

Table 3.48A Grade Average for the Last Grading Period Completed, by Demographic Characteristics (I), and Selected Drug Use, by Grade Average for the Last Grading Period Completed (II), among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Enrolled in School in the Past Year: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	Grade Average for Last Grading Period Completed ¹			
	"D" or Lower		"A," "B," or "C"	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	1,332	1,348	20,130	19,962
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	346	367	6,403	6,321
14-15	528	498	6,986	6,724
16-17	458	483	6,740	6,917
GENDER				
Male	870	886	10,098	9,935
Female	463	462	10,032	10,026
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	1,093	1,080	17,204	17,156
White	823	756	13,233	13,152
Black or African American	203	262	2,655	2,738
American Indian or Alaska Native	17	9	136	117
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	25	25	803	763
Two or More Races	18	26	320	332
Hispanic or Latino	240	268	2,926	2,805
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	672	707	10,702	10,583
Small Metro	411	392	5,915	5,989
Nonmetro	249	250	3,514	3,390
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	324	328	2,218	2,114
Marijuana	246	269	1,587	1,493
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	164	150	1,058	1,030
Cigarettes	391	351	2,417	2,281
Alcohol	357	378	3,588	3,582
Binge Alcohol ⁴	240	277	2,107	2,103
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	511	525	4,399	4,233
Marijuana	432	419	3,126	2,929
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	321	335	2,633	2,538
Cigarettes	517	488	3,946 ^b	3,600
Alcohol	645	643	7,113	7,005
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	683	695	6,059	5,932
Marijuana	556	541	4,045	3,832
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	467	487	4,162	4,035
Cigarettes	747	727	6,537 ^b	6,012
Alcohol	829	823	8,812	8,642

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

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

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Table 3.48B Grade Average for the Last Grading Period Completed, by Demographic Characteristics (I), and Selected Drug Use, by Grade Average for the Last Grading Period Completed (II), among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Enrolled in School in the Past Year: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	Grade Average for Last Grading Period Completed ¹			
	"D" or Lower		"A," "B," or "C"	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	6.2	6.3	93.8	93.7
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	5.1	5.5	94.9	94.5
14-15	7.0	6.9	93.0	93.1
16-17	6.4	6.5	93.6	93.5
GENDER				
Male	7.9	8.2	92.1	91.8
Female	4.4	4.4	95.6	95.6
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	6.0	5.9	94.0	94.1
White	5.9	5.4	94.1	94.6
Black or African American	7.1	8.7	92.9	91.3
American Indian or Alaska Native	11.4	6.9	88.6	93.1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	3.0	3.2	97.0	96.8
Two or More Races	5.4	7.2	94.6	92.8
Hispanic or Latino	7.6	8.7	92.4	91.3
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	5.9	6.3	94.1	93.7
Small Metro	6.5	6.1	93.5	93.9
Nonmetro	6.6	6.9	93.4	93.1
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	24.3	24.4	11.0	10.6
Marijuana	18.4	20.0	7.9	7.5
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	12.3	11.2	5.3	5.2
Cigarettes	29.3	26.0	12.0	11.4
Alcohol	26.8	28.1	17.8	17.9
Binge Alcohol ⁴	18.0	20.6	10.5	10.5
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	38.3	38.9	21.9	21.2
Marijuana	32.4	31.1	15.5	14.7
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	24.1	24.8	13.1	12.7
Cigarettes	38.8	36.2	19.6 ^b	18.0
Alcohol	48.4	47.7	35.3	35.1
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	51.3	51.5	30.1	29.7
Marijuana	41.7	40.1	20.1	19.2
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	35.1	36.1	20.7	20.2
Cigarettes	56.1	53.9	32.5 ^b	30.1
Alcohol	62.2	61.0	43.8	43.3

