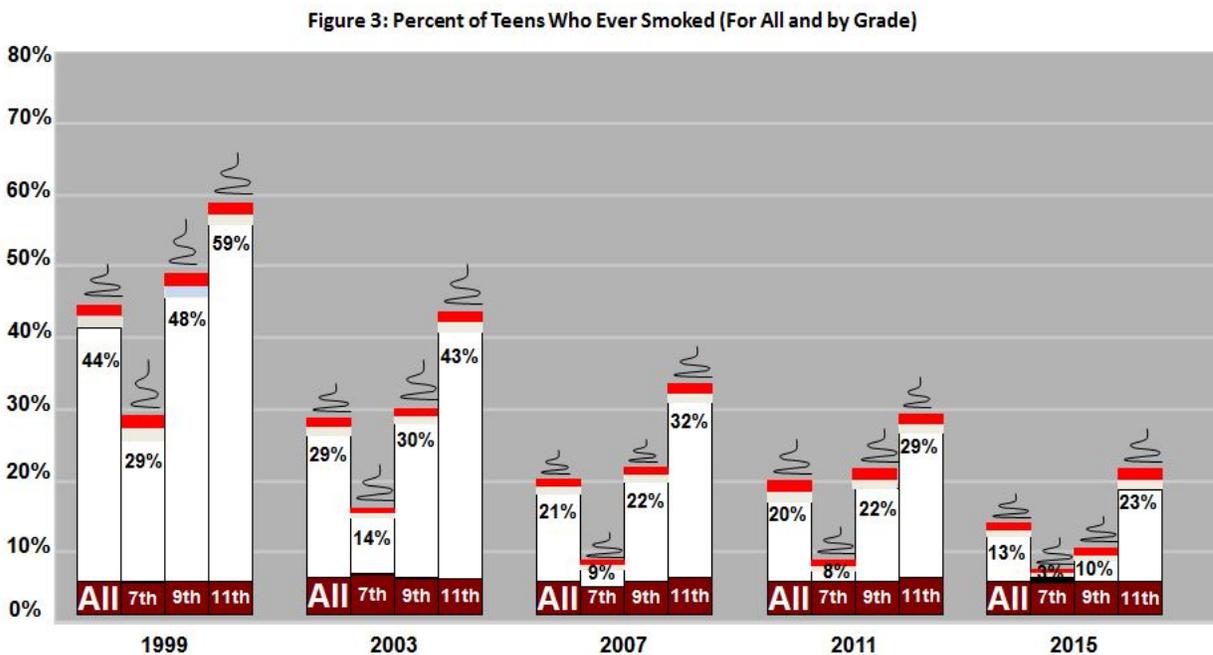
When asked how often in the past year their family had to cut meal size or skip meals because there was not enough money for food, 3% reported every month, 3% said some but not every month, and 2% indicated one or two months out of the past year; so, in total, 8% of all teens reported their families had to eat less at least one month out of the year because they lacked enough money.

I. Tobacco Use

Oneida County Trends

TREND: Significantly fewer teens are smoking.

- Each successive TAP Survey finds fewer and fewer teens who report they had ever in their life smoked a whole cigarette. In 1999 – 44%; in 2003 – 29%; in the 2007 and 2011 TAP Surveys - approximately 20% of teens said they had ever smoked; and, in 2015 - only about 13% of teens indicated they had ever smoked. This trend is true regardless of the grade level of the respondents. (See Figure 3)



- The percentage of teens who reported they had smoked in the past 30 days also declined significantly in 2015. In the previous two TAP Surveys in 2007 and 2011, 11% of all teens said they had had at least one cigarette in the last 30 days. In the 2015 TAP Survey, just 5% reported smoking in the last 30 days.

TREND: The age that teens first try smoking appears to have leveled off.

- Among teens that smoke, the percentage that reported they had their first cigarette at age 12 or younger had been declining since the first TAP Survey in 1999. In 1999, more than half of all teens who had ever smoked (51%) said they had smoked before the age of 13. By 2007, this percentage dropped to about 44%, and by 2011 to only 36% of all teen smokers. For the first time in 2015, the percentage of teen smokers reporting that they had begun smoking at age 12 or younger did not decline – again 36% said they started smoking before turning 13.

2015: Almost a quarter of all teens have tried an e-cigarette.

- As many as 23% of teens reported in the 2015 TAP Survey they had ever tried an e-cigarette. Of all those that tried an e-cigarette, 60% used it with nicotine, 14% with THC, and 26% used it with nicotine at times and with THC at other times. Also, of those that said they used an e-cigarette, around 20% said they had “vaped” at least 20 of the last 30 days.

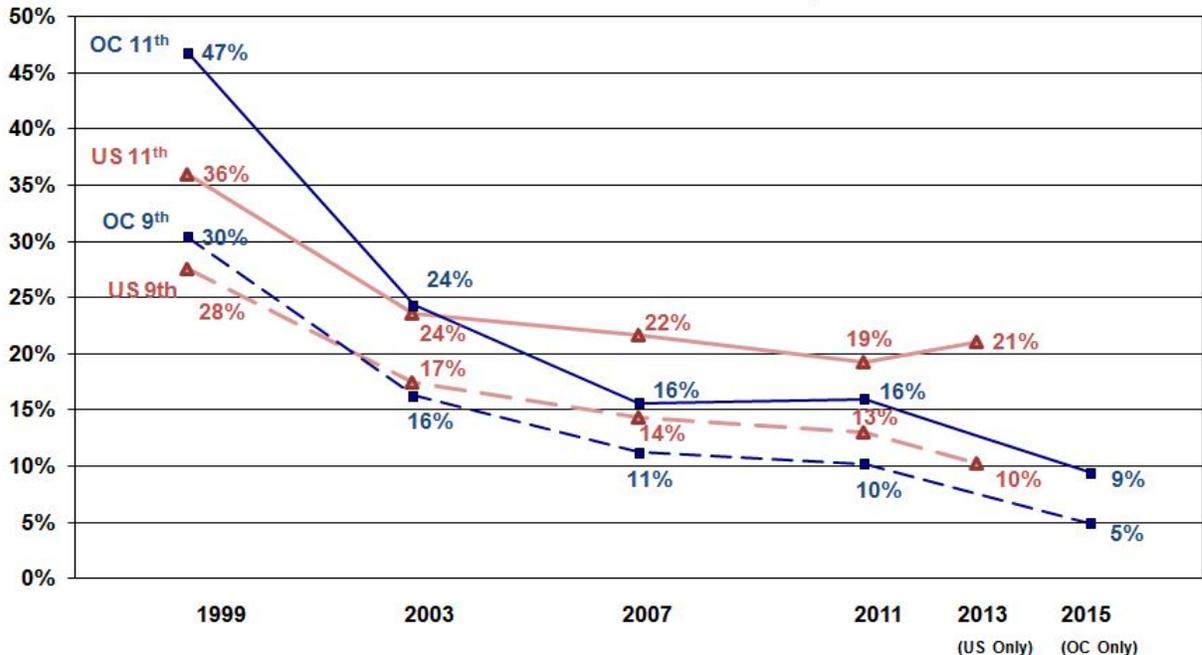
Oneida County Compared to the United States:

The TAP Survey includes five questions from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Survey pertaining to tobacco use – See Appendix B: Tables 1-5 for a comparative summary.

COMPARATIVE TRENDS: The percentage of teens smoking cigarettes has declined dramatically both at the national and local level, but even more locally. (See Figure 4) This does not hold true for chewing tobacco either nationally or locally.

- In 1999, at the time of the first Oneida County TAP Survey, local teens were more likely to smoke cigarettes than teens nationally. Sixteen years later, by 2015, after the rate of smoking dropped across the country, teens locally were less likely than their national cohort to smoke. This is true for both 9th as well as 11th graders. When looking at the decline in the percentage both locally and nationally that smoked on one or more of the past 30 days since 1999 by grade, for 9th graders it dropped locally from 30% to just 5% in 2015 and nationally from 28% to 10% in 2013; and, for 11th graders it dropped locally from 47% in 1999 to just 9% in 2015 and nationally from 36% in 1999 to 21% in 2013

Figure 4: Oneida County and U.S. 9th and 11th Graders That Smoked on One or More of Past 30 Days



that smoked at least one day in the past 30 days.

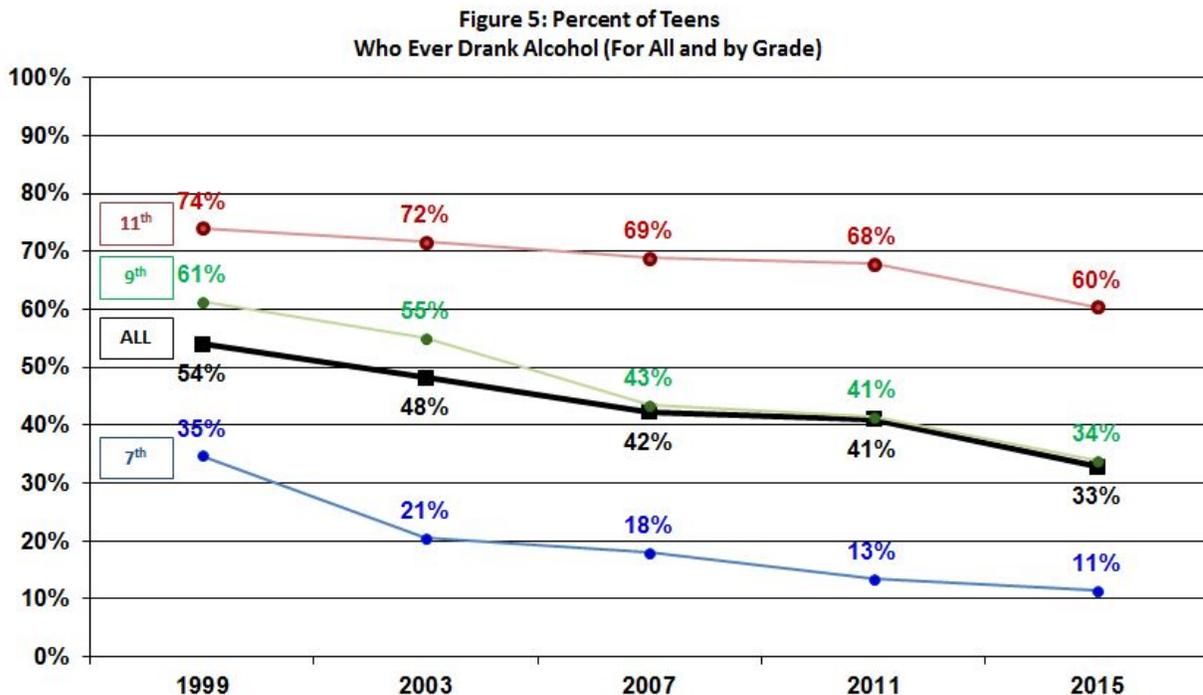
- The use of chewing tobacco has not followed the same trend as smoking tobacco. As smoking rates declined, chewing tobacco (or snuff) use has, if anything, increased since 1999 both locally and nationally. Comparing local use rates based on the TAP Survey with the latest national rates based on the Center for Disease Control Youth Risk Behavior Survey for just 11th grade males (female use is negligible), in Oneida County between 1999 and 2015 the percent that used chewing tobacco at least one day in the prior 30 days increased from 6% to 11%, and in the United States between 1999 and 2013, use increased among 11th grade males from 15% to 18%. Again, these are slight increases. In fact, the national increase is not statistically significant. And, in Oneida County there has been no increase in smokeless tobacco use amongst 11th grade males since 2007 when 13% reported using it during the prior 30 days.

II. Alcohol Use

Oneida County Trends:

TREND: Significantly fewer teens drink alcohol. (See Figure 5)

- In 2015, teens were significantly less likely to have ever had a drink of alcohol than previously found in TAP Surveys. Between 2007 and 2011, the percentage of teens drinking alcohol remained relatively constant (42% and 41%, respectively). Prior to that, in 1999 – 54% and in 2003 – 48% of teens reported ever drinking alcohol. However, the 2015 TAP Survey responses show the percentage of teens ever using alcohol falling significantly, to a low of 33%. A similar decline is seen for each of the three grade levels.



- Just as fewer teens reported they ever drank alcohol, the percentage reporting they had drunk in the past 30 days also declined significantly. In 2003, almost one-in-three teens (30%) said they had drunk alcohol in the past 30 days; by 2015, this dropped down to less than one-in-five teens (18%).

TREND: Teens that drink are waiting longer before they start drinking.

- Among teens that do drink, the percentage that began drinking at a young age has continued to decline since 2003. In the 1999 TAP Survey, about two-out-of-every-five teen drinkers (39%) said they had their first drink before the age of thirteen. This rose

slightly in 2003 to about 42%. Then in 2007, it went down to 36%; in 2011, it dropped further to 32%; and now in the most recent survey, just 29% of teen drinkers said they had their first drink at age 12 or younger.

TREND: The percentage of regular users of alcohol has decreased.

- In 1999, slightly less than half of all teen drinkers (47%) said that they drank at least a few times per month or more. In 2003, about 43% of all drinkers said they drank that often, and in 2007, it dropped to 41% and remained around the same percentage in 2011. In the 2015 survey, the percentage of teen drinkers who reported using alcohol “regularly” dropped significantly down to only 33% of alcohol users.

TREND: Binge drinking has decreased significantly.

- In 2003, 28% of all teens, who drink, indicated they had gone “binge drinking” in the past month (i.e. had five or more drinks within two to three hours). In 2007 and 2011, as many as 35% of all teen drinkers reported binge drinking in the past 30 days. In the 2015 TAP Survey, it dropped back down to only 29% of teen drinkers that had five or more drinks within two to three hours in the past month. This is a significant decrease from the last two previous findings.

2015: Fewer teens have ever used an energy drink.

- In 2011, the TAP Survey for the first time asked about energy drink consumption and found that 52% of all teens ever had a highly caffeinated (but nonalcoholic) beverage like Red Bull or Monster. According to the 2015 survey, the percentage dropped to 46%. Furthermore, it appears that there are fewer regular users of energy drinks. For 2011, 25% of teens reported drinking energy drinks at least a few times a month, which for 2015 dropped to 17%.

Oneida County Compared to the United States:

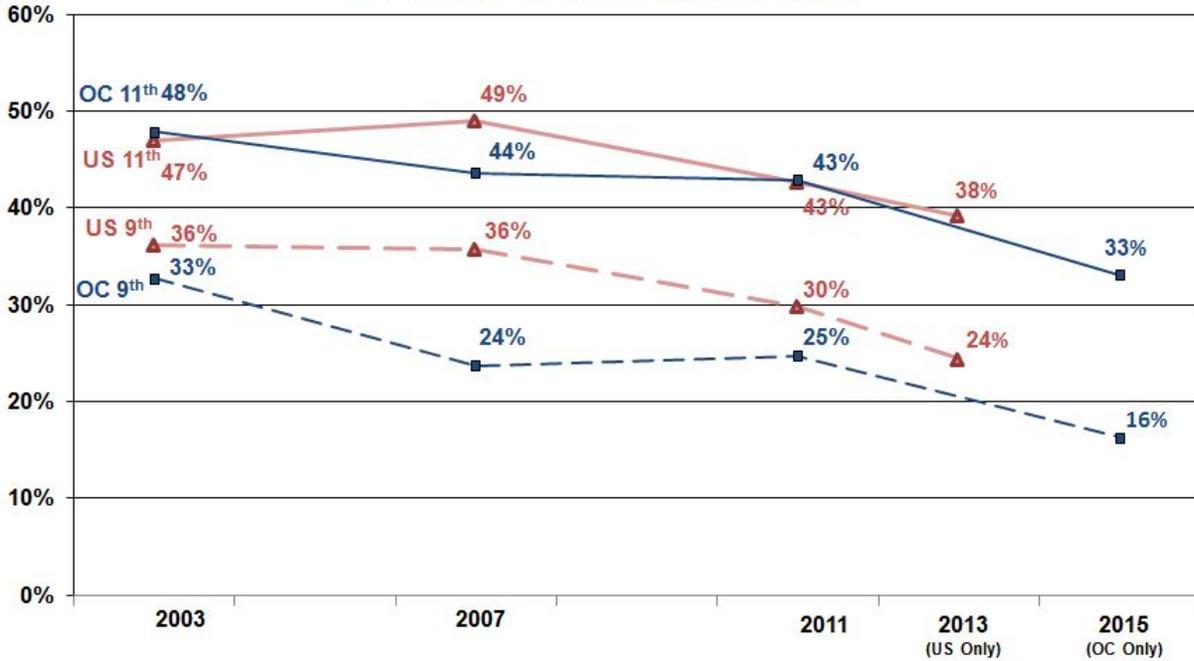
The TAP Survey includes four questions from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Survey pertaining to alcohol use – See Appendix B: Tables 6-9 for a comparative summary.

COMPARATIVE TRENDS: As local alcohol use has declined among teens, national rates have seen similar declines. (See Figure 6)

- Looking at the percentage of teens who have drunk alcohol on one or more days in the past 30 days for both 9th and 11th grades, the rate has reached its lowest point since 2003 both locally and nationally. For the 9th grade, the rate in Oneida County in 2015 was 16% while in 2003 it was 33%, and in the United States the rate in 2013 was 24% while in 2003 it was 36%. In just 12 years, the rate locally dropped in half, and nationally in ten years it dropped by one-third. For the 11th grade, there also have been significant decreases in the use of alcohol in the prior 30 day period. Whereas, in 2003 almost half of the 11th graders both locally and nationally (Oneida County – 48%; U.S. – 47%) drank alcohol at least one day in the past 30 days, by 2015 in Oneida County only a third (33%)

reported recent drinking, and nationally by 2013 just 38% indicated drinking in the past 30 days.

Figure 6: Oneida County and U.S. 9th and 11th Graders That Drank Alcohol on One or More of Past 30 Days



COMPARATIVE TRENDS: Ninth graders are waiting longer to try alcohol both in Oneida County and in the United States.

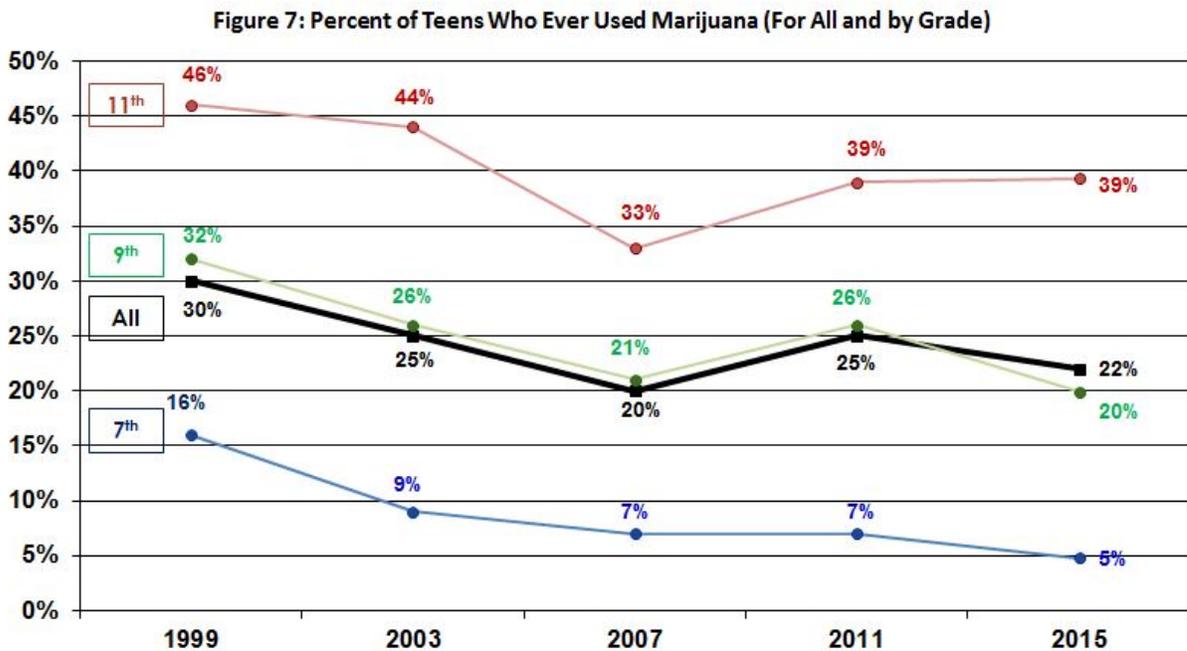
- In 1999, 24% of 9th graders in Oneida County and 40% nationally indicated they had their first drink of alcohol by age 13. Compared to a national sample from 2013 where 22% of 9th graders indicated they had their first drink of alcohol before age 13, the 2015 TAP Survey shows just 11% of 9th graders reported drinking at such an early age.

III. Marijuana and Other Drug Use

Oneida County Trends:

TREND: Fewer teens than in 1999 have ever tried marijuana; however, the number has remained fairly consistent the past three survey years. (See Figure 7)

- The percentage of teens who reported having tried pot steadily declined between 1999 and 2007 from 29% to 20%. However, the percentage rose in 2011 to nearly a quarter of all respondents (24%) and then dropped again to 21% in 2015. This recent decline may be somewhat misleading: while it is encouraging to see a decline after the sudden spike in marijuana use in the 2011 TAP Survey, the last three TAP Surveys (2007, 2011 and 2015) overall seem to show a slow rise, not a decline, in marijuana use over the last eight years. This slight rise, since 2007, can be mostly attributed to teens in the 11th grade.



TREND: The percentage of teens introduced to marijuana at a young age (age 12 or younger) has significantly declined since 2011.

- Of the teens who smoked marijuana, the percentage who tried it at or before the age of twelve had remained fairly steady up until 2011. While earlier surveys have shown about 28% of users started using marijuana at or before the age of 12, since 2011 (and including the 2015 TAP Survey) the percentage dropped significantly to around 23% of users.

TREND: The percentage of marijuana smokers that use it regularly remains statistically unchanged since 2003.

- While there had been an increase between 1999 and 2003 in the percentage of marijuana users that reported smoking it “regularly” (a few times a month or more), since 2003 this percentage has remained statistically stable. In 1999, the TAP Survey found that 41% of marijuana users reported using the substance “regularly.” By 2003, this percentage had increased significantly to around 48% of all users. Over the next three TAP Surveys (2007, 2011 and 2015), the percent of users indicating that they were smoking marijuana a few times per month or more seems to bounce all over the place (46%, 52%, and 45% respectively). While these differences appear to be rather large, statistically they are not significant; hence, there appears to have been no true change in “regular” marijuana use among those that smoke pot.

TREND: There has been an increase in the percentage of teens who use over the counter drugs.

- The percentage of teens that have used over the counter non-prescription drugs has been increasing since 2007. This is demonstrated by the increased percentage of teens who reported ever taking over the counter drugs at least once, which rose from 12% in 2007, to 13% in 2011 and then went up to nearly 20% in 2015.

TREND: Significantly fewer teens are trying heroin, inhalants, methamphetamines, synthetic drugs or other people’s prescriptions.

- In the case of each of these drugs, significantly fewer teens indicated that over the past TAP Surveys they ever used any of them. While the drops in terms of these percentages are small, they are each significant statistically. The percentage of teens that reported ever using each of these substances in 2015 (versus past TAP Surveys) is as follows: heroin – 1.6% (versus 5.1% in 2003); inhalants – 4% (versus 9.1% in 1999); methamphetamines – 2.1% (versus 4% in 2003); synthetic drugs – 4.6% (versus 7.1% in 2011); and other people’s prescriptions – 5.6% (versus 8.9% in 2003).

TREND: Fewer kids have come to school high.

- The percentage of teens that say they have attended school while high has steadily decreased over the last sixteen years. In 1999 almost 20% of all teens said they had attended class high during the last school year; by 2015, this dropped to 10% of all teens.

2015: For the first time, the percentage of teens that have been offered, sold, or given drugs on school property has decreased significantly.

- Previous TAP reports have noted a steady increase in the percentage of teens that said during the past year they were offered, sold or given drugs on school property (32% in the 2003 TAP, 39% in the 2007 TAP, and 42% in the 2011 TAP). In the 2015 TAP Survey, the percentage of teens saying this happened at school dropped to the lowest percentage ever - 31%.

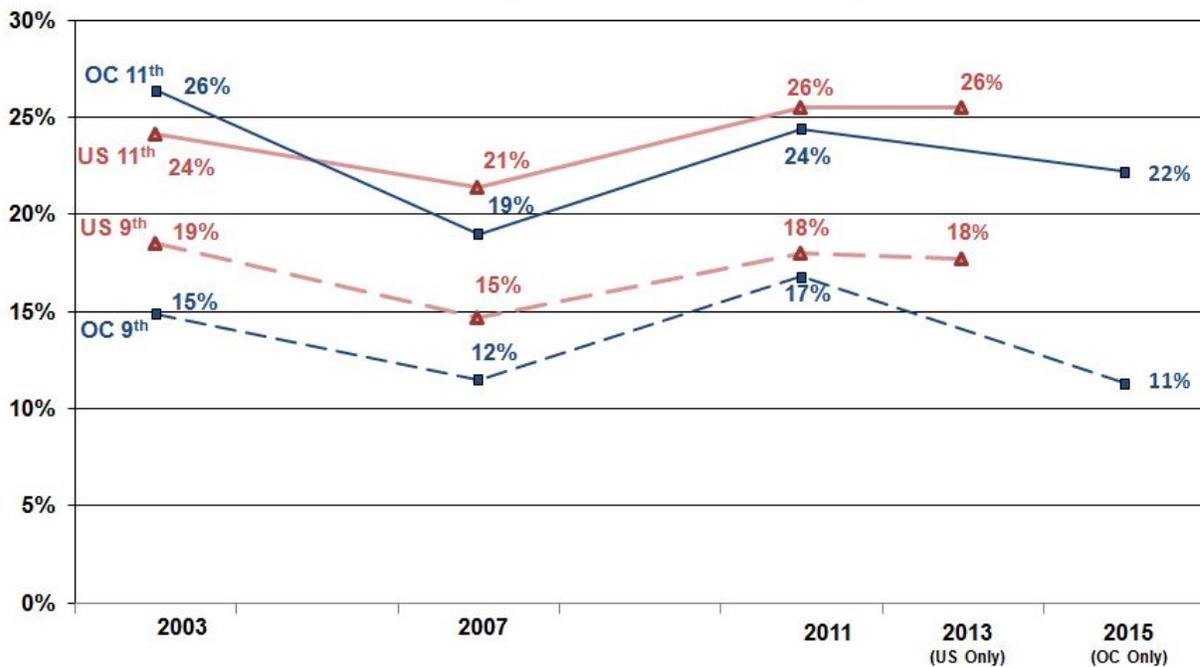
Oneida County Compared to the United States

The TAP Survey includes three questions from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Survey related to marijuana use and five more questions pertaining to the use of other drugs – See Appendix B: Tables 10-17 for a comparative summary.

COMPARATIVE TRENDS: Marijuana use at least one day in the prior 30 days for 9th and 11th graders both locally and nationally has followed similar trends since 2003 at least until recently. (See Figure 8)

- Recent, meaning in the prior 30 days, marijuana use in both Oneida County and the United States was at a high point in 2003, a low point in 2007 then up again in 2011. Since then local use has declined for 9th graders from 17% its highest rate since 2003 to its lowest in 2015 of just 11%. For 11th graders locally, it has declined only slightly from 24% in 2011 to 22% in 2015. On the other hand, nationally between 2011 and 2013 there has been no change, the rate for 9th graders has remained at 18%, near the high point of 19% in 2003, and for 11th graders the rate stayed at its high point of 26%.

