

Year: 2023

Grade: 6

Sex: All

Number of Students Surveyed: 1,394

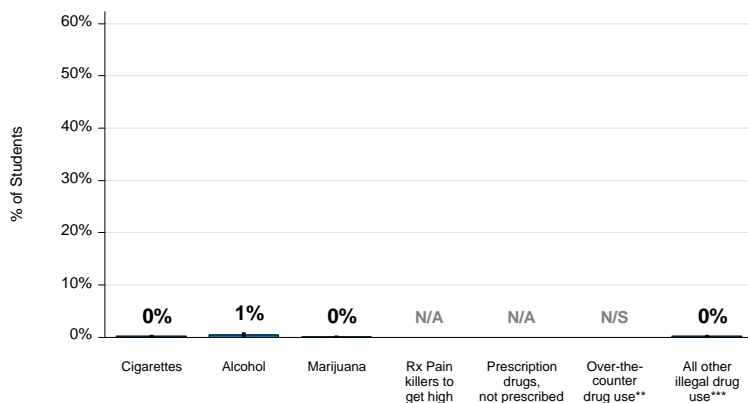
### Background:

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- Brain development in young adulthood continues into the mid-20s. Developing brains are more susceptible to the effects of alcohol and other drugs.

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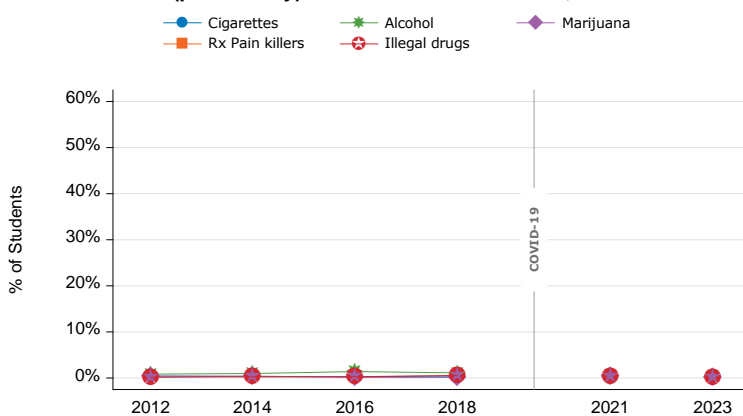
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**Current (past 30-day) Substance Use  
Grade 6, 2023**



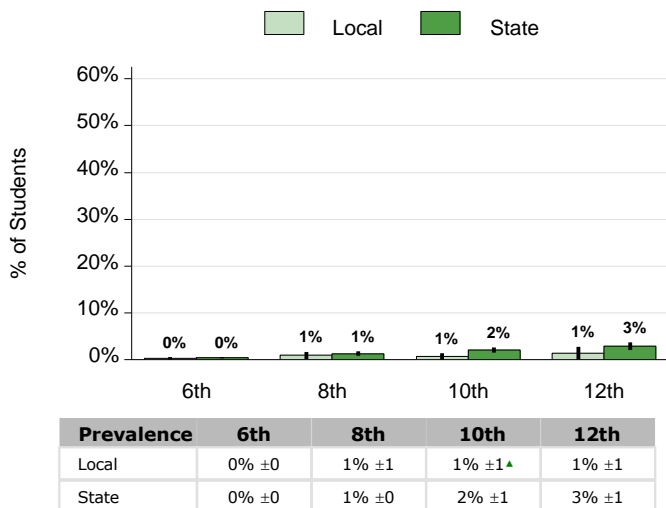
*Most youth don't use alcohol or other substances.*

**Current (past 30-day) Substance Use 2012-2023, Grade 6**



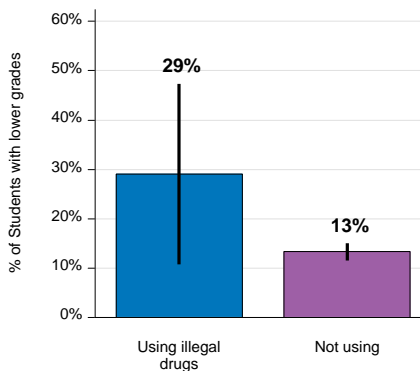
| Prevalence                    | 2012    | 2014    | 2016    | 2018    | 2021    | 2023    |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Cigarettes                    | 0% ±0.4 | 0% ±0.3 | 0% ±0.3 | 0% ±0.3 | 0% ±0.3 | 0% ±0.3 |
| Alcohol                       | 1% ±1   | 1% ±1   | 1% ±1   | 1% ±1   | 1% ±0   | 1% ±0   |
| Marijuana                     | 1% ±0   | 1% ±0   | 0% ±0.2 | 0% ±0.2 | 0% ±0.3 | 0% ±0.2 |
| Rx Pain killers to get high   | N/A     | N/A     | N/A     | N/A     | N/A     | N/A     |
| All other illegal drug use*** | 0% ±0.2 | 0% ±0.3 | 0% ±0.3 | 1% ±0   | 0% ±0.3 | 0% ±0.3 |