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Table 3.49A Youths' Feelings about Going to School During the Past Year, by Demographic Characteristics (I), and Selected Drug Use, by Youths' Feelings about Going to School (II), among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Enrolled in School in the Past Year: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	Youths' Feelings about Going to School ¹			
	Liked a Lot/Kind of Liked		Didn't Like Very Much/Hated	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	17,650	17,710	4,756	4,684
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	5,869	5,868	1,316	1,332
14-15	6,182	5,989	1,632	1,567
16-17	5,599	5,853	1,808	1,786
GENDER				
Male	8,692	8,775	2,761	2,686
Female	8,958	8,935	1,995	1,998
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	14,894	15,035	4,162	4,086
White	11,104	11,064	3,463	3,457
Black or African American	2,586	2,788	445	419
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	115	*	18
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	744	719	127	106
Two or More Races	283	291	79	84
Hispanic or Latino	2,756	2,675	594	599
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	9,490	9,462	2,461	2,449
Small Metro	5,118	5,310	1,447	1,376
Nonmetro	3,042	2,937	848	859
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	1,637	1,617	988	931
Marijuana	1,122	1,112	771	723
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	775	770	489	468
Cigarettes	1,793	1,707	1,143	1,052
Alcohol	2,741	2,783	1,338	1,322
Binge Alcohol ⁴	1,514	1,561	917	896
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	3,382	3,327	1,684	1,627
Marijuana	2,367	2,255	1,303	1,231
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	1,951	1,949	1,097	1,039
Cigarettes	3,031	2,841	1,605	1,454
Alcohol	5,680	5,739	2,335	2,201
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	4,805	4,805	2,175	2,113
Marijuana	3,161	3,055	1,603	1,500
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	3,186	3,182	1,607	1,555
Cigarettes	5,230 ^a	4,927	2,349 ^a	2,127
Alcohol	7,170	7,219	2,797	2,644

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Table 3.49B Youths' Feelings about Going to School During the Past Year, by Demographic Characteristics (I), and Selected Drug Use, by Youths' Feelings about Going to School (II), among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Enrolled in School in the Past Year: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	Youths' Feelings about Going to School ¹			
	Liked a Lot/Kind of Liked		Didn't Like Very Much/Hated	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	78.8	79.1	21.2	20.9
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	81.7	81.5	18.3	18.5
14-15	79.1	79.3	20.9	20.7
16-17	75.6	76.6	24.4	23.4
GENDER				
Male	75.9	76.6	24.1	23.4
Female	81.8	81.7	18.2	18.3
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	78.2	78.6	21.8	21.4
White	76.2	76.2	23.8	23.8
Black or African American	85.3	86.9	14.7	13.1
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	86.3	*	13.7
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	85.4	87.2	14.6	12.8
Two or More Races	78.1	77.6	21.9	22.4
Hispanic or Latino	82.3	81.7	17.7	18.3
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	79.4	79.4	20.6	20.6
Small Metro	78.0	79.4	22.0	20.6
Nonmetro	78.2	77.4	21.8	22.6
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	9.3	9.1	20.8	19.9
Marijuana	6.4	6.3	16.2	15.4
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	4.4	4.3	10.3	10.0
Cigarettes	10.2	9.6	24.0	22.5
Alcohol	15.5	15.7	28.1	28.2
Binge Alcohol ⁴	8.6	8.8	19.3	19.1
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	19.2	18.8	35.4	34.7
Marijuana	13.4	12.7	27.4	26.3
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	11.1	11.0	23.1	22.2
Cigarettes	17.2 ^a	16.0	33.8 ^a	31.0
Alcohol	32.2	32.4	49.1	47.0
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	27.2	27.1	45.7	45.1
Marijuana	17.9	17.3	33.7	32.0
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	18.1	18.0	33.8	33.2
Cigarettes	29.6 ^b	27.8	49.4 ^b	45.4
Alcohol	40.6	40.8	58.8	56.5