Figure 8: Oneida County and U.S. 9th and 11th Graders That Used Marijuana on One or More of Past 30 Days



COMPARATIVE TRENDS: Significantly fewer teens are using inhalants in Oneida County than in the United States.

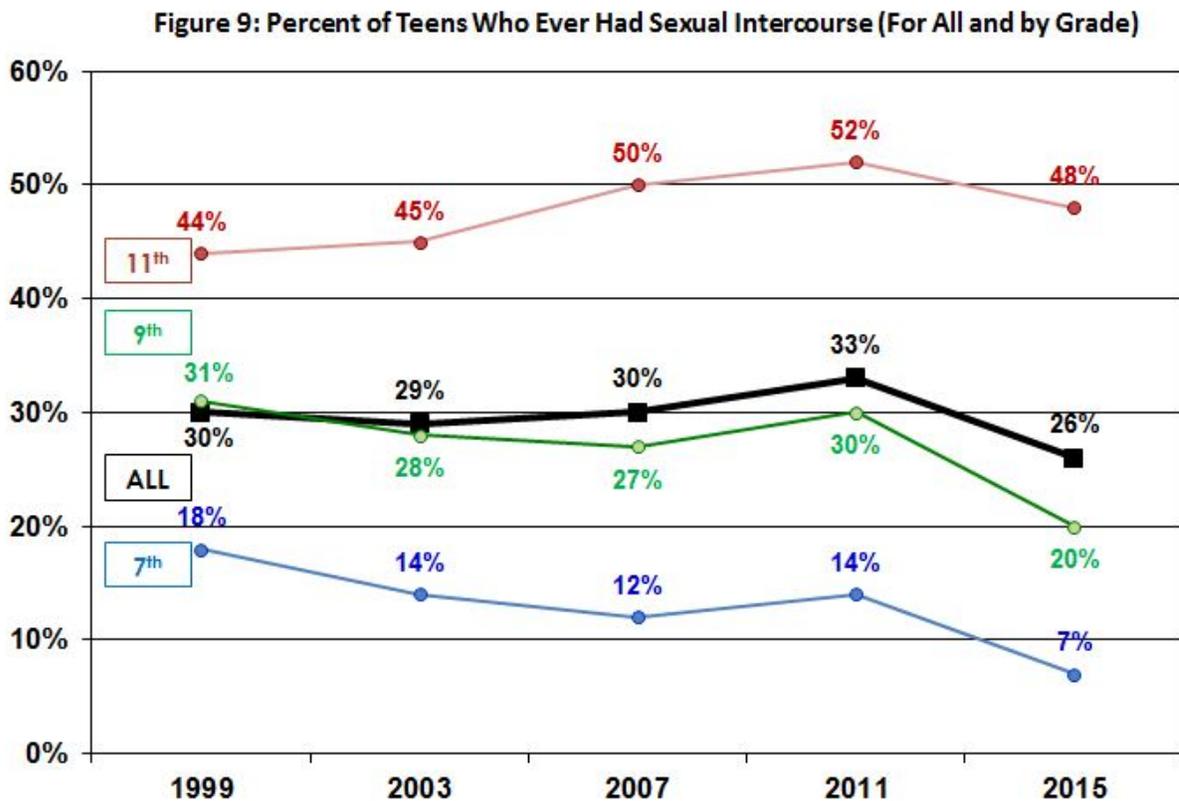
- The use of inhalants in Oneida County has been consistently below that found in the U.S. In addition, the overall use of inhalants nationally and locally has declined over time. The percentage of 9th graders who reported ever sniffing glue or breathing paints or sprays declined in the U.S. from 17% in 1999 to 10% in 2013; and in Oneida County it declined from 10% in 1999 to just 5% in 2015. For 11th graders, it decreased in the U.S. from 13% in 1999 to 10% in 2013; and in Oneida County from 9% in 1999 to 4% in 2015.

IV. Sexuality and Sexual Behaviors

Oneida County Trends:

TREND: The percentage of teens who have had sexual intercourse decreased significantly in 2015. (See Figure 9)

- Earlier TAP Surveys (1999, 2003 and 2007) found that approximately 30% of all teens had ever experienced sexual intercourse. In 2011, this percentage rose to slightly more than 33%. However, for the 2015 TAP, far fewer teens - only about a quarter (26%) indicated they ever had intercourse. Furthermore, the percentage of teens that have been sexually active involving ANY activity beyond kissing has decreased from 50% in 2011 to 40% in 2015.



- When examined by grade, 7th graders and 9th graders were especially less likely to have ever had intercourse than at any time in the past. In 2011, for example, 14% of 7th graders and 30% of 9th graders said that they had experienced intercourse; in 2015, these numbers dropped to 7% and 20% respectively. After climbing for more than a dozen years, the percentage of 11th graders who reported having had intercourse dropped slightly – from about 52% in 2011 to 48% in 2015.

TREND: Among sexually active teens, the overall percentage that had three or more sexual partners has decreased for the first time since 1999.

- In the previous three TAP Surveys (2003, 2007 and 2011), the percentage of sexually active teens that said they had three or more partners statistically remained at about 38%. In 2015, the percentage of sexually active teens saying that they had three or more partners reached an all-time low of 33%.

TREND: Among sexually active teens, the fewer used a condom the last time they had intercourse.

- A majority of sexually active teens (62%) reported in 2015 that they or their partner had used a condom the last time they had intercourse, but this was slightly lower than in the 2011 TAP Survey when it was 66%.

TREND: Among sexually active teens, there has been a significant decline in reliance on effective birth control methods.

- When looking at birth control methods, condoms are still the most preferred form of preventing pregnancy among teens; however, condom use as a form of pregnancy prevention is declining. The percentage of teens relying on condoms to prevent pregnancy has fallen from 62% in 2007 to 50% in 2015.
- This is consistent with another finding. If the percentages of sexually active teens using effective birth control methods (chemical as well as physical barrier methods such as birth control pills, IUDs, and condoms) are combined, it is clear that there has been a significant decline in effective pregnancy prevention since 2007. In the 2007 TAP Survey, nearly three-quarters of all sexually active teens (74%) used a generally accepted effective method of birth control. By 2011, this declined to 73% and then declined again by 2015 to just 71%. At the same time as there has been this decline, the percentage of teens depending on other less effective methods has increased substantially – for example, the percentage of sexually active teens relying on the withdrawal method for purposes of pregnancy prevention more than doubled from 5% to 11% between 2007 and 2015.

TRENDS: Teens are less worried about contracting AIDS/HIV or other sexually transmitted diseases.

- Since 2003, the percentage of ALL teens who were worried about contracting AIDS/HIV or another sexually transmitted disease generally increased. In 2003, about 27% of teens said they were worried about contracting an STD; in 2011, this had risen to about 29%. In 2015, however, there was a significant decline – only 25% of all teens said that they worried about this issue at all. The same is true for sexually active teens. Prior to 2015, there had been a rise in the percentage concerned about STDs, etc., from 35% of sexually active teens in 2007 to 40% in 2011. In 2015, this percentage dropped to 37%, again representing a significant decline in those concerned with sexual health and disease prevention.

2015: About 15% of teens reported being something other than heterosexual.

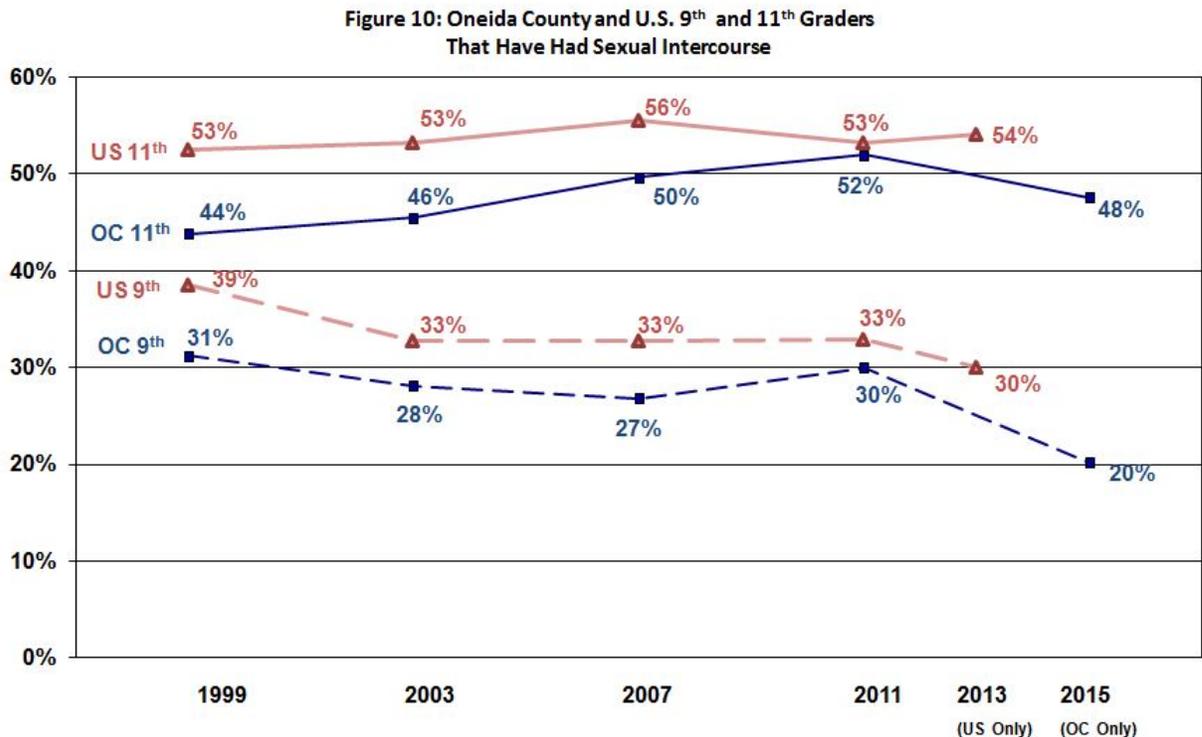
- Some 85% of teens indicated they were heterosexual. Of the remaining 15%: almost 2% said they considered themselves homosexual; another 6% - bisexual; 2% - “some other sexual orientation;” and, the remaining 5% said they were unsure of their sexual orientation.

Oneida County Compared to the United States

The TAP Survey includes five questions from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Survey related to sexual activity – See Appendix B: Tables 26-10 for a comparative summary.

COMPARATIVE DATA: Since 1999, local teens have been less likely than teens nationally to ever have had sex; and in 2015, this seems even truer. (See Figure 10)

- Between 2003 and 2009, the percentage of 9th graders that ever had sexual intercourse remained constant nationally at 33% and in Oneida County hovered around 30%. In 2013, the national percentage dropped to 30%, and in Oneida County the percentage of 9th graders who ever had sexual intercourse dropped significantly from 30% in 2011 to 20% in 2015.



- It is a similar story for 11th graders locally but not nationally. Since 1999, nationally the percentage of 11th graders that ever had sexual intercourse ranged between 53% and 56% and stayed in that range in 2013, while in Oneida County, since 1999, the percentage

steadily increased from 44% in 1999 to 52% in 2011, but then in 2015 it dropped down to 48%.

COMPARATIVE DATA: Of sexually active 11th graders, fewer, as a percentage, in 2015 than in 2011 in Oneida County indicated they used a condom when they last had sexual intercourse to now match the national sample of 11th graders.

- For sexually active 11th graders, 62% both in Oneida County and nationally reported in the latest surveys using a condom the last time they had sexual intercourse. Nationally, this is similar to past findings, but for local sexually active 11th graders this represents a decline from 66% in 2011.

COMPARATIVE DATA: Although nationally 11th graders have seen an increase in the percentage with four or more sexual partners, in Oneida County this percentage is decreasing.

- The percentage of 9th graders both nationally and locally that had four or more partners in their lifetime has decreased. In Oneida County, it declined between 2011 and 2015 from 8% to 3% while the national numbers dropped from 9% to 7% between the two years of 2011 and 2013. The same cannot be said for the 11th grade respondents. Nationally, between 2011 and 2013, there was a slight, though not statistically significant, uptick from 17% to 19%, and locally, between 2011 and 2015, the percentage that said they had four or more sexual partners declined from 15% to only 11%.

V. Mental Health and Well Being

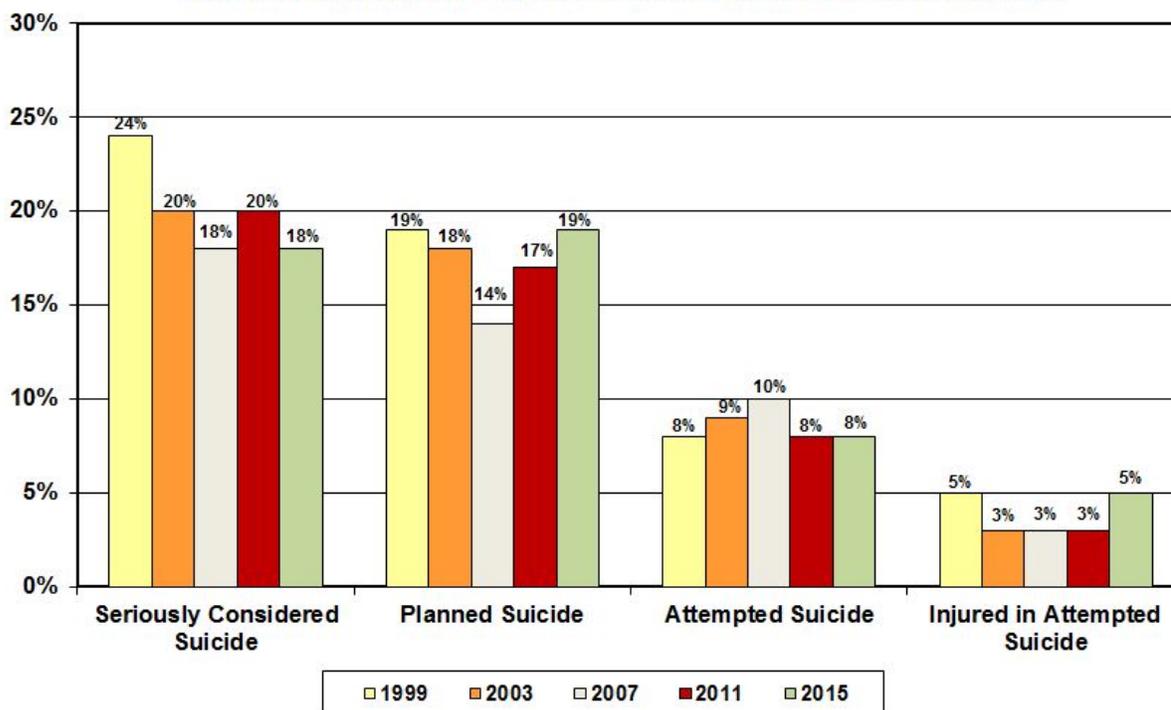
Oneida County Trends:

TREND: The percentage of teens who report being depressed during the past year declined from a high point in 2011 to levels found in 2003 and 2007.

- Nearly 28% of all teens in both the 2003 and the 2007 TAP Surveys reported that during the past year they had felt “sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more in a row that (they) stopped doing some usual activities.” That percentage significantly increased in 2011 to 31%; then, in 2015, the percentage of teens saying that they had been depressed in the past year dropped to about 29% - closer to the percentage found in 2003 and 2007.
- In addition, the percentage of teens who said they have someone to talk to if they have feelings of depression increased significantly from 43% in 2011 to 47% in 2015.

TREND: Suicide ideation and suicide attempts have not changed much since 2003. (See Figure 11)

Figure 11: Percent of Teens Who Seriously Considered Suicide, Planned How to Attempt Suicide, Attempted Suicide, and Were Injured in Attempted Suicide Requiring Medical Attention

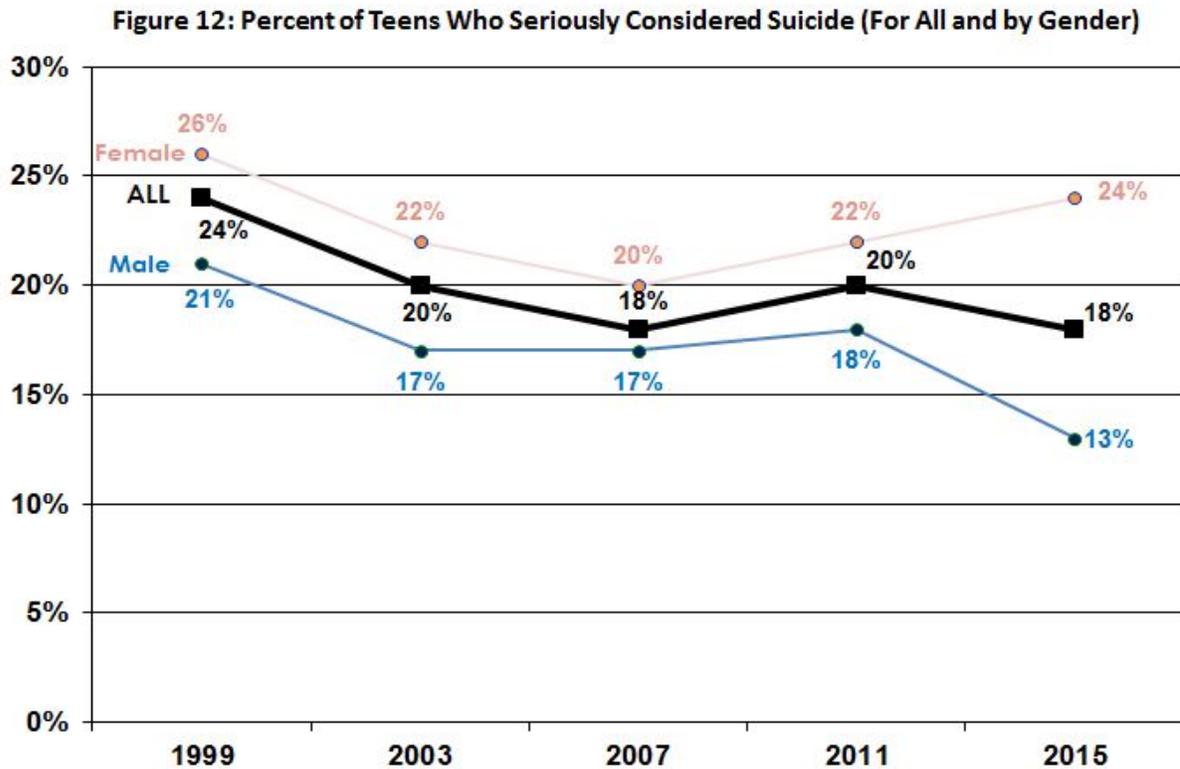


- The percentage of teens that said in the past year they had seriously thought about suicide remained about the same since the 2003 TAP Survey. In 2003, as many as 20% of teens said they had seriously considered suicide; in 2007, this number dropped to about 18%. By 2011, the percentage of teens who said they seriously considered suicide returned

about 20%, and for 2015 the percentage was back to about 18% of all respondents. Statistically this represents no real change in suicide ideation among all teens.

- The percentage of teens that reported making a plan in the past year about how they would attempt suicide has hovered since 1999 between 17% and 19%, except for a dip in 2007 when it was just 14%.
- As for the percentage that indicated they actually attempted suicide in the past year, that has held relatively steady at just under one-in-ten; in 2015, it was 8%.
- In 2015, 5% reported they attempted suicide in the past year and the attempt resulted in an injury, poisoning or overdose requiring treatment by a doctor or nurse. It was 5% back in 1999, but during the intervening surveys of 2003, 2007 and 2011, it had been only 3%.
- Among teens that have said they “seriously considered suicide,” there is no difference over the years in the percentage that have actually planned how they might commit such an act. From 1999 through the 2015 survey, about two-out-of-every-three teens who had seriously considered suicide said they also had made a plan as to how they would do it.

TREND: Generally, more females than males as a percentage have thoughts of suicide, and in 2015 this difference between genders increased. (See Figure 12)



- Females have consistently been more likely than males to report having seriously considered suicide, and for 2015, the percentage of males that indicated that they have seriously considered suicide decreased significantly while it increased for females thus making the difference even more pronounced. Between 2011 and 2015, the percentage change for females went from 22% up to 24% and for males – 18% down to just 13%.

2015: There is no significant change in the percentage of teens who purposefully hurt themselves in the past year.

- Approximately 20% of all teens said that in the past year they had purposefully hurt themselves without trying to commit suicide (i.e. cutting, burning, bruising, etc.). Of those that had tried to hurt themselves, almost 43% had done it more than twice in the past year. Teens that had seriously considered suicide were over four times more likely to injure themselves through cutting, etc., than were those that had not seriously considered suicide (53% versus 12%).

Oneida County Compared to the United States

The TAP Survey includes five questions from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Survey pertaining to depression, suicide ideation and suicide attempts – See Appendix B: Tables 21-25 for a comparative summary.

COMPARATIVE TRENDS: The percentage of Oneida County teens reporting extended periods of depression remains above national levels.

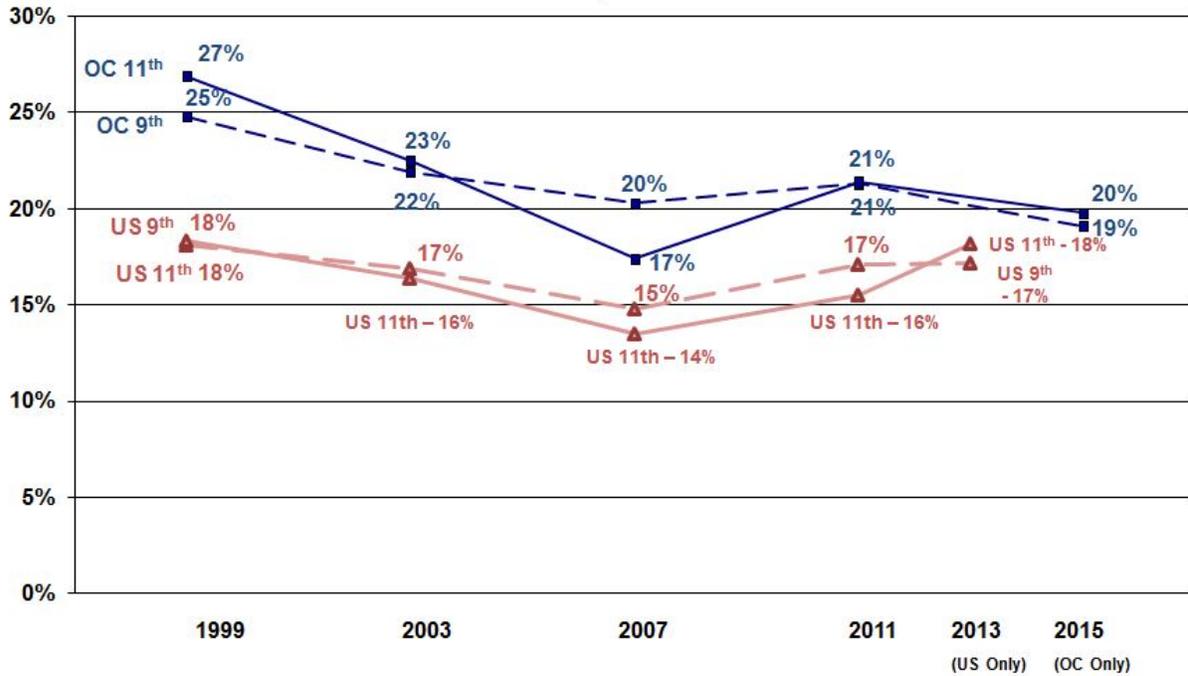
- Since 1999, the national percentage of the 9th and 11th graders reporting that, during the past year, “they felt so sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more in a row that (they) stopped doing some usual activity” has been between 27% and 32% for both grades. For Oneida County in 2003, 29% of the 9th graders and 31% of the 11th graders reported these feelings of depression. In 2011, these percentages rose to 32% for 9th graders and 35% for 11th graders - in both cases significant statistically above the national levels. In 2015, the local percentage of 9th graders is 30% and 34% for 11th graders, both seemingly above the national percentages of 29% and 32%, respectively, but not significant, at least statistically.

COMPARATIVE TRENDS: Based on a comparison of 9th and 11th graders, teens in Oneida County are more likely than their counterparts in the U.S. to seriously consider suicide and to make a plan how they would attempt suicide, but not anymore likely to actually attempt suicide.

- Since 1999, the results of the TAP Surveys and the national YRBS Surveys reveal that 9th and 11th graders in Oneida County have had a higher propensity than those in the U.S. to seriously consider suicide. However, the most recent results suggest the difference between local and national youth in percentage points may be narrowing. (See Figure 13)
- As far as the percentage that report actually attempting suicide, there is no significant difference statistically between the findings from the 2015 TAP Survey and the 2013 national survey. For Oneida County, 9% of 9th graders and 8% of 11th graders indicated

they had attempted suicide. In each case, this is the same percentage as the national results.

Figure 13: Oneida County and U.S. 9th and 11th Graders That Have Seriously Considered Suicide

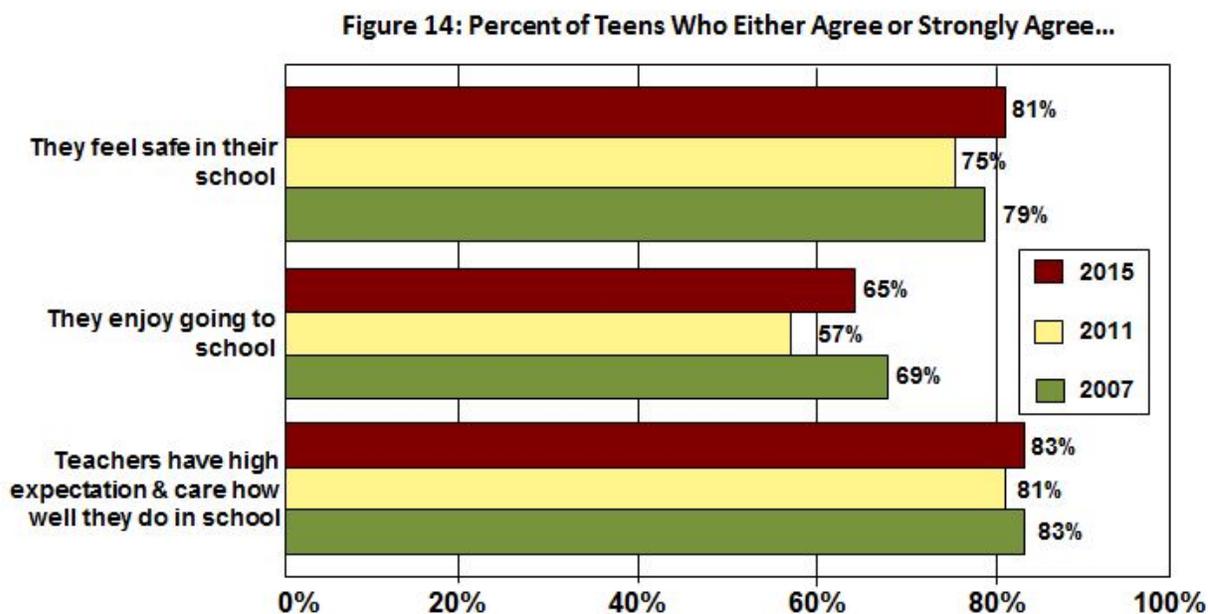


VI. Perceptions of School

Oneida County Trends

TREND: More teens say they feel safe at school.