**Current (past 30-day) All Other Illegal Drug Use\*\*\*  
Compared to the State, All Grades, 2023**



| Prevalence | 6th   | 8th   | 10th   | 12th  |
|------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| Local      | 0% ±0 | 1% ±1 | 1% ±1▲ | 1% ±1 |
| State      | 0% ±0 | 1% ±0 | 2% ±1  | 3% ±1 |

**Statewide Relationship between  
Lower Grades and Current (past 30-day)  
All Other Illegal Drug Use\*\*\*  
Grade 6, 2023**



*Statewide, more 6th graders who use illegal drugs (not including alcohol, tobacco or marijuana) report lower grades in school (C's, D's or F's) compared to those who don't use.*

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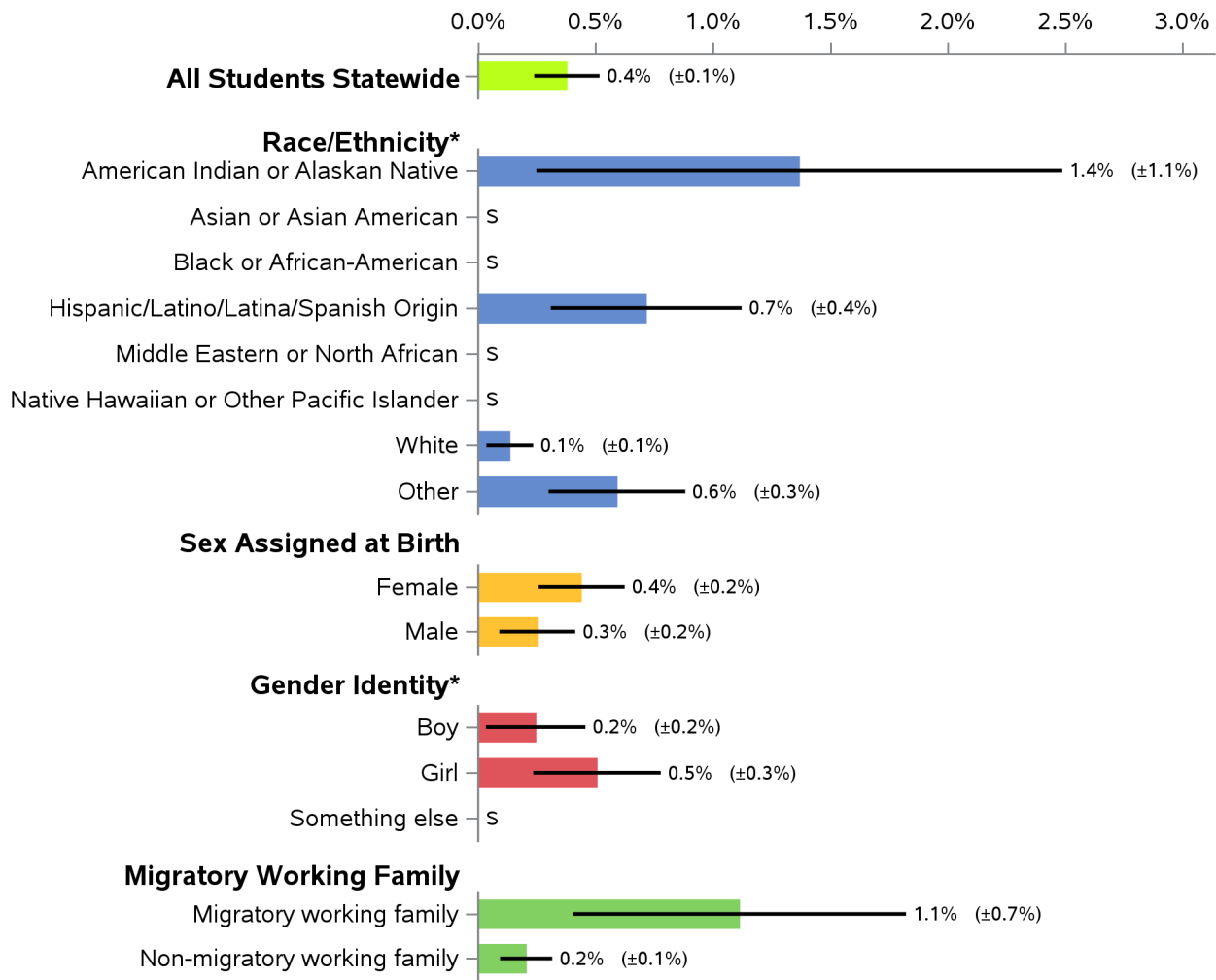
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# Statewide Relationship between Current (past 30-days) Illegal Drug Use and Demographics, Grade 6, 2023