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Table 3.50A How Often Youths Felt in the Past Year That Assigned Schoolwork Was Meaningful and Important, by Demographic Characteristics (I), and Selected Drug Use, by How Often Youths Felt That Assigned Schoolwork Was Meaningful and Important (II), among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Enrolled in School in the Past Year: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	Assigned Schoolwork Was Meaningful and Important ¹			
	Always/Sometimes		Seldom/Never	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	17,427	17,372	4,961	5,007
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	6,011	6,001	1,159	1,186
14-15	5,957	5,765	1,854	1,789
16-17	5,459	5,607	1,948	2,032
GENDER				
Male	8,631	8,610	2,812	2,847
Female	8,796	8,763	2,149	2,160
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	14,634	14,715	4,406	4,392
White	10,804	10,831	3,756	3,682
Black or African American	2,641	2,732	383 ^a	469
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	110	*	23
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	742	702	129	123
Two or More Races	275	284	85	90
Hispanic or Latino	2,793	2,657	555	615
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	9,411	9,335	2,526	2,568
Small Metro	5,064	5,143	1,501	1,541
Nonmetro	2,953	2,894	934	898
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	1,663	1,608	965	938
Marijuana	1,174	1,118	720	718
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	772	786	493	450
Cigarettes	1,896	1,756	1,042	1,002
Alcohol	2,735	2,688	1,343	1,415
Binge Alcohol ⁴	1,560	1,546	872	910
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	3,345	3,281	1,719	1,670
Marijuana	2,362	2,255	1,309	1,231
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	1,953	1,921	1,092	1,064
Cigarettes	3,132 ^b	2,842	1,506	1,449
Alcohol	5,552	5,482	2,461	2,451
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	4,741	4,671	2,232	2,244
Marijuana	3,163	2,998	1,603	1,557
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	3,161	3,103	1,625	1,632
Cigarettes	5,277 ^b	4,840	2,303	2,214
Alcohol	7,022	6,931	2,944	2,924

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Table 3.50B How Often Youths Felt in the Past Year That Assigned Schoolwork Was Meaningful and Important, by Demographic Characteristics (I), and Selected Drug Use, by How Often Youths Felt That Assigned Schoolwork Was Meaningful and Important (II), among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Enrolled in School in the Past Year: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	Assigned Schoolwork Was Meaningful and Important ¹			
	Always/Sometimes		Seldom/Never	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	77.8	77.6	22.2	22.4
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	83.8	83.5	16.2	16.5
14-15	76.3	76.3	23.7	23.7
16-17	73.7	73.4	26.3	26.6
GENDER				
Male	75.4	75.2	24.6	24.8
Female	80.4	80.2	19.6	19.8
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	76.9	77.0	23.1	23.0
White	74.2	74.6	25.8	25.4
Black or African American	87.3	85.3	12.7	14.7
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	82.5	*	17.5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	85.1	85.1	14.9	14.9
Two or More Races	76.5	75.9	23.5	24.1
Hispanic or Latino	83.4	81.2	16.6	18.8
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	78.8	78.4	21.2	21.6
Small Metro	77.1	76.9	22.9	23.1
Nonmetro	76.0	76.3	24.0	23.7
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	9.5	9.3	19.4	18.7
Marijuana	6.7	6.4	14.5	14.3
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	4.4	4.5	9.9	9.0
Cigarettes	10.9	10.1	21.0	20.0
Alcohol	15.7	15.5	27.1	28.3
Binge Alcohol ⁴	8.9	8.9	17.6	18.2
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	19.2	18.9	34.7	33.4
Marijuana	13.6	13.0	26.4	24.6
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	11.2	11.1	22.0	21.2
Cigarettes	18.0 ^b	16.4	30.4	28.9
Alcohol	31.9	31.6	49.6	49.0
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	27.2	26.9	45.0	44.8
Marijuana	18.1	17.3	32.3	31.1
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	18.1	17.9	32.8	32.6
Cigarettes	30.3 ^b	27.9	46.4	44.2
Alcohol	40.3	39.9	59.3	58.4

