

2011 MIYHS: 30 Day Marijuana Use and Select Family/Community/Individual Risk Factors, Maine

(all rate ratios show a statistically significant difference)

High School Students

Among high school students who think that it is very easy or sort of easy to get marijuana, **34.7%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **4.8%** of students who think marijuana is sort of hard or very hard to get. High school students who believe that marijuana is easy to get are **7.3** times as likely to use the drug.

Among high school students who believe that their parents feel it is a little wrong or not wrong at all for the student to smoke marijuana, **63.0%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **15.2%** of students who think their parents feel it is wrong or very wrong. High school students who don't believe their parents think it is wrong for them to use marijuana are **4.1** times as likely to use the drug.

Among high school students who think there is no risk or slight risk of harming themselves if they smoke marijuana regularly, **42.2%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **6.5%** of students who think the risk is moderate to great. High school students who think there is little risk from smoking marijuana regularly are **6.5** times as likely to use the drug.

Among high school students who think that they will probably not or definitely not be caught by the police if they smoke marijuana in their neighborhood, **26.4%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **8.7%** of students who think they probably will or definitely will be caught by the police. High school students who think they will not be caught by the police if they smoke marijuana in their neighborhood are **3.0** times as likely to use the drug.

Among high school students who believe that adults in their neighborhood feel it is a little wrong or not wrong at all for kids their age to use marijuana, **47.0%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **14.7%** of students who think adults feel it is wrong or very wrong. High school students who believe that adults in their community think it is okay for kids their age to use marijuana are **3.2** times as likely to use the drug.

Among high school students who think that there is a pretty good to very good chance that they would be considered "cool" if they smoked marijuana, **36.4%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **19.1%** of students who think there is no, little, or some chance of seeming cool. High school students who think they will be considered cool if they smoke marijuana are **1.9** times as likely to use the drug.

Among high school students who personally know adults who have gotten drunk or high in the past year, **26.1%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **8.3%** of students who

had not known adults that had gotten drunk or high. High school students who know adults that have gotten drunk or high in the past year are **3.1** times as likely to use marijuana.

Middle School Students

Among middle school students who think that it is very easy or sort of easy to get marijuana, **21.2%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **1.1%** of students who think marijuana is sort of hard or very hard to get. Middle school students who believe that marijuana is easy to get are **18.6** times as likely to use the drug.

Among middle school students who believe that their parents feel it is a little wrong or not wrong at all for the student to smoke marijuana, **37.2%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **3.0%** of students who think their parents feel it is wrong or very wrong. Middle school students who don't believe their parents think it is wrong for them to use marijuana are **12.5** times as likely to use the drug.

Among middle school students who think there is no risk or slight risk of harming themselves if they smoke marijuana regularly, **18.5%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **1.5%** of students who think the risk is moderate to great. Middle school students who think there is little risk from smoking marijuana regularly are **12.4** times as likely to use the drug.

Among middle school students who think that they will probably not or definitely not be caught by the police if they smoke marijuana in their neighborhood, **9.5%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **1.4%** of students who think they probably will or definitely will be caught by the police. Middle school students who think they will not be caught by the police if they smoke marijuana in their neighborhood are **6.7** times as likely to use the drug.

Among middle school students who believe that adults in their neighborhood feel it is a little wrong or not wrong at all for kids their age to use marijuana, **33.1%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **2.8%** of students who think adults feel it is wrong or very wrong. Middle school students who believe that adults in their community think it is okay for kids their age to use marijuana are **12.0** times as likely to use the drug.

Among middle school students who think that there is a pretty good to very good chance that they would be considered "cool" if they smoked marijuana, **21.5%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **3.3%** of students who think there is no, little, or some chance of seeming cool. Middle school students who think they will be considered cool if they smoke marijuana are **6.6** times as likely to use the drug.

Among middle school students who personally know adults who have gotten drunk or high in the past year, **7.4%** had used marijuana in the past 30 days, compared with **1.7%** of students who don't know adults who have gotten drunk or high. Middle school students who know adults that have gotten drunk or high in the past year are **4.5** times as likely use marijuana.