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Grade: 8

Sex: All

Number of Students Surveyed: 1,348

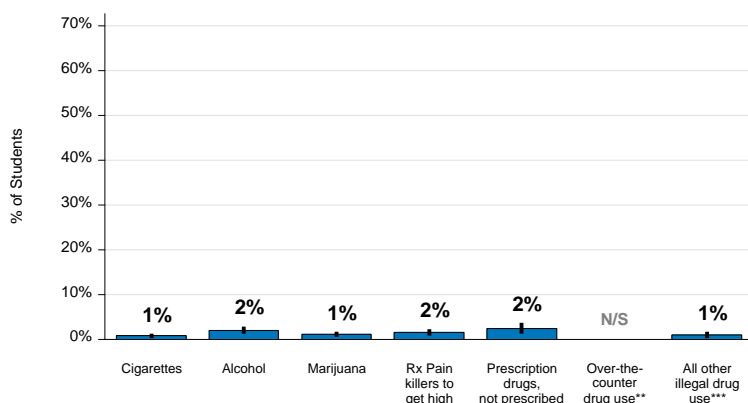
#### Background:

- Parents are one of the primary influences on their children's decision to use alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs.
- Brain development in young adulthood continues into the mid-20s. Developing brains are more susceptible to the effects of alcohol and other drugs.

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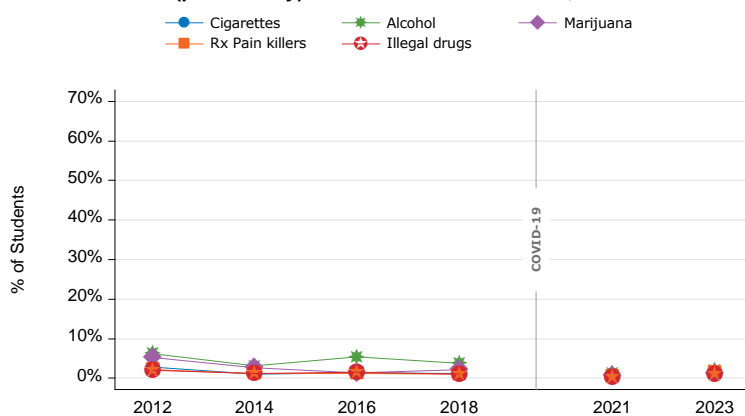
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#### Current (past 30-day) Substance Use Grade 8, 2023



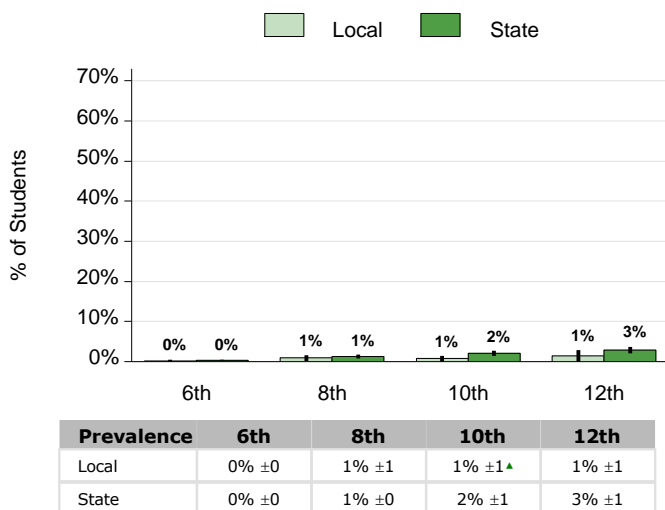
Most youth don't use alcohol or other substances.

#### Current (past 30-day) Substance Use 2012-2023, Grade 8



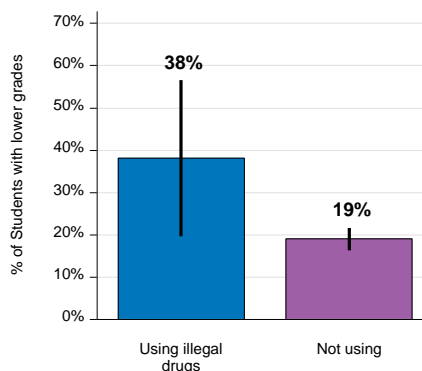
| Prevalence                    | 2012  | 2014   | 2016   | 2018   | 2021     | 2023   |
|-------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| Cigarettes                    | 3% ±1 | 1% ±1▼ | 1% ±1  | 1% ±1  | 0% ±0.3▼ | 1% ±1  |
| Alcohol                       | 6% ±1 | 3% ±1▼ | 5% ±1▲ | 4% ±1▼ | 1% ±1▼   | 2% ±1  |
| Marijuana                     | 5% ±1 | 3% ±1▼ | 1% ±1▼ | 2% ±1  | 1% ±0▼   | 1% ±1  |
| Rx Pain killers to get high   | 2% ±1 | 1% ±1  | 1% ±1  | 1% ±1  | 0% ±0.3▼ | 2% ±1▲ |
| All other illegal drug use*** | 2% ±1 | 1% ±1  | 1% ±1  | 1% ±1  | 0% ±0.3▼ | 1% ±1  |