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Table 3.51A Level of Importance Later in Life of Things Learned in School During the Past Year, by Demographic Characteristics (I), and Selected Drug Use, by Level of Importance Later in Life of Things Learned in School (II), among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Enrolled in School in the Past Year: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	Importance Later in Life of Things Learned in School ¹			
	Very/Somewhat Important		Very/Somewhat Unimportant	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	19,783	19,711	2,590	2,666
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	6,686	6,672	482	523
14-15	6,820	6,614	984	935
16-17	6,277	6,425	1,124	1,208
GENDER				
Male	10,018	9,975	1,409	1,484
Female	9,764	9,737	1,182	1,182
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	16,700	16,725	2,324	2,375
White	12,545	12,486	2,006	2,018
Black or African American	2,847	2,973	177	232
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	123	*	8
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	793	756	75	69
Two or More Races	329	331	32	44
Hispanic or Latino	3,082	2,987	267	291
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	10,465	10,426	1,450	1,482
Small Metro	5,848	5,916	722	766
Nonmetro	3,469	3,369	418	418
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	2,054	1,972	566	573
Marijuana	1,465	1,391	424	442
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	975	949	287	288
Cigarettes	2,312	2,187	621	568
Alcohol	3,295	3,314	778	787
Binge Alcohol ⁴	1,903	1,955	524	501
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	4,054	3,980	1,004	967
Marijuana	2,889	2,741	777	742
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	2,397	2,350	643	634
Cigarettes	3,759 ^a	3,481	873	808
Alcohol	6,591	6,560	1,413	1,375
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	5,706	5,667	1,266	1,245
Marijuana	3,815	3,655	946	897
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	3,870	3,823	917	910
Cigarettes	6,294 ^b	5,840	1,278	1,211
Alcohol	8,277	8,223	1,679	1,631

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 3.51B Level of Importance Later in Life of Things Learned in School During the Past Year, by Demographic Characteristics (I), and Selected Drug Use, by Level of Importance Later in Life of Things Learned in School (II), among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Enrolled in School in the Past Year: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	Importance Later in Life of Things Learned in School ¹			
	Very/Somewhat Important		Very/Somewhat Unimportant	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	88.4	88.1	11.6	11.9
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	93.3	92.7	6.7	7.3
14-15	87.4	87.6	12.6	12.4
16-17	84.8	84.2	15.2	15.8
GENDER				
Male	87.7	87.0	12.3	13.0
Female	89.2	89.2	10.8	10.8
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	87.8	87.6	12.2	12.4
White	86.2	86.1	13.8	13.9
Black or African American	94.2	92.8	5.8	7.2
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	93.6	*	6.4
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	91.3	91.6	8.7	8.4
Two or More Races	91.1	88.3	8.9	11.7
Hispanic or Latino	92.0	91.1	8.0	8.9
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	87.8	87.6	12.2	12.4
Small Metro	89.0	88.5	11.0	11.5
Nonmetro	89.3	89.0	10.7	11.0
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	10.4	10.0	21.9	21.5
Marijuana	7.4	7.1	16.4	16.6
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	4.9	4.8	11.1	10.8
Cigarettes	11.7	11.1	24.0	21.3
Alcohol	16.7	16.8	30.0	29.5
Binge Alcohol ⁴	9.6	9.9	20.2	18.8
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	20.5	20.2	38.7	36.3
Marijuana	14.6	13.9	30.0	27.8
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	12.1	11.9	24.8	23.8
Cigarettes	19.0 ^a	17.7	33.7 ^a	30.3
Alcohol	33.3	33.3	54.6	51.6
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	28.8	28.7	48.9	46.7
Marijuana	19.3	18.5	36.5	33.6
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	19.6	19.4	35.4	34.1
Cigarettes	31.8 ^b	29.6	49.3 ^a	45.4
Alcohol	41.8	41.7	64.8 ^a	61.2