- The percentage of teens that reported they agreed or strongly agreed they felt safe at school has returned to pre-2011 levels. Prior to 2011, about 80% of all teens said that they felt safe at school. In 2011, that percentage dropped significantly to about 74% of teens saying they felt safe. The 2015 responses returned to approximately four-out-of-five respondents (81%) indicating that they felt safe at school. (See Figure 14)



- With another safety related question, there was a rise in 2007 in the percent of teens stating that they had missed school due to feeling unsafe either while on the way to and from school or while at school, then in the 2015 survey the percent returned to previous levels. In 1999, less than one-in-ten (9%) teens said they felt unsafe in route or while at school; by 2007, that rose to as many as one-in-seven (14%). In 2015, the percentage of teens saying they felt unsafe going to and from school or at school declined, returning to about 10% of all teens – close to 1999 levels.

TREND: While teens continue to generally enjoy going to school, fewer felt that way in the 2011 survey than in either past surveys or the current survey. (See Figure 14)

- In the initial three TAP Surveys (1999, 2003, 2007), about two-out-of-every-three (66%) respondents said that they agreed with the statement “I enjoy going to school.” In 2011, the percent agreeing they enjoyed school dropped significantly to only about 57% of all teens. This year, the percent returned again to about two-out-of-every-three (65%).

TREND: Teens feel teachers have high expectations for them, care about them and care how they do in school. (See Figure 14)

- In the 2011 survey, four-out-of-five teens (81%) said that they agreed with the statement that teachers cared about them and had high expectation of them. The percent in 2015 that said they agreed with this statement rose to about 83% - a small, but statistically significant, increase – and back to what it was in 2007.

2015: About one-in-ten teens said that they had very few or no friends in school.

- While almost 80% of teens said they had five or more friends at school, about one-out-of-every-ten (9%) said they had fewer than two friends in school. One-in-25 (4%) said they did not have any friends at school.

2015: One-out-of-every-three teens said that they have skipped school in the past year.

- A third of all respondents (33%) said they have skipped school at least once in the past school year. About 6% said they had skipped at least ten days or more during the last year.

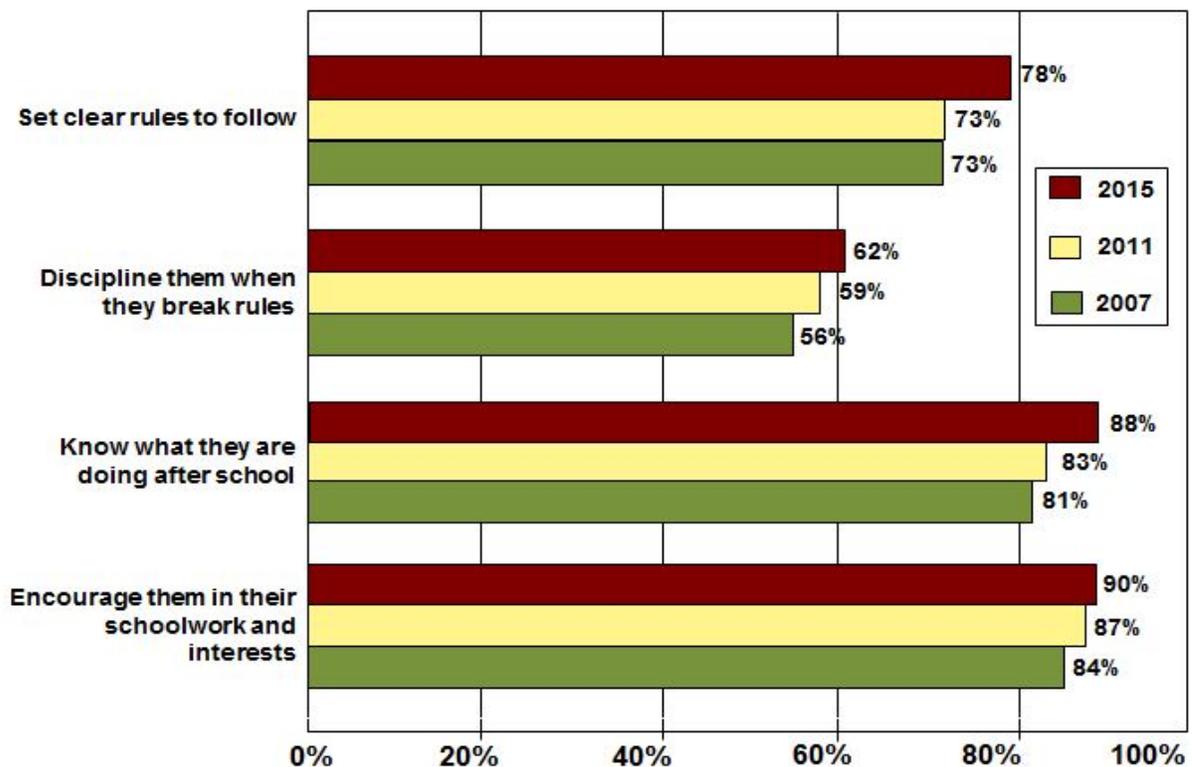
VII. Parent/Child Relationships

Oneida County Trends

TREND: According to teens, more parents, as a percentage, set clear rules for them and punish them if they break those rules. (See Figure 15)

- Since the initial TAP Survey, greater percentages of teens have indicated that their parents often or always set clear rules for them and that they know there are consequences for disobeying those rules. In 2007 and 2011, about 73% of all teens said that their parents' rules for behavior were clear; this progressed to nearly 80% by 2015. Similarly, while 56% of all teens said that they expected to be punished if they broke their parents' rules in the 2007 survey, this rose to 62% of teens in the 2015 TAP.

Figure 15: Percent of Teens Who Say Their Parents Often or Always...



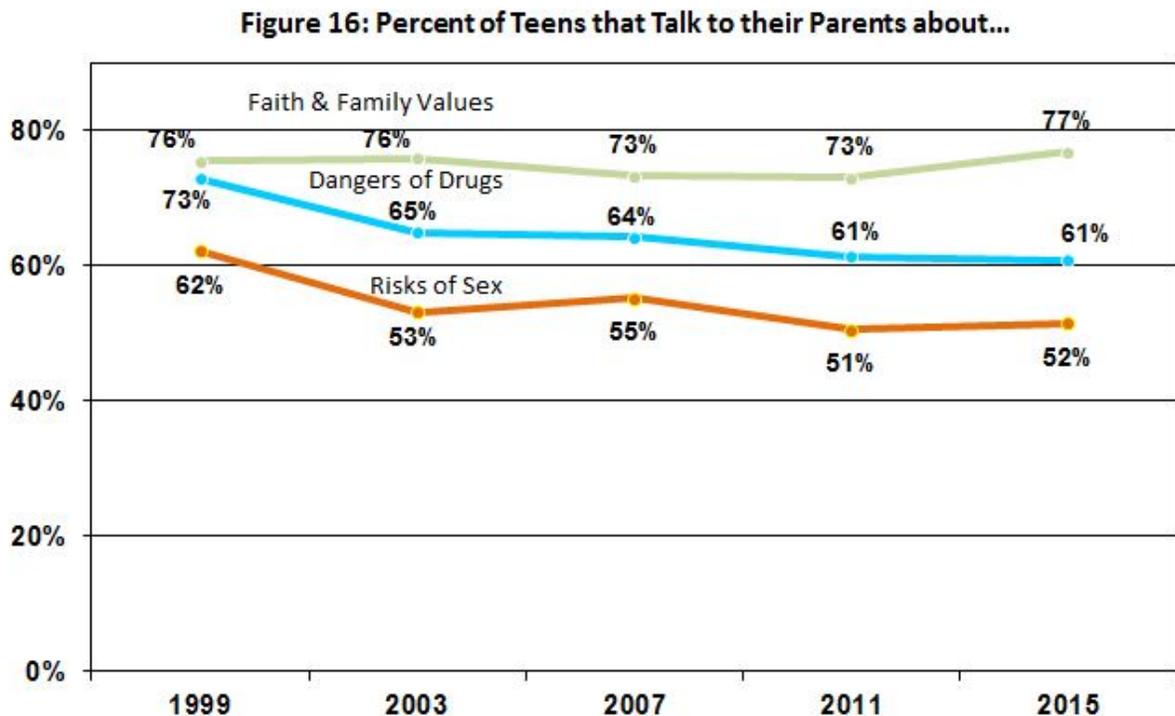
TREND: Also based on teens, more parents, as a percentage, know what their kids are doing after school and encourage them in their schoolwork and other interests. (See Figure 15)

- In 2007, 81% of teens reported that their parents knew what they were doing after school and 84% said their parents encouraged them in their schoolwork and in other interests. Understanding these are both positive indicators of parents' involvement in their children's lives, the percentages for both have crept up even further over successive

surveys so that in 2015, 88% of teens said their parents knew what they were doing after school, and 90% of teens said they encouraged them in their schoolwork and activities.

TREND: Parents are less likely than in previous surveys to talk with their teens about the dangers of alcohol and drugs and about the risks of sex. (See Figure 16)

- While most parents still talk to their children about sex, alcohol and drugs, there appears to be a downward trend when it comes to the likelihood of teens and parents having these conversations. In 1999, almost three-out-of-four teens (73%) said that they talked at least some of the time with their parents about the dangers of drugs and alcohol. By 2015, that percentage shrank to only 61% of all teens. The percentage of teens talking to their parents about sex related issues dropped even more, going from 62% in 1999 to only 52% in 2015.



TREND: The vast majority of teens continue to feel safe at home.

- Overall, since the very beginning of the TAP Surveys in 1999, more than 90% of all teens indicated they either “agreed” or “strongly agreed” that they felt safe while at home. This number has varied slightly over the years but in 2015 it remains strong with 95% of teens saying that they felt safe at home. In addition, each year of the survey with the exception of 2011, more teens have stated that not only did they “agree,” they “strongly agree,” they felt safe at home. In 1999, for example, 59% of teens strongly agreed that they felt safe at home. By 2015, that percentage had risen to 71%.

TREND: Significantly fewer teens said that they had serious thoughts about running away.

- In the 2003, 2007, and 2011 TAP Surveys, around one-in-three teens (33%) indicated they had seriously contemplated running away from home in the prior year. The 2015 survey, however, found significantly fewer teens saying they had this notion - only about one-in-five (22%) of respondents said in the past year they have thought seriously about running away from home.

2015: A small percentage of teens reported they or their families experienced homelessness.

- About 2% of teens in Oneida County reported they or their family had been homeless for a week or longer during the past year. This is similar to data collected through a different question in the 2011 TAP. It was not asked in the 2015 TAP Survey, but in the 2011 survey it was found that as many as 5% of teens reported they themselves had left home and been homeless for a week or longer during the past year.

2015: Nearly one-in-ten teens said that they had to cut meals or reduce meal sizes due to a lack of food in the home.

- Almost 9% of respondents said that they or their family had to cut meal size or skip meals at least one month out of the past year because their family lacked money for food. Two-out-of-three of these teens (6% overall) said that this had happened more than two months in the past year.

2015: About one-out-of-every-three teens reported that they had at least one meal each day with their whole family.

- About 30% of all teens said that they had at least one meal a day with their entire family. More than half of teens (54%) said that they sat down for a meal with their family at least four times a week, but not necessarily every day. As many as 11% of respondents said that they never had meals together as a family.

2015: Two-out-of-every-three teens said that they have had at least one discussion with their parents about disaster and emergency preparedness.

- Exactly two-thirds (67%) of all teens have talked with their parents about what to do as a family in the case of an emergency or if a disaster struck the area. Almost half of these teens that had these family discussions (31% overall) said they had such discussions quite frequently.

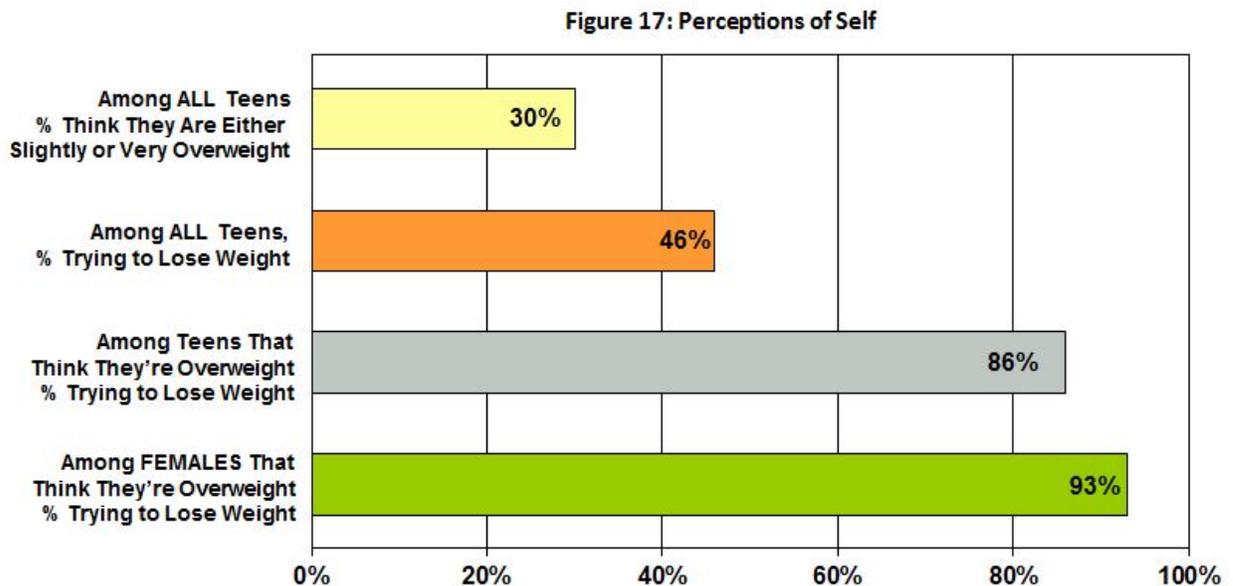
VIII. Perception of Self, Peers and Community

Oneida County Trends

Perceptions of Self

2015: Teen girls are more likely to see themselves as overweight, while teen boys are more likely to see themselves as underweight. (See Figure 17)

- Among all teens, 30% see themselves as either slightly or very overweight. Female respondents (34%) are more likely than male respondents (25%) to report that they are overweight. In the same vein, more males (18%) see themselves as underweight than do females (13%). The majority of all teens see themselves as being about the right weight (males—57% and females—53%).



2015: Among teens who see themselves as overweight the vast majority are trying to lose weight. (See Figure 17)

- Of the 30% of all Oneida County teens who described themselves as either slightly overweight or very overweight, more than four-out-of-five (86%) reported they were trying to lose weight. Girls, who saw themselves as overweight, were far more likely to be trying to lose weight (93%) than were boys (77%).

2015: Many girls that see themselves as underweight are still trying to lose weight.

- Only about 15% of all teens see themselves as underweight. Most underweight teens are either trying to gain weight or at least stay the same weight (56%). However, more than one quarter (26%) of females, who see themselves as underweight, are still trying to lose weight.

Oneida County Compared to the United States

The TAP Survey includes two questions from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Survey about teens' perception of their weight and about whether they are doing anything to try to control their weight – See Appendix B: Tables 19 and 20 for a comparative summary.

COMPARATIVE TRENDS: An equal percentage of youth locally and nationally in both the 9th and 11th grades describes themselves as slightly or very overweight.

The two TAP Survey questions about teen's perception of their weight and what they are trying to do to lose weight come from the Center of Disease Control Youth Risk Behavior Survey.

- Between 30% and 32% of both 9th and 11th graders in both Oneida County and the United States describe themselves as slightly or very overweight, and just as seen locally, girls across the nation seem more conscious than boys of being overweight. Girls, both locally and nationally, in the 9th grade are about one-third more likely than boys and in the 11th grade about one-half more likely to describe themselves as overweight.
- There is also a very close match between local and national teens in regards to the percentage that indicated they are not trying to lose weight (meaning they responded instead that they are trying to “gain weight,” “stay the same weight,” or “I am not trying to do anything about my weight”). The percentage is the same for both 9th and 11th graders and for both Oneida County and national teens - 52% are not trying to lose weight. Just as more girls see themselves as overweight, a much higher proportion of girls than boys are trying to lose weight. Again, both nationally and locally, in the ninth grade, girls are over two-thirds more likely than boys (girls – 60%; boys – 35%), and in the 11th grade, girls are twice as likely (girls – 64%; boys – 32%) to report that they are trying to lose weight.

Perceptions of Peers

TREND: The percent of teens saying that they can turn to their friends when faced with a problem has returned to pre-2011 levels.

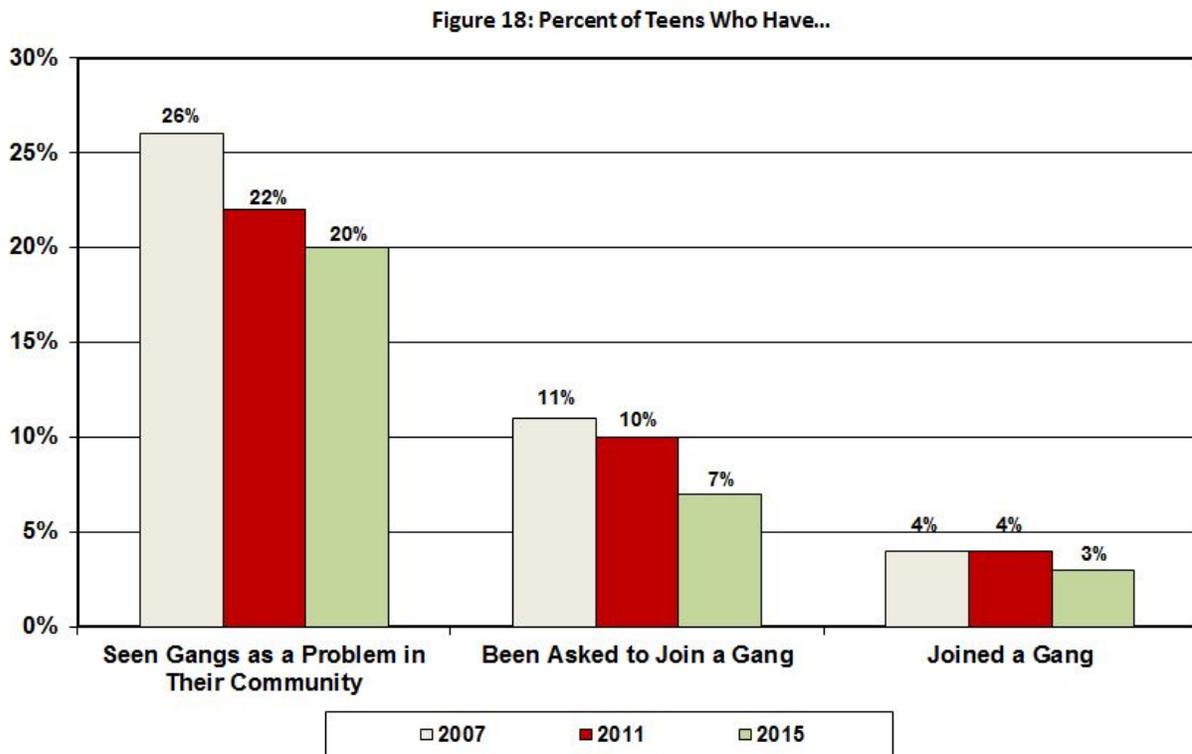
- Prior to 2011, typically about 83% of teens stated that they felt they could turn to their friends when faced with a serious personal problem. In 2011, this number dropped down to 79%. In the 2015 TAP Survey, once again 83% of respondents reported they felt comfortable approaching their friends when they had personal issues.

TREND: For the second survey in a row, the percent of teens that thought gang activities were a problem in their community dropped. (See Figure 18)

- In the 2007 TAP Survey, as many as a quarter of teens (26%) felt that gangs were an issue in their community. By 2011, this had declined to 22% of all teens. As of 2015, the percent dropped even further to around 20% who agreed or strongly agreed that gang activities were a problem in their community.

TREND: Approximately seven-of-every-one-hundred students have been asked to join a gang in the last year. (See Figure 18)

- While most students have not been approached about becoming gang members, a small percentage have been and among those, about a third have actually joined gangs. Of all respondents in 2015, 7% said they had been approached to become gang members, and 3% said they had actually joined. In both instances these percentages have dropped since 2007 when 11% said they had been asked to join and 4% said they had joined a gang.



2015: Teens that joined gangs were more than seven times as likely to have gotten into trouble with the police.

- Among teens that did not join gangs, only about 8% indicated that they had gotten into trouble with the police during the past year. Among kids who said they had joined a gang in the last year, almost 60% said they encountered trouble with the police in the last year.

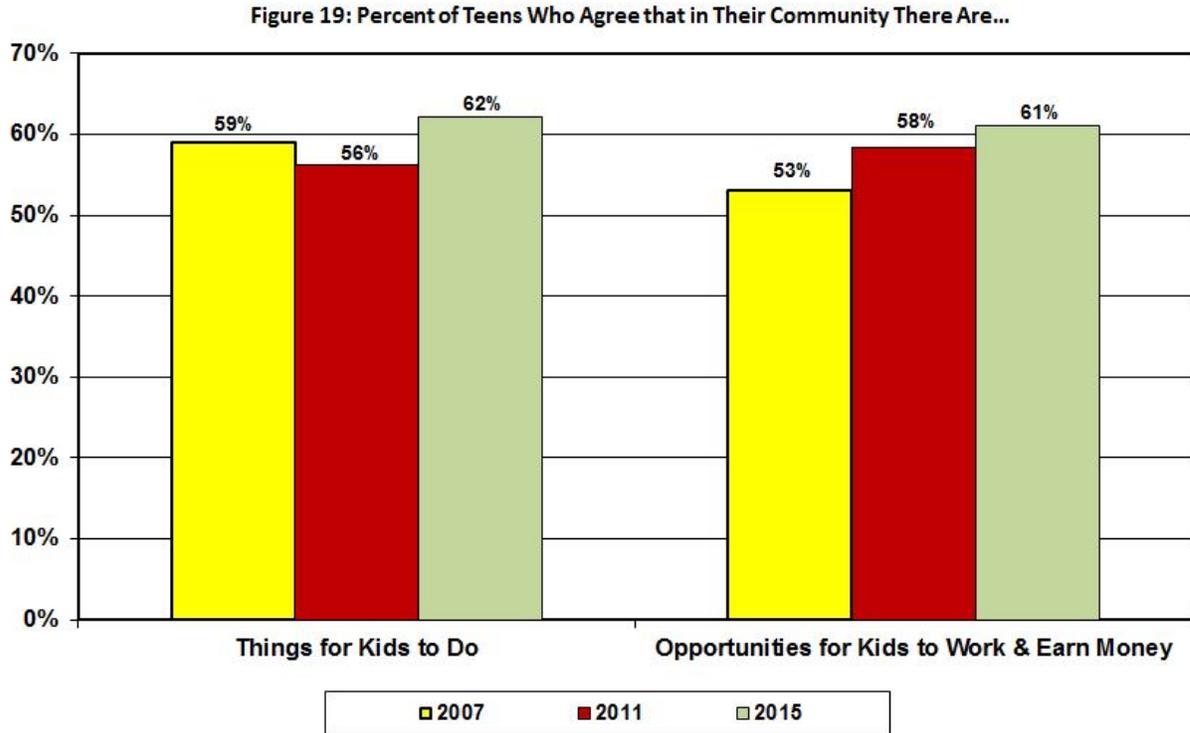
Perceptions of Community

TREND: The percent of teens saying they feel safe in their community has rebounded to pre-2011 levels.

- The vast majority of teens feel safe living in their community. As many as 80% of teens indicated in previous TAP Surveys that they felt safe while in their community with the exception of 2011 when this dropped significantly to about 76%. In 2015, the percent rebounded back to 79%, in essence returning to the pre-2011 level.

TREND: Most teens agree that there are things for kids to do in their community. (See Figure 19)

- Since 2003, the majority of respondents have agreed that there were things for kids to do in their community, but the percentage had always been below 60% - ranging from 53% to 59%. In 2015, for the first time, more than three-out-of-five teens (62%) agreed that there were things for them to do within their community.



TREND: Since 2007, the percent of teens that believe there are opportunities to earn money and find a job in the community has grown. (See Figure 19)

- The majority of teens continue to see their community as a source of jobs for earning money. In 2007, slightly more than half (53%) of teens agreed or strongly agreed that there were opportunities for jobs for kids their age. In 2011, the percentage grew to 58%, and by 2015, this increased to approximately 61%.

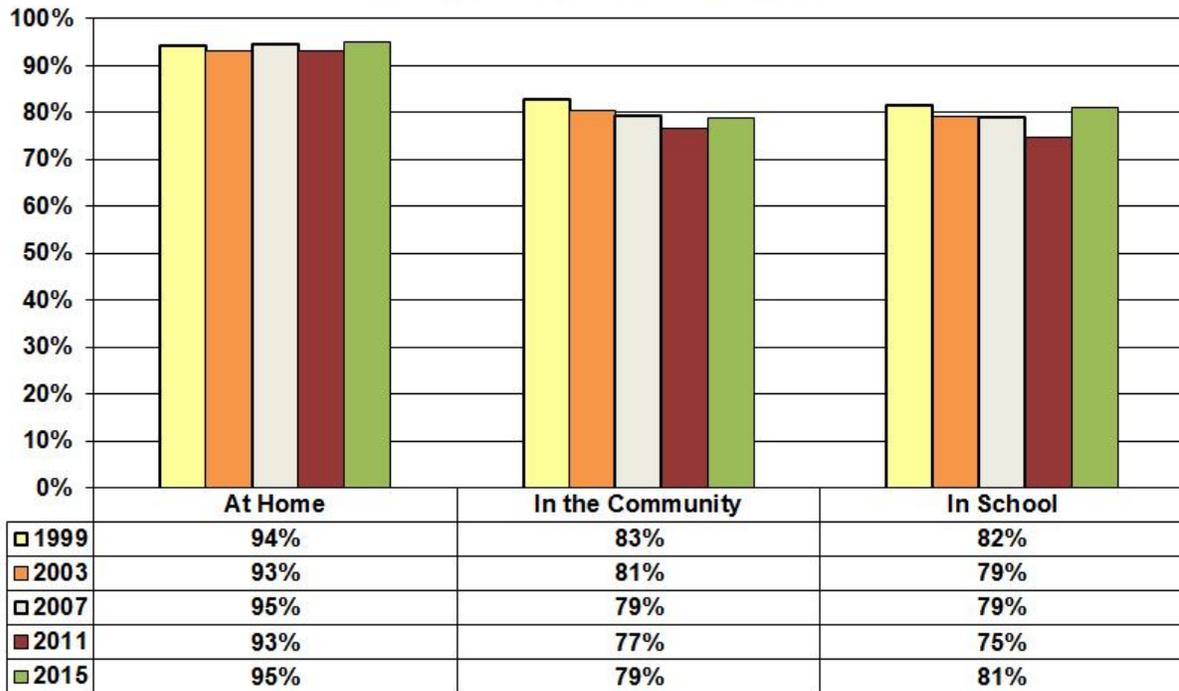
IX. Personal Safety

Oneida County Trends

TREND: After seeing some declines in their sense of safety in 2011, particularly at school and in their community, respondents in 2015 appear to feel safer across the board. (See Figure 20)

- As a general matter, an overwhelming majority of teens feel safe whether at home, school or in their community. However, between the 2007 and 2011 surveys, the percentage of teens feeling safe in these settings showed a slight, but significant, decline (home – 95% to 93%; schools - 79% to 75%; community - 79% to 77%). In 2015, the percentage of teens saying that they felt safe in these settings rose up to and above their prior levels (95% felt safe at home, 81% at school and 79% in their community).

Figure 20: Percent of Teens That Felt Safe While...



TREND: More than a quarter (27%) of all females reported experiencing some form of sexual harassment.