#### Current (past 30-day) All Other Illegal Drug Use\*\*\* Compared to the State, All Grades, 2023



| Prevalence | 6th   | 8th   | 10th   | 12th  |
|------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| Local      | 0% ±0 | 1% ±1 | 1% ±1▲ | 1% ±1 |
| State      | 0% ±0 | 1% ±0 | 2% ±1  | 3% ±1 |

#### Statewide Relationship between Lower Grades and Current (past 30-day) All Other Illegal Drug Use\*\*\* Grade 8, 2023



Statewide, more 8th graders who use illegal drugs (not including alcohol, tobacco or marijuana) report lower grades in school (C's, D's or F's) compared to those who don't use.

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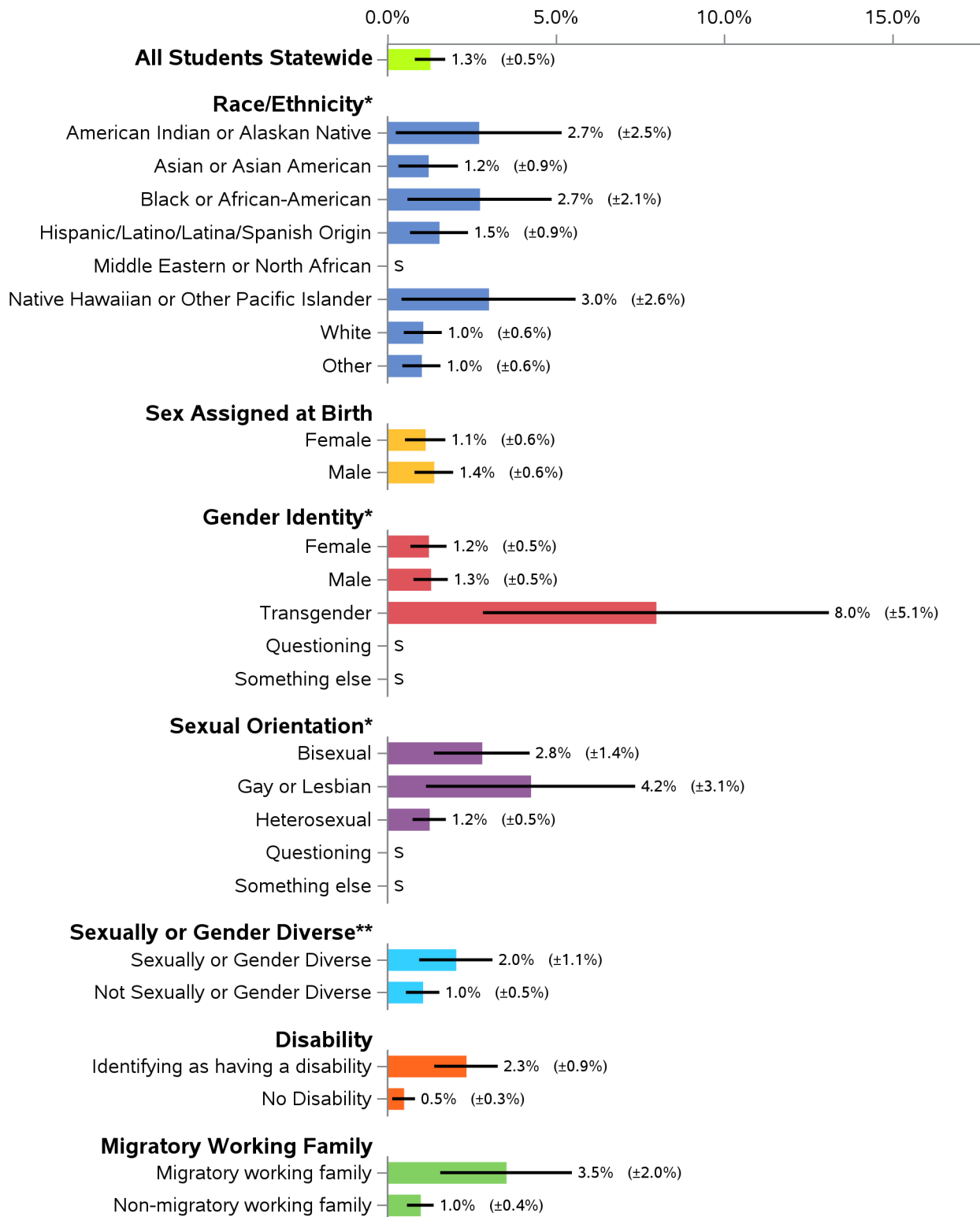
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# Statewide Relationship between Current (past 30-days) Illegal Drug Use and Demographics, Grade 8, 2023



