

BEHAVIORS THAT LEAD TO INJURY AND VIOLENCE: HIGH SCHOOL

LOCAL AND NATIONAL HEALTH FACTS

Maine Data:

One in five high school students report being electronically bullied in the past year.

Almost one in four students report that violence or the threat of violence made them want to leave their home, even just for a short while.

Students who identify as gay or lesbian are almost **4** times as likely as heterosexual students to have attempted suicide in the past 12 months.

8% (over 4,700) of all Maine high school students report being physically forced to have sexual intercourse against their will.

CDC National Data:

An estimated 30% of secondary school students in the United States were either a bully, a target of bullying, or both.

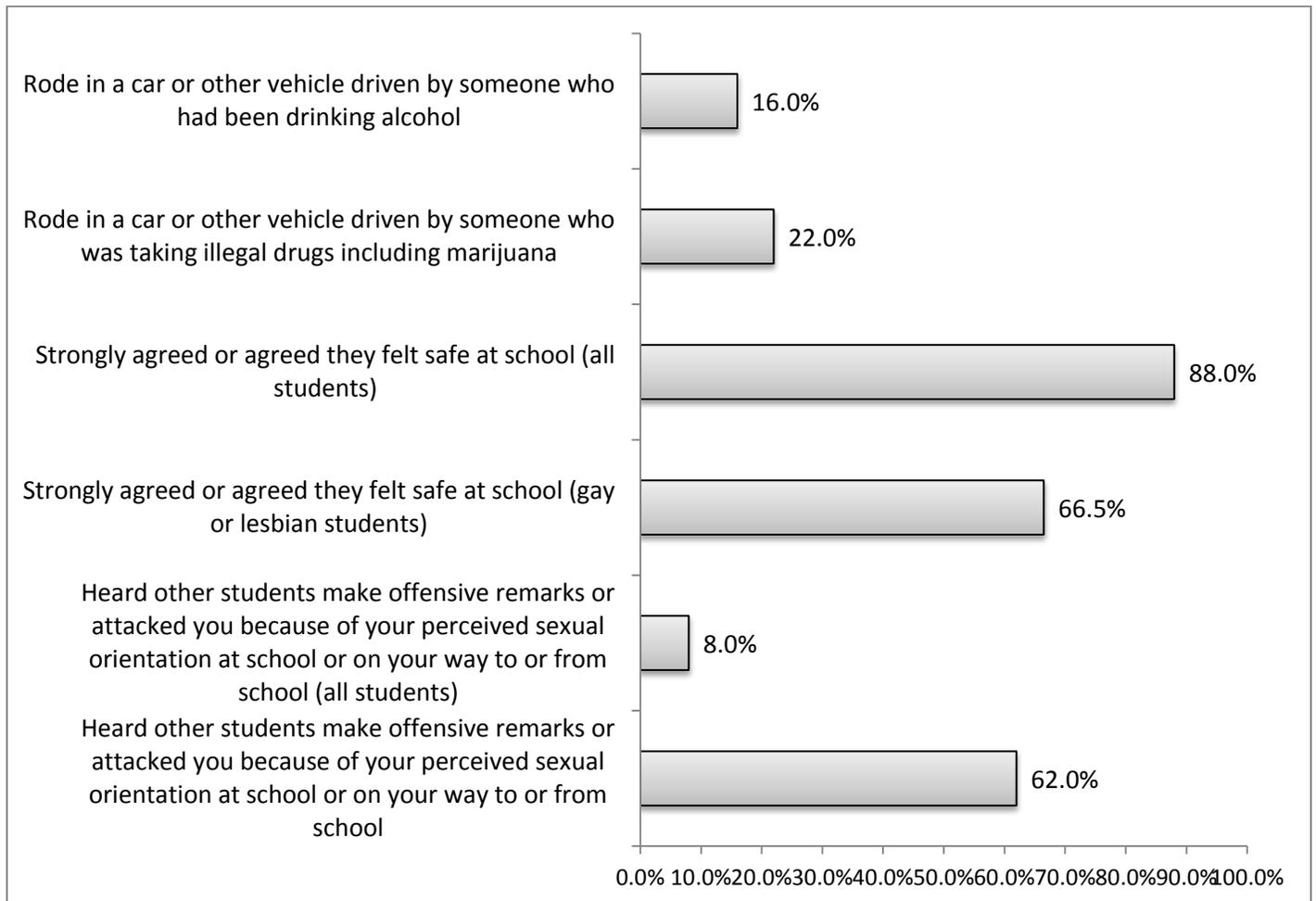
Approximately 72% of all deaths among US adolescents aged 10-24 years are attributed to injuries from only four causes: motor vehicle crashes (30%), all other unintentional injuries (15%), homicide (15%), and suicide (12%).

TRENDS OVER THE PAST FOURTEEN YEARS...

	1997	1999	2001	2003	2005	2007	2009	2011	1997 Compared to 2011	2009 Compared to 2011
% Skipped school for fear of being unsafe at school or on the way to or from school (One or more times in the 30 days preceding the survey)										
ME HS	4	n/a	9	5	3	5	5.5	4.6	No Change	No Change
National	4	5	6.6	5.4	6	5.5	5	6	No Change	No Change
% Been in a physical fight (One or more times during the 12 months preceding the survey)										
ME HS	32.5	n/a	31	26.5	28	26.5	23	19.5	Decreased	Decreased
National	36.6	35.7	33.2	33	35.9	35.5	31.5	33	Decreased	No Change
% Ever seriously considered about killing themselves (One or more times during the 12 months preceding the survey)										
ME HS	24.5	n/a	18.6	17	13	11	12	11	Decreased	No Change
National	20.5	19	19	17	17	14.5	13.8	16	Decreased	Increased

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Percentage of high school students who...



Maine Priority Decrease Suicidal Behavior	Maine Priority Increase School Safety	Maine Priority Anti-Harassment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The percentage of students who attempted suicide has remained at a similar rate since 1997 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Over 2,800 Maine high school students stayed home from school at least once in the past month because they felt unsafe at school or on the way to or from school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sexual orientation remains a harassment target with over 60% of gay and lesbian students report hearing offensive remarks because of their perceived sexual orientation