- In the 2015 TAP Survey, 27% of female respondents said in the past year they had been sexually harassed, which is defined in the survey as unwanted sexual attention such as sexual comments, jokes, graffiti, blocking or cornering. Only one-in-ten male teens (10%) said they had been sexually harassed. For both genders, this is fewer, as a percentage, than in 2011 when 35% of females and 14% of males indicated they had been sexually harassed.

TREND: One-out-of-every-five females reported that they had ever been sexually assaulted.

- About 20% of all females indicated that they had been subjected to some form of unwanted physical contact in their life. Unwanted contact included unwanted kissing, touching, or sexual intercourse. About 3% of all females indicated they had been raped – worded in the survey as “unwanted sexual intercourse.” Like with sexual harassment, this is below the percentages seen in 2011. Then, about 24% of all females reported someone had done something sexual to them unwanted, and 4% said they had been raped.

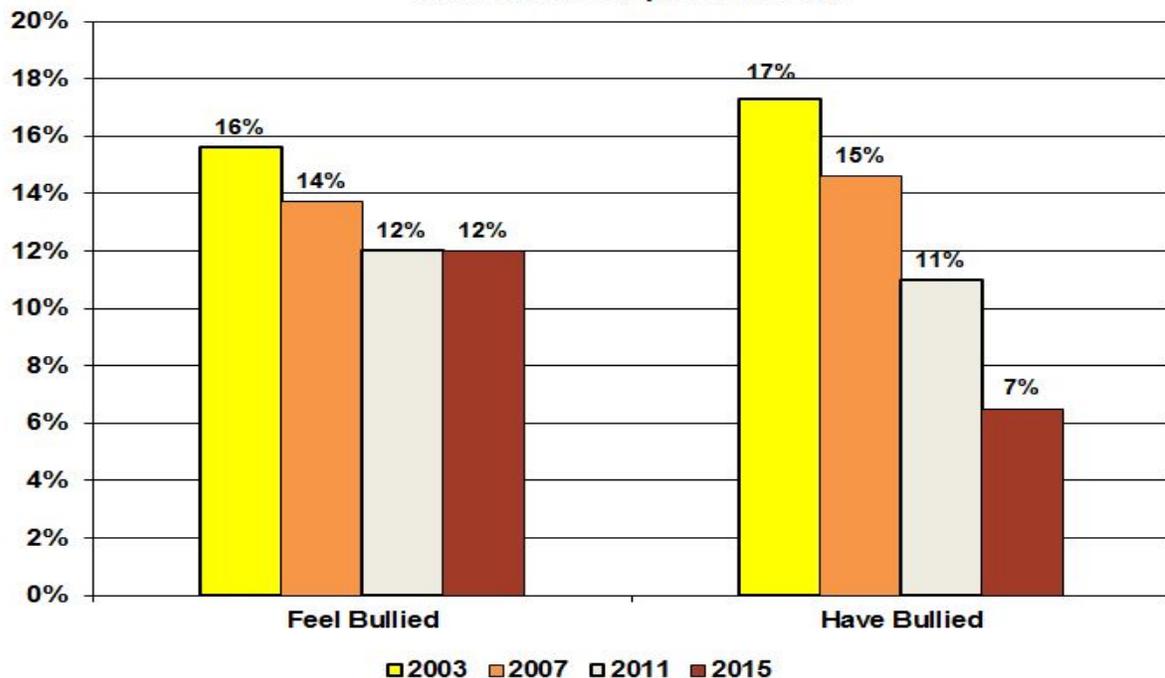
TREND: About one-out-of-ten teens had been physically hurt by an adult at home.

- Just as was found in the 2011 TAP Survey, 10% of all teens in 2015 reported being physically hurt by an adult in the home. This continues to represent a decline from earlier results of the TAP Survey, particularly the 2003 and 2007 data, when it was 12% and 11% respectively.

TREND: The same percentage of teens reported feeling bullied, but fewer said they bullied others. (See Figure 21)

- The percentage of all teens that said they felt “constantly bullied, meaning regularly teased, threatened or harassed by other youth in a hurtful way” declined between 2003 and 2011 from 16% to 12%, but since then, in 2015, it remained at 12%.

Figure 21: Percent of Teens that Feel BULLIED and Who Have Bullied OTHERS at least Occasionally in the Past Year



- On-the-other-hand, the percentage that said they bullied others has continued to drop since 2003 from 17% to 15% in 2007 to 11% in 2011 and to 7% in 2015.

TREND: The percentage of teens that said they have been cyber-bullied declined; but still it remains more of a problem for females.

- When initially asked in 2007, more than a quarter of teens (26%) said they had ever been “personally threatened or harassed” through an instant message, email, chat room, text message, or online post. In 2011, this declined to 20%. In the most recent survey, the question added the timeframe – “during the past year” and changed the wording to “electronically bullied or cyber-bullied,” and only 15% of teens reported being cyber-bullied.
- Notably, females in 2011 were much more likely, and by 2015 twice as likely, than males to report being cyber-bullied (2011 – 31% versus 18%; 2015 - 20% versus 10%).

TREND: About one-out-of-every-eight teens continue to say they carried a weapon in the past year with the intent to harm someone or protect themselves.

- In the 2015 survey, about 13% of all teens said during the past year they had carried a weapon, such as a gun or knife, with the “intent to harm someone or to protect” themselves. This is not significantly different from the 2007 and 2011 TAP Surveys when this same question was asked.
- About 5% of all respondents indicated they had carried a weapon, such as a gun, knife or club on school property during the past 30 days in the 2015 TAP Survey. While this is only slightly less than was found in the 2011 survey (7%), it does represent a significant decline statistically.

Oneida County Compared to the United States

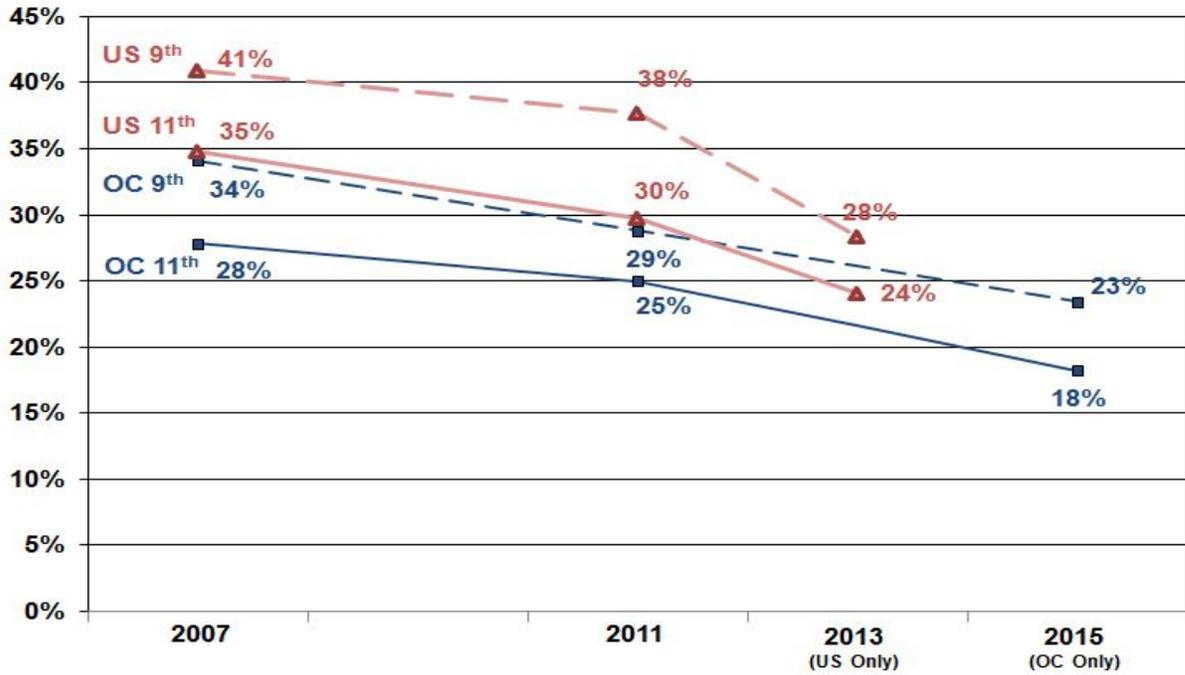
The TAP Survey includes three questions from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Survey related to cyberbullying, physical fights and weapon possession – See Appendix B: Table 31- physical fights, Table 32- weapon possession and Table 37- cyberbullying for a comparative summary.

COMPARATIVE TRENDS: Local levels of bullying and physical fights similar to national levels.

- When questioned whether they had been electronically bullied during the past year, 15% of the Oneida County 9th graders and 13% of the 11th graders responded affirmatively. This is similar to national rates found in 2013 for both grades. Also true at both the local and national levels - girls are twice as likely as boys to experience cyberbullying (girls – 20%; boys – 10%).
- Fewer and fewer teens both in Oneida County and in the U.S. have reported getting into a physical fight one or more times in the past year. In fact, since 2007, the rate has dropped by about one-third for both 9th and 11th graders from over 30% to just over 20%. It has also dropped for both genders although as a rule boys appear to be twice as likely

as girls to get into a physical fight. In that time, Oneida County teens have consistently been less likely than teens nationally to report getting into a physical fight. For 9th graders, 23% in Oneida County in 2015 and 28% in the U.S. in 2013, and for 11th graders, 18% in Oneida County in 2015 and 24% in the U.S. in 2013 reported getting into a physical fight one or more times in the past year. (See Figure 22)

Figure 22: Oneida County and U.S. 9th and 11th Graders That Were in a Physical Fight in the Past Year



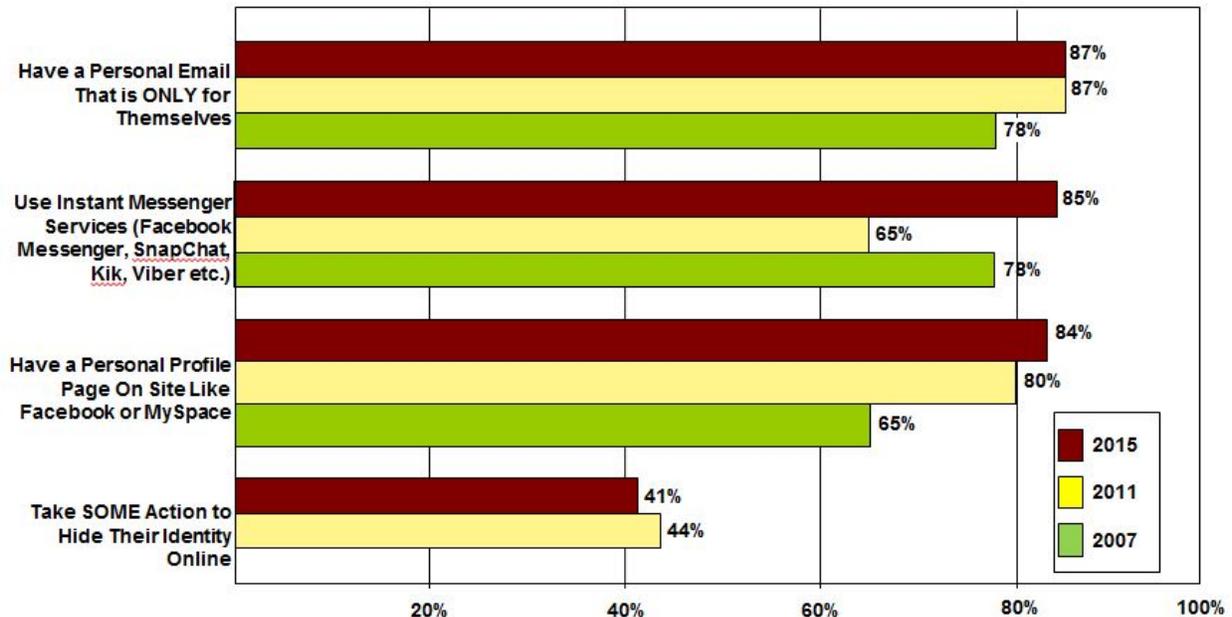
- The percentage of teens who reported carrying a weapon, such as a gun, knife or club on school property during the prior 30 days appears to be slightly higher locally than nationally, but it is not beyond the YRBS margin of error so not statistically significant. There is also little difference between the 9th and 11th grades either locally or nationally. The only notable difference is between genders – boys are as much as three times more likely than girls both nationally and locally to carry a weapon on school property (girls – 3%; boys – 9%).

X. The Internet and Technology

Oneida County Trends:

TREND: Most teens have a web presence - females slightly more than males - and few parents supervise their children’s web presence. (See Figure 23)

Figure 23: Teen Internet Use: Percent of Teens Who...

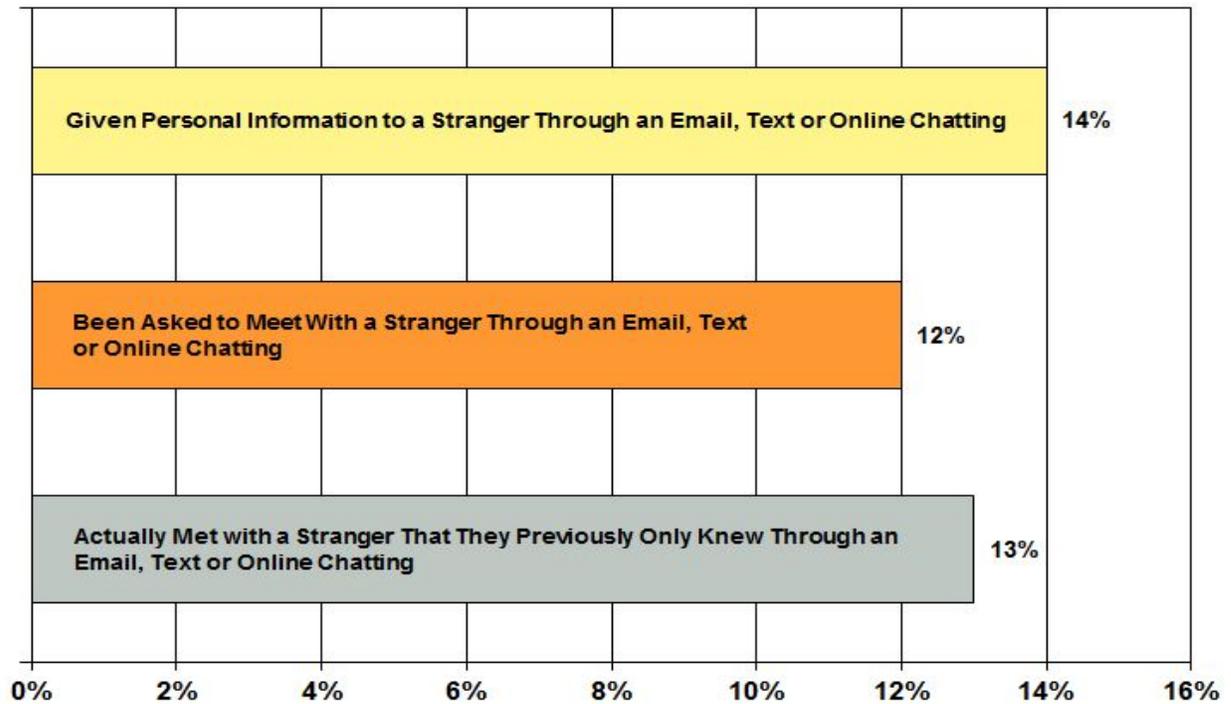


- Almost nine-out-of-every-ten teens (87%) reported they have a personal email address that is exclusively theirs.
- The percentage of all teens to have an instant messenger screen name as fluctuated as the technology as evolved and the options changed. In 2007, 79% said yes and in 2011 only 65% said yes to having an instant messaging screen name like on AOL, AIM, Yahoo, MSN, etc. However, this rose to 85% in 2015 when asked if they have an instant messaging screen name like on SnapChat, Kik, Facebook Messenger, Viper, YikYak, etc.
- The percentage of teens that have personal profile pages has risen from 65% in 2007 to 84% in 2015.
- Females were significantly more likely than males to use instant messaging (88% versus 82%), and to have a personal profile page (87% versus 81%).
- Among all teens that said they had a personal profile page, about three-out-of-four (73%) said their parents never, or rarely, supervise their internet activity.

- Only 41% of teens reported they had ever “left off, made private, or purposefully put wrong information on their personal profile or webpage” in order to protect themselves or hide their identity from others online. This is statistically no different than what was reported in 2011.

2015: While online: 14% of teens have shared personal information with strangers; 12% have been asked to meet with strangers; 13% go on to actually meet with strangers. (See Figure 24)

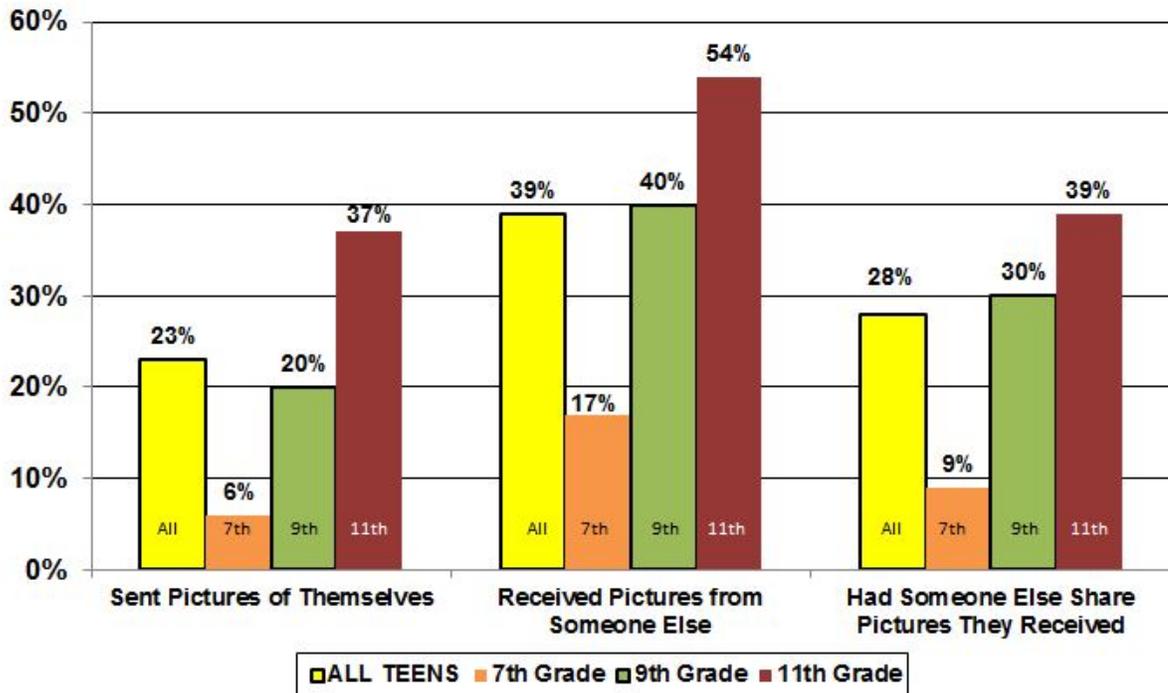
Figure 24: Teen Internet Use: Percent of Teens Who Have...



- Close to one-in-seven (14%) respondents reported they had given out personal information to a stranger electronically through email, a text message or online chatting. (A stranger was defined as “someone they did not personally know and someone with whom they had no common friends or associates.”) Almost one-in-eight (12%) indicated they had been asked electronically to meet up with a stranger. In both of these instances, this is slightly, but significant statistically, lower than in 2011 when it was 16% sharing personal information and 15% being asked to meet with a stranger.
- Teens in 2015 are still just as likely to have met a stranger in person who they contacted online as were their counterparts in 2011. In both cases, about 13% of ALL teens said they had actually met up with a stranger who they only knew from email, a text message or online chatting.

2015: Almost one-out-of-every-two teens has been involved in some form of “sexting,” involving either sharing nude or seminude pictures of themselves or having such pictures sent to them of either the sender or a third party. (See Figure 25)

Figure 25: Sexting: Percent of Teens That Have Ever Sent Pictures of Themselves OR Received Nude or Semi-Nude Pictures of Someone Else OR Had Someone Else Share Pictures They Received Via Cell Phone, Email, Etc.



- Just under a quarter of all teens (23%) said that they shared electronically a nude or seminude picture of themselves via email, cell phone or instant messaging. Nearly two-out-of-every-five (39%) said that they received electronically from someone, a sender, a nude or seminude picture of that sender. And, almost three-out-of-ten teens (28%) said other people shared with them nude or seminude pictures they received from someone else. As teens age moving from 7th to 11th grade, the prevalence of this activity increases.
- Based on the 2015 survey, almost one-out-of-two teens (46%) have ever been involved in some form of sexting. Either they sent a nude or semi-nude photo of themselves to someone or they received from someone else such a photo of that sender or of another person. This percentage is down slightly from the 2011 survey when as many as 48% of all teens were involved in some form of sexting.

Appendices

Appendix A: A Comparison of Oneida County TAP Survey Data for 1999, 2003, 2007, 2011 & 2015 and a Breakdown by Gender and Grade for 2015

This Appendix shows the response rate for each question of the Oneida County 2015 TAP Survey for the total participants, then broken down by gender and by grade (7th, 9th and 11th). For those survey questions that were also in the Oneida County 1999, 2003, 2007 and 2011 TAP Surveys, the response rate for those years is also shown for the total participants.

Appendix B: A Comparison of Oneida County TAP Survey Data (1999, 2003, 2007, 2011 & 2015) with Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance (YRBS) Survey Data for New York State and for the United States (1999, 2003, 2007, 2011 & 2013) for 9th and 11th Grades

The Oneida County 2015 TAP Survey included 37 questions that are identical to questions in the national Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance (YRBS) Survey that is administered by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The tables in Appendix B present the results of these 37 questions for the 9th and 11th graders separately for the United States and New York State for 1999, 2003, 2007, 2011 and 2013, and for Oneida County for 1999, 2003, 2007, 2011 and 2015. The reason the focus is on 9th and 11th graders is because high school students, grades 9th through 12th, participate in the YRBS Survey, while 7th, 9th and 11th graders take the TAP Survey. In order to ensure that we look at a like population of students, this analysis compares the two grades common to both surveys. The final years for the two surveys are different (TAP - 2015 and YRBS - 2013) because the results of the 2015 YRBS Survey are not yet available.

The results are shown in a table that is divided between 9th and 11th grades. For each grade the results are shown for the United States (US), for New York State (NYS) and for Oneida County (OC) first for the Total (T), second for Males (M) and third for Females (F).

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Explanation of highlights: If the year – 2015 is highlighted in the table, then there is a statistically significant difference between the 2011 and 2015 responses to that survey question.

About Yourself

Fill in the circles on your answer sheet that best describe you.

1. What is your sex?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Male	50.3	49.3	50.2	49.5	50.6	---	---	50.7	49.2	51.0
Female	49.7	50.7	49.8	50.5	49.4	---	---	49.3	50.8	49.0
N =	5698	3726	4861	2236	4029	---	---	1329	1336	1280

2. How old are you?

	Total					2013				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
11 or less	0.1	6.5	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.1
12	13.6	15.9	16.4	12.9	17.2	16.8	17.6	50.6	1.0	0.2
13	15.9	17.1	15.9	19.2	15.6	16.1	15.0	45.5	0.8	0.2
14	16.3	17.3	18.2	13.7	17.8	16.3	19.4	3.3	49.6	0.5
15	19.3	16.5	16.0	18.9	15.1	15.8	14.4	0.1	44.4	0.2
16	21.5	16.8	18.1	15.8	17.9	17.0	18.9	0.0	3.1	52.3
17	11.7	14.6	13.6	15.9	14.5	15.9	13.1	0.0	0.4	43.4
18+	1.8	1.4	1.3	3.1	1.6	2.0	1.2	0.0	0.3	3.0
N =	5698	3712	4866	2241	4030	2035	1989	1329	1338	1281

3. What grade level or status below best describes you?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
7 th	39.5	34.5	34.0	33.6	33.0	33.2	32.9	---	---	---
9 th	33.2	33.5	34.4	33.2	33.2	32.3	34.1	---	---	---
11 th	22.3	29.5	29.4	29.8	31.8	32.1	31.5	---	---	---
Other	4.8	2.6	2.2	3.4	1.9	2.4	1.5	---	---	---
N =	5647	3713	4851	2241	4031	2033	1990	---	---	---

4. Do you have an IEP (Individualized Education Program) or receive special education services?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not	Not	Not	Not	18.3	20.2	16.2	17.5	18.1	18.7
No	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	81.7	79.8	83.8	82.5	81.9	81.3
N =					3941	1982	1953	1275	1316	1270

The following table shows results from the past TAP Surveys related to students with special needs.

Which of the following special needs apply to you?

	Total			
	1999*	2003*	2007	2011
I don't have any special needs	85.9	84.2	83.7	86.0
learning disability	6.8	6.9	6.4	5.8
emotional/ behavioral disability	2.2	2.2	2.7	1.8
physical disability	1.0	0.6	1.0	0.8
English as a second language	2.6	2.4	2.7	2.9
some other disability applies to me	NA	2.5	2.1	1.3
more than one of these applies to me	1.5	1.2	1.5	1.4
N =	5654	3685	4849	2229

* 1999 TAP Survey response choices did not include "some other disability applies to me," but did include all others; while the 2003 TAP Survey included all 2007 and 2011 response choices plus "cerebral palsy," "mental retardation," and "epilepsy."

5. What language is most often spoken in your home?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
English	Not	Not	Not	Not	85.4	85.9	84.9	85.6	86.3	85.9
Some other language	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	14.6	14.1	15.1	14.4	13.7	14.1
N =					4015	2026	1982	1325	1331	1277

Your Living Situation

6. Who do you live with **most** of the time?

	Total					2015				
	1999*	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
two parents (biological or adoptive)	64.5	61.5	60.4	59.4	57.8	57.7	58.0	58.8	56.6	59.2
a parent and a step-parent	9.5	12.1	12.2	12.0	12.5	12.8	12.2	11.5	13.1	13.0
father most of the time	2.7	3.2	2.8	3.2	3.4	3.8	3.1	2.9	3.8	3.3
mother most of the time	17.2	16.1	16.4	16.3	16.0	14.9	17.1	15.9	15.9	15.8
mother part of the time, father part of the time	2.9	3.5	4.5	4.8	5.9	6.8	4.8	7.3	6.2	4.2
with relatives (aunt, uncle, grandparents, etc.)	2.3	2.2	2.4	3.0	3.0	2.7	3.4	2.7	3.4	2.7
group home or foster home	NA	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.6
alone or with friends only	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.2	0.6	1.2
N =	5679	3708	4859	2235	4016	2024	1985	1325	1331	1278

* The 1999 TAP Survey response choices did not include "group home or foster home," but did include all others.

7. Which of the following describes the highest level of education that was completed by either one of your parents?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003*	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
no high school	1.0		2.2	3.1	4.2	4.4	3.9	4.2	3.3	4.4
some high school	7.6		7.5	7.8	6.9	6.0	7.8	4.4	7.5	8.7
high school graduate	14.5		15.6	15.3	13.8	14.0	13.7	12.1	14.0	15.2
some technical training or college courses	10.0	Not	8.1	7.8	7.1	6.8	7.3	6.2	7.8	7.3
two-year college graduate	11.8	Asked	10.5	10.6	9.4	10.4	8.4	7.7	7.9	13.0
four-year college graduate	26.4		19.1	17.8	19.4	19.2	19.5	13.3	22.0	22.9
master's or doctorate degree	14.4		16.9	17.7	17.6	16.6	18.6	16.2	20.5	16.6
I don't know	14.3		20.1	19.9	21.6	22.6	20.7	35.9	17.0	11.8
N =	---	3695	4839	2223	3997	2014	1975	1308	1326	1280

* The 2003 TAP Survey asked two questions about the highest level of education - one of the mother and the second of the father.