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

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

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 3.52A How Interesting Courses at School Have Been During the Past Year, by Demographic Characteristics (I), and Selected Drug Use, by How Interesting Courses at School Have Been (II), among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Enrolled in School in the Past Year: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	How Interesting Courses at School Have Been ¹			
	Very/Somewhat Interesting		Very/Somewhat Boring	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	17,083	16,857	5,312	5,510
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	5,757	5,677	1,427	1,508
14-15	5,788	5,554	2,022	1,997
16-17	5,538	5,626	1,863	2,005
GENDER				
Male	8,594	8,398	2,847	3,047
Female	8,489	8,459	2,465	2,463
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	14,299	14,247	4,747	4,850
White	10,647	10,527	3,919	3,978
Black or African American	2,507	2,608	518	591
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	114	*	19
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	709	669	161	155
Two or More Races	277	278	82	96
Hispanic or Latino	2,784	2,609	565	660
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	9,126	8,918	2,812	2,971
Small Metro	5,048	5,061	1,520	1,625
Nonmetro	2,909	2,878	980	915
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	1,684	1,548	941	993
Marijuana	1,178	1,091	714	739
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	800	737	465	496
Cigarettes	1,860 ^a	1,699	1,076	1,054
Alcohol	2,709	2,665	1,369	1,435
Binge Alcohol ⁴	1,539	1,525	891	929
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	3,329	3,165	1,735	1,778
Marijuana	2,366	2,193	1,303	1,287
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	1,940	1,814	1,105	1,164
Cigarettes	3,056 ^a	2,785	1,580	1,500
Alcohol	5,521	5,402	2,494	2,527
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	4,716	4,558	2,262	2,351
Marijuana	3,163	2,958	1,600	1,589
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	3,157	2,987	1,635	1,743
Cigarettes	5,200 ^b	4,784	2,373	2,264
Alcohol	6,966	6,802	2,999	3,047

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 3.52B How Interesting Courses at School Have Been During the Past Year, by Demographic Characteristics (I), and Selected Drug Use, by How Interesting Courses at School Have Been (II), among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Enrolled in School in the Past Year: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	How Interesting Courses at School Have Been ¹			
	Very/Somewhat Interesting		Very/Somewhat Boring	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	76.3	75.4	23.7	24.6
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	80.1	79.0	19.9	21.0
14-15	74.1	73.6	25.9	26.4
16-17	74.8	73.7	25.2	26.3
GENDER				
Male	75.1 ^a	73.4	24.9 ^a	26.6
Female	77.5	77.4	22.5	22.6
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	75.1	74.6	24.9	25.4
White	73.1	72.6	26.9	27.4
Black or African American	82.9	81.5	17.1	18.5
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	85.5	*	14.5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	81.5	81.2	18.5	18.8
Two or More Races	77.2	74.3	22.8	25.7
Hispanic or Latino	83.1 ^a	79.8	16.9 ^a	20.2
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	76.4	75.0	23.6	25.0
Small Metro	76.9	75.7	23.1	24.3
Nonmetro	74.8	75.9	25.2	24.1
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	9.9	9.2	17.7	18.0
Marijuana	6.9	6.5	13.4	13.4
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	4.7	4.4	8.8	9.0
Cigarettes	10.9	10.1	20.3	19.1
Alcohol	15.9	15.8	25.8	26.0
Binge Alcohol ⁴	9.0	9.0	16.8	16.9
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	19.5	18.8	32.7	32.3
Marijuana	13.8	13.0	24.5	23.4
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	11.4	10.8	20.8	21.1
Cigarettes	17.9 ^a	16.5	29.8 ^a	27.2
Alcohol	32.3	32.0	47.0	45.9
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	27.6	27.0	42.6	42.7
Marijuana	18.5	17.5	30.1	28.8
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	18.5	17.7	30.8	31.6
Cigarettes	30.4 ^b	28.4	44.7 ^b	41.1
Alcohol	40.8	40.4	56.5	55.3

