



Healthy Youth Survey Fact Sheet

Current Marijuana Use for Washington State

Year: 2012

Grade: 10

Gender: Both

Number of Students Surveyed: 8,372

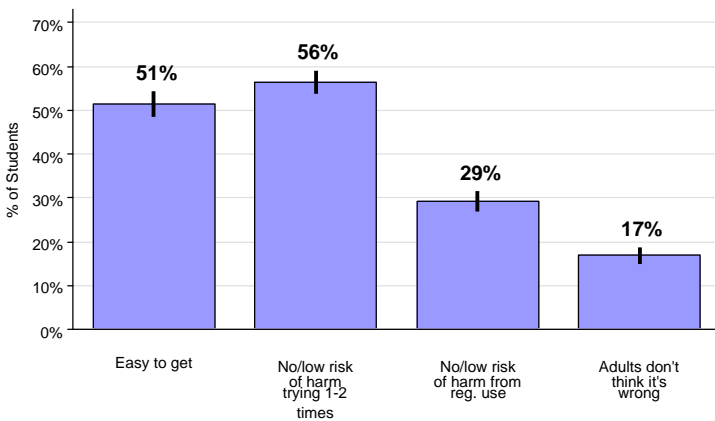
Background:

- Smoking marijuana affects neuropsychological functioning, such as hand-eye coordination, reaction time, and memory.
- Marijuana potency appears to have increased over time.
- The earlier someone starts using marijuana, the greater their vulnerability to addiction and psychiatric disorders.

For More Information:

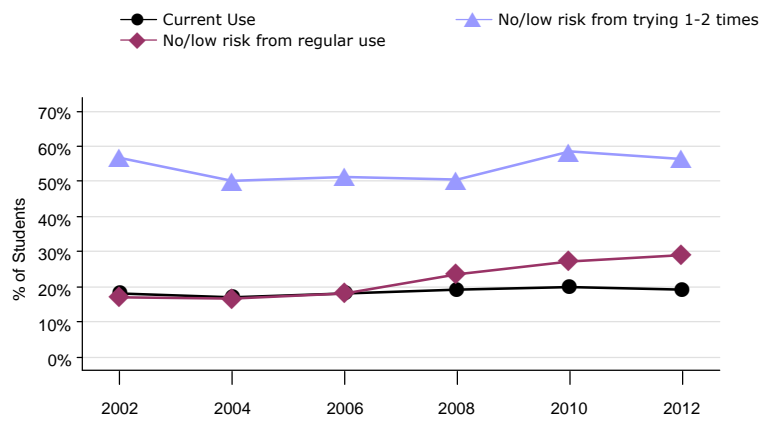
- Parents, schools, kids, and communities can work together to keep youth safe. To see a list of prevention organizations in your county, go to the Start Talking Now website: www.starttalkingnow.org.
- For free guides on preventing alcohol and other drug use, call the ADAI Clearinghouse at the University of Washington: 206-221-8325, or adaiclearinghouse.org.
- Parents can find prevention tips at The Partnership at DrugFree.org website: www.drugfree.org
- For 24 hour help for mental health, substance abuse and problem gambling, call 1-866-789-1511 or visit www.waRecoveryHelpLine.org

**Attitudes about Marijuana Use
Grade 10, 2012**



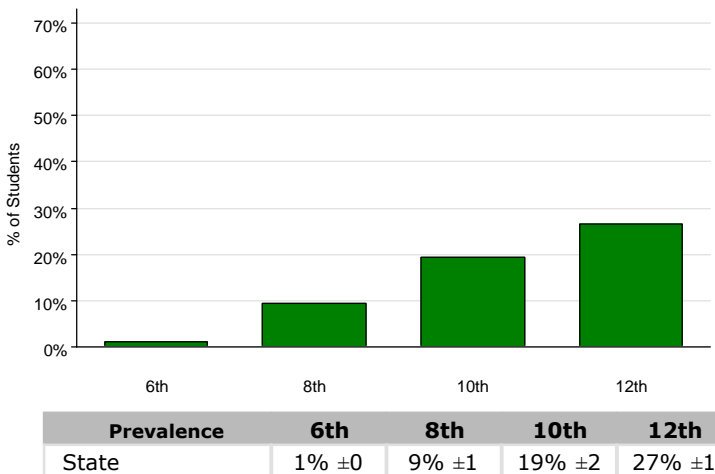
In 2012, 29% of 10th graders in our state thought there was little or no risk of using marijuana regularly.

**Current Marijuana Use and Perception of Harm Trends
Grade 10**

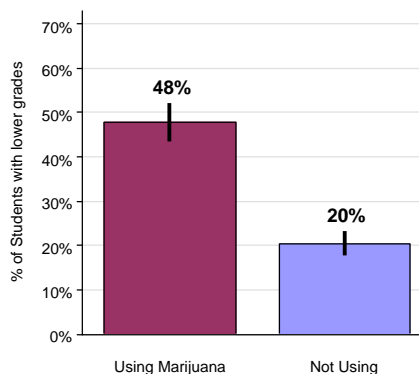


Prevalence	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012
Current Use	18% ±2	17% ±1	18% ±1	19% ±1	20% ±2	19% ±2
No/low risk from trying 1-2 times	57% ±3	50% ±2*	51% ±2	50% ±2	58% ±2*	56% ±3
No/low risk from regular use	17% ±2	17% ±1	18% ±2	23% ±2*	27% ±2*	29% ±2

**Current Marijuana Use
Statewide, All Grades, 2012**



**Statewide
Relationship between Lower Grades and Marijuana Use
Grade 10, 2012**



Statewide, 10th graders who use marijuana are more likely to get lower grades in school (C's, D's or F's) compared to those who don't use.

Prevalence is displayed with 95% confidence intervals (as ± or black bar |)
*Indicates a significant change from the previous year, p<0.05