8. During the PAST YEAR, have you and your family been homeless, meaning you lost your home (like a house, apartment, trailer, etc.) for a week or longer?

	Total					2013				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
No	Not	Not	Not	98.4	97.7	98.1	97.3	98.3	97.8	97.4
Yes	Asked	Asked	Asked	1.6	2.3	1.9	2.7	1.7	2.2	2.6
N =				2236	4013	2024	1984	1327	1329	1276

9. During the past year, have you seriously thought about running away from home?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
no	61.4	66.8	67.3	67.1	78.2	82.3	73.9	80.5	75.2	79.7
yes, once	20.0	16.1	15.6	15.6	10.3	8.2	12.4	11.2	12.4	7.4
yes, more than once	14.1	13.7	13.3	14.1	8.9	6.3	11.6	6.7	10.0	9.5
I did run away	3.6	2.7	3.0	2.8	2.2	2.7	1.7	1.6	2.0	2.4
I did not live at home during the last year	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.9
N =	5641	3636	4651	2172	4019	2026	1986	1321	1335	1280

10. How often in the PAST YEAR did you or your family have to cut meal size or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Almost every month	Not	Not	Not	Not	2.8	3.4	2.2	2.3	2.6	3.1
Some months but not every month	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	3.3	2.6	4.1	2.8	3.4	3.7
Only 1-2 months					2.4	2.4	2.4	1.3	2.8	2.8
Did not have to skip or cut the size					91.5	91.6	91.3	93.7	91.2	90.4
N =					4017	2025	1985	1324	1336	1277

The following table shows results from the 2011 TAP Survey related to not having enough money for food.

During the PAST YEAR, were you ever hungry, but did not eat, because your family did not have enough money for food?

	Total
	2011
No	96.2
Yes	3.8
N =	2230

Tobacco, Alcohol and Other Drug Use

The next four questions ask about tobacco use.

11. How old were you when you smoked a whole cigarette for the first time?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I have never smoked a whole cigarette	56.0	71.5	78.8	79.9	87.4	86.1	88.8	96.8	89.7	77.0
8 years old or younger	4.6	2.8	2.2	1.5	1.1	1.5	0.7	0.4	0.8	1.6
9 or 10 years old	4.3	3.6	2.4	1.7	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.7	1.0	1.4
11 or 12 years old	13.5	7.8	4.7	3.9	2.4	2.8	1.9	1.6	2.4	2.7
13 or 14 years old	14.8	9.6	6.8	6.6	4.9	5.5	4.3	0.5	5.3	9.0
15 or 16 years old	6.5	3.9	4.7	5.8	2.8	2.5	3.1	0.1	0.6	7.5
17 years old or older	0.2	900	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.9
N =	5664	3695	4854	2229	4023	2031	1984	1326	1334	1279

12. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 days	75.5	84.5	88.9	88.9	94.7	93.9	95.5	98.9	95.1	90.6
1 or 2 days	NA	4.6	2.7	2.7	2.0	1.9	2.0	0.5	2.0	3.5
3 to 5 days	NA	2.3	1.5	1.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.7	0.9
6 to 9 days	NA	0.9	1.2	1.3	0.5	0.8	0.3	0.2	0.4	1.0
10 to 19 days	NA	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.0	0.1	0.6
20 to 29 days	NA	1.5	0.9	1.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.6
all 30 days	NA	4.9	3.6	3.2	1.2	1.5	0.9	0.3	0.7	2.0
N =	NA	3704	4855	2230	4028	2031	1989	1329	1337	1278

The next 2 questions ask about electronic vapor products, such as blu, NJOY, or Starbuzz. Electronic vapor products include e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes, vape pipes, vaping pens, e-hookahs, and hookah pens.

13. Have you ever used an electronic vapor product?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
No	Not	Not	Not	Not	77.1	75.6	78.6	94.5	76.1	61.1
Yes, with nicotine	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	13.7	14.3	13.1	3.7	14.6	23.2
Yes, with THC					3.2	3.4	3.1	0.6	3.1	6.0
Yes, sometimes with nicotine and other times with THC					6.0	6.7	5.2	1.2	6.2	9.8
N =					4016	2028	1983	1322	1336	1274

14. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use an electronic vapor product?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 days	Not	Not	Not	Not	85.2	83.2	87.3	96.2	83.8	75.7
1 or 2 days	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	5.9	5.3	6.6	2.2	6.6	9.3
3 to 5 days					2.1	2.0	2.1	0.7	2.5	3.1
6 to 9 days					1.9	2.7	1.1	0.4	2.5	3.1
10 to 19 days					1.5	1.9	1.2	0.1	1.7	2.8
20 to 29 days					0.8	1.0	0.7	0.1	0.9	1.5
all 30 days					2.5	3.9	1.1	0.4	2.0	4.5
N =					4021	2032	1982	1323	1337	1277

15. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use **chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip** such as Redman, Grizzly, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Skoal Bandits, or Copenhagen?

	Total					2015				
	1999*	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I have never in my life used these products	---	90.6	89.4	88.9	90.5	85.8	95.4	97.2	91.4	83.4
I have used these products in the past, but not in the past 30 days	---	5.3	5.1	5.9	6.2	8.7	3.8	2.2	6.2	10.2
0 days	93.1	---	1.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1 or 2 days	2.8	1.2	1.4	1.2	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.2	0.4	1.2
3 to 5 days	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.9
6 to 9 days	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.4	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.1	1.1
10 to 19 days	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.9
20 to 29 days	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.4
all 30 days	1.3	0.8	1.3	1.6	1.0	1.8	0.3	0.1	0.7	2.0
N =	5679	3709	4863	2235	4025	2032	1986	1326	1338	1278

* The 1999 TAP Survey response choices were as follows: 0 days; 1 or 2 days; 3 to 5 days; etc. to all 30 days.

The next four questions ask about drinking alcohol. This includes drinking beer, wine, wine coolers, and liquor such as rum, gin, vodka, or whiskey. For these questions, drinking alcohol does not include drinking a few sips of wine for religious purposes.

16. If you drink, about how often do you have at least one drink of alcohol?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I don't drink	46.1	51.8	57.7	59.0	67.1	67.9	66.3	91.9	68.4	42.2
I did drink, but not anymore	9.4	4.0	3.8	5.6	5.6	5.4	5.9	2.7	6.6	7.3
A few times a year	18.1	22.5	21.0	17.5	15.7	14.6	16.7	3.5	14.6	29.0
A few times a month	18.4	14.3	12.4	12.9	8.7	9.0	8.4	1.3	8.0	16.4
A few times a week	6.0	6.1	3.8	3.8	2.0	1.9	2.2	0.2	1.8	3.9
Almost every day	1.9	1.4	1.4	1.2	0.9	1.2	0.5	0.2	0.6	1.2
N =	5684	3662	4837	2210	3946	1994	1947	1278	1317	1267

17. If you drink, how old were you when you had your first drink of alcohol other than a few sips?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I have never had a drink of alcohol other than a few sips	44.4	50.1	55.3	55.7	64.4	65.7	63.1	88.6	66.2	39.6
8 years old or younger	6.2	5.0	3.6	3.7	2.5	3.0	2.1	2.4	2.4	2.4
9 or 10 years old	3.8	4.6	3.0	2.6	2.1	2.3	1.7	1.8	1.4	2.7
11 or 12 years old	11.8	11.6	9.5	7.6	5.9	5.7	6.1	5.4	7.5	4.8
13 or 14 years old	21.8	18.4	16.5	16.8	13.8	12.9	14.9	1.6	18.8	20.6
15 or 16 years old	12.1	9.6	11.0	11.7	10.4	9.4	11.3	0.0	3.6	27.8
17 years old or older	0.6	0.7	1.1	1.8	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.2	0.2	2.1
N =	5648	3665	4832	2211	3938	1982	1950	1278	1314	1264

18. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 days	Not	70.4	74.9	74.6	82.0	82.3	81.7	96.0	83.6	66.9
1 or 2 days	Asked	14.4	13.0	12.5	10.1	9.2	11.0	2.2	9.7	18.4
3 to 5 days		6.1	5.3	6.1	3.6	3.7	3.5	0.7	3.0	6.8
6 to 9 days		4.0	3.0	3.4	2.1	2.2	2.0	0.6	1.7	4.0
10 to 19 days		3.1	1.9	1.8	1.2	1.1	1.3	0.1	1.1	2.3
20 to 29 days		0.9	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.6
all 30 days		1.1	1.2	1.2	0.8	1.2	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.9
N =		3702	4856	2232	4016	2022	1986	1321	1333	1278

19. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours?

	Total					2015				
	1999*	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 days	Not	86.0**	74.9	74.6	89.5	89.0	90.1	98.5	90.8	80.2
1 or 2 days	Asked	7.2	13.0	12.5	3.8	3.3	4.4	0.8	3.5	7.1
3 to 5 days		3.2	5.3	6.1	2.4	3.0	1.8	0.2	2.0	4.8
6 to 9 days		2.0	3.0	3.4	1.9	2.1	1.7	0.3	1.3	4.2
10 to 19 days		0.9	1.9	1.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.1	0.8	2.0
20 to 29 days		0.9	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.1	0.9	0.8
all 30 days			1.2	1.2	0.8	1.2	0.4	0.2	0.8	1.0
N =		3676	4856	2232	4016	2025	1986	1323	1333	1276

* The 1999 TAP Survey response choices were as follows: no – 77.0%; yes, once – 11.3%; yes, 2 or 3 times – 6.4%, and yes, 4 or more times – 5.3%.

** The 2003 TAP Survey response choices included “I have never in my life had 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row” – 72.0%, and “I have had 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row in the past, but not in the past 30 days” – 14.0%.

The next three questions ask about marijuana use.

20. If you use marijuana, about how often do you smoke it?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I have never in my life used marijuana	71.4	75.3	80.5	75.7	79.1	77.1	81.1	95.8	81.1	61.7
I did use marijuana, but not anymore	11.1	8.2	6.9	5.4	5.8	6.2	5.4	2.2	4.4	10.8
a few times a year	5.0	4.7	3.7	6.4	5.6	5.8	5.6	0.9	5.7	10.2
a few times a month	5.1	4.7	3.2	4.7	3.7	3.5	4.0	0.4	3.9	6.8
a few times a week	3.7	3.5	1.9	3.1	2.6	3.2	1.9	0.4	2.5	4.5
almost every day	3.7	3.7	3.7	4.7	3.1	4.2	2.0	0.3	2.5	5.9
N =	5687	3704	4853	2232	4006	2017	1981	1318	1330	1275

21. If you have tried marijuana, how old were you when you tried marijuana for the first time?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I have never tried marijuana	70.2	74.6	79.8	75.4	78.3	76.6	80.1	95.3	80.2	60.6
8 years old or younger	1.5	1.2	1.3	1.3	0.8	1.0	0.6	0.1	1.0	0.9
9 or 10 years old	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.8	1.2	0.5	0.6	0.7	1.0
11 or 12 years old	5.2	4.8	3.4	3.6	3.3	4.0	2.6	3.1	3.4	3.1
13 or 14 years old	12.2	10.2	8.1	9.7	9.3	9.7	8.9	0.9	11.3	15.6
15 or 16 years old	8.9	7.7	5.8	8.2	6.9	6.8	7.2	0.0	3.2	17.6
17 years old or older	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.2	1.2
N =	5683	3703	4855	2231	4017	2025	1985	1320	1336	1277

22. During the past 30 days, how many times did you use marijuana?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 times	Not	85.1	88.1	83.8	87.8	86.2	89.4	98.0	88.8	77.7
1 to 2 times	Asked	4.7	4.2	5.5	4.5	4.3	4.6	1.0	4.5	8.1
3 to 9 times		3.7	2.4	3.4	2.5	2.6	2.5	0.5	2.5	4.5
10 to 19 times		2.1	1.4	2.4	1.7	2.0	1.5	0.5	1.8	2.8
20 to 39 times		1.7	1.4	1.7	1.2	1.7	0.7	0.0	1.2	2.5
40 or more times		2.7	2.5	3.2	2.2	3.2	1.3	0.2	1.3	4.4
N =		3701	4851	2230	4018	2028	1983	1321	1334	1279

Please indicate how often you use each of the following substances.

23. **cocaine**, including powder, crack, or freebase

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never used	94.6	95.7	95.6	Not	97.6	97.0	98.3	99.5	97.7	96.5
Did use, but stopped	2.3	1.4	1.4	Asked	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.5	1.2
A few times a year	0.6	0.8	0.8		0.5	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.4	1.0
A few times a month	0.6	0.7	0.6		0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2
A few times a week	0.4	0.4	0.5		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2
About every day	1.5	1.0	1.1		0.8	1.2	0.4	0.0	0.9	1.0
N =	5685	3697	4857		4015	2028	1980	1320	1336	1276

24. **heroin** (also called smack, junk, or China White)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never used	Not	97.5	97.2	Not	98.4	97.6	99.1	99.7	98.3	97.6
Did use, but stopped	Asked	0.5	0.7	Asked	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.7
A few times a year		0.6	0.5		0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3
A few times a month		0.1	0.4		0.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.4
A few times a week		0.2	0.3		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1
About every day		1.0	1.0		0.8	1.2	0.4	0.1	1.0	0.9
N =		3701	4858		4018	2027	1984	1322	1337	1276

25. medicines prescribed for someone other than yourself (such as OxyContin, Hydrocodone, Percocet, codeine, Ritalin, Xanax, etc.)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never used	Not	91.1	92.5	93.2	94.4	94.3	94.6	97.4	94.8	91.6
Did use, but stopped	Asked	3.4	2.2	2.0	2.3	2.0	2.5	1.5	2.1	3.1
A few times a year		2.1	2.4	2.0	1.6	1.4	1.8	0.7	1.3	2.7
A few times a month		1.5	1.3	1.3	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.2	0.7	0.9
A few times a week		0.7	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.8
About every day		1.1	1.0	0.9	0.7	1.1	0.4	0.1	0.7	0.9
N =		3702	4842	2230	4009	2024	1978	1318	1335	1273

26. Inhalants (sniffed glue, aerosol spray cans, gasoline, paint, etc.)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never used	90.8	91.5	91.8	93.5	96.0	96.0	96.2	97.3	95.1	96.2
Did use, but stopped	4.6	3.5	3.4	3.0	1.5	1.2	1.8	1.0	1.9	1.6
A few times a year	1.8	2.4	2.2	1.7	0.9	0.8	1.1	0.9	1.2	0.6
A few times a month	0.9	1.2	1.3	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5
A few times a week	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.2
About every day	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.3	0.5	0.2	1.0	0.9
N =	5685	3690	4859	2228	4015	2024	1984	1318	1337	1277

27. Methamphetamines (also called speed, crystal, crank, or ice)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never used	Not	96.1	96.7	97.4	97.9	97.3	98.6	99.1	97.8	97.3
Did use, but stopped	Asked	1.4	0.6	0.9	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.2
A few times a year		0.8	0.7	0.1	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.8
A few times a month		0.5	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.4
A few times a week		0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
About every day		0.9	1.0	1.0	0.8	1.2	0.4	0.1	0.8	1.1
N =		3699	4858	2228	4014	2026	1981	1318	1337	1276

28. Synthetic amphetamines, synthetic THC or herbal incense (such as salvia, Spice, K2, Molly, Ecstasy, MDMA, etc.)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never used	Not	Not	Not	Not	95.4	94.3	96.6	98.7	95.8	92.6
Did use, but stopped	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	1.7	2.1	1.2	0.6	1.3	2.7
A few times a year					1.0	1.1	0.9	0.2	0.7	2.0
A few times a month					0.8	0.8	0.8	0.3	0.8	1.2
A few times a week					0.3	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.3
About every day					0.9	1.3	0.5	0.2	0.9	1.2
N =					4015	2026	1981	1318	1337	1277

The following table shows results from the 2011 TAP Survey related to synthetic drugs.

Synthetic THC or herbal incense (such as salvia, Spice, K2, etc.)

	Total
	2011
Never used	92.9
Did use, but stopped	2.0
A few times a year	2.2
A few times a month	1.4
A few times a week	0.4
Every day	1.1
N =	2226

29. Highly caffeinated energy drinks (such as Red Bull, Monster, 5-Hour Energy, etc.)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never used	Not	Not	Not	48.0	54.0	47.7	60.5	67.1	48.9	47.3
Did use, but stopped	Asked	Asked	Asked	6.5	9.4	10.4	8.5	9.3	10.0	8.6
A few times a year				20.0	19.6	21.3	17.9	12.4	22.6	24.1
A few times a month				14.1	10.3	12.3	8.2	6.6	11.4	12.3
A few times a week				7.7	4.6	5.7	3.5	3.6	4.7	5.4
About every day				3.7	2.0	2.7	1.4	1.0	2.3	2.4
N =				2226	4016	2023	1985	1320	1337	1276

30. Over the counter, non-prescription medications used in a way not intended (such as creatine, supplements, diet pills, cold medicines, cough syrup, etc.)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never used	Not	Not	88.5	86.7	80.5	81.4	79.5	86.5	78.7	77.1
Did use, but stopped	Asked	Asked	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.2	2.9	3.4	3.2
A few times a year			4.8	5.8	9.3	8.4	10.2	7.2	10.6	10.1
A few times a month			2.1	2.4	3.9	3.4	4.5	2.5	4.3	5.0
A few times a week			0.4	0.8	1.5	1.4	1.7	0.6	1.8	2.1
About every day			1.0	1.1	1.5	2.0	0.9	0.4	1.3	2.4
N =			4842	2228	4007	2021	1979	1314	1335	1275

The next three tables show results of drug related questions from past TAP Surveys that were not included in either the 2011 or 2015 TAP Survey:

Ecstasy (also called MDMA)

	Totals		
	1999	2003	2007
Never used	NA	94.9	96.6
Did use, but stopped	NA	1.6	0.7
A few times a year	NA	1.6	0.8
A few times a month	NA	0.5	0.5
A few times a week	NA	0.4	0.3
About every day	NA	1.0	1.0
N =	NA	3702	4853

Steroids (pill form, cream or by injection)

	Totals		
	1999	2003	2007
Never used	96.3	96.5	96.8
Did use, but stopped	1.1	1.0	0.8
A few times a year	0.8	0.6	0.5
A few times a month	0.5	0.4	0.5
A few times a week	0.3	0.5	0.3
About every day	1.1	1.0	1.1
N =	5684	3706	4846

Other illegal drugs (like LSD, PCP, etc.)

	Totals		
	1999	2003	2007
Never used	NA	NA	95.7
Did use, but stopped	NA	NA	1.1
A few times a year	NA	NA	1.1
A few times a month	NA	NA	0.8
A few times a week	NA	NA	0.3
About every day	NA	NA	1.0
N =	NA	NA	4839

31. During the PAST YEAR, has anyone offered, sold, or given you an illegal drug on school property?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
No	Not	68.7	61.1	59.0	69.3	67.6	70.9	25.6	31.1	34.8
Yes	Asked	31.3	38.9	41.0	30.7	32.4	29.1	74.4	68.9	65.2
N =		3672	4809	2216	3994	2009	1979	1314	1326	1273

32. How many times during this school year have you been high on alcohol, marijuana, or any other drugs while at school during school hours?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 times	81.1	83.5	86.6	85.6	90.2	89.2	91.3	96.5	90.7	84.2
1 or 2 times	8.5	7.5	5.5	6.0	3.9	3.7	4.1	2.0	4.6	4.9
3 to 9 times	3.2	3.5	2.9	3.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.5	2.2	4.6
10 to 19 times	2.4	2.0	2.0	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.2	0.5	1.0	2.4
20 to 39 times	1.7	1.1	0.8	1.0	0.6	0.9	0.3	0.1	0.4	1.2
40 or more times	3.1	2.2	2.2	2.4	1.6	2.4	0.7	0.4	1.1	2.7
N =	5677	3700	4851	2232	4015	2025	1984	1319	1335	1277

About Your School

Please read each statement carefully and decide whether you agree or disagree. Fill in the circles on the answer sheet that best describe your feelings.

33. I enjoy going to school

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Strongly disagree	14.2	12.5	9.6	14.0	11.3	12.3	10.3	9.1	11.6	12.7
Disagree	19.3	23.7	21.2	28.7	24.0	23.6	24.5	20.5	25.8	26.0
Agree	57.0	53.0	55.2	48.0	51.7	51.2	52.2	54.2	50.1	50.7
Strongly agree	9.5	10.9	13.9	9.3	13.0	12.9	13.0	16.2	12.5	10.6
N =	5670	3699	4839	2225	4009	2016	1986	1316	1333	1276

34. Rules in my school are the same for everyone.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Strongly disagree	21.2	15.3	14.2	17.5	14.7	14.7	14.6	9.1	14.9	20.2
Disagree	23.1	27.4	25.4	29.1	24.0	22.9	25.1	16.3	26.0	29.9
Agree	39.3	37.7	41.3	39.8	40.9	41.2	40.7	43.8	41.3	37.7
Strongly agree	16.4	19.6	19.1	13.7	20.4	21.2	19.6	30.8	17.9	12.5
N =	5676	3700	4837	2227	4008	2020	1981	1318	1333	1273

35. I feel safe in my school.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Strongly disagree	7.7	7.4	6.6	8.6	5.7	6.4	4.9	5.1	6.0	5.3
Disagree	10.8	13.4	14.6	16.8	13.5	13.4	13.7	12.4	14.4	13.4
Agree	54.9	56.1	55.0	54.8	53.4	52.1	54.8	48.1	55.7	57.2
Strongly agree	26.6	23.1	23.9	19.8	27.4	28.1	26.6	34.5	23.9	24.2
N =	5674	3695	4828	2219	4004	2014	1984	1319	1331	1273

36. Teachers in my school generally have high expectations of me, care about me and care how well I do in school.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Strongly disagree	Not	Not	Not	7.2	5.6	6.4	4.7	4.3	5.9	5.7
Disagree	Asked	Asked	Asked	11.7	11.8	11.7	11.8	8.0	13.6	14.1
Agree				51.9	46.2	46.4	45.9	41.0	48.8	48.8
Strongly agree				29.2	36.5	35.5	37.5	46.7	31.7	31.4
N =				2223	4001	2010	1985	1318	1328	1272

The next two tables show results from the 2003 and 2007 TAP Surveys related to teachers' expectations and care for students.

Teachers in my school generally have high expectations of me.

	Totals	
	2003	2007
Strongly disagree	5.9	4.7
Disagree	11.9	10.9
Agree	55.2	53.3
Strongly agree	27.0	31.2
N =	3686	4824

My teachers generally care about me and how well I do in school.

	Totals	
	2003	2007
Strongly disagree	6.4	5.6
Disagree	13.5	11.4
Agree	54.4	55.0
Strongly agree	25.7	28.0
N =	3685	4821

37. How many friends would you say you have at school?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
None, I don't really have any friends at school	Not	Not	Not	Not	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.3	3.7
1 or 2	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	5.3	3.9	6.6	4.5	5.1	5.7
3 or 4					11.9	7.9	15.8	8.1	11.6	16.1
5 or more					79.2	84.6	73.9	84.4	80.0	74.5
N =					3987	2005	1976	1313	1323	1270

38. During this school year, how many days have you skipped classes all day or part of the day?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011*	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 times	Not	Not	Not	74.3	67.4	69.1	65.7	82.1	68.4	52.3
1 to 5 times	Asked	Asked	Asked	13.9	22.8	21.4	24.2	14.0	24.6	29.8
6 to 10 times				3.3	4.1	3.5	4.7	1.8	3.5	7.2
more than 10 times				8.5	5.7	6.0	5.4	2.1	3.5	10.7
N =				2226	4003	2016	1980	1317	1328	1276

* In the 2011 TAP Survey the question reads – “During this school year, how many days have you skipped classes all day or part of the day without your parents’ permission?”

39. How often in the PAST YEAR have you missed school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	91.0	88.4	85.7	88.1	89.4	91.2	87.7	87.5	89.3	92.5
Once	5.5	7.3	8.3	5.8	6.3	5.1	7.5	8.0	7.0	3.7
Several Times	1.6	2.5	3.2	4.3	3.8	2.4	3.6	3.4	2.5	2.7
Many Times	1.8	1.8	2.8	1.8	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.1
N =	5042	3697	4839	2226	4011	2021	1983	1321	1334	1275

About Your Community and Your Friends...

Please read each statement carefully and decide whether you agree or disagree. Fill in the circles on the answer sheet that best describe your feelings.

40. In my community, there are things for kids my age to do.

	Total					2015				
	1999*	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Strongly disagree	32.7	21.6	16.8	17.7	14.0	12.7	15.3	8.3	14.1	19.1
Disagree	24.4	25.1	24.1	26.1	23.8	21.5	26.1	17.1	23.3	30.9
Agree	31.3	38.7	43.5	45.4	47.3	47.7	47.0	52.5	48.2	41.9
Strongly agree	11.7	14.6	15.5	10.8	14.8	18.1	11.6	22.1	14.4	8.2
N =	5664	3668	4812	2217	3980	1999	1974	1307	1327	1264

* In the 1999 TAP Survey the question reads – “In my community, there are fun things for kids my age to do.”

41. In my community, there are many opportunities for kids my age to earn money or find a job.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Strongly disagree	Not	12.0	16.2	15.5	13.0	13.0	13.0	15.6	13.3	9.3
Disagree	Asked	22.0	30.8	26.1	26.0	22.9	29.2	33.5	25.6	18.8
Agree		51.7	41.5	49.5	47.7	48.6	46.8	39.4	47.6	56.9
Strongly agree		14.3	11.5	8.9	13.3	15.5	11.0	11.6	13.6	15.0
N =		3690	4801	2213	3982	2005	1970	1306	1327	1269

42. I feel safe in my community.

	Total					2015					
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th	
Strongly disagree		6.4	6.2	6.8	8.6	7.1	6.9	7.3	6.9	8.1	5.8
Disagree		10.8	13.3	13.8	14.8	13.9	11.8	16.1	12.7	16.2	12.5
Agree		55.4	57.8	55.5	55.5	54.7	54.9	54.6	50.2	53.7	60.6
Strongly agree		27.4	22.8	23.9	21.1	24.3	26.4	22.0	30.2	22.0	21.0
N =		5669	3687	4810	2220	3979	1998	1975	1306	1325	1268

43. Gang activities are a problem in my community.

	Total					2015					
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th	
Strongly disagree		43.6	40.3	40.5	46.5	49.5	53.4	45.7	52.0	46.0	51.0
Disagree		29.4	37.8	34.9	31.8	30.5	27.6	33.4	28.8	33.3	29.8
Agree		18.9	14.7	15.3	13.3	13.0	12.2	13.7	12.2	13.4	13.3
Strongly agree		8.1	7.2	9.3	8.4	7.0	6.8	7.2	7.0	7.3	5.9
N =		5648	3657	4788	2212	3951	1992	1952	1292	1317	1262

44. I can turn to my friend(s) if I have a serious personal problem and need someone to talk with.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Strongly disagree	Not	6.2	6.6	9.7	6.6	8.1	5.0	7.7	5.5	6.1
Disagree	Asked	10.0	9.5	11.2	10.7	12.3	9.2	11.2	10.1	11.0
Agree		42.0	41.0	37.4	38.8	43.1	34.3	35.1	40.7	40.3
Strongly agree		41.8	42.9	41.6	43.9	36.5	51.5	46.1	43.6	42.6
N =		3653	4717	2181	3932	1976	1949	1281	1313	1259

How easy would it be for you to get each of the following?