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Year: 2023

Grade: 10

Sex: All

Number of Students Surveyed: 1,175

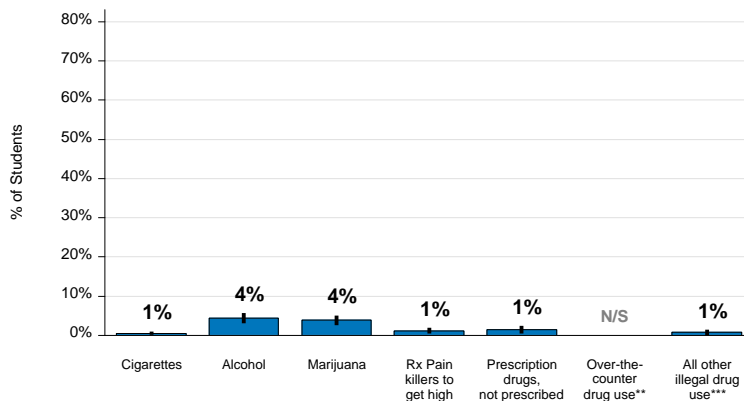
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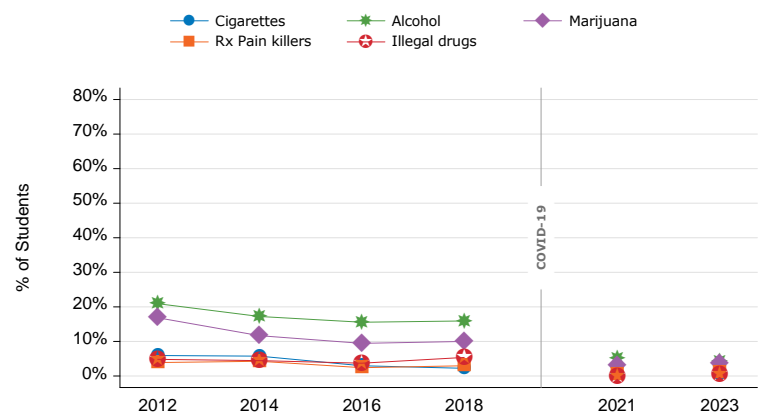
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**Current (past 30-day) Substance Use  
Grade 10, 2023**



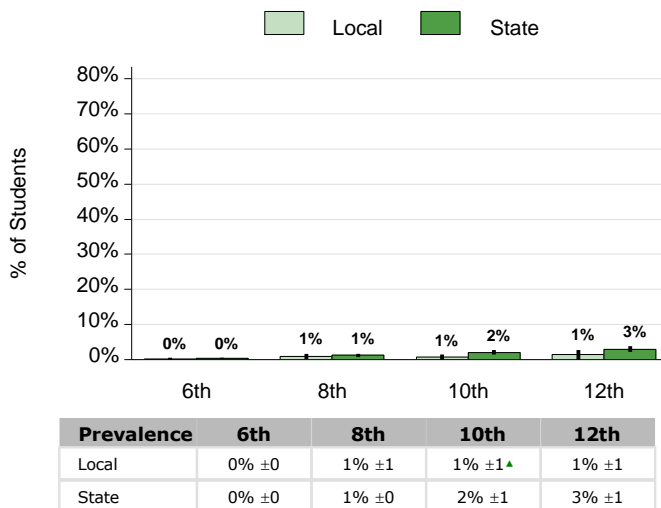
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**Current (past 30-day) Substance Use 2012-2023, Grade 10**



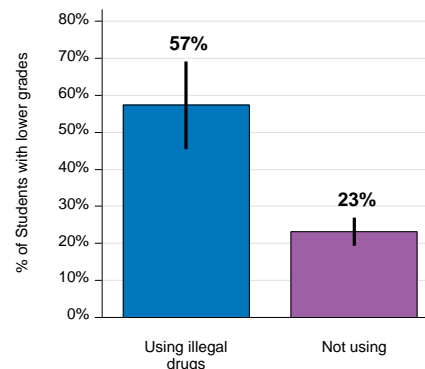
| Prevalence                    | 2012   | 2014    | 2016   | 2018   | 2021     | 2023  |
|-------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|-------|
| Cigarettes                    | 6% ±1  | 6% ±1   | 3% ±1▼ | 2% ±1  | 0% ±0.4▼ | 1% ±0 |
| Alcohol                       | 21% ±3 | 17% ±2▼ | 16% ±2 | 16% ±2 | 5% ±1▼   | 4% ±1 |
| Marijuana                     | 17% ±2 | 12% ±2▼ | 9% ±2  | 10% ±2 | 3% ±1▼   | 4% ±1 |
| Rx Pain killers to get high   | 4% ±1  | 4% ±1   | 2% ±1▼ | 3% ±1  | 0% ±0.4▼ | 1% ±1 |
| All other illegal drug use*** | 5% ±1  | 4% ±1   | 4% ±2  | 5% ±2  | 0% ±0    | 1% ±1 |