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 3.53A How Often Teachers Let Youths Know They Were Doing a Good Job with Schoolwork in the Past Year, by Demographic Characteristics (I), and Selected Drug Use, by How Often Teachers Let Youths Know They Were Doing a Good Job with Schoolwork (II), among Persons Aged 12 to 17 Enrolled in School in the Past Year: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	Teachers Let Youths Know They Were Doing a Good Job With Schoolwork ¹			
	Always/Sometimes		Seldom/Never	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	16,950	17,362	5,431 ^b	5,026
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	5,853	6,025	1,321 ^a	1,178
14-15	5,816	5,641	1,990	1,912
16-17	5,281 ^b	5,697	2,120 ^a	1,935
GENDER				
Male	8,540	8,756	2,901	2,700
Female	8,410	8,607	2,529 ^a	2,326
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	14,302	14,745	4,735 ^b	4,363
White	10,713	10,950	3,843 ^a	3,562
Black or African American	2,440	2,670	585	534
American Indian or Alaska Native	111	113	46 ^a	20
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	720	671	150	154
Two or More Races	265	292	94	82
Hispanic or Latino	2,648	2,617	695	663
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	9,143	9,297	2,795	2,618
Small Metro	4,908	5,132	1,646	1,549
Nonmetro	2,899	2,934	990 ^a	859
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	1,701	1,731	925 ^a	815
Marijuana	1,214	1,235	678	599
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	803	845	461	393
Cigarettes	1,905	1,852	1,027 ^a	900
Alcohol	2,759	2,842	1,317	1,257
Binge Alcohol ⁴	1,602	1,679	826	773
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	3,408	3,441	1,655	1,507
Marijuana	2,426	2,390	1,244 ^a	1,090
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	2,015	2,042	1,029	942
Cigarettes	3,104	2,961	1,526 ^b	1,326
Alcohol	5,558	5,700	2,450 ^a	2,233
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	4,814	4,884	2,158	2,029
Marijuana	3,211	3,199	1,553 ^b	1,351
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	3,231	3,270	1,555	1,465
Cigarettes	5,265	5,029	2,306 ^b	2,021
Alcohol	6,998	7,152	2,962 ^a	2,703

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(I) Demographic Characteristic and (II) Drug Use	Teachers Let Youths Know They Were Doing a Good Job With Schoolwork ¹			
	Always/Sometimes		Seldom/Never	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	75.7 ^b	77.6	24.3 ^b	22.4
(I) Demographic Characteristic				
AGE				
12-13	81.6 ^b	83.6	18.4 ^b	16.4
14-15	74.5	74.7	25.5	25.3
16-17	71.4 ^b	74.6	28.6 ^b	25.4
GENDER				
Male	74.6 ^a	76.4	25.4 ^a	23.6
Female	76.9 ^a	78.7	23.1 ^a	21.3
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	75.1 ^b	77.2	24.9 ^b	22.8
White	73.6 ^b	75.5	26.4 ^b	24.5
Black or African American	80.7	83.3	19.3	16.7
American Indian or Alaska Native	70.8 ^a	84.6	29.2 ^a	15.4
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*
Asian	82.8	81.3	17.2	18.7
Two or More Races	73.8	78.0	26.2	22.0
Hispanic or Latino	79.2	79.8	20.8	20.2
COUNTY TYPE²				
Large Metro	76.6	78.0	23.4	22.0
Small Metro	74.9	76.8	25.1	23.2
Nonmetro	74.5 ^a	77.4	25.5 ^a	22.6
(II) Drug Use				
PAST MONTH				
Any Illicit Drug ³	10.0	10.0	17.0	16.2
Marijuana	7.2	7.1	12.5	11.9
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	4.7	4.9	8.5	7.8
Cigarettes	11.2	10.7	18.9	17.9
Alcohol	16.3	16.4	24.3	25.0
Binge Alcohol ⁴	9.5	9.7	15.2	15.4
PAST YEAR				
Any Illicit Drug ³	20.1	19.8	30.5	30.0
Marijuana	14.3	13.8	22.9	21.7
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	11.9	11.8	18.9	18.7
Cigarettes	18.3 ^a	17.1	28.1	26.4
Alcohol	32.8	32.8	45.1	44.4
LIFETIME				
Any Illicit Drug ³	28.4	28.1	39.7	40.4
Marijuana	18.9	18.4	28.6	26.9
Any Illicit Drug Other Than Marijuana ³	19.1	18.8	28.6	29.2
Cigarettes	31.1 ^b	29.0	42.5	40.2
Alcohol	41.3	41.2	54.5	53.8

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