45. Beer, wine, or hard liquor

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Very Easy			27.8	22.5	20.4	21.0	19.7	9.0	20.1	31.1
Easy			27.7	26.2	22.7	21.5	23.8	11.7	26.5	30.6
Not so easy	Not	Not	11.6	13.1	10.9	11.4	10.4	8.6	13.3	10.9
Difficult	Asked	Asked	5.5	6.4	7.5	8.1	6.8	9.3	7.0	6.1
Very difficult			9.9	11.2	12.9	12.9	13.0	24.3	8.7	6.1
I don't know			17.5	20.6	25.6	25.0	26.3	37.1	24.5	15.1
N =			4811	2188	3986	2011	1968	1306	1325	1272

46. Marijuana (pot, weed)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Very Easy			20.3	22.0	20.4	21.9	18.9	5.4	19.8	35.0
Easy			17.1	17.4	14.6	14.3	14.9	4.4	16.2	23.6
Not so easy	Not	Not	8.2	7.8	7.1	7.2	7.0	4.4	9.3	7.5
Difficult	Asked	Asked	6.2	6.3	5.0	4.9	5.1	4.4	6.1	4.6
Very difficult			20.9	19.9	20.6	19.4	21.8	38.1	16.2	7.9
I don't know			27.3	26.6	32.3	32.3	32.3	43.3	32.5	21.4
N =			4811	2188	3985	2008	1970	1305	1325	1272

47. Tobacco products

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Very Easy			23.7	23.2	20.2	23.5	16.8	7.8	17.6	33.9
Easy			19.6	16.2	14.0	14.6	13.1	6.1	15.9	20.4
Not so easy	Not	Not	9.2	8.6	7.9	6.7	9.1	4.8	10.1	9.0
Difficult	Asked	Asked	7.2	8.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	8.9	8.8	5.7
Very difficult			16.8	17.4	18.8	18.2	19.5	32.9	15.2	9.0
I don't know			23.5	25.8	31.4	29.2	33.8	39.5	32.5	22.2
N =			4813	2204	3985	2008	1970	1305	1325	1272

48. Prescription drugs (such as OxyContin, Hydrocodone, Percocet, codeine, Ritalin, Xanax, etc.) without a doctor's prescription

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Very Easy				9.7	7.5	7.5	7.5	4.2	6.7	11.0
Easy				7.5	6.8	5.9	7.7	3.8	6.4	10.4
Not so easy	Not	Not	Not	10.1	8.9	9.3	8.4	5.6	9.2	11.8
Difficult	Asked	Asked	Asked	10.4	9.8	10.2	9.5	7.5	10.0	12.0
Very difficult				24.5	25.8	25.8	25.8	34.3	24.3	19.6
I don't know				37.6	41.2	41.4	41.0	44.6	43.5	35.2
N =			4811	2201	3977	2000	1970	1302	1322	1271

49. A gun

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Very Easy		15.2	11.2	12.6	9.2	11.4	6.9	6.8	9.5	10.6
Easy		10.0	8.3	7.2	6.5	7.0	6.1	5.1	6.0	8.6
Not so easy	Not	9.5	10.3	8.2	8.1	8.6	7.5	7.4	7.8	9.0
Difficult	Asked	8.4	10.0	9.1	8.9	9.0	8.9	8.2	10.1	8.6
Very difficult		20.4	28.1	28.4	30.8	29.9	31.9	36.6	29.5	27.2
I don't know		36.5	32.1	34.4	36.4	34.1	38.8	35.9	37.2	36.1
N =		3456	4809	2202	3973	2001	1965	1297	1323	1270

You and Your Parents

Please read each statement and decide if you agree or disagree. Fill in the circles on the answer sheet that best describe your feelings.

50. I feel safe in my home.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Strongly disagree	3.0	3.2	2.5	2.9	1.8	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.5	1.9
Disagree	2.7	3.7	2.9	4.0	3.2	2.4	4.0	2.9	3.6	2.7
Agree	35.4	27.3	27.4	28.1	24.5	24.7	24.3	21.8	26.3	25.3
Strongly agree	58.9	65.8	67.2	65.1	70.5	71.0	70.0	73.5	68.6	70.1
N =	5674	6389	4814	2190	3973	1998	1969	1298	1324	1269

51. I can turn to one of my parents if I have a serious personal problem and need someone to talk to.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003*	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Strongly disagree	Not	8.9	7.6	7.8	7.0	5.5	8.4	5.6	7.0	7.8
Disagree	Asked	11.9	9.1	12.3	10.0	8.7	11.2	7.9	10.9	10.8
Agree		31.1	31.2	31.7	28.2	27.7	28.7	25.4	29.8	29.8
Strongly agree		48.1	52.1	48.2	54.9	58.1	51.7	61.2	52.3	51.6
N =		3682	4812	2200	3969	1998	1965	1295	1321	1270

* The 2003 TAP Survey asked two questions similar to this, first if they can turn to their "mother," and then "father."

Please fill in the one response that best describes your situation.

My parent(s)/guardian(s)...

52. ...set clear rules for me to follow.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	8.2	4.8	5.4	5.1	3.4	3.8	3.0	3.5	2.3	4.1
Occasionally	32.8	26.2	22.0	22.0	18.6	18.9	18.4	16.2	17.6	21.9
Often	26.3	32.6	29.9	30.2	30.9	32.1	29.7	27.6	33.3	32.1
Always	32.6	36.4	42.7	42.7	47.1	45.2	48.9	52.7	46.8	41.9
N =	5560	3676	4809	2205	3971	1999	1965	1296	1327	1268

53. ...discipline or punish me when I break the rules.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	13.4	11.3	12.1	12.4	10.2	10.3	10.0	10.1	7.9	11.6
Occasionally	39.6	35.5	31.6	28.8	28.0	27.4	28.7	24.5	28.5	31.4
Often	22.9	29.0	29.7	29.3	30.5	32.1	28.9	30.2	30.8	31.0
Always	24.0	24.1	26.6	29.5	31.3	30.1	32.3	35.2	32.8	25.9
N =	5553	3676	4799	2201	3964	1991	1966	1294	1325	1266

54. ...know my friends.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	5.4	4.8	5.2	4.0	3.8	4.7	2.8	3.9	3.3	3.5
Occasionally	23.3	14.6	15.6	13.5	13.4	15.0	11.8	12.0	13.5	14.4
Often	29.8	36.1	33.5	33.0	31.0	32.8	29.2	26.1	32.5	34.7
Always	41.5	44.5	45.8	49.5	51.8	47.4	56.2	58.1	50.6	47.4
N =	5504	3675	4791	2200	3961	1990	1964	1296	1322	1264

55. ... know what I am doing after school.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	Not	4.6	6.1	4.2	3.0	3.8	2.2	2.5	2.4	3.3
Occasionally	Asked	12.4	13.2	12.7	9.0	10.5	7.5	5.9	9.0	12.1
Often		31.6	24.4	25.5	22.1	25.2	19.0	14.9	22.5	29.2
Always		51.4	56.3	57.6	65.9	60.5	71.4	76.7	66.0	55.4
N =		3673	4795	2200	3973	1994	1972	1297	1328	1267

56. ...know where I'm going, when I go out.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	Not	3.5	4.8	4.1	3.0	3.6	2.4	2.6	2.4	3.5
Occasionally	Asked	11.6	12.0	11.9	8.0	8.3	7.6	4.6	7.2	12.0
Often		27.2	21.9	24.6	19.8	23.0	16.6	11.9	20.7	26.9
Always		57.6	61.2	59.4	69.2	65.1	73.4	80.9	69.7	57.7
N =		3667	4797	2194	3960	1984	1969	1290	1323	1266

57. ...care about and encourage me in my schoolwork as well as in my other interests and activities.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	Not	Not	Not	4.6	3.9	3.8	3.9	3.1	3.5	4.3
Occasionally	Asked	Asked	Asked	8.4	6.6	6.3	6.8	3.8	6.9	9.2
Often				16.8	14.7	15.7	13.7	13.1	14.9	15.9
Always				70.2	74.8	74.1	75.6	80.1	74.8	70.6
N =				2189	3961	1987	1967	1294	1326	1261

The next two tables show results from the 1999, 2003 and 2007 TAP Surveys regarding parents' encouragement for their children.

...care about and encourage me in my interests and activities.

	Totals		
	1999	2003	2007
Never	8.2	5.2	5.4
Occasionally	23.3	12.8	10.6
Often	23.4	24.4	19.1
Always	45.2	57.7	64.9
N =	5528	3667	4785

...are interested and encourage me in my school work.

	Totals		
	1999	2003	2007
Never	Not	5.3	5.6
Occasionally	Asked	11.6	10.1
Often		20.9	17.4
Always		62.2	66.9
N =		3663	4777

How often in the past year have you had a talk with at least one parent or adult you live with about each of the following?

58. Risks of smoking, drinking, or taking drugs

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003*	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	27.1	35.1	35.8	38.7	39.2	41.9	36.4	48.6	33.4	35.6
Occasionally	40.1	---	38.4	37.9	37.0	35.5	38.6	28.3	40.6	42.4
Often	16.4	---	17.6	16.0	16.0	14.1	17.8	15.0	18.1	15.0
Always	16.5	---	8.2	7.4	7.8	8.4	7.2	8.1	7.9	7.1
N =		3666	4781	2187	3922	1967	1950	1256	1322	1263

* The 2003 TAP Survey had five response choices: Never – 35.1%; Rarely – 24.4%; Sometimes – 26.0%; Often – 10.2%; and Very Often – 4.3%

59. The risks of being sexually active (getting AIDS, HIV, or STDs, pregnancy, birth control, abstinence, etc.)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	37.8	46.8	44.8	49.4	48.5	52.2	44.8	60.7	44.5	40.9
Occasionally	37.4	---	31.4	29.9	30.6	30.0	31.2	21.9	32.4	37.5
Often	12.9	---	14.6	12.0	13.0	11.1	14.9	10.4	13.9	14.6
Always	11.8	---	9.1	8.7	7.9	6.8	9.1	7.0	9.1	7.0
N =	5540	3666	4772	2185	3922	1970	1946	1253	1323	1265

* The 2003 TAP Survey had five response choices: Never – 46.8%; Rarely – 22.4%; Sometimes – 17.6%; Often – 8.4%; and Very Often – 4.9%

60. About our family's history, faith and/or values

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	24.5	24.1	26.8	27.0	23.2	25.2	21.1	20.5	22.1	26.3
Occasionally	40.5	---	33.0	35.5	33.7	33.9	33.4	32.3	32.7	36.4
Often	19.4	---	24.4	22.5	26.0	24.9	27.1	27.4	27.0	23.9
Always	15.7	---	15.8	15.0	17.2	16.0	18.4	19.8	18.3	13.3
N =	5543	3662	4748	2165	3923	1963	1953	1261	1320	1261

* The 2003 TAP Survey had five response choices: Never – 24.1%; Rarely – 21.0%; Sometimes – 26.7%; Often – 17.1%; and Very Often – 11.1%

61. About what you should do, as a family, in case an emergency or disaster struck your area (such as a fire, or tornado, or flooding)?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	Not	Not	Not	Not	33.0	33.4	32.6	20.6	32.4	45.2
Occasionally	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	36.4	36.3	36.6	34.2	39.1	36.7
Often					17.6	17.7	17.5	23.8	17.3	11.6
Always					13.0	12.6	13.3	21.4	11.3	6.4
N =					3893	1947	1939	1253	1310	1247

62. During the past week, on how many days did all the family members who live in your household eat a meal together?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never					11.4	11.1	11.6	9.4	10.7	13.1
Occasionally (for example, once every few weeks)					13.6	12.0	15.1	12.6	13.1	15.3
One day a week	Not	Not	Not	Not	5.1	5.3	5.1	3.6	5.8	5.9
Two days a week	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	6.4	5.9	7.0	5.4	5.9	8.1
Three days a week					7.9	8.3	7.6	6.0	8.1	9.7
Four days a week					7.7	7.7	7.7	6.3	8.0	9.0
Five days a week					10.0	10.4	9.6	9.4	10.9	9.6
Six days a week					7.4	7.2	7.7	9.1	7.4	6.1
Every day of the week					30.5	32.2	28.8	38.2	30.1	23.2
N =					3924	1961	1956	1257	1324	1263

The following table shows results from the 2003, 2007 and 2011 TAP Surveys regarding family dinners.

About how many nights a week does your family sit down to dinner together?

	Total		
	2003	2007	2011
Never	9.7	12.4	13.7
Occasionally (for example, once every few weeks)	12.8	12.6	14.2
One night a week	5.7	5.7	5.4
Two nights a week	7.0	7.6	6.8
Three nights a week	9.6	8.7	9.2
Four nights a week	10.1	8.5	7.9
Five nights a week	12.0	10.8	11.0
Six nights a week	8.4	8.6	6.9
Every night of the week	24.7	25.1	24.9
N =	3668	4752	2181

63. How many times in the past five years have you had to change schools because you moved to a different community or neighborhood?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
None		75.5	75.2	78.1	78.7	78.6	78.8	75.4	78.4	83.5
Once		13.5	14.2	12.5	12.6	12.8	12.4	14.2	12.9	10.2
Twice	Not	4.5	4.1	4.2	4.5	4.3	4.7	4.9	4.6	3.4
Three times	Asked	3.1	3.0	3.1	1.9	2.1	1.6	2.2	1.7	1.5
Four times		1.5	1.6	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.3	1.4	1.1	0.7
Five times or more		2.0	1.9	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.8	1.3	0.7
N =		3662	4753	2176	3935	1967	1961	1266	1323	1267

64. How well do you get along with your parents?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Very Well	Not	Not	Not	Not	59.4	63.2	55.5	66.2	57.4	55.2
Okay	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	33.7	31.0	35.6	28.3	35.3	36.5
Not So Well					5.4	4.1	6.6	4.2	5.9	5.8
Very Badly					2.0	1.7	2.3	1.3	1.7	2.5
N =					3934	1970	1957	1265	1324	1266

The following table shows results from the prior TAP Surveys about getting along with your parents.

How much do you worry about getting along with your parent(s) at home?"

	Total			
	1999	2003	2007	2011
I don't worry at all	23.0	15.9	22.4	56.7
I worry a little	26.3	19.9	19.9	20.2
I worry a fair amount	24.2	32.6	28.4	13.4
I worry a lot	26.5	31.6	29.3	9.7
N =	5677	3691	4850	2232

65. How well do your parents get along with each other?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Very Well	Not	Not	Not	Not	48.8	51.6	45.9	56.7	45.1	45.4
Okay	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	32.7	31.9	33.6	28.5	34.9	34.6
Not So Well					12.4	11.4	13.4	9.8	13.6	13.3
Very Badly					6.1	5.0	7.1	5.0	6.4	6.6
N =					3873	1945	1921	1236	1309	1251

The following table shows results from the prior TAP Surveys about how well your parents get along with each other.

How much do you worry about how well your parents get along with each other?"

	Total			
	1999	2003	2007	2011
I don't worry at all	44.5	27.3	30.1	56.8
I worry a little	24.3	16.6	17.4	19.6
I worry a fair amount	12.1	24.3	23.2	12.2
I worry a lot	19.1	31.8	29.3	11.5
N =	5647	3662	4824	2229

66. How much do you worry that your parents drink or use drugs?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I don't worry at all about it	77.2	61.7	65.5	75.6	74.4	74.1	74.6	72.3	72.9	78.3
I worry a little about it	11.5	16.4	15.2	11.4	14.1	13.7	14.6	14.8	15.0	12.7
I worry a fair amount about it	3.9	8.7	7.7	4.6	5.8	6.5	5.1	7.1	6.3	4.0
I worry a lot about it	7.4	13.1	11.6	8.4	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.8	5.8	4.9
N =	5668	3673	4830	2227	3915	1964	1944	1252	1320	1263

Personal Issues

Please fill in the responses on your answer sheet that best describes your situation or feelings.

67. How do you describe your weight?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Very underweight	Not	Not	Not	3.6	3.3	3.5	2.9	4.1	3.0	2.6
Slightly underweight	Asked	Asked	Asked	11.9	12.4	14.1	10.5	13.4	11.1	12.6
About the right weight				58.0	54.7	57.0	52.6	54.4	55.5	53.8
Slightly overweight				22.7	25.0	21.5	28.6	25.1	25.2	25.5
Very overweight				3.8	4.6	3.8	5.4	3.0	5.2	5.5
N =				2168	3893	1949	1937	1230	1320	1262

68. Which of the following are you trying to do about your weight?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Lose weight	Not	Not	Not	Not	46.4	35.4	57.4	44.2	47.3	47.7
Gain weight	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	14.0	21.6	6.3	10.7	13.7	17.0
Stay the same weight					19.7	21.4	18.1	24.6	18.6	16.6
I am not trying to do anything about my weight					20.0	21.7	18.2	20.4	20.4	18.7
N =					3889	1943	1940	1228	1320	1261

The following table shows results from the 2007 and 2011 TAP Surveys about losing weight.

During the past 30 days which one of the following methods have you **most often used** in order to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?"

	Total	
	2007	2011
I did not try to lose weight or keep from gaining weight	45.4	44.8
I ate a balanced diet and/or I exercised	41.1	41.1
I went without eating for 24 hours or more (also called fasting)	4.2	4.9
I vomited after eating or took laxatives*	1.9	1.2
I used diet products (e.g., diet pills, diet drinks like Slimfast)	1.0	0.9
I used some other method not listed above	6.4	7.1
N =	4658	2171

* The 2007 TAP Survey response read as follows: "I vomited after eating."

69. How often in the PAST YEAR have you hurt yourself **on purpose** (by cutting, burning, biting or bruising, for example) without intending to commit suicide?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	Not	Not	Not	81.8	80.4	87.3	73.5	80.0	78.2	83.3
Once or Twice	Asked	Asked	Asked	11.0	11.2	7.5	14.7	11.5	12.4	9.7
Several Times				3.7	4.5	2.7	6.3	4.9	4.6	4.0
Many Times				3.5	4.0	2.5	5.4	3.7	4.8	3.1
N =				2155	3889	1941	1941	1229	1318	1263

Sometimes people feel so depressed and hopeless about the future that they may consider attempting suicide, that is, taking some action to end their own life. The next six questions ask about suicide.

70. During the PAST YEAR, did you ever feel so sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more in a row that you stopped doing some usual activity?

	Total					2015				
	1999*	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not	27.8	27.4	31.2	29.2	22.3	36.1	22.3	30.3	34.2
No	Asked	72.2	72.6	68.8	70.8	77.7	63.9	77.7	69.7	65.8
N =		3595	4617	2130	3863	1923	1933	1221	1309	1254

* In the 1999 TAP Survey the question reads – “During the past 6 months, have you felt depressed, helpless, hopeless or very sad for a period of 2 weeks or longer?” – the response: no – 60.1%; yes, once -14.1%; yes, more than once – 7.7%; and yes, many times – 11.2%.

71. If you have had thoughts of sadness, hopelessness or depression, do you have someone to talk to?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I do not have these thoughts	Not	Not	Not	41.8	40.4	49.5	31.3	45.0	40.2	36.6
Yes	Asked	Asked	Asked	45.1	46.6	38.6	54.6	42.0	47.0	50.4
No				13.2	12.9	11.9	14.0	13.0	12.9	12.9
N =				2144	3870	1927	1937	1219	1312	1261

72. During the PAST YEAR, did you ever seriously consider attempting suicide?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	23.5	19.7	18.2	19.9	18.3	12.7	23.7	14.5	19.2	19.8
No	76.5	80.3	81.8	80.1	81.7	87.3	76.3	85.5	80.8	80.2
N =	5631	3591	4597	2118	3831	1906	1919	1208	1302	1244

73. During the PAST YEAR, did you make a plan about how you would attempt suicide?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	18.2	17.5	14.2	17.0	19.4	16.3	22.3	17.7	20.4	19.2
No	81.8	82.5	85.8	83.0	80.6	83.7	77.7	82.3	79.6	80.8
N =	5626	3577	4589	2123	3814	1893	1915	1203	1299	1236

74. During the PAST YEAR, how many times did you actually attempt suicide?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 times	91.1	91.0	89.5	92.3	91.6	93.6	889.6	92.2	91.2	92.1
1 time	5.3	4.7	6.7	4.6	4.7	3.6	5.9	4.1	5.1	5.0
2 or 3 times	1.8	2.5	1.9	1.5	2.1	1.5	2.7	2.5	2.1	1.6
4 or 5 times	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.9	0.5	0.7	0.7
6 or more times	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.6
N =	5240	3616	4624	2141	3853	1919	1929	1205	1314	1258

75. If you attempted suicide during the PAST YEAR, did any attempt result in an injury, poisoning, or overdose that had to be treated by a doctor or nurse?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I did not attempt suicide during the past 12 months	85.0	85.5	86.8	88.9	86.1	87.2	85.1	83.4	86.7	88.4
yes	4.6	3.0	2.9	3.0	4.6	4.5	4.8	5.1	5.0	3.6
no	10.4	11.5	10.3	7.9	9.2	8.3	10.2	11.5	8.2	8.0
N =	5213	3608	4593	2138	3838	1910	1921	1199	1312	1250

The two tables below show the results from the 1999, 2003 and 2007 Oneida County TAP Surveys for two questions related to suicidal thoughts.

If you have had thoughts about committing suicide, what was the main reason you had these thoughts the last time?

	Totals		
	1999	2003	2007
I do not have these thoughts		76.7	79.2
Because of a failed relationship		3.2	3.0
Because of pressure to perform at school (grades, tests, homework, etc.)		1.3	1.9
I felt too much pressure about something in my life (like school, sports, or work)	Not	3.3	3.2
I had problems with my parents or home life	Asked	4.8	4.2
I had been verbally abused or harassed by someone		0.7	0.5
I had been physically or sexually abused		0.4	0.7
Because I have a drug or alcohol addiction problem		0.3	0.4
I had feelings of alone-ness or isolation		4.1	3.0
Because of some other reason		5.0	3.9
N =		3601	4574

If you have had thoughts about committing suicide, what do you **usually** do in response to those thoughts?

	Totals		
	1999*	2003	2007
I do not have these thoughts	70.4	75.0	78.3
nothing	8.3	8.3	8.0
I talk to a parent or other caring adult	1.1	1.7	1.5
I talk to a teen friend only	4.3	4.6	3.3
I seek professional help	NA	0.4	0.4
I drink or use other drugs	4.2	1.4	1.3
I withdraw from people and activities	1.8	1.6	1.2
I try to solve my own problems, I don't talk to	6.3	5.3	4.8
I make a plan for how I would do it	1.8	1.5	1.1
I call an appropriate hotline	NA	0.1	0.1
N =	---	3610	4584

* The 1999 TAP Survey responses were different; the two marked above "NA" were not included; and there was one that was not in either the 2003 or 2007 TAP Survey – "I talk to a teen friend and then a caring adult" – response rate – 1.5%.

The next set of questions asks about sexual activity.

76. Have you ever had any form of sexual activity with someone that involved **more than kissing**?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not Asked	Not Asked	Not Asked	46.8	39.8	41.2	38.5	17.3	37.4	62.1
No	Not Asked	Not Asked	Not Asked	53.2	60.2	58.8	61.5	82.7	62.6	37.9
N =				2114	3802	1888	1909	1191	1295	1242

77. If you have ever had sexual intercourse, how old were you the first time?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I never had sexual intercourse	69.8	70.9	70.0	66.9	74.2	70.8	77.6	93.1	79.9	52.3
11 or under	5.0	4.5	4.4	3.3	2.6	3.8	1.4	2.3	2.2	2.5
12	2.8	3.4	2.5	3.2	2.0	2.9	1.1	2.0	1.9	2.1
13	4.4	3.9	4.2	5.5	3.5	4.6	2.5	2.3	4.3	3.9
14	6.0	5.7	6.3	6.8	6.2	6.1	6.3	0.3	8.2	9.8
15	6.9	5.4	5.9	6.5	5.9	6.2	5.6	0.0	3.0	13.8
16	3.6	5.0	5.2	6.2	4.8	4.6	5.0	0.1	0.3	13.4
17 or older	1.5	1.2	1.3	1.6	0.8	1.0	0.6	0.0	0.1	2.2
N =	5623	3606	4572	2133	3838	1908	1925	1188	1312	1261

78. If you have ever had sexual intercourse, with how many people have you had sexual intercourse during your life?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I have never had sexual intercourse	70.5	70.7	70.1	67.0	74.3	71.1	77.6	93.1	80.3	52.5
1 person	14.2	12.6	12.8	13.5	11.6	11.6	11.6	3.6	9.9	21.0
2 people	4.0	5.6	5.4	5.7	5.4	6.3	4.5	1.5	4.4	9.4
3 people	3.6	3.6	4.0	4.0	3.1	3.7	2.4	0.8	2.2	6.1
4 people	1.9	1.8	1.6	2.2	1.5	2.1	0.9	0.0	1.2	2.9
5 people	1.9	1.3	1.5	2.2	0.9	0.7	1.0	0.1	0.2	2.2
6 or more people	3.9	4.5	4.5	5.5	3.2	4.5	2.0	0.9	1.8	5.8
N =	5223	3594	4553	2123	3828	1901	1922	1182	1307	1262

79. The last time you had sexual intercourse did you or your partner use a condom?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I have never had sexual intercourse	Not	Not	Not	67.8	74.8	71.6	78.0	92.7	80.7	53.6
No	Asked	Asked	Asked	11.0	9.6	10.0	9.3	2.7	6.9	17.6
Yes				21.2	15.5	18.4	12.8	4.5	12.5	28.8
N =				2092	3789	1874	1910	1172	1298	1244

80. The last time you had sexual intercourse, what one method did you or your partner use to prevent pregnancy? (Select only one response.)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011*	2015*	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I have never had sexual intercourse			70.4	67.6	74.7	71.5	77.8	93.2	79.9	53.8
No method was used to prevent pregnancy			4.7	4.0	2.9	3.5	2.3	1.2	2.8	4.0
Birth control pills	Not	Not	3.0	3.9	4.5	3.7	5.2	0.3	2.3	10.1
Condoms	Asked	Asked	18.4	18.7	12.6	15.7	9.7	3.6	10.7	22.9
Depo-Provera (or any injectable birth control), Nuva Ring (or any birth control ring), Implanon (or any implant), or any IUD**			0.4	1.1	0.9	0.7	1.0	0.0	0.7	1.7
Withdrawal			1.4	2.3	2.7	3.0	2.3	0.4	2.0	5.2
Morning after pill			0.2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Some other method			0.5	1.0	0.8	1.2	0.8	0.3	0.6	1.4
Not sure			1.0	1.3	1.0	1.2	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0
N =			4499	2097	3796	1882	1909	1166	1301	1252

* 2011 & 2015 TAP Surveys did not include as a response – “Morning after pill.”