**Current (past 30-day) All Other Illegal Drug Use\*\*\*  
Compared to the State, All Grades, 2023**



| Prevalence | 6th   | 8th   | 10th   | 12th  |
|------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| Local      | 0% ±0 | 1% ±1 | 1% ±1▲ | 1% ±1 |
| State      | 0% ±0 | 1% ±0 | 2% ±1  | 3% ±1 |

**Statewide Relationship between  
Lower Grades and Current (past 30-day)  
All Other Illegal Drug Use\*\*\*  
Grade 10, 2023**



*Statewide, more 10th graders who use illegal drugs (not including alcohol, tobacco or marijuana) report lower grades in school (C's, D's or F's) compared to those who don't use.*

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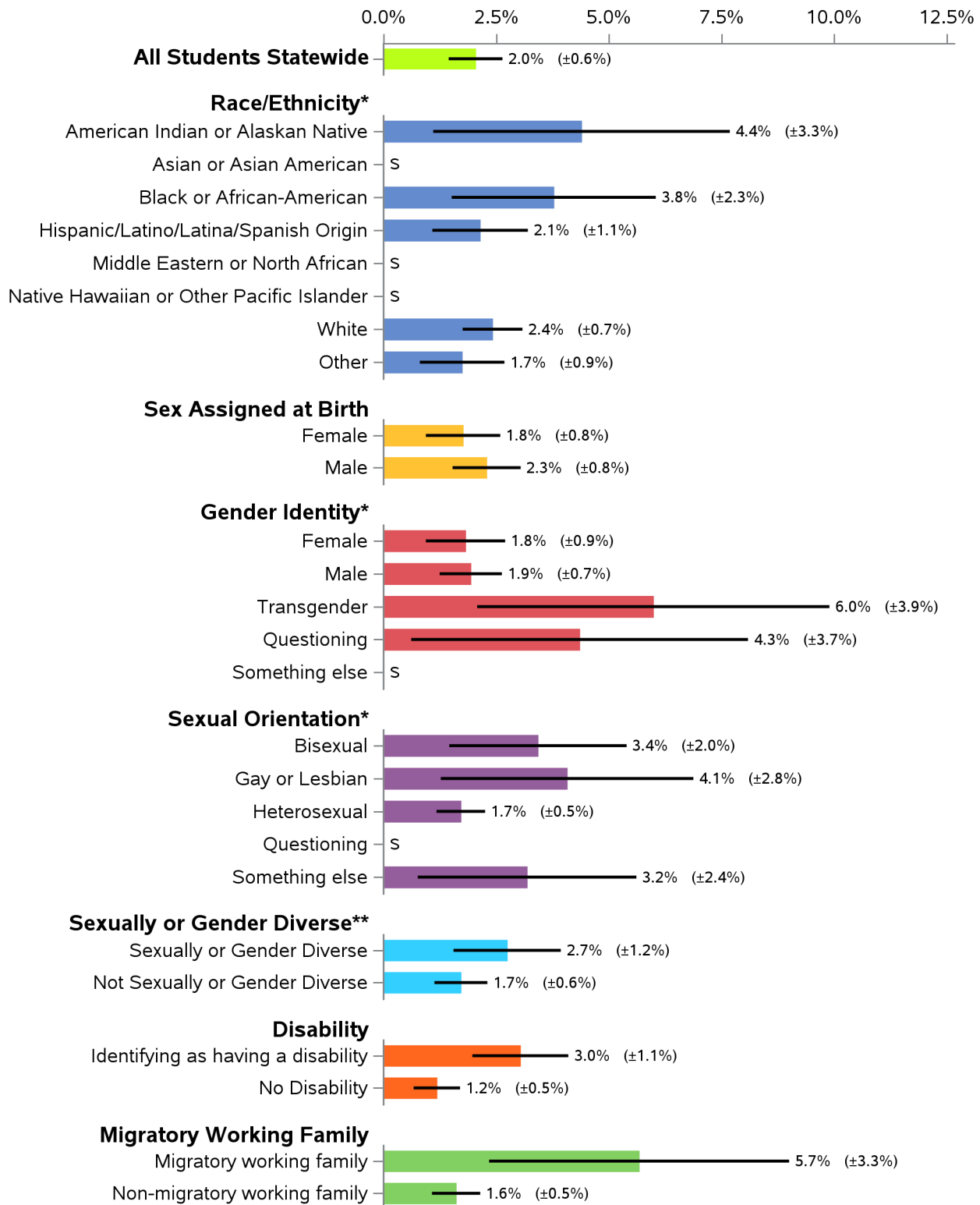
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Year: 2023

