



06–07 i-SAFE Internet safety statistics for Idaho¹ 5 – 8 grade students

As of May 23rd, 2007, approximately 23,000 total school children in Idaho have been trained by i-SAFE since 2002; more than 1,800 Idaho students have been trained so far during the current 06-07 academic year.

- 88% of students report that they spend at least one hour per week on the internet; 16% spend more than 10 hours per week on the internet (n = 294)
- 32% of students report that they have registered at a social networking website (e.g., MySpace.com, etc.) (n= 488)
- 18% of students report that they open emails from strangers (n = 485)
- 26% of students report having said mean or hurtful things on the internet to others (n = 482)
- 36% of students report that people on the internet have said mean or hurtful things about them or others while online (n = 173)
- 19% of students report that they tell their parents almost nothing/nothing about their internet only friends (n = 158)
- 23% of students report that they never quote the internet resources they use for schoolwork (n = 487)
- 25% of students report that they would classify someone they knew only from the internet and with whom they frequently meet online, who seems to share the same interests as they do, who seems to understand them, and who shares laughs and personal secrets as “a very good friend” or “a good friend” (n = 475)
- 6% of students report having been repeatedly pursued or contacted (stalked) by another against their wishes by another person on the internet (n = 155)
- 8% of students report that someone they know through the internet has asked them to keep their friendship a secret (n = 159)
- 13% of students report that they have met someone from the internet in person (n = 175)

¹ Live i-SAFE database pre-assessment queries on May 23rd 2007 (Idaho) for data collected between August 2006 and May 23rd 2007, 2:00 p.m. PST.