** The 2007 & 2011 TAP Surveys had a different response – “Depo-Provera (injectable birth control).”

81. How much do you worry that you might get AIDS or another sexually transmitted disease?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I don't worry at all about it	53.3	73.5	71.5	71.4	74.7	74.0	75.3	83.9	72.5	69.7
I worry a little about it	23.7	12.0	12.3	12.2	15.7	16.1	15.4	8.5	17.9	19.6
I worry a fair amount about it	7.8	5.4	5.6	5.7	4.5	4.4	4.6	3.8	4.8	4.7
I worry a lot about it	15.1	9.0	10.7	10.7	5.1	5.5	4.7	3.9	4.8	6.1
N =	5665	3679	4837	2220	3763	1876	1882	1134	1299	1253

82. What is your sexual orientation?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Heterosexual – attracted to the opposite sex			92.3	89.9	85.4	89.0	81.8	83.1	85.8	87.4
Homosexual – attracted to the same sex	Not	Not	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.5	2.1	1.8
Bi-sexual – attracted to both sexes	Asked	Asked	2.8	4.0	5.5	2.5	8.4	4.7	6.1	5.5
Some other sexual orientation*			NA	NA	1.8	1.4	2.1	1.3	1.7	1.9
Not sure			3.3	4.4	5.5	5.3	5.8	9.4	4.3	3.4
N =			4474	2082	3763	1874	1884	1133	1303	1252

* The 2007 & 2011 TAP Surveys did not include the response – “Some other sexual orientation”

83. How often in the PAST YEAR have you experienced some form of sexual harassment? (Sexual harassment is unwanted sexual attention such as sexual comments, jokes, graffiti, blocking or cornering)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	Not	Not	Not	75.4	81.1	89.7	72.6	86.9	79.1	77.9
Once	Asked	Asked	Asked	8.3	7.5	4.3	10.6	5.8	8.1	8.5
2 or 3 times				7.8	6.1	2.3	9.8	3.7	6.9	7.6
4 times or more				8.5	5.4	3.7	7.0	3.6	5.9	5.9
N =				2073	3747	1854	1888	1129	1296	1246

The following two tables show results from the 2003 and 2007 TAP Surveys regarding sexual harassment.

How often in the past year have you experienced some form of unwanted sexual harassment from other **youth**?

	Totals	
	2003	2007
Never	73.4	74.3
Once	10.2	9.7
2 or 3 times	8.0	7.6
4 times or more	8.4	8.4
N =	3551	4451

How often in the past year have you experienced some form of unwanted sexual harassment from an **adult**?

	Totals	
	2003	2007
Never	90.4	89.5
Once	4.4	4.7
2 or 3 times	3.0	3.3
4 times or more	2.2	2.5
N =	3561	4445

84. Has another person ever done something sexual to you that you didn't want?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
no				83.9	86.6	93.4	79.8	91.8	87.2	81.8
yes, unwanted kissing	Not	Not	Not	2.5	2.6	2.0	3.2	2.9	2.3	2.7
yes, unwanted touching	Asked	Asked	Asked	6.8	5.5	1.9	9.0	3.1	4.9	7.9
yes, unwanted kissing and touching				3.0	2.5	0.8	4.2	0.9	2.9	3.6
yes, unwanted sexual intercourse				2.6	1.8	0.9	2.6	0.9	1.3	2.8
yes, other				1.2	1.0	0.9	1.2	0.4	1.3	1.2
N =				2076	3751	1857	1889	1122	1300	1252

The following two tables show results from the 1999, 2003 and 2007 TAP Surveys regarding unwanted sexual advances.

Has another **teen** ever done something sexual to you that you didn't want?

	Totals		
	1999	2003	2007
no	82.8	84.4	83.1
yes, unwanted kissing	3.4	1.8	2.5
yes, unwanted touching	5.9	7.3	7.5
yes, unwanted kissing and touching	4.0	3.1	3.6
yes, unwanted sexual intercourse	2.3	1.6	2.2
yes, other	1.4	1.7	1.2
N =	5583	3566	4433

Has an **adult** ever done something sexual to you that you didn't want?

	Totals		
	1999	2003	2007
no	92.9	93.4	93.9
yes, unwanted kissing	1.1	0.8	0.6
yes, unwanted touching	2.3	2.7	2.6
yes, unwanted kissing and touching	0.9	0.9	0.8
yes, unwanted sexual intercourse	1.6	1.1	1.4
yes, other	1.1	1.2	0.7
N =	5595	3565	4422

Verbal abuse includes things like threatening or intimidating you, or saying things trying to make you feel stupid or worthless. Physical abuse can be sexual but also includes grabbing or hitting you in anger.

85. Has someone who you were dating or going out with ever verbally or physically abused you?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I have never dated or gone out with anyone so this has never happened to me					41.0	39.8	42.3	53.1	39.6	32.6
no, this has never happened to me while dating or going out with someone	Not	Not	Not	Not	50.5	55.6	45.5	44.6	54.1	52.0
yes, I have been verbally abused while dating or going out with someone	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	5.2	2.5	7.8	1.5	3.7	9.6
yes, I have been physically abused while dating or going out with someone					0.6	0.4	0.8	0.2	0.5	1.2
yes, I have been verbally and physically abused while dating or going out with someone					2.6	1.6	3.6	0.6	2.1	4.7
N =					3737	1846	1886	1111	1297	1253

The next set of questions asks about your personal experiences with violence, the law, and weapons.

86. During the PAST YEAR, have you been physically hurt by an adult at home (e.g., beat up, hit with an object, kicked, etc.)?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
no	90.3	88.4	88.8	89.8	90.1	91.6	88.7	90.7	89.0	91.4
yes, once	4.8	5.9	5.7	5.7	5.4	4.6	6.2	5.4	5.8	4.7
yes, more than once	4.9	5.7	5.4	4.4	4.5	3.8	5.1	4.0	5.3	3.9
N =	4048	3531	4385	2055	3721	1832	1884	1102	1295	1246

87. Do you feel constantly bullied, meaning regularly teased, threatened or harassed by other youth in a hurtful way?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003*	2007*	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
No	Not	84.4	86.4	88.5	88.0	90.7	85.4	86.6	86.5	91.0
Yes	Asked	15.6	13.6	11.5	12.0	9.3	14.6	13.4	13.5	9.0
N =		3492	4336	2039	3690	1808	1877	1088	1291	1234

* In the 2003 and 2007 TAP Survey question reads – “Do you feel constantly teased, threatened or harassed by other youth? “

88. During the PAST YEAR, how many times were you in a physical fight?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 times	Not	Not	Not	71.2	77.8	69.8	85.7	75.7	76.6	81.7
1 or 2 times	Asked	Asked	Asked	20.8	16.7	22.8	10.7	18.6	17.4	14.0
3 or more times				8.0	5.5	7.4	3.7	5.7	6.0	4.3
N =				2030	3692	1809	1877	1087	1290	1237

The following table shows results for the same question from the 2003 and 2007 Oneida County TAP Surveys but with different response options.

During the PAST YEAR, how many times were you in a physical fight?

	Totals	
	2003	2007
0 times	65.3	67.6
1 time	14.5	14.6
2 or 3 times	11.9	9.9
4 or 5 times	3.5	2.9
6 or 7 times	1.2	1.2
8 or 9 times	0.6	0.6
10 or 11 times	0.4	0.3
12 or more times	2.5	2.8
N =	3535	4358

89. During the PAST YEAR, how many times have you bullied other youth by teasing, threatening or harassing them in a hurtful way?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003*	2007*	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never		59.3	62.6	64.6	73.0	72.6	73.3	77.0	68.5	74.2
Rarely	Not	23.4	23.0	24.5	20.5	22.0	19.0	18.1	23.8	19.1
Occasionally	Asked	10.0	8.6	6.6	4.2	3.3	5.1	3.1	5.2	4.0
Often		3.7	2.8	2.2	0.9	0.7	1.2	0.5	1.2	1.0
Very Often		3.6	3.2	2.1	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.6
N =		3522	4346	2041	3708	1822	1880	1091	1297	1245

* In 2003 and 2007 the TAP Survey question reads – “During the past 12 months, how many times have you used physical force or threatened people in order to win an argument or get your own way?”

90. In the PAST YEAR, have you ever done something that you could have been arrested for such as shoplifting, vandalism, assault, etc.?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
No	Not	Not	Not	81.5	87.6	83.7	91.4	93.4	86.4	84.5
Yes	Asked	Asked	Asked	18.5	12.4	16.3	8.6	6.6	13.6	15.5
N =				2010	3684	1806	1872	1083	1290	1235

The following two tables show results from the 2003 and 2007 TAP Surveys regarding criminal activity.

Have you ever shoplifted or stolen anything?

	Totals	
	2003	2007
No	63.9	66.7
Yes, in the past week	4.9	3.9
Yes, in the past month	3.7	3.7
Yes, in the past 6 months	3.5	3.8
Yes, in the past year	5.7	4.9
Yes, longer than one year ago	18.2	17.0
N =	3494	4320

Have you ever vandalized public (including school) or private property?

	Totals	
	2003	2007
No	75.9	74.6
Yes, in the past week	4.0	4.5
Yes, in the past month	3.0	2.6
Yes, in the past 6 months	4.3	4.3
Yes, in the past year	5.2	6.3
Yes, longer than one year ago	7.6	7.7
N =	3499	4292

91. During the PAST YEAR, have you ever carried a weapon, such as a gun or knife, with the intent to harm someone or to protect yourself or others?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
No	Not	Not	87.8	86.4	86.6	80.1	93.0	91.3	85.1	85.1
Yes	Asked	Asked	12.2	13.6	13.4	19.9	7.0	8.7	14.9	14.9
N =			4240	2012	3657	1790	1861	1065	1287	1231

The following table shows results from the 1999, 2003 and 2007 Surveys regarding carrying a gun.

During the past 12 months, how many times have you carried a gun in the community?

	Totals		
	1999	2003	2007
Never	93.0	94.3	93.2
Once	2.9	2.3	2.9
Several times	1.7	1.7	1.9
Many times	2.4	1.7	1.9
N =	5088	3451	4261

92. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you carry a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club **on school property**?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 days				92.8	94.7	91.8	97.4	97.3	94.8	92.9
1 day	Not	Not	Not	2.0	1.6	2.3	0.9	1.6	1.7	1.3
2 or 3 days	Asked	Asked	Asked	1.5	0.9	1.4	0.4	0.5	0.8	1.5
4 or 5 days				1.1	0.7	1.1	0.3	0.1	0.7	1.0
6 or more days				2.5	2.2	3.4	1.0	0.6	2.0	3.3
N =				2009	3672	1801	1865	1067	1288	1240

93. During the past 12 months, how many times have you gotten in trouble with the police?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never	75.1	78.1	82.7	82.4	89.7	86.6	92.8	93.7	89.1	87.8
Once	17.1	13.2	11.3	11.4	7.0	8.7	5.3	4.3	8.0	7.8
Several times	5.1	6.2	4.1	4.1	2.3	3.3	1.3	1.5	1.9	3.2
Many times	2.7	2.4	1.9	2.1	1.0	1.4	0.6	0.5	1.0	1.2
N =	5098	3450	4252	2003	3662	1792	1864	1059	1290	1238

94. In the PAST YEAR, have you ever been asked to join a gang that you believe has been involved in violent or criminal activity?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007*	2011*	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
No	Not	Not	89.1	90.2	92.6	89.9	95.1	94.2	91.7	93.0
Yes, and I joined	Asked	Asked	4.0	3.8	2.7	3.9	1.7	1.5	3.0	2.8
Yes, but I didn't join			6.9	6.0	4.6	6.2	3.2	4.3	5.3	4.1
N =			4212	2004	3637	1780	1852	1052	1281	1231

* In 2007 and 2011 the TAP Survey question reads – “Have you ever been asked to join a gang that you believe has been involved in violent or criminal activity?”

How You Spend Your Time

95. How many hours each week do you spend staying at home with no adults present?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
None	9.3	9.2	9.8	11.5	12.9	13.1	12.8	19.4	11.2	8.5
About 1 Hour	33.6	24.8	29.6	30.1	28.5	27.4	29.5	37.1	28.8	21.4
2-10 Hours	41.5	52.5	50.5	47.0	46.0	45.6	46.5	36.0	48.9	52.2
11-20 Hours	9.8	7.9	5.9	5.8	7.8	8.8	6.7	4.2	6.6	12.0
More than 20 Hours	5.8	5.5	4.3	5.5	4.8	5.1	4.6	3.3	4.5	5.9
N =	5335	3422	4149	1977	3623	1776	1841	1030	1291	1227

96. During the past 7 days, on how many days were you physically active for a total of **at least 60 minutes per day?** (Add up all the time you spent in any kind of physical activity that increased your heart rate and made you breathe hard some of the time)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 days					12.0	11.0	12.9	12.4	11.6	11.1
1 day					6.8	5.8	7.8	6.2	7.0	7.2
2 days	Not	Not	Not	Not	8.7	8.5	8.9	8.0	8.4	9.7
3 days	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	12.6	11.1	14.0	13.4	12.2	12.7
4 days					10.0	9.2	10.7	12.3	9.0	9.2
5 days					14.6	13.0	16.2	12.8	15.5	15.1
6 days					10.3	9.3	11.2	8.4	11.1	11.3
7 days					25.0	32.1	18.3	26.5	25.2	23.7
N =					3608	1767	1835	1012	1290	1229

97. On an average school day, how many hours do you watch TV?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I do not watch TV on an average school day					16.2	16.3	16.0	15.0	13.9	19.1
1 hour or less per day					31.6	30.8	32.4	30.8	32.3	31.8
2 hours per day	Not	Not	Not	Not	24.9	25.1	24.8	27.1	24.9	23.2
3 hours per day	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	14.4	14.1	14.6	13.7	14.9	14.4
4 hours per day					5.6	5.9	5.3	5.8	5.6	5.7
5 or more hours per day					7.3	7.8	7.0	7.6	8.5	5.6
N =					3594	1749	1839	1007	1289	1222

98. On an average school day, how many hours do you play video or computer games or use a computer for something that is not school work? (Count time spent on things such as Xbox, Play Station, an iPod, an iPad or other tablet, a smartphone, YouTube, Facebook, or other social networking tools, and the Internet)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
I do not play video or computer games or use a computer for something that is not school work					13.8	9.0	18.4	10.8	13.7	16.4
1 hour or less per day					21.7	21.7	21.6	24.6	18.9	22.5
2 hours per day	Not	Not	Not	Not	18.1	20.1	16.2	21.0	16.9	17.2
3 hours per day	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	15.3	17.0	13.6	16.0	14.9	14.9
4 hours per day					10.1	11.5	8.7	9.6	11.5	9.0
5 or more hours per day					21.1	20.7	21.4	18.1	24.2	20.0
N =					3585	1755	1825	1001	1287	1222

The following table shows results from the prior TAP Surveys regarding time spent watching TV.

How many hours each week do you spend watching TV, playing video or computer games?"

	Total			
	1999	2003	2007	2011
None	5.6	5.2	5.3	5.8
About 1 Hour	36.7	24.8	27.1	27.5
2-10 Hours	39.2	51.4	52.0	48.3
11-20 Hours	11.3	12.0	10.1	11.5
More than 20 Hours	7.2	6.7	5.6	6.8
N =	5313	3421	4124	1970

99. During the PAST YEAR, on how many sports teams did you play? (Count any teams run by your school or community groups)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
0 teams					29.6	27.6	31.5	22.7	29.9	34.2
1 team	Not	Not	Not	Not	23.6	20.9	26.2	26.5	21.3	23.4
2 teams	Asked	Asked	Asked	Asked	21.1	23.2	19.1	20.1	22.1	21.3
3 or more team					25.7	28.3	23.2	30.7	26.6	21.1
N =					3577	1752	1820	1002	1279	1224

The Internet, Technology and You

100. Do you presently have a personal email address (an email address that is just for you and you only)?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not	Not	77.9	87.0	87.0	86.6	87.5	77.2	89.4	92.8
No	Asked	Asked	22.1	13.0	13.0	13.4	12.5	22.8	10.6	7.2
N =			3774	1867	3475	1689	1781	962	1251	1198

101. Do you presently have an instant messenger screen name (like on SnapChat, Kik, Facebook Messenger, Viber, YikYak, etc.)?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007*	2011*	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not	Not	78.3	65.2	85.3	82.4	88.2	78.1	87.2	89.7
No	Asked	Asked	21.7	34.8	14.7	17.6	11.8	21.9	12.8	10.3
N =			3791	1854	3506	1707	1794	960	1265	1209

* In 2007 and 2011 the TAP Survey question reads – “Do you presently have an instant messenger screen name (like on AOL, AIM, Yahoo, MSN, etc.)?”

102. Do you presently have a profile or personal webpage on a social networking site, such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007*	2011*	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not	Not	64.9	79.6	84.1	81.4	86.6	23.5	13.9	11.4
No	Asked	Asked	35.1	20.4	15.9	18.6	13.4	76.5	86.1	88.6
N =			3780	1830	3446	1678	1764	929	1251	1193

* In 2007 and 2011 the TAP Survey question reads – “Do you presently have a profile or personal webpage on a social networking site such as MySpace, Facebook, Xanga, etc.?”

103. How frequently do your parents supervise your internet activity (including emails, web surfing, blogging, instant messaging, your social network page, etc)?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Never				50.7	47.2	51.6	42.9	28.9	44.7	62.8
Rarely				22.9	26.2	24.9	27.3	27.7	29.2	22.3
Occasionally	Not	Not	Not	13.8	13.8	11.5	16.0	18.1	15.2	9.5
Often	Asked	Asked	Asked	6.7	6.2	6.1	6.3	10.8	5.9	3.2
Very Often				2.5	2.7	2.4	2.9	6.1	2.0	0.7
All the time				3.3	4.0	3.4	4.6	8.4	3.0	1.6
N =				1857	3482	1700	1777	933	1269	1206

For the next three questions, A STRANGER IS DEFINED AS someone you don't personally know, and someone with whom you have no common friends or associates. SOMEONE WHO IS A "FRIEND OF A FRIEND" WOULDN'T BE A STRANGER BY THIS DEFINITION.

ELECTRONICALLY MEANS COMMUNICATION THROUGH E-MAIL, TEXT MESSAGE, SOCIAL NETWORKING, ONLINE CHATTING, OR ONLINE GAMING.

104. Have you ever given out personal information to a stranger electronically?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007*	2011*	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not Asked	Not Asked	Not Asked	16.1	13.9	12.2	15.4	8.3	15.1	16.4
No	Not Asked	Not Asked	Not Asked	83.9	86.1	87.7	84.6	91.7	84.9	83.6
N =				1831	3464	1691	1768	926	1265	1200

* The 2011 TAP Survey question reads – "Have you ever given out personal information to a stranger through an email, a text message or while online chatting?"

105. Have you ever been asked to meet up with a stranger electronically?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007*	2011**	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not Asked	Not Asked	16.9	15.2	11.8	7.9	15.6	5.8	11.5	15.9
No	Not Asked	Not Asked	83.1	84.8	88.2	92.1	84.4	94.2	88.5	84.1
N =			3733	1819	3460	1687	1768	924	1265	1198

* The 2007 TAP Survey question reads – "Have you ever been asked to meet up with someone while online by someone you never met?"

** The 2011 TAP Survey question reads – "Have you ever been asked to meet up with a stranger through an email, a text message or while online chatting?"

106. Have you ever actually met a stranger who you only knew previously electronically?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007*	2011**	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not Asked	Not Asked	22.2	11.7	12.6	12.4	12.9	7.6	13.2	15.3
No	Not Asked	Not Asked	77.8	88.3	87.4	87.6	87.1	92.4	86.8	84.7
N =			3656	1814	3449	1679	1765	922	1262	1192

* The 2007 TAP Survey question reads – "Have you ever actually met someone that you previously knew only from chatting, etc. online?"

** The 2011 TAP Survey question reads – "Have you ever actually met a stranger who you only knew previously from an email, text or online chatting?"

Please indicate if you have EVER done any of the following:

107. Sent a nude or semi-nude picture/video of yourself to someone electronically.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011*	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not Asked	Not Asked	Not Asked	25.1	22.8	21.1	24.5	6.2	20.4	37.1
No	Not Asked	Not Asked	Not Asked	74.9	77.2	78.9	75.5	93.8	79.6	62.9
N =				1809	3434	1674	1755	910	1254	1199

* The 2011 TAP Survey question reads – “Sent a nude or semi-nude picture/video of yourself to someone via email, text message, IM, etc.”

108. Received a nude or semi-nude picture/video from someone of themselves electronically.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011*	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not Asked	Not Asked	Not Asked	40.5	39.5	39.9	39.1	16.8	40.4	54.4
No	Not Asked	Not Asked	Not Asked	59.5	60.5	60.1	60.9	83.2	59.6	45.6
N =				1803	3428	1670	1753	905	1254	1200

* The 2011 TAP Survey question reads – “Received a nude or semi-nude picture/video from someone of themselves via email, text message, IM, etc.”

109. Had a nude or semi-nude picture/video (originally privately sent to someone else) shared with you.

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not Asked	Not Asked	Not Asked	31.8	27.5	31.4	23.8	9.1	29.8	38.6
No	Not Asked	Not Asked	Not Asked	68.2	72.5	68.6	76.2	90.9	70.2	61.4
N =				1784	3420	1664	1751	901	1253	1196

110. During the PAST YEAR, have you ever been electronically bullied? (Meaning cyber bullied through e-mail, chat rooms, instant messaging, websites, gaming, or texting.)

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007*	2011*	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not Asked	Not Asked	26.5	24.8	15.0	9.9	20.0	18.2	15.1	12.6
No	Not Asked	Not Asked	73.5	75.2	85.0	90.1	80.0	81.8	84.9	87.4
N =			3650	1778	3414	1664	1745	901	1248	1195

* The 2007 and 2011 TAP Surveys question reads – “Has anyone ever personally threatened, harassed, or bullied you through an instant message, email, chat room comment, cell phone text message, or online post?”

111. In order to protect yourself or hide your true identity from other people online, have you ever left off, made private, or purposefully put wrong information on your personal profile or webpage?

	Total					2015				
	1999	2003	2007	2011	2015	Male	Female	7 th	9 th	11 th
Yes	Not	Not	Not	44.1	41.4	36.1	46.6	45.2	42.2	37.8
No	Asked	Asked	Asked	55.9	58.6	63.9	53.4	54.8	57.8	62.2
N =				1777	3294	1608	1681	852	1215	1160

Appendix B: A Comparison of Oneida County TAP Survey Data (1999, 2003, 2007, 2011 & 2015) with Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance (YRBS) Survey Data for New York State and for the United States (1999, 2003, 2007, 2011 & 2013) for 9th and 11th Grades*

* When comparing our local TAP data to YRBS data, one must keep in mind that the US data, and even more the NYS data, has a fairly wide margin of error.

CDC YRBS website includes the margin of error. The margin of error for TAP data is quite narrow because we survey 40% to 80% of the population of 7th, 9th and 11th graders – that’s a large sample. On the other hand, the CDC YRBS is administered to a small sample of students nationally and statewide.

1. Percentage of students who ever tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs* (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #11)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	61.8	63.1	60.3	60.6	57.0	64.4	48.2	46.2	50.3	69.9	68.1	71.8	71.1	71.5	70.8	58.6	58.2	58.8
2003	52.0	53.0	50.9	43.2	45.0	41.5	29.9	27.4	32.1	60.0	60.1	59.8	53.3	52.6	53.3	42.9	39.4	46.1
2007	42.7	46.0	39.2	35.1	35.1	35.2	22.0	25.7	18.3	53.4	55.4	51.4	49.3	47.7	51.1	32.1	30.8	33.5
2011	37.6	40.0	35.0	26.4	28.4	24.3	21.7	22.7	20.7	47.1	50.2	43.9	36.9	38.4	35.5	29.0	31.3	26.7
2013	31.7	33.1	30.3	24.1	24.1	24.2	-	-	-	47.0	49.1	45.2	33.2	33.8	32.8	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.2	11.6	8.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	22.9	24.4	21.4

* The Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance (YRBS) Survey question asks whether they have tried cigarette smoking, “even one or two puffs,” while the Oneida County TAP Survey asks if they have smoked a “whole cigarette.”

2. Percentage of students who smoked a whole cigarette for the first time before age 13 (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #11)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	27.0	31.1	22.8	23.9	23.1	24.8	24.4	25.0	23.7	21.1	22.2	20.1	19.1	19.8	18.4	19.8	23.7	16.3
2003	19.3	21.1	17.4	16.9	18.3	15.6	15.8	16.4	15.4	16.0	18.0	14.1	12.5	10.6	13.7	14.3	14.3	14.4
2007	16.3	19.2	13.2	10.9	10.3	11.5	10.4	12.5	8.4	12.0	14.6	9.2	9.3	10.8	8.0	8.1	7.8	8.4
2011	12.1	14.8	9.2	-	-	-	7.3	8.0	6.8	9.8	10.9	8.7	-	-	-	7.0	9.3	4.5
2013	9.5	10.4	8.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.9	13.7	8.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	5.3	3.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.7	6.9	4.4

3. Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on one or more of the past 30 days (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #12)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	27.6	26.1	29.2	25.7	20.6	31.0	30.4	-	-	36.0	36.4	35.6	34.2	30.2	38.0	46.8	-	-
2003	17.4	16.0	18.9	15.1	15.8	14.4	16.3	15.2	17.4	23.6	23.2	24.0	20.7	22.6	17.6	24.3	21.1	27.4
2007	14.3	16.2	12.3	8.4	7.4	9.5	11.2	13.8	8.7	21.6	23.4	19.6	15.0	14.6	15.5	15.6	15.9	15.3
2011	13.0	15.1	10.9	9.3	9.6	9.0	10.2	11.9	8.6	19.3	21.2	17.2	13.2	14.7	11.8	16.0	19.2	12.7
2013	10.2	10.3	10.0	7.4	8.4	6.3	-	-	-	21.1	23.4	18.9	11.5	10.7	12.3	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	5.3	4.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	10.6	8.0

4. Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on 20 or more days of the past 30 days (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #12)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	11.2	11.4	11.0	9.0	8.1	9.9	-	-	-	18.7	20.4	17.1	19.1	15.8	22.3	-	-	-
2003	6.3	5.7	6.9	5.5	7.3	3.6	5.8	6.4	5.4	11.2	10.5	11.8	9.4	7.2	10.7	12.0	11.9	12.1
2007	4.3	5.4	3.3	2.7	3.1	2.2	4.7	5.9	3.6	10.1	10.5	9.7	7.4	6.8	7.9	6.5	7.3	5.7
2011	3.3	4.3	2.3	3.4	4.3	2.5	3.6	5.4	1.8	7.7	9.2	6.2	6.5	8.8	4.2	7.0	8.4	5.4
2013	2.9	3.2	2.5	2.7	3.6	1.7	-	-	-	7.6	8.4	6.8	5.2	4.2	6.3	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	1.4	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.8	2.4

5. Percentage of students who used chewing tobacco or snuff on one or more of the past 30 days (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #15)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	6.8	11.8	1.7	3.1	4.6	1.6	3.6	6.5	0.4	8.4	15.1	1.5	4.7	9.2	0.4	3.3	5.7	1.2
2003	6.6	9.1	3.8	3.4	4.8	1.9	1.8	3.4	0.1	7.8	13.3	2.0	4.3	7.0	1.6	3.0	5.4	0.7
2007	6.3	10.4	2.0	4.1	6.1	2.0	4.9	8.2	1.5	7.6	13.3	2.0	4.7	7.3	2.3	7.3	12.9	1.3
2011	5.9	9.6	2.0	7.3	11.3	3.1	4.7	8.4	1.3	8.6	14.5	2.3	5.2	8.1	2.2	8.5	14.1	2.7
2013	7.3	11.2	3.4	6.8	11.3	1.9	-	-	-	10.5	18.2	3.1	7.0	10.6	3.3	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	4.1	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	11.0	1.6

6. Percentage of students who had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more days during their life
(2015 OCTAP Survey Question #16)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	73.4	72.3	74.5	70.8	69.5	72.0	62.6	63.9	61.1	80.8	79.5	82.2	84.7	83.8	85.6	76.9	77.3	76.5
2003	65.0	64.0	66.2	64.9	64.0	65.8	55.4	53.1	57.6	78.6	76.4	80.9	79.9	78.9	80.6	73.4	71.2	75.4
2007	65.5	65.0	66.1	-	-	-	46.9	50.6	43.3	79.4	79.7	79.1	-	-	-	68.9	68.7	68.8
2011	61.7	61.6	61.9	-	-	-	41.1	43.0	39.4	75.3	75.7	74.8	-	-	-	67.7	67.6	67.9
2013	55.6	52.4	58.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	71.2	70.3	72.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	31.6	30.6	32.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	57.7	55.4	60.1