Grade: 12

Sex: All

Number of Students Surveyed: 683

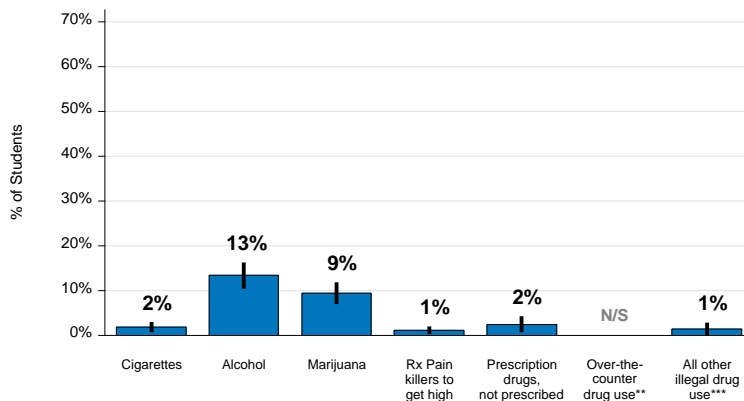
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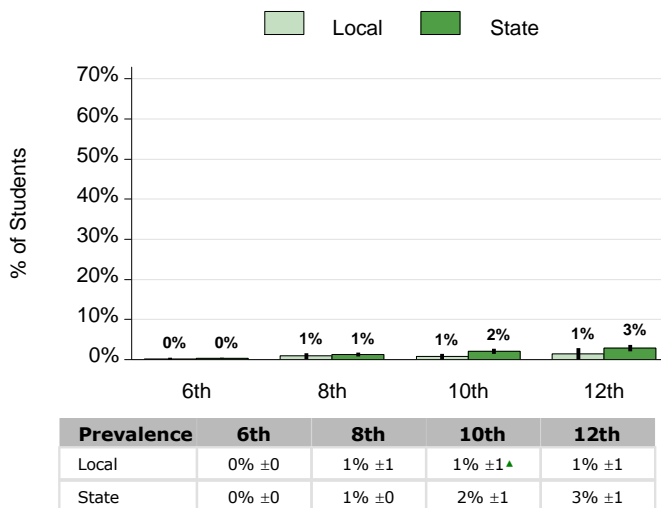
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#### Current (past 30-day) Substance Use Grade 12, 2023

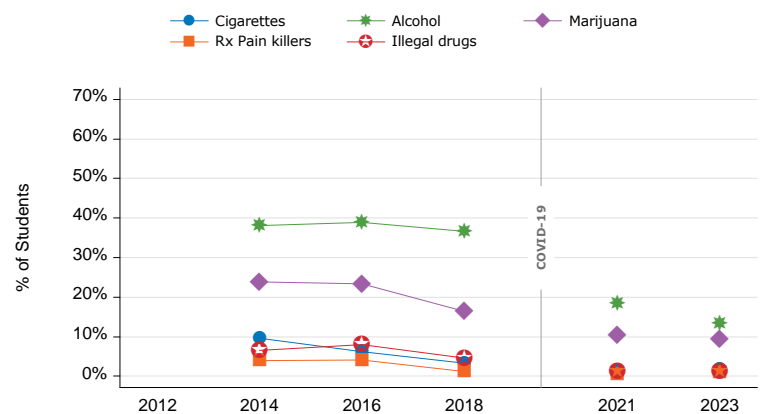


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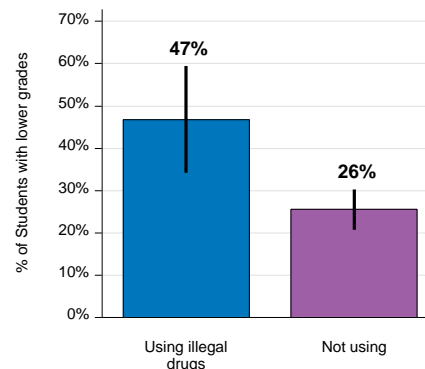


#### Current (past 30-day) Substance Use 2012-2023, Grade 12



| Prevalence                    | 2012 | 2014    | 2016   | 2018    | 2021    | 2023    |
|-------------------------------|------|---------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Cigarettes                    | S    | 10% ±2  | 6% ±2▼ | 3% ±1▼  | 1% ±1▼  | 2% ±1   |
| Alcohol                       | S    | 38% ±3▲ | 39% ±4 | 37% ±4  | 18% ±3▼ | 13% ±3▼ |
| Marijuana                     | S    | 24% ±3  | 23% ±3 | 16% ±3▼ | 10% ±2▼ | 9% ±2   |
| Rx Pain killers to get high   | S    | 4% ±1   | 4% ±2  | 1% ±1▼  | 0% ±0.5 | 1% ±1   |
| All other illegal drug use*** | S    | 6% ±2   | 8% ±3  | 5% ±2   | 1% ±1▼  | 1% ±1   |

#### Statewide Relationship between Lower Grades and Current (past 30-day) All Other Illegal Drug Use\*\*\* Grade 12, 2023



Statewide, more 12th graders who use illegal drugs (not including alcohol, tobacco or marijuana) report lower grades in school (C's, D's or F's) compared to those who don't use.

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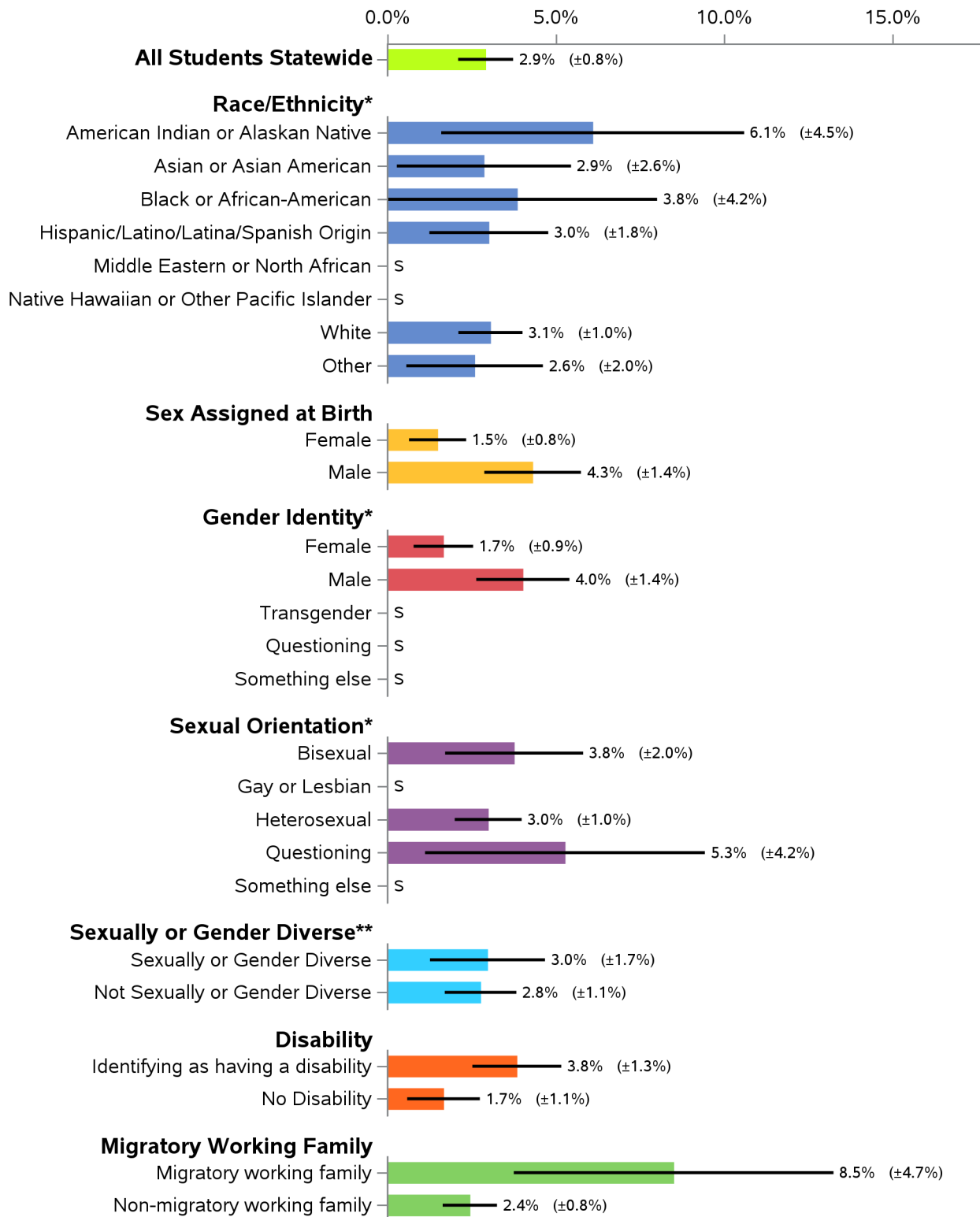
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