7. Percentage of students who had their first drink of alcohol other than a few sips before age 13 (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #17)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	40.4	42.8	37.7	38.1	37.5	38.8	24.4	28.8	19.4	26.2	32.2	20.0	27.8	34.2	21.6	16.9	21.0	13.1
2003	36.4	39.4	33.3	35.4	37.6	33.2	24.3	25.4	23.4	23.0	27.6	18.2	22.8	26.9	19.3	18.3	19.6	17.1
2007	30.9	34.5	27.1	26.5	26.3	26.8	17.7	19.7	15.8	19.6	25.1	13.8	19.7	24.0	15.7	12.6	13.6	11.4
2011	26.6	28.9	24.1	23.4	25.0	21.7	15.3	16.1	14.6	17.6	20.9	14.2	17.4	20.9	13.9	12.9	16.3	9.4
2013	22.2	23.9	20.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	17.2	21.1	13.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.3	11.1	11.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.8	11.7	7.8

8. Percentage of students who had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more of the past 30 days (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #18)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	40.6	40.2	41.0	39.3	39.7	39.0	-	-	-	50.9	53.5	48.3	54.5	55.2	53.9	-	-	-
2003	36.2	33.9	38.5	33.2	31.3	35.2	32.7	32.1	33.2	47.0	46.8	47.3	49.4	51.2	46.9	47.9	49.2	46.7
2007	35.7	34.3	37.2	32.0	27.7	36.0	23.7	26.4	21.1	49.0	51.5	46.5	47.7	47.4	48.1	43.6	45.0	42.2
2011	29.8	29.3	30.3	25.7	23.3	27.9	24.7	23.8	25.5	42.7	45.2	40.1	44.9	45.1	45.0	42.9	44.6	41.2
2013	24.4	22.7	26.2	20.3	18.5	22.4	-	-	-	39.2	41.0	37.5	37.4	38.5	36.7	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	16.3	14.2	18.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	33.1	34.3	31.8

9. Percentage of students who had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours, on one or more of the past 30 days (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #19)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	21.1	21.7	20.2	19.2	19.3	19.2	24.3	27.9	20.4	34.0	38.8	29.0	34.5	37.3	31.9	37.4	44.4	30.9
2003	19.8	20.9	18.8	16.0	16.5	15.5	12.8	13.8	11.9	31.8	29.4	34.1	29.9	33.3	26.0	27.3	31.2	23.7
2007	17.0	17.0	17.2	16.5	16.3	16.3	13.1	16.4	9.8	29.9	33.1	26.7	27.3	29.6	25.5	29.1	31.8	26.2
2011	14.0	15.0	13.0	12.9	13.1	12.7	12.5	14.2	10.9	25.2	27.9	22.6	28.3	30.9	25.8	27.3	31.7	22.8
2013	13.5	13.5	13.6	8.6	9.7	7.6	-	-	-	24.6	27.6	21.6	22.0	23.0	21.1	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.2	9.2	9.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	19.8	20.6	19.0

10. Percentage of students who used marijuana one or more times during their life (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #20)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	34.8	40.7	28.7	28.9	31.9	25.8	31.8	33.5	29.9	49.7	51.0	48.5	51.1	52.2	49.9	45.8	48.8	43.1
2003	30.7	33.1	28.1	25.8	30.4	21.1	25.6	27.7	23.7	44.5	45.4	43.5	42.3	47.3	36.6	43.6	47.1	40.3
2007	27.5	33.0	21.7	23.8	22.5	25.3	20.8	26.2	15.5	42.4	48.3	36.6	42.6	41.5	43.3	32.7	34.0	30.3
2011	30.8	34.9	26.4	-	-	-	25.7	30.1	21.7	45.5	48.7	42.1	-	-	-	38.7	41.9	35.5
2013	30.1	31.1	29.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	46.4	47.8	45.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.9	21.4	16.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	38.3	39.8	36.7

11. Percentage of students who tried marijuana for the first time before age 13 (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #21)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	12.7	16.4	8.9	8.6	11.6	5.7	8.4	10.0	6.8	9.5	12.9	6.0	6.4	9.2	3.5	6.1	8.7	3.9
2003	11.7	13.6	9.7	9.1	12.2	5.9	7.9	10.0	6.0	8.1	10.9	5.2	5.2	5.7	4.7	6.4	9.3	3.7
2007	9.8	13.3	6.1	8.0	9.9	6.1	6.2	8.3	4.2	7.2	10.1	4.2	7.2	8.5	6.0	4.3	5.5	3.0
2011	9.7	12.7	6.6	9.0	10.4	7.5	6.3	9.1	3.7	7.6	9.6	5.6	7.0	9.9	4.1	5.1	7.5	2.4
2013	9.8	11.8	7.7	8.6	10.5	6.6	-	-	-	8.6	11.6	5.7	5.2	6.8	3.4	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.2	6.7	3.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.5	4.3

12. Percentage of students who used marijuana one or more times during the past 30 days (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #22)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	21.7	24.7	18.6	17.2	19.7	14.7	-	-	-	26.7	31.1	22.1	28.8	30.4	27.1	-	-	-
2003	18.5	19.6	17.2	15.0	17.4	12.6	14.9	17.3	12.7	24.1	27.3	20.9	23.5	27.0	18.9	26.4	30.7	22.4
2007	14.7	16.9	12.5	12.6	13.4	11.9	11.5	15.7	7.4	21.4	25.2	17.5	22.4	24.3	20.6	19.0	21.4	16.5
2011	18.0	20.5	15.4	15.5	16.1	14.8	16.8	20.7	13.1	25.5	28.9	22.0	24.8	30.0	19.7	24.4	29.7	19.1
2013	17.7	17.7	17.6	13.5	14.5	12.5	-	-	-	25.5	28.4	22.8	22.1	22.7	21.6	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.3	12.5	10.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	22.2	23.8	20.6

13. Percentage of students who used any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase one or more times during their life (2005 OCTAP Survey Question #23)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	5.8	6.8	4.7	5.7	4.6	6.9	6.4	8.2	4.4	9.9	10.9	9.0	10.2	10.8	9.6	3.0	4.0	2.0
2003	6.8	6.1	7.6	5.0	5.1	4.9	5.4	7.1	3.8	9.0	10.2	7.7	7.6	5.7	9.7	6.5	7.8	5.3
2007	4.8	5.0	4.7	4.6	4.4	4.7	4.2	6.6	1.9	7.7	8.0	7.4	7.5	10.0	4.9	5.7	7.2	3.9
2011	5.0	5.8	4.1	5.0	6.2	3.8	-	-	-	7.5	8.5	6.4	6.4	7.7	5.1	-	-	-
2013	4.4	4.6	4.2	4.7	6.9	2.3	-	-	-	6.8	7.9	5.8	4.4	4.8	3.9	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	3.2	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	4.1	2.7

14. Percentage of students who used heroin one or more times during their life (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #24)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	2.0	3.1	0.8	3.1	3.0	3.1	-	-	-	2.6	3.8	1.3	3.5	5.9	1.1	-	-	-
2003	3.5	4.4	2.6	2.3	2.8	1.8	2.2	3.2	1.2	3.0	3.9	1.9	0.8	0.6	1.1	3.2	4.8	1.8
2007	2.6	3.0	2.1	2.7	3.7	1.6	3.1	5.2	1.1	1.8	2.4	1.2	3.2	4.1	2.3	2.3	3.9	0.6
2011	2.9	3.9	1.8	4.8	7.3	2.1	-	-	-	2.8	4.1	1.6	2.6	4.1	1.2	-	-	-
2013	2.0	2.4	1.6	3.3	4.5	2.1	-	-	-	2.4	2.8	2.0	2.6	3.2	1.8	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	2.9	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	2.9	1.6

15. Percent that used medicines prescribed for someone other than themselves one or more times during their life (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #25)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2011	16.5	16.7	16.2	13.5	13.5	13.4	-	-	-	23.3	24.5	22.2	15.6	16.7	14.6	-	-	-
2013	12.4	10.9	14.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.8	22.3	19.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.2	5.1	5.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.3	8.9	7.6

16. Percentage of students who sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high one or more times during their life (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #26)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	16.5	14.6	18.2	11.5	10.9	12.2	9.7	11.4	7.8	13.4	14.0	12.8	11.8	13.3	10.3	8.4	10.4	6.7
2003	13.6	12.7	14.6	11.0	9.7	12.3	10.0	9.8	10.3	11.0	12.6	9.4	7.4	8.5	6.5	8.2	10.6	5.9
2007	15.0	13.0	17.2	11.4	11.0	11.8	9.1	11.2	7.1	12.5	12.6	12.4	12.0	14.1	9.6	6.6	7.3	5.8
2011	12.7	11.1	14.2	11.1	11.4	10.8	6.7	8.0	5.5	11.1	10.4	11.7	9.5	9.0	10.0	4.2	5.7	2.7
2013	10.1	8.2	11.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.9	8.7	11.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	5.2	4.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.7	4.4	2.9

17. Percentage of students who used methamphetamines one or more times during their life (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #27)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	6.3	6.2	6.4	4.6	5.0	4.1	-	-	-	10.1	11.3	9.0	7.0	7.6	6.3	-	-	-
2003	6.7	6.3	7.1	4.2	5.3	3.2	3.8	5.0	2.7	8.0	9.4	6.7	3.1	2.7	3.5	4.9	7.2	2.8
2007	3.6	3.7	3.4	3.3	4.3	2.1	4.0	6.3	1.7	5.4	5.4	5.3	4.4	5.0	3.2	3.1	4.5	1.6
2011	3.2	3.8	2.6	5.4	7.3	3.5	2.7	4.3	1.3	4.1	4.9	3.1	3.1	3.9	2.2	2.7	4.2	1.2
2013	2.4	2.7	2.2	4.0	5.3	2.6	-	-	-	3.9	3.6	4.3	3.8	3.7	3.9	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	3.1	1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	3.2	2.1

18. Percentage of students who were offered, sold or given an illegal drug on school property by someone during the past 12 months (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #31)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	27.6	31.6	23.5	19.8	23.2	16.5	-	-	-	31.1	33.9	28.4	28.4	30.8	25.8	-	-	-
2003	29.5	32.1	26.7	21.3	24.6	17.9	32.4	37.3	27.9	29.9	33.5	26.1	23.3	29.2	17.8	34.7	41.8	28.1
2007	21.2	25.0	17.2	23.1	26.1	20.0	40.1	47.5	33.0	22.8	25.7	19.8	28.5	32.7	24.7	42.0	45.3	38.5
2011	23.7	25.9	21.3	-	-	-	42.1	47.4	37.3	27.0	32.5	21.3	-	-	-	39.2	45.2	33.2
2013	22.4	22.9	21.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	23.2	26.4	20.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	31.0	31.4	30.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	34.8	36.5	33.1

19. Percentage of students who described themselves as slightly or very overweight (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #67)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	29.6	26.7	32.5	30.9	27.1	34.7	-	-	-	32.0	24.0	40.2	32.3	24.7	39.9	-	-	-
2003	27.7	22.6	33.1	29.8	27.1	32.4	-	-	-	30.5	24.3	36.9	28.8	19.8	36.6	-	-	-
2007	35.5	41.3	29.4	29.2	27.7	30.9	-	-	-	31.0	25.8	36.2	31.5	26.1	36.3	-	-	-
2011	28.3	23.5	33.4	25.8	23.1	28.5	24.2	21.3	26.8	29.3	23.6	35.3	29.8	26.2	33.4	28.7	21.3	36.2
2013	30.2	26.1	34.5	30.2	25.9	35.0	-	-	-	32.5	25.4	39.3	30.5	24.9	36.3	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.5	25.4	35.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	31.0	24.5	37.7

20. Percentage of students who indicated they were not trying to lose weight (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #68)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	57.1	70.3	43.5	52.9	65.4	40.1	-	-	-	57.8	74.4	40.8	55.4	75.8	35.4	-	-	-
2003	57.8	68.8	45.9	54.6	65.2	43.8	-	-	-	55.9	71.7	39.6	56.4	75.3	38.4	-	-	-
2007	55.6	69.0	41.4	54.1	61.5	46.7	-	-	-	54.2	69.9	38.7	52.9	65.3	41.0	-	-	-
2011	54.1	66.7	40.8	55.4	69.7	40.9	-	-	-	54.1	69.3	38.4	52.8	65.8	39.6	-	-	-
2013	51.3	62.9	39.5	55.6	64.7	46.3	-	-	-	51.4	67.9	35.3	54.7	67.5	41.8	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	52.6	65.2	40.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	52.4	68.7	35.7

21. Percentage of students who, during the past 12 months, ever felt so sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more in a row that they stopped doing some usual activities (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #70)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	27.4	20.6	34.3	28.1	21.7	34.4	-	-	-	27.1	19.3	35.3	34.0	24.9	43.0	-	-	-
2003	28.0	21.0	35.7	27.5	23.4	31.8	28.9	22.7	34.5	28.9	22.1	35.9	31.3	22.6	39.8	31.4	28.0	34.5
2007	28.2	22.1	34.8	25.7	14.5	37.1	27.9	22.5	32.9	27.1	19.5	34.5	25.4	19.8	30.6	27.1	22.5	31.9
2011	27.6	18.2	37.4	25.7	18.0	33.6	32.1	24.0	39.3	28.8	23.6	34.3	26.7	21.8	31.8	34.9	28.9	40.9
2013	29.4	18.2	37.4	25.7	18.0	33.6	-	-	-	31.7	23.1	39.9	23.2	16.2	30.4	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.1	21.6	38.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	34.2	27.1	41.5

22. Percentage of students who seriously considered attempting suicide during the past 12 months (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #72)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	18.1	11.9	24.4	18.3	12.6	23.8	24.8	20.1	29.9	18.3	13.7	23.0	17.5	12.8	22.2	26.9	24.1	29.5
2003	16.9	11.9	22.2	14.5	10.5	18.9	21.9	17.1	25.5	16.4	12.9	20.0	14.9	6.9	22.5	22.5	20.8	24.3
2007	14.8	10.8	19.0	13.9	8.3	19.5	20.3	17.4	22.9	13.5	10.7	16.3	9.6	8.1	10.8	17.4	15.4	19.4
2011	17.1	12.9	21.5	15.3	11.8	18.9	21.3	17.7	24.5	15.5	14.3	16.7	11.6	9.5	13.7	21.4	19.3	23.4
2013	17.2	9.9	24.6	14.0	7.3	21.2	-	-	-	18.2	14.0	22.3	13.8	9.0	18.5	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	19.1	10.9	26.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	19.8	15.8	23.9

23. Percentage of students who made a plan about how they would attempt suicide during the past 12 months (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #73)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	14.6	9.3	20.1	14.7	9.9	19.6	18.6	16.5	20.8	13.6	11.5	15.7	14.6	13.1	16.1	21.5	19.8	23.0
2003	17.7	14.8	20.9	11.0	8.4	13.8	18.6	16.8	20.3	16.2	14.4	17.9	11.6	6.4	16.3	19.0	19.0	19.0
2007	11.2	9.2	13.4	10.0	6.4	13.7	16.2	16.7	15.6	10.4	9.2	11.6	9.6	9.5	9.7	13.7	12.3	15.2
2011	13.6	10.4	16.9	-	-	-	17.1	14.5	19.5	11.9	11.6	12.3	-	-	-	16.1	15.6	16.5
2013	12.9	8.6	17.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	14.3	11.4	17.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.2	16.0	24.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	19.2	16.6	21.9

24. Percentage of students who actually attempted suicide one or more times during the past 12 months
(2015 OCTAP Survey Question #74)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	10.0	6.1	14.0	9.7	5.6	13.7	9.8	8.0	11.8	6.1	4.8	7.5	7.0	4.5	9.4	7.2	6.9	7.5
2003	10.1	5.8	14.7	7.8	4.3	11.1	10.3	9.6	11.0	7.3	4.6	10.0	7.6	3.6	11.6	8.8	8.3	9.3
2007	7.9	5.3	10.5	9.6	7.5	11.6	11.5	11.3	11.7	5.8	7.8	3.7	6.7	6.4	6.8	10.2	10.7	9.7
2011	9.3	6.8	11.8	9.3	9.0	9.6	8.3	6.2	10.1	6.6	5.9	7.4	5.0	3.7	6.2	7.0	7.9	6.1
2013	9.3	4.8	13.8	8.7	5.9	11.4	-	-	-	7.5	6.2	8.8	5.9	4.0	7.8	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.8	6.1	11.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.9	6.4	9.5

25. Percentage of students whose attempted suicide during the past 12 months resulted in an injury, poisoning, or overdose that had to be treated by a doctor or nurse (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #75)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	3.2	2.6	3.8	3.6	2.6	4.6	4.4	3.3	5.6	2.5	2.1	2.8	2.2	1.2	3.2	2.0	2.4	1.7
2003	3.5	3.1	3.9	2.4	2.3	2.5	3.1	3.9	2.4	2.4	2.0	2.9	2.0	1.4	2.6	3.0	3.5	2.5
2007	2.3	1.9	2.6	3.2	2.8	3.6	3.4	3.6	3.3	1.6	1.4	1.7	2.9	3.1	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.4
2011	2.8	2.0	3.7	3.2	3.5	2.8	3.1	2.4	3.7	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.2	2.6	2.4	2.4	2.4
2013	3.0	1.6	4.5	2.8	2.2	3.5	-	-	-	2.6	2.2	2.9	2.0	1.4	2.5	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	4.9	5.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.2	4.0

26. Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #77)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	38.6	44.5	32.5	31.9	37.7	26.4	31.2	32.4	30.0	52.5	51.4	53.8	45.9	45.4	46.3	43.8	41.7	45.6
2003	32.8	37.3	27.9	31.7	40.3	23.1	28.1	29.7	26.6	53.2	53.1	53.4	44.2	42.2	45.3	45.5	42.5	48.2
2007	32.8	38.1	27.4	28.0	30.5	25.6	26.8	34.0	19.9	55.5	57.3	53.6	52.5	55.4	49.7	49.7	49.7	49.9
2011	32.9	37.8	27.8	27.0	32.5	21.6	30.0	33.6	26.7	53.2	54.5	51.9	46.4	47.4	45.7	52.0	53.3	50.8
2013	30.0	32.0	28.1	20.9	25.4	16.5	-	-	-	54.1	54.3	53.9	41.5	43.6	39.0	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.2	24.5	16.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	47.6	48.8	46.4

27. Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 13 (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #77)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	11.7	17.7	5.5	8.7	4.4	13.1	7.4	10.7	3.9	6.2	7.8	4.5	50.0	8.2	1.8	3.3	5.1	1.7
2003	9.3	13.2	5.3	9.4	14.6	4.1	6.8	8.9	4.9	5.4	7.5	3.2	4.1	6.0	2.3	4.9	7.3	2.5
2007	9.2	13.5	4.9	8.7	12.9	4.6	7.6	11.5	4.1	6.6	9.9	3.4	5.9	9.0	3.0	4.1	6.4	1.6
2011	8.8	13.3	4.1	7.4	10.2	4.7	6.5	9.3	4.0	4.9	6.8	3.0	5.0	8.4	1.6	3.7	6.0	1.2
2013	5.8	8.7	2.9	5.5	8.3	2.7	-	-	-	5.6	8.0	3.3	4.1	6.7	1.5	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	6.1	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	6.7	2.1

28. Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse with four or more people during their life (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #78)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	11.8	15.6	7.9	9.3	14.0	4.7	8.1	11.0	5.1	17.3	19.4	15.1	12.9	14.0	11.8	9.5	10.9	8.2
2003	10.4	14.2	6.4	10.1	15.9	4.2	6.2	7.2	5.3	16.0	18.6	13.4	12.6	12.9	12.6	12.0	12.3	11.8
2007	8.7	11.9	5.5	7.1	8.9	5.5	7.3	10.6	4.0	17.0	20.6	13.1	13.9	16.8	11.4	11.4	13.8	9.0
2011	8.7	12.4	4.9	8.5	12.0	5.1	8.4	11.7	5.6	17.3	19.4	15.2	12.5	14.1	11.0	15.4	16.0	14.9
2013	6.7	9.1	4.4	6.7	9.0	4.5	-	-	-	18.5	19.1	17.9	12.9	14.4	11.5	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	5.4	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.9	12.4	9.5

29. Percentage of students who are currently sexually active that did not use a condom during last sexual intercourse (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #79)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	33.4	30.5	36.9	28.8	-	-	-	-	-	40.8	30.7	50.0	35.1	34.5	35.5	-	-	-
2003	31.0	28.8	33.9	21.6	22.0	21.0	-	-	-	39.2	33.3	44.5	35.9	25.8	42.8	-	-	-
2007	30.7	24.2	39.0	29.8	26.9	32.2	-	-	-	38.0	30.7	44.9	34.1	25.9	41.6	-	-	-
2011	37.8	33.0	43.7	35.5	30.1	41.9	34.4	29.5	40.0	38.9	33.0	44.5	37.2	37.2	37.1	33.8	29.7	38.2
2013	37.3	30.5	43.5	45.3	-	37.7	-	-	-	37.7	29.4	45.2	35.9	25.0	45.8	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	35.5	32.7	39.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	38.0	34.8	41.3

30. Among those that are sexually active, the percent that did not use any method to prevent pregnancy the last time they had sexual intercourse (2015 OCTAP Survey Questions #80)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	14.6	12.9	16.8	11.8	-	-	-	-	-	15.4	13.9	16.9	9.3	12.5	6.7	-	-	-
2003	12.3	10.5	14.9	9.3	9.0	9.7	-	-	-	10.9	9.0	12.3	11.1	11.2	11.0	-	-	-
2007	13.7	12.8	14.8	19.8	23.6	17.1	-	-	-	10.9	9.7	12.0	14.1	13.5	14.7	-	-	-
2011	17.3	13.1	22.3	18.9	18.5	19.5	-	-	-	12.0	11.4	12.7	14.1	12.3	15.8	-	-	-
2013	16.3	14.3	18.1	21.4	-	27.5	-	-	-	12.4	11.9	12.9	15.6	8.7	21.0	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	13.8	16.9	8.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.5	7.2	9.8

31. Percentage of students who were in a physical fight one or more times during the past 12 months (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #88)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	41.1	49.5	32.5	42.3	53.5	31.2	-	-	-	31.3	38.9	23.4	30.2	36.2	24.2	-	-	-
2003	38.6	44.8	31.9	37.7	47.4	27.7	-	-	-	30.9	38.5	23.0	28.8	36.4	21.7	-	-	-
2007	40.9	49.6	31.8	35.5	41.7	29.3	34.1	46.4	22.8	34.8	46.3	23.5	31.0	37.7	24.5	27.8	34.8	20.5
2011	37.7	46.0	28.8	35.6	42.9	28.1	28.8	36.3	21.9	29.7	36.3	22.7	23.1	26.7	19.6	25.0	31.8	18.2
2013	28.3	33.2	23.3	28.6	33.2	23.8	-	-	-	24.0	31.6	16.7	18.9	23.9	13.4	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	23.4	31.8	15.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.2	24.5	11.9

32. Percentage of students who carried a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property in the past 30 days. (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #92)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	7.2	11.4	3.0	6.9	8.6	5.3	-	-	-	7.0	11.1	2.9	9.0	15.1	3.1	-	-	-
2003	5.3	6.6	3.8	5.8	7.7	3.8	-	-	-	6.6	10.3	2.7	4.2	7.2	1.3	-	-	-
2007	6.0	8.7	3.1	3.1	4.7	1.3	-	-	-	5.5	8.6	2.4	4.6	6.8	2.3	-	-	-
2011	4.8	7.4	2.1	5.1	6.8	3.3	7.3	10.1	4.8	4.7	7.5	1.8	2.9	4.5	1.3	8.0	12.4	3.7
2013	4.8	6.4	3.3	2.8	4.0	1.5	-	-	-	5.9	8.7	3.3	3.8	5.5	2.0	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.2	8.2	2.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	11.0	2.9

33. Percent that were not physically active at least 60 minutes per day on five or more days (doing any kind of physical activity that increased their heart rate and made them breathe hard some of the time during the 7 days before the survey). (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #96)

	9 th grade									11 th grade									
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC			
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2011	47.1	39.0	55.5	55.3	47.5	63.1	-	-	-	52.7	41.5	64.3	56.3	44.6	67.9	-	-	-	-
2013	49.4	39.5	59.3	53.4	44.4	62.7	-	-	-	55.3	43.2	66.9	52.8	47.4	58.0	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	48.1	43.1	52.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	49.8	43.1	56.7	-

34. Percent that watched three or more hours of television on an average school day? (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #97)

	9 th grade									11 th grade									
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC			
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	
1999	51.0	53.5	48.4	49.9	55.0	44.9	-	-	-	37.7	37.5	37.9	35.6	38.8	32.4	-	-	-	-
2003	44.0	46.5	41.2	50.8	54.6	46.9	-	-	-	34.4	34.1	34.7	39.8	45.2	33.7	-	-	-	-
2007	39.7	42.0	37.2	41.8	42.7	41.1	-	-	-	32.5	35.4	29.6	34.2	32.8	35.6	-	-	-	-
2011	33.9	33.9	33.8	34.0	34.2	33.9	-	-	-	31.4	32.3	30.4	28.9	31.2	26.4	-	-	-	-
2013	34.9	34.6	35.3	27.1	29.0	25.1	-	-	-	31.3	32.3	30.4	24.9	27.1	22.9	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	28.9	30.6	27.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.7	25.8	25.6	-

35. Percent that for three or more hours played video or computer games or used a computer for something that is not school work on an average school day (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #98)

	9 th grade									11 th grade									
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC			
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003	25.9	31.5	19.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.9	23.9	13.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007	27.8	30.5	24.9	31.6	31.4	31.4	-	-	-	23.7	29.5	17.9	27.7	32.8	23.1	-	-	-	-
2011	32.5	35.5	29.5	34.5	34.2	34.8	-	-	-	30.7	36.7	24.6	31.8	35.0	28.8	-	-	-	-
2013	44.8	43.0	46.5	43.0	40.7	45.4	-	-	-	40.0	42.4	37.6	33.1	34.0	32.3	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	50.7	54.6	47.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	43.9	45.0	42.8	-

36. Percent that did not play on any sports teams (run by school or community groups) during the past year (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #99)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	41.2	36.1	46.6	36.3	32.5	40.0	-	-	-	47.6	41.2	54.2	41.5	33.6	49.4	-	-	-
2003	39.7	35.0	44.8	39.8	38.7	40.8	-	-	-	42.8	33.7	52.2	45.0	38.2	51.5	-	-	-
2007	40.8	36.6	45.3	45.3	36.8	53.4	-	-	-	42.3	37.0	47.5	46.3	44.1	48.5	-	-	-
2011	38.6	34.4	42.9	36.1	35.5	36.7	-	-	-	43.8	39.1	48.7	45.3	50.0	40.7	-	-	-
2013	43.6	38.4	48.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	48.1	40.5	55.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	29.9	27.5	32.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	34.1	31.4	36.8

37. Percent that were electronically bullied during the past year (Count being bullied through e-mail, chat rooms, instant messaging, websites, or texting.) (2015 OCTAP Survey Question #110)

	9 th grade									11 th grade								
	US			NYS			OC			US			NYS			OC		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2011	15.5	8.9	22.6	19.0	13.6	24.6	-	-	-	16.0	12.4	19.8	14.6	10.0	19.3	-	-	-
2013	16.1	9.4	22.8	15.2	9.1	21.8	-	-	-	14.9	8.9	20.6	12.7	6.4	18.7	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.1	8.7	21.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	12.6	9